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Ways to avoid studying

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- Become an art or communications major
- Buy Britney Spears' new CD
- Dance, dance, dance
- Run the "Real" marathon
- Have a good meal
- Get a sweet, lovin' style
- Lead the DI

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Iowa City School Board candidates introduce themselves in a debate. See story, Page 2A

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Scoters blamed for injuries

4,000 have been injured by this summer's transportation trend. See story, Page 3A

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Regents' tuition recommendation expected today

■ UISG foresees a 8-12 percent hike for the 2002-03 school year.

By Ryan Foley
The Daily Iowan

The state of Iowa Board of Regents will release its recommendation for next year's tuition today, which could be bad news for students who are struggling to pay for their education.

The recommended increase could be unusually high this year because of the state universities' budget problems, which were caused by funding shortfalls from the state. And

although the figure will only be a suggestion, traditionally the regents approve a hike that is in that ballpark.

UI Student Government leaders are bracing for a recommended increase anywhere from 8-12 percent, said UISG President Andy Stoll.

Such a hike could drive up UI tuition and fees between \$250 and \$385 for in-state residents and between \$890 and \$1,340 for out-of-state residents for the 2002-03 school year. This year, in-state students pay \$3,204 while students not from Iowa pay \$11,160.

University of Northern Iowa

President Robert Koob told the board office he would like an increase from 7-7.3 percent, and Iowa State University interim President Richard Seagrave has suggested a 9.4 percent tuition/fees increase.

UI President Mary Sue Coleman declined to make a recommendation to the board office, saying it is important for the regents' office to do its own research. Although she would not speculate on what the recommended increase could be, she said last spring that a double-digit tuition increase may be in order to maintain quality at the UI.

The regents will consider the

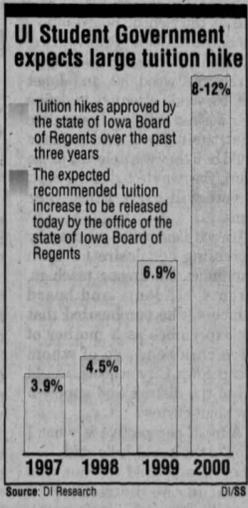
recommendation at its Sept. 13 and 14 meetings at the UI before voting on the tuition proposal in October.

Between now and then, UISG plans to campaign for a rise in tuition that is "reasonable and responsible," Stoll said.

That campaign will include a presentation with the student government leaders from ISU and UNI to the regents at next week's meetings, presentations around campus to inform students about the tuition issue, an online referendum on WebISIS to seek student input, and encouraging students to voice their opinions, Stoll said.

Stoll said his group understands that a tuition hike is inevitable to maintain quality and cover inflation, but it should not be excessive. The UISG plans to come up with an increase that it believes is acceptable and lobby the regents for it, he said.

A large tuition hike would pass the financial burden from the state to the students, Stoll said. If it passed easily, it would send legislators a message that it is OK to short-change the universities again in the future because students will fill the gap with tuition, which is unacceptable, he said.



Some worry about safety in engineering bldg.

■ Wires and other construction clutter are found in the new facility.

By Megan Eckhardt
The Daily Iowan

Passing through the south entrance of the new engineering building, students and staff are greeted by red and blue wires laying on the ground, open ceiling tiles, ladders and excessive wood and dust.

Construction of the new building has caused inconvenience and safety issues to arise since the final phase of the project began in January 2000 and students, faculty and staff were allowed to use the building. The entrance of the new building is a "hard hat zone," as one roped-off hallway barrier sign shows, but this does not always stop people from using the area.

UI junior Chris Weis said he believes that safety is a big issue in the hard-hat zones. At the beginning of the school year, electrical wires hanging from the ceilings and the drilling of concrete walls over classrooms full of students made the building unsafe, Weis said. While he thinks the



UI sophomore Jessica Goetz, a biomedical engineering student, steps over a hard hat area barrier at the new Engineering Building Tuesday afternoon. "It's inconvenient to get around," she said.

Report: Girl athletes risk bone loss

■ The American Academy of Pediatrics wants girls to monitor nutrient intake and menstrual cycles.

By Lindsey Tanner
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Girl athletes should be watched closely to make sure that their training doesn't include poor eating habits that could result in damaging bone loss, the American Academy of Pediatrics says.

Doctors, coaches and parents also should be alert for missed or delayed menstrual periods, which may result from inadequate food intake, the academy said.

Treatment to solve such problems may involve taking a break from sports, the academy said in the September issue of the journal *Pediatrics*.

A lack of calories, weight and body fat may throw the reproductive system off-kilter, disrupting the production of sex hormones and resulting in low estrogen levels.

Because estrogen helps maintain bone density, such girls run the risk of stress fractures and are more prone to developing osteoporosis in adulthood.

Studies have shown that as many as 66 percent of women in some sports stop having menstrual periods for several months, another effect of low estrogen levels.

Though the prevalence is not known, anecdotal evidence suggests it affects many girls ranging from participants in school sports to those training for the Olympics, said Dr. Miriam Johnson, a sports medicine specialist and member of an academy committee that wrote the statement.

Treatment may include establishing healthy eating habits, quitting sports until gaining weight and using hormone supplements for older teens and young women, the academy said.

Bush, Gore change tune on negativity

■ As Election Day nears, both presidential campaigns are ready to go on the attack.

By Jesse Elliott
The Daily Iowan

Early in the Democratic and Republican campaigns for president, both parties' candidates promised they would not take part in advertising attacks that sought to depict their opponents in a negative light. But as the Nov. 7 election fast approaches, both parties are changing their tune.

Two new television commercials portraying Al Gore as a candidate who panders to his audience and will promise anything to the public aired this weekend as part of the GOP campaign.

The Republican National Committee sponsored the ads, which describe Gore as "reinventing" himself — one day

American Indians help fight wildfires

■ Seasonal work is helping relieve unemployment on the reservations.

By Shannon Dininny
Associated Press

HAMILTON, Mont. — Drawing on their knowledge of the land and the behavior of wildfires, thousands of American Indians are helping battle the blazes burning across the West.

Firefighting has become a much-needed source of revenue — and pride — for tribes across the country. And at a time when blazes across the West are stretching manpower thin, the firefighters play an important role.

"They can carry their weight," said Mike LeBrun, the assistant fire management officer for the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Rocky Mountain regional office in Billings.

About 4,500 to 5,000 Indians have taken part in the fight against wildfires this summer, said Jim Stires of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. He said that represents about 20 percent of



Alabama-Coushatta Indian firefighter Tim Williams of Livingston, Texas, adjusts his helmet as he looks for fire hot spots deep in the Gallatin National Forest of Montana on Aug. 26.

the nation's firefighting force.

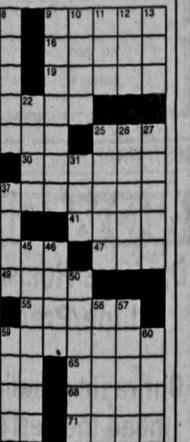
Indian crews are well-represented among the hundreds of firefighters in Montana's Bitterroot Valley, which is facing one of the West's biggest fires. Blackfoot Indians are here. So are the Gros Ventre, Assiniboine, Chippewa Cree, Kiowa and Choctaw.

Fire has been an integral part of Indian culture, making

Indian firefighters particularly well-suited for the jobs, said crew boss Dondi Tonasket, 36, a Colville Indian.

"We used to set our own burns just to cleanse the forest in the past," he said. "Now, our fire knowledge, the way we move through the mountains, is an advantage. We are more aware of the type of situations

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READ, THEN RECYCLE

CITY

3 vie for School Board seats

Overcrowding and the school environment are among the issues discussed in a forum.

By Vanessa Miller
The Daily Iowan

Three candidates running for the two open seats on the Iowa City School Board debated the overcrowding in area schools and the proposed climate ends-policy during Tuesday evening's "Meet the Candidates Night."

During the forum, which was held at the School Board office, 509 S. Dubuque St., Pete Wallace, 57, who is running for re-election, Elizabeth Atwood, 30, and Janet Leff, 59, made attempts to define their desired roles and articulate what their goals and focuses would be if they were elected to the board. The two elected in the Sept. 12 vote will serve three-year terms.

Atwood began the evening by expressing her desire for open communication among teachers, parents, students and board members. She emphasized that her experience as a mother of three children, two of whom attend Iowa City schools, would add to the district and supply a new point of view.

"A fresh perspective is what I bring to the board," she said.

Leff is a retired teacher who taught in the district for 19 years. In her opening statement, she said she wanted to be more in touch with actual students' and teachers' needs. Because of her



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Janet Leff, center, and Pete Wallace look on as fellow School Board candidate Elizabeth Atwood speaks at a meeting Tuesday.

love of teaching, she said, she has "a real passion for education."

"Because of this experience, a real insight can be added that has not previously been available," Leff said.

Wallace said his experience on the board was the determining factor in his trying for a second term. It takes time to adjust to the ways in which the board operates, he said, and he is in the middle of some projects that he would like to see completed.

"I have learned a lot and would like an opportunity to use that education," Wallace said.

The candidates raised issues involving the board's responsibility for attending to the needs of students in the district.

A major project the current

board has been focusing on is specific ends-policies, or goals, the most recent of which is the climate ends-policy. The policy, which the current board is still discussing, covers the environment of the schools, including such things as safety, ethnic inclusion and attention to special education.

Wallace said he was in favor of the climate ends-policy but that he was aware it will be hard to implement. If elected, he said, he will focus primarily on creating a safe and diverse environment.

Atwood was also in favor of setting high standards for the schools' environments and wanted to concentrate first and foremost on safety.

Leff, however, opposed the cli-

mate ends-policy, saying it would be impossible to uphold. She questioned how one would measure the safety or stability of a school. She proposed an alternate route by having each school set individual goals based on its unique needs.

The candidates also focused on finding solutions to overcrowding.

Wallace agreed that the topic will dominate the thinking of the present board. He discussed the desire to involve the community, teachers and students. Atwood said that although the project may require some extra funds, the best way to solve overcrowding would be to add another school to the district.

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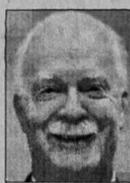
MEET THE CANDIDATES

Elizabeth Atwood



• Age: 30
• Reason for running: Parent of two children in the district.
• Goals: "To help initial curriculum at a younger age; to work with teachers and to increase parent interest in classrooms; continue open communication among the staff, parents and board."

Pete Wallace



• Age: 57
• Reason for running: "Boards benefit from continuity; it takes a year to learn, and you improve with time."
• Goals: "Finish ends-policies, strive for them — make a difference." Increase funding from state, pay people more, have more programs. tion and will in the future."

Janet Leff



• Age: 59
• Reason for running: "Opportunity to stay in touch with education."
• Goals: "No agenda, no goals."
wants to be in touch, listen and be a responsible board member.

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Walk for Children to start in I.C.

Four men will walk across Iowa this month to raise awareness about at-risk children.

By Sharyn Hosemann
The Daily Iowan

Iowa City will serve as the starting point today for Walk for Children 2000, during which four men will walk across the state in 24 days.

The first-ever walk is in correlation with the declaration by Children and Families of Iowa, a nonprofit organization based in Des Moines, that September is At-Risk Child Month.

"Although Iowa is ranked seventh in the nation for the well-being of children, there are more than 50,000 children who have been identified as at-risk, and 100,000 living in poverty that we can't forget," said Noelle Harper, a marketing and communication coordinator for the organization.

The 285-mile walk will travel from Iowa City to Council Bluffs, ending on Sept. 30 and targeting 22 communities. The walk, which was prompted by the desire of John Lodefink of Utah to be involved in a charitable activity, will last almost a month.

"John wanted to walk for a cause, so he contacted the governor's office, and it directed him to us," Harper said.

Lodefink, with the three other men, will lead the walk, pulling a 300-pound handcart. Iowans are encouraged to join the walk as it passes through their communities.

Christie Vilsack, the wife of Gov. Tom Vilsack, will kick off the event, holding a press conference today at 9:30 a.m. in City Park Shelter No. 1.

"Anyone can become involved as a walker or by holding a bake sale to raise money," Harper

said. More than 20,000 families annually receive services offered by the children's organization, whose services include counseling and therapy for children, adults and families, adoption, foster care, child care, adolescent substance-abuse treatment and domestic-violence intervention. It also offers educational tutoring for special populations as well as parent training.

David Stout, the executive director of the organization, said he has high hopes for the agency and for the children of Iowa.

"Ten years from today, I hope to be celebrating the 122 years of Children and Families of Iowa's mission of service to the well-being of Iowa's children," he said. "Part of that celebration will include the group's achievement of a fully resourced, state-of-the-art delivery of prevention and remedial services that result in measurable improvements in the health and well-being of children and families."

"Overall, I would like to celebrate the state of Iowa's achievement of a system of care for children that eliminates the risks that children in Iowa face today."

According to the group, those most affected by poverty are children.

The main goal of the walk is to make people aware of the problems concerning at-risk children.

"We deal with at-risk children everyday, and the walk is a great avenue to let the public know what is going on," Harper said.

The organization encourages communities to get involved in the walk. For information concerning walk and other events happening in September call 515-288-1981 (ext. 361) or go to the group's Web site at www.cfioa.org.

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For freshman, silence may be golden — \$12,000 golden

UI students react to a New Jersey college freshman's vow to be silent for one year.

By Jessi Todden
The Daily Iowan

On Aug. 31, after a friend dared him into silence, Brett Banfe decided to stop speaking for one year.

An online company will give Banfe, an 18-year-old college freshman at William Patterson University in Haddonfield, N.J., \$20 per day and a \$5,000 bonus if he remains silent for the entire year. The company, Z.com, sponsors a Web page called Dare for Dollars.

Banfe could earn a total of \$12,300 if he doesn't speak for the whole 12 months. Banfe plans to donate the money to Head Start when the dare is completed.

Dare for Dollars has spies watching Banfe and is also offering a \$1,000 bounty to anyone who can produce legitimate surveillance video of Banfe talking during the next year.

While Banfe could not comment, Banfe's publicist, Karen Ammond, the owner of KBC Media, said the dare was spawned from a conversation he had with a friend — the

friend challenged him to be silent for a day, so he replied that he would not speak for a year. After considering the dare, Banfe realized he had never really committed to anything of such magnitude before and thought this would be a great challenge, Ammond said.

"He thought he could inspire others, and he could learn to be a better listener," she said.

When asked if they could give up anything for a year on a dare and maybe a little financial incentive, many UI students said they could think of something.

"I would give up drinking if I got to keep the money," UI junior DeeDee Boorn said.

Other UI students were amazed at the prospect of being silent for an entire year.

"That's a long time," said UI junior Steve Missirlian. "I wouldn't be able to stay quiet for a year even for that amount of money, but I hope he can pull it off."

UI sophomore Ted Roth admitted that he could barely be silent for a minute and wished Banfe the best.

"I hope he doesn't self-destruct," he said.

Steve Parrott, the director of university communications, said being silent for a year as a college freshman is quite a sacrifice.

He thought he could inspire others, and he could learn to be a better listener.

— Karen Ammond, owner, KBC Media

"I hope he will still be able to get the kind of education he wanted, because I think part of a good education is through social interaction, and that may be hard if you don't speak," he said.

On a lighter note, Parrott added that he would try to give up television for charity.

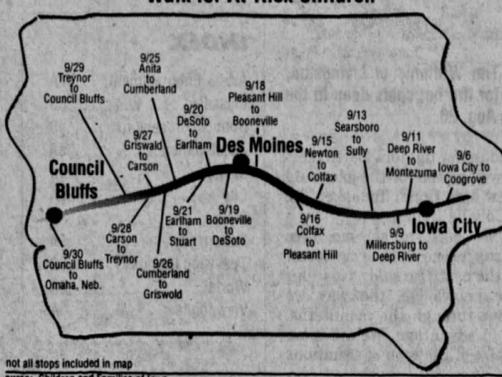
UI students who think they can top Banfe's dare may submit their ideas and the reasons they need the money to Dare for Dollars through Z.com.

Dares must be legal, safe, non-offensive, non-pornographic, non-violent and original. If a dare is accepted, it will be put on the Web site auction page, where people will be able to challenge the dare by either upping the ante or doing it for less money.

When the organization selects winners, it will bring a film crew to a winner's town and film the person. The footage will be posted on its Web site.

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By David Ho Associated Pres

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Colleen Roarty, left, guards Sabrina Peters Tuesday afternoon during an Ultimate Frisbee game in Hubbard Park.

UI seeks lower health costs

■ In recent years, premiums have exceeded funds the UI has to spend on health care.

By Peter Rugg
The Daily Iowan

The UI Faculty Council discussed an increase in health-care premiums over the past two years, which have begun to exceed the UI's health-care budget, at its Tuesday meeting.

During the mid-1980s, the UI adopted a health-care policy under which UI faculty members receive flexible-credit spending accounts, called flex, in addition to their salaries. Flex credits are non-taxable earnings that are only allowed to be spent on health, life, dental, hearing and vision insurance. Problems have occurred recently because the premiums to pay anticipated health-care costs for 2001 are going up faster than contributions the UI receives to purchase those benefits.

A committee is currently looking for ways to reallocate funds to meet the rises in costs.

"We're going to be looking at different ways for pricing insurance premiums," said Sheldon Kurtz, a UI law professor and member of the com-

mittee. "We're concerned about a number of issues relating to how current premiums are calculated and want to make sure the pricing policy is appropriate."

The health-care problems are partially related to the state legislators' current reduction of funds for public educational institutions.

"The legislature adopts what is referred to as salary policy on occasion," Kurtz said. "They've increased the amount of funds the UI could give employees for health insurance, but in the past two years, costs have increased without the Legislature increasing funds."

Decisions made by the committee are directed toward the years 2002 and 2003 as an imbalance between premiums and health-care funds for the next year can no longer be avoided.

The UI is facing several financial problems because of loss of state financial support. UI President Mary Sue Coleman has proposed a merger between the senate budget committee and the staff budget committee to make decisions on how to more efficiently handle the UI base budget.

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Council wants better policy

While the UI has a policy to deal with "unfit" faculty members, it is hard to put into action since there is no definition of "unfitness" included in the policy.

The UI Faculty Council heard a report from the UI Senate Ad Hoc Committee at its Tuesday meeting on clarifying the current policy.

"This policy has more procedural protections in lines of the accountability of administration," said Jeff Cox, a UI professor of history.

The policy presented outlined the definition of unfitness as a faculty member who performs substantially below relevant peers' standards and criteria for a substantial period of time. Any tenured faculty member removed for academic unfitness would also be able to appeal to state of Iowa Board of Regents.

The council did not make any decisions about the policy change but will discuss it again at an upcoming meeting. If the policy change is approved by the council, to be put into action it would have to then be approved by the UI Faculty Senate, President Mary Sue Coleman and the regents.

— by Peter Rugg

Vilsack garners high approval rating

■ Seventy-three percent of Iowans think the governor is doing a satisfactory job.

The Associated Press

DES MOINES — Gov. Tom Vilsack, the state's first Democratic governor in three decades, is getting a solid vote of confidence from Iowans.

Seventy-three percent of Iowans are satisfied with Vilsack's job performance, according to a copyrighted poll in Tuesday's editions of The Des Moines Register. Just 13 percent disapprove, and 14 percent are unsure.

An identical 73 percent said they support Vilsack's executive order forbidding discrimination against homosexuals and transsexuals in state government employment. However, 22 percent disapprove, and only 5 percent aren't sure.

A group of Republicans has taken Vilsack to court, saying he exceeded his authority when he signed the anti-discrimination order last year. Conservative critics reacted especially sharply to his inclusion of transsexuals — people who have undergone a sex change or who identify more closely with the opposite sex than their own gender.

The disapproval of that order rises to 35 percent among Republicans and 53 percent among those who are dissatisfied with Vilsack's

overall job performance.

The random telephone survey of 800 Iowa adults was conducted Aug. 23-30 by Selzer & Co. for the Register. It has a margin of error of plus or minus 3.5 percentage points.

Vilsack so far has governed during a period of relative

prosperity that's been largely free of major crises.

His approval rating coincides with a poll finding that 70 percent of Iowans believe the state is headed in the right direction, compared to 23 percent who say things have seriously gotten off on the wrong track and 7 percent who are unsure.

ABC, CBS nix Bush's debate plan

■ The networks insist they won't carry debates originating from CNN and NBC.

By David Bauder
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Executives at ABC and CBS said they would not broadcast presidential debates organized by rival networks CNN and NBC, as proposed by Republican candidate George W. Bush.

Instead of agreeing to

three 90-minute, nationally televised debates in October as proposed by the Commission on Presidential Debates, Bush has said he would participate in one of those debates and two others suggested by NBC and CNN.

One would match the two contenders in a prime-time version of NBC's Sunday morning talk show, "Meet the Press," moderated by Tim Russert. The other would be an edition of Larry King's talk show on CNN.

The Gore campaign has said it would not agree to Bush's plan unless Bush also committed to all three commission debates with their potentially wide viewership.

"We will not carry another network's programming," said Paul Friedman, the executive vice president of ABC News. ABC would cover such an event within its news programs if news were made but would not broadcast it in its entirety, he said.

Scooters linked to 4,000 injuries

■ Protective gear, such as that used by in-line skaters, is recommended for riders.

By David Ho
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The number of people hurt while riding foot-propelled scooters surged this summer with more than 4,000 injuries in August alone, most of those suffered by children caught up in one of the year's hottest fads.

Since May, when about 500 injuries were reported, there has been a 700 percent increase

in the number of people being treated in emergency rooms for scooter-related injuries, the Consumer Product Safety Commission said Tuesday. There have been more than 9,400 reports of people treated this year, with children younger than 15 accounting for nearly nine out of 10 injuries.

"These scooters are the 'in' thing with kids heading back to school," Ann Brown, the chairwoman of the safety commission, said in a statement. "Unfortunately, many kids are ending up in hospital emergency rooms instead of classrooms."

The majority of the injuries

were cuts, bruises and sprains, but a third were broken bones or dislocations, mostly in the arms and hands. Hospitals treated and released nearly all of those injured. There have been no deaths related to the new scooters.

Brown said nearly two-thirds of the injuries could have been prevented or lessened if the riders had been wearing protective equipment. The safety commission recommends scooter riders wear the same safety gear suggested for in-line skaters: a helmet, wrist guards, and knee and elbow pads. Such equipment can cost less than \$35.

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Red Cross urges cluster-bomb ban

■ Singling out the Kosovo bombing, the agency deplores civilian deaths.

By Alexander G. Higgins
Associated Press

GENEVA — The Red Cross is urging governments to suspend the use of cluster bombs — such as those that NATO dropped on Kosovo last year — because they can kill and maim long after a war ends, an official said Tuesday.

A new study by the International Committee of the Red Cross found that, compared with land mines, those injured or killed by cluster bombs were 4.9 times as likely to be children under the age of 14.

The 50-page report focused on the aftermath of NATO's 78-day bombing of the Yugoslav province of Kosovo.

Children are especially at risk because the bombs are usually an eye-catching yellow with little parachutes attached, said Peter Herby, a Red Cross specialist.

"People think they are duds because they didn't go off at first, but they are highly unstable and can be set off easily," he said.

The Red Cross found that cluster bombs killed 50 people and injured 101 in Kosovo during the first year after the bombing ended in June 1999, the report said.

By contrast, land mines, left mainly by Serb forces, killed 30 people and wounded 169.

Victims of land mines often survive, although they may lose feet or legs, but cluster bombs generally kill anyone near them when they explode.

Herby said the Red Cross, charged with enforcing the

Geneva Conventions on the conduct of war, has sent governments its study with an appeal for a new international law on the weapon.

"The use of cluster bombs should be suspended until an international agreement on their use and clearance has been achieved," said a message to diplomats in Geneva.

Although cluster bombs were used in the Gulf War and the Indochina war in Laos, Kosovo provided the Red Cross with its first chance to study their long-term impact, Herby said.

A single cluster-bomb canister, dropped to destroy airfields or tanks and soldiers, typically scatters 200 to 600 bomblets over an area the size of a football field.

On average, 10 to 15 percent of the bomblets fail to explode immediately, but for decades

they can be detonated by the slightest disturbance, even a change in the weather, Herby said.

Clearing cluster bombs is more dangerous than clearing mines, he added. Even a two-way radio signal between sappers can set off cluster bomblets.

The report estimated that 30,000 cluster bomblets remained after the Kosovo conflict. U.N.-supervised sappers had removed 4,069 by the end of May, it said.

The U.N. operation also reported the clearing of 3,448 anti-personnel mines, 3,784 anti-tank mines and 6,639 other unexploded ordnance.

The Red Cross also urged governments to ban the use of cluster bombs against military targets in populated areas and require those who use cluster bombs to clear them afterward.

China scolds Taiwan, warns of open conflict

■ The mainland says the island's leader must stop moving toward formal independence.

By Christopher Bodeen
Associated Press

BEIJING — China heaped new criticism on Taiwan's leader Tuesday and warned that his refusal to bend to Beijing's demands could lead to open conflict.

After more than 100 days in office, Chen Shui-bian has moved further toward formal independence for Taiwan and away from Beijing's goal of unification, said Zhang Mingqing, a spokesman for the Central Office for Taiwan Affairs.

"This is extremely dangerous," Zhang said, accusing Chen of lacking sincerity and flip-flopping on his approach to relations between the sides.

Zhang, however, did not indicate that any new actions — military or otherwise — were being planned. He instead iterated that Beijing would continue to scrutinize Chen's words and deeds, a strategy announced soon after Chen won election in March and became Taiwan's first opposition-party president.

Zhang repeated Beijing's demand that Chen must recognize that Taiwan is a part of China before dialogue can begin. Chen has repeatedly offered to open talks with China but without preconditions.

In Taipei, a senior aide to Chen told reporters that Chinese leaders have misunderstood the president's overtures but that he would persevere in improving relations

between the two sides. "We urge the other side to understand the president's sincerity and goodwill," the aide, Chen Che-nan said.

China has threatened to attack if Taiwan declares independence or drags its feet on unification. The sides divided amid civil war in 1949, and there is little support on the vibrantly capitalist and democratic island for unification with the harshly authoritarian and economically developing mainland.

Speaking at a rare media briefing by the communist government's top office on Taiwan affairs, Zhang denied reports that the Chinese leadership and Chen's Democratic Progressive Party have a channel for contacts.

China will not deal with anyone in Chen's party, Zhang said, until it scraps support for Taiwan independence — something that is part of the party's Constitution.

While snubbing Chen's party, China has attempted to pressure the new president by building contacts with his Taiwanese political opponents. In response to a question, Zhang praised a document issued by Taiwan's opposition People First Party that rejected the language of state-to-state ties.

In a move that is expected to anger China, Taiwan's outspoken vice president plans to pass through the United States on her trip to Central and South America, a Taiwanese official said Tuesday.

Washington is expected to agree to Annette Lu's transit through Los Angeles or New York Sept. 24, an aide said, on condition of anonymity.

Syria may have final say in Lebanese election

■ Lebanon's former prime minister is undecided if he will run for the post again.

By Hussein Dakroub
Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Former Prime Minister Rafik Hariri's chances of regaining his old job rose with his landslide re-election to parliament, but neighboring Syria may have final say over whether he takes back the post.

Hariri, a billionaire who made his fortune in construction in Saudi Arabia, said Tuesday he has not made up his mind whether he wants to be prime minister again.

"It's premature to talk about it now. It is a big mistake to say that I am running for the post of the prime minister," he told reporters.

Syria, which dominates Lebanon militarily and politically, has not made its position clear. Hariri is a friend of Syrian President Bashar Assad and has economic investments in Syria. But Syria also firmly supports Emile Lahoud, Lebanon's president and Hariri's rival.

Under the 1989 Arab-brokered peace plan that ended Lebanon's 1975-90 civil war, the president must name a prime minister after polling the legislators.

Since the two rounds of parliamentary elections for the 128-member legislature ended Sunday, more than 50 lawmakers were reported to have voiced support for Hariri. Lahoud's choice, current Prime Minister Salim Hoss, failed to win a seat in parliament after a divisive campaign.

Hariri extended an olive branch to Lahoud at his news conference Tuesday.

"My hand will be extended to cooperate with political and national leaders in the country and all legislators to reassert Lebanon's presence on the Arab, regional and international map," he said.

Lahoud vehemently opposes Hariri, who stepped down as prime minister in 1998 after a power struggle with the president. If Hariri seeks the post and his legislative allies support him, Lahoud would have few options but to appoint him prime minister.

Sarkis Naoum, a political analyst for Lebanon's leading newspaper, An-Nahar, said Hariri is waiting for the outcome of discussions between Lahoud and Syria on the choice of prime minister.

"Syria is seeking to reconcile conflicting Lebanese viewpoints so as to ensure that the premier-ship issue will not lead to a government crisis," Naoum said.

Syria once did little to hide its hand in appointing Lebanese leaders. Since Assad took over Lebanon policy for Syria in recent years, open intervention has subsided — in part because Syria has the loyalty of every leading Lebanese politician.

Assad became Syrian president earlier this year following the death of his father, Hafez Assad.

"Syria is positively and optimistically looking at the results of the Lebanese elections, which the Lebanese state has accomplished peacefully," wrote *Al-Baath* newspaper, mouthpiece of Syria's ruling Baath Party, in an editorial Tuesday.

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So many quirky comedies about sn life have come out you'd think the genre be somewhat exhausted. After all, *The Full Monty*, *Waking Ned Devine* and *10 Things I Hate About You* acts to follow. But *Saving Grace* is a pleasant surprise. It serves up great laughs and an original, well-thought out plot.

Grace (Brenda Blethyn) is the renowned wife of a rich man who turned out to be a terrible bookkeeper. Of this, she is tired with losing everything she owns. So, in order to get enough money to buy a house, Grace puts her renowned gardening

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work on a stash of marijuana plants given to her by her gardener, Matthew (Craig Ferguson).

Blethyn's character is the single driving force that keeps the film from falling flat on its face. She can take an utterly clichéd scene (such as when her character first tries smoking marijuana) and turn it into a triumph of timing and laughter.

So many quirky foreign comedies about small-town life have come out recently, you'd think the genre would be somewhat exhausted.

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By Graham Ross

"Dungeons and Dragons," a French drug lord with a love for fly fishing.

Overall, *Saving Grace* is a sweet, short film. The only flaw is the ending, which drifts too far into the realm of fantasy.

DI reporter Graham Ross can be reached at: ghrross@hotmail.com

Star Wars: Episode II begins filming

Cast and crew will spend two days outside Naples, Italy, shooting scenes for the upcoming prequel.

By Alessandra Rizzo
Associated Press

CASERTA, Italy — With its marble-encrusted walls and its frescoed rooms, the sumptuous Royal Palace was home to the Spanish royalty of Naples in the 18th century. On Tuesday, it was occupied once again by a queen — along with Jedi Knights and the numerous otherworldly creatures imagined by *Star Wars* director George Lucas.

The American director is in Caserta, 18 miles north of Naples, for a two-day shoot of *Star Wars: Episode II*, the fifth movie of the saga that began in 1977.

"It's fun to be directing again," Lucas said at a news conference in the court theater inside the palace, which will serve as a backdrop for Queen Amidala's planet, Naboo.

Episode II starts off about a decade after the end of *Star Wars: Episode I — The Phantom Menace*. Anakin Skywalker, grown into a teenager, learns the ways of the Force from Jedi Master Obi-Wan Kenobi (played by Ewan McGregor) and falls in love with Natalie Portman's character, Amidala, the future mother of Luke and Leia.

Their love is doomed as Anakin begins his journey toward the Dark Side and becomes Darth Vader.

Lucas says the film is a "romantic story" and "basically

a fairy tale, but there's a lot of action, too."

Most of the live-action scenes for *Episode II*, which is due for release in 2002, will be shot using digital, high-definition camcorders instead of film cameras. With *Episode I*, Lucas pioneered digital projection in a few theaters.

"The advance of cinema into the digital world is just a normal transition that's taking place, an addition to the tools we use to make movies," Lucas said.

He likened it to the transition from frescoes to oil painting.

"Oil painting freed the artists up to change his mind, go home ... and know that the colors they're using are going to stay there," he said.

The use of digital cameras also has been a time-saver on numerous parts of the production. The first phase of the shooting ended in late August in Australia; other locations for the \$150-million movie include London and Tunisia.

The Royal Palace, nicknamed the "Versailles of Naples" for its splendor, was completed in 1774 from plans by Italian architect Luigi



AP/Massimo Sambucetti
Lucas stands inside the Royal Palace in Caserta, Italy, Tuesday. Lucas said he will spend two days shooting scenes there for *Star Wars: Episode II*.

Vanvitelli. It is considered one of the greatest — and last — achievements of Italian Baroque architecture. Some scenes from *The Phantom Menace* also were filmed there.

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The Beatles cash in ... again ...

Baby, you're a rich man

In 1964, the Fab Four released *Beatles for Sale*. A quarter-century later, they might live up to the name.

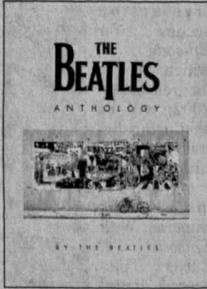
Can the public handle the unrelenting release of Beatles merchandise? Within the next few months, the staying power of Beatles paraphernalia will endure a test. Most likely, many consumers will bemoan the newest induction of Fab Four goodies.

An elaborate and expensive autobiography as well as a new compilation of musical hits will appear in stores before long. Apparently, the television saga and *Anthology* LP released a few years back did not suffice. Does the array of musical compilations and books on the market fail to satiate the ravenous appetites of avid Beatles enthusiasts? Enough already.

Not even the most fervently disgusted antagonist can deny the selling power of Beatles-related merchandise. Shoppers swept *Anthology* CDs off music store shelves as though they might never have the opportunity to hear the music again. Producers fashioned leftover material into a new song, and the world had to own it. The



Beatles for Sale (1964)



Beatles for Sale (2000)

hypnotic appeal leaves devoted collectors with empty wallets and an over-stocked supply of, in essence, the same product. At the rate that items appear on the market, no collection is ever complete, and fans with stockpiles of keepsakes will forever feel the need to obtain more.

The plastering of Elvis' image over all products imaginable distracted from his talent. However, the Beatles managed to maintain a marketable high profile without tarnishing the recognition of their creative genius.

Surely the remaining Beatles do not need the money attained from these exploitive endeav-

ors. They must realize that every new release rehashes previous work and drains its novelty. Thirty years after the material first hit airwaves, it does not need to be launched again ... and again. It is not as though the public forgot about the band — fans appreciate and praise the group's work and success. Radio stations nationwide still play classic tunes from all of the Beatles' albums. The group's dominion left a permanent mark in the annals of music history and continues to this day. It will continue to do so regardless of strained, gratuitous marketing schemes.

Liz Basedow is a *DI* editorial writer.

Ethernet in the dorms ...

Paying the price for progress

If all goes according to plan, all nine UI residence halls should have Ethernet access by October. It's about time. Universities across the country have offered Ethernet connections in their dorms for several years. The University of Northern Iowa's connected dorms, for example, have been up since 1998.

So if you find yourself wandering the corridors of such dorms as Daum, Burge or Currier, take a gander overhead and notice the series of metal hooks lining the corridors. (It's all part of the UI's plan to cause as much inconvenience as possible for residence hall dwellers before the Ethernet is finally installed.) Of course, the Ethernet is a must in the dorms, but when

the workers come to install the cables on your floor, you'll be left asking why the UI couldn't have found some way to do this over the summer, when the residence halls weren't nearly so populated.

The problem is that the cables have to run into every room. That means that when the work crew is ready to begin work on the floor you live on, you'll receive a letter in the mail telling you to re-arrange your furniture so it won't get in the way of the installation. The letter also states that you can expect dust and suggests that you cover your computer and stereo equipment and that you don't leave any food exposed. You'll have to surrender the quiet confines of your study den for about an hour on what-

ever day during the week the workers decide to barge into your room with their blue cables.

Of course, it is only an hour, and then you can put your furniture back the way you had it, and then if you're very patient, the Ethernet will be available by the end of October. That's three months ahead of the UI's initial schedule of Jan. 1. So while the installation process might give you a bit of a headache, in the end, it'll be worth it. But in the meantime, keep your food out of sight, your furniture out of the way, and stock up on Tylenol. You're going to need it until the Ethernet finally comes to a computer near you.

Tom Tortorich is a *DI* editorial writer.

Health Q & A:

Even occasional smoking can cause long-term damage

I smoke occasionally, generally only on the weekends. Am I doing long-term damage to myself?

Possibly. No one starts out to become an addicted smoker. In fact, especially on a college campus, many students who smoke numerous cigarettes don't even consider themselves smokers because they don't smoke daily, don't buy their own or only smoke when drinking, but only one in ten people actually have the "luxury" of being non-addicted social smokers, known as "chippers." It is a rare person who has a few cigs a week and never sees that use increase. The others are forming solid

addictive patterns that will lead in the direction of more frequent or even daily smoking. Most definitions of a smoker say that if you can answer "yes" to the following questions, you've "joined the club."

- Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your lifetime?
- Do you currently smoke cigarettes?

Although most of the physical changes from smoking return to normal once you quit, there are permanent DNA changes in your lung cells. Enough of these mutations in combination with an individual's genetics can equal cancer. If your weekend smoking is combined with alco-

hol use, note that this greatly increases your risk of cancers of the mouth and esophagus.

Unfortunately, alcohol serves as a solvent to help all those carcinogens affect your mucus membranes. Smoking also weakens the immune system and irritates the respiratory system, making you more prone to colds, bronchitis, and eight times more likely to contract meningitis if you are exposed.

Nicotine is so addictive because it becomes "paired" in your brain with experiences and cues in the environment. Each time you smoke after eating, while drinking, after waking up, with a cup of java, or to

Quoteworthy

We could raise the tuition and keep the quality high, which, in my opinion, is what we need to do.

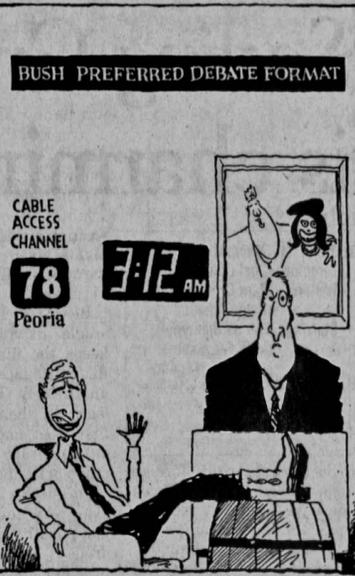
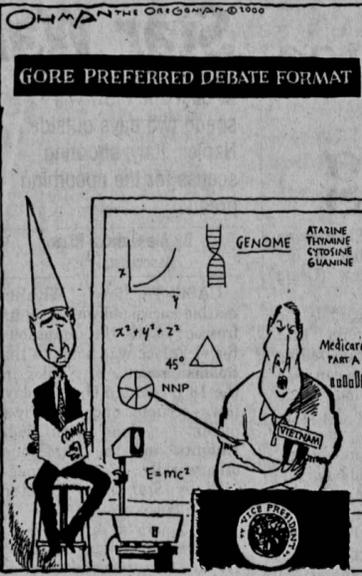
— Regent Clarkson Kelly, on the upcoming debate on methods of funding Iowa's schools.

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A series of commentaries penned by UI students studying abroad

Things are looking up down under

Thanks to the 1980s one-hit wonder Men at Work, we've all heard of a vegemite sandwich. But how many of you can actually say you've tried one? Actually, I'll stick with Jif peanut butter, thank you very much.

G'day from the land down under!

Things are the same but different here in Newcastle, New South Wales, Australia. By that I mean you still wake up every morning to birds chirping, but instead of the light chirp of a couple of sparrows, it's the shrill laugh of the kookaburras, which sound more like a couple of screaming monkeys.

I've been at the University of Iowa for four years, and I can say with confidence I know the campus very well. After arriving here in Newcastle one week before classes, my friend Dan and I were walking around campus when the realization hit me: We weren't in Kansas anymore (or Iowa, for that matter).

I feel like a lost freshman again.

We are truly in the bush-land. Campus buildings are scattered throughout the dense forest. Unlike our beloved UI campus, the buildings here rarely reach more than a couple stories high. The combina-

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tion of short buildings and thick woodlands makes it easy to get lost. I have found there is a bridge in the middle of campus, which you can stand on and turn 360 degrees and see nothing but trees.

As Dan and I wandered around the campus aimlessly, we noticed that people were walking right at us. After almost bumping into several people, and pissing off many more, I realized our mistake. In Australia, people drive on the left side of the road, and people tend to walk with the same rules that govern their driving. I've never questioned why we Americans have always walked on the right, but it makes sense. When approaching a busy street, you come close to killing yourself because your natural instinct is to look the wrong way. You learn to correct that habit pretty quickly.

As a fifth-year senior, living in the dorms with a bunch of 18- and 19-year-olds is an interesting experience. The dorms are a nice set-up. At Evatt House, everyone has his or her own room, and 10 people

share a common room and kitchen while five share a bathroom. I have six female suitemates and three male. Most of them were just starting high school when I came to the UI.

It's a bit like MTV's "The Real World" at times — lots of gossip and people taking sides. People have to be careful of their actions, as rumor spreads like wildfire through Evatt. There is a lot of dorm unity here. Unlike at the UI, almost everyone in the dorms attends dorm socials — probably because alcohol is served. Since the drinking age is 18, there is no concern of underage drinking. A big rivalry has developed with Edwards Hall, and to a lesser extent International House, but this is mostly an Australian thing. As an American, you are just happy to see other Americans, including the 40-some people from the Iowa schools who are down here.

The temperature hits about 70 degrees Fahrenheit every day — not bad for winter.

Well, I'm off to Tamworth, Australia's country music capital, for the weekend with my roommates. G'day!

Michael Poe is a UI senior currently studying in Australia.

On the SPOT

It's Week Three — Are you bored with your classes yet?



"No, I'm a graduate student. I chose to do this."

Matt Shears
UI graduate student



"Yeah, all of them."

Erik Alexander
UI freshman



"No, I'm a returning student, so it's all exciting and fresh to me."

Elle Pospisil
UI junior



"General Chemistry gets old pretty quick."

Wes Dorsam
UI freshman



"Some of them are boring and some of them are all right."

Cathy Crouch
UI sophomore

Living

September has finally rolled around, bringing her bright blue days, her dear humidity and, important, her nights. For a while there, it seemed if the weather was going to grill us like so many kabobs on the mic spit.

Maybe it's just me, living these days in an air-conditioned attic, attics, as some of you may know, tend to gather the heat from the surrounding six-block area and it for when you get hot. They're thoughtful things.

It seemed so romantic first, to sit in a garret and write. *La Bohème* and that.

I am here to tell you a garret seems a damper less romantic when the thermometer is pumping mercury up near 100 degrees. You don't tend to produce much writing tend to produce several gallons of sweat minute, which collects ponds of water, giving garret that indoor-swimming-pool look. And for about the recent heat was the UI's energy-savings policy. It turns out that through a deal with the city company, at times peak electrical demand as heat waves, the university shuts down its cool-

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VIEWPOINTS

Living the unbearable lightness of beans in Iowa

September has finally rolled in, bringing her bright blue-sky days, her dearth of humidity and, most important, her cool nights. For a while there, it seemed as if the weather were going to globally grill us like so many kabobs on the cosmic spit.

Maybe it's just me. I am living these days in a non-air-conditioned attic, and attics, as some of you veterans know, tend to gather all the heat from the surrounding six-block area and save it for when you get home. They're thoughtful that way, attics are.

It seemed so romantic at first, to sit in a garret and write. *La Bohème* and all that.

I am here to tell you that a garret seems a damn lot less romantic when the thermometer is pumping mercury up near 100 degrees. You don't tend to produce much writing. You tend to produce several hundred gallons of sweat per minute, which collects in ponds of water, giving your garret that indoor-swimming-pool look. And feel.

One of my favorite things about the recent heat wave was the UI's energy-savings policy. It turns out that, through a deal with the utility company, at times of peak electrical demand such as heat waves, the university shuts down its cooling

systems. Oh, it's good for the environment and all. And it saves the UI about \$500,000 a year. Though, in a \$300 million budget, saving half a million seems more than a little bit like holding up your hand in a gale to stop the wind.

It also means that, at a time when you most need air conditioning, you can't have it. Clever, that. You can understand why you need an advanced degree to be a university administrator.

But it's September, and you don't need to worry about air conditioning. You can have all you want now. It's yet another example of how life tends to imitate a Kurt Vonnegut novel.

One of the things September always brings is the opening of do-gooder

season. Every new school year, it seems, the do-gooders come out in full force to instruct you on how to live your lives.

The big issue this fall seems to be underage drinking, that bogeyman of the modern college campus. Everybody under the sun, it

seems, has a solution to the "problem." There are so many do-gooders with solutions that sometimes it seems as though there are more of them than there are underage drinkers. Even the local Chamber of Commerce has chipped in —

or chirped in — suggesting, among other things, that perhaps there ought to be an end to drink specials in the downtown bars. It's kind of a curious position, philosophically, for a group of business people to take — the government telling private businesses how to conduct business. Generally, business people would rather step on 1,000 rattlesnakes than espouse that.

The City Council, too, is going to weigh in on the matter — maybe on the drink-special thing, maybe by forcing the bars to be 21-only. All of the so-called solutions that the do-gooders have come up with, however, fail to address the crux of the matter: We have an insane system in which 18-year-olds have all the benefits and responsibilities of adulthood — voting, signing contracts and leases, serving in the military, just to name a few — except for the legal ability to have an alcoholic beverage.

Talk about life imitating a Kurt Vonnegut novel.

If the powers that be were serious about underage drinking, they'd work to lower the drinking age, which is just a vestige of Reagan-era puritanism, anyway. The current prohibition works the same way all prohibitions work: 18-, 19- and 20-year-olds break the law, because the law makes no sense, and in doing so they develop a scorn for law in general.

That's the lesson of the

U.S. flirtation with its general Prohibition in the '20s.

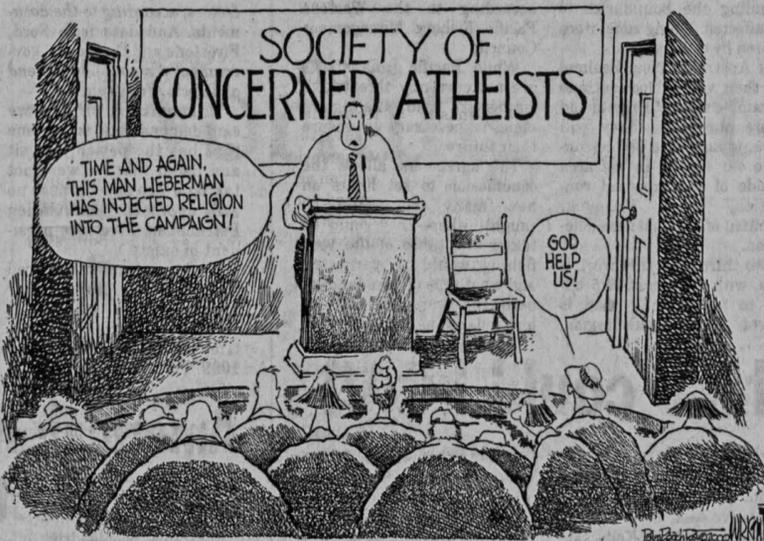
But the powers that be will never do the sensible thing, just like they cut off air conditioning during a heat wave. It all probably doesn't amount to a hill of beans, to steal one of Bogie's lines in *Casablanca*.

And if you want to know what amounts to a hill of beans, Iowa is the right place to be.

Beau Elliot is a *DI* columnist.

BEAU ELLIOT

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Cathy Crouch
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CITY & NATION

Philly teachers vote for strike

■ Talks continue today, with the teachers' union demanding improvements in education and pay.

By Hope Yen
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — The nation's sixth-largest school district braced for a strike to occur as early as Friday after Philadelphia teachers authorized what would be their first walkout in 19 years.

Union president Ted Kirsch did not immediately call a strike, and classes were still scheduled to begin Thursday for the district's 205,000 students and 256 schools.

However, the unanimous vote Tuesday by the rank-and-file of the Philadelphia Federation of Teachers means its 21,000 members could walk off the job once the union gives 48 hours' notice as required under state law.

"No one wants this strike," said teacher Cynthia Acquarole. "It breaks my heart that education will not continue in this city as it has in the past."

Talks will continue today. The union has rejected district proposals to extend the school day and school year, increase co-payments for health insurance, base pay on performance rather than experience and level of education, and give principals more say in teacher job assignments.

The union, which says its teachers earned between \$28,600 and \$57,200 in 1997-98, wants smaller classes, stronger early childhood education, a new reading program and tighter school security.

Pedro Ramos, the president of the Philadelphia School Board, said school officials plan to cancel classes if the union moves forward with a strike.



Sabrina Louise Pierce/Associated Press
Philadelphia School District teachers early Tuesday enter the Liacouras Center at Temple University to vote on whether to strike.

"Obviously, we're disappointed that we have not been able to get a definitive agreement," he said. "We're still far apart on important issues." School officials have said

they will face an \$80 million shortfall in their \$1.6 billion budget even without granting pay raises the union says are needed to keep talented educators in the city.

Ford contends 'no reason to doubt' safety

■ Ford claims to have reported incidents of tire failure to Firestone and been assured of safety.

By Nedra Pickler
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — On the eve of congressional hearings into the recall of 6.5 million Firestone tires, Ford Motor Co. released new documents Tuesday to bolster its contention that it had no reason to doubt the safety of the tires being investigated in 88 deaths.

In a more than hour-long briefing with reporters, the automaker presented a packet of charts and correspondence with Firestone Inc. to show that it repeatedly asked the tire maker to investigate reports of tread separation coming in from around the world.

Each time Firestone insisted that there was no manufacturing defect with the tires and blamed performance problems on poorly maintained tires or other external factors, according to the documents. And data from Ford, Firestone and the federal government did not show a trend of defects, Ford said.

"I genuinely believe we can demonstrate to anyone that has the patience to sit and listen that we were not taking a 'see no evil, hear no evil' approach," said Helen Petrauskas, Ford vice president of safety.

Ford eventually replaced the tires on its popular Explorer SUV and other vehicles in 16 foreign countries beginning in August 1999. Ford said it only went

ahead with the recall because customers in those markets kept complaining that their tires were falling apart.

One year later, after the federal government began investigating the tires, Firestone recalled 6.5 million ATX, ATX II and Wilderness tires, but both companies say they still do not know what is causing the tread separation, blowouts and other defects that customers have reported.

Firestone spokeswoman Christine Karbowski said the company did not participate in Ford's foreign recalls because it had no evidence of a manufacturing or design defect.

"If Ford believed at that time there was a safety related defect, it was Ford's obligation to comply with regulatory requirements," she said.

The companies have been business partners for nearly a century, but Ford officials told reporters that they have been disappointed with the tire maker during the course of the 4-week-old recall of 6.5 million ATX, ATX II and Wilderness brand tires.

"We are on a day-to-day relationship with Firestone, and the actions of Firestone from here on out will determine its future with the Ford Motor Co.," said Ford spokesman Ken Zino.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has received more than 1,400 complaints involving Firestone tires, including reports of 88 deaths and more than 250 injuries.

Pacific nations OK tuna regulation

■ U.S. and other nations agree to create a fishing coalition in the face of Japanese opposition.

By Ben DiPietro
Associated Press

HONOLULU — The United States and several other nations agreed Tuesday to create a commission to regulate the catch of tuna in the Pacific Ocean, but Japan threatened to ignore any new regulations if its concerns aren't

addressed. Nineteen of the 24 nations attending a conference on migratory fish formally approved the creation of the commission, which, supporters say, will help to ensure a sustainable harvest of fish. Several of the nations, including the United States, still need government approval.

Japan and South Korea opposed the deal, while China, France and Tonga abstained.

Japan complained that concerns it had raised over some aspects of the agreement,

including the boundaries of the affected fishing zone, were ignored by the group.

"If Australia, New Zealand and their voting bloc continue to trample upon our rights and ignore our views, they will leave us no choice but to continue our fishing in the area outside of the proposed convention," said Masayuki Komatsu of the Japanese delegation.

Two-thirds of the world's tuna, with a value of \$1.5 billion to \$2 billion a year, is caught in the Pacific region,

according to the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council.

While Pacific tuna stocks are not currently threatened, supporters said, the agreement is necessary to ensure their future.

The agreement allows the commission to set limits on how many fish could be caught, where they could be taken, the times of the year fishing would be permitted and what type of gear could be used. The commission also can hire independent observers.

Double-digit tuition hike could hit UI

TUITION

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In the 2000 legislative session, the state underfunded the UI's salaries by \$4 million to \$5 million, UI officials say. Coupled with a \$1.8 million de-appropriation of state funds last year and an unexpected insurance hike that will cost the UI \$2 million, UI officials say a tuition hike is needed to maintain the university's quality.

The regents' office staff recommendation is a result of the recommendations of the presidents of the three state universities as well as several other factors, including the Higher Education Price Index and economic indicators, said Frank Stork, the regents' executive director. The recommendation is broken up into two components, he said — a part for inflation and a part for quality.

"How much state funding the universities received is a

small part of the total discussion," Stork said. "The recommendation is not tied to one legislative session."

Regent Clarkson Kelly said a tuition hike from 10-12 percent is needed to continue running the universities in an exemplary way. And considering that the UI's tuition is the lowest in the Big Ten and lower than comparable universities across the nation, Kelly said, he thinks the hike is reasonable.

He acknowledges there is a

fine line between keeping the universities accessible and giving students a worthwhile education.

"If the government doesn't give us the money we need, we could give access to a poor, second-rate education," he said. "Or we could raise the tuition and keep the quality high, which, in my opinion, is what we need to do."

The Associated Press contributed to this article.

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Students wonder about construction safety

ENGINEERING

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construction company is taking more precautions, he doesn't believe that students are.

"I noticed they had 'Do not enter' banners, but kids don't really care," Weis said. "It's a lawsuit waiting to happen."

Weis also called the construction an inconvenience for the building's users. Not only are classrooms hard to get to, but many are not finished — therefore, important equipment, such as projectors and screens, have not yet been installed.

Kent Carlson, an assistant research engineer, said he feels that safety within the labeled zones is not an issue, although he has seen more

warning signs than usual. Carlson often walks through the construction areas, especially the front entrance. Being on crutches, he tries to find the best possible way to reach his destinations, often using the service elevators.

"I would refuse to walk through those areas if I thought there were safety issues," Carlson said. "Most of what is going on now in the area is wiring and cable installation."

Carlson also added that some areas throughout the building have been blocked by plywood barricades and locked. He doesn't enter those areas, but he does go through areas that are only roped off or unlocked.

Sue Heeren, an engineering

project coordinator, expected that students and staff would be slightly inconvenienced.

"It's a very challenging project and a very long process," she said. "People are fatigued by the construction."

To help students and staff get around the building, the school set up tables at the beginning of the school year with information on the construction project, Heeren said.

Safety should not be a problem with construction, she said.

"If students, faculty and staff stay out of barriers, there should not be any safety issues," she said.

Even if a person was in a marked "hard hat zone," the construction company, Knutson Construction, would

be held liable in the event of an accident and is therefore taking more precautions, Heeren said.

The company plans to put up more temporary barricades and maintain them better, Project Manager Matt Buckley said.

"Traffic patterns of students will have to change even more because of these physical barriers," he said.

The importance of safety procedures is what made the company undertake the goal of fostering a safer environment until the completion of the project in 2001.

"It's our policy to protect the public as best as we can in any projects," Buckley said.

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Campaigns change stance on negative ads

CAMPAIGN

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Some experts believe that the new ads do not mark the beginning of a negative campaign.

UI communication studies Professor Bruce Gronbeck, an expert on negative campaign advertisements and their effect on the public, said that even with the new ads, technically Bush and the Republicans are not going back on their promise to stay positive.

"There's a difference between running a negative campaign and running a neg-

ative advertisement," he said. Much of a candidate's advertising depicts his adversary in a negative light, Gronbeck said. The tactic is used mainly to draw distinctions between policy stands and not for personal reasons, he said, adding that candidates don't want to be seen as weak by the public.

"They have to respond, and, at times, negatively," Gronbeck said. "They have to show they won't be taken out by a bully, by the other side."

Some of those involved in the campaign feel differently. UI senior Liz Holst, a member of Students for Gore 2000, said she believes Bush is changing his story but admit-

ted that Gore has also portrayed his opponent negatively at times.

"In the realm of politics, everything is kind of negative. That's the way it has to be," she said.

The Republican ads have attempted to damage Gore's integrity by showing him as an inconsistent politician. But this "inconsistency" comes with the territory, Gronbeck said.

"Everyone will take different positions on issues throughout life and especially in political life," he said.

The Buddhist fund-raising controversy may have hurt Gore months ago, Nelson said, adding that he believes

it has become an irrelevant issue since then. Neither the ads nor the fund-raiser is going to play a large part in who wins the election, he said.

"The Republicans have already got everyone they're going to get," Nelson said. "At this point, they're just preaching to the converted."

Gronbeck said he believes both candidates have done a good job overall of staying positive.

"There have been no pure character attacks by either so far," he said. "Of course, the real campaigning is just beginning."

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American Indians help battle Western blazes

FIREFIGHTERS

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we could get into, and we're better at remembering ground. It seems to come natural with our crews."

Tonasket, who has been fighting fires for 13 years, keeps his crew in a tight circle of tents — a "Circle of Life." "It's the way I treat my crew," said Tonasket, who learned the celebration-of-life tradition from his elders. "We stay in the circle, we treat each other as family."

"I guess you could say we're well-adapted to this," said 33-year-old Leonard Foreman, a Kiowa from Carnegie, Okla. "We can adapt to things better because we've had to survive."

Foreman has been fighting fires for the past six years and is on his fifth fire this season. This year, his 29-year-old brother also joined his crew.

"Most of us are related by blood or by marriage," Foreman said. "We learned how to handle pressure a long time ago and work well together because of it."

But it is more than culture and it is more than family. Lloyd Reevis, 68, started fighting fires in the 1950s and returned to camp this year from Montana's Blackfeet Reservation to make some money.

On Indian reservations where unemployment often is staggering — 69 percent on the Blackfeet Reservation —

the seasonal work of firefighting for the federal government has become an economic anchor. The salary for firefighters starts at more than \$10.60 an hour and rises to as much as \$13.30 an hour for crew bosses.

This year, Reevis' daughter also turned to firefighting, and his wife watches their grandchildren while their daughter is on the fire line.

Tonasket, who works as a road engineer for the Colville Tribes during the winter, said his firefighting money serves as more of a bonus for his family of six. But to members of his crew, it is much more.

"Their salary, wages, here is probably a third of their wages for the year," Tonasket said. "Firefighting is a big part of our employment on the reservations."

While no one is cheering, the busy fire season has been a boon for the Indian fire crews after two relatively quiet years that hurt reservation income.

The huge fires in the Bitterroot Valley are waning, blunted by cool, rainy weather over the Labor Day weekend. But fires continued to burn on more than 400,000 acres in and around the valley Tuesday, and hundreds of firefighters worked to contain them.

Tonasket's crew of 19 men and one woman received word it is pulling out for a couple of days of rest.

"We made a good reputation for ourselves here," he said.

NATION BRIEF

Teen boy questioned in pipe bomb case

TEMPLE HILLS, Md. (AP) — An explosion shattered windows and damaged a parked truck, and authorities found more than a dozen pipe bombs in an apartment. A 13-year-old boy was being questioned.

No one was injured in the Monday night blast, which forced the evacuation of 24 apartments.

Bomb squad members were called to the apartment complex

around 9:30 p.m. Monday. By late Tuesday morning, a total of 20 explosive devices had been taken from the home. A remote control robot was used to transport the cylinders onto the complex's parking lot where they were disabled.

"It's very stressful work because pipe bombs are very unpredictable," said Mark Brady, a spokesman for the Prince George's County Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department.

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ON THE AIR

Main Event

The Event: U.S. Open, Quarterfinals, 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
The Skinny: The last tennis major of the year rolls along in New York City. See who will advance to the semis today.

Baseball

2 p.m. Cubs at Rockies,
6 p.m. Baseball (TBA),
7 p.m. Rangers at White

SPORTS QU

Who holds the NCAA Div. I for most career interceptions? See answer, Page 2B.

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Anaheim	5	Arizona
Cleveland	7	Houston
Tampa Bay	4	Florida
Seattle	4	St. Louis
Toronto	3	Montreal
Boston	10	Colorado
Oakland	3	Cubs
N.Y. Yankees	10	Milwaukee
Kansas City	5	San Diego
Baltimore	6	Pittsburgh
Minnesota	4	Los Angeles
Texas	2	Philadelphia
White Sox	1	San Francisco
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Cincinnati	2	Page 3B

Iowa coach recalls Olympic gold medal

Soon after winning medal with the Russian gymnastics team in the Olympics, Dmitri moved to the United States. That year, he became an all-time assistant for Tom Dunn at Hawkeyes. With the games beginning this

Trough reflects on his gymnastics accomplishments, comments on his transition to the U.S. and gives advice on being successful.

Recently, DI reporter Julie Mat with him.

DI: Describe the you had after your gold medal.

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ON THE AIR

Main Event

The Event: U.S. Open, Quarterfinal matches, 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., USA.
 The Skinny: The last tennis major of the year rolls along in New York City. See who will advance to the semis today.



Baseball

2 p.m. Cubs at Rockies, Fox-Chi
 6 p.m. Baseball (TBA), ESPN
 7 p.m. Rangers at White Sox, SPC

SPORTS QUIZ

Who holds the NCAA Div. I record for most career interceptions?
 See answer, Page 2B.

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

Detroit	7	Atlanta	5
Anaheim	5	Arizona	2
Cleveland	7	Houston	9
Tampa Bay	4	Florida	5
Seattle	4	St. Louis	6
Toronto	3	Montreal	5
Boston	10	Colorado	10
Oakland	3	Cubs	2
N.Y. Yankees	10	Milwaukee	late
Kansas City	5	San Diego	late
Baltimore	6	Pittsburgh	late
Minnesota	4	Los Angeles	late
Texas	2	Philadelphia	late
White Sox	1	San Francisco	late
N.Y. Mets	3	See Baseball on	
Cincinnati	2	Page 3B.	

Ferentz appreciates early season bye week

■ The Hawkeyes take on Western Michigan Saturday at 1:05 p.m.

By Melinda Mawdsley
 The Daily Iowan

Iowa is itching to get out on the Kinnick Stadium grass. Following a bye week, the Hawkeyes turn their attention toward the home opener against Western Michigan. Kickoff is scheduled for Saturday at 1:05 p.m. Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said the off week, though early in the season, came at a perfect time. It allowed the team and the coaching staff to take a break from football and gave them a chance

to evaluate where the team was following the 27-7 loss to then-No. 8 Kansas State. "I think on the positive side was the attitude and effort our guys put in not only in the football game but leading up to it," Ferentz said. "The guys played with great spirit. If we could have done a little something there in that fourth quarter, made a play or two, it could have got pretty interesting." Attitude and effort are great, but the coach knows Iowa needs a win to get over that hump. "Playing hard is where it all starts, but sooner or later you have to win and experience winning," he said. With Iowa State and

Nebraska as Iowa's remaining non-conference match-ups, Saturday's contest against Western Michigan may be the Hawkeyes' best shot at a victory before the Big Ten season. But even the game against the Broncos will be tough. Western Michigan was the Mid-America Conference co-champion last season and is coming off a 19-7 loss to Wisconsin in Madison on Aug. 31. "They'll be a good challenge for us," Ferentz said. "We have great respect for them and what they've accomplished, and certainly it should be a real good football game, but we're looking forward to opening up and getting going with

the regular season." Perhaps taking the field in a familiar setting will open up the offense, too. With six starters coming back, the offense was expected to put up great numbers. Sure, Kansas State's defense, especially its pass defense, is one of the best in the country, but Iowa had no tempo or rhythm. Despite quarterback Scott Mullen's ineffectiveness, Ferentz said, the thought of pulling him never entered his mind. And despite the scoring woes, he has no intention of returning to the pass-first, pass-often offense of last year unless it's needed. He said such a game plan wouldn't get the job done consistently. Iowa

will be at its best when running back Ladell Betts and fullback Jeremy Allen are involved and utilized more. "You have to run with success if you want to win in the Big Ten year after year," Ferentz said. And Iowa is shooting for that Big Ten win, but after last season, every game is important, and no opponent is overlooked. "Our challenge is to be the best we can be come Saturday, and we've got plenty to work on right now. There's no question about it," Ferentz said. "Yet at the same time, I feel like we have improved and will continue to improve." DI sportswriter Melinda Mawdsley can be reached at: melinda-mawdsley@uiowa.edu

...ds 'no doubt' safety

ahead with the recall because customers in those markets kept complaining that their tires were falling apart. One year later, after the federal government began investigating the tires, Firestone recalled 6.5 million ATX, ATX II and Wilderness tires, but both companies say they still do not know what is causing the tread separation, blowouts and other defects that customers have reported. Firestone spokeswoman Christine Karbowiak said the company did not participate in Ford's foreign recalls because it had no evidence of a manufacturing or design defect. "If Ford believed at that time there was a safety-related defect, it was Ford's obligation to comply with regulatory requirements," she said. The companies have been business partners for nearly a century, but Ford officials told reporters that they have been disappointed with the tire maker during the course of the 4-week-old recall of 3.5 million ATX, ATX II and Wilderness brand tires. "We are on a day-to-day relationship with Firestone, and the actions of Firestone from here on out will determine its future with the Ford Motor Co.," said Ford spokesman Ken Zino. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has received more than 1,400 complaints involving Firestone tires, including reports of 88 deaths and more than 250 injuries.

Indians help fight blazes

The seasonal work of firefighting for the federal government has become an economic anchor. The salary for firefighters starts at more than \$10.60 an hour and rises to as much as \$13.30 an hour for crew bosses. This year, Reeves' daughter also turned to firefighting, and his wife watches their grandchildren while their daughter is on the fire line. Tonasket, who works as a road engineer for the Colville Tribes during the winter, said his firefighting money serves as more of a bonus for his family of six. But to members of his crew, it is much more. "Their salary, wages, here is probably a third of their wages for the year," Tonasket said. "Firefighting is a big part of our employment on the reservations." While no one is cheering, the busy fire season has been a boon for the Indian fire crews after two relatively quiet years that hurt reservation income. The huge fires in the Bitterroot Valley are waning, lured by cool, rainy weather over the Labor Day weekend. But fires continued to burn on more than 400,000 acres in and around the valley Tuesday, and hundreds of firefighters worked to contain them. Tonasket's crew of 19 men and one woman received word is pulling out for a couple of days of rest. "We made a good reputation for ourselves here," he said.

Iowa coach recalls Olympic gold medal

Soon after winning a gold medal with the Russian men's gymnastics team in the 1996 Olympics, Dmitri Trouch moved to the United States. That year, he became the second full-time assistant coach for Tom Dunn and the Hawkeyes. With the Sydney games beginning this month, Trouch reflects on his gymnastics accomplishments, comments on his transition to the U.S. and gives advice on being successful. Recently, DI reporter Julie Matolo spoke with him.

FACE TO FACE

with Dmitri Trouch



DT: Describe the feeling you had after you won a gold medal.

DT: It is kind of hard to believe that you just won a medal when you walk down the podium, carrying a medal in your hands. It is a pretty good feeling, for all your hard work and for everything you put into this one thing. It is hard to describe how happy you are, and it is hard to believe that you just won a gold medal.

DT: Do you miss competing in gymnastics?

DT: Sure, I do miss doing gymnastics, especially right now because I could do gymnastics, but I couldn't compete

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Working out perfectly

■ Jim Merchlewitz and Bob Cucci started out as lifting partners and progressed to champs.

By Roseanna Smith
 The Daily Iowan

A chance meeting between civil engineer Jim Merchlewitz and otolaryngologist Bob Cucci at the UI's Fitness Loft resulted in a dynamic friendship of muscle-making, trophy-taking and limit-pushing.

"We worked out with different people," two-year powerlifter Merchlewitz said. "I've taken six people with me who have never done it (powerlifting) before, and I asked Bob if he wanted to."

Having three weeks to prepare for the National Athletes Strength Association World Cup — which was held on Feb. 19 — former bodybuilder Cucci thought he'd give it a shot. Both men took first in their divisions.

They have been together ever since.

More recently, the pair took state records on Aug. 12-13 at the regional powerlifting tournament in Oklahoma City, knocking off 300 other lifters representing 18 states.

Merchlewitz competed in the 187-pound weight class and took first with his 525-pound squat, 380-pound bench press and 1410 composite score — his 505-pound



Jerry Hynes/The Daily Iowan

Jim Merchlewitz spots Bob Cucci as he lifts 500 lbs. in UI Fitness Loft. Both state record holders in powerlifting.

deadlift did not break a record.

Cucci broke five state records competing in Powersports — a division in which athletes may only use a weight belt for support in three lifts. At 227-pounds, he took records with his 158-pound strict curl (a bicep curl using no torso movement), 365-pound bench press, 507-pound deadlift and 1030 com-

posite. In the regular lifts, his 446-pound squat took first.

The pair works out together three times weekly with intense focus on the three lifts. They use free weights and occasionally machines to keep muscle symmetry.

"I've trained people before, but Bob kind of trains me now. We push each other a lot," Merchlewitz said.

Even in their extreme phys-

ical shape comes weakness.

Merchlewitz had Sherman's Disease, genetic back disorder, which therapy was able to surpass. He is a strong believer in massage and proper lifting form. Cucci admits to having weak knees, but that doesn't stop him, either.

"I would say that we are in the best shape of our lives," Merchlewitz said.

Besides challenging each

other, they also joke around. Merchlewitz makes Cucci admit to spending between \$75-100 weekly on groceries — as he says, "enough for a family of four." He has many diet requirements though, one of which is eating nine to 12 eggs daily for breakfast.

"When I'm training, I eat about 5,500 calories a day. I

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Big goals for cross-country team

■ The squad will compete at the Purdue Invitational this weekend.

By Julie Matolo
 The Daily Iowan

The Iowa women's cross-country team plans to become one of the top six teams in the Big Ten and one of the top three teams in its region this year. So far, all signs point to the Hawks attaining these goals.

With a full, healthy squad returning, the loss of only one senior from last year and the team's top runner fully recovered from a stress fracture that occurred last spring, the Hawkeyes will run into their first competition this weekend at Purdue.

"This weekend, we want to get a good start on the season," said head coach Sara Swails. "One of my goals is to find out what they can do. We will be going against a couple really good teams. Arizona went to nationals last year, and it is always strong every year. We want to see how we



Brett Roseman/The Daily Iowan

The Iowa women's cross country team hopes to finish in the top-half of the Big Ten this season.

stack up against it and Purdue. We are right there with them. I would like a top-three finish at Purdue."

The Hawkeyes will compete Saturday in the Purdue Invitational along with the Iowa men's cross-country team.

With last year's powerful recruiting class and three solid new freshmen, the Hawkeyes are looking for-

ward to building on last year's successful season.

In the '99 season, the Hawks finished seventh in the NCAA Midwest Regional Championships. Iowa had two top-20 finishers in the meet who were named to the All-Regional team.

Sarah Arens finished 20th in the regional meet after being Iowa's top finisher in

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Four returning for Iowa men's golf

■ The Hawks are looking to improve on last season's finish.

By Jeremy Shapiro
 The Daily Iowan

With four returning starters and a fierce battle raging for the fifth spot, the Iowa men's golf team will be looking to swing its way up a few leaderboards this fall.

Seniors Jason Wombacher and Matt Stutzman join junior Tyler Stith and sophomore Bo Anderson to make up an experienced foursome that is hoping to improve on last year's 10th place finish at the Big Ten Tournament. Wombacher said that all four competed last spring will be a big asset for the upcoming season.

"It helps to have some experience," he said. "We have something to prove this year with four seasoned veterans. The guys have played together, and we know each other

well." Head coach Terry Anderson also believes that a full summer of practice will boost the Hawkeyes' chances after a somewhat inconsistent spring campaign.

"We should have a very good team," he said. "We will be competitive in every tournament and could easily come in third, fourth or fifth in the big, important ones."

Anderson kicked off practice this year with six pressure-packed qualifying rounds. All team members played a grueling 108 holes to decide who will be in the starting line-up for this weekend's opening meet at the Badger Invitational. Wombacher caught fire and shot six rounds under 73. His 69 scoring average led the team, followed by Anderson at 72.3 and Stutzman at 73.1.

Stith captured the fourth spot, but the fifth spot wasn't decided until late, with five

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BRIEF

und 9:30 p.m. Monday. By late Friday morning, a total of 20 explosive devices had been taken in the home. A remote control device was used to transport the devices onto the complex's parking lot where they were dis-

It's very stressful work cause pipe bombs are very predictable," said Mark Brady, spokesman for the Prince George's County Fire and Emergency Medical Services department.

QUICK HITS

SPORTS QUIZ

Marshall Faulk

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDINGS

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	78	57	.578	—
Boston	72	63	.533	6
Toronto	71	67	.514	12
Baltimore	63	75	.457	16 1/2
Tampa Bay	59	79	.428	20 1/2
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	82	56	.594	—
Cleveland	74	61	.548	1/2
Detroit	70	67	.511	1 1/2
Kansas City	65	73	.471	17
Minnesota	60	78	.435	22
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	75	63	.543	—
Oakland	72	65	.525	1/2
Anaheim	68	70	.493	7
Texas	62	76	.449	13

Tuesday's Games

Detroit 7, Anaheim 5
Cleveland 7, Tampa Bay 4
Seattle 4, Toronto 3
Boston 10, Oakland 3
N.Y. Yankees 10, Kansas City 5
Texas 2, Chicago White Sox 1
Baltimore 6, Minnesota 4
Wednesday's Games
Baltimore (Ponson 7-10) at Minnesota (Radke 10-14), 12:05 p.m.
Anahem (Schoeneweis 6-7) at Detroit (Sparks 6-2), 6:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Rupe 5-6) at Cleveland (Finley 11-10), 6:05 p.m.
Seattle (Halama 11-7) at Toronto (Hamilton 1-0), 6:05 p.m.
Oakland (Muder 7-10) at Boston (Arrojo 4-1), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Hernandez 11-10) at Kansas City (Meadows 3-2), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Helling 14-10) at Chicago White Sox (Lowe 3-1), 7:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	61	57	.517	—
New York	60	58	.510	1
Florida	67	70	.489	1/2
Montreal	56	79	.415	12
Philadelphia	56	80	.412	24
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	60	58	.510	—
Cincinnati	70	68	.507	10
Milwaukee	60	77	.438	19 1/2
Chicago	58	80	.420	22
Houston	58	80	.420	22
Pittsburgh	57	79	.419	22
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	80	56	.588	—
Arizona	74	62	.544	6
Los Angeles	73	65	.529	8
Colorado	71	67	.514	10
San Diego	66	72	.478	15

Tuesday's Games

Late Games Not Included
N.Y. Mets 3, Cincinnati 2, 10 innings
Atlanta 5, Arizona 2
St. Louis 7, Montreal 6
Houston 9, Florida 5
Colorado 10, Chicago Cubs 2
Pittsburgh at San Diego, (n)
Philadelphia at San Francisco, (n)
Wednesday's Games
N.Y. Mets (Jones 8-5) at Cincinnati (Bell 6-7), 11:35 a.m.
Chicago Cubs (Wood 6-7) at Colorado (Astacio 12-8), 2:05 p.m.
Arizona (Anderson 10-5) at Atlanta (Millwood 8-10), 6:40 p.m.
Florida (Sanchez 8-9) at Houston (Lima 6-15), 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (Hermanson 10-12) at St. Louis (Stephenson 15-7), 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Serafini 1-3) at Los Angeles (Valdes 2-6), 9:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Snyder 3-7) at San Diego (Williams 8-5), 9:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Wolf 10-7) at San Francisco (Gardner 10-6), 9:15 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE LEADERS

TODAY'S MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS
By The Associated Press
NATIONAL LEAGUE
BATTING—Garciaparra, Boston, .364; Erstad, Anaheim, .363; Cedeño, Toronto, .362; MJSweeney, Kansas City, .338; Segui, Cleveland, .337; Stewart, Toronto, .335; Thomas, Chicago, .335.
RUBEN—Damon, Kansas City, .118; ARodriguez, Seattle, .114; Durham, Chicago, .112; CDelegado, Toronto, .107; Jeter, New York, .105; Thomas, Chicago, .104; Erstad, Anaheim, .103.

RBI—Martinez, Seattle, 128; Thomas, Chicago, 127; MJSweeney, Kansas City, 126; CDelegado, Toronto, 124; BeWilliams, New York, 111; MOrdonez, Chicago, 110; Dye, Kansas City, 107; JaGiambi, Oakland, 107.

HITS—Erstad, Anaheim, 210; MJSweeney, Kansas City, 180; Damon, Kansas City, 180; CDelegado, Toronto, 178; Thomas, Chicago, 168; Dye, Kansas City, 165; Jeter, New York, 165.
DOUBLES—Cedeño, Toronto, 51; Garciaparra, Boston, 43; Lawton, Minnesota, 42; Olerud, Seattle, 42; DOrtiz, Detroit, 41; Damon, Kansas City, 38; Thomas, Chicago, 38.
TRIPLES—Cuzman, Minnesota, 19; AKennedy, Anaheim, 9; Durham, Chicago, 8; TNixon, Boston, 7; Alcoa, Texas, 7; Damon, Kansas City, 6; JAValerin, Chicago, 6; BeWilliams, New York, 6.
HOME RUNS—Glaus, Anaheim, 40; Thomas, Chicago, 40; CDelegado, Toronto, 39; TBatista, Toronto, 37; Justice, New York, 35; MVAughn, Anaheim, 34; RPalmeiro, Texas, 34.
STOLEN BASES—Damon, Kansas City, 41; DeShields, Baltimore, 31; Rajonar, Cleveland, 30; Henderson, Seattle, 29; McLamore, Seattle, 27; Erstad, Anaheim, 26; Cairo, Tampa Bay, 26.
PITCHING (16 Decisions)—PMartinez, Boston, 16-4, 800, 1.66; DWells, Toronto, 19-6, 780, 4.24; Baldwin, Chicago, 14-5, 737, 4.48; Hudson, Oakland, 15-6, 714, 4.81; Pettite, New York, 17-7, 708, 4.15; Mercedes, Baltimore, 11-5, 687, 4.11; Barba, Cleveland, 13-6, 684, 4.55.
STRIKEOUTS—PMartinez, Boston, 250; Mussina, Baltimore, 180; Colon, Cleveland, 168; Nomo, Detroit, 158; Clemens, New York, 158; CFinley, Cleveland, 157; Bayless, Cleveland, 156.
SAVES—TBjones, Detroit, 38; Sasaki, Seattle, 32; Koch, Toronto, 32; MRivera, New York, 32; DLowe, Oakland, 32; RWetland, Texas, 30; RHMendez, Tampa Bay, 28.

NATIONAL LEAGUE LEADERS

TODAY'S MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS
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NATIONAL LEAGUE
BATTING—Helton, Colorado, .387; Alou, Houston, .361; LCastillo, Florida, .351; Hammonds, Colorado, .350; VGuerrero, Montreal, .346; Piazza, New York, .339; Kent, San Francisco, .337.
RUBEN—Bogwell, Houston, 127; Helton, Colorado, 121; Edmonds, St. Louis, 114; Bonds, San Francisco, 109; AJones, Atlanta, 105; Kerdall, Pittsburgh, 98; Cirilo, Colorado, 98.
RBI—Sosa, Chicago, 123; Helton, Colorado, 121; Kent, San Francisco, 113; Griffey Jr, Cincinnati, 112; Giles, Pittsburgh, 111; Bagwell, Houston, 110; Nevin, San Diego, 108.
HITS—Helton, Colorado, 189; Vidro, Montreal, 175; AJones, Atlanta, 171; Kent, San Francisco, 168; Sosa, Chicago, 168; VGuerrero, Montreal, 165; Gonzalez, Arizona, 165.
DOUBLES—Helton, Colorado, 63; Cirilo, Colorado, 45; Vidro, Montreal, 41; LGonzalez, Arizona, 40; EYoung, Chicago, 39; Green, Los Angeles, 38; Abreu, Philadelphia, 37; Kent, San Francisco, 37.
TRIPLES—Womack, Arizona, 12; VGuerrero, Montreal, 11; NPerez, Colorado, 10; Bellard, Milwaukee, 9; Abreu, Philadelphia, 8; Gooden, Los Angeles, 8; Giles, Pittsburgh, 7; LWalker, Colorado, 7.
HOME RUNS—Sosa, Chicago, 45; Bonds, San Francisco, 41; Bagwell, Houston, 40; Sheffield, Los Angeles, 40; Edmonds, St. Louis, 38; Griffey Jr, Cincinnati, 37; Piazza, New York, 34; SFinley, Arizona, 34.
STOLEN BASES—LCastillo, Florida, 55; EYoung, Chicago, 45; Gooden, Los Angeles, 44; Womack, Arizona, 41; Furcal, Atlanta, 31; PWilson, Florida, 31; Gianviti, Philadelphia, 28.
PITCHING (16 Decisions)—Estes, San Francisco, 13-4, 765, 4.05; Glavine, Atlanta, 19-6, 760, 3.61; Elarton, Houston, 15-5, 750, 4.75; RDJohnson, Arizona, 17-6, 739, 2.45; KBrown, Los Angeles, 12-5, 706, 2.82; JCDAmico, Milwaukee, 11-5, 687, 2.30; Stephenson, St. Louis, 15-7, 682, 4.26.
STRIKEOUTS—RDJohnson, Arizona, 299; Astacio, Colorado, 191; KBrown, Los Angeles, 181; Dempster, Florida, 179; ALetter, New York, 178; Park, Los Angeles, 172; Kile, St. Louis, 164.
SAVES—Alfonso, Florida, 39; Benitez, New York, 37; Hoffman, San Diego, 36; Nen, San Francisco, 34; Aguilera, Chicago, 28; Veres, St. Louis, 25; Graves, Cincinnati, 24; Shaw, Los Angeles, 24.

TRANSACTIONS

Tuesday's Sports Transactions
By The Associated Press
BASEBALL
MLB—Suspended Tampa Bay Devil Rays OF Gerald Williams for five games, RHP Dave Eiland, RHP Tony Fiore, RHP Cory Lidle and manager Larry Rothschild for three games, and fined each an undisclosed amount for their parts in a brawl in an Aug. 29 game.
American League
ANAHEIM ANGELS—Recalled LHP Juan Alvarez from Edmonton of the PCL and RHP Ben Weber from Erie of the Eastern League.

BOSTON RED SOX—Recalled INF Morgan Burkhardt from Pawtucket of the International League. Sent RHP Dan Smith outright to Pawtucket.

CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Recalled OF McKay Christensen, INF-OF Jeff Liefer, INF Greg Norton and RHP Kip Wells from Charlotte of the International League.
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Options RHP David Piskis to Buffalo of the International League.
DETROIT TIGERS—Activated RHP Dave Mlicki and 1B Hal Morris from the 15-day disabled list. Recalled 1B-OF Dusty Allen from Toledo of the International League. Purchased the contract of LHP Kevin Tolar from Toledo.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Recalled OF Dermal Brown and RHP Dan Murray from Omaha of the PCL. NEW YORK YANKEES—Purchased the contract of LHP Randy Keisler from Columbus of the International League. Recalled INF Alfonso Soriano and RHP Darrel Ederstrom from Columbus and placed Ederstrom on the 60-day disabled list.
TEXAS RANGERS—Purchased the contracts of C Randy Knorr and OF Ruben Sierra from Oklahoma of the PCL. Recalled RHP Darwin Culaban and INF Kelly Dransfeldt from Oklahoma. Moved LHP Mike Munoz from the 15-day to the 60-day disabled list.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Recalled INF Chris Woodward from Syracuse of the International League. Purchased the contract of OF Chad Mottola from Syracuse. Designated INF Kevin Witt for assignment.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Recalled RHP Gerardo Guzman and OF Jason Conti from Tucson of the PCL.
ATLANTA BRAVES—Recalled INF Mark DeRosa and INF Wes Helms from Richmond of the International League. Purchased the contract of INF Tim Lincecum, C Mike Hubbard and OF Pedro Swann from Richmond. Recalled RHP Kevin McGlinchy from an injury rehabilitation assignment at Richmond.
CHICAGO CUBS—Waived RHP Matt Karchner. Recalled INF Julio Zuleta, INF Chad Meyers and INF Augie Ojeda from Iowa of the PCL and purchased the contract of catcher Mike Mahoney from Iowa.
CINCINNATI REDS—Recalled INF Brooks Kieschnick and RHP Keith Glauber from Louisville of the International League. Moved C Eddie Taubensee from the 15-day to the 60-day disabled list.
COLORADO ROCKIES—Transferred OF Larry Walker from the 15-day to the 60-day disabled list. Recalled RHP Pete Walker from Colorado Springs of the PCL. Activated RHP Giovanni Carrara from the 15-day disabled list.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Activated SS Kevin Elster from the 15-day disabled list.
MONTREAL EXPOS—Recalled RHP Jeremy Powell, LHP Stan Spencer and SS Tomas De La Rosa from Ottawa of the International League.
NEW YORK METS—Recalled INF Joe McEwing from Norfolk of the International League.
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Placed INF Kevin Nicholson on the 60-day disabled list. Purchased the contract of INF Greg Lutzka from Las Vegas of the PCL.

Atlantic League

LONG ISLAND DUCKS—Traded OF Ernie Kelley and OF Paul Coltrone to Aberdeen for future considerations.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Placed TE Damon Jones on injured reserve. Signed TE Greg DeLong.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Signed LB Gabe Northern.
NEW YORK GIANTS—Re-signed CB Ramos McDonald. Waived TE-S Brody Heffner-Liddard and signed him to the practice squad. Released FB Michael Jones from the practice squad.
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Signed DE Neil Smith to a two-year contract.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANERS—Announced the retirement of LT Matt Canzano from the practice squad.

TENNESSEE TITANS—Released CB Ty Howard. Reinstated CB Denard Walker from a one-game suspension. Released WR Chris Coleman from the practice squad. Signed F Aaron Koch to the practice squad.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS—Re-signed C Matt Cullen to a one-year contract.
COLORADO AVALANCHE—Signed LW Brad Larsen and D Stewart Malgoures.
EDMONTON OILERS—Signed F Shawn Horcoff to a three-year contract.
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Signed G Sebastian Jonsson. Named Keith Webber manager of media relations.

VANCOUVER CANUCKS—Signed LW Dody Wood.

International Hockey League

CHICAGO WOLVES—Re-signed D Glen Featherstone.
COLLEGE
BLOOMINGDALE—Announced the resignation of Michael Eriker, women's basketball coach.
DEPAUL—Announced the resignation of Deborah Rutkowski-Murphy, women's track and field coach. Named Gordon Thomason women's track and field coach.

HARTFORD—Named Sandra Czunas men's and women's golf coach.

MERCYHURST—Named Veronika Platzer assistant rowing coach.
MICHIGAN—Dismissed G Kevin Gaines from the basketball team for violating team policy.
NYU—Named Rich Mueller men's golf coach.
NORTHERN ILLINOIS—Named Kris Buchheister women's associate gymnastics coach, Tim Countryman men's assistant golf coach and Kara Giannetto women's assistant golf coach.
NOTRE DAME—Named Matt Rienzo men's assistant lacrosse coach.
RAMAPO—Announced the retirement of J. Hank Morano, men's assistant basketball coach. Named D.J. Pinton men's assistant soccer coach and assistant volleyball coach, Chuck McBrean women's tennis coach, and Marc Cameron women's assistant tennis coach.
WENTWORTH—Named Paul Murphy men's lacrosse coach.

NFL

TOTAL YARDAGE

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

OFFENSE	Yards	Rush	Pass
Denver	424	150	274
Jacksonville	398	119	279
Indianapolis	386	119	267
New York Jets	379	118	261
Baltimore	336	140	196
Miami	308	181	127
Kansas City	290	74	206
New England	286	129	157
Buffalo	255	76	179
Cleveland	249	96	153
Oakland	233	67	166
Pittsburgh	223	30	193
Tennessee	172	53	119
Seattle	143	71	72

DEFENSE

Yards	Rush	Pass
143	71	72
172	53	119
211	62	149
223	30	193
233	67	166
249	96	153
255	76	179
266	129	137
286	140	146
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296	140	156
308	181	127
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379	118	261
386	119	279
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425	153	272
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211	62	149
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167	67	100

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MRI reveals broken neck vertebrae for Armstrong

■ Tour de France champion Lance Armstrong said he still plans to race in Sydney.

By Tim Korte
Associated Press

Two-time Tour de France champion Lance Armstrong broke a vertebrae in his neck when he collided with a car last month but still plans to race at the Sydney Olympics.

"He's going to lose some fitness from this, obviously," Dan Osipow, a spokesman for the U.S. Postal Service pro cycling team, said Tuesday.

The injury, which caused Armstrong to drop out of two races in Europe next weekend, was detected Monday after he had an MRI at a clinic in Monaco. X-rays taken after the Aug. 29 accident and again Saturday were negative.

Armstrong, of Austin, Texas, had complained of pain around his neck, prompting the additional tests. He said he can train "on a limited basis, but that is very painful."

"It also makes me nervous when you are out on the open road and it is difficult to turn my neck either way to look at traffic and be aware of what's around," Armstrong said.

Armstrong, 28, is scheduled

SPORTSWATCH

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Zeile snaps four-game skid with blast

CINCINNATI (AP) — This time, the Mets won one with a last-inning homer.

Todd Zeile's solo shot in the 10th inning gave New York a 3-2 victory Tuesday night over the Cincinnati Reds and snapped the Mets' four-game losing streak.

After losing all three games over the weekend in St. Louis by one run in the at-bat — two of them on homers by Jim Edmonds — the Mets survived another close call and turned the trend.

Turk Wendell (7-4) went to a 1-2 count to Ken Griffey Jr. in the bottom of the ninth and left the next pitch over the plate. Griffey hit it a long way but stood at the plate and craned his head sideways, watching it hook foul before landing in the second deck in right field. Given the reprieve, Wendell struck him out.

Zeile's 18th homer off Scott Sullivan (2-6) cleared the wall in left-center and got the Mets up for an enthusiastic high-five celebration in the dugout.

Red Sox 10, Athletics 3

BOSTON — Manny Alexander hit his first career grand slam during a seven-run first inning, backing Pete Schourek in his comeback from a shoulder injury and leading the Boston Red Sox to a 10-3 victory over the Oakland Athletics on



Tom Gannam/Associated Press

St. Louis' Will Clark collides with Montreal's catcher Michael Barrett as he scores Tuesday.

Tuesday night.

Schourek (3-9) had not won in 12 starts before going on the disabled list July 21 with a frayed left rotator cuff. He allowed three runs on just two hits and a walk in 5 1-3 innings while striking out six to win for the first time since May 15 against Toronto. He combined with four other pitchers on a six-hitter.

Boston remained two games back in the AL wild card race behind Cleveland, which beat Tampa Bay, 7-4, Tuesday. Oakland dropped to three games behind the Indians.

Tigers 7, Angels 5

DETROIT — Tony Clark hit his

first homer since June 28, and Brian Moehler won his sixth straight decision as the Detroit Tigers beat Anaheim 7-5, the Angels' sixth straight loss.

Billy McMillon hit a two-run double for the Tigers, who have won five of six to move a season-best three games over .500. Detroit, which started the season 9-23, remained five games behind AL wild card leader Cleveland.

Mariners 4, Blue Jays 3

TORONTO — Mike Cameron hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the eighth inning Tuesday night, and the Seattle Mariners beat the Toronto Blue Jays

4-3 for just their sixth win in their last 22 games.

With the score tied at three, Edgar Martinez singled off Kelvin Escobar (9-14) leading off the eighth and John Olerud reached on an error. His grounder to second went off Mickey Morandini's glove, and the infielder threw to first, where Carlos Delgado dropped the ball.

Jay Buhner advanced the runners with his first sacrifice bunt since July 10, 1998, and Cameron fled to center.

Cardinals 7, Expos 6

ST. LOUIS — Ray Lankford homered twice and rookie Britt Reames didn't allow a hit for 5 2-3 innings as the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Montreal Expos 7-6 for their sixth straight victory Tuesday night.

The Cardinals matched their season-high winning streak and pulled 10 games ahead in the NL Central, also matching a season best. But they had to hang on after taking a 6-0 lead in the third.

Braves 5, D'backs 2

ATLANTA — Finesse won over power in a Cy Young showdown.

Tom Glavine of the Braves became the NL's first 19-game winner and Arizona's Randy Johnson surrendered three homers to extend his second-half slide as Atlanta defeated the Diamondbacks, 5-2, Tuesday night.

Trouch adjusted well to language barrier

COACH

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for this country because I am not able to. But my body especially misses doing gymnastics.

DI: The U.S. men's gymnastics team is predicted to have one of the best chances to be medal contenders this year in Sydney. What are your predictions for the U.S. team, and do you see a medal as a possibility?

DT: I think there is a possibility for those guys to take a medal because after watching the Olympic trials closely, they look like they have a pretty strong team. Especially with Blaine Wilson and the Hamm brothers, who look really good. All six guys who are going to look really good. I would say the team has a pretty good chance of taking a medal, and individually there are some possibilities for these guys to take some medals. Maybe in all-around and maybe in individual events.

DI: At age 12, you were recruited to move away from home and train at the Russian Olympic Training Center in Moscow. Comment on what that was like to move away from home for this Olympic goal you had.

DT: It is not like I moved away permanently. You are on and off. You have to be there once a month or for 20 days of training camp. I think I was prepared for that because my coach was a pretty good coach, that he made me believe that I could be there. I was basically prepared.

DI: Prepared to leave your family, too?

DT: I can't say I left my family because I was with my family for at least 10 to 15 days a month. Then I was away living in a dorm. You are not completely leaving your family, but at the same time

you have to stay away from your family most of the time. It wasn't that hard, really.

DI: What was the hardest thing about coming to the U.S., and do you miss Russia?

DT: The hardest thing was that you do not know what to expect when actually moving to somewhere new. I had been here several times before, but of course the language was a pretty big thing. I was coming here to live, and I was worried about the language at first. Second, I didn't know what the lifestyle was here because we live a little differently there. Right now, I have adjusted to it, and I like it a lot.

DI: Was the transition from being an Olympic athlete to coaching at a Big Ten program difficult?

DT: No. I enjoy it because I know a lot about what gymnasts are doing involving technique. It is easy to help the guys achieve their goals because I can explain the technique to them a little easier because I have been through this. It helped me, being an elite gymnast. We have some pretty good guys here on the team, and it is a lot of fun to work with them, sharing the knowledge that I know.

DI: Do you hope your son decides to become a gymnast?

DT: I am not going to force him to do it. He has already taken some preschool classes here, and it looks like he enjoys it. I hope he likes it a lot to become a gymnast. But if he decides to pick any other sports, I am not going to stop him from doing that. But I want him to pick one sport rather than five and be not as good at them. Pick one sport to stick with for the rest of his sports career, I will suggest to him.

Tough battle for fifth spot

GOLF

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candidates vying for the spot. When the dust cleared, red-shirt freshman Matt Larson of Decatur took the honors with a 75 scoring average.

"I was real pleased to see four or five guys battle for the fifth spot," Anderson said. "That will create competition all year, because those guys will have to play competitively to get into the line-up."

The Badger Invitation will

be held at the University Ridge Golf Course in Madison, Wis. Fifteen teams will play 36 holes on Saturday, followed by another 18 on Sunday. Perennial powerhouse Arizona State, with its star player U.S. amateur champion Jeff Quinney, will be one of the highlights.

"It's going to be a tough meet," Wombacher said. "Tough, but it should be fun, too."

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Coach Swails confident in her group of runners

CROSS COUNTRY

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almost all of last season's meets. Even though Arens suffered a stress fracture last spring, preventing her from running in the outdoor Big Ten Championships, Swails has no reservations about her recovery this season.

"Sarah has come back just blazing," Swails said. "She is healthier than ever, so that is one of our main jobs is to keep her healthy and keep everyone healthy. We need everybody because it is really a team sport. The fifth runner is just as important as the first."

Another key runner is Amy Murphy, who will be expected to lead in her running skills and in her experience. She is the lone junior on the young squad, which has no seniors and no other juniors. Murphy finished 21st in last year's pre-regional meet, with a personal best time of 19:04.

Three freshmen will also join the squad.

Freshman Atalie Barber was a 2000 National USA Track & Field champion in the 1500 meter and runner-up in the 800 meter. She placed eighth at nationals her senior year in high school and was named to the All-American national cross-country team. Georgia Millward, a freshman, was runner-up in the Iowa

cross-country state meet during her junior and senior years, while freshman Sophia Chow is a distinguished runner from Ontario, Canada.

"I think the freshmen will be major characters this year," Swails said. "Especially Georgia Millward and Atalie Barber. Both of them could be in our top five, which is really amazing for freshmen. Sophia Chow is working hard, too. She has been sick with a virus, so we have to catch her back up. They are all going to contribute and be right there."

After a ninth-place finish in last year's Big Ten Championships and this year's promising squad, Swails has no doubts about her confidence in the squad.

"I think we are much improved from last year," Swails said. "We were seventh at regionals last year, and they are really highly motivated. If we can keep everybody healthy, this can be a much-improved season. I think this is a season where we can gain a lot of respect from other teams and really show others that, Yes, we are a team to be recognized. That is another one of our goals is to gain some respect and show that we are one of the better teams in the Midwest."

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Camaraderie inspires local powerlifting duo

POWERLIFTERS

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have a pretty high metabolism," Cucci said.

Merchlewitz eats less than his counterpart but also consumes five to six small meals in addition to taking creatine and protein supplements. Cucci takes androstenedione and neoadrostenedione as well — all legal supplements in powerlifting associations.

Merchlewitz began lifting weights in 1995 and began competing in January 1998, first in local competitions and then progressing to national contests. In that time, he's collected trophies in all 13 contests he's competed in. So many, in fact, that there is a standing joke between the two men.

"He's got so many trophies his wife won't let him keep them in the house," Cucci said, accompanied by a chorus of laughter.

"I've got to start doing contests where they give plaques," Merchlewitz said. "It's the only thing my wife will let me put up in the house."

Although she won't let him keep his trophies in the house, Merchlewitz said his wife, Mindy, is very supportive.

"She knows it's a hobby and that I enjoy it, but that I also have the passion to do well," he said.

Cucci started lifting weights during football season in high school, took some time off in college, and started again during his senior year.

"I found a serious partner to work out with, and we were asked if we were bodybuilders all the time. Finally, someone asked to do a small show, Mr. Iowa. It was a nice place to start out, but it was one of the worst experiences though. You'd think, 'Did I lose enough fat and water?' and even if you thought you looked really good, it all depended on what the judges were looking for."

Even though he finished first, Cucci is happier powerlifting.

"It's a lot easier, because you are competing with yourself," he said. "There's no one's subjective opinion. Either you lift the weight, or you don't."

Merchlewitz nodded and said, "I'd rather have a bar over my back any day."

Cucci and Merchlewitz also competed on June 10 in Chicago for the Viking Open, sponsored by the USA Powerlifting Association.

They didn't fare as well at this competition, having never attended the event. Three of four competitors were drug tested and passed, but they were disappointed with the result.

"We're very much amateurs; there are guys who have done this for 20 or 30 years," Merchlewitz said. "We get advice from men and women who have had glory and success. It's definitely a learning experience each and every time we go. We learn from each other."

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Scout who helped sign Robinson dies

WALDOBORO, Maine (AP) — Clyde Sukeforth, the scout who helped bring Jackie Robinson and

Don Newcombe to the major leagues, is dead at 98.

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Denver's running woes continue

■ Terrell Davis is battling a sprained ankle and Olandis Gary is out for the season.

By Aaron J. Lopez
Associated Press

DENVER — The news went from bad to worse Tuesday for the Denver Broncos and their ailing running backs.

With Terrell Davis already hampered by a sprained left ankle, the Broncos learned that backup Olandis Gary will miss the rest of the season with a torn anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee.

Gary, who ran for a Denver rookie record 1,159 yards in 12 games last season, injured the knee in the third quarter of the Broncos' 41-36 loss to the St. Louis Rams on Monday night. He remained in the game and had runs of 25 and 13 yards in the fourth quarter.

"It just wasn't feeling right, but he said, 'There was no way I was coming out of that game,'" Gary's agent, Harold Lewis, said Tuesday. "At the end, when everything had



Tom Gannam/Associated Press
Denver's Olandis Gary is brought down by a pack of St. Louis Rams, including D'Marco Farr and Dre Bly, Monday.

calmed down, I said, 'Are you all right?' He said, 'I'm all right. I'll be ready for next week.'"

Despite Gary's optimism, doctors recommended an MRI, and the test Tuesday revealed a complete tear of Gary's right ACL. An identical injury ended Davis' season in the fourth game last year.

"It's quite disappointing," Broncos coach Mike Shanahan said during his weekly appear-

ance on radio station KOA. "I think everybody knows what he did last year. Afterward he said he felt good, so it was more preventative than anything else to get those tests. Unfortunately the tear is there, and he's going to have to get operated on here shortly."

Shanahan reported improvement to Davis' ankle and hoped to have the 1998 NFL MVP back at practice on Thursday. The prognosis was not as good for linebacker Al Wilson, who had two interceptions but separated his shoulder late in the game. He is listed as questionable for Sunday.

Davis injured his ankle in the second quarter Monday night. He did not come back after halftime and eventually was taken to the team bus on a utility cart.

"I worked extremely hard in the off-season to come back and play in a game like this," Davis said Monday night. "If it's not one thing, it's another, but my spirits are high right now. It's the first game, and we have 15 more to play. All I can do is go out there and try to prepare again and get this ankle ready to play next week."

Miller backs off; ratings go up

■ "Monday Night Football" saw higher numbers than in its last Labor Day opener.

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

Dennis Miller changed his game plan.

Through three preseason "Monday Night Football" broadcasts, the irreverent comedian-turned-commentator seemed to be saying each and every thing that popped into his rapid-fire mind.

When the game counted for the first time, though, he appeared to have hit upon a new and winning formula: moderation.

During the Super Bowl-champion St. Louis Rams' 41-36 victory over the Denver Broncos in the regular-season opener for both the teams and ABC's program, Miller refrained from too much over-the-top esoterica, picking his spots to go for laughs.

The network could not have asked for a better contest, and the ratings brought good news for ABC, considering the game was played on Labor Day (the NFL has said it will start its season after the holiday in the future).

The overnight Nielsen rating for the broadcast was a 15.9 with a 26 share, down just slightly from last year's 16.1/27 for the opener. More impressively, Monday's preliminary rating was 9 percent higher than the last time the NFL opened on Labor Day weekend, in 1998.

The overnight ratings measure the country's largest 48 markets. National ratings were due late Tuesday.

Miller was hired in June as part of a complete overhaul of "Monday Night Football," which has seen its Nielsen ratings decline each of the past five seasons. Producer Don Ohlmeyer, with the show during its heyday in the 1970s, returned and hand-picked a new cast, keeping only play-by-play announcer Al Michaels. The thinking was Miller would create a "buzz" that could boost interest in the program, possibly with the same love-him-or-hate-him appeal Howard Cosell once had.

In a winking nod to the show's past, Miller donned the banana-yellow "ABC's Wide World of Sports" jacket the announcers wore decades ago.

But that was about as anachronistic as Miller would get Monday.

Sure, there was a reference to ancient Rome's founding twins, and the occasional bizarre comment — "Schlereth has been scoped more than a redneck abducted by aliens," about off-operated Broncos lineman Mark Schlereth — but Miller

held himself in check for the most part.

And it worked much better than his scattershot approach from preseason, when no line was too weird, obscure or scatological for Miller.

Only once did he really let loose, and it was an appropriate juncture.

On a long Rams scoring play in the third quarter, Miller watched Torry Holt escort fellow receiver Az-Zahir Hakim down the sideline to the end zone, and pronounced: "They don't need a football, they need a baton. Just put that Christmas tree lighting system up on the goal post, this is the NHRA Winter Nationals. ... (Rams coach Mike) Martz has assembled a Murderers' Row of haste. ... Romulus and Remus going down that sideline. ... Last time I saw speed like this was John Carlos and Tommie Smith in Mexico City."

It was the type of funny stream-of-unconsciousness that Miller has mastered — and is a nice diversion if done in doses.

Another highlight was when Miller spoke about Broncos running back Terrell Davis having his ankle wrapped on the sideline: "The artist Christo didn't use that much fabric when he wrapped the Pont Neuf."

And in the first quarter, he keenly observed: "I got a feeling the guy working the scoreboard might wind up with Carpal Tunnel Syndrome today."

That was the best of his football "analysis," which was sometimes banal. Of course, Miller isn't in the booth to dissect Xs-and-Os, and he

Schlereth has been scoped more than a redneck abducted by aliens

— Dennis Miller, on a Denver player who has undergone numerous knee surgeries.

shouldn't try to.

Also unlike the three preseason games, Michaels and new analyst Dan Fouts refrained from giggling at each of Miller's jokes — another improvement.

During the exhibitions, Miller mined history, religion, literature and pop culture, referencing anyone and anything from the Apostles to Sylvia Plath to "The Partridge Family."

It could have been maybe the sushi. I staying even for 10 and leading by just 1 time, the U.S. opened half with an 18- included some eye-dunks by Carter and defeated the Spaniards.

"The second half is can expect from here the way to the gold game," Jason Kidd said.

Carter, Allen, Gar and Allan Houston led team with 10 points. Every American played at least four points.

In Adelaide, Australia, U.S. Olympic women's won and was not at all by jet leg. Natalie Williams 21 points and nine rebounds. The U.S. beat France 70-60, flying in from Hawaii hours earlier.

For the men, the shock of being in Japan bigger for some than. About half the players 12-man roster have Japan before, and some the team was knowledgeable about local culture. It was available if only so could be found to fetch

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A success story of different stripes

■ Franklin Langham works his way back to the PGA Tour after losing his card two years ago.

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

OAKVILLE, Ontario — The Canadian Open has sold out for the first time in its 96-year history, and not because Franklin Langham is in the field.

Only one player on the PGA Tour has this kind of drawing power. Only one player has won three straight majors, has won eight tournaments in consecutive years, has earned more money in two seasons than most everyone else has in a career.

Only one player has been on the cover of Time.

Tiger Woods, however, is not the only player who can call this year a success.

Langham, who has spent half his professional career on the Buy.com Tour, has never won a major championship, or any PGA Tour event for that matter. He has yet to qualify for a Tour Championship or a World Golf Championship.

He is not Tiger Woods. Still, Langham arrived at Glen Abbey Golf Club on Tuesday no less motivated by his own success, which has made him feel a little like Woods.

"He doesn't think about what second or third is going to get him," Langham said. "He comes out here to win. For the first time in my career, I know



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Franklin Langham reacts after making a birdie putt at the Greater Milwaukee Open in Milwaukee July 16.

how he feels. When you're on top of your game, you can let it fly."

Only two years ago, Langham was still learning to walk.

A former Walker Cup teammate of David Duval and Phil Mickelson, he spent three years on the Nike Tour before finally getting to the big leagues, where he failed to keep his card and then had to work just to get back to the Nike Tour.

The only connection between Woods and Nike is the swoosh he wears on his hat and the massive contract extension he is on the verge of signing.

Langham is not Tiger Woods. "There have been times where I didn't play scared, but I played cautious," said Langham, a 32-year-old from Georgia with impeccable manners.

"I got to the end of the year, and I felt like if I could make three cuts in the last six tournaments I could keep my card. I made five out of six cuts, but that's all I did."

"You want to prove to your peers you belong out here. You want to prove it to yourself."

Going into the final leg of the season, Langham has done just that. He is 17th on the money list with over \$1.3 million, about \$500,000 more than he earned in his three previous years on tour combined. Most players say they would trade all their money for one victory. Langham sees the bigger picture.

"Sometimes, winning just happens to you," he likes to say. "It starts with getting in contention, and the money is a reflection of that."

Brawl suspensions go out

■ Five Devil Rays are suspended from a Aug. 29 brawl with Boston.

NEW YORK (AP) — Tampa Bay outfielder Gerald Williams was suspended for five games and fined \$2,000 for last week's fights against the Boston Red Sox, and four teammates were suspended for three games apiece.

Williams was penalized Tuesday for "charging the mound, inciting a bench-clearing incident and returning to the dugout following an ejection," according to the commissioner's office.

Pitchers Dave Eiland, Tony Fiore and Cory Lidle were suspended for three games each and fined for "intentionally throwing at batters after a warning had been issued," and Devil Rays manager Larry Rothschild was suspended for three games and fined for "failing to pre-empt his players' wrongful conduct and for making inappropriate comments during and after the game."

Frank Robinson, baseball's head of discipline, imposed the penalties after reviewing the Aug. 29 game, which was interrupted five times by fights and/or arguments. Boston's Pedro Martinez pitched a one-hitter, taking a no-hitter into

the ninth, and eight Devil Rays were ejected.

Rothschild wanted to know why Martinez was not suspended.

"The person that precipitated the event walks away," Rothschild said. "I don't know if that is a good precedent."

The players' association appealed the penalties imposed on Williams and Fiore, meaning the suspensions can't start until a hearing before Paul Beeston, baseball's chief operating officer.

"I'll just abide by the decision," Williams said, apparently referring to Beeston.

Lidle started his suspension Tuesday and Rothschild is to start his today. Eiland's suspension was not scheduled to start until later this week and he probably will make a decision today on whether to have the union appeal on his behalf.

"I think it is a little stiff," he said.

Fiore and Lidle were more understanding.

"I knew it was coming down sooner or later," Fiore said.

Added Lidle: "I guess it was in the ballpark for what I was expecting."

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In Adelaide, Australia, U.S. Olympic women's won and was not at all by jet leg. Natalie Williams 21 points and nine rebounds. The U.S. beat France 70-60, flying in from Hawaii hours earlier.

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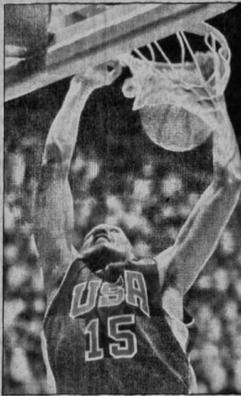
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Shareef Abdur-Rahim of Team U.S.A. dunks during an exhibition game against the Spanish National Team Tuesday.

SAITAMA, Japan — A couple of highlight-reel dunks by Vince Carter and Ray Allen at the start of the second half signaled the arrival of the U.S. Olympic men's basketball team.

The Americans actually landed in Japan about 24 hours earlier, but they seemed out of sync Tuesday night in the first half of their Super Dream Games 2000 exhibition against the Spanish Olympic team.

It could have been jet lag, or maybe the sushi. But after staying even for 10 minutes and leading by just 11 at half-time, the U.S. opened the second half with an 18-0 run that included some eye-opening dunks by Carter and Allen and defeated the Spaniards 95-66.

"The second half is what you can expect from here on out, all the way to the gold medal game," Jason Kidd said.

Carter, Allen, Gary Payton and Allan Houston led the U.S. team with 10 points apiece. Every American player scored at least four points.

In Adelaide, Australia, the U.S. Olympic women's team also won and was not at all bothered by jet lag. Natalie Williams had 21 points and nine rebounds as the U.S. beat France 75-59 after flying in from Hawaii only six hours earlier.

For the men, the culture shock of being in Japan was bigger for some than others. About half the players on the 12-man roster have been to Japan before, and somebody on the team was knowledgeable enough about local cuisine to know that American food was available if only somebody could be found to fetch it.

Sure enough, someone came back with 25 buckets of Kentucky Fried Chicken so there would be something other than sushi and burdock root available for the post-game meal.

Another surprise for the first-timers in Japan was the low-key behavior of the crowd. "We got to see a whole lot of people who didn't cheer. It was silent, silent," Steve Smith said. "I guess they show their respect by keeping quiet."

It was so quiet as Carter shot a pair of free throws early in the first half that an infant in the upper deck could clearly be heard saying "Mama."

But the decibel level kept jumping from single digits to triple digits every time the public address announcer — speaking in English, screamed into his microphone after the teams scored.

"The English is right for getting the crowd livened up," said fan Nozomu Iwai, 23. "If it were in Japanese, I'd feel like I was watching Japanese basketball. Besides, anyone can understand this easy English."

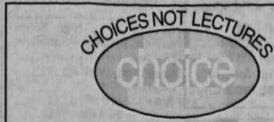
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KINDERWORLD is hiring for our infant room. Call 319-626-6575.

LEAD teacher needed for two year old classroom. Must have degree or qualifying experience. Other full and part-time available. Please apply at Love-A-Lot Childcare, 213 5th St., Coralville. Call Julie at (319)351-0106.

LINCOLN School Age Program is looking for reliable, caring, and spirited staff to work with wonderful children. Hours: M,T,W,F 2:45-5:30pm, Th 1:45-5:30pm. Call Kate, 319-358-4006.

LOVE A-LOT CHILD CARE has a variety of full and part-time positions available. Please apply at Love-A-Lot Childcare, 213 5th St., Coralville. Call Julie at (319)351-0106.

REGINA Jr./Sr. High School has the following coaching vacancies:
Head Varsity Wrestling
Head Junior High Wrestling
7th Grade Girls Basketball
Coaching authorization required. Contact Jeff Wallace at 319-338-5436.

WE need responsible staff members immediately for Shemek Beare and After School Program. Studying to be an educator a plus. AM and PM hours available. \$6.50/hour. (319)354-9674.

MEDICAL

ATRIUM VILLAGE is a small, private 20 bed facility. We need part-time Nurses, CNAs, and evening cook. Comfortable, friendly environment. Competitive wages. Located minutes from Iowa City. Apply in person Monday-Friday from 8am-3:30pm at Atrium Village, 117 S. 3rd St. in Hills or call 319-679-2224.

FULL-TIME 3-11pm, part-time 11pm-7am. Support Living Assistants to assist residents in a innovative living facility for persons with Alzheimers and other dementias. Every other weekend required. Must be flexible, have good interpersonal skills. Call Ann at 319-626-4966.

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THE Visiting Nurse Association seeks a **FULL-TIME Home Care Aide** to join our team. We assist elderly, ill, and disabled persons with personal care, shopping, and light housekeeping in Johnson County. We offer an excellent benefits package that includes medical, dental, life & disability insurance, 401K, 2 weeks paid vacation (first year), two salary increases w/ 16 months CNA. Reliable transportation, adequate auto insurance, and a flexible schedule are required. Call Karen Today: 319-337-9686. EOE.

Chris Wolf, Administrator
Lone Tree Health Care Center
501 E. Pioneer Road
Lone Tree, Iowa 52246

RETAIL/ SALES

Growing Iowa aggregate producer, seeking highly motivated individual to join our Sales Team. Primary sales area spans Cedar and Muscatine counties in Iowa. A successful candidate will have an outgoing personality and will possess exemplary people and organizational skills. Experience in the construction industry a plus, but will train the right person. We are an equal opportunity employer.

Persons wishing to learn more about this opportunity should send a resume to:
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GREAT STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES
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2. Two **Dietary Aides** are needed. Early morning and afternoon hours available. Excellent pay and benefits. Ask for Virginia.
3. **Ward Clerks** work from 4-7 pm on weekdays and every other weekend answering phones, performing clerical tasks. Ask for Jill.

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Send completed ad blank with check or money order, place ad over the phone, or stop by our office located at: 111 Communications Center, Iowa City, 52242.

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The Iowa Gym-Nest is looking for enthusiastic teachers for fall classes. Gymnastics or teaching experience is required. Will train. Evening and weekend hours. Call (319) 354-5781.

ACT Account Clerk, Accounts Receivable

Immediate opening for person with 1-2 years financial record keeping experience to perform tasks related to accounts receivable activities. Requires good keyboarding, communication, and organization skills, ability to work with high degree of accuracy. Normal work hours at 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, M-F. Pay is \$9.58/hour, including an excellent benefits package.

For more information about this and other employment opportunities with ACT, visit our website (www.act.org). To apply, send letter and resume to: Human Resources Dept. (D1) ACT National Office 2201 N. Dodge St. PO Box 168 Iowa City, IA 52243-0168 or E-mail to employment@act.org ACT is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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is seeking individuals to conduct telephone interviews in its downtown Iowa City office. Qualifications include, excellent communication skills, attention to detail, strong work ethic, friendly, outgoing personality, and computer keyboard proficiency. Prior market research and/or phone experience helpful, but not required.

MR&A offers flexible work schedules including, daytime, evening and weekend hours. Minimum of 20 hrs per wk required. Starting rate \$7/hr. You may complete an employment application form at: 125 South Dubuque St., Suite 230 Phone: 319-466-9500

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Come in and join our team!

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University of Iowa Sports Marketing

Are you a Hawkeye fan and have web knowledge?

Immediate position for individual with working knowledge of Dreamweaver III. Must be able to work a minimum of 15hrs/wk to update hawkeye-sports.com and hawkeyefootball.com, the official web sites of the Iowa Hawkeyes. Must be able to commit to 2-3 hours 6-7 days/wk.

Please send cover letter and resume to: **Mary Jo Kinney, UI Sports Marketing, 205 Carver-Hawkeye Arena Iowa City, IA 52242-1020. Questions? 335-9431.**

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Person needed to clean bar 9am-12 6 days a week. Flexible hours, \$7.50/hr. Apply in person 9am-12 daily. 6 South Dubuque

Hy-Vee
NOW HIRING:
Baker, fryer position. Over-night hours. Full-time with benefits. Apply 1720 Waterfront Drive or call Peggy 354-7601.

HELP WANTED

DO YOU HAVE ASTHMA?

If so, **VOLUNTEERS**, ages 18 and over, are invited to participate in an **ASTHMA STUDY** at the University of Iowa Hospitals and clinics to test a new inhaler. **COMPENSATION AVAILABLE.** Please call 335-7555 or 356-7883 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday for more information.

HELP WANTED

The Daily Iowan Carriers' Routes

The Circulation Department of The Daily Iowan has openings for carriers' routes in the Iowa City and Coralville areas.

- Route Benefits: Monday through Friday delivery (Keep your weekends FREE!)
- No collections
- Carrier contests - WIN CASH!
- University breaks
- Delivery deadline - 7am
- Earn extra cash!!

Routes Available 8/21/00

- N. Dubuque, Brown, Ronalds, N. Linn
- E. Jefferson, E. Market, N. Dodge, N. Lucas, N. Governor
- Keokuk, Cross Park Ave., Broadway
- Downtown Business Route, (deliver between 9:00 and 10:00am)

Please apply in Room 111 of the Communications Center Circulation Office (319) 335-5783

HELP WANTED

Depo-Provera™

Researchers invite women, 18 to 35, who are first time users of Depo-Provera™ to join a two year study evaluating hormonal levels and bone density. **Compensation available. Call 341-7174.**

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Two (2) University of Iowa students needed at University of Iowa Central mail (Campus Mail) to sort and deliver USPO, campus mail, and UPS parcels. Must have vehicle to get to work, valid driver's license, and good driving record. Involves some heavy lifting.

Position to start as soon as possible; \$6.50 per hour starting wage. Work hours Tuesday through Thursday 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Contact Lou Eichler at 384-3809, 2222 Old Hwy 218 South, Iowa City, IA.

HELP WANTED

ELECTIONS TECHNICIAN, ELECTIONS CLERK and ACCOUNTING CLERK
Johnson County Auditor's Office Iowa City, Iowa
Three part-time temporary job openings with multiple positions now being hired. Elections Technician: Testing, repair, maintenance, deliver and set-up of electronic voting equipment; some lifting involved. Aptitude for repair and maintenance of electronic/mechanical devices desirable. No experience required, in-house training supplied. Up to 20 hours a week. Election's Clerk: Performs routine data entry, counter work, and other clerical duties. Office experience desirable. Up to 20 hours a week. Accounting Clerk: Provides assistance in the preparation of Accounts Payable and Payroll warrants and accrual financial statements, and performs other routine duties. Approximately 12 hours a week. \$8.50/hour. Flexible schedule.

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Now interviewing and hiring. Send application and resume to Workforce Center, Attn: Kathy, Box 2390, Iowa City, IA 52241 immediately.

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• Bartender, part-time, some experience needed.
Apply in person 2530 Holiday Rd. Coralville or call 319-354-7770 (Located on bus route)

THE FIELD HOUSE RESTAURANT & NIGHTCLUB
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Apply in person The Fieldhouse Bar 111 East College Street 11-5pm Mon-Fri Apply in person. No phone calls please. E.O.E.

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GUMBY'S Pizza
NOW HIRING: DRIVERS
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Panera
We are SLB of Iowa, a franchise at Panera Bread, the fastest growing bakery-cafe concept in America! We currently have exciting opportunities for ASSOCIATES positions available at our Coral Ridge location. If you are a motivated individual with a positive attitude and think you'd be an asset to our bakery-cafe, please stop in for an interview or call 341-9252.

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• eager to contribute
The UI Foundation is looking for you by phone for a resume-building experience. Call now!

Work Hours:
• Minimum of three hours
• Sunday through Thursday
• Saturday from 11:00-1:00
• Available Tuesday through Thursday

Interested?
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For more info

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