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City Council kills zoning revision for mega-complex

By Mike McWilliams
The Daily Iowan

The Iowa City City Council on Tuesday rejected amending a city zoning plan to allow the construction of an 18-building, 168-unit housing complex for students on the city's Southeast Side.

The comprehensive land-use plan, drafted by citizens in 1997, calls for medium-density neighborhoods with a mix of housing types. The proposal by a Texas-based firm to build the \$15 million to \$20 million complex would have violated the plan because of its high population density.

The council voted, 5-2, against revising the plan to allow the project; the company, DJ Hammond and Associates Inc., said it would look at other locations in the area for the complex.

"I think the comprehensive plan should be amended, but it should be done by the citizens who drafted it," said Councilor Connie Champion, who voted against the amendment. "This is a major change."

A majority of the councilors agreed that the comprehensive plan should be amended to speci-

fy density, or as Mayor Ernie Lehman put it, "how large is large?" Lehman asked City Manager Steve Atkins to schedule discussion on that matter during an upcoming work session.

Councilors Mike O'Donnell and Dee Vanderhoef voted in favor of the amendment, both citing downtown overcrowding as one of their concerns.

"I can't think of a better location for it," Vanderhoef said. "It could fail, but if we don't try, we'll never know."

O'Donnell said he felt it was the council's duty to change the comprehensive plan. He added that the 17.64 acres could eventually be subdivided, resulting in more density than the apartment complex.

The density of the project was estimated at 17 units per acre, well above the recommended eight per acre. The complex would have been the city's second largest.

"I believe the downtown should be dominated by retail," O'Donnell said. "I just think we're missing a great opportunity."

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Powell pushes for progress

By Barry Schweid
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Secretary of State Colin Powell, struggling for progress at the end of a frustrating trip to the Middle East, pushed Israel Tuesday to expand its withdrawal from the West Bank and sought fresh assurances from the Palestinians to stop violence.

Powell also raised prospects of a peace conference in the United States that would accelerate the political process, one that President Bush and Powell have said must produce a Palestinian state.

"I think we are making progress and are looking forward to making more progress in the next 24 hours," Powell said.

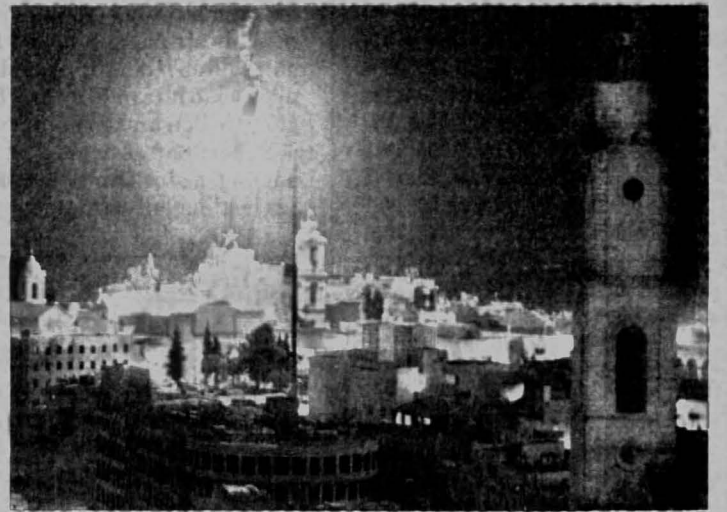
But Israeli forces moved into a West Bank town and three villages near Jerusalem and

imposed curfews as part of a high-security alert timed to Israel's Independence Day.

Palestinians condemned the new invasions. But Powell has tempered his public calls for a total and quick military departure now that Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has announced a pullout from all but Ramallah and Bethlehem within a week.

In any event, Israeli officials said, the withdrawal would not preclude efforts to arrest Foad Shobaki, whom they accused of overseeing attacks on Israel and the abortive shipment of 50 tons of Iranian weapons to the Palestinians.

And, the officials said on the condition of anonymity, they remained determined to arrest the plotters of the assassination in October 2001 of Tourism Minister Rehavam Zeevi.



David Guttenfelder/Associated Press

A flare falls over the Church of the Nativity as heavy gunfire breaks out during an Israeli military operation in Bethlehem on Tuesday.

Powell will have a second and final session with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat today at his rocket-battered

Ramallah headquarters, where he's been confined by

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Vilsack demands a special session, citing budget woes

By Mike Glover
Associated Press

DES MOINES — Gov. Tom Vilsack on Tuesday summoned the Legislature back for a special session, telling lawmakers that the budget they approved in the regular session is simply inadequate.

The governor asked lawmakers to meet with him Thursday or Friday and said he hoped an agreement could be negotiated before the special session next week.

He asked to address a joint session of the Legislature on Monday.

"During the past four years, we have demonstrated we can work together constructively on behalf of the families of Iowa and their future when we set partisanship aside," Vilsack said in a letter to legislative leaders. "I am optimistic that we can reach an acceptable compromise on the budget."

Top lawmakers said they've had no contact with the governor since they adjourned late on April 12. They also said it's unprecedented

for a governor to convene a special session without first crafting an agreement with lawmakers.

"It's a recipe for disaster," said House Majority Leader Chris Rants, R-Sioux City. "It's a waste of the taxpayers' money."

The two sides fought over the state's budget all year. A weak economy has slowed state tax collections and brought a budget shortfall. Vilsack wants to dip into cash reserves, the rainy-day fund, to cover the shortfall, while lawmakers want to cut spending more than the governor has proposed.

Before ending the session last week, lawmakers came up with an additional \$45.9 million to finance key education and health programs. The education

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Vilsack



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Members of the Cornfed Hussies: A Rural Revolution practice routines at the Wesley Foundation on Sunday.

Of change, cheers & Cornfed Hussies

By Sara Faiwell
The Daily Iowan

Their pompons are a melange of sliced trash bags and duct tape, and their red and black sequined costumes aren't uniform — these aren't typical cheerleaders.

They're the self-named Cornfed Hussies: A Rural Revolution, a group of 11 females and one male out to effect social change with cheers and dance moves that don't always flow in synch.

"You've got anger, soul, and more! Take it to the street and let it roar!" shout the self-proclaimed radical cheerleaders before taking 10 minutes to arrange themselves into a wobbly pyramid.

The squad was launched in October 2001 with three members, and it has steadily received requests from the community to perform at local events.

UI senior Sarah Dribin has attended protests and written letters to Congress to share her political views, but she

We are cheerleaders with a progressive political message.

— Sarah Dribin,
UI senior

said she has found cheering on the squad to be the best avenue to get her message across.

"We are cheerleaders with a progressive political message," she said between practicing

can-can kicks and jazz hands at a fellow cheerleader's house.

The bi-weekly practices are more of a social hour than business for this group of friends, seven of whom are UI students.

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Death toll in Jenin camp unknown

Israelis and Palestinians disagree on the number of dead in the Jenin refugee camp, as aid workers face the daunting task of sifting through mountains of rubble. See story, Page 7A

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School Board chooses bonds

By John Molseed
The Daily Iowan

The Iowa City School Board dodged possible litigation in connection with a statewide lawsuit when it decided Tuesday night to fund a school-improvement plan with a property-tax bond issue, one board member said.

The bond issue, which passed by a 5-2 vote, was chosen over using a 1-cent local-option sales tax. The bond issue is more fair to state residents, some board members said.

Some board members pointed to the 160 Iowa school districts suing the state, alleging that the current local-option sales tax laws and other state legislative practices have created educational inequity for small rural districts.

"It is not unlikely we could have a court injunction against us," Dave Franker said. "How

can we be for equitable education if we think we can squeeze in a little extra money for our district if we go for a local-option sales tax?"

District officials hope to put the \$38 million proposal before voters this year. The administration's proposal calls for building a new elementary and junior-high school, adding capacity to both high schools, and expanding the alternative-education center.

"I am confident, as a unit, we will unify behind a bond issue," Board President Lauren Reece said after the vote.

Members in support of the property-tax bond cited accountability to district voters as their main reason for supporting that option.

"I think people in the state and area support libraries and education when there's accountability," Dale Schultz said.

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— Lauren Reece,
School Board president

Jan Leff and Peter Wallace cast the two votes against the bond option, both saying the sales tax would give the district much-needed funding flexibility during the 10 years in would be used.

The estimated \$90 million in revenue a sales tax would bring in would fund the district's basic infrastructure needs, which have been recently neglected, Leff said. She

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Court: Gov't went too far in child-porn ban

By Anne Gearan
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The government went too far in trying to ban computer simulations and other fool-the-eye depictions of teenagers or children having sex, the Supreme Court ruled Tuesday.

Youthful sexuality is an old theme in art, from Shakespeare to Academy Award-winning movies, the court found in striking down key provisions of a 1996 child-pornography law on free-speech grounds.

The law would call into question legitimate educational, scientific, or artistic depictions of youthful sex, Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote for a 6-3 majority.

"The statute proscribes the visual depiction of an idea — that of teenagers engaging in

sexual activity — that is a fact of modern society and has been a theme in art and literature throughout the ages," Kennedy wrote in a decision joined by four other justices. Clarence Thomas, one of the court's most conservative justices, wrote a separate opinion agreeing with the outcome.

The court invalidated two provisions of the Child Pornography Prevention Act as overly broad and unconstitutional. Free-speech advocates and pornographers had challenged the law's ban on material that "appears to be" a child in a sexually explicit situation or that is advertised to convey the impression that someone under 18 is involved.

Attorney General John Ashcroft said the ruling makes

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CITY

CITY BRIEF

UI provost drops out of New Hampshire job

UI Provost Jon Whitmore dropped out of the race for the University of New Hampshire presidency shortly after the school announced that he was being considered as one of the finalists for the position.

Whitmore, one of the four considered for the position, cited personal reasons for his withdrawal from the running.

"After visiting the university, we found it was not something we wanted to do," he said. "The institution did not seem to fit in with what I had in mind."

Whitmore, a former resident of Texas, is still being considered for the presidential position at Texas A&M University. Whitmore visited the university in College Station, and he is still awaiting a decision from the school. Whitmore said he is not sure when the university will announce its choice.

This is the second time Whitmore has bowed out of consideration for a school's top job. He dropped out as a candidate for presidency of the University of Kentucky in January 2001.

Whitmore has been the UI's chief academic officer since 1996, overseeing all academic programs in the university's 11 colleges as well as the library system. If Whitmore ultimately takes a position at Texas A&M, university officials have said they will have to fill his position.

— by Choyon Manjrekar

POLICE LOG

Ethan Ayers, 10, 2710 Wayne Ave., was charged Tuesday with fifth-degree theft. According to police records, Ayers allegedly stole \$70 worth of merchandise from the Mercer Park Aquatic Center.

Gerhoud Schmidt, 51, address unknown, was charged Tuesday with fifth-degree theft and public intoxication. According to police, Schmidt allegedly stole several items from a convenience store.

— by Vess Mitev

Jason Dean Nuss, 24, of Cedar Falls was formally charged Tuesday with second-degree theft. Nuss allegedly stole and forged his name on a check worth \$1,500 issued to his roommate, police said. He then allegedly cashed the check at a bank and later admitted to police he needed the money for rent and utilities, court records said.

— Gian Sachdev

City High coaches deny charges in suit

By Kellie Doyle and Lyndsay Gross
The Daily Iowan

Testifying in court Tuesday, City High School athletics officials denied accusations that they discriminated against an athlete the year after he broke his neck in a football game.

"There's absolutely no truth to that," said Larry Brown, the school's athletics director and then-head football coach.

At question is whether the football and wrestling coaches neglected Shawn Roberts' athletic talent by keeping him on the sidelines and off the mats during his junior year.

Roberts' mother sued the Iowa City School District for prematurely ending his athletics career, therefore possibly stripping him of a chance for college scholarships. Roberts, 20, also claims he was negligently allowed to return to a Sept. 5, 1997, sophomore football game with a broken neck.

Roberts often looked at his mother, occasionally smiling, as his former coaches one-by-one contradicted his testimony Tuesday.

Brown acknowledged that Roberts' athleticism was just as strong his junior year as his sophomore year. But he said it's typical for some athletes to be discouraged when they see less playing time after moving to the more competitive varsity level.

Roberts was allowed to finish the first half of the game at Cedar Rapids Prairie with a broken neck after trainers diagnosed the injury as muscle spasms. At halftime, the trainer told him to sit out for the second half. X-rays later showed Roberts had fractured his neck in three places.

"He should have been kept out of that game, period," Roberts' attorney Jim Weston read from the deposition of Steve Bernheim, a high-school athletics specialist from New York.

Roberts recovered from the injury during the summer of 1998, and doctors gave him clearance to play sports again. Roberts testified he quit the wrestling team that year after he felt he had been denied the starting position he'd earned. He testified that in a challenge match, he "annihilated" the teammate, but he was never moved up.

City High wrestling coaches Brad Smith and Jeff Bradley challenged that testimony, saying the wrestle-

off was "very close." "I don't remember the score, but I don't feel it was that lopsided," Smith said of the 13-2 score Roberts gave.

Because it was a close match, they said, guidelines required Roberts to win at least two out of three against his opponent to earn the spot. Roberts quit the team before he the second match could take place, the coaches said.

Coaches "absolutely" did not treat Roberts differently from other athletes, Bradley said.

Kim Jeffers, Roberts' mother, and Roberts' then-girlfriend, Amber Phelps, both gave their accounts of Roberts' injury and his lack of playing time a year later. Jennifer McHenry, a district athletics trainer, said she was not present during the Cedar Rapids Prairie football game, contrary to Roberts' earlier testimony, because she does not travel to away games.

Closing arguments from both sides are expected to be presented today, following the testimony of Brian Murphy, the trainer who examined Roberts after he was injured.

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Second fire hits Hall Mall

By Gian Sachdev and Grant Schulte
The Daily Iowan

If that alarm hadn't gone off, Iowa City would have had some more green space tomorrow.

— Lew Converse,
Billiards Club owner

Iowa City police are investigating a "suspicious" fire that broke out in the downtown Hall Mall Tuesday, the second fire in that location this month.

The fire started at SubCulture, 114½ E. College St., just before 5:30 a.m. and caused extensive water damage to the College Street Billiards Club & Deli, 114 E. College St., located beneath the store. Insurance officials are expected to give damage estimates today.

No one was injured in the incident.

Officials have not released the cause of the fire, but area business owners said lighter fluid was found at the scene and someone had stolen money from several of the upstairs establishments shortly before the fire broke out.

Billiards Club owner Lew Converse re-opened his establishment about 7:30 p.m. Tuesday despite water damage to the front one-third of the downstairs area, includ-

ing water-soaked woodwork and ceiling and floor tiles. He didn't expect that the damage would affect his business because patrons were already arriving.

The incident marks the second time this month a fire has damaged the building. Officials determined that a April 2 fire started when an unattended candle toppled over at Green Goddess Healing Therapies in the Hall Mall. That fire caused minor damage at the Billiards Club and at Vito's, 118 E. College St., costing \$7,500 in damages for the two businesses.

Firefighters discovered smoke when they entered the building Tuesday morning, and they took 15 minutes to contain the fire. The Hall Mall's automatic sprinkler system extinguished most of the flames. An alarm connected to

the system also warned officials before the fire could spread.

"If that alarm hadn't gone off, Iowa City would have had some more green space tomorrow," said Converse. "We just have to count ourselves lucky. This fire wasn't as bad for us as the first."

Police, who are considering the area a crime scene, removed several pieces of evidence, including an upstairs surveillance camera, Converse said.

He said he couldn't think of anyone who would want to set a fire at the Hall Mall.

The Billiards Club will celebrate its two-year anniversary later this month. Fire officials were scheduled to check the building's sprinkler system today, Converse said.

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Alex and Sarah Ross-Lazarov of Iowa City on Tuesday walk their bikes in front of the Iowa City Hospice Walk for Charity display in the window of the Iowa State Bank & Trust. The Hospice Walk For Dignity is scheduled for April 21 at 1 p.m. in Willow Creek Park.

Activists rise up against sprawl

By Paula Mavroudis
The Daily Iowan

An environmental group dedicated to preventing misuse of Iowa farmland said urban sprawl is a chronic problem in Iowa, and it will lobby state lawmakers to prevent the phenomenon.

Rep. Ed Fallon, D-Des Moines, and LaVon Griffeion of the environmental group 1000 Friends of Iowa spoke at the UI Tuesday about their efforts to eliminate sprawl, which involves destruction of farmland to accommodate growing cities.

"It's really sad what urban sprawl has done to many of our communities," Fallon said. "We are losing the soul of small towns and replacing them with video stores and no sidewalks."

The duo spoke as part of the UI Environmental Coalition-funded Earth Week activities. Fallon, the executive director of 1000 Friends in addition to being a state representative, is pushing for a bill requiring cities and counties to collaborate on their next 20 years of growth. Its goals balance estab-

lishing a strategic-development plan and ensuring free development, he said.

"We have growing support for the bill," he said. Fallon and Griffeion, the president and founder of 1000 Friends, used slides, speech, and song to describe what they called the "growing cancer for farmland."

Griffeion has dedicated her efforts to combating the phenomenon in the nine years since she established the group.

"When I first started farming, Ankeny was about three miles away from our farmland, but it just keeps getting closer with all of the building and consuming the farmland," she said.

Griffeion owns 1,100 acres of farmland outside of Ankeny, growing primarily soybeans and corn; the farm has been in her family for five generations, she said.

If sprawl continues, she said, "generations of sweat" will be lost.

As cities grow closer to farms, a danger arises for non-farm children who don't understand the nature of farm equipment and might be susceptible to injuries.

Earth Week 2002 kicks into gear

Tonight

• White Earth Land Recovery Project Benefit Concert
9:30 p.m., The Green Room, \$3 donation requested

Thursday

• Campus and river cleanup, noon, east entrance of IMU
• Presentation by Lon Drake, professor emeritus of geology, 7:30 p.m., IMU Lucas-Dodge Room

Friday

• Pickaxe movie screening, 6 p.m., IMU Minnesota Room

Saturday

• Hickory Hill Park picnic, cleanup, and wildflower walk, 11 a.m., Bloomington Street entrance

April 21

• Squire Point Hike, 10 a.m., a caravan will leave from the IMU parking lot

April 22

• Earth Day Rally, 12:20 p.m., Pentacrest

The UI Environmental Coalition works to raise awareness among members of the UI community on environmental issues. The student group has scheduled a variety of events this week culminating with a rally on Earth Day, April 22.

Source: UI research

BP/DI

The situation consistently poses challenges when city and farm life converge, she said.

Small towns are also diminishing in response to urban sprawl, the activists said.

A slide show depicted barren four-lane highways flanked by

fast-food restaurants and Blockbuster Videos. Many zoning ordinances prohibit an "old-town" style of building that provides individuality for a town, they said.

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Med school leads in research seed \$

By Jessica Brady
The Daily Iowan

In fiscal year 2002, the UI College of Medicine received the most amount of money from a university research-incentive program, representatives reported at Tuesday's Faculty Council meeting.

The program, which was established in 1995, was formed upon the request of the research council to act as a support group for the research conducted at the university.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences received the second-highest amount of funds, with the College of Law receiving the least amount of money, said Doug True, the vice president for Finance. The money is distributed to academic programs in proportion to the research conducted.

When the program was established in 1995, \$400,000 was given out for research projects from the university's general fund. That amount has steadily increased to the fiscal year 2002 figure of \$1.2 million. Despite budget cuts, officials speculate that the amount will increase next year, said David Skorton, the vice president for Research.

Skorton said the funds distributed by the program were an

investment for the university, designed to give colleges a jump-start in research to pursue other grants and funding sources.

In other council business, members discussed a proposal to form the Academy of Distinguished Teachers. Faculty members previously recognized by the university for excellence would be eligible to join the academy.

Academy members could apply for additional money to support research and other educational projects, said Roberta Marvin, the chairwoman of the committee for the proposed organization. She estimated that the academy would receive \$25,000 to \$50,000 in university funds over a two-year period.

"The [academy] is a mechanism to bring those faculty members together who have been recognized to facilitate a forum for education," Marvin said. Members would serve a term of five years, with the possibility of being renominated, she said.

Some faculty members said the academy would only create more work by requiring them to seek out resources themselves. Council members also asked for further input from potential members to evaluate interest in the proposal.

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More delays in Mezvinsky fraud trial

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — A judge said Tuesday that he will appoint an attorney to represent former Congressman Edward Mezvinsky in his fraud trial if he fails to find a lawyer on his own.

U.S. District Judge Stewart Dalzell, apparently agitated by the latest delay in Mezvinsky's federal fraud trial, gave Mezvinsky until today to find himself a new lawyer.

Mezvinsky, who represented Iowa's 1st District in the '70s and lived in Iowa City, told the judge that he had hoped to use money raised by friends to hire a private attorney, but he was unable to do so.

Criminal defense attorney Thomas Bergstrom, whom Dalzell appointed in August 2001 and Mezvinsky's second lawyer, cited irreconcilable differences with his client on a defense strategy and asked to

be removed from the case.

Mezvinsky's first lawyer, Mark Cedrone, left the case because of a conflict of interest — his doctor is being sued by Mezvinsky and could be part of the case.

Mezvinsky, 65, is charged in a 69-count indictment on charges he bilked friends and associates out of more than \$10

million. His lawyers claim undiagnosed bipolar disorder and an anti-malaria drug Mezvinsky took on business trips to Africa blinded him from the risks of a pyramid scheme he allegedly entered into with African con artists.

Prosecutors say Mezvinsky was fully aware of the wrongfulness of his alleged crimes.

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U.S./Vatican meeting to focus on errant priests

By Rachel Zoll
Associated Press

The extraordinary summit of U.S. cardinals and Vatican officials on clergy sex abuse will likely focus on speeding up the removal of errant priests, a leader among American bishops said Tuesday.

Also on the table at next week's meeting: the merits of implementing a binding national policy that could standardize how U.S. bishops handle charges of molestation against Roman Catholic clergy.

"The commitment to protecting the safety of children and vulnerable people and the commitment of all of us — bishops and clergy — to lives of integrity are not going to end," said Bishop Joseph Galante, the coadjutor of Dallas and a member of a panel overseeing the U.S. bishops' response to the sex-abuse scandal.

Observers cautioned against high expectations for the Rome gathering.

The church is known for its deliberate style, and the meeting on April 23-24 should be seen as one step in a long struggle to restore trust in the church, they said.

Still, the Vatican has never before moved as swiftly to convene a meeting of cardinals. The pope called all American archbishops to Rome in 1989 to discuss divorce among Catholics and other issues, but that gathering had been planned long in advance.

"It seems to indicate that there was some concern not just to protect the church from scandal but for the bishops to be true pastors and shepherds of their flock," said Christopher Bellitto, a church historian and academic editor of the Paulist Press.

"It seems to indicate that the

pope is exercising his role as the good shepherd and not simply the CEO."

Russell Shaw, a former spokesman for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Knights of Columbus, saw the pope's summons as a show of solidarity with the American church and Cardinal Bernard Law of Boston.

Law's archdiocese has been the epicenter of the raging scandal that has hopped from diocese to diocese. The cardinal acknowledged in January that he failed to remove a pedophile priest now accused of molesting more than 130 people. He has refused to step down in the face of intense pressure from angry Catholics, and he will be among the 13 U.S. cardinals attending the Vatican meeting.

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be known that the cardinal's colleagues in the American hierarchy do as well," Shaw said.

Monsignor Francis Maniscalco, a spokesman for the U.S. bishops conference, said Vatican officials would be listening to the cardinals' ideas next week, not issuing orders.

Among the participants in the Rome meeting will be three cardinals heading the Vatican offices on clergy, bishops, and doctrinal orthodoxy. The doctrinal office is led by the powerful Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, a confidant of the pope.

Maniscalco and Galante said the U.S. delegation hopes to persuade the Holy See to change church law and allow them to remove pedophiles from the priesthood without cumbersome appeals to Rome. Now, bishops can only temporarily suspend priests.

The Rome summit will also help the cardinals develop a

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blueprint for a June meeting of U.S. bishops, who will vote on a response to the crisis.

In 1992, the conference developed guidelines on responding to abuse claims, but each diocese is autonomous, and compliance is voluntary. The bishops need Vatican approval to implement a binding policy. Maniscalco said a national protocol that does not require ratification by Rome could also be adopted in June.

"They really need an indica-

tion from the Vatican as to whether any of the proposals would get a green light," said the Rev. Thomas Reese, editor of the Catholic magazine *America*. "It would be a disaster if they proposed something in June, and the Vatican rejected it."

Cardinal William Keeler of Baltimore, who will attend the Vatican meeting, said Tuesday he will encourage the American church leaders to support a binding policy for all U.S. dioceses.

Justice Department and Arthur Andersen cut a deal

By Ted Bridis
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal prosecutors will defer pursuing criminal obstruction charges against Arthur Andersen LLP in a settlement requiring the accounting firm to admit it knew employees were wrongfully destroying documents related to the Enron Corp. collapse, people familiar with the ongoing negotiations say.

In the settlement, still being completed, Andersen also must cooperate fully with the Justice Department's investigation of Enron's bankruptcy, these people told the Associated Press, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

The most significant provisions of what was described as a "global settlement" on the criminal obstruction charge facing

Andersen already have been resolved, though some details still were being worked out. The sides expected to announce the deal today in Washington, these people said.

The agreement could result in a deferral from prosecuting Andersen for as long as three years. Andersen's lawyers were uncomfortable with a deferral lasting that long, but the Justice Department was concerned that it wasn't close yet to filing any criminal charges against Enron, they said.

The agreement comes after weeks of intense, secret negotiations between the Justice Department and Andersen in the wake of the firm's criminal indictment, which was unsealed March 14. Talks intensified after last week's plea agreement with David Duncan, the former senior Andersen auditor on the Enron account.

In the indictment, the grand jury accused Andersen of destroying "tons of paper" at its offices worldwide and deleting enormous numbers of computer files on its Enron audits.

Duncan pleaded guilty April 9 to destroying documents related to Enron's collapse. He agreed to cooperate with federal prosecutors, and he remains free until his sentencing in August.

By agreeing to defer any criminal prosecution of Andersen for up to three years, the Justice Department can require Andersen as a corporation to cooperate in its investigation of Enron and promise not to violate any laws during that period. It was unclear whether the government could compel cooperation from Andersen employees, who still could be indicted individually.

In exchange, Andersen avoids the risks from either a guilty

plea or a courtroom conviction. Company officials have expressed concerns that regulators in some states could revoke Andersen's license to operate if it didn't win its criminal case outright.

Andersen also would probably be required to show steps it will take internally to prevent any recurrence, such as updating its policies on destroying documents.

Duncan's defection "left Andersen with very limited options in terms of a viable defense," said Robert Mintz, a former U.S. prosecutor and expert on white-collar crime. "It had an opportunity to defend this case if it could have effectively circled the wagons and kept everybody on board, but once Duncan broke ranks, that defense was essentially gutted."

Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich.,

on Tuesday renewed his request that the Justice Department appoint a special prosecutor to investigate Enron's deals, citing news reports that the FBI is questioning friends and former colleagues about telephone conversations with Army Secretary Thomas White, a former Enron executive.

"There can be no more direct or obvious legal conflict for your department than an investigation of a high-level political appointee of President Bush, such as Secretary White," Conyers wrote in a letter Tuesday to Deputy U.S. Attorney General Larry Thompson. Conyers said relationships between Enron, Andersen, Bush, and some of his top officials have left "an indelible stain on the administration that can only be removed by the appointment of a special counsel."

The Justice Department declined to comment.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld expressed continued confidence in White. The *Wall Street Journal* reported Monday that the FBI was investigating possible insider trades involving White's sale of Enron stock, and the *Washington Post* reported three weeks ago that the FBI talked to a former Enron employee whom White had called to determine whether White had sought inappropriate information to help him profit from Enron stock sales.

White has denied soliciting sensitive information in calls to Enron officials.

"There was no information exchanged that was at all sensitive, period, in any of those calls. I've been quite clear about that," White said April 12 in a meeting with reporters.



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Israeli troops for nearly three weeks.

In his meeting with Arafat, and in a one-hour session Tuesday with Sharon at the prime minister's home in midtown Jerusalem, Powell also was taking up the international peace conference that is quickly taking shape.

He would like to wind up the trip with fresh assurances from Arafat to reduce violence. But Powell is falling short of the formal cease-fire he left Washington in search of 10 days ago.

In Washington, Bush signed a routine document Tuesday that gave Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization permission to have an official presence in the capital. This time, however, permission was tied to conditions including a cease-fire in the Middle East, resumption of security cooperation with Israel against terror, and an immediate order to crack down on terrorist networks. The conditions were to be met immediately.

If held, a peace conference would implement Powell's declared search for an accelerated political process that the Palestinians want.

Sharon said the peace conference probably would be held in June in the United States. A site has not been selected. A potential problem is that Sharon wants to screen out Arafat but attend himself, even though the tentative plan is to hold it at the foreign-ministers level.

Sharon's spokesman, Raanan Gissin, said a peace conference was not a certainty. "The Americans think this is very important," he said.

Israel, Egypt, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, and perhaps Morocco were possible participants, Sharon told Israel TV. An alternative is to have the Arab League represent the Arabs and possibly invite the European Union and Russia. The United States would be represented as well.

Lebanon has previously rejected the possibility of a peace conference. But Prime Minister

Rafik Hariri, who will meet today with Bush in Washington, said Tuesday his country would welcome a conference if its goal was a comprehensive resolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

"If [we] really want to see the peace taking place in the region, we have to include Lebanon, Syria, and the Palestinians as well," he said Tuesday on PBS's "NewsHour with Jim Lehrer."

The topic of an international conference may come up today, when Powell stops on his way home in Cairo, Egypt, for a meeting with President Hosni Mubarak.

While Powell has steered clear of a formal cease-fire that would be considered broken with every hostile incident, he said he was working on something like it without a "specific term." In his last Mideast mission nearly a year ago, Powell called for seven days of quiet before getting back to the negotiating table — a requirement that has proved to be impossible to meet.

Council votes down rezoning

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Councilor Steven Kanner said the council should consider a dialogue with the UI to hash out needs for off-campus student housing.

A record number of incoming freshmen arriving this fall forced UI officials to turn Parklawn Apartments, 449 N. Riverside Drive, into a freshman dorm and ban transfer students from living in the resi-

dence halls. Dicta Schoenfelder, the UI Residence Services housing manager, said she currently has no opinion on a need for more off-campus housing.

A public hearing and first consideration on rezoning the land for the project was closed after DJ Hammond and Associates withdrew its application to avoid having the application denied by the council. The president of the firm, Don Hammond, declined to comment following the council's vote.

"If the council decides to

amend the comprehensive plan sometime in the future, the application will still be present," said Mike Pugh, a local attorney representing the firm.

Pugh said his client is disappointed by the council's decision, but he respects that the council wasn't ready to amend the comprehensive plan.

"I think we're going to look at other opportunities in the area," Pugh said.

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Board selects bonds over tax

SCHOOL BOARD

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added that the tax would need a simple majority to pass, while a bond issue requires 60 percent voter approval.

The board voted after hearing public input both for and against the local-option tax.

Rod Sullivan said the sales tax would disproportionately affect lower-income families, while Iowa City resident Linda Bendorf supported the option.

"Every penny on the dollar

allocated to this plan would be the best investment any family — no matter what their income level — could make," Bendorf said.

Now, the board will assess and try to garner public support for the \$38 million school-improvement plan.

The cost of the proposal rose after contracting company Shive Hattery gave the district a \$54 million cost estimate for improvements to the district's high schools, far above the \$18 million administrators had guessed in the \$31 million February proposal.

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Cornfed Hussies root for change

CHEERLEADERS

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determined to spread messages of sex equity, women's rights, and improved body image while cloaked in red fishnet tights and black lace.

Similar radical cheerleading groups have formed nationwide since the mid-90s, when two Florida women founded the first squad after becoming bored with protests.

The Iowa City group's performances are usually warmly received, with the exception of

an impromptu performance at the IMU this semester about credit-card debt, said UI senior and cheerleader Lia Carman.

"They are funny and convey a message of how women can be different from the stereotypes," said Theresa Klingenberg, the director of the Rape Victim Advocacy Program.

Iowa City resident Erin Fleck, a drag king by night, finds the squad to be a positive outlet for her love of theater and attention.

"I don't fit into theater," said Fleck, who also goes by the stage name Frankie Bottoms.

"It's hard to cast me as Anne Frank since I'm butch."

The Cornfed Hussies performed at the UI International Women's Day Festival last month, and it has appeared at events affiliated with Graffiti Theater and United Action for Youth. The group is scheduled to perform in the near future at the Take Back the Night Rally, White Privilege conference in Pella, Iowa, and RVAP's annual fund-raiser, "Divas and Desserts."

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Vilsack calls Legislature back

VILSACK

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plan pushed the total 2003 budget approved by the Legislature to \$4.57 billion, still less than the \$4.703 billion plan Vilsack had proposed.

Vilsack quickly labeled the plan inadequate and told lawmakers he would call them back into special session. On Tuesday, he made good on that threat.

"From crucial teacher-training programs to access to higher education for working families, from protecting children from abuse to maintaining secure prisons and safe highways, the budget passed by the Legislature is simply inadequate," the governor said in his letter.

Rants said legislative leaders have found all the money they

can find to spend, noting that some fiscal conservatives were restive about compromises that GOP leaders made during the regular session.

"The cupboard is bare," said Rants. "We've gone as far as we can go."

Vilsack said he was confident that the two sides could reach a compromise.

"The truth is that our current differences amount to less than 2 percent," the governor said. "But it is a 2 percent that can make a crucial difference in the lives of many Iowa families."

Earlier special sessions have been brief and productive, the governor said.

"I believe that this special session can be as short in duration and as successful in outcome as were previous special sessions,"

the governor said. "I believe we owe it to the families and communities of Iowa to set aside partisan differences in pursuit of that goal."

The state is working under a tight deadline. The budget over which Vilsack and lawmakers are arguing covers the budget year beginning July 1, but there are a series of deadlines before that time.

Local schools, for instance, which are forced to lay off teachers must send out notices by April 30.

While Vilsack can summon lawmakers back into session, he has no control over how long the Legislature remains in session. It costs approximately \$30,000 a day to run the Legislature.

Gov't overstepped in child-porn ban

SUPREME COURT

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prosecution of child pornographers "immeasurably more difficult." He offered to work with Congress on new legislation that could withstand the court's scrutiny.

It is not clear how many people have been prosecuted under the stricken provisions nor what might become of convictions. Ashcroft said prosecutors will retool some indictments to rely on obscenity law that was unaffected by Tuesday's ruling.

Another section of the 1996 law was not challenged, and it remains in force. It bans prurient computer alteration of innocent images of children, such as the grafting of a child's school picture onto a naked body.

Justices John Paul Stevens, David Souter, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and Stephen Breyer signed Kennedy's opinion. Thomas, in a separate concurring opinion, said the court's ruling appropriately strikes down a ban that was too sweeping but leaves a window for future regulation of some kinds

of virtual child pornography.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor partially agreed with the majority and partially disagreed. The law is indeed too broad, but a portion of it could be salvaged, O'Connor wrote.

Chief Justice William Rehnquist and Justice Antonin Scalia dissented, arguing that the law need not be read to ban the kind of artistic material that concerned Kennedy.

"The aim of ensuring the enforceability of our nation's child pornography laws is a compelling one," Rehnquist wrote for the pair.

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"People who think these are like bomb shelters — that's not what they're for," said Lou Palumbo, the director of the Elite Group, a security firm that has designed safe rooms in New York and Los Angeles. "The concept is to insulate you and your family from intruders who are trying to rob or kidnap you."

The safe room can be as simple as a closet with a reinforced door and a phone inside. Typically, it's a room separated from the rest of the house by reinforced walls and a hidden, magnetically locking

door. Features include independent ventilation systems and phone lines — and, for longer stays, perhaps a toilet.

For the ultra-security-conscious, options can include lining the room with armor or bullet-resistant Kevlar, setting up a closed-circuit TV network to watch the rest of the home, and installing a backup generator.

Foster's battle against intruders from within her secure walls earned more than \$73 million at the box office in three weeks, creating a buzz about the little-known security technique. (Screenwriter David Koepp changed the name to *Panic Room* for a more compelling title.)

The idea is simple, Palumbo said. If an intruder enters your home, you flee to the safe room. Inside, using a phone line protected from the attackers, you summon the authorities.

Industry experts won't speculate about how many safe rooms there are, although a number are in Manhattan townhouses and Hollywood mansions. None come cheaply: A fully equipped room can cost up to \$500,000.

From addiction to the Ulster shores

By Dave Strackany
The Daily Iowan

From April 4-6 in Space/Place, the UI dance department began this year's round of thesis concerts with Kathleen Burnett's theatrical dance, *Passage to Destiny*, and Margaret A. Mead-Finizio's interpretive historical take on Northern Ireland's civil unrest, *Upon These Shores*.

To their choreographers' credit, both pieces snared the audiences attention from the very first step, releasing it only when the casts lined up for the applause due to them.

The first of the two pieces, *Passage to Destiny*, presented a grim analysis of four characters. Lasting a bit over a half hour, there was little time for detailed plot; instead, Burnett focused on abstract concepts, pivotal characteristics, and a confluence of grating despair and delightful debauchery.

Each of the four characters battled with some form of addiction. One, a young woman who seemed inclined to frequent bars, get "smashed," "trashed," and "plastered," then go home and sleep with random guys, came to discover she was an alcoholic. Another character with a similar nature, Gloria, had a scene in which she proclaimed herself to be a real-estate agent, a teacher, and a variety of other occupations, implying that Gloria, of course, could be anyone. The two other characters had it a little worse off. One was a drug addict who turned to self-mutilation and finally suicide attempts to call attention to his problems. Last, there was a high-flying, free-wheeling drug dealer who got busted and thrown in jail.

Aside from the unimaginative and rather two-dimensional characters and plot (but what can you really expect in such a short period of time), and the questionable appropriation of the super-emotional *American Beauty* theme song — which could make almost anything seem poignant — there was quite a bit of interesting material in *Passage to Destiny*.

Though it was purportedly a dance-thesis piece, movement seemed to take a back seat to the climactic drama and dialogue of the piece. Burnett concocted, or rather, rehashed, some pretty interesting analogies, particularly that of drug/alcohol addiction being like love. As tired as the subject matter was, it was anything but impotent. Something about pointing

out the social decay at the hands of alcohol and drugs always seems to hit home. After all, how many of us feel like something's amiss if we haven't gone out and gotten drunk (or whatever your poison is) at least once a week?

However, *Passage to Destiny* seemed a little sprawling. Burnett made a big production out of things that were only tangentially related to the thesis of her piece. By the conclusion, Gloria's working through fear and self-loathing toward recovery, I was led to assume that alcoholism, unattended because of social conventions, is the main point. Some of the five-minute digressions during the piece just seemed extraneous, i.e., a recounting of the contextualizing experience of finding ancient Indian arrow-

heads in a local stream, the story of an LSD freak, a spiel on God, and even the male characters, the self-mutilist and the dealer, seemed beside the point. In sum, sometimes less is more, but it was still a provocative and impressive achievement.

The second piece, *Upon These Shores*, was much more what one would expect at a thesis concert (not that that's good or bad, necessarily), meaning, choreographer Mead-Finizio focused strictly on interpretive dance to relay her story: the conflict between Protestants and Catholics in Northern Ireland.

The piece began with a swarm of dancing bodies before quickly dissipating to one silhouette, poised before a shamrock backdrop. Sounds of the ocean were ushered through the PA before giving way to a sprightly traditional Irish folk song. The silhouette revealed itself as a young woman, and she proceeded to match the jovial guitar with an elegant solo. Soon, dozens of dancers were onstage in a festive recasting of traditional Irish folk dancing. Though real rural Irish dancing would ne'er have been so elaborate, Mead-Finizio's imaginative reinvention of the variety and esoterica of the tradition was impressive, to say the least.

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In Jenin camp, mystery & stench of death waft through the air

By Laura King
Associated Press

JENIN REFUGEE CAMP, West Bank — The smell of death hangs heavy in the sultry air. Mountains of rubble tower over the heads of people picking their way along dust-blown pathways that once were busy streets bisecting the heart of this Palestinian refugee camp.

Palestinians say what happened here last week was a massacre. Israel says it was a fierce battle with Palestinian gunmen — one waged in an area of the Jenin refugee camp that had been nearly emptied of inhabitants by the time the devastating final assault began.

On Tuesday, neither a close visual inspection of the ruined center of the camp, nor many conversations with residents, nor interviews with aid workers could substantiate how many people died here.

The camp, adjoining the town of Jenin in the northern West Bank, was the scene of the fiercest fighting of Israel's 2½-week-old military offensive.

The stench wafted over a wide area, borne on the hot, sticky air, but it was difficult to tell whether it was emanating from beneath the rubble or from bodies left out in the open.

While the number of dead remains a mystery, the magnitude of the destruction is an unassailable reality. In what had been a neighborhood in the middle of the camp, where concrete houses stood so close together that two people could barely pass in the alleyways, a zone roughly the size of two football fields was pounded into ruin.

But no one knows yet whether the enormous property damage — the pulverizing of perhaps 60 homes and apartment buildings, each of them two to four stories high — translates into a correspondingly large loss of life.

"How can you assess something like this?" said Jessica Barry of the International Committee of the Red Cross, who was in the camp on Tuesday, gesturing toward mountains of wreckage strewn with dust-covered belongings: books, shoes,

cooking pots. "It's too vast for one organization to do."

Israel says the operation is aimed at rooting out militants who plan and stage suicide bombings and other terror attacks against Israelis — and that the camp at Jenin, a shantytown of concrete buildings and winding hillside streets, was one of the militants' biggest strongholds.

The Palestinians say thousands of people are unaccounted for in the camp and that hundreds could be dead beneath dozens of wrecked buildings in the middle of the camp. Mohammed Rashid, a senior adviser to Yasser Arafat, told CNN there were more than 3,000 people missing.

"We are not saying everyone was killed, we are not saying all of them are injured, but definitely some of them are killed," he said. "We just don't know where they are." Other Palestinian officials have put the likely death toll in the hundreds.

Israeli officials say they believe the number of dead is

far lower. Soldiers, they say, have recovered or located approximately three dozen bodies, mostly those of combatants, and some Israeli officials said they did not expect the toll to grow substantially beyond that.

"We estimate it is in the dozens, according to a check we succeeded in doing," Israel's head of military intelligence, Maj. Gen. Aharon Zeevi, told reporters Tuesday. He said some bodies had been booby-trapped with explosives, hampering efforts to remove them.

The recovery effort has barely begun. The Red Crescent said seven bodies were brought out Monday, its first day of operations inside the camp, and one other was recovered Tuesday. The putrefying remains of at least four corpses could be seen Tuesday in the camp's center — including a twisted, burned body on the steps inside one shot-up building, two yellowed feet protruding from the rubble of a house.



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A Palestinian woman argues with an Israeli soldier Tuesday in the Jenin refugee camp in the northern West Bank. No one knows how many bodies are buried underneath the mountains of rubble.

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Letters to the Editor

A compulsory list

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 P.S. We sincerely apologize for the continuing tuition increases; however, as we're sure you are aware of, they are necessary because Iowans just aren't earning enough money during the recession.

Brad Rehak
 Iowa City resident

Adoption argument unconvincing

In response to the editorial, "Iowa's closed-file adoption law needs reconsideration" (*DI*, April 11), one might ask, "Why?"
 The article makes no valid argument to modify the current code respecting the wishes and right to privacy of the parents.
 The board's comment "It is difficult to imagine that after 30 years, the parents still feel strongly about their right to privacy" is just that — the staff's imagination. In fact, I would find it difficult to imagine that the parents now have a burning desire to rescind their request. If they do, again the article provided the key; organizations and the Internet have a multitude of sites on which adopted individuals and biological parents can register to try to locate each other.
 The argument of genetic and medical reason to know one's biological parents also loses much of its credibility, especially in an environment such as one provided by the UI Hospitals and Clinics. Our medical profession

has made significant gains in genetics. It is now possible for a person to have a comprehensive genetic analysis that would provide more insight into her or his propensity for specific illnesses than knowing that one's grandmother was diabetic.
 When the biological parents terminated rights and put their child up for adoption, they did so knowing the set of rules. Why do we think we can now say, "Well, we told you the adoption would be anonymous, but we were just kidding?" For some, the decision between adoption and abortion may have hinged on the anonymity guaranteed in the adoption process.
 I will not try to debate the emotional benefits of finding and meeting one's biological parents after 30 years, especially if the parents had not registered to be found and one had to force the court to reveal them. But as the *DI* states, "It is difficult to imagine" that the parents would be ready for it.

Charles Velasquez
 Muscatine resident

Editorial

Regulate factory farms to save Iowa's family farms

Four counties in Iowa have placed a moratorium on the construction of new factory farms to study the their effect on the environment and public health. Twelve state lawmakers are currently working on a bill to regulate factory farms; for the sake of Iowa citizens, it must pass.
 A survey released in February by UI and Iowa State University researchers recommends that the Legislature regulate the toxic emissions caused by livestock farms. Gases produced by livestock manure, such as ammonia, hydrogen sulfide, and nitrogen, inflict nausea, headaches, and bronchitis and other respiratory infections on individuals.
 Several lawsuits have been filed against corporate farms under local nuisance ordinances, but they have all been thrown out because of the state's agricultural exemption. So until the state takes action, other counties

will soon join Taylor, Adair, Cerro Gordo, and Floyd counties in their one-year moratorium.
 Not only do factory farms cause health problems, but they are also detrimental to Iowa's water systems. Because of phosphorous and nitrogen from 51 manure spills, 1.1 million fish were killed in Iowa's waters between 1994 and 1998. The Missouri River is listed as the most endangered river in the United States, thanks largely to manure spills and runoff.
 A 1999 Iowa State survey revealed that 70 percent of the manure lagoons in Iowa were leaking faster than state codes allow. Oddly enough, farmers receive tax breaks under the pollution-control tax exemption for maintaining their own lagoons, and a majority of these lagoons cause pollution.
 Republican legislative leaders brought up the idea of regulating factory farms because,

as well as protecting the environment, regulation will help the family farmer as well. By regulating the practices of every farm in Iowa and holding them to the same standards, family farms will be able to compete in the Iowa agriculture industry.
 Iowa is the leading hog producer in the world — the pig population in the state is 14.5 million (the human population is 2.3 million). Yet, while the hog population has remained the same since 1995, the population of Iowa farmers has dropped from 41,000 to 18,000. In the last 20 years, Iowa has lost more than 300,000 family farms.
 So, when the bill comes to the table (should a special session arise), the state of Iowa needs to join Colorado and North Carolina, which already regulate factory farms, or even South Dakota, which has eliminated factory farms altogether.



Re-evaluating a consumer society for Earth Day

Global warming.
 Factory farming.
 Drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.
 Increased cancer rates.
 Increased heart disease.
 SUVs, McDonald's, cheap consumer goods.
 Lowered water tables, battles over fresh-water supplies, slash-and-burn agriculture, grain as fodder instead of food for hungry children, loss of wetlands, loss of wildlife, nuclear-waste dumps in New Mexico, no more Aral Sea.
 Consumption: In 1992, the U.S. had 5 percent of the world's population but consumed 40 percent of the world's resources.
 Advertising: In 1998, U.S. media spent more than \$285 billion on advertising expenditures; the same year, the gross domestic product of sub-Saharan Africa was \$274 billion. In *The Overspent American*, Juliet Schor estimates that

each hour we spend per week in front of the television increases our spending by over \$200 a year.
 It's almost Earth Day, and I'm frustrated with what I've been reading: From the *New Yorker* to the *Des Moines Register*, from *Mother Jones* to Eric Schlosser's excellent *Fast Food Nation*, news of environmental and personal destruction rolls in.
 Yet there's optimism: When Californians were asked to lower their energy consumption to avoid rolling blackouts, 81 percent said that the energy conservation measures they took did not have a negative effect on their lifestyles. If more than four out of five people said they could reduce their energy consumption and still live well, then the current administration's energy proposals come built on lies.
 Why? Because we don't



Suzi Steffen

OUT, HERE, LISTENING ALL THE TIME

need to drill in environmentally sensitive areas for more petroleum. We don't need to wreck our planet in pursuit of an ever-bigger car, ever-larger slice of cholesterol-laden meat, ever-more petroleum-based pesticides that stop working in a couple of years because insects evolve faster and become more pesticide-resistant the more chemicals we pour into their (and, oops! our) environment.
 Instead, we can step back and assess. Is this working?

Is it working for humans to eat antibiotic-laden meat and pour petroleum-based pesticides on our crops and the people who harvest those crops? Is it logical to burn through fresh water so that we can clog arteries and colons with more meat than any human body could need? Is it right for factory farming to kill off small, local, family farms?
 Er. I think not.
 When I took Art of West Africa a few years ago, Christopher Roy talked to us about sorghum and millet, staples of the African diet. What do people do with these grains in the United States, he asked. I thought that we ate them. Roy snorted and explained, "Nooooo, Steffen, normal people in the U.S. feed these grains to cattle and pigs."
 Ah, of course we do. That's why — says Frances Moore Lapp, author of *Diet for a*

Small Planet — producing one pound of ground beef, using "modern" techniques, takes approximately 40,000 grain calories. True, a pound of cow flesh weighs in at more than most people eat at any particular sitting, but some folks eat a pound of beef every couple of days.
 People also eat grain; if you're following the FDA's recommendations, around 500 to 800 calories a day come from grain. Broiled hamburger contains 80 calories per ounce, or 1,280 calories per pound. Is it efficient to eat a pound of beef when you could eat what that beef represents — forty thousand grain calories — for approximately 50 days? Hmm.
 Should everyone become a vegetarian? I don't think so — that's not likely or even logical, as different people have different dietary needs — but cutting down on beef

consumption helps the planet and helps public health as well.
 Don't get me wrong. I'm complicit, I'm implicated in our environmental destruction. I live in the United States, where we all — including me — think consuming anything is our right. But as Earth Day approaches, I want to be aware of what my complicity entails, so I can make clearer choices. So I can try my damndest to consume fewer gallons of oil, less fresh water, less topsoil, and contribute to fewer pesticide-related cancers among farmworkers and farmers. So I can live both as lightly and as well as I can.
 Bush could use his bully pulpit to suggest the same to everyone. That's not enough. But it could be a start.
 Suzi Steffen is a *DI* columnist.

On the Spot

Do you think the City Council should approve the \$15 million mega-apartment complex on South Gilbert Street?



"It's a good idea because students need somewhere to live. They need housing alternatives."
 Molly Loussaert
 UI law student



"We need all the housing we can get. I hope they come with parking spots."
 Ryan Casteel
 UI junior



"More housing would be nice, because it's hard to find apartments close to campus."
 Jenny Levai-Boyer
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"No. It seems like bad urban planning."
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"They should spend their money on better causes."
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Letters to the Editor

Israel's defense misrepresented

There will be many pro-Israel letters these days, as Israel begins to show its true colors as an occupying army. I am neither Jewish nor Moslem, but I wanted to point out two related misrepresentations in your pro-Israel letters of April 10.

First, Zackery Peine says that "Israel welcomes people of all religions to be citizens..." and Martin Sokell says "... why, after 35 years, are there still Palestinian refugees?" The truth is that Israel will not let the Palestinian refugees return to their homes (after 54 years, actually) — this "Right of Return" is one of the things they have been asking for. These Palestinians are both Moslem and Christian — so they should qualify as "people of all religions," eh? If you left your home in Iowa because of bombing and shooting nearby, wouldn't you expect that you'd be allowed to return when it was over, and not find that some Jewish folks from Chicago, Brooklyn, or France or wherever had moved in? Well, in Israel that is not allowed unless you are of "the chosen" race or religion.

Chris Turner
 UI professor

Random aggression is not on Israel's Agenda

This letter is in response to Marc Perkel's April 8 letter condemning Israel's actions in Palestinian-controlled areas within Israel. Perkel makes an erroneous claim in stating that Israel is an aggressor in its actions to root out terrorism. I believe Ariel Sharon is no saint; however, "bad people" can still make good decisions.

For anyone concurring with Perkel, I ask that you imagine this hypothetical scenario: Picture a Friday night in downtown Iowa City with several of your friends. As you approach your nightclub of choice, a person standing near you detonates explosives strapped to her or his chest and kills five of your friends. A horrendous scenario, no doubt. Now, imagine this same event occurring the next evening. Hard to imagine, yet this same scenario plays out in real life every week in Israel. Innocent men, women, and children are murdered for the "cause" of the Palestinians.

Palestinian people need a home; however, I often question if they deserve one. Suicide bombing is not political rhetoric — it is palpable terrorism. It amazes me that people like Perkel give credit to Yasser Arafat and culpable Palestinian organizations that employ terrorist tactics to attain land and "freedom."

Maybe if people were blowing themselves up in San Francisco instead of Tel Aviv, this would be clearer to Perkel. Israel is the only true democracy in the Middle East, an oasis of freedom among collective oppression. Israel, as any nation does, has every right to protect its people, its borders, and its survival. Israel is not attempting to eradicate alternative forms of religion; rather, it is trying to protect its interests and its populace. The United States would also protect its people if suicide bombers threatened their ability to survive even a walk to the coffee shop.

It is time that the world views the full scope of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, instead of citing out-of-context examples of Israeli "aggression." Why did Sharon order invasions of Palestinian-controlled land this last week? Was he bored and needed excitement? Or had Arafat and his terrorist organizations just unleashed one of the most horrifying suicide-bomber attacks on innocent Israeli citizens?

Kurt Havens
 UI student

Open letter to President Bush

Mr. President, I've read, seen, and heard much support these days for the Palestinian cause. The intensity of anti-Israeli sentiment has risen to a fever pitch over the Israeli's latest incursion into the Palestinian-held territories.

I take offense when anyone in any way defends craven scum who would callously and deliberately murder innocent people — especially when the victims are women and children, people whose only crime is being in the wrong place when hate-filled fanatics decide to blow them to pieces.

The Palestinian cause is directly linked to violence against innocents, because the people trying to achieve it use and support such violence. Therefore, anything YOU or anyone else says or does in support of the cause lends succor to this human refuse, such as your call upon Israel to withdraw its troops before the job of stamping out the terror networks is completed.

The Palestinian cause, as has been stated clearly in the PLO charter, isn't even about getting the old land back. It's just a stepping stone to the ultimate goal of completely destroying Israel. I think you already know that. The Palestinians joined with other Arab states in attacking Israel. They lost, and they have been trying ever since to recoup those losses, by any means, fair or foul.

Imagine someone breaks into your home and kills your family. Somehow, you manage to overpower the intruder before he or she can do the same to you. The intruder escapes, but drops her or his wallet. What do you do?

The wallet is not your property, but do you call the intruder up and offer to return the wallet? Do you invite her or him over to your house, so you can return it personally? Does that sound preposterous, Mr. President? But isn't that exactly what you, sir, and other people preaching the gospel of "Land for Peace" are asking Israel to do? Think about it, and do the right thing.

Gary E. Powell
 Grimes, Iowa, resident

A case of media bias

I was taken aback by your front page story headlined "Palestinians kill 13 Israelis inside a refugee camp" (DI, April 10). Once again, biased media coverage deliberately misinforms and misleads readers.

The Israeli army has invaded, occupied, murdered, and maimed many civilians in the last several days in its brutal attack on Palestinian territories and refugee camps. It has killed hundreds of civilians, injured countless others, and prevented many ambulances from reaching the injured and dying. It prevented families from burying their dead, and shot at both global peace activists as well as your fellow journalists attempting to cover the mayhem. It also prevent-

ed ordinary citizens from replenishing their water and food supplies. So please use the accurate terminology in both your headlines and your text. The 13 Israelis killed were invading soldiers inside refugee camps aiming to attack, kill, and shoot on sight anyone in their path.

Shams Ghoneim
 research staff member,
 UI College of Medicine

Jokes call for public apology

"Dogg in county jail" and "Recapping the news that went unnoticed" in the April 1 DI contained incredibly racist material aimed at Phillip Jones and Chuck Green. These apparent attempts at humor on April Fools' Day constituted willful, harmful, shameful, racist attacks on university administrators. The DI staff owes these men and the rest of us a public apology published in the DI immediately. Personal letters of apology sent to Jones and Green individually would also be appropriate.

But don't stop there. Run a long editorial explaining to us all that you understand exactly how and why your failed "jokes" were absolutely contrary to this institution's stated policies on respecting human dignity and diversity. There is no place in any university for racist caricatures such as "In an interview from jail, Snoop acknowledged shooting bullets at Green and Court streets, in the southcentral-most part of campus," or Amanda Mittlestadt's imagined "Blacks Against Thugs and Undesirables (BATU)," among others.

As for the rest of us, I believe we should all consider dropping Jones and Green a note, assuring them that such expression is not accepted by the community at large (or is "Human Rights Week" over, so it's back to sleep?). And we should work to make sure that no matter how much we may disagree with policy decisions, racist caricatures will never, ever be employed by members of our community.

Mike Evces
 doctoral student, College of Education

Take a joke

To all those upset about the trick April Fools' Day articles, get over it.

You are not angry because they slander Snoop Dogg, the college, or anyone else, but because for a moment or so, they made you feel gullible and maybe a little dumb. Believe it or not, that is the point of an April Fools' joke. It is called BS-ing, the fine art of feeding someone a line of crap to see how long they believe it. Most of the time, it's in good fun and hurts nothing but your pride (and frankly, Americans could stand to have a little humility).

Some people are born with a natural gift for BS — take P.T. Barnum, for example. He coined the phrase "There's a sucker born every minute," and believe me, there is. Everyone uses BS, whether to get that extra extension on your term paper or make that annoying jerk leave you alone. Many people make a living using BS, like magicians, con men, and most politicians.

Detecting BS can be an art form in and of itself. Everyone will fall for BS at some point or another, but it is up to you, not anyone else, to make sure this does not happen more often than not. Being able to detect that aroma of BS, no matter how faint it may be, ultimately aids you in the long run. Learn now, while the consequences are still mostly harm-

less. Not only will you appear smarter, you'll feel smarter as well. Oh, and by the way, someone


wrote "gullible" on the ceiling.

Andrea Blong
 UI student

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Proposal to slash beer tax leaves opponents foaming

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cutting the tax on beer in half could leave Americans with "a \$1.7 billion hangover" in trying to replenish lost federal funds, opponents of a bill being considered in Congress said Tuesday.

Millie I. Webb, the president of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, said a reduction in the tax of \$18 per barrel — that's approximately 33 cents per six-pack — would also have "dire and deadly consequences for adults and youth with respect to drunk driving, underage drinking, and alcohol problems in general."

Rep. Phil English, R-Pa., introduced the measure last year. "It's an unfair tax that targets lower- to middle-class Americans," said Jennifer Hall, his spokeswoman. She said that two-thirds of the beer consumed in the country is bought by people earning less than \$45,000 per year.

Economy plugs along, but inflation, oil prices creep up

WASHINGTON (AP) — The economy chugged ahead on the comeback trail with production by U.S. industry posting the biggest gain in nearly two years. But inflation crept higher, reflecting a worrisome spurt in oil prices, a potential pothole for the recovery.

The Federal Reserve reported Tuesday that output at the nation's factories, mines, and utilities jumped 0.7 percent in March after a solid 0.3 percent gain — a sign that the turnaround in the manufacturing sector is gaining momentum. It marked the third-straight monthly increase.

That's good news for the national economy and for America's manufacturers, which saw hundreds of thousands of jobs evaporate during the recession.

Though the budding economic revival isn't causing a run-up in consumer prices, soaring oil costs are a concern. A dramatic increase could slow or derail the recovery.

"Oil prices. That's the great wild card," said David Seiders, the chief economist for the National Association of Home Builders.

Bush pledges support for victims' rights amendment

WASHINGTON (AP) — Victims of violent crime, too often an afterthought in the courts, deserve a constitutional amendment guaranteeing their rights, President Bush said Tuesday.

"The protection of victims' rights is one of those rare instances when amending the Constitution is the right thing to do," he said, endorsing a proposal introduced Monday in the Senate by Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and Jon Kyl, R-Ariz.

If approved by a two-thirds majority of the House and Senate, and then ratified by at least 38 of the 50 states, the amendment would declare:

"The rights of victims of violent crime, being capable of protection without denying the constitutional rights of those accused of victimizing them, are hereby established and shall not be denied by any state or the United States."

It would require that victims be notified of public court proceedings, allow victims to testify in sentencing and parole hearings about their experiences, and require courts to consider claims of restitution for victims.

Germans briefly question man suspected in blast

BERLIN (AP) — German prosecutors on Tuesday questioned and then released a man detained in connection with a truck explosion that killed 15 people at a Tunisian synagogue. They said indications of a terrorist attack were growing, just as a group linked to Osama bin Laden claimed responsibility.

U.S. authorities were investigating the claim, a government official in Washington said. If verified, it would make the blast at the Ghirba synagogue on the resort island of Djerba the first terrorist attack by bin Laden's Al Qaeda network since the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States.

German officials took a suspect into custody Monday in Duisburg after receiving a tip from Tunisian authorities that the suspected attacker, identified by Tunisian officials as the driver of the gas-laden truck, had spoken by phone with the suspect April 11.

OAS warns Venezuelans

By Ian James
Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela — The chief of the Western Hemisphere's top diplomatic body urged Venezuelans on Tuesday to express dissent constitutionally instead of through coups, such as the botched one last weekend.

Cesar Gaviria, the secretary-general of the Organization of American States, met with President Hugo Chavez at the presidential palace, as did OPEC Secretary-General Ali Rodriguez. Markets have seen Chavez's return on Sunday as a sign that Venezuela — the third-largest supplier of oil to the United States — would continue its policy of restricting production, thus keeping oil prices high.

Gaviria urged Venezuelans to find a way for "dissent to be expressed constitutionally" instead of through coups.

"Polarization has to give way to reconciliation and understanding," said Gaviria, who was also meeting with church

and opposition leaders to prepare for an OAS General Assembly session this week on the Venezuelan crisis.

The April 12 coup was condemned by many Latin American leaders, and the United States joined an OAS declaration authorizing Gaviria's mission. Washington on Monday welcomed Chavez's apparent call for reconciliation, though it had also warned him his government he had been given a rare second chance for "correcting its course and governing in a fully democratic manner."

The Bush administration expressed no regret last week when the Venezuelan military ousted Chavez, who angered Washington by befriending Cuba, Iraq, and Libya and opposing the war in Afghanistan. At the time Chavez was removed, the White House put the blame on Chavez because of his attempts to violently put down a demonstration on April 11. Chavez, the elected president, was reinstated by loyalist officers on Sunday.

On Tuesday, the U.S. government denied a report that U.S. officials had given purported coup plotters a go-ahead wink. "We explicitly told opposition leaders the United States would not support a coup," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said.

Chavez, for his part, has said the plot originated in Venezuela.

Gaviria said he was considering what the OAS could do "to assure itself that episodes like what we saw in recent days are not repeated in Venezuela."

The trouble began when Venezuela's largest business and labor groups called a general strike last week to support an oil workers' protest against bosses appointed by Chavez. Dissident oil executives virtually choked production in Venezuela.

On April 11, hundreds of thousands marched on the presidential palace to denounce Chavez. Gunfire and rioting erupted, and at least 65 people were killed in subsequent violence. Hundreds were wounded.

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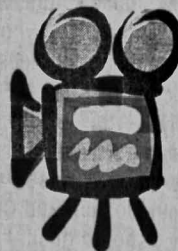
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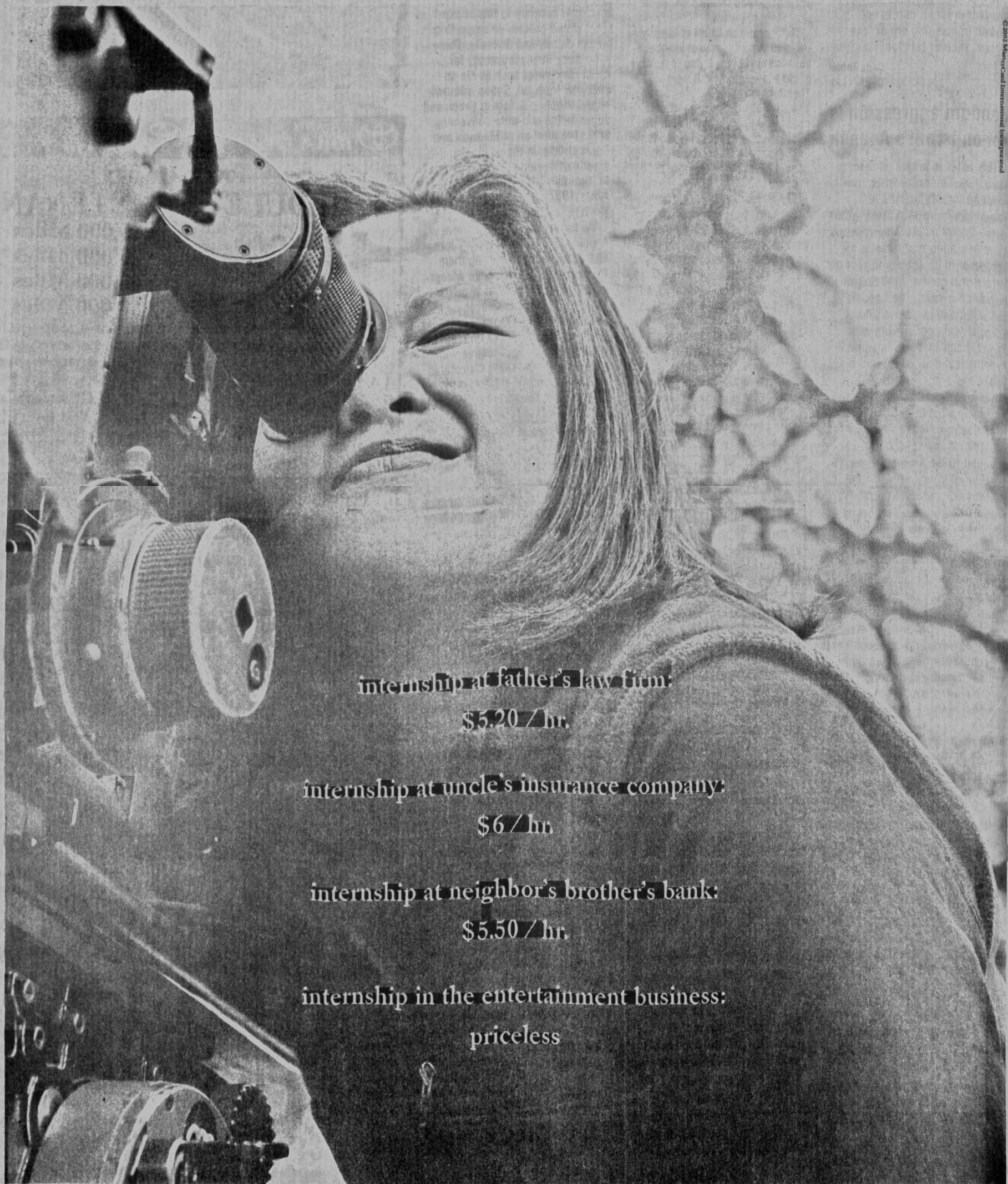
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Baltimore 5, Yankees 4	Detroit 103, N. J. 98
Montreal 8, Cubs 4	Spurs 95, Phoenix 71
Arizona 5, St. Louis 3	Dallas 96, Utah 87
Mets 3, Atlanta 1	Denver 101, Houston 70
Houston 8, Cincinnati 3	Kings 120, Warriors 106
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Wednesday, April 17, 2002

NBA Three-team fight continues for final two playoff spots

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — The "Big Three" finally lived up to their billing — and just in time.

Behind 24 points from Sam Cassell, 23 from Ray Allen, and 22 from Glenn Robinson, the Milwaukee Bucks routed the Toronto Raptors, 105-89, Tuesday night.

Anthony Mason chipped in 18 points for the Bucks, who inched closer to a playoff berth while preventing the Raptors from clinching a postseason spot.

The Bucks, Raptors, and Indiana Pacers are all 41-40 and fighting for the final two playoff berths heading into tonight's season finales. Milwaukee owns the tiebreaker over both Toronto and Indiana.

Toronto finishes the regular season at home against the Cavaliers, Indiana is at home against Philadelphia, and Milwaukee, which has lost 11 straight on the road, visits Detroit.

Despite 21 points apiece from Keon Clark and Morris Peter-

son, Toronto lost for just the second time in 13 games since All-Star Vince Carter went down for the season with a knee injury.

Indiana 99, Cleveland 95

CLEVELAND — The Indiana Pacers have taken it to the limit.

Needing a win to keep their playoff hopes alive, the Pacers got 34 points from Jermaine O'Neal and held on for their fourth-straight victory, 99-95, over the Cleveland Cavaliers on Tuesday night.

Ron Artest made a several huge plays in the fourth quarter for the Pacers, who nearly blew a 17-point second-half lead and their season along with it.

Indiana (41-40) came in tied with Milwaukee for the eighth and final spot in the Eastern Conference playoffs, and the Pacers made sure their home finale tonight against Philadelphia will be their most important game of the season.

Andre Miller scored 21 points and Zydrunas Ilgauskas 20 for the Cavs, who rallied in the second half and nearly put Indiana's playoff chances in serious jeopardy.

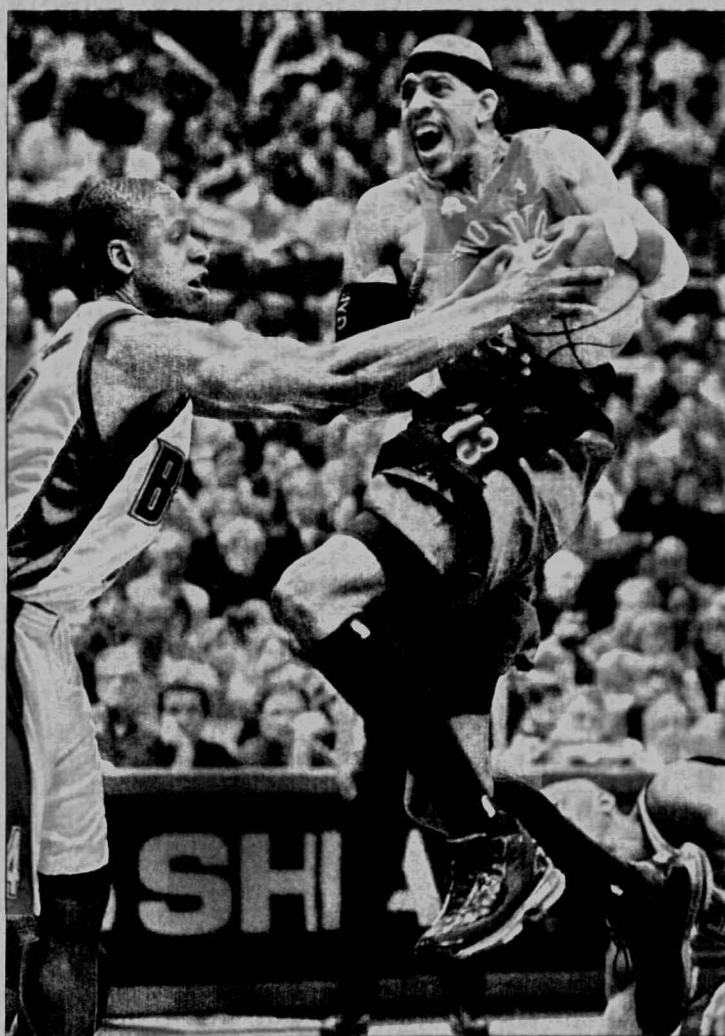
Wizards 116, Knicks 112

WASHINGTON — Minus the hype that surrounded their season opener, the Washington Wizards finished their season Tuesday night against the New York Knicks and came away with a 116-112 victory in a game that had a lot less energy and no Michael Jordan.

Courtney Alexander scored 20 points and Tyrone Nesby had 18 as the Wizards finished 37-45, nearly doubling the number of wins from the 19-63 season a year ago. They went 30-30 when Jordan played, 7-15 when he didn't.

Jordan, whose second comeback ignited the big-time atmosphere at the nationally televised opener in Madison Square Garden, ended the season on the injured list with a bad knee. He's not expected to announce his playing status for next year until September.

The Knicks, meanwhile, have to endure one more night of this. Out of the playoffs for the first time since 1987, their season will end tonight at home against New Jersey.



Morry Gash/Associated Press
 Toronto Raptors' Jerome Williams, right, is fouled by Milwaukee Bucks' Ray Allen as he drives in the lane on Tuesday in Milwaukee.

FOOTBALL Ferentz pleased thus far

By Tyler Lechtenberg
 The Daily Iowan

The Iowa football team has not yet come down from last year's Alamo Bowl victory — and that's a definite plus for Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz and his staff.

With the annual Coca Cola Classic spring game set for Saturday at 1 p.m. in Kinnick Stadium, Ferentz said he likes the attitude he has seen thus far in spring workouts.

"There's no question that our guys are carrying themselves well right now on the football field," Ferentz said Tuesday. "We're a little more confident than we have been in previous springs, and that's all a by-product of winning."

However, when it comes to carrying that momentum into next fall, past victories alone will not do the job.

"I'm quick to remind our guys there's nothing automatic," Ferentz said. "We won a bowl last year, but nobody's going to come in here and bow to us when we line up and play. We're going to have to earn it every day, and that starts with spring ball."

Ferentz has set two goals for spring practices — to install offensive and defensive schemes and evaluate players. The coaching staff has seen great



Ferentz

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IOWA SOFTBALL

'Fuzz' buster

Iowa shortstop sets the table for success with offense, defense, and unmatched stamina

By Todd Brommelkamp
 The Daily Iowan

Fuzz.

The nickname has followed Kristin Johnson her entire life, but anyone who has seen the shortstop play can attest that the moniker doesn't fit the Cedar Rapids native.

Johnson, who bats leadoff for the nationally ranked Iowa softball team, more resembles former Phillies leadoff man Lenny Dykstra. Dykstra was nicknamed "Nails" for his all-out style of play — just the type Johnson provides the Hawkeyes. But "Fuzz"?

"I really don't know," she said with a sheepish grin shortly after going 4-8 with a pair of RBIs in Iowa's double-header sweep of Penn State Sunday. "I guess when I was little, I kind of had fuzzy hair, and my dad started it. It's just kind of stuck since then."

Despite her misleading nickname and 5-5 stature, Johnson is anything but warm and fuzzy on the diamond. Her numbers speak for themselves: a .355 batting average, .572 slugging percentage, 3 home runs, 29 RBIs, 33 runs scored, and 22 stolen bases in just 41 games.

Last year, during Iowa's run to the Women's College World Series, Johnson hit safely in every NCAA regional game and both World Series contests, raising her average 16 points in the process to finish with a career-high mark of .328.

Her numbers are the kind that fill coaches with envy, unless, of course, the player wears their uniform.

"If I had nine of her we'd be unbelievable," said Iowa coach Gayle Blevins.

For a leadoff hitter, whose job it is to set the table for the rest of the team, Johnson is the prototype in nearly all aspects. She understands her contributions to the



Johnson



Iowa shortstop Kristin Johnson attempts the tag on Northwestern's Carri Leto while covering third base on May 6, 2001 at Pearl Field.

Hawkeyes smash Iowa State, 10-4

By Todd Brommelkamp
 The Daily Iowan

The Iowa softball team battled cyclone-like conditions Tuesday to earn a 10-4 victory over Iowa State in Ames.

The victory over the Cyclones improves Iowa's record to 24-27-1 in the all-time series and 28-14 on the year.

While there were no actual tornadoes, the game did feature 35-mile per hour winds, which made playing more than something of an adventure.

"If you could get the ball up in that wind, you had a good shot at getting one out of the park," Iowa coach Gayle Blevins said. "It was a challenge to the pitchers to keep the ball down and to overcome the conditions."

Iowa starter Kristi Hanks did allow a wind-aided two-

run homer in the second inning, but she settled down after that to pitch five strong innings. Lisa Birocci relieved

Hanks at the start of the sixth and picked up three strikeouts in two innings.

"I thought Kristi and Lisa both did a good job of pitching through the conditions today," Blevins said.

The Hawkeyes scored runs in bunches, putting the Cyclones on the ropes with a 10-2 lead in the fifth inning, but an error and a wild pitch in the bottom of the inning gave the Cyclones new life and prolonged the game two more innings.

The gradual, consistent offensive effort displayed by the Hawkeyes was much like Iowa's effort April 10 at Drake,

but Blevins said she thought the team was more consistent against the Cyclones.

"We had a lot of timely hitting for several innings in a row," Blevins said. "It's like we did at Drake, but we did a better job building

on things today." Jessica Bashor and Christina Schmaltz continue to hit well for the Hawkeyes, with both turning in strong days at the plate. Bashor drove in three runs, going 3-4 with a pair of singles and a home

run. Schmaltz was 2-3 with 3 RBIs and a home run as well.

Liz Dennis didn't post the kind of numbers Bashor and Schmaltz did, but she did collect her 19th double of the season. The extra base hit moved her into sole possession of the Iowa single-season doubles mark. Dennis tied the mark in Sunday's double-header sweep of Penn State.

The Hawkeyes will return home this weekend for a crucial series with Michigan State and Michigan. Iowa plays the Spartans in single games Friday and Saturday before meeting the Wolverines for a double-header April 21. Michigan and Iowa sit atop the Big Ten with 8-2 conference records with three weeks remaining in the season.

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Hawkeye Sports

TODAY

Baseball at Illinois State
 7 p.m. Normal, Ill.

THURSDAY

W's gymnastics at NCAA championships
 Through Saturday Tuscaloosa, Ala.

FRIDAY

Women's track and field at Kansas Relays
 All day through Saturday Lawrence, Kan.

Men's track and field at Mt. SAC Relays
 All day through Sunday Walnut, Calif.

Men's tennis vs. Wisconsin
 1:30 p.m. Klotz Courts

Women's tennis at Minnesota
 2 p.m. Bloomington, Minn.

Baseball at Purdue
 3 p.m. West Lafayette, Ind.

Softball vs. Michigan State
 6 p.m. Pearl Field

SATURDAY

Men's track and field at UNI Open
 Noon Cedar Falls

Men's tennis vs. Minnesota
 9:30 a.m. Klotz Courts

Softball vs. Michigan State
 Noon Pearl Field

Football hosts Spring Game
 1 p.m. Kinnick Stadium

Baseball at Purdue
 1 p.m. West Lafayette, Ind.

Rowing hosts spring regatta
 All day Sugar Bottom

Men's golf at First Energy Collegiate
 All day through Sunday Ravenna, Ohio

SUNDAY

Women's tennis at Wisconsin
 11 a.m. Madison, Wis.

Softball vs. Michigan
 Noon Pearl Field

Baseball at Purdue
 1 p.m. West Lafayette, Ind.

SPORTS ON TV

Tennis
 Noon WTA Family Circle Cup ESPN

Golf
 2:30 p.m. PGA Worldcom Classic FOX

NHL
 6 p.m. Conference quarterfinal ESPN

Baseball
 7 p.m. Cleveland at White Sox FOX

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QUICK HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

By The Associated Press

All Times CDT

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	8	4	.667	—
New York	7	4	.633	1/2
Tampa Bay	6	7	.462	2 1/2
Baltimore	5	7	.417	3
Seattle	4	9	.308	4 1/2
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	11	2	.846	—
Minnesota	9	5	.643	2 1/2
Chicago	8	5	.615	3
Kansas City	7	7	.500	4
Detroit	4	11	.269	9 1/2
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	11	3	.786	—
Oakland	8	5	.615	2 1/2
Anaheim	5	8	.385	5 1/2
Texas	3	11	.214	8

Monday's Games

Boston 4, N.Y. Yankees 3
Chicago White Sox 13, Baltimore 4
Seattle 13, Texas 11, 11 innings
Tuesday's Games
Boston 14, Toronto 3
Detroit 9, Tampa Bay 3
Baltimore 5, N.Y. Yankees 4
Minnesota 8, Kansas City 5
Chicago White Sox 10, Cleveland 5
Anaheim 6, Texas 5, 10 innings
Seattle at Oakland, late
Today's Games
Boston (Oliver 1-0) at Toronto (Eyre 1-2), 6:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Kennedy 0-1) at Detroit (Redman 0-2), 6:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Towers 0-2) at N.Y. Yankees (O Hernandez 1-1), 6:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Byrd 2-0) at Minnesota (Radke 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Baez 2-0) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 3-0), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Valdes 0-2) at Anaheim (Schoeneweis 1-1), 9:05 p.m.
Seattle (Moyer 1-1) at Oakland (Frylie 0-0), 9:05 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Kansas City at Minnesota, 12:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Detroit, 1:05 p.m.
Anaheim at Oakland, 3:05 p.m.
Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, 6:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Chicago White Sox, 7:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	8	7	.533	—
Florida	7	6	.538	1/2
Montreal	7	7	.500	2
Philadelphia	6	8	.429	3
Atlanta	6	9	.400	3 1/2
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	8	5	.615	—
St. Louis	8	6	.571	1/2
Cincinnati	7	6	.538	1
Houston	6	7	.462	2
Chicago	6	7	.462	2
Milwaukee	3	11	.214	8 1/2
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	10	4	.714	—
Arizona	10	5	.667	1/2
San Diego	7	7	.500	3
Los Angeles	7	7	.500	3
Colorado	5	10	.333	5 1/2

Monday's Games

St. Louis 5, Philadelphia 6
New York Mets 3, Atlanta 2
Houston 8, Cincinnati 3
Pittsburgh 5, Milwaukee 4
Colorado 6, Los Angeles 1
Arizona 5, St. Louis 3
San Francisco 5, San Diego 1
Today's Games
Atlanta (Madux 1-0) at N.Y. Mets (D'Amico 1-0), 12:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (D. Williams 1-1) at Milwaukee (Sheets 1-2), 1:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Ishi 2-0) at Colorado (Hampton 0-3), 2:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Morris 3-0) at Arizona (Schilling 3-0), 5:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Bere 1-1) at Montreal (Ohka 1-1), 6:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Woff 0-0) at Florida (Penny 1-1), 6:05 p.m.
Houston (C. Hernandez 0-0) at Cincinnati (Haynes 1-1), 6:10 p.m.
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-New Jersey	51	30	.630	—
x-Boston	48	33	.593	3
x-Orlando	44	37	.543	7
x-Philadelphia	43	38	.531	8
Washington	37	45	.451	14 1/2
Miami	35	46	.432	16
New York	30	51	.370	21
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Detroit	49	32	.605	—
x-Charlotte	43	38	.531	6
Milwaukee	41	40	.506	8
Phoenix	41	40	.506	8
Indiana	41	40	.506	8
Atlanta	33	48	.407	16
Cleveland	29	52	.358	20
Chicago	21	60	.259	28
WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-San Antonio	57	24	.704	—
x-Dallas	57	24	.704	—
x-Minnesota	49	32	.605	8
x-Utah	44	37	.543	13
Houston	28	53	.346	29
Denver	27	54	.333	30
Memphis	23	58	.284	34
Pacific Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Sacramento	61	20	.753	—
x-L.A. Lakers	57	24	.704	4
x-Portland	48	33	.593	13
x-Seattle	44	37	.543	17
L.A. Clippers	39	42	.481	22
Phoenix	35	46	.432	26
Golden State	20	61	.247	41

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division

Monday's Games

Chicago Cubs 6, Montreal 4
N.Y. Mets 7, Atlanta 6, 12 innings
Pittsburgh 6, Philadelphia 6
Los Angeles 5, Colorado 2
Arizona 14, St. Louis 5
San Diego 4, San Francisco 3
Tuesday's Games
Montreal 8, Chicago Cubs 4
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St. Louis at Milwaukee, 7:05 p.m.
San Diego at Los Angeles, 9:10 p.m.

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FIRST ROUND

(Best-of-7)

Today

New Jersey at Carolina, 6 p.m.
Ottawa at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Vancouver at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Phoenix at San Jose, 9 p.m.
Thursday, April 18

New Jersey at New York, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Chicago at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Los Angeles at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Friday, April 19

Vancouver at Detroit, 6 p.m.
New Jersey at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 20

N.Y. Islanders at Toronto, 2 p.m.
San Jose at Phoenix, 2 p.m.
Chicago at St. Louis, 2 p.m.
Ottawa at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Sunday, April 21

Carolina at New Jersey, 2 p.m.
Montreal at Boston, 6 p.m.
St. Louis at Chicago, 6 p.m.
Detroit at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Monday, April 22

Philadelphia at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
San Jose at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Colorado at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.
Tuesday, April 23

Boston at Montreal, 6 p.m.
Carolina at New Jersey, 6 p.m.
Los Angeles at Colorado, 2 p.m.
Phoenix at San Jose, 2 p.m.
Chicago at St. Louis, 2 p.m.
Ottawa at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, April 24

Vancouver at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Toronto at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.
New Jersey at Carolina, 6 p.m., if necessary
San Jose at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

NFL

All Times CDT

FIRST ROUND

(Best-of-7)

Today

New Jersey at Carolina, 6 p.m.
Ottawa at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Vancouver at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Phoenix at San Jose, 9 p.m.
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Chicago at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
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Vancouver at Detroit, 6 p.m.
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Redesigned Augusta still not Tiger proof

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

Charles Barkley should sit down for tea with Colin Montgomerie.

About a month before the Masters, the former NBA star accused Augusta National of "blatant racism" for making its golf course longer and tougher than ever. Barkley somehow figured the changes would make it more difficult on Tiger Woods.

Everyone else knew better.

As Woods was cruising along the back nine Sunday on his way to a second-straight Masters victory and his third in six years, Montgomerie

3, a 350-yard par 4.

It demands accuracy off the tee, provides a risk-reward factor for big hitters who try to clear the four bunkers and get close to the green, requires perfect distance control to the green and a skillful touch with the putter.

By the way, Woods birdied the third hole on Sunday to take a three-stroke lead that sent him on his way to another green jacket.

Back to the drawing board. "He's just very, very good," Montgomerie concluded. "He's the best player we have right now. And he wins."

And there's nothing Augusta National can

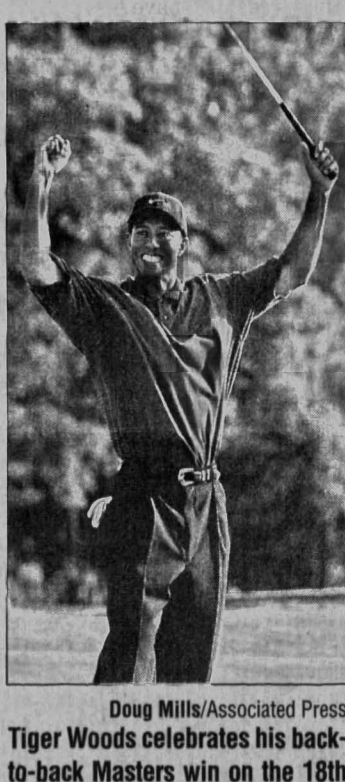
do about that.

Despite all the changes to the course, despite the quality of contenders — five of the top seven in the world ranking, three of them multiple major winners — Woods won because he is simply that much better than anyone else.

That's why, at age 26, he is the youngest player in golf history to have won 31 times on the PGA Tour, to have won seven majors, to have won three green jackets.

Clearly, big hitters had an advantage at redesigned Augusta, but that was more because the fairways were soft and spongy, which didn't allow for any roll.

To suggest that Woods has won three Masters because the course is perfectly tailored for



Doug Mills/Associated Press

Tiger Woods celebrates his back-to-back Masters win on the 18th hole during the final round of the 2002 Masters April 14 at the Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga.

Masters has been played in a variety of conditions. It was so crusty and firm during the first two practice rounds that some predicted a winning score close to even par.

Plus, there was hardly any wind throughout the week.

Still, there is no question the new Augusta is a brute. Even though three days of rain allowed players to attack some of the pins, there were only 14 rounds in the 60s all week, compared with 49 sub-70 rounds a year ago.

Only 17 players were under par at the end of the week, down from 30 last year.

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Friedel to start in goal against Ireland

DUBLIN, Ireland (AP) — Brad Friedel will start in goal over Kasey Keller when the United States plays Ireland today in the Americans' last warmup before deciding on their World Cup roster.

Keller is 6-1 this year for the United States, while Friedel has started just once, a 1-0 loss at Italy in February. Part of the reason Keller has seen more time with the national team is that he spent most of the season on the bench at Tottenham Hotspur while Friedel was the regular goalie for Premier League rival Blackburn, which is trying to avoid relegation to Division One.

"You've got to show loyalty to your club because it pays your wages," Friedel said.

Keller, who started the first two games for the Americans at the 1998 World Cup, has started four-straight

games for Spurs, putting him back into contention to be the U.S. starter this year.

The Americans will open their World Cup competition June 5 against Portugal.

U.S. coach Bruce Arena said Keller probably would replace Friedel in the second half of today's game at Lansdowne Road.

Arena will have nearly all his top players available for the first time since World Cup qualifying last year. While the Americans are 8-2 this year, they lost both games in Europe, including a 4-2 defeat last month to Germany in which the U.S. team was outshuffled and pushed around.

"We got sparked pretty good in Germany," Arena said. "We have to clean up that sloppy play."

U.S. captain Claudio Reyna, who missed the Germany game because of a hamstring injury, is back on the roster. Defender David Regis strained a knee in practice Monday

night, and Arena brought in Greg Vanney as a late addition.

Ireland coach Mick McCarthy said Tuesday he will start Robbie Keane and Damien Duff at forward. The Irish, unbeaten in their last 10 home games and heading for the World Cup finals as well, are missing captain Roy Keane, out another month because of a torn hamstring.

Spurs' Robinson placed on injured list with back trouble

SAN ANTONIO — San Antonio Spurs center David Robinson was placed on the injured list Tuesday with a lower back strain.

The Spurs activated center Amal McCaskill to take Robinson's place on the roster for Tuesday night's game against Phoenix.

Robinson hurt his back in the first half of the Spurs' victory in Detroit on April 12, but he stayed in the

game to finish with 10 points and 10 rebounds in 31 minutes. He did not play in San Antonio's win in Memphis on Sunday.

Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said earlier this week that, even though his team is battling Dallas for the Midwest Division title, Robinson would be doubtful for the last two regular-season games, against the Suns and the Utah Jazz today.

Popovich said it was more important that Robinson rest his back and be available for the playoffs, which will begin this weekend.

Robinson is averaging 12 points and eight rebounds a game, but second on the team to Tim Duncan.

San Antonio and Dallas have identical 56-24 records with two remaining. The Midwest Division winner automatically gets the No. 2 seed in the Western Conference, while the other team would likely be the No. 4 seed. The Spurs own the tiebreaker in the event they and the Mavericks finish with the same record.

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Raiders look to plunder draft

By Anne M. Peterson
Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — While they lost their charismatic head coach, the Oakland Raiders gained enough draft picks to hopefully improve their defense and even look toward the future.

Jon Gruden bolted for Tampa Bay in the offseason, and the Raiders got the Buccaneers' first- and second-round picks Saturday in exchange.

That gives the Raiders four total selections in the opening two rounds and they've got weaknesses, mainly on defense. But with so many picks, this year's draft also affords Oakland some flexibility.

"We're looking for the best possible Raider to come in, whether that means, to come in and contribute or come in and develop," new coach Bill Callahan said. "We'll take the best player at the pick who can fit what we want for this team."

The Raiders have the 21st pick in the first round, courtesy of the Gruden deal, along with the 23rd selection. In the second round, they also have the 21st and 23rd picks.

Gruden had a year left on his contract when Tampa Bay came calling. In exchange, the Raiders got this year's top two picks, a first-rounder in 2003, a second-rounder in 2004, and \$8 million.

Callahan, Gruden's former offensive coordinator, maintains that the Raiders are solid. Oakland went 10-6 last year and beat the New York Jets in the first round of the playoffs before falling, 16-13, in a controversial overtime game to the New England Patriots.

"We feel, as a team, we could go out and play today. With some of our acquisitions we've made in free agency, and what we've seen, we feel very strong about our roster," Callahan said. "We're looking at the draft as an opportunity to get better."

There's no doubt whether the Raiders are looking to shore up their defense, which has been hit by a free-agent departure, a suspension, and injuries.

Defensive tackle Grady Jackson, who had started the past two seasons for the Raiders, recently signed a two-year deal with the New Orleans Saints.

Jackson, selected in the sixth round in 1997, had a

career-best 69 tackles and four sacks last season.

Fellow starting tackle Darrell Russell, the Raiders' top pick and the second overall selection in 1997, was suspended for a year for violation of the league's drug policy. He also is facing criminal charges connected to sexual assault. He has pleaded not guilty in that case, which is pending.

The Raiders signed tackle John Parrella, a free agent from San Diego, but they could still use some help up the middle. The only other tackles on the Raiders' defense are Roderick Coleman, Junior Ioane, and Chris Cooper, but those players lack significant experience as starters.

To add some veteran leadership to their defense, the Raiders signed free-agent linebackers Bill Romanowski and Gerald Dixon in the offseason.

Pass-rush specialist Trace Armstrong, an experienced leader on the field and in the locker room, is coming off surgery to repair a ruptured Achilles tendon, which sidelined him for almost all last season.

Injuries plaguing Hawkeyes

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improvement throughout the team, Ferentz said, and mental focus has been more than positive throughout the spring.

"We throw an awful lot at the guys, and the guys have retained it really well," he said. "That's pleasing to see."

Something a little more unsettling for the coaching staff has been the injury situation, and nowhere has the injury bug bitten harder than the already-depleted receiving corps. Iowa lost three seniors to graduation, and now, C.J. Jones, Maurice Brown, Marques McLaurin, and Aramis Haralson have all missed considerable time with injuries. However, an upside to the situation can be found during the spring.

"I think it's given us a good chance to see some guys make a step forward," Ferentz said. Ramon Ochoa, Warren Holloway, and redshirt freshmen Ed Hinkel and Darius Butler have all excelled with increased practice repetitions, Ferentz said.

Another notable injury case is that of running back Aaron Greving. Greving sprained his ankle during the course of practices, only to have the injury re-diagnosed as a fracture, sidelining last year's Alamo Bowl offensive MVP from all spring workouts. Greving still remains No. 1 on the depth chart heading into the fall, but he will be replaced by Fred Russell as the featured back this weekend. Ferentz listed Jermelle Lewis and Marcus Schnoor as other backs who have

seen considerable carries in the wake of Greving's injury.

Also on Saturday, Iowa's bumper crop will be unveiled, but this time it's not corn or soybeans. A total of 23 redshirt freshmen will join the team for the 2002 campaign, with six listed on the current two-deep chart.

They may not have played in the black and gold yet, but even these redshirts have Alamo Bowl fever coursing through their systems.

"After winning the Alamo Bowl, we don't want to set our goals just to get to a bowl game — we want to play a bowl game in January," said redshirt freshman Abdul Hodge, listed behind Fred Barr at middle linebacker. "It's all about taking the next step up — you never want to stay the same."

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Johnson jump-starts Hawkeyes

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Hawkeyes, but she prefers to keep the focus on the team as a whole. With some prodding, she finally admits she has a key role on the squad.

"The leadoff hitter is a catalyst for every team," she said. "It's important for her to get on base, and it makes it easier to get the rest of the team rolling."

Blevins concurs, saying Johnson jump-starts the team both offensively and defensively. She isn't just paying lip service to Johnson's defensive ability, either. In her two previous seasons with the Hawkeyes, she has garnered the team's Golden Glove award for her skill in the field. Entering the 2002 season, Johnson owned a .932 career fielding percentage.

Johnson's teammates also recognize the role she fills. Per-

haps no one understands her contributions better than her double-play partner, second baseman Christina Schmaltz. Schmaltz has played alongside Johnson since the two were in grade school; she joined the Iowa program one year after her.

"She brings a lot of leadership to the field," Schmaltz said. "We're very confident with each other out there."

Johnson's offensive and defensive numbers are impressive, but her propensity for playing every day is just as eye-opening. In just under three seasons with the Hawkeyes, Johnson has started all 166 games of her Hawkeye career.

"She has a tremendous desire and determination to play the game," Blevins said. "If you could bottle that, you'd make a fortune."

All this from a woman who, despite being a two-time All-State selection at Cedar

Rapids Jefferson High School, went largely unrecruited by most major schools. She entertained offers from programs such as Iowa State and Kentucky, but none were as aggressive in their pursuit of her as Iowa. Blevins became enamored with the shortstop before she had even reached high school.

"I would have taken her as an eighth-grader and started her — that's how talented she was," Blevins said of when she first noticed Johnson. "Other schools not recruiting her was a blessing in many ways, because Fuzz could have gone anywhere in the country."

And Johnson wouldn't have it any other way, not even a new nickname.

"It's just what everyone calls me — I've gotten pretty used to it."

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IOWA BRIEF

Baseball team looks for revenge against Illinois State

Tonight: The Iowa baseball team will look for some revenge as it starts a road trip with a single game at Illinois State at 7 p.m. The Redbirds bashed Iowa, 14-6, on March 26 in Iowa City.

Last weekend: Iowa dropped three of four to Ohio State to fall to 12-17 overall. Brad Carlson's three-run homer and a sacrifice fly by Andy Jansen completed a dramatic 5-4 come-from-behind win on April 13. Iowa couldn't salvage a split as a great pitching performance by the Buckeyes' Nate Smith led OSU to an 11-1 win Sunday.

On Illinois State: The Redbirds come in 12-18 overall, 4-7 in the Missouri Valley conference. They won three of four against Northern Illinois this past weekend. Jon Peacock is their leading hitter, averaging .350 with six homers and 26 driven in.


Jansen streaking: Senior left-fielder Andy Jansen has now hit safely in eight-straight games. The only Hawkeye to start all 29 games, the Bancroft, Iowa, native leads the team in batting average at .388 and is third in RBIs with 19.

The significance: Iowa begins a five-game road stretch that will also take it to Purdue. The game tonight is a chance for Iowa to get back to its winning ways before facing the Boilermakers. The team still has aspirations of qualifying for the Big Ten Tournament, but it needs to beat Purdue to get back in the hunt. A win over the Redbirds on the road, where Iowa is 5-11, would be a nice confidence booster.

— by Jeremy Shapiro

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Islanders hope to make run

By Ursula Reel
Associated Press

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Despite a seven-year absence from the playoffs, the New York Islanders are not just happy to be here.

"We're here to win," New York's Steve Webb said. "It's been a long time for our fans; they've been through a lot. We want to make run for it — and make it a good run."

New York opens its first-round series in Toronto on Thursday. The Maple Leafs have advanced past the first round the past three seasons, and they have a roster peppered with veterans of post-season play.

Only New York's Alexei Yashin was in the playoffs last season — with Ottawa — and only Michael Peca and goalie Chris Osgood have played more than 50 post-season games.

"I've told them that it's very different from the regular season," Osgood said of his teammates. "Then, you might play three games in four nights, with players being tired or injured. In the playoffs, it's an even playing field."

"You have to pick your game up a level. It's intense, and everyone works hard. If you let up for one period, it could cost you the series."

The Islanders were a team to be feared two decades ago when they won the Stanley Cup four consecutive years, from 1980-83. But they became a team to be jeered in recent years, finishing last in the league in 2001 fol-



New York Islanders' Mark Parrish, right, and Alexei Yashin celebrate Parrish's third period goal against the Minnesota Wild at the Nassau Coliseum in Uniondale, N.Y., on March 23.

lowing a string of embarrassing front-office moves.

The addition this year of players such as Yashin, Peca, and Osgood helped change the tenor of the locker room.

"Some of those guys can be sounding boards for us," coach Peter Laviolette said.

Laviolette also said that

"what we lack in playoff experience, we make up for in enthusiasm."

He has no lack of it himself. "I am pretty excited," the first-year NHL coach said with a small smile. "I'm excited about going up there and being in the NHL playoffs ... and we're going to fight like heck to get it done."

Forsberg cleared for Thursday's game

DENVER (AP) — Colorado Avalanche center Peter Forsberg has been cleared to play for the playoffs.

Forsberg, a six-time All-Star, was expected to miss four months after having foot surgery on Jan. 10. But he has been skating with the team for more than two weeks, and he was cleared to play on Tuesday.

"The leg has felt great, and there was a lot of progress made last week," said Forsberg, who is expected to be in the lineup against Los Angeles on Thursday. "I am really healthy now, and I feel great. It will be great to get back."

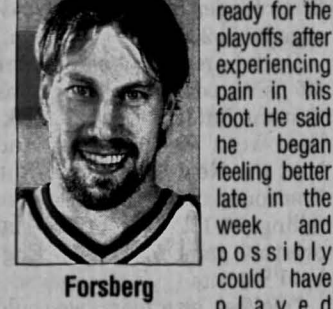
Forsberg has had four foot surgeries and his spleen removed in the past 11 months.

"There were lots of smiling faces, that's for sure," Colorado coach Bob Hartley said of the team learning the

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news. "It is great news at this time of the year to add a world-class player to your roster."

Forsberg said last week that he wasn't sure if he would be ready for the playoffs after experiencing pain in his foot. He said he began feeling better late in the week and possibly could have played Sunday against Dallas in the season finale.



"I probably could have played, but it was totally unnecessary," Forsberg said. "It was not that important of a game and we thought a couple of more days rest would be better." Hartley said Forsberg will move to

left wing and skate on the second line with Chris Drury and Steven Reinprecht.

Forsberg said it will be up to the coaching staff how much he plays, but he expects to be on the ice at least a few shifts Thursday.

No matter how much he plays, his return gives the Avs a boost.

"It's going to be huge, obviously. He's one of the better players in the game," Colorado captain Joe Sakic said. "I think right now he's not going to be at his top form — hopefully he will — but I think it'll take a couple of games. Especially with the adrenaline, it's going to be a big boost for our hockey club."

Forsberg had his spleen removed in an emergency operation on May 10, 2001, just hours after the Avalanche eliminated the Kings in the second round of the playoffs last season. In July, he had surgery on both ankles, then additional surgery on his left ankle in Sweden.

It's Cup or bust for Red Wings

By Larry Lage
Associated Press

DETROIT — If the Detroit Red Wings' collection of Hall of Famers fails to win the Stanley Cup, it will be remembered for that disappointment rather than its dominating regular season.

"We've been saying all year, if we don't win the Cup, it won't be a successful year," Darren McCarty said. "This is what this team was made for. This is what we'll be remembered for. Good or bad, it's here."

Detroit will begin its quest for the Stanley Cup today against Vancouver in a best-of-seven first-round series.

While the Red Wings say they're focused on the Canucks, who led the league in goals and enter the playoffs on a 8-0-1 streak, others wonder how Detroit will respond after almost lapping the competition during the regular season.

In other playoff games today, it's New Jersey at Carolina, Ottawa at Philadelphia, and Phoenix at San Jose.

Four more series will begin

Thursday: Montreal at Boston, the New York Islanders at Toronto, Chicago at St. Louis, and Los Angeles at Colorado.

The Red Wings, with an NHL-high 11 Olympians, won the President's Cup with 116 points, at least 15 points more than the rest of the league.

They trailed only the Canucks in scoring without having a player among the top dozen scorers and became the first team to have three 600-goal scorers, sometimes on the same line.

They had an NHL-best 10-game home winning streak and won a league-best eight-straight games on the road. Detroit proved it was as good in reality as it looked on paper — quite an accomplishment alone — after its already-talented roster was restocked last summer.

The Red Wings traded for goaltender Dominik Hasek, a six-time Vezina Trophy winner and two-time Most Valuable Player, and signed two of the game's best all-time scorers: Brett Hull and Luc Robitaille.

When those three future Hall

of Famers were added to the team's other potential enshrinees — Steve Yzerman, Chris Chelios, Nicklas Lidstrom, Sergei Fedorov, Brendan Shanahan, and Igor Larionov — greatness was expected, and it was delivered.

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Tigers nip 11-game losing streak

DETROIT (AP) — The Detroit Tigers ended their losing streak against the team that started it.

Randall Simon drove in three runs, and Jose Lima (1-2) pitched six scoreless innings as the Tigers won their first game of the season, 9-3, over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays on Tuesday night.

Tampa Bay swept the Tigers to open the season and help send Detroit to an 0-11 start. Only four major league teams since 1900 started worse: the 1920 Tigers and the 1904 Washington Senators began 0-13, the 1997 Chicago Cubs lost their first 14 games, and the 1988 Baltimore Orioles set the record by stumbling to an 0-21 start.

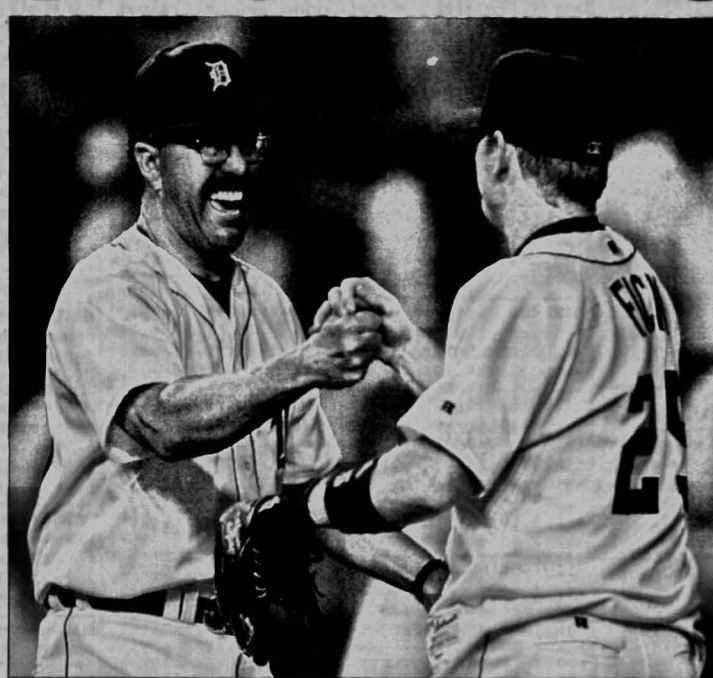
Orioles 5, Yankees 4

NEW YORK — Tony Batista homered and hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the eighth inning as Baltimore handed New York its sixth loss in seven games.

Roger Clemens bounced back from a rough start with seven solid innings, leaving with a 4-3 lead. But the Yankees, playing without All-Star center fielder Bernie Williams, could not hold it.

Red Sox 14, Blue Jays 3

TORONTO — Shea Hillenbrand hit a three-run homer, and Frank Castillo (1-0) and Rolando Arrojo



Duane Burleson/Associated Press

Detroit Tigers manager Luis Pujols, left, and right fielder Robert Fick celebrate after ending their 11-game winless streak with a 9-3 win over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays Tuesday in Detroit.

combined for a three-hitter as Boston beat Toronto.

Hillenbrand hit his fifth homer of the season off Brandon Lyon (0-2) in the third inning, giving Boston a 5-0 lead. Manny Ramirez went 3-4 with a homer and three RBIs for the Red Sox, who won three of four against New York in their previous series.

Expos 8, Cubs 4

MONTREAL — Vladimir Guerrero homered twice and had four RBIs — including a run-scoring single to cap Montreal's five-run fourth inning — to lead the Expos to an 8-4 win over the Chicago Cubs on Tuesday night. Guerrero homered on an 0-2

pitch from Juan Cruz (0-3) with two outs in the first and hit an RBI single to chase Cruz with two outs in the fourth. He added a two-run shot to right off Jesus Sanchez in the sixth for his fourth homer of the season and 14th career multi-homer game.

Mets 3, Braves 1

NEW YORK — The New York Mets and Rey Ordonez took advantage of fielding flubs instead of making them.

Atlanta second baseman Marcus Giles misplayed Ordonez's sixth-inning grounder, allowing the tiebreaking run to score, and the bumbling Braves made three errors in the Mets' 3-1 victory Tuesday night.

Astros 8, Reds 3

CINCINNATI — Lance Berkman became the first major leaguer this season to homer three times in a game, driving in five runs as Houston hit five home runs in beating Cincinnati.

Richard Hidalgo followed Berkman's three-run homer in the first with a solo shot.

Marlins 7, Phillies 6

MIAMI — Preston Wilson's two-out single in the ninth inning scored Kevin Millar from second base and gave Florida a victory over Philadelphia.

Record lows taking to the ballgame

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Many of baseball's gleaming new ballparks have a different sight this season: thousands of empty seats.

Blame it on losing teams and lousy weather.

In the first two weeks of the season, eight ballparks have drawn their lowest crowds for a regularly scheduled game, including seven that were part of the new-ballpark boom.

Overall, the average attendance for a major league game was down 3.5 percent in the first two weeks of the season, to 29,403.

"We've had a number of losing seasons in a row," Pittsburgh Pirates owner Kevin McClatchy said. "The fans just get tired of it, and I don't blame them."

Pittsburgh, coming off nine consecutive losing seasons, saw season tickets drop from 17,000 last year in its first season at PNC Park to 10,000 this year. Florida, purchased by Jeffrey

Loria from John Henry following a stagnant offseason, sold 4,000 season tickets, down from 6,000 last year.

Still, that's better than it was at the start of spring training, when only several hundred had been sold.

"We're pretty happy with where we got to," Marlins President David Samson said. "Our selling season didn't start until Feb. 16. Our focus was just on getting started and having a full selling season for '03. We have no specific mandates for attendance goals for this season."

Florida, which hopes to get a new ballpark eventually, drew a record-low 4,466 to Pro Player Stadium on April 11. Other lows for regularly scheduled games include Detroit's Comerica Park (11,833), PNC Park (12,795), Milwaukee's Miller Park (14,090), Houston's Astros Field (21,528), Baltimore's Camden Yards (22,781), Cleveland's Jacobs Field (23,760), and Denver's Coors Field (29,522).

Plenty of empty seats at ballparks

Attendance at major league games was down in the first two weeks of the season compared to last year. Eight ballparks set record crowd lows, including seven that were part of the new-ballpark boom.

Average attendance for first two weeks	
2001	2002
29,822	29,403

A quiet time in the park

BALLPARK (TEAM)	LOW	DATE	2001 AVG.	OPEN
Pro Player (Florida)	4,466	April 11	15,765	1993
Comerica Park (Detroit)	11,833	April 9	23,720	2000
PNC Park (Pittsburgh)	12,795	April 11	30,837	2001
Miller Park (Milwaukee)	14,090	April 15	34,704	2001
Astros Field (Houston)	21,528	April 4	35,855	2000
Camden Yards (Baltimore)	22,781	April 10	38,686	1992
Jacobs Field (Cleveland)	23,760	April 9	39,394	1994
Coors Field (Denver)	29,522	April 10	39,005	1995

Source: AP

Haas sets sights on National Tourney

By Roseanna Smith
The Daily Iowan

Sophomore Cassie Haas is ranked No. 106 nationally, and she plays at the No. 3 singles position for the Iowa women's tennis team. DI reporter Roseanna Smith talked to Haas about transferring from Texas A&M, how the season is progressing, and her rebound from injuries over the last year.

DI: The team is at 4-4 now; do you think you still have a good chance to get into the NCAA Tournament?

Haas: We've had discussions in practice about how important these last two weekends are. We definitely needed the two wins last weekend, and if we get the next two, we'll be in a good place starting the Big Ten Tournament. Last weekend was really key.

DI: At the beginning of the season, the team was ranked in the 30s, and now you're in the 60s. Does it seem disappointing falling that far back?

Haas: Some aspects we don't pay attention to, because we know we're better than what it says. We know we can hang with a top-30 team; we've proved we can do it, and whether we're ranked at the right time or now, we really need to play well.

DI: What's the confidence level like? Will you be able to continue the success from last weekend, winning two matches



with Cassie Haas

against Minnesota and Wisconsin?

Haas: I think so. I keep referring back to last weekend, but because the scores weren't as close as they were expected to be, we have a lot of confidence. I think we can beat anybody who comes at us.

DI: I sat by your mom at the meet. Is it nice to be closer to Dubuque and your family?

Haas: One of the biggest reasons I came here was to be closer to my family. My mom has been watching me play since I was 5 years old. I'm sure she has missed a few, but she's always been there. We're really close. She told me after the match that her leg was shaking from being nervous. I think she was more nervous than I was.

DI: She seemed pretty excited. Is she always like that?

Haas: Everyone who sits next to her always tells me that she asks constantly about the score and how I'm doing. It kills me. She's so funny.

DI: Why did you choose to go to Texas A&M?

Haas: I went to a tennis academy junior and senior year in high school in Texas, so I was recruited because of that. I visited Maryland and

Notre Dame, but I really liked it the best. It felt like home there, but I didn't realize how much I would miss home and how far away I was. It was overwhelming, so I decided to come home.

DI: How hard was it to go back this season to play at Texas A&M?

Haas: It was really weird. I was nervous the whole time I was there; I couldn't sleep. Once I got on the court, I felt like I was at home again. I was probably the most confident of anyone on our team. It was cool because people were still cheering for me there.

DI: Did you expect you'd go back to play there when you came here?

Haas: I remember the day Paul asked me if it was OK to go there. I was like, "Of course, no problem," but then I kept thinking about it. I guess I thought about it for a year. I never expected it would happen, kind of like your worst nightmare, but it turned out great.

DI: How hard was it to come back from your knee surgery this season?

Haas: It still gives me some problems, because my strength is not all there. It took three or four months to get back to where I was before. I guess it helped because last year I had a stress fracture in my foot, which made recovering from my knee a little easier because I knew what to expect. It didn't take as much work as the foot, but I was ready to work on it because of the other injury.

DI: Do you feel 100 percent now that the season is almost over?

Haas: I wouldn't say I'm 100 percent, but what athlete is 100 percent after you've played a sport for so long? Mentally, I feel 100 percent, which compensates for a lot. I really just had to get back mentally. I guess it's good that it's coming together at the right time, at the end of the season.

DI: What were your goals for yourself and the team this year?

Haas: My goals were for the team to get to NCAAs and finish on top of the Big Ten, which I definitely feel that we can accomplish. I said I wanted to do well personally this year and get ranked. Now that I am ranked, I guess my goal is to get up higher.

DI: What do you do in your free time away from tennis? Do you even have free time?

Haas: Not really. I guess I try to relax with my roommate [Iowa point guard Kristi Faulkner], my boyfriend, and try to spend the weekends off with my family.

DI: What's it like living with Kristi? Do you two get along pretty well?

Haas: She's awesome. She transferred, too, and we have a lot in common. Now that basketball is over, she has more time than I do, so we flip-flop with schedules. She's very supportive and understands schedules because we're both in sports.

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Gonzalez auction winner gums out

By Arthur H. Rotstein
Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. — So why did Curt Mueller pay \$10,000 for a piece of chewed bubble gum?

Mueller, the owner of a sports-medicine company and winner of an auction for a wad of gum chewed by Luis Gonzalez of the Arizona Diamondbacks, had two goals in mind.

He wanted publicity to sell his own competing gum. And he wanted to donate the cash to a high school for scholarships.

When Mueller talked to Gonzalez on Tuesday, he added a third reason. He wanted to help the outfielder with his hitting by having him switch brands of gum.

"I'm doing pretty well with the cheap stuff," Gonzalez said with a laugh in a three-way conversation with Mueller and disc jockey Johnjay Van Es of Tucson radio station KRQ.

Gonzalez, 32, won last year's All-Star home-run derby, had 57 homers and 142 RBIs, and delivered the winning hit in Game 7 to clinch the World Series for the Diamondbacks.

On Monday night, Gonzalez had two hits and four runs batted in against the St. Louis Cardinals

to improve to .259 for the season, with three home runs and nine RBIs.

Before talking on-air with Mueller, Gonzo told Van Es that everywhere he goes now, "people ask me if I've got bubble gum."

He said he wanted to know what Mueller was thinking in making such a large bid.

"Damnedest thing I've ever seen," Mueller said Tuesday from his office in Prairie du Sac, Wis. "I can't take all the calls" coming in about his winning bid.

He said he decided to get into the used-gum acquisition business while reading a newspaper in Jamaica last week "about this guy chewing some gum and throwing it away."

Mueller learned that Jason Gabbert, the owner of a sports memorabilia store in Wood Lake, Minn., and Van Es were jointly auctioning Gonzalez's chewed gum.

Gabbert said he got the gum through a security guard during a March 7 spring training game in Tucson after Gonzalez had tossed it in the dirt and decided to auction it off with the proceeds to go to a nearby high school — Lakeview in Cottonwood, Minn.

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calendar

Think Competence! Invitational Workshop, TBA, Center for Disabilities/Development.

"Outside In: African-American History in Iowa," Hal Chase, Des Moines Area Community College, today at noon, Old Capitol Town Center, second floor.

Successful Interviewing, today at 2:30pm, 315 Phillips Hall.

A. Craig Baird Forum, Resolved: That the United States Should Expand its Role in Mediating the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict, today at 7 p.m., Levitt Auditorium, Boyd Law Building.

horoscopes

Wednesday, April 17, 2002 by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Enjoy the company of friends today. The more you do with others, the more information you will pick up. Travel plans should be made even if they are only for a short but informative trip.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You'll be intent on doing well at work or at any project that you have a real interest in. Your dedication and loyalty to those you work with will be enhanced by your unique ideas and unusual approach to what you do.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't hold yourself back just because you are emotional today. Put your personal life on the back burner and get involved in creative endeavors. Your serious attitude will be respected by others today.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): There may be secrets that you have to deal with. Don't tell anyone what you are really thinking. Your emotional outlook will be changeable today, so it's best not to make a move.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You may be a little fickle regarding partnerships today. Try not to lead someone on if you aren't interested. You will discover a new connection that could turn into a great friendship.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You'll have what it takes to get ahead today. Focus on work and money, and don't let anything distract you. Sudden changes involving friends will leave you disheartened.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You have what it takes to get ahead today. Emotional problems with relatives or colleagues are evident. Do not let others hold you back.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Problems with older relatives or friends may lead to added responsibilities. Be prepared to do whatever is necessary in order to deal with personal matters quickly and efficiently.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can get ahead financially today, but if you let your personal encounters cloud your vision, you may not make the right choices. Moderation will be the key to your financial ventures.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You will have the discipline to finish what you start, but don't work too hard, or you'll be tired and stressed. Stay put; work on the projects that don't require a great deal of travel or communication.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Put your heart into doing the things that you enjoy the most. If you follow your dreams, you will succeed. The greatest satisfaction will come from doing what you know in your heart is best.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): An older relative may need your assistance; however, don't let her or him bully you into doing more than you can handle. You must look out for your own interests. Invest in yourself, your home, and your future.

The Ledge

By Beau Elliot
Professor Dubya shares his scientific knowledge

Global warming. "Ain't no such thing. Still snows, don't it?"

Metric system: "Americans use rational numbers, not some silly thing the French invented. I hear they don't even count in English."

Small-particle physics: "Why spend a billion dollars on an accelerator? I got one of them on the floor of my pickup."

Oceanography: "I've been to the ocean. It's wet, and it makes waves. So?"

Geography: "Anything that claims there's something called Sri Lanka should immediately be investigated by the DEA."

Big Bang: "What's the big deal? My fraternity used to have those all the time when I was at Yale."

Earth Science: "On my ranch, I can see with my own eyes that the Earth is flat."

Biology: "Poor John McCain. He had to have another biology done."

WEDNESDAY PRIME TIME													
I.C. UI		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	60 Minutes II	The Amazing Race 2	48 Hours	News	Late Show w/Letterman	Frasier				
KWWL	7	News	Wheel	Ship at War	The West Wing	Law & Order	News	Tonight Show	Late Night				
KFXA	17	King of Hill	Raymond	'80s Show/Grounded	Bernie Mac	The Job	Star Trek: Voyager	3rd Rock	Carey	Roseanne	Rend. View		
KCRG	9	News	I Grow Up	Wife, Kids George	The Job	The Job	Downtown	News	Friends	Spin City	Nightline		
KIIN	13	NewsHour	Old House	American Family	Commanding Heights: Battle for World Economy	Business	Appear.	BBC World	C. Rose				
KWKB	20	Married	Just Shoot	Dawson's Creek	Felicity	Blind Date	Heart	St. Smarts	5th Wheel	Eliminate	S. Harvey		
CABLE CHANNELS													
WSUI	10	Audio Programming						Audio Programming					
WGN	9	Fr. Prince	Fr. Prince	Sleeping With the Enemy (R, '91) **			News	In the Heat of the Night			Matlock (Part 2 of 2)		
GOVT	4	Varied Programming											
PAX	3	Shop/Drop/Sweep	Candid Camera	Touched by an Angel			Diagnosis Murder	A Miracle	Dave's	Paid Prog./Paid Prog.			
LIBR	10	Varied Programming											
EDUC	11	Varied Programming											
C-SPN	13	Prime Time Public Affairs											
C-SPN2	13	Public Affairs											
CNBC	29	Capital Report	America Now	Chris Matthews	News w/Brian Williams	Chris Matthews							
UITV	12	France	Spanish	Movie	Business	In Iowa	Korean	Greece	France	Argentina			
PUBL	13	Varied Programming											
FOX	23	Fox Report	The O'Reilly Factor	Hannity & Colmes	Greta Van Susteren	The O'Reilly Factor	Special Report						
MTV	24	Video	Osbourne	Osbourne	Osbourne	mtvICON: Aerosmith	Osbourne	Jackass	Kidnapped	Sex 2k	Vice: Lying		
CNN	26	Crossfire	Live From The Point	Larry King Live	NewsNight/Brown	Crossfire	Moneyline	Larry King Live					
DISC	5	Cousins: The Apes	The Scorpion King Unveiled										
A&E	38	The View	Biography	American Justice	City Confidential	Law & Order	Biography						
USA	34	JAG: Impact	Ultimate Fights	Combat Missions		JAG: Into the Breach	Combat Missions						
LIFE	36	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Murder in New Hampshire: Pamela Smart Story	Golden Girl	Golden Girl	Mad About	Mad About					
TWC	30	The Weather Channel	Atmospheres	Evening Edition		Atmospheres	Evening Edition						
FX	35	Buffly, Vampire Slayer	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	The Practice	Married	Married	Aly McBeal	Wildest Police Videos				
TNT	35	The Pretender: Bank	NBA Basketball: Philadelphia 76ers at Indiana Pacers (Live)	NBA Basketball: Sacramento Kings at Los Angeles Lakers (Live)									
VH1	43	Late World Special	Behind the Music	Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure (PG, '89) **	Late World	Red Eye	Sheryl						
ANIM	63	Animals	Anl. Videos	The Crocodile Hunter	Jeff Corwin Experience	Scorpions	The Crocodile Hunter	Jeff Corwin Experience					
AMC	41	The Three Stooges	The Getaway (PG, '72) *** (Steve McQueen)	Rio Bravo (9:10) ('59) *** (John Wayne, Dean Martin)	Movie								
SPEED	49	Wrenches	Champions	Auto Racing: NASCAR WC Virginia 500	Inside Winston Cup	Wrenches	Champions						
DISNEY	49	All Dogs Go to Heaven 2 (G, '96) **	P.U.N.K.S. (7:35) (PG, '99) (Tim Redwine)	Adventures in Dinosaur City (9:25) So Weird	J. Jackson								
FOXSP	33	NASCAR	W. Sox	Baseball: Cleveland Indians at Chicago White Sox (Live)	The Best Damn Sports Show, Period								
COM	42	Daily Show	Beat/Geeks	Back to School (PG-13, '86) ***	South Park	Insomniac	Daily Show	Saturday Night Live	Beat/Geeks				
BRAV	39	Hill Street Blues	Man Trouble (PG-13, '92) ** (Jack Nicholson)	Man Trouble (PG-13, '92) ** (Jack Nicholson)	Bravo Profiles								
NICK	18	Hey Arnold	Rugrats	Sponge	Ginger	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	All/Family	All/Family	Cosby	Cosby
ESPN	45	NHL Hockey: Conference Quarterfinal, Game 1 (Live)			Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Arizona Diamondbacks (Live)								
EI	60	Saturday Night Live	True Hollywood Story	True Hollywood Story	Revealed	H. Stern	H. Stern	Wild On ...	Spring Break				
TOON	17	Laboratory	Laboratory	Powerpuff Justice	Edd, Edd	Bravo	Dog	Scooby	Daffy	Jerry	Dragon	Dragon B.	
ESPN2	46	NFL 2Night	NHL Hockey: Conference Quarterfinal, Game 1 (Live)		NHL Hockey: Conference Quarterfinal, Game 1 (Live)								
BET	40	106 & Park	BET.com	I'm Living	Way We	Oh Drama!	ComicView	News	Tonight	Midnight Love			
HIST	37	Household Wonders	Dangerous Missions	Caught on Film	Winter Warriors	History's Mysteries	Dangerous Missions						
TBS	32	Friends	Roseanne	Ripley Believe It or Not!	Home Alone (PG, '90) *** (Macaulay Culkin)	Ripley Believe It or Not!	Wolf (R, '94) ***						
UNI	24	La Intrusa	Amigas y Rivales	Salome	Don Francisco Pres.	Impacto	Noticiero	Hasta las Mejores Fam.					
TBN	20	Religious Special	Behind	C.A. Dollar	Bill Gaither	Van Impe	Praise the Lord	Chironna	Duplantis				
PREMIUM CHANNELS													
HBO	550	Someone Like You (6:15) (PG-13, '01) **	Sex/City	Sex/City	Six Feet Under	Southern Comfort	Movie						
MAX	562	Broken Silence	The Art of War (R, '00) ** (Wesley Snipes)	Cast Away (PG-13, '00) *** (Tom Hanks, Helen Hunt)	Movie								

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quote of the day

I'm not saying it's safe for humans. I'm not saying it's unsafe for humans. All I'm saying is it that it makes hermaphrodites of frogs.

— Tyrone B. Hayes, a researcher at the University of California, Berkeley, on his team's finding that male frogs exposed to even very low doses of the common weed killer Atrazine can develop multiple sex organs.

public access tv schedule

11 a.m. Producer Spotlight 2	8 p.m. PATV Reserved: Premieres
Noon SE Jr. High Talent Show 2002	9:30 p.m. Right to Life
1 p.m. Life Issues	10 p.m. Professor Noodle
2 p.m. First United Methodist Church	10:30 p.m. UI Student Film & Video Show
3 p.m. 24:7	
4 p.m. Our Redeemer	11 p.m. The Cleaning Lady
5 p.m. Getting to Know Islam	11:20 p.m. This Old House Trailer
6 p.m. Nation of Islam	11:40 p.m. An Afternoon w/ Chuck Miller
7 p.m. Sports Opinion	

DILBERT

by Scott Adams

GAAA! DON'T BE AFRAID.

I MADE A CAMOUFLAGE SUIT OUT OF CUBICLE-WALL FABRIC. HEH, HEH.

YOU NEED A MASK TOO.

I RAN OUT OF MATERIAL. IT WAS A MISTAKE TO MAKE A TIE.

'NON SEQUITUR

BY WIEV

AS I EXPLAINED THE ISLAND, I DISCOVERED IT WAS INHABITED BY TWO TRIBES.

HELLO STRANGER...ARE YOU ONE OF US OR THEM?

UH...NEITHA, I JUST GOT HEAR.

HMM...WELL, IF YOU'RE NOT ONE OF US, THEN LOGIC WOULD DICTATE THAT YOU MUST BE ONE OF THEM.

OH...IS THAT BAD?

START BOILING THE OIL, LARRY...

A SIMPLE 'YES' WOULD SUFFICE.

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

MR. CHAIRMAN, WHAT IS IT WITH YOU AND PRIME MINISTER SHARON?

I MEAN, ALL THE UNRELENTING SCORRY AND NAME-CALLING?

THE FACT IS YOU HAVE A LOT IN COMMON! FOR INSTANCE, YOU'VE BOTH SPENT MOST OF YOUR LIVES BLOWING UP STUFF!

EXCUSE ME?

YOU'RE TWO OLD PROS-CAN'T YOU SIT DOWN OVER A BEER?

Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0306

ACROSS

- 90 degrees
- Place for a cypress
- Attempt
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- Staples Center player
- Hack
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- Word to a knight
- Aspirin, e.g.
- Reduce one's feelings of weariness?
- Check for fit
- Looped handle
- Actress Campbell
- Heavenly edible
- Court decision

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- Play baseball with cheeses?
- Water color
- Seafood entree
- Perplexity
- Badly bruised president?
- Rock producer
- Kind of bean
- Over
- Dutch export
- Canadian peninsula
- Master at wielding a tongue depressor?
- Monopoly square
- Piano specialist
- Cut, as film
- Pac 10 school
- Grimalkin

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