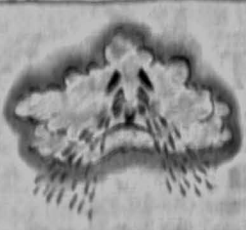


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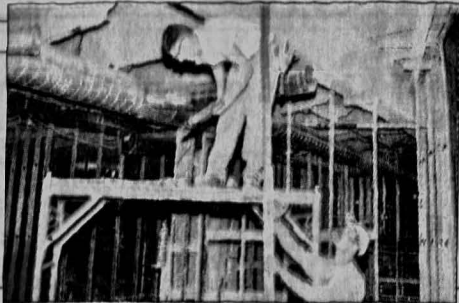
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Panel's IWP findings ignored, prof says

Philip Lutgendorf says a UI committee in 1998 lauded the program as a "treasure of the university."

By Cori Zarek
The Daily Iowan

A 1998 committee's findings that the UI International Writing Program "should be retained as is" was disregarded when the program was put on hiatus, one of the committee members said.

"We submitted a report in March 1998 stating the program was a treasure of the university and extremely valuable," said Philip Lutgendorf, an associate professor and chairman of the Asian languages and literature department, who served on the ad-hoc committee in the 1998 spring semester.

The committee was formed following the resignation of Clark Blaise as

director of the IWP. Its purpose was to advise Linda Maxson, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, and Mike McNulty, associate provost of the UI, on the direction the program should take, Lutgendorf said.

"We were asked to consider possible major changes, different leadership or a different model," he said. "We had a number of recommendations — essentially to preserve the program."

Lutgendorf composed a letter Tuesday to Maxson, UI President Mary Sue Coleman, UI Provost Jon Whitmore and approximately 40 faculty members that notes the findings of the committee. The letter was in response to Coleman's request that those with input on the IWP share

their ideas with her and other administration officials, Lutgendorf said.

Maxson, however, said her decision to put the program on hiatus on May 25 was made with its financial situation in mind. She did not intend to disregard the findings of the 1998 committee, she said.

"We were certainly interested in its findings; it just was not an option," she said. "We were faced with a program without a solid fiscal base and couldn't do business as is. We didn't have the resources."

Maxson said the committee's recommendations were valued but not practical.

"We would have loved to be able to maintain the program, in fact, but the

funding just wasn't there," she said.

"We appreciate the value of the IWP, and we're looking forward to making it possible again."

Maxson has since appointed a new committee to determine the IWP's future.

The 1998 committee's report suggested that the IWP have closer ties to the Comparative Literature Program — especially because of its Translation Workshop. Upon Blaise's resignation, the program was placed under the direction of Steven Ungar, chairman of comparative literature.

But the 1998 committee did not suggest putting the program completely under comparative literature, Lutgendorf said.

"It was not the recommendation of the review that the program be consolidated into comparative literature — which is exactly what Dean Maxson decided," he said.

Rowena Torrevillas, a former program associate for the IWP, said she was interviewed by the committee but never informed of its findings.

"They wanted to know what we wanted in a new director and what direction we thought the IWP should go toward," she said. "We never got documentation of the findings, though. We know only how it ended up — that's that the program is no more."

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Gore hits Iowa hustings

The vice president will begin his first visit here with a speech at the IMU at 3 p.m.

By George Hild
The Daily Iowan

After officially announcing his candidacy for president in Carthage, Tenn., today, Vice President Al Gore will travel to Iowa City for the first stop on his campaign.

The visit, sponsored by the University Democrats, will be Gore's first to Iowa City. He is scheduled to participate in an Issues Forum at the IMU today at 3 p.m.

Steve Hildebrand, Gore's Iowa campaign manager, said he understands the candidate's desire to begin campaigning right away.

"Al Gore recognizes that Iowa was the first caucus, and we all know how important it can be," he said.

Jay Dee, a member of the University Democrats, said that even though the caucus does not take place until February, Gore's visit is well-timed.

"The goal of the visit is to energize the vice president's core supporters and get new supporters in the process," he said.

Dee said he thinks Gore will speak on issues that affect Iowans.

"He will focus primarily on school-related issues and issues that affect farmers and Iowa families," he said.

Gore's visit is of great importance, said Peveerill Squire, a UI professor of political science.

"Iowa City takes on special significance, not only because this is Gore's first stop here, but also because there is a good chance that his visit will draw a large crowd," Squire said.

Because Gore's strongest support demographics are in the 18-34 age group, he is likely to attract a big audience, Hildebrand said.

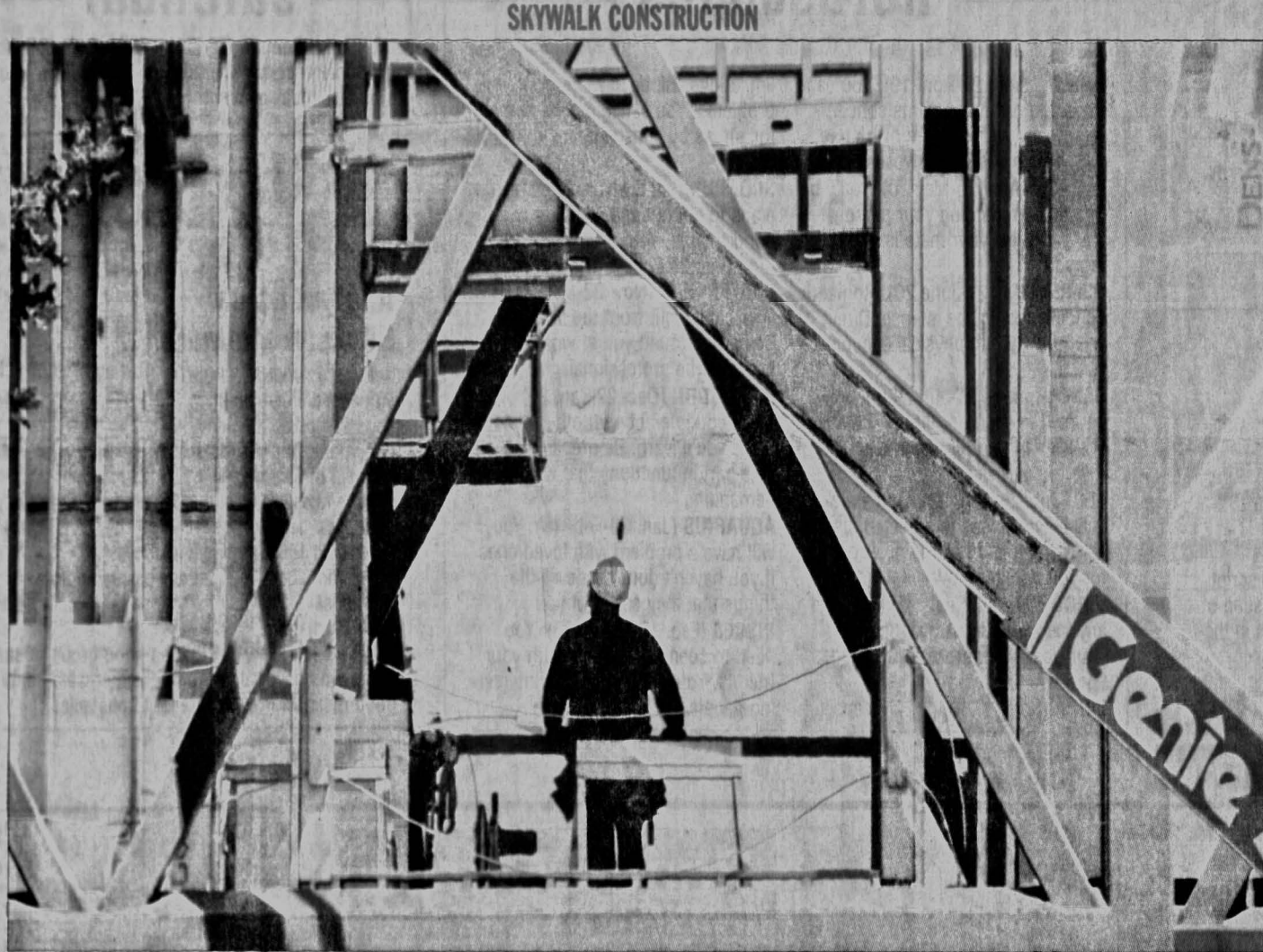
"We think we'll have around 800 people show up," he said; there will also be approximately 80 members of the national news media covering the event.

But not everyone is excited about Gore's visit. Randall Childs, a member of the International Socialist Organization, said he plans to protest the event.

"There are countless reasons to protest Gore's appearance," he said, citing the Clinton administration's foreign policy in the Balkans and Iraq as the main ones for his dissa-



Gore



SKYWALK CONSTRUCTION

Construction work continued Tuesday on Iowa City's first skywalk between the UI Biology Building and the new biological sciences building. Traffic is scheduled to remain blocked off on Dubuque Street between Jefferson Street and Iowa Avenue until Friday.

Charlie Wittmack/The Daily Iowan

False death claims hit student loan program

The Education Department finds that 708 people had loans totaling \$4 million forgiven.

By George Hild
The Daily Iowan

An internal audit report from the Education Department exposed nearly \$4 million in forgiven student loans for borrowers feigning death over a 2½-year period, but some members of the UI community say it would be hard for students to get away with the same thing here.

Mark Warner, director of student financial aid, said the UI relies on numerous safeguards to protect against these types of abuse. While he had heard of people taking advantage of the system, he said, things like that do not happen here.

"I am extremely confident that the checks and balances leave no room for fraud," Warner said.

Sharon Pinkerton, spokeswoman

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In wake of naval clash, Koreans uneasy

A shoot-out at sea claims the lives of 30 North Korean sailors, raising tensions on the Korean peninsula.

By Reid G. Miller
Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — South Korea is vowing to pursue its policy of peaceful engagement with North Korea, despite a high-seas shoot-out Tuesday that sank one northern patrol boat, badly damaged five others and is believed to have killed 30 North Korean sailors.

Five North Korean warships, escorting approximately 20 fishing boats, were spotted just north of the contested zone shortly after daybreak

today; the Defense Ministry said they were moving slowly southward.

"It's unclear whether they again will try to cross the border, but their movement today will not be easy due to bad weather in the area," Capt. Shin Han-woo, a ministry spokesman, said.

A flotilla of South Korean destroyers, frigates and other combat ships formed a picket line on the contested border, the scene of nine days of a tense military standoff.

Even as the rival neighbors blamed each other for Tuesday's clash in the Yellow Sea, South Korea said it still hoped to meet North Korea in Beijing on June 21 in the first talks between the two governments in 14 months.

"Our engagement policy with North Korea, based on strong national secu-

rity, will be pushed consistently," said Hwang Won-tak, President Kim Dae-jung's national security adviser.

North Korea's reaction was more belligerent. The official Korean Central News Agency called the shooting a "deliberate and planned" provocation "aimed at driving the situation on the Korean Peninsula to the brink of war." It demanded an immediate South Korean apology.

When seen in the context of the standoff between Russia and NATO troops in Pristina, Kosovo, and the "accidental" bombing of the Chinese Embassy in Belgrade during the allies' air war against Yugoslavia, the peninsula saber-rattling has rekindled some Cold-War tensions.



Col. Hwang Dong-kyu, spokesman for the South Korean Joint Chiefs of Staff, uses a map at the Defense Ministry in Seoul to show journalists the site where an exchange of gunfire between South and North Korean navy ships took place in the Yellow Sea Tuesday.

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Council hears student's plea for late-night bus service

The city transit system's proposed new routes do not include service past 9 p.m.

By Troy Shoen
The Daily Iowan

A new plan for the Iowa City Transit system was presented to the Iowa City City Council Tuesday night, but its lack of late-night services caused one UI student to get involved in the discussion.

Working the late shift at Sears at Coral Ridge Mall, UI sophomore Jamie Jeppsen is unable to get to her home on Iowa City's East Side using Iowa City Transit.

"Because buses are not running to

the East Side from the downtown area that late at night, I have to find a ride home from my friends," she said.

Changes to current bus routes were proposed by Parking and Transportation Director Joe Fowler; they included extending the Seventh Avenue route to First Avenue and extending the North Dodge Street route to National Computer Systems. Those changes would probably not directly affect many UI students.

After hearing Jeppsen's statement, Fowler said the buses that do run later at night have heavy use. Howev-

er, Iowa City Transit's new plan called for no new bus routes to run past 9 p.m.

Jeppsen also has difficulty during the school year when she takes night classes. Some night classes end after 9 p.m., so she again has to find a way home, she said.

Councilor Mike O'Donnell said he would support late-night running of the transit system.

"Safety at night for students is an issue," O'Donnell said. "I would certainly consider supporting the buses

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- Your kid may be an honors student, but you're still an idiot.
 - We have enough youth, how about a fountain of smart?
 - He who laughs last thinks slowest.
 - It IS as bad as you think, and they ARE out to get you.
 - I get enough exercise just pushing my luck.
 - Jack Kevoorkian for White House physician.
 - Montana: At least our cows are sane!
 - Women who seek to be equal to men lack ambition.
 - Keep honking, I'm reloading.
 - Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
 - OK, who stopped payment on my reality check?
 - I don't suffer from insanity, I enjoy every minute of it.
 - Hard work has a future payoff. Laziness pays off NOW.
 - We are born naked, wet and hungry. Then things get worse.
- Source: <http://www.joke-sandhumor.com/Lists/>



Austin Trumbull, 5, of Iowa City, takes advantage of the nice weather Monday and swings on the monkey bars at College Green Park in Iowa City. Rain is in the forecast for today, but clear skies and pleasant temperatures should return to the area Thursday and Friday, providing local residents with plenty of hours in which to polish up on their "monkeyshines."

newsmaker

They can bank on it

LOS ANGELES (AP) — No one in Hollywood can guarantee a box office bonanza quite like Tom Hanks, Mel Gibson or Tom Cruise, according to a Tinseltown trade publication.

Making the top 10 of the *Hollywood Reporter's* fifth annual Star Power '99 survey of bankable stars were, in order, Hanks, Gibson, Cruise, Harrison Ford, Jim Carrey, Leonardo DiCaprio, John Travolta, Julia Roberts, Robin Williams and Brad Pitt.

"You obviously need a good script and a good director, but the casting of the right actor and right actress in the right park is essential to the success of any movie," said Sherry Lansing, chairwoman of Paramount.



Hanks

horoscopes

Wednesday, June 16, 1999

By Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You can expect to have arguments concerning money with children or friends with whom you have invested.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You'll be emotional regarding your personal life if you feel your mate is neglecting you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Romantic connections will be intense. Direct your energy into physical encounters.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Involve yourself in group or family activities, but keep in mind that extravagance must be curtailed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Domestic activities will lead to a heated discussion. It is best to plan a quiet outing for you and your lover instead.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't let anyone stand in your way; go after your goals. You are open to suggestions.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Financial

limitations will be at the root of your problems. You can eliminate some of the stress by consolidating your debts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Make plans to get out and socialize with good friends. You've been spending too much time on your own lately.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will benefit from the changes going on around you at work. Sit back and be professional.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20): The more you interact with others, the more you'll learn. Be prepared to take part in functions that will be demanding.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You will have a problem with loved ones if you haven't done the few little things that they asked of you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You need to spend more time with your friends. You will meet some interesting people.

calendar

The Iowa Summer Writing Festival will sponsor a conference in Shambaugh Auditorium, Main Library, today at 8 p.m.

UI briefs

Analyst helps Nigerian students

Nigerian undergraduate students are using cutting-edge computers to create documents, images, databases and Web pages with the help of Cliff Missen, a UI staff member.

With Missen's help, the University of Jos now has a fiber optic network connecting 24 departments, with more than 100 computers attached.

"It's not about whether one has computers," Missen said. "It's about what one can accomplish with one's computers."

"I've been lucky to attract a good group of students who have hung in there and created some good discussion despite a lot of obstacles."



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By Luis Mas The Daily Iow

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CITY

New children's museum gets shot in the arm

Donations from Younkers and Sears could help the museum to unveil its galleries by November.

By Luis Mashek The Daily Iowan

Soon it will be possible to bypass the toy store and take a ride on the Cityworks bus, when the Iowa Children's Museum opens its doors at the Coral Ridge Mall.

The Cityworks bus gallery, a miniature city display, is one of the five galleries planned for the non-profit museum.

Recent donations from Younkers and Sears Roebuck & Co. have made it possible for two of the galleries to be open as early as November, said Melanie Doubiany, president of the museum.

Construction on the museum began in fall 1997; it was originally scheduled to be completed at the time of the mall's opening, in July 1998, said Demetri Cellman, director of marketing for the museum.

"Due to the concentration centered on the businesses in the rest of the mall, we kind of got left in

the dust," she said.

The \$25,000 donation from Younkers makes it the principal sponsor of the Cityworks bus gallery, and the \$15,000 donation from Sears makes it the principal sponsor of an activity classroom, Doubiany said.

"With the donations, the Cityworks bus and activity classroom will be possible," said Julie Campbell, director of development for the museum.

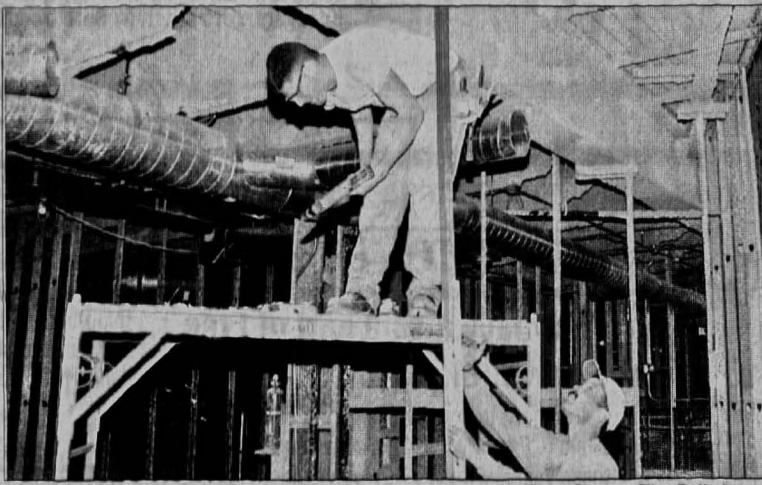
Sears has been a strong supporter of the museum's goals, said Dave Buss, Sears general manager, adding that the donation will be going to a good cause.

"We have always supported the museum," he said, "It's so family-oriented, we're just glad to be part of it."

The museum was envisioned as part of Coral Ridge's appeal, said Deanna Trumbull, general manager of the mall. She was surprised the museum has taken so long to open.

"We really believed that the museum would be opened sooner," she said, "We merchandise toward families, and we see the museum as another way to attract families to the mall."

The concept of the museum was conceived by Doubiany and Jennifer McLarty in 1995. The following



Brad Causey/The Daily Iowan

Eli Kaump (top) and Dan Johnson of Precision Drywall are two members of the construction crew building the children's museum at Coral Ridge Mall.

year, a board was elected for supervision, and in 1997, a fundraising campaign was held.

Three of the museum's galleries will feature hands-on interactive learning for visitors, Doubiany said. The Preschool Gallery will be located on the second floor, as part of the Phase II plan.

Most of the time and effort is being focused on Phase I, said Angie Longou, secretary for the board of the museum.

The Science and Engineering

gallery will be located on the first level; it will have an open ceiling and essentially be two stories high. This will be built during Phase II, Cellman said.

"The last section will be the Cultural and Diversity gallery," she said. "We are anxious for the whole museum to be up and running. It's the closest museum in the Midwest, compared with Chicago and Minneapolis."

DI reporter Luis Mashek can be reached at mashek@blue.weeg.uiowa.edu

LEGAL MATTERS

POLICE

David Perry, 31, 2567 Clearwater Court, was charged with obstructing officers at 2567 Clearwater Court on June 14 at 9:39 p.m.

Paul Rea Jr., 44, address unknown, was charged with public intoxication at the corner of Dodge and Church streets on June 14 at 6:28 p.m.

Jose Sifuentes, 50, address unknown, was charged with public intoxication at the corner of Dodge and Church streets on June 14 at 6:28 p.m.

Matthew M. Lancot, 23, 1958 Broadway Apt. C6, was charged with keeping a disorderly house on June 15 at 1:35 a.m.

Jerry L. Jones, 22, 614 Orchard Court, was charged with public intoxication at 400 Bowers St. on June 15 at 2:05 a.m.

Glen D. Roberts, 36, 1102 Clements Street, was charged with operating while intoxicated (second offense) and driving while barred at the corner of Muscatine and Fifth avenues on June 15 at 12:54 a.m.

Timothy A. Woolums, 11, 431 Kirkwood Ave., was charged with criminal trespass at 1016 Gilbert Court on June 15 at 2:50 a.m.

Joshua A. Woolums, 15, 431 Kirkwood Ave.,

was charged with criminal trespass at 1016 Gilbert Court on June 15 at 2:50 a.m. Jacob Y. W. Knosp, 16, 520 Normandy Drive, was charged with criminal trespass at 1016 Gilbert Court on June 15 at 2:50 a.m. — compiled by Steve Schmadeke

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Magistrate

Public intoxication — Jerry L. Jones, 614 Orchard St., was fined \$90; Paul Rea Jr., address unknown, was fined \$90; Mary E. Shrock, 2570 S. Riverside Drive, was fined \$90; Jose Sifuentes, address unknown, was fined \$90.

District

Prostitution — Nan E. Sturdy, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. E8, preliminary hearing has been set for July 1 at 2 p.m.

Attempted murder — Alex M. Ball, 725 Emerald St., preliminary hearing has been set for June 25 at 2 p.m.

Operating while intoxicated — Nickolas J. Mehmen, Cedar Rapids, preliminary hearing has been set for July 1 at 2 p.m. — compiled by Kelly Wilson

CITY BRIEFS

Woman charged with prostitution in drug raid

A 48-year-old Iowa City woman has been charged with prostitution after police officers said they observed her performing oral sex.

Nan E. Sturdy, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. E8, was charged Monday in connection with an April 4 incident. Prostitution is defined as the sale, or offer for sale, of services as a partner in a sex act.

Officers were at Sturdy's residence conducting a narcotics investigation when the incident occurred, according to police reports.

Sturdy allegedly told officers she was purchasing crack cocaine from an unnamed co-defendant for \$50.

The officers saw Sturdy purchase the drugs, and during the transaction, the co-defendant told her that she owed him for an outstanding debt, the reports stated.

"This defendant got down on her knees and performed oral sex on the co-defendant with officers present. Both defendant and co-defendant later admitted to the sex act and stated it was done to make up for the outstanding debt," the reports said.

Sturdy had no comment on the charge.

Peter Persaud, who has been appointed as her public defender, said he did not have enough information on the case to comment.

Sturdy has been released with travel restricted to Iowa while the charge is pending, according to the reports. A preliminary hearing has been set for July 1 at 2 p.m. in the Johnson County Courthouse.

— by Kelly Wilson

Man charged in party attack

An 18-year-old man has been charged with attempted murder after a fight at a graduation party resulted in the stabbing of a 20-year-old man.

Alex M. Ball, 725 Emerald St., allegedly attacked Brett Sweeting, of Riverside, in a North Liberty residence on June 6. The residence's owner, Marty Hutt, told The Daily Iowan on June 7 that the alleged attack occurred during his son's high school graduation party.

"It was learned from witnesses that the defendant became involved in a fight and was striking the victim in the back area when he became covered with blood," court reports said.

Sweeting sustained several stab wounds, three to his right arm, one between his shoulders and one near his kidney, said Detective Mike Scheetz of the Johnson County Sheriff's Office.

Bail has been set at \$50,000 for Ball; Quint L. Meyerdirk has been appointed as his public defender. A preliminary hearing on the charge has been set for

June 25 at 2 p.m. in the Johnson County Courthouse.

Ball was also charged with possession of a schedule I controlled substance on June 6. Neither he nor Meyerdirk could be reached for comment.

— by Kelly Wilson

UIHC patient gets 'over' billed

Several itemized bills that held personal information were accidentally mailed to a patient of the UI Hospitals and Clinics two weeks ago.

The UIHC Business Office staff mails thousands of bills, several of which are multi-paged, said Dean Borg, director of UIHC Information.

During the process of mailing, some staff members mistakenly included too many pages with the patient's bill, he said. Itemized bills include the patient's name, address, billing amount, tests, testing prices, medications and the patient's area of care at the hospital, Borg said.

"This is not an unusual thing; it wasn't the first time it happened and it won't be the last," he said. "We treat it seriously and regret it."

The bills have been retrieved because the patient called the hospital, Borg said, but he did not know when the hospital received them.

The patients of the itemized bills were

not notified, he said.

The bills are not records of a patient, Borg said; they are personal documents but are not as confidential as medical records.

— by Heather Pavnica

Bridge plan awaits regents' approval

Following approval from the Iowa state Board of Regents this week, a pedestrian bridge will be constructed near the health sciences campus.

The bridge is to be built over Highway 6; it will connect the health sciences campus to the arts campus, said Steve Parrott, associate director of university relations.

The bridge would provide a safe and accessible link for students, faculty and staff who are walking or biking from one campus to another, he said.

Regent Clarkson Kelly said such construction projects are made possible through increases in tuition. But, he said, the regents' meetings today and Thursday at the IMU should be low-key.

— by Chris Rasmussen

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Quoteworthy

I think my uncle is in there.

— Kosovar Agim Koragi, observing a mass grave site in his home town of Kacanik. In April, large numbers of Kosovars were killed by Serb troops in that area.

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Administration games are to blame for IWP woes

Two of the great traditions of the UI — the International Writing Program and the legacy of free and open speech, which for years has been an Iowa hallmark — are in critical danger.

The UI administration is seemingly doing all it can to pretend these problems don't exist and to make them go away. At the same time, this same administration has caused both problems — by dismantling the IWP under the guise of a reorganization and by fostering a climate of intimidation and fear I have never before seen in a university environment.

The 32-year-old IWP, which has brought aspiring and distinguished writers from all over the world to the UI, was first shifted a year ago from its quasi-autonomous status to become an adjunct of the Comparative Literature Program — a move that makes no sense to anyone who knows anything about creative writing.

After being severely damaged in its comparative literature incarnation, it was cut as a program — without warning — over the Memorial Day holiday. This was shortly after the newly chosen director, allegedly concerned about the evaporation of the autonomy he had expected, turned down the position. Over this period of time, 14 staff members were fired with the approval and encouragement of the dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

Dean Linda Maxson and President Mary Sue Coleman have provided their rationales for pulling the plug on the program for a year while a new committee studies the future of the program. Chief among the complaints from the dean and president were the high cost of running the program and the relatively low educational benefit to the UI community.

However, the dean's and president's positions are untenable. The dean's claims that the IWP costs an unacceptable amount of money have been refuted by statistics that demonstrate the great degree to which IWP funding came from the federal government, from outside grants and from other state funding sources not linked to the College of Liberal Arts. At the same time, we have learned that a one-year "hiatus" for this program will not only cost the IWP \$100,000 in U.S.I.A. funding but will make that funding entirely unlikely in the future — effectively shutting down the program for good.

At the same time that Dean Maxson makes this arrangement — with, apparently, the full consent of President Coleman — she faces strong criticism from mostly anonymous sources intimately connected with the UI who, after the purge of the IWP, fear for their jobs. These include people who identify themselves as assistant professors, senior faculty and staff members.

While it would be impossible to summarize all the reasons for this change,

two specific examples come to mind. In the fall of 1997, Dean Maxson — at a meeting of junior faculty on the subject of tenure — took a junior faculty member's résumé and publicly announced that the person would not receive tenure on the basis of his or her accomplishments. Bear in mind that tenure decisions are supposed to be committee decisions made after elaborate examination of supporting materials and consultation with the faculty-at-large. In another instance, in the spring of 1998, Dean Maxson, Provost Jon Whitmore, and President Coleman drove away one of our most distinguished newly tenured faculty members, Eduardo Cadava, by failing to process the work visa his spouse required and then refusing to pay her contracted salary or acknowledge the UI's responsibility for the error.

Perhaps the reason, then, faculty feel a need to respond anonymously to the IWP scandal is that there is clear evidence this administration will proceed in any number of ways against people it sees as enemies, and it will find ways to go around tenure if it is an obstacle. What should most concern Iowans, I think, is how quickly this perception has arisen, and how different the UI is now from the way it was under the previous administration.

There is a sense abroad that a very small number of people now control the UI. They will run the university as they see fit under the guise of cost-cutting and assimilation. And they will do this unless the people stop them.

Dean Maxson has appointed a committee to "study" the IWP. Because this committee is a strategy to buy time to kill the IWP, I respectfully ask these committee members to resign from the committee unless the IWP is immediately reinstated as a viable program. It is ethically impossible for this committee to do its work if the program studied is effectively moribund. Second, I ask Iowans to write to President Coleman, the members of the Board of Regents and Gov. Vilsack, insisting that the IWP be reinstated and requesting an impartial investigation of events in the current UI administration.

For the UI to remain a school of which its supporters can be proud, the administration must respect and nourish the abilities of all faculty and staff — as the previous administration did — and encourage free and open debate of important subjects. Evidence suggests that the current administration is driving the UI into a dark corner, where people who know about excellence and achievement will ridicule its large ambitions and its cruel and misguided treatment of faculty, staff, and programs.

Tom Simmons is a UI associate professor in the Department of English.

Guest Opinion Tom Simmons

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Pharmacy also a part of Free Medical Clinic

In regard to your article on the Free Medical Clinic, ("Free Medical Clinic still healthy after all these years" *DI*, June 10) we would just like to add that the clinic also provides pharmacy services. This is a convenience for patients who need their prescriptions filled.

Pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and students are needed as volunteers to help dispense medication and counsel patients regarding their medications. It is a great learning experience as well as a wonderful opportunity to give some-

thing back to the community. We urge anyone who is interested to volunteer their time and services.

Sandy Lee, Liz Group, Kim Lim
UI pharmacy students

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The Daily Iowan is looking for talented writers to contribute to the Viewpoints section for the summer and for next fall. Those interested should pick up an application at 201N Communications Center or contact Jesse Ammerman at 335-5863. Applications must be received by June 18. Hiring decisions will be made after all applications are received.



Dog tags for the 21st century

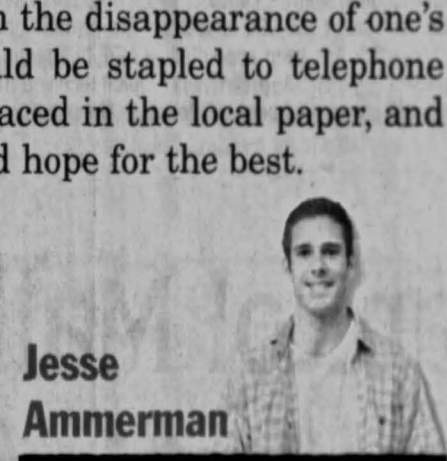
It used to be that, upon the disappearance of one's cat or dog, fliers would be stapled to telephone poles, ads would be placed in the local paper, and one would sit back and hope for the best.

Things, of course, have changed. The 1990s might best be remembered as the decade in which even the simplest of procedures became technical, and the familiar search for the lost pet did not escape this trend. Beginning about 10 years ago in California (where else?), the practice of inserting microchips into the family dog or cat became accepted and frequently used.

What the microchips do is enable an owner to track his or her pet down, should it ever stray from the home. A wandering pet can be run through a scanner — like a carton of eggs at a grocery store — and information about the pet's owner will turn up, allowing Fluffy to be returned home promptly. Strange, perhaps. But not to more than 1 million Americans whose pets, according to the *New York Times*, carry on not only as domesticated animals but as walking, barking databases.

The success of this process, which has reunited thousands of lost pets with their owners, has intensified the prospect that this could be crossed over to use among people. We humans, you see, are not simply content to come up with great ideas and see how they work. Inevitably, we must take these ideas and apply them to ourselves. Genetic engineering, for instance, began as a method to grow larger tomatoes and raise healthier cattle and ended up as a way for us to decide which eye color we would like our infants to have.

Microchip tracking would probably be held in check were it not so darn easy. The chip in question is no larger than a grain



Jesse Ammerman is the *DI* Viewpoints editor.

erized children.

"It's 1 a.m., Barb. Where the heck can she be?"

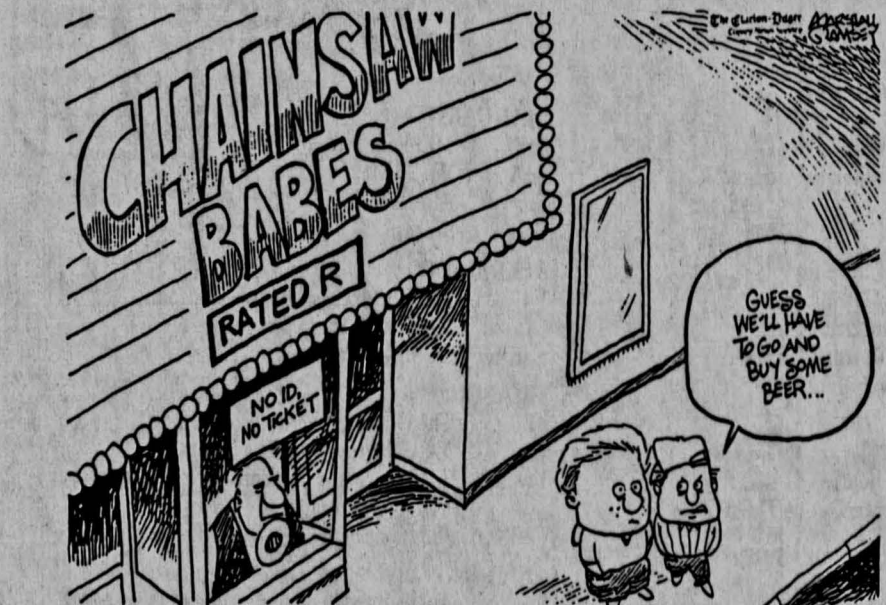
"Don't worry. I've got her pinned down about 11 blocks from here. That gives us about seven minutes to get to her. Let's go."

Animosities could arise, as teens would literally be carrying a chip on their shoulder. Concerned parents, meanwhile, are not the only ones who could use the comfort of microchip tracking. Sports coaches could apply them to troublesome athletes to avoid any negative P.R. Who can imagine how Dennis Rodman's career might have been altered had a coach been able to monitor his whereabouts?

The possibilities seem to be endless. Restraining orders could be easily enforced, and adultery would no doubt be diminished if spouses were kept aware of each others' whereabouts. This would make President Clinton's endorsement unlikely, but none of this would take place until his time has passed anyhow.

As for the Hollywood moguls who have plans to use the things anyway, the chip can be used in more than just kidnapping cases. Anytime that the directors of *Mr. Nanny*, *Batman & Robin* or *Booby Call* approach a movie set again, they can be apprehended on the spot. The same goes for Pauly Shore, Kevin Costner or that guy from the "Ernest" movies.

This prospect, however distant it may be from fruition, is still a sticky topic that brings to light some invasion-of-privacy issues along with limits on what the government can or cannot do. But we will save that for another time, as our most daunting task now is getting our pets to sit still while we give them their technological upgrades.



On the SPOT

What is the first question that you would ask Al Gore?



"Who's Al Gore?"
Dion Gaeta
Iowa City resident



"Why isn't your wife a political figure, like Hillary?"
Kelly Storey
UI senior



"I would ask him about school violence in the inner city."
Linda Hardy
UI graduate student



"How long did it take you to invent the Internet?"
Paul Carey
UI junior



"Would you fight against abortion?"
Jennifer O'Donnell
Upward Bound student

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Writing

Comedian, actor Damon Wayans completes his new book

By Douglas J. Associated

NEW YORK — A why he wrote a book likely to get an answer from Damon Wayans give see if I could spell."

"Nah, I just wanted to quickly add, serious face."

He saw other comedians and topping it and concluded: "You think I can do that."

Thus, *Bootleg*, which is a jokey way of concealing what would fall prey to bootleggers, he said, "It's catchy."

Wayans received tinations as a writer. "Color," the old Fox show on which he created some of the most memorable characters like "two guys in the snow" on *On Film*. He has appeared in movies *Beverly Hills Bananas*, *Bullet Boy Scout*, *Mo'Nonsense* and *Blankman*.

But his first and most standup comedy, which just blurring things out writing this book turned revelation, he said.

"Saying it is one thing it back is another thing. 'Wow, is that really happening? Because I don't hear things I say... When I go back, I go, 'Wow. You're in the book, Wayans' cult of personality, it stars Magic Johnson, Tyson and suggests that black leaders can't handle a bunch of predecessors."

Wayans doesn't consider too harsh or political.

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Entertainment

Writing, living the Wayans way

Comedian, actor and now author Damon Wayans completes his new book *Bootleg*.

By Douglas J. Rowe
Associated Press



Wayans

"I think to try to make (my sense of humor) a little more palatable takes out what's funny about it," Wayans said. "I have great respect for all these men ... You cannot really tell a joke about somebody unless people know them and love them."

NEW YORK — Ask a comedian why he wrote a book, and you're likely to get an answer like the one Damon Wayans gives, "I wanted to see if I could spell."

"Nah, I just wanted a challenge," he quickly adds, showing a more serious face.

He saw other comedians writing books and topping best-seller lists and concluded: "You know what? I think I can do that."

Thus, *Bootleg*, which he said was a jokey way of conceding the book would fall prey to bootlegging. Plus, he said, "It's catchy. Bottom line."

Wayans received two Emmy nominations as a writer of "In Living Color," the old Fox sketch comedy show on which he created the memorable characters Homey the Clown and one of the ("two snaps up") Men On Film. He has appeared in the movies *Beverly Hills Cop* (as the fey Banana Man), *Bulletproof*, *The Last Boy Scout*, *Mo' Money*, *Major Payne* and *Blankman*.

But his first and enduring love is standup comedy, where he's used to just blurting things out on-stage. So writing this book turned out to be a revelation, he said.

"Saying it is one thing. But to read it back is another thing. You know, 'Wow, is that really how I see things? Because I don't hear most of the things I say ... When I have to read it back, I go, 'Wow, you're a sick puppy.'"

In the book, Wayans tackles the cult of personality, mocking sports stars Magic Johnson and Mike Tyson and suggesting that today's black leaders constitute a pretty bleak bunch compared with their predecessors.

Wayans doesn't consider the book too harsh or politically incorrect.

The 38-year-old Wayans, who's been married for 15 years and has four children, takes on marriage and family life as well as ethnicity in his book.

One of 10 children himself, five of whom are in show business, Wayans feels children are a direct reflection of their parents, and he personally measures success as a husband and father, not by his career.

"I'm a comedian until I retire. I'm a father until I die," he said.

Besides writing the book, he's planning a summer stand-up tour and looking forward to the release of the movie *Harlem Aria*, which he produced and in which he also co-stars.

Wayans' resilience dates back to his childhood, when he underwent several operations to fix a clubfoot. Barefoot and wearing a canvas jumpsuit during an interview, he unselfishly shows the scars on what now looks like a normal foot.

"I spent so much time in the hospital as a kid it was scary," he said, recalling that it kept him from playing sports but it also developed his sense of humor because he wanted to be part of the gang somehow.

"I know what it's like to be black and looked down upon. AND handicapped ... AND poor ... There's a lot you have to overcome. The only thing that really helps you overcome it is other people. You meet some wonderful people who look you in the eyes

and say, 'You're my brother. I don't see this.' Or 'I do see it, and it's OK.'"

His adversity also gave him greater empathy and led to his creating "underdog" characters such as Homey the angry clown and Handi-Man the handicapped superhero.

"I guess my job is to help you understand," Wayans said.

But don't look for those characters again. To paraphrase Homey: Wayans don't play that.

Even though he has great affection for them, he said, "I feel like if I don't challenge myself and do something different, then the audience is going to see me as dated."

ARTS BRIEF

Stern to kick off summer reading fest

As a part of the Iowa Summer Writing Festival, currently being held at the UI, poet Gerald Stern will present a reading of his works in Shambaugh Auditorium today at 8 p.m.

An award-winning poet and former Writers' Workshop faculty member, Stern is the first of six featured writers to participate in the festival's weekly Wednesday night readings.

The year's festival, which will run through July 30, includes six week-

long and five weekend sessions; 142 writing workshops will be offered by writers from around the country.

Justin Tussing, a graduate assistant for the writing program, sees the festival as a positive opportunity for aspiring writers.

"I think we're providing a place for people to write, to be among writers, to improve their writing, and just to immerse themselves in a writing environment," he said.

The Iowa Summer Writing Festival celebrates its 13th year this summer.

— by Nellie Stensvaag

ARTS CALENDAR

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One Blood, at the Union Bar, 121 E. College St., at 9 p.m.

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NATION & WORLD

For sake of Serbs, Milosevic should resign, church says

■ As Serbs flee Kosovo and Kosovar refugees flood back in, the pressure increases on the Serb president.

By Donna Bryson
Associated Press

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia — Dismayed by the streams of Serb troops and civilians speeding out of Kosovo, the Serbian Orthodox Church Tuesday called for President Slobodan Milosevic to resign for the sake of the people. Meanwhile, Kosovar refugees began returning home en masse.

Hundreds of Kosovo Liberation Army rebels emerged from the woods of central Kosovo to come back to villages ruined by 11 weeks of war and ethnic violence and staged a show of strength by marching — armed — through a major town. Near Pristina, British troops were ordered to pull back after heavily armed rebels said they would resist any attempt to disarm them.

Kosovars who had fled the violence crossed into Kosovo from Macedonia and Albania, flooding in despite warnings from international agencies that the southern Serbian province was still perilous. Two refugees have died while crossing explosive minefields.

At least 10,000 came in over the border Tuesday from Albania, where some 440,000 of the 860,000 Kosovars who left their homeland had sought refuge; thousands more also crossed from Macedonia.

Twenty-nine more Russian troops in a convoy arrived in the provincial capital from Bosnia, meanwhile, bringing food, fuel and other supplies to 200-300 troops that have occupied the Pristina airport since June 12, the Russian Defense Ministry said.

The Russians came to the airport on June 12, just ahead of international peacekeeping

troops, and their refusal to allow others access to it underlines tensions over what role Russia will play in the peacekeeping operation.

U.S. Defense Secretary William Cohen is meeting his Russian counterpart Igor Sergeev today in Helsinki, Finland, for negotiations on the issue.

While returning refugees were crowding in from the south and west, the roads leading northward were packed with Serbs — Yugoslav soldiers departing under terms of the peace deal and civilians frightened of retaliatory attacks for the bloody ethnic violence.

More evidence of the violence's ferocity surfaced Tuesday: a corpse's hand reaching skyward out of a roadside mass grave near Djakovica in southwest Kosovo that local residents said could hold as many as 150 bodies of victims of a Serb rampage.

Twenty charred bodies also were found in a house in another village not far away.

Residents of a village outside Pristina say they buried 30 residents cut down in various raids by Serb snipers and soldiers.

Serbs inflicted some final violence to Kosovo even as they pulled out. Along a road out of Pristina, torched houses blazed, and soldiers toting gasoline cans prowled.

"Revenge," said a Serbian soldier waiting to leave Pristina, who gave only his first name, Rade. "Lots of Serbian homes were burned by NATO — so you have this."

NATO has expressed interest in Russian participation in the peacekeeping force if their troops are subordinate to the alliance command — something Moscow has refused.

Hashim Thaci, prime minister of the KLA shadow government, says the Russians — who have longtime ties to the Serbs — are an unwelcome addition to the peacekeeping mission.

NATION BRIEF

Estrogen substitute may lower risk of breast cancer

CHICAGO (AP) — An estrogen substitute used to prevent brittle bones in women who are past menopause reduces the risk of breast cancer dra-

matically, a study found.

The three-year study of 7,705 women found a 76 percent lower risk of breast cancer among those taking raloxifene compared with those given a placebo.

Raloxifene is marketed under the name Evista by Eli Lilly and Co., which paid for the study.

The study, published in today's

Journal of the American Medical Association, was led by Dr. Steven R. Cummings, a professor of medicine and epidemiology at the University of California at San Francisco.

"It's a very exciting beginning," Cummings said. "But we've only had 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 years of experience with this. I think women should be cautious about

any medications used for prevention."

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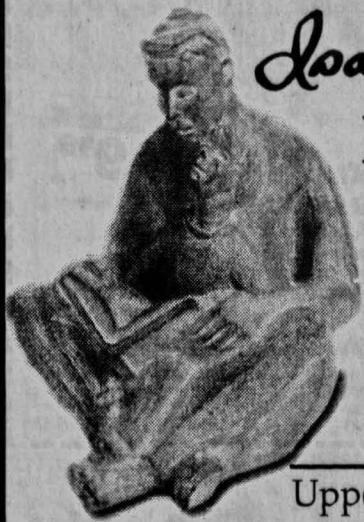
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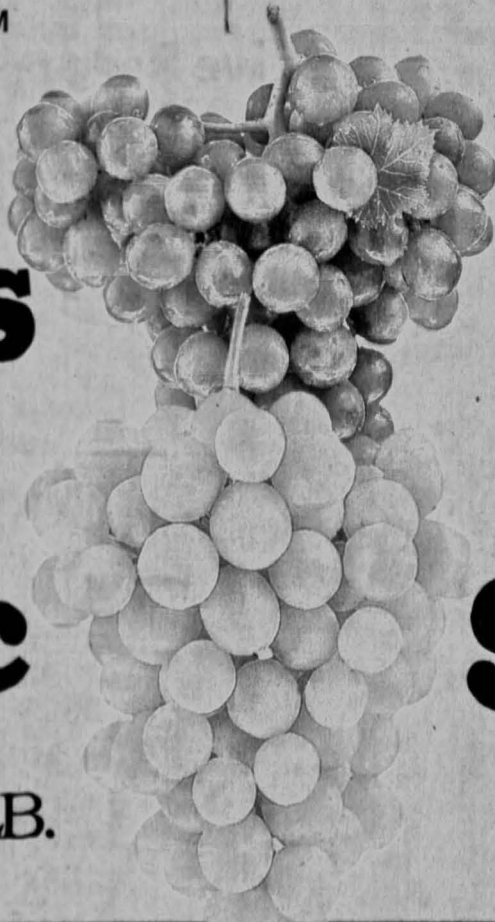
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CITY & WORLD

Engineering prof remembered as caring

■ James Buck, who died on June 10, was friendly and people-oriented, say family, colleagues and students.

By Heather Pavnica
The Daily Iowan

James Buck, a 69-year-old UI professor of industrial engineering, died on June 10 of colon cancer at the UI Hospitals and Clinics.

Buck served as chairman of the Department of Industrial Engineering from 1981 until 1988. He had a special interest in engineering economics and had planned to retire soon, said Dennis Bricker, an associate professor of industrial engineering.

"He was a very caring guy," he said. "He always made a great effort to make things run smoothly."

Buck is survived by his wife, Marie, and three children, Carolyn, James II and John.

"He (Buck) was jovial, ready-smiling and had a good sense of humor," Marie Buck said.

Buck was born in Big Rapids, Mich., and earned his bachelor and master of science degrees at the Michigan Technological University and his Ph.D. at the University of Michigan.

He was an associate professor at the University of Michigan from 1962 to 1965 and then taught at Purdue University from 1965 to 1980. He was also a consultant in human factors and ergonomics for various companies throughout his career.

UI faculty and students knew him as friendly and people-oriented.

"He was a very likable, professional person and a good friend," said Gary Fischer, an associate pro-

fessor of industrial engineering who was recruited to the UI by Buck in 1985.

"He had a great sense of humor and would always lighten things up with a joke or a comment," Fischer said. "But his teaching of engineering economics and leadership in the department will be missed the most."

Jerry Harrod, a recent UI graduate, was one of Buck's students. He described the late professor as outgoing and one who gave him a hard time in class if he wasn't wearing Hawkeye apparel.

Some of Buck's recent publications are: *Simulation of Industrial Man/Machine Systems*, *Manual Optimization of Ill-Structured Problems*, *An Optimization Level of Preventive Maintenance and its Economic Life Impact* and *Economic Risk Analysis*.

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UI ignored panel's findings on IWP, prof says

IWP

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The new committee and the 1998 committee were not formed in order to make sudden changes to the IWP, Coleman said.

"Liberal arts had been looking at restructuring the program for a number of years," she said. "This was nothing new."

The 1998 committee also recommended searching for a new director who would provide strong leadership and preserve administrative framework, Lutgendorf said. He added that he was asked to be a part of the new committee but declined.

Maxson said the IWP's budget records are now being audited to determine where the program overspent. She said the audits should be complete in three-four weeks.

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Night service needed, student says

BUSES

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running later at night. I have driven down Dubuque Street, and I know how dark it is."

The new plan also did not call for any changes to the free downtown shuttle service. Fowler said the transit system expects 190,000 riders to use the shuttle next year.

"The purpose of the shuttle bus was to cut down on the number of cars downtown," Fowler said. "A study indicated 20-25 percent of the people using the shuttle bus would drive their cars without the bus."

The City Council continued the public hearing on the proposed Iowa City transit routes until the next council meeting, on June 29.

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Gore hits the Iowa campaign trail

GORE

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isfaction with the vice president.

"In both cases, the government said it wanted to protect the citizens of those areas, but it has wound up doing worse harm to them."

The goal of the peaceful protest,

which is likely to take place in Hubbard Park, is to spread awareness about U.S. policies and to show voters that there is an alternative, Childs said.

Those wishing to hear Gore speak should arrive at the IMU between 2 and 2:45 p.m., Childs brand said.

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S. Korea to pursue peace despite clash at sea

KOREA

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"The fact is, we still live in a divided world. And China and Russia often have different interests from those of the West," said Tony Cordesman, a foreign policy expert at the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

Cordesman does see a fundamental difference between today and the years of nuclear confrontation between a massive Soviet military and the West. Still, he said, it's "very dangerous for Americans to believe the diplomatic rhetoric" that minimizes present dangers.

Both Russia and China are torn by difficult internal problems. Russia is attempting to overcome severe economic woes, while China is trying to emerge as an economic world power.

The high-seas confrontation between North and South Korea reinforced how quickly things can begin to escalate — adding to more potential tensions between the United States and China.

"Obviously, the U.S. position is that the North Koreans should refrain from provocative acts and that both sides should be as restrained as possible in not allowing disputes that occur from time to time to spin out of control," said Pentagon spokesman

Kenneth Bacon.

The fighting Tuesday presented South Korea's president with a dilemma. Ever since the naval standoff began nine days ago, Kim has been walking a tightrope — working to pursue his so-called "sunshine policy" while trying to fend off conservative critics who increasingly accuse him of coddling North Korea.

The criticism reached a peak Tuesday.

"The sunshine policy is a failed policy. It has succeeded only in prompting more armed provocations from the North," said legislator Lee Sang-duk, policy coordinator of the opposition Grand National Party.

Phony death claims rock loan program

LOANS

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for Rep. John L. Mica, R-Fla., who oversees domestic issues on the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee, said the congressman has scheduled a hearing for Thursday to ask why the Education Department hasn't required original or certified copies of death certificates for discharges of loans based on a borrower's death.

"It really does not pass the straight-face test," Pinkerton said.

UI junior Joe Cebula said he has been applying for aid throughout his college career but

with the amount of paperwork he has to go through, trying to cheat the system wouldn't be worth it.

"Even if you wanted to abuse the system, it would take too long to figure out how to do it," he said.

There were 708 borrowers found to be drawing wages after receiving education-loan death discharges. The audit found that lenders processing discharges relied on copies, not originals, of a death certificate or other proof of death such as a doctor's statement or an insurance bill, which might be acceptable proof under a given state's law.

One man apparently altered his twin brother's death certificate, changing the name and Social

Security number to match his own in an attempt to get his loans discharged.

Greg Woods, who oversees the Education Department's loan division, ordered the audit. He said the department will use wage garnishment and other means to recover the loans.

"We understand this is real money," he said.

Woods also said the department has also created new safeguards against "a few dishonest individuals spoiling this program for the millions who depend on it."

The Associated Press contributed to this article.

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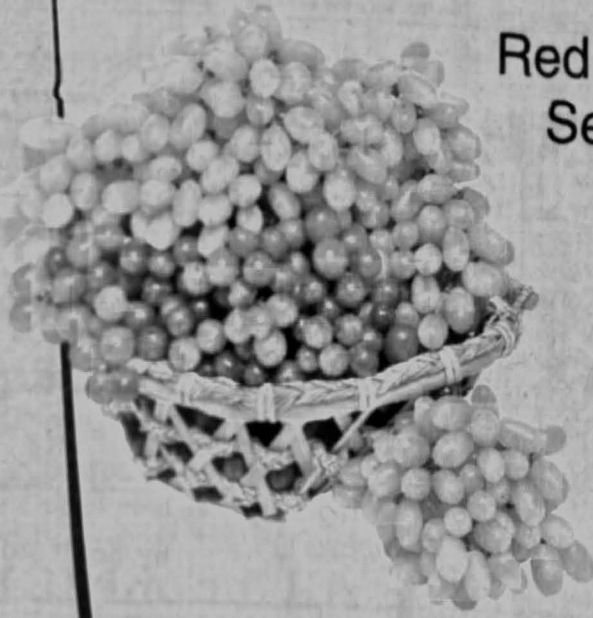
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