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3 GIs missing; NATO bombs away

■ NATO vows there will be no haven for Serbs, while, in Macedonia, fears mount that Serb forces captured three U.S. soldiers.

By George Jahn
Associated Press

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — Widening its air assault on Yugoslavia, NATO pounded targets Wednesday near a major Kosovo city and vowed there would be "no sanctuary" for Yugoslav forces trying to rid Kosovo of ethnic Albanians (Kosovars).

Late Wednesday, NATO said three U.S. soldiers on a reconnaissance mission were missing in Macedonia near the Yugoslav border; they have possi-

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bly been abducted by Serb fighters.

"They received small arms fire and said they were surrounded," NATO said in a statement. A ground and air search was under way.

With the air campaign against President Slobodan Milosevic's forces entering its second week, Western officials acknowledged that NATO's missiles and bombs had so

far failed to stop Belgrade's offensive in the province.

Thousands more refugees from the province poured across the frontier Wednesday into neighboring countries that are already overwhelmed by Kosovars who have fled their homes since the NATO bombing began March 24.

Russia backed its disapproval of the NATO campaign with a show of force Wednesday, saying it was dispatching a frigate to the Mediterranean and putting other warships on standby. NATO warships firing cruise missiles

at Yugoslavia are deployed in the Adriatic Sea, an arm of the Mediterranean.

With hints from Western diplomats that NATO bombs and missiles could soon be raining down on the Yugoslav capital of Belgrade, NATO spokesman Jamie Shea on Wednesday reiterated the alliance's insistence that Yugoslav security forces are bent on purging Kosovo of both Kosovars and their culture.

Shea said Yugoslav forces were destroying archives, including proper-

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DOUBLE SLAYING

Friends remember Lehner as shining star

■ The Wisconsin woman who was a victim in the South Van Buren double-homicide was buried Wednesday.

By Greg Smith
Associated Press

NORWALK, Wis. — Prom queen, scholar, athlete and voted Most Likely to Succeed, Maria Theresa Lehner was the shining star of her graduating class of 32 students at Brookwood High School in 1989.

Now, 10 years later, Lehner is dead, bludgeoned to death and severely burned in Iowa City in a bizarre double homicide-arson case that leaves those who came to bury her Wednesday baffled and hurt.

"She was just a really nice person — always a smile, very pleasant all the time. I can't remember anyone ever being mad at her," said Wayne Barrett, Lehner's history teacher at the tiny high school — 140 students — that sits on the outskirts of Lehner's hometown in western Wisconsin.

Old classmates and friends who learned of Lehner's death on March 25 and 26 — authorities didn't release her name publicly until March 27 — arrived in town for services at St. Augustine's Catholic Church.

"She was just a very, very well-spoken person. I just can't believe that something like this happened to her," said former classmate Tim Keller, who now teaches science at the school.

Services were held Wednesday morning for Lehner, 27, who played volleyball and softball for the Norwalk Falcons while earning National Honor Society accolades and a college scholarship. Her studies eventually led her to work as an environmental scientist.

Approximately 250 people crowded into tiny St. Augustine's for this morning's funeral. The church is about a half-mile from Lehner's Market, a grocery store owned by her family, which was closed for the service.

The Rev. Joseph Hirsch, who led the funeral mass, began by blessing Leh-

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Lehner

After tax flops, library looks to another plan

■ Public library officials say the expansion plan is on hold for now — but not for good.

By Steven Cook
The Daily Iowan

Iowa City Public Library officials say they are optimistic about expanding the library, even in the aftermath of Tuesday's resounding defeat of a local-option sales tax that would have funded the project.

"It wasn't all for nothing," library Director Susan Craig said. "One positive thing was, there was a lot of support for the library from campaign people on both sides."

Johnson County voters gave an emphatic "No" Tuesday to efforts to raise the sales tax locally from 5 to 6 percent.

With the tax, the library would have expanded from 47,000 square feet to 80,000 square feet. The proposed library expansion and downtown cultural-center project was expected to cost \$22 million; city officials had estimated the library project alone would have cost \$17 million.

The library Board of Trustees is now left scrambling to find another proposal to expand the library. The next scheduled board meeting is on April 22, but, Craig said, members are planning a special meeting on April 7 to discuss their options.

Craig said she hopes to have a proposal to expand the library by May 1.

One option could be a bond referendum, which would require a 60 percent favorable vote by city residents. A bond referendum would use property taxes for funding.

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RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS



To the RESCUE

Recent Iowa City fires have the Red Cross racing to help the victims.

By Rebecca Anderson
The Daily Iowan

Iowa City Red Cross volunteer Jimmy Buffy is a little on edge these days. "Right now, I need some Valium," Buffy said. "We don't typically have three disasters, one after another."

Tuesday's fire at 919 E. Burlington St. left eight Iowa City residents homeless. Iowa City Fire Department Capt. Dan Smith said the official cause of the fire was sparks from a blow torch used to heat roofing

materials — a common roofing practice, he said.

"I've been on several roof fires with the same cause, but I've never seen one that big," he said.

Fire officials are ruling the fire accidental.

The blaze was the third in a string of recent Iowa City fires, following the March 26 fire at Mondo's and the March 19 fire on South Van Buren Street.

With all this going on, Buffy said, See RED CROSS, Page 5A

Brian Ray/
The Daily Iowan

UI students Mike McLendon and Renee Bierman speak with Red Cross volunteers as their house at 919 E. Burlington St. burns Monday.

All right, Stop! Collaborate and listen: Vanilla Ice coming to Gabe's

■ The once-vanilla rapper is on tour with his new album and a new style — punk.

By Julia Di Gangi
The Daily Iowan

Ice is back with a brand-new edition. Rapper and early '90s icon Vanilla Ice will light up the stage at Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St., on April 14.

Doug Roberson, Gabe's talent director, anticipates that the 300 tickets for the show will sell out.

He said he also expects to see a positive reaction on the part of students.

"Most of the students were in middle school when 'Ice Ice Baby' came out," he said. "I'm sure that will bring a smirk to their face, don't you think?"

But students expecting to be brought back to their middle-school years by

the rapper's nostalgic songs may be in for a surprise. With his new album, *Hard To Swallow*, which was released in October 1998, Vanilla Ice seems to be exploring a new genre — punk. Ice's old rap format has melted, and he now bears a closer resemblance to Korn and Rage Against the Machine than MC Hammer.

Roberson said he is unsure what will be on Ice's repertoire, but he assumes that the tour, which started March 10, is to promote the new Ice album and revamped style.

"(The fans) can't believe that they really want to go (to the concert)



Ice Ice Baby

because they hate it so much, or they can't believe they want to go because they love it so much," Roberson said.

But some students are somewhere in the middle.

UI junior Lori Ganser said, "I don't know — I was forced to be a fan because I heard my sister playing the CD over and over again."

UI sophomore Aaron Martin is among the anti-Vanilla Ice crowd that won't be lining up at Gabe's the night of the concert.

"I won't be going, because he's a stupid-looking white guy trying to rap," he said.

No matter what the student response, Roberson sees the event as one he cannot pass up, calling it a "win-win situation." Gabe's stands only to profit from the event, because it will bear none of the production

costs and will retain all liquor sales from the show.

"Given those terms, how could we turn it down?" Roberson said.

The independent concert production agency Avalanche Productions, based in Lawrence, Kan., is bringing the Ice Man to Iowa City.

Avalanche Promotions originally offered the show to the Union Bar, 121 E. College St., but it declined the offer, a decision Roberson called "goofy."

For the event, Roberson said, he is looking into the possibility of broadcasting the upstairs show on downstairs monitors.

"We're testing the possibility of mounting a video camera that will simulcast the show downstairs, so the overflow can witness the great event," he said.

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Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

The UI kicked off its celebration of CokeMonth '99 Wednesday with a mud-wrestling contest in a Coke/dirt medium and a vending-machine pull race, among other activities. Story on Page 4A.

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New territory for Canada

IQALUIT, Nunavut — Dignitaries and foreign TV crews crowded into this small Baffin Island town Wednesday, and Inuit chefs prepared a huge feast featuring caribou, musk ox and raw seal to celebrate the creation of Nunavut, Canada's newest territory.

Stretching deep into the Arctic, with only 25,000 residents in an area as large as Western Europe, Nunavut is the product of the largest land-claims settlement in Canada's history and gives its Inuit majority their long-sought chance at self-government. PAGE 10A



Justice costly for towns

LARAMIE, Wyo. — Small towns are finding that the price of justice for mega-trials isn't cheap, and taxpayers are bearing the brunt of it. PAGE 7A

N.Y. officers indicted

NEW YORK — Four white police officers were charged with murder Wednesday for killing an unarmed African immigrant in a hail of 41 bullets — a shooting that has led to months of protests and a painful examination of police tactics and race relations. PAGE 6A

Jordan rumors false

Don't count on Michael Jordan owning a piece of the Charlotte Hornets and playing for them, too.

It would be against NBA rules, it might tarnish his place in history, and it would involve him bouncing a basketball again — something he says he's finished doing.

That was the reaction Wednesday from the league. Jordan's agent and one of his close friends following a report that the five-time MVP was considering coming out of retirement to play for the Hornets next season if he is successful in purchasing a share of the team. PAGE 1B



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A pair of cyclists make their way along Lost Bridge Trail at sunset near Rochester, Ill., Tuesday. The Midwest's dry weather is expected to change to rain later in the week. Chris Young/Associated Press

THE LEDGE
NEW 911 SERVICE ANNOUNCED

Century Communications Wednesday announced plans for an exciting new 900 service, with profits to go to help defray the cost of installing and maintaining enhanced 911 service across the country. Called "The 911 Chatline," it allows callers to choose an area of the country and to listen to 911 emergency calls from it. When asked what prompted this unusual foray into the 900 business, Century spokeswoman Dawn Lebowitz said, "In recent years we've seen a dramatic increase in the popularity of reality-based television shows. The 911 Chatline allows callers to experience real-life drama while it is going on, all from the comfort of their own home." While listening to the emergency calls going through, callers to the chatline have a number of options. They can listen to only the 911 calls for the area they select, switch their call to a different area, or, probably the most interesting option, connect their call to the "911 Chatline" to discuss the details of the emergencies with each other as they happen — before the police have even arrived. Thanks to new voice recognition software from AT&T, callers do not even need a touch-tone telephone in order to use the service.

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Urban mode hops in Hall M

■ Two entrepreneurs new clothes shop features styles influenced by hip hop, skate and the rave scene.

By Quinn O'Keefe
The Daily Iowan

The newest addition to downtown district's Hall M is bringing a new spin to the stagnant fashion scene, owners say.

The new shop — "Defensive Fashion Trends" — underground urban style described by the owners as a mix of hip hop, skate and rave scene. Its grand opening is March 22.

Opening the store has "threatening" experience young duo who put up to make it happen — UI student Rudbeck and local DJ Rich Heller.

"Right now, everything is invested in this. But I think we know a great deal," Heller said. "We live the clothes and the style — life, and the risk so far worthwhile." Rudbeck, a former c

No burn

■ A UI graduate, known some as a constitutional expert, spoke on the of the American flag.

By Quinn O'Keefe
The Daily Iowan

Pledging allegiance to doesn't necessarily mean one's hand over one's remembering those who lives for our country, said Wednesday.

Walter Berns, a UI graduate noted constitutional expert, spoke on the of the American flag to gathered at the Boyd Law Center. Berns, who has taught at several universities, including Cornell and Georgetown, in the past few decades have lost touch with what flag stands for.

"All Americans, out there, pledge their allegiance to the flag for which it stands," he said. "But the flag stands for nothing important if the flag is concerned. It is

newsmakers

'Lolita' gets help from all sides

MINEOLA, N.Y. (AP) — Amy Fisher has won the support of prosecutors in her motion to vacate her assault conviction — and also the backing of the woman she shot in the head.

Mary Jo Buttafuoco joined prosecutors in the motion on behalf of Fisher, who said she was denied effective legal advice when she pleaded guilty to first-degree assault.

Fisher has been in jail for almost seven years for shooting Buttafuoco, the wife of her lover. The case drew national attention and she was dubbed the "Long Island Lolita."



Fisher

■ LOS ANGELES (AP) — A former producer for "Melrose Place" has filed a \$11 million lawsuit against Spelling Television Inc., claiming he was defamed and wrongfully fired.

James Hayes III said he was fired last year for allegedly failing to enforce sexual harassment policy, according to the Superior Court lawsuit.

■ LOS ANGELES (AP) — Former President Reagan's grandson, arrested for allegedly trying to break into a car, has pleaded no contest to one count of receiving stolen property.

Cameron Reagan, 20, faces up to three years in state prison, prosecutor Lea Purwin D'Agostino said Tuesday. He also faces prosecution on four other charges. Reagan and a friend, Christopher Lopez, were arrested in November by police who said the pair tried to enter parked vehicles by pulling on the doors.

Tom Arnold, wife file for divorce

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Actor Tom Arnold and his wife, Julie, have filed for divorce after 3½ years of marriage.

The filing Tuesday in a Los Angeles court cited irreconcilable differences and said a financial settlement would be reached later, publicist Staci Newman said.

Arnold, 39, was previously married to comedian and TV star Roseanne. That nearly four-year union ended in 1994.

A year later, he married Julie Lynne Champnella, now 25, in Dearborn, Mich. It was her first marriage. The couple have no children.



Arnold

calendar

St. Paul Lutheran Chapel and University Center will sponsor Maundy Thursday Communion Service at 404 E. Jefferson St. at 6:30 p.m.

Campus Crusade for Christ will sponsor "Real Life" in the Terrace Room of the Union at 8 p.m.

Campus Bible Fellowship will sponsor a discussion of Matthew 27: "The Day Death Died" in the Indiana Room of the Union at 6:30 p.m.

Week of the Young Child Committee will sponsor "Oh What They See — Language Development in Young Children" in the Peterson Conference Room, E-139/E-140 of the UI Hospitals and Clinics, from noon-1 p.m.

UI briefs

Lab develops method of studying DNA replication

A UI research team has developed a way to isolate replicating deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) molecules that scientists then can use to examine the replication process under controlled conditions. This advance will allow investigators to better understand DNA replication and may lead to improved therapies for treating diseases such as cancer.

"One of the difficulties with studying the DNA replication process is that there are multiple protein complexes involved, and it is difficult to experimentally dissect individual reactions that are occurring," said Marc Wold, UI associate professor of biochemistry and the project's principal investigator. "Our procedure will allow us to examine these reactions in more detail."

DNA is the genetic material that encodes all components in human cells. Each cell contains more than two meters of DNA. Every time a cell divides, it is necessary to duplicate all of its DNA.

Using DNA derived from the Simian Virus 40 from monkeys, Wold and members of his team let DNA replication start in an extract from human cells. The researchers attach magnetic beads to the DNA molecules and use a magnet to isolate the molecules and associated replication proteins. They can then manipulate the extracted DNA and add specific replication proteins in a controlled manner to understand the mechanics of DNA replication.

"This will mean we can start asking specific questions about the reactions during replication and learn more about the specific roles of replication proteins," Wold said.



horoscopes

by Eugenia Last

Thursday, April 1, 1999

ARIES (March 21-April 19): An emotional upset will cause temper tantrums. Try to curb your reactions to situations regarding home and family. Busy yourself with projects that require little interaction with others.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): It is best to get involved in activities that will get you out of the house. Romantic connections can be made if you approach someone you're interested in. It's time to say what you think.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Difficulties with children will surface if you break a promise. Rest and relaxation will be required if you've been trying to do too much. Stomach problems due to poor diet or stress can be expected.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You need to be disciplined and focused if you don't want your negative emotional side to take over and ruin your day. Spend time improving yourself. You'll be happy you did.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your outgoing personality will inspire confidence in others. Get involved in events that require physical endurance. Your need to be in the limelight will bring out the showman in you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): New friendships can be established if you participate in social activities or worthwhile functions. Your ability to deal with groups won't go unnoticed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Someone you live with will be totally unpredictable. Avoid involvement with overindulgent individuals. Problems with your house must be taken care of immediately.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your keen memory will help you outsmart any opponent who tries to pull a fast one on you. Set the stage for your next big change. It's time for you to spruce up your image.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You'll make money if you're willing to put your cash on the line. A worthwhile investment may not be what your mate has in mind. Use your own cash and you won't have a problem.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Make special plans for you and the one you love. Romance will lead to a passionate and fulfilling night. You can stabilize your relationship and make future plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't let your work interfere with your responsibilities to the ones you love. If you made a promise to do things with family, you mustn't renege. Your work will still be there when you get back.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Potential lovers will show interest in you if you are happy and positive about yourself. You need to get involved in organizations that will allow you to grow.

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CITY

Urban mode hip hops into Hall Mall

Two entrepreneurs open a new clothes shop featuring styles influenced by hip hop, skate and the rave scene.

By Quinn O'Keefe
The Daily Iowan

The newest addition to the downtown district's Hall Mall aims to bring a new spin to Iowa City's stagnant fashion scene, the store's owners say.

The new shop — "DFT" (Definitive Fashion Trends) — supplies underground urban fashion, described by the owners as a mixture of hip hop, skate and the rave scene. Its grand opening was on March 22.

Opening the store has been a "threatening" experience for the young duo who put up the cash to make it happen — UI senior Tom Rudbeck and local DJ Richie Heller.

"Right now, everything we have is invested in this. But it is a subject we know a great deal about," Heller said. "We live this. All the clothes and the style — this is our life, and the risk so far has been worthwhile."

Rudbeck, a former cab driver



Brian Moore/The Daily Iowan

UI senior Tom Rudbeck and local DJ Richie Heller stand in their new store, "DFT" (Definitive Fashion Trends), located in the Hall Mall.

and current economics major, and Heller, a rotation DJ at Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St., have no hands-on experience in the retail industry, but that did not hinder them. The store's concept, they say, is making underground urban fashion accessible in the Iowa City area, a notion that can sell itself.

"There is a definite market for this style of clothing, and until now, no one to supply it," Rudbeck said. "The style is getting popular — you could go to the mall and buy examples of it — but this is the real stuff."

While browsing through the store, Iowa City resident Jeremy Mitchell agreed that there was a need for such a store in the area.

"There aren't many places with an urban blend. At the mall, people get the same clothes and display themselves. Here, there is variety," he said.

The Hall Mall was Rudbeck and Heller's first choice of store loca-

tions because of its "unique vibe" and "well-known" status.

"We are displaying underground fashion trends, and we do not want to do that commercially, which makes the Hall Mall's 'anonymity' perfect," Heller said.

Rudbeck and Heller say their friends question the store's possibility of success.

However, David Hensley, associate director of the UI business school Entrepreneurial Center, says success as an entrepreneur can be reached at any age and level of experience. What is important, he said, are the innovations and creativity of the entrepreneur.

"Creating new small businesses today and becoming entrepreneurs is a great opportunity for young people to go out and make their way," Hensley said. "But the risk of losing their initial investment is always a factor."

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Locals begin Passover celebration

The eight-day Jewish holiday commemorates the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt.

By Anita Chilpala
The Daily Iowan

Many students in the Iowa City Jewish community may choose to pass on doing their homework for the next couple of days.

The eight-day Jewish holiday of Passover began at sundown Wednesday and will continue until sundown on April 8.

Those who observe the holiday are generally barred from doing any work during the first two days and last two days of the holiday. This includes no turning on and off lights, no driving and no reading, said Rebecca Singer of the Jewish Campus Service Corps.

"It's really hard to be observant in Iowa City, because there isn't a large Jewish community," she said.

UI senior Diana Fahimy, a native of Israel, said Passover in Iowa City is much different from other places.

"It's more of a matter of culture," she said. "Here, I'm more in contact with Eastern European Jews. So the songs, the style of singing and the food is different."

Passover commemorates the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt.

"It's a holiday that really celebrates freedom," Singer said. "It tells the story of how the Jewish people survived one particular situation of persecution."

Passover got its name from the biblical story of the 10 plagues. By placing a spot of blood on their doors, the enslaved Israelites would be protected from the "Angel of Death," who would "pass over" their homes.

"Passover is the most widely celebrated Jewish holiday," said Rabbi Jeff Portman. "It has to do with food and family and is highly ritualistic."

On the first two nights of Passover, family, friends and Jewish communities gather together for the Seder, the festive meal.

It begins with the reading from the "Haggadah," which tells the story of Passover. The Seder then follows.

"Each family has a slightly different twist in how to prepare the Seder," Portman said.

Despite some differences, everyone generally eats matzo — unleavened bread.

"When the Jews left Egypt, they had no time to let the bread rise that they had made," Singer said. "We're not allowed to eat

"I'm going to give thanks to God for letting the Jews out of oppression. And that's still applicable in the world today."

— Rachel Pickett,
UI sophomore

leavened bread during the eight days."

Each of the foods prepared for the meal is symbolic. Charoset, which is a sweet mixture of apples, nuts and wine, represents the sweetness of freedom. And because of its clay-like form, it is a reminder of the mortar the Israelites used in building pyramids.

Bitter herbs are dipped in salt-water, symbolizing the bitterness of slavery.

UI sophomore Rachel Pickett said she is going to celebrate by having a small Seder meal.

"I'm going to give thanks to God for letting the Jews out of oppression," she said. "And that's still applicable in the world today."

"Passover allows to preserve Jewish tradition and continuity," Singer said. "It's a culture and a heritage as well as a religion."

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No burn, baby, burn for this scholar

A UI graduate, known by some as a constitutional expert, spoke on the meaning of the American flag.

By Quinn O'Keefe
The Daily Iowan

Pledging allegiance to the flag doesn't necessarily mean holding one's hand over one's heart but remembering those who gave their lives for our country, a lecturer said Wednesday.

Walter Berns, a UI graduate and a noted constitutional scholar, spoke on what it means to be loyal to the American flag to a group gathered at the Boyd Law Building.

Berns, who has taught at such esteemed universities as Yale, Cornell and Georgetown, said that in the past few decades Americans have lost touch with what their flag stands for.

"All Americans, out of habit, pledge their allegiance to the republic for which it stands," he said to the audience. "But the republic stands for nothing important where the flag is concerned. It is obvious to

me that this is not the view of those who designed the flag."

Berns disagrees with past court decisions protecting flag desecration under the First Amendment.

"Speech is expression, but not all expressions are speech," he said. "And the First Amendment protects the freedom of speech, not expression."

The Federalist Society asked Berns to the UI because it respects his stance on constitutional interpretation, said Brian Hook, a third-year law student and a member of the society.

"We try getting speakers such as Berns to improve intellectual diversity on campus," he said. "Berns reminds us of what the American flag symbolizes."

Todd Trumpold, a UI law student and Air Force veteran, said he thought Berns was interesting and patriotic but that his lecture seemed to have the opposite effect of what Berns intended.

"This country represents something so strong it cannot be damaged by simply burning the flag," he said. "I think the ability to do that stands as a testament to the

greatness of this country."

Trumpold offered this comment during a question-and-answer session with Berns.

"Burning the flag is such an offense I cannot believe it would be done by anyone who harbored any love for this country," Berns said.

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LEGAL MATTERS

POLICE

Joseph A. Schauenberg, 21, 9 1/2 S. Dubuque St., was charged with keeping a disorderly house on March 31 at 2 a.m.

Matthew A. Britton, 21, LeMars, Iowa, was charged with public intoxication at the Rush Hour Bar, 13 S. Linn St., on March 31 at 1:49 a.m.

Thomas G. Cotter, 22, 532 S. Van Buren St., was charged with disorderly conduct at the Rush Hour Bar on March 31 at 1:48 a.m.

Michael S. Romp, 19, Rlenow Residence Hall Room 530, was charged with public intoxication at 10 E. Washington St. on March 31 at 2:07 a.m.

— compiled by Zack Kucharski

COURTS

Magistrate

Public intoxication — Matthew A. Britton, LeMars, Iowa, was fined \$90; Michael S. Romp, Rlenow Residence Hall Room 530, was fined \$90.

Disorderly conduct — Thomas G. Cotter, 532 S. Van Buren St., was fined \$90.

Animal at large — Jeremy T. Lampe, Coralville, was fined \$90.

Possession of fictitious driver's license — Michael S. Romp, Rlenow Residence Hall Room 530, was fined \$112.50.

District

Theft, first-degree — John L. Hildreth,

North Liberty, no preliminary hearing has been set.

Theft, fourth-degree — Justin R. Pedersen, West Liberty, no preliminary hearing has been set.

Operating while intoxicated — Timothy J. Schemmel, Coralville, no preliminary hearing has been set.

Possession of a schedule I controlled substance — Scott A. Sears, Currier Residence Hall Room N224, no preliminary hearing has been set.

Driving under suspension — Mary J. Wiele, Coralville, a preliminary hearing was set for March 31 at 8 a.m.

— compiled by John G. Russell

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CITY

Furby or not Furby rings through UI

■ The "gifted" toy warns the UI of the West's cultural hegemony.

By Nathan Hill
The Daily Iowan

A famed human-rights advocate warned against the homogenization of the world's cultures Wednesday night in front of a crowd of 300 people.

Fresh off promoting his book, "Boo-Bay: The ontological paradox of McWorld," freedom-fighter and delightful holiday gift Furby said the Furbish language is in danger of becoming extinct.

"The Western world exerts overwhelming pressure on indigenous languages," he said. "More and more I find that when I say *kah toh-loo may-tay*, nobody knows what the hell I'm talking about. This is unacceptable."

Furby went on to argue that a decreased consumer interest in recent months is threatening the entire Furbish culture. He then challenged the crowd to become more proactive.

"If you claim to value cultural diversity, then prove it to me," he said. "Buy more Furbys! Empty your wallets! Buy! Buy! Buy!"

Many audience members complained afterwards that the speech wasn't accessible to the

Iowa community, because much of it was in Furbish. Furby punctuated many sentences with "u-nye loo-loo" or "lee-koo u-tye."

"I'm glad the language is making a comeback, but I just didn't get most of it," said UI junior Trent Richey. "Why couldn't he just speak English? I mean, this is America."

Furby's speech, which was sponsored by the Global Focus lecture series, attracted a diverse audience ranging from faculty members to shoppers looking to nab the hot-item toy.

"As soon as the little guy stops talking, I'm gonna get him," said Iowa City resident Lynne Marshall. "My little Timmy was begging for a Furby for months."

Some top UI administrators who were in the audience said that even though they couldn't understand much of Furby's speech, the rest of it was inspirational.

"The UI does a great job of getting the best lecturers around," said UI President Sarah Cole Lewman. "That's why the UI is one of the top 10 public universities in the country."

The lecture was followed by a brief question-and-answer session. Students and faculty asked Furby about his book, his travels and if batteries were included in his box.

But Furby's displeasure with



Andrea Bauer/The Daily Iowan

Furby reads from his book to crowd of 300 Wednesday.

the crowd was obvious as he curtly answered each question by saying, "Ooh-nay tickle."

"The crowd was a bunch of morons," he said afterwards in a phone interview with *The Daily Iowan*. "Don't you people have degrees or something? It makes me want to boo koo-doh."

One UI student enraged Furby during the session by asking about Tickle Me Elmo, Furby's staunch academic rival.

"I didn't mean to ruffle his feathers, er, fur," said UI senior

Jake McPhee. "I just wanted to know whether he thinks he's riding Elmo's coattails."

"I'm way cooler than that ugly red fuzball," Furby said. "I can close my eyes, play games, wiggle my ears and give you love like no human being can. All that little bastard can do is giggle and vibrate."

Furby was paid \$10,000 for the lecture. Afterwards, he was promptly put into "deep sleep."

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When in Rome, drink like the Romans

■ Alcohol will once again be allowed in fraternity houses due to a linguistic loophole.

By Cori Zarek
The Daily Iowan

After a six-month dry spell, the UI's Greek chapters have finally skirted the no-alcohol rule by declaring themselves "Romans."

"The policy says that Greeks can't drink in their houses," said Al Shipman, Iowa City attorney. "It says nothing about Romans."

"Greeks, Romans — it's all the same," said Tom Hill, Delta Tau Chi fraternity president. "I mean they all wore togas, didn't they?"

The UI mandate stated Greeks would go dry on Sept. 1. But when they enacted the policy a year early, they "did it to themselves" said Laura Travis, a member of Pi Kappa Tau sorority.

"It seemed like a good idea at the time," she said. "But if we call ourselves Romans, we can drink till dawn."

Though UI Dean of Student Activities Karl Riley was the first to announce the alcohol-free policy, he said as long as the houses are now considered "Roman," there's nothing UI administrators can do.

"Really, it's a pretty good idea," he said. "I mean, sure, there might be some legal problems, but that's

all Greek to me. Hah-hah-hah." UI President Angie Lynn Molson said the move shows the creative genius of the Roman community.

"Renaming the Greeks is a great way to make the UI one of the top 10 public universities in the country," she said. "Bending the rules provides great real-world experience for our students."

Historically, Romans borrowed much of their culture from the Greeks, and it was only a matter of time before the switch was made, Molson said.

Another change will involve renaming the now-Roman chapters. Greek letters Alpha, Beta, Zeta, Omega and Chi will no longer be used. Instead, a Roman numerical system will be put into place. Alpha Chi Zeta, for example, will now be called LMCVI.

"I think numerical houses will be totally cool, man," said Bill Yates, a member of ChiBeta Omega, now named MCVII. "No one will be able to pronounce our names — like the Artist Formerly Known as Prince, except with frat houses."

Yates said it will also help the chapters "pick up the ladies." "It will definitely put a new spin on the pick up line 'What's your number, baby' when we host some rocking beer parties," he said.

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From LJC to ASS, UI sits on cutting edge of inclusive vocab

■ The UI takes a step forward by making its campus-wide language more millennium-able.

By Nathan Hill
The Daily Iowan

Following a positive campus-wide reaction to changing the term "freshman" to "first-year," UI administrators announced Wednesday a plan to permanently change much of the school's antiquated vocabulary.

"We're not doing this to be difficult," said Susan Grones, UI dean of students. "We're doing it because many of the words we use every day are old and inaccessible. It's time the UI leaps forward into the new millennium and leaves this kind of baggage behind."

The changes include: "Sophomore" has been permanently changed to "second-year student." The reason for the change stems from the word's etymology, Grones said. The word "sophomore" comes from the Latin word *mos*, which means foolish.

"How do you think that affects our students' self-esteem?" Grones said. "UI second-years are not foolish, and nobody — nobody! — should tell them otherwise."

The word "professor" will also be changed. The UI's hip and modern faculty have outgrown the word, which was coined sometime in the 14th century, Grones said. Hence the new term, "learning journey coach."

Students no longer have to worry about "homework," either. "Some students come from broken homes or no homes at all, so the word 'homework'

seems a bit insensitive," Grones said, adding that she's extremely pleased with the new term, "extended educational deployment."

"Teaching Assistant" has also been left behind.

"The word 'assistant' seems to imply a lower-caliber educator," said graduate student union President Brok McDonald, who proposed the change. TAs will now be called "alternative student-scholars."

The UI debate team will also be going through some changes.

"Frankly, we're sick and tired of all the jokes," said UI junior and debater Red Smoore. "Everybody loves calling us master-debaters. Yeah, hah-hah, real funny." Debaters will now be known as "argument technicians."

No other university has gone this far to make its vocabulary more inclusive, and many at the UI say they're pleased with the changes.

"This is a great way to make the UI one of the top 10 public universities in the country," said UI President Shana Lou Schloemann. "We're the best. I mean, the greatest. In the world. A big shout out to us."

But others on campus expressed dismay at what they think is a confusing list of double-speak.

"It's hard to keep up with the changes," said UI sophomore Angela Dunlower. "Now I'm a second-year student? And tonight I have a hundred pages of extended educational deployment? And my teacher is an ASS? This is all so confusing."

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Union stays abreast of eatery trends

■ UI officials plan to enhance students' dining experience with the launching of Hooters.

By Rebecca Anderson
The Daily Iowan

Trying to keep abreast of student needs, the UI signed a contract Wednesday allowing the popular restaurant Hooters to set up camp in the Union.

It is the second chain restaurant to move into the Union, following the opening of a Pizza Hut Express earlier this semester. Some UI officials say it's a step in the right direction to uplift the Union's facilities.

"The students said they wanted a new restaurant, and now they'll have it," said UI President Chris Blue Hollyman. "Finally our student Union, with the help of Hooters, will help put us on the map as one of the top 10 public universities in the country."

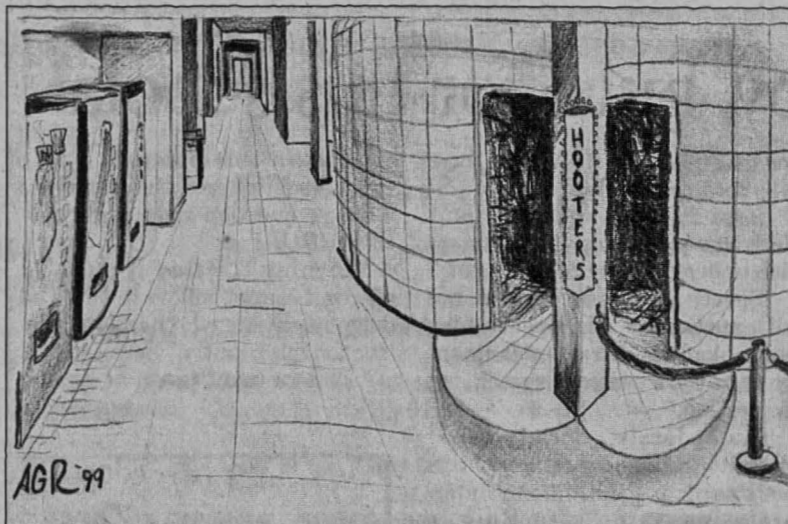
But the opening won't just offer students a dining alternative. The Hooters contract will provide the UI \$500,000 annually, a move, Hollyman said, that will benefit everyone on campus.

"So many of our graduates leave the UI and pursue careers in food service," she said. "The newly formed Hooters scholarship makes sure those graduates gain the skills they need."

Those eligible for the scholarship must have straight D's.

The UI will be the first university in the country to allow students to charge burgers, chicken wings and views of scantily clad women to their U-bills, said UI Director of Food Service Charlie Ronstenberg, who added that he frequents Hooters because of its "great wings."

UI Student Government President Tamara Wack is excited about the addition of an eatery



Gene Romero/The Daily Iowan

Construction is set to begin in May on the planned Hooters addition to the Union, shown here in an architect's drawing.

because her campaign was centered on improving conditions in the Union.

"For so long, students have been asking for an alternative to the River Room," she said. "I hope this is one action that makes students notice how UISG really serves their needs."

Many students said they will enjoy the atmosphere and the ability to "have some tasty wings" at the Union, said UI junior Jason Hungary.

Hungary and his five Clinton Street roommates plan to eat at Hooters on opening day and every single day afterwards.

"Hell, yes, I'll be there," Hungary said. "I love chicken. And tight shirts."

Hooters CEO Phil Paxton said the restaurant offers family-style dining with a flair.

"Our waitresses are the most qualified in the country," he said. "Not only are they required to have extensive restaurant experience, but they sure are pretty."

"Hell, yes, I'll be there. I love chicken. And tight shirts."

— Jason Hungary, UI junior

But not all students are pleased with the addition. The UI Feminist Association is planning to protest the UI "perpetuating century-long negative stereotypes of women," said UI junior Julie Activen.

"Most people do not realize how a restaurant such as Hooters can hurt years of progress," she said. "I know people say they go there for the wings, but do they really think other people believe their excuses? That's like saying you read *Playboy* for the articles."

Construction of the eatery is set to begin in May.

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CITY BRIEF

Fest fêtes UI Coke addiction

Students fond of drinking Coke can now share their enthusiasm with others, as the UI begins its celebration of CokeMonth '99 today.

The U.S. flag on the Old Capitol was replaced Wednesday with a large red flag bearing the Coca-Cola insignia.

"The pure cola refreshment provided by Coke has twice the rejuvenating power of other beverages," UI President Carrie Q. Snoeman said. "That's worth celebrating, and that makes the UI one of the top 10 public universities in the country."

Planned activities included a vending-machine pull race, a mud-wrestling contest in a Coke/dirt medium and a 500-gallon vat of Coke in Hubbard Park.

Logistical problems have plagued plans to make the Iowa River carbonated for the rest of the month.

But the problems haven't stopped some students from celebrating the UI's new motto: "Get your education and your Coke right here."

Anti-Pepsi violence has not yet become an issue, said UI Dean of Students Randy Paulson.

"People shouldn't hurt others, even if they're too stupid to realize the vast superiority of Coke — that sparkling nectar of the gods," he said.

Since the beginning of CokeMonth, cavities, high blood pressure and other soft-drink-related health problems are up 55 percent.

Seven students collapsed in sugar comas Wednesday, and paramedics say people need to limit themselves to just six liters of pure Coca-Cola enjoyment a day.

Other students have complained that their severe Coke intake has caused their urine to become carbonated, a unique and particularly painful medical condition.

"I'm hard core about school spirit, so I was drinking a 12-pack of yummilicious Coke every day," said UI senior Mike Masters. "But now I alternate each can of Coke with a different Coca-Cola beverage, such as Powerade. It's really cleansing."

— by Erin Crawford

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By Chris Rob...

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NATION

State denies compensation because victim 'cohabited'

The state says that the victim was a criminal for living with her boyfriend and therefore not eligible for money.

By Martha Waggoner
Associated Press

NEWPORT, N.C. — By any measure, Sylvia Cassidy was a victim, shot in the head by the man she lived with because she wouldn't tag along to the local mall.

But her family has been denied victim's compensation for funeral expenses because the 24-year-old woman, in death, is considered a lawbreaker. By living with her killer, she violated a 194-year-old statute against cohabitation.

"She was a victim from top to bottom, and now the state comes along and says she was a criminal," said her mother, Diana Zambory. She is appealing.

The state Victims Compensation Fund Commission has no choice, said director Gary Eichelberger. North Carolina law requires a claim be rejected if the victim was participating in a felony or non-traffic misdemeanor, even "fishing without a license," he said.

"We wrestle with this every time we get a claim like this, especially when the victim is otherwise innocent," Eichelberger said.

All states offer some form of victims' compensation for medical bills, lost work, funeral expenses or other financial losses. Most bar payments if criminal activity by the victims contributed to their injuries or deaths. At least two, Ohio and Arkansas, deny claims if victims committed crimes in the past.

But a 50-state survey by the

Associated Press found North Carolina to be the only state with laws banning adultery, fornication or cohabitation to cite those crimes as reasons to withhold compensation.

North Carolina toughened its compensation law in 1994 after a judge ruled that a man who was shot and paralyzed while committing a robbery was entitled to victim's benefits upon parole. Through June 30, 1998, the state commission has denied 47 claims on the basis of cohabitation alone, Eichelberger said.

One came from a Greenville woman and her fiancé, who were attacked and beaten while walking their dog one night in February 1998.

"The only problem I see with this victim is that she was living with her fiancé, and they were not married," an investigator wrote Jan. 20. "They still live together and are not married. I recommend denial — criminal activity."

Another dealt with a man shot 14 times and killed by his girlfriend. "Although an unfortunate situation," an investigator wrote in December 1997, "because victim and suspect were live-in girlfriend and boyfriend, recommendation is to deny for criminal activity."

The 47 cases denied are a small portion of all cases considered. In the 1997-98 fiscal year, for example, the commission distributed almost \$3.7 million among 914 cases and denied 771.

But they stand out because they seem so unfair, said Joe Stewart, spokesman for the state agency that oversees the victims commission. Furthermore, he said, 39 of the rejected cases involved domestic violence victims.



Barbara Mather/Associated Press
Diana Zambory sits beside a photo of her murdered daughter, Sylvia Cassidy, and an urn containing her ashes in Newport, N.C., on March 12. Cassidy was killed by her boyfriend, but her family was denied compensation for funeral expenses because Cassidy, while alive, was breaking a 194-year-old North Carolina statute against cohabitation.

Blue moon, keep shining

Ooops! 53 years later, a magazine admits its error and corrects the definition of "blue moon."

By Tom Kirchofer
Associated Press

BOSTON — Once in a blue moon, a widely accepted definition has to be rewritten.

Take the term "blue moon" itself. For half a century, it's been known as the second full moon in a month, like the one that appeared Wednesday. But that's wrong, and the editors of *Sky & Telescope* say it's their fault: The magazine incorrectly defined the term 53 years ago.

"I hate to admit it," said Roger Sinnott, associate editor of *Sky & Telescope*.

Sinnott blamed the goof on an amateur astronomer.

James Hugh Pruett wrote a 1946 piece for the magazine after apparently misinterpreting a complex 1937 article in the *Maine Farmer's Almanac* that essentially, but not clearly, said a blue moon occurs when a season has four full moons, rather

than the usual three. Pruett mistakenly thought that meant a blue moon is the second full moon within the same month.

Pruett's mistake went unnoticed for decades. A 1980 National Public Radio story about blue moons used the wrong definition. In 1986, the board game *Trivial Pursuit* repeated the error.

Sky & Telescope, based in Cambridge, discovered the error when it was working on an article about how January and March of this year featured what would have been two blue moons by Pruett's definition.

Although the *Sky & Telescope* editors think Pruett's mistake led to the popular modern misdefinition of "blue moon," it's unclear where the *Maine Farmer's Almanac* came up with the rule. The almanac is defunct. Although the term "blue moon" has existed for centuries, Sinnott said his research of almanacs dating to the early 1800s found no precise definitions until 1937.

By either definition, blue moons occur about every two or three years.

N.Y. officers indicted in slaying

In a case that has drawn massive outcry, four officers have been charged in the shooting of an immigrant.

By Donna De La Cruz
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Four white police officers were charged with murder Wednesday for killing an unarmed African immigrant in a hail of 41 bullets — a shooting that has led to months of protests and a painful examination of police tactics and race relations.

Officers Kenneth Boss, Sean Carroll, Edward McMellon and Richard Murphy pleaded innocent in a Bronx courtroom to second-degree murder. They could get 25 years to life in prison on the murder charges.

Amadou Diallo, a 22-year-old street vendor from Guinea with no criminal record, was shot 19 times on Feb. 4 in his vestibule by members of an elite street-crime unit looking for a rape suspect. Through their lawyers, the officers have said they thought Diallo had a gun.

The slaying has frayed Mayor Rudolph Giuliani's already-strained relationship with the black community, and many have accused him of

failing to understand the depth of New Yorkers' anger.

Giuliani said Wednesday: "We should allow the criminal justice system to now operate."

Judge John P. Collins set bail at \$100,000 for each officer, even though District Attorney Robert Johnson had asked that they be held without bail. The officers left the courthouse together shortly after the arraignment.

Johnson told the judge: "On Feb. 4 in the vestibule in his own building, Amadou Diallo stood blameless, unarmed and defenseless when 19 of 41 shots were fired at him, struck him and killed him. ... These four defendants intended to take his life."

After leaving court, one of the officers, Carroll, shook hands with supporters and said in a quivering voice, "I want to thank the New York City police officers and the Street Crime Unit for their undaunted support."

The officers were immediately suspended from their jobs. Marvyn Kornberg, Carroll's lawyer, called the intentional murder count "ludicrous."

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Minister

A judge orders the reverend to repay a million.

By Pat Leisner
Associated Press

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Lyons and his alleged convention publicist, Edwards, were accused of taking the money on luxury cars, jewelry and travel.

The judge ordered him to immediately return the money to the donors or face a federal prison term.

Justice

Taxpayers are paying the costs for prosecuting offenders and, many times, for the defense attorney.

By Steven K. Paul
Associated Press

LARAMIE, Wyo. — State judges are finding that the price for mega-trials isn't cheap. Taxpayers are bearing the bill.

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By Jim Suhr
Associated Press

PONTIAC, Mich. — Jones' talk show "did it" but pull the trigger" in the death of a guest who was on the program to reveal gay crush, an attorney show for \$50 million to Wednesday.

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NATION

Minister gets prison for swindling

■ A judge orders the Florida reverend to repay almost \$2.5 million.

By Pat Leisner
Associated Press

LARGO, Fla. — Sobbing and pleading for mercy, the Rev. Henry Lyons was sentenced to 5½ years in prison Wednesday for swindling more than \$4 million while president of one of the nation's largest and most influential black denominations.

The 57-year-old minister was also ordered to repay almost \$2.5 million.

"I cannot shake the feeling that I have let so many people down," Lyons told Circuit Judge Susan Schaeffer. "I've asked God every single night and day to forgive me."

Lyons was convicted on Feb. 27 of bilking companies wanting to sell cemetery products, life insurance policies and credit cards to members of the National Baptist Convention USA. He was also found guilty of stealing money donated to rebuild burned Southern black churches.

Lyons and his alleged mistress, convention publicist Bernice Edwards, were accused of spending the money on luxury homes, cars, jewelry and travel.

The judge ordered him to prison immediately rather than allowing him to remain free until his sentencing in federal court in June on related charges of fraud and tax evasion.



Chris O'Meara/Associated Press

The Rev. Henry Lyons, right, walks into the Pinellas County Courthouse in Largo, Fla., with his wife Deborah, center, and church members for sentencing Wednesday afternoon.

"The jury has said you're a racketeer, and it's said you're a thief," Schaeffer said. "It's time to pay the piper, Dr. Lyons."

Lyons could have gotten up to eight years in prison under state sentencing guidelines.

A weeping Lyons apologized particularly for the theft of almost

\$250,000 from the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, money intended to rebuild burned churches.

"It stinks in God's nostrils, and I know it stinks in the law's nostrils, and it stinks to me," he said. "I ask the court, and I ask America, and I ask black people to forgive me, because I believe that it will haunt me the rest of my life. I really do."

Justice has big price tag, towns find

■ Taxpayers are paying the costs for prosecuting the offenders and, many times, for the defense attorneys, too.

By Steven K. Paulson
Associated Press

LARAMIE, Wyo. — Small towns are finding that the price of justice for mega-trials isn't cheap, and taxpayers are bearing the brunt of it.

Taxpayers have to pay the costs of prosecuting offenders, and in many cases where those on trial can't afford lawyers, the public also has to pay for the defense. That can force small communities such as Laramie and Jasper, Texas, to raise taxes or consider cutting services.

In Laramie, in which the trial of Russell Henderson is under way in the beating death of gay college student Matthew Shepard, Albany County departments are facing a 10 percent budget cut. Social service agencies could lose more than

\$100,000 unless the county can come up with a way to pay for prosecuting and defending Henderson and co-defendant Aaron McKinney.

The first phase of jury selection in Henderson's trial concluded Wednesday with the selection of 47 prospects, who will undergo a final round of questioning on April 5.

In Jasper, Texas, Jasper County Judge Joe Folk, who is also the county's chief executive, said it will take county taxpayers three years to pay for prosecuting two defendants in the dragging death of a black man, and three other pending capital cases.

"This can bankrupt small counties. Some county judges have said they won't prosecute some capital murder cases and will go for just murder because of the cost of a trial," Folk said.

Jasper County residents already have been hit with a 12 percent property tax increase to pay for the first dragging death trial, which

cost \$204,000, Folk said. No price tags have been set on the Laramie trials.

Larry Pozner, president of the National Association of Defense Lawyers, said larger communities such as Los Angeles are better able to absorb the costs of prosecuting a high-profile defendant — for instance, O.J. Simpson.

"A big case in a small community can be prohibitive," Pozner said. "But you have to make the communities responsible for prosecution. If you just gave them access to the state budget, everyone would want to do show trials."

Some areas have already seen the need for relief for small towns or counties. The Nebraska Legislature in 1996 passed a bill that, among other things, set aside money to help small counties pay for high-profile trials.

The bill was introduced after Richardson County was financially drained by two high-profile murder cases.

'Jenny Jones Show' accused in lawsuit

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By Jim Suhr
Associated Press

PONTIAC, Mich. — Jenny Jones' talk show "did everything but pull the trigger" in the shooting death of a guest who had gone on the program to reveal his secret gay crush, an attorney suing the show for \$50 million told a jury Wednesday.

The family of the victim, Scott Amedure, is suing the show, its distributor and its producers, claiming their "ambush" TV tactics drove Jonathan Schmitz to shoot Amedure days after the episode was taped in 1995. The show never aired.

Schmitz, who has said he is heterosexual, had been invited on the show to meet his secret admirer. That turned out to be Amedure, an acquaintance, who described his sexual fantasies involving Schmitz as the audience whooped and hollered.

A lawyer for "The Jenny Jones Show" said in his opening statement Wednesday that his clients are not responsible because Schmitz knew that the secret admirer could be either a man or a woman.

Attorney James Feeney added that he has witnesses who will testify that Schmitz and Amedure had a sexual relationship after the taping.

In 1996, Schmitz was convicted of murder; the conviction was overturned because of an error in jury selection. He is awaiting a retrial. His lawyers admitted that he killed Amedure but contended that the show humiliated Schmitz, who already was fighting alcoholism, depression and a thyroid condition.

Amedure family attorney Geoffrey Fieger told the jury in his opening statement that the show "did everything but pull the trigger, and they must be held accountable."

Fieger also said the program failed to adequately look into Schmitz's background, specifically that he had been treated for manic

depression and had attempted suicide four times. Fieger said that when Amedure revealed his crush, Schmitz heard the audience's laughter and "was descending into madness."

Feeney said there was no reason to examine the mental health of a guest and that, after the shooting, Schmitz never told police he felt he was tricked, deceived or lied to about the show's topic.

"That's not what Jonathan Schmitz said. That's not how he saw it," he said.

Outside court, Feeney said he could "present very extensive evidence" of a sexual relationship between Amedure and Schmitz.

Fieger — who successfully defended Dr. Jack Keovkian in his assisted suicide trials and unsuccessfully ran for governor last year — said those claims are irrelevant and can't be corroborated anyway.

Jones herself is not being sued but is listed as a witness, and Feeney said she will probably testify on April 5.

NATION BRIEFS

First fen-phen trial over heart trouble begins

CLEBURNE, Texas (AP) — A \$110 million lawsuit by a woman who blames two recalled diet drugs for her heart trouble went to trial Wednesday.

The lawsuit is believed to be the first to reach a courtroom over the issue of heart valve damage caused by fen-phen or Redux; experts said a victory for the woman could prove key to other cases.

A 12-member jury was seated Wednesday to hear the case, filed by Sandra Moore against American Home Products Corp., the parent of pharmaceutical company Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories.

Moore, a former Alvarado resident who now lives in Missoula, Mont., claims she wasn't warned about the risks of taking fenfluramine, marketed by Wyeth-Ayerst as Pondimin, or dextfenfluramine, a similar drug sold by the company as Redux.

Fenfluramine and Redux have been taken

off the market. Fenfluramine makes up half of the "fen-phen" combination prescribed to thousands of patients to promote weight loss.

Customs transfers white supervisor amid allegations

ATLANTA (AP) — A white customs supervisor at the Atlanta airport was replaced with a black one after the agency was accused of unfairly singling out black travelers for searches, an inspector said Wednesday.

Dale O'Connor, the white supervisor of the 16-member passenger inspection team, was transferred to the cargo inspection division, said Cathy Harris, a customs inspector who is suing the agency for alleged discrimination against blacks.

She said Robert White, a black supervisor, is being shifted from another division to head the passenger inspection team.

Jack Murphy, a spokesman for the

Customs Service in Washington, declined to confirm the personnel moves. But he did say the agency has reassigned some staff members at Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport.

Surviving octuplets make their world debut

HOUSTON (AP) — Three of the seven surviving Houston octuplets made their world debut Wednesday and were quick to show off their healthy lungs.

Baby girls Ebuka and Echerem, dressed in matching pink headbands and shirts, wailed and squirmed in their father's arms as he and his wife, Nkem Chukwu, were briefly interviewed on ABC's "Good Morning America."

The girls' brother, Jioke, lay quietly in his mother's arms, letting out only a tiny yawn. "They are doing very well," said the father, Iyke Louis Udobi, standing in one of the nurseries at the couple's new six-bedroom home, donated to them last week.

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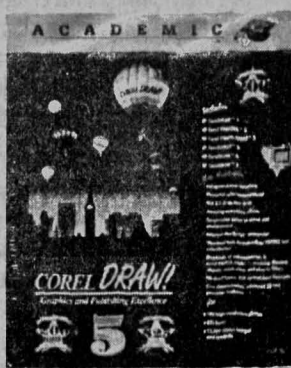
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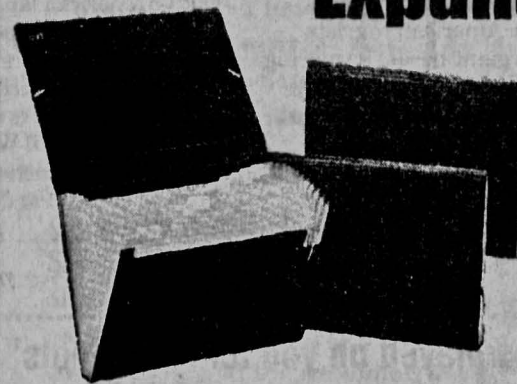


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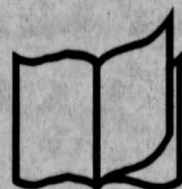
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EDITORIAL

Rev. Jackson will be missed in presidential election 2000

The next presidential election isn't until November 2000, but many Democratic candidates have already taken themselves — and their issues — out of the race. Once again, important political issues will not be raised due to lack of money, tepid voter interest and the lure of other powerful Beltway jobs. To be sure, the early dropouts — Paul Wellstone, John Kerry, Dick Gephardt and Bob Kerrey — would not have posed a serious challenge to Vice President Al Gore for the Democratic nomination. Wellstone, with his liberal leanings, was the only one who displayed any risk of raising many traditional Democratic issues. The most recent dropout, Rev. Jesse Jackson, would have made the race much more interesting. Jackson announced last week he would not attempt a third bid for the White House because he has too many "issues to raise." Issues, he feels, he can successfully raise outside the realm of politics. Jackson's absence from the race will mean many important issues will likely not be raised by the remaining political combatants. It's hard to envision Gore choosing to speak about American labor issues or doing so with a high degree of sincerity or authority. In 1995, Jackson wrote in his syndicated column that "more and more voters are looking for new options ... a new party that is willing to challenge the corporate party that now campaigns under two names." Jackson's latest project is to use his Rainbow/PUSH Coalition to convince large corporations to include a greater percentage of minorities on their corporate boards. Rainbow/PUSH seeks to accomplish this by acquiring the company's stock and raising such issues at the shareholders' meeting. This is the sort of innovation and energy that Americans used to exert toward politics. Washington's inhabitants continue to fade from voters' minds as a source of leadership on anything at all. The nation is waiting for new ideas and actions that transcend "it's the economy, stupid." The nation is still looking for that new party Jackson wrote about.

Tim McGovern is a *DI* editorial writer.

OWI facts are sobering

There are always misconceptions about the laws that exist, but misunderstanding the law is not a defense for a crime. There have been a few recent events in the Iowa Legislature that could lead to confusion about a few crimes. One issue the Legislature recently dealt with was whether to lower the legal limit for operating while intoxicated from a blood-alcohol content of 0.10 percent to 0.08 percent. This issue has been proposed several times and was most recently killed in committee on March 4. Last year, a federal standard that was proposed by the president and nearly passed by Congress would have required states to use the 0.08 standard or else lose federal highway funding. Several legislators stated that, if the federal standard would have been imposed, Iowa would not have hesitated to impose the stricter standard. But without pressure from Washington, many felt that Iowa's current OWI laws are among the strictest in the nation.

The difference between 0.10 and 0.08 varies from person to person, but studies suggest that for a 180-pound man, the difference between 0.10 and 0.08 could be one drink, and that an average person could reach a level of 0.08 from drinking three drinks in an hour. Several studies have suggested that some level of impairment might start as low as 0.02 to 0.05. In the first five states to impose the 0.08 standard, drunk driving-related deaths fell 16 percent. That the legal limit has not been lowered in Iowa does not mean a person

under a level of 0.10 is all right to drive. The law in Iowa is a two-pronged fork. The crime committed is operating while intoxicated. A person who has a blood-alcohol content above 0.10 is presumed to be intoxicated; therefore, the state needs to prove only that the test was valid and that the person was operating a vehicle. And, while a person who tests above 0.10 is presumed to be intoxicated, a person who tests below 0.10 is not presumed to be sober. The state can proceed on other evidence to show that the person was under the influence.

The state can use evidence such as field sobriety tests, observations about the defendant's driving or behavior or even statements made by the defendant, such as "I am so toasted," or "I should not be driving," to show the person was under the influence of alcohol while he or she was driving. Hopefully, this will clear up several of your questions about the affected laws. But those of you who are still a little fuzzy are in luck. Student Legal Services is hosting an Alcohol Awareness Demonstration on April 6 at 7 p.m. in Room W10 Pappajohn Business Building. The demonstration will include guest speakers, a demonstration of field-sobriety tests on intoxicated volunteers and time for questions from the audience. An interesting and informative evening is promised to all.

LEGAL NOTICE

This article is not meant as legal advice. For your specific legal questions or advice, consult an attorney.

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Red Cross rushes to the rescue

IOWA CITY seems to be getting stranger by the minute. The community has kept its sanity despite weird murder scenarios, fires, suicides and more.

With three fires in a week, the community has jumped to help. It has delivered food and clothing to fire victims, fed hard-working fire fighters and worked to establish some semblance of normalcy for victims. "The community has really rallied around and been very kind," said Jimmie Buffy, assistant administrative officer at the Red Cross, which has helped coordinate efforts to provide for the victims of the fires Tuesday and on March 26. Not to be ignored are the steps taken by the UI and community businesses.

Dr. Gerald Stone, director of the University Counseling Service, responded to the fire by setting aside Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week to listen to and counsel victims. The fires, a disaster physically and emotionally, created trauma that will precipitate a varied number of reactions that need to be addressed, Stone said. "I just wanted to make special effort to be responsive to them," he said. Vouchers presented to the victims over the weekend by the Red Cross and free ID replacements from the UI were some of the first steps taken in replacing what was lost. Trying to recuperate in hotel rooms paid for by the Red Cross, victims were the recipients of generosity from friends and strangers alike. Despite the best intentions of those givers, the stress and feelings of

loss cannot be alleviated by material gifts. "You can't go to Target and replace it," Stone said, reminding everyone that the materials lost had personal meaning. The photo taken at a 21st birthday celebration. The sweater, worn on a first date. The ticket stub from the Stones concert last year.

"I think overall, they've been very positive, very appreciative," Buffy said of the victims she has been working with. What is there to be positive about with all the loss? How can victims be appreciative when everything is gone? Since March 26, the Red Cross has gotten tons of clothing, furniture and food donations; vouchers have allowed victims to replace school supplies; letters of introduction have allowed those without insurance to get what they need from Goodwill and the Salvation Army for free; hotel rooms have been provided free for seven days; Goodwill and the Salvation Army have been stockpiling donations specially earmarked for victims of the fires who are not covered by parents' or their own insurance; emergency funds are being provided to help cover the cost of a comparable first month's rent for new places to live; some UI departments, such as the College of Engineering, have taken the initiative to gather provisions for victims who are in its program. The list goes on. Buffy even received a call from an individual in Williamsburg, Iowa, who offered a free room. While it is safe to guess that new shoes and clothes are needed, we can't make the same kinds of assumptions as to what is

emotionally needed. "It's always best not to try to guess what they need," Stone said. The emotions may not be apparent now and may not hit for a while. That is just as normal as the non-victims' own feelings of awkwardness. Should we say anything? Should we ignore the whole event? We can take our cue from the community — don't ignore it. Those wondering what to say need know one thing: Be a good friend and if you know one of the victims. Ask how you can help; ask if they want to talk about it. Whatever you do, ask, Stone said, and they will tell you what they need. While you may not be able to replace what's missing, you can offer your support. The Red Cross has provided the emergency needs and will continue to serve as a focal point for gathering donations. The UI, while not able to offer the provisions that businesses can, is attuned to the situation. For the student victims, the UI has alerted professors about students' situations, made counseling even more readily available, offered residence hall rooms with no deposit required and replaced IDs for free. The UI has not ignored the victims (even though it has not been as generous as some believe it should be). Local businesses have continued to give what they can. Our continued generosity and concern for the fire victims may be the only thing that keeps one from thinking that Iowa City, with its fires, bizarre murder scenarios, gas station robberies and bomb threats at local elementary schools, is insane.

Amy Couteé is a *DI* columnist.



English-only laws only add to Americans' arrogance

AH, to be back in the good old U.S. of A., where "this land is our land" ... and no one else's. Upon my arrival back in the States last week, I was greeted with the controversy over the Iowa Senate's deliberations of the "English-only" law. My trip had actually prepared me for something like this.

I was fortunate enough to travel abroad for Spring Break, joined by thousands of other American tourists. Although weary of touring several European countries without being fluent in their languages, I was able to get by with the help of a few pocket dictionaries. It's not terribly difficult to manage with only a rudimentary knowledge of the native tongue and a modicum of politeness. My fellow American travelers lacked both, however. Most Europeans are bilingual; it's a crucial part of their education. This stands in sharp contrast to the United States, where four years of high school Spanish only imparts the knowledge of how to say "muchas gracias" in a thick gringo accent. Time after time, I listened to Americans spit out foreign words with cocky disdain

and superiority, mangling them with a Midwestern accent to the point that they were unrecognizable to the flustered clerk at hand. Sometimes my countrymen would look to me for a sympathetic nod, muttering about the rudeness of foreigners. They never could figure out that they were in fact the foreigners, because the thought had never crossed their minds — they were Americans, after all, and the entire world was their domain. I hadn't seen such blatant jingoism since the Olympics. American tourists flocked together in giant herds, harboring wounded egos and hostility toward any "outsiders." They just couldn't figure out why Europeans were so ungracious. After all, Americans are responsible for the fact that, for every quaint Parisian

café, there are two McDonalds. Our military has generously offered its policing services since World War II, which all good students of history know was single-handedly won by the United States. One could almost hear the downtrodden American tourists chanting, "If it weren't for us, you'd all be speaking German," as they mowed down any Europeans in their way. So I really wasn't shocked to hear of the xenophobic English-only law in Iowa. After all, Americans expect and demand people around the globe to know our language, so it was only a matter of time before we came up with official laws within our own country. To institute English as the official language in our state (or perhaps in our country) is about as hypocritical as you can get. Last time I checked, the 17th-century colonists never bothered to learn any of the Native American languages. Why should we punish immigrants for doing what our esteemed forefathers never tried to do? English-only policies have cropped up recently, but attacks on immigrants are nothing new. Until World War II, there were severe restrictions on immigration from Africa, Asia and Latin America in an

effort to keep America as white as possible. In the 19th century, Asians and Latinos were legally prevented from holding skilled labor positions, and thus the sweatshop system still with us today was born. And in 1994, California passed Proposition 187, which allows random searches for documentation from anyone "suspicious." Not surprisingly, Asians and Latinos, many of whom are third-, fourth- and fifth-generation Americans, are once again the primary targets. English-only laws are part of a larger assault on multiculturalism as well. In Florida, some school districts have adopted the "America First" curriculum, where students are taught that "We're No. 1" regardless of annoying historical facts to the contrary. There is no respect for other cultures that are thousands of years old and the foundation of civilization. Most school curricula typically ignore the accomplishments of the poor, the working class, people of color, religious minorities, gays and women in our own country. Real

Americans are evidently financially secure straight, white Christian males. And of course, they speak English. The vast majority of immigrants can speak English better than most Americans can speak any other language. There's nothing quite like hearing French spoken with a Southern accent, as I learned after a tourist thanked a Metro employee with the phrase, "Mayor-SEE buckets." But why stop with an English-only decree in America? With our arrogance, billions in capital and military prowess, surely we can enforce this policy around the globe. English — the official language of the world and of the new millennium. And while we're at it, let's start calling it "American" — after all, what have those sorry Brits done lately? I can see it now, the U.S. Army accosting citizens around the world with orders such as, "Hey, you're in Iran, now — speak American!" You've got to like the sound of that.

Susan Demas is a *DI* columnist.

readers

SAY What is the worst prank anyone has played on you for April Fools' Day?



"My mom told me to go clean out all of the spiders in the attic. I was so scared I was crying."
Melania Isley
UI junior



"Last year my roommate locked me out of my room when I was in the shower. I had to go get a key in a towel."
Chris Black
UI freshman



"Someone pulled my pants down in the middle of a class."
Russell Koskovich
UI sophomore



"Telling me the Beastie Boys died in a plane crash."
Dan Butler
UI junior



"My roommate put a plastic lizard in my bag. I hate lizards, and I screamed in the middle of class when I saw it."
Sumana Vijayagopal
UI teaching assistant

Serbs decry attack on plane
Anger runs high in industry town over a strike on an appliance
By George Jahn
Associated Press

CACAK, Yugoslav army took Wednesday to a bombed factory where described themselves as victims of allied air strikes said the plant was because it also made mu
At the state-run Slobodan 100 miles south of Belgrade industrial center of reporters saw workers picking through the wreckage salvageable items — a here, a vacuum cleaner — and heard them bitter NATO.

Balkans
Air strikes against are likely to cost the billions.
By Laura Myers
Associated Press

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NATION & WORLD

Serbs deny attack on plant

Anger runs high in a one-industry town over a NATO strike on an appliance factory.

By George Jahn
Associated Press

CACAK, Yugoslavia — The Yugoslav army took reporters Wednesday to a bombed-out appliance factory where workers described themselves as innocent victims of allied air strikes. NATO said the plant was targeted because it also made munitions. At the state-run Sloboda factory, 100 miles south of Belgrade in the industrial center of Cacak, reporters saw workers gingerly picking through the wreckage for salvageable items — a bit of pipe here, a vacuum cleaner part there — and heard them bitterly criticize NATO.



Santiago Lyon/Associated Press

Ethnic Albanian refugees from Kosovo wait at the Morini border crossing Wednesday after Albanian officials decided to change policy and register all ethnic Albanian refugees entering from Kosovo, creating a large backlog.

"What are we going to live from?" asked Mihajlo Draskovic, who said he had worked at the plant for 25 years.

The plant is known for its production of household appliances, and local officials said it employed 5,000 people. Wrecked vacuum cleaners, hair dryers, stove parts and other appliances were scattered in one hall.

But spokesman Eric Povel at NATO headquarters in Brussels, Belgium said, "As far as we know, this so-called vacuum cleaner factory was also used as a munitions factory, so it was a valid target." Some factories in Yugoslavia,

where the government still controls most manufacturing, are known to produce both civilian products and military components.

Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon said NATO struck "a major ammunition manufacturing plant" in the town.

"I believe we struck it successfully," he said. "I'm not aware that there was a lot of collateral damage, but I don't have a complete picture on that."

Hundreds of steel girders lie twisted and broken over acres of the plant, where a smell of burning lingered in the air. Tin roofs were bent and broken.

The nuances of war's language

In the language of war, it often pays to use politics of personal destruction.

By Calvin Woodward
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Two months ago, Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic was described as a difficult and untrustworthy leader, yet one who cares about his world standing and "wants to, at some stage, re-enter the international community," as Secretary of State Madeleine Albright put it.

Now she portrays him as "cruel and evil" and caring of nothing

except staying in power. Where once she criticized "the Serbs," "them," or "Belgrade authorities" for intransigence, she and other senior officials speak as if the whole conflict were about NATO vs. him.

Vice President Al Gore called him "one of these junior-league Hitler types," even as officials have stopped just short of calling Milosevic's actions "genocide."

Personalizing the adversary, and then demonizing that personality, is a commonplace device when fighting breaks out. That's what happened when President George Bush likened Saddam Hussein to

Hitler in the lead-up to the Gulf War.

To some students of foreign policy, calling brutal dictators what they are is an effective means of raising public support for military action. Others question whether overdrawn comparisons to history's great villains leave the public ill-prepared for costly engagements and ignorant of complex forces on the other side.

Either way, the language of war is supercharged, yet nuanced, aggressively seeking advantage through rhetoric but weighted with the knowledge that words can have unintended consequences.

Balkans war may stretch U.S. budget

Air strikes against Kosovo are likely to cost the Pentagon billions.

By Laura Myers
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Prolonged and intense NATO air strikes in Yugoslavia could cost the United States billions of dollars, putting more pressure on a \$270 billion Pentagon budget already stretched thin — unless Congress provides new money. Using the four-day Operation

Desert Fox in December in Iraq as a guide, congressional and outside economists estimate that the Pentagon could spend several hundred million dollars a week over regular U.S. defense costs.

NATO has said air strikes could continue for weeks to degrade the Yugoslav military's ability to attack independence-minded ethnic Albanians (Kosovars) in Kosovo.

"The longer it goes on and as more aircraft are destroyed and as more munitions are consumed, the costs are going to come up," said Steven Kosiak of the Center for Strategic

and Budgetary Assessments.

Most extra defense costs will come from replacing missiles launched and bombs dropped on Serb military targets. The 7,300 U.S. troops and 210 warplanes there already are paid for.

Aircraft refueling and maintenance also drive costs above peacetime training levels.

"The real budget question in the wake of an operation is how much do you need to rebuild your stock of munitions," said Steve Daggett of the Congressional Research Service.

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WORLD

Canada unveils newest territory

■ Nunavut's 25,000 residents, who are mostly Inuit, will finally get their chance at self-government.

By David Crary
Associated Press

IQUALUIT, Nunavut — Dignitaries and foreign TV crews crowded into this small Baffin Island town Wednesday, and Inuit chefs prepared a huge feast featuring caribou, musk ox and raw seal to celebrate the creation of Nunavut, Canada's newest territory.

Stretching deep into the Arctic, with only 25,000 residents in an area as large as Western Europe, Nunavut is the product of the largest land-claims settlement in Canada's history and gives its Inuit majority their long-sought chance at self-government.

"This is proof that we are committed to reconciling aboriginal rights in Canada," Indian Affairs Minister Jane Stewart told reporters. "We aren't stuck in the past; we are prepared to evolve... I can't tell you the sense of pride this gives me as a Canadian."

The new capital, Iqaluit, is normally home to 4,500 people. More than 1,000 visitors were expected for ceremonies starting with a midnight fireworks show, to mark Nunavut's official birth. The festivities will run through today with speeches, a traditional drum dance, the community feast and an

evening rock concert.

With only 150 hotel beds in town, visitors were advised to bring sleeping bags; they were being housed in a community college, at military barracks, in private homes and even at a drug-and-alcohol treatment center.

Nunavut is being created out of the eastern 60 percent of the Northwest Territories, culminating more than 20 years of lobbying by Inuit leaders. Approximately 85 percent of Nunavut's 25,000 people are Inuit, as are 15 of the 19 candidates elected in February to the territorial legislature.

The main ceremony, to be attended by Prime Minister Jean Chretien, will be at midday today in a complex of hangers designed to deploy jet fighters in the event of a Soviet military threat during the Cold War. Inuit performers will present a drum dance, and Nunavut's flag will be raised for the first time.

Over the past few days, several preliminary ceremonies have taken place, including the presentation of a new Canadian 25-cent coin designed by Inuit artists and engraved with an owl and bear.

Nunavut's new ceremonial mace also was unveiled — made of the tusk of a narwhal, a walrus-like creature. The mace is encrusted with jewels and tiny figures of seals.

On Tuesday, the still-unfinished legislative building was dedicated at a ceremony attended by many Iqaluit residents.



Kevin Frayer/Associated Press
Aquila Ipeeelle gives his son Christopher a better view at the Nunavut celebrations in Iqaluit, Nunavut, Canada. Nunavut officially becomes Canada's newest territory today.

"This building is for you as you take the dream and vision into the next millennium, with pride in who you are, where you live and what you will accomplish," said Tagak Curley, president of the company that constructed the building.

Curley was one of the Inuit activists who began lobbying for an Inuit-governed territory back in the 1970s.

"Our forefathers dreamed of one day regaining responsibility, ownership and accountability," he said.

Gov't Y2K-ready, official says

■ A panel reports that 92 percent of the 24 largest agencies' systems are compliant.

By Eun-Kyung Kim
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Nearly all federal agencies met Wednesday's deadline for protecting their most critical computer systems from potential Y2K problems, the government official in charge of the repairs said.

John Koskinen, chairman of the President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion, announced that 92 percent of computer systems at the government's 24 largest agencies had been repaired and were "Y2K compliant."

"These systems have gone through the full stages of not only analysis and assessment but remediation, testing and implementation," Koskinen said Wednesday, the deadline imposed by the White House more than a year ago. "Implementation includes installing the upgraded or replaced systems wherever they're in operation, not only domestically but around the world."

Koskinen said 13 of the 24 departments now report that their most essential computer systems are 100 percent ready for business beginning Jan. 1, 2000. Ten agencies have repaired and tested at least 85 percent of their systems, he said.

Only the U.S. Agency for International Development has not fixed any of its critical systems, mainly because it started late and ran into more problems than expected, Koskinen said.

Meantime, the White House reported that only one-fourth of its systems were compliant. It expects to repair all of its systems by the

end of October. Out of 6,123 critical systems, roughly 500 still need work before they will be considered Y2K compliant. However, Koskinen said, he was confident that all agencies — including USAID — would finish their work by the end of the summer.

The so-called "Y2K" problem occurs because many computers are programmed to recognize only the last two digits of a year; without repairs, they may malfunction beginning on Jan. 1, when they might assume it is 1900. Some Republican lawmakers expressed skepticism about the panel's findings.

Rep. Steve Horn, R-Calif., chairman of the House Government Management Subcommittee, was encouraged by the 92 percent compliant rate but said "we should have had it sooner."

"Now, we've got to do the real serious work, which is test it in an operational environment. If we can test it and it still works, that's fine," he said.

House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, accused the administration of looking through rose-colored glasses to make "Y2K readiness look better than it is."

"Although a federal department might claim to be Year 2000 'compliant,' the claim hasn't been independently tested," Armey said in a statement.

Israelis pause for Passover celebration

■ Taking a break from a tough election campaign, the nation marks a traditional holiday.

By Laurie Copans
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Taking a respite from a heated election campaign and frequent bomb scares, Israeli families gathered at sunset Wednesday to share the ritual Passover meal commemorating the release of the ancient Israelites from bondage in Egypt.

A large majority of Israeli Jews — 95.8 percent, according to one survey — participate in a Seder, a multi-course meal during which the exodus from Egypt some 3,300 years ago is retold.

On major Jewish holidays, the army traditionally seals the West Bank and Gaza Strip to prevent possible attacks by Palestinian militants in Israel, but this time frontiers remained open.

There have been growing concerns that the Islamic militant group Hamas would renew attacks ahead of Israel's May 17 election, but army officials said they have not received specific warnings about Hamas bombings. Earlier this

month, a Hamas plot to detonate a bomb in Tel Aviv was thwarted at the last minute, after militants had already smuggled the device into a hiding place near the city.

On Wednesday, security was beefed up at outdoor markets, bus stops and malls packed with last-minute shoppers.

At Jerusalem's Mahane Yehuda market, a site of several bombing attacks, dozens of border police patrolled alleys, but their presence did not dampen the festive mood.

"I love this holiday," said Yehid Moshe, 61, as he waited with bags of celery, mint and tomatoes at a bus stop near the shopping area. "This symbolizes our freedom."

The smell of smoke filled the Jerusalem air as children fed traditional street fires with bread, crackers and other leavened products, which are forbidden fare during Passover.

Observant Jews shun leavened foods during the weeklong holiday in commemoration of the Israelites who had no time to let their bread dough rise when they fled Egypt.

One of the main products during the Seder is "matza" — unleavened bread — which has twice as many calories as a slice of bread. A survey conducted by an Israeli drug-

store chain indicated that Israelis gain an average of 7 pounds during Passover, a time of family get-togethers, trips and picnics.

This year, Passover comes in a period of celebration for Muslims and Christians as well.

The four-day Muslim holiday of Eid al-Adha, or the Feast of Sacrifice, ended Tuesday, and Western Christians will celebrate Easter on April 4. Followers of the three religions mingled at holy sites in Jerusalem's walled Old City Wednesday without incident.

In the Palestinian neighborhood of Ras al-Amud, just outside the Old City walls, supporters of Jewish settlers held a Seder on the roof of a settler compound and prayed for the construction of Jewish homes at the four-acre site.

The property is owned by Florida millionaire Irving Moskowitz, who has received permission to build 132 homes for Jews in Ras al-Amud. However, the government has delayed the start of construction in an effort to prevent clashes with Palestinians.

"We hope that here, on this Jewish land, we will come visit next year, and we'll see Jewish homes," said Danny Danon, a member of the nationalist Beitar youth movement.

Slow pace of relief angers earthquake victims

■ Residents wait endlessly for help to arrive as aftershocks continue to tremble the area.

By Neelish Misra
Associated Press

GWAI, India — Perched on treacherous Himalayan slopes, poor villagers were living out a bitter, endless wait for food and shelter Wednesday, two days after a powerful earthquake killed about 110 people in northern India.

Army helicopters dropped food to devastated towns, but many people complained that help wasn't coming fast enough to ease the suffering following Monday's 6.8 magnitude quake. The earthquake was centered in the Kumaon hills in Uttar Pradesh State, 185 miles northeast of New Delhi.

The government has confirmed 100 deaths from Monday's quake, but witnesses say they had heard of several more casualties in remote villages and the toll was at least 110. Some 350 people were injured and 2,500 houses destroyed.

Medical teams drove as far as they could to treat the injured. Villagers from deep in the mountains walked to the road for treatment, while others were carried across narrow mountain tracks on stretchers.

Many village elders walked several miles up the winding mountain roads to district officials in Chamoli and submitted written requests for tents. They returned dejected.

"The officials asked us to go back and wait for the help to arrive," said Ranvir Lal, a 63-year-old stone cutter. "They should have



Saurabh Das/Associated Press
Bimla Devi cries from her makeshift tent after losing her mother in an earthquake in Gopeshwar, northern India, Wednesday.

shown some concern at least."

In Gopeshwar, a town of several hundred families, most people slept in the streets, in playgrounds and even on an army helipad, listening in fear as tremors dislodged more boulders from the hilltops and sent them crashing down scared slopes.

Leopards and other animals frightened by crashing boulders strayed into villages from nearby forests, and some of the wild cats were spotted not far from the emergency relief camps. One girl was killed by a leopard Monday, Press Trust of India reported.

A 5.0-magnitude aftershock toppled more houses early Wednesday, injuring at least 50 people in the town of Nandprayag, Press Trust reported. A series of lesser tremors — about one every hour

until dawn — kept residents awake and out in the open.

"This is our exile," said 30-year-old Bimla Devi, who is living in a tattered plastic tent next to the ruins of her house in Gwai. "We will live here till we die."

Associated Press journalists were the first outsiders to reach four remote villages Wednesday, where residents begged for help.

In Gwai, a difficult 1,500-foot climb above the nearest road, a 60-year-old farmer named Sartulal complained that politicians "come to ask for votes when there is an election, but when the earthquake took place no one cared if we were dead or alive."

The Indian Red Cross Society sent a first relief shipment of tarpaulins, blankets, clothing, rice and food for 500 people.

WORLD BRIEFS

Activists win partial victory over McDonald's

LONDON (AP) — A pair of vegetarian activists won a partial victory Wednesday in their struggle to overturn a court decision that they libeled McDonald's Corp. by accusing it of selling food that can cause heart disease.

Three Court of Appeal judges ruled that Dave Morris and Helen Steel were justified in claiming that regular customers of the hamburger chain face a heightened risk of heart trouble. The judges also said it was fair to say McDonald's subjected its employees to poor

working conditions and paid them badly. The judges upheld much of the original judgment, however.

Young lovers stoned to death by villagers

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Fifteen villagers have been charged with stabbing and stoning to death a young couple who ran off together and refused to disavow their ties, a newspaper reported Wednesday.

The couple was killed Tuesday and their bodies were dragged to a cremation ground and set on fire outside the village of Shimla in the northern Indian state of Haryana,

about 120 miles west of New Delhi, the Indian Express newspaper said.

Efforts to reach police and other officials in the area were unsuccessful. Des Raj, 23, and Nirmala, 17, ran away last week and sought shelter in the house of a relative, the newspaper said. The man reportedly informed their families, who pressured them to split up and return to their respective homes.

When Raj refused to leave Nirmala, the matter was put before the village council.

India's official judicial system has little standing in tradition-bound villages where local justice often prevails.

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The Skinny: Though Nicklaus Trevino won't be there, Palmer and the rest of the world's top golfers will gather in the Valley Sun for the Senior Tour's opener.

Tennis

1 p.m. Family Circle

Golf

3 p.m. BellSouth Classic

Pro Basketball

6:30 p.m. Pistons at Bulls

QUOTABLE

"My mother, who could win with 200 power than some of them, they're better drivers. Put them in a car and let them race, who's the best."
— IRL driver Eddie Childers between IRL races

SPORTS QUIZ

Who has won the most? See answer, Page 2B.

SCOREBOARD

NBA	
Washington	84
Orlando	73
Detroit	87
Boston	72
Milwaukee	102
Charlotte	94

NHL	
New Jersey	7
Anaheim	1
N.Y. Islanders	5
Florida	3
Detroit	2
Los Angeles	1
Chicago	2
Buffalo	1

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

Looking beyond dismal campaign

■ The Iowa women's team hopes to rebound from a rocky season over into next season.

By Greg Williams
The Daily Iowan

If you had to put 1998 Iowa women's gymnastics season, it would probably be a failure, mind "forget about this season." Injuries and suspension from an alcohol party, cancellation of three meets, coach Diane DeMarco effective at the end amidst the scandal.

The ramifications of a turbulent year are still the season's end, with between those that were suspended.

"Everybody has to man up," says coach Corynne Cooper. "A lot of team stuff, point if we don't want."

The season began with those dreams, but the injuries and suspensions were a reality. The team was forced to cancel its March 5 meet and two other meets, and the season's end, with Championships last. Hawkkeys fielded a team which finished last.

DeMarco, who announced her resignation on March 16, the alcohol scandal is leaving. Either way, the blame for this season rests on her shoulder.

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Tennis

1 p.m. Family Circle Magazine Cup, Fox/Ch.

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3 p.m. BellSouth Classic, First Round, USA.

Pro Basketball

6:30 p.m. Pistons at Bulls, WGN.

QUOTABLE

"My mother, who hates racing, could win with 200 more horsepower than somebody else. To say they're better drivers ... it's irrelevant. Put them in identical cars and let them race, and then see who's the best."
 — IRL driver **Eddie Cheever**, on comparisons between IRL, Formula One and CART race car drivers

SPORTS QUIZ

Who has won the most Indianapolis 500s? See answer, Page 2B.

SCOREBOARD

NBA			
Washington	84	Phoenix	93
Orlando	73	Golden State	78
Detroit	87	Sacramento	
Boston	72	at Portland, late	
Milwaukee	102	See standings,	
Charlotte	94	Page 2B	
NHL			
New Jersey	7	Dallas	6
Anaheim	1	Tampa Bay	4
N.Y. Islanders	5	Toronto	
Florida	3	at Vancouver, late	
Detroit	2	Colorado	
Los Angeles	1	at San Jose, late	
Chicago	2	See standings,	
Buffalo	1	Page 2B	

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS ANALYSIS

Looking beyond a dismal '99 campaign

■ The Iowa women's gymnastics team hopes the ramifications from a rocky season won't carry over into next season.

By Greg Wallace
 The Daily Iowan

If you had to put a grade on the 1999 Iowa women's gymnastics team's season, it would probably be an "F". Not for failure, mind you, but rather, "forget about this season."

Injuries and suspensions stemming from an alcohol party forced the cancellation of three meets, and 19-year coach Diane DeMarco resigned — effective at the end of the season — amidst the scandal.

The ramifications from such a turbulent year are still being felt after the season's end, with the team split between those that were and were not suspended.

"Everybody has to want it," freshman Corynne Cooper said. "We can do a lot of team stuff, but what's the point if we don't want to be a team?"

The season began with high hopes, but those dreams were squashed by the injuries and suspensions.

The team was forced to pull out of its March 5 meet against Minnesota, and two other meets were subsequently canceled. At the Big Ten Championships last weekend, the Hawkeyes fielded a partial squad which finished last.

DeMarco, who announced her resignation on March 16, refused to cite the alcohol scandal as her reason for leaving. Either way, a certain part of the blame for this season's struggles rests on her shoulders.

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Dwight's track eligibility caught in NCAA snags

■ A decision is expected this weekend as to whether or not Tim Dwight will be able to run for the Iowa track team this spring.

By Matt Bowen
 The Daily Iowan

The fate of Tim Dwight's return to the Iowa track and field team sits in the hands of the NCAA.

The organization is currently deciding whether endorsements that Dwight received during his rookie season with the NFL's Atlanta Falcons should make him ineligible. A decision is expected by this weekend.

"This is the first case of this nature

I've dealt with, so it's hard to tell how they will handle this," said Iowa associate athletic director Fred Mims, who handles the athletic department's compliance with NCAA rules. "You have a lot of visibility here, so they have to have a comfort level with what has occurred."

Dwight, who was unavailable for comment Wednesday night, has already paid back the money from the endorsements, including one with Nissan of

Iowa City, in hopes of getting the NCAA on his side. He has his sights set on competing at the Drake Relays, scheduled for April 23-24 in Des Moines.

"Now it's just kind of a waiting game," Iowa coach Larry Wiecek said. "It is unusual for a Super Bowl hero to come back to his college track team."

"He has done everything he's been told to do to be reinstated, and that is a great story in itself that he wants to run that bad."

Should the NCAA deem Dwight ineligible, he could run as a member of the Hawkeye Track Club. The club is unattached to the university, so Dwight's scores would not count for Iowa.

Last season, Dwight led off Iowa's Big Ten champion 400-meter relay

squad. He was also second in the conference in the 100-meter dash.

Dwight still has eight hours of internship work left before completing his undergraduate degree, and he plans to do that by working at North Dodge Athletic Club.

Wiecek was counting on the return of Dwight to boost the talent of his track squad. With the decision of Bashir Yamini to redshirt, Dwight is almost a necessity for success in the outdoor season.

"This could be a big loss," Wiecek said.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

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"He has done everything he's been told to do to be reinstated, and that is a great story in itself that he wants to run that bad."

— Iowa track coach Larry Wiecek

IOWA 20, GRAND VIEW 16

Iowa win potentially costly

■ The baseball team may be without Brian Mitchell indefinitely due to a hamstring injury the senior suffered Wednesday against Grand View.

By Roger Kuznia
 The Daily Iowan

Yes, the Iowa baseball team won a 20-16 slugfest Wednesday afternoon over Grand View. But the win may have come at a high price.

As he stretched for a ground ball just past the pitcher's mound in the ninth inning, Hawkeye second baseman Brian Mitchell crumpled to the ground in obvious pain, appearing to clutch his left hamstring. He needed assistance from head coach Scott Broghamer and trainer Boyd Murray to walk off the field.

With a four-game road series scheduled for this weekend at Michigan State, the Hawkeyes might have to go without their leading RBI man (26). His status for the weekend remains uncertain. Mitchell was 3 for 6 with four RBIs on the day, a triple away from the cycle.

"He's someone we obviously can't afford to lose," Broghamer said. "We'll have to take a look at him to see where he's at."

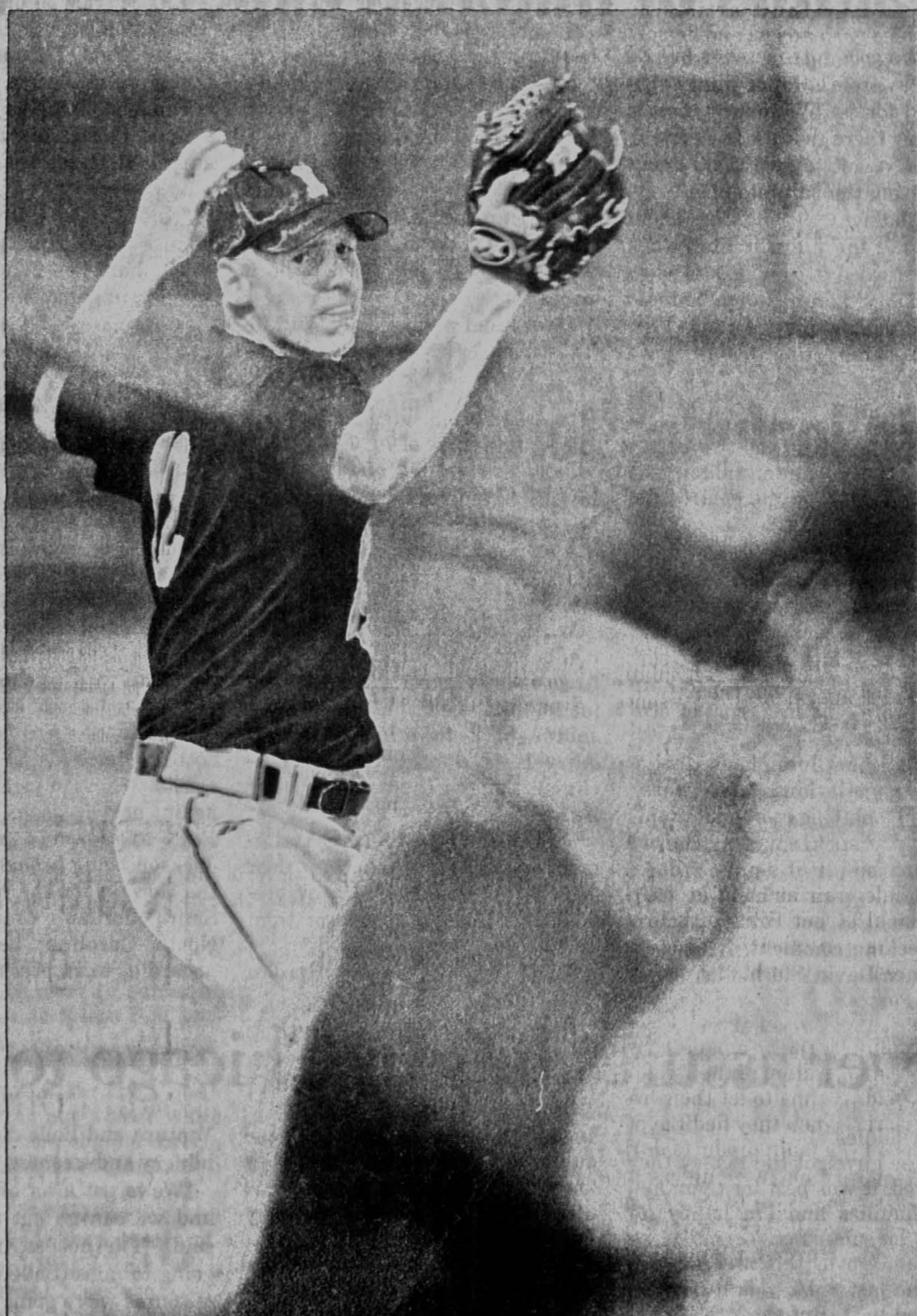
Though Mitchell's injury put a damper on the victory, 10 of the 12 Iowa batters who appeared in the game tallied at least one hit.

Freshman Tony Beveridge had one of Iowa's top hitting performances, going 4 for 4 with a three-run home run in the third inning and finishing with four RBIs. With a pinch hit in his only at-bat Tuesday against Iowa State, Beveridge has hit safely in his last five at-bats.

"I just try to contribute to the team," Beveridge said. "I just got good pitches to hit."

As a team, Iowa banged out 24 hits, three shy of the team record set in 1986.

"The hitters did an outstanding job



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

Iowa starting pitcher Steve Rasmussen pitches to a Grand View hitter in the second inning Wednesday. Rasmussen was chased later in the game after a rocky performance.

swinging the bat," Broghamer said. "This was a good one to get."

Catcher Toby Humes tied a school record with three doubles in the game. He joins five other Iowa players who share the mark.

"I'm seeing the ball a little bit better,"

Humes said. "I got the benefit of the wind on one of them, but the other two I hit pretty solid."

Grand View, an NAIA team from Des

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Player-owner status not likely for Jordan

■ David Falk said Wednesday that rumors Michael Jordan will return to the NBA and play for Charlotte are simply false.

By Chris Sheridan
 Associated Press

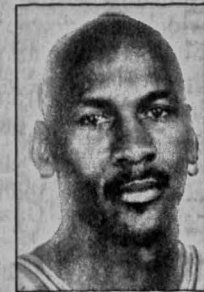
Don't count on Michael Jordan owning a piece of the Charlotte Hornets and playing for them, too.

It would be against NBA rules, it might tarnish his place in history, and it would involve him bouncing a basketball again — something he says he's finished doing.

That was the reaction Wednesday from the league, Jordan's agent and one of his close friends following a report that the five-time MVP was considering coming out of retirement to play for the Hornets next season if he is successful in purchasing a share of the team.

"There's absolutely no truth to it," agent David Falk said in a statement released by his office.

"He's the greatest player to ever play the game, and he would only do himself a disservice," Charles Barkley said. "I just hope he doesn't play because he'd damage his legendary status."



Jordan

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 • Associated Press columnist Jim Litke says Michael Jordan just can't keep out of the spotlight, Page 5B.

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Support gone for Big Hurt

■ Chicago White Sox slugger Frank Thomas is still looking forward to the 1999 season, despite the absences of Robin Ventura and Albert Belle from the White Sox lineup.

By Nancy Armour
 Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. — Frank Thomas was fighting a nasty cold, not to mention the antsiness that comes after six, long, monotonous weeks of spring training. Yet there he was, hanging out by the batting cage, smiling and laughing with his teammates.

Yes, Robin Ventura and Albert Belle are gone, leaving him to carry the load for a bunch that's barely old enough to legally drink, let alone intimidate anyone. But if you're looking for moaning, whining or growling, go look for someone else.

Thomas made his peace with Belle and Ventura's departures — not to mention his own dismal season last year — a long time ago. Now the two-time MVP is loose, happy and eager for the new season.

"I'm happy right now, I really am," Thomas said. "I never know what's going to happen in the future, that's the nature of the business, but I'm happy to be here and to help lead this team."

The last two seasons should have been the best of the Big Hurt's career. With Belle and Ventura batting behind him, the White Sox had one of

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the most dangerous lineups in baseball. Throw in Ray Durham's defense at second, and pitchers like Wilson Alvarez and Danny Darwin, and the White Sox looked like a team that could contend for the AL championship.

But with one trade, the Sox fortunes changed. Alvarez, Darwin and pitcher Roberto Hernandez were traded to San Francisco in July 1997 for six young players, effectively ending Chicago's chances that year and signaling the start of a youth movement.

The youngsters got off to a rough



Robert E. Bukaty/Associated Press

Chicago White Sox infielder Frank Thomas (right) limbers up earlier this spring. Thomas made peace with the departures of Albert Belle and Robin Ventura — not to mention his own dismal season last year — a long time ago.

start, going 35-51 in the first half last season and falling 15 1/2 games behind Cleveland. Thomas, playing almost exclusively at designated hitter for the first time in his career, struggled, too. He hit .265 with 29 home runs and 109 RBIs.

While those might be great numbers

for most players, Frank Thomas isn't most players. It was the future Hall of Famer's first below-.300 season, and his 29 homers were his fewest since 1992.

"This game is not as easy as people think it is, and last year was very

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SPORTS

SPORTS QUIZ

A.J. Foyt, Rick Mears, and Al Unser Sr. who have all run the prestigious race four times.

NCAA CONTEST WINNERS

The following is the list of winners for the Daily Iowan's 1999 NCAA tournament challenge. Men's tournament winners: Rod Leuzner, Dave Motz, Mike Bulla, Ben Voss, and Bob Kurtek. Women's tournament winners: Janet Ambardekar, Jodie Miller, Susie Swanson, Brian Bulla, and Kelsey Colbert. Winners can pick up their trophies in room 111 Communications Center providing they show valid identification.

NHL GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE	
Atlantic Division	W L T Pts GF GA
New Jersey	40 22 11 91 220 180
Pittsburgh	36 25 13 85 226 200
Philadelphia	33 23 18 84 216 179
N.Y. Rangers	31 33 10 72 202 204
N.Y. Islanders	21 45 9 51 172 224
Northwest Div. W L T Pts GF GA	
Ottawa	42 21 10 94 217 157
Toronto	39 28 6 84 231 211
Buffalo	33 25 15 81 188 161
Boston	32 28 13 77 190 166
Montreal	29 34 13 68 158 186
Southeast Div. W L T Pts GF GA	
Carolina	31 28 16 78 193 192
Florida	27 28 18 72 188 193
Washington	29 38 6 64 184 194
Tampa Bay	17 50 6 40 159 267
WESTERN CONFERENCE	
Central Division W L T Pts GF GA	
Detroit	38 25 5 82 221 187
St. Louis	31 31 11 73 208 191
Nashville	26 41 7 59 173 234
Chicago	23 40 12 58 178 233
Northwest Div. W L T Pts GF GA	
Colorado	38 26 10 86 215 186
Calgary	28 34 12 68 194 207
Edmonton	28 35 11 67 205 206
Vancouver	22 41 11 55 176 226
Pacific Division W L T Pts GF GA	
Dallas	47 15 12 106 215 150
Phoenix	37 26 12 86 190 178
Anaheim	33 29 11 77 195 181
San Jose	27 39 17 71 168 172
Los Angeles	28 41 5 61 169 198
*clinched playoff berth	
*clinched division title	
*Wednesday's Games	
*Los Angeles 2, Boston 1, OT	
*Nashville 3, Washington 2	
*Carolina 3, Philadelphia 3, tie	
*Ottawa 6, Pittsburgh 4	
*Calgary 3, Colorado 3, tie	
*Phoenix 7, Edmonton 4	

Wednesday's Games

Late games not included
 New Jersey 7, Anaheim 1
 N.Y. Islanders 5, Florida 3
 Detroit 2, Los Angeles 1
 Chicago 2, Buffalo 1
 Dallas 5, Tampa Bay 4
 Toronto at Vancouver, (n)
 Colorado at San Jose, (n)
Thursday's Games
 Boston at Montreal, 6 p.m.
 Florida at Washington, 6 p.m.
 Pittsburgh at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.
 Tampa Bay at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Nashville, 7 p.m.
 Phoenix at Calgary, 8 p.m.
 Toronto at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Friday's Games
 Anaheim at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m.
 Chicago at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
 San Jose at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

NBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE	
Atlantic Division W L Pct GB	
Orlando	22 10 688 -
Miami	19 9 579 1
New York	17 14 548 1/2
Philadelphia	15 4 5175 1/2
Washington	13 17 433 8
Boston	10 19 34510 1/2
New Jersey	5 24 17215 1/2
Central Division W L Pct GB	
Indiana	20 10 667 -
Atlanta	19 12 6131 1/2
Detroit	19 12 6131 1/2
Milwaukee	18 12 600 2
Toronto	15 14 5174 1/2
Cleveland	14 14 500 5
Charlotte	12 17 4147 1/2
Chicago	9 21 300 11
WESTERN CONFERENCE	
Midwest Div. W L Pct GB	
Utah	21 8 724 -
Houston	22 9 710 -
San Antonio	20 10 6671 1/2
Minnesota	17 13 5674 1/2
Dallas	10 22 31312 1/2
Denver	8 23 258 14
Vancouver	6 24 20015 1/2
Pacific Division W L Pct GB	
Portland	23 6 793 -
L.A. Lakers	21 11 6563 1/2
Seattle	15 14 517 1/2
Phoenix	15 16 484 9
SACRAMENTO MARINERS	17 17 452 10
Golden State	13 17 43310 1/2
L.A. Clippers	3 26 103 20
*Tuesday's Games	
*Boston 105, Charlotte 99	
*Detroit 93, Atlanta 77	
*Orlando 100, New Jersey 98	
*Toronto 101, Cleveland 91	
*New York 94, Indiana 93	

Minnesota 98, Dallas 78
 San Antonio 65, Seattle 87
 Milwaukee 107, Washington 106
 Chicago 91, Philadelphia 81
 Vancouver 101, Denver 87
 Sacramento 104, Utah 101, OT
 Houston 104, L.A. Clippers 95
 Golden State 93, Portland 90
Wednesday's Games
 Late Game Not Included
 Washington 84, Orlando 73
 Detroit 87, Boston 72
 Milwaukee 102, Charlotte 94
 Phoenix 93, Golden State 78
 Sacramento at Portland, (n)
Thursday's Games
 Indiana at Toronto, 6 p.m.
 Chicago at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
 Cleveland at New York, 6:30 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
 Atlanta at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
 L.A. Clippers at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
 Vancouver at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
 Seattle at Denver, 8 p.m.
 Houston at Utah, 8 p.m.
Friday's Games
 Milwaukee at Boston, 6 p.m.
 Cleveland at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
 Vancouver at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
 Indiana at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
 Denver at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
 Burnett at Phoenix, 7 p.m.
 Orlando at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
 Seattle at Portland, 9:30 p.m.
 Atlanta at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Optioned RHP Jason Olson, LHP Scott Eyre and RHP Chad Bradford to Charlotte of the International League. Reassigned RHP Mike Heathcott to their minor league camp. Returned OF Tyrone Pandey to the Atlanta Braves.
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Placed OF Mark Whiten and OF Jacob Cruz on the 15-day disabled list. Accepted OF David Miller back from the Philadelphia Phillies.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Optioned LHP Glendon Rusch to Omaha of the PCL. Released RHP Erik Hanson and RHP A.J. Sager.
MINNESOTA TWINS—Traded LHP Dan Serafini to the Chicago Cubs for cash.
SEATTLE MARINERS—Optioned RHP Ken Cloude, RHP Rafael Carmona and LHP Greg McCarthy to Tacoma of the PCL. Assigned C Raul Chavez to their minor league camp. Released RHP David Nava, LHP Lindsay Guin, RHP Marcus Moore, INF Claudio Livi, C Francisco Santesteban and C Jake Underwood from their minor league camp.

Rhodes confirms Alford's hiring of assistants

Iowa basketball coach Steve Alford has hired Rich Walker and Greg Lansing to fill out his assistant coaching staff, a top IU official confirmed Wednesday. Vice President of University Relations Ann Rhodes said Walker, who was an assistant under former coach Tom Davis, will be retained. She also said Lansing, an Indiana State assistant, will be brought on board. "The paperwork has gone upstairs," Rhodes said. Alford's father, Sam, will also be an assistant, despite a state law that prohibits nepotism. Rhodes said the IU will find a way to circumvent the law. "We have done this before," Rhodes said. "I think (Sam) is extremely well-qualified." Alford will watch his new team play for the first time today. The team will have a voluntary practice session at Carver-Hawkeye Arena. -James Kramer

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Report on the status of Mitchell expected today

BASEBALL

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 Moines, also hit the ball well. The Vikings (16-9) hit five home runs, but four of those were only solo shots, which was fortunate for Iowa. However, Broghamer knows that giving up 16 runs won't win too many conference games. "We can't pitch like that in the Big Ten," Broghamer said. "Grand

View is a good hitting team, but we got away from a lot of things that worked for us. We helped them a little bit there (with a few errors), but you've got to give them credit for putting the ball into play." Broghamer was talking about the top of the ninth inning, when Iowa recorded two quick outs when the Vikings' Lance Duhon bounced into a double play. Grand View scored three runs before Iowa

could get the final out. Errors by shortstop Kurt Vitense and first baseman Brad Carlson helped extend the inning. "We just need to tie things together," Humes said. "We can't seem to step on people like we need to. We had it down in Florida (two weeks ago), we just need to do it again. Iowa relief pitcher Troy Wulf (3-1) earned the victory. Viking

starter Todd Thomason lost his first game of the season (5-1). Though Mitchell's injury looked serious, Humes said he wouldn't be surprised to see the second baseman playing this weekend. "Knowing how Brian is, he'll bounce back," Humes said. "He's a tough, hard-nosed kid. I think we'll see him in game one on Friday." DI sportswriter Roger Kuznia can be reached at roger.kuznia@uiowa.edu

Rumored scenario includes Jordan, Jackson and Smith

JORDAN

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 —And even if Jordan wanted to play for the Hornets, it would be against league rules to do so if he was a part-owner. The NBA prohibits owners from being players, as Magic Johnson learned three years ago. "While the prospect of Jordan returning to the court was being widely shot down, the possibility of him becoming an owner remained open. Earlier this month, Jordan held face-to-face discussions with Hornets owner George Shinn about buying a 50 percent share of the team, and the two

have agreed to meet again in the near future. Fox Sports, citing unidentified sources close to Jordan, reported Tuesday night that Jordan's best-case scenario would involve him playing one full season for the Hornets while his ownership shares were held in a trust or otherwise deferred. "The Michael Jordan and George Shinn negotiations have never involved a playing role for Jordan," Hornets spokesman Harold Kaufman said. Jordan, vacationing in the Bahamas, did not return a message seeking comment. NBA commissioner David Stern was out of

his office Wednesday and could not be reached. A league spokesman pointed out that the NBA constitution prohibits players from being owners. When Johnson ended his retirement and returned to the Los Angeles Lakers in 1996, the league made him sell his ownership shares back to principal owner Jerry Buss. Johnson later repurchased some of those shares after he finally retired for good. Jordan, in announcing his retirement earlier this year, left the door open for a possible return by pronouncing himself anywhere from "95" to "99.9 percent retired." Those who have seen Jordan

recently estimate he is about 20 pounds heavier than his playing weight, and he recently said he hasn't picked up a basketball since hitting the final shot of his career — the game-winner in Utah at the end of Game 6 of the NBA Finals. Jordan also recently underwent surgery on his right index finger, which he damaged with a cigar cutter. The scenario of him playing again next season, according to Fox, also would include Phil Jackson being brought in to coach the Hornets for one year and Dean Smith, Jordan's college coach at North Carolina, being brought aboard as team president.

White Sox slugger assures he's in Chicago to stay

THOMAS

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 "humbling," he said. "I've never struggled in this game. I've always hit for a very high average. But last year just wasn't in the cards for me. "I've looked past that and it's time to move on," he said. "I'm going to stay focused and stay positive, and take the good with the bad. I've got new respect for the game. I'm not going to worry about things you can't control, just go out and have fun." Thomas' woes didn't end with the season. Belle exercised an option to become a free agent, and the White Sox made no effort to keep him. Ventura, also a free agent, left for the New York Mets. And Thomas? With a contract through 2006, he was left to baby-

sit the kiddies. "Those guys got the money they deserved, it was best for them and their families and I'm happy for them," he said. "I've seen so many come and go in this organization over the last 8 1/2 years that you get used to it. But the game must go on." There were rumblings, though, that it might go on in Chicago without Thomas. There were trade rumors all winter, and when Atlanta's Andres Galarraga learned he had cancer, there was speculation the Georgia native was headed for the Braves. Thomas has heard all the rumors and laughs at them. He's not going anywhere, doesn't want to. Honest. "I think the biggest deal for the organization was, was I going to be happy or not? I guess I proved them wrong with my attitude this

spring," he said, smiling. "Ask the guys who really know me, they know it takes a lot to keep me upset. I'm a happy-go-lucky guy. I'm high on life." Besides, the youth moves the White Sox made over the past couple of years are paying off. That infamous trade in July 1997? Bob Howry is now Chicago's closer. Mike Caruso made the jump from Class A to starting shortstop last season and finished third in voting for AL Rookie of Year. Keith Foulke is a mainstay in the bullpen. Jeff Abbott, Greg Norton and Magglio Ordonez, three other young players the White Sox hope will become the cornerstone of the franchise, are all coming into their own, both at the plate and on the field. OK, so none of them have Ventura's glove or Belle's bat or can protect Thomas in the lineup like

Ventura and Belle did. But they're hungry and talented, Thomas said. "We've got a lot of young talent and we can go out and play," he said. "I'm not saying we're not going to miss (Belle and Ventura), of course we're going to miss those guys. But it's just a matter of time before the young guys we've got in this clubhouse develop." But, two months shy of his 31st birthday, can Thomas wait that long? Despite his huge talent, the closest he's gotten to the World Series is the 1993 AL championship series, which Chicago lost 4-2 to the Toronto Blue Jays. "I don't worry about that right now," he said. "I look at a good friend of mine, Tim Lincecum, it took him until the age of 37 and he was in the big leagues at 21. Those things will happen, in due time."

Gymnasts hope new coach is someone they can relate to

GYMNASTICS

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 "Diane's been a great coach, and the coach that will replace her will have big shoes to fill," sophomore Erin Fifield said. A national coaching search will be conducted after the season, and the team is keeping an open mind about potential replacements. The team members hope to have a representative on the search committee. "With a new coach, changes come along," Fifield said. "We'll see what we get. There's always changes." What the team wants, however, is someone who they can relate to. "Someone who we can really be honest and upfront with, who will be able to contribute everything they have for the team, to take us to new heights," junior Courtney Burke said. "We want someone who will give us a say in the direction of the team." The Hawkeyes have already signed two recruits for next season

team again," said junior Julie Matolo, who was involved in the suspensions. "We need to be united again for this to work next year. We need to start communicating better between the two halves about what's going on, and deciding as a team, not as two teams." But the team knows that time can heal all wounds. The best remedy for the split in the team will be the start of the new season. "We just have to start over and put it behind us. That's all we can do right now," Fifield said. "I don't know if I'll look at people the same for a long time, but if we can look at each other the same, we'll get it together for next year," Burke said. Another priority will be to get this season's injured Hawkeyes healthy again. Before the season even began, sophomore Angie Hungerford, the team's returning MVP, tore her Achilles tendon, forcing her to redshirt the season. In Iowa's second meet, 1998 Big Ten Freshman of the Year Giselle

Boniforti suffered a bone bruise on her knee, sidelining her for the rest of the season, as well. Should they recover completely, Boniforti and Hungerford will return to a talented core of gymnasts. Cooper had a stellar freshman season, capping it off with an 11th-place finish in the all-around competition at the Big Ten meet. She had the team's high score in all four events. "Corynne's an awesome gymnast," DeMarco said. "I think she's going to be incredible next year. She's made tremendous progress and she'll be an awesome force next year." Burke was having the best season of her Hawkeye career before an alcohol-related suspension ended it. With Boniforti out of the lineup, she improved steadily throughout the year, and was the team's best all-arounder when the season ended. DI sportswriter Greg Wallace can be reached at gw Wallace@blue.wesg.uiowa.edu.

recently estimate he is about 20 pounds heavier than his playing weight, and he recently said he hasn't picked up a basketball since hitting the final shot of his career — the game-winner in Utah at the end of Game 6 of the NBA Finals. Jordan also recently underwent surgery on his right index finger, which he damaged with a cigar cutter. The scenario of him playing again next season, according to Fox, also would include Phil Jackson being brought in to coach the Hornets for one year and Dean Smith, Jordan's college coach at North Carolina, being brought aboard as team president.

George hires Harrick
 ■ Jim Harrick will leave Rhode Island over the Bulldog
 By Paul Mc
 Associated

ATHENS, Ga. rick was hired W basketball coach after guiding national champion 1995 and spending two seasons at Rhode Harrick succeeded who was fired after failing to lead Georgia to the NCAA tournament during his two years. "From the beginning, we said our commitment would be to hire a pro coach," Georgia coach Dooley said. "Obviously far surpassed that.

"It's not often that has the opportunity coach who has won championship. speaks for itself. that he's a Bulldog. Rhode Island a tor Ron Petro to deal to keep the coach said "brainer" to accept offer.

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 ■ U.S. soccer's r nizable figure is r for the Kansas Ci
 By Steve Bri
 Associated
 KANSAS CITY, M of a hill overlooking the goated face looms from a billbo high. Next to his fi "Soccer Rocker." And on the other board, one-quar Lalas' latest team, Soccer's Kansas Cit If Lalas isn't bi team, the red-hair fixture on the U.S. is clearly one of th to hit Kansas City i Besides being th recognizable soccer a bona fide off-fie veteran of late-nig TV pichman (reme spot with Keith Olb ing Lalas' guitar r dle of "Michael, F Ashore") and a with his own CD. "Yeah, that's my It's an act that's Kansas City.

SPORTS

Georgia hires Harrick

■ Jim Harrick decided to leave Rhode Island to take over the Bulldogs' program.

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

ATHENS, Ga. — Jim Harrick was hired Wednesday as basketball coach at Georgia after guiding UCLA to a national championship in 1995 and spending the past two seasons at Rhode Island.

Harrick succeeds Ron Jirsa, who was fired on March 11 after failing to lead Georgia to the NCAA tournament during his two years.



Harrick

"From the beginning, we said our commitment would be to hire a proven head coach," Georgia athletic Vince Dooley said. "Obviously, we've far surpassed that expectation."

"It's not often that a school has the opportunity to hire a coach who has won a national championship. His record speaks for itself. We're proud that he's a Bulldog."

Rhode Island athletic director Ron Petro tried to work out a deal to keep Harrick, but the coach said it was a "no-brainer" to accept Georgia's offer.

Harrick cited the strength of the Southeastern Conference and said his new job would give him the best opportunity to fulfill his goal of winning another national title.

"I've followed Georgia basketball for a number of years," said Harrick, who came to the news conference with a stuffed dog that belted out the Georgia fight song. "I'm glad to be in a league where you can play teams like Kentucky and Auburn night in and night out. That just makes your own team better."

Harrick was chosen over Appalachian State's Buzz Peterson, who was endorsed by Dean Smith and Michael Jordan, his former coach and teammate, respectively, at North Carolina. The other finalist, Delaware's Mike Brey, removed himself from consideration.

Georgia president Michael Adams was vice president of development at Pepperdine when Harrick coached at the California school. The two are close friends, but Adams stressed that the decision to hire Harrick was made by Dooley.

Harrick, 60, has a record of 403-182 in 19 years as coach at Pepperdine, UCLA and Rhode Island. He teams qualified for the NCAA tournament 14 times, including his last 10 seasons.

NCAA will change eligibility rules

■ The NCAA is expected to put less emphasis on test scores, while focusing more on students' overall performances.

By Craig Horst
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The NCAA said Wednesday it could have changes ready in freshman eligibility standards by September that likely will put less weight on the standardized test scores that a federal judge ruled discriminatory.

The NCAA said it had been studying modifications in its minimum standards for months before U.S. District Judge Ronald Buckwalter ruled in Philadelphia last week that relying on test scores "has an unjustified disparate impact against African-Americans."

The standards — which include minimum scores on the SAT or ACT, a core group of high school courses and a minimum grade-point average in that core — remain in effect after the 3rd U.S. Court of Appeals on Tuesday issued a stay of Buckwalter's ruling.

The NCAA hope to have modifications of the standards, known as Proposition 16, in place by Sept. 1, said Penn State president Graham B. Spanier, chairman of the NCAA Division I Board of Directors.

"I'm not promising we will have it done by that date. Circumstances can change," Spanier said. "The stay gives us a window of opportunity following our own schedule and pursuing our research to have something in place by Sept. 1."

The NCAA will continue to pursue an appeal of Buckwalter's ruling not only because it struck down Proposition 16, but because it also raised other issues that needed clarification, Spanier said.

The standards were challenged by four black athletes who contended they were denied athletic scholarships or sports eligibility because they did not score the minimum on the standardized tests.

The tests have long been a subject of debate in the academic and athletic worlds as to whether they are discriminatory.

Proposition 16 was a refinement of Proposition 48, which was enacted during the NCAA convention in 1983 at the bidding of reform-minded university presidents who wanted tougher academic standards.

Spanier said some sort of minimum standards are needed to avoid revisiting "the bad old days" when high school athletes arrived on campus ill-equipped to handle the rigors of university academics, were exploited for their athletic ability and then thrown out without education or skills when their eligibility was used up. In studies

since then, the NCAA has found athletes graduate at a higher rate than the general student body.

"The NCAA position is that it has produced sufficient evidence linking graduation rates to test score cutoffs under Proposition 16," Spanier said.

Modifying Proposition 16 likely will involve adjusting the weighting of the three components that make up the minimum standards, Spanier said. In particular, more weight would likely be given to overall performance in high school.

Studies show that the "single best predictor of success is performance in high school," Spanier said. There are members of the NCAA board who believe high school performance "is extremely important and should carry the greatest weight."

However, standardized tests must be part of the mix and those that think the tests are "irrelevant or full of bias don't have a good understanding of testing or measurement," Spanier said.

Former Kentucky player Watts pleads guilty

■ The prosecuting attorney said he will ask for two five-year terms for Watts.

By Tim Whitmire
Associated Press

SOMERSET, Ky. — Former Kentucky football player Jason Watts pleaded guilty Wednesday to reckless homicide in an alcohol-related truck crash that killed a teammate and another young man.

Watts entered the plea during a 10-minute hearing in Pulaski Circuit Court. Judge Daniel Venters granted Watts' request to go to prison immediately.

Venters scheduled sentencing for April 16. Pulaski Commonwealth's Attorney Eddy Montgomery said he would ask that Watts serve consecutive terms of five years on each count for a total of 10 years.

Watts, originally charged with manslaughter, declined to speak in court. He and his attorney, James Lowry, did not comment afterward.

"It's best for everyone to try to get on with their lives," Watts' father, Jim, said. "This is a sad, sad day for everyone."

The Nov. 15 crash on U.S. 27 north of Somerset injured Watts and killed teammate Arthur Steinmetz and Eastern Kentucky student Scott Brock. Tests showed Watts' blood-alcohol level to be 1½ times the legal limit.

Watts faced up to 25 years in prison if convicted on the original charges. Under Wednesday's plea, his maximum sentence dropped to 10 years and the wanton endangerment charge was dismissed.

Watts was hospitalized with an arm laceration. He was kicked off the football team and left school briefly before returning in January.

The tragedy darkened Kentucky's most successful football season in years, climaxed by an invitation to the Outback Bowl.



Mike Johnson/Associated Press
Former Kentucky football player Jason Watts, left, pleads guilty Wednesday to two counts of reckless homicide.

Watts, a 21-year-old senior from Oviedo, Fla., started 10 games at center, anchoring a line that protected star quarterback Tim Couch.

Steinmetz, 19, had transferred to Kentucky from Michigan State and was sitting out a year while waiting to become eligible. Brock, 21, was a close friend and high school teammate of Couch.

At the time of the wreck, the three were headed for a deer hunting excursion. Watts and Brock had spent several hours the previous night at a Lexington bar where they celebrated the Wildcats' win over Vanderbilt.

The crash occurred just before 7 a.m., as Watts passed another driver and lost control of his truck.

Montgomery said Watts' lawyers indicated from the start that he would take responsibility.

K.C. hopes Lalas improves ticket sales

■ U.S. soccer's most recognizable figure is now playing for the Kansas City Wizards.

By Steve Brisendine
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — At the top of a hill overlooking Interstate 35, the goateed face of Alexi Lalas looms from a billboard two stories high. Next to his face, two words: "Soccer. Rocker."

And on the other half of the billboard, one-quarter the size of Lalas' face, appears the logo of Lalas' latest team, Major League Soccer's Kansas City Wizards.

If Lalas isn't bigger than the team, the red-haired defender, once a fixture on the U.S. national team, is clearly one of the biggest things to hit Kansas City in a while.

Besides being the nation's most recognizable soccer player, Lalas is a bona fide off-field celebrity — a veteran of late-night television, a TV pitchman (remember the ESPN spot with Keith Olbermann smashing Lalas' guitar right in the middle of "Michael, Row Your Boat Ashore?") and a rock musician with his own CD.

"Yeah, that's my sthick," he says. "It's an act that's playing well in Kansas City."



Cliff Schiappa/Associated Press
Kansas City's Alexi Lalas, considered the best known player in American soccer, poses for cameras during his team's media day on March 23.

Lalas already is in line for his own radio show. The 28-year-old player can't go out for an evening without being approached by streams of fans.

"For me, it's gratifying when people just come up and say, 'Welcome to town,'" said Lalas, who came to the Wizards with national team goalkeeper Tony Meola in an off-season trade with the New York-New Jersey MetroStars. "It's never been a drag, never been a hassle."

That kind of attention is just what the Wizards need. They ranked last in attendance in the 12-team MLS last year, averaging 8,072 fans — the only team below 10,000.

MLS commissioner Doug Logan has said attendance in Kansas City remains a concern. And critics of the trade say the Wizards really need someone to jump-start an offense that scored just 45 goals last season, second-lowest in the league. The team hasn't scored yet in two losses this season.

Which raises a question: Were Lalas and Meola — especially Lalas — brought in to draw fans or produce winning soccer?

"We made the trade based on their playing abilities," general manager Doug Newman said. "The fact that they are also marquee names and very marketable is certainly a bonus, but we don't make any trades based on marquee issues. We have to put the team first."

And Meola, who could miss half the season with a knee injury, bristles at being cast in the role of box-office draw.

"I've been saying since I got here that my major purpose is to win games," he said. "All the other things are so secondary to me. If they happen, they're great. But if they don't happen, that's what it is."

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SPORTS

Ads could appear on MLB uniforms

■ In an effort to increase revenues, teams might peddle products on their jerseys.

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Imagine this: Mark McGwire walking to the plate with a patch on his bulging biceps advertising a burger joint.

Or those famed New York Yankees pinstripes — the ones worn with pride by Ruth and Gehrig, DiMaggio and Mantle — pitching an ad for bagels.

It could be coming to a ballpark near you.

Baseball, according to the Sports Business Journal, is considering allowing teams to sell advertising on the sleeves of their uniforms. It's not unprecedented: Soccer teams around the world have ads on their shirts, selling everything

from breweries to banks, often emblazoned in letters larger than those of the team name.

The ads could be on 1- to 1½-inch square patches — perhaps too small to be easily seen from the upper deck, but certainly big enough to be picked up in TV close-ups and photographs.

NASCAR drivers are walking, talking billboards when they wear their track outfits. And tennis players and golfers frequently appear on the court and the course wearing caps with corporate logos.

Although shoes and equipment such as bats and gloves carry brand names and logos, ads on uniforms apparently would be a first for the four major U.S. team sports. Currently, the only corporate marking on baseball uniforms is an "R" for Russell Athletic, the manufacturer of the jerseys.

"This is about trying to find creative ways to bring valuable part-

ners into baseball," Tim Brosnan, baseball's senior vice president of domestic and international properties, said Wednesday.

Brosnan wouldn't put a timetable on the discussions or when a final decision will be made, saying it depends "on when things gel."

Several officials speaking on the condition they not be identified said owners would have to give the final go-ahead and pointed out that commissioner Bud Selig moves slowly

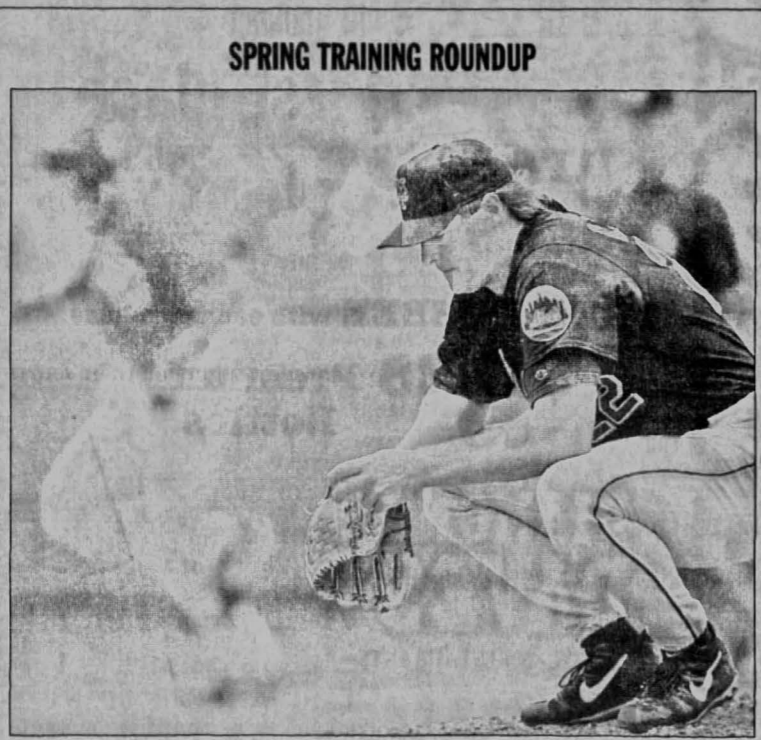
and carefully toward decisions.

"There are active discussions about the issues that bring additional partners and additional sponsors into baseball," Brosnan said. "We're kicking around a lot of things."

Selig and chief operating officer Paul Beeston did not respond to telephone calls seeking comment on the plan.

Baseball would prohibit uniform ads only from tobacco, alcohol and media companies. Broadcasters of games are unlikely to want to show closeups of players wearing ads for their competitors.

In the scramble to find new revenue in the 1990s, often to cover players' escalating salaries, teams have dramatically increased ballpark advertising, plastering ads on fences and — for the first time — behind home plate, where they are visible behind the batter from the center field television camera.



Matt York/Associated Press

New York Mets pitcher Al Leiter crouches on the mound as Kansas City's Sal Fasano rounds third base after hitting a solo home run Wednesday.

Cincinnati's Harnisch still nursing stiff back

The Associated Press

Roger Clemens and Randy Johnson looked sharp, albeit against minor leaguers. Pete Harnisch, however, will not be ready for opening day.

A stiff back and three disheartening innings Wednesday cost Harnisch his start in the opener for Cincinnati. The Reds instead switched to Brett Tomko after a 10-4 loss to the Philadelphia Phillies.

Harnisch was the Reds' top winner last season at 14-7 and the clear-cut choice to become the No. 1 starter when Denny Neagle was sidelined by weakness in his left shoulder.

But Harnisch was pounded for eight hits and 12 runs in 2½ innings against Detroit on March 16, then developed back spasms in a start March 21. Against the Phillies, nine of the 18 batters he faced reached base on a hit or a walk, and his back never loosened up.

In all, Harnisch threw 64 pitches and gave up seven hits, two walks and eight runs.

"The ball doesn't have the life in the hitting area that it normally has and I don't know why that is," he said. "I'm not sure if it's mechanical or if my arm's not where I think it should be. I really can't answer that."

The plan is for Harnisch to stay behind in Florida when the team heads north and pitch in a minor league game Sunday.

"We'll push him to the back (of the rotation) and then he'll have plenty of time to get some treatment," manager Jack McKeon said. "There's no sense in rushing him."

Clemens and Johnson, though, had no trouble.

Clemens, who will start for the World Series champion New York Yankees on Monday at Oakland, worked five scoreless innings in a Triple-A game.

Pitching for Columbus against Scranton, the Phillies' top farm club, he allowed one scratch hit, struck out five and walked two.

"I definitely wanted to get some good work in and feel strong doing it," Clemens said. "I felt pretty good and it went pretty much according to what I expected. I'm ready to go."

Johnson, who will start for Arizona on Monday at Los Angeles, pitched six no-hit innings. He said he felt no hint of the strained right groin that had caused him to miss his previous start.

"I felt good," he said. "I'm ready to go."

The 6-foot-10 left-hander had his fastball clocked at 97 mph and his slider at 83 to 86 mph. Johnson walked four, hit a batter and struck out five. Only three balls were hit out of the infield.

In other news, Cecil Fielder was released by the Toronto Blue Jays, a month after the 35-year-old designated hitter agreed to a minor-league contract.

Brewers' Abbott to give it a swing

■ Because Jim Abbott now plays for a National League team, the one-handed pitcher will have to go to the plate.

By Arnie Stapleton
Associated Press

PHOENIX — Jim Abbott understands the fascination.

While he's busy developing new offspeed pitches to aid his comeback with the Milwaukee Brewers, the rest of the baseball world seems fixated on his hitting.

Come watch the Amazing Abbott face Randy Johnson.

"Well, I'm not going to make any brash predictions," said Abbott, who was born without a right hand. "We'll see. I'm going to pick up a bat and work hard at it and hopefully I'll be able to bunt with success and I'll hopefully get to face the Arizona Diamondbacks and Randy Johnson."

He hasn't gotten to do that yet, but fans have flocked to watch him bat, probably not even noticing who the pitcher was.

Abbott, who has never batted in a regular-season game, is 1-for-4 this spring with a sacrifice bunt. His single off Seattle left-hander Butch Henry last month was his third career hit in exhibition play.

Abbott bats from the left side, swinging open-handed. He balances the bat with the wrist area of his right arm.

He is accustomed to the scrutiny. "A long, long time ago I reconciled how my playing may be viewed or focused on," Abbott said.

"And it's a good thing. I mean, I'm not going to sit here and rebel against that and say, 'I'm not different, I'm the same as anybody else.' I am different. My playing is different, I mean, the facts are the facts."

And a lot of good has come from that, Abbott said, citing the child he met last week who had lost an arm and asked the pitcher to show him how he tied his shoe laces.

"If my going out and trying to hit a baseball provides an inspiration or an example for them, there's really very little harm that can come from that," Abbott said.

Yet, Abbott said he's just like any one else, playing for himself.

"It's a greedy feeling of wanting to accumulate more and more great experiences," he said. "As I've gotten older I've learned. I try to do less for the eyes and expectations of others."

Before this season, the 31-year-old Abbott had always played in the AL, which has the designated hitter.

"I get nervous when I'm up there, just because I don't feel as prepared," he said.

"Pitching at least is something I've done over and over and over again for years. Hitting, I get up there and I feel a little naked," he said. "There's definitely some anxiety in that batter's box."

Nervousness is what stirred Abbott to try a comeback after sitting out 1997 following a 2-18 season with the Angels.

"I felt when I wasn't playing, I was comfortable. There was ease," Abbott said. "But I missed that lit-

tle turning of the stomach."

Still, Abbott had no idea if he could make it back to the majors.

"Some part of me felt my ability had just run out," he said. "But I felt I was healthy enough and young enough..."

Abbott, 5-0 in five late-season starts for the Chicago White Sox last season, signed a one-year deal with the Brewers for \$600,000 in January with a mutual option for 2000 at \$1.5 million.

The Brewers offered him the chance to pitch a lot of innings — and bat for the first time since high school.

"I expect from him no less than what I expect from any of our other pitchers," manager Phil Garner said. "I expect him to get the bunts down. Now, it might be difficult because I'm sure teams are going to be aggressive" and sprint their first and third basemen toward home plate.

Also, Abbott won't be able to



Lenny Ignezi/Associated Press Milwaukee's Jim Abbott throws a pitch on March 15 in Peoria, Ariz.

"slug-bunt," where the pitcher fakes a bunt by squaring around and then pulls back and takes a swing, catching the fielders off guard.

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Heading into the weekend, the scuttlebutt was that Jordan is interested in owning the league's Charlotte franchise. Tuesday night, it became that he might want to play for the team, too. The possibilities grow more intriguing by the day. At the breathless pace that Fox Sports News is pushing this story, mascot Hugo The Hornet's job won't be safe by end of the week, either.

Jordan's agent David Falk, tried to pour cold water on that part of the story about his client coming back to play. "There's absolutely no truth to it," he said in a statement released by his Washington office.

Good buddies Charles Barkley and Scottie Pippen have to be praying right about now that Falk knew more than they did. "I'd be very surprised if he came back and played," Barkley said when cornered by the network late Tuesday night. "That's a new one," Pippen weighed in a few minutes later. "I don't see him coming in as a player."

Unlike Falk, of course, the two Houston Rockets have their reasons for wanting Jordan as far away from a basketball court as possible. His absence is Barkley's best chance to acquire at least one championship ring. It is Pippen's only chance to get his hands on any more.

But not all their reasons are selfish ones. Barkley, like Magic Johnson, another Jordan intimate, wants to see his friend become the first black owner of a major sports franchise. Both of them, as well as Pippen, share the same concern for Jordan's legacy that Jordan expressed at a retirement news conference barely 10 weeks ago.

"I think he'd do a disservice to himself," Barkley said. "I think all athletes who come back do a disservice to themselves."

Pippen, never an original thinker, concurred. "He had a great career. He's going to leave it at that."

But will he?

The guess here — despite Falk's disclaimer — is probably not.

People who have seen Jordan in recent days peg him at a good 20 pounds heavier than his last listed playing weight of 216. He hardly needs the extra weight to leverage his bid to buy a controlling interest in the team since commissioner David Stern, along with just about everybody else in his home state of North Carolina, would like nothing more than to see Jordan ease current owner George Shinn on down the road. And they might even show their gratitude by building him that new stadium that Shinn has begged shamelessly for the past few months.

But Jordan is likely to want his portion of ownership without putting much of his own money out, and for considerably less than half the \$250 million that Shinn is said to be asking. That's where the playing part of the equation apparently comes in.

Mizzou coach Stewart may step down

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) — Amid media reports that Norm Stewart may retire after 32 years at Missouri, Stewart says an announcement is expected today.

Missouri athletics officials will hold a news conference this morning.

Several TV stations reported Wednesday that Stewart and his lawyer spent the day negotiating a buyout of the final two years of his contract with Missouri athletic director Mike Alden.

Asked by KMIZ-TV's Chris Gervino, Stewart would say only that an announcement will probably be made today.

Francis jumps ship to NBA

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Steve Francis spent just one season at Maryland, helping the Terrapins to a school-record 28 wins.

Now the NBA beckons, and he is expected to be one of the top picks in the June draft.

"I believe it is time to take the next step and take on a new challenge," Francis said Wednesday in announcing his decision. "It's time to start a new and exciting chapter in my life."

Penn talking NBA

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Ohio State has added a big man to its arsenal of weapons, but still

SPORTS BRIEFS

could lose its little man.

Scoonie Penn, who helped guide the Buckeyes to the Final Four, said Wednesday he hasn't ruled out the possibility of making himself available for the NBA draft.

A week ago, Penn said he couldn't envision not coming back for his senior season. But he stopped considerably short of that at the team's final news conference.

"As of now, if you ask me straight up if I'm coming back, I'd say yes," Penn said. "When you get in a situation like this, you have to weigh all your options."

Ump chief blasts survey

NEW YORK — Umpires don't like baseball players rating them.

"I give no credence whatsoever to those ratings," umpires union head Richie Phillips said Tuesday. "I think they're patently absurd. I've even been told that some players had their kids fill them out."

Tim McClelland and Jerry Crawford are the top umpires, according to a survey by the players association, and Ken Kaiser and Charlie Williams are the worst.

Gymnasts disappear

RICHMOND, Va. — Three top Romanian male gymnasts apparently decided not to return to their native country following a gymnastics

meet last week, although no one seems to know where they might be.

Marian Malita, Viorel Popescu and Vasile Cioana have not been seen since Saturday. Romanian officials think the three decided to stay in the United States for good, said Ron Galimore, senior director for the American men's gymnastics program.

N'western names coach

EVANSTON, Ill. — Saying she had the experience and personality to turn the Wildcats into a successful program, Northwestern officials named June Olkowski the women's basketball coach on Wednesday.

In the past six seasons, Olkowski, 38, coached Butler to a 114-56 record and a trip to the 1996 NCAA tournament. She replaces Don Perrelli, who retired after 15 years as the Wildcats coach.

Holladay promoted

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Joe Holladay was named full-time assistant coach for Kansas on Wednesday, replacing Matt Doherty, who left the Jayhawks to become head coach at Notre Dame.

Holladay, 51, who worked as a restricted assistant coach for Kansas the past six seasons, will take over Doherty's off-campus recruiting duties and assist in day-to-day operations of the program.

NHL ROUNDPUP
First-place Detroit wins

DETROIT (AP) — Todd Gill scored in his first game in two months as the Detroit Red Wings beat the Los Angeles Kings 2-1 on Wednesday night for their fourth straight victory.

Sergei Fedorov also had a goal for the first-place Red Wings, who moved nine points ahead of idle St. Louis in the Central Division race.

Devils 7, Mighty Ducks 1
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Rookie Vadim Sharifjanov scored twice and New Jersey matched its season high for goals and handed Anaheim its worst loss of the season.

Randy McKay also scored and assisted on goals by linemates Bobby Holik and Dave Andrewchuk in a four-goal first period.

Islanders 5, Panthers 3
SUNRISE, Fla. — Mariusz Czerkawski scored a pair of goals, including the game winner, as New York defeated Florida.

The win snapped a four-game losing streak for the Islanders, who were 1-10-2 in their previous 13 games.

Blackhawks 2, Sabres 1
CHICAGO — Bob Probert and Dave Manson, both put on waivers last month by Chicago but not picked up, scored Wednesday night against Dominik Hasek as the Blackhawks beat Buffalo.

Stars 6, Lightning 4
DALLAS — Joe Nieuwendyk scored the tiebreaking goal midway through the third period and Dallas moved closer to its franchise-record point total with a victory over Tampa Bay.

NBA ROUNDPUP

Great defense helps Wizards top Magic

WASHINGTON (AP) — Juwan Howard scored 20 points and the Washington Wizards used a record defensive performance to beat the Orlando Magic 84-73 Wednesday night.

The 73 points by Orlando were the fewest ever allowed by Washington. The previous record was 74, by Cleveland in 1982 and Miami in 1997.

Terry Davis went 6-for-6 from the field and matched his season-high with 12 points,

including six points during an 8-0 first-quarter run that gave the Wizards the lead for good.

Bucks 102, Hornets 94

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Ray Allen had 20 points and Milwaukee opened a four-game road trip by shooting a season-high 61 percent for a victory over Charlotte.

Milwaukee, which came in shooting an NBA-best 40 percent from 3-point range, made seven of 14 attempts from long range. Former Charlotte guard Dell Curry, who had 18 points, was one of three Milwaukee players to hit two 3-pointers.

Pistons 87, Celtics 72

BOSTON — Lindsey Hunter scored 17 points as Detroit won its fifth straight game.

Grant Hill added 16 points and 11 rebounds, while Bison Dele scored 14 points for the Pistons.

Paul Pierce scored 20 points and Antoine Walker had 18 points and 10 rebounds for the Celtics, who have lost seven of their last nine.

After trailing by 16 points in the third quarter, the Celtics closed to 70-62 with a 6-0 run midway through the fourth quarter. But the Pistons remained in control.

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New No. 1 Duval goes for fourth win

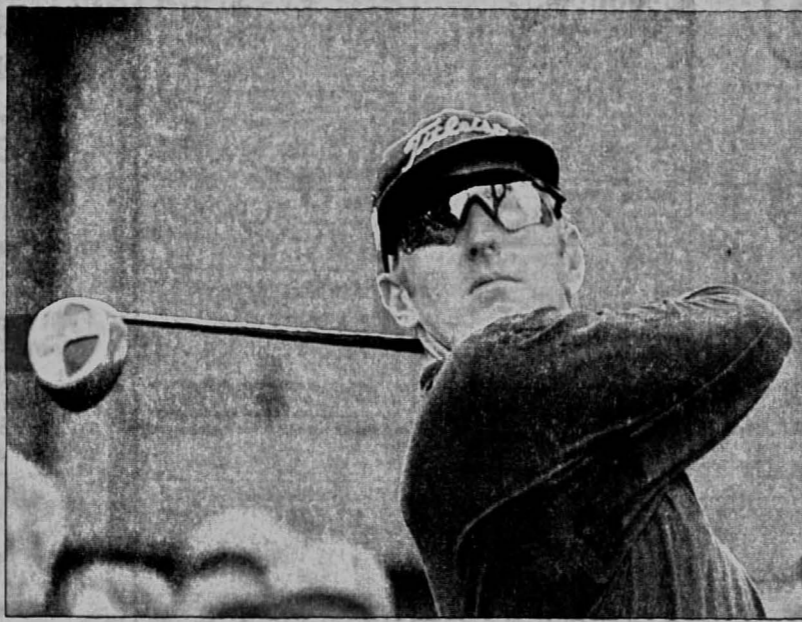
After replacing Tiger Woods as the top-ranked golfer, David Duval says he is looking ahead to the upcoming Masters.

By Ed Shearer
Associated Press

DULUTH, Ga. — David Duval would like to make the BellSouth Classic his fourth victory of the season, but not at the expense of what lies a week ahead.

Next up is the Masters, and Duval readily acknowledges it will be on his mind. "I am not going to sit here and lie to you about it," Duval said Wednesday. "It is an important event to me."

"I have to weigh it out and make sure I don't expend too much energy here and make sure I am ready for next week as well," he said. "It will be a bit of a balancing act."



Michael Caulfield/Associated Press

David Duval tees off during the Nissan Open in Los Angeles on Feb. 19. Duval, already a three-time winner on the PGA Tour this year, brings his new No. 1 ranking to the BellSouth Classic.

Duval heads a strong field in the \$2.5 million BellSouth beginning today on the hilly, 7,259-yard TPC at Sugarloaf course designed by Greg Norman, who withdrew from the tournament Wednesday because of a virus.

Duval's third victory came in his hometown last week when he captured The Players Championship at Sawgrass by two shots over

Scott Gump. Duval, who has earned \$2.1 million in seven events this year, also won the season-opening Mercedes Championship in Hawaii and the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic in California.

Duval said making sure he's ready for the Masters involves being ready mentally and physically.

He said he has to make sure he's fresh for this tournament and for

next week, too ... "making sure you are anxious to go out there every day, don't get to the point where you dread it."

Duval's competition is strong, including Davis Love III, who is sixth on the money list, and John Huston, eighth in earnings this season.

Love has had six Top Ten finishes in eight events, including ties for second in the Sony Open and the Nissan Open and a third at Bay Hill. Huston has finished third in two events.

With the Masters only a week away, there also is a strong contingent of foreign players in the field — Sweden's Gabriel Hjertstedt, who won at Tucson this year, former Masters champions Nick Faldo of England, Jose Maria Olazabal of Spain, Ian Woosnam of Wales, Scotland's Colin Montgomerie and Jesper Parnevik of Sweden.

Defending champion Tiger Woods isn't in the field.

Scott McCarron, who won the first event at Sugarloaf two years ago when the event moved from the Atlanta Country Club, is in the field, along with Fred Couples, Mark Calcavecchia and Phil Mickelson.

The field got its last look at the course before the first round during Wednesday's Pro-Am, played in raw, rainy weather. The forecast calls for clearing by midday today and the temperature is expected to reach the low 80s by Friday.



Chris O'Meara/Associated Press

Hale Irwin tees off during the GTE Seniors golf tournament on Feb. 20. Irwin, the most successful Senior PGA player, and Bob Duval, who didn't win his first senior title until Sunday, enter The Tradition as the players to watch.

Injuries narrow the field of competitors at The Tradition

Like his son David, Bob Duval has never won a major tournament. The elder Duval goes for his first this weekend.

By Mel Reisner
Associated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — If this were match play, Bob Duval could go 1-up on son David Duval this week.

The pair struck a golfing first last weekend, with David capturing The Players Championship and Bob winning on the seniors tour for his first professional victory.

Now, Bob Duval, a 53-year-old former club pro, can do his son one better — winning a major.

David Duval, who has overtaken Tiger Woods as the world's No. 1-ranked golfer, has won 10 tournaments in 18 months. However, he has never won a major.

Bob Duval will be going after a major of his own this week at The Tradition — the Senior PGA Tour event, presented by Countrywide, on the Cochise Course in north Scottsdale.

His path will be somewhat cleared by the withdrawal of two-time champion Gil Morgan, who pulled out Wednesday because of a sore back.

Morgan is the first senior since Jack Kiefer at the Canadian Senior Open last year to fail to defend a title. Morgan pulled out of last week's event after two rounds because of back problems.

"It's very disappointing to have to pull out of The Tradition this year, especially with the opportunity to win for a third straight time," Morgan said. "You only get a chance like this maybe once in a lifetime."

Bob Duval wouldn't mind another double — winning The Tradition, with his son taking the Masters a week later.

"I'd have the first, but I think he might have one in a couple of weeks," Duval said. "I'm not going to Vegas, but it's something I wouldn't bet against."

Bob Duval's victory last week came at the Emerald Coast Classic in Florida, where he beat Bruce Fleischer by two strokes. A few hours later, David won The Players Championship across the state.

"I taught him how to play, but not the way he's playing now," Duval said. "Nobody can teach that. You can't teach the concentration."

A pro at two exclusive clubs in the Jacksonville, Fla., area, Duval spent some of his best competitive years following his son from tournament to tournament. David paid him back when Bob was 49 by urging him to prepare himself for the senior tour.

Duval won \$555,601 in 1997, his first full year, and \$734,573 last year while recording three second-place finishes.

Apart from Morgan, Bob Duval also won't have four-time champion Jack Nicklaus to deal with.

Nicklaus, who designed Cochise and four other courses at Desert Mountain, is rehabilitating after hip-replacement surgery.

The absence of Nicklaus, Morgan, Don Bies and Lee Trevino, who elected to stay with his family, leaves only two former champions in the field — Tom Shaw (1993) and Raymond Floyd (1994).

But there is still plenty of talent on hand, including the 50-year-old Fleischer, who has won twice, finished second twice and won \$532,400 in four tournaments as a rookie on the senior tour.

"I'm surprised a little by my play," Fleischer said. "I don't feel as intimidated as I once did, especially not out here. As you get older, maybe the drive isn't as great."

Hale Irwin is also seeking his first Tradition crown, and he makes no secret about his desire to add it to the 20 he's collected since turning 50.

"It's a good, tough golf course," said Irwin, who has won 16 times in the last two seasons, with one U.S. Senior Open and two of his three Senior PGA Championships. "You need to manage your game well to win."

Top player's strength lies in mental game

David Duval's low-key approach to the game is one of his best attributes.

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — David Duval doesn't hitch his pants and go for broke. He's more likely to adjust his wraparound sunglasses and pitch back into the fairway.

He doesn't punch the air with a stiff uppercut whenever he makes a 40-foot putt. Then again, when is the last time Duval even had a putt that long?

Remember the time Hale Irwin ran around the 18th green giving high-fives after getting into a playoff in the 1990 U.S. Open? Duval hit the biggest clutch shot of his career, a wedge onto the island green to clinch The Players Championship, and the best he could offer was a low-five to his caddie.

Boring? Yes, but a big reason why Duval is so effective.

He makes no apologies for who he is and makes no effort to become someone he isn't.

"I just play golf," Duval said at the start of the year, before he won three times in his first eight tournaments to prolong the hottest streak in golf since Tom Watson was at his peak some 20 years ago.

"I know what it feels like to win golf tournaments. I certainly know what it's like to lose them."

— Top-rated golfer David Duval

"I guess that's why I don't get too high or too low, because I know you're not far from getting beat. I think I'm content with where I am and what I'm doing."

Duval is at No. 1 in the world rankings, thanks to his victory Sunday in The Players Championship in which he took only 22 putts in the final round. What he is doing is simply proving once again that the most important piece of equipment is between the ears.

"The thing about David is, we all know he's got every aspect of the game," Masters and British Open champion Mark O'Meara said. "We know he's a great driver, a good iron player. He's got a great short game and he's a wonderful putter."

"But one of his biggest assets is he's a very composed player," O'Meara said. "He doesn't let a couple of bad breaks bother him, and I think

that's why he's playing some of the best golf of anybody in the world."

Duval's composure can be traced to his first two years on the PGA Tour.

He set a record for earnings by a rookie but didn't win. He made the Presidents Cup team in only his second year on tour but didn't win. Five times he took the lead into the final round only to watch someone else cash the first-place check.

Duval never wavered from his belief that his time was coming.

"My goal isn't to win a golf tournament," he said in May 1996. "My goal is to win 20 of them, 30 of them, and majors. I think you have to learn a lot about yourself and the game, and how you play it, to accomplish those goals."

One by one, he is accomplishing them. The next stop: a major.

Duval's victory Sunday was the 10th in the last 18 months, and he will be the prohibitive favorite in the Masters next week. The way Duval played last week on a Stadium Course with deep rough and concrete green, that first major might not be too far away.

During four grueling days, Duval never lost his composure on the course and never whined off it. He took bogeys and birdies in stride and never once made double bogey.

It was Duval's first tournament in nearly a month. He didn't hit the ball as crisply as he did when he won the Hope Classic with a 59, or when he won the Mercedes Championships by nine strokes.

Still, he plugged away and dazzled the hometown gallery with great shots and big putts, even if neither was accompanied by much emotion.

Duval did lose his cool in the third round when a fairly simple bunker shot wound up 15 feet past the hole. He stomped his foot in the sand, handed the wedge to his caddie and that was that.

"I just don't believe it serves any purpose," Duval said when asked about tantrums. "It's over with. Go on to the next shot."

Now it's time for Duval to go on to the next objective.

Even though he is just 27, Duval will move to the top of the list of best players without a major — simply because he is the best player and he doesn't have one. The label became a burden for Davis Love III before he won the PGA Championship at age 33. It weighs heavily now on Phil Mickelson and Colin Montgomerie.

Chances are, Duval has such an even keel that he won't be suffocated by expectations of winning the first one. When he gets that first major, whether it's next week or next year, don't be surprised if several more follow.

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Brett Van Hoesen
UI Museum of Art, 10 a.m.
Van Hoesen, a UI Ph.D. student in art history, will discuss the relation between the works of such artists as Picasso and Matisse and ancient African art.

"Gods and Monsters"
Bijou, Union Illinois Room, at 7 p.m.
The Oscar-winning film about the late director of "Frankenstein" and "Bride of Frankenstein," James Whale, stars Sir Ian McKellan, Brendan Fraser and Vanessa Redgrave.

The Daily Iowan

Thursday, April 1, 1999

Something Wonderful

■ The revival version of Rodgers and Hammerstein's 1951 musical opens this weekend.

By Deanna Thomann
The Daily Iowan

It was 1862 when Anna Leonowens, a 28-year-old British schoolteacher, arrived in Siam to educate King Mongkut's children. Mongkut, the ruler of Siam, had a large family — 67 children and many wives. While adjusting to and attempting to transform her new environment, Anna and the King experienced a clash of cultures.

It is the unique story of Anna's time in Siam that inspired Rodgers and Hammerstein's "The King and I" almost 100 years later. The show has since become one of America's most-loved musical productions.

Big League Theatricals of New York City will present a revival production of "The King and I" Friday at 8 p.m. at Hancher Auditorium. The show will use brilliant choreography and song to present the story of love and enchantment.

"It's an American classic in musical theater," said Susannah Kenton, who plays the role of Anna. "There's something for everyone — dancing, singing and a very rich story line."

Kenton, who has performed extensively throughout Europe in such productions as "Guys and Dolls," "Same Time Next Year" and "Boeing Boeing," says the role of Anna is very demanding.

"Anna begins with a very strong sense of ideals and morality, and she goes on to accept and integrate many different ideas of society ... Anna goes through many emotions," she said.

These emotions become heightened through the production's incredible musical score, which includes "I Whistle a Happy Tune," "Getting to Know You," "Hello Young

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— Susannah Kenton,
Anna in "The King and I"

Lovers," "Something Wonderful," "We Kiss in the Shadow," "I Have Dreamed" and the popular "Shall We Dance."

William Theisen, a UI visiting professor of vocal music and director of opera, believes that "The King and I" helped to make musical theater what it is today.

"The King and I" was one of the first musicals in which everything was really integrated: Dance, music and plot all worked together," he said. "Rodgers and Hammerstein continued the plot through the music and dance when it was not the norm (in musical theater) to do so. They built a musical that became universal to everyone."

In 1951, "The King and I" premiered on Broadway; it was, at the time, the most expensive musical ever produced. The show won five Tony Awards, including best musical. The 1996 Broadway revival of the production was honored with four Tony Awards, including best musical revival.

Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein III first collaborated in 1943 to produce the ever-famous "Oklahoma!" Together, they created some of America's most cherished musical productions, including "The Sound of Music," the movie musical "State Fair" and a made-for-television version of "Cinderella." Their works garnered 26 Tony Awards, 15 Academy Awards, two Pulitzer Prizes and two Grammy Awards.

Wallace Chappell, director of Hancher Auditorium, encourages all to attend "The King and I" this holiday weekend.

"Rodgers and Hammerstein are a real favorite. Anybody that likes or loves musical theater will like this show ... it's a feel-good, delightful experience," he said.

Additional showings of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "The King and I" will take place Saturday at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets



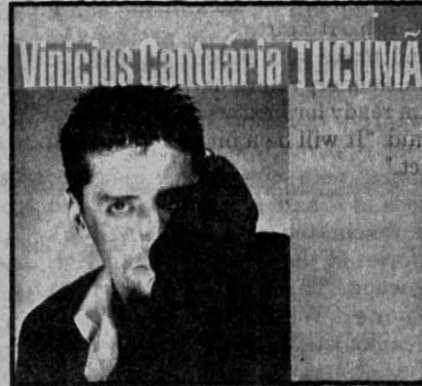
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"The King and I" opens Friday at Hancher Auditorium.

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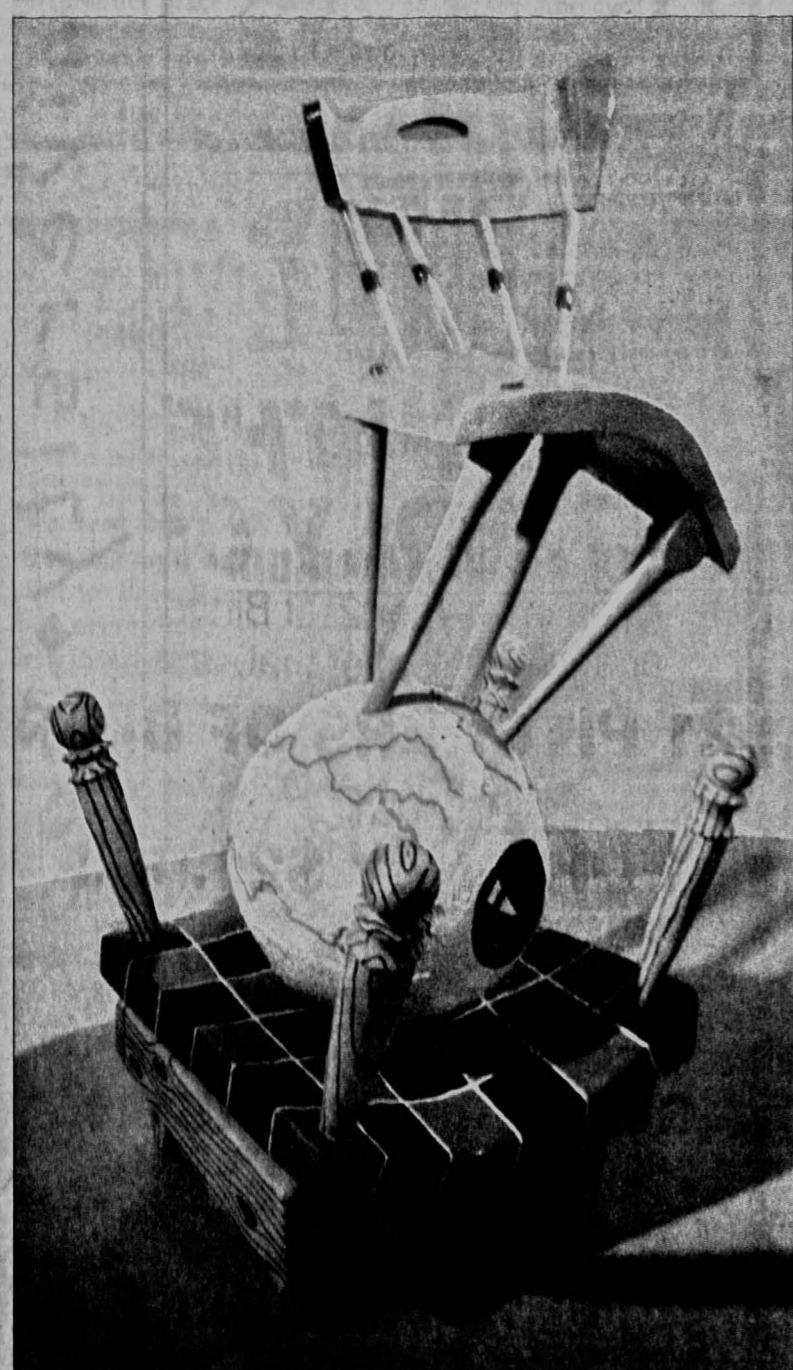
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"Fall-Boom," a colorful exhibition of sculptures, by UI student Dave Boelter will be showing until Friday in the Eve Drewlowe gallery in the UI Art Building.

Finding the universe in a small town

■ Riverside Theatre will open Thornton Wilder's timeless "Our Town" tonight.

By Lisa Hemann
The Daily Iowan

Remembering is important, and the memories of "Our Town" were meant to reach people a thousand years in the future. They're scheduled to reach audiences at Riverside Theatre and Cornell College starting tonight.

Premiering in 1938, "Our Town" won the second of three Pulitzer Prizes for playwright Thornton Wilder.

"There is a universal appeal to this play, because it's so common and the characters are so common," director Jody Hovland said. "It focuses on small town values that have a universality about them that speaks to you regardless of where you're from."

Set in Grover's Corners, N.H.,

THEATER

"Our Town"

When: Tonight, April 8 and 15 at 7 p.m.; Friday, Saturday, April 9, 10, 16 and 17 at 8 p.m.; and April 11, 18 at 2 p.m.

Where: Riverside Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert St.

Admission: Tickets are, for adults, \$17 on Fridays and Saturdays, \$15 on Thursdays and Sundays. For seniors and students, all shows cost \$15.

in the early 1900s, "Our Town" is the story of life in a world very different from today.

"It's a world that we probably won't see again," actor Richard Houston said. "The town is on a different level in that there were no TVs or computers or any media communication. It was kind of an isolated experience, and 'Our Town' recreates that."

The production is a joint project, linking professional actors from Riverside Theatre with stu-



Brian Moore/The Daily Iowan

From left, Myrtle Webb (Gloria Galask), George Gibbs (Brent Hazelton) and Mr. Webb (Jason Grubbe) in "Our Town," which opens tonight.

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A haircut leads to the calculus of love with math teacher

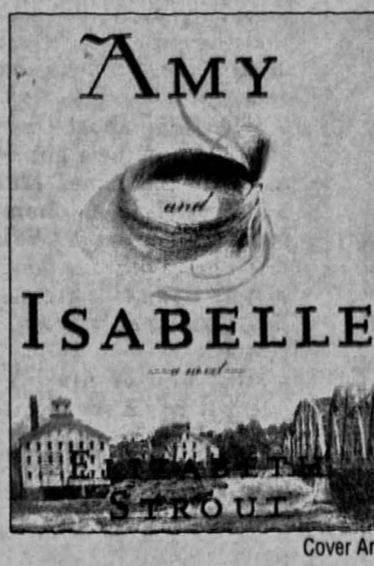
■ Author became a writer after stints in a pub and as a lawyer.

By Tyler Steward
The Daily Iowan

Elizabeth Strout's book "Amy and Isabelle" grew out of a single image: a furious woman cutting off her daughter's hair.

When: Today at 8 p.m.
Where: Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St.
Admission: Free

"I had a real strong image of a mother punishing her daughter that way," Strout said in a telephone



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interview with The Daily Iowan. "What would this mother be

reacting this way?"

Strout originally intended to write a short story with the scene at its heart but found it growing beyond those bounds. Eventually, she decided to allow the story to develop into her first novel. She is scheduled to read from it at Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., today at 8 p.m.

As a child, Strout talked about the day's events across the kitchen table to her mother, a writing teacher. "She would give me notebooks and always told me to write it down," she said.

At Bates College in Lewistown, Maine, Strout first majored in theater, eventually switching to English in part because of stage

fright. After graduating in 1977, she worked in a variety of places, including a pub in England, all in the interest, she said, of "avoiding a job."

"I did eventually go to law school, thinking I could be a lawyer and write at night. That was incorrect," she said, laughing. Strout lasted six months as a lawyer. Finally overcoming what she described as her fear of "failing at something so important to me," she turned her energy to writing. Her short stories have since been published in such mag-

See STROUT, Page 6C

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'Gods and Monsters' very good



FILM "Gods and Monsters"

When: Check box office, times vary.
Where: Bijou

★★★½ out of
★★★★

FILM REVIEW By Gene Stupnitsky

"Alone bad. Friend good." Words to live by, and though Frankenstein is no philosopher, he knows to keep it simple.

"Gods and Monsters" is a fictionalized account of the last month of openly gay British director James Whale's (Ian McKellan) life, and is replete with flashbacks to his boyhood, World War I and his movie-making heyday.

It's 1957, and Whale lives with his Hungarian servant Hanna (Lynn Redgrave) in a lonely, if opulent, existence. Hanna is devoted to "Mister Jimmy" but terrified that he will go to hell for being gay. One day, Whale notices the new gardener, Clay Boone (Brendan Fraser), and is immediately smitten. In Boone, he sees virility and youth and a last chance for romance. Boone, who is not gay, sees in Whale a father figure and is fascinated by the older man's stories of the Great War and Hollywood. The film hints that, in Boone, Whale sees another Frankenstein.

McKellan, considered by many to be the greatest Shakespearean



Publicity Photo

Brendan Fraser and Lynn Redgrave in "Gods and Monsters."

actor of his time, plays Whale as a brilliant manipulator, vain yet insecure, bitter but arrogant. Fraser is believable as Boone, the rootless drifter, who occasionally hooks up with horny divorcees, one of whom tells him, "You're not marriage material, you're not even boyfriend material." Boone, who is not too bright, is slow to understand that Whale is gay. Fraser plays Boone with just the right mix of naïveté and suspicion. He is the audience surrogate, and, as he begins to see the human side of Whale, we share in this revelation. Redgrave is great in an essentially comedic performance.

Director, Bill Condon, whose previous film was "Candyman 2: Farewell to the Flesh" (go figure), brings together a lean screenplay and an impeccable cast to a film that is specific in story, but universal in message.

Whale's best known films are "Frankenstein," "Bride of Frankenstein" (considered by many to be his masterpiece), "Showboat" and "The Man in the Iron Mask" (not to be confused with the recent Leonardo DiCaprio masterpiece). In 1937, his film on WWI, "The Road Back," tanked both critically and financially, and although he said the studio took it away from him and butchered it, Whale was blamed for the film's failure.

Ultimately, "Gods and Monsters" is a film about connecting. Two men, one gay and one straight, one simple and one tormented, find a shared humanity in each other's company. Whale, the dying romantic, at first sees in Boone a possible sexual conquest, but eventually he recognizes a fellow traveler, a friend. Alone bad, friend good.

Far from the blockbuster crowd

Low-budget filmmakers hope for a breakthrough at NYC's New Directors/New Films festival.

By Hillel Itale
Associated Press

NEW YORK — It's as close to glamour as the New Directors/New Films festival ever gets: Madeline Kahn, dressed in a chic black pantsuit and carrying a red umbrella, smiling and speaking in run-on sentences as she talked about the script of the zombie-like comedy "Judy Berlin."

"I couldn't necessarily tell from reading it, what you, in effect, meant, do you mean this or that, what your turn of mind was beneath the words," Kahn told writer-director Eric Mendelsohn after a press screening at the Museum of Modern Art.

"Judy Berlin," one of the opening night films at this year's festival, also stars Edie Falco, Julie Kavner and Anne Meara. Shot in black and white, the film is set in a suburban community on Long Island, on a day when a solar eclipse drives some already spacy people clear into the twilight zone.

But established actors at this festival seem as out of place as the moon at noon. Now in its 28th year, New Directors/New Films remains an important, perhaps last chance for low-budget films and little-known directors to receive exposure in the country's biggest market.

"It's not like the New York Film Festival, which is a little more impos-



Associated Press

Edie Falco plays the title role in "Judy Berlin," a film by Eric Mendelsohn that also includes Bob Dishy, seen from the back, in the cast.

ing," said John Vanco, co-president of Cowboy Booking International, which is distributing "West Beirut."

"This festival specifically seeks out films, such as 'West Beirut' and 'Trans,' that aren't going to play to 2,000 screens. This festival is about the little films that need a little help."

This year's hopefuls include Indonesia's Garin Nugroh ("Leaf on a Pillow"), Norway's Unni Straume ("Thrane's Method") and Lebanon's Ziad Doueiri ("West Beirut"). American directors looking for a breakthrough include Mendelsohn, Julian Goldberger ("Trans") and Michael Polish ("Twin Falls Idaho").

Presented jointly by the Film Society of Lincoln Center and the film department at the Museum of Modern Art, the festival includes 27 movies from 19 countries. Its two-week run at MOMA will end on April 11.

New Directors/New Films has a fine history of recognizing new talent. Past directors featured here include Steven Spielberg, Spike Lee and Wim Wenders, and among the recent films presented are "Buffalo 66," "Smoke Signals" and "Living in Oblivion."

But as offset as any of the movies is the festival's definition of "new." Many of these films have been seen at other festivals, and only a handful of directors are actually making their debuts. In fact, the works of four filmmakers have been released at previous New Directors festivals.

"We always joke that 'new' means new to us," said Richard Pena, program director at the Lincoln Center society. "When it comes to a second film here, basically, our motto is that if we like the film and it's going to help the film, we want to help."

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★★★★ out of ★★★★★

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"Payback" — It's time to root for the bad guy ... starring Mel "as-bad-as-you-wanna-be" Gibson as a thief whose wife and best friend betray him. Coral Ridge 10.
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★★★ out of ★★★★★

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★★★★ out of ★★★★★

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"The Rage: Carrie II" — After the suicide of her only friend, Rachel (Emily Bergl) has never felt more on the outside. But she has something else that separates her from the rest — a secret ability to move things with her mind. Coral Ridge 10.
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

"Wing Commanders" — Carrying an encoded message about an invasion from an alien race, Blair, his fellow maverick pilot, Maniac, and their superior officer, Devereaux, mobilize to evade and ultimately repel the alien attack. Engler.
★★ out of ★★★★★

X "Life Is Beautiful" — Roberto Benigni, who is a big star in Italy but not very well-known in the United States, combines low comedy with tragic circumstances to tell the story of a father trying to shield his son from the horrors of a concentration camp. Campus Theatres.
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

"Edtv" — "Edtv" follows the awkward, often hilarious and sometimes painful predicaments suffered by the members of a quirky family when youngest son Ed becomes the blockbuster hit of the season after he agrees to have his "life" aired on cable TV 24 hours a day. Coral Ridge 10.
★★★ out of ★★★★★

X "The Mod Squad" — Juvenile delinquents Julie (Claire Danes), Pete (Giovanni Ribisi) and Linc (Omar Epps) are enlisted to work as undercover police operatives. Coral Ridge 10.
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

"Doug's 1st Movie" — Starring the average, lovable adolescent Doug Funnie (Thomas McHugh), who is faced with every teen-ager's dilemma: doing what is right or what is popular. Sycamore I & II.
★★★ out of ★★★★★

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"The Matrix" — In the near future, a computer hacker named Neo (Keanu Reeves) discovers that all life on Earth may be nothing more than an elaborate facade created by a malevolent cyber-intelligence. Coral Ridge 10.
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

X "10 Things I Hate About You" — Popular, pretty Bianca Stratford (Larisa Oleynik) has a dilemma. A family rule forbids her from dating until her unpopular, rebellious, boy-hating older sister Kat (Julia Stiles) gets a suitor of her own. Coral Ridge 10.
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

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X "Ashes of Time" — This is a treatise on the memories of unrequited love and their grip on the present.

X "Gods and Monsters" — Writer/director Bill Condon envisions the mysterious final moments in and surrounding the life of exiled homosexual director James Whale.

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It's Like, You Seinfeld in the

By Frazier
Associat

NEW YORK — ers of "It's Like" gathered around week's episode. No lucked into live. way car chase.

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New show about less than nothing

■ "It's Like, You Know...": like "Seinfeld" in the sunshine.

By Frazier Moore
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The golden slackers of "It's Like, You Know..." are gathered around the TV on this week's episode. No wonder. They've lucked into live coverage of a free-way car chase.

"A high-speed chase brings L.A. to a grinding halt," Robbie tells the newcomer, Arthur. "It's like our version of a snow day."

Robbie grabs the phone to alert his pal Shrug.

"He's getting a massage," Arthur says.

"High-speed chases take precedence over everything," says Robbie as he hits his speed-dial.

Airing Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. on ABC, where it premiered last week, the improbably titled sitcom "It's Like, You Know..." drolly dwells on the tried-and-true notion that people in Southern California are different from the rest of us.

In Los Angeles, "It's Like" reminds us, the vapid, perfectly formed residents fill each moment with enterprising indolence. And to enable their systematized idleness, every conceivable service is within easy reach.

For instance, next week's very funny episode introduces the rest of the nation to Angelinos' cure for a painful memory: They consult an amnesiologist and get amnec-tioned.

Presumably, that's make-believe. But in at least one case, reality outpaces "It's Like." In real life, you don't need to call your friends about a car chase on TV, nor do you need them to call you.

Check out this Web-site pitch: "Do you hate learning you missed watching a wild three-hour chase that happened four hours earlier? For the price of a cup of coffee each month, we'll notify you by

pager during live high-speed chases."

That's the pledge of Pursuit-Watch Network, a real-life business venture serving L.A.

Who could fail to love, hate and love hating such a paradise? Certainly not Arthur, the dyspeptic New York journalist played by Chris Eigeman. Fresh from Manhattan to research a book ("Living in Los Angeles — How Can You Stomach It?"), he is crashing at a luxury pad with Robbie, his one-time college roommate (played by Steven Eckholdt).

They both are crashing in that luxury pad with its owner, Shrug (Evan Handler), who, thanks to his trust fund, has never worked a day in his life. One other thing: Shrug is bald. Lost all his hair. From stress, he explains.

The foxy Lauren (A.J. Langer) is a combination massage therapist and process server — sometimes all at once.

And rounding out this quintet is its most original, yet blatantly cribbed, member: next-door neighbor Jennifer Grey. Like, you know, the actress. The actress who, until her nose job, used to look like the actress who starred in "Dirty Dancing."

Whatever fans Jennifer has left don't recognize her, post-rhinoplasty. Her career has stalled. She spends her time trying to remind everybody who she is (or used to be).

Jennifer is played by Jennifer Grey. The actress. The actress who used to look like Jennifer Grey.

Never on series TV has an actress so nakedly played her personal quandary for laughs. Grey as Grey: Is she a heckuva sport? A poster girl for self-immolation? On the vanguard of whatever follows postmodernism? Desperate for work?

You make the call. But this much is clear: When it comes to mirroring her life in a sitcom, Grey easily out-



Jerry Fitzgerald/Associated Press
Chris Eigeman, Evan Handler, Steve Eckholdt, A.J. Langer and Jennifer Grey — from left, the cast of ABC's "It's Like You Know..." — watch a televised car chase in the Wednesday episode of the new sitcom.

Seinfelds Jerry Seinfeld. Which brings us to the new show's "Seinfeld" connection.

Inasmuch as it dwells on all things stereotypically Los Angeles, "It's Like" appears to be a West Coast edition of "Seinfeld," which spent nine years fixating on Jerry's Manhattan universe.

This kinship comes honestly. "It's Like" was created by Peter Mehlman, a "Seinfeld" writer of "yada-yada" fame. So on last week's "It's Like," no one should have been surprised to hear Robbie muse, "Don't you think the letter Q should come a lot further down in the alphabet?"

Indeed, the entire "It's Like" ensemble seems to have direct forebears in "Seinfeld."

Glib, fastidious Robbie fills the role of Seinfeld-as-guy. Shrug is Kramer with no hair but lots of money. Arthur is George with a marketable skill.

Lauren (flaky yet resourceful) and Jennifer (driven but continually frustrated) represent the two halves of Elaine, all the more so since they're often at war with one another.

Fine. But why don't these self-obsessed people realize that, when

they open their mouths, they sound just like characters on "Seinfeld"? You almost expect this kind of exchange:

Robbie: "You ever think how we resemble an L.A. version of 'Seinfeld'?"

Jennifer (forlorn): "I was up for a guest shot on 'Seinfeld,' but Estelle Getty beat me out."

Shrug: "No soup-er role for you. Step aside!"

Or maybe they used to watch "Seinfeld," but have since forgotten everything about it. It's like, you know, they got amnec-tomied.

TV HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY

"Fox Files"

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FRIDAY

"Four Rooms"

Airs: on Bravo at 7 p.m.

Tim Roth stars as a goofy bus-boy who gets caught up in the insane adventures of his hotel's eccentric guests.

SATURDAY

"Big Moment"

Airs: on ABC at 7 p.m.

A new combination game show/reality show in which contestants must either teach an untrained dog a series of tricks, ride a unicycle, perform a feat of memory or spell the phrase "soon to be canceled."

SUNDAY

"Zoe, Duncan, Jack & Jane"

Airs: on WGN at 8 p.m.

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Zoe and Jane get in a little tiff over an old unsent valentine to Jack.

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7. "Jesse," NBC, 12.9, 12.8 million homes.
8. "Dateline NBC-Tuesday," NBC, 12.1, 12 million homes.
9. "The CBS Sunday Movie: Holy Joe," CBS, 11.3, 11.2 million homes; "Law and Order," NBC, 11.3, 11.2 million homes.
10. "Futurama," Fox, 11.2, 11.1 million homes.
11. "The CBS NCAA Basketball Championships: Duke vs. Michigan State," CBS, 10.9, 10.8 million homes.
12. "Everybody Loves Raymond," CBS, 10.8, 10.7 million homes.
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Products blend digitally into TV shows

■ A technology that adds products to a scene could almost wipe out the line between entertainment and advertising.

By David Bauder
Associated Press

NEW YORK — TV viewers probably barely noticed the Coca-Cola can on a desk and the Wells Fargo billboard in the background of a recent episode of UPN's drama, "Seven Days."

The actors certainly didn't notice — because the soda can and billboard weren't even there when the series was filmed.

It was the first prime-time test of technology that allows advertisers to have products digitally added to a scene, a practice that could blur beyond recognition the line between entertainment and advertising.

The product placements were quietly done as an experiment during one episode two weeks ago to gauge viewer reaction. The response is still being evaluated, UPN spokesman Paul McGuire said.

The technology has been used in sports, to add commercial billboards in the background of baseball games.

Product placement is popular in movies but much less so on television, where there are plenty of opportunities to run full-fledged ads.

Yet it's starting to get harder to tell when the ads end and the show begins.

Networks sprinkle stars from their prime-time shows in the audience at sporting events for cameras to spot during big games. ABC last month promoted a show with a "crawl" along the bottom of the screen, treatment usually reserved for news bulletins.

"There is certainly a sense that the bleeding of the commercials into the programs is getting more extreme than it ever has been," said Robert Thompson, director of the Center for the Study of Popular Television at Syracuse University.

For many years, networks took pains to avoid product placement. The results often looked awkward: Actors would drink from a beer bottle with a generic label instead of a Budweiser.

Showing actual products may better reflect real life, but the deci-

sion on whether to use them should rest with the people making the shows, not with advertisers, Thompson said.

It's not clear whether Christopher Crowe, creator and executive producer of "Seven Days," had a choice. He didn't return calls for comment. He works for Paramount, which owns both the series and the network.

A Paramount spokeswoman noted that the technology has other uses beyond advertising. Producers may be able to insert special effects or background locations at relatively low cost, Trisha Cardoso said.

The new technology isn't likely to replace regular commercials, some experts said.

"I don't see it taking off like a rocket," said Ave Butensky, president of the Television Bureau of Advertising.

People see so many commercial messages in real life — on clothing, in shop windows, even in school — that product placement on TV shows may be too subtle, Thompson said.

"For the most part, this stuff becomes absolutely invisible to us in real life," he said. "I imagine it would become invisible to us in imaginary life just as quickly."

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Much more than just a pretty voice, Weiler pleases the listener's physical, audible needs while tapping into the much harder elements to please the intellect with a sugar-coated message that isn't always so sweet. Touring the Midwest constantly, she brings forth an honest folk style that is ripe and fresh.

Toting a vibrant voice, Weiler hits upon the all-too-familiar life and love topics, only she brings a more positively oriented lyrical style to her folk music that sets her a quarter-step away from her contemporaries.

Recently, Weiler released her second album, *Crazy Happy*, preceded by her critically acclaimed debut, *Trickle Down*. Weiler will be playing at the Mill Restaurant tonight at 9, along with folk entrepreneur John Hermanson. *The Daily Iowan* had the opportunity to catch up with Weiler for an interview:

DI: You've been described as almost reminiscent of Ani DiFranco, Tracy Chapman and Dar Williams — does that put any pressure on you?

Weiler: No, not pressure. I'm flattered that people compare me with them, because they're influences. It's nice to that effect, but it's hard to try to distinguish myself from them, because people expect me to be just



Publicity Photo

Folk musician Brenda Weiler stops in Iowa City tonight for her midwest tour.

like them right away. But overall, it's a good thing.

DI: In traditional folk-fashion, you're usually armed with just an acoustic guitar. With that degree of solitude on stage, do you enjoy the smaller coffee houses and clubs to larger events?

Weiler: It depends. It's very nerve racking (with larger events). It's pretty empowering to be able to stand up there by myself and do it. I think I get a lot more out of it personally when I play in smaller coffee shops, where people are sitting really close to me and I know that they're listening. I don't know, there's just something about that connection.

DI: What's your take on the current state of folk music as far as popularity goes; have you noticed any fluctuation in interest in recent years?

Weiler: For me personally, I've had larger crowds in the last year, but then again, I've only been on tour for a year. I've been seeing a lot of interest. I'm constantly trying to pick up on the latest folk music. It's certainly not dying. There's something about folk music that sets it apart from other genres.

DI: Some people have said that what makes you so special is that you leave a lot of anger and hate out of a music genre known for continual outbursts of protest — do you agree with this or have any thoughts about it?

Weiler: I try not to write too much about that. It's been done. It's easier to write when you're depressed or angry. I think in the beginning I was sort of that way, but now I try to be much more positive.

DI: You'll be playing with John Hermanson here in Iowa City. How do you describe his music?

Weiler: I wouldn't call it aggressive. The stuff he did with "Story-hill" and "Chris & Johnny," that's pretty folksy stuff. His newer stuff has a lot of orchestration. It's more than just traditional folk, maybe like folk-rock with a little pop.

DI: Anything big in your upcoming future?

Weiler: I'm planning a West Coast tour from May to July. I've never done that; I've only toured in the Midwest. So for me, that's going to be exciting. Other than that, I'm going to keep writing, try to get another album out, and just play it by ear.

— by Jim Mack

Chieftains go international with famous females singing on 'Tears'

In another twist on traditional Irish music, the kings of Celts recruit Bonnie Raitt, Sinead O'Connor and Joni Mitchell.

By Jim Fitzgerald
Associated Press

WEST POINT, N.Y. — This isn't your grandfather's "Danny Boy."

On the Chieftains' new album, Canadian singer Diana Krall gives the old Irish ballad a quiet, throaty, unembellished turn, nothing like what you might hear from a tenor in a shamrock tie. Backed by a guitar and accented by a gospel choir and an ancient set of Irish pipes, she has refreshed the song while staying true to its deep sadness.

Which seems to be what the Irish band — still trying new things after 20-plus years of popularity — had in mind.

For the album *Tears of Stone*, Chieftains' founder and arranger Paddy Moloney set out to find prominent female singers from around the world whose voices might complement — and challenge — the group's famously traditional Irish instruments and music-making. Bonnie Raitt, Joni Mitchell, Natalie Merchant, Sinead O'Connor, Mary Chapin Carpenter and Joan Osborne each have a song.

The Chieftains have collaborated with well-known singers before, including Sting, Van Morrison and the Rolling Stones on its biggest seller, "The Long Black Veil."

"But I was fascinated by the blend of the female voice and these traditional instruments," Moloney, 59, said in an interview. "It always worked better for me for a woman to sing with the Chieftains rather than a man. So what I wanted to do was go out there and invite in some of the great female singers from other types of music."



Kim Garnick/Associated Press

The innovative Irish band the Chieftains; from left are Derek Bell, Gabriel Donohue, Matt Molloy, Kevin Conneff, Paddy Moloney, Sean Keane, Eileen Ivers and Martin Fay. Ivers is a guest performer with the band.

The Chieftains' popularity exploded in 1975 — long before the recent renaissance in Irish music, plays and movies — with its soundtrack for Stanley Kubrick's "Barry Lyndon." The band has been performing for 36 years and touring the world for 25, which makes for a lot of contacts.

"Of course, you have to meet everybody from anybody who ever was born in Ireland," Moloney said. "But you get to know other musicians, too. Festivals are grand, and we were just at the Grammys (winning its sixth, for *The Long Journey Home*), and you see everybody. Everybody we asked to collaborate wanted to help, though it took a year and a half to get Joni Mitchell into the studio. Some of these ladies, like Sinead, are our old friends."

Moloney said he had to talk Bonnie Raitt into singing the traditional Irish

love song "A Stor Mo Chroi." "She came to Dublin on a Monday, and we went out and had a party and talked about the song that night. The following day she was in the studio, and we only took a couple of hours. She had a tear in her eye with the last line, and we had such a good time she stayed until Saturday."

"Danny Boy" wasn't in Moloney's plans.

"I swore I would never record 'Danny Boy' because it's been done to death. But when I approached Diana Krall, she said her mother was Irish and she always wanted her to sing that song and would I please consider it. So I said, 'Why not?' — with a voice like that and a jazz approach, which I was really after ... She just went in with that soulful voice, as if she was at home, singing in her own parlor at a party."



EAST POINTS GREATEST HIT Cool Breeze

Even more proof that hip-hop isn't just about East and West. The South is flexin' some heat, and right about now that "Cool Breeze" feels pretty darn good.

Not too tough, not a lot of boast and no clownin' around — Cool Breeze's long awaited debut, *East Points Greatest Hit*, is just plain ol' solid.

Just one more prodigy spawned off of Organized Noise's family tree (Outkast, Goodie Mob, Witchdoctor) — Cool Breeze storms in like a gentle tornado, mixin' everything up but puttin' back together tight with a laid-back style.

A Mase-like appearance, a Q-Tip attitude and a sound-style that epitomizes the name he wears around his neck — Cool Breeze is straight-up smooth with scorching South Coast lyrics that he lays down icy slick.

The second track, "Watch for the Hook," is the one you're going to hear everywhere if you haven't heard it already. Machine-gun lyrics blazing from the vocal artillery of Cool Breeze alongside his life-long brethren Outkast, Goodie Mob and Witchdoctor. Fast-paced bangin' beats with a super catchy loop.

"Butta" is another standout piece that

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deserves some attention. Practically a 180-degree turnaround from the sound scheme of "Watch for the Hook," Mr. Breeze tones it down to an LL Cool J, movin'-on-some-ladies level as he describes his own lady-lovin' style: "My name, Cool Breeze, I got that country crock/All the girls on the block call me chop, chop, chop."

The final two tracks, "Doin' it in the South" and "The Calhouns," are super-swift as well and close the album out strong with energized lyrics and large lined-out beats.

Cool Breeze has had the talk for just a shade under two decades — he finally came with the walk, and gosh, it was a little more like a stampede.

★★★ out of ★★★★★

TONGUE

Penelope Houston

Mouthfuls of beautifully tangled lyrics and vocals — it's no real shock Penelope Houston has called it *Tongue*.

Houston romps in like a passionate make-out session, which has made you smile even though you got scratched and some of your hair pulled out.

She caps off another evolutionary phase in her career with a mature punk sound intertwined with more pop/rock than anything else. Since her short time with the band, the Avengers, Houston has effortlessly switched from punk to neo-folk to her most recent punky pop/rock.

Tongue is her second solo project for Reprise, and boy, oh boy, that's a great name! Houston's sound slips in a versatility that pushes, slides and pulls everything in different directions, moderately and aggressively — like, well ... a tongue.

Utilizing various musical cohorts such as Green Day's Billie Joe Armstrong, Mr. T. Experience bassist Joel Reader, and Charlotte Caffey and Jane Wiedlin of the Go-Gos, she has added



varied musical approaches and arrangements, with techniques such as pre-programmed beats in an attempt to knock everything down.

Houston's song, "Grand Prix," races in with a catchy pop sound that fluctuates in tempo as she vocally complains about a distant lover.

The track, "Scum," is a nice, laid-back poppy tribute to someone she really isn't too fond of. "You're the scum of the earth/You're the worst mistake God has ever made."

So many great songs ... there's "The Ballad of Happy Friday and Tiger Woods," which is beautifully soft with tender guitars and lyrics; "Worm," a tart and drawled-out piece with a perfect "boom-boom-hit" drumbeat for Houston's little spat; and "New Day," with rapid power chords orchestrated by Armstrong with her potent vocals.

As modern as you're going to find — *Tongue* is wicked-smooth.

★★★★ out of ★★★★★

★ — All right
★ 1/2 — Sub-good
★★ — Good
★★ 1/2 — Really good
★★★ — Excellent
★★★★ 1/2 — Extraordinary
★★★★ — Perfection
— by Jim Mack

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NATION'S TOP-SELLING SINGLES

1. "Believe," Cher. Warner Bros. (Platinum)
2. "Heartbreak Hotel," Whitney Houston (featuring Faith Evans & Kelly Price). Arista. (Platinum)
3. "Every Morning," Sugar Ray. Lava.
4. "What's It Gonna Be?!" Busta Rhymes (featuring Janet). FlipMode.
5. "I Still Believe," Mariah Carey. Columbia. (Platinum)

NATION'S TOP-SELLING ALBUMS

1. *Fanmail*, TLC. LaFace.
2. *The Slim Shady LP*, Eminem. Web.
3. ... *Baby One More Time*, Britney Spears. Jive. (Platinum)
4. *The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill*, Lauryn Hill. Ruffhouse. (Platinum)
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Just an April Fools' wish, or nine

INDUSTRY ON REVIEW

By Frank Schneider

I love April Fools' Day. I think it's because it's the one day of the year when there's a slight possibility that all the maddening, annoying wrongs that plague me just might get righted, or at least explained. You see, I've always had this secret hope that one of these April Fools' Days, some guy in a suit is going to come up to me on the street and say, "Frank, I've got to tell you, it's all a big joke. All that ridiculous crap that you've been wringing your hands about, we were just messing around. April Fools!" And then the world will be right again. In the event this ever happens, here is what I hope the man in the suit tells me.

• MTV veejay Carson Daly and Matt Damon: "These two are actually Neanderthals we found, frozen and perfectly preserved, in the Siberian wastelands."

• Officially licensed black-and-gold UI apparel: "Law enforcement officers have standing orders stating that if they get into a huge gunfight, they can grab the nearest bystander wearing a sweat-shirt saying 'Property of Hawkeye Athletics XXL' and use him or her as a human shield."

• The Middle East: "We made it all up, and quite frankly, I can't believe you bought it. I mean, millions of people killing each other just because they happen to have different religions? It's just too ridiculous to be real."

• Honey: "Wanted to see if people would eat something that we openly acknowledged as being bee vomit. They did."

• Spike Lee and Steve Urkel: "Yeah, they're the same person."

• Abercrombie and Fitch clothing: "All the thousands of people you see every day wearing these clothes are hired actors. Why would a real person want to look exactly like everyone else?"

• Nicholas Cage: "We genetically engineered him to be, literally, the worst actor imaginable."

• Diet soda: "Designed to test people's capacity for illogical behavior. I mean, you never see anyone drinking a Diet Pepsi with a salad. It's always to wash down a whole fried chicken or as they're eating from the mayonnaise jar



with a spoon, thinking, 'Maybe if I chug this diet soda, my rapidly expanding waistline won't burst my pants at the seams before I can get to shelter!'"

• People, in general: "This isn't really the human race. We've been hiding the rational, intelligent human beings. You didn't really think that these shallow, boring, cruel, vain, ignorant, deferential creatures were the real masters of the earth, did you? These are just apes we shaved down."

Well, there's my wish list. And at this point, I'm sure that some of you readers are thinking of what you want your own revelations to be. Perhaps some of you are even hoping that the man in the suit will tell you that this column isn't real. Well, I hate to disappoint you, but as much as you may loathe it, this column is the real thing. Not only is it real, I'm also getting paid to write it. Yep, they pay me a dollar a word. So ha ha ha, you cretins. See, right there, that was six bucks.

Following 'foodars' in search of Americana

The Sterns have made a culinary career out of stumbling across "real" American meals.

By Samantha Critchell
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Food writers Jane and Michael Stern leave their Connecticut home every two weeks for their next culinary tour with a destination in mind and a map in the car. Then they get lost.

How else would they stumble upon what they call the greatest treasures of our nation — such as Frito pie?

Instead of radar, they rely on their internal "foodars" — their word for their instincts that direct them to good, cheap food, Jan Stern said. "We look for a lot of cars in the parking lot and follow the locals — often the police. We trust them to lead us to the best food in town."

The Sterns are the authors of 26 books, including their new one, "Chili Nation" (Broadway Books, \$12).

They are willing to eat just about anything as they chronicle history and cultures in their ongoing search for great American food.

However, Jan Stern said, she "could go without so many testicles in Oklahoma," where the delicacy also known as Rocky Mountain oysters and tenderloin is a favorite.

But it is that variety of tastes that has allowed the Sterns, both 52, to build a career from greasy spoons.

"No one can eat that really deluxe, fancy food every day."

— Jan Stern,
co-author of "Chili Nation"

"People think American food is just hot dogs, hamburgers and apple pie. But we live in such a diverse country that food gives us a window to American culture in every region," said Michael Stern, munching on the Cowgirl Hall of Fame's Frito pie — corn chips doused with chili fixings and eaten straight out of the bag.

Michael Stern described their work as cookbook authors as that of gatherers and collectors, passing along helpful tidbits to others, not standing over the stove, trying desperately to invent something new.

"Just like folk art, quilting and blues music, which are all uniquely American, we hope we are helping to carry on the tradition of regional food," Michael Stern said.

The Sterns, who also write a monthly column for *Gourmet*, don't have any formal culinary training, just an appreciation for all the roadside joints that have been feeding Americans for generations.

Growing up in New York and Tucson, Ariz., Jan Stern developed an affinity for pizza and chilis. Stern, who was born in Chicago and studied as far away as Russia, considers himself a Midwesterner.

The couple met at Yale University 25 years ago, when both were pursuing graduate degrees in art. But when the time came to get a job, they couldn't see themselves "working."

Sitting at the Union 76 truck stop in Guilford, Conn., they became fascinated with all the truck-driving customers with the persona of the Marlboro man.

That interest evolved into a three-year trek across the country, shadowing truckers and writing their first book, "Truckers: Portrait of the Last American Cowboy."

While they traveled, they also kept a diary of all the diners in which they ate. At the time, there were only restaurant guides for the fanciest restaurants in the biggest cities, so the Sterns decided to fill that void with "Roadfood."

They hope their stories and recipes help bring another part of the country home to their readers, Jan Stern said. People should know about the egg foo young sandwiches that are unique to St. Louis or the fried chicken ritual in Indianapolis, she said.

The egg foo young sandwiches add a pickle, mustard and white bread to the Chinese dish. In Indianapolis, fried

ON THE LIPS

1) Jim Carrey
He's planning to make a split-personality comedy, directed by the Farrelly Brothers ("Something About Mary"), called "Me, Myself, and Irene." He wants to do a movie with directors best known for catching Ben Stiller with his pants down. Whatever happened to his plans of becoming a serious actor?

2) Joey McIntyre and Jordan Knight
Two of the New Kids are still hangin' tough with brand new albums, made possible only by the current success of New Kids rip-offs. A friendly poem: Step 1: You are done. Step 2: It's nothing new. Step 3: It's not to be. Step 4: You'll soon be poor. Step 5: Save yourself more embarrassment and quit now.

3) Mid-season replacements
The networks are pushing out a bunch of new sitcoms, many of which are better than the shows they replaced. Then there's John Larquette, only moments away from strike three.

4) "The Mod Squad"
MGM has just released a 90-minute commercial for Levi's limited 1/Mod collection. There's also some story about Claire Danes and a couple of street toughs who are made legit by the po-po to get 'em deep with the local mob. Sounds reasonable.



Jim Cooper/Associated Press
Food writers Jane and Michael Stern sample chili, corn bread and Frito pie at the Cowgirl Hall of Fame, a restaurant in New York.

chicken is automatically served with chicken noodle soup, mashed potatoes and string beans, the Sterns explained.

The food and experiences they write about is food most people can relate to, they added.

Even the late James Beard, one of the most prominent names in American cuisine, had a weak spot for basic food. He loved canned asparagus, said Jan Stern, who, along with her husband, has won three James Beard Awards.

"No one can eat that really deluxe, fancy food every day," Jan Stern said. Still, good food can mean different things to different people.

Multi-faceted actor working from 'The Mod Squad' to the White House

Omar Epps isn't shy on screen — nor in his ambitions.

By Nekesa Mumbi Moody
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Omar Epps is currently starring in "The Mod Squad," but he has his eye on a role that would give him even more exposure.

"Watch, I'm going to be the first black president of the United States," he predicts. "If Reagan can do it, I know I can."

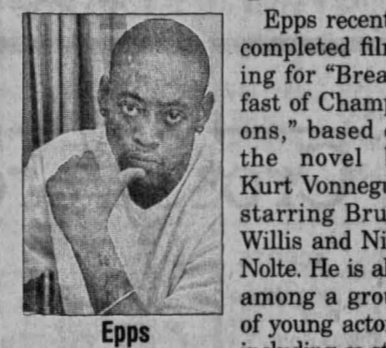
Epps, 25, isn't short on ambition: He has a rap album scheduled for release later this year. He is also directing music videos and writing scripts for TV development.

His 10-year plan is a formidable one. "I'll be a conglomerate. I'll have my multimedia company running. I'll be

the new Miramax ... So by the time I turn about 45 or 50, I'll run for president," he said.

Given Epps' track record, he has a pretty good shot at accomplishing his goals. A graduate of New York's prestigious High School of Performing Arts, Epps drew early acclaim in "Juice," co-starring Tupac Shakur, followed by "The Program," "Major League II" and "Higher Learning," directed by John Singleton.

But Epps hit it big with his role as Linc in the film "The Mod Squad," a remake of the popular TV series that ran from 1968 to 1973. The film, co-starring Claire Danes and Giovanni Ribisi, remains true to the premise of the original series — three juvenile delinquents given a second chance by working with the police department — but with a '90s spin.



Epps

Ribisi, featured on the cover of the April issue of *Vanity Fair*.

1. How is your Linc different from the 1970s version played by Clarence Williams III?

Epps: Clarence Williams' Linc was an icon, and you really can't prepare for that; you're already stepping into a

character. So all I could do is open him up, and that's exactly what I wanted him to do, just let him be a bit more colorful, maybe smile a bit more.

2. How did you get involved with rap?

Epps: I've been doing music for like nine, 10 years. I'm starting an independent label called The Label. The name of my album is *The Birth*. My music is me; that's my passion.

3. You've been writing scripts — would you like to direct?

Epps: Not for like 10 years. When everything goes right, everyone runs past you and gives kudos to the crew, the actors. When anything goes wrong, everyone looks at you — "Well, he didn't know how to handle it." It's the most selfless job in the world, and it takes so long ... I ain't got that kind of patience."

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Summer movies, yeah!

With summer just around the corner, it seems fitting to look at some of the high-lights to look forward to.

By Tony Goldenshauer
The Daily Iowan

Well folks, it's that time again ... summer! Inside sources tell me that this summer movie season promises to be the biggest and best EVER! *Meteors*, *Star Wars* and *Jennifer Love Hewitt* — what more can you ask for!

I heard the hardest-working man in show business even has two, count 'em, two movies coming out this summer — "Jackie Chan's 2nd Strike" and "Don't @#\$% wit Jackie Chan." Good work, Jackie!

News: The California Supreme Court has recently made the decision that anytime somebody over-acts in a movie, Dennis Hopper will get royalties. Way to go, Dennis!

Steven Seagal's performance in "Meteor!" has Oscar written all over it. Industry sources say he is a shoo-in for best actor! Way to go Steven!

Here's a brief run-down of this summer's movie highlights:

1. "Nin-Jew"
Ben Stiller stars as a Rabbi with a black-belt. When crooks overrun his community, he takes action to make things kosher again. Oy Vey! Christopher Walken co-stars. Release date: May 10.

2. "Star Wars Episode I"
The Phantom Menace: The most heavily anticipated film of the year, "Menace" stars Liam Neesom, Natalie Portman, Ewan McGregor, Samuel Jackson and Christopher Walken. Release date: May 19.

3. "Austin Powers II"
The Spy Who Shagged Me. Mike Myers returns as Austin Powers battling Dr. Evil for the fate of the universe. Heather Graham, Elizabeth Hurley and Christopher Walken also star. Release date: June 11.

4. "I Still Know What You Did Last Summer But Let's Talk About Me"
The third movie of the "Summer



Publicity Photo
Christopher Walken stars in a ton of the highly anticipated films opening this summer.

trilogy — details have been kept under wraps. My bet is that Jennifer Love Hewitt has to run around convincing everybody that it really is milk in that ad. Sure hon, we believe you. With Christopher Walken. Release date: June 18.

5. "The Ped Mall Sprinter"
A thriller about an Iowa City man who passes out ad sheets in the Ped Mall. When a student ignores him, he chases the student and viciously murders him. Watch for the Christopher Walken cameo. Release date: July 3.

6. "NOBODY CARES"
The story of the WNBA. We got game! Release date: TBA.

7. "Ernest Goes Thru Puberty"
Funnyman Jim Varney finally listens to the calls of "Grow Up! Nobody thinks you're funny." In the latest Ernest installment, our hero goes through acne, his voice cracking, and masturbates to Carmen Electra's workout tape. Release date: Aug. 13.

8. "Meteor!"
Steven Seagal plays a brain surgeon who must race against time to stop a giant meteor from destroying the Earth. Cuba (pronounced Koo-ba) Gooding Jr. co-stars as "Theo." And yes, Christopher Walken. Release date: Aug. 27.

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