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Delaying Ethernet costs UI thousands

The UI is proposing an above-average 6.2% increase in room-and-board rates to help pay for the cost of installing Ethernet. These are the past room-and-board increases:

Fiscal Year	Double Occupancy Full Board	\$ Increase	% Increase
1997	\$3,688	\$138	3.9%
1998	\$3,825	\$137	3.7%
1999	\$3,988	\$163	4.3%
2000	\$4,188	\$200	5.0%
2001	\$4,398	\$210	5.0%
2002	\$4,671	\$273	6.2%

Source: UI research D/SM

■ If the university had moved more quickly, an official says, it could have saved almost \$1 million.

By Ryan Foley
The Daily Iowan

CEDAR FALLS — The UI could have saved thousands of dollars — nearly \$1 million, according to one estimate — had it begun installing Ethernet connections in residence halls when most universities did in the 1990s, an official said Thursday.

Consequently, UI students living in the dormitories will pay increased room-and-board rates next school year, a partial result of the delay, said Phillip Jones, the UI vice president for student services.

Jones told the state of Iowa Board of Regents Thursday that the high cost of installing and operating the Ethernet is a major reason the UI proposed a 6.2 percent increase in room-and-board rates for next school year. Revenue generated from the increase

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Schools must cut carefully, regent says

■ The regents' president wants the state's public universities to follow the board's guidance in upcoming cuts.

By Ryan Foley
The Daily Iowan

CEDAR FALLS — The president of the body that governs the state's publicly funded universities instructed officials Thursday to work more

closely with his staff when making upcoming budget cuts.

Owen Newlin, the president of the state of Iowa Board of Regents, said administrators should look to his board for guidance when cutting budgets so that universities continue to move in the direction the regents would like.

That's because the cuts, Newlin said, will be "so major."

"Given the magnitude of the cuts, we expect a little more

intensive consultation than what has been in the past," he said during his board's monthly meeting Thursday.

University officials are anxiously awaiting Gov. Tom Vilsack's revised budget recommendations for fiscal year 2002. Vilsack, who must unveil his revision by March 28, has suggested a 6 percent across-the-board cut in state agencies' funding because of a

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Trying to make education pay off

■ Some people are finding out that jobs don't always match their degrees.

By Megan L. Eckhardt
The Daily Iowan

A loss of almost \$100,000 in pay makes one Iowa City resident feel obtaining her degrees seems impractical. The cooling economy doesn't give her much hope, either.

Amy Smith — like many other local residents — has a job, but not one that her higher-education degrees taught her to do.

Working for the UI Main Library in the interlibrary loan department, Smith, 26, answers questions, phones and e-mails.

Although the job only requires three years of library experience and involvement in a two-year library technical program, Smith possesses a bachelor's in history from Iowa State University and a master's in library science from the UI.

Because a history degree seemed unusable, Smith continued school for her master's; after receiving it, she expected to immediately find a job that would allow her to make use of it.

Like Smith, some current UI students say they aren't concerned with finding a job after graduation that will



Zach Boyden-Holmes/The Daily Iowan
UI librarian Amy Smith goes over some paperwork Wednesday afternoon at the Main Library.

pertain to their degree, but the slowing economy and tightening job market may limit their choices.

Beth Ingram, a UI associate professor of economics, said people should be able to find a job despite the job market, though not necessarily the one they want.

"Right now, the unemployment rate is low. There are lots of people looking for workers, but it doesn't really mean you are going to get a job in a specific field," she said. "There's a lot of considerations (to obtain a desired job), such as geography. It's a little bit of luck, a

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For baker, all is sweetness & night

Night Hawk is a weekly series profiling the escapades of Iowa City's third-shift workers. It generally runs on Fridays.

■ James Cuthrell bakes rolls and other goodies while most of the city sleeps.

By Chao Xiong
The Daily Iowan

James Cuthrell's hands don't stop.

A ball of yellow cinnamon roll dough spreads into a thin sheet underneath his thick fingers. Cuthrell, 46, a bakery night manager, reaches into a tub of margarine, smearing the dough with a handful before dusting a mixture of sugar and cinnamon over the top. These are the most popular items at the Cottage Bakery & Cafe, 14 S. Linn St., where he's worked for four years, Cuthrell says. Like so much else, he says these are the sweet extras in life.

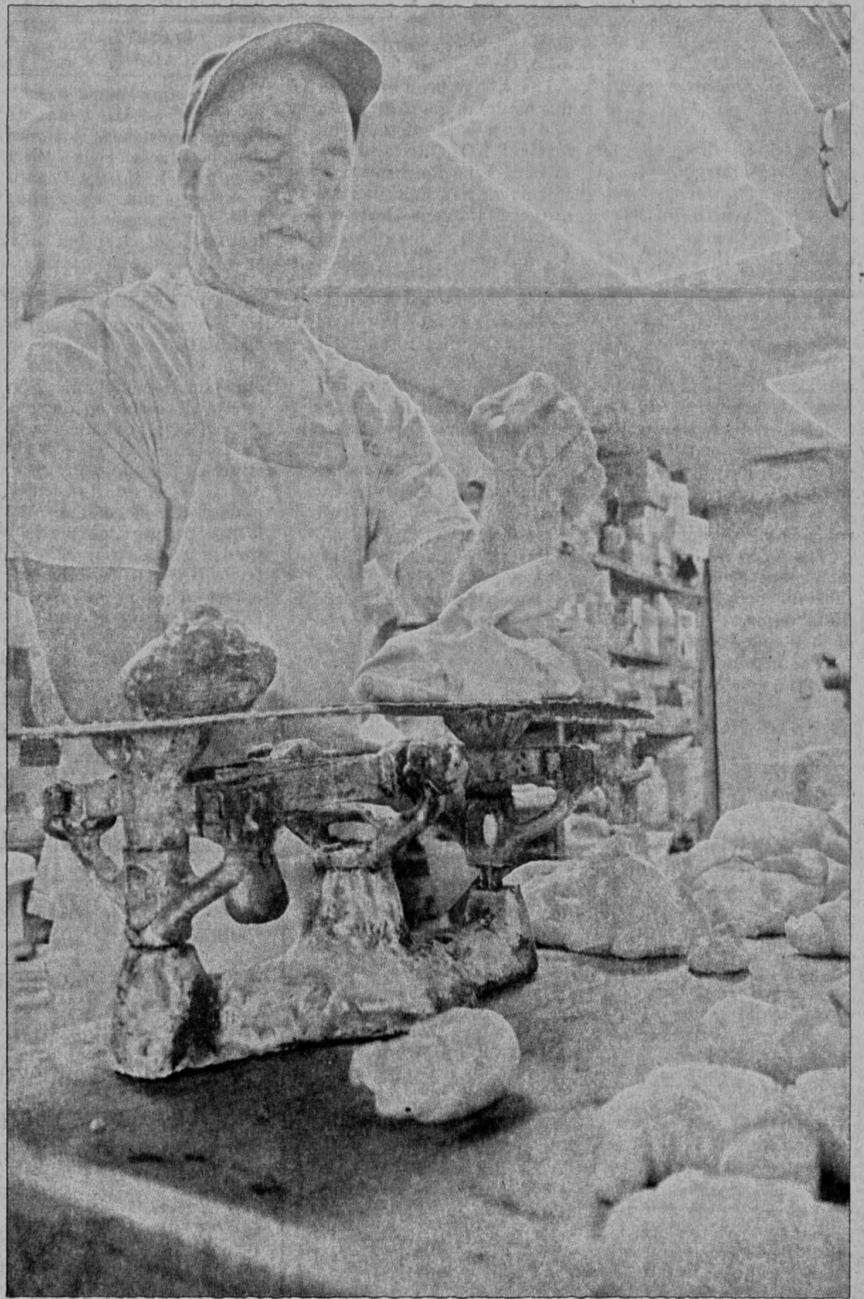
"I like the bread more than anything," he says. "It's a staple of life. All the other stuff is just extras — desserts. Everybody wants extras these days."

It's Tuesday morning. There's no sign of life outside the darkened windows of the bakery as he mixes, rolls and folds dozens of pastries and breads for morning. Cuthrell's workday starts at 11 p.m. and ends at 6:30 a.m.

In the back room of the Cottage, only the hum of fluorescent lights and the occasional whirring of industrial-strength electric mixers shatter the silence. Cuthrell's white apron is splashed with cherry-red, blueberry, chocolate and yel-

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Zach Boyden-Holmes/The Daily Iowan
Baker James Cuthrell weighs dough early Tuesday morning before a night of baking. Cuthrell works the night shift at the Cottage preparing fresh bread and pastries.



Fred Spoor/Associated Press
A 3.5 million-year-old skull found by Kenyan researchers is shown in this undated file photo.

New skull may alter current evolution theory

■ Anthropologists say they may have found a new branch of the human tree.

By Jackie Hammers
The Daily Iowan

Human-evolution classes at the UI and across the world will be forever changed if a 3.5 million-year-old skull discovered in Kenya turns out to be a new branch of human ancestry, leading U.S. anthro-

pologists said Thursday.

The skull resembles modern humans much more closely than the famous "Lucy" fossil, assumed to be a very early human ancestor. Anthropologists now may have to rethink that theory because the skull is about the same age as Lucy but the face is much more human-like.

This fossil could be an ancestor of modern humans or just an evolutionary dead end,

researchers say.

"If their interpretation of the skull is correct, that means the tree is a little more complex than people have thought," Tim White, an anthropologist at the University of California, Berkeley, told *The Daily Iowan*.

It is still too early for professors to spend much time in their classes discussing the find, he said.

"They'll be mentioning this

as a hypothesis, just like the paper and the commentary are," he said. "It is interesting and provocative, but not definitive."

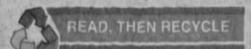
UI anthropology Professor Russell Ciochon said he was amazed by the discovery.

"I think it is an extremely important find," he said, emphasizing the rarity of a skull that old being found virtually intact. "They are talking

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Fest to highlight Tiananmen film

■ The UI opens its first Asian American Film Festival this weekend.

By Peter Boylan
The Daily Iowan

Following the completion of his bachelor of law degree from China's Sudan University in 1989, Kevin Fen Ke decided to make a movie about the student demonstrations in Beijing's Tiananmen Square. His efforts would not have landed him in trouble had filming for the project not taken place during the height of the famous uprising.

Ke's film, *The Official Account*, will be among the many films screened this weekend at the UI's first-ever Asian American Film Festival. He will discuss his film as well as the struggles he endured in bringing the project to fruition.

The festival will highlight six full-length features, in addition to several short programs. All films are free to the public and will be shown in the Becker Communication Studies Building, beginning today at 7:30 p.m.

"The benefits of an event like this are that it raises interest toward the international perspectives that we have here on campus," said Dong Wang Liu, an assistant director of the Center for Asian and Pacific Studies, a principal sponsor of the event. "The festival is for both Asians and Americans. It's a good opportunity to discuss filmmaking on the basis of culture, identity and assimilation issues."

Many of the featured films' directors have flown in from across the country in order to participate in panel discussions as well as in question-and-answer sessions immediately following the screening of their films.

The filmmakers, who have come from as far away as Seattle for the event, will also lend their perspective to a forum entitled "Constructing Koreaness," which will deal with the problem of constructing the Korean culture and accurately depicting it in film. The forum will take place on March 25 at 3 p.m. in the Becker Communication Studies Building.

"The Asian American community is expanding at such a rapid rate here at the UI," said Aikta Verma, the chairwoman of the Asian American Coalition, a co-sponsor of the event. "This is a great opportunity to

Asian American Film Festival Schedule	
Today	
7:30 p.m.	Opening Feature POST CONCUSSION
Saturday	
1 (all times p.m.)	Shorts Program 1 (DIS)PLACEMENTS HAN CHEE IMAGINING PLACE MIAMI STRIPS HOLLYWOOD DREAMS AVENUE OF THE ASIAN AMERICAS
3:30	Panel Discussion AFTERNOON w/FILMMAKERS
5	Feature CITIZEN HONG KONG
7:30	Feature SPICY LOVE SOUP (AIQING MALA TANG) A WAITER TOMORROW (video short precedes SPICY LOVE SOUP)
9:30	Feature NANG NAK
Sunday	
11:30	Short THE OFFICIAL ACCOUNT
1	Feature TRUE
3	Forum "CONSTRUCTING KOREAN-NESS"
5	Forum WOMEN IN FOCUS TURBANS INDUSTRIAL BODIES THE SHANGRI-LA CAFE LOVE LTD.
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increase awareness regarding Asian American arts."

There have been events of this nature in the past, Verma said, such as the Korean film festival KOLORS and the Edward Yang Retrospective. But never has there been a university event that has focused solely on the efforts of Asian American filmmakers, she said.

"Our hope is that it will be an ongoing event," said Lois Gray of the UI International Programs office. "It's a great chance to expand people's knowledge about films from different cultures and different genres."

The festival will open today at 7:30 p.m. with Daniel Yoon's *Post ConcuSSION* and run through March 25, with the festival's final film, *Dog Food*, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

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UI soph wins Web page scholarship

■ A "virtual dinosaur museum" nets Brandon Miller \$15,000.

By Sara Faiwell
The Daily Iowan

A UI sophomore in the College of Business who designed a Web page last summer returned Wednesday from an all-expenses paid trip to Geneva with a \$15,000 scholarship.

Brandon Miller of Clarion, Iowa, was a finalist in the ThinkQuest Internet Challenge held March 17-19 at CERN, the European Laboratory for Particle Physics, in Geneva. During the trip, he was awarded a scholarship for first place in his division.

ThinkQuest matches people from around the world to work together through e-mail and instant messaging on the computer. Miller had the opportunity to meet his Web page co-designers only once before the trip to Switzerland.

Miller, along with two high school students from Minnesota, created a Web site

called Dinosaur Treks. The site, geared toward teaching middle and elementary school students about dinosaurs, is set up as an interactive game for students. It can be accessed at <http://library.thinkquest.org/C005824/>.

"It's basically a virtual dinosaur museum," Miller said. The site has approximately 2,000 files and took each of the participants about 500-700 hours to complete.

Miller's team was included in the math and science division of the competition and was one of five that earned the trip to Geneva to compete. The five teams were chosen from an original 275 Web site teams.

For placing first in the division, students took home \$15,000 scholarships and the coaches won \$3,000 in cash. The high schools Miller and his partners attended also received \$1,000.

"It is kind of like a Nobel Prize for Web designers. We had a great time, and it was really a good opportunity," he said.



Kim Kennedy/The Daily Iowan
UI freshman Brandon Miller works on his computer in his dorm room Thursday. Miller was one member of a team involved in an Internet competition in Geneva.

One of their two coaches, Joshua Barnd, a high-school science teacher from Jordan, Minn., said the team worked great together, especially considering the members only had the chance to meet one time before going to Geneva.

"I was not really surprised that we got first place in our division because we were really going for it from day one. We tried for something different and unique from all the other sites out there," Barnd said.

Miller began designing Web pages as a sophomore in high school. He is currently works on a site for the Undergraduate Writing Program in the College of Business.

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Response to sweatshop letter disappoints SAS

■ No coaches responded to the group's letter, although two administrators did.

By Chao Xiong
The Daily Iowan

In a meeting Thursday night, members of UI Students Against Sweatshops expressed disappointment about a letter from the UI Athletics Department regarding sweatshop labor but applauded its use of football and basketball uniforms made in Waterloo, Iowa.

SAS will hold a press conference at 10 a.m. today in the IMU Purdue Room to further address the response.

The letter was in reaction to approximately 25 letters SAS sent to UI coaches on March 8, asking them to publicly state their opinion, favorable or not favorable, of sweatshop labor by March 22. University General Counsel Mark Schantz and Athletics Director Bob Bowsby were not given a copy of the letter by SAS but were the only names signed on the response received Thursday afternoon.

"We're disappointed that the coaches didn't say something because they're well-respected," said UI graduate student and SAS member David Burnett.

The UI's letter states that Schantz and Bowsby responded to SAS because they are the administrators responsible for interpreting and implementing policies regarding the purchase of sports apparel.

"We tried to be fairly comprehensive in what we said," Schantz said. "I hope it speaks for itself."

Schantz's involvement indicates there may be a gag order in place at the Athletics Department, Burnett said.

"We think it's quite conspicuous when the university lawyer would send back a response when we sent a letter to the athletics coaches," he said.

The letter did not address the SAS request to take a stance on sweatshop labor, said Laura Crossett, a graduate student and SAS member. Schantz and Bowsby's letter implies that SAS is asking the university to sever its contracts with such companies as Nike and Reebok,

she said.

"The misinterpretations this letter is placing on our letter is, frankly, from outer space," Crossett said. "I'm not surprised, but I'm a little awe struck at how completely they missed the gist of (the SAS) letter."

In support of athletics, SAS is sponsoring the first-ever Free Speech Games, to be held 1-5 p.m. Saturday in Hubbard Park. The games will include kickball, ultimate Frisbee, izzy dizzy and touch football. Red tape will be provided so participants can cover logos on their clothing and footwear.

"It should be a good afternoon of sports for the love of it," Crossett said.

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The tricky task of matching degrees, jobs

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little hard work and being in the right place at the right time."

For Smith to obtain a job that matches her qualifications, such as a library director, she said, she would have to leave Iowa City. But she chooses to stay here with her husband.

"In my opinion, there are a lot of people working who are over-qualified in Iowa, especially in the library field," she said. "If people are willing to travel, there are jobs available, but if they are restricted to a certain area, like Iowa City, they may have trouble. People who want to stay in Iowa are forced to take jobs not always up to their qualifications."

"I regret the money I spent to get that degree, but the education is worth it," she said. "At first, my over-qualifications did (bother me), but now it doesn't. It hasn't gotten to the point that I'm going to do something about it."

Despite UI junior Mark Thomson's interest in English, he said he isn't concerned about obtaining a job that relates to his education after graduation.

Thomson is currently enrolled in the undergraduate English and Ancient Civilizations programs. He plans to write, possibly for a magazine, and travel. He said he originally chose an English degree because he enjoys reading and was uninterested in entering business school.

"I might have to get a job not tied to my degree. I don't think there's a job out there that pertains directly to Shakespeare," he said. "I might have to look in another direction. I'm pretty confident that it will work out either way."

Thomson's optimistic out-

look on the job market appears to be shared with many other college students. According to a survey released by JOB-TRAK.COM, the nation's leading online job-listing service for students and alumni, 30 percent of 1,000 college students questioned said they expect to have four or more job offers by the time they graduate.

A student currently in the UI Ph.D. English program, however, said most students who chose English as an undergraduate major may end up returning to school if they want a job directly tied to a degree.

Keith Wilhite obtained a bachelor's and master's degrees in English from St. Louis University. After completing his undergraduate work, Wilhite entered the working world for five years, cataloguing books at a local library. Because the job wasn't fulfilling and Wilhite continued reading and writing after college, he returned to school.

"I wasn't satisfied with what I was doing, and I thought that going back to school would allow me to do more things," he said. "If you want to use an English degree, you have to make the efforts to do so, like graduate school."

Although Wilhite did choose to return to school, he said, an English degree offers many possibilities for other jobs, and it teaches analytical and interpretive skills that can be used in other fields.

Peter Gerhard, a UI undergraduate academic adviser, said most degrees don't offer immediate professional occupations; rather, they offer important skills to those students.

"The skills that you learn and the people that you meet get you a job," he said. "Networking really points you

to a job."

For a degree such as philosophy, skills are gained that allow for careful analysis and argumentation, leading to many job opportunities, Gerhard said.

Some students said they feel they will be forced to return for additional education to be successful in the working world.

When UI senior Marc Krickbaum graduates this semester with a philosophy degree, he doesn't have any other ideas for employment other than to teach, which will put him back into school.

He is applying to Teach for America, a national program that issues emergency teaching licenses to graduates in order for them to teach at districts in desperate need of teachers.

If accepted, Krickbaum said, he will teach students for a year, then enter graduate school to obtain his Ph.D. in philosophy to teach at a college level. Or he might take a year off before returning to school.

Many students at the university enter undergraduate programs because of enjoyable courses. Unfortunately, not all of those programs direct individuals into a specific career. This leaves Krickbaum and others no choice but to teach or to return to school, he said.

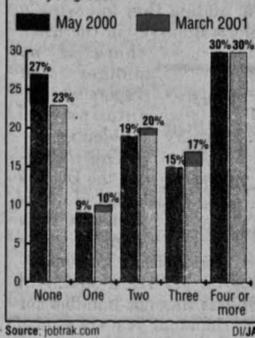
"I really enjoyed my philosophy classes more than pre-law and political science, my original majors, so I decided to go with that," he said. "I'm going to graduate school because there really is nothing else to do in philosophy."

Despite not being able to utilize degrees in a current job, some residents hope their degree will be beneficial in the future.

Driving a bus for Iowa City Transit for approximately 30 years has made Malcolm

Graduate Job Prospects

1,000 college graduates were asked, "How many job offers do you expect to have when you graduate?"



Source: jobtrak.com

Powers satisfied. Although he obtained his bachelor's in general studies from the UI in 1990, he continued his work for the city. Now, Powers will be eligible for retirement in one year; he said he plans to make use of his education, he said.

Powers began junior college in Burlington to avoid the draft in 1969. He later moved to Iowa City and started school at the university. He originally undertook a job for the city after school didn't work out for him, he said.

After looking into other jobs, Powers said he decided to stick with the transit department because of its good retirement plan, benefits and salary.

"(Driving) is just one of those things I got into," he said. "I put enough time into it and got older, so I just decided to go the distance. There was a point of no return."

Powers obtained his degree for personal reasons and is pleased he did.

"I just did it for my own personal satisfaction," he said. "A degree will maybe come in handy after retirement when I look for something new."

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Skull find may change evolution classes

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about this being a new genus, and that is going to be pretty controversial, but it is probably a new species."

Ciochon said he would spend some time on the discovery in his Human Origins class this fall.

"I will spend 10 or 15 minutes in the appropriate lecture talking about this find. By then, I will have downloaded some pictures from the Web," he said. "I may have to revise some of my diagrams of early human evolution because of this discovery."

He also said he would expect his students to memorize the name given to the discovery, Kenyathropus platyops, meaning flat-faced man of Kenya.

White said he wasn't sure

that the skull indicated an undiscovered genus.

"It's a possibility," he said. "But there are hundreds of other fossils from this time that fit in the same genus."

It could be some time before the fossil is accepted or rejected as a previously undiscovered genus.

"The cranium is very fragmented," White said. "There are hundreds of little pieces of bone that have all been separated by crushing. This will make it much more difficult to interpret."

UI freshman Kate Stevenson said she is curious how the find will affect anthropology classes, such as Human Origins, which she is currently taking.

"It is interesting to begin with, but it could change the way the class is taught," she said.

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CITY BRIEF

Bomb threat empties Burge

A bomb threat forced residents to evacuate Burge Residence Hall around 10:15 p.m. Thursday.

The Iowa City police, the Fire Department, UI Public Safety, the Johnson County Ambulance Service and a bomb squad responded to the threat.

Resident assistants ran up and down hallways, knocking on doors to evacuate students, said UI sophomore and Burge resident Pat Connolly.

"The first RA was crying," he said. "I didn't know what was going on."

UI freshman and Burge resident Taylor Skogman said residents were never told what caused the evacuation.

"They didn't tell us anything,"

she said. "It was an emergency, and we just had to get out. I just saw people storming down the halls not knowing what was going on. I was clueless, and I was forced out onto the fire escape, and they told us we'd be out here for a long time."

A bomb squad was stationed outside Burge when she evacuated, Skogman said.

"The second we got out here, the bomb squad rolled by, and I obviously took it seriously," she said.

The bomb squad then proceeded to the northwest end of Burge, where it remained.

Residents were told they would not be allowed back into Burge until midnight.

Authorities refused to comment.

— by Chao Xiong



Brady Dorman of Cedar Rapids was born without a complete esophagus. These days he's eating his parents out of house and home.

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Ethernet delay may have cost UI \$1 million

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will be used to help pay back the bonds that funded the Ethernet project.

The cost of that project grew to \$14 million before it was completed in January, Jones said. Had the university acted two or three years earlier, approximately 6 or 7 percent of the project (\$840,000 to \$980,000) would have been saved due to inflation, he said following the meeting.

In an effort to be economical, the university first wired Quadrangle Residence Hall and offered the Ethernet there on a subscription basis from 1997-99 while officials gathered ideas on how to proceed with the Ethernet campus-wide.

But that approach backfired. Only about 20 percent of students subscribed to the fledgling service, even as it became apparent students wanted the high-speed but costly connections. For three straight years, 95 percent of students indicated they wanted Ethernet connections in dormitories, according to surveys at Orientation, Jones said.

Officials then switched their approach, deciding in the 1998-99 school year to hook up all nine dormitories to give students what they were asking for, as well as to provide another educational tool, Jones said.

That was five years after the service was available in residence halls at Iowa State University and the year it debuted in all dormitories at the University of Northern Iowa.

"Had we gotten into the project sooner, we would have saved money in the long run," Jones said.

The regents considered the proposed room-and-board rate increase — the highest in recent history — and appear likely to approve it next month.

Regent David Neil of La Porte City was the only board member to raise a concern with the rate proposal, which would increase the cost of a two-person room with a 20-meal plan by \$273, to \$4,671. He wondered if it was too high.

"Why is it such a significant increase?" he asked. "We're running over a full percentage point above the average increases since 1997."

The costs of installing the Ethernet and upgraded fire-protection systems are to blame, Jones responded.

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Regent: Follow board's guidance in budget cuts

BUDGET

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\$300 million shortfall in state revenues.

That would mean a \$42 million cut from the regents' institutions, \$19 million for the UI. State lawmakers will revise Vilsack's recommendations before passing the final budget in April.

Vilsack has said some state agencies may receive smaller cuts. UI President Mary Sue Coleman has said she has not heard any indication whether universities' budgets will be hit more or less than 6 percent, but she continues to lobby lawmakers.

"We don't know yet what will happen," Coleman said Thursday. "We're a long way from knowing where we're going to be."

Coleman said university officials have been brainstorming possible ways to cut funding. Her staff, she said, has not ruled anything out — including laying off employees and halting building renovations — to compensate. She declined to elaborate further.

She said earlier in the week that the university likely won't be able to fill vacated staff and faculty positions unless absolutely necessary during next fiscal year and that class offerings may be restricted.

Newlin reminded the university officials that they should make cuts that do not hinder their ability to reach strategic goals or compromise their missions as state-funded universities.

For instance, the UI's strategic plan calls on the university to increase the four-year graduation rate from 37 percent to 47 percent by 2005. That goal, an area Coleman has made a past priority, may be in jeopardy if fewer classes are offered.

Regent David Neil of La Porte City also said universities should try to stick to their strategic plans.

"They need to stick with their priorities when cutting," he said. "This shortfall just can't just be passed on to tuition increases."

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Baker adds sweetness to the night

NIGHT HAWK

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low. It's a stark contrast to his shortly cropped white hair, white pants and T-shirt.

"I'm ambidextrous right now because I want to be," Cuthrell, 46, says as he oils bread pans and stuffs them with dough. "It's faster that way."

Cuthrell says he's finally found what he loves to do: bake.

"It makes me happy because I know (customers) will enjoy it," he says.

He's painted sewers across the Midwest, been a construction worker and concrete pourer, delivered flowers, and worked as a farm hand — and he's enjoyed them all.

College wasn't quite as accommodating. Cuthrell enrolled at the UI in 1972 as a freshman. He left a semester later after being drafted for the Vietnam War, but he didn't have to serve and returned to the UI in '85, '89 and '92 to study various subjects.

He has more than 100 credit hours to his name and is still a registered senior.

"Education is a good thing, but it's a waste of time sometimes — a waste of mine," he says. "I really believe that learning is a lot more than books and teachers."

He's learned from life and work. And he's been working since he can remember. It started on the 1,000-acre family farm in his hometown of Aurelia in northwest Iowa. Tending soybean and corn fields and caring for the livestock became a full-time job for Cuthrell, the second oldest of five children, at the age of 13 when his father began working in a city.

It taught him that he could do whatever he put his mind to. Taught him to appreciate a job well-done.

1:30 a.m. — Sitting atop a plastic milk crate in the alley near the Cottage, Cuthrell puffs at a cigarette. His blue eyes stare in the direction of the Pedestrian Mall.

"I used to be one," he says, referring to the bar patrons he sometimes spots.

He says he's tried a lot of things alcohol-wise but hasn't had a drink in the past eight years. And when people congratulate him for his sobriety, as they often do, he says he doesn't understand why.

"I know that alcohol isn't meant to be in mass quantities in the body. Period," he says.

1:56 a.m. — Cuthrell takes one last drag from his cigarette. His one break of the night is over.

2:15 a.m. — Most of the pastries for the morning case are baking in two of four large ovens. Cuthrell reflects on the lessons he's learned in life. That everyone needs to work. That people need to take time for themselves. That a good life means being alive.

Two weeks ago, on a cold rainy night, he says he gave a young woman a ride home after her friends left her, drunk and alone, in the Ped Mall. He drove her home in his blue pick-up truck, telling her they weren't her friends.

"I've learned a lot about (friendship)," he says. "I like to have a lot of friends, but it takes a lot of your time. You have to do

things right for yourself. I don't mean to sound selfish."

3:43 a.m. — The cinnamon rolls go into the oven to bake for 28 minutes at 325 degrees Fahrenheit. Cuthrell is nearly done baking for the morning.

"Alcohol cost me too much," he says. "It was running my life. I didn't have any input in my life. I lost sense of what was going on."

He's learned through experience from quitting drinking that people can turn their lives around, Cuthrell says.

"I found out you never know what you're going to do because you can do anything," he says. "I don't have a clue (how I quit). I guess I lucked out."

4:15 a.m. — All the pastries and breads are done baking except for the French bread. Cuthrell drizzles frosting over the cinnamon rolls and biscuits.

The muffins, rouleaus, scones, biscuits and other baked goods cool on racks, awaiting the Cottage's opening — 6:30 a.m.

Cuthrell has only to clean-up and deliver some bagels to Mercy Hospital before he heads home to Oxford.

"I think people have a low opinion of themselves, and they shouldn't," he says. "Jobs help overcome it because they accom-

plish something, and they know it's important, whether it's washing the dishes or what the hell."

The aroma of pastries and breads baked from scratch wafts through the back room, where boxes of chocolate chips, mini M&Ms, buckets of flour and sugar and racks of spices plaster the walls.

"I have the best job in town," Cuthrell says. "I wouldn't want to do anything else right now."

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WORLD BRIEF

Macedonian mortars pummel rebels

TETOVO, Macedonia (AP) — Unleashing a fresh assault on ethnic Albanian rebels Thursday, government forces claimed they seized large quantities of weapons and arrested scores of militants who were fleeing without a fight.

But the scene behind insurgent lines told a different story: one of manned rebel sniper nests, grenade attacks on police and scattered clashes in the countryside, suggesting the rebels still have plenty of resolve — and firepower.

Rebel sniper positions as close as 2½ miles from Tetovo's center were manned, and police spokesman Stevo Pendarovski said mortar rounds were fired from nearby Kosovo at a police checkpoint near the village of Gracane, 15 miles northeast of Tetovo, wounding a policeman.

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— Regent David Neil, on how Iowa universities should react to decreased state funding.

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EDITORIALS

Johnson County removes Commandments ...

One less Establishment

After receiving requests from concerned citizens, the Johnson County Board of Supervisors has voted unanimously to allow the removal of a monument displaying the Ten Commandments from the front lawn of the Johnson County Courthouse. While many might object, this is the only way to guarantee the separation of church and state. To allow the monument to remain would pose a danger to the religious freedoms of the citizens of Johnson County.

For many people, it is hard to understand the danger that posting the commandments poses. How could a code of moral conduct be a danger to anyone? The problem is in the inherent religious message. The first three commandments have nothing to do with morals; they are purely religious. To display a religious monument on public land shows government support for that religion.

Throughout history, whenever government and religion have intertwined, disaster

Whenever government and religion have intertwined, disaster has occurred. The Crusades, the Inquisition, and the burning of witches in 17th century New England are all examples of the tragedies that occur when religious organizations take on the power that should be reserved for secular government. A modern-day example would be the destruction of ancient Buddhist statues by fundamentalist Muslims in Afghanistan. In each case, religious organizations used the power of the government to force their faith on others.

When people enter the Johnson County Courthouse, they are supposed to be treated fairly, regardless of religious beliefs. By displaying the Ten Commandments, Johnson County is giving a different message. It is saying that preferential treatment will be given to those who

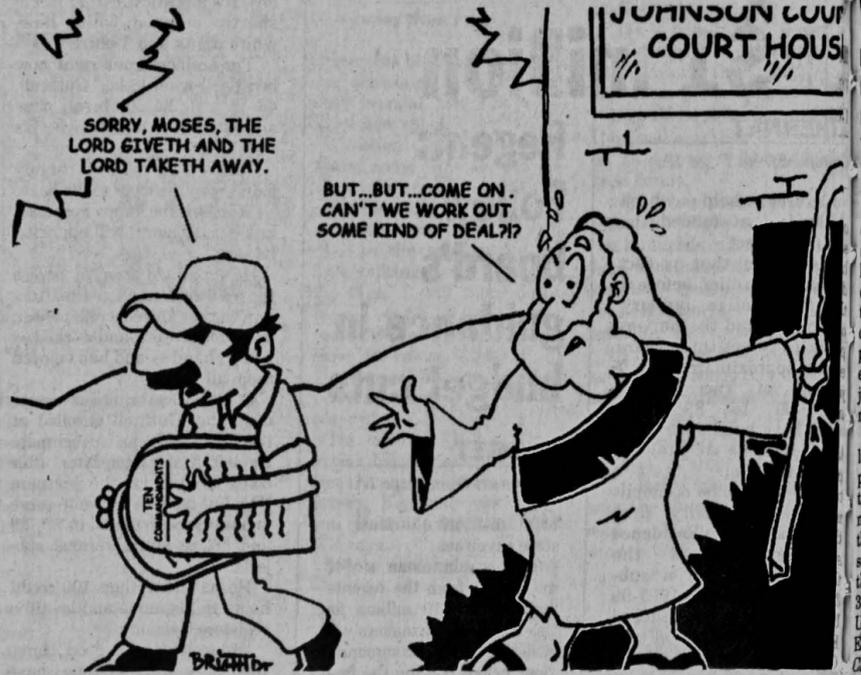
revere the Ten Commandments. This message is especially disturbing in a community such as this. Iowa City is a wonderfully diverse community with residents from every corner of the globe. Is it not naive to assume that all of them worship the god spoken of in the Ten Commandments? It must be frightening for them to live under a government that obviously prefers a religion other than their own. Is this really the message Johnson County wants to send?

Removing the monument from the courthouse grounds is truly a move towards freedom. Religion has no place in government, and government has no place in religion. Any breach in the wall between church and state is extremely detrimental to both religion and government. The Board of Supervisors realized this and voted to make Johnson County a community in which religious diversity is allowed to thrive.

Micah Wedemeyer is a *DI* editorial writer.

ON THE BRIGHT SIDE

BY SETH BRIGHT



Parking spots, fences, and other neighborly thoughts

Something there is that doesn't love a wall. — Robert Frost, "Mending Wall."

A few nights ago as I zipped home, I tuned to WSUI hoping for some Canadian news, only to hear an astronaut spouting off about the planet Earth. Y'see, before space travel, people didn't know what our big, blue marble looked like from the distance. Since that whole moon-walk thing, we've been blessed with myriad images of clouds swirling over continents and oceans roiling as the planet calmly, lazily rotates.

The indelible image of our vital, breathing sphere now lodges in our brains from childhood and provides impetus not only to environmental movements but also to graphic designers.

Why, I even received an Earth stress ball from a friend the other day in celebration of the Dar Williams album, *The Green World*.

So anyway, the astronaut said, as all astronauts have an eerily similar and X-Files-like tendency to say, "From up there, there are no borders. You can see we all have to work together on the planet, because there really aren't any borders." Yeah. I snorted. What a bunch of Hallmark hokey. Did someone else write his script?

The planet Earth — what a place! What a home. Wars in Africa and the Balkans, starvation in Bangladesh,

multinational corporations exploiting zillions of workers for the U.S. markets, carbon-dioxide emissions chomping the atmosphere, overfishing destroying the seas.

Of course, there's more to the story. National and international wilderness areas teeming with life, multinational resistance work, women in Israel and Palestine building a peace movement, European Union farmers blocking genetically modified organisms and frustrating Monsanto, even my partner's stepfather covering his Iowa land with newly planted trees. Still, I can't quite shake the idea that the astronaut's thoughts belie the realities of human existence.

Over the long winter, little walls of snow developed between spots in my house's small parking area. None of us spoke a word, but I believe that everyone felt something like this: "I dug

out a parking space, and the snow was heavy as a flock of water-logged penguins, and the air was colder than a polar bear's butt, and ain't no one taking my spot away."

So now when I scrape up the steep alley entrance and turn to search out a spot, the lack of snow feels almost indecent, as if someone went and made things easy, and the tiny naked gravel world of my parking area gives me too many choices.

Good fences, the second farmer in the Frost poem says, *make good neighbors*. I don't know if I believe that either, but the old saw of that New England pine-tree

farmer sounds wiser than the wide-eyed sweetness and light of the astronaut. In space, as my friend Laurie points out, you don't have to worry about a place to park.

When I was a young'un, fresh into art-history graduate school, I tromped around advocating an end to all boundaries. I thought that the tensions among faculty members arose from a ridiculous feeling of petty ownership. Then I saw another department (Not to Be Named Here because I enjoyed teaching in it) act in a rather similar way.

But will these vicious altercations (For example, should graduate students studying Latin American art really have to take German? Should writing and speaking really be taught in the same class?) end if you just take a faculty and shoot them up where they can see our elegant, magnificent orb as a whole? Much as I'm sure graduate students and staff people would like to shoot entire faculties into space, I doubt whether that would help.

I don't know which Robert Frost farmer I'd support — something in me doesn't love a wall, but good boundaries feel safe as well. I do know that the work of connection, of crossing borders, doesn't happen too much in space.

The work inhabits our present, our smallness, our parking spaces and departments and gardens. The work — the hard work of mending walls and building bridges and dealing with each other in a civil and generous way — remains on the glorious and fertile ground of our life on planet Earth.

Suzi Steffen is a *DI* columnist. Her columns generally run on alternate Fridays.

Coke blamed for lack of school supervision...

Stop sugar-coating the truth

Under pressure from various student, parent and political organizations, Coca-Cola announced Wednesday that it would reform its business policies with public schools. It will encourage non-exclusive contracts, provide nutritional beverages, and supply schools with machines that display non-commercial messages instead of ads.

In spite of its changed attitudes, Coke is under fire for not having the best interests of schoolchildren in mind. Gary Ruskin of U.S. Commercial Alert said, "Its announcement is a desperate PR effort to keep angry parents from kicking Coke, Pepsi, Channel One and other junk-food marketers out of our nation's schools ...

It isn't Coke's job to play babysitter. It is there to make money ... it is not required to have a soul

If Coke were serious about protecting the health of our children, it would get out of the schools today."

Most likely this is a last-ditch effort to save face. Coke doesn't care about children; it is a corporation. It isn't Coke's job to play babysitter. Coke is there to make money. As a corporation, Coca-Cola is not required to have a soul; it doesn't have to care, so long as it is turning a profit.

Consumer groups need to quit attacking corporations when there are more efficient and sensible ways to solve the

problem. In this case, Coke is not forcing its product down the throats of children. Kids buy Coke products with their own money. If soda pop is so bad for these kids, their parents should tell them not to buy it.

The reason Coke is in the schools is because it has a contract. A contract has two parties. While it is not Coke's job to take care of kids, it is the schools' job. If people want these contracts canceled, they should talk to the schools.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

City Council should address real problem

After reading the front page article of the March 20 *DI*, I couldn't help but feel that the City Council is heading in the wrong direction with the newly proposed ordinance that will be voted upon on April 3. Let me start off my saying that I am not someone who heads out to the bars every weekend in search of a good time, but I do like to head downtown and dance the night away every once in a while. Having said that, I can honestly say that this ordinance is a step in the wrong direction and a waste of time.

The proposed ordinance would, among other things, eliminate drink specials and "happy hours," two things that will do nothing but hurt the bars. I feel that bars should be able to charge whatever they want for their drinks; this is a capitalist

country that believes in free enterprise. The government is trying to put its hands into a part of the business world in which it doesn't belong.

Instead of wasting its time on ways to prohibit sales at the bars, the City Council should address the real problems: the student population. Even if the council could shut down all the bars, students would still find a way to drink and have a good time every weekend, whether it be at their own apartments or at various house parties. This would increase police activity in the area when neighbors call 911 to complain about loud music and rowdy teen-agers, which would be a com-

plete waste of their time. The city council should instead look at alternatives to the bar scene. I commend the various student groups that put on non-alcoholic events on campus, such as Stepping Up, ARH, and the newly founded UVAA. It's time to address the real problem facing our campus and work to provide more non-alcoholic alternatives to the downtown area because in the end, we all just want to have fun on the weekend. Until students are given alternatives when they head downtown on a Friday or Saturday night, no ordinance will stop students from drinking.

Sean Iske
UI junior

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On the SPOT

Are you confident that your major will help your job prospects after graduation?



"Yeah. You need teachers, so the stuff I'm learning is stuff that I could apply in the classroom."
Leah Magner
UI education major



"I'm hoping to go into teaching, but there's not always a lot out there for history majors."
Brian Smith
UI history major



"It will. I'm a grad student ... in a great program. It's a program that's in demand."
Beth Jacobson
UI rehabilitation counseling program



"I have a degree, but I'm probably going to get another one in English and end up teaching."
Ben Greenbowe
UI biochemistry major



"Yeah, it's more important to just have the degree and get your foot in the door."
Jerod Leupold
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Cinemas taking a bigger bite

Movie-ticket prices recently broke the \$10 barrier in New York City.

By Adam Kempenaar
The Daily Iowan

The next time you stumble out of the movie theater, muttering something about how it would have been better to watch paint dry for two hours than suffer through the latest Steven Seagal opus, consider this: While you paid a paltry \$6.50 for your ticket, some poor sap in Manhattan just wasted \$10 to see the same movie.

The \$10 barrier was broken last month, when Loews Cineplex Entertainment raised adult ticket prices 50 cents at approximately a dozen of its New York theaters. The increase followed a series of financial setbacks for the theater chain, which owns 365 theaters throughout the United States, Canada and Europe. Loews recently filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection and wants to close 22 U.S. theaters, and 23 of its Canadian theaters. New York isn't the only market to see an increase at the box office, as Loews also raised prices in Los Angeles from \$8.75 to \$9.

The question for moviegoers outside of New York and LA is whether Loews' announcement will ignite a rash of ticket hikes throughout the country.

Roger Hansen, the director of operations for Central States Theatres, which owns the Coral Ridge 10, Campus Theatres and Cinemas I and II in Iowa City, said he believes Loews' decision won't have any local effect, however.

"You may see ticket prices go up in larger cities, such as Chicago and Houston, but I don't foresee a domino effect through the Midwest," he said.

Central States' last increase occurred two years ago, when it raised its rates 50 cents.

The chain owns theaters in 16 cities across Iowa and Nebraska, with prices ranging from \$5.50 in some of the smaller towns to \$6.50 in larger places such as Iowa City, Hansen said.

Year	Price	Year	Price
1987	\$3.91	1994	\$4.18
1988	\$4.11	1995	\$4.35
1989	\$3.99	1996	\$4.42
1990	\$4.22	1997	\$4.59
1991	\$4.21	1998	\$4.69
1992	\$4.15	1999	\$5.08
1993	\$4.14		

— The National Association of Theatre Owners

Kim Davis, the manager of the Coral Ridge 10, said he remembers hearing a few complaints the last time Central States raised prices, but people eventually got used to it.

"Nobody is going to thank you for charging more," he said. "It may change movie-going habits for a little while, the same as when any other business raises prices. People will start asking themselves, 'Is this something I really want to see?'"

Some observers, such as John Degarabedian of the box-office tracker Exhibitor Relations, defend Loews' price hike by putting it into perspective. As Degarabedian told Eonline, movies still cost less than attending a sporting event or spending the evening at the theater. "And

if you compare what the movie theaters were like 10 to 15 years ago, it's now a much better movie-going experience."

Such improvements include stadium seating and digital surround sound, among other amenities. Other pundits, including Reel.com film columnist Jeffrey Wells, don't see what all the fuss is about.

"New York City movie theaters have always been slightly higher, so it's no surprise they're the first to hit the \$10 mark. (Loews is) basically charging moviegoers to help pay its bank loans that it took out to pay for its huge expansions," he said. "It used to be \$9.50 in certain NYC theaters; now it's \$10. Big deal."

Despite the rise in home theater options such as DVD and pay-per-view, Wells said, he is confident people will continue to flock to their local multiplex, regardless of price increases.

"Instead of an average evening at the movies with a date costing \$33 — two tickets for \$19 plus \$15 on popcorn and drinks for two, not counting parking — it'll now cost \$34," he said. "Compare that with renting a DVD and watching it at home with your girlfriend and microwave popcorn, which maybe costs \$8 or \$9 altogether. Why do people continue to pay \$33 and \$34? Because it's more fun to see a movie in a theater, and guys have a better shot at getting laid if they take their girlfriends out (to dinner, before or after the movie) than if they just invite them over to their place."

For Steven Seagal's sake, Wells better be right.

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ARTS BRIEF

Bley and Swallow to entertain at Clapp

At 8 p.m. today and Saturday, Clapp Recital Hall will host two cutting-edge jazz performances featuring revolutionary jazz musicians Carla Bley and Steve Swallow. Admission to both performances is free.

Tonight, they will perform with the Johnson County Landmark Jazz Band, playing "Carla Goes to Church." Johnson County Landmark, the UI's top jazz band, will perform Bley's work exclusively.

On Saturday, Bley and Swallow will perform with the UI jazz faculty. The concert will include Swallow's "Deconstructed" and "Always Pack Your Uniform on Top" as well as music from Bley's "4x4."

UI jazz studies director John Rapson described their music as, "Quirky...earthy...ironic...witty...nuanced...cutting edge material with a personal stamp."

Bley was originally introduced to music through religion; she played organ and piano at church. As a teenager, she became interested in jazz and

eventually moved to New York in 1960. Since then, she has produced more than 20 recordings.

Swallow began his studies on piano and trumpet and turned to acoustic bass at age 14. After studying composition at Harvard and performing in many different jazz groups, he picked up the electric bass. Swallow has played with such musicians as Dizzy Gillespie, George Benson, Herbie Hancock and Bob Moses. He joined Bley's band in 1978.

—by Mark Wilson

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CITY & NATION

Local Procter & Gamble plant avoids layoffs

■ The manufacturer plans to cut 9 percent of its 110,000 member workforce.

By Danielle Plogmann
The Daily Iowan

In an effort to increase competitiveness, Procter & Gamble Co. announced Thursday that 9 percent of its 110,000-member international work force will be eliminated.

The company is still working on a plan to execute cuts in other countries, but cuts in the United States will begin immediately. Although nearly a third of the cuts will be made in manufacturing, local officials say employees of Iowa City's Procter & Gamble plant will not lose their jobs.

"We're not expecting this announcement to have any impact here," said local plant manager Mike Burnette following Thursday's decision.

Burnette has been in close contact with the corporate office, he said, and has been assured that local jobs are not and will not be in jeopardy.

"With respect to the (Iowa

City) plant, I don't think there was a lot of uncertainty," said Don Jackson, a Procter & Gamble human-relations manager.

The *Wall Street Journal* ran an article Wednesday detailing potential large-scale cuts within Procter & Gamble. Jackson said that the article likely caused the community to believe there was uneasiness within the plant which did not, in fact, exist.

According to Procter & Gamble, the recent measures are necessary to boost sales and ensure long-term preservation in the face of a declining economy.

Overhead costs for the Iowa City plant will decrease with the work force cut, Burnette said. The eliminations will also lessen bureaucracy, which should result in faster decision-making within the corporation.

Procter & Gamble, based in Cincinnati, Ohio, is the maker of among other products, Crest toothpaste and Tide.

The Associated Press contributed to this report. DI reporter Danielle Plogmann can be reached at: danielle-plogmann@uiowa.edu

Former Rep. Mezvinsky indicted for fraud

■ The Democrat, formerly from Iowa City, is charged with 56 counts of fraud.

By Joann Loviglio
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Former U.S. Rep. Ed Mezvinsky was indicted Thursday on charges that he lied to banks and defrauded clients, including his mother-in-law, in a \$10.4 million scheme.

Mezvinsky, 64, a Democrat who represented Iowa's 1st District from 1973 to 1977, maintaining a residence in Iowa City, was charged with 56 counts of fraud and related offenses in an indictment handed up by a federal grand jury.

His wife, former Rep. Marjorie Margolies-Mezvinsky, D-Pa., who has been named as a co-defendant in lawsuits against her husband, was not charged in the indictment.

Ed Mezvinsky was expected to appear for an arraignment within the next two weeks, said his attorney, Mark E. Cedrone.

"Mr. Mezvinsky denies crimi-

nal culpability but regrets that his friends and creditors have suffered any losses as a result of his conduct," Cedrone said.

Ed Mezvinsky was a member of the House Judiciary Committee that voted to impeach then-President Nixon. His loss in 1976, to current 1st District Rep. Jim Leach, R-Iowa, stunned many Iowa Democrats because the election went strongly Democratic.

U.S. Attorney Michael Stiles said Ed Mezvinsky "succeeded in defrauding others and gaining their confidence in part by stressing his lengthy experience in national and international affairs and his acquaintance with prominent political figures."

The indictment said Ed Mezvinsky, while working as a lawyer from 1989 through 1999, incurred large personal and business losses. To meet his expenses, he made false statements to banks, forged bank statements, and embezzled money from clients, the indictment said.

Ed Mezvinsky also was supposed to set up an investment account for his 84-year-old mother-in-law but instead took

\$300,000 of her money and used it for himself, according to the indictment.

Since 1999, Ed and Marjorie Mezvinsky have been the target of lawsuits alleging they owe millions to banks and individuals.

Ed Mezvinsky filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in January 2000 to give him time to reorganize his finances.

Marjorie Mezvinsky filed three weeks later for Chapter 7 bankruptcy, in which she was seeking liquidation of her assets through a trustee to pay her debts but could be allowed to keep some personal property. She had been raising money for a run for U.S. Senate in 2000 but dropped out in January 2000, citing her mother's ailing health.

Creditors were seeking at least \$7.4 million from the couple, who live in the Philadelphia suburb of Narberth.

After leaving Congress, he moved to Pennsylvania, where he served as the chairman of the Democratic State Committee before running an unsuccessful campaign for state attorney gen-

eral in 1988.

Margolies-Mezvinsky, a former network TV news reporter, served in the U.S. House from 1993 to 1995. She lost her bid for re-election after casting the deciding vote in favor of former President Clinton's tax-raising budget in 1993 — a budget plan she had originally opposed.

Margolies-Mezvinsky was the Democratic Party's nominee for lieutenant governor in 1998.

The couple are close friends of the Clintons, with Hillary Rodham Clinton having attended fund-raising dinners in Margolies-Mezvinsky's honor. Also, Chelsea Clinton is close friends with Margolies-Mezvinsky's son, Marc. The two met several years ago during a Renaissance Weekend in Hilton Head Island, S.C.

The charges against Ed Mezvinsky carry a maximum penalty of 501 years in federal prison and \$21 million in fines. Under federal sentencing guidelines, he would likely face 87 to 108 months if convicted, prosecutors said.

2nd school shooting shocks San Diego

■ Three students and two teachers are wounded by an 18-year-old.

By Bernie Wilson
Associated Press

EL CAJON, Calif. — An 18-year-old student opened fire at his high school Thursday, wounding three classmates and two teachers before he was shot by a police officer who engaged him in a running gun battle, authorities said.

There was no immediate

indication what triggered the violence at Granite Hills High School, which came less than three weeks after two students were killed at a nearby school in Santee.

The suspect, identified by authorities as Jason Hoffman, was shot in the jaw and buttocks, the most serious injuries stemming from the violence.

Shotgun pellet wounds suffered by the students and teacher were not life-threatening, hospital and police officials said. Five other students

and adults were treated for various other injuries, none of them serious.

Junior Roger Pollock, 16, was in math class taking a test when he heard a rapid succession of about six shots.

"I heard my teacher say, 'Is that a skateboard?' I said, 'Nope, that's not a skateboard. That's for real,'" he said.

He said he looked outside the window and saw a young man with blood on his face. Everyone in the class then ducked. The students stayed

in the room for 20 minutes, until police escorted them out.

Police Capt. Bill McClurg said Officer Richard Agundez was stationed at the school, heard the gunfire, and reported it by radio. He then found the suspect.

"They had a slight running gun battle at the school," McClurg said.

The midday shooting sparked a confusing scene, with officers scrambling across the campus as many of the 2,900 students fled to a nearby park.

CITY & NATION BRIEFS

Man charged with allegedly assaulting driver

An Iowa City man was charged Thursday after allegedly punching through a car window and assaulting the driver.

Trapayne C. Batie, 19, 632 S. Dodge St. No. 5, was charged with rioting Thursday in connection with a March 9 incident.

According to court reports: Batie witnessed a car accident in the Robert A. Lee Community Recreation Center parking lot, 220 S. Gilbert St. Following the accident, Batie and at least three others pursued the vehicle to the intersection of Burlington and Gilbert streets.

Batie and the others kicked and hit the car, causing the driver-side window to break. The driver of the vehicle was then allegedly assaulted.

Police said Batie was identified by four witnesses as a participant in the

attack; he remains in the Johnson County Jail on a \$5,000 cash-only bond.

— by Kellie Doyle

Police charge man with weapons trafficking

A Coralville man was charged with trafficking in stolen weapons Wednesday after an investigation at his residence allegedly found him in possession of a B.F.I. .223 caliber rifle.

According to court reports: In December 2000, a search warrant was performed for controlled substances and weapons at the home of Timothy Messier, 18. During the investigation, police allegedly seized the rifle and a quantity of marijuana from Messier's bedroom.

Officers later discovered that the rifle was stolen from an Iowa City residence on Oct. 17, 2000.

Messier, who declined to com-

ment, was released on his own recognizance.

— by Kellie Doyle

Police crack down on Ped Mall recreation

As the weather becomes warmer, the Iowa City police are reminding residents that biking, rollerblading and skateboarding are prohibited on the Pedestrian Mall.

Bicycles can be walked through the Ped Mall, but rollerblades, skateboards and animals are prohibited.

Sgt. Mike Brotherton said a large number of tickets have been given out this week, and officers will continue to patrol the area this spring and summer.

"There are signs posted up throughout the Ped Mall, but you have to be very observant to see them," he said.

An individual who uses a skateboard, rollerblades or bicycle unlawfully will be issued a \$28 citation.

— by Tony Robinson

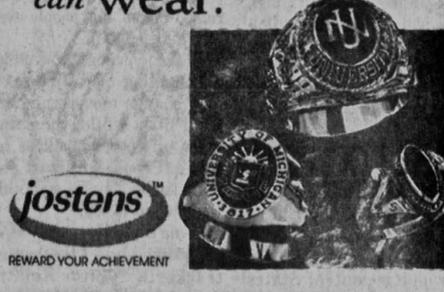
Bush says U.S. can work with Russia despite expulsions

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush sought to keep U.S. relations with Russia on an even keel Thursday, but a furious Kremlin was threatening to match the ouster of more than 50 Russian diplomats suspected of undercover intelligence activities.

The warning was conveyed privately as well as publicly by Russian authorities. "Naturally, we will easily find" U.S. diplomats to be expelled "in a more painful form to the U.S. than it was in our case," Sergei Ivanov, the chief of Russia's influential Security Council, said during a visit to Warsaw.

The Bush administration countered that there was no comparable contingent of U.S. undercover agents in Russia and that no American there had infiltrated Russia's counterintelligence operation as FBI agent Robert Hanssen stands accused of doing.

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CLINICS
Tuesday, March 27th – 8:00-10:00 p.m.
Carver-Hawkeye Arena

Wednesday, March 28th – 8:00-10:00 p.m.
Carver-Hawkeye Arena

Thursday, March 29th – 8:00-10:00 p.m.
Carver-Hawkeye Arena

TRYOUT
Sunday, April 1st – 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Carver-Hawkeye Arena

REQUIREMENTS
Crowd Leadership
Tumbling
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Monday, March 26 – 6:00-7:00 p.m.
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Carver-Hawkeye Arena – Big Ten Room (level 3)

TRYOUT
Sunday, April 1st – 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Carver-Hawkeye Arena

IOWA DANCE TEAM

INFORMATIONAL MEETING
Monday, March 19th – 9:00-9:30 p.m.
Fieldhouse S507

CLINICS
Friday, March 30th – 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Fieldhouse North Gym

Saturday, March 31st – 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Fieldhouse S507

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Sunday, April 1st – 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Carver-Hawkeye Arena

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Crowd Leadership

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The Skinny: Watch to see which teams advance to the Elite Eight from the South and Midwest. Michigan State vs. Kansas, are just games.

NBA

7 p.m. Charlotte

GOLF

11 a.m. Players

SPORT

How many corners? Gonzaga made See answer, Page 5B.

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San Antonio 111
Atlanta 107

Cleveland 100
Vancouver 95

Boston 113
New Jersey 99

Portland 107
Utah 99

NHL

Boston 3
Montreal 4

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Colorado 3

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UCLA 60

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ON THE AIR

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The Skinny: Watch to see which teams advance to the Elite Eight from the South and Midwest regional. Michigan State vs. Gonzaga and Illinois vs. Kansas, are just two of tonight's games.



NBA
 7 p.m. Charlotte at Chicago, TNT
GOLF
 11 a.m. Players Championship, USA

SPORTS QUIZ

How many consecutive times has Gonzaga made the Sweet 16? See answer, Page 2B.

SCOREBOARD

NBA			
San Antonio	115	Phoenix	
Atlanta	101	Seattle	late
Cleveland	109	Detroit	
Vancouver	95	Sacramento	late
Boston	113	Houston L.A.	
New Jersey	98	Clippers	late
Portland	101		
Utah	99		
NHL			
Boston	3	St. Louis	1
Montreal	2	Nashville	2
Detroit	4	Chicago	1
Minnesota	2	Philadelphia	
Atlanta	2	Calgary	late
Tampa Bay	0	Ottawa	
Colorado	3	San Jose	late
MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS			
USC	80	Maryland	76
Kentucky	76	Georgetown	66
Duke	76	Stanford	78
UCLA	63	Cincinnati	65

HAWKEYE SPORTS

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 3 p.m. Softball, vs. Wisconsin-Green Bay, Pearl Field
 6 p.m. Women's gymnastics, at Big Ten Championships

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SPORTS BRIEF

No fracture in Bryant's ankle
 EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (AP) — Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant has soft tissue inflammation and a sore left foot, X-rays showed Thursday.
 Bryant, who is averaging 29.2 points, 6.1 rebounds and 4.8 assists, was examined by Dr. Phil Kwong of the Kerlan-Jobe HealthSound Orthopaedic Clinic, Lakers spokesman John Black said.
 "Results of X-rays and an MRI exam showed no fracture," Black said.

NCAA TOURNAMENT SWEET 16

USC fights off Kentucky

■ The Trojans continue a quest for their school's first Final Four berth since 1954.

By Hal Bock
 Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — With the game on the line, Southern California made sure David Bluthenthal would go to the line.
 Bluthenthal, an 80-percent free-throw shooter, hit five straight foul shots in the final half-minute Thursday night as USC hung on for an 80-76 victory over Kentucky in the NCAA tournament.

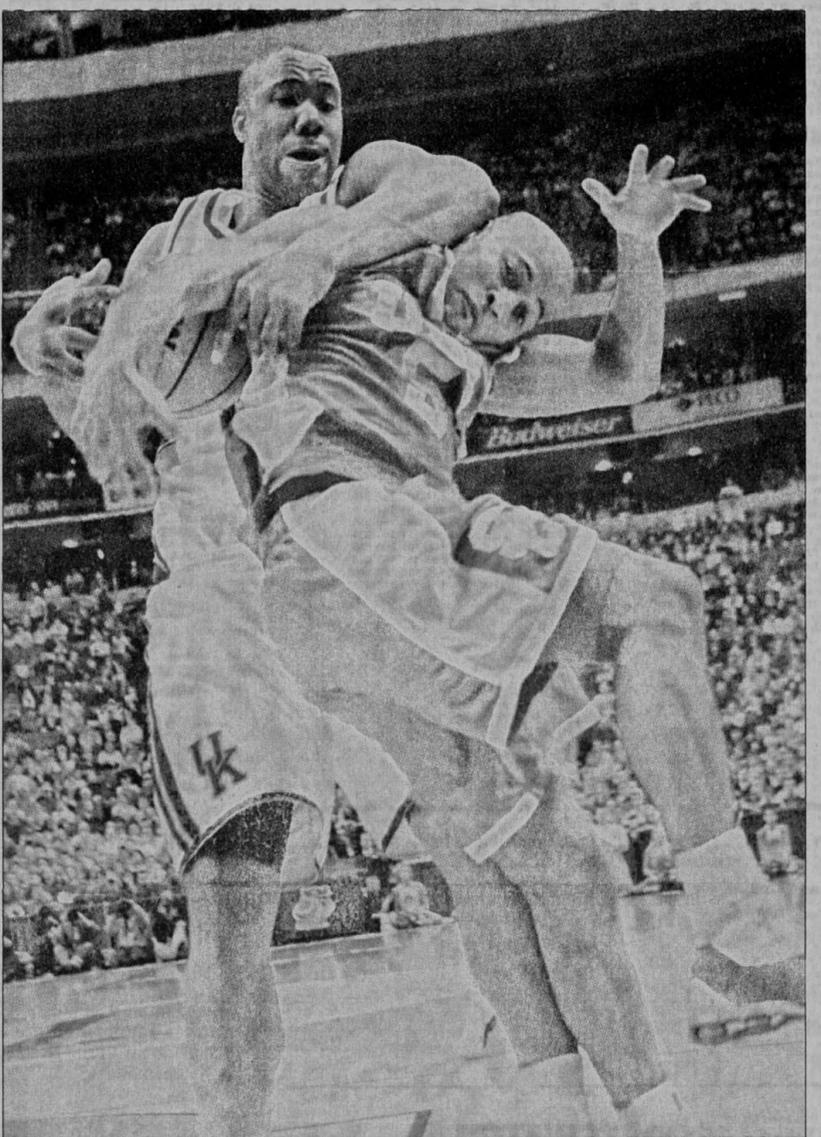
The sixth-seeded Trojans (24-9), seeking their first Final Four berth since 1954, advanced to Saturday's East Regional championship game against the winner of the Duke-UCLA game.

USC used some sizzling first-half shooting and took advantage of a jittery, young Kentucky team in building a 21-point lead. Then, the proud Wildcats staged a furious second-half comeback, twice shaving the lead down to one point.
 It was 75-74 with 32 seconds to play when Bluthenthal, who led all scorers with 27 points and had six 3-pointers, took over. Every time USC put the ball inbounds, Bluthenthal took the pass. And every time he took the pass, he was fouled.

That was fine with USC.
 "We have total confidence in David," coach Henry Bibby said. "That's the guy we wanted to get fouled. He's an 80-percent shooter. I think it went the way we wanted."
 Bluthenthal was happy to carry the burden at the end. "I knew if I was going to the line, I was going to make those shots," he said. "It wasn't really hard to knock those free throws down."

At the start of the game, USC seemed to be making every shot. The Trojans hit 12 of their first 17 shots and built a 31-10 lead in the first 10 minutes. Meanwhile, second-seeded Kentucky (24-10) was staggering, sinking in a sea of air balls, missed shots and turnovers.

With coach Tubby Smith stamping his foot on the sidelines, the Wildcats seemed lost,



Associated Press
 Kentucky's Jason Parker fights for the ball with Southern California's Brandon Granville in the second half of their NCAA East Regional in Philadelphia Thursday.

unable to make shots or hang on to the ball. Kentucky managed just four baskets in the first eight minutes and one of them by Marvin Stone barely beat the 35-second clock.
 "We felt we were getting

open looks but we were not hitting," said point guard Saul Smith, who finished with five 3-pointers. "We dug ourselves a big hole by not doing enough on the defensive end when we needed to."

Hawkeyes looking to build on streak

■ The men's gymnastics team faces some good competition this weekend.

By Laura Podolak
 The Daily Iowan

Since coach Tom Dunn's reign began in 1981, the Iowa men's gymnastic program has been recognized as a perennial powerhouse. During the past 20 years, Dunn's teams have finished in top three spots 15 times and have only finished lower than fourth in the Big Ten conference once.

Iowa will attempt to keep that streak alive this weekend as it travels to the Big Ten Championships in State College, Pa. on March 23-24.

Iowa easily handled Minnesota early in the season, but then the Golden Gophers rebounded, defeating both Michigan and Michigan State. Ohio State and Illinois have



Meghan Bruno/The Daily Iowan
 Iowa gymnast Kevin Agnew performs on the rings in competition with Oklahoma on Feb. 3 at the Field House.

been the most consistent throughout the season, but with the roller coaster of upsets, the door to the Big Ten Championship sheds a dash of light for the Hawkeyes.

Going into this weekend, junior Don Jackson proudly carries a 9.850 score on the pommel horse. The Littleton, Colo., native has increasingly bettered his marks throughout the season to prime himself for his second Big Ten title in the event.

Jackson, also the defending national champion on pommel horse, is tied for second in the nation with Clay Strother from Minnesota.
 "I think that it will be a three-way battle," Dunn said. "Because all three guys at the top are in the Big Ten."

The pommel horse has also been an area of concentration for the rest of the team. Dunn said the gymnasts have put extra effort into the event during

Iowa is hoping for postseason glory

■ The Hawkeyes are having one of the best seasons in school history.

By Jeremy Shapiro
 The Daily Iowan

Though the wrestling and basketball seasons are over, Iowa still has one more winter sport with an opportunity for postseason glory.

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Still, things are not all smiles in GymHawk land. First, Iowa has about as much postseason experience as the Los Angeles Clippers do in the NBA — virtually none. While Iowa competes in the

IOWA SOFTBALL

Hawks coming home

■ The Iowa softball team will have to deal with muddy playing fields in its home opening weekend.

By Melinda Mawdsley
 The Daily Iowan

Behind solid pitching and explosive offensive performances, the Iowa softball team is off to an impressive 19-6 start.

The Hawkeyes have spent the first 25 games in the dirt of sunny California, Arizona and Texas. Now it's time to begin the home season, no matter what the forecast says.

Puddles of muddy water are scattered around the Pearl Field infield, where Iowa, along with Colorado State and Wisconsin-Green Bay, are scheduled to play this weekend in the two-day Hawkeye Classic.

Hawkeye coach Gayle Blevins said she is not sure if Iowa's home field will be suitable to play on, but there are other options. If Pearl Field remains a muddy mess, the tournament will be played on one of the three practice fields that surround the game diamond.

Since Wednesday, those same diamonds are where Iowa has been forced to practice.

While the weather hasn't cooperated with many of the Midwestern schools, the Hawkeyes have taken advantage of the opportunity to travel South and West and face talented competition.

Three of their six losses have come at the hands of national-



Blevins
 Iowa coach

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Though the wrestling and basketball seasons are over, Iowa still has one more winter sport with an opportunity for postseason glory.

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Still, things are not all smiles in GymHawk land. First, Iowa has about as much postseason experience as the Los Angeles Clippers do in the NBA — virtually none. While Iowa competes in the

Big Ten Championships every year, it usually finishes well behind the leader. This group of gymnasts has never qualified for regionals as a team, much less nationals.

However, the resurgent GymHawks have hit a snag. After a seven-game winning streak with scores in the 196 range, Iowa slumped the past week, posting back-to-back scores in the 193s and losing badly to archrival Iowa State on March 20.

The reason can be traced to falls on the various events; Iowa suffered four-and-a-half falls against the Cyclones. These are automatic deductions in the score, with 0.5 points usually taken off for each one. If a team has more the one fall, its score will drop

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SPORTS

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TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

ANAHEIM ANGELS—Agreed to terms with OF Tim Salmon on a four-year contract extension.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Released RHP Scott Kamieniecki.

TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Optioned RHP Jesus Colome and C Toby Hall to Durham of the International League. Sent LHP Bobby Sear to Orlando of the Southern League.

TEXAS RANGERS—Optioned RHP Aaron Myette and 1B Carlos Pena to Oklahoma of the PCL. Reassigned C Luis Taveras to their minor league camp.

National League

CHICAGO CUBS—Assigned RHP Rob Stauffer, INF Chad Meyers, INF Tracy Coquille, C Brian Banks and C Mike Mahoney to their minor league camp.

CINCINNATI REDS—Optioned RHP Jared Fernandez and C Tim Spehr to their minor league camp. Optioned OF Willy Mo Pena to Dayton of the Midwest League.

FLORIDA MARLINS—Paid financial considerations to Toronto to complete the Jan. 16 trade that sent OF Chad Mottola to Florida for a player to be named. Optioned INF Nate Rollins to Calgary of the PCL and RHP Brian Neal to Portland of the Eastern League.

Assigned OF Cesar Crespo to their minor league camp.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Optioned LHP Onan Masoa and RHP Luke Proctop to Las Vegas of the PCL. Assigned RHP Doug Linton, LHP Todd Rizzo and LHP Matt Whisenant to their minor league camp.

MONTREAL EXPOS—Optioned INF Tomas De La Rosa and INF Ryan Minor to Ottawa of the International League. Sent LHP Terry Burrows, RHP Bobby Munoz and OF Curtis Pride to the minor league camp.

Atlantic League

SOMERSET PATRIOTS—Re-signed OF Michael Warner.

Northern League

FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS—Re-signed 2B Doug Livingston, OF Eddie Rivero and 1B-DH Mark Burk.

SIoux FALLS CANARIES—Traded LHP to Somerset for cash. Traded INF Damian Blen-Ferray to Allentown for a player to be named. Signed LHP Matt Smith and RHP Elvis Correa.

WINNIPEG GOLDFEATHERS—Signed RHP Donnie Taylor, INF Dan Grice and OF Jason Clark.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

DENVER NUGGETS—Activated G Gilbert Cheaney. Waived F Mark Strickland.

NEW JERSEY NETS—Signed G Doug Overton to a 10-day contract. Placed F-C Jamie Feick on the injured list. ABA 2000

KANSAS CITY KNIGHTS—Signed G Jeff Sheppard and F Silas Mills.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

DENVER BRONCOS—Signed DT Leon Lett.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed DE Anthony Pleasant and CB Terrence Shaw.

ST. LOUIS RAMS—Signed S Kim Herring to a five-year contract. Released S Keith Lyle.

Canadian Football League

HAMILTON TIGER-CATS—Signed CB Dedic Matis, DE Ron Wlase and DE Jarrod Tippens.

Arena Football League

INDIANA FIREBIRDS—Signed DS Ray Jackson. Re-signed QB Raymond Philyaw, WR-DB Jay Jones and WR-LB Carl Sacco.

XFL

BIRMINGHAM THUNDERBOLTS—Placed LB Patrick Scott on injured reserve.

CHICAGO ENFORCERS—Waived DT Nathan Davis.

LOS ANGELES XTREME—Waived G Derrick Graham.

ORLANDO RAGE—Waived LB Joe Cumming.

HAWAII

SAN FRANCISCO DEMONS—Placed S Pete Destefano on the practice squad. Activated CB Terrill Sutton from the practice squad.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Assigned F Chris Nielsen and F Bill Bowler to Syracuse of the AHL.

FLORIDA PANTHERS—Recalled RW Rocky Thompson and RW Ivan Novotny from Louisville of the AHL.

LOS ANGELES KINGS—Acquired C Jared Aulin from the Colorado Avalanche to complete a Feb. 21 trade.

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Recalled RW Alexei Ponkarov from St. John's of the AHL.

CENTRAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

OKLAHOMA CITY BLAZERS—Signed RW Barkley Sauter.

East Coast Hockey League

BATON ROUGE KINGFISH—Added G Mike Veisor to the roster.

BIRMINGHAM BULLS—Announced F Edward Pershin has been called up by Cleveland of the IHL and G Ryan Hoople has been called up by Detroit of the IHL. Added LW Randy Davidson to the roster.

JACKSON BANDITS—Added F Denis Berthelot and F Shawn Mansoff to the roster.

LOUISIANA ICEGATORS—Activated RW Ryan Shanahan from injured reserve.

MISSISSIPPI SEA WOLVES—Added G Doug Cherry to the roster.

MOBILE MYSTICS—Added D Dave Van Druenen to the roster.

NEW ORLEANS BRASS—Added LW-C Mike Sandbeck to the roster.

SOUTH CAROLINA STINGRAYS—Placed C Greg Schmidt on injured reserve.

SOCCER

U.S. SOCCER—Named Jerry Smith coach of the under-21 women's national team. Major League Soccer

KANSAS CITY WIZARDS—Announced the retirement of D Uche Okator.

COLLEGE

DEPAUL—Announced sophomore George Baker has left the men's basketball team.

HOFSTRA—Named Brian Vaganek defensive line coach and Adam Brown part-time assistant coach.

WEST VIRGINIA—Named Mike Carey women's basketball coach and signed him to a three-year contract.

WOMEN'S NIT GLANCE

First Round

Wednesday, March 14

Indiana 66, Middle Tennessee 63

Ohio State 61, Cincinnati 50

Georgetown 66, George Mason 56

Western Kentucky 95, Mississippi 92

Thursday, March 15

Alabama 77, Memphis 67

Mississippi St. 77, Georgia Tech 73

Illinois 96, Wis.-Green Bay 79

New Mexico 72, Houston 49

Arizona 85, Pepperdine 65

UNLV 59, Loyola Marymount 56

Hawaii 73, Santa Clara 57

Friday, March 16

Oklahoma State 79, North Texas 67

Alabama-Birmingham 96, Florida International 83

DePaul 76, Northern Iowa 73, OT

Brigham Young 78, Oregon St. 63

Second Round

Saturday, March 17

Western Kentucky 64, Indiana 63

James Madison 78, Georgetown 74

Mississippi State 86, Illinois 77

New Mexico 75, Arizona 62

Sunday, March 18

Ohio State 73, DePaul 62

Oklahoma State 71, UNLV 67

Alabama-Birmingham 84, Alabama 72

Monday, March 19

Hawaii 77, Brigham Young 73

Third Round

Tuesday, March 20

James Madison 63, Mississippi State 61

Ohio State 70, Western Kentucky 61

Wednesday, March 21

New Mexico 77, Alabama-Birmingham 55

NBA GLANCE

All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Philadelphia 48 20 706 —

New York 41 26 8126 1/2

Miami 41 27 603 7

Orlando 37 31 544 11

Boston 30 38 441 18

New Jersey 23 48 32426 1/2

Washington 17 51 250 31

Central Division

Milwaukee 42 25 627 —

Charlotte 40 28 5862 1/2

Toronto 32 52296 1/2

Indiana 30 37 448 12

Cleveland 25 43 36817 1/2

Detroit 25 43 36817 1/2

Atlanta 21 48 304 22

Chicago 11 26 164 31

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

San Antonio 49 20 710 —

Utah 46 21 687 2

New York 42 25 6325 1/2

Minnesota 40 28 5888 1/2

Houston 38 30 55910 1/2

Denver 33 35 48515 1/2

Vancouver 20 50 28229 1/2

Pacific Division

Sacramento 45 21 682 —

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Portland 45 24 6521 1/2

Phoenix 39 27 591 6

Seattle 37 33 529 10

L.A. Clippers 24 45 34822 1/2

Golden State 16 52 235 30

Thursday's Games

San Antonio 115, Atlanta 101

Cleveland 109, Vancouver 95

Boston 113, New Jersey 98

Portland 101, Utah 99

Phoenix at Seattle, 10 p.m.

San Antonio at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Houston at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Friday's Games

Atlanta at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Vancouver at Indiana, 7 p.m.

San Antonio at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Denver at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Charlotte at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Orlando at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.

Philadelphia at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

Washington at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Denver at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.

Charlotte at Dallas, 8 p.m.

Washington at Utah, 9 p.m.

Detroit at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Detroit at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

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Home Runs

SSosa, Chicago, 50; Bonds, San Francisco, 49;

Bagwell, Houston, 47; Hidalgo, Houston, 44;

VGuerrero, Montreal, 44; Sheffield, Los Angeles, 43;

Hellon, Colorado, 42; Edmonds, St. Louis, 42.

Runs Batted In

Hellon, Colorado, 147; SSoza, Chicago, 138;

Bagwell, Houston, 132; Kent, San Francisco, 125;

VGuerrero, Montreal, 123; Giles, Pittsburgh, 123;

Hidalgo, Houston, 122; Pritchett (17 Decisions)

RDJohnson, Arizona, 19-7, 731; Estes, San

Francisco, 15-6, 714; Elarton, Houston, 17-7, 708;

Glavine, Atlanta, 21-9, 700; Kile, St. Louis, 20-9,

690; KBrown, Los Angeles, 13-6, 684; GMaddux,

Atlanta, 19-9, 679.

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CDelgado Tor 162 569 115 196 344

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MJSweeney KC 159 618 105 206 333

JaGiambi Oak 152 510 108 170 333

Segal Cle 150 574 93 191 333

Thomas CHW 159 582 115 191 328

Damon KC 159 655 136 214 327

Home Runs

Glavine, Anaheim, 47; JaGiambi, Oakland, 43;

Thomas, Chicago, 43; TBaltista, Toronto, 41;

ARodriguez, Seattle, 41; CDelgado, Toronto, 41;

Justice, New York, 41.

Runs Batted In

ElMartinez, Seattle, 145; MJSweeney, Kansas City,

144; Thomas, Chicago, 143; JaGiambi, Oakland,

137; CDelgado, Toronto, 137; ARodriguez, Seattle,

132; MOrdonez, Chicago, 126. Pitching (17

Decisions)

ElMartinez, Seattle, 14-5, 769; PMartinez, Boston, 18-

6, 750; Burba, Cleveland, 16-6, 727; DWells,

Toronto, 20-8, 714; Parque, Chicago, 13-6, 684;

Pettitte, New York, 19-9, 679; Baldwin, Chicago, 14-

7, 667; Mercedes, Baltimore, 14-7, 667.

NHL GLANCE

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Atlantic Division

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Philadelphia 40 21 10 2 92 222

Pittsburgh 36 26 9 2 83 246

N.Y. Rangers 28 39 5 1 62 225

N.Y. Islanders 20 44 6

SPORTS

Young Hawks to battle Ohio St., Penn St.

Iowa anticipates some tough matches.

By Nick Firchau
The Daily Iowan

For the Iowa women's tennis team, two losses to higher-ranked teams it suffered over Spring Break seemed to serve as a reminder of what the team isn't quite capable of doing just yet.

This weekend, however, should provide an opportunity for the team to show whom it can realistically compete with, as the Hawks return to Big Ten competition against Ohio State Saturday and Penn State on March 25.

Saturday's meet is scheduled for a 9 a.m. start at the UI Recreation Building, while the meet

with the Nittany Lions will begin at 10 a.m. in the North Dodge Athletic Center.

"These will both be very hard matches, probably 4-3 type matches," Iowa coach Paul Wardlaw said. "Everybody is playing pretty solid, so I think we'll be in good shape for the weekend. The hard part is figuring out what our lineup's going to be because we have so many variables."

The team's lineup for its two matches last week should be similar to this weekend's lineup, with the exception of the return of freshman Pascale Veraverbeke, Wardlaw said.

The No. 36 Hawkeyes (6-4, 1-1 in the Big Ten) will once again be forced to compete against older, more experienced teams this

weekend. However, neither the Buckeyes nor the Nittany Lions enter this weekend ranked any higher in the nation than Iowa. OSU (9-5) plummeted from No. 21 to 40th in the latest ITP rankings, while Penn State (9-3) is ranked No. 50.

"Everybody's older than us," Wardlaw said about the age of his team. "That's not very hard to do. Both teams are more of a veteran team, including Penn State, which only has one freshman."

The Hawkeyes, on the other hand, will once again have four freshmen hit the courts this weekend. Freshman Jennifer Hodgman, who, along with senior Erica Johnson, was the only singles player to pick up a win in the last two meets — against Arizona State and Fresno State —

has proven to have little trouble adjusting to the collegiate spring schedule. Hodgman upped her record to 8-2 for the season with a win against Fresno State.

"She's been our most consistent performer all year," Wardlaw said about the No. 6 singles player. "You know every day you're going to get a great effort, and to her credit, she's also getting the results. You really can't complain at the end of the day when you're 8-2."

The Hawkeyes lead the all-time series against both teams, including a 5-2 win last season over OSU that stood out as the Buckeyes' only Big Ten loss of the season.

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Men's tennis looks to continue good start

Things are heating up for the Hawkeyes.

By Nick Firchau
The Daily Iowan

After a Spring Break with mixed results, and with a taxing Big Ten schedule looming, things have gotten a little heated over at the UI Recreation Building for the Iowa men's tennis team.

Coach Steve Houghton wouldn't want it any other way for his team, which will get its first taste of Big Ten competition when it plays host to Indiana and Purdue this weekend.

The Hawkeyes (8-3) will square off against the Hoosiers (8-4, 0-2 Big Ten) Saturday at 1 p.m. and will face the Boilermakers (9-3, 1-1 Big Ten) on March 25 at 12:30 p.m. Both matches will be held at the Rec Building, where Iowa is 5-0.

"Guys are a combination of being fired up and also stressed out about their games at the same time," Houghton said. "It's a typical thing before Big Ten matches, when guys are real self-critical, which is good because they really care about these matches."

"But they need to mellow out about some of this stuff, too."

Iowa's quick start this season has been anything but mellow, including a 5-1 stretch over the last six meets dating back to Feb.

24. Houghton said the team's record doesn't surprise him and neither does the play of No. 1 singles player senior Tyler Cleveland, who heads into Big Ten play with a 10-1 record.

"In some ways, he's better than last year," Houghton said. "He's better around the net than he was, so he's made some improvements. He's playing some real good tennis right now."

Cleveland should have his hands full this weekend with Purdue senior Jason Marshall, who won the 1999 Big Ten singles title after defeating Cleveland in the quarterfinals. Cleveland returned the favor last season with a win over Marshall in the teams' dual meet, and the Hawk-

eye went on to win the singles title.

"That guy plays Tyler very well; they have had some real battles against each other," Houghton said. "Their match should have some real, real good play."

While Cleveland and sophomore Stuart Waters have anchored the top two singles spots, as well as earning a national ranking of 20th at No. 1 doubles, a recent injury to sophomore Hunter Skogman has forced junior Tom Buetikofer into the singles lineup. Buetikofer went 2-1 on the team's three-meet trip to New Mexico over spring break.

"It felt great to be out there, considering the last time I played

singles was the fall of 1999," Buetikofer said. "I'm getting my serve back up to speed and my consistency is getting better, so I look forward to being an effective grinder out there."

Buetikofer agreed with Houghton on how the team is reacting to facing two of the early season's strongest competitors in Indiana and Purdue.

"There's a lot of intensity out there," Buetikofer said. "You get some guys getting too fired up sometimes, and they're throwing their rackets. But it's really just some good competitiveness going on because the lineup's not set in stone."

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Saga has happy ending

■ Knight-firing fallout ends on a somewhat positive note.

By Jim Litke
Associated Press

In coaching circles, this is what passes for a happy ending:

Six months ago, a chance meeting and a few flip words — “Hey, what’s up, Knight?” — turned the worlds of three people upside down.

The old coach who lost his job finally landed a new one a thousand or so miles away. The assistant who got stuck cleaning up the mess found a home. And the kid who fled the Indiana campus fearing for his life, well, he’s found religion.

“I’m living such a different life than I was back then,” Kent Harvey said Wednesday.

The 19-year-old freshman was speaking from Indianapolis, where he now attends a different branch of the state university known as IUPUI. Last fall, Harvey was walking across the lobby of Assembly Hall in Bloomington, Ind., one day when he saw Bob Knight coming the other way. Harvey blurted out that now-infamous greeting and got a blistering lecture from Knight in return as the coach held his arm. Harvey left the campus that afternoon, too scared to turn on the TV at his hiding place for days.

When he did, he saw pictures of students hanging him in effigy. Others were burning flags with his name on it. Harvey prayed that night — hard. Things have been looking up pretty much ever since.

“I have so much to be thankful for,” Harvey said. “I’m so blessed.”

Some two dozen coaches would like to be able to say the same a year from now.

Earlier this week, there were 26 coaching vacancies among the 318 Division I basketball-playing schools. Within a few hours, Rick Pitino, college basketball’s ancient mariner, confirmed he was taking over from the retiring Denny Crum at Louisville, and Mike Davis, the Knight assistant, got to keep the job at Indiana after a very public, very painful audition.

“I always thought I’d get the job, from day one,” Davis said. “There were a lot of people I cut off and stopped talking to because I didn’t want to hear the negativity.”

Assuming no more negativity latches on to Knight by this afternoon, Texas Tech officials plan to unveil him as the new coach an hour or so after the end of a state-mandated 10-day waiting period.

“What better thing could happen for Texas Tech,” university President David Schmidly said. “He’s one of the best basketball coaches to ever live. If we could get him here and his behavior is right, he is energetic, enthused and has the same values that all of us in west Texas and Texas Tech have, it would be a very good decision on our part.”

The rest of us will reserve judgment on that score. But considering the high-stakes poker game that coaching the college game has become, the temptation is to say so far, so good.

Tech wanted attention, a competitive team and a program that graduates at least a few of its student-athletes. Knight will deliver on all three, probably in ways the school’s administration never dared dream about.

Indiana wanted someone like Knight — minus the evil twin — and Davis did a passable imitation. Following a Hall of Fame coach and inheriting a team with only two returning starters and no seniors, Davis went 21-12 before the Hoosiers folded up in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

“This is not your ordinary basketball program,” IU Vice President Terry Clapacs said. “The decision that had to be made was who could keep the program at that level. The decision ended up being an easy one.”

Tech schedules news conference to hire Knight

■ Lubbock residents support the university’s decision.

By Pam Easton
Associated Press

LUBBOCK, Texas — Get out the red sweaters. Bob Knight is about to be Coach Knight again.

Texas Tech scheduled a news conference for this evening on the basketball court at United Spirit Arena, where the school is expected to introduce Knight as the Red Raiders’ 12th head coach.

Chancellor John Montford contacted the university’s regents Thursday and told them he would go forward with hiring Knight, said Regent James Sowell.

“He’s one of the winningest all-time coaches,” Sowell said after Montford told him of the university’s plans. “He’s proven that he is a winner. Typically, when you hire a



Robin M. Cornett/Associated Press

Bobby Knight pauses during a news conference at the United Spirit Arena on the Texas Tech campus on March 15 in Lubbock, Texas. Knight will be offered the job of head coach at Texas Tech, a university official said Thursday.

coach, you hope that you are hiring a winner.”

He will replace James Dick-ey, who was fired March 9 after four consecutive losing

seasons.

Indiana fired the 60-year-old Knight last fall after he violated a zero-tolerance behavior policy imposed by

the university.

Tech Athletics Director Gerald Myers has recommended Knight to university President David Schmidly. Schmidly said he planned to accept Myers’ choice and presented the recommendations to Montford Thursday.

The Web edition of the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* reported that Knight would accept Tech’s offer.

Many in this agriculture-based city believe Tech’s decision to hire Knight will result in more Red Raider wins. Knight had 723 wins, 11 Big Ten Championships, three national championships and an Olympic gold medal during his 29 years at Indiana.

The momentum started building long before university officials scheduled the news conference.

Red Raider Outfitter, a clothing store that specializes in Texas Tech items, began printing T-shirts shortly after word

began to spread that Knight might be interested, said Stephen Spiegelberg, the vice president of retail operations.

“It’s been nuts ever since,” he said. The store has sold approximately 2,200 T-shirts welcoming Knight to Lubbock.

“Mr. Knight. We love your style. Texans for Knight — Supporting Discipline and the American work ethic,” the T-shirt says.

The store also has a red-and-black camouflage T-shirt.

If the T-shirts and excitement surrounding Knight’s arrival aren’t enough, the school hopes free sodas and popcorn will attract fans to the arena.

The basketball team’s performance hasn’t been much of a draw over the past four years. The Red Raiders finished 9-19 this season and posted an official average attendance of 9,560 in the 15,050-seat arena. However, some games had roughly 2,000 in the stands.

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Hawkeye rowers are ready to continue season after good start

Iowa's first home competition was canceled because of ice that is still on the Iowa River.

By Julie Matolo
The Daily Iowan

Though the first home regatta, which had been scheduled for March 25, for the Iowa women's rowing team has been canceled because of ice on the river, the Hawkeyes are more than ready to continue their spring season after a successful start over Spring Break.

Iowa spent the week of March 10-17 at the Longhorn Invitational in Austin, Texas, and wound up with wins in all varsity races it entered. After only one week of on-the-water training, Iowa rowers showed off their strength through three days of racing.

The first day of competition ended with Iowa's varsity rowers claiming three victories over Clemson. A dual competition with Clemson placed Iowa in first in the Second Varsity race after the Hawkeyes posted a time of 6:47.9. Iowa's boat in the First Varsity race glided

into first with a final time of 6:36.4. The Hawkeyes finished the final race of the day over Clemson with a Varsity Four performance time of 7:52.5.

"Before we began, we knew we had a challenging task," said coach Mandi Kowal. "Clemson and Texas have been on the water over a month, while we have been on the water a week. We expected to be slow off the line and didn't anticipate any big sprint. We started the racing off strong by beating Clemson in the three events and carried that momentum throughout the weekend."

Day two began with Iowa battling Texas for control of the water. Iowa beat Texas first in the Second Varsity race, turning in a time of 6:47.4, and followed that performance with a win in the First Varsity race in 6:29.0. Iowa's Varsity Four team won its race in 7:53.5.

Iowa balanced a spreading stomach flu with ideal water conditions in the third dual race to turn in another impressive team performance.

"The team handled adversity well," Kowal said. "Changing the lineup last minute is diffi-

The team handled adversity well. Changing the lineup last minute is difficult, and the whole group handled it well.

— Mandi Kowal,
Iowa coach

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The Hawkeyes ended their third competition of the spring season by defeating Tulsa in every event.

"Overall, we are pleased with the strength of our performance," Kowal said. "We are right where we want to be, and we are looking forward to working on our strength and sprint and components of the race, as well as our boatmanship skills."

The Hawkeyes will resume competition on March 31, when they travel to Lawrence, Kan., to compete against the University of Kansas and Kansas State.

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Hawkeyes looking to improve on their floor performance at Big Tens

MEN

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ing this week's practice because the event will be first up for the Hawkeyes this weekend.

Two other events have also received added attention.

"We are playing with the parallel bars a little bit; they

are still a little shaky," Dunn said. "The floor exercise was also shaky in Berkeley (on March 16). Those are the events we are focusing on."

Junior Shane de Freitas has made himself a known threat in the all-around competition, and he also leads the team on parallel bars. Sophomore Cameron Schick has continued to improve his score in the all-

around, as well as leading the team on the vault and floor exercise.

Antonio Cesar continues to impress coaches and fans alike in his first year as a Hawkeye, shining on the pommel horse and most recently the horizontal bar, where he leads the team.

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Hawkeyes will have to rely on their fantastic freshman trio

GYMHAWKS

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considerably.

"We counted four-and-a-half falls, and if you add those back, our score would have been right where we were earlier in the season when we were hitting everything," said coach Mike Lorenzen.

Still, all this trouble will be quickly forgotten with a good performance Saturday. Iowa comes in right on the borderline of grabbing a No. 2 seed at the NCAA regionals. Basically, the Hawkeyes need to move up to No. 12 in the country. The top 12 teams in the nation get the No. 1 and No. 2 seeds at regionals, held on April 7, and have a tremendous advantage for making nationals.

As for the Big Ten meet, Iowa comes in as the No. 3 team in the conference. Beating No. 7 Michigan and No. 10 Penn State will not be easy, but, if the Hawkeyes can avoid falls, they have a legitimate shot at the title. Because Minnesota and Ohio State also are capable of winning, if Iowa continues to struggle, a fifth-place finish is also conceivable.

The GymHawks will once again rely on their fantastic freshman trio. Maday will battle U.S. Olympian Elise Ray for the all-around championship. Maday, Ray and Penn State's Katie Rowland have been fighting it out all year for the best score in the conference. Iowa's other freshmen, Stephanie Gran and Brandy Killian, could also earn top-10 finishes. Sophomore Janna

Alexandrova will look for a top-three finish on the balance beam, while senior Giselle Boniforti will defend her uneven bar championship.

Iowa currently has a Regional Qualifying Score of 195.830. No. 12 BYU is at 195.975, with No. 13 Oregon State sitting at 195.875. Iowa's goal is to pass these two schools. BYU will face rival Utah on Friday, and Oregon State will compete in the PAC-10 tournament Saturday. Even if Iowa doesn't get the second seed, it will make regionals but will face tougher competition once there. The regional pairings will come out on March 26 and take into account all of this weekend's scores.

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According to players, Iowa's hitting has been amazing so far this season

SOFTBALL

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ly-ranked opponents. On March 17, Iowa avenged two previous losses against California with a 1-0 extra inning victory over the No. 3 Bears.

"I think we are further than where I personally thought we would be," junior Amber Morrow said. "Now if we can just keep growing as a team, we're going to be amazing this year."

With the loss of senior pitcher Kelly Zeilstra, there was uncertainty on whether freshman Sarah Thomson and junior Liz Dennis could replace her effectiveness and innings.

Thomson and Dennis are a combined 5-3 with an ERA of 1.25 and have provided the needed complement to defending-Big Ten Pitcher of the Year, Kristi Hanks.

In addition, junior Alicia Gerlach and senior Katy

Jendrzejewski have provided pop in the offensive lineup. With her six home runs this season, Gerlach officially has 20 career home runs, surpassing Brandi Macias' previous record of 18.

Jendrzejewski is hitting a team-high .417. "Our hitting lineup is just amazing," Morrow said. "It's such a great feeling knowing pitchers can intentionally walk through the whole lineup."

Colorado State (8-21) and UW-Green Bay (1-5) aren't as talented as the Hawkeyes' past competition, but the Hawks are excited to be outdoors at home and can't be distracted by the name on their opponents' jerseys. The Rams are led in hitting by Holly Schmillen's .358 average and by Des Moines native Kyla Kiester's 3.65 ERA on the mound. Colorado State comes into Iowa City losers of nine straight.

UW-Green Bay's lone victory of the year was over Northern Iowa; it is led by

pitcher Jenny Piotrowski and her 3.52 ERA. Lisa Barker's .357 batting average paces her team.

Last year, Iowa's maintenance staff had to clear snow off Pearl Field prior to the classic. This year, there is just water, and the Hawkeyes are ready to play.

"All of a sudden, you get a nice spring day, you get outside, and you don't care how muddy it is," Gerlach said. "You play when it's cold. You play when it's raining. You might even play in snow. It makes you grow as a person as well."

The No. 13 Hawkeyes open the home season with a doubleheader Saturday. They play Colorado State at 1 p.m. followed by a contest against UW-Green Bay at 3 p.m. at Pearl Field. The March 25 game times are the same.

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HAWKEYE BRIEFS

Baseball

This weekend: The Iowa baseball team opens Big Ten play with four games against the Michigan Wolverines. The Hawkeyes and Wolverines will play a single game at 2 p.m. today, a double-header at noon Saturday and a single contest on March 25 at noon. All four games will be played at Ralph McKinzie Field in DeKalb, Ill., on the campus of Northern Illinois University.

Home away from home: The series, which was originally scheduled to be played at Banks Stadium, was moved to DeKalb because of inclement weather and poor field conditions in Iowa City. The field in Ann Arbor was no better, forcing the teams to a neutral site.

On Michigan: Michigan holds a decisive 74-35 edge over Iowa in the series, which began in 1893. The Wolverines are 7-8 this season under coach Geoff Zahn. A former pitcher, Zahn is a veteran of 13 years in the major leagues, compiling a 111-109 record with career ERA of 3.74 with the Dodgers, Cubs, Twins

and Angels.

On Iowa: After a successful Spring Break outing at the Florida Jamboree, the Hawkeyes are flying high at 8-5 and are looking for a good start to the Big Ten season. Hawkeye coach Scott Broghamer has been very pleased with the team's pitching and defense so far this year. The staff's ERA is a stellar 2.96, and the defense is backing up the pitchers in the field at a .970 clip.

Iowa's key: Iowa needs to get the bats moving early and often. Ian Mattiace and Brian Burks have been Iowa's most consistent hitters, but the entire lineup must produce in order for the team to win regularly in the Big Ten.

Coach's comment: "We've made plays and we've been in ball games. Our pitchers are aggressive, and our offense has done enough to win some ball games for us."

— by Todd Brommelkamp

Men's golf

This weekend: Iowa will travel

to Pottsboro, Texas, Saturday and Sunday for the Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate. The 54-hole tournament will be played at the Tanglewood resort.

The line-up: Iowa will start seniors Jason Wombacher and Matt Stutzman, junior Tyler Stith and sophomores Bo Anderson and Mike Tapper.

Last meet: Iowa placed 10th at the Sacramento Invitational on March 13. Wombacher shot a three-round total of 237. Anderson holds the team mark for lowest score, carding a 76 in the second round. Tapper had perhaps his best meet of his season, shooting a 242.

Last season: Iowa struggled to a 17th-place finish in the 18-team invitational in 2000. Anderson and Stutzman both carded a 152 in a 36-hole format.

Coach's comment: "We must play well regardless of our practice conditions because we have the players to do it," Terry Anderson said. "The bottom line is, we need to go out and perform."

— by Jeremy Shapiro

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NCAA TOURNAMENT • MARYLAND 76, GEORGETOWN 66

Terps set back Georgetown, advance

■ Lonny Baxter leads Maryland with 26 points and 15 rebounds.

By John Nadel
Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Maryland won a neighborhood battle 3,000 miles from home Thursday night to advance to its first regional final since 1975.

For Terrapins coach Gary Williams, it's the first time he has accomplished the feat in his 23-year career.

Lonny Baxter had 26 points and 15 rebounds, and Juan Dixon added 13 points as the third-seeded Terrapins beat No. 10 Georgetown 76-66 in the West Regional semifinals.

Maryland (24-10) a winner of nine of its last 10 games, will face the winner of Thursday night's second game between top-seeded Stanford and No. 5 Cincinnati in Saturday's regional final.

The winner of that game advances to the Final Four.

After a basket by Lee Scruggs drew Georgetown within three points, a layup by Tahj Holden and two free throws by Baxter put the Terps ahead 63-56 with 5:10 remaining.

A 3-pointer by Kevin Braswell drew the Hoyas within four points before a basket by Baxter and a fast-break layup by Danny Miller made it 67-59. The Hoyas weren't closer than five points after that.

Two free throws by Holden, who scored 10 points, and another pair by Dixon in the final 28 seconds completed the scoring.

Braswell led the Hoyas (25-8) with 17 points — all but two in the second half.

Demetrius Hunter added 11 points, Mike Sweetney had 10 points and 11 rebounds, and Scruggs scored 10 for Georgetown.

The schools, located 15



Mark J. Terrill/Associated Press
Maryland's Terence Morris blocks Georgetown's Ruben Bountjie during the first half of their NCAA West Regional semifinal at the Arrowhead Pond in Anaheim, Calif., Thursday.

miles apart on the East Coast, were playing for the first time since the 1993-94 season and just the second time in 21 years.

Neither team shot well — Maryland finished at 40.3 percent and Georgetown at 30.8 percent — but the Terps did a solid job on the backboards with a 51-41 advantage.

The Terps were playing in a third-round NCAA tournament game for the fifth time in eight years, but lost the

previous four times.

In addition, two Boston College teams coached by Williams in the 1980s also bowed out in the third round, making Williams 0-for-6 in such games.

That ended Thursday night.

Georgetown last reached the third round in 1996, when the Hoyas advanced to the regional finals before being eliminated.

The Hoyas held Maryland well below its average of 85½

points, but it wasn't enough.

Terence Morris, Maryland's third-leading scorer with a 12.5-point average, made his first field goal of the game with 17:45 remaining. Baxter followed with a dunk, and Steve Blake's foul shot gave the Terps a 44-38 lead with 16:24 left — the largest lead of the game to that stage.

The Hoyas drew within one point before Dixon's 3-pointer, two free throws by Miller and a layup with Holden put Maryland on top 54-45 with 11:48 left.

The Hoyas then scored six straight points — the last four on free throws by Braswell — to draw within three. But they would get no closer.

Three-point shots by Gerald Riley and Anthony Perry around a pair of free throws by Wesley Wilson gave Georgetown a 23-18 lead with 7:41 left in the first half.

Braswell, Georgetown's second-leading scorer with an 11.3-point average, was held scoreless until making two free throws with 2:03 left in the half, giving the Hoyas a 36-31 lead.

Maryland then scored the last seven points of the half — the final two on Byron Mouton's short jumper with one second left — for a 37-36 lead, and the Terps stayed on top the rest of the way.

Dixon and Braswell, who met as sixth-graders in Baltimore and remain best friends, were playing against each other for the first time. Both are junior guards, but they only guarded each other on switch-offs.

Former Georgetown coach John Thompson attended the game. Sitting right behind him, in the third row at mid-court, were former Boston Celtics star Bill Russell and

Paul Azinger shoots a zinger of a round

■ He gets through round one of the Players Championship with a one-stroke lead.

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Paul Azinger finally found The Players Championship to his liking Thursday, thanks to a relatively soft Stadium Course, a one-stroke lead and his best score at Sawgrass in 49 rounds.

Azinger started with three consecutive birdies, had a similar stretch in the middle of his round, and kept it straight and simple down the stretch for a 6-under 66 and the lead over Vijay Singh, Scott Hoch and Jonathan Kaye.

"When the greens hold, it's a manageable golf course," Azinger said.

Not everyone felt that way.

Tiger Woods said he hit only a couple of bad shots but signed for a 72, the 10th time in 17 career rounds in the tournament that he has failed to break par. One of those shots

was his 3-wood on No. 18 that hooked into the water and led to a double bogey.

"I didn't get a whole lot out of the round," Woods said. "I only hit two or three bad shots all day, which in these conditions is pretty good. The golf course is going to keep playing harder and harder as the week goes on."

Even with greens that allowed certain pins to be attacked, the Stadium Course is no pushover. The average score was 73.37, the highest first-round scoring on the PGA Tour this year.

"If we had to play a golf course this difficult every week, there would be a lot of guys retiring of heart failure at age 40," said Billy Mayfair, who was at 66 along with Robert Allenby and Skip Kendall.

Three of the top four players, including Azinger, started in the afternoon, a rarity in golf because the course tends to get dry and crusty as the day goes on. Thursday was an exception because of rain that soaked the Stadium Course earlier in the week, and wind that only gust-ed hard in the morning.

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Two Hawkeye swimmers heading to NCAAs

■ Ales Abersek and Jay Glenn will be competing with the nation's best.

By Julie Matolo
The Daily Iowan

The two Iowa seniors who have led the Iowa men's swimming team all season have one last opportunity to perform at the collegiate level.

A pair of Hawkeyes traveled to College Station, Texas, to match up against top U.S. swimmers in the NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships. Ales Abersek and Jay Glenn will make their second and final appearance in the championships, which run through Saturday.

"We feel that both Abersek and Glenn have a chance at All-American honors," said coach John Davey. "Both have had good seasons, and this is their chance to showcase their best efforts on a national stage."

The stage is a familiar feel for both Hawkeyes; they both performed in the NCAA championships last year. Last sea-

son, Abersek placed 14th in the 100-yard butterfly and 16th in the 200-yard butterfly, while Glenn qualified in the 100-yard freestyle at a meet known for being one of the fastest in the world.

Abersek will repeat his appearance in the two butterfly events this weekend. The senior qualified in the 100-yard butterfly at the Big Ten Championships with a season-best time of 48.01 seconds. A time of 1:45.13 in the 200-yard butterfly was also good enough to qualify.

"It is hard to predict what to expect," Abersek said. "Right now, I am seeded 11th in the 200-fly. The 20th seed is close behind me, and the first-ranked seed is only one second ahead of me. It is so close and so deep. Small things will matter. Whoever is

most comfortable in the pool will place the highest."

Glenn will add the 200-yard freestyle to his qualifications at this year's championships. He was the runner-up at the Big Ten Championships in the

200-yard freestyle with a career best time of 1:36.69. In the 100-yard freestyle, Glenn qualified with a time of 44.68. The senior hopes to make the top 16 cut-off in the 200-yard freestyle to earn All-American status.

"My times are right where they should be," Glenn said. "My sights are on the 200 freestyle."

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St. Louis Cardinals pitcher Rick Ankiel watches Montreal Expos batter Vladimir Guerrero's grand slam in the first inning of the game in Jupiter, Fla., Thursday.

Cards' Ankiel getting wild again

■ The second-year pitcher struggled on the mound against Montreal.

Associated Press

JUPITER, Fla. — Rick Ankiel got off to yet another wild start.

Ankiel, who threw nine wild pitches in four anguishing post-season innings last fall, walked his first three batters Thursday before giving up a grand slam to Montreal's Vladimir Guerrero.

Ankiel, the St. Louis Cardinals' 21-year-old left-handed phenom, walked eight in his previous spring start.

Ankiel threw only one strike to the first three batters, walking Peter Bergeron, Milton Bradley and Fernando Tatis on 13 pitches to open the game.

After taking a called strike, Guerrero hit the next pitch over the right-field wall.

Ankiel appeared to recover his control after that, getting Lee Stevens on a called third strike, Geoff Blum on a popup, and Orlando Cabrera on a groundout. Ankiel threw 25 pitches — eight strikes — in the inning.

With most of the capacity crowd backing Ankiel, he retired the side in order in the second inning on 10 pitches, seven strikes.

The left-hander threw nine of 14 pitches for strikes in the third inning, but also allowed a walk and back-to-back run-scoring doubles to Guerrero and Stevens.

Ankiel allowed six runs, three hits and four walks in three innings. He struck out two.

It was Ankiel's third start this spring. He pitched two shutout

innings against the Mets on March 13, before struggling to find the strike zone against the Marlins in his last start Sunday.

Ankiel has been getting help from baseball psychologist Harvey Dorfman.

In the playoff opener last October against Atlanta, Ankiel became the first major-league pitcher in 110 years to throw five wild pitches in one inning. On Sept. 15, 1890, Bert Cunningham did it for Buffalo of the Players League.

After a wild outing in practice early during spring training, Ankiel (11-7 with a team-leading 3.50 ERA last year) spent the next few weeks pitching on one of the back fields at the team's spring-training complex. The sessions were in the early morning, out of the media glare and without crowds.

Controversy continuing to swirl around the Williams sisters

■ Venus and Serena Williams are at opposite ends of the Ericsson Open.

By Steven Wine
 Associated Press

KEY BISCAIYNE, Fla. — Venus and Serena Williams keep cashing in on their popularity, even as controversy threatens to undermine it.

Camera shutters clattered while the sisters grinned and held a giant stick of chewing gum over their heads Thursday to promote their latest endorsement deal — a three-year, \$7 million contract with Wrigley Doublemint.

The last time the sisters had a joint appearance scheduled, Venus failed to show. Citing knee tendinitis, she pulled out at Indian Wells last week shortly before the semifinal against her sister, prompting boos from fans who suspected she was ducking the match.

The episode fueled long-held

suspicions that the outcome of matches between the sisters, including last year's Wimbledon semifinal, are predetermined by their father, Richard. The controversy even made the cover of a supermarket tabloid.

"I just want to say to all my fans not to believe everything you read," Venus said. "Serena and I are great competitors, fierce competitors. We have no fear of playing each other."

The sisters practiced together Thursday in preparation for their opening matches today or Saturday at the Ericsson Open. When asked about her ailing right knee, Venus said: "I'm looking forward to competing this week."

Venus and Serena are in opposite halves of the draw, which means the next sibling showdown could come in the final March 31.

"Hopefully, we'll meet each other at the end," said Venus, the tournament champion in 1998-99.

"Venus and I tend to do well here, so we should have a good time," Serena said.

The deal with Wrigley is the latest in a series for the sisters. In December, Venus signed the most lucrative endorsement agreement for a female athlete, a five-year, \$40 million deal with Reebok. Serena is under contract with Puma, and both sisters work for Avon and Nortel Networks.

The sisters and Wrigley negotiated for nearly a year on a deal, the first with professional athletes in the 87-year history of Doublemint. An advertising campaign will begin this summer.

Rory Finlay, the senior marketing director for Wrigley, said the recent controversy doesn't hurt the sisters' endorsement potential.

"It's really not something we pay much attention to," he said. "Their popularity is about their unique style. They appeal to everybody."

Said Serena: "When you see us play in doubles, it's easy to see we have this connection — this distinctively different connection."

Knoblauch gets first workout in left field Thursday with Yankee farm team

■ The former second baseman said he has some work to do in the outfield.

By Ronald Blum
 Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — Chuck Knoblauch got his first taste of left field Thursday, playing six innings of a minor-league game for the New York Yankees' Class-A Tampa farm team.

Knoblauch made a running catch in the fourth inning on Travis Chapman's drive to the gap in left-center and a one-handed catch of Alejandro Giron's easy fly ball in the sixth. He picked up one single and made a one-hop throw to the cutoff man.

"I'm not a left fielder. I'm trying to work toward that," Knoblauch

said. "I'm trying to get there as fast as I can."

Knoblauch, shifted to the outfield by the New York Yankees because he no longer could throw accurately from second to first, probably will play another minor league exhibition game today, then make his major league exhibition debut Saturday against Philadelphia at Clearwater.

"He feels good about himself. That's what I'm most happy about," Yankees coach Lee Mazzilli said. "He's not a left fielder yet, but he will be."

Knoblauch talked by a group of picnic tables at the Yankees' minor league complex, the same place where a month earlier he spoke about his determination to overcome his mental block on throws to first.

But Knoblauch, who made 26

errors in 1999 and 15 last year while spending part of the season on the disabled list, made six more in 14 spring training games, including five on throws.

Yankees manager Joe Torre has said his leadoff hitter should be more relaxed now, because he's learning a new position and shouldn't worry about mistakes.

"He can say that and believe that, and it's probably true," Knoblauch said. "But when I'm out there, I'm going to make every play I possibly can. I'm not going to give myself any leeway."

Knoblauch was a center fielder during his freshman season at Texas A&M. Since then, he has played the outfield just once, catching two fly balls for Minnesota against Oakland on Sept. 16, 1993.

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	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
HOME ANTENNA												
KGAN (2)	News	College Basketball (Live)					College Basketball (Live)					News
KWWL (7)	News	Wheel	Providence	Dateline NBC			Law & Order: Spec.	News	Tonight Show			Late Ngt.
KFXA (8)	News	Carey	Police Videos	The Lone Gunmen	Star Trek: Voyager	3rd Rock	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Rose			
KCRG (9)	News	Friends	Norm	Who Wants to Be a Millionaire	20/20	News	Spin City	Home	Nightline			
KIIN (13)	NewsHr.	House	Wash.	Rukeyser	Market	In Iowa	Austin City Limits	Business	Dwarf	Dr. Who	Dr. Who	
KWKB (20)	7 Heaven	Sabrina	Sabrina	Popstars	Popular	Heart	Date	Smarts	Sex Wars	Arrest ...	Cops	
CABLE CHANNELS												
PUBL (2)	Programming Unavailable											
GOVT (4)	Programming Unavailable											
PAX (6)	Shop	Sweep	Enc. Unexplained	Touched by Angel	Diagnosis Murder	A Miracle	H'wood	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Programming Unavailable		
LIBR (10)	Programming Unavailable											
EDUC (11)	Programming Unavailable											
UNIV (12)	France	Spanish	Movie				Classic TV Drama	Korean	Greece	France	Italy	
KWOC (6)	News	Wheel	Providence	Providence	Providence	Law & Order: Spec.		News	Tonight Show			Late Ngt.
WSUL (10)	Programming Unavailable											
SCOLA (11)	Hungary	Quebec	Croatia		China	Cuba	Iran	Korea	Greece	France	Italy	
KSUI (12)	Programming Unavailable											
DISC (13)	The Ultimate Guide	Wrid. Largest Hotel	Vegas Nights	Casino	Midnight	Justice Files	Wrid. Largest Hotel					
WGN (13)	Matters	Susan	She-Devil (PG-13, '89) ** (Maryl Streep)	News		In the Heat of Night	Matlock: The Mother					
C-SPN (13)	Close Up											
UNI (13)	Carita de Angel	Abrazame Fuerte	Mi Destino Eres Tu	Estamos Loco	Impacto	Noticiero	Noche Bienvenidos					
C-SPN2 (13)	U.S. Senate (3)											
TBS (20)	Prince	Prince	Mars Attacks! (PG-13, '96) ** (Jack Nicholson)	Mr. Nice Guy (PG-13, '97) **	Movie							
TWC (20)	Weather Channel	Weather Channel	Weather Channel	Weather Channel	Weather Channel	Weather Channel	Weather Channel					
BRAY (20)	Weird Weekends	High Art (R, '98) ** (Aly Sheedy)	Awards	Cold Feet	High Art (R, '98) **							
CNBC (20)	Business	Market	National Geographic Explorer	News/Williams	National Geographic Explorer							
BET (20)	106/Park	Test.	Mississippi Masala (R, '91) ***	ComicView	News	Tonight	Midnight Love					
BOX (20)	Off the Air											
TBN (20)	Religious Special	Behind News	Lak.	F. Price	Praise the Lord							
HIST (20)	Found	Hist. IQ	Harry Awards 2001	History/Hollywood	History/Hollywood	Haunted History	Harry Awards 2001					
TNN (20)	Miami Vice	Marital Law	Rodeo	Monster Jam	18 Wheels Justice	Miami Vice						
SPEED (20)	AutoW'k	Motor	Auto Racing	Auto Racing	Motor.	Subaru	AutoW'k	Motor	Auto Racing			
ESPN (20)	Ch'ried	Figure Skating: World Championships		Baseball	SportsCenter	Baseball	SportCtr.					
ESPN2 (20)	RPM	Auto Racing	The Life	Boxing: Friday Night Fights (Live)	NHL	NBA	RPM					
FOXSP (20)	NASCAR	Word	Chl. Spo.	NBA Basketball: Charlotte at Chicago Bulls (Live)	Nat. Sports Report	Regional	Word					
LIFE (20)	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	For the Very First Time (91) **	The Division	Any Day Now							
COM (20)	Daily	Stein	Premium	Premium	Davidson	Bellamy	Blankman (PG-13, '94) * (Damon Wayans)	Henry Rollins				
EI (20)	Homes	Talk S'p	Myst.	Myst.	Murder/Hollywood	Award	Talk S'p	H. Stern	H. Stern	Wild On ...: The U.K.		
NICK (20)	Arnold	Rugrats	Rkt Pr	Rkt Pr	3's Co.	3's Co.	All/Fam.	All/Fam.	Jeff'sons	Jeff'sons	Jeff'sons	
FX (20)	NYPD Blue	Girl Talk	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Married	Married	Toughman Champ.	X Show	In Color	The X-Files		
TNT (20)	The Pretender	Home Fries (PG-13, '98) **		Home Fries (PG-13, '98) **						Vegas Vacation		
TOON (20)	Cartoon	Cartoon	Cartoon	Cartoon	Big City	Cartoon	Cartoon	Toon	Clampett	Dragon	Outlaw ...	
MTV (20)	3rd Wh!	Dude ...	Karaoke	Cancun	I'm a Spring Break Lawyer	Acapulco	Temptations	Fashion	Carmen			
VH1 (20)	Music	Name ...	Top 10 Countdown	Aerosmith	Behind the Music	Name ...	Name ...	Rock Show				
A&E (20)	Law & Order	Biography	Closed Doors	Poirot	Law & Order			Biography				
ANIM (20)	Croc File	Animals	South America Rev.	Animals	Animals	Wild/Set	Twisted	South America Rev.	Animals	Animals		
USA (20)	JAG	Nash Bridges	Chippendales Murder (00) *			Farmclub.com		The Perfect Nanny				
PREMIUM CHANNELS												
HBO (5)	Jack Frost (5:15)	Striking Distance (R, '93) ** (Bruce Willis)	Dangerous Touch (8:45) (R)	D. Miller	Jawbreaker (R, '99)							
DIS (5)	Stevens	Rip Girls (00) **	The Next Karate Kid (8:10) (PG, '94) **	Lizzie.	Stevens							
MAX (5)	Pushing Tin (5:15) (R, '99) **	The Big Kahuna (R, '00) **	American Beauty (R, '99) ***		Passion							
STARZ (5)	Movie	M. News	Striking Distance (R, '93) ** (Bruce Willis)	The 13th Warrior (R, '99) **	Fresh (10:45) (R)							
SHOW (5)	Warden of Red ...	Sleepless in Seattle (PG, '93) ***	Boxing: David Tua/ Danell Nicholson (Live)	Varsity Blues (R)								

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FOURTH FLOOR

by Troy Holtz



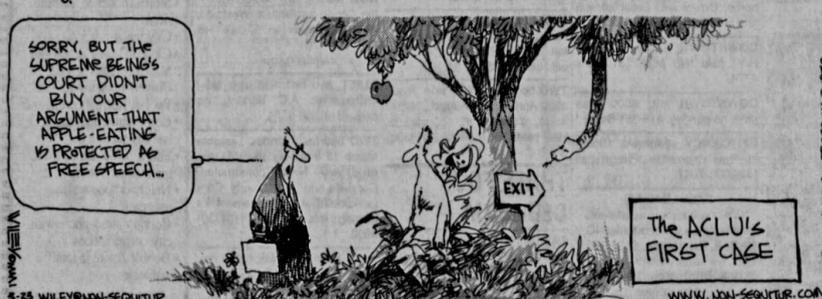
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calendar

"Talking About Teaching: Responding to Student Writing," today at noon, IMU Purdue Room.

Faculty Colloquium, "Representation and Resemblance: Cartesians and their Critics," Russell Wahl, Idaho State University, today at 3:30 p.m., Room 427, English-Philosophy Building.

Frontiers in Quantitative Biosciences Seminar, "Data Mining, Applications in Medicine and Technology," Andrew Kusiak, today at 3:30 p.m., Room 214, MacLean Hall.

Reproduction, Motherhood, and Women's Health Lecture Series, "Black Women and the Politics of Reproduction," Dorothy Roberts, Northwestern University, today at 4 p.m., Room 140, Schaeffer Hall.

Floating Friday Lecture Series, "Shylock and Paddy: Jewish and Irish-American Protests Against Mass Culture, 1880-1930," Alison Kibler, today at 4 p.m., Room 204, Jefferson Building.

"The UI XVI Annual Art History Graduate Student Symposium," Elmer Peterson, keynote speaker, today at 7 p.m., Museum of Art.

"Naked Camera Toss," Festival of Video, Film and Digital Media, today at 7 p.m., Museum of Art.

"Live From Prairie Lights Series," Tom Glave, fiction, today at 8 p.m., Prairie Lights Books 15 S. Dubuque St.

horoscopes

Friday, March 23, 2001 by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Lady Luck is in your corner. Get involved in investments that you know will pay off. Real estate will be profitable. Involvements with institutions will turn out as planned.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): What a great day to get out, join groups or attend seminars. You will make new friends and expand your knowledge, but don't let anyone talk you into a joint financial venture.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your family will put demands on you that will be difficult to handle. Be reasonable but let them know just how much you can and can't do. Don't be gullible; ask questions if you have doubts.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Get creative. You will be happiest while working with your hands or dealing with children. If you don't already have a hobby, today is an excellent day to start one.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): It's time to revamp your financial plans. You will have to do some fancy footwork if you want to continue to live the lifestyle you've become accustomed to living. You are on your way to tremendous wealth.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Keep children busy with creative endeavors. Your night should be geared toward the one you love. Let your feelings be known.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Use your creativity to help you do your job uniquely. Don't let colleagues drag you into the office politics. Stay on the fringes and do the best job possible. Your professionalism won't go unnoticed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Pleasurable activities should be on your dance card. A trip or a gathering of close friends will start the weekend off right. You need to learn how to enjoy yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Past partners may get in touch with you just to see how you are and what you're up to. Don't be fooled by their warmth and generosity. Reservations will be warranted.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Aggressive communication will get you what you want. Your partner will back down and listen to your concerns. Clear the air, and you'll feel much better about yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't be too quick to follow the crowd. It's better to sit back and observe. Losses are likely if you get involved in business ventures.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your emotional sensitivity may get you into trouble. Don't put the blame on others. It's time to do a little soul-searching. Don't let relatives or friends become involved in your private affairs.

public access tv schedule

Channel 2
 6 p.m. Country Time Country
 7 p.m. SCTV Presents
 8 p.m. Nature's Logic
 8:30 p.m. Plane View III
 10 p.m. Grace Community Church
 11 p.m. Eckankar: Power of Victory

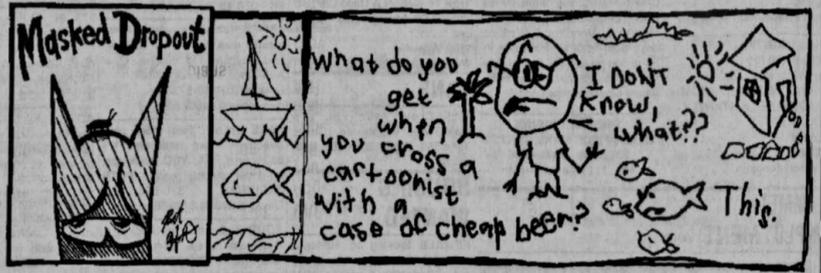
The Ledge
 By Jesse Ammerman

What Europeans are doing to deal with foot-and-mouth disease

- Asking sheep and cattle to modify their current lifestyle habits in order to avoid the contagious disease.
- Banning Britain's annual "Contaminated Meat Taste Test."
- Speaking in funny languages.
- Trying to get those mad cows to lighten up a bit.
- Hoping that this epidemic will quickly be replaced with Oscar fever.
- Moving their investments from agriculture to tech stocks.
- Endlessly complaining about their "economy" and "food safety."
- Turning their attentions from foot-and-mouth to T & A.
- Cutting off shipments of beef and exotic French food titles to the U.S.
- Checking out group rates for Burge cafeteria items.
- Calling George W. Bush for advice because of experiences with feet in mouth.

by Bob Hewitt

Masked Dropout



Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 0209

ACROSS

- Kipling poem
- Fixes
- Shock
- above
- Firing people?
- Bonnie Tyler's "Heartache"
- Recital hall shout
- It may be armed
- Part of a gym workout
- Thing to steer clear of
- It may be spiced
- "Serpico" author
- Sound units
- Annual list preparer
- Ship letters
- Nanny's handful, to put it mildly
- Magnon
- Wiltshire wonder
- Profiteers from
- Time and a half, e.g.
- Poetic adverb
- Partner for high
- It borders Marie Byrd Land
- Demi Moore was in it
- Brits' thank-you
- 90° from sur
- Like an unhelpful explanation
- Win
- Together
- High fliers
- Who's there

DOWN

- Fraud monitoring agcy.
- Tail: Prefix
- Livingstone resident
- Conductor Mehta
- Singer seen in the 1954 film "Secret of the Incas"
- Peasants' Revolt leader
- Hagen of Broadway
- Brass component
- Strangely, Frank Beard is its only beardless member
- Like some questions
- Sentence structure?
- Efforts
- They may be pulled
- Parts of a union
- Shots from the foul line: Abbr.
- Some change: Abbr.
- "Isn't ___ bit like you and me?" (Beatles lyric)
- Bargains
- French toast
- Flavor
- Began to act
- Kind of nerve or artery
- Tend
- Stephen King title
- Salad and dessert
- Rapper's noise
- WKRP news director Les
- "You don't say!"
- Time
- Dries out, with "up"
- Nurse
- Russian retreat
- Quite a display
- Princess in Wool's "Orlando"
- State
- Stock ending
- It's worth very little in Japan
- Princess in Wool's "Orlando"
- He ran with R.M.N.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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Puzzle by Nelson Hardy

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