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2 tickets vie for top UISG position

Meet the 2002 UISG candidates

By Jennifer Sturm
The Daily Iowan

Members of both tickets vying for the UI Student Government presidency said Wednesday that they want to follow in their predecessors' footsteps not just by winning, but by focusing on similar issues.

UI juniors Nick Herbold and Matt Blizek said they are following current UISG President Nick Klenske and Vice President Dan Rossi's platform from last year. That platform focused on recycling, pro-activism, and increased student influence at the State House.

"Our platform is the Sloth philosophy with a twist," Herbold said. "Everyone on our ticket has proven themselves to me by working hard for the issues they feel strongly about."

UI juniors Eric Parker and Kristin Trotzig also said they plan to continue some of Klenske and Rossi's measures, although their ticket will also focus on "fresh, fun ideas."

The ticket's campaign, "Everything College

Should Be," will focus on improving community involvement, recycling, and helping student groups reach their full potential.

"Our platform has something that appeals to everyone," said Parker.

The UI Student Election Board met with members from the two tickets Wednesday for a lighthearted, but mandatory meeting. The meeting was the first place the students could announce their candidacies in the UISG presidential race.

The board told the candidates that their campaigns will be the best two weeks of their lives — even if they will never want to do it again.

The board told the four candidates to have fun, be creative, and keep the election legitimate.

"I trust you guys, and I don't think any of you will do anything illegal," said UI senior and board Chairman Chris Loftus. "We'll see what I think in two weeks."

New campaign rules were implemented this year after three of last year's four tickets

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— Chris Loftus,
Student Election Board chairman



Herbold
Presidential
Candidate

Nick Herbold

Junior, Grinnell, Iowa
Position seeking: President
Majors: Philosophy and Political Science

Age: 21

Activities: Giant Sloth Political Party, UISG Student Senate, Stepping Up, Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, University Democrats, Students for Local Politics, Johnson County Democrats.

Why should students vote for you? The Herbold/Blizek ticket is filled with people who have proven themselves with their actions toward change, as opposed to simply talking about change.



Parker
Presidential
Candidate

Eric Parker

Junior, Nevada, Iowa
Position seeking: President

Major: Finance with a Political Science minor
Age: 21

Activities: UISG senator, RiverFest, campus tour guide, Dance Marathon, Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, former vice president of

recruitment for the Interfraternity Council, Hawks Nest.

Why should students vote for you? I've been a Hawkeye since day one, I love this place, and I want to help improve it.

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Meet the vice presidential candidates, Page 7A

Platelet dollars clot up at UIHC

By Tessa Somers
The Daily Iowan

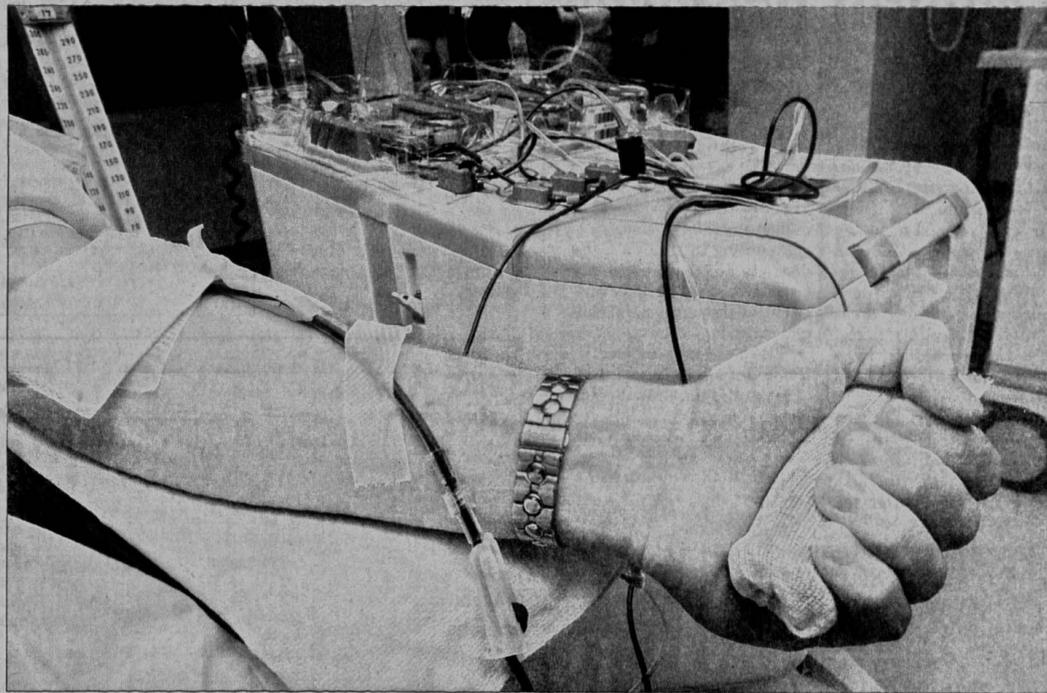
The UI Hospitals and Clinics DeGowin Blood Center recently announced it will stop paying for platelet donations, beginning in April — a move that center officials acknowledge could cut contributions of the blood-clotting agent.

Increased pressure from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and American Association of Blood Banks to curtail all financial compensation for donors factored heavily in the decision, said a letter the center sent to donors late last month.

As a result, the center will stop providing its customary \$30 compensation for the donation of platelets starting April 2002.

"We will probably lose donors, but I really believe that the vast majority of patients are donating for altruistic reasons," said Mitchell Overton, the center's recruitment coordinator, adding that the center doesn't expect a shortage because platelets have a five-day shelf life.

The FDA and blood-bank group discourage payment for all blood donations because it



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UI senior Matt Seberger gives platelets in the DeGowin Blood Center Monday. The center will stop paying for donations in April. "I will continue to donate in some way, even if I don't get paid," Seberger said.

could lead to the contribution of unsafe blood, he said.

"You don't want another incentive other than altruism for blood donations," said FDA representative Lenore Gelb. "Money can lead people to be less than honest about their risk factors."

FDA recommendations are usually heeded and become common practice, she said.

Overton said it's unfair to pay

donors for platelets when those who donate other blood products don't receive compensation as stipulated by the FDA.

DeGowin was one of the last facilities in the nation that paid platelet donors, Overton said. Platelet donation is now a faster and simpler process, eliminating the need to compensate donors for their time commitment, he added.

Donor-recruitment programs

include a direct mail campaign and asking whole-blood donors to also donate platelets. Approximately 5,000 platelet transfusions are performed at the UIHC annually, reports from the center show.

DeGowin accepts whole-blood, platelet, white-cell, and plasma donations in conjunction with other blood products. A \$60 monetary compensation is exchanged for white cells,

which are type-specific and almost always need to be matched with a specific patient, Overton said.

Sera Tec Biologicals, 408 S. Gilbert St., which only accepts plasma donations, recently raised its compensation from \$15 to \$20 for the first donation in a given week and from \$25 to \$30 for the second donation.

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Campaign reform inches forward

By David Espo
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The most sweeping overhaul of campaign-spending rules in a generation eased past a series of obstacles Wednesday in marathon House debate, clearing the way for a post-midnight vote on passage.

Republican leaders battled to the end against the bill, which is designed to reduce the role of money in politics, arguing it was stacked against their party and unconstitutional as well. But a bipartisan coalition led by Reps. Christopher Shays and Martin Meehan trumped them routinely on key test votes.

"People think money taints every decision that is made in this Congress," said Rep. Sherwood Boehlert. The New York lawmaker was one of 39 rank-and-file Republicans to buck their leadership on a 240-191 late-afternoon vote that bestowed preliminary approval on the legislation.

"We should not be afraid to go into a new era, to leave the old beyond," said another Republican, Rep. Zack Wamp of Tennessee.

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Feeling the slings of Cupid's arrows

By Nathan Kron
The Daily Iowan

Love changes from 20 to 70.

Rae, 79, and Dick Blanchard, 77, have been married for 52 years. The couple celebrates Valentine's Day looking back on a life marked by ever-increasing love.

"These couples have moved from passion to compassion," said Diane Flemming, who coordinates the dining program at the Senior Center, 28 S. Linn St.

The Blanchards volunteer at the Iowa City Senior Center, where Rae signs people in and Dick serves food for the senior-dining program.

"Problems can either draw people together or push them apart," Rae says. "We grew closer."

They eloped in Missouri in 1950, when Rae was 28 and Dick was 26.

"She robbed the cradle," Dick says as Rae rolls her eyes.

"We were married in a church, but we don't know if it was legal," Dick says, laughing. "There were no witnesses, unless you count a church mouse."

Rae and Dick eloped because their

parents were not pleased with the relationship, and Rae feared she would lose her teaching job if it was discovered her priorities were shifting to family life.

Rae met Dick when he worked with her brother after returning to Iowa from the military.

Dick was training to be paratrooper in Fort Benning, Ga., during World War II when he broke his leg on a jump. When he recovered, Dick says, he had a change of heart about joining the military.

"I realized I needed to pick up my marbles and play a new game," he says, explaining his return home.

The Blanchards moved to Iowa City in 1951 from Wapello, Iowa, where Dick had worked as a nuclear technician and Rae as a kindergarten teacher.

At times, Dick is more likely to reminisce about old times than discuss his marriage.

He launches into a story about one man who lay in a hospital bed next to him more than 50 years ago. Then, he shifts the conversation to the necessity of President Harry Truman dropping the atomic bomb.

His wife opens a magazine.

Why has this relationship weathered the test of time?

Dick says he thinks the answer lies hidden in one of his mother's adages: "Education and knowledge can be acquired, but wisdom is much more elusive."

"That means you put first things first," Dick says, raising his eyebrows and leaning

forward to emphasize his point.

For Rae, the key lies in the chorus to a hymn she wants sung at her funeral, "Just as I Am."

"That's the way we've lived," she says. "We have always accepted each other."

We were married in a church, but we don't know if it was legal. There were no witnesses, unless you count a church mouse.

— Dick Blanchard,
looking back on 52 years of marriage

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Dick Blanchard looks at Rae, his wife of 52 years, as they discuss the years they have spent together Wednesday at the Iowa City Senior Center.

INSIDE TODAY'S DI



Praise for Pakistan president

Bush dashes Pervez Musharraf's hopes for additional U.S. aid. See story, Page 4A

Spring enrollment is up

More students could lead to larger classes, UI officials say. See story, Page 2A

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READ, THEN RECYCLE

The edge
By Scott Morgan
Ways to celebrate Hash Wednesday
Walk around campus offering to lick the ashes off everyone's foreheads.
Declare yourself King of Weedland, raise your bong as the royal scepter, and insist everyone bow to your mighty Birkenstocks.
Spend all day at the Deadwood, playing Phish and printing out the window at all the windows who refuse to celebrate the holiday.
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Increasing enrollment could mean larger class sizes

By Paula Mavroudis
The Daily Iowan

Spring enrollment at the UI has increased this year compared with last year, fueled primarily by a rise in the undergraduate population and a record high freshman class.

Seventy-eight percent of the enrollment increase came from undergraduates this semester, which will probably increase class sizes in the future, said Lola Lopes, the associate provost for undergraduate education.

The university's enrollment is 27,439 this semester, an increase of 828 over last year. Of those, 18,532 are undergraduates.

Despite the increase, the university will attempt to maintain small classes during upcoming semesters, Lopes said.

The UI is planning on combining some lecture classes, which will save on faculty members, and it will hire more TAs in response to the surging enrollment, said Fred Antczak, the associate dean for academic programs in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

"We will still have enough room for all students to graduate under the four-year plan," he said.

This year, the sizes of low-level rhetoric classes were kept at 22 students despite the enrollment increase; the higher-level rhetoric courses increased from 22 to 24 students, Lopes said. She attributed that increase to less-experienced teaching assistants who require lighter class loads.

"We've been working hard on this issue, trying to fit everyone in," Lopes said. "We've been expecting this large enrollment for a long time."

The university has also experienced some loss of faculty members this year, and it will hire more to fill the spots, said UI Provost Jon Whitmore.

By next fall, the number of faculty will not be different from what it is this year, he said.

The university still provides affordable education, despite plans to raise tuition, and that is the main reason for the

enrollment increase, officials said.

"People recognize the good value of the UI, especially because they are getting a Big Ten education," said Steve Parrott, the director of University Relations.

The increase in enrollment will bring more revenue from tuition, but it will not compensate for any state budget shortfalls, he said.

"It will help that we will have more tuition money from increased enrollments, but we will not see changes right away," Parrott said.

Enrollment has also increased among the graduate students by 100 students and in professional programs by 77 students.

It is typical for spring enrollment to be smaller than fall enrollment because of dropouts and graduates, officials said. This semester, enrollment is 4.6 percent lower than fall semester enrollment; last year, that it was 6 percent lower.

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Supervisors may borrow money for capital projects

By Jessica Brady
The Daily Iowan

In what may be a first in county history, the Johnson County Board of Supervisors is considering borrowing money from a bank or financial broker to help fund capital expenditures, such as jail improvements and building repairs.

The use of general obligation bonds is being considered because of budget shortfalls.

"This is the first time, to my knowledge, that we're looking at this type of loan," said Supervisor Terrence Neuzil. "We're looking into this type of borrowing to save money for the taxpayers."

Supervisors said the loan

would be for a "small amount," and would be repaid within a year.

"The board is very interested in doing some bonding," said Supervisor Sally Stutsman. "It's a good financing tool that we're looking into."

The county would repay the bonds with money generated from taxpayers and tax increment financing districts, which are designated business areas not subject to county taxes. Profits from each district are re-invested in the district itself to help fund development.

However, if the county pursues bonding, it must create a third fund in addition to its rural and general funds in order to use money from tax

districts.

Such a move would bring in 8.7 percent more revenue for the county during the term of the loan and lower county property taxes, said Auditor Tom Slockett.

Tax districts generate \$319 million annually, he said.

According to state law, tax districts are required to pay property taxes if a county raises money through general obligation bonds.

"TIF districts are bleeding this county dry," Neuzil said. "They're draining county revenue resources."

The board will vote on March 11.

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CITY BRIEFS

Man charged after short chase

After allegedly fleeing police in his car and later on foot, an Iowa City man was apprehended in the woods near Grant Wood Elementary School Wednesday morning and charged with a slew of traffic-related offenses.

Justin Dashner, 26, will make his initial appearance in Johnson County court today on charges of eluding a law-enforcement officer, interference with official acts, fraudulent use of registration, speeding, and driving without current registration.

Dashner remains in the Johnson County Jail under a \$14,950 bond.

According to police reports, the short chase began at about 8:40 a.m., when a traffic officer running radar near the front of the school pulled Dashner over. Dashner complied, but as the officer exited his police car, Dashner sped off.

The officer got back in his car and gave chase. Several blocks later, Dashner stopped his car and fled on foot. A passenger in the car, whose name was not released, was apprehended as other officers responded to look for the driver, who had apparently ran into nearby woods. Minutes later, Dashner was arrested without a struggle.

Police said Dashner is from Iowa City, but there was no address available.

— by Ryan J. Foley

Dodd arraignment set

An arraignment for Richard Dodd, 45, who is accused of kidnapping and murdering a Coralville resident 21 years ago, was scheduled on Tuesday for Feb. 28.

It is likely Dodd will be charged with first-degree kidnapping and first-degree murder in connection with the Oct. 21, 1981, disappearance and slaying of Vicki Klotzbach, Coralville police said.

An Iowa State Patrol plane discovered Klotzbach's body near Coralville in a field north of Interstate 80 two days after the alleged homicide. Her hands were bound, and her eyes were covered with tape.

She had been sexually assaulted

and shot once in the back of the head. Investigators alleged that they were able to link Dodd to the murder using DNA evidence and positively matching the murder weapon, an old Western-style revolver, to the defendant.

Johnson County Assistant Attorney Janet Lyness filed the formal statement Tuesday to arraign Dodd. Fifty-seven state witnesses were listed to possibly be called upon during trial.

Until the arraignment, Dodd will remain in the Iowa State Penitentiary in Fort Madison, where he is serving a life sentence for the 1984 kidnapping and sexual assault of a 10-year-old Des Moines girl.

— by Gian Sachdev

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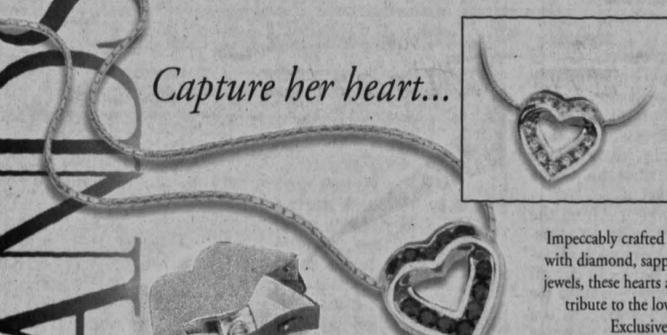
In the article "Faculty eye PAC creation" (DI, Feb. 13) reported that a proposed faculty political-action committee was discussed at a Faculty Senate meeting. The topic was discussed; however, the Senate currently has no ties to the PAC. No UI faculty member is under any obligation to join the PAC, and faculty will take a survey to see whether there is interest. The topic was proposed by an outside party not attached to the organization and the university.

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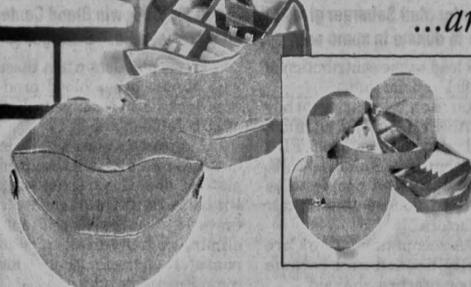
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By Mike M
The Daily

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Rare sand dune may be protected

By Mike McWilliams
The Daily Iowan

The Iowa City Parks and Recreation Commission unanimously approved designating a buffer zone to protect a 75-acre prairie sand dune from a proposed apartment complex on the city's south side.

The dune is a rare, 5,000-year-old landform and is home to many species of native prairie plants and to the threatened ornate box turtle.

"I think what we did tonight, although it wasn't a perfect solution, helped," said Commissioner Kevin Boyd, adding that

development could still affect the area.

Texas-based development firm D.J. Hammond & Associates Inc. wants to build 17 three-story apartment buildings on 18 acres butting the dune near the intersection of Gilbert Street and Napoleon Lane. The site is located just west of the prairie, and some people fear development would disturb it.

"This area has quite a bit of character," said Amy Bouska, a member of Concerned Citizens for Sand Prairie Preservation. "It's very important to preserve it also knowing that the site hasn't been tilled or disturbed."

In addition to the recommended 1.5-acre buffer zone, the commission asked that if the development is approved, any disturbance to the zone will be rectified and a trail will be constructed through the area at Hammond's expense.

Hammond's proposed development is part of the 150-acre Napoleon Heights subdivision owned by Southgate Development Co., 755 Mormon Trek Blvd.

Commissioner Craig Gustavson said he has a "gut feeling" that the proposed development will not happen because it doesn't comply with the city's

comprehensive plan.

"For the past decade or so, there's been a feeling on the City Council against high-density complexes," he said.

Bouska said her group has been trying to develop a partnership with Southgate and the city to develop a plan for prairie preservation and has held positive meetings.

The open space buffer-zone recommendation must gain approval from the city's Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Council before it becomes official.

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DAY OF ASHES



Nicholas Tremmel/The Daily Iowan
UI senior Sara Dohrman receives ashes from Father Ed Fitzpatrick, director of the Newman Catholic Student Center, during an Ash Wednesday service.

Gloves likely to come off in Iowa's U.S. Senate race

By Mike Glover
Associated Press

DES MOINES — The first shots have been fired in Iowa's U.S. Senate race and, while they are relatively mild, they set the stage for a fight likely to be one of the nation's hottest.

"Nothing will go unanswered," said the Iowa Democratic Party, in releasing the script of a radio commercial targeting Rep. Greg Ganske, R-Iowa.

The commercial answers an ad run earlier by Republicans in which President Bush accuses Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, of "playing politics" and not backing his economic package.

"It's a shame those folks don't know much about Iowa or about Sen. Harkin's record," Harkin's commercial said.

Both ad buys are in the \$10,000 range, but the exchange signals that the gloves are likely to come off sooner rather than later in an

intense Senate race.

Democrats hold a slender 50-49 edge in the Senate, with one independent. The fight for control — one of the top battles in this year's midterm elections — is focused on about a half-dozen closely contested races, and Harkin's seat generally is included in that listing.

Ganske launched the exchange last week with Republican National Committee commercials, blaming Harkin for being among a handful of Democrats who doomed Bush's economic package.

"Unfortunately, partisan Democrats put their interests ahead of national interests," the Ganske spot said. "And sadly, Sen. Tom Harkin was one of them."

Harkin wasted no time in firing back, casting Bush's economic stimulus package in a far different light.

"Tom Harkin did vote against a Republican bill that gave away \$13 billion to the

largest corporations in America," said Harkin's spot, which began airing around the state Wednesday. "And he opposed a plan that would have given Enron a quarter billion."

Harkin ousted an incumbent Republican senator in 1984 and defeated GOP congressmen in 1990 and 1996. Ganske defeated a veteran Democrat to win his House seat in 1994, and he has won every election since.

Running against Ganske in the Republican primary this June is little known conservative activist Bill Salier of Nora Springs, who has not held elected office.

The tenor of the race is being closely watched. In his last campaign, Harkin avoided attacking his rival, with advisers saying voters were tired of attack politics.

That race ended up closer than expected, and Harkin aides have since said they regretted their decision and wouldn't repeat the mistake.

CITY BRIEF

S. African leader who freed Mandela to speak

The former South African president credited with ending apartheid and freeing Nelson Mandela from prison will speak today at 7:30 p.m. in the IMU Main Ballroom.

"An Evening with F.W. de Klerk" will focus on South Africa's political past and current human-rights issues, said Melvin Shaw, a senior communications specialist with University News Services.

The 65-year-old de Klerk was the last South African president under apartheid, serving from 1989-94.

Soon after assuming office, de Klerk ended a 30-year ban on the opposition African National Congress party and freed ANC leader Mandela; the two men received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993 for their work to ensure a democratic South Africa.

Two years after the National Party lost in the 1994 multiracial election, de Klerk removed the party from the government. The F.W. de Klerk Foundation continues to work for peace in multiethnic, multicultural societies throughout the world.

De Klerk's speech, sponsored by the University Lecture Committee, is free and open to the public.

— by Lauren Smiley

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NATION

Bush praises Pakistan president

By Ron Fournier
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush praised Pakistan President Pervez Musharraf for showing "great courage and vision" in the war against terrorism and pledged Wednesday to help trim his nation's \$3 billion debt.

But Bush dashed Musharraf's hopes for trade benefits, fighter jets, and a U.S. commitment to mediate disputes between Pakistan and India.

Musharraf returned Bush's compliments and said terrorist mastermind Osama bin Laden was not using Pakistan as a refuge. "I would certainly think that he is in Afghanistan, either dead or alive," the Pakistani leader said.

In a joint news conference, conducted beneath a presidential seal in the White House's marble foyer, Bush also addressed possible threats from Iraq and said he was considering all options to keep Saddam Hussein in check.

U.S. officials say the president has directed his war council to develop and refine a full range of alternatives on Iraq — including military action — that

could be used to topple Saddam. "I'm serious about defending our country," Bush said. He has accused Iraq of working to develop weapons of mass destruction that could be used by terrorists.

Musharraf was questioned about the kidnapping of an American journalist in Pakistan. He said he was "reasonably sure" Daniel Pearl was alive, expressed hope that Pearl would be released soon and said Pakistan's steps to "crush extremism" among Islamic fundamentalists may have given a motive to the kidnappers.

Musharraf, 58, might seem an unlikely ally for the administration.

He took power in a coup in 1999, and was viewed with deep suspicion by both the Clinton and Bush administrations. When Bush ran for president, he couldn't answer when asked to identify Pakistan's leader.

The relationship was transformed after terrorists attacked Sept. 11. Bush went to war against the Al Qaeda network based in Afghanistan, which borders Pakistan, and forced Musharraf to choose between the United States and militant



Rick Bowmer/Associated Press
President Bush and Pakistan President Pervez Musharraf face the media in the Grand Foyer of the White House on Wednesday.

anti-American factions in his own country.

At considerable risk to his government's stability, Musharraf cut ties with Afghanistan's ruling Taliban regime, shared intelligence with the United States and allowed America to use Pakistani air bases and air space. In return, Bush dropped long-standing economic sanctions, committed as much as \$600 million in loans and aid, and encouraged the Interna-

tional Monetary Fund to give Pakistan a \$135 million loan.

Hoping to benefit further from his new alliance with America, Musharraf came to Washington seeking relief from his country's debt, lower tariffs for Pakistan textiles, and approval to buy military goods from the United States. After nearly two hours of talks, Musharraf declined to say whether Bush had made a dent in Pakistan's wish list.

Student hostage describes ordeal

By John Christoffersen
Associated Press

FAIRFIELD, Conn. — Nicole Arrigo's class at Fairfield University was discussing the concept of time when a confused-looking young man stumbled into the room with what he claimed was a bomb.

The next few hours would seem like an eternity.

Patrick Arbelo, 24, a legally blind 2001 graduate of the Jesuit-run university, announced to the class that he was a member of "The National United Federalist Socialist Party." And he was holding a box with a wire sticking out of it.

He ordered the students to put their hands on their heads. He told them to toss their book bags out of the classroom and tape up the windows. And he gave what Arrigo called a "modern-day Nazi statement."

The standoff ended seven hours later when the last of the 28 hostages were released and a jittery Arbelo gave up without a struggle. No one was injured. Police said Wednesday that the box did not contain a bomb.

"We didn't think that it was a joke, but we thought it might be some sort of drill," Arrigo said in an interview Wednesday, when classes resumed. "Then we noticed the teacher was very nervous."

Arbelo was arraigned Wednesday on 28 counts of kidnapping. Bail was set at \$1 million, and the judge also ordered a psychiatric exam.

Arbelo's lawyer, William Neary, had no comment.

Arrigo, a 19-year-old sophomore from Boston, had seen Arbelo in the corridor of Canisius Hall on Tuesday, a few

minutes before the Voices of Medieval Women religious-studies class, and he looked out of place.

The class' 27 students and professor were discussing the difference between normal time and the way time seems at peak moments of your life when Arbelo walked in.

"It was weird. The first 45 minutes was really scary," Arrigo said. "He had no idea what he was doing."

One student was able to signal for help.

A priest soon tried to enter the class. Arbelo pulled out a baton and beat him back, Arrigo said.

The police arrived, and Arbelo began talking with them on a two-way radio that he had brought with him. He demanded his statement be read to the media, along with a list of books that he wanted the public to read. Police refused his demands.

Arbelo, who is blind in one eye and three-quarters blind in the other and partially deaf, made a student change the battery in the radio and light a cigarette for him.

Soon, he began letting people out of the classroom.

A few of the women who were "wailing" were the first to go, Arrigo said. Others were excused when said they had to go to the bathroom. "People were just pretending to be sick, but he caught on," she said.

There were only four male students in class. The largest of them was among the first hostages Arbelo ordered to leave, Arrigo said.

The next several hours included a lot of waiting.

"Most of the time, he was just kind of goofy," she said. "At one point he stood up and asked if anyone had cards or dice. He looked bored."

Arizona case could affect 800 on death row

By Jackie Hallifax
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The fate of nearly 800 death row inmates in Florida and eight other states may rest on the outcome of a U.S. Supreme Court case that could have the most dramatic effect in 30 years on the way states apply the death penalty.

The high court agreed last month to hear a case from Arizona that asks whether a judge instead of a jury can decide whether a convicted killer deserves the death penalty.

The court's decision, expected

by summer, could affect sentences already handed down in nine states where judges choose between a death sentence and life in prison for a convicted killer.

In Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, and Nebraska, juries have no role in sentencing those they convict in capital cases. In Florida, Alabama, Delaware, and Indiana, juries make recommendations, but judges make the decision.

"It goes to the very heart of what we mean by the right to a jury trial, and we have argued it forever," said Denise Young, a lawyer in Tucson, Ariz., who

represents death row inmates.

Defenders of the sentencing laws at issue have argued that judges can be better than juries at applying the law without passion. Having a judge make the choice may lead to fewer death sentences, or sentences better able to withstand scrutiny on appeal, some prosecutors have said.

Florida leads the nine states with 372 inmates on death row, followed by Alabama with 184, Arizona with 128, and Colorado with 39.

The court could rule broadly on whether it is ever appropriate to have a judge make the

final call, or confine its ruling to the situation in Arizona and the four other states with nearly identical laws.

Since the Supreme Court agreed on Jan. 11 to hear the challenge to Arizona's law, it has granted stays of execution to two Florida inmates whose lawyers had cited the pending Arizona case. That has led some lawyers to suggest that the Supreme Court believes that Florida's law — and those like it — are constitutionally suspect, too.

Under Florida's law, a judge can impose the death penalty even if a jury recommends a life sentence.

Advocates, Democrats criticize Bush's \$900 million AIDS budget

By Laura Meckler
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration defended its budget for fighting AIDS across the globe Wednesday in the face of critics who say the United States is not doing enough.

United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan estimates that \$7 billion to \$10 billion is needed each year to prevent further spread of the disease and treat some 40 million people already infected with HIV.

President Bush is asking for just under \$900 million for the worldwide AIDS fight. That includes \$200 million for the newly created Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, a private foundation created to mobilize dollars quickly and directly to promising programs.

This year, the United States is contributing \$300 million to the fund, with a combination of dollars from the 2001 and 2002 budget years.

The secretary of Health and Human Services, Tommy Thompson, said \$200 million for next year would be a "tremendously generous contribution" considering other budget demands.

AIDS advocates and several Senate Democrats disagreed.

"We quite frankly look like pikers," said Senate Foreign Relations Chairman Joseph Biden, D-Del.

"I just don't think it does the job, and I don't think it reflects the leadership role our country has to take," said Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis.

Paul Zeitz of the Global AIDS Alliance called it "tremendously stingy." He said the United States should be contributing \$1

billion next year to the global fund and \$2.5 billion overall for the global AIDS fight.

Last year, the House approved legislation authorizing \$1.3 billion per year for AIDS care and prevention abroad; the Senate has not acted on it.

A State Department official responded that the United States was the first government to commit money to the global fund and has pledged more than any other country.

The administration's request for next year "continue to set an example for other governments and potential donors," said Paula Dobriansky, the under secretary of State for global affairs.

Annan, who met privately with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, suggested the considerable dollars will be needed.

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Lindh to judge: 'Not guilty, sir.'

By Larry Margasak
Associated Press

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — John Walker Lindh pleaded innocent Wednesday to conspiring to kill Americans, then was denounced as a traitor in an emotional outpouring outside court by the family of a slain CIA officer who had questioned him in Afghanistan.

"Not guilty, sir," Lindh told the judge, in a routine arraignment that was followed by an awkward encounter between two fathers inside the courthouse and the strong statements outside. The CIA officer's widow said Lindh should be sentenced to death.

When the proceeding ended, Lindh's father, Frank, tried to shake hands with Johnny Spann, father of slain CIA agent Johnny Michael Spann. The officer was killed in a prison uprising in Afghanistan that occurred shortly after he had questioned Lindh and other captured soldiers.

As Frank Lindh started to say that he was sorry about Spann's death and that his son had

nothing to do with the killing, officials from the U.S. attorney's office stopped the encounter. "We were trying to get the family out without anyone speaking to them," said spokeswoman Sam Dibley.

Johnny Spann, his wife, Gail, and the officer's widow, Shannon, then went outside to denounce John Walker Lindh to reporters.

"Certainly I should have preferred the death penalty myself," Shannon Spann said. "We expect Mr. Walker to be personally held responsible for all the things he's done. My view today is certainly that he should have been charged with treason."

Gail Spann added, "John Walker is a traitor because of the way he lived. It's so simple, and I hope that all Americans will feel the same way that I do." "Tell them, Americans will not tolerate traitors," Johnny Spann said.

Lindh is charged with conspiring to kill Americans, providing support to terrorist organizations, including Al Qaeda, and using firearms dur-



William Hennessey Jr./Associated Press

Captured Taliban John Walker Lindh, pleads not guilty at his arraignment in federal court on Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2002 in Alexandria Va.

ing crimes of violence. None of the charges carry the death penalty. Three counts have a maximum life term and the other seven could add up to 90 years in prison.

U.S. District Judge T.S. Ellis III said he wanted the trial to begin in late August or September, and scheduled a hearing for Friday to set a date. The judge rejected a joint proposal by the

prosecution and defense for a delay until mid-November, saying that was too far away.

Lindh appeared with his head shaved in his two initial court appearances, but his black hair is starting to grow back. Still, his clean-shaven appearance is a sharp contrast to the full beard and long hair seen in televised images of him from Afghanistan.

'Cowboys' have their own Afghanistan war

By Robert Burns
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The CIA, with a long history of secret involvement in Afghanistan, sometimes calls its own shots in the campaign to destroy Osama bin Laden's terror network.

The spy agency's role has entered the public spotlight since the CIA became part of the broader military campaign following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Before that, the agency was keeping watch on bin Laden but didn't have the offensive air power or paramilitary troops it now uses in Afghanistan.

The Army four-star general who is the top war commander, Tommy Franks, has no authority to veto the CIA's military operations, although he is consulted. Franks drew up the battle plan that began unfolding Oct. 7, 2001, but the CIA was there before the first U.S. military troops.

In fact the CIA, on presidential orders, had been on its own covert hunt for bin Laden in Afghanistan long before the Sept. 11 attacks. Director George Tenet says the agency has "been at war" with Al Qaeda for more than five years.

Agency personnel are operating by remote control a drone aircraft, known as the Predator, armed with missiles — one of which targeted and killed three people suspected by the United States of being bin Laden operatives. Some Afghans say the Feb. 4 strike killed innocents, not terrorists.

That episode, yet to be fully clarified, brought to light an aspect of the campaign that had been little understood — that the CIA in some cases is waging its own war in Afghanistan. Pentagon officials acknowledge that the spy agency has authority to conduct its own operations there, although they stress that intelligence and military officials cooperate and consult regularly.

Condit attempts to save his political life in 2002 campaign

By Brian Melley
Associated Press

STOCKTON, Calif. — Hoping to save his political skin, Rep. Gary Condit is shaking every hand he can.

On Feb. 8, that quest took him to a retirement home in this former Gold Rush depot, where he flashed his wide grin and started pumping hands.

"I'm Gary Condit," he told a woman who said he looked familiar.

Familiar maybe, but not someone any of them could vote for. Most of those he met said they were Republicans and unable to vote in the March 5 primary. Even the Democrats couldn't vote for Condit: The Bayside Landing community is not even in Condit's redrawn congressional district.

Rookie mistakes like this only reinforce how uphill Condit's bid for re-election is.

After a summer of bad publicity and abandonment by many of his Washington colleagues and



Gary Kazanjian/Associated Press

Gary Condit, left, meets with supporter Les Rate during a sidewalk chat Feb. 9 at the Krazy Gals Cafe in Gustine, Calif. After a summer of bad publicity and abandonment by many of his Washington colleagues and political donors, Condit is running more like an underdog than a 12-year veteran.

political donors, Condit is running more like an underdog than a 12-year veteran.

His mailer plaintively asks voters: "Perhaps you will reconsider me when you vote for Congress."

In person, however, Condit uses the charm that has given him an undefeated, 30-year electoral record, one that made him a household name in California's Central Valley before it was linked to that of missing Washington intern Chandra Levy.

His weekend campaign swing started on the morning of Feb. 8 at a Christian radio station, where Condit, the son of a Baptist minister, talked issues with four other Democratic candidates.

Into the crowd in their Sunday best walked Condit, wearing boots, blue jeans, a plaid shirt, and corduroy jacket. He displayed clear command of the issues — the economy, energy, and farming. The other candidates echoed his answers.

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'Blunt' Enron whistleblower prepared to spill all to Congress

By Deb Riechmann
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Sherron Watkins' phone machine was jammed with messages of encouragement as she labored over the statement she will give to Congress today. Still, she was a little nervous.

Pacing between her computer and her sister, Julie Reagan, Watkins fretted over drafts of the statement laying out what she wanted to say about Enron's collapse. "What do you think?" she asked during last weekend's preparation, according to her sister.

Watkins exposed her company's calamity in a devastating memo to her boss last year. Until now, lawmakers mainly have heard from Enron officials who would not say much, or anything, or who forgot a lot.

But Watkins is coming to the Capitol as a willing — and knowledgeable — witness.

"I think she's going to tell everything she knows," Reagan said. "She doesn't beat around the bush a lot. She says what she thinks."

Speaking her mind, sometimes peppered with a few swear words, is Watkins' way. She was born with an independent mind, says her mother, Shirley Klein Harrington, who is taking care of Watkins' 2-year-old daughter while the toddler's mom is in Washington.

Any other Thursday, Watkins, 42, would be dropping off the child at preschool and heading to her office at Enron's high-rise headquarters in Houston, where she is a vice president for corporate development.

Instead, she is a congressional staff witness, a woman who worried about the fate of her company and her own career as word spread about "funny" accounting at the Houston-based energy trading company that is now in bankruptcy.

For starters, lawmakers on a House subcommittee want to know if Watkins got the cold shoulder after she alerted then-Enron Chairman Kenneth Lay and others that the company was mired in dubious accounting activities.

Watkins hand-delivered her six-page warning to Lay on Aug. 22, 2001, months before Enron declared bankruptcy and about the time Lay was telling employees that growth of the company "has never been more certain."

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WORLD

Arafat pulls pistol on security chief

By Karin Laub
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — It was a startling scene even for the mercurial Yasser Arafat: During an argument, the Palestinian leader tried to punch his West Bank security chief and pulled a gun on him for defying orders.

Arafat's outburst may have been more than political theater, with some saying he appears increasingly unnerved by open talk in Israel — and more discreet whispers in Washington — about sidelining him.

The target of Arafat's wrath was Jibril Rajoub, the head of the Preventive Security Service in the West Bank — and a man tagged by Israeli leaders as one of the younger, more pragmatic Palestinians they feel they could do business with.

Arafat summoned Rajoub to his compound in the West Bank town of Ramallah on Monday,

angered by the escape of prisoners from a lockup under Rajoub's control and the security chief's refusal to help dismantle the Al Aqsa Brigades, a militia linked to Arafat's Fatah movement.

Arafat yelled at Rajoub and at one point jumped from his chair, trying to punch his security chief in the face, said Palestinian officials familiar with the incident. The barrel-chested Rajoub caught Arafat's hand in mid-air, said the officials, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

At that point, Arafat pulled a pistol from a holster, the officials said. One aide shouted at Arafat, "Don't do it," while others wrested the pistol from Arafat's hand, letting it drop to the floor. Rajoub got up and left.

Some Palestinians played down the episode as vintage Arafat: Many times in the past, the Palestinian leader has yelled at his lieutenants, cursed them, or banished them from

the inner circle, only to make amends with hugs and kisses.

Most recently Arafat fell out with his deputy in the PLO, Mahmoud Abbas, when Arafat felt his authority was being challenged. Rajoub's equivalent in the Gaza strip, Mohammed Dahlan, also fell from favor after criticizing Arafat several months ago, but has since been restored to the leader's good graces.

Palestinian legislator Hanan Ashrawi said she spoke to Arafat after the incident with Rajoub, and that he told her he had to assert his authority.

"According to Arafat, it's a matter of discipline," Ashrawi said. "It's a matter of knowing that one person takes the decisions, and he [Arafat] feels this is a situation of crisis, and he feels it is important that everyone comply."

Arafat's aides remained silent, and the Palestinian media didn't report the con-

frontation; Palestinians learned of it from Israeli newspapers and TV reports.

Rajoub published a pledge of loyalty to Arafat in the Palestinian daily *Al Quds* on Wednesday and said anyone challenging the Palestinian leader while he is under Israeli siege was committing treason. Yet in an interview with Israel TV's Channel 10, he was more ominous. While again professing his loyalty, he said: "The time will come when I will say what happened ... Nobody can do anything to me."

Abdel Jawad Saleh, an outspoken Arafat critic and former Palestinian agriculture minister, said he believed Arafat was feeling increasingly pressured. "Maybe he is feeling that the Americans and the Israelis want to replace him, and he wants to show them that he is boss," Saleh said.

Afghan governor: U.S. killed 21 civilians

By Ellen Knickmeyer
Associated Press

TARIN KOT, Afghanistan — U.S. warplanes bombed a tractor carrying fleeing Afghan women and children in October, 2001, an Afghan governor said Wednesday. The governor said there were Taliban fighters among the civilians, a contention that the survivors deny.

The survivors say 21 civilians, some of them babies, were killed in the attack in the village of Thorai in central Uruzgan province.

"You think Taliban would come among our women, or we would let them? There were no Taliban here," said Fasal Rabi, cradling his maimed 18-month-old son. The child's leg bore scars and swollen lumps of what the family said was U.S. shrapnel.

Rabi lost three other children and two brothers in the attack.

"We are not Taliban, and we are not Al Qaeda. We are innocent, and these were women and children," Rabi said.

The attack, at the height of the U.S. bombing campaign, was reported only sketchily at the time. Survivor accounts are the latest indication that some U.S. attacks in the four-month campaign have gone badly wrong.

The United States has acknowledged error in another attack in the same province — a Jan. 23 commando raid on a school. The governor of Uruzgan, Jan Mohammed Khan, said Wednesday he privately delivered U.S.

apologies and \$1,000 to \$2,000 in cash to families of 19 men killed in that attack. The governor said the men were anti-Taliban figures sent by him to retrieve surrendered Taliban weapons.

But the U.S. military denied hitting Thorai. A military spokesman said warplanes targeted only a Taliban compound in the nearby city of Tarin Kot, the capital of Uruzgan.

"We had precision-guided missiles that we used on a Taliban leadership compound, command-and-control compound in Tarin Kot," spokesman Maj. Ralph Mills said Wednesday at U.S. Central Command in Tampa, Fla. "We watched the imagery, and we know that it hit the target that we were hoping to hit. All weapons were accounted for."

Villagers, however, showed metal shards, allegedly from U.S. bombs, with "No lift" written on them in English. In the field of one farmer lay the yellow-green canister of an unexploded bomb he said fell that Oct. 21 night.

U.S. bombs hit a Taliban military headquarters and a police station in Tarin Kot before they struck in Thorai, local Afghans said. Both places were under Taliban control at the time.

Watching the bombing draw nearer, two families in Thorai loaded women and children into a metal trailer. The men hitched it to a tractor and put Rabi's 22-year-old brother at the wheel, telling him to flee.



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As U.S. Marines stand guard in the background, Afghan women, whose relatives were allegedly victims of the U.S. air strikes late last year in Afghanistan, gather outside the U.S. embassy in Kabul for a protest demanding reparations for innocent victims Wednesday.

Milosevic questions legality of U.N. court

By Dusan Stojanovic
Associated Press

THE HAGUE, Netherlands — Faced with graphic images from a ruthless campaign of ethnic cleansing that prosecutors say he masterminded, Slobodan Milosevic lashed back Wednesday at the U.N. court, challenging its legality, in his first comments at his war crimes trial.

At the end of the second day of his trial for genocide and war crimes, the former Yugoslav president had his first chance to speak, and his brief exchange with the presiding judge was a harbinger of the defiance and rejection he is likely to adopt for the duration of the exhaustive trial.

"I challenge the very legality of this tribunal because it is not established on the basis of law," he said, after listening to the prosecution's often harrowing

two-day recital of atrocities during a decade of war, in the Balkans.

"This tribunal does not have the competence to try me," he said.

Judge Richard May said the court had already ruled on the legitimacy issue, "as you would know if you had taken the trouble to read our decisions. Your views about the tribunal are now completely irrelevant, as far as these proceedings are concerned."

Milosevic, 60, faces a total of 66 counts of genocide and other war crimes during a decade of strife in the republics that once made up Yugoslavia. Each count carries a maximum sentence of life in prison. U.N. tribunals don't have a death penalty.

With less than 30 minutes left before a scheduled adjournment, Milosevic declined to begin his formal response to

allegations that he was responsible for the deportation of millions of non-Serbs and the killing of hundreds of thousands during the wars in Bosnia, Croatia, and Kosovo.

He was expected to begin his statement — which could last a day or two — today and to continue to challenge the court's right to try him. He is expected to paint himself as a leader who tried to preserve the unity of his country.

Serb officials, meanwhile, called on war-crimes suspects still in hiding to surrender, suggesting the government would step up cooperation with the tri-

bunal.

"If they don't turn themselves in, the government of Serbia will take measures," Serbia's Prime Minister Zoran Djindjic told the private Fonet news agency in Belgrade. "We certainly will not sacrifice the future of our country because of people who are not able to do the right thing." A dozen men indicted by the court are believed to be in Serbia, including four former top associates of Milosevic.

Milosevic, the first head of state to be called to justice before an international tribunal, sat impassively through

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By Jonathan
Associate

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Attackers fire at U.S. base in Afghanistan

By Jonahan Ewing
Associated Press

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan — U.S. forces scrambled helicopter gunships and exchanged fire Wednesday with attackers who shot at the American air base in southern Afghanistan, the Army said. There were no U.S. casualties in the attack, but at another base a U.S. soldier was crushed to death by falling equipment.

The firefight at Kandahar lasted about 15 to 20 minutes, and the shooting appeared to be coming from two different positions north and west of the airfield, said Ralph Mills, a spokesman for the U.S. Central Command in Tampa, Fla. U.S. troops shot illumination rounds and returned fire with machine guns in the direction of the shooting, Mills said.

Apache helicopter gunships were dispatched "to try to find out where the fire was coming from and who was doing it," he said.

Mills said seven people were detained. Later, U.S. officials said they turned out to be part of the U.S.-backed Afghan security force and were released. Mills did not know the size of the attacking force.

"I think it's safe to say it was pretty ineffective because the airfield was not penetrated at all," he said.

The base, which has more than 4,100 troops and a detention facility for Al Qaeda and Taliban prisoners, has come under fire before. On Jan. 10, gunmen in arid scrub north of the runway opened fire as a C-17 transport plane took off with 20 detainees bound for the U.S. detention camp at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Two weeks later, an Afghan apparently under the influence of drugs tried to penetrate the base's heavily guarded perimeter, touching off a security alert that briefly grounded a plane. Soldiers captured the man inside the fence and detained him.

An Army soldier based at Bagram airfield, 40 miles north of Kabul, died Wednesday of injuries he suffered when the heavy equipment he was working on fell on him, Mills said. The soldier, whose name was being withheld until his family has

been notified, was pronounced dead by doctors at a local medical facility where he was taken for emergency surgery.

Eight U.S. soldiers were injured Tuesday evening when their Air Force transport plane crashed, said Brad Lowell, another Central Command spokesman. None of the eight aboard the MC-130P that went down in a remote part of Afghanistan sustained life-threatening injuries, and seven could still walk, said Lowell.

The cause of the crash was unknown, but it did not appear to be the result of hostile fire, Central Command said.

Lowell would not say what mission the plane was on or where it crashed. The \$75 million propeller-driven MC-130P is used to refuel helicopters flown by special operations troops. The planes, which operate mainly at night to avoid detection, can also be used to drop leaflets.

U.S. special forces and CIA operatives are leading the hunt in Afghanistan for fugitives from the former Taliban regime and the Al Qaeda terror network.

Air crashes and other mishaps have proved far more deadly to U.S. forces than enemy fire during the four-month U.S.-led war.

Of the 20 soldiers who have died, one was killed by hostile fire, said Lt. Col. Dave Lapan, a military spokesman at the Pentagon. Eleven died in aircraft accidents, three in U.S. bombing and five in other accidents. A CIA agent also was killed in a prison uprising near Mazar-e-Sharif.

Moving to settle a violent power struggle in southeastern Afghanistan, the interim government told two tribal rivals who have fought for control of Paktia province that neither of them will be governor. One suggested the decision could spark new fighting.

Government-run Kabul TV announced that Taj Mohammad Wardak, a former governor of several other provinces, was being appointed in Paktia.

Two days of fighting for Paktia last month killed at least 61 people. The fighting pitted forces loyal to warlord Bacha Khan, who claimed the governorship, against the tribal council of Gardez, Paktia's provincial capital, which opposed him.

UISG candidates become official

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were fined for various illegal campaigning offenses.

Candidates' spending, which includes all material donations, was capped at \$1,500.

Campaigning during the 37 hours of voting on March 3 and 4 is permitted, but no one listed on a ticket is allowed to campaign or wear campaign materials inside UI buildings while voting is taking place.

Loftus also advised candidates to avoid campaigning at UI computer labs and voting stations.

Last year, the Klenske and Rossi ticket was fined by the Student Election Board for distributing voting propaganda in computer labs on voting days. The ruling was later overturned by the Student Judicial Court.

Tickets were also urged to have all campaign materials approved by the board.

Klenske asked the candidates if they knew what they were doing before congratulating the two tickets.

"I've been counting down for the past 60 days to get out of office," he said.

The candidates will square off in two debates during the 16 days of campaigning; the first to be held Feb. 21 at the Levitt Auditorium and the second, Feb. 26 at the Shambaugh Auditorium. Both debates will begin at 7 p.m.

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UISG vice presidential candidates



Blizek
Vice presidential candidate

Matt Blizek
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Activities: Founder and president of Students for Local



Trotzig
Vice presidential candidate

Kristin Trotzig
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— by Jennifer Sturm

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House clears way for overhaul of campaign law

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Passage would send the bill to the Senate. Supporters there, led by Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Russell Feingold, D-Wis., hoped for swift acquiescence that would send the legislation to President Bush's desk for his signature, although a filibuster loomed as the last-ditch hope of opponents.

Bush has generally stayed above the fray, even though the White House stepped in during the day to criticize a late change inserted by supporters as "unfair, unwise, and unwarranted."

"The president believes that this should be removed," said spokesman Ari Fleischer, addressing a provision that Republicans charged would benefit Democrats.

Meehan and others insisted Republicans had incorrectly interpreted the provision, which related to long-standing rules governing permissible uses of different types of campaign donations. At the same time, they drafted clarifying language and agreed to insert it into the bill before final passage. "I want everyone to feel good about what we're doing," said the Massachusetts Democrat.

And despite Fleischer's comments, two senior Republicans who advise the White House said Bush's political team had

determined that the bill would pass and that the president had decided against a veto.

Still, the developments on and off the House floor underscored the unpredictability of an issue that has long veered between lofty constitutional concerns and bare-knuckled political combat.

"The current campaign-finance system is a disaster, and it's an embarrassment to American democracy," said Rep. Bernard Sanders, I-Vt., one of a parade of lawmakers who argued that legislation was needed to rein in special interests. Several supporters made mention of the scandal surrounding Enron, the bankrupt energy-trading company.

But critics argued just as passionately the bill was unconstitutional and a fraud as well. "This bill does not contain real reform. Instead, this bill strips citizens of their political rights and unconstitutionally attempts to regulate political speech," said Rep. Tom DeLay, the House GOP whip.

The House bill would ban unlimited "soft money" donations to the national political parties, typically five- and six-figure donations made by corporations, unions, and individuals.

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Editorials

Banks shouldn't charge twice for using ATMs

Iowa is one of two states that don't allow a surcharge fee at automated teller machines. In all likelihood, this will change soon.

A Bank One in Utah wanted to place ATM machines in various businesses and locations and charge the customers for use; however, the machines had to be removed because such a practice is illegal in Iowa.

Most Iowans already suffer ATM charges if they don't use their own banks' ATMs. This fee, generally about \$1.50 per use, is charged by a customer's bank to cover the operation charge of the ATM's owner.

According to the U.S. Public Interest Group, the problem comes when people begin receiving double charges for one ATM withdrawal. Their bank charges them to use another's ATM, and the bank

that owns the ATM will charge them additional fees. This double charging can add up to as much as \$5 per use. Currently, Iowans are safe from this double charge. Right now, only the customer's own bank can charge them to use an ATM.

The Bank One in Utah won in the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals, which means Bank One will be able to put its ATM machines in Iowa and charge fees as it sees fit. Iowa is taking the case to the Supreme Court, but its chances of getting heard are slim.

This charge will hurt small banks operating in Iowa, because to avoid double charges when traveling out of state, a customer may choose a large bank that has numerous ATMs. The charges will also hurt Iowans who may not realize that they are being charged doubly for their transaction.

Just how much do banks profit from owning and operating ATMs? While some banks contend that the costs of operating are high, the ubiquitous placement of ATM machines indicates that the profits far outweigh the costs. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation reported that the total national profit off ATM machines was about \$62 billion in 1998. This is far beyond the costs to buy and maintain ATMs. The U.S. Public Interest Research Group also claims that ATMs cost much less than paying live tellers.

Citizens shouldn't have to face double charges when using a simple amenity of the bank, and, thus far, large, greedy banks have been kept at bay. However, without federal legislation, customers may be forced to deal with the inconvenience of using one's own bank's ATMs exclusively.

UI's parking proposal lacks necessary vision

At one time or another, many of us have dealt with the parking department on this campus. We have either received a ticket or paid an arm and a leg for parking. However, before one receives a ticket or pays for parking, one must first find a place to park. Parking on campus is an obvious problem, one that even those who do not drive to class or commute to work can see.

The university wants to build two more parking ramps, which some believe would eliminate the parking problem on campus. To do this, administrators have proposed raising the parking fees on campus and near the hospital to 75 cents an hour and doubling the cost of parking tickets, beginning in August. But it is not likely that this hike will fix the parking problem.

In addition, many students are concerned with how this plan will benefit them. The university wants to build

The UI must devise a comprehensive parking plan with concrete goals to prevent the failure of its ad-hoc efforts.

ramps by the UI Hospitals and Clinics, but what about congested parking on the East Side of the river? Even though the university is on the right track with its proposal, it needs to consider more than just the West Side and UIHC. Based on a Feb. 7 *DI* article ("UI parking prices may increase"), it seems the university has not developed a specific plan to address the problem.

For example, administrators could look to improving Cambus. Students already pay a fee for the upkeep and maintenance of the system. By increasing the fee, and in turn, improving and expanding Cambus, the university would encourage students to take the bus instead of driving. This would reduce the number of people who drive

to class, leaving more spots open for those who commute. This is just one of many instances for which the university's proposal does not leave room. Instead of building more ramps, we need to first fix that which we have.

The university is on track by beginning to address the parking problem. However, it is overlooking other problems by thinking that merely raising the parking fees and tickets will solve everything. Right now, the proposal exhibits ill planning. Time and thought will be needed to address the parking problem fully. The university should propose a detailed plan of how it wants to fix it, and it should give students some reward for paying increased fees.

Letters to the Editor

No excuses, just results

Ryan Adams, Lucinda Williams (sold out), Medeski Martin & Wood, They Might Be Giants, Mad Caddies, Bela Fleck and the Flecktones, OAR (sold out), Jack Johnson (highest North American ticket sales), Ben Folds (Feb. 25), Rearview Mirror, and the Snocore Tour (March 13). What do all of these acts have in common? They all will be or were on campus this year, and the second semester is just beginning. I could go on like this forever, but it is simply too easy. I will mention a few recent arena shows such as the Foo Fighters, Elton John, and the Backstreet Boys.

Second, I would like to clarify a couple of points for Scott Kading (*DI*, Feb. 7). Yes, SCOPE does have some debt currently, but this debt has been accumulated over the entire existence of SCOPE, and SCOPE made a profit last semester. Not to make excuses again, because quite frankly everyone is tired of them, but SCOPE does have to work through different channels and deal with more overhead than many of our competitors. That said, SCOPE has had arena shows each of the past three years, and SCOPE is continuing to rebuild its reputation in the industry following its hiatus from the arena game.

Finally, SCOPE is a hands-on teaching organization that provides valuable experience in all aspects of producing a concert, which SCOPE members participate in from the initial contact of an act through to the final settlement

of expenses following a successful show. The incredible learning experience that SCOPE has provided to its members over the past 25 years has resulted in past SCOPE members being prominent players in the music industry from coast to coast, with such major industry players as Jam Productions and Monterey Peninsula.

So, I offer no excuses — just results. SCOPE has not only booked a diverse group of successful concerts over the past year but has done so at the highest level as a student-run organization operating in a corporate structure. If Mr. Kading is looking for a particular act, I encourage him to complete a survey or e-mail SCOPE, so we can continue to provide the highest-quality entertainment to all UI students and Eastern Iowa residents.

Ben Van Dyke
SCOPE public-relations director

Come on, UI!

This past week, I attended Iowa State University's "The Business of Music in America" lecture series. It was great. And as a UI graduate, it was embarrassing for me to have to drive clear to Ames to attend such a music conference.

The series provided an invaluable forum for ISU students on the trials and tribulations of the music industry and other music employment opportunities. The information and networking was priceless to all of those who attended. The series was presented by ISU's Institute on National

Affairs and funded by their Government of the Student Body.

You need to have a conference here at the UI. I will help you set it up. I worked in the record industry for most of the 1990s in Nashville, Tenn., and I managed Grammy Award-winner Shelby Lynne.

Also, how about the start of a college record label music program? "Hawkeye Records" has a cool vibe to it!

Rowdy Lind
UI alumnus

Shocked and chagrined

I am from Indiana, and I went to the Iowa-Indiana game on Feb. 5. I was shocked by how dire my fellow Indiana fans were towards Luke Recker.

Everyone expected for the fans to boo Recker, but, instead, the fans were just brutal. The chants were very inappropriate. I was disgusted when Indiana fans cheered after Recker briefly hurt his ankle. That is just awful sportsmanship.

I am proud to say that I was one of the extremely few Indiana fans who did not participate in the booing or chanting. I actually cheered for Luke; he is, for heaven's sake, an Indiana native. Number 4? Number 24? What's the difference? It's still the same person. I just wanted to let all the Hawkeye fans know that not all Indiana fans are that awful.

I have a lot of Indiana pride, but after how my fellow IU fans acted, I have lost some of that pride. I was ashamed of the Indiana fans. GO LUKE RECKER!

Holly Weaver
McCordsville, Ind., resident

Trying to come to grips with Enron's mythology

Many commentators have pointed to the Enron debacle as a cause for more government regulation. Defenders of government intervention have emerged from the left and the right to propose everything from increased retirement-fund regulation to campaign-finance reform. However, these claims are not all that they are made out to be.

Markets are bad.

Admittedly, the Enron fiasco does demonstrate one of the "downsides" of capitalism. Companies can fail in a free market if they cannot meet the needs of their workers, investors, and customers. But even this downside has an unseen benefit. Bad companies go bankrupt, and good companies succeed under laissez faire. It is an unseen benefit that many of us wish we could have in government. Unfortunately, most politicians have never seen a bureaucracy they would not subsidize.

Fortunately, under laissez faire, subsidies do not happen. Enron is bankrupt, as it should be. Many in upper management will likely go to jail for securities fraud or some other crime. Those who invested large portions of their retirement in Enron will learn that choices have consequences.

Never will anyone at the Social Security Administration learn that running a pyramid scheme is illegal. No one at Amtrak will learn that job security depends on profitability. Failure in the marketplace serves an important function. It tells people clearly that failure to meet the needs of others will put you out of business.

Campaign-finance reform is needed.

Some have argued that Enron's political connections and generous campaign contributions prove the need for campaign-finance reform. Enron's experience suggests the oppo-



James Eaves-Johnson

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site. Consider that President Bush had no problem ignoring campaign contributions when Enron approached the government for a bailout.

Most people don't realize that Enron pushed hard to pass the Kyoto Protocol. Kyoto would have allowed Enron to run a pollution-credits market. It also would have shifted coal-based energy production to natural gas. That means Enron's gas pipelines would have gotten a lot more business under Kyoto. Nonetheless, Enron's political clout did nothing to prevent Bush from opting out of Kyoto.

To no avail, Enron pushed for a variety of other regulations that would have given it more business. Whatever Enron thought it was buying, politicians weren't selling.

Government regulation will help.

Government regulation actually aided Enron's failure. Currently, issuing debt enjoys a tremendous tax advantage in federal law. As a result, companies like Enron will generally prefer taking on debt to issuing stock. This has two problems. First, it increases the probability that a company will go bankrupt. Second, it encourages companies to engage in higher-risk activities. Because bond holders will have to bear the cost of dramatic losses, stock holders are willing to take such risks.

Also, the tax code encouraged the formation of multiple partnerships, which ultimately

allowed Enron to hide its losses. By forming these partnerships, Enron was able to avoid taxes. Though challenged by the IRS, Enron's practices were upheld in U.S. Tax Court.

Of course, these problems would not occur if corporate taxes were not so high. The U.S. "enjoys" one of the highest corporate taxes in the world. As a result, companies must take drastic action to be competitive in the global market.

Enron was run by evil, greedy capitalists.

Enron was certainly no friend of capitalism. It lobbied for the Kyoto Protocol, energy regulation, and other government intervention. Even when it lobbied for energy "markets," those markets often involved more regulations than were previously in place.

Enron was not a greedy market player. During the California power crisis, Enron was accepting IOUs of questionable value from California and its power companies. It was charging energy prices that were below prevailing market prices. Even "altruistic" government-owned utilities were charging higher rates.

Clearly, something other than profits was driving Enron. Had Enron been a little more "greedy," perhaps it would have charged higher prices, looked for safer markets, and stayed afloat. It was a lack of rational greed that drove Enron into bankruptcy. Were they evil? Maybe. Greedy capitalists? No.

Enron teaches many things. It teaches us to be honest. It teaches us to use care when we manage our retirement funds. It teaches us that choices have consequences. If you cannot take responsibility for your choices, then do not exercise your freedom so carelessly. It provides the feedback that only capitalism can provide. Government can only insulate us from that feedback, and thereby make our problems a lot worse.

James Eaves-Johnson is a *DI* columnist.

On the Spot

Should Iowa repeal its law preventing double charges for ATM use?



"No. It's our money. It's just one more charge that we shouldn't have to deal with."

Marisa Tank
UI freshman



"I don't think they should charge us at all. Why should you have to pay money to get your own money out?"

Rebecca Biermann
UI sophomore



"I think it's a waste of our money."

Dan Piehl
UI freshman



"If given a choice between not paying and paying, I'd rather not pay."

Greg Smith
UI senior



"I don't think it's right that they charge the fee. I don't understand the point."

Laura Young
UI senior

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Letters to the Editor

Jesus was but a man?

The letter from John Dunlap (*DI*, Feb. 7) responding to Tammy Molyneux's Feb. 4 letter raised some important questions about Jesus and the Bible. Dunlap stated that "Jesus was a man," "perhaps a divine man." Jesus himself and the Bible testify that He is fully man ... and fully God. "Far too complex for many of his followers?" Well, no one can fathom God's greatness. Does that make it any less true?

And Jesus "certainly enjoyed his life." For the joy set before him, he endured the cross, scorning its

shame, and sat down at the right hand of God. Jesus did enjoy his life, but not like all men. His joy was living so that he could die to pay for the sins of everyone so that we could have a relationship with God and with Jesus, the God-man. Oh, and "far too complex" revisited — the love that made him who had no sin to become sin for us. Also stated, "one can change the Bible to say whatever it wants whether it does actually say that or not." Just as easily, I could take one sentence or phrase from Dunlap's letter and try to make him say whatever I want. That wouldn't change what he said. Sinful

mankind has misused and has tried to change God's word for centuries — that doesn't change the fact that all Scripture is inspired by God and that His word will never pass away. And the matter of "irrelevant and hyper-religious?" Hyper-religious? That's cool — it flows out of a relationship with God. But irrelevant? Not so much. It is appointed for every man to live once and after that the judgment. A scare tactic? No, love — I want you too to experience the abundant life Jesus Christ came to give. Talk to me.

Andrew Haan
UI senior



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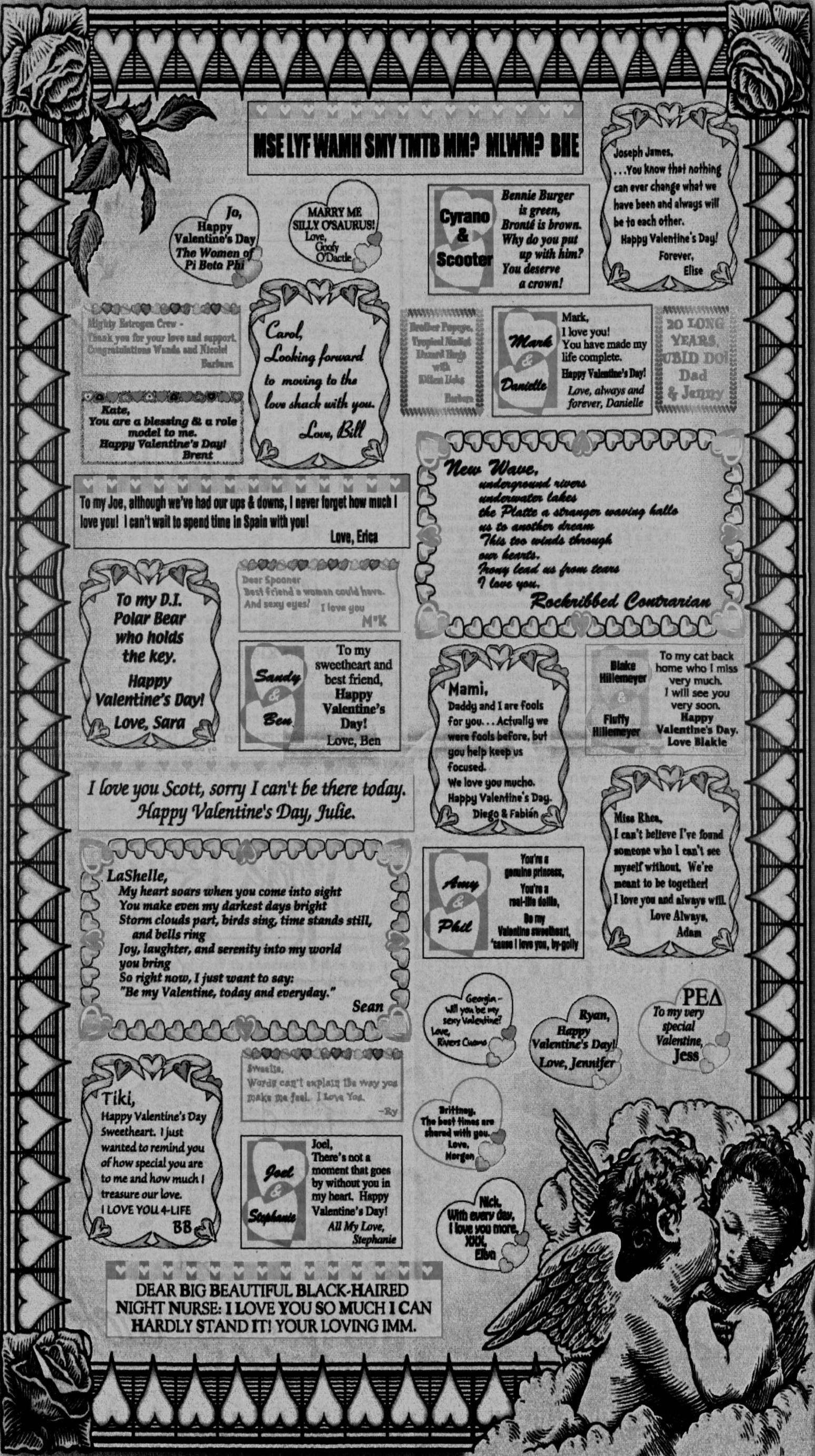
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Laura Young
UI senior



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Jo,
Happy Valentine's Day
The Women of
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MARRY ME
SILLY OSAURUS!
Love,
Goofy
O'Dactle

Cyrano
&
Scooter

Bennie Burger
is green,
Bronté is brown.
Why do you put
up with him?
You deserve
a crown!

Joseph James,
...You know that nothing
can ever change what we
have been and always will
be to each other.
Happy Valentine's Day!
Forever,
Elise

Mighty Estrogen Crew -
Thank you for your love and support.
Congratulations Wanda and Nicolet
Barbara

Carol,
Looking forward
to moving to the
love shack with you.
Love, Bill

Brother Pappye,
Tropical Noddy
Edward Hupp
with
Kilian Laks
Barbara

Mark
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Danielle

Mark,
I love you!
You have made my
life complete.
Happy Valentine's Day!
Love, always and
forever, Danielle

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Dad
& Jenny

Kate,
You are a blessing & a role
model to me.
Happy Valentine's Day!
Brent

To my Joe, although we've had our ups & downs, I never forget how much I
love you! I can't wait to spend time in Spain with you!
Love, Erica

To my D.I.
Polar Bear
who holds
the key.
Happy
Valentine's Day!
Love, Sara

Dear Spooner
Best friend a woman could have.
And sexy eyes! I love you
M'K

Sandy
&
Ben
To my
sweetheart and
best friend,
Happy
Valentine's
Day!
Love, Ben

New Wave,
underground rivers
underwater lakes
the Platte a stranger waving hallo
us to another dream
This too winds through
our hearts.
Howy lead us from tears
I love you.
Rockribbed Contrarian

Mami,
Daddy and I are fools
for you... Actually we
were fools before, but
you help keep us
focused.
We love you mucho.
Happy Valentine's Day.
Diego & Fabián

Blake
Hillemeyer
&
Fluffy
Hillemeyer
To my cat back
home who I miss
very much.
I will see you
very soon.
Happy
Valentine's Day.
Love Blakle

I love you Scott, sorry I can't be there today.
Happy Valentine's Day, Julie.

LaShelle,
My heart soars when you come into sight
You make even my darkest days bright
Storm clouds part, birds sing, time stands still,
and bells ring
Joy, laughter, and serenity into my world
you bring
So right now, I just want to say:
"Be my Valentine, today and everyday."
Sean

Amy
&
Phil
You're a
genuine princess,
You're a
real-life dollie,
Be my
Valentine sweetheart,
'cause I love you, by-golly

Miss Rhea,
I can't believe I've found
someone who I can't see
myself without. We're
meant to be together!
I love you and always will.
Love Always,
Adam

Tiki,
Happy Valentine's Day
Sweetheart. I just
wanted to remind you
of how special you are
to me and how much I
treasure our love.
I LOVE YOU 4-LIFE
BB

Sweets,
Words can't explain the way you
make me feel. I Love You.
-Ry

Joel
&
Stephanie
Joel,
There's not a
moment that goes
by without you in
my heart. Happy
Valentine's Day!
All My Love,
Stephanie

Georgin -
Will you be my
sexy Valentine?
Love,
Rivers Cuomo

Ryan,
Happy
Valentine's Day!
Love, Jennifer

PEA
To my very
special
Valentine,
Jess

Brittney,
The best times are
shared with you.
Love,
Morgan

Nick,
With every day,
I love you more.
XXX,
Elisa

DEAR BIG BEAUTIFUL BLACK-HAIRED
NIGHT NURSE: I LOVE YOU SO MUCH I CAN
HARDLY STAND IT! YOUR LOVING IMM.



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Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002

Hawks lose another one

Iowa continues its fall, losing to Big Ten cellar-dweller Penn State, 71-65

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. (AP) — With its back to the wall, Iowa needed an all-out effort to salvage their season, but it was Penn State that came up with the big plays Wednesday night.

Tyler Smith scored 10 of his 17 points in the last 2:30 and the Nittany Lions overcame a 5 1/2-minute scoring drought to take a 71-65 victory.

The Nittany Lions (7-16, 3-9 Big Ten) trailed by 1 when Smith hit his first 3-pointer, giving Penn State a 58-56 lead with 2:30 left. Another 3-pointer with 1:36, followed by a 19-footer from the corner, put the Nittany Lions up 65-58 with 58.3 seconds left.

"Finally, I had a couple good looks, let them fly and knocked them down," Smith said. "I was open, and Brandon Watkins did a heck of a job getting me the

basketball." Luke Recker hit three free throws in the last minute, and Reggie Evans hit two to bring Iowa (15-11, 4-8) within 63-65 with 37.1 seconds left.

But Sharif Chambliss and Smith each hit a pair of free throws, and Jamaal Tate hit one to preserve the win.

Watkins had 15 points and seven assists, Chambliss scored 13 points, and Jan Jagla had 11 points and 10 rebounds.

For the first time in more than nine years — a stretch of 303 games — Iowa failed to hit a single 3-pointer, going 0-9 from behind the arc. The last time the Hawkeyes went without a 3-pointer was Dec. 8, 1992, in a 64-44 victory over Northern Iowa.

"It was just very bad offense. Our guards had a hard time making the entry pass to the wing," Iowa coach Steve Alford

said. "Our best 3-point shooter in Recker, I don't know if he could tell you he's in Pennsylvania tonight."

Iowa took a 44-43 lead on a Glen Worley leaver with 9:10. After falling behind 40-31 with 16:25 left, the Hawkeyes held Penn State scoreless for 5:42, but Iowa couldn't take the lead, scoring only seven points during that period.

"That was the difference," Penn State coach Jerry Dunn said. "When you can win and you don't shoot the ball well — when you go six or seven minutes without scoring — we did make some buckets when we had to. We got to the free throw line, and we made some buckets when we had to."

Evans, coming off the bench for the first time in his career, had 23 points and 13 rebounds for Iowa, and Luke Recker

scored 11 despite spending more than 7 1/2 minutes on the bench in the second half after picking up his fourth foul.

"I don't know what it is — we've struggled since the Big Ten season opened," Recker said. "We knew they were going to focus on rebounding, and they did a great job with it. It's really tough — it's just the way it's gone for us."

But Alford wasn't as vague, saying that he has let the team get away from him. Alford said players have been skipping class and otherwise breaking rules — behavior he said he would no longer tolerate.

"I think I've done a very poor job this year at compromising. Because of the compromising, I've lost this team," Alford said. "I've got to gain it back, win or lose basketball games here in the next four games."



Iowa basketball coach Steve Alford watches at the end of the game as his team loses to Penn State on Wednesday in University Park, Pa.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS. MICHIGAN • CARVER-HAWKEYE ARENA

Looking for payback

The Iowa women's basketball team has no love loss for Michigan

By Jeremy Shapiro
 The Daily Iowan

Iowa is hoping for a little payback and a Top 25 berth in tonight's Valentines Day match-up with Michigan.

After winning two tough road battles, the rejuvenated Hawkeyes are looking to add a third-straight win. With winnable games on the road at Michigan State and at home with Illinois ending the season, the Hawkeyes have a decent shot at an 11-5 record and a second- or third-place finish in the Big Ten.

Also, after receiving votes all year, the Hawks (15-8, 8-5 in the Big Ten) are on the verge of having the name Iowa show up in the AP's top 25 poll. The team is just outside of the top 25, receiving the most votes of any team not ranked.

Iowa has no love for the Wolverines following its 82-74 upset Jan. 31 in Ann Arbor. Michigan sophomore Jennifer Smith's incredible performance contributed to Iowa's costly loss. However, that was before Iowa apparently turned its season around with more relaxed play in stunning wins at Wisconsin and Penn State.

"For both games, we went in just to play," said Jennie Lillis, Big Ten Player of the Week. "We just wanted to get back to playing our game, without putting pressure on ourselves."

Coach Lisa Bluder said the team played without pressure in the two road wins. The results were fewer turnovers, more rebounding, and a renewed sense of confidence.

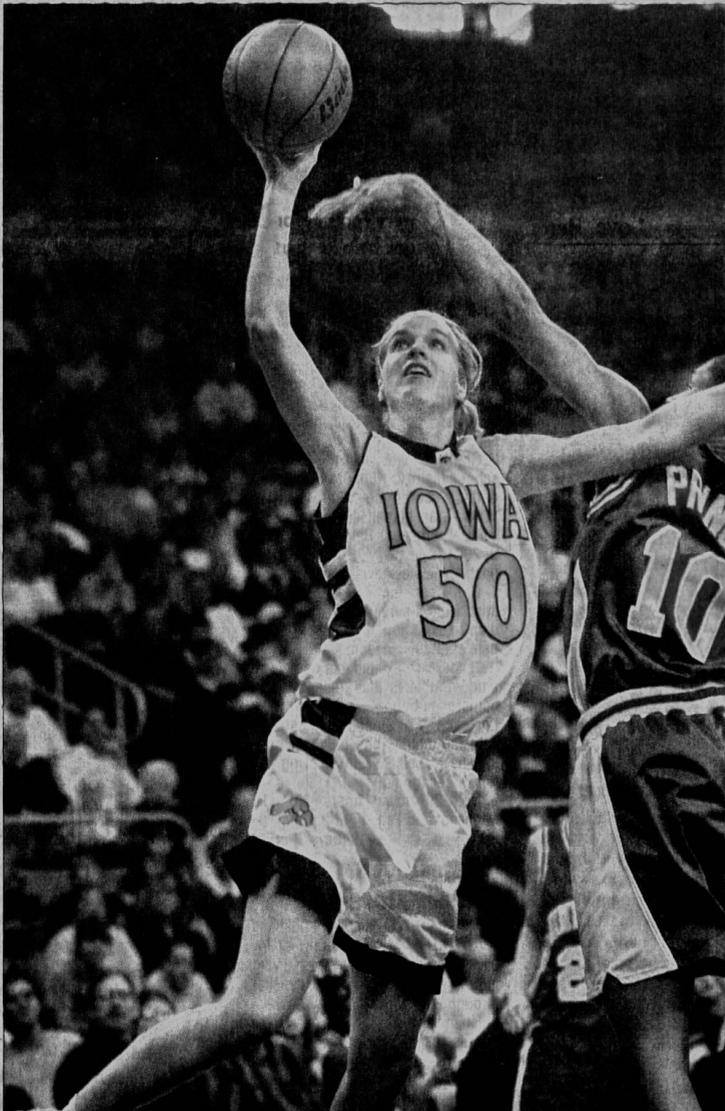
"I'm extremely proud of the way they played," she said.

Bluder also had plenty of praise for point guard Kristi Faulkner, who had her best games of the year while on the road. Faulkner also said she felt more relaxed the past week.

"We had to stay loose," she said. "It's easy to get caught up in things and worry about things out of our control."

Iowa will look try to duplicate its easygoing play tonight against 10th-place Michigan (14-9, 4-8 in Big Ten).

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Iowa's Jennie Lillis goes for the hoop over Minnesota's Kim Prince during the Hawkeyes' game on Feb. 3 at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

10 reasons to watch these Hawks

While you don't have to get these women flowers or cuddly teddy bears, here are 10 reasons to share your love with the Iowa women's basketball team this Valentine's Day.

1. Meder Magic — You only have two home games left to catch the magic show known as Lindsey Meder. Will she rain 3's like crazy? Will she fake defenders out of their Nikes? Will she blow past the other team for a picture perfect, fast-break lay-



Jeremy Shapiro

up? While she has better nights than others, Meder is

as fun to watch as anyone in the conference, especially when she heats up. The senior will likely become Iowa's second all-time leading scorer. All she needs is six points tonight.

2. Two HUGE road wins — Three-straight losses and facing a road trip to the third- and fourth-best teams in the conference. NO PROBLEM. A 12-point win at Wisconsin and a record

See SHAPIRO, page 4B

WINTER OLYMPICS

Referee adds more intrigue to skating scandal

Skating Union president receives allegations from an American referee

By Barry Wilner
 Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — An Olympic referee raised questions about the scores that narrowly gave the gold medal to the Russians in pairs figure skating, the head of the skating union said Wednesday.

It was the latest development in what has quickly become the biggest story of the Winter Games — and could lead to changes in the way the sport is judged.

Ottavio Cinquanta, the International Skating Union president, said he had received "certain allegations" from American referee Ronald Pfenning, who oversaw the nine judges scoring the competition.

In responding to questions about reports that a judge might have been pressured to vote for the Russians, Cinquanta said the judge denied it.

"I have an allegation and a denial," he said, refusing to identify the judge.

Russians Elena Berezhnaya and Anton Sikharulidze edged Canada's Jamie Sale and David Pelletier 5-4 in the free skate Monday night.

Cinquanta said he was embarrassed by the furor over the Russians winning despite an obvious technical error.

Canada's Olympic delegation has demanded an independent investigation, and the federation said it would conduct a rare "internal assessment."

Pfenning, the only one who could present the allegations, could have been relaying a complaint from himself or any of the judges. ISU rules prevent Pfen-

ning or anyone else on the judging panel from commenting publicly about decisions.

Cinquanta did not provide details of the allegations. Others also had questioned the results, "but the most important is the one of the referee," he said.

"He is the coordinator of the competition."

Cinquanta made it clear the integrity of judging — and the sport itself — is at stake.

"We are on the eve of possible revision of the judging system and it could limit the possibility of misunderstandings," he said.

Skate Canada, which filed an appeal of the pairs outcome with the ISU on Wednesday, also recognized the significance of the controversy.

"We are on the eve of changes in the judging system," said Marilyn Chidlow, president of



Cinquanta received allegations

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Hawkeye Sports

TODAY
 Softball at Central Arizona
 3 p.m. Coolidge, Ariz.
 Women's basketball vs. Michigan
 7 p.m. Carver-Hawkeye tickets available

FRIDAY
 Softball at Louisville Slugger Classic
 2:30 p.m. vs. Oklahoma St. Tempe, Ariz.
 6:30 p.m. vs. Arizona State Tempe, Ariz.
 Men's track and field at UNI Open
 3 p.m. UNI Dome
 Wrestling vs. Michigan
 7 p.m. Carver-Hawkeye tickets available

SATURDAY
 Softball at Louisville Slugger Classic
 10 a.m. vs. Illinois State Tempe, Ariz.
 noon vs. Michigan State Tempe, Ariz.
 Women's tennis vs. Marquette
 11 a.m. UI Recreation Building
 Men's basketball vs. Ohio State
 11:17 a.m. Carver-Hawkeye

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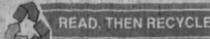
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 3 p.m. Nissan Open USA

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 6 p.m. N.C. State at Duke ESPN
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 9:30 p.m. Arizona at UCLA Fox

NBA
 8 p.m. Wizards at Sacramento TNT
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QUICK HITS

MEN'S TOP 25

By The Associated Press
All Times CST

Wednesday's Games
No. 3 Maryland 85, Georgia Tech 65
No. 16 Oklahoma State 79, No. 4 Oklahoma 72 OT
No. 7 Alabama 52, South Carolina 51
No. 10 Kentucky 67, Vanderbilt 59
No. 13 Miami 79, St. John's 56
Clemson 118, No. 19 Wake Forest 115 2OT
Wisconsin 64, No. 22 Indiana 63

Today's Games
No. 1 Duke vs. No. 24 North Carolina State, 6 p.m.
No. 8 Gonzaga vs. Loyola Marymount, 9 p.m.
No. 9 Arizona at No. 20 UCLA, 9:30 p.m.
No. 12 Stanford at Washington, 9 p.m.
No. 25 Southern California vs. Arizona State, 9:30 p.m.

Friday's Game
No. 5 Cincinnati vs. Southern Mississippi, 8 p.m.

Saturday's Games
No. 2 Kansas vs. Baylor, 3 p.m.
No. 4 Oklahoma vs. Kansas State, 12:45 p.m.
No. 6 Florida at Mississippi, 2 p.m.
No. 7 Alabama vs. Tennessee, 2 p.m.
No. 8 Gonzaga vs. Pepperdine, 9 p.m.
No. 9 Arizona at No. 25 Southern California, 5 p.m.
No. 10 Kentucky at No. 21 Georgia, Noon
No. 11 Marquette vs. Louisville, 2:30 p.m.
No. 12 Stanford at Washington State, 5 p.m.
No. 14 Pittsburgh at West Virginia, 8 p.m.
No. 16 Oklahoma State at Texas A&M, 5 p.m.
No. 17 Oregon vs. Oregon State, 9 p.m.
No. 18 Illinois at Seton Hall, Noon
No. 20 UCLA vs. Arizona State, 2 p.m.
No. 23 Ohio State at Iowa, 11:15 a.m.
No. 24 North Carolina State vs. Clemson, 3 p.m.

Sunday's Games
No. 1 Duke at No. 3 Maryland, Noon
No. 13 Miami at Rutgers, 11 a.m.
No. 15 Virginia at No. 19 Wake Forest, 5:30 p.m.
No. 22 Indiana at Michigan, Noon

WOMEN'S TOP 25

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

Wednesday
1. Connecticut (27-0) beat Syracuse 85-55. Next: vs. Providence, Wednesday, Feb. 20.
2. Stanford (24-1) did not play. Next: vs. Washington, Thursday.
3. Tennessee (20-3) did not play. Next: at Mississippi State, Thursday.
4. Oklahoma (21-2) beat No. 12 Kansas State 81-68. Next: vs. Nebraska, Saturday.
5. Duke (21-3) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina State, Monday, Feb. 18.
6. Vanderbilt (21-5) did not play. Next: vs. LSU, Thursday.
7. Purdue (20-3) did not play. Next: at No. 15 Minnesota, Thursday.
8. Louisiana Tech (19-3) did not play. Next: vs. Southern Methodist, Saturday.
9. South Carolina (20-3) did not play. Next: vs. Alabama, Thursday.
10. Iowa State (19-5) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma State, Sunday.
11. Baylor (20-4) beat Texas A&M 81-68. Next: vs. No. 18 Texas, Saturday.
12. Kansas State (21-4) lost to No. 4 Oklahoma 81-68. Next: at Kansas, Sunday.
13. Colorado (19-7) beat Missouri 78-47. Next: at No. 11 Baylor, Wednesday, Feb. 20.
14. Florida (16-7) did not play. Next: vs. Kentucky, Thursday.
15. Minnesota (19-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 7 Purdue, Thursday.
16. Texas Tech (14-8) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma State, Thursday.
17. Colorado State (19-4) did not play. Next: at UNLV, Thursday.
18. Texas (16-7) did not play. Next: at No. 11 Baylor, Saturday.
19. Old Dominion (17-5) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina-Wilmington, Friday.
20. North Carolina (19-6) did not play. Next: vs. Clemson, Thursday.
21. Boston College (18-5) did not play. Next: vs. Pittsburgh, Saturday.
22. Virginia Tech (16-7) lost to Providence 67-61. Next: vs. Seton Hall, Sunday.
23. Notre Dame (16-7) beat St. John's 66-31. Next: at Rutgers, Saturday.
24. Georgia (15-8) did not play. Next: vs. No. 14 Florida, Sunday.
25. Wisconsin (16-7) did not play. Next: vs. Northwestern, Thursday.

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All Times CST

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Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	32	16	.667	—
Boston	29	21	.580	4
Washington	26	22	.545	6
Philadelphia	25	24	.510	7 1/2
Orlando	26	25	.510	7 1/2
New York	20	29	.408	12 1/2
Miami	19	29	.396	13

CENTRAL DIVISION

W	L	Pct	GB	
Milwaukee	28	20	.583	—

Toronto	29	23	.558	1
Detroit	26	22	.542	2
Indiana	25	26	.490	4 1/2
Charlotte	24	25	.490	4 1/2
Atlanta	17	33	.340	12
Cleveland	17	33	.340	12
Chicago	12	37	.245	16 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	36	15	.706	—
Minnesota	34	16	.680	1 1/2
San Antonio	31	18	.633	4
Utah	26	24	.520	9 1/2
Houston	17	33	.340	18 1/2
Denver	14	32	.304	19 1/2
Memphis	14	36	.280	21 1/2

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Sacramento	38	12	.760	—
L.A. Lakers	38	13	.723	2 1/2
Portland	26	23	.531	11 1/2
Seattle	25	24	.510	12 1/2
Phoenix	25	25	.500	13
L.A. Clippers	26	26	.490	13 1/2
Golden State	14	32	.304	22

Tuesday's Games
Utah 92, Indiana 82
Cleveland 99, Toronto 81
Atlanta 105, New Jersey 103
Phoenix 99, Detroit 71
Orlando 122, New York 114
Chicago 96, Milwaukee 92
Houston 85, Memphis 78
Boston 110, Denver 93
Dallas 112, Seattle 106
Sacramento 99, San Antonio 86
L.A. Lakers 103, Washington 94

Wednesday's Games
Charlotte 113, Chicago 91
Miami 112, Orlando 95
New York 89, Toronto 82
Minnesota 107, Phoenix 92
Cleveland 115, Milwaukee 107
Portland 114, Dallas 103
Boston at Golden State, late.

Today's Games
Utah at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.
Detroit at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Denver at Memphis, 7 p.m.
Washington at Sacramento, 8 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Seattle, 9 p.m.
San Antonio at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

Friday's Games
Utah at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Denver at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
Miami at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

NHL

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	
Philadelphia	33	15	6	3	75	176
N.Y. Islanders	29	19	6	3	67	188
New Jersey	25	21	9	3	62	143
N.Y. Rangers	27	25	3	3	61	164
Pittsburgh	22	26	6	4	54	134

Northwest

W	L	OT	Pts	GF		
Boston	32	16	4	7	75	176
Toronto	31	18	5	4	71	172
Ottawa	19	18	7	4	69	182
Montreal	24	23	8	3	59	148
Buffalo	23	26	7	1	54	149

Southeast

W	L	OT	Pts	GF		
Carolina	24	21	11	5	64	161
Washington	23	26	9	1	56	159
Tampa Bay	20	30	6	2	48	113
Florida	17	34	3	3	42	123
Atlanta	14	34	7	4	39	138

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	
Detroit	41	11	6	2	90	186
Chicago	33	18	9	0	75	169
San Jose	31	18	6	3	71	161
St. Louis	31	18	6	3	71	161
Nashville	23	25	10	0	56	143
Columbus	15	33	8	2	40	117

Northwest

W	L	OT	Pts	GF		
Colorado	33	20	6	1	73	158
Edmonton	26	23	10	2	64	152
Vancouver	28	25	5	2	63	178
Calgary	23	23	8	3	57	134
Minnesota	18	27	10	5	51	135

Pacific

W	L	OT	Pts	GF		
San Jose	30	17	7	3	70	168
Los Angeles	27	20	7	3	64	153
Dallas	26	20	7	4	63	153
Phoenix	25	22	7	4	61	148
Anaheim	20	31	6	3	49	132

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.

Tuesday's Games
New Jersey 2, Buffalo 2, tie

Ottawa 5, Pittsburgh 1
Minnesota 3, Columbus 3, tie
N.Y. Islanders 1, Philadelphia 0, OT
St. Louis 3, Atlanta 1
Dallas 4, N.Y. Rangers 0
Phoenix 4, Calgary 3, OT
San Jose 3, Edmonton 2
Boston 2, Vancouver 1, OT
Wednesday's Games
Colorado 3, St. Louis 1
Detroit 2, Minnesota 0
Chicago 5, Florida 4
Dallas 4, N.Y. Rangers 2
Calgary at Anaheim, late
Phoenix at Los Angeles, late.
OLYMPIC BREAK
NHL resumes regular season Feb. 26.

REMAINING FREE AGENTS

NEW YORK (AP) — The 48 remaining free agents:
AMERICAN LEAGUE
ANAHUIM (1) — Gary DiSarcina, ss.
BALTIMORE (3) — Alan Mills, rhp; Tim Raines, of; Cal Ripken, 3b.
BOSTON (4) — Rod Beck, rhp; David Cone, rhp; Joe Oliver, c; Eric Sabersfagen, rhp.
CHICAGO (3) — Harold Baines, of; Jose Canseco, of; Cal Eldred, rhp.
NEW YORK (3) — Scott Brosius, 3b; Paul O'Neill, of; Allen Watson, rhp.
OAKLAND (1) — Gil Hefner, rhp.
SEATTLE (2) — Jay Buhner, of; Stan Javier, of.
TEXAS (1) — Chad Curtis, of.
TORONTO (2) — Tony Fernandez, 3b; Jeff Frye, 2b.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
ARIZONA (3) — Mike Mohler, 1hp; Russ Springer, rhp; Bobby Witt, rhp.
ATLANTA (3) — Ken Caminiti, 3b; Bernard Gilkey, of; Ray Sanchez, ss.
CHICAGO (1) — Kevin Tapani, rhp.
COLORADO (1) — Jerry Dipoto, rhp.
FLORIDA (1) — Alex Fernandez, rhp.
HOUSTON (2) — Kent Bottenfield, rhp; Bill Spillers, 3b.
LOS ANGELES (2) — Tim Bogar, ss; Jeff Shaw, rhp.
MILWAUKEE (4) — Mark Leiter, rhp; James Mouton, of; Jason Paine, rhp; Devon White, of.
MONTREAL (2) — Rob Ducey, of; Bob Scanlon, rhp.
PITTSBURGH (3) — Ramon J. Martinez, rhp.
ST. LOUIS (1) — Bobby Bonilla, of.
SAN DIEGO (2) — Tony Gwynn, of; Dave Magadan, 3b.
SAN FRANCISCO (3) — Eric Davis, of; Andres Galarraga, 1b; Mark Gardner, rhp.

GOLF

SENIOR PGA TOUR
Verizon Classic
Site: Lutz, Fla.
Schedule: Friday-Sunday.
Course: TPC of Tampa Bay (6,638 yards, par 71).
Purse: \$1.4 million. Winner's share: \$210,000.
Television: PAX (Friday, 1-3 p.m.) and CNBC (Saturday-Sunday, 2-4 p.m.).
Last year: Bob Gilder won in his third senior start, closing with a 67 to beat 2000 winner Bruce Fleisher, Gil Morgan, Ray Floyd and Bobby Walzel by three strokes.
Last week: Hale Irwin won his record 33rd senior title, taking advantage of Tom Watson's 17th-hole bogey in a one-stroke victory in the ACE Group Classic in Naples.
Notes: Irwin has earned a record \$14,164,374 in 158 senior starts in parts of eight seasons. The three-time U.S. Open champion pushed his combined PGA Tour/Senior PGA Tour earnings to \$20,130,405. He won 20 times on the regular tour. Ben Crenshaw tied for 43rd last week in his senior debut. 15 strokes behind Irwin. — Arnold Palmer, Gary Player and Lee Trevino are in the field. The Audi Senior Classic is next week in Mexico City, followed by the SBC Senior Classic in Valencia, Calif.
On the Net: <http://www.pgatur.com>

PGA TOUR
Next event: LPGA Takefujii Classic, Feb. 28-March 2, Waikoloa Beach Resort, Waikoloa, Hawaii.
Last event: Kariie Webb won the Tyco/ADT Championship on Nov. 18, beating Annika Sorenstam by two strokes.
On the Net: <http://www.lpga.com>

PGA EUROPEAN TOUR
Next event: World Golf Championships Match Play, Feb. 20-24, La Costa Resort and Spa, Carlsbad, Calif.; Singapore Masters, Feb. 21-24, Laguna National Golf and Country Club, Singapore.
Last week: Sweden's Richard Johnson won the ANZ Championship in Sydney, Australia, finishing with 46 points under the standard modified Stableford scoring system. Australians Craig Parry and Scott Laverock tied for second, two points back.
On the Net: <http://www.europeantour.com>

TRANSACTIONS

By The Associated Press

BASEBALL
American League
TEXAS RANGERS—Released RHP Mark Petkovsek.
National League
HOUSTON ASTROS—Named Todd Fedewa director of business communications and Jimmy Stanton and Lisa Ramsperger assistant directors of media relations.
Atlantic League
BRIDGEPORT BLUEFISH—Acquired INF John Dorman and RHP Al Sadler from Camden for LHP Gavin Osteen and their second selection in the spring training draft.
Frontier League
COOK COUNTY CHEETAHS—Signed OF Trent Faehner and SS Justin Williams to one-year contracts.
Northern League
ALBANY-COLONIE DIAMOND DOGS—Signed RHP Mike Cosgrove.
BERKSHIRE BLACK BEARS—Signed INF Oginga Aaron.
ELMIRA PIONEERS—Signed INF Cliff Wren and RHP Matthew Pike.
LINCOLN SALTDogs—Signed RHP Adam Sokol.
SIOUX FALLS CANARIES—Signed RHP Jared Smith and INF-OF Scott Krause. Traded INF Paul Bartolucci to Gary for a player to be named.
WINNIPEG GOLDENOS—Traded 3B-OF Derek Kopacz to Schaumburg for RHP Billy Coleman.

BASKETBALL
CHARLOTTE HORNETS—Placed F Matt Bullard on the injured list.
PHOENIX SUNS—Activated F Tom Gugliotta from the injured list. Placed F Alton Ford on the injured list.
National Football League
CAROLINA PANTHERS—Promoted special teams coach Scott O'Brien to assistant head coach. Named Sal Sunseri defensive quality control coach.
MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed Dave Wannstedt, coach, to a one-year contract extension and QB Jay Fiedler to a five-year contract.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Named Jay Hayes special teams coach.
WASHINGTON CHARGERS—Signed RB Vaughn Sanders to a one-year contract.
Arena Football League
INDIANAPOLIS FURY—Announced the retirement of WR-DB Demetrius Demetrius.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
NHL—Suspended Carolina F Craig Adams for 10 games, without pay, for knocking a game misconduct for leaving the players' bench during a fight in a game on Feb. 10.
CAROLINA HURRICANES—Traded C Greg Koehler to the Philadelphia Flyers for RW Jesse Bouillon.
DALLAS STARS—Claimed F Brent Gichrist off waivers from Detroit. Placed D Dave Manson on waivers.
NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Reassigned C Steve Dubinsky and RW Nathan Perrott to Milwaukee of the AHL.
SAN JOSE SHARKS—Assigned D Jeff Jillson to Cleveland of the AHL.
American Hockey League
HERSHEY BEARS—Announced D Dave MacIacosa has been re-signed by the Florida Panthers and assigned to Hartford of the AHL.
MANITOBA MOOSE—Announced D Bryan Allen, G Alex Auld and F Mike Brown have been re-assigned from the Vancouver Canucks.
PHILADELPHIA PHANTOMS—Named Craig Conley, Jacob Orlowski and Matt Lucas account executives.
Central Hockey League
OHL—Suspended San Angelo D Brett Currie for the remainder of the season and playoffs for his actions in a game against Bossier-Shreveport on Feb. 5. San Angelo F Kori Davison two games for receiving his fourth instigator misconduct of the season. San Angelo coach Brent Scott two games for repeated abuse of officials and Bossier-Shreveport D Dave Lemay three games for his actions in a game against Oklahoma City on Feb. 8.
CORPUS CHRISTI ICE RAYS—Waived G Jason Wright.
East Coast Hockey League
ECHL—Suspended F Eric Schneider and F Kevin Baker have been returned from Saint John of the AHL.
READING ROYALS—Waived F Tanner Harwood and RW Kelly Selix.
TOLEDO STORM—Waived D Chris Slater.

SOCCER
Women's United Soccer Association
CAROLINA COURAGE—Announced the retirement of F Silvana Burlin.
COLLEGE
N.C. STATE—Named Manny Diaz defensive coach.
PITTSBURGH—Named Dave Kennedy strength and conditioning coach.
ST. JOHN'S—Named Chris Jones pitching coach.
WHEATON—Named Pamela Woyner assistant athletics director, effective March 1.

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Woods absent at Nissan Open

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The Nissan Open has a new look. Riviera Country Club has been restored to its original design, with a split fairway on No. 8 and three other holes that have added yardage to bring bunkers and other trouble into play.

Sunshine is in the forecast — shadows are a rarity at Riviera this time of the year.

And Tiger Woods is nowhere to be found.

Woods, who played the Nissan Open as a 16-year-old, decided to skip the tournament for the first time since he turned pro so he could return to Florida and try to shake off remnants of a virus that has pestered him for the past two weeks.

"If Tiger were here, it would be the spice in the soup," Sergio Garcia said Wednesday.

The soup at the Nissan Open at least gets the "Spice Boys," the nickname for European stars Lee Westwood and Darren Clarke, who lead a small contingent of international stars making their American debut in advance of next week's Match Play Championship.

The Nissan Open also marks the return of David Duval, who broke up with his fiancée and missed the last three weeks.

Texans passing on those over 30

By Michael A. Lutz
Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Houston Texans won't say which players they plan to select in Monday's NFL expansion draft. They are going to bypass at least one group, however.

"Any player over 30, we've eliminated from our thinking," general manager Charley Casserly said Wednesday. "We are assuming contracts in the draft, so that's where age comes in."

"You look at players you think can play out their contracts and if they can, we put them on a list to take."

That would eliminate 43 of the 155 players in the pool of players unprotected by the existing 31 NFL teams.



Reed Saxon/Associated Press

Defending champion Robert Allenby of Australia prepares for his tee shot on the 10th hole in the Pro-Am round of the Nissan Open at Riviera Country Club in Los Angeles' Pacific Palisades district Wednesday.

He worked hard on his game in Florida until the weather in Ponte Vedra Beach got chilly, then decided to go where he could take advantage of cold weather — Sun Valley, for five days of snowboarding.

Just don't look for him on a halfpipe.

"No way," said Duval, who watched on TV as Kelly Clark won the first U.S. gold medal in the Olympics and then Ross Powers led a U.S. sweep in the men's halfpipe. "Those are some awe-

some athletes to do that stuff with a stick attached to your feet."

Duval is better off with a stick in his hands, trying to swat a little white ball with dimples onto the short grass and out of the barranca and bunkers at Riviera.

It's the second-straight week on the PGA Tour that players will see a vastly different course. The South Course at Torrey Pines was renovated to add about 500 yards in hopes of landing the 2008 U.S. Open.

Neither Casserly nor coach Dom Capers would discuss specific players Wednesday, although there is really little intrigue with one team drafting. Many of the existing teams hope Houston accepts the large salaries they're trying to dump.

"We won't comment on players we'll take or not take, but it's part of the equation to know what type of player he is when healthy," Capers said when asked about Boselli, who missed almost all of this season with a shoulder injury. "He's had a physical and we'll put that together with his ability and what he can offer the Texans not only on the field but off the field."

SPORTS BRIEFS

Gran named Big Ten gymnast of the week

Iowa sophomore Stephanie Gran was honored as Big Ten Gymnast of the week following a perfect 10 on vault at Southeast Missouri State Feb. 9.

Gran's 10 was only the fourth in school history. Kim Baker notched perfect scores on vault twice in 1996. Gran herself scored a 10 on vault at a meet in Raleigh, N.C. Feb. 9, 2001. She also received the gymnast of the week award that week.

Gran spent the offseason recuperating from a serve ankle sprain. She didn't even know if she could compete at all this season.

"I am really excited that one of our student-athletes has received this conference honor," said coach Mike Lorenzen. "For Stephanie to get a 10 with the injuries and reduced training she's faced is pretty amazing and terrific recognition."

No. 20 Iowa hosts No. 12 Minnesota on Feb. 17 at 2 p.m.

— by Jeremy Shapiro

Wannstedt signs 1-year extension

MIAMI (AP) — The Miami Dolphins rewarded coach Dave Wannstedt for back-to-back playoff seasons, giving him a one-year contract extension through 2004 on Wednesday.

Financial terms of the deal were not disclosed.

Wannstedt, 49, has led Miami to an 11-5 record and a playoff berth in each of his two seasons since succeeding Jimmy Johnson.

The deal, in the works for several weeks, was actually completed last week after Wannstedt met with Dolphins owner H. Wayne Huizenga.

"The significance of it is, Mr. Huizenga has confidence that things are headed in the right direction," Wannstedt said. "We had conversations two weeks ago."

The 22-10 regular-season record in consecutive seasons is the best for the Dolphins since 1984-85, and it ties for second-best among NFL coaches during the past two years. In 2000, Miami won the AFC East title for the first time since 1994. Miami is one of three teams to reach the playoffs the last two seasons.

Wannstedt's extension became public on the same day the Dolphins announced quarterback Jay Fiedler had signed a five-year deal worth \$24.5 million, passing on free agency to remain with the club.

Ripken

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Ripken starts new career

By David Ginsburg
Associated Press

ABERDEEN, Md. — Cal Ripken found the perfect venture to blunt the feeling of withdrawal he might have experienced when the Baltimore Orioles begin spring training this week.

On a blustery winter afternoon ill-suited for baseball, Ripken on Wednesday formally launched operations for the New York-Penn League team he purchased last week — an Orioles' minor league affiliate that will begin play on June 18.

Poised in front of the yet-to-be completed stadium in his hometown, the former Orioles'

star said he was content to run a team instead of play for one.

"As busy as I've been, this is one way for me to make the transition from one life to another," said Ripken, a certain

first-ballot Hall of Famer who retired in October after a 21-year run with Baltimore.

"I've really thrown myself into all this. Maybe it's a way to protect myself from missing being a player. I'm not sure," he said.

— Cal Ripken
"I know spring training is going to open soon, but I've made myself very busy. I like what I'm doing now."

By buying the Class A Utica (N.Y.) Blue Sox franchise and bringing it to tiny Aberdeen,

Ripken set in place the first phase of his grand plan to construct a vast facility that would teach the game to children, host the Ripken (youth league) World Series, and perhaps serve as the home of U.S.A. Baseball, which plans to move from its current base in Arizona.

Ripken hopes that money generated from the minor-league team will enable him to bring the rest of the concept to fruition.

"This is a very important component in allowing us to do some things on the other side," said Bill Ripken, Cal's younger brother and a key member of Ripken Baseball, the firm headed by Cal.

Groundbreaking on the stadium began last April, long before it was determined if Ripken Baseball could land a team.

"Even if it meant I had to play Cal 1-on-1, there was going to be baseball in this stadium this year," Bill declared.

I've really thrown myself into all this. Maybe it's a way to protect myself from missing being a player.



E.J. Flynn/Associated Press
Los Angeles Lakers' Kobe Bryant drives to the hoop during the second half Tuesday night in Los Angeles.

Bryant might be the best

By John Nadel
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — More and more, it appears Shaquille O'Neal was right on the mark when he called Kobe Bryant the best player in the world during last year's Western Conference finals.

And the scary thing is, Bryant is only 23. With his work ethic and hard-nosed attitude, it seems a sure bet he'll get even better.

"I don't think there's anybody in the league who can stay in front of him defensively," Washington's Popeye Jones said after Bryant led the two-time defending NBA champion Los Angeles Lakers to a 103-94 victory over the Wizards on Tuesday night.

"It was him," Jones said when asked how the Lakers rallied from a 63-43 deficit to win decisively despite the absence of O'Neal.

Washington's Michael Jordan, who turns 39 Feb. 17, already had displayed his rare talents at Bryant's age. But Jordan didn't win the first of his six championship rings until he was 28.

Bryant already has two NBA titles.

Bryant went only 2-of-9 from the field in scoring five points as the Wizards took a 48-35 half-time lead, and the Lakers trailed by 20 a little over four minutes into the third quarter.

That's when Bryant took charge. And when it was all over, he had 23 points, 11 rebounds, and a career-high 15 assists for his third NBA triple-double.

He went 7-of-11 from the field in the second half, and was especially brilliant at both ends of the court in the third quarter, when the Lakers scored a season-high 42 points.

"He realizes he doesn't have to score points," Lakers veteran Robert Horry said. "He's distributing the ball and making other players better. That's what makes a great player."

"He knows his teammates and what's going on. Kobe is one of the greatest guys you want to meet, and he works hard. You've got to respect him for that."

Seat-belt maker sues

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Bill Simpson said all he wanted was an apology. Now he's taking NASCAR to court.

The former owner of Simpson Performance Products sued NASCAR on Wednesday, claiming it wrongly blamed his company's seat belt for Dale Earnhardt's death a year ago.

He said he would not have filed the suit had NASCAR apologized.

"It was not a money issue. It was just an apology," said Simpson, who filed an \$8.5 million defamation of character suit in Marion County Superior Court four days before NASCAR's biggest event, the Daytona 500.

"That's what we tried to get [Tuesday]. We went all day long. And that was not going to happen," he said.

Now it's too late, said attorney Robert Horn, who also is seeking an unspecified amount from NASCAR for damage to Simpson's reputation.

SPORTS BRIEF

"We're at a different level now. Before we filed this suit, we touched every base and took every opportunity to resolve this, and they wouldn't do it," Horn said.

"An apology would have restored Bill's reputation. They refused to do that, and so now the issue is, you've got to pay for what you've done."

In a statement, NASCAR said: "The Bill Simpson lawsuit is totally without merit. We will vigorously defend ourselves against his false allegations. NASCAR will continue to focus its efforts on safety, working with members of the NASCAR industry, including Simpson Performance Products, Inc."

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SPORTS

Win over Michigan will help Iowa's NCAA chances

WOMEN'S HOOPS
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Smith could again pose some difficulties for Iowa. The 6-foot-5 sophomore is a good four inches taller than Lillis and five inches taller than Jerica Watson. Her 26 points and 19 rebounds in the first game was why Iowa could never catch-up.

"We bring out the best in Michigan's game," Bluder said. "We need to find a way to stop Smith inside. Also Alayne Ingram [Michigan's point guard] is a tremendous perimeter player."

Michigan is winless on the road in Big Ten play this season. Yet, the Hawkeyes can't count this one as an automatic win, especially considering what happened Jan. 31. Lillis said the team needs to take it one game at a time, despite the fascination with looking

ahead to the Big Ten Tournament and postseason play.

Iowa rose from No. 46 to No. 28 in the RPI, making it much more likely Iowa will receive an NCAA berth.

"At 46, we'd have a 10 to 15 percent chance of making it," Bluder said. "At 28, there is a 100 percent chance of making it, but we need to stay there. We need to end the season with momentum."

For a team that has lost two in a row, then won five in a row, then lost three more in a row, and could now end the season with another five-in-a-row streak, a consistent finish will only help its cause in the eyes of the NCAA selection committee members.

That starts with a heartwarming win over Michigan tonight. Tip-off is set for 7 p.m.

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Hawks provide plenty of drama

SHAPIRO

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setting 15-point win at Penn State have quickly turned around a season that looked like it was going to produce as many postseason games as the Chicago Bulls will have. Winning on the road is never easy in the Big Ten, so winning at Wisconsin and Penn State produced this loving feeling.

3. The men's team is struggling — OK, struggling may be putting it lightly. However, Hawkeye basketball fans need not be in despair. Now is the time to jump on the women's bandwagon. With a likely NCAA trip coming and a chance to battle it out with Minnesota and Penn State for second in the conference. Forget the woes of Alford, Reggie, and Luke. It's Bluder, Lindsey, and Jennie time.

4. Watson's leaping ability — An opposing player said she wouldn't be surprised if Jerica Watson could dunk. While she has yet to dipsey-doo dunkaroo, watching her grab rebounds and swat away opposing play-

er's attempts is as sweet as a box of chocolates (but not the kind with peanuts). She has the ability to outjump players four or five inches taller than her and often does for jaw dropping "how did she do that?" blocks.

5. 3-pointer away! — Meder, Leah Magner, Kristi Faulkner, April Calhoun, and Jenna Armstrong all have the ability to hit it from way downtown. Iowa's plethora of long-range gunners is adorable to watch, making the games a bit more arousing. If one or two of them is having an off night, someone else usually steps up and drills three or four bombs from, like, Cedar Rapids or at least Tiffin.

6. Lillis work ethic — Coach Lisa Bluder says no one in the Big Ten works harder, and she might be right. Lillis was Big Ten Player of the Week after a 32 point outburst at Penn State. The sophomore has quite a passion for playing the game and that adoration comes out on the court.

7. Oh the Drama — Many of Iowa's games have come down to the last minute. Because the Big Ten has been so even this year

(except for Purdue's excellence at 11-2), most games have been the exciting sit-on-the-edge-of-your-seat affairs, making for quite the romantic ending.

8. Iowa owns Purdue, sort of — A 3-1 record against the defending national runner-up and likely Big Ten champs means Iowa is capable of beating a Top-10 team. If it comes down to another Iowa-Purdue matchup in the Big Ten championships, the Hawkeyes will be confident they can win it.

9. Last year — One year ago, Iowa went on a heartwarming run, winning its final few conference games and the Big Ten Tournament. While Cupid's arrow may not strike twice, as one of those candy hearts says, "you never know."

10. Chemistry — An important part of any relationship, including a basketball team. Unlike the other basketball team in town, these women know how to play together. They lead the conference in assists, and the unselfishness is an alluring sight.

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BIG TEN BASKETBALL BRIEFS

Wisconsin up-ends No. 22 Indiana

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Charlie Wills had 17 points and Kirk Penney scored Wisconsin's final points on a 3-pointer with 2:18 to go as the Badgers ended 25 years of frustration with a 64-63 victory at No. 22 Indiana on Wednesday night.

The Badgers (15-11, 8-5 Big Ten) won in Bloomington for the first time since Feb. 24, 1977, and for only the third time in school history.

Indiana (16-8, 8-3) had won 22 straight games at home against the Badgers and 10 straight at home overall. The Hoosiers, who played without Jared Jeffries — the Big Ten's leading scorer — got 17 points from Tom Coverdale. Jeffries missed the game because of a sprained right ankle.

Wisconsin, which also ended Michigan State's 53-game home

winning streak earlier this season, won despite not scoring over the final 2:18 and missing the front end of two 1-and-1s in the final 23 seconds.

Purdue hammers Michigan at home

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) — Willie Deane scored 23 points, Darnetris Kilgore had 16 and John Allison 13 as Purdue used a 25-3 first-half run to beat Michigan 79-43 on Wednesday night.

The Boilermakers (12-14, 4-8 Big Ten) toyed with a Michigan team looking tired after playing its fourth game in a week. They raced to a 38-17 halftime lead, then held Michigan to nine points in the first 10 minutes of the second.

Smith, Deane, and Kilgore all hit 3's in the opening minutes of the second half and another Smith 3 made it 67-31.

Purdue made 11 of 24 3-pointers, with Deane and Kilgore making four each.

Skate Canada wants investigation

CONTROVERSY

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Skate Canada.

"We wouldn't be here if we didn't think this was a crucial time for our beautiful sport."

And an ugly time. The infighting over whether Berezhnaya-Sikharulidze deserved the gold medal has overshadowed the event — and called the entire sport into question. Not only is suspicious decision-making being spotlighted, but accusations of dealmaking and vote-rigging on the panel are being made.

Skate Canada went so far as to call for the independent investigation even though it had no proof of any irregularities.

"We will look for that first-hand information," Chidlow said, "and be very very careful of our work in the process."

Canadian officials said they

do not want the Russians stripped of the gold medal, but they believe Sale and Pelletier should be rewarded if any evidence of wrongdoing is uncovered.

"We are not here to pull somebody down, we are here to pull somebody up," said Michael Chambers, president of the Canadian Olympic Association. "We see no reason why the council of the ISU should not consider awarding a second gold medal."

The ISU executive council will meet Feb. 18 to discuss judging and consider any revisions to the rules. But Cinquanta reiterated that the competition was over, meaning the Russians would keep their gold medal.

Sale and Pelletier skated cleanly and the crowd was chanting "Six! Six!" by the time they finished, begging the judges to award the Canadians

We're not here to pull somebody down. We're here to pull somebody up.

— Michael Chambers, Canadian Olympic Association president

a perfect score.

The Canadians got only four 5.9s for artistry compared with seven 5.9s for the Russians, even though Sikharulidze stepped out of a jump. Boos rained down from the crowd as the marks were flashed.

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ROUNDUP

With silver, Miller adds 10th U.S. medal in five days

By Larry McShane
Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Five days into the Winter Games, it's impossible to keep the Americans off the medal stand — or to avoid the growing controversy over the pairs figure skating decision.

Bode Miller, whose first two runs in the combined offered faint hope of success, roared through his final slalom trip to grab a silver medal — the 10th medal in five days of competition for the U.S. team.

"I had a lot of mistakes out there," Miller told the crowd after his medal. "I felt like I kind of let you guys down. I just wanted to prove something on that last run."

Miller is an ex-snowboarder — and while the U.S. team in his former sport has taken four medals, his ski silver was the first medal by an American male in Alpine since Tommy Moe won a pair in the 1994 Olympics.

The out-of-competition news was — typically — another flap over figure skating. An American referee who oversaw the scoring at Monday night's pairs competition leveled charges about the scoring, the head of the International Skating Union said.

"I have an allegation and a denial," ISU head Ottavio Cinquanta said when asked about reports that one judge was pressured to vote for the gold-medal winning Russian pair.

Miller's come-from-behind run came on a day dominated early by a Norwegian biathlete

and a Swiss ski jumper, who became the first double gold-medal winners of these Winter Games.

Simon Ammann of Switzerland took the 120-meter gold, becoming only the second ski jumper in history to win gold medals on both hills in the same Olympics.

And Ole Einar Bjoerndalen won gold in the 10-kilometer biathlon sprint, making him the first biathlete to win three Olympic golds.

On the slopes, Miller struggled in the downhill and first slalom run. The left side of his body scraped against the snow following a fall in the downhill, and he slipped at a pair of turns in the slalom.

He was 15th after the downhill and fifth overall heading into his last trip down the course. At the end, his go-for-broke run bested everyone but Norway's Kjetil Andre Aamodt, who took the gold. The bronze went to Benjamin Raich of Austria.

Aamodt's sterling Olympic career now includes two gold, two silver and two bronze medals.

Miller's silver extended the U.S. medal-winning string to five straight days, but Germany climbed to the top of the medals chart with 12 (4 gold, 6 silver, 2 bronze). The Americans were second with 10 (3-5-2), while Austria was third with 9 (1-1-7).

Ski jumping: Ammann — a ski jumper with a striking resemblance to Harry Potter — again came out of nowhere to grab a gold medal in the 120-meter jump. Three days earlier, he claimed gold in the 90-meter.



Thomas Kienzie/Associated Press

Bode Miller, of the USA, reacts in the finish area after the second slalom run of the men's combined in Snowbasin, Utah, Wednesday at the Salt Lake City Olympics.

er, he claimed gold in the 90-meter.

The 20-year Ammann had never even won a World Cup event before his sudden Salt Lake City success. He became only the second ski jumper in history to win gold medals on both hills in the same Olympics, joining Matti Nykanen of Finland.

Afterward, Ammann admitted that his nerves nearly got the best of him.

"I am trembling," Ammann said. "I was so nervous. After takeoff, I was flying away. I felt this jump was really, really good. I can't believe it. I am the

champion."

Adam Malysz of Poland won the silver medal, and Matti Hautamaeki of Finland took the bronze.

Biathlon: Bjoerndalen hit all 10 targets to take the gold in the 10-kilometer biathlon sprint, just two days after his victory in the 20K biathlon.

Bjoerndalen feared his late starting position would wipe out his shot at back-to-back golds.

"I never thought I would win today," Bjoerndalen said. "I started so late. I don't like starting this late."

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Mormons respond to media coverage

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Mormon official called media coverage of the church biased and sloppy in an open letter sent Wednesday to reporters covering the 2002 Winter Games.

While most news reports from Salt Lake City have been fair, the letter said, others are "full of arrant nonsense and prejudice" and prove that Mormons are still as persecuted as they were when they fled to Utah in 1847.

Also Wednesday, the church criticized a *Denver Post* column mocking Mormonism and the Olympics. The piece was pulled from the paper's Web site and an apologetic column was planned for today.

The letter was attributed to Alan Wakeley, director of public affairs for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands, but was originally written for a church-affiliated magazine.

Church spokesman Dale Bills said Meridian Magazine Editor-in-Chief Maureen Proctor gave Wakeley permission to rewrite her article "to address a few concerns he had about some media coverage in Australia and New Zealand."

The piece criticizes articles written by the *Sydney Daily Telegraph* and five other news outlets, including one written by the Associated Press. It accused the media of "drive-by reporting," saying reporters have focused on polygamy, which has been banned by the church for more than a century, or portrayed the church as "a vast, wealthy, clannish, and secretive empire."

"Unfortunately, when some journalists talk about members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, they create a caricature," the letter said.

The Salt Lake-based church has long been skittish about media attempts to dub the 2002 Winter Games the "Mormon games."

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SPORTS

Marlins, Devil Rays early options

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Florida Marlins and Tampa Bay Devil Rays were among the original candidates for elimination this year, baseball's top lawyer told the Senate Judiciary Committee on Wednesday.

Bob DuPuy, chief legal officer of Major League Baseball, said as many as 18 teams were at first on the list considered for folding. The Minnesota Twins and Montreal Expos later were picked as the two target teams.

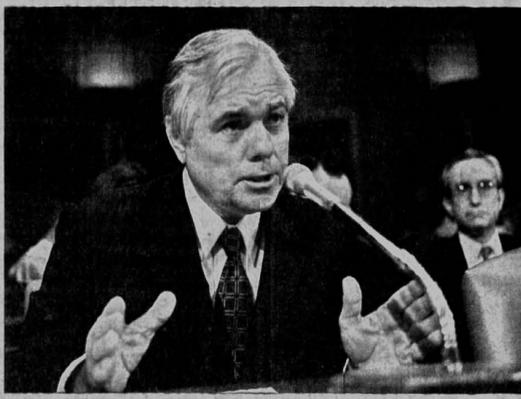
"There were a number of teams that were contraction candidates, including teams from the state of Florida," he said when questioned by committee chairman Patrick J. Leahy, D-Vt.

The 2½-hour hearing was far less contentious and far more informative than a similar session held Dec. 6, 2001 by the House Judiciary Committee, which also is considering legislation to further restrict baseball's antitrust exemption.

Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig, who frustrated members of the House panel with his sometimes-evasive answers, did not testify this time.

Among Wednesday's revelations:

- Union head Donald Fehr committed to increasing revenue sharing, but management officials said the players' initial proposal was to raise the amount of locally shared rev-



Florida Attorney General Bob Butterworth testifies on Capitol Hill Wednesday before the Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on baseball's antitrust exemption.

enue from 20 percent to 22.5 percent, rather than the 50 percent in the owners' plan.

- DuPuy said Alabama businessman Donald Watkins had "submitted at least a preliminary offer to acquire the Minnesota Twins."

- Fehr said the union would consider accepting a competitive-balance draft in the next labor contract.

- DuPuy said owners had never discussed using contraction to get leverage to obtain new ballparks for the threat- ened teams.

- Sen. Jeff Sessions, R-Ala., claimed that just a week before Selig said Jan. 17 that Washing-

ton was a "prime candidate" for getting a relocated team, baseball officials had told Watkins "it was a waste of time to discuss relocation of a team to Washington, D.C."

As at most baseball hearings before Congress, there was plenty of color. Sen. Diane Feinstein, D-Calif., railed against "exorbitant" player salaries and Leahy brought along a cap from his home-state Vermont Expos, a Class-A team.

Florida Attorney General Bob Butterworth, who in 1992 sued to try to get the San Francisco Giants to move to Tampa Bay, joked with Feinstein, who pointed out he was

now suing to prevent possible moves of Florida teams.

"We'll trade the Marlins for the San Francisco Giants," he said.

The legislation to eliminate baseball's antitrust exemption was proposed in November after the sport decided to eliminate two teams. The contraction plan was blocked for this year by a Minnesota injunction obtained by the Twins' landlord.

The House committee was to debate the bill Wednesday but its sponsor, Michigan Democrat John Conyers Jr., asked for a postponement. The committee's Republican majority claimed it was because he didn't have sufficient votes for approval, a committee official said on the condition of anonymity.

Its prospects on the Senate side also are unclear. Both Feinstein and the ranking minority member, Sen. Orrin G. Hatch, R-Utah, said they were opposed at this time.

The final 35 minutes of the hearing were spent with Sen. Mike DeWine, R-Ohio, going over baseball's labor proposals in intricate detail. DeWine backed management's claim of a lack of competitive balance.

"I want a solution to this problem so that every year I can look forward to spring training with a realistic hope that the Indians and the Reds both have a realistic shot of winning the pennant," he said.

Glazers, Bucs still looking for coach

By Fred Goodall
Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — The Tampa Bay Buccaneers will hire a coach, eventually.

The sons of owner Malcolm Glazer have promised as much, and presumably, the NFL will not allow them to start the 2002 season without a coach.

But the search for a replacement to Tony Dungy has turned into a disaster.

The Glazers denied any interest in Bill Parcells, curiously pulled the plug on Marvin Lewis' candidacy, and have nearly driven general manager Rich McKay out of the organization.

"I have teammates calling me and asking if we can trust these owners," Pro Bowl linebacker Derrick Brooks said after the Glazers refused to sign off on McKay's plan to fill the month-old vacancy with Lewis.

"Our credibility is being hurt," Brooks added. "I don't know if they know that."

McKay is one of the NFL's most respected executives. With Dungy, he helped turn a team that had 12-straight seasons of double-digit losses into a regular participant in the playoffs. McKay also is co-chairman of the league's competition committee.

He has a year left on a contract that will pay him about

\$1.8 million in 2002. Still, he is contemplating leaving the team, and the Glazers have resumed the search for a coach without his input.

Maryland's Ralph Friedgen removed his name from consideration on Tuesday, and Bucs officials aren't talking about where the owners might look next.

Bucs Director of Communications Reggie Roberts said there is no timetable

for hiring a replacement for Dungy, who was fired against McKay's wishes on Jan. 14.

"The bottom line: This is a very important process," Roberts said. "The head coach is the most important person in the organization because he sets the tone to the media, to the fans, to the corporate community. This is a process that has to be done right. So if that means we take a little criticism for taking a week or 10 days longer, then so be it."

But it's difficult to imagine any club — let alone one that's been to the playoffs four of the last five years — creating a bigger mess with a coaching search.

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Bioethics Forum, "Ethical Problems in Geriatric Psychiatry," Judith H.W. Crossett, today at noon, Ziffren Conference Room, 1502 JCP.

From the Outside In: Photographs of Buildings, Gallery Tour with Kathleen Edwards, today at 4 p.m., UI Museum of Art.

Party to Celebrate Heart Defect Awareness Day, today at 4:30 p.m., Activities Therapy Gym.

2002 Distinguished Lecture, F.W. DeKlerk, former president of South Africa, today at 7:30 p.m., IMU Main Lounge.

Journeys in Faith, A Weekly Non-Denominational Discussion, facilitated by Dr. Kathie Staley and Fr. John Stecher, today at 7:30 p.m., Newman Center, 104 E. Jefferson St.

"Hearts Afire," Mark Weiger, oboe, and Ksenia Nosikova, piano, today at 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall

Faculty/Graduate Concert, today at 8 p.m., Space/Place Theater, North Hall.

horoscopes

Thursday, February 14, 2002 by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't be afraid to start something new. You'll do surprisingly well if you try. Opportunities to make money will surface. Don't hesitate to invest in a safe, conservative, long-term investment.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You will meet some pretty neat people if you take part in the activities and events going on in your community. Take the initiative, and you can end up being in a leadership position.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You have to be careful what you say to whom. Don't stretch the truth. You may get blamed for something you didn't do.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Get involved in groups that can offer you stimulating conversation and a new way of looking at things. Your philosophies are changing and opportunities to expand your circle of friends look promising.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You will be emotional about money matters. Stop being so generous with your friends and family. If you are smart with your cash you will lock it up in a solid investment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You'll have to be careful how you deal with your partner today. Any thoughtless comments will get blown out of proportion. Time spent with friends may be fun but if someone you love is feeling left out you may end up in an emotional feud.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You will have some unusual ideas regarding your work. Present your ideas and you will find yourself moving into fast-forward, professionally. Your extra efforts will be noticed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Traveling for business or in search of the truth will lead to new friendships and philosophies. You will be able to contribute something worthwhile to any group you are involved with.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't become emotional about the situations going on around you. Don't ignore matters that need to be tended to. If you make changes, you will feel better about yourself and your future.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Someone you have befriended may have a greater interest in you. Be careful not to lead someone on. Be honest about the way you feel and a long lasting friendship can develop.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You will have some wild ideas today. If you follow through with your plans, you stand to make financial gains. Opportunities to change your professional future are also present.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You will be sensitive, emotional and eager to please today. Romance will develop if you get involved in worthwhile causes. Use your genuine warmth and compassion to win hearts.

The Ledge

By Anne Webbecking & Sara Fairwell

Ways to show him you care this Valentine's Day

- Purchase a box of chocolates, but eat half of each piece. Insist that you did him a favor by taking care of the guesswork.
- Sign your card with a generic message. When he sets it down, throw it back in your purse for next year's boyfriend.
- Explain that because of tuition increases, he will have to choose between dinner or a movie.
- Wear a bright red cat suit; when he wakes up, be sure you are lying on the floor in the heart position while humming "My Heart Will Go On."
- Call the *D/I* newsroom and beg them to cover your love rally. Tell them it's bigger than the Phi Delt hazing controversy.
- Convince the Add Sheet Guy to track down your boyfriend and hand-deliver a coupon book full of "services" by yours truly.
- Buy him a T-shirt reading, "I'm so hot I make fire jealous." Threaten to break up with him if he doesn't wear it all day long.

THURSDAY PRIME TIME												
	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	Seinfeld	Raymond	King	CSI: Crime Scene	The Agency	News	Letterman	Frasier		
KWWL	7	News	Wheel	XIX Winter Olympics	(Live)					News	Olympics	
KFXA	8	King/Hill	Raymond	Fam Guy	Fam Guy	Temptation Island 2	Star Trek: Voyager	3rd Rock	Carey	M*A*S*H	View	
KCRG	9	News	Friends	Valentine	Pooh	Home Videos	Be a Millionaire	News	Friends	Spin City	Nightline	
KIIN	13	NewsHr.	Insight	Antiques UK	In Iowa	Music	Frontline: Fat	Business	One Foot	World	C. Rose	
KWKB	20	Married	Just/Me	Charmed			Date	Heart	Smarts	5th Wh'l	Elimidate	Harvey
CABLE CHANNELS												
PUBL	2	Programming Unavailable										
GOVT	4	Programming Unavailable										
PAX	6	Shop	Sweep	It's a Miracle	Touched by Angel	Diagnosis Murder	A Miracle	Dave's	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.		
LIBR	10	Programming Unavailable										
EDUC	11	Programming Unavailable										
UNIV	13	France	Spanish	Movie			The Avengers	Korean	Greece	France	Argen.	
KWOC	6	News	Wheel	XIX Winter Olympics	(Live)					News	Olympics	
WSUI	10	Programming Unavailable										
SCOLA	11	Hungary	Quebec	Croatia		China	Cuba	Uz'stan	Korea	Greece	France	Argen.
KSUI	12	Programming Unavailable										
DISC	15	Wild & Weird	Mystries/Sea	Science Mysteries	You Believe It?	Justice Files	Mystries/Sea					
WGN	19	Prince	Prince	Messenger of Death	(R. '88) *	News	In the Heat of Night	Matlock	(Part 2 of 2)			
C-SPN	17	House of Reps.	Prime Time Public Affairs									
UNI	24	La Intrusa	Amigas y Rivales	Derecho/ Nacer	!Que Bodas!	Impacto	Noticiero	Mejores Familias				
C-SPN2	21	U.S. Senate	(3)	Public Affairs								
TBS	22	Friends	Rose	Mars Attacks! (PG-13, '96) **	(Jack Nicholson)	Wildcats	(9:25) (R. '86) ***	(Goldie Hawn)	Movie			
TWC	20	Weather Channel	Weather Channel	Evening Edition								
BRVA	29	John Q	Tom Jones	(R. '83) ****	(Albert Finney, Susannah York)	Tom Jones	Tom Jones	(R. '83) ****	(Albert Finney)			
CNBC	29	XIX Winter Olympics	(5) Curling, Hockey	(Live)								Chris Matthews
BET	40	106/Park	BET.com	Valentine's Special	Oh Drama!	ComicView	News	Tonight	Songs of Love			
BOX	20	Off the Air										
TBN	60	Miracles	Munroe	Behind Lindsey	Jakes	B. Hinn	Praise the Lord	Tenney	Clement			
HIST	61	Rescue Equipment	History Undercover	Hitler's Henchmen	Nuclear Subs	History's Mysteries	History Undercover					
TNN	22	MAD TV	MAD TV	Star Trek: Next	The Russia House	(R. '90) **	(Sean Connery)	Star Trek: Next	MAD TV			
SPEED	65	Wrch.	Champ.	NASCAR Preview: Daytona Speed Week				NASCAR	MotorWk	Wrch.	Champ.	
ESPN	45	College Basketball: N.C. St. at Duke	(Live)	College Basketball: N.D. at Rutgers	(Live)			SportsCenter	Hoops	Pardon		
ESPN2	46	AHL Hockey: AHL All-Star Game	(Live)			Pardon	Billiards	Pardon	NBA	RPM		
FOXSP	47	NASCAR	Word	Women's College Basketball	(Live)	Word	College Basketball: Ariz. at UCLA	(Live)	Sports			
LIFE	36	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Seasons of the Heart	(R. '94) **	Golden	Golden	Design.	Design.			
COM	42	Daily	Geeks	An Ideal Husband	(PG-13, '99) ***	South Pk	Man ...	Daily	Saturday Night Live	Bowl		
EI	13	EI News	Scenes	Romantic Comedy 101	(01) **	True Hollywood	H. Stern	H. Stern	Wild On ...			
NICK	16	Arnold!	Rugrats	Toons	Ginger	Ties	Ties	Ties	Ties	Ties	Ties	
FX	16	Buffy, Vampire Slayer	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	The Practice	Married	Married	Ailly McBeal	Wild Police Videos			
TNT	15	The Pretender	Law & Order	NBA Basketball: Washington at Sacramento	(Live)	In NBA	Cahill, U.S. Marshal					
TOON	17	Dexter	Dexter	'puff	Ed, Edd	Dog	Bravo	Home	Baby	Brak	Ghost	Cowboy Cowboy
MTV	14	Video	Flipped	Forum/Colin Powell	Real	True Life	Tough	Dismis'd	Kid.	Music Videos		
VH1	43	Driven	Behind the Music	Dedicated: Valentine	Love and Hate	Hour of Self Love	Behind the Music					
A&E	38	Law & Order	Biography	Longitude	(Part 1) (00) **	Law & Order	Biography					
ANIM	61	Animals	Animals	Animals	Animals	Animals	Animals	Animals	Animals	Animals	Animals	
USA	34	JAG	(Part 1 of 2)	Never Been Kissed	(PG-13, '99) **	Westminster: Look	Single	Martin	Smush	Larroq.		
PREMIUM CHANNELS												
HBO	5	Dolls	All the Pretty Horses	(PG-13, '00) **	The Vagina Monologues	Taxicab Conf.	Pay It Forward					
DIS	32	My Date With the ...	The Thirteenth Year	(7:40) (99) **	Airborne	(9:20) (PG, '93) **	So Weird	Jackson				
MAX	19	Something to ...	The Bodyguard	(6:45) (R. '92) *	Valentine	(R. '01) **	Confess	Perfum'd Garden				
STARZ	35	The Chamber	(5:05) The Watcher	(R. '00) **	Armstrong	(8:35) (R. '98) *	Turn It Up	(10:20) (R. '00) **				
SHOW	65	Movie	Filmkr	Mission: Impossible 2	(PG-13, '00) ***	Going to California	The Story of Us	(R. '99) **	Ghost			

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black history fact of the day

Carl Stokes was the first African-American mayor of a major American city, winning in Cleveland in 1967.

— fact provided by the Black Student Union

public access tv schedule

- 11 a.m. The Life of Bill Sackler
- 12:15 p.m. Animal Cared Adoption
- 12:30 p.m. Food Fitness & Fun
- 1 p.m. Producer Spotlight
- 2 p.m. DV Workshop
- 2:30 p.m. Give Me An Answer
- 3 p.m. 24.7 "Returning to God Wholeheartedly"
- 4 p.m. The Unity Center
- 5 p.m. Tabernacle Baptist Church
- 6 p.m. Power of Victory
- 7 p.m. Grace Community Church
- 8 p.m. Revival in Oxford
- 9 p.m. Life Issues
- 9:30 p.m. Glory 2 Glory
- 10 p.m. UI Homecoming Parade 2001
- 10:30 p.m. SVP #6: Secret Sauce #3
- 11 p.m. Student Film Series #2

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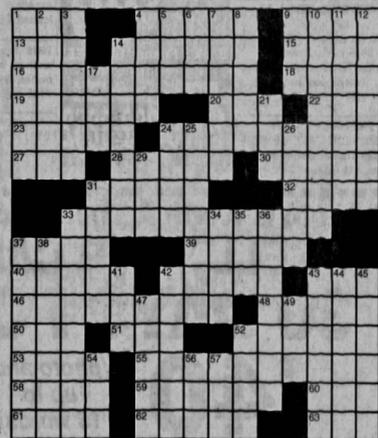
Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Boeuf à la Russe ingredient
 - 4 Chord type
 - 9 Chicago Cubs spring training site
 - 13 Actress Long
 - 14 Novelist born in Thornton, Yorkshire
 - 15 Smackers
 - 16 Author-turned-radio personality?
 - 18 H.S. helpers
 - 19 Really enjoys
 - 20 1950's political inits.
 - 22 Knock the socks off
 - 23 Win by
 - 24 Psychologist-turned-N.F.L. runner?
 - 27 Child pluralizer
 - 28 King of the Bullwhip
 - 30 Man in search of meaning?
 - 31 Less risky
 - 32 Toronado or Starfire
 - 33 Writer-turned-physician?
 - 37 Turkish dough
 - 39 Put off
 - 40 Pessimist's reply
 - 42 Dumps
 - 43 Lettuce serving
 - 46 Author-turned-corerer?
 - 48 58-Across feature
 - 50 Tiny wriggler

- DOWN**
- 1 Gleeeful cry
 - 2 Quit
 - 53 Settled down
 - 55 Adventurer-turned-alien?
 - 58 Spanish lady
 - 59 Light shades
 - 60 Present time: Abbr.
 - 61 Hosp. charts
 - 62 Expand
 - 63 Preauction fig.
 - 1 Win the love of
 - 2 1997 Demi Moore title role
 - 3 Alphonse's partner in old comics
 - 4 Spill
 - 5 Actor Moody of "Oliver!"
 - 6 Mozart's Sonata for Keyboard and Violin



ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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 AIMEE RAMBLE
 ALUMNA EONS
 BITTINGPESTS GIT
 AVID ILES ALINE
 SECS NENE COLDS
 ERAT EDYS KUDOS

- Puzzle by Randolph Ross**
- 37 Citrus mixer
 - 38 Ross Sea sight
 - 41 La la lead-in
 - 42 Explicit
 - 43 One who's fair
 - 44 Draws out
 - 45 Make out
 - 47 Yemen, once
 - 49 Suffix with favor
 - 52 Poet Harwood
 - 54 Univ. workers
 - 56 Top
 - 57 Years

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By Anne Webbecking & Sara Fairwell

Ways to show him you care this Valentine's Day

Purchase a box of chocolates, but eat half of each piece. Insist that you did him a favor by taking care of the guesswork.

Sign your card with a generic message. When he sits it down, throw it back in your purse for next year's boyfriend.

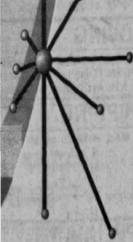
Explain that cause of tuition increases, he will have to choose between a car or a movie.

Wear a bright red suit; when he sees you, be sure you're lying on the floor in the heart of the heart on while humming "My Heart Will Go On."

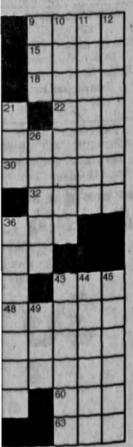
Ask the DJ to play a song and beg them to play your love song. Tell them it's better than the Phi Kappa Psi hazing controversy.

Use the Addy to track your boyfriend and deliver a book full of "I love you" by yours truly.

Wear a T-shirt that says "I'm so hot I'm jealous." Break up with him because he doesn't call you all day long.



No. 0103



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In this puzzle are 10 words. Each word is available for the last 50 seconds.

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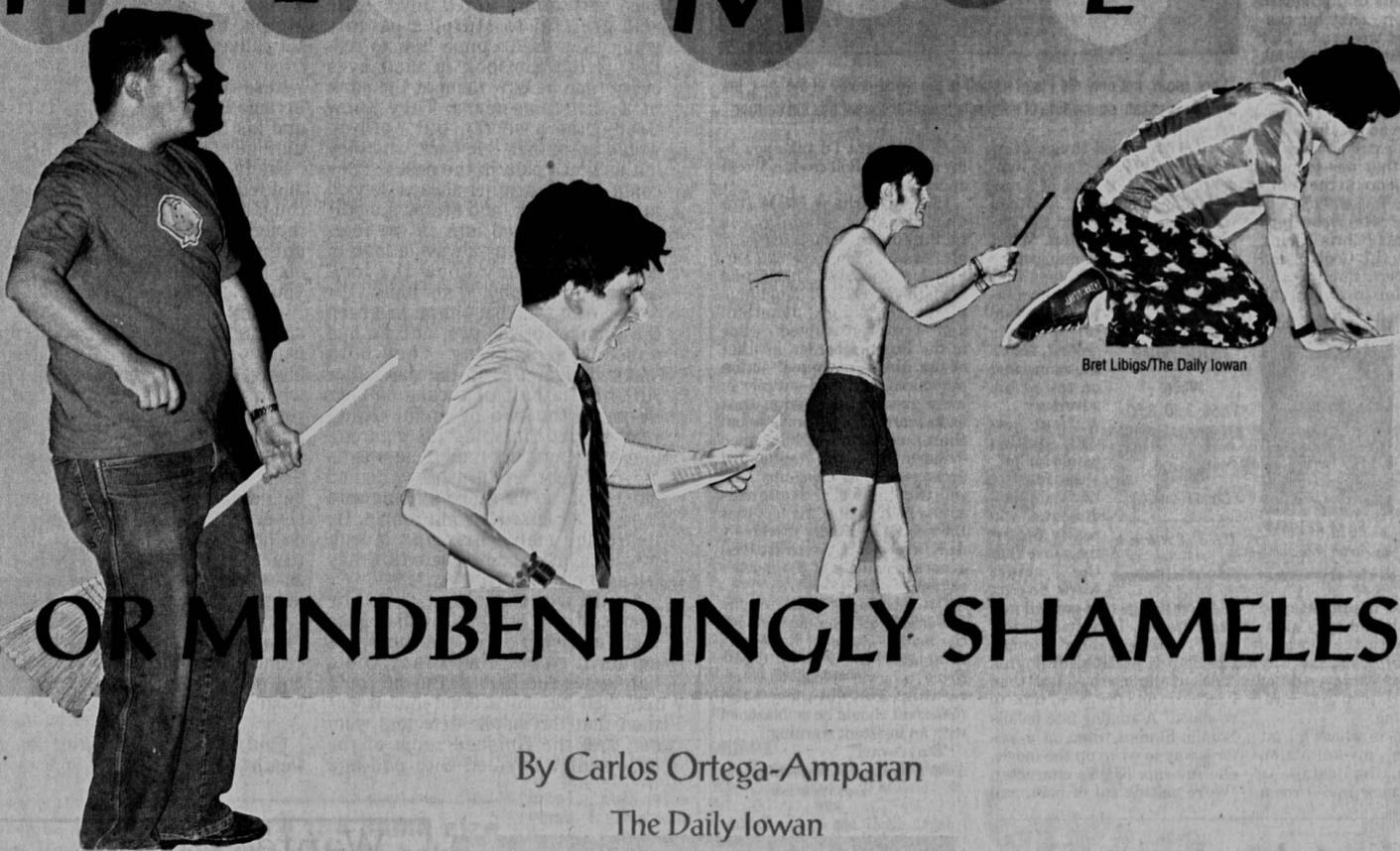


- Read about the acting and editing nightmare that is the new movie *Rollerball*, which *DI* film reviewer Aaron McAdams gave zero out of four stars, 3C.
- The Undergraduate Short Play Festival starts Thursday and runs through Feb. 17; see the story on page 4C.

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SHAMELESSLY MINDBENDING



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...OR MINDBENDINGLY SHAMELESS?

By Carlos Ortega-Amparan
The Daily Iowan

Rutherford swallows eggs that magically give him infinite knowledge, and he lets everyone know it while hammering away on his keyboard. "I'm the smartest boy in the world! Smartest what?"

"Smartest boy in the world!"



Bret Libigs/The Daily Iowan

Mike Cassidy embraces April Clarke in a sketch about rodent love.

But is this wisdom false? Quite possibly could be just the whim of a small boy wishing labor-free intelligence. No Shame Theatre allows the audience to interpret this for itself. From its humble beginnings, performing in the bed of pick-up truck, No Shame Theatre has grown to cult-like proportion. Like an infectious rash, No Shame Theatre has spread to numerous cities (Chicago, Austin, and New York to name a few) and does not appear to lack support.

Oct. 3, 1986, marked the official inception of the performances, but one can only wonder how long the creativity was simmering before finally boiling over and beginning under the stars in the E.C. Mabie Theatre parking lot. After seven weeks in the cold, No Shame Theatre was finally allowed to move indoors, and it now performs in Theatre B in the UI Theater Building.

Paul Rust, a board member of No Shame Theatre, has gained celebrity because of his peculiar interpretive performances. During one show, Rust let his bladder do all the work. Urinating down his pant leg, Rust saw that his urine flow was much more than expected. "I pulled my wiener out of my underwear for extra flow capacity. I thought it was just going to be a trickle. It went everywhere."

Though Rust has gained recognition for

exhibiting his "wiener," the pieces are more than just opportunities to show your "stuff." Rust said the pieces are interpretive extensions (no pun intended) of the writers and participants.

As an egalitarian platform to allow non-theater as well as theater majors to share their work, the performances allow the participants to voice their viewpoints as well as hear instant feedback from the audience. Previous pieces have included dramatic heaving into a jar, an Iggy Pop-esque dancer breaking a CD and marring his chest with the broken pieces, and, of course, more nudity.

The only rules to performances, which are open to the public, are that the pieces be original, last no longer than five minutes, and do not damage the space.

Performances are every Friday at 11 p.m.; scripts must be submitted by 10 p.m. in the lounge on the night of the performance. No Shame Theatre is truly democratic in accepting scripts, but because of its increasing popularity, the committee at times is flooded with scripts and is forced to turn some away.

Artistic expression is king at No Shame Theatre, and, whether or not the experience as a whole is satisfying, it is difficult to remain rigid and not enjoy at least some of the sketches.

E-mail *DI* reporter Carlos Ortega-Amparan at: carlos-ortega@uiowa.edu

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Somebody should've just said no to the whole thing

Surely there must be a logical explanation for the complete disaster known as *Rollerball*.

Did some joker pull a fast one on the editing team and do a quick cut-and-paste of his own before the footage went into the can? Did the filmmaking team experiment with letting the stars write their own dialogue? Or did the production run out of money and resort to second-hand equipment just to get the job done?

Without intimate knowledge of *Rollerball's* production details, one can only speculate about the factors that produced the catastrophe that hit theaters this past weekend. After all, the premise isn't that awful. A remake of the 1975 James Caan movie of the same name, director John McTiernan's version centers on an the title sport — sort of like extreme lacrosse on skates — that has found a voracious audience in the politically unstable nations of Central Asia. Rollerballers Jonathan Cross (Chris Klein), Marcus Ridley (LL Cool J), and Aurora (Rebecca Romijn-Stamos) threaten to upset the worldwide expansion plans of league Commissioner Petrovich (Jean Reno) when they discover his plans to add a healthy dose of blood to his sport.



FILM REVIEW
By Aaron McAdams

For now, let's give *Rollerball* the benefit of the doubt. Maybe someone really did play amateur editor with the footage. That would surely explain why the beginnings and ends of numerous shots seem to be mysteriously missing.

For example, in what's meant to be the film's pivotal action sequence, Jonathan catapults through a window into a room



publicity photo

"Look mom, not only did I land myself in the worst movie of the year, but they let me skate on the side of a fiberglass wall and wear this fun helmet!"

filled with armed thugs, overpowering one, but finding himself in the pistol sight of a second. Now jump-cut to Jonathan wrestling the gun from the second thug's possession. What happened to the beginning of the shot? Where's the footage that explains how Jonathan managed to get up off the ground, across the room, and on top of his adversary without getting drilled with a bullet?

As for the film's abysmal dialogue, you really do get the sense that the actors were saying the first things that popped into their heads. Imagine Klein's embarrassment after uttering the choice piece of dialogue, "Look at all those baubles!" then hearing "Cut! Print! No time to re-shoot!" A similar fate befalls Romijn-Stamos when, at a loss for a way to wrap up the movie, she informs Klein's character, "We're getting out of here, and

then I thought I'd take you to my bed." Cut. Roll credits. Worst ending ever.

Finally, perhaps MGM studios, sensing calamity was imminent, informed director McTiernan, "You have \$25 left. Finish the movie." That would explain *Rollerball's* laughable production values. Jonathan and Marcus attempted escape to the Russian border, another of the film's "marquee" action sequences, is filmed entirely in hazy green night-vision that looks scarcely more professional than a consumer-grade video camera. Also, the haphazard arrangement of close-ups during the rollerball sequences serves both to hide the fact that the sport is actually extremely dull and to accentuate the generic plasticity of the movie's set and costumes.

On the bright side, maybe *Rollerball* will one day achieve the mythic status of Ed Wood's infamous *Plan 9 From Outer Space*, a movie so bad, it's entertaining. For now, however, *Rollerball* should be emblazoned with an insistent warning: "Stay Away!"

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Tack Fu takes Iowa City hip hop to a new decibel

By Richard Shirk
The Daily Iowan

With a fresh voice in hip-hop production and a serious amount of Iowa City talent to draw from, Tim Tack, a.k.a. Tack-Fu, has made a national name for himself and Iowa City hip hop.

Tack will air out some of the material from his new instrumental project, *85 Decibel Monks*, along with his older hip-hop tracks with an abundance of special guest emcees on Friday at Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St.

A tough idea for rock-centric critics to grasp, Tack is not an emcee. According to the liners on *Yen and Slang* ('98) and *Chained Reaction* (2000), there is hardly a peep out of Tim Tack at any point despite the fact that the albums and the label they are imprinted with bear his name.

Much in the same way a film director stamps his presence upon a work while remaining unseen, Tack has made his presence known as a producer and artist in Iowa City since 1996, producing albums from Iowa City hip hop crews such as the Committee in between breaks in his own work. He has crafted a distinctive and recognizable style in his renderings of the functional body of a hip-hop-track — the underlying layer of beats and samples rhymed over by an emcee. Not only can these tracks stand on their own as independent works of down-tempo mood music, à la Thievery Cooperation but also as a melodic brand of subversive hip-hop when combined with the rhymes of the myriad of emcees in touch with Tack.

The most convincing example of this versatility is found in the 21 tracks of *Chained Reaction*. Divided into Side One and Side Two, the first side contains Tack's eclectic beats rhymed over by a wide range of rappers. The different cadences and modes of delivery among the emcees is distinctive enough to carry the flow of the album without being a jarring difference, held together track to track by the canvas of Tack-Fu's looped break-beats and left-field samples.

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rapper Braille provides the melodic verse for standout "Matter of Time," complemented with a dense undercurrent of '50s television samples and a bass line seemingly extracted from an avant-garde jazz piece. Cuts such as "Selling the Hype" from Psychosomatic's Felix (the Thunder Cat) and multiple tracks from Joe Juggla and Angle throw out enough quality substance to carry over the few throw aways, such as "Throw Your Middle Finger."

Side Two leads off the instrumental portion strongly with "Return to the Apocalypse." The sampled voice of a Cold War politician proselytizing over echoed drums provides an unsettling reaction that is helped along by a rubber-ball keyboard riff by Psychosomatic's J8. Other tracks, such as "Brimstone Hymn," a sampled Gregorian chant over a haunting and atmospheric keyboard track, almost push Tack's production skills to the point of showing off but definitely provide some allure for the collaborative and almost wholly instrumental *85 Decibel Monks* project.

Slated for release in the spring, *85 Decibel Monks* includes producers such as Chaircrusher who have been contributing largely to the Tack-Fu projects for years. Until spring, a live performance will be the only way to hear this enticing material.

Tack-Fu will be joined Friday at Gabe's by local lyricist Animosity as well as special guests Offwhyte, the Typical Cats, and DJ Skwint. Galapagos4 recording artists Qwel and Qwazaar will also appear direct from Chicago.

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Love Is Strong As Death

By David Wenzel

Part 4 of 16

Grady's best friend's house burned to the ground when they were 13. Grady's best friend Murph never made it out of the house that night. Grady had been staying over, and he had made it out. Murph's parents and his younger, retarded sister had made it out. But Murph had not. There was nothing left but a smoking pile of ashes by morning. Grady and Murph had been sleeping in the basement, and there was no more hope for Murph when the sun rose.

The fire was ruled an accident, but no cause was ever stated. Grady knew how it had started, and he had been very afraid to tell anyone. He was grateful to Murph's parents when they didn't push him to tell. But he felt the look in their eyes every time he saw them at the store or a Christmas mass. They knew Grady had a secret, but nothing would bring their son back, and they left as much pain in the past as they could. Murph's father always clapped him on the back, and Murph's mother always touched him on the forearm, but there was always a look in their eyes. Grady knew the look asked why Murph and not him.

The truth was that Murph had been the drunker of the two, and he had passed out smoking. They both smoked cigarettes in the dark after finishing a half of a case of beer between the two of them. Grady remembered finishing his cigarette and stubbing it out until there was no glowing ember in the ashtray. He had closed his eyes then, and he and Murph had talked a while longer. He heard the match hiss and Murph inhale as he lit a new cigarette. Grady fell asleep soon after that.

Grady woke choking from the smoke. It was still the middle of the night and very dark, and there was so much smoke that Grady could hardly see the flames. But he could feel their heat all around him. It was then that the smoke detectors went off, and the finished room of the basement was filled with odd and

horrible noises. The alarm rang. The flames hissed and popped. Walls and furniture yawned as they warped with the heat. Grady called out to Murph, but he heard no response. He called out again and again. He tried to search for the other couch where Murph had slept, but he became turned around in the smoke and his fear. But Grady didn't leave until he was unable to breathe.

Grady ran through the front door and fell to his knees on the lawn. He coughed hard and long, but it felt as though his lungs would never empty of the black and fill again with clean air. It was then that he saw Murph's younger sister run from the house. He had left the front door open, and she ran straight out it and to the mailbox at the front of the drive. She always ran straight to the mailbox when the front door was open. He remembered asking Murph about that the night before. They had been sitting on the stoop talking, and Grady had forgotten to shut the door behind him. A moment later Murph's sister ran out the door and past them on her way to the mailbox. She just ran to it and stood there. Grady asked Murph why his sister always did that.

"I don't know," Murph had said. "That's just what retards do."

Grady knew Murph wouldn't make it out of the burning house when the retarded sister reached the mailbox.

Find parts 1-3 of "Love is Strong as Death" on www.dailyiowan.com

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

The new revolution in audio

By Kelly Rohder
The Daily Iowan

Seductive notes drape the air in a melodious blend, glittering in smooth consistency.

Jim Morrison's voice subtly pierces the definitive richness of the song, and the magic of The Doors comes alive. Robbie Krieger glances in your direction. Energy flows, momentum builds, and suddenly you find yourself... in the middle of your living room?

Unfortunately, you are not sitting in on The Doors recording "Riders on the Storm." Thanks to a standard feature on your DVD audio player called a linear PCM, you are able to hear the smallest musical nuances and reverberations that have, until now, been omitted from vinyl, cassette, and even CD sound. Furthermore, the vibe among many music executives and musicians appears to be the same: DVD-Audio is here to stay.

In an August 2001 interview, John Kellogg, the producer of Dolby Laboratories, said the high-resolution, multi-channel audio format provides consumers with the "master tape" of the recording rather than the "dumb-down" version sold in the past.

Launched last fall primarily by the Warner Music Group, DVD-A, the newest addition to the audio family tree, has officially infiltrated the mainstream music market, promising less audible distortion and offering a more spacious sound than its predecessors. As if this weren't enough, DVD-A also boasts still images, text, and video clips of the artist which can be selected from an onscreen video menu.

Essentially, DVD-A discs are the same size as CDs but are able to hold up to 4.7 gigabytes of data, nearly six times as much as a regular CD. This extra space translates into a higher fidelity recording, with musical waves traveling at a frequency of 129,000 compared with the 41,100 sampling rate of a CD. Original tonal quality is no longer flat but possesses a depth that prompts musicians such as Neil Young to join the ranks of its creators and promote the launch of DVD-A.

In an exclusive interview with *Sound and Vision* magazine in January, Young excitedly talked about the possibil-

ities of the new format and the idea that DVD-A is what digital audio should have always been. For the last 20 years, he feels he has been forced to put his own artistic abilities and sound through something that is inferior to what he hears. Yet, with the recent emergence of DVD-A, Young plainly states that it is simply the best that exists.

DVD-A is conceivably "the best that exists" in audio today

we run demonstrations that are open to the public to come and hear the new equipment first hand.

And those who have heard it are in awe.

"Absolutely, unbelievably fabulous sound," said Dave Hansen, the manager of Discount Records, 21 S. Dubuque St. Hansen doesn't carry the new format yet, but he has ordered a few for interested customers.

Richardson has the same sentiments.

"Most people are in awe when they first hear it," he said. "It's like having surround-sound experience when you listen to your everyday music."

Although the migration of DVD-A to the general public appears to be smooth sailing from here on out, music executives and engineers have one hurdle to overcome before their product will be able to succeed fully.

The Super Audio Compact Disc, developed jointly by Sony and Philips, has also recently emerged onto the market with a similar format, lower prices, and a sound that is slightly better than the DVD-A.

Unfortunately, to the dismay of various retailers and consumers, the systems needed to play both DVD-A and Super-CD do not coincide. Quite simply, Super-CD formats will not play on DVD-A equipment, and vice versa. DVD-A will not play in a CD player, but CDs will play in a DVD-A system. Yet, those who already own a DVD video system will miss the frenzy because it is compatible with DVD-A discs.

It is this slight wrinkle in the master plan that worries Hansen. "It's getting more and more confusing than it needs to be," he said. "As long as it's confusing, it won't be customer-friendly."

To combat the confusion, the companies have created combination players that, Richardson said, have just begun to arrive at Ultimate Electronics. National advertising is expected to take hold soon, as companies attempt to convince the public of the pristine audio quality that DVD-A delivers. Perhaps then, the rest of the unsuspecting masses will get the chance to experience their own musical fantasies right in their own homes.

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DVD-Audio Quick Facts

- DVD-A contains up to six times the data capacity of a CD.
- DVD-A presents an open, spacious sound that allows the listener to differentiate more instruments and tones.
- DVD-A cannot be played on a conventional CD player, yet CDs will play on DVD-A players just as they do on regular DVD-Video players.
- DVD-A includes extra text, still images, and video clips.
- Prices can range anywhere from \$18 to \$30.

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and subwoofer speakers. Panasonic was the first on the market with DVD-A hardware, which costs anywhere from \$200 to a whopping \$5,000. Individual DVD-A discs range anywhere from \$18 to \$30.

To Jeremy Bradshaw, an employee of the Record Collector, 125 E. Washington St., spending the extra money is only worthwhile if the disc contains enough additional footage.

Virgil Richardson, a sales associate at Ultimate Electronics in Davenport, says the store sells an average of five DVD video players to every one VCR, and he ultimately expects that the DVD-A player will soon follow suit.

"We've been carrying DVD-A software for nine to 10 months now," he said. "Occasionally,

ARTS CALENDAR

TODAY

MUSIC:

- **Black Milk, Drive By Trucker, and Slobberbone**, Green Room, 509 S. Gilbert St., 8 p.m., \$6.
- **Sweethearts Ball Record Spin** with Adam Tetzloff, Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St., 9 p.m., \$4.
- **Saul Lubaroff Trio**, Sanctuary, 405 S. Gilbert St., 9:30 p.m., free.
- **One Blood**, Q Bar, 211 Iowa Ave., \$5, \$6 for minors.
- **Hearts Alfre**, Mark Weiger, oboe, and Ksenia Nosikova, piano, Clapp Recital Hall, 8 p.m., free.
- **Matt Bar with Adam Weinstein**, Northside Books, 203 N. Linn St., 8-9:30 p.m., free.

THEATER:

- **The Memory of Water**, Riverside Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert St., 7 p.m., \$15.
- **Undergraduate Short Play Festival**, University Theatres Gallery production, Theatre B, Theatre Building, 8 p.m.

MISC.:

- **From the Outside In: Photographs of Buildings**, Gallery Tour with Kathleen Edwards, UI Museum of Art, 4 p.m., free.
- **UI Dance Department Faculty/Graduate Concert**, Space/Place Theatre, North Hall, 8 p.m., \$10; UI students, \$5; free for children under 12.

FRIDAY

MUSIC:

- **Tricyclic, Evil Imposters, and Jet Set Cutie**, Green Room, 9 p.m., \$4.
- **85 Decibel Monks with Offwhite**, Typical cats, Qwel, and DJ Sqwint, Gabe's, 9 p.m., \$5.
- **"Love Is" Coffeehouse**, featuring Will Sands-Young, Uptown Bill's Small Mall, 401 S. Gilbert St., 7-9 p.m., free.
- **Bottle of Justus with Ophur**, Q, 9 p.m., \$5, \$6 for minors.
- **Martin Jean**, organ, Clapp, 8 p.m., free.

WORDS:

- **A Breath of Art: UI Writers' Workshop readings**, UI Museum of Art, 7:30 p.m., free.
- **John Sandford and Chuck Logan**, Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., 8 p.m., free.

THEATER:

- **The Memory of Water**, Riverside Theatre, 8 p.m., \$18.
- **Undergraduate Short Play Festival**, Theatre B, 8 p.m.
- **No Shame Theatre**, UI Theatre Building, 11 p.m., \$1.

MISC.:

- **UI Dance Department Faculty/Graduate Concert**, Space/Place Theatre, North Hall, 8 p.m., \$10; UI students, \$5; free for children under 12.

SATURDAY

MUSIC:

- **Chris Smit Band and Dave Zollo and The Body Electric**, Green Room, 9 p.m., \$5, \$6 for minors.
- **House music party with DJ Alert**, Gabe's, 9 p.m., \$5.
- **Hello Dave**, Q, 9 p.m., \$7, \$8 for minors.
- **Soul Source**, Sanctuary, 9:30 p.m.
- **Symphony Band**, Myron Welch, conductor, Hancher, 8 p.m., free.

THEATER:

- **The Memory of Water**, Riverside

Theatre, 8 p.m., \$18.

- **Undergraduate Short Play Festival**, Theatre B, 8 p.m.

MISC.:

- **UI Dance Department Faculty/Graduate Concert**, Space/Place Theatre, 8 p.m., \$10; UI students, \$5; free for children under 12.

SUNDAY

MUSIC:

- **Saul Lubaroff Duo**, Adagio, 325 E. Washington St., 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
- **Honor Band**, Hancher, 2:30 p.m., free.
- **Honors String Orchestra**, William LaRue Jones, conductor, and UI Philharmonia, Clapp, 8 p.m., free.
- **Humanaires**, Northside Books, 2-3 p.m., free.
- **Peter Mayer**, First United Methodist Church, 214 E. Jefferson St., 7 p.m., \$10.

WORDS:

- **"If Dogs are Man's Best Friend, Why are So Many Homeless?"** Misha Goodman, speaker, UI Museum of Art, 2 p.m., free.

THEATER:

- **The Memory of Water**, Riverside Theatre, 2 p.m., \$15.
- **Undergraduate Short Play Festival**, Theatre B, 3 p.m.

MONDAY

MUSIC:

- **Blues Jam**, Green Room, 9 p.m., \$1.
- **Schvilvikus**, Gabe's, 9 p.m., \$4.

TUESDAY

MUSIC:

- **Friends of Old Time Music Acoustic Jam Session**, Mill, 120 E. Burlington St., 9 p.m., no cover.
- **Latin Dance Night**, Green Room, 9 p.m., \$3.
- **One Blood Reggae Band**, Gabe's, 9 p.m., \$5.
- **Robert Randolph and the Family Band with Shannon McNally**, Union Bar, 121 E. College St., 9 p.m., \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door.

WORDS:

- **Panel discussion about Copenhagen**, Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn St., 7 p.m., free.

MISC.:

- **Pub Quiz**, Green Room, 8-10 p.m., no cover.

WEDNESDAY

MUSIC:

- **North To Alaska, Boy With Stick, and Dogger**, Green Room, 9 p.m., \$3, \$4 for minors.
- **Tiger Army and Nekromantix with Sadistic Kids and The Regenerates**, Gabe's, 8 p.m., \$8.

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Undergrads show they're ready for the center stage

By Kathryn Anderson
The Daily Iowan

At a university where graduate writing programs are world-renowned but undergraduate talent often goes unnoticed, the UI Undergraduate Short Play Festival provides a showcase for the work of gifted young playwrights.

"We're known for our graduate program in playwrighting, but historically, we've had great undergraduate writers, too," said Kate Aspengren, the artistic director of the festival. "The talent is amazing."

The opportunity provided by the festival for undergraduate students to see their plays performed is rare, especially at large universities such as the UI, where competition is extreme.

"It's all undergraduate writers, and I think that's a beautiful thing for the university," sophomore playwright Spencer Griffin said. "The coolest thing for me is seeing people in the same peer structure making art happen and getting inspired. I think it's a wonderful opportunity, and I'm very fortunate."

Aspengren said selecting the eight plays featured in the festival was difficult because of the abundance of talent undergraduate playwrights provide. Selections were chosen from 38 submissions based on the quality of writing and simplicity of the play. Each play runs roughly 10 minutes and features undergraduate actors and directors.

"It's hard juggling eight different plays and having eight different directors ask you questions, but I like the challenge," said senior stage manager Erin Huisman. "The coolest thing about the festival is that everything is really simple, but you'll come away from the night having really enjoyed it."

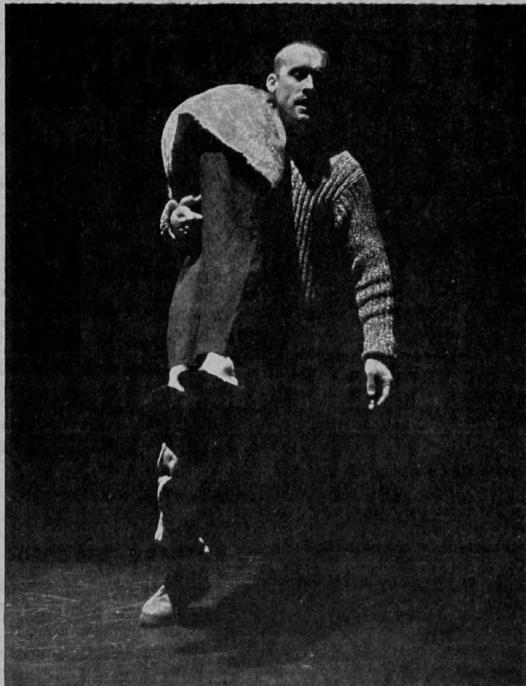
Selections in this year's festival run the spectrum from broad comedy to intense drama. Plays about the funniest guy on a city block, two men on a minor-league baseball team

dreaming about making it to the majors, and the nature of sleep and how it affects two people in a relationship are just a sample of what the audience

It's terrifying, because my writing is very honest, and you see people pouring their hearts into what you wrote"

— Spencer Griffin

will experience in approximately an hour and a half.



Ben Plank/The Daily Iowan

UI student Christopher Shover carries out his "other self" during the rehearsal for the play "My Other Self" for the Undergraduate Short Play Festival, which runs today through Saturday.

"It's like every 10 or 15 minutes, you have an opening really exciting atmosphere when you have that many plays going on at once."

Griffin said he began writing in high school primarily to make his friends laugh and to impress girls. Now, he hopes his work in the festival will be an inspiration to other young playwrights.

"In high school, I was looking for one-act plays, and I couldn't find any I liked, so I said, 'Screw this, I'll write my own.'"

he said. "It's cool to be a part of making people like life, to make them think. It's an awesome feeling."

Changing the two main characters from a guy and a girl to two gay men in Griffin's play,

"Ephemeral," is indicative of the many changes that take place in

a play when transferring it from paper to the stage. While changing things around for eight

plays can become chaotic, Aspengren said, all participants in the festival have been great about making necessary revisions.

"When you see it with actors, there are things that don't work that may have worked before," she said. "You don't really know if what you've done is successful until you see it up on its feet with an audience."

Because opening night may be the test of success for young playwrights, it is often as frightening as it is exciting.

"For me, it's incredibly scary and exhilarating," Griffin said. "It's terrifying, because my writing is very honest, and you see people pouring their hearts into what you wrote. Some of the best moments of my life have been first kisses and seeing my plays performed."

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ARTS BRIEFS

That's her George

NEW YORK (AP) — A movie about a television producer's experience on the 2000 presidential campaign trail, with President Bush as one of the characters, is set to make its public debut next month.

Journeys With George comes from the camera of Alexandra Pelosi, who was on the campaign as a producer for NBC.

"This is the campaign experience from my seat," said Pelosi, 31, who lives in New York and is the daughter of California Rep. Nancy Pelosi, the House Democratic whip.

Pelosi said Monday she plans to show the 75-minute film at the South by Southwest Film Conference and Festival in Austin, Texas, next month.

She said the film was named by then-candidate Bush, who sat down for interviews with her throughout the filming period. But she refuted published reports that said he is portrayed negatively and implications that the movie is primarily about him.

"It's not a George Bush blooper tape," she said. "It's my movie about my experience."

Pelosi said she hasn't been in touch with the White House about the film, and the Bush administration hasn't reached out to her, but she showed the film to Mark McKinnon, who was Bush's top adviser in the 2000 campaign.

According to this week's *Time* magazine, McKinnon then sent an e-mail to Bush adviser Karen Hughes, saying the movie would not do any great damage.

White House officials did not immediately return a telephone message seeking comment.

Peace" black-tie event Monday night.

Catherine Deneuve, Robert Altman, and Boris Becker were among more than 500 guests who each paid 500 euros — \$438 — to sip champagne and nibble on lobster under the sparkling chandeliers of the 19th-century concert hall on Gendarmenmarkt, one of Berlin's most beautiful squares.

Among more than a dozen other items auctioned was a director's chair that Roman Polanski had used, which brought \$4,558. Roberts' outfit was snapped up by Martin Hoffmann, the managing director of the German TV channel Sat.1, said Claudia Evers, a spokeswoman for the event.

Earlier in the evening, rock singer Bob Geldof presented the film festival's first peace prize to Oscar-winning Hungarian director Istvan Szabo in honor of 40 years of filmmaking. Festival judges said they chose Szabo because his work represented a "peace ideal."

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Giving her breast shot

BERLIN (AP) — An outfit that Julia Roberts wore in her Oscar-winning role as a cleavage-revealing legal aide in *Erin Brockovich* was auctioned at a charity gala that raised more than \$88,000 for UNICEF, mainly to help children in Afghanistan.

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By Tracy M
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

The perks of being a total loser

My, what a festive week we're having.

Will there be time for it all? Not counting the novel I need to finish reading this week and the quiz worth the equivalent of a final that I have to take, I'm somehow supposed to find time for the near fatal-inebriation and shame-sacrificing self-degradation that is Fat Tuesday, the mostly meaningless and attention-craving act of giving up something for Lent, and the always encouraging and self-esteem building holiday that is Valentine's Day. Plus, I still need a dress for the ball!

I'll never get all of this accomplished. I'll have to cut Fat Tuesday from my schedule. I know it will be so lame waking up the next morning knowing that I didn't drink myself within an inch of my life and exploit the bodies of insecure girls in exchange for purple plastic necklaces. I'll definitely miss paying four frat guys wearing black designer clothing \$10 to go inside of a bar that's going to charge me \$4 for a beer and tell me it's a special. And how will I ever be able to look my friends in the face and tell them that instead of drinking raspberry kamikazes until I puked and grinding with some freshman on the dance floor at the Union, I listened to music and watched a movie with friends. I'll be forever doomed to spend Saturday nights playing acoustic guitar in my bedroom and doing laundry.

But even when I account for the time that I'll no doubt spend sulking about my new life as a social outcast, that really only buys me a few hours. So it looks like I won't have time to give something up for Lent like I had been planning. Don't get me wrong, I was raised in the church, and I know how important it is for one's self-esteem to be able to tell



Drew Bixby

AFTER FURTHER REFLECTION

everyone that you have sacrificed something truly vital to everyday well-being in the name of the Lord our God. I don't know how I'll strike up conversation for the next 40 days or seek sympathy from strangers if I can't talk about the fact that I gave up eating steak between the hours of 8 and 11 a.m. on every other odd-numbered third Saturday in February. I know the Big Guy might be a little disappointed in my lack of commitment, but seeing as it's been a while since I talked to Him, I think He'd rather I wait until it really meant something. I could be wrong.

But that still leaves the problem of Valentine's Day. I'm afraid that with my strong work ethic and dedication to academics, I'll have to cancel the plans I had to snuggle with the girl of my dreams on the beaches of Italy and discuss the mysterious yet miraculous enigma that is love. If I get everything done early, I suppose I could join the rest of the members of the Lonely Heart's Club as they drink cheap wine on the banks of the Iowa River and throw heart-shaped rocks at passing pieces of plywood.

But just because I can't participate in all of the festivities doesn't mean you all can't. I hope everyone who celebrated Fat Tuesday threw back a few extra shots of tequila and violated a few female bodies for me. And to everyone who

decided to give something up for Lent, I salute the daunting yet honorable task you have undertaken. The Big Guy is no doubt grinning from ear to ear.

Finally, my wish on this, the second Valentine's Day of my college career, comes in two parts. To my charming and persuasive friend Christina (who coerced me into writing this week's column about Valentine's Day. How did I do, girl?) and the rest of you happy-go-lucky honeymooners holding hands and admiring your significant other's color contacts tonight: Congratulations and good luck. And to the remainder of you: Download or borrow the Travis song "The Last Laugh of the Laughter" and do something today that you've always wanted to do.

I had an amazing feeling when I finally held the tape in my hand. I just thought to myself that in the palm of my hand, there was this one tape that had all of these memories and feelings and great joy and sadness. Right there in the palm of my hand. And I thought about how many people got through a lot of bad times because of those songs. And how many people enjoyed good times with those songs. And how much those songs really mean. I think it would be great to have written one of those songs. I bet if I wrote one of them, I would be very proud. I hope the people who wrote those songs are happy. I hope they feel it's enough. I really do because they've made me happy. And I'm only one person.

— The Perks of Being a Wallflower, by Stephen Chbosky.

P.S. This book changed my life. Buy it and read it.

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The True Confessions of a Misguided Youth series will continue next week.

Another V-Day alternative

By Dave Strackany
The Daily Iowan

As one of few alternatives to dinner and a movie in Iowa City, the UI dance department presents its 2002 Faculty/Graduate Concert.

Composed of 11 pieces with as many choreographers, the event promises to reflect through dance a wide variety of personalities, despite modern dance being the only style addressed. Much more so than its cousins, ballet and jazz, modern dance offers a range of moods and styles.

Jennifer Medina, one of the featured graduate student choreographers, loosely defined modern as a "Contemporary style of movement that evolved out of the early 20th century as an outcry to do something different from ballet."

In much the same way that visual artists such as Jackson Pollock reacted against representationalism with their liberal, nearly violent, abstract-expressionism, choreographers of the early 20th century engineered a parallel movement in dance.

They called it modern.

From that point onward, nearly anything that didn't fit into the established casts of dance was called modern. Ballet has a very specific kinetic vocabulary, and it focuses on virtuosity and the defiance of gravity, connoting a feeling of the trans-mundane. Modern dance is often less idealistic, allowing it to be more humanistic and natural. Also, as Medina said, because there really isn't any out-of-bounds in modern dance, you "never quite know what you're going to get."

On one hand, you have Assistant Professor Charlotte Adams' trio piece, "False Promises," a humorous work addressing the bait-and-switches of fashion and youth. On the other, there's Professor David Berkey's "Fusion," an abstract piece utilizing a duet to investigate ideas about union and disunion.

Though there's no universal theme or motif governing the performance, some things can be said of the production as a whole. The majority of the pieces are solos. There are two

duets, one trio, and one quartet. As a finale of sorts, choreographer Associate Professor Armando Duarte offers a small ensemble piece, said by one of its dancers to be "really, really energetic and rhythmic," set to an exotic and percussive musical backdrop by Ravi Shankar and Philip Glass.

Though the Faculty/Graduate Concert may not be nearly the production that the Dance Gala was, or even bear the academic import of the forthcoming graduate-thesis concerts, it remains a lovely alternative to another Green Room show, another Brad Pitt movie, or whatever else you might be doing between 8 and 9:30 p.m. this weekend.

Besides making your lady a tear-jerking mix-tape, taking her to a modern-dance performance is probably the coolest way to shoe-horn your way into her heart.

The performance will be held in the Space/Place Theatre, 101 North Hall, Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m.

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Getting Absolute Zero out of a near-death experience

By Tracy Nemitz
The Daily Iowan

It all began five years ago on a moose-hunting trip.

Thriller writers and hunting buddies, John Sandford (a pseudonym for John Camp) and Chuck Logan found themselves caught in a storm that lasted for eight days in which they could easily have died of hypothermia. From this experience, the idea for *Absolute Zero*, Logan's newest thriller novel, was born.

Logan substitutes snow for rain in the novel, but the danger remains just as imminent. Three men on a hunting trip led by ex-undercover cop, Phil Broker, find themselves stranded with nothing between them and the unrelenting elements. After a

Logan, a Vietnam veteran and former graphics designer, received little formal training in the art of fiction writing. His journey began when he wrote a book review for Pioneer Press in Minnesota.

"I turned it in, and everyone asked, 'Who wrote this for you?'" he said, laughing.

After that, with the help of his editor and Sandford, who passed Logan's first manuscript around to his own editor, Logan was able to break into the literary world.

"I've never met anyone like Chuck," Sandford said. "One day, he just made the intellectual decision to become a writer. He went the hard-nosed way to pick up the skills to be a novelist."

Sandford, an Edgar-winning author and Iowa native, took a more traditional route to what has proven to be a fruitful career as a novelist. He attended the UI and received an undergraduate degree in American studies, as well as an M.A. in journalism.

Eventually he ended up in Florida, writing for the *Miami Herald*. In 1985, after 20 years as a journalist, he won the Pulitzer. This accomplishment had an unexpected effect on his career.

"Most people think that win-



ning the Pulitzer makes a person's career," Sandford said. "It didn't have any effect on my career at all."

Frustrated by the monotony of his job, Sandford eventually decided to switch his writing efforts to literature. The result was a thriller series dubbed "The Prey Series" because each of the 13 books contains the word "prey." On Friday night, he will read from his newest novel, *Chosen Prey*.

While he recently signed a contract which will extend the count to 16 Prey books, Sandford is once again ready for a career change.

He said he would like to devote more time to his passion for photography and archeological digs.

"I am very interested in pursuing archeology and history. Writing gets in the way of these," Sandford said.

Despite these future plans, Iowa City will have the pleasure of hosting these two highly talented authors for what promises to be a night of thrills and entertainment.

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READING

John Sandford and Chuck Logan

When: 8 p.m. Friday

Where: Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque St.

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After a fateful canoeing episode, one man comes near death, and the other must rally to get him immediate medical care.

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The main function of the Tenant-Landlord Association (TLA) is to provide information to tenants and landlords on all aspects of tenant-landlord rights and obligations as specified in the state of Iowa's Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act, the Mobile Home Parks Residential Landlord and Tenant Law, and the relevant local housing codes.

Our goal is to assist tenants and landlords in an effort to improve the housing situation in Iowa City and surrounding areas. Our information is free to students, non-students, tenants, landlords, and low-income families. The information we provide includes informal explanations of proper moving in and out procedures, rental deposits, upkeep and repairs on the rental unit, abuse of access violations, and eviction actions.

We make appropriate referrals to attorneys, social service agencies, government agencies and counseling services. We provide mediation for tenants and landlords having disputes. Finally, we provide sample legal letters for tenants and landlords to use when faced with certain situations. However, we are not able to provide legal counseling because we are not affiliated with an attorney. Furthermore, we are not a legal organization and cannot represent our clients in legal disputes.

To Contact the TLA Office:

We encourage you to call the TLA office at 335-3878 or 335-3264. Stop in the TLA office located in room 210 of the IMU. E-mail us at tla@uiowa.edu. Our web site is <http://www.uiowa.edu/~tla>. We also have a link to the U of I Housing Clearinghouse's web page if you need assistance in finding a place to rent.

LEASING...

When Should I Sign a Lease???

February is the time of year landlords and rental agencies are looking for tenants. You may be receiving mailings from prospective renters, or your friends may be looking for roommates. Either way, you're probably caught up in the rental buzz.

Before you jump into something you are unsure of, JUST CHILL. Keep in mind that if you don't sign a lease right now, it does not mean you will not find a place to live. Many of the larger rental agencies try to pressure students into signing a lease right away, and give the impression that if you don't sign now, you won't find a place to live. This is completely false! In fact, many landlords are not even ready to begin signing leases until mid-March or April.

The Housing Clearinghouse (HCH) can provide you with a complete list of all available rentals in the Iowa City/Coralville area for next year. HCH is a free service to students located at the Campus Information Center in the IMU (335-3055).

Tips on Leasing

- Check condition of dwelling before moving in. Ask about bug problems, noise, prior rent increases, building security, bus routes, and the quality of appliances and plumbing. Keep in mind that your landlord will be reluctant to convey any negative information about the rental unit, so it may be helpful to contact Housing Inspection Services to inquire if the property has had previous housing code violations. If at all possible also try contacting former tenants.
- Make sure the price range fits your budget (including hidden costs like utilities, parking, and living expenses).
- Determine the amount of the security deposit. This can be up to two months worth of rent.
- Read the lease thoroughly and make sure all items are understood. Pay close attention to rules regarding subletting, paying rent, upkeep, repairs, utilities, pets, lease dates, guest rules, maximum occupancy, and parking.
- Negotiate with the landlord any special terms desired. Make sure any amendments, special terms or oral agreements are written out and signed by all parties.

- Get an inspection checklist from the landlord or TLA, to fill out upon moving in. This documents the original condition of the rental unit, which reduces the possibility of unnecessary deductions from the deposit. Have all parties on the lease go over the checklist together and keep signed and dated copies. Give the original copy to your landlord.

Hidden Costs

As a tenant, it is important to remember that rent and deposit are not your only expenses. Your lease should outline which utilities for which you will be responsible. Some utilities require a deposit before service will begin. If you want an estimate of the average utility costs for a particular address, you can contact the utility company. Here is

a partial list of costs that the tenant should consider when budgeting for the rental unit:

- Rent
- Damage Deposit—maximum of two months rent
- Heating—electric or gas
- Water, sewage, and garbage—deposit and regular bills
- Electricity
- Telephone—initial hook-up, and monthly service
- Parking/garage fee
- Transportation costs
- Late rent fees—up to \$40/month
- Sublease fees
- Additional roommate fees
- Cleaning costs
- Rental Insurance

Rental Agreements

The rental agreement is the backbone of your understanding with your landlord. Agreements can be written or oral and can last for any amount of time. Oral agreements, how-

What is TLA?

Hello and welcome to the third annual Housing Survival Guide. We are very excited to bring this to the University of Iowa and the Iowa City community!

Harassment

Entry in an "unreasonable manner" or repeated demands for entry may constitute harassment. A landlord who uses unreasonable or unlawful entry to harass a tenant may be

you that the landlord is suing you for the rent that was not paid or for damages. You have twenty days to fill out the notice and send it back. If you do not send it back, the landlord wins and you will be forced to pay. If you do send it back, another hearing will then be set up to determine if you must pay or not.

The Eviction Hearing: You must show up at your eviction hearing at the time and date specified on the Forcible Entry and Detainer Notice. If you do not, the landlord wins and you are evicted. If the landlord does not show up, he/she automatically loses. If both parties are in attendance, the judge will listen to both parties and then make a decision. If the judge rules in favor of the landlord and you are evicted, an Order of Removal will be issued to you and the landlord will receive a Writ of Removal. The Order of Removal will contain the date you have to vacate the property. If you are not out by the date and time stated, then the Sheriff's office will remove you. You may only be given one day to move out, the date is at the judge's discretion.

If you are being evicted, contact the TLA office for further information (335-3878 or 335-3264). We also have a list of legal defenses to evictions and can refer you to legal professionals.

Housing Clearing House

The Housing Clearinghouse (HCH) is a free service of the University of Iowa Campus Information Center. The service assists students, staff, faculty, and the general public in locating available housing in the Iowa City/Coralville area. The HCH maintains up-to-date vacancy listings of rooms, apartments, houses, and mobile homes available for rent. A roommate matching service is offered to students interested in sharing housing.

Current vacancies are listed by type of unit as follows:

- Efficiencies/One Bedrooms
- Two Bedrooms
- Three Bedrooms/Houses/Mobile Homes
- Rooming Houses
- Roommates Wanted

People Seeking Housing: Come to the Campus Information Center to begin your housing search. Ask to see the listings for the type of housing you are seeking.

In addition to a knowledgeable staff, the Campus Information Center provides:

- Campus, city and transit maps
- Local newspapers
- Courtesy telephones
- Many useful handouts for new residents
- A comprehensive apartment directory (also available at: www.imuis.uiowa.edu/cic)

General housing information packets are mailed outside the Iowa City area on request for those wishing to start their housing search before arriving in Iowa City. Current vacancies are not mailed or provided over the telephone due to high volume and turnover.

Thank You

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Thanks to everyone who contributed to the Housing Survival Guide, your efforts have made this publication a success.

Peace out.

-Brad Kosar, TLA Coordinator

Harassment

Entry in an "unreasonable manner" or repeated demands for entry may constitute harassment. A landlord who uses unreasonable or unlawful entry to harass a tenant may be ordered to pay the tenant damages equaling at least one month's rent.

Your landlord may only enter the premises at "reasonable times." Also, you, the tenant, cannot unreasonably refuse to allow your landlord onto the premises to make necessary repairs or inspections.

If you are experiencing problems with abuse of access or wish to receive a sample letter to send to a landlord who enters unlawfully, contact the TLA office at 335-3878 or 335-3264.

TERMINATING A LEASE...**Terminating a Rental Agreement**

Many times tenants and/or landlords may want to terminate the lease because it is not satisfactory to either one of the parties. There are several reasons to terminate a lease. Terminating a lease is a very drastic measure with legal consequences, and you are advised to contact the TLA before making any decision about ending the lease. The following is a partial list of possible circumstances.

- Mutual agreement between the tenants and landlord
- Tenant non-compliance (i.e. failure to pay rent, destruction of property) keep in mind that if you are evicted, the landlord can sue for the remaining portion of the rent outlined by the lease
- Landlord non-compliance (i.e. housing code violations, abuse of access)
- Severe fire or causality

In addition to the above reasons for terminating a lease, periodic tenancy (i.e. week-to-week or month-to-month) may be terminated as follows:

- Month-to-month tenancy may be terminated by a written notice given at least 30 days before the desired ending date.
- Week-to-week tenancy may be terminated by a written notice given at least 10 days before the desired ending date

Terminating a lease is not a simple process, nor is it very common. Be sure to contact the TLA (335-3878 or 335-3264) for the correct procedures, so you do not face possible legal infractions. Quite often, we can help remedy your problem without having to terminate the lease.

Subleasing

If you need to move out of your home before the end of your lease, or if you need to move out for several months in the middle of your lease, you might consider subleasing your apartment.

Subleasing is renting your place to another person for a period of time within your lease. Your right to sublease is governed by your lease. Get your landlord's written permission

before your sublease. Sometimes a landlord will charge a fee for subleasing. This would be outlined in your lease.

It is important to remember that when you sublease, your obligations under your original lease are not terminated. If the person to whom you sublease fails to pay the rent, or damages the unit, your landlord may hold you liable. If you do not plan to return to the rental unit, you might consider signing a sublease agreement with the person you are renting to, which is available at the TLA office. Furthermore, the approval of the landlord is required, as well as the approval by any current roommates.

There are several ways to find somebody to sublease your apartment: fill out a sublease form with the Housing Clearinghouse located at the Campus Information Center in the IMU; place notices on local bulletin boards; or place and ad in local newspapers.

Evictions

This section will give you an overview of the eviction process. If you are being evicted read over this material then seek further legal advice by calling the TLA office for a referral (335-3878 or 335-3264). An eviction is a legal process and usually requires legal assistance.

Reasons for Eviction:

- Failure to pay rent (not paying rent at all or being late on a payment)
- The tenant has violated a provision of the lease
- The tenant does not vacate the property after the lease ends

The First Notice: The first notice you will receive is either a notice of non-payment of rent (if the reason for the eviction is the tenant has failed to pay rent) or a notice to quit (if the reason for the eviction is a violation of a provision of the lease). This is not a formal court order and it does not mean you must move out in three days, even though the wording of these notices often gives that impression. The wording means that the landlord intends to terminate the rental agreement if the rent is not paid within three days (in the situation of failure to pay rent). Once you receive one of these two notices, you should seek further legal assistance immediately or give us a call!

The Next Step: After three days, the landlord will then start the legal proceedings for the eviction process. The landlord will go to the Clerk of Court, in the county you live in, and acquire a Forcible Entry and Detainer Notice. A sheriff or county official will deliver this notice to you at your place of residence. This notice will include the reason for the eviction, the date of the scheduled eviction hearing, and the signature of the landlord or the attorney of the landlord. The hearing usually takes place within seven days of the time the landlord filed for the notice.

Another Hearing: Included with the Forcible Entry and Detainer Notice may be another notice which would inform

ever, constitute a month-to-month lease and require one month's notice to end the agreement.

Things that Can be Included in a Rental Agreement:

- Amount of rent to be paid
- When, where, and to whom the rent is to be paid
- Term length of rental agreement
- Number of tenants and their names
- Who is responsible for paying utilities (tenant or landlord)
- Requirement that tenant must tell landlord if tenant will be away from rental property for an extended period of time

Things that Cannot be Included in a Rental Agreement:

- Agreement to give up right or protection under landlord-tenant law
- Agreement to pay other person's attorney fees
- Agreement in advance to forgive the other party for any responsibility for damages that may occur to the property
- Agreement to confess judgement (lose automatically) if a legal dispute arises

It's important to remember to read your lease carefully before you sign it. This is a legal agreement, and you will be held responsible for what you sign. If you have any questions about your rental agreement, call the TLA office at 335-3878 or 335-3264. You can even bring a copy of your lease to our office and we would be happy to look it over with you before you sign.

DURING TENANCY...**Moving In**

To make sure moving day goes smoothly, there are a few procedures you should follow. First, you must make sure that the former tenant is completely moved out. It is a good idea to go to the Housing Inspection Services web site and use the address of the rental property to view the listings of the violations of that property. You can find the violations at <http://www.iowa-city.org> and scroll to New On-Line Services and click on Check Permit and Case Status and then input your landlord's name or the property address to view the history of all the violations of your landlord or of the property.

Proper Moving in Procedures:

Go through the rental unit with an inspection checklist. This is a list of items in the rental unit that you should check in the company of either your landlord or a witness who doesn't live in the rental unit. Completing this checklist can help you make sure you get your rental deposit back when you move out. If you need a sample inspection checklist, call the TLA office and we can mail one to you (335-3878 or 335-3264).

Make sure you have a copy of the signed lease at the time you sign. If you do not, you may find it difficult to obtain a copy later. The lease must include:

- Name and address of the owner of the rental property
- Name and address of the property manager (if applicable)
- The specifications for payment of utilities

CAUTION! Do Not Sign an Incomplete Lease! Signing an incomplete lease could become a problem in the future.

Get a receipt from the landlord when you deliver your deposit (receipt should have date and amount).

You may need to contact the phone, water, and utility companies a few days before moving in to assure that these services will be ready when you are.

What if the rental unit is not ready on the agreed moving in date?

After you have made a rental agreement with a landlord to rent a place to live, you have a right to expect that your new home will be completely ready to move into at the agreed time. This means that the landlord must take responsibility for making sure that no one else is still living in the house or apartment you plan to rent. It also means that the landlord must have the unit in proper condition when it's time for you to move in. No rent is due if a landlord does not make the unit fully available to you in the proper condition at the time agreed until the unit is ready. You may also end the agreement if the property is not in livable condition within five days. If a tenant finds himself or herself in this position, contact the TLA office for further information (335-3878 or 335-3264).

Rental Deposits

The landlord usually collects a rental deposit, also called a security deposit, when a house or apartment is rented. The landlord cannot ask for any more than the dollar amount equivalent to two months rent for a deposit. But don't forget! You usually have to pay one month's rent in advance plus the deposit to move in. The law states that the landlord must keep your deposit in a federally insured account that is completely separate from the landlord's personal money. The account can earn interest. However, the landlord can keep the interest for the first five years. If you stay in that rental unit for more than five years, the interest earned on your deposit is yours!

The law also states that the landlord can keep any portion of the rental deposit for any one of these three reasons:

- To compensate for any unpaid rent.
- To repair any damage to the rental property that was caused by the tenant.
- To pay for the costs of removing a tenant remaining in the house or apartment after given proper notices to leave.

Getting your deposit back after you move out can be a complicated task if you don't follow these steps:

1. Follow the proper moving in procedures specified in the Moving In section.
2. Tell the landlord about damages (in writing if possible) that occur while you are renting. The damages should be explained because the tenant is responsible only if the damage was the tenant's fault.
3. Give proper notice if you want to move out early or when you know the time you will be vacating the apartment on move out day.

Tips on Leasing

• Check condition of dwelling before moving in. Ask about

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bus routes, and the quality of appliances and plumbing. Keep

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4. Give the landlord your new mailing address on or before moving out day and keep a copy with the date on it for your records. If you do not give your former landlord your new address within one year, you lose the right to get any of the deposit back.

Set up a meeting with the landlord on the day you move out. Go over the inspection checklist you made when you moved in (see the section "Moving In"). Assess the damages you are responsible for. Try to get your deposit back at this meeting.

If you don't agree with the landlord's reasons for keeping your deposit, discuss it with your landlord. You can take your landlord to small claims court if an agreement cannot be reached. Contact the TLA office for further information (335-3878 or 335-3264).

After you have moved out and left a mailing address, in around 30 days you should expect either the return of your deposit or a written explanation of why some or all of the deposit is being withheld. If you have not heard a response by this time you should contact your landlord. If still no progress is made, legal action should be considered.

Communication

Every tenant-landlord arrangement should be treated as if it may be discussed in court someday. In order to protect yourself, you should keep signed and dated copies of all documents, and put all communications or changes in writing. On the other hand, it is most important to maintain a friendly tenant-landlord relationship; so do your best to get to know your landlord. Remember landlords are people too, and they will generally be more receptive to your needs as a tenant if you treat them with respect.

Roommate Issues

When and if you decide to live with roommates, it is important that everyone correctly understands the terms of the rental agreement. The Tenant/Landlord Association provides information on tenant's rights as well as your rights as a roommate.

Roommates have the following responsibilities:

- To pay the landlord their portion of the rental deposit
- To pay their portion of the monthly rent and utilities on time
- To conduct herself/himself in a manner which does not threaten other roommates
- To conform to all other obligations or rules listed on the rental agreement

All roommates whose names appear on the rental agreement are equally responsible for making sure monthly rent is paid.

Joint and Several Liability:

The joint and several liability clause is very common in multiple party rental situations. Most landlords in the Iowa City area use this type of agreement. This means that if a roommate moves out, the remaining tenants may be responsible for the total amount of rent. In some cases, your landlord may be willing to hold each separate tenant responsible for his or her own rent. It never hurts to ask!!!

If a roommate moves out before the end of the rental agreement:

All roommates are responsible for paying the total monthly rent, including the rent of the person who just moved out. If rent is not paid in full, the landlord can sue all roommates for the amount owed. If this happens, call the TLA office and we can discuss your options.

The individual who moves out is responsible for paying their portion of the rent, or finding a sublet that is approved by the remaining roommates and perhaps the landlord as well.

Roommate Agreement:

To help stop these problems before they appear, we have developed a roommate agreement which all roommates can sign at the time of the lease signing, designating financial responsibilities equally. If a problem should arise in the future among roommates, this agreement can serve as legal documentation of responsibilities. It also helps settle any questions about moving out before the rental agreement is complete, and issues of subleasing. Overall this agreement is very helpful for roommates because it defines everyone's responsibilities as roommates, and helps solve problems before they arise. For a copy of this agreement contact the TLA office at 338-3878 or 335-3264.

Maintaining the Rental Unit

Eventually, during your stay in your rental unit, it will need repairs. Whose responsibility is it to fix your rental unit? This section will discuss the solutions to that question and provide some actions that you should take.

Your landlord has the responsibility to do the following:

- Keep the rental unit up to city, state, and federal housing code standards
- Making whatever repairs are necessary to keep the unit in liveable conditions
- Provide a container for garbage collection
- Provide a necessary "essential services" (these services include hot and cold running water and heat but NOT air conditioning)
- Keep any common areas clean and safe
- Keep appliances in safe working order

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The tenant has the duty to perform all of the following tasks:

- Keep the rental unit in a safe and healthy condition (as required by the housing codes)
- Properly dispose of all garbage
- Keep plumbing fixtures clean
- Use appliances and facilities in an appropriate manner
- Restrain from carelessly damaging the rental unit or allowing someone else do so
- Respect neighbor's peace and quiet

If you want to make some changes in your rental unit, such as re-carpeting or re-painting, be sure to write a written notice to the landlord and get some written understanding from your landlord.

Are there exceptions? Yes. In the case of a disabled tenant, the landlord cannot refuse a tenant's request to make changes (at the tenant's expense) that are necessary for the tenant to fully enjoy the unit.

Essential Services include: Heat and running water In Iowa City, air conditioning is not considered an essential service.

What does a tenant do when a landlord fails to provide an "essential service?"

First, the tenant must provide the landlord written notice stating what the problem is and the course of action the tenant plans to take in order to remedy the situation (the TLA office has a sample of this notice, call 335-3878 or 335-3264 to receive a copy).

The tenant then may choose one of three options to deal with the problem:

Go elsewhere to obtain the lacking essential service and then deduct the cost from your next month's rent. Staying in a reasonably priced hotel or with a friend are possible places you can go to obtain the lacking service.

Sue your landlord in small claims court for damages incurred. This is called "Reduction of the Fair Rent Value." Contact the TLA office for more information (335-3878 or 335-3264).

Sue your landlord for the rent you paid for the period of time the essential service was lacking.

When a landlord fails to provide the "non-essential" service or fails to repair a problem that has been reported to him/her: A tenant may perform a procedure called repair and deduct. In this case a tenant can fix the problem (if it is in fact the landlord's responsibility to fix it and hasn't) and then deduct the cost of the repair from the next months rent. The tenant must follow these steps in order:

Write a letter to your landlord, stating what the problem is, and inform the landlord that if the problem is not fixed with-

in the next seven days, you intend to take the necessary steps to fix the problem and deduct the cost from your next month's rent. The landlord must receive this letter at least seven days prior to the due day of the rent that you will be deducting the repair costs (the TLA office has a sample of this notice, call 335-3878 or 335-3264 to receive a copy).
Have the problem fixed by a professional. Be careful not to exceed the cost of one month's rent. Keep track of all costs, save and make copies of all the receipts, and see that the repairs are sufficient. Deduct the costs from your rent. When paying the next month's rent, include a notice of the deductions and copies of all receipts (the TLA office has a sample of this notice, call 335-3878 or 335-3264 to receive a copy).

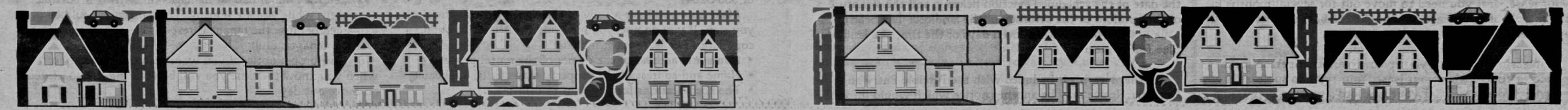
There are two last options for a tenant if the landlord fails to perform some important duty under the rental agreement or doesn't perform any of the duties affecting health and safety. For further information on these options, contact the TLA office at 335-3878 or 335-3264.

You must make your course of action known in any situation discussed in this section to the landlord. We recommend using our sample letters and sending them through registered mail or hand deliver them in the presence of a witness. Remember to contact the TLA office for more specific information concerning you situation and for copies of the sample letters (335-3878 or 335-3264).

Abuse of Access
Although your landlord owns the property where you live, he/she is limited to when he/she can enter the premises. Generally, the landlord must give 24 hours notice to enter, unless there is an emergency or the tenant has abandoned the property.

- Possible Reasons for Landlord to Enter Premises (24 hours notice required):
- Inspections
 - Agreed to or necessary repairs
 - Alterations or improvements
 - Agreed or necessary services
 - Show the property to prospective tenants, buyers, workers, or contractors

- Possible Reasons for Landlord to Enter Premises (no notice required):
- Emergency, such as fire or broken pipes
 - Tenant has abandoned or surrendered property
- Tenant is away from rental property for more than 14 days (landlord may enter property whenever "reasonably necessary.")



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