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Vilsack, Gross trade jobs in I.C.

BY CHUCK LARSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Republican gubernatorial candidate Doug Gross said Monday that Iowa needs a governor who prioritizes education. Six hours later, Gov. Tom Vilsack was in Iowa City saying he is that man.

Both candidates took jobs at one another during their visits to Iowa City, claiming to be the best candidate for the state and for education while trying to garner student support.



Gross
GOP candidate

Vilsack said he plans to strengthen the work-study program, which he blamed the Republican controlled Legislature for depleting. He also wants to offer interest-free college loans for students who stay in Iowa after graduating, he said.

Hours earlier, Gross said he would push to implement a policy in which tuition increases would never exceed the Higher Education Price Index, an inflation monitor for higher education. That inflation rate for the UI was 4.8 percent in 2000 and 4.2 percent in 2001; it is projected to be 3.7 percent this year.

"We need a governor who is more than just words," Gross, a Des Moines attorney, told a small crowd of UI students and locals. "We need a governor who is deeds."

When Vilsack was running



Gov. Tom Vilsack speaks to constituents Monday evening at the county Democratic headquarters in the Old Capitol Town Center.

for office four years ago, he denounced a suggested 5 percent public-university tuition increase, Gross said. In the last two years, however, tuition at the UI has increased almost 30 percent, with a possible 20 per-

cent increase this year, he said.

"I've been around the state asking Gov. Vilsack: Where did all the money go?" Gross said. "He still hasn't answered that question."

Speaking to Johnson County Democrats in the evening, Vil-

sack said he had the answer.

A half billion dollars have been put into K-12 education, millions have gone into expanding access to health care for 62,000 children who otherwise wouldn't have access, millions

have gone into private land conservation cleaning Iowa's water and bettering our environment, and \$846 million is still set aside

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Report: Conflict rises at the UI

BY CHRISTY B. LOGAN
THE DAILY IOWAN

The aftermath of Sept. 11, state budget cuts, and the Old Capitol fire have taken a significant toll on campus morale, says a new report showing a record number of conflict-related complaints were filed at the UI last year.

Those events and issues caused "considerable campus turmoil" during the 2001-02 school year, says the annual report from the Office of the Ombudsman.

"Morale is low, and conditions are ripe for behaviors that none of us want to experience," the report said. "Frustration exists, and we worry about tempers growing short and people experiencing more stress."

The office, which offers mediation and informal conflict resolution for concerns raised by students, faculty, and staff, saw a 27 percent increase in new complaints during the 2001-02 academic year. Complaints from students alone nearly doubled.

While office personnel

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When perfumes cause a big stink

BY KAREN HEINSELMAN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Flowery perfumes are not a sweet relief to UI Professor Carolyn Dyer's nose. In fact, fragrances such as the scented air fresheners found in many university bathrooms activate her allergies and can send her home with a migraine.

From now on, Dyer and fellow allergy sufferers plagued by sweet scents can breathe easier. The decision to put a halt on refilling UI restroom air fresheners will save her a headache and the university around \$20,000 a year.

That's because she didn't simply complain to her colleagues; she submitted a request to the UI SMART program, suggesting that scented air fresheners be removed from university restrooms. Implemented on July 1, 2001, the program awards \$100 to faculty and staff for selected cost-cutting and time-saving ideas.

"When you've been around for awhile, you notice things that

could be done differently, things that are wasteful or unnecessary," Dyer said.

John Debrie, the head of operations and maintenance for the Facilities Services Group, reviewed and approved Dyer's suggestion and said custodians stopped refilling the air fresheners immediately.

"I was surprised," Debrie said of learning the luxury cost the general custodial fund thousands of dollars and made Dyer downright ill.

"This was the first complaint I had," Debrie said. "[Air fresheners] were put in over the years by custodians at a request of people in the building."

Dyer hopes the absence of perfumes from the restrooms extend into the workplace and other public settings.

Hancher Auditorium already has taken action to alleviate the suffering of audience members allergic to perfumes and cologne. After fielding complaints that

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We haven't had the complaints we used to have. People are more aware of the fact that some people ... can't tolerate perfumes and scents.

Charles Swanson
Hancher executive director

UI: Renovation won't create slow Burge food

BY CASEY WAGNER
THE DAILY IOWAN

Students living in East Side residence halls will not face longer lines for food when reconstruction of Burge Residence Hall's dining area begins next month, the UI director of Residence Services said.

Maggie Van Oel said she anticipates that the four-phase project, which includes renovations of the hall's lobby, will neither cause delays for students nor force them to adjust their eating schedules.

"We are hoping everything will run smoothly," she said about the changes to the dining hall. "It's impossible not to do something like this under occupation."

The \$14.5 million project is an effort to renovate and modernize the Burge food services, bringing it closer in line with Hillcrest's popular cafeteria. Van Oel said she expects the

dining hall to be finished before the fall semester in 2003; the lobby will be completed two or three months later.

Meals will continue to be served in both cafeterias at the regular times, using only two food lines instead of the normal four. Also, the Hawkeye Express line will be moved to the carnival room in Burge's basement and to the main lobby during some phases of construction. Signs have been posted around the dining hall explaining the procedure and how each phase will affect service.

Even with Van Oel's optimism, students think the renovation will lengthen lines and force them to eat elsewhere on-campus or downtown. UI freshmen Kevin Cooley and Lauren Pittas said they would make the trek to Hillcrest to eat if the Burge service becomes slower.

"The lines are already long," said Cooley while waiting to be



Students pass plans for the new Burge Market Place Monday evening. Construction will begin next month.

served at Burge on Monday night. "We'll probably end up waiting all the way down the hall when it starts."

While students were away this summer, the UI did \$5 million

worth of renovations in the dormitories, including renovating the main entrance and relocating

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Stuttering claims may run into legal roadblock

BY JEFFREY PATCH
THE DAILY IOWAN

A local lawyer says that two victims and three victims' families of a 1939 UI stuttering experiment might run into a legal roadblock in their combined \$10.5 million in claims against the state.

Tom Riley, an attorney specializing in personal-injury claims, said the plaintiffs might encounter a problem in the

amount of time that has expired since the research was completed. But, he said, the cases might have a shot to make it to trial considering the research was covered up for years.

"I'm sympathetic with the people filing the claim, but I believe they have a problem with the statute of limitations," he said.

In personal-injury suits, the statute of limitations extends

until the majority age, 18, for children, Riley said. However, he thinks the complainants might be able to exploit an exception to the statute.

"There is also the discovery rule, which is a time after the discovery of the wrongdoing which can extend the statute of limitations under certain circumstances," he said.

The experiment, conducted by former UI graduate student Mary Tudor at the Iowa Sol-

diers' Orphans' Home in Dav- enport, employed psychological pressure to cause a small group of children with normal speaking patterns to stutter. The experiment also involved a control group, which did not encounter psychological stress. Twenty-two orphans were included in the experiment. Study participants were

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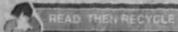
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NEWS

Banking milk of human kindness

BY KELLEY CASINO
THE DAILY IOWAN

Amy Suter was born three months early with all the problems that can plague a premature baby. Nursed by her mother's breast milk, she's now a healthy 6-year-old and the poster child for the Midwest's first Mother's Milk Bank.

Anne Suter, Amy's mother, is a firm believer in the benefits of breast milk for premature infants and is a staunch supporter of the milk bank.

"I think the breast milk warded off several illnesses and was very beneficial for her," Suter said.

The milk bank opened Aug. 1, World Breast-Feeding Day, at the UI Hospitals and Clinics, and it is now screening donors.

The bank, initiated by Ekhard Ziegler, a UI professor of pediatric nutrition, provides donated breast milk to premature and sick infants to protect them from infection and to boost their immune systems, said Jean Drulis, the bank's program associate and co-director.

It is the fifth of its kind in North America, and it took almost two years of planning and fund raising to launch.

"We're looking forward for the

first ounce of donated milk to go to a baby," said Jan Jeter, the bank's nurse coordinator. "That will be a milestone."

Doctors, however, do not know when that first drop of milk will be prescribed — at \$3 per ounce. The UIHC will likely absorb all costs, leaving no bill for the parents, Ziegler said.

He said 30 percent of infants born at the UIHC need human milk because of a shortage or lack of milk from their mothers. Premature babies need donated breast milk during the first week of life because their mothers have not begun producing milk, he said.

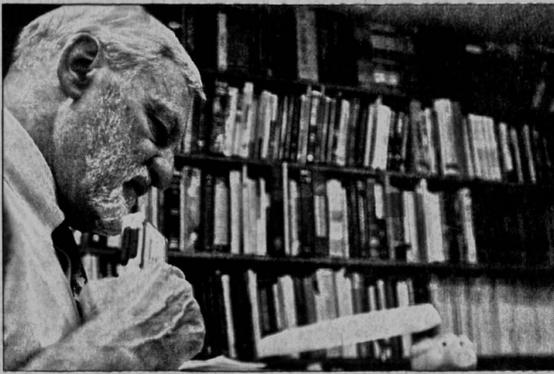
"Breast milk is definitely the best food, the No. 1 food, for infants," Jeter said.

The milk has many nutritional benefits not found in formula and is more easily digested by the fragile stomachs of premature babies, Drulis said.

Finding donors hasn't posed a problem.

"The percent of the population that breast-feeds in this area is very high, and the mothers are very into helping others," Jeter said.

Ten potential donors are being screened through a selective process that includes a tele-



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Dr. Ekhard Ziegler, the medical director for the Mother's Milk Bank of Iowa and the director of the UIHC Pediatric Nutrition Division, dictates charts at his desk on Monday afternoon.

phone interview, a written application, a blood test, and a check-up of the mother's and her baby's health. Donors are being solicited through press releases, media coverage, word-of-mouth, and ads in hospital newsletters.

All donated milk is pasteurized to protect against infectious diseases and frozen until prescribed for use by a doctor. The milk has a shelf life of one year.

Drulis, Jeter, and Ziegler said the main problem facing the

milk bank now is financing.

"We're not worried about getting donors but rather, raising funds to keep the program self-sufficient," Drulis said.

The evaluation process, lab screens, personnel, equipment, and freezers are all costly, Ziegler said.

The Mother's Milk Bank of Iowa is funded by grants, donations, and fund raising.

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Study: Renewable fuels would boost farm income

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DES MOINES — A new study released Monday shows renewable fuel standards contained in an energy bill being considered by the Senate would boost farm income by \$700 million.

In addition, the study says the standards would trim the trade deficit by \$4.5 billion and create 13,500 new jobs, with those gains coming over the next 10 years.

"Renewable fuels are the wave of the future, not only for America's energy independence, but for our rural economy as a whole," said Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, who released the study. "The goal of a new national energy policy is to lessen our dependence on foreign oil and improve our own economy by producing more domestically."

The study was conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and it analyzed the effect of a provision in the energy bill setting national standards for use of renewable fuels.

Ethanol, which is alcohol-

blended gasoline with the alcohol distilled primarily from corn, is among the most prominent of those renewable fuels. Other renewable fuels distilled from petroleum products have run into problems with polluting groundwater in the 16 states where it's been used.

Harkin had asked the USDA to analyze the effect the renewable fuel standards would have on commodity markets, farm income, and employment.

"The analysis found that the provision will lead to increased demand for ethanol and soybean-oil biodiesel, and the legislation would likely generate significant economic benefits to U.S. farmers," Harkin said.

The study found that corn and sorghum prices would both increase by about 13 cents per bushel — 5 percent — by 2011.

Harkin, the chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, was the main author of the new farm bill signed into law by President Bush. That measure contained \$400 million for renewable-fuels programs.

CITY BRIEFS

IC man charged with drug possession for fourth time

An Iowa City man faces a litany of drug-related charges including destroying evidence after police officers allegedly observed him trying to conceal a joint while serving a routine warrant at his home.

Lundell "Terp" Buchanan, 29, 314 Moss Wood Lane, was arrested Monday for possession of schedule I and II controlled substances. Other charges include destroying evidence and hosting a gathering with drugs present.

Upon entry the residence, Coralville police allegedly saw Buchanan throw a joint he had been rolling under his couch. A search of the house allegedly discovered a bag of cocaine in Buchanan's pocket, along with several bags of marijuana throughout the residence, according to court records.

Buchanan has four previous possession convictions and another for

having intent to deliver drugs in Johnson County, extending back to April 1996.

— by Tony Robinson

Two sex offenders charged for not registering

A pair of Iowa City sex offenders face charges after failing to submit accurate addresses to the state's registry within 10 days of moving — a requirement of all sex offenders in the state.

Marcus Walker, 32, admitted to police that he failed to notify the Johnson County sheriff of his address change because he did not want his children to see public fliers with his picture on it, according to court records.

Walker formerly lived at 1002 N. Summit St. with his sister, who recently moved out of the area. Upon arrest, he admitted to police that he moved to a Miller Avenue apartment in August.

Walker is being held in the Johnson County Jail on a \$5,000 cash bond.

Carlos Johnson, 23, told the Johnson County Sheriff's Office he was residing at 302 S. Gilbert St., but further police investigation determined he was not on the apartment's lease.

The current tenant of seven years at the Gilbert Street residence told police Johnson had asked permission to use the address to receive court documents in the mail, but he never stayed in the apartment.

Johnson is being held in the Johnson County Jail on a \$12,500 cash bond. Both offenders are assessed at "low risk" to re-offend.

— by Tony Robinson

UI police arrest three students on drug-related charges

UI police arrested three students in their residence halls for drug-related charges Sunday.

Kara Truffa, 18, 836 C Mayflower, was charged with possession of a schedule I con-

trolled substance, and Melanie Gill, 18, of the same address was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Late that evening, Mayflower residence staff allegedly detected an odor of marijuana coming from the women's room and contacted authorities, UI police records said. During a consent search, officers allegedly found a plastic bag containing a green substance that Truffa reportedly admitted was marijuana. Officers also allegedly found a small bluish ceramic pipe that Gill reportedly said was used for smoking marijuana.

A similar arrest took place that morning when Beau Pinkham, 18, 5611 Daum, was charged with possession of a schedule I controlled substance.

Chuck Green, the assistant vice president for Public Safety, said that in addition to any punishment that UI officials may invoke, students found with drugs are arrested and will face repercussions in court.

— by Annie Shuppy

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WASHINGTON

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Cheney touts Iraq attack

BY DANA MILBANK
WASHINGTON POST

CRAWFORD, Texas — Vice President Dick Cheney argued Monday for a pre-emptive attack on Iraq's Saddam Hussein, declaring there is no doubt whether the dictator has weapons of mass destruction and is preparing to use them against the United States and its allies.

The vice president's remarks, to a Veterans of Foreign Wars meeting in Nashville, provided the most detailed and passionate case the administration has made for action against Iraq, and it gave the issue new urgency by implying that hostilities could not wait long.

"Deliverable weapons of mass destruction in the hands of a terror network or a murderous dictator, or the two working together, constitutes as grave a threat as can be imagined," Cheney said. Repeating President Bush's caution that "time is not on our side," he added: "The risk of inaction are far greater than the risk of action."

Cheney's speech to the veterans served as the Bush administration's answer to growing criticism — even from prominent advisers to President George H.W. Bush — that it had failed to make a detailed and convincing case for an American attack to remove the Iraqi dictator.

While mentioning in passing that the administration is considering all options and would consult with Congress and allies, Cheney seemed to be ruling out anything short of an attack. He contended that all alternatives had failed: U.N. agreements, inspectors, international ostracism, even four days of American bombing in 1998.

"What he wants is time, and more time to husband his resources to invest in his ongoing chemical and biological weapons program, and to gain

possession of nuclear weapons," Cheney said. "Armed with an arsenal of these weapons of terror and a seat atop 10 percent of the world's oil reserves, Saddam Hussein could then be expected to seek domination of the entire Middle East, take control of a great portion of the world's energy supplies, directly threaten America's friends throughout the region, and subject the United States or any other nation to nuclear blackmail."

Cheney has been hawkish in administration debates about Iraq, and his remarks Monday were strikingly firm and explicit. In notable detail, he listed justifications for removing Saddam in what he called a "candid appraisal of the facts." He mentioned Iraqi firing on American and British planes in the no-fly zone imposed after the Persian Gulf War; Saddam's efforts to assassinate former President George H.W. Bush; the invasions of Iran and Kuwait and the firing of missiles at Iran, Saudi Arabia, and Israel; and Saddam's ranking by the State Department as a sponsor of terrorism for two decades.

Cheney argued that Saddam has broken U.N. agreements from 1991 to end his nuclear-weapons program, destroy his chemical and biological weapons, and admit U.N. inspectors. "The Iraqi regime has in fact been very busy enhancing its capabilities in the field of chemical and biological agents, and it continues to pursue the nuclear program it began so many years ago," Cheney said. As evidence, he cited the testimony of defectors, including a Saddam son-in-law who was subsequently murdered at his father-in-law's direction. Cheney said he is convinced Iraq will soon have nuclear weapons but allowed that nobody knows how soon.

Cheney made it clear he had no confidence that inspectors

would be able to discover the Iraq weapons programs. He argued that inspectors missed crucial information later discovered about Iraqi missiles and nerve gas in the mid 1990s. "A return of inspectors would provide no assurance whatsoever of his compliance with U.N. resolutions," Cheney said, dismissing an alternative favored by many European allies.

The vice president's bellicose words came as a surprise because the White House did not give his speech the type of advance-billing that normally precedes major speeches. The White House quickly said that Cheney's remarks did not indicate the administration had decided to attack Iraq and were meant as an argument for Bush's doctrine of "pre-emptive" action against emerging threats.

Cheney's speech caused crude oil prices to surge on war expectations, as advocates of such a move interpreted his words, more forceful and detailed than any yet offered by a senior official, as a virtual battle cry. "The debate in the administration is over," conservative publisher William Kristol said, calling for a congressional resolution authorizing force. Administration officials in recent weeks had resisted making as strong a case as Cheney did to avoid signaling that hostilities were imminent.

Aides to the vice president said the speech was not meant to signal an escalation but to engage the administration in the debate over Iraq. "He has wanted for some time to give a comprehensive reiteration of the threat," said senior Cheney adviser Mary Matalin. Still, she added, "in recent weeks the debate has heated up. We weren't ignorant of the environment."

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SUNSET ON HOOP DREAMS



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Matt Elder of Iowa City tosses a lay-up while shooting at the Burge basketball courts on Monday.

Steer controversy noses into ID

BY MIKE WILSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — No two noses are alike, and that's why experts say the century-old practice of using nose prints is a reliable way to identify an animal.

Controversy erupted over a nose print of Pickles, the grand champion market steer shown by Jenna Sievers, 16, of New Liberty, at this year's Iowa State Fair. The fair board moved to disqualify the animal when a noseprint taken after the competition didn't match one taken Dec. 28, 2001.

A private nose print expert from Missouri ruled that the two prints didn't match.

Don Lock of Springfield, Mo., a retired Missouri state trooper, has 30 years experience working in the state crime lab analyzing finger prints, latent prints, and muzzle prints.

Lock declined to discuss the Iowa case, but he said the practice of using nose prints to identify animals dates back to 1887.

"It has been a science for quite some time," he said.

Lock said using nose prints is more reliable than using data chips implanted under the skin. The tiny chips tend to float around under the surface of an animal's skin and get lost, he said.

Lock also said nose prints are commonly taken from other animals, including high-

priced dogs.

Dr. Nolan Hartwig, an extension veterinarian at Iowa State University, said nose prints are 99.9 percent accurate.

"If you take them accurately, they're unique," he said. "It's the full equivalent of a human fingerprint."

He said it can sometimes be difficult to get a good impression of an animal's nose.

"You have to be a bit careful because they're not there standing still waiting for you," Hartwig said.

He said if a print impression is smudged, it should be redone.

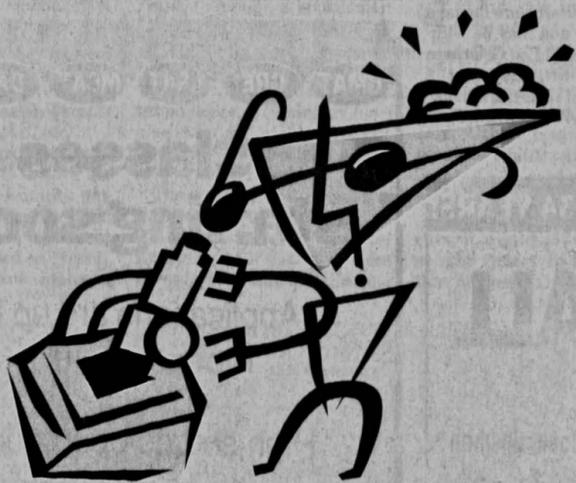
Sievers' father, state Rep. Bryan Sievers, R-New Liberty, said the print taken in December was smudged.

POLICE LOGS

Guy Mannase, 48, 719 Quinent St., was charged with serious assault causing injury on Monday. He allegedly attacked an Iowa City man at the UI Hawkeye softball complex on July 31, causing bleeding and stitches to the victim's ear.

Eric Cox, 29, North Liberty, was charged with domestic assault causing injury on Monday. Cox, who has two previous arrests in Colorado for domestic abuse, told authorities that the female victim hit him first, and he then shoved her, resulting in a bloody lip.

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NEWS

FBI to recheck for anthrax

BY SUSAN SCHMIDT
WASHINGTON POST

The FBI announced Monday that it will again search the Florida office of tabloid-publisher American Media Inc., hoping that new techniques will reveal how deadly anthrax spores entered the headquarters of the tabloid publisher last fall.

The new search, which should begin no later than Wednesday, will focus on finding a letter or other method of delivery as well as collecting additional spores from the Boca Raton office, which has been shuttered and quarantined since it was contaminated with anthrax spores last fall, officials said Monday.

Photo editor Robert Stevens died of anthrax, and another employee, mail-room worker Ernesto Blanco, became severely ill but later recovered. Stevens was the first of five people to die in the series of anthrax attacks last fall.

The FBI searched the mail-room and workstations of affected employees after last fall's attack. It found anthrax spores but no letters similar to the ones that emerged in some of the subsequent anthrax attacks in New York and Washington. It is not known whether the Florida anthrax was delivered by mail or in some other fashion.

Officials said Monday they will try to locate high concentrations of spores that could lead them to the letter or another anthrax delivery mechanism.

They plan to use the hazardous-environment protocols

developed to search through congressional mail, which was quarantined last fall after an anthrax-laden letter arrived in the office of Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. That search — which involved careful sampling of bins of mail to seek out any additional contaminated letters — led to the discovery of an intact letter addressed to Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., containing almost a gram of anthrax spores.

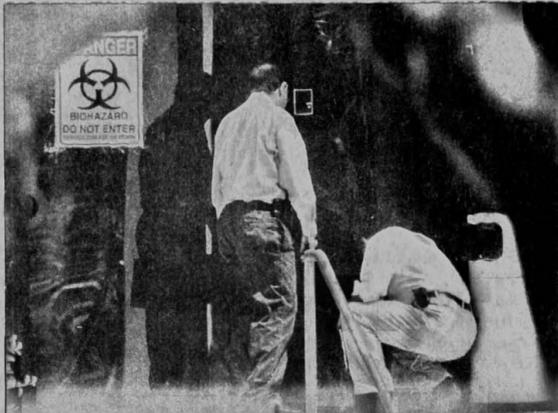
"We hope to do a very comprehensive, detailed assessment of the spore contamination throughout the entire building," said Dwight Adams, the FBI deputy lab director, at a Florida news conference announcing the renewed search.

The offices were shut down after employees were found to have inhaled the deadly spores. Local authorities and FBI officials likened the inside of the offices to a scene from the "Twilight Zone," where time is frozen. Coffee cups are scattered around as they were when the offices were vacated Oct. 7.

The media company publishes the *National Enquirer*, *Star*, *Globe*, *Weekly World News*, *Sun*, and *National Examiner*.

Adams said the FBI particularly wants to assess spore distribution in the mail room. And, he said, the FBI is looking for a large quantity of spores to compare them against the spores found in the Leahy and Daschle letters.

Officials said they hope the search, which is expected to take about two weeks, will generate new leads in the anthrax probe. Local authorities



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Members of the government advance team inspect the front entrance of the American Media Inc. building in Boca Raton, Fla., on Monday. The FBI plans this week to go back into an anthrax-infested building, where the first victim of the anthrax attacks was infected last fall.

stressed that investigators will not pose a danger to the community by re-entering the building.

In recent weeks, media attention has been focused on FBI searches of the home of Steven Hatfill, a former government scientist involved in bioterror research who has vigorously asserted his innocence. Monday, officials said in response to questions that the tabloid office search is not related to the investigation of Hatfill.

"This has nothing to do with Mr. Hatfill. This is an ongoing criminal investigation, and ... the entry is being made in furtherance of that criminal investigation," said Hector Pesquera, the special agent in charge of

the FBI's Miami field office.

Adams said the new inspection methods will allow for thousands of samples to be taken. In October, he said, such an effort would have overwhelmed any public-health laboratory. The Centers for Disease Control and the U.S. Postal Inspection Service will assist in the search.

"It's almost the anniversary of Bob Stevens' death and the family really wants to know who's responsible," the company's chief executive, David Pecker, said Monday. "I'm hoping that they really can find something."

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M.B.A.'s of little use, new research suggests

BY JUSTIN POPE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — These should be heady days for American business schools, with more than 100,000 new students arriving on campus, eager to sit out a weak economy and emerge from the cocoon two years later with a fattened salary.

But despite the strong demand, some M.B.A. programs are feeling uneasy about a new article by two researchers at Stanford's Graduate School of Business who call into question the value of the degree.

Surveying decades of research, Jeffrey Pfeffer and Christina Fong argue that, with the possible exception of the most elite programs, master's degrees in business administration teach little of real use in the business world. They say the degree has little effect on salaries in the long run.

The article has provoked a public-relations counterattack from some in the multi-billion dollar M.B.A. industry who bristled at the wide-ranging critique, which appears next month in the debut issue of the journal *Academy of Management Learning and Education*.

The article lays into everything from a mollycoddling teaching culture to an outdated curriculum. It also questions whether the explosion in the popularity of M.B.A.'s has diluted their value. In 1956, only 3,200 M.B.A.'s were awarded; today that number has grown more than 35-fold.

The article even notes that 40 percent of U.S. chief executives mentioned in a *Fortune* article called "Why CEOs Fail" had M.B.A.'s. And the researchers cite one report that characterizes life at one top business school as a two-year, long networking and bonding ritual revolving around alcohol.

Students can take on as much as \$100,000 in debt to pay for a two-year program.

In response, the Graduate Management Admission Council sent out results of a study showing U.S. M.B.A. graduates reported an average starting salary of \$77,000, up from an average of \$50,000 before they pursued the degree.

Court rebuffs Bush on closed hearings

BY CHARLES LANE
WASHINGTON POST

A federal appeals court ruled Monday that the press and public must be allowed to witness immigration hearings for suspects detained in the Sept. 11 investigation, strongly rebuking the Bush administration for its policy of maximum secrecy in the war on terror.

A three-judge panel of the Cincinnati-based U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit concluded that the news media and ordinary citizens alike have a constitutional "right of access" to deportation proceedings, which was violated by a Sept. 21, 2001, Justice Department order closing hearings deemed of "special interest" to the terrorism probe.

Under the order, "the Executive Branch seeks to uproot people's lives, outside the public eye and behind a closed door," Senior Judge Damon Keith wrote in the opinion for the court. "Democracies die behind closed doors. The First Amendment, through a free press, protects the people's right to know that their government acts fairly, lawfully, and accurately in deportation proceedings."

The ruling in the case of Michigan activist Rabih Hadad marked the first time since Sept. 11 that a major component of the Bush administration's legal approach to the anti-terrorism campaign has been declared

unconstitutional at the appeals court level, which is a step below the Supreme Court.

This ruling is not the last word on the issue, however. The Justice Department, which had argued that there is no right of access to administrative hearings such as those conducted by immigration judges, may appeal the case either to the full membership of the 6th Circuit or directly to the Supreme Court.

"The Justice Department disagrees with the court's conclusion that the department's guidelines for determining which proceedings should be closed are too broad," said Barbara Comstock, a spokeswoman for Attorney General John Ashcroft. "The Justice Department has an obligation to exercise all available options to disrupt and prevent terrorism within the bounds of the Constitution and will review today's opinion in light of our duty to protect the American people."

Department lawyers might wait to shape their full legal strategy until the Philadelphia-based U.S. Court of Appeals for the 3rd Circuit decides a similar case pending in that court.

Solicitor General Theodore Olson has described the issue as "touching on the nation's very ability to defend itself against the continuing threat of a hostile attack from myriad and unknown sources."

Under the so-called "Creppy

memo," issued by chief immigration judge Michael Creppy on Sept. 21, 2001, the Justice Department considers all immigration hearings involving terror suspects off-limits to the press and public, including the detainee's family.

The most minor disclosure of information could help terrorist groups understand how much intelligence the government does or does not have, undermining the anti-terrorism effort, Justice Department officials have said.

But Keith wrote that the government had failed to show that secrecy was necessary to protect national security in every case.

"Without question," he wrote, "the events of Sept. 11, 2001, left an indelible mark on our nation, but we as a people are united in the wake of the destruction to demonstrate to the world that we are a country deeply committed to preserving the rights and freedoms guaranteed by our democracy."

If the 6th Circuit's approach were to prevail, current and future deportation hearings would be presumed open to outside scrutiny unless the government could persuade a federal court that the proceeding had to

be completely or partially closed to protect sensitive intelligence.

More than 750 of the 1,200 people detained in the aftermath of Sept. 11 were held on immigration charges. Most have been deported, released, or criminally charged, leaving fewer than 100 in custody, according to the government's latest figures.

Monday's ruling does not apply to another small group of detainees who are being held as material witnesses.

Only a single detainee in custody in the United States, Zacarias Moussaoui, has been formally charged as a conspirator in the Sept. 11 attacks, which took 3,000 lives in New York, Washington, and Pennsylvania.

"The court's opinion reaffirms that civil liberties must be protected during all times, including times like this, and that public scrutiny of executive branch activity is particularly important where you have a vulnerable group of people who are facing a loss of liberty and may be without counsel," said Lee Gelernt, a senior staff attorney at the American Civil Liberties Union.

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DNA frees yet another inmate

BY ALEXANDRA R. MOSES
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT — Eddie Joe Lloyd broke into tears as he talked about Michelle Jackson, the Detroit teenager whose brutal rape and murder sent him to prison for 17 years.

A judge overturned Lloyd's conviction Monday after DNA tests showed he couldn't have killed the 16-year-old girl.

"If Michelle Jackson could have spoke from the grave, she would have told everybody Eddie Lloyd didn't do it," Lloyd said after he was freed.

Despite the lack of physical evidence, Lloyd was convicted in 1985 based heavily on a taped con-

fession he made to Detroit police while he was in a mental hospital.

Lloyd said the officer who interviewed him indicated that his confession would help "flush out the real killer."

"I had no idea I would spend the next 17 years in prison," said Lloyd, 54.

On Monday, Lloyd hugged his sisters and talked about finally meeting his grandchildren.

"I want to run the 50- or 100-yard dash with my grandbabies," Lloyd said.

He said he wanted to repair his relationship with his family and perhaps have a career working with children, "to be a productive citizen so they can say, 'There's old man Lloyd. He's all right.'"

Lloyd becomes the 110th con-

victed person in the United States (the first in Michigan) to be exonerated by DNA testing, according to the Innocence Project.

The genetic evidence in Jackson's slaying was gathered from a bottle and a pair of long johns found at the crime scene, as well as from evidence slides discovered three weeks ago, said Barry Scheck, an attorney with the Innocence Project.

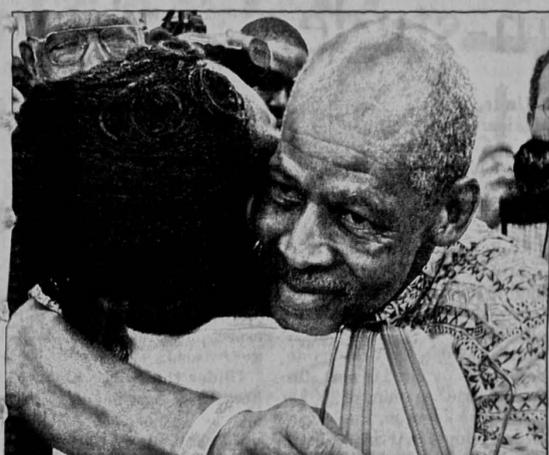
The DNA doesn't match any samples in the FBI's database, meaning Lloyd couldn't have committed the crime.

Jackson was strangled with the long johns. Her body was discovered in an abandoned building on Jan. 25, 1984, a day after she disappeared while walking to school. Jackson's family isn't taking

the news well, Wayne County Prosecutor Michael Duggan said. But he added, "I think they have come to believe that Mr. Lloyd did not do it."

Lloyd, who suffers from bipolar disorder, was in a mental hospital and on medication when police say he confessed to Jackson's murder. Police interviewed him after he wrote letters to a police sergeant saying he had information regarding a number of cases, including Jackson's.

What concerned officials, Duggan said, was Lloyd's knowledge that Jackson had been sexually assaulted with a bottle — something that hadn't been reported in the press. Lloyd said he learned the detail from someone at a convenience store, Duggan said.



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Eddie Joe Lloyd, center, hugs family and friends in the prosecuting attorney's office in Detroit on Monday after being released after 17 years in prison. A judge overturned the rape/murder conviction of Lloyd after recent DNA tests showed he couldn't have been the killer.

Airports' screening firms raise fees

BY LESLIE MILLER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Some private companies that screen airline passengers are charging more for their services now that the government is footing the bill, says a federal report that found one company nearly doubled its rates.

The Transportation Department's inspector general also found cases where the companies billed the government for absent employees and work that was never completed. And it found lax oversight by government officials.

Before Sept. 11, private companies had contracts with airlines to screen passengers and their carry-on bags. After the terrorist attacks, Congress created the Transportation Security Administration, which was ordered to take over the contracts, worth \$1.6 billion, and to hire a federal work force to assume passenger screening duties in more than 400 airports by Nov. 19.

According to Alexis Stefani, the Transportation Department's assistant inspector general for auditing, the companies raised their rates for labor and overhead when the government started paying the bills in February. One company nearly doubled its overhead rate to \$28 an hour and raised employee pay from \$10 to \$14.

The inspector general's staff visited six unidentified contractors at two undisclosed airports and found no government supervision while contractor employees arrived late, left early, and signed in as though they worked an entire shift. "We saw virtually no onsite monitoring of screener contractors by [transportation security] employees," the report said.

A separate review by the transportation security agency discovered "internal controls were not followed, contractors billed [transportation security] for employees who were on

vacation, and [transportation security] was overcharged for services not performed," the inspector general said in the report issued earlier this month.

Kenneth Quinn, an attorney representing several screening companies, said the higher costs are justified. He said security screeners were vastly underpaid before Sept. 11 because of pressure from the airlines to reduce costs.

Now, he said, "you need to make sure you're paying people adequately so they don't bolt knowing that they'll be out of a job" when the federal work force is in place.

Quinn also said the government appears to be doing a good job of supervising the companies and their screeners. "From my vantage point, the transportation security has provided fairly active oversight," said Quinn, who cited a confidentiality agreement in declining to identify his clients.

The transportation-security

agency did not return repeated calls seeking comment.

Gary Burns, a spokesman for Rep. John Mica, R-Fla., the chairman of the House Aviation Subcommittee, said higher pay is understandable, but charging for services not performed is not.

"If they're guilty of fraudulently charging the federal government for services, they can and probably will be held accountable," he said.

The government was supposed to negotiate prices and terms with the screening contractors after taking over the contracts six months ago, but it hasn't done so yet, the inspector general said. The transportation security agency instead awarded "letter contracts" to the companies, which don't spell out detailed terms.

The agency is in the midst of hiring about 30,000 screeners. As of today, screeners who work for the federal government are on the job in 37 of the 424 airports that will have federal workers.

Groups lobby for lower imbibing taxes

BY SHARON THEIMER
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WASHINGTON — The alcoholic-beverage industry is pressing Congress to lower the federal excise tax on beer, wine, and liquor — just as several states are considering raising their "sin" taxes to help close budget deficits.

Already, more than 200 lawmakers seeking re-election — many beneficiaries of the industry's political largesse — have signed on to the tax-cut proposals.

The beer lobby is portraying the beer tax as unfair to working-class Americans. A poster handed out on Capitol Hill features a pointing Uncle Sam sternly declaring, "I want half your beer" and says taxes take approximately 44 cents of every dollar spent on beer.

The poster promotes an Anheuser-Busch "Roll Back the Beer Tax" Web site featuring profiles of "Joe and Jane Six-Pack: The Average American Beer Drinkers," described as "young, average Americans, many of

whom are raising a family."

"Beer is one of the simple pleasures of this group, a pleasure that most often is enjoyed — responsibly — at night, in the home. Lowering the beer tax means more money in the pockets of these young, hard-working men and women," the Web site said.

Industry lobbyists say that if the bills do not pass this year, they hope they'll be first in line the next time Congress considers tax cuts.

"There are lots of good reasons to pursue this legislation that go beyond getting it passed," said Frank Coleman, a spokesman for the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States.

For example, if anyone suggests raising the federal excise tax on liquor, "you already have a solid bloc of people who say, 'Your taxes are too high and/or inequitable,'" he said.

The spirits-tax cut proposal is sponsored by Rep. Ron Lewis, R-Ky., a Baptist preacher who doesn't drink. Lewis' district includes several bourbon distilleries,

spokeswoman Kathy Reding said. Approximately 100 lawmakers are co-sponsoring Lewis' bill.

Rep. Phil English, R-Pa., proposes cutting the beer tax in half, from the current \$18 per barrel to \$9, its 1990 level. That would save beer drinkers roughly 16 cents a six-pack. At least 223 lawmakers — more than half the House — have signed on to his legislation.

English said the current economic slowdown is a good time to "pass back to a lot of working-class consumers a little bit of their tax money."

"I think this is a fairness issue," he said.

The beer tax was doubled in 1991 legislation that also raised the taxes on yachts, furs, and other luxury items, English said. Although many of those taxes were later rolled back, the beer tax remained at the higher level, he said.

If Congress grants the tax cuts, it would provide a long-sought victory to an industry that has been a prolific giver of

campaign cash this election year.

Beer, wine, and liquor interests have donated at least \$3.7 million to congressional Republicans and national party committees and \$2.6 million to their Democratic counterparts for this fall's election, according to figures compiled by the Center for Responsive Politics, a nonpartisan center that studies political donations.

Lewis and English both count the industry among their top donors. Lewis spokeswoman Reding said Lewis' bill is driven by distilleries' importance as an employer in his district. English said his campaign has a broad base of support and isn't dependent on industry money.

The talk of federal cuts come as several states consider raising sin taxes to help trim budget shortfalls.

At least 18 states have raised cigarette taxes in recent months. At least 15 have considered raising alcoholic-beverage taxes; of those, Alaska and Tennessee have approved increases.

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Some in Guard face more duty

BY JOHN J. LUMPKIN
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WASHINGTON — For some troops in Maj. Ron Turk's Air National Guard security unit, the war on terrorism has meant a year away from the local police beat, or college, or the family business. It has also meant a year away from husbands, wives, and children.

Now, many of them face a second year away from home and civilian life.

Turk's unit, the 108th Security Forces Squadron of the New Jersey Air National Guard, has been notified it may be needed for a second year on active duty.

The military has told some 14,000 Air Force National Guard and reservists — including the more than 110 people of the 108th — that they might be needed for another year.

"Most of our troops can handle it," Turk said. "They're very patriotic, and they'll do whatever we need to do. There are some hardships. It's certainly difficult on their families. It's difficult on their employers."

The largest group facing an extended term are 5,700 Air National Guard security troops, such as Turk's, who protect bases, said Kathleen Gereski, a spokeswoman for the National Guard Bureau. Some are serving at domestic bases, others overseas.

In the last year, troops from the 108th have been to Europe, Saudi Arabia, neighboring Qatar, and Kandahar, Afghanistan. Based at McGuire Air Force Base, N.J., they are trained to function as beat cops, walking airfield fence lines, guarding aircraft, and searching cars.

Many are in law enforcement in civilian life — Turk, for one, is a Bureau of Alcohol,

Tobacco, and Firearms agent in Kentucky. His unit also has college students who have missed a year of school and face missing another.

Elsewhere, an additional 3,500 Guard members and 4,800 Air Force reservists have been notified they might serve two-year terms, the maximum under the current level of mobilization. Airmen who work in intelligence and equipment maintenance may also see their terms extended, officials said.

The extensions, first reported Monday by *USA Today*, do not necessarily mean all 14,000 will spend another year in uniform, officials said. They can be demobilized once the military decides their services are no longer needed on active duty.

The extensions were announced even as the military sends home thousands of weekend warriors called up after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Approximately 76,000 members of the Guard and reserves — including troops from the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and Coast Guard — are on wartime active duty. The majority are in the Army and Air Force.

That figure is down from a high of more than 85,000 in early June. Since, the military has been demobilizing more than 1,000 people a week, said Lt. Col. Dan Stoneking, a Pentagon spokesman.

"We want to call up as few as possible for as short as possible," he said.

The call-ups are under what the military calls a "partial mobilization," ordered by President Bush after the Sept. 11 attacks. The president has authority to activate up to a million reservists and Guard members to serve up to two years.

INS revises foreign-student policy

BY SUZANNE GAMBOA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Immigration officials on Monday reversed a post-Sept. 11 security directive that would have barred Canadian and Mexican students from enrolling part-time in U.S. colleges.

Colleges just within the U.S. border can continue to accept part-time foreign students, but the students will be required to have more paperwork to make their daily commutes across the border, the Immigration and Naturalization Service said.

For Mexican students, in particular, this could mean months of waiting for foreign-student visas.

Citing security concerns after the Sept. 11 attacks, the INS announced in the spring that U.S. colleges could not accept

new part-time students from Canada and Mexico.

The proposal drew heavy outcry from students and universities.

"This new rule will prevent the significant disruption of part-time studies, which have become an accepted fact of life along our borders with Mexico and Canada," INS Commissioner James Ziglar said in a statement Monday announcing the revised policy.

Under federal law, foreigners going to school in the United States cannot be classified as visitors, but they can't be called students unless they carry a course load of at least 12 credits.

For years, border points such as El Paso, Texas, and Buffalo, N.Y., have made exceptions for part-time Canadian and Mexican students, who entered on daily visitor passes and travel visas.

Under the revised policy, Mexican students must have foreign-student visas and Canadians must show border inspectors copies of I-20 immigration forms, which indicate they are enrolled in a school.

Students must attend INS-approved schools no farther than 75 miles from the border.

Part-time students who were already studying in the United States must obtain the same documents required of new students by the beginning of 2003.

Marlene Johnson, the executive director of NAFSA: Association of International Educators, said the new policy recognizes the links between border communities.

INS spokesman Dan Kane said processing times for I-20s depend on how quickly the school does the paperwork.

Ed Dickens, a spokesman for

consular affairs, said foreign-student visa applicants can expect to wait six to eight weeks and possibly longer. Men between 16 and 45 have to fill out extra forms, he said.

"Students in particular who are in certain areas of study that have security implications, such as biochemistry or nuclear physics, would also have to expect long processing times for their visas," Dickens said.

Under the North American Free Trade Agreement, Canadians do not need visas to enter the United States, Kane said.

College officials on both borders were happy to hear of the new policy. Robert Murphy, the student affairs vice president at D'Youville College in Buffalo, N.Y., said the school spent the summer trying to find ways to make it possible for the students to legally attend classes.

New pill joins growing anti-depressant lineup

BY LAURAN NEERGAARD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Starting next week, psychiatrists will be able to prescribe an eagerly awaited new anti-depressant called Lexapro. It's being promoted as more potent and possibly safer than older competitors — but there's little evidence that it's much better.

Still, Lexapro promises to be a big player in the \$12 billion anti-depressant market. So how do patients and doctors choose whether to try it or another of the bewildering array of depression drugs?

"You're playing the odds," is the blunt way Dr. Philip Ninan of Emory University puts it. "Each anti-depressant comes with a different set of pros and cons, and there's little way to know in advance which will work best for which patient."

While patients today have

better drugs than ever to fight depression, a huge swath of the 19 million Americans afflicted at some point in their lives fail to get relief. Experts estimate that up to half of patients who try an anti-depressant stop altogether or switch to another within three months. Some can't handle the side effects, others get little or no benefit — probably because there are different causes of depression that require novel treatments.

Today's medications emphasize balancing brain levels of the feel-good neurochemical serotonin. Ninan is excited about a radically different approach, targeting hormones believed to cause patients with depression to have exaggerated responses to stress. But it will take years more research to prove if these experimental "CRF antagonists" fulfill that promise.

With potential breakthroughs so far away, any new option causes excitement — even if,

like Lexapro, the drug isn't very different chemically from its predecessors. Indeed, Lexapro is a fine-tuned version of the popular drug Celexa, the latest in the Prozac-spawned class of "selective serotonin re-uptake inhibitors," or SSRIs.

Lexapro is "not God's answer to this illness, but it is a step forward," Ninan said. "The word I'd use is an incremental advance."

Forest Laboratories Inc., maker of both Celexa and Lexapro, argues that even an incremental advance means Lexapro can make a meaningful difference. So when it hits pharmacy shelves Sept. 5, the company will virtually end its Celexa marketing — meaning few if any free samples anymore — in favor of Lexapro, which will sell for 5 to 10 percent less than its roughly \$2-a-pill predecessor.

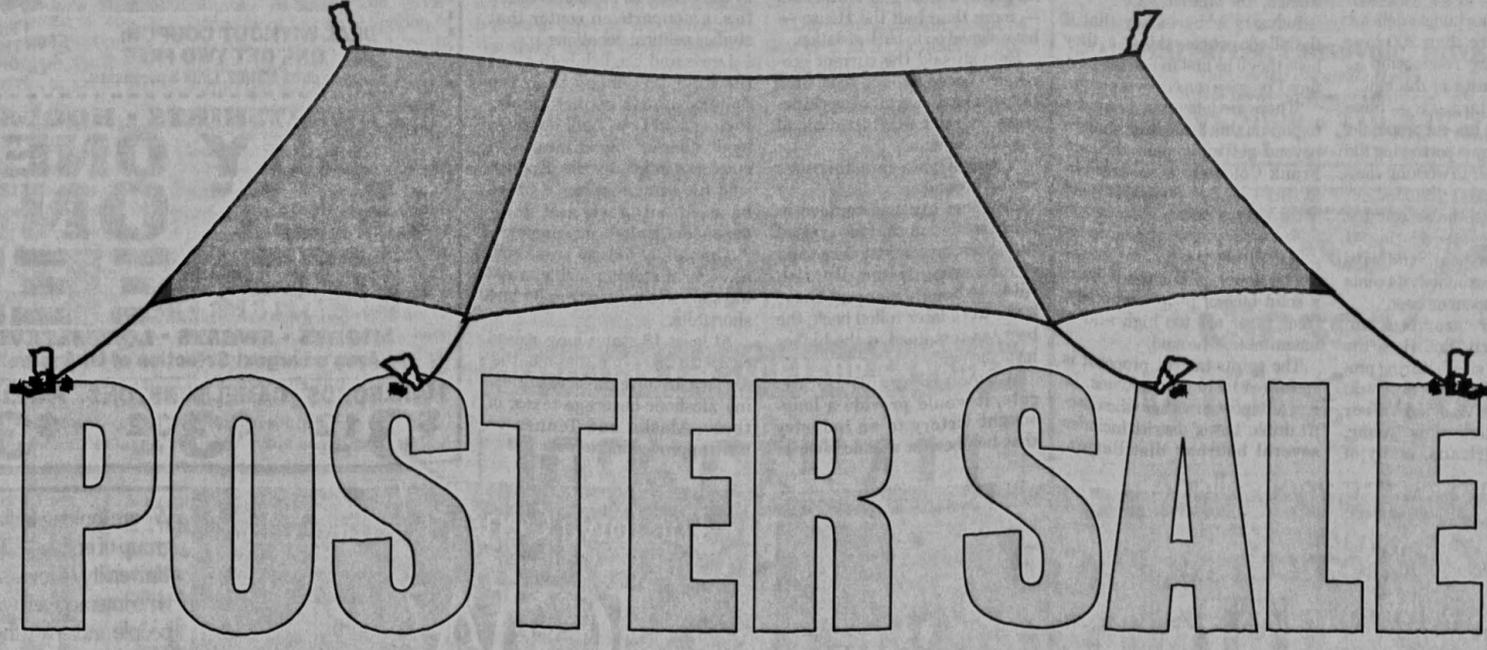
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Plowing through rejection

BY ARYN HENNING
THE DAILY IOWAN

Author and Writers' Workshop alumni Fred G. Leebron rejected a professional career and countless prods from his family and mother so he could be a writer.

"My family wasn't really supportive," he said.

Although his mother signed him up for the LSATs four times, he never took the exams.

He decided against medical school right before his program was supposed to begin, instead hoping to make it as an author.

After the publication of two books and his most recent novel, *In the Middle of All This*, Leebron said his family is no longer skeptical about his decision to pursue a future in the fine arts.

"The biggest expression of support was when my mother bought me a Compaq computer before I started graduate school in 1985. That still sticks with me," he said.

While his mother was busy raising him and his four siblings, Leebron became interested in writing during the eighth grade because of a problem in communication.

"Being the youngest, it was the only way I could get my words out," he said.

And getting your words out is not always an easy feat. His first novel, *Out West*, went

through three agents and 36 publishers before it was finally accepted. This led to some difficult times for Leebron and his wife and first child.

"There was a period where we had 13 different jobs," he said. "It's definitely a hard life to choose."

READING

Fred Leebron

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and the other workshop students that he was devastated, he said.

"All day long, people were asking me if I was all right. This life is all about rejection and determination," he said.

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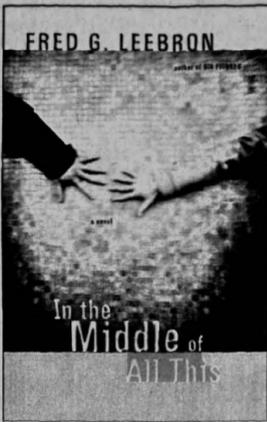
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Fred Leebron,
author

Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., has an energy on its second floor that gives him a great feeling. He will read there today at 8 p.m. from *In the Middle of All This*. His two past readings have packed the cozy area.

"I can't even describe it. I wish I could. I am always amazed there are even people interested in listening," he said.

In the Middle of All This, a novel that shows different ways



of dealing with a terminal illness and various levels of grief, was unfortunately inspired by an illness in his family and his own desperation — a feeling that there was nothing that could be done.

Leebron, who is prone to writer's block, said writing this novel took approximately two years, although there were two six-month chunks of time in which he didn't write a word. "The hardest part for me is not being able to reach the next sentence, or even the next word," he said.

Rejections have been a part of Leebron's life, but with the encouragement of his wife and friends, books reach their ending and publication. This is something he relies upon.

"You just can't lose faith. And you have to keep writing," he said.

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Living well on the backstory

BY NEKESA MUMBI
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NEW YORK — After spending five years chronicling the rise, fall, and redemption of rock's biggest and wackiest stars, "Behind the Music" narrator Jim Forbes admits there are some phrases he gets sick of repeating.

No, it's not the now famous line about hitting "rock bottom." "You know the line that's always bugged me? 'He or she was only X years old when he or she died,'" Forbes said with a laugh. "Well, you always want to live longer."

"I fight so hard not to become a caricature of myself, and not to become a cliché, and to deliver those lines with sincerity."

Despite — or perhaps because of — its sometimes predictable formula, the VH1 biography series has become one of television's most copied and parodied shows.

"Behind the Music" in five years has already managed to make it to 'The Simpsons.' Need we say more?" said Robert Thompson, a professor of media and popular culture at Syracuse University. The animated show won an Emmy for its satire episode, "The Simpsons: Behind the Laughter."

Not only is "Behind the Music" VH1's longest-running show, it is also the low-rated network's most consistent ratings grabber; it's currently running neck-and-neck with another biography show, "Driven," as VH1's most popular program.

Next week, the channel celebrates "Behind the Music's" five-year anniversary with a marathon including some of its

most popular and notorious episodes, hosted by the comedian Cedric the Entertainer.

There's Shania Twain's tearful account of her parents' deaths; MC Hammer's account of his fall from stardom to bankruptcy; and Leif Garrett's awkward reunion with the friend paralyzed in an accident Garrett caused.

"It's exploitation reality TV," Garrett said somewhat derisively. Yet he admits that his "Behind the Music" episode helped rekindle interest in his forgotten musical career.

"The timing was really good, so it did help for sure getting people to see what I am doing now."

Although "Behind the Music" has profiled stars such as Twain, Faith Hill, and Madonna, it got its start profiling those whose luster had dimmed. The show's first subject was Milli Vanilli,

by myself," Morvan said. "A week after, the people on the streets were like, 'Hey man, keep doing your thing,' very supportive."

Getting faded stars to reveal intimate secrets wasn't that difficult. Persuading such successful stars as Sean "P. Diddy" Combs or Lenny Kravitz to delve into the messier aspects of their lives was more of a challenge, said Moll.

"When we first started out, we went to artists who would give us great access ... and a lot of those acts were well beyond their prime," he said. "It took some time to get people such as Madonna, Cher, and people like that on board."

Still, among the most popular "Behind the Music" episodes are those featuring C-list stars, such as David Cassidy, the Monkees, and MC Hammer.

"If you lift the celebrity element out of the story, is it still a great human drama," Moll said.

And that makes good television, Thompson said.

Since "Behind the Music" first aired in 1997, biography series have proliferated: Lifetime's "Intimate Portrait" and MTV's "Diary," among others.

Over the past few years, the show has shifted from older, baby-boom performers to more contemporary acts; among recent subjects are Aaliyah, Dr. Dre, and No Doubt.

But don't expect an 'N Sync or Britney Spears edition anytime soon.

"It's hard to do a story on an artist who's 20 years old and who has two records and grew up in the suburbs," Moll said.

"But I'll do Eminem in a heartbeat. It's about the backstory."

Catch special episodes of VH1's "Behind the Music" all this week at 9 p.m.

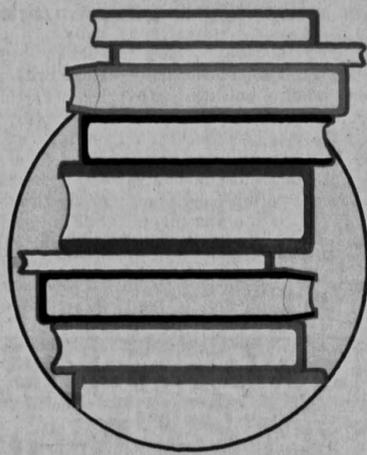
the pop duo disgraced for lip-syncing to other people's voices.

The series "came out of questions that were asked like, 'What ever happened to Milli Vanilli?'" said George Moll, its executive producer. "We didn't know exactly what the show was going to be, but we thought that there was a good documentary."

The caveat was that the subjects had to cooperate and be willing to delve into uncomfortable topics. Fabrice Morvan of Milli Vanilli, trying to put the scandal behind him, wasn't sure he wanted to go into it again.

"After a while, I think I felt comfortable enough to do it ... and we came to realize that maybe it would be a good thing. It would be the first interview all

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NEWS

Oklahoma victims feel left out

BY JENNIFER BROWN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

OKLAHOMA CITY — The day the planes tore through the towers, Oklahoma City bombing victims relived some of the pain they've harbored for seven years.

Within weeks, many empathetic souls traveled to New York to cry with those who lost loved ones in the terrorist attacks. They escorted families to Ground Zero, holding hands as they stood before the smoking heap of metal and concrete.

Within months, another emotion was beginning to stir.

Some Oklahoma City bombing victims are feeling neglected nearly a year after the terrorist attacks because Congress did not include them in a compensation fund with an expected average payout of \$1.65 million for relatives of the Sept. 11 dead.

Oklahoma City families do not begrudge the Sept. 11 families anything, said Dan McKinney, who lost his wife, Linda, in the bombing of the Oklahoma City federal building in 1995. But Congress hasn't acted fairly, he said.

"The way I look at it, a terrorist attack is a terrorist attack," he said. "People just don't realize that there wasn't money given out after the bombing."

The government paid death or disability benefits to federal employees or their families after Timothy McVeigh gutted the Alfred P. Murrah Building with a truck bomb, killing 168 people.

Cafeteria employees, parents of children killed in the daycare

center, and those who died while visiting the building did not receive federal benefits.

Other federal aid given to the state for the victims totaled approximately \$75,000, according to the district attorney's office. Oklahoma City collected about \$35 million in charitable donations, mostly to the Red Cross.

Kathleen Treanor, who is leading the fight for equal compensation for Oklahoma City victims, said some have called her greedy.

"Most of them are people who could not possibly understand because they have not walked a mile in my shoes," said Treanor, whose 4-year-old daughter and in-laws were killed while visiting the federal building. "I've grown a pretty thick skin in the last seven years."

She said she is seeking the money because it's only fair. "I feel overlooked," she said. "I feel shoved aside."

Treanor said she immediately wanted to go to New York after the attacks. Memories of the bombed-out Murrah building flooded her mind, and chills shivered down her spine as she stood at Ground Zero.

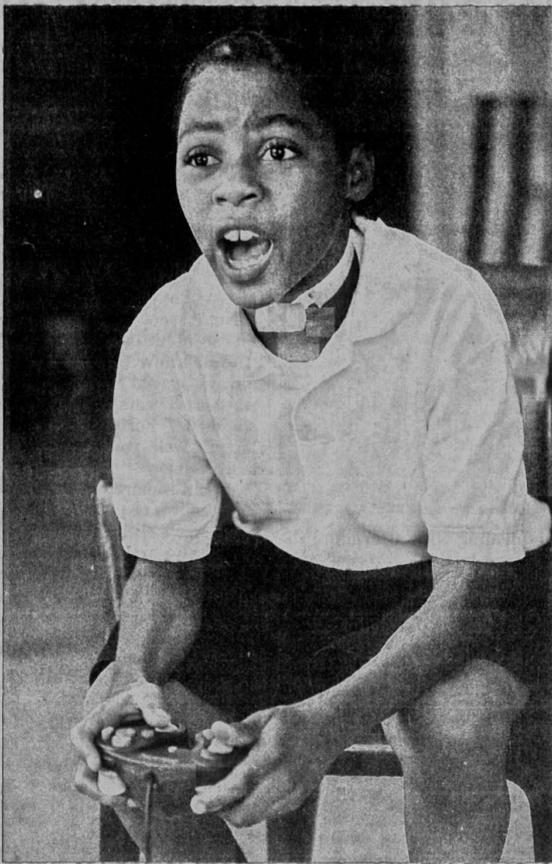
This year has been particularly rough for one of the smallest survivors of the 1995 bombing, P.J. Allen.

"I thought they killed the bad guy," said the frightened 9-year-old, whose lungs were scorched in the 1995 blast.

P.J., who has a permanent tracheotomy and gives himself breathing treatments, knew that the terrorist bomber who hurt him had been executed

I feel overlooked. I feel shoved aside.

Kathleen Treanor
victims' advocate



Andrew Laker/Associated Press

P.J. Allen, 9, plays a video game Monday at his home in Oklahoma City. Allen, one of the youngest survivors of the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing, has a permanent tracheotomy because of severe lung damage caused by the blast.

three months before Sept. 11.

"I think Sept. 11 had a large impact on him and his sense of security," said Deloris Watson, his grandmother. "He felt the only bad man was Timothy McVeigh.

Once he was dead, he didn't think anybody would hurt him."

Since Sept. 11, the little boy is more clingy. He won't fly on an airplane, and he wants to know why the "bad men" are back.

Summit opens with rich-poor split

BY KENNETH R. WEISS
LOS ANGELES TIMES

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — The World Summit on Sustainable Development opened here Monday with the lofty aspiration that representatives of more than 190 nations will agree on a plan to develop the poorest countries without further fouling air, polluting water, or degrading land. Yet negotiations quickly got bogged down with impoverished countries demanding more aid and wealthy nations reluctant to give it.

South African President Thabo Mbeki opened the meeting with a call for participants to pursue the goals adopted a decade ago at the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Those included reversing "environmental destruction, poverty, and inequality." Unfortunately, little progress has been made, he told the delegates from around the globe, many sporting earphones to hear his speech translated into their languages.

"A global human society based on poverty for many and

prosperity for a few, characterized by islands of wealth, surrounded by a sea of poverty, is unsustainable," Mbeki said.

"The tragic result of this is the avoidable increase in human misery and ecological degradation," he said.

The 10-day, United Nations-sponsored conference has drawn approximately 12,600 people so far, including 5,730 government representatives, to a convention center in the Johannesburg suburb of Sandton.

The summit is being held in Sandton, Africa's glitziest commercial district of palatial marble-and-glass towers looming over the squalid township of Alexandra, where many people live in the very hopeless conditions the summit seeks to erase.

The goals of the conference include reducing by half the number of people without access to clean water, 1 billion, and without proper sanitation, 2 billion. Other goals are to supply the poor with cheap but renewable energy and proper health care, and to reverse the despoiling of agricultural land and the number of plant and animal species threatened with extinction.

A number of countries want an action plan to accompany the "Johannesburg Declaration" that would set unambiguous goals and also dates by which nations would have to show measurable progress. Such commitments, although not legally binding, are also sought for expanding the world's reliance on solar, wind, and other renewable energy sources to reduce its use of fossil fuels and the resulting pollution and emissions of globe-warming gases.

The Bush administration, which pulled out of the international Kyoto Protocol designed to reduce greenhouse gases, has so far resisted setting specific goals and timetables.

Many environmental activists were disheartened by the United States' continuing resistance to setting firm timetables for action.

"Every time targets come up, the U.S. puts a line through it," said Gordon Shepherd, an official with the World Wildlife Fund.

"Goals are important," said John Turner, the assistant secretary of State who is leading the U.S. delegation. "But

are only lofty rhetoric without the commitment of [financial] resources."

Developing nations want the United States and other wealthy countries to more than triple the amount of foreign aid they provide. Only with such economic help, these countries argue, can they protect their forests and other natural resources from being sacrificed to feed and shelter the poor or provide fuel to cook their meals.

The U.S. delegation emphasized the role of private investment rather than government aid to spur development. Turner suggested that how others view the Bush administration on these issues will change once it begins to roll out its package of "real action" projects and partnerships to tackle thorny environmental, economic, and social problems.

President Bush, unlike leaders of 104 other nations, will not come here to present his case. Instead, he will dispatch Secretary of State Colin Powell to lead the delegation in the final days of the summit.

WASHINGTON POST NEWS SERVICE

Group wants to probe Chinese mental wards

BY HANS GREIMEL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

YOKOHAMA, Japan — The world's leading psychiatric association decided Monday to look into reports that China is silencing political dissidents by confining them to mental wards, where some — including members of the Falun Gong sect — are dragged or undergo electric shocks.

The World Psychiatric Association voted to send a fact-finding team to China, a move that could lead to Beijing's expulsion from the professional brotherhood if it resists the investigation, as it has other similar missions in the past.

The group said that among those reportedly detained in mental hospitals are nearly 500 members of Falun Gong, a spiritual sect outlawed by China in 1999 for allegedly threatening national security. Thousands of its followers have been arrested and sent to labor camps.

"We are concerned they have Falun Gong members who are not patients in their hospitals," outgoing association President Juan Lopez-Ibor told the World Congress of Psychiatry, gathering Monday in the Tokyo suburb of Yokohama.

"I am concerned about the abuse of psychiatry," he said.

In some cases, individuals without mental problems allegedly have been forced to take psychiatric drugs and given electroshock treatment, sometimes as punishment for their political views, the association said citing reports from international nonprofit organizations and family members.

In one incident, Cao Maobin was held for 210 days at the Ranching No. 4 Psychiatric Hospital in eastern China after trying to form an illegal labor union, according to the New York-based China Labor Watch rights group. His wife claims doctors force-fed him drugs even though he was mentally sound.

U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights Mary Robinson visited China last week and said the detention of Falun Gong members in psychiatric wards was an ongoing problem. She also said U.N. officials have had difficulty getting permission to investigate the alleged abuses.

Chinese officials vehemently deny holding political opponents in mental institutions.

But part of China's effort to crush the Falun Gong group has been a propaganda campaign that often uses gruesome photos and accounts of how alleged members went insane and hurt themselves or others.

A multimedia show in Bei-

jing last summer included graphic pictures of a farmer in southern Hainan province, Du Zhuangli, who allegedly developed psychosis after practicing Falun Gong meditation techniques and attacked a man with a farming tool. School groups were among those who filed by and looked at the display.

Similar charges of psychiatric abuse led the Soviet Union to withdraw from the World Psychiatric Association in 1983 as the other members prepared to expel them. Soviet psychiatrists were readmitted in 1989 after doctors there released hundreds of dissidents from confinement.

In its vote Monday, the association — which represents professional groups from 105 nations — said it wants to inspect China's hospitals by May 2003 after working out ground rules with Chinese authorities.

Lopez-Ibor said the team must have the right to inspect wherever, whenever, and whenever it wants, but conceded that China has the final say.

"We don't have the possibility to visit all the hospitals one by one," he said. "We need some green light from the Chinese health authorities."

He was confident, however, that Chinese authorities would grant an open door.

"Our main intention is not to have some in the organization out," Lopez-Ibor said. "It is to finish the abuse."

Lopez-Ibor said he went to China in February to meet with the Chinese Deputy Minister of Health Xiaowei Ma and discuss the potential of investigating the claims.

China has been reluctant to open its doors for similar visits, including Robinson's attempts to send a U.N. team to probe reports of torture in prisons.

So far, China has refused to give into Robinson's top demands: that investigators choose the prisons and meet with detainees out of earshot from Chinese officials.

China would likely be hesitant to allow those freedoms to the psychiatric association's investigators. Without such unhindered access, an investigation might have little credibility.

Mike Shooter, the president of the Britain-based Royal College of Psychiatrists, abstained from voting on the measure, saying it lacked teeth, although he admitted it was a step forward. He wanted his group to have better say in who is selected for the investigative team, an issue yet unresolved.

"We're asking they go further and faster," he said.

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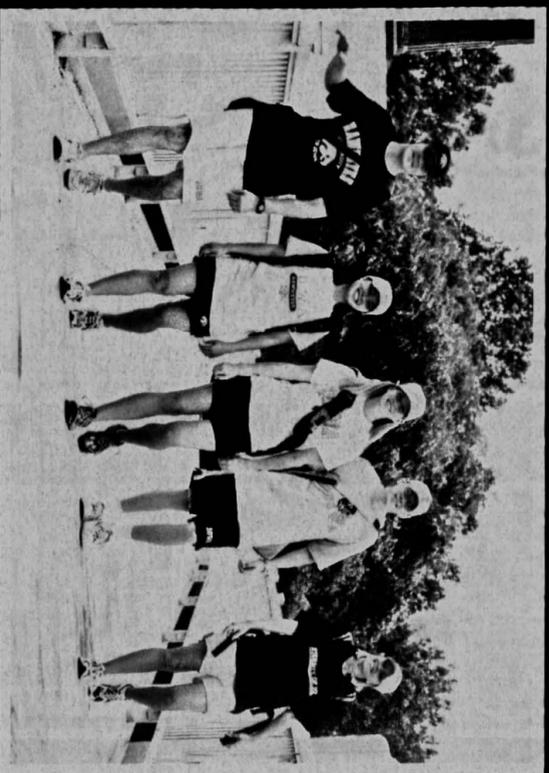


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NEWS

2nd teen's body ID'd

BY ANDREW KRAMER
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OREGON CITY, Ore. — A body found in a barrel buried under a concrete slab has been identified as one of two girls who vanished last winter.

Oregon City Police Chief Gordon Huiras said Monday night that the 12-year-old girl, Ashley Pond, had been identified through dental records. Her remains were found Sunday, one day after authorities found the body of 13-year-old Miranda Gaddis in a shed.

Both sets of remains were found behind the rental home of man who authorities say is a suspect in the girls' disappearance.

The suspect, Ward Weaver, had been jailed since Aug. 13 on an unrelated rape charge and hasn't been charged in the girls' deaths. However, Greg Horner, the chief deputy district attorney, said Monday that he would present the case to a grand jury in hopes of obtaining an indictment.

Weaver's attorney, Tim Lyons, said: "We are going to await the return of the indictment and see what the charges are and proceed from there."

The girls went missing last winter, prompting a nationwide search that ended over the weekend just a few hundred yards from the apartment complex in which they had lived.

FBI investigators returned to Weaver's property Monday with high-tech equipment, a back-hoe, shovels, and pickaxes to search for any evidence that might be hidden in the earth.

FBI spokeswoman Beth Anne Steele said investigators didn't believe there were any more bodies on the property but said they "want to clear the property to make sure there's nothing else."

We are never going to forget what happened. This is going to hurt my daughter for the rest of her life.

Wes Duffey,
victim's grandfather

The girls' relatives said Monday they were frustrated and devastated that the bodies were found so close to the girls' apartment complex.

"Detectives and police stood out here all hours with posters, and they were right here all along," said Terri Duffey, Miranda's aunt. "They came in and out of that driveway 100 times, and they were right there, I mean right there, and we couldn't do anything."

A security fence erected by police around the property has become a makeshift memorial — festooned with flowers, teddy bears, and notes in which people have expressed their grief.

"We are never going to forget

what happened. This is going to hurt my daughter for the rest of her life," said Wes Duffey, Miranda's grandfather.

Weaver said weeks ago that he was a suspect in the FBI investigation, but he denied any involvement. Weaver agreed to the search because he wanted to "bring closure to the families," his attorney told *The Oregonian*. Lyons did not elaborate.

Weaver was charged earlier this month with raping his 19-year-old son's girlfriend. His son, Francis Weaver, then told emergency dispatchers that his father had killed Ashley and Miranda.

"I'm very glad that Ward will never be able to hurt anyone ever again, nor destroy any more lives," Francis Weaver told KATU-TV in Portland late Sunday.

Last summer, Ashley had accused Weaver of molesting her, but he denied the allegations and was never charged. Family members and friends have said they had a close, and at times inappropriate, relationship.

Ashley's family last saw her on Jan. 9 eating breakfast with her younger sister before school. On March 8, Miranda disappeared from the same low-income apartment complex south of Portland.

Bush tosses Saudis a plum

BY GEORGE GEDDA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Bush is trying to shore up U.S.-Saudi relations, shaken by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and questions about the kingdom's reliability in the war against terrorism.

In a conciliatory gesture, Bush will play host at his Texas ranch Tuesday to Saudi Arabia's ambassador to the United States, Prince Bandar bin Sultan.

"Relations are strong," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said in Crawford. Other officials brushed aside repeated suggestions, almost all from outside government circles, that Saudi Arabia has been complicit with Islamic militants.

Earlier this month, 700 relatives of Sept. 11 victims filed suit against the Saudi and Sudanese governments and some institutions contending that they helped finance Osama bin Laden's network and the terror attacks in New York and Washington.

The lawsuit was filed a week after Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal said the United States would not have access to Saudi facilities for an attack on Iraq. He also affirmed the kingdom's opposition to an incursion.

Visits by foreign leaders to Crawford are considered to be diplomatic plums, and they are usually reserved for officials of the most senior level. Russian President Vladimir Putin has visited there; Chinese President Jiang Zemin is due in late October.

The invitation to Bandar has less to do with his rank than

with the personal relationship he has had with the Bush family, including the former president, during his nearly 19 years as ambassador. He is by far the longest-serving ambassador in Washington.

Bandar will bring his family to Crawford and have lunch there with Bush after discussions in the morning.

Because of the long history of personal friendship, the meeting will be heavy on spontaneity and light on carefully prepared diplomatic presentations, an administration official said.

"The president enjoys his time with Prince Bandar," Fleischer said. "He's a very affable fellow, very good humor, speaks English better than most Americans."

Fifteen of the 19 Sept. 11 hijackers were Saudis, but the administration has never held the Saudi government responsible.

The administration clearly has a more benign view of the monarchy than the Pentagon think-tank briefer who said last month that Saudis "are active at every level of the terror chain, from planners to financiers, from cadre to foot-soldier, from ideologist to cheerleader."

All top administration officials said the comments did not reflect U.S. government thinking.

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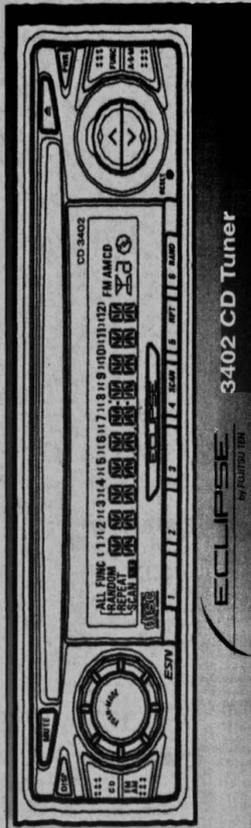
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Accord reached in McBad-Timing flap

BY DOUG MELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

OSLO, Norway — Humanitarian groups criticized McDonald's for a new sandwich called the McAfrika, saying the offering is poorly timed because millions of Africans are facing starvation.

But aid officials on Monday welcomed an agreement by the fast-food restaurant chain to inform customers about the potential famine in southern Africa and tell them how they can help, Tarje Wanvik of the group Norwegian Church Aid said Monday.

McDonald's was stung by bad publicity in the Norwegian media last week when it announced that the new sand-

wich, made of beef and vegetables wrapped in pita bread, will be sold at 15 restaurants in Oslo. The sandwich was advertised as being based on African recipes.

"There was nothing wrong with the name. It was the timing," Wanvik said. "They launched it just as a famine in Africa was starting."

Aid groups fear that as many as 13 million people are in danger of starvation in several southern African nations. They called the U.S. fast-food giant's campaign "distasteful."

McDonald's Norway spokeswoman Margaret Brusletto said McDonald's was "very happy with the solution that was reached" with Norwegian

Church Aid and the Norwegian Red Cross.

She said the groups would be able to put collection boxes inside restaurants where McAfrika is sold and promote their campaigns with tray liners and posters.

Last week, Norwegian Church Aid marked the launch of the McAfrika burger by gathering outside one of the McDonald's restaurants in Oslo, where they handed out crackers used as emergency rations for starving people.

Wanvik said his group actually liked the name McAfrika and the campaign because it makes the food and Africa itself sound exotic and positive.

"But it was unlucky timing,"

he said. "We are very happy with the agreement we have reached with McDonald's."

The controversy came just before the United Nations opened a 10-day summit in Johannesburg, South Africa, on Monday to discuss ways to halve the more than 1 billion people without access to clean water and the more than 2 billion without proper sanitation in coming years.

Wanvik said there was no connection. "The timing only had to do with 13 million people in danger in Africa," he said.

The McAfrika sandwich will be sold as part of a rotating exotic food series in Norway. Norway has 60 McDonald's restaurants in all.

State backs students' claim of McExploit

BY WALTER F. ROCHE JR.
BALTIMORE SUN

In a letter sent to Sen. Barbara A. Mikulski, D-Md., a State Department official wrote that the agency was aware of "the unfortunate situation" faced by students who came to the United States to work for the fast-food chain under a summer work/travel program.

"We have also determined that the complaints by the five students ... are well founded," wrote Paul Kelly, the assistant secretary of legislative affairs, in the letter sent late last week to Mikulski.

The *Baltimore Sun* reported last month that students from Poland and Slovakia complained that so much money was deducted from their initial paychecks that their net pay was zero. The bulk of the deductions were to pay \$2,000 a month rent for five students sharing a two-bedroom apartment in Abingdon, Md., northeast of Baltimore. The students said they were told that if they didn't accept the apartment rental arrangement, they would lose their promised jobs.

They were also charged \$200 each for a security deposit. Other deductions were made for Social

Security and Medicare coverage, despite the fact that the students were legally exempt from making those payments.

After the newspaper article, McDonald's officials said refunds were made to students for the improper Medicare and Social Security deductions.

Robert Palmer, McDonald's regional marketing director, also promised to look into students' complaints that the rent for the apartment was excessive. The two-bedroom units in Abingdon normally rent for \$750 a month — but under a one-year lease.

McDonald's officials were

unavailable Monday for comment.

More than 400 foreign students were recruited to work this summer at McDonald's outlets in Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

They came to the United States under a government-sanctioned educational exchange program under which students can work for three months and take an additional month to travel. The students were recruited by Donna Maertens, a Virginia woman who serves as a consultant to the fast-food chain.

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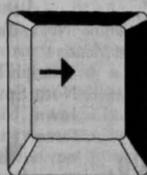
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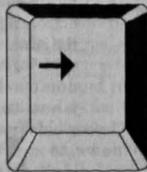
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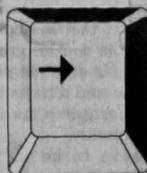
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Gross, Vilsack stump for student support

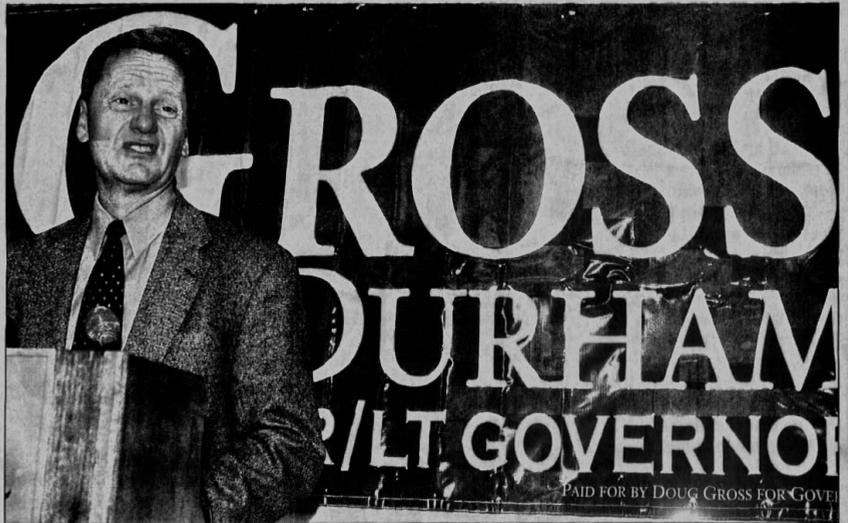
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in various restrictive, reserve, and savings funds, Vilsack said. "This is the side Gross doesn't want Iowa to hear," he said. Gross emphasized his desire to provide an affordable and quality education for all students, blaming Vilsack for mismanaging the state budget and not setting education as a top priority. Vilsack has not kept his promises with Iowans, he said, and Vilsack's solution to state budget problems is to saddle families and kids with debt.

Gross was accompanied by student testimonies during the afternoon address at the IMU describing how tuition increases have personally affected the lives of UI students. Senior Holly Eggleston said her best friend, Chrissy Brouwer, could not return to the UI this year because of tuition. "She joined the Air Force because it offers tuition assistance after service, and while I think that it is very noble of her to defend her country, I'm still losing my best friend because she can't afford to go to college anymore," she said. The past 12 to 18 months have been a very challenging time for

the state and the nation as a whole, Vilsack said, citing the national recession, Sept. 11, and corporate misdeeds as leading to the budget troubles his administration has faced in the past year. "Doug Gross is hypocritical to say that he is concerned about students," Vilsack said. "Gross has no plan, and we are going to take that message of hypocrisy all over the state." Both candidates said they will visit Iowa City again within the next several months as the campaign heats up and the Nov. 5 election draws near. E-MAIL DI REPORTER CHUCK LARSON AT: CLARSON@BLUWEEG.UOWA.EDU



Republican gubernatorial candidate Doug Gross speaks to students in the IMU Minnesota Room on Monday afternoon. Curtis Lehmkuhl/The Daily Iowan

Office reports record in complaints

CONFLICT

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acknowledge that the numbers are bleak, they say the report will provide a basis for developing new policies to foster better campus morale. They plan to meet with top university officials to discuss the report soon. The total number of complaints rose to 393 from 310 last year. The University Ombudsman Lon Moeller said it's clear that

budget cuts have been "the driving force in the increased number of complaints." "It makes it unsettling times for everybody," he said. "When you're worried about jobs and classes, it makes people more edgy." Employees cannot sit at ease as budget cuts threaten their jobs and creates talk of layoffs and furloughs, the report stated. Others are concerned about assuming additional responsibilities they might not be qualified to shoulder, causing them to

finish tasks in an untimely manner, the report said. Complaints listed in the report were wide-ranging. They included staff job conflicts involving co-workers, difficulty securing tenure and promotion for faculty, student-teacher dissatisfaction, campus-housing shortages, changes in curriculum and graduation requirements, and financial-aid concerns. For student complaints, which rose to 175, academic issues were the most frequently cited. The 18-percent tuition

hike for this year also was a target of complaints. Grades and conflicts with faculty members were responsible for the highest number of complaints, which also included residency and increases in plagiarism and academic misconduct. In one course alone, the report said, 26 cases of plagiarism were uncovered. These complaints are represented in a 97-percent increase in cases filed by all students since last year. E-MAIL DI REPORTER CHRISTY B. LOGAN AT: CHRISTY-LOGAN@UOWA.EDU

Claims against state for stuttering project may hit a roadblock

STUTTERING

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informed of the experiment last summer when Jim Dyer, then a reporter for the *San Jose Mercury News*, wrote a story exposing the program. The victims and victims' relatives filed claims against the state rather than the UI because in legal matters, "the university is the state," UI General Counsel Mark Schantz said. "When anyone wants to make a claim against a state agency, they go through a state process."

there has been no action taken by the [state] appeals board." Mary Nixon, 75, of Marshalltown, Iowa, was 12 at the time of the study; she seeks \$3 million for personal injury. Her claim is the only one to pass the six-month deadline. Nixon declined to comment Monday. Ralph Fry of Nora Springs, Iowa, was forced to stutter, but he has no memory of the experiment and currently ponders legal action against the state. "I really don't know what to do," he said.

I really don't know what to do. It's all news to me.

Ralph Fry, experiment participant

against a state agency, they go through a state process." Bob Brammer, the communications director for the state Attorney General's Office, said the state has yet to take a position. "We don't have any comment about the merits of the claim," he said. "There's no official position on this taken by the state yet. The state can either deny it or approve it. After six months, a claimant, if they choose, can turn their claim into a lawsuit. So far,

the now 71-year-old Fry said. "It's all news to me. [The experiment] didn't do much good. When I got into my 20s, I outgrew [stuttering]." Robert Hamer, who was 4 years old at the time, participated in the control group of the study. He does not plan to sue, but he said if he had been in the other group, he might think differently. "I'd have to be in their shoes," he said. E-MAIL DI REPORTER JEFFREY PATCH AT: JEFFREY-PATCH@UOWA.EDU

Allergy sufferers win a battle in scent war

PERFUME

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certain scents irritated some people, Hancher adopted a policy commonplace in performing-arts centers across the nation and began printing a request in programs asking the audience to

abstain from wearing fragrances to performances. Hancher Executive Director Charles Swanson said he believes that the announcement has been effective. "I've noticed a difference myself," he said. "We haven't had the complaints we used to have. People are more aware of

the fact that some people ... can't tolerate perfumes and scents." Although the announcement may have created an awareness about perfume allergies, it can't curb all instances. So, should someone such as Dyer take a seat in Hancher and catch a whiff of a pleasant,

yet migraine-inducing scent, he or she can request alternative seating. And should faculty and staff bemoan the loss of air fresheners, the commodity can be replenished from departmental funds. E-MAIL DI REPORTER KAREN HEINSELMAN AT: KAREN-HEINSELMAN@UOWA.EDU

Burge work won't slow down food, UI says

BURGE

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offices at Hillcrest and converting the former Parklawn Apartments into a dorm. Once the home of families and older students, the interior of Parklawn has been converted from one-bedroom apartments to dorm-style rooms for freshmen. Two lounges and an office were also integrated into the

building, said David Coleman, an assistant director of Residence Services. Parklawn is also equipped with a new 24-hour proxy-card entry system, which might eventually be installed at each of the UI dormitories, officials said. Residents have cards that they swipe through an electronic eye to gain entry to the building. The UI also redesigned the

rotunda in the Hillcrest main entrance and moved the main offices to the north side of the lower level. The old office space

will soon be the home of Grab-and-Go and a conference room. E-MAIL DI REPORTER CASEY WAGNER AT: CASEY-WAGNER@UOWA.EDU

ACT, following lead of California, adds essay

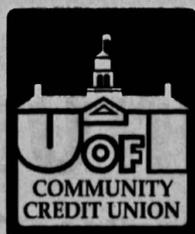
BY STEVE GIEGERICH
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The maker of the nation's second most widely used college entrance test, the ACT, said Monday it will include an optional essay on its exam that students can take depending on the admissions requirements of the colleges where they're applying. The announcement comes less than two months after owners of the ACT's rival, the SAT, said they would add a mandatory essay to that test. ACT Inc., headquartered in Iowa City, said its decision was influenced by the expectation that the University of California system will later this year require a writing sample from prospective students. Swayed by the likely admissions reform in the California system, the College Board — owner of the SAT — decided in June that a mandatory essay will be included on its tests beginning in March 2005. The ACT will make the essay portion of its exam available in the fall of 2004. Students will be required to check with universities they want to attend to determine if they need to take the essay.

The writing sample will add to the cost of the exam, but ACT officials said they weren't sure how big the increase will be. The basic cost of the ACT is now \$25. A spokesman for the ACT said uncertainty over whether other institutions will follow California's lead persuaded the nonprofit to give individual colleges and universities the option of requiring that applicants take the writing test. "We don't want to charge students for something they may not need because it is going to cost a little more," said the ACT's Ken Gullette. The test-maker said it has no plans to make further additions to its exam. A record 1.12 million of this year's high school graduates took the ACT. The composite score, 20.8, represented a slight drop from the 2001 average, 21. ACT officials attributed the decline to results from Colorado and Illinois where thousands of high school juniors, including many without an expressed interest in pursuing higher education, were required to take the test. The SAT was administered to 1.3 million students in the class of 2002.

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The River Aire in Bradford, England, on Aug. 23. The nearly 6,000 Hindus of Bradford are seeking permission from their local government to perform the religious right of symbolically scattering the ashes of dead loved ones into the river.

Hindus seek Brit 'Ganges'

BY ED JOHNSON
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BRADFORD, England — Morani Gupta pointed down at the fast-flowing river as it eddied around discarded tires and swirled beneath a concrete bridge daubed with graffiti. "When I die, I want my ashes to be scattered here," he said with a smile.

The River Aire, a polluted waterway that slices through Bradford, a racially troubled city in northern England, seems an unlikely spot in the Hindu cycle of reincarnation.

But the 6,000-strong local Hindu population is seeking permission from Bradford City Council to turn the river into a "symbolic" Ganges — India's holiest river, which is believed to wash away sin and release the soul from the body for its heavenward journey. It is believed to be the first time that Indians living overseas have tried to create a Ganges substitute.

"Many families cannot afford the journey to India," said Gupta, who is the chairman of the World Council of Hindus in Yorkshire. "We wanted a site where we can say farewell to our loved ones with grace and dignity."

The Ganges flows 1,600 miles from northern India to Bangladesh and is worshipped as the mother goddess of India. The Bradford river, which is popular with anglers, trickles into life north of Skipton in the Pennine hills and runs a mere

100 miles before it empties into the River Ouse.

But Gupta argues that with the necessary leap of faith, the Aire will serve just as well.

"The most important thing is where your mind is," he explained.

Hindus believe that the Ganges was brought to Earth by Lord Shiva, who knotted his hair, received the water on his head, and allowed it to flow harmlessly to the ground.

In Varanasi, the heartland of the Hindu religion, thousands of pilgrims walk into the Ganges every day in the belief it will cleanse their sins. Cremation pyres line the ghats, or man-made banks with steps leading to the river, as the bodies of those who die in the holy city crackle and burn.

The site proposed by the council — a piece of waste ground beneath Apperley Bridge on the outskirts of Bradford — is far removed from the ancient wonder of Varanasi. The muddy brown river littered with refuse, a used car lot, and the training ground for the city's soccer team are the only views.

But Gupta is optimistic. "It is a nice site ... it is easy to get to."

The project, if approved by local authorities and the Environment Agency, will further contribute to Bradford's multicultural image.

The population of 486,000 includes 71,000 people of Pakistani or Bangladeshi origin and

12,000 from India — many attracted to work in Bradford's textile mills in the 1950s and 1960s.

The city is segregated along racial, ethnic, and religious lines. Last summer, Bradford was one of four northern English cities wracked by rioting involving whites and South Asians.

The troubles have been widely blamed on agitation by right-wing groups. But a report commissioned by the City Council found that communities were ghettoized, that children left school with little knowledge of other cultures, and that intolerance was growing.

Such prejudice was evident in the George and Dragon, a quaint 18th-century pub that overlooks Apperley Bridge.

Asked about the river proposal, Mick Rhodes, a construction worker playing a slot machine during his lunch break, said, "I do not like it."

"Round here is scenic. It is a white area, and people do not want coachloads of ethnics coming down and throwing their ashes in the water," he added, to murmurs of approval from his drinking colleagues.

The local council is approaching the application cautiously.

"I can assure people that no decision on such an issue would be made without the fullest possible consultation with the local community," said Anne Hawkesworth, the council's environment executive.

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Israeli-Arab arrests spark fears

BY STEVEN GUTKIN
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JERUSALEM — Seven Israeli Arabs have been arrested as suspected accomplices in a deadly suicide bombing, police said Monday, heightening concern of a growing alliance between members of their community and Palestinian militants.

The announcement came as Israel's army chief of staff said Palestinian militants pose an existential, "cancer-like" threat to Israel, and they must be defeated at all costs to restore the deterrence Israel lost when it withdrew from south Lebanon in 2000.

The comments by Lt. Gen. Moshe Yaalon brought sharp criticism from dovish politicians, who said he was overstepping his bounds as a military officer. One commentator called the remarks an attempt to derail an agreement that envisions Israeli withdrawals from parts of the West Bank and Gaza Strip in exchange for Palestinian steps against terrorism.

The seven Israeli Arabs, all members of the same family, were accused of involvement in an Aug. 4 suicide bombing on a bus at the Meron junction in northern Israel. The blast killed nine passengers and pedestrians.

Police said the suspects helped store explosives in a nursery school, dressed the assailant as a tourist, and then scouted a target — a bus filled with Israeli soldiers and civilians.

Only last week, police arrested four Arab residents of

Jerusalem on suspicion of carrying out several bombings, including a July 31 blast at the Hebrew University cafeteria that killed nine people, including five Americans.

The arrests increased concerns that Arabs with Israeli identity cards might use their status to carry out terror attacks.

Israeli Arabs, who number approximately 1 million of Israel's population of 6 million citizens, have freedom of movement not afforded to residents of the West Bank, who have been barred from Israel during 23 months of fighting. Jerusalem's 200,000 Palestinians, who have Israeli ID cards but are not full citizens, also enjoy such freedom of movement.

Raanan Gissin, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's spokesman, called the latest arrests an "ominous development" and said Palestinian militants "are [trying] to recruit Israeli Arabs to participate actively in terrorist activity."

Gissin and Israel Arab leaders noted that the vast majority of Arab citizens are not engaged in terrorism. Several Israeli Arabs have been killed and many more wounded in Palestinian bomb attacks.

Meanwhile, in the West Bank, Israeli troops backed by tanks and helicopters raided the Jenin refugee camp and arrested Jamal Abul Haji, 44, a regional leader of Hamas, a violent Islamic group. Under cover of heavy machine gunfire, troops stormed Abul Haji's hide-out in

a three-story building, Hamas activists said.

Israeli security officials said Abul Haji's assistant, 29-year-old Aslam Jarrar, was also arrested in Jenin.

Abul Haji lost a hand in fierce fighting between Palestinian gunmen and Israeli troops in April. Two months later, Israeli troops blew up his house.

Also Monday, an attorney for the Israeli government told the Supreme Court that expelling three relatives of Palestinian terror suspects from the West Bank to the Gaza Strip did not violate international law.

An expanded panel of nine judges, up from the customary three, began hearing arguments in the case on Monday. The Israeli military says the expulsions deter terrorism, but human-rights lawyers say they violate international law and constitute collective punishment.

In the Gaza Strip, two mortar shells fell in Jewish settlements early Monday, causing no injuries. The mortar fire further jeopardized a fragile agreement under which Israel has already pulled back from positions in Bethlehem and is to do the same in Gaza, in exchange for Palestinian efforts to stop attacks against Israelis.

Speaking before a rabbinical assembly on Sunday, army chief Yaalon blamed Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Authority for stoking violence against Israelis, saying: "The current Palestinian leadership is not prepared to recognize Israel's right to exist as an independent Jewish state."

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Guest Opinion

News coverage of athletics off the wall

In the last few months, there have been a number of student-athletes in the news either because of academic difficulties or because of incidents with the police. Such news is never good and detracts from the well-being and opportunities of the athletes involved as well as the reputation of the UI. In general, athletics at this university does very well both on the field and off the field, and that is still very true. However, in the last few months we have been on a roll, and the athletes involved have generated considerable reaction both from the university community and the wider community. Some of the reaction makes sense to me; some of it is off the proverbial wall.

The academic and athletics welfare of our student-athletes as well as their citizenship is the business of the Board in Control of Athletics. As the group that represents both the university and athletics, we should be speaking on all these issues.

As chairman of Athletics Board, I should be clear with the university community as to where I stand on these current incidences, and, hopefully, I speak for the sentiment of the board. I completely endorse that Hawkeye athletes are held to a

high standard both in terms of academics and citizenship. There are expectations when you wear the uniform, and those expectations should be made clear to each athlete by the coaches; the consequences of not meeting those standards should be equally clear. If athletes want to be less visible and treated just like any other student on this campus, then they should hand in their uniforms, and they will get their wish. You can't have it both ways. Make your decision and then move on. Athletics is different; to state that those on athletics scholarships should be treated no differently from those on academic or artistic scholarships is a poor use of time and a denial of reality.

My major concern is not that athletes (especially at Division 1-A level) are held to unfairly high standards, but that they are allowed to make a mockery of academics and are allowed to "get away" with disrespectful public behavior because of their ability to help win games and bring in revenue. When athletic prowess trumps respect for academics and respect for citizenship, then we have serious reason for concern. This is exactly what a number of universities have allowed to happen and continue to allow.

Although most of the news in the last several weeks has involved coach Kirk Ferentz and Athletics Director Bob Bowlsby, my message is for all our coaches and athletics personnel.

Whenever you hold our athletes to high standards, you deserve our support. These last several weeks have been trying but neither Ferentz nor Bowlsby ever made excuses or tried to minimize the issues. Also, they treated the athletes professionally in the media and never made comments that were derogatory to these athletes. Their professional behavior was well above the behavior of the news media.

It is the job of Athletics Board to let coaches and athletics staff know when they do not act in the best interest of the university. It is also our job to let them know just as clearly when they do. I appreciate that Ferentz and Bowlsby acted in the best interest of this university and did not allow athletic ability to trump citizenship. On behalf of Athletics Board, I thank them.

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Editorial

Forest proposals duplicate historical lack of foresight

In the past week, the Bush administration has proposed controversial reactions to the nation's forest fire issues and energy concerns. Proposals offer easier access to log national forests and explore Canyons of the Ancients National Monument for oil require careful attention, and they carry important environmental implications.

In response to a particularly harsh forest-fire season, President Bush has publicized an initiative that would increase logging of national forestland by restricting the opportunities for appeal or litigation by citizens and civic groups. According to Bush, the mandate of logging projects would focus on selective trimming and cutting of forests to lessen the fire hazard.

However, obvious questions arise. First, what sort of license are we according logging companies by restricting legal appeals on their behavior? Without legal recourse, civic groups can no longer affect what happens in forests that belong to the public, hence the term, "national forest."

Second, the very techniques used should be considered. Logging companies likely will favor big, commercially valuable trees for their cutting rather than concentrating on the smaller, less fire-resistant trees that cause such disastrous fires in the first place. Also, in the past, projects to mitigate fires have targeted remote areas of forests rather than those nearer to human life and property.

The second proposal, which responds to energy concerns, involves the deployment of 30-ton "thumper trucks" into places such as the Canyons

Bush's proposals for logging and forest exploration leave much freedom for loggers and must be questioned by the public.

of the Ancients National Monument in Colorado to explore for oil. As if the 85 percent of the area already leased for oil use does not suffice, Bush wants to explore the remainder by sending the destructive "thumpers" into one of the most archeologically precious and sensitive

locations in the country without so much as an impact assessment.

Thankfully, a federal judge ruled to suspend the exploration plans for the canyon and will hear arguments from environmental organizations led by the Wilderness Society, this week.

In both national forest logging and oil exploration of national monuments, the public must hold Bush and his administration under careful watch. Both cases raise eyebrows about special interests and the risk of loose mandates, with considerable environmental damage at stake. In the case of the forests, the logging companies must not receive a blank check for cutting national forests indiscriminately, a risk rendered by restricting public appeals.

In the case of oil exploring, they must either conduct sound environmental-impact assessments or stay out.

This is not to say that both cases should be halted altogether. However, they cannot begin without careful planning and appropriate guidelines. To simply entrust loggers without careful and stringent guidelines in accordance with sound forest-fire prevention, or to deploy "thumpers" recklessly in highly sensitive monument sites, is to repeat the mistake so often to blame for environmental degradation: lack of foresight.

At play in the summer of Coulter-geist angst

If you've been keeping score, you've probably noticed that this hasn't exactly been the summer of our content. And if you haven't been keeping score, well, there's probably a lucrative career ahead of you in accounting.

Let's see, there's been continuing tumult in the Middle East, which the Bush/Stealth President administration proposes to solve by invading Iraq (yeah, that'll probably calm everything down). Corporate scandals persist in unfolding like a tsunami of bad paper — which leads you to think that the whole thing might not be just a few rotten apples, as George has maintained. It might be the orchard.

Afghanistan continues to teeter between chaos and turmoil (though it might be the other way around). Global climate change goes on its mirthful way; Alaska is melting, the oceans are rising, and the Pacific island nation of Tuvalu wants to sue the United States for abandoning the Kyoto Protocol because in 50 years it will be the underwater nation of Tuvalu (no word yet whether Kevin Costner will star in the movie). The economy proceeds to jet along at a slug's pace, slime trail and all.

At least Dubya has come up with a solution for all those forest fires: Destroy the trees in order to save them. Talk about not being able to see the forest.

Luckily for us, we have Ann Coulter galloping across the landscape all in a lather to distract us from the troubles of the real world with her unique brand of slapstick.

Coulter has become famous for her intelligence and perception, as is evident in such observations as, "God said, 'Earth is yours. Take it. Rape it. It's yours.'" Or, [to a disabled Vietnam War vet]: "People like you caused us to lose that war." Or, writing in the aftermath of Sept. 11 about the "homicidal maniacs" dancing and cheering in the Mideast streets: "We should invade their countries, kill their leaders, and convert them to Christianity."

In her less inflammatory moments, she's referred to Bill Clinton as a "rapist" and "a known felon" (I don't know about you, but I missed the part where Bill was convicted of a felony) and to blabber guru Katie Couric as "Eva Braun." I'll grant you, Couric can be annoying, but I'm not sure that puts her on a par with Hitler's mistress.

Coulter came out with a new book recently, aptly titled *Slander*, filled with wit and wisdom of the same ilk. It's become all the rage, jumping to the top of the *New York Times*



BEAU ELLIOT

best-seller list, and it's spawned, in the words of Joe Conason, a cottage industry of readers who have discovered a morass of misleading paraphrases, departures from reality, and outright dissembling.

For example, as Robert Parry of the *Washington Monthly* points out, she repeats over and over the myth that Al Gore falsely contended that he was the inspiration for the book *Love Story*. Why any sane person would want to have the slightest connection with that trickle of treacle, I'm not sure, but this is Al Gore we're talking about. In any case, Erich Segal did say in the Dec. 14, 1997, *New York Times* that Gore was part of the inspiration for the novel's main character — and Segal should know; he wrote the damn thing. Yet, at least three times, Coulter iterates the fairy tale that Gore lied, trying to hobnail home some point or other. Why didn't she merely note that one of Ol' frangible Al's claims to fame is being the inspiration for one of the 20th century's most execrable excuses for a novel? That says metric tons about the man's judgment.

Her missing the point is one of the reasons Coulter is so justly famous for her perception. Her repeating a lie over and over is, of course, another.

Then there's the matter of the Frank Rich column in the Oct. 27, 2001, *NY Times*. On page 5 of *Slander*, citing the column, Coulter writes, "... Rich demanded that Ashcroft stop monkeying around with Muslim terrorists and concentrate on anti-abortion extremists." That's about as true as the notion fluoridated water causes communism. Rich actually wrote: "As for Mr. Ashcroft, he has gone so far as to turn away firsthand information about domestic terrorism for political reasons. Planned Parenthood, which has been on the frontlines of anthrax scares for years and has by grim necessity marshaled the medical and security expertise to combat them, has sought a meeting with the attorney general since he took office but has never been granted one."

And so it goes in the land of Coulter-shock. There's so much more; you should pick up a copy just for the comic relief. Myself, I can't wait until the movie comes out. I wonder if Pee Wee Herman is available to play her brain.

One thing is certain in these uncertain times. If the Coulter-geist is any indication, this is the way the whirl ends: not with a bang, but a simper.

DI COLUMNIST BEAU ELLIOT IS A REFUGEE FROM NEW ORLEANS.



In My Opinion

How did your first day of classes go?



"They drove me insane."

Alex Grant
 UI junior



"What? Classes started today?"

Annie Smith
 UI junior



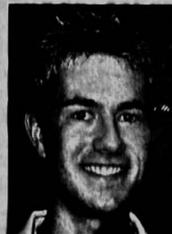
"One word: supercalafragilisticexpialidous."

Emily Clogg
 UI sophomore



"It was quite busy. I'm very excited to start the semester."

Ying Xu
 UI graduate student



"A lot less stressful than I had expected."

Brian Dailey
 UI freshman

Boyd's back — a 'what to do' list

As many of you are already well aware, the UI has a new president at the helm. Well, kind of. Technically President Boyd is not the "president," but the interim president. And in reality, he is not "new," but back for round two. Boyd served as the UI president from 1969 to 1981. And now, while the university spends lots of time and money to find another president, "Sandy" has graciously decided to serve during the interim period.

How lucky we are. In fact, I would personally say to the Presidential Search Committee, "Stop your search; we're OK. Let's just keep Boyd." The UI's Golden Age is back with Boyd. But I know that this is not possible because Boyd probably does not want the job for too long. I mean, come on — he's retired. But who says the interim president should just be a figurehead?

Especially when you are Sandy Boyd. I mean, you get to do a job that you love, again, and you do not have to worry about job security, so why not live it up? Stir up some trouble, have some fun. Leave your mark once again.

You have a semester, perhaps a year? You might as well make some changes, everyone knows we need them. But you are a busy guy, so I decided to help you out by making

you a "What to do While I'm President" list.

1. Recycling: We've been working on it for more than three years, but we need your support. Things would be easier if we could get a strong commitment from the top and continued financial support through the Coca-Cola fund.

2. Fiscal Efficiency: Everyone knows the budget is bad and getting worse. But instead of always looking at students to make up the costs, why not look at how we can be more fiscally responsible with the money we do have. For example, by eliminating the receipt one receives every time you print something from a UI computer or looking for additional outside funding (such as from Coca-Cola funds for student scholarships, recycling, library furniture — all things that otherwise would have to be paid for through tuition increases). What we cannot do is limit enrollment and continue to increase costs at the current rates.

3. Advertise: The UI doesn't have money because people do not see how we benefit the entire state. We need to advertise our

benefits to the state. The community colleges do this through billboards and ads featuring prominent community members that went to a certain community college first.

The state universities need to do something similar across the state. Along with this, we need to coordinate the administrative and student government efforts of promoting the university to residents and legislators.

4. Put the student back in the UI. Let's face it, students are the university. They need to have a voice in the university's decision-making process. Let them encourage student initiative, service, and involvement.

5. Fix the IMU: from creating real programming that serves as true alternatives to the bars to treating students like the adults we are. It is not a good situation down there, and something needs to be done.

6. Go have lunch in the IMU food court. Be visible to the students. Listen to their ideas and concerns.

7. Fix the parking problem. (Hey, it's a staple in any platform.)

8. Promote volunteerism and students getting involved in their community. Students need encouragement to become involved, not only in the UI community but also in the Iowa City community. Students need to realize that Iowa City is their home for the four or so years they are here. They need to become citizens, they need to vote, they need to respect all the community members.

Likewise, this would allow the rest of the community to see that the majority of students are not out drinking, vandalizing, and causing trouble.

9. Come sit in the student section during the home football games. You might learn a thing or two down there.

10. Have fun and enjoy your time at the top. Well, I hope this helps. We are all excited about your return. We are confident that you have the experience and expertise to make a difference, again. We know that you will not just fill the chair while serving as interim president. Instead, we know that you will be our president.

Welcome back, President Boyd. We're glad you're here.

DI COLUMNIST NICK KLENSEKE IS A FIRST-YEAR LAW STUDENT AND FORMER UISG PRESIDENT.



NICK KLENSEKE

Letter to the Editor

U.S. national security is non-negotiable

Russian-U.S. "negotiations" over Russia's sale of nuclear technology to Iran underscores the lack of vision and suicidal nature of America's unprincipled foreign policy.

Regardless of Russia's true motivation in selling or threatening to sell dual-use nuclear technology to Iran — be it purely irrational, short-sighted economic gain, the extortion of diplomatic or economic concessions from Washington, or an attempt to secure future, long-term monopolistic energy contracts

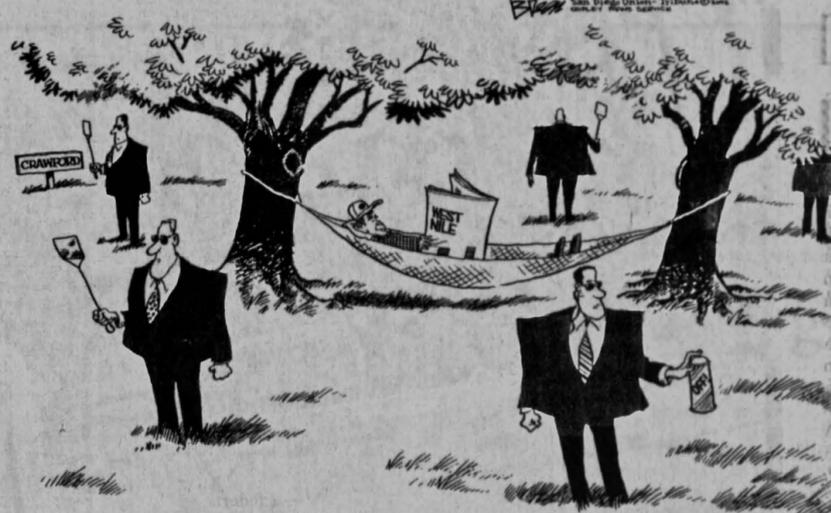
in a post-war Iran — America's national security and the lives of its citizens are not a bargaining chip to be used in international diplomacy.

This same Islamic terrorist regime held more than 50 American diplomats hostage for 444 days in 1979. Allowing it to develop nuclear military technology poses a much greater and far longer-term threat to American lives. Any country that would assist in that endeavor is not our ally, by any rational definition of the term.

Russia should be told in no uncertain terms that moving ahead with these plans would be a deal-breaker for any future Russian-U.S. diplomatic relations. The

Bush administration and State Department should declare unequivocally that only those countries that demonstrate in words, foreign policy, and action a clear commitment and alignment with long-term U.S. security needs are our diplomatic allies. A mutual respect for America's self-defense and national interests should be the precondition for diplomatic relations with any country. As a vital matter of foreign policy, the same moral clarity and rationality must be applied in defining our friends as our enemies.

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Wayne, Pa., resident



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IOWA STATE



McCarney won't file appeal on game

Iowa State coach Dan McCarney says it's time to put aside the debate over whether Seneca Wallace scored on the next-to-last play of the Cyclones' 38-31 loss to Florida State and concentrate on Saturday's home game with Kansas.

"To me, it's not hard to get past it when we turn around and play our Big 12 opener," McCarney said. "We'll either be 1-0 in the Big 12 and in first place for the next month or 0-1 and in last place for the next month."

"I think it's very easy for us to put it behind us."

Still, McCarney couldn't avoid the debate during the Big 12 conference call.

A reporter asked if McCarney thought Wallace had scored at the end of a 20-yard scramble with four seconds left. The official ruled Wallace was out of bounds as he tried to stretch the ball across the goal line.

"From the tape we've seen, there wasn't any question he scored," McCarney said. "It doesn't do any good now, but the TV, the end zone, the sideline [views] showed his foot was clearly in bounds and the ball was across the goal line. It should have been a touchdown."

"But appeals don't do any good. I'm not going to waste any time with it."

—Associated Press

SOFTBALL

Hawkeyes honored in fastpitch league

The Iowa Dynasty, a fast-pitch softball team composed of several current and former Hawkeyes, recently garnered third-place honors at the ASA Women's Majors National Championship.

A pair of current Hawkeyes, shortstop Kristin Johnson and catcher Jessica Bashor, were both named second team All-Americans at the event.

A pair of sophomores, hurler Lisa Birocci and centerfielder Lindsey Bashor, were also members of the squad, as were former Hawkeye standouts Katy Jendrzejewski, Alicia Gertach, and Liz Dennis.

Dennis earned first team All-America honors after leading the tournament with a .476 average.

—Todd Brommelkamp

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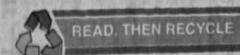
Former Iowa player decides to transfer

Benny Sapp, who was dismissed from Iowa's football team, practiced at UNI on Monday.

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Bottomfeeder Northwestern anticipates climb

BY TODD BROMMELKAMP
 THE DAILY IOWAN

As Northwestern heads west to open the 2002 season on the road against the Air Force Academy, the team finds itself where it had been for the vast majority of the last century — on the bottom looking up.

Just two seasons removed from a share of the Big Ten championship, its third in six years, the Wildcats begin this year plagued by youth and inexperience.

"We have a lot of new faces, but we feel like we have recruited well over the past couple years," Northwestern coach Randy Walker said. "We think some of those young guys got their feet wet."



2002 Big Ten Football Preview

Daily Iowan writer Todd Brommelkamp offers his outlook on the Big Ten this season. A different conference team will be highlighted in each edition of the DI.

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Most of the Wildcats, including nine freshmen, got more than their feet wet a year ago as the team nearly drowned in the throes of the season's final

weeks. Northwestern lost its last six games of the year and finished 4-7 with an abysmal 2-6 ledger in Big Ten play.

"I don't think we were a better

team in November than we were in September," Walker said. "That's discouraging because to me, that's one of the key elements of football — getting better."

The poor ending was a fitting bookend to a season that began with the August training-camp death of safety Rashidi Wheeler and the uproar that followed. The Wildcats, who wore a patch bearing Wheeler's initials last season, never seemed to emerge from the shadow cast by the saga.

This season, Walker finds himself dealing with personnel problems rather than personal problems. Few teams in the country were hit as hard by graduation as the Wildcats. As Camp Kenosha, the Wildcats' preseason training home,

opened this month, Walker found himself looking for the comforting faces of quarterback Zak Kustok, career rushing leader Damien Anderson, and defensive staples Napoleon Harris, Billy Silva, and Kevin Bentley. They were not to be found, replaced either by freshmen or the untested.

On offense the 'Cats return just four starters, and they will attempt to replace Kustok with sophomore Tony Stauss. Neither he nor junior backup Matt Danielson have started a game in their careers. The ever-confident Walker feels Stauss or Danielson will add his own touch of creativity to an offense that, despite its troubles,

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Slow progress

Baseball negotiations steady as Friday's deadline nears

BY RONALD BLUM
 AP SPORTS WRITER

NEW YORK — Four days before the strike deadline, baseball players and owners were taking tiny steps toward each other.

A day after criticizing players, owners made a new economic proposal Sunday that moved toward the union in an effort to head off a strike later this week.

Players, who have set a Friday deadline for a walkout, called the economic plan slight progress, and union head Donald Fehr said "the differences continue to be narrowed."

Owners raised their thresholds for a luxury tax and lowered their proposed tax rates, and also slightly decreased the amount of local revenue they want teams to share. They also made a new proposal on testing for steroid use, where the sides remain apart on details.

"While they did make some small movements in those areas, the luxury tax thresholds remain very, very low and constitute a big problem for us at this point," he said. When combined, he said the revenue sharing and luxury tax plans still look "very much like a salary cap."

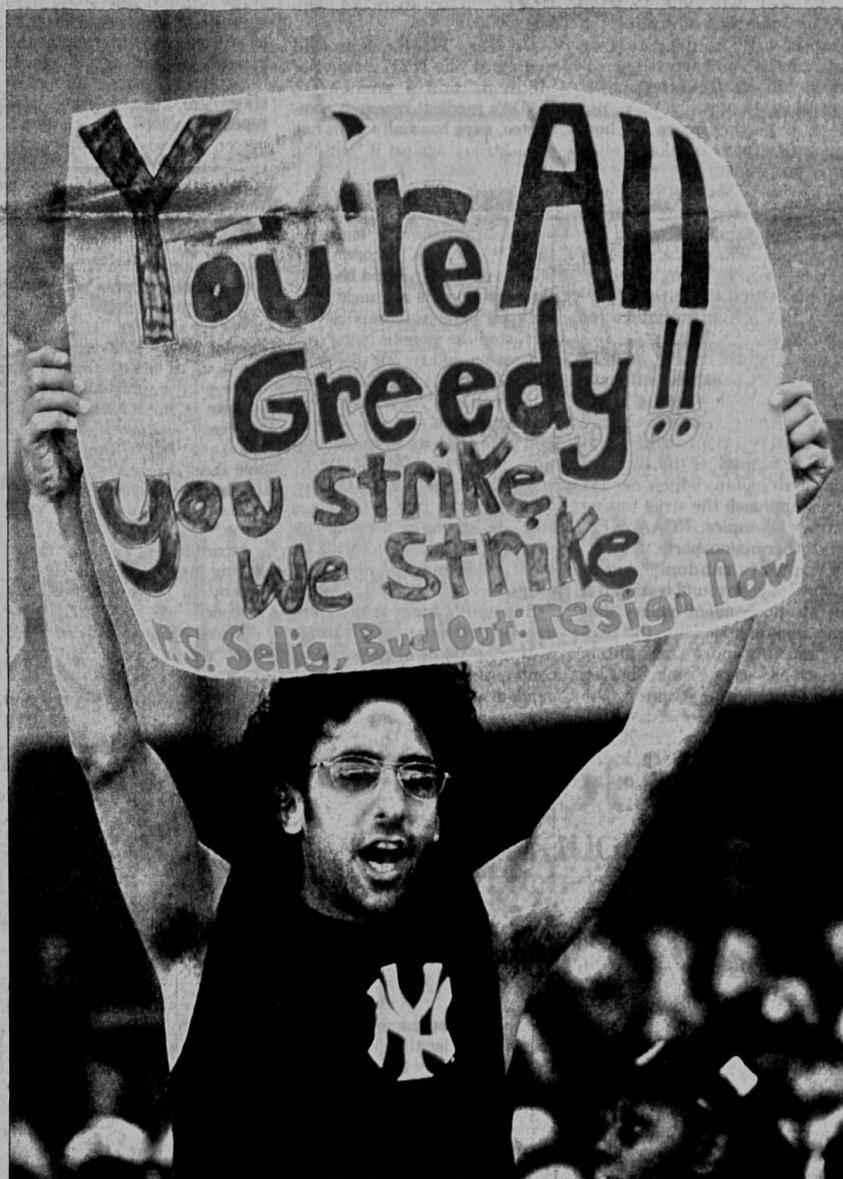
So baseball remains faced with its ninth work stoppage since 1972, one that could further antagonize fans fed up with the sport's near-constant fights over money.

On Aug. 24, management negotiators severely criticized the union for proposing the revenue-sharing increases be phased in, using the most harsh language since talks began in January.

Rob Manfred, the owners' top labor lawyer, said that after consultation with Commissioner Bud Selig, his side decided "the best way to find out if they were serious about making an agreement was to put whatever happened last night to one side and make a forthcoming proposal and see if they could manage to do the same thing."

On revenue sharing, owners proposed that teams share 36 percent of their locally generated revenue, up from 20 percent this year. The teams' previous plan was 37 percent, and the union moved up to 33.3 percent in its Aug. 24 proposal.

Using 2001 revenue figures for analysis, the owners' plan would transfer \$263 million annually from baseball's



Kathy Willens/Associated Press

A fan expresses his displeasure with the players at the New York Yankees game on Monday.

Labor issues at a glance: As negotiators work down to Friday's deadline, here is a look at the major issues and where owners and players stand.

Contraction

Owners: They claim they have the right to eliminate teams, but must bargain on the effects of eliminating teams, such as a dispersal draft.

Players: They claim franchises cannot be folded without the approval of the players union.

Drug Testing

Have agreed to mandatory random drug testing for illegal steroids, and also that there will not be mandatory random testing for nutritional supplements such as the testosterone-booster androstenedione and for "recreational" drugs such as cocaine. Must still agree to many details of the program.

Luxury Tax

Owners: To slow salary growth, owners would like a luxury tax on high-payroll teams. The tax would start in 2003 on the portions of payrolls above \$107 million.

Players: Proposed a tax threshold of \$125 million in 2003.

Mideast conflict cancels wrestling

BY ALI NOLLER
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa assistant wrestling coach Joe Williams' dedication to becoming a world freestyle champion just might pay off — but he'll have to wait another year to find out.

Williams, a day after learning the United States would not be competing in the World Freestyle Tournament in Tehran, Iran, because of direct threats to the American team, said the risk was not worth the opportunity.

The sentiments were echoed by his fellow team members and coaches.

"[The possibility] was always in the back of mind because of the political [unrest]," Williams said. "But the athletes all agreed it's not worth that amount of danger."

Tom Brands, the assistant world team coach and fellow Iowa assistant coach, said it was an executive decision made after the team left the USA Wrestling training camp in Colorado Springs on Sunday.

Attempts were made by the USA board of directors to move the Sept. 5-7 event from Iran to a more stable location — a request denied by the international wrestling federation.

"It hit everybody blindly," Brands said, himself a 1993 world freestyle champion. "We were planning on going when we left camp on Thursday. I've still got my suitcases packed, ready to go."

The seven-member U.S. World team won spots in its respective weight classes through a series of matches against top American competition held last year.

"The guys are taking it fairly positively," Brands said. "My perspective is that these seven guys are the best at what they do in this country. It's tough for them, because wrestling is everything to me — and I'm just the coach."

The Hawkeye duo was set to depart Monday for a final training camp in Germany.

Now the pair of Iowa wrestling assistants must shift gears and turn their attention to another looming task at hand — preparing their Iowa wrestlers for the upcoming season.

"I guess the way that I look at it, the competitiveness in me is always about performance," Brands said. "Whether it's the U.S. team beating Russia or the Iowa Hawkeyes beating Minnesota or Iowa State, the focus is always on top performances."

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Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	43	87	.331	38
Chicago	49	82	.374	28
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	81	51	.614	—
Seattle	78	53	.595	2
Anaheim	77	53	.592	3
Texas	57	72	.442	22

Sunday's Games

Anaheim 8, Boston 3
Texas 6, N.Y. Yankees 2
Seattle 12, Cleveland 4
Toronto 5, Baltimore 2
Oakland 10, Detroit 7
Kansas City 4, Minnesota 2
Chicago White Sox 8, Tampa Bay 3

Monday's Games

N.Y. Yankees 10, Texas 3
Boston 10, Anaheim 9, 10 innings
Cleveland 8, Detroit 2
Oakland 6, Kansas City 3
Toronto 8, Chicago White Sox 4

Today's Games

N.Y. Yankees (D.Wells 14-6) at Boston (Fossum 2-2), 6:05 p.m.
Detroit (Fiedman 7-12) at Cleveland (Phillips 1-2), 6:05 p.m.
Seattle (Valdes 7-9) at Minnesota (Mays 2-5), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Lopez 14-5) at Texas (Reyes 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Halladay 14-6) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 16-8), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Muller 15-7) at Kansas City (Ru-Hernandez 3-2), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (V.Zambano 5-5) at Anaheim (Lackey 5-3), 9:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Toronto at Chicago White Sox, 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 6:05 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.
Seattle at Minnesota, 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Texas, 7:05 p.m.
Oakland at Kansas City, 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Anaheim, 9:05 p.m.

National League

All Times CDT

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	82	47	.636	—
Montreal	65	65	.500	17
Philadelphia	64	66	.496	18
Florida	63	67	.485	19
New York	60	69	.465	22
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	71	57	.555	—
Houston	69	61	.531	3
Cincinnati	64	65	.496	7
Pittsburgh	58	73	.443	14
Chicago	54	75	.419	17
Milwaukee	45	85	.346	27
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	83	47	.638	—
Los Angeles	75	55	.577	8
San Francisco	72	58	.554	11
Colorado	61	70	.466	22
San Diego	55	75	.423	28

Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh 3, Milwaukee 2

Philadelphia 5, St. Louis 3
Houston 1, Cincinnati 0
N.Y. Mets 7, Colorado 4
San Francisco 8, Montreal 4
Arizona 7, Chicago Cubs 0
Florida 7, San Diego 5
Atlanta 7, Los Angeles 5

Monday's Games

Milwaukee 2, Chicago Cubs 1
San Francisco 4, Colorado 3
Arizona at Los Angeles, late

Today's Games

St. Louis (Finley 4-3) at Cincinnati (Moehtler 2-3), 4:10 p.m., 1st game
Atlanta (Milwood 13-6) at Pittsburgh (Fogg 11-9), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Thomson 7-11) at Florida (Tejera 8-5), 6:05 p.m.
Montreal (Yoshi 4-5) at Philadelphia (Roa 2-1), 6:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Al.Benes 0-0) at Milwaukee (Osting 0-1), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Bynum 1-0) at Houston (C.Hernandez 6-4), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Simontochi 9-4) at Cincinnati (Dessens 7-5), 7:30 p.m., 2nd game
San Francisco (Jensen 11-8) at Colorado (Stark 9-3), 8:05 p.m.
Arizona (Batista 7-7) at Los Angeles (Nomo 12-6), 9:10 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Atlanta at Pittsburgh, 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Florida, 6:05 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 6:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Cincinnati, 6:10 p.m.
San Diego at Houston, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee, 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Colorado, 8:05 p.m.
Arizona at Los Angeles, 9:10 p.m.

NFL

Preseason Game

All Times CDT

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Jets	3	0	1.000	78	29
New England	2	1	.667	58	40
Miami	1	2	.333	41	41
Buffalo	0	3	.000	45	67

South

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	2	1	.667	57	39
Tennessee	2	1	.667	62	54
Jacksonville	1	2	.333	37	59
Houston	1	3	.250	42	87

North

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cleveland	2	1	.667	71	66
Baltimore	2	1	.667	41	52
Cincinnati	2	1	.667	69	58
Pittsburgh	1	2	.333	74	73

West

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	2	1	.667	53	28
Kansas City	2	1	.667	50	40
San Diego	2	1	.667	72	48
Oakland	1	2	.333	37	54

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Washington	4	0	1.000	150	81
Dallas	2	1	.667	58	43
N.Y. Giants	2	2	.500	87	100
Philadelphia	1	2	.333	47	42

South

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Atlanta	3	0	1.000	80	56
New Orleans	2	1	.667	65	43
Tampa Bay	2	1	.667	45	50

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North

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	2	1	.667	53	58
Green Bay	2	1	.667	69	81
Chicago	1	2	.333	38	68
Detroit	0	3	.000	51	70

West

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	1	2	.333	58	65
Seattle	1	2	.333	41	66
San Francisco	1	3	.250	43	79
St. Louis	0	3	.000	53	78

Thursday's Game

San Diego 31, St. Louis 10
Friday's Games

Jacksonville 24, Chicago 16
Baltimore 13, Philadelphia 12
New England 23, Carolina 3
Pittsburgh 14, Tennessee 10
Saturday's Games

Pittsburgh 34, Detroit 22
New Orleans 31, Cincinnati 23
Atlanta 21, Dallas 19
Miami 24, Houston 3
Thursday, Aug. 29

Seattle 17, Kansas City 14
N.Y. Jets 28, N.Y. Giants 7
Washington 40, Tampa Bay 10
Oakland 17, San Francisco 10
Denver 19, Arizona 13
Carolina at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Miami, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Cincinnati, 6:30 p.m.
Buffalo at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Baltimore at N.Y. Jets, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Jacksonville, 7 p.m.
New England at Washington, 7 p.m.
Seattle at Denver, 8 p.m.
Arizona at Oakland, 8 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 30

Indianapolis at New Orleans, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Jets, 6:30 p.m.
Tennessee at Green Bay, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Houston, 7 p.m.
Carolina at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
St. Louis at Kansas City, 7:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

By the Associated Press

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Placed OF Gary Matthews, Jr. on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to Aug. 24. Recalled RHP Sean Douglis from Rochester of the IL.

BOSTON RED SOX—Claimed OF Benny Agbayani outright from N.Y. Yankees, 7 p.m.

CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Recalled INF D'Angelo Jimenez from Charlotte of the IL.

DETROIT TIGERS—Optioned RHP Fernando Rodney to Toledo of the IL. Purchased the contract of RHP Jose Paniagua from Toledo.

National League

SAN ANTONIO SPURS—Signed C Kevin Willis.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

SAN ANTONIO SPURS—Signed C Kevin Willis.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ARIZONA CARDINALS—Waived CB Eric Joyce, WR Nathan Poole, WR Jake Soliday, DE Gillie Wilson and

G Tony Wragge. Placed DE Alton Moore on the injured reserve list.

ATLANTA FALCONS—Waived QB Dusty Bomer, S Corey Hall, S Perry Phenix, WR Michael Coleman, LB Karim Grant, S Corey Harris, G Manly Kanon, C Curt Lesman, CB Eric Sims and RB Terrance Williams.

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Released DE Lonnie Ford, S Billy Dee Greenwood, G Scott Klemm, DT Emaros Leroy, LB Aries Monroe, WR Mareno Philyaw, C Kenny Sandlin, TE Trent Searbury and WR Jason Waters. Placed KR Michael Bates on the injured reserve list.

CHICAGO BEARS—Waived TE Bryan Fletcher, LB Kiah Johnson, FB Gregg Kellott, FB Mike Leach and LB Devin Lemons.

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Waived QB Scott Covington, DL Joey Evans, DL Parnell Davis, LB Randy Chevier, WR Khori Ivy, C Ray Redzinski, OT Justin Bland and WR Kwazem Levertte.

DALLAS COWBOYS—Waived CB DaShawn Brumley, DT Darius Bryant, QB Sam Giamone, DE Kevin DeRonde, DS Mitch Palmer, RB Ray Robinson and OT Joey Slaton.

DENVER BRONCOS—Released S George Coghill, QB Todd Brink, WR Trent Jenkins, LB Trev Fausz, C Jason Scurry, C David Diaz-Infante, G Mark Fischer, T Jared Peck, T Brandon Whyte, DT Cyron Brown, DT Jerry Johnson, S Delvin Hughley and S Darius Clark.

DETROIT LIONS—Placed WR Germane Crowell and DE Anthony Herron on the physically-unable-to-perform list. Released WR Pierre Brown, LB Robert Chapman, LB Dustin Cohen, LB Chaz Murphy, OT Marcel Howard, OT James McCall, DT Ken Jackson, RB Jonas Lewis and TE John Wierig.

HOUSTON TEXANS—Claimed G Cameron Spikes off waivers from the St. Louis Rams and TE Jabari Holloway off waivers from the New England Patriots.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Placed DE Chukie Nwokorie and DE Jermaine Hampton on the reserve/physically-unable-to-perform list and RB Brian Allen, C Curt McGill and RB Dominic Rhodes on injured reserve. Waived K Michael Husted, DB Bobby Jackson, WR Chris Lacy, DT Demetrius Maste, LB Christian Rodriguez, WR Donald Stovall, WR John Stone, OL Terrance Sykes, DE David Warren and LB Anthony Williams.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Placed DT Winfield Gamett on injured reserve. Waived DT Shawn Worthen, WR Arees Bell, DT Brian Crawford, PK Todd Franco, LB Dane Kruger, QB Romaro Miller and P Nick Murphy.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Agreed in principle to a contract with RB Jamal Anderson.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Placed LB Curtis Holden on injured reserve. Released LB Roylin Bradley, RB Jeff Chaney, WR Frank Cusack, WR Todd Elstrom, RB Parish Gaines, CB Jahi Henson, WR Derrick Lewis, K Jeff Reed, S Rick Sherrod, G Chris Valentine and WR Richard Williams.

NEW YORK GIANTS—Placed OT Jeff Hatch, S Clarence LeBianc and DE Sean Gulin on injured reserve. Waived CB Kendrick Longes, CB Calvin Coleman, G Vinny Sandoval, LB Jody Littleton, WR Sean Riley, LB Brad Rice, LB Josh Holchisek, C Terry Wagner, DT Brad Harris, DT Ryan Fischer, FB Aaron Keneke and P Gabe Lindstrom.

NEW YORK JETS—Released QB Kyle McCann, QB Gus OrNSTein, WR Tavon Mason, WR Matt Farmer, WR Mike Horacek, WR Kahmal Roy, S Jay Brooks, CB Jamie Rouths, G John Grabowski, G Brandon Moore, LB Jeremiah Jansen, LB Idris Price, TE David Newman, T Matt Knutson and FB Chad Kufus.

OAKLAND RAIDERS—Placed DE Regan Upshaw on the physically-unable-to-perform list. Waived WR Billy Davis, WR Alex Vero Dyke, RB Melvin Barnett, RB Larry Lewis, G Jeremy Staley, G Teag Whiting, DE Emil Ekoy, DB Willie Ford, DT Derrick Pickens and WR Joshua Johnson.

PITTSBURGH STEELERS—Released RB R.J. Bowers, CB LaVar Glover, OL Leon Brockmeier, TE Cory Geason and DB Eugene Clinton.

No strength in steroid proposal

BY STEVE WILSTEIN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Along with copies of the drug-testing plan that's being worked out, baseball should send players free samples of anabolic steroids, human growth hormone, andro, and other testosterone-boosting supplements.

They'll be free to use them, anyway.

They'll be able to juice up on illegal steroids all they want during the winter, building strength for the season ahead. They'll just have to taper off, maybe take some masking agents, to slip through a urine test in spring training or later in the season, whenever it's most convenient.

Even if one or two players per team flunk the test, that's OK.

Under the union's initial proposal, 60 players in the majors — 5 percent of all 1,200 players on the 40-man rosters — could bust the seams of their jerseys with steroid-inflated muscles. That would still be considered "insignificant use" under this sham of a plan.

During the season, the candy store of supplements would be wide open with no testing for anything but the most powerful, "schedule 3" steroids. Clubhouses might as well stock androstenedione — Mark McGwire's over-the-counter supplement of choice — and the

increasingly popular nandrolone, along with their free supplies of bubble gum, chewing tobacco, and sunflower seeds.

Baseball may think it's satisfying Congress and fooling the public with its drug-testing plan, but it's probably doing neither. More than likely it will result in greater drug use, not less, as players figure out how and when they can take steroids and beat the tests.

It will do nothing to reduce the perception, suggested by several players, that steroid use is rampant. Worst of all, it sends the message to young fans and prospects that the national pastime has a high tolerance for steroids.

A few minor details, such as disciplinary penalties, still have to be resolved. But the broad outline leaves observers who are intimately involved in drug-testing aghast at the flaws in baseball's plan, which doesn't even approach the strict testing in the Olympics, NCAA, NFL, and other major sports.

Without random, unannounced, year-round testing run by an independent agency that can impose sanctions, the plan is "nothing more than public relations," says Frank Shorter, the former marathoner who serves as chairman of the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency.

Richard Pound, the chairman of the World Anti-Doping

Agency that oversees Olympic testing, says baseball's proposal "has none of the hallmarks of a serious plan. . . It's almost as if it's a denial that there is a problem."

Dr. Gary Wadler, a steroid expert at the NYU School of Medicine and a member of WADA's medical research committee, says baseball's plan has three strikes against it from the start.

"To suggest that 60 players on anabolic steroids is not a problem is, in my mind, a big problem," Wadler says. "Secondly, you have to do it year-round because the way steroids are used is to bulk up prior to competition, then stop the steroids going into the season and get all the benefits. So even if they test four times a season, you still can stop a week before spring training and ride that wave for a long time."

"Strike three is that they're only going to test for class 3 steroids, so you're begging the whole andro issue, as well as other performance-enhancing drugs."

Baseball's biggest mistake may be in trying to tackle drug-testing on its own, rather than contracting it out to an independent group like WADA. But that assumes baseball really wants to do something about drugs, rather than simply try to make the issue go away for a

while.

Instead of mounting an earnest attack on drug use, the union called for a wimpy two-stage process. Beginning next spring, all players would be tested at least once to determine the general level of steroid use. If fewer than 5 percent test positive, the survey would be repeated in 2004. If more than 5 percent test positive either time, random, unannounced testing would be instituted for two years, though not in the offseason.

"The right of an individual to go into your home on Christmas Eve and say, 'Guess what? It's time to give urine' — we will never agree to that," Gene Orza, the union's No. 2 official, says.

The union insists that two or fewer players per team testing positive is "not a basis for going out every year and testing up to 1,200 players, asking them to give their urine. We start with the premise that you should not have to give your employer your urine."

According to Orza, the survey testing is a reasonable concession by the players and all that is needed.

"We're going to find out," he says, "whether or not the players are doing something they shouldn't be doing at a level sufficient to justify the intrusion on them that is represented by taking their urine or, in fact, that they deserve an apology."

point/counterpoint

Will a strike on Friday kill baseball?

Baseball jilted us in 1994, and it is about to again. Nothing would make me happier than seeing America's favorite pastime topple from its throne.

We, the public, are weary of athletes stealing drugs instead of bases, demanding higher wages, and racism. The New York Yankees and the Boston Red Sox can buy the best players available every year, and it poisons the well of fair play. Worse are the Minnesota Twins and the Tampa Bay Devil Rays, teams that can't buy the best players and then drain on the taxes of their host states.

Baseball's only saving grace the first time around was the media-generated Sosa/McGwire home run fest. In the current contract negotiations, the owners are demanding stricter steroid testing. Drug use may very well be a past and future records.

Arguments will be made for the void of summer sports. This is an exaggeration. American soccer and women's basketball could be the death knell for baseball. Soccer is still riding high from the excitement of the World Cup. Women's basketball attendance has risen by 12 percent from 2000-01.

Let's face the facts. This isn't our grandparent's baseball, full of legitimate icons (even then it was a hot-dog gorging and incorrigible drunk). Baseball's time has passed, it is no longer America's favored sport.

Even if baseball doesn't go on strike, I implore you to turn the dial. Don't give this fickle game a chance to explain itself or tell you this is for your own good. If baseball strikes, it won't recover; it can't recapture our trust. It will only break our hearts, again.

— by Jerod Leupold

Before you succumb to the frantic cries of my Chicken Little colleague, consider this: Baseball has had eight work stoppages since 1972. Has the sky fallen on the sport? Not hardly. In 1992, two years before the 1994 strike, baseball's average attendance was 26,406 per game. This year to date, that number is 28, 679 per game. That's right: Baseball's attendance has actually gone up, despite expansion into apathetic cities such as Tampa Bay and Miami, which draw slightly fewer fans than an alligator wrestling exhibition.

Clearly, baseball is a runaway train, headed for an inevitable derailment. It may be on Friday, it may be after the World Series, but it will happen. But when it does, the American public will be there to pull it back onto its shaky track. Because let's face it: As popular as the NFL and NASCAR have become, baseball is still our national pastime. The furor over the pending stoppage proves that. Remember when the NBA lost the first half of the season to a lock-out? Me neither. But the 1994 baseball strike is as fresh in the minds of most Americans as yesterday's episode of "Fear Factor."

It is that bitter memory that provokes fans to display signs at games, signs with slogans such as, "If you strike, we strike" and "If you strike, we'll never forgive you." Nice sentiments, sure, but the fact that those angry fans are there in the first place speaks volumes about baseball's hold on this country. If we truly didn't care about the game anymore, we wouldn't be mad if they struck, took steroids, or spat on fans. All of those actions, however, elicit outraged reactions on the front pages of newspapers nationwide. Ultimately, that's why baseball will come back, just as it always has. While baseball frustrates, even infuriates, fans at times, something that so many feel so passionately about will never be allowed to die, even by its own hand.

— by Donovan Burba

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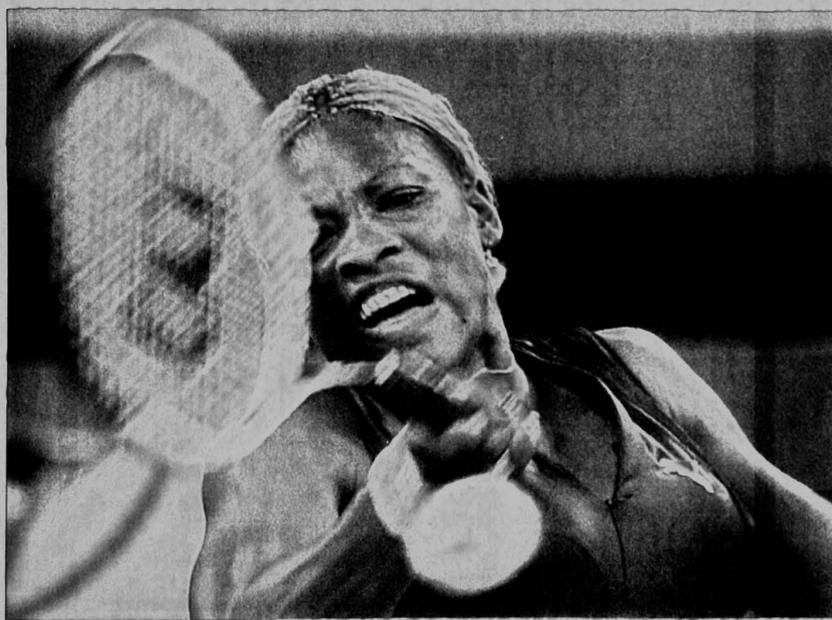
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SPORTS



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Serena Williams returns to Corina Morariu during her first-round U.S. Open tennis match on Monday.

Morariu's return short-lived

BY HOWARD FENDRICH
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — The opening day of the U.S. Open was a celebration of comebacks: Corina Morariu's, Lindsay Davenport's, New York's.

Morariu returned to Grand Slam action less than 1½ years after starting treatment for leukemia and did what she could to keep top-seeded Serena Williams off-balance in their first-round match Monday before falling, 6-2, 6-3.

"I didn't think that I'd ever be back here," a teary Morariu said. "There are days when you feel so bad, and things get so difficult, that you don't think you'll be able to do the things you used to."

Davenport, the player many consider the most capable of challenging the Williams sisters' dominance, wasn't given much of a test in her first major tournament match since right

knee surgery in January. She beat Eva Dyrberg of Denmark, 6-2, 6-1.

The night match between Morariu and 1999 champion Williams was preceded by a ceremony of tribute to the heroes and victims of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11 — two days after last year's U.S. Open ended.

"This year's Open is special: It's another indication that our city is well on its way to recovering from the tragedy of Sept. 11," Mayor Michael Bloomberg said.

For the 24-year-old Morariu, of course, being back on court is a victory in itself. Her face betrayed no emotion when she walked on court for just her second tour singles match in 14 months, but Morariu did unveil a wide smile as she went to the chair after breaking Williams' serve in the third game.

"There were definitely a lot of emotions," Morariu said. "When you have a tough time walking

up the stairs in your house, it's tough to imagine that you'll be able to play with Serena Williams."

Morariu wasn't just pleased to be there, however. She wanted to win, and it showed: She slammed a ball off the ground after an unforced error ended the first set, stood with hand on hip after overhitting a sitter, yelled after a poorly hit backhand.

She even had the French Open and Wimbledon champion in a tad of trouble in the second set, holding a break point with a chance to go up 4-3. But Williams — who wore a short, skintight black outfit she called her "catsuit" — smacked a runaround forehand winner to erase the threat.

Williams' play didn't sparkle as much as her diamond bracelet and tiara: She made more errors (32) than winners (26). She had nine aces, some topping 110 mph.

BOXING

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Olympic organizers and international boxing officials agreed Monday to move the boxing venue for the 2004 Games because of delays and rising costs.

Instead of building a planned seaside arena, the new site will be in a congested residential neighborhood.

The Greek government first announced the shift in July, but needed the approval of the International Amateur Boxing Association. The agreement was reached in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Organizers said the 8,400-seat arena in the western district of Peristeri will be partly funded by the

state. The international competition for construction companies should be completed by October, but it is unclear how much construction would be needed.

The boxing test event is scheduled for May 2004, three months before the Olympics. The international federation agreed to the last-minute change but insisted the arena be ready on time.

IOC overseers are worried about Athens' ability to meet deadlines for all Olympic facilities. Some sites have been scaled down to speed construction and trim inflated costs to make up for years of delays.

GYMNASTICS

Canadian Olympian Michelle Conway will compete for the Iowa women's gymnastics team during the 2002-03 season.

Born in Toronto, Conway competed as a freshman at UCLA. Included in her lists of accomplishments is representing her Canada in the 2000 Olympics in Sydney and helping the Canadian gymnastics team to one of its highest finishes in world competition.

"[Conway] is an extremely gifted athlete who should contribute to our team immediately on all four events. She has a personality and work ethic that will fit very well with our team," said coach Mike Lorenzen.

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Yanks, A-Rod collect records

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Orlando Hernandez provided the blooper. A-Rod produced the blast.

Alex Rodriguez hit his major league-leading 46th home run on an eephus pitch from El Duque, but everything else went the Yankees' way in their romp over the Rangers.

Alfonso Soriano hit his 31st homer, setting a team record for second basemen, and drove in three runs. Jason Giambi reached 100 RBIs, Derek Jeter made a headfirst slide home to score his 100th run, and Bernie Williams and three more singles, extending his hitting streak to 17 games.

All around, it was a festive afternoon as the AL East leaders feasted on Kenny Rogers. He gave up a career-high 13 hits in five-plus innings — one more hit would've tied the Rangers record shared by Oil Can Boyd and Bobby Witt.

The Yankees wound up with a split of the four-game set and finished 4-3 in the season series against the last-place Rangers.

Hernandez coasted through the early innings, blanking

Texas on three singles until the sixth. He kept the Rangers off-balance, drawing a laugh from Rodriguez in the opening inning when he threw a blooper pitch for a ball.

Then in the sixth, Hernandez floated up a 52 mph pitch that Rodriguez took for a ball. El Duque decided to come back with the same pitch, and Rodriguez timed it perfectly and launched it over the left-field fence.

Hernandez glanced at Rodriguez while he trotted between second and third, and A-Rod looked back when he was halfway home.

Rafael Palmeiro, who also watched a blooper in the first inning, followed Rodriguez's solo shot with his 484th career home run, connecting on a fastball.

Soriano's solo homer broke the team mark for a second baseman of 30 set by Joe Gordon in 1940.

Cleveland 8, Detroit 2

Rookie Ricardo Rodriguez got his first career victory and ejection, leading Cleveland over Detroit, who dropped their sixth straight.

Rodriguez, making just his second career start, was two outs away



Lou Requena/Associated Press

New York Yankees' Derek Jeter slides into home on a fielder's choice hit as Texas catcher Bill Haselman reaches but can't make the tag.

from a shutout when Randall Simon homered for the Tigers.

Boston 10, Anaheim 9

Johnny Damon hit a 320-foot homer to lead off the 10th inning and cap a stunning rally Monday night as Boston came back from a four-run, ninth-inning deficit to beat Anaheim.

Anaheim scored four times in the eighth to take a 9-5 lead. But the Red Sox sent it into extra innings with four runs in the ninth to hand Troy

Percival his fourth blown save in 35 opportunities.

Manny Ramirez went 5-for-5 with two homers, and Ugueth Urbina (1-6) pitched the 10th for the win. Scot Shields (3-3) started the 10th and gave up Damon's looping liner down the right-field line that just cleared the fence running out from Pesky's Pole.

Oakland 6, Kansas City 3

Cory Lidle's scoreless streak was snapped after 32 innings because of an unearned run but Oakland still

managed to win its 13th straight game.

Ramon Hernandez had three hits and drove in three runs as the A's extended the longest streak in the majors this season. The winning streak is their longest since they set an Oakland record with a 14-game string in 1988.

Darrell May (3-9) took the loss.

Toronto 8, White Sox 4

Toronto relievers pitched six hitless innings and Dewayne Wise hit a

three-run double as the Blue Jays beat Chicago.

Toronto has won four straight and Chicago has lost eight of its last 11.

Milwaukee 2, Chicago Cubs 1

Ben Sheets pitched into the ninth inning and Jorge Fabregas had a two-run double for his first hit with the Brewers as they ended a five-game losing streak.

Sheets gave up six hits, struck out eight and walked one. The only run he allowed came in the eighth.

While baseball negotiates, minor league system finds unique spaces to take over

BY JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAYTON, Ohio — The plate umpire wraps his arm around the Dayton Dragons' mascot and dances on the infield while the starting pitcher warms up.

Families lounge on the grass terrace just beyond the outfield wall — a great place to snag a home run. Children sing a cartoon theme between innings. Adults have karaoke and dance competitions atop the dugouts.

There's '60s music between batters, promotions to pass the time between innings.

It's minor league baseball, and it's thriving. While the major leagues confront the possibility of another strike, the minors are doing what they do best — providing good times to capacity crowds.

"It's amazing. They've got a real jewel here," said Jack Foster, a 60-year-old estranged Cincinnati Reds fan. "If they go on strike, next year you won't be able to get a seat here."

In many places, minor league baseball already is the toughest ticket in town.

The minors drew 38.8 million fans last year, the second-highest total in their 100 years of operation. Through July, the 176 teams in 15 leagues had drawn 29 million fans, only 100,000 off of last year's pace.

That's a sharp contrast with the majors, where attendance is down 3.3 million from last year and the mood is gloomy. Players have picked Friday to strike if there's no agreement with owners on a new economic system.

Cincinnati's Cinergy Field and Dayton's Fifth Third Field are only 55 miles apart, but they're in entirely different leagues at the moment.

"We went to a Reds game and it cost us an arm and a leg to feed the kids," said Karen Curran of Hamilton, waiting outside the gate with her husband, Jeff, and three sons. "This is more fan-friendly. The kids are excited to go in. They're closer to the field. This is closer for us to drive, and we'd rather come up here."

That's a common theme in Dayton, where the Reds' Class A team is averaging 8,400 per game — only 1,857 fewer than the Florida Marlins and 1,935 fewer than the Montreal Expos in the National League.

Minor league games are more affordable — a family of four can attend a for about \$38, according to a survey, and tickets in Dayton cost \$5-11. Parking is free or nominal, the food is cheaper, and teams emphasize

family entertainment during games involving little-known players.

"Finances are a big factor in it," said Jim Ferguson, a spokesman for minor league baseball. "There's always been a gap between minor league and major league ticket prices. In the last 10 to 12 years, that gap has widened considerably."

The atmosphere is a lot different, too. The major leagues have stars on the field. The minors must approach it a different way.

In Dayton, the video board invites young fans to sing along with the "SpongeBob SquarePants" theme between innings. Young men are recruited for a ballet competition atop the dugouts.

During the game's slow times — pitching changes, between-inning warmups — there's always something going on.

"If you can't control the talent level, what you can control is the entertainment level," Ferguson said. "So they've said, 'If you come out to the ballpark, we're going to make sure you have a good time.' It has really caught on."

The minors are drawing because in so many ways, they're not the majors.

"We don't offer the same product that the major leagues offer," Dragons president Bob Murphy said. "We look at ourselves as a noncompetitive enti-

ty with a different slant to the game. It's fun, it's unpredictable, it's enthusiastic."

A strike by major league players won't have much immediate impact on the minors, most of which are wrapping up their seasons. If it should stretch into next year, the minors could get squeezed as major league teams tighten budgets.

For now, the labor talks aren't much of a topic in the stands or the clubhouse.

"We don't really talk about it around here," said right-hander Chris Gruler, who got a \$2.5 million signing bonus as the Reds' top pick in June's amateur draft. "Spring training and the overall fan base of the game could be affected by it. It doesn't affect minor leaguers as much."

Coming off of the 1994 strike, attendance fell in the majors but remained nearly steady in the minors. Fan interest in the majors didn't fully revive until Mark McGwire broke the home run record by hitting 70 in 1998.

Another strike would drive fans away from the majors again.

"Then you're going to have to have someone go out and hit 100 home runs to bring them back," said Dragons manager Donnie Scott, who was involved in one walkout during his playing days. "They're really going to have to juice up that baseball."

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SPORTS

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Miami and Oklahoma share rare top ranking

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Miami and Oklahoma, the last two national champions, hope to wind up playing in the Fiesta Bowl in January for another title.

For now, they'll share in a little history.

Without playing a game, Oklahoma moved into a tie with the Hurricanes for No. 1 in The Associated Press Top 25 poll. It's just the fourth tie in the 66-year history of the poll.

"Some people must have snuck in to see how well we played in practice last week," said Sooners coach Bob Stoops, whose team last held the No. 1 spot after winning the 2000 national championship.

Oklahoma can thank Florida State, which began the season at No. 3 but fell to fifth this week after having to hold on for a 38-31 victory over Iowa State on Saturday night.

Miami, which also hasn't played a game this season, and Oklahoma each received 27 first-place votes and 1,758 points in the media poll. Texas and Tennessee moved up one spot apiece, to third and fourth, respectively.

In the USA Today/ESPN poll of coaches, Miami remained No. 1, followed by Texas, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Florida State.

The last tie in the AP poll came Oct. 18, 1992, between Washington and Miami. The

TOP 25 POLL

USA Today/ESPN Top 25 Poll
The top 25 teams in the USA Today-ESPN college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Sunday, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote, through one point for a 25th-place vote and last ranking:

Rank	Team	Record	Pts	Pvs
1	Miami (Fla.) (42)	0-0	1,466	2
2	Texas (10)	0-0	1,424	3
3	Oklahoma (7)	0-0	1,400	5
4	Tennessee	0-0	1,266	4
5	Florida State (2)	1-0	1,216	6
6	Colorado	0-0	1,085	7
7	Florida	0-0	1,072	8
8	Nebraska	1-0	1,037	9
9	Washington	0-0	936	10
10	Michigan	0-0	886	12
11	Ohio State	1-0	878	11
12	Georgia	0-0	858	14
13	Washington St.	0-0	756	13
14	LSU	0-0	751	15
15	Oregon	0-0	683	16
16	Virginia Tech	1-0	644	17
17	Michigan State	0-0	414	18
18	Louisville	0-0	407	19
19	S. California	0-0	359	20
20	Maryland	0-0	340	22
21	South Carolina	0-0	243	21
22	Marshall	0-0	240	24
23	Penn State	0-0	181	25
24	N.C. State	1-0	177	23
25	Wisconsin	1-0	176	23

Others receiving votes: Texas A&M 99, Auburn 93, Kansas State 78, UCLA 78, Brigham Young 50, Colorado State 50, Utah 46, Illinois 45, Boston College 44, Iowa State 42, Syracuse 36, Arkansas 34, Clemson 32, Georgia Tech 32, Oregon State 29, Mississippi 23, Notre Dame 19, Stanford 19, Purdue 18, Hawaii 15, Arizona 9, North Carolina 9, Pittsburgh 7, Southern Mississippi 7, Boise State 6, Fresno State 6, Iowa 5, Minnesota 2, Toledo 2, Louisiana Tech 1, UNLV 1, Wake Forest 1.

really makes no difference now."

The Sooners, ranked No. 2 in the preseason poll, open their season Friday at Tulsa. Miami begins defense of its national championship Saturday night at home against Florida A&M.

Stoops doesn't give much weight to early season rankings and projections. He pointed out that his Oklahoma team started the 2000 season ranked well down in the polls but wound up winning the national title.

"I'm confident our players understand, as much as anything here, you earn your way," he said. "We determine our fate, nobody else."

Florida remains sixth this week, followed by Colorado and Georgia. Nebraska used its 48-10 victory over Arizona State to move up one spot to ninth, with Ohio State at No. 10, up three places after a 45-21 victory over Texas Tech.

The shuffling by Nebraska and Ohio State resulted in Washington falling from ninth to 11th.

The rest of the top 20 were Washington State, Michigan, LSU, Oregon, Virginia Tech, Louisville, Michigan State, Marshall, and Southern Cal.

Maryland, South Carolina, Texas A&M, Penn State, and North Carolina State round out the poll.

other ties were Nov. 27, 1939 (Texas A&M and Southern California), and Oct. 27, 1941 (Minnesota and Texas).

This marks the first time the two teams sharing No. 1 received the same number of first-place votes.

"It makes no difference," Miami coach Larry Coker said. "We're right where we want to be. We're in striking distance. We're one, four, five — that

NOTES

Wallace honored for week's performance

Kansas coach Mark Mangino didn't have to lean on Nick Quartaro for any inside dope on Seneca Wallace.

Wallace was named the Big 12's offensive player of the week after a rally that fell short in Iowa State's 38-31 loss to Florida State. He'll lead the Cyclones against Kansas in their Big 12 opener next Saturday.

Quartaro, the offensive coordinator at Kansas, has experience with Wallace because he was on the Iowa State staff last year.

Wallace completed 22-of-33 passes for 313 yards and two touchdowns against Florida State. He also scored a touchdown and was tackled on the Florida State 1-yard line on the final play.

Sooners to upgrade running game

Quentin Griffin will have company in the backfield when Oklahoma opens its season against Tulsa.

The Sooners have been predominantly a one-back team the past three years, but they plan to use more two-back formations this season in an effort to upgrade the running game.

At his first weekly news conference of the season, coach Bob Stoops refused to say when the Sooners would line up two running backs Friday night. But it will happen.

"Four times in a game would be more than in the past," he joked. "But it's got a chance to be substantial."

Missouri freshman QB takes over duties

Brad Smith will be the first freshman since 1977 to start at quarterback for Missouri when the Tigers open the season Saturday against Illinois at St. Louis.

Coach Gary Pinkel's final preseason depth chart, Aug. 23, shows the 18-year-old Smith holding off senior Kirk Farmer for the starting quarterback job.

Farmer has 14 starts, including nine last year, in three seasons. He is Missouri's ninth all-time leading passer, throwing for 2,749 yards and 25 touchdowns.

Smith, a redshirt freshman from Ohio, has been listed as first-team quarterback since passing Farmer midway through spring practices.



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Materials Physics/Solid State Physics Seminar organizational meeting, today at 12:15 p.m., 301 Van Allen Hall.

Joint Math Physics and Operator Theory Seminars organizational meeting, today at 1:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen Hall.

"Live from Prairie Lights," Writers' Workshop alum Fred Leebron reading from *In the Middle of all This*, fiction, today at 8 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., and WSUI.

Happy Gilmore, today at 8:30 p.m., Hubbard Park.

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KFYA	8	41	King-Hill	Raymond	'70s Show	Grounded	American Idol: Search	Star Trek: Voyager	3rd Rock	Home Imp.	Drew	Rendez	
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KIWI	13	13	NewsHour	Iowa	Nova: Cracking the Code of Life.		Michael Roizen	Business	Manor Brn	News	P.O.V.		
KVWB	20	16	Paid Prog.	Crossing	Gilmore Girls	Smallville: Drone.	Cops	Married...	Street	Just Shoot	Blind Date	5th Wheel	
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MTV	27	44	Music Videos	Prime Time Players	Carpet	Video	Diary: VMA Stars.	Undressed	All Things Rock	Countdown			
CNN	28	26	Crossfire	Connie Chung Tonight	Larry King Live	Newsnight-Br.	Chung	Moneyline	Larry King Live				
DISC	29	5	Untamed Alaska	New Detectives	New Detectives	FBI Files	New Detectives	New Detectives					
ABC	30	38	Law & Order: Busted	Biography	Cold Case Files	Law & Order: Menace.	Law & Order: Heaven.	Biography					
USA	31	34	U.S. Open Tennis: Early Rounds. (Live)					Dead Zone	Nash Bridges				
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WVC	33	36	Weather	Weather	Weather	Weather	Weather	Evening Edition					
EX	35	35	Buffy Vampire	Nuns on the Run (PG-13, '90) ** (Eric Idle)	Son	Son	Practice: Bay of Pigs.	Nuns on the Run (90)					
WFI	36	35	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Charmed	Law & Order	Closer and Closer					
WHT	37	43	Fanclub	Ultimate Albums	Ultimate Albums	Behind	Behind the Music	Behind the Music					
ANIM	38	38	Animals	Animal	Venom ER	Seven Deadly Strikes	Animal Precinct	Venom ER	Seven Deadly Strikes				
AMC	41	41	Three Stooges	True Grit (G, '69) **** (John Wayne)	Rio Bravo (9:15) (59) *** (John Wayne, Dean Martin)	True Grit							
SPEED	42	42	Bike Week	Motorcyc	Motorcycle Racing	Motorcycle Racing	Corbin	Thunder	Bike Week	Motorcyc			
DISH	43	43	The Brave Little Toaster	(NR, '87)	Horse Sense (7:45) (99) (Joey Lawrence)	Parent Trap II (86) (Hayley Mills)	So Weird	Famous					
DISN	43	33	NASCAR	Cubs	Major League Baseball: Cubs at Brewers	Cubs	Best Damn Sports Show Period						
DDM	45	42	Daily	Geeks	Cheech & Chong's Nice Dreams (81) **	Battlebots	Travel	Daily	Saturday Night Live	Daily			
BRV	46	39	Hill Street Blues	The Graduate (PG, '67) **** (Dustin Hoffman)	The Graduate (PG, '67) **** (Dustin Hoffman)								
NICK	49	18	Arnold	Rugrats	Spongebob	Ginger	Kids Say	Cheers	Cheers	Cheers	Cheers		
ESPN	50	45	Sportsctr.	Reporters	Interrupt	Season (Part 2 of 2)	Life	Baseball Tonight	Sportscenter	Baseball Tonight			
EL	51	45	Saturday Night Live	Tiffany: THS	Anna	Anna	Wild Off: Las Vegas	Howard S.	Howard S.	Wild On: Southwest			
LDON	53	17	Ed, Edd	Ed, Edd	Powerpuff	Powerpuff	Courage	Dexter	Dexter	Dragon-Z	Dragon		
ESPN2	55	46	NFL	Yearbook	NFL Films	Auto Racing: IROC.	Interrupt	Kickbox	Kickbox	Kickbox	Pro Surfer		
BEI	57	40	106 Park	BET com	Access	I'm Living	Comicview	News	Tonight	Midnight Love			
TNN	59	37	Real TV	Real TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Men at Work (90) ** (Emilio Estevez)	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Mad TV	Mad TV	Mad TV			
HST	60	37	Modern Marvels	Secret Passages	Wrath of God	Modern Marvels	History's Mysteries	Secret Passages					
TBS	61	32	Major League Baseball: Atlanta Braves at Pittsburgh Pirates. (Live)		Licence to Kill (PG-13, '89) *** (Timothy Dalton, Carey Lowell)								
UNI	62	24	Gata Salvaje	Salomé	El Privilegio de Amar	Pica y Se Extiende!	P. Impacto	Noticiero	Mejores Famili				
TBN	70	24	Munroe	Dr. Baugh	Behind	Robinson	Cornerstone	Praise the Lord	Religious Special				
PREMIUM CHANNELS													
HBO	55D	14	The Arrival (96) *** (Charlie Sheen)	Kiss of the Dragon (R, '01) *** (Jet Li)	Sex & City	Real Sex: Dirty	Dennis M.						
MAX	66Z	15	No Man's Land (5:30) (R, '87)	Joe Dirt (01) * (David Spade)	Liberty Stands Still (R, '02) **	Pleasures of Sin (10:35) (NR, '01)							

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- 11:30 SCTV Mature Focus
- Noon Senior Spectrum Literature
- 12:30 p.m. SCTV Presents
- 1:30 LDS Church
- 2 St. Mary's Liturgy
- 3 Power of Victory
- 4 Walking into your Destiny
- 5 The Emerging Dynamic SuperGlobe
- 5:30 Nancy Cree Keyboard Highlights
- 6 Tom's Guitar Show Live
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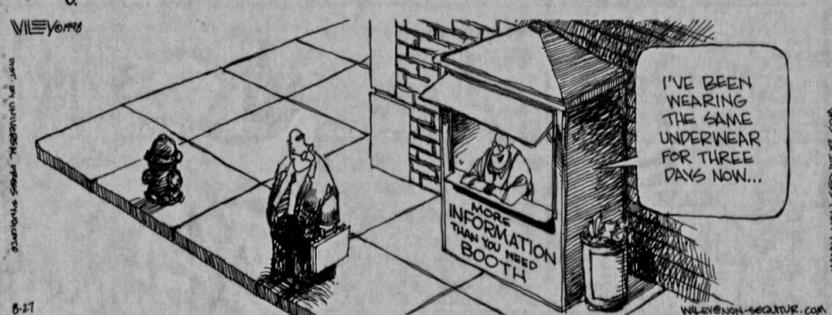
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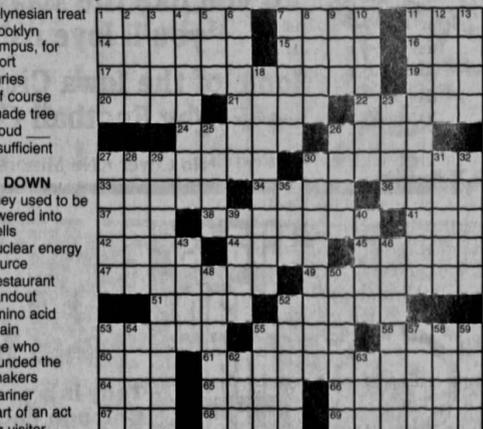
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Argentine plains
- 7 "Some of this, some of that" dish
- 11 School advisory grp.
- 14 Everlasting, old-style
- 15 The "C" in U.P.C.
- 16 Serving of corn
- 17 1925 musical featuring "Tea for Two"
- 19 Opposite of post-
- 20 Blue books?
- 21 Stereo forerunner
- 22 Number 2's
- 24 Make jubilant
- 26 Fish organ
- 27 Of one's surroundings
- 30 Hard to miss
- 33 1950's-60's guitar twanger
- Eddy
- 34 Get ____ (start work)
- 36 Ed of "Daniel Boone"
- 37 Like Shostakovich's Symphony No. 2
- 38 "I've Got the Music in Me" singer, 1974
- 41 Eggs
- 42 March Madness grp.
- 44 Stet's opposite
- 45 Quiz show host, often
- 47 Make a point, in a way
- 49 White knights
- 51 Les États-__
- 52 UFO occupant
- 53 Barber chair attachment
- 55 Sashes in "The Mikado"
- 56 Opera set along the Nile
- 60 Reaction to a back rub, maybe
- 61 Polynesian treat
- 64 Brooklyn campus, for short
- 65 Furies
- 66 Off course
- 67 Shade tree
- 68 Cloud ____
- 69 Insufficient
- DOWN**
- 1 They used to be lowered into wells
- 2 Nuclear energy source
- 3 Restaurant handout
- 4 Amino acid chain
- 5 Lee who founded the Shakers
- 6 Mariner
- 7 Part of an act
- 8 Oz visitor
- 9 Summer D.C. setting
- 10 Crop-destroying beetle
- 11 1937 Jean Gabin title role
- 12 Infield cover
- 13 Mars' counterpart
- 18 Like a road in a Frost poem
- 23 Charles Lamb's pen name
- 25 Soup ingredient
- 26 Golden ____
- 27 Tennis scores after deuce
- 28 Chew (on)
- 29 Liquor-flavored cake
- 30 Go askew

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WELDING DONATE
EAT TOMET
JOHNMAADDEN EDAM
ARENA IRANI EWE
BARON NOSED RAN
SLANT OPERA SYD



Puzzle by Ed Early

- 31 Emphatic refusal
- 32 Winter Palace residents
- 35 "____ the cows come home"
- 39 Bad time for Caesar
- 40 House overhang
- 43 The New Yorker cartoonist Peter
- 46 Original "Ocean's Eleven" star
- 48 1972 Ben Vereen musical
- 50 Bridal paths
- 52 Invective
- 53 Store sign
- 54 Follow
- 55 Store sign
- 57 "I'd consider ____ honor"
- 58 Collision memento
- 59 Like would-be bohemians
- 62 Mentalist Geller
- 63 Semicircle

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The Ledge

by Nick Narigon

Quiz Part II: Short Answer Portion

• Discuss in three sentences the advantages of playing disc golf over attending class.

• What was the hot girl sitting in the third row of lecture wearing? Explain in detail.

• If beer was served in class, wouldn't you attend much more regularly?

• Who let the dogs out? Why?

• If a jeep filled with five frat guys pulled up to a van of eight rugby players, how many of them would be drunk?

• Whom did we fight in the War of 1812? Seriously, I want to know.

• If you drank two cases of PBR, using the Pythagorean theorem, determine exactly how long it would take you to lose your pants.

• Briefly discuss your position on the great cheese debate: Swiss or Cheddar?

• In Swahili, using proper grammar, write "I'm quitting school and joining a Hari Krishna biker gang."

Six Wildcats contending for position in backfield

NORTHWESTERN,
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managed to finish the 2001 season ranked second in total offense with 443 yards per game.

"If you look at our playbook, there aren't a lot of changes, so whoever takes the snaps will have his signature on the football," he said.

The same can be said for a crowded backfield. There are no fewer than six backs fighting to fill the vacancy left by Anderson's departure. Leading contenders Kevin Lawrence and Torri Stuckey have a combined five career rushing touchdowns, a far cry from even the eight that the injury-riddled Anderson managed a year ago. If neither upperclassman can carry the load alone, a platoon may have to be set up between them

and challengers Noah Herron, Jeff Backes, Louis Ayeni, and Jason Wright.

On defense Harris, Silva, and Bentley combined for 346 tackles a year ago, a little more than a quarter of the entire unit's output. Linebacker Pat Durr, who tallied 103 stops in 2001, will be the main cog in a group attempting to improve upon a rushing defense that allowed over 200 yards and 27 scores on the ground.

"He may have been overshadowed in the past few years by some great linebackers in our program," Walker said of Durr, "but I think we are going to get a lot of productive play out of him."

It won't just be on the field where Walker will be dealing with new faces either. Both offensive coordinator Mike Dunbar and defensive coordinator Greg Colby, while experienced coaches, will be in their first sea-

son as coordinators for Walker.

Walker has been through the rebuilding process before at Northwestern after taking over for Gary Barnett in 1999 after previously building a program at Miami (Ohio). In his brief tenure in Evanston, he's seen his team picked to finish dead last only to wind up champions as well as the reverse. Members of the media anointed the team the conference favorite a year ago with disastrous results and, were it not for the complete rebuilding process at Indiana, may have done the opposite this year. That sits fine with Walker, who relishes pointing out the perils of pre-season prognostication.

"We think we can be a good team."

Northwestern's first game is Saturday against the Falcons in Colorado Springs.

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Deal in works, owners hopeful

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richest teams to its poorest. Because the union's proposal was to phase in changes — a concept owners object to and say was not brought up until recently — the players' proposal would transfer \$172.3 million in 2003, \$195.6 million in 2004, \$219 million in 2005 and \$242.3 million in 2006.

"From our point, phase-ins are going to be integral parts of this deal," Fehr said.

On the luxury tax, designed to slow spending by high-payroll teams, the owners previously proposed to tax the portions of payrolls above \$102 million. On Sunday, they increased their threshold to \$107 million in the first three years of the new contract and to \$111 million in 2006.

Players have proposed thresholds of \$125 million next year, \$135 million in 2004, \$145 million in 2005 and no tax in the final season of the deal.

Owners lowered most of their proposed tax rates by 2.5 percent Sunday, proposing a team be taxed at 35 percent the first time it exceeded the threshold, 40 percent the second time, 45 percent the third time and 50 percent the fourth time.

Players proposed rates Saturday of 15 to 40 percent.

"The deal is there," Yankees player representative Mike Stanton said. "It's just a matter of getting it done. There have been concessions made on both sides and we're still meeting. That's a reason why I'm cautiously optimistic."

Under management's proposals, the amount the Yankees would give up in revenue sharing would increase from \$28 million in 2001 to about \$55 million next year, according to union. In addition, if payroll remained where it currently is (\$171.2 million for the 40-man roster, including benefits), the Yankees would have to pay luxury taxes of \$22 million next year, \$26 million in 2004 and \$32 million in 2005.

"Nobody, not even the Yankees, can absorb that kind of hit to their financial structure at once," Fehr said.

Under the union's proposal, with the changes phased in, the Yankees would give up a total of \$47 million next year in both revenue sharing and the luxury tax.

Management's move on the threshold would not decrease the number of teams that would pay a tax next year if payrolls remain where they are. Under management's accounting, Texas is second to the Yankees at \$131.4 million, followed by Los Angeles (\$118.8 million), Boston (\$114.8 million), the New York Mets (\$112.9 million), Arizona (\$112.1 million), Atlanta (\$110.4 million) and Seattle (\$98 million).

Owners object to the union's proposed 2003 threshold of \$125 million because only two teams currently exceed it.

Wrestlers will have to wait one more year for Worlds

WORLDS

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Williams said that after he takes a few weeks off to recharge, he will focus his efforts on the upcoming collegiate season, starting with pre-season workouts on Sept. 11.

After spending a large chunk of his summer training in Colorado Springs, Williams said he is in peak physical condition and mentally "in the state where I'm ready to rip somebody's head off."

"I have to look at it positively," he said. "It can really hurt your training if you don't. We're athletes — we've been difficult

situations before."

Though he will have to wait a year to vie for his first World title, the three-time national champion said he is looking forward to competing on American soil in the 2003 championships.

"The next championship is in New York, and that will give me a chance to prepare, as well as have fans and friends and family around."

Williams said he is now adjusting to a more routine change of pace — but still has world freestyle gold on his mind.

"I've still got my stuff on the table, just in case they call at the last minute."

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Sapp transfers to Northern Iowa

ASSOCIATED PRESS

CEDAR FALLS — Benny Sapp has changed his mind again.

Sapp, who was kicked off the Iowa football team earlier this month, has transferred to Northern Iowa and is practicing with the Panthers.

He joined the team Sunday night, one day after Sapp was quoted as saying he would remain at Iowa as a student. Earlier last week, Sapp had said he was transferring to Toledo.

Sapp is eligible immediately at Northern Iowa, a Division I-AA school. Had he transferred to I-A Toledo, he would have had to sit out this season. Sapp, a defensive back, has two years of eligibility.

"We think he's a quality young man and so do the people we've spoken to about him," Northern Iowa Athletics Director Rick Hartzell said Monday. "If he was my kid, I'd want him to have a second chance and I think most people would want the same thing for their kids."

Hartzell said Sapp will be required to follow a strict set of rules.

"He's got a one-strike and out policy," Hartzell said. "There's a specific set of criteria we set out for him to follow. If he doesn't abide by these, he won't be part of the program."

Hartzell declined to say what would have to happen for Sapp to run afoul of those rules.

"It's a specific set of criteria we feel is fair to him, to our players, and to our program," Hartzell said. "I'm not going to elaborate on them."

Sapp met with Hartzell, coach Mark Farley, the assistant coaches and the team captains before it was agreed that he could join the team. Iowa earlier had sent Northern Iowa a scholarship release for Sapp.

"This is an opportunity for Benny to redefine his life," Farley said. "We set standards higher for Benny than even for the rest of our players. I tried to make it difficult for him. I met with him, looked him in the eye.

"He's a young man who's remorseful and wants to make a change for the positive. He's a talented young man that we hope brings a work ethic as well as talent to our program."

Sapp was dismissed at Iowa on Aug. 8 following his arrest for public intoxication and two other offenses. Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said the arrest was the last of several factors he considered in the dismissal.

Sapp could have kept his scholarship if he had stayed at Iowa.

"I hope he makes the most of the opportunity," Iowa athletic director Bob Bowlsby said.

Sapp was a starting cornerback at Iowa. He broke up 15 passes last fall, intercepted three and made 49 tackles.

Northern Iowa can use his experience in the secondary after losing all four starters from last year. The Panthers open the season Thursday night at home against Wayne State of Michigan.

"Benny will have to earn a position on our team just like everybody else," Farley said.

Otto ready to tackle work in Oakland

BY JANIE MCCAULEY
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ALAMEDA, Calif. — With 40 surgeries behind him, Jim Otto's current battle with prostate cancer feels like just one more obstacle for the Hall of Fame center to overcome.

Oakland Raiders tackle Lincoln Kennedy stopped to offer a hug to the franchise's former star in the Raiders' locker room Aug. 24, and Otto quickly pointed out, "I'm not going to die."

He's not going to slow down either.

The 64-year-old Otto plans to return to his job as director of special projects for the Raiders on Oct. 1 and says retirement is not imminent. He organizes reunions for former players and events for fans in the luxury boxes, and makes public appearances for the team.

Otto cherishes his time in the Raiders' office and the chance to help teach younger staffers the ways of the organization for which he played from 1960-74.

"He's a warrior," quarterback Rich Gannon said. "He's the guy that everybody around here respects and admires."

"When you think of the old-time, tough Raider, you think of Jim Otto."

Otto was diagnosed in May and has been undergoing daily treatments for six weeks.

While he is tired and doesn't feel quite like himself — he's on hormones that give him hot flashes — he has felt a lot worse.

In the past five years, Otto had two major infections that almost killed him, and doctors had to remove one of his artificial knees for seven months.

"We've been blessed, and we whipped that," he said. "Now,

we've got another challenge."

Thirty of Otto's surgeries have been on his knees.

"And that's nothing," he said. "I can take any type of surgery in the world except for when it comes to something that's internal. When it's cosmetic, fixing your nose, fixing your knee, fixing your elbows or whatever, that's nothing."

His entire prostate is cancerous, but doctors would not remove it because there would be too great a chance of further infection given his previous problems.

Otto knew he was at high risk for prostate cancer.

"It's a fact. What are you going to do?" he asked. "I'm not afraid of it. I don't want anybody feeling sorry for me, because I'm just another human being out there that's going through these things."

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San Francisco slides past Colorado, 4-3

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DENVER — David Bell hit a tiebreaking homer with two outs in the ninth inning and Jeff Kent earlier hit a two-run homer as San Francisco beat Colorado 4-3 Monday night.

Bell, who had hit into two double plays earlier in the game, hit a 3-1 pitch off Todd Jones (1-3) into the left-field seats for his 18th homer.

Felix Rodriguez (4-6) got the win despite allowing a game-tying home run to Jay Payton in the eighth inning. Robb Nen worked the ninth inning for his 32nd save.

Giants starter Kirk Rueter allowed one run and six hits in six innings but ended up with a no-decision when the Rockies rallied in the eighth.

Todd Helton led off with a single off Scott Eyre. Payton followed with his 14th homer — the sixth he's hit since coming over from the Mets on July 31 —

against Rodriguez. Helton added a solo shot in the sixth inning.

Barry Bonds went 2-for-4 to raise his to .358 — one point ahead of Colorado's Larry Walker for the NL lead. Walker got the day off to rest his dislocated rib.

Helton went 3-for-4 with his 24th home run of the year. Payton went 3-for-4 to raise his average to .397 with 21 RBIs in 23 games since being acquired from New York.

San Francisco took advantage of early control trouble of Aaron Cook, who walked the first two batters he faced in his first career start. The Rockies' second-round draft choice in 1997 gave up three runs, nine hits and four walks in six-plus innings.

Kent's hit his 29th home run of the year with Rich Aurilia aboard in the first inning to give the Giants a 2-0 lead.

Aurilia drew a one-out walk before Kent hit a 3-1 pitch into the seats in left.

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Smirking Spurrier in for surprise

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It's only the preseason, but more than a few of his new lodge brothers can't wait for their chance to knock the smirk off Steve Spurrier's face.

Here's why: Spurrier won't make the racket look harder than it is. He won't even pretend. Asked the other night how his transition to the NFL was going, the 57-year-old rookie didn't have to think long or hard.

"We're 4-0," Spurrier said. "That's the only answer I know."

This is one guy who comes by his arrogance honestly.

Spurrier won football games at Duke, after all, and among the five million or so reasons he cited for taking the Redskins job last January was to find out if his teams could play pitch and catch in the pros the way they did in college.

Last season, the Redskins ranked 28th in scoring and 30th in passing.

Counting the Aug. 24 win at Tampa, Spurrier's Redskins were averaging 37 points per game, almost 400 yards total offense and 340 yards passing.

"We're happy with the win," he said, "but it's not that big a



Washington coach Steve Spurrier, center, directs his team during the NFL preseason match during his NFL coaching debut on Aug. 4. He led his team to a 38-7 win, but critics say he'll fall hard soon.

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deal. It's just a practice game."

Maybe so, but this is one of those cases where you learn more from watching than listening.

In the team's latest exhibition, he called a flea-flicker, then a reverse in the fourth quarter against the Bucs. The Redskins were up by 16 at the time.

Spurrier is never shy about

running up the score, which he did often and with impunity at Florida as his teams won 122 of 150 games and a national championship. That alone would earn him a spot on most NFL coaches' enemies list.

There will be skeptics everywhere along the way. Spurrier sees to it they will never be short on ammo.

"When I came into this

league, it was: Will that college offense work? After the preseason, it will be: Will this offense work in the regular season? Then if we're lucky enough to be in the playoffs: Will it work in the playoffs? Then will it work two years in a row? That's OK. I understand. That's part of it.

"We're throwing it around pretty decent right now, but not as well as we hope to."

Green Bay wins by touchdown despite ugly performance

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Renovations at Lambeau Field are 70 percent complete, and the Green Bay Packers' own makeover remains very much a work in progress.

Despite beating the Cleveland Browns 27-20, the Packers culminated a week of sloppy practices with an ugly performance by their starters.

Plus, Terry Glenn failed to make his much-anticipated Packers debut in the first game at the "new" Lambeau Field, which is halfway through a two-year, \$295 million refurbishing.

The Browns returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown and took a 14-0 lead by the time Brett Favre had taken his fourth snap.

"The kickoff return for a touchdown is not the way we want to start," Packers coach Mike Sherman fumed at halftime.

Last week, Sherman was so disgusted he forced his players to return for a full-pads workout.

All three phases of Green Bay's game gave Sherman fits until Cletidus Hunt blocked a field-goal attempt by Phil Dawson and Darren Sharper scooped it up and ran the final 35 yards for a touchdown 19 seconds before halftime that brought the Packers to 14-10.

"We were in a situation where we really needed to turn the momentum around," Hunt said. "When I went out on the field, I had my mind set on getting to the kicker."

The record crowd of 62,668 hadn't had much to cheer.

On the first play of the fourth quarter, Todd Franz intercepted

a pass from Josh Booty and returned it 42 yards for a touchdown and gave Green Bay a 27-17 lead.

Anderson signs with Patriots

Former NFC rushing leader Jamal Anderson and the Super Bowl champion New England Patriots are about to join forces.

"We've agreed in principle" to a contract, James Sims, Anderson's agent, said Monday. "It's looking pretty good."

The Patriots, who are pleased with their three running backs, wouldn't confirm an agreement with the unrestricted free agent who spent eight seasons with Atlanta.

Sims, reached at his Oakland office, declined to discuss details of the agreement.

It's uncertain where Anderson would fit in other than to provide depth in an already deep backfield.

"He still has to make the team like everyone else," Redmond said.

Frerotte wins quarterback spot

Cincinnati chose Gus Frerotte as their starting quarterback adding to their legacy of bringing in a new passer the start of each new season.

They've opened the last five seasons with a different quarterback and ended with the lowest-rated passer in the NFL the last two years.

Coach Dick LeBeau picked Frerotte over incumbent Jon Kitna and Akili Smith, who was to be the Bengals' quarterback.

Frerotte has a strong arm, throws fewer interceptions and is the fresh face on a team looking for something new.

"The bottom line is not the numbers," LeBeau said. "I've looked at quarterbacks for over 40 years. My feeling from all of those years is, with what we're trying to do on offense, Gus is the guy for the Cincinnati Bengals."

NFL GLANCE

NFC East report

The Philadelphia Eagles could have an extra special treat on Thanksgiving Day: an NFC East title.

While that will be awfully early for any team to clinch a division, the Eagles are that much better than Washington, Dallas, and the New York Giants. Philadelphia has some question marks at linebacker and receiver, but it also has five of the best players in this division, and all of them can make a difference.

From quarterback Donovan McNabb, to tight end Chad Lewis to defensive end

Hugh Douglas to cornerback Troy Vincent to safety Brian Dawkins, Philadelphia has stars and leaders.

After winning a power struggle over personnel matters last year, coach Andy Reid has built around those players. The Eagles also are approximately \$8 million under the salary cap, and they have locked up most of their key performers with long-term deals.

They nearly knocked off the Rams in St. Louis in the NFC Championship in January, using a confounding blitzing scheme and the creativity of McNabb.

AFC East report

They are the defending Super Bowl champions, yet the New England Patriots probably are the third-best team in their division.

Such is parity in the NFL these days that the team that shocked everyone — including some of its own players — by winning the championship in January figures to struggle to earn a playoff berth.

Winning the AFC's best division? Not likely.

Of course, that's exactly what the Patriots want everyone to think.

They sneaked up on the rest of the conference in 2001, and they would have no problem with the same approach this year.

"We don't have any superstars," said Adam Vinatieri. "The record is 0-0 right now, and everybody's trying to get ready for September."

Everyone will be ready for the Patriots this time, which puts tremendous pressure on quarterback Tom Brady. Brady must build on his stunning success and do it on a team that has more holes than most defending champions.



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