Expert: Nelson evidence points to accidental death

BY TONY ROBINSON

Phyllis Nelson, the former chef of the Iowa State University Board of Regents, has been charged with first-degree murder in the death of her husband and former University of Iowa basketball coach Kevin Mason. The charge carries a potential life sentence.

Nelson was arrested Monday morning at her Des Moines home and is being held at the Polk County Jail. She faces a hearing on Friday to determine if she will be held for trial.

The death occurred on Saturday night, when Nelson and her husband were found in their home near downtown Des Moines. Police say they arrived at the scene shortly after 11 p.m.

A spokesman for the Iowa State University Police Department confirmed the arrest but declined to provide further details.

Nelson, 53, had been married to Mason, 72, for 32 years. She is the daughter of former Iowa State University president Bruce Harreld.

Nelson was a prominent figure in Iowa State University athletics, serving as the school's director of athletics from 1992 to 2000. She was also a member of the university's board of trustees.

Nelson's arrest comes less than two months after her husband's death, which was initially ruled a suicide.

Source: Des Moines Register

Scorched-earth plan seen as Iraqi defense

Intelligence officials say Saddam Hussein is preparing to use chemical weapons in response to U.S. military operations.

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UI student and campus newspaper editor Paula Mavroudis says that the $50,000 deal negotiated between the Daily Iowan and the university could move if the university leaves downtown.

"I wish the mall had more realistic expectations," she said. "You might as well throw me into bankruptcy, because that's what it's going to be."
Iraq still holding out on arms, U.S. claims

Architects unveil WTC visions

By MICHAEL POWELL AND CHRISTINE HAUGHNEY
WASHINGTON POST

NEW YORK— Soaring towers higher than the original World Trade Center, a necklace of sky gardens, and glass-enclosed amphitheaters— these are among the architectural visions unveiled in Wednesday for the rebuilding of Ground Zero.

Seven renowned architectural firms released their designs for the World Trade Center Park late Monday, the last of multipleQ buildings to be developed in the site. The presentation appeared to have been successful.

The range of proposals was described as "the most memorable plans in the Hudson River, another impressive. One foresaw a tallest rise to higher than Malaysia's Petronas towers, another part of the destruction," said John "moral courage" Architects talked of "the iconic and rising in an interlocking series of office towers."

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BY CHARLES SHERRILL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Experts see accident in student's stabbing

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in any way that Bushman said was very unusual for such incidents. Richard Nelson was conscious while being transported to the hospital, but he later became unconscious, doctors that he did not have any prior injury, he was not drunk, he was not in any way responsible for the stabbing. He was found by a student who said he saw the student suffering after the stabbing.

Officials say Iraq use scorched-earth plan

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target, the intelligence officials added, indicated that the attack was aimed at a sensitive U.S. military target near the northwestern city of Kirkuk, about 75 miles (120 kilometers) north of the capital, Baghdad. The officials said the attack was aimed at an American military base.

In response to the attack, the Iraqi government has been stepping up its efforts to stop the attack and prevent further attacks. The government has deployed additional troops to the area and has increased security measures in the region.

Intelligence officials have been studying the attack and trying to determine the motive behind it. They said the attack was likely the work of a local militia group, which has been active in the area.

The attack comes as Iraq prepares to hold national elections in January, which are expected to be a major test of Iraq's ability to stabilize the country and prevent further violence.
Bush’s faith-based initiatives must have rigorous oversight

On Dec. 22, President Bush signed an executive order that allows religious organizations to apply for Federal money. In a speech to the Philadelphia Sunday Academy of the Bible in Pennsylvania today, Bush stated that this order will ensure that these groups “are given the same help and assistance that others are given.”

The government has given money to religious organizations in the past, but this is the first time that the government has allowed money to religious organizations. It is important to note that the government has done this in order to ensure that these groups are given the same help and assistance that others are given.

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In accordance with the order, religious organizations can apply for Federal money, but the government will not be able to approve or deny these applications.

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Malpractice: Johnny 5 tours Egypt

I just found out that I am currently enrolled in a class that has a cumulative exam which includes former semesters. There are no problems with staying awake and on time.

Brad: Sleep is still a big mystery. What will we do if we can't sleep?

Do you think I'm going to take an hour-long nap in the middle of class? How do I know that I won't be sleeping in the middle of a football game?

Brad: Sleep deprivation has also been shown as a cause of death in lab rats. However, because the method of deprivation was immense exposure to 24-hour political rhetoric, it is one to one unless the deaths were from natural causes or suicide.

I personally know that without sleep, one is at risk of taking your life into your own hands and doing things you wouldn't want to do. I think we need to worry about the sleep deprived athletes and students who have pushed themselves to stay up long past most people can push themselves, without harmful results. However, it is probably in the best interest of your body and scholastic success if you allow several hours of sleep to meet yourself.

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Iraq officials' conviction of U.S. ‘political war’

BY NADIA ABOU EL-MAĐGAD

BAGHDAD, Iraq — As U.S. inspectors sweated the country’s abundance on Wednesday, the Iraqi government said it has no desire to see the international community around the world.”

U.N. inspectors visited several Iraqi sites, including one outside Baghdad, to inspect for suspected weapons of mass destruction. U.S. inspectors were on the ground in Iraq since Aug. 27 under a U.N. Security Council resolution that threatens a coalition takeover because police patrols had been burned by “strong in a state of war for the past 20 years.”

Iraqi officials have taken a tough line in a series of intense talks this week. Iraq Vice President Taha Yassin Ramadan told the Russian television channel MBC on Wednesday that the inspections are a “farce,” but if the U.S. government is “serious, it will find a way it is satisfied.”

The Iraqi president is ready for a final strike that has cut Venezuela’s oil production down to 2 million barrels per day, compared with a normal output of 3 million barrels per day. Venezuela is the United States’ largest supplier of oil.

The coalition has offered to help the United States in the search for the missing Iraqis, but the Bush administration has declined to accept the offer.

The standoff with the United States is costing Iraq dearly, with the Iraqi government estimating it has lost about $10 billion in oil revenue since the U.S.-led invasion.

The standoff also has brought international concern, with the United Nations calling for a peaceful resolution to the conflict.

The standoff has raised questions about the future of the Iraqi government and its ability to govern the country.

The standoff has also led to growing international pressure on the United States to withdraw its forces from Iraq.

The standoff has also fuelled a debate within the United Nations about the role of the international community in the conflict.

The standoff has also led to a growing sense of despair among the Iraqi people, with many calling for an end to the conflict.
FOOTBALL

BY BRIAN TRIPPLETT

As the season winds down for the Rams, there will be plenty of toys flowing into the house for Christmas. The Rams will host the Portland Pilots on Sunday for their final home game of the season and then host the San Diego Toreros on Saturday for the last game of the regular season.

The Rams are currently tied for first place in the conference with the Portland Pilots and the San Diego Toreros. The Rams have a 6-2 record this season and are looking to finish strong to secure a spot in the conference championship.

There are several games on tap this weekend for the Rams, including a home game against the Portland Pilots and a road game against the San Diego Toreros. The Rams will need to win both games to secure a spot in the conference championship.

Hawkeyes preparing for finals, game 3

BY ALJI ROLLER

The Daily Iowan

Quinn Collins has been the one to watch for the men's basketball team.

Collins is a fifth-year senior who is a key player for the team. He has been a valuable contributor for the Hawkeyes over the years, and his leadership will be crucial in the team's final stretch.

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Collins' performance in the game will be key for the Hawkeyes to secure their spot in the conference championship.

The team has made a habit of playing well in the final stretch of the season, and Collins' leadership will be essential for the team to continue their winning streak.

The game will be a crucial one for Collins, as it will determine his future in the college basketball scene.

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BET mogul pioneers new horizon

BY CHRIS SHERIDAN

NEW YORK—Not too many people wonder what Larry Bird is up to these days.

But when the NBA’s reigning champion for the last three seasons announced that the Boston Celtics had made him the first black majority owner in major pro sports, the reaction was instant:

“Wow!”

Bird’s emergence is significant not only because it breaks the color barrier within one of America’s most popular sports, but for the way it marks the passage of a generation in the history of the NBA.

With the expansion of the league’s minority ownership base, Bird joins Magic Johnson, the Los Angeles Lakers’ second black majority owner, and former NBA Commissioner David Stern, who is 56, and inducted in the Hall of Fame in 2000.

Underprivileged children may be able to boo Bengals

BY JOE KAY

CINCINNATI — A ticket to watch the Cincinnati Bengals has become the toughest ticket in town—too tough, that is.

With so few fans showing up to the NFL’s worst team, a city council wants to give every Bengals ticket to underprivileged kids. Chris Monzel came up with the idea after his family tried to unload its Bengals tickets last week.

“We couldn’t get rid of the tickets,” he said yesterday. “Nobody wanted them.”

But the team can use the money.

The Bengals and 42,000 tickets for their 13 games at Jack Hammett Stadium have brought them more than the $600,000 in revenue that had been promised.

“��You can’t have a team without fans,” Monzel said. “We simply had to give them away.”

The team will use a 14-sample, 42-degrees, December afternoon forecast, benefit hard and left early. Some of the Jaguars were taken down by the normal atmosphere.

At least the fans in the NFL are about for a Nice Fall.

“I know the people are very frustrated with us, whether they take time out to watch us play or not,” said Monzel. “But I don’t think they have other things.”

Comic Charley Johnson and Wednesday. “We want to have a good impression of the fans.”

What’s next?:

The team moved into their taxpayer-financed stadium in 2000, but the Bengals have made no headway in emerging from the NFL’s deepest slump. They haven’t had a winning record since 1996.

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BET mogul pioneers new horizon

BY CHRIS SHERIDAN

NEW YORK — Not too many people wonder what Larry Bird is up to these days.

But when the NBA’s reigning champion for the last three seasons announced that the Boston Celtics had made him the first black majority owner in major pro sports, the reaction was instant:

“Wow!”

Bird’s emergence is significant not only because it breaks the color barrier within one of America’s most popular sports, but for the way it marks the passage of a generation in the history of the NBA.

With the expansion of the league’s minority ownership base, Bird joins Magic Johnson, the Los Angeles Lakers’ second black majority owner, and former NBA Commissioner David Stern, who is 56, and inducted in the Hall of Fame in 2000.

Underprivileged children may be able to boo Bengals

BY JOE KAY

CINCINNATI — A ticket to watch the Cincinnati Bengals has become the toughest ticket in town—too tough, that is.

With so few fans showing up to the NFL’s worst team, a city council wants to give every Bengals ticket to underprivileged kids. Chris Monzel came up with the idea after his family tried to unload its Bengals tickets last week.

“We couldn’t get rid of the tickets,” he said yesterday. “Nobody wanted them.”

But the team can use the money.

The Bengals and 42,000 tickets for their 13 games at Jack Hammett Stadium have brought them more than the $600,000 in revenue that had been promised.

“��You can’t have a team without fans,” Monzel said. “We simply had to give them away.”

The team will use a 14-sample, 42-degrees, December afternoon forecast, benefit hard and left early. Some of the Jaguars were taken down by the normal atmosphere.

At least the fans in the NFL are about for a Nice Fall.

“I know the people are very frustrated with us, whether they take time out to watch us play or not,” said Monzel. “But I don’t think they have other things.”

Comic Charley Johnson and Wednesday. “We want to have a good impression of the fans.”

What’s next?:

The team moved into their taxpayer-financed stadium in 2000, but the Bengals have made no headway in emerging from the NFL’s deepest slump. They haven’t had a winning record since 1996.

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COLLINS, "It's always good to have a couple of leaders around, even though they aren't necessarily some of the more vocal or the most obvious ones," he said.

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No rest for Jeff Gordon

BY JENNA FRYER

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — A making-yard headless version of Jeff Gordon, loping up after his sponsor's DuPont crew, then walked him through his work on a sound stage while a small group of people representing the DuPont team behind a monitor watching it all unfold.

Sometimes being a Winston Cup star isn't a glamorous, with the worst of these days happening now — during the so-called off season.

Instead of lounging on a beach or relaxing in front of the television, Gordon and other drivers spend most days in front of camera film crews, getting their image out to the public with a frenzy equal in fervor to that put out by pop stars, hero cards, and the rest of the ad world the teams must sell.

"If I had my choice, I want to be in the car driving the race track in the morning . . . "But you get used to that in order to bring in the money . . . "The photo shoots are a part of the contract as well." Gordon said.

Drivers can choose what they want to work when, but like most, Gordon tries to avoid it. It does not fit in his idea of leisure so he tries to keep it as far away from the track as possible.

"The last week we spent on an eight-hour-a-day trip to Houston to sponsor DuPont."

"When you see the final product, it's a little more glamorous-looking," he said.

"They make it look like a really good job, which is it, but it's worth it to see how much really goes into it . . . "It's like you do a minute of shooting things that take 15 minutes to set up . . . and then, of course, you do it over and over and over again. It's not even real glamour . . . "This side of the business is probably the most time consuming of all, an action-packed schedule that has drivers on the road at least 40 weekends a year . . . the additional work is part of the contract and the sponsor, which in Gordon's case means at least 12 appearances a year for DuPont, all in commercials shot and another full shoot with an added on sponsorship fee.

"But Gordon also learned with Pepsi, an associate sponsor, that this year has a heavy workload of monster trucks, videos, and sponsorship events."

"This year was the first year when the sponsors put all their marketing work to Gordon. "I am at the point in my career where I really need to it."

"This year was a make or break really over-whelming. In the off season, I was working on the testing schedule, there were driver meetings and all these other meetings on top of it . . . "I learned to accept it and work it into our part of the business."
Hurricanes stave off Lightning

The Hurricanes staved off the Lightning, allowing just one goal against Carolina for a third straight game in a 1-1 tie Wednesday. Carolina was able to cover up with 2:19 left, but the goalie was unable to cover.

BUFFALO, N.Y. - Chris Gratton scored his first goal in nearly a month and added three assists as Buffalo defeated slumping Boston.

J.P. Dumont, Taylor Pyatt, and Mike Knuble each scored for Buffalo. Barnes also scored for Buffalo. Samsonov scored for the Bruins.

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Selected from a pool of more than 40 entries that were submitted for the 2002 DROWNSVILLE Battle of the Bands, Roger Mason, Lucky James, Troubled Habbits, Third See, and the Slats engaged in a friendly musical shop-out at Galoch on Dec. 19. The show was an adrenaline-charged night of muted rock that divided in the competitive neighborhood of Broken City basement shows and local bars: warped, twisted, and B-52 carpet bombing. JKC2 by local hip-hop group Psychosomatic; last year’s champ, the 2002 Battle of the Bands faces in a number of musical neighborhoods. After four hours of rock’n’roll, when the gigantic smoke settled, the night ended with the announcement of the Slats—the new kings of Iowa City and winners of the Battle of the Bands. Lucky James’ set finished the voting calculations, winning the People’s Choice Award.

The Post-Game

Remembered as the first number of Roger Mason set, the bellower’s advice to “Crack it up, dudes” was duly noted. The mid-uptempo kicked off the evening’s music with a clattering piano and a pulsing drum that moulded a crowd eager to present their passions to the kids at the breadcrumb leading in the first wave of a Midwestern British invasion. Even in the hills between the closed-of-Battle-heat-to-ball sound, the avant-garde psych-side of Lucky James backed by a virtual computer of brass and percussion players as well as Bum Show Burn and a fleet with basic bass, Linsey Gruner, the level of bust,, din, and incurrence in the more rockabilly, western, and B-52 carpet backing. The show was a friendly musical competition that roused a youthful drive that roused a wave of a Midwestern British invasion.

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Joe Hansan performs the foot out during the DROWNSVILLE local band contest. His band, the Slats, won.

* HOPING FOR A MIRACLE
The Englert scrambles to find the remaining funds needed to secure a much-needed $800,000 grant.

* SPOTTING SOCIETY’S PORNO
Porns, by Irvine Welsh, picks up where the critically acclaimed Trainspotting left off.

* MARCHING FOR ORANGES
The Hawkeye Marching Band prepares for the thrill and excitement of traveling to Miami.
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Korea City around the band in 1997, the guitarist released three albums — 1999's American Rock Vol 1. and 2001's stellar Great Plains of San Francisco, and November's Another Physical Reaction EP — discs that reflect the band's propensity for crafting hook-filled musical disorder in a way that rejects the traditional ideas of the sounds and arrangements of rock 'n' roll music.

"We started out with two guitars, bass, and drums. When our bass player quit, we started using the two-guitar sound. It's a deconstructive sound for a rock 'n' roll band," Cox said.

Trading instruments frequently during the show, and supported by Langgin's no-frills drumming, it seems that this current Slats crew is the tightest combination of all the myriad sidemen who have backed Cox in the group's previous incarnations.

On Dec. 13, the Slats was a band in top form. The band jump-started the crowd with a mixed set of reliable hits from Great Plains Of San Francisco and a deluge of new material familiar to some as live staples. Most of the material to be included in a full-length sometime in 2003 has been road-tested and refined to perfection in the band's extensive summer and fall tours of the United States and Canada.

Great Plains' "I Was A Bad Idea" stood out on the set list and included a form 30 minutes of fuzzed guitar reverberation and surf-beat vigor. Long-time riot-inciting reliables "Weapon That I Used" and "Hate Now" and the cohesive new material ("Tina," "Fabric of My Brass Knuckles") coexisted peacefully.

At the close of the competition, anyone could see that this was a community event that continued last year's at-at-ment of civil pride and rock 'n' roll solidarity while also proving that Iowa City harbors a wealth of talented artists, many of whom probably live in the same dilapidated apartment complexes as you.

"It's great to let people know that there is something going on in Iowa," Slats drummer Mark Langgin said. "Not everybody knows that."

Pieter VanRybroek, a member of Roger Mexico, added that "to get in was really just an honor in itself" — a consensus among the participants that the overall synergy, friendly atmosphere, and quality of the show was as much of a prize as anything offered by the sponsors.

The Slats and Lucky James took home the crowns and cash, but at the end of the night, with the merchandise packed up, broken glass crunching underfoot, and the lights on, it seemed that everyone walked away a little bit richer.

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They want to incite, incite, incite for Iowa

BY ARTHUR HENNING

They wear gold feathers in their hats.

But the hats are called "kerchiefs" and their yellow is more likely yellow than gold.

Better for rolling them, they chew on them with the countless buttons on their clothes and escaped their caps right before the honored guests for the Dead March.

No, they're not elves or posers of funny looking birds, they're the talented and energetic members of the Hawkeye Marching Band.

The band performs on a game-day, a typical Thursday afternoon, a road game practice session, the nation's most crowded-in time for Iowa City.

I wanted to see them before they turned around, check out their sound, and get a good picture of the band.

I brought my camera, which was a gift from my sister's family, and my notebook, to write down some of the things they said.

It was a cold day, and I was cold, but I was determined to see the band and write down what they said.

The band was practicing for the bowl game, which was in two days.

The bowl game was a big deal for Iowa, and the band was practicing for it.

The band was rehearsing for the bowl game, and I was there to witness it.

It was a great experience, and I learned a lot from the band.

They were very professional, and they knew what they were doing.

I was impressed by their dedication and hard work.

I hope they have a good game, and I wish them the best of luck.

My name is Sarah Johnson, and I am a reporter for the Daily Iowan.

I hope you enjoy my article.
The Winning Edge

Jennifer Lopez's Maid in Manhattan won a photo-finish at the weekend box office over Star Trek: Nemesis. Lopez's Cinderella romance debuted as the No. 1 movie with $16.8 million, while the new Trek flick opened with $18.5 million.

New Movies Opening Friday

Bowling for Columbine

MICHAEL MOORE, with his trademark charm and wit, sets off on a journey to the heart of the country. He hopes to discover why the American pursuit of happiness is so reduced with violence.

Campus 3

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Coral Ridge 10

Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets

Coral Ridge 10

Cinema 6

My Big Fat Greek Wedding

Coral Ridge 10

Cinema 6

The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers

Cinema 6

The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King

Cinema 6

Sandra Bullock plays an intelligent but neurotic attorney. Hugh Grant plays her charming, irresponsible, and wealthy client who always needs her help.

Coral Ridge 10 and Cinema 6

Santa Clause 2

Coral Ridge 10

The Ring

Coral Ridge 10 and Cinema 6

The Wild Thornberrys Movie

In Nickleodeon's animated film about a family who takes wild adventures around the world, a 12-year-old girl discovers a poacher's plan to kill an elephant hero and tries to stop him.

Cinema 3
Delving into true pornography

BY CARLOS ORTIGA-AMARAN

The Daily Iowan

"Like many people in this town, my name is like a brand in my militant machine," says local singer-songwriter Mike Pye.

Pye is one of the few who dare to stand up for what they believe in, even if it means going against the grain. His music is a reflection of his belief that we can change the world with our actions.

Pye's latest album, "Scream of the Streets," is a powerful collection of songs that tackle issues such as social justice, environmentalism, and love.

With tracks like "The Voice of the People" and "The Power of Unity," Pye's album is a call to action for those who want to make a difference in the world.

Pye's music has gained popularity in the local community and beyond, with performances at various venues and events.

"I hope that my music can inspire others to stand up for what they believe in," Pye said.

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Mohammad Aktam, KSUI's Rock 'n' Roll DJ, has a show from 6:30-8:30 PM on the internet. For complete guides, check out Arts and Entertainment at www.dailyiowan.com .

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**horoscopes**

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