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Hancher strikes out in underage alcohol sting



Stephanie McNiel/The Daily Iowan
Hancher employees sell champagne during the intermission of Riverdance on March 6.

UI employees serve underage patrons three times; Jones promises future compliance

BY GRANT SCHULTE
THE DAILY IOWAN

UI employees served alcohol to three underage students at three separate events in Hancher Auditorium — each time reporters attempted to purchase the beverages in a *Daily Iowan* sting.

The servers did not follow state law or UI policy when they served a bottle of Heineken, a bottle of Samuel Adams, and a glass of champagne to the underage patrons without asking for identification.

"They violated state law," said



Jones
VP of Student Services

Lynn Walding, the director of Iowa's Alcoholic Beverages Division. "That's interesting that you were able to catch them so easily."

The findings put Phillip Jones, the UI vice president for Student Services, in a particularly awkward position: As the administrator who oversees Hancher, he is ultimately responsible for the sales; at the

same time, he has been one of the most outspoken advocates for the 21-only ordinance that the Iowa City City Council is considering.

"I make no excuses for it," said Jones, who has final approval for all alcohol sales at the university. "If that happened, clearly something went wrong."

Connie Tipsword, the Hancher house manager who oversees the auditorium employees, said she will check records to identify those who were working on the nights of the stings and promised, "There will be repercussions, for sure."

While some downtown bars fire employees caught selling to underage customers, Tipsword said Hancher's punishment

could include reassigning employees to other positions or writing up a disciplinary report.

"It sounds to me like somebody got lazy," she said, adding that servers have in the past rejected patrons without IDs. "Obviously, it concerns me. It means the system fell down. But that doesn't excuse the fact that those people should have been carded."

In an interview, Jones said he will see to it that "it doesn't happen anymore" and vowed to strengthen enforcement of the policy, possibly by putting up signs around the serving area. University policy requires

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U.S. troops clash with Iraqis near Baghdad, Najaf

BY RAJIV CHANDRASEKARAN AND ALAN SIPRESS
WASHINGTON POST

KUWAIT CITY — Laying groundwork for an advance on Republican Guard divisions ringing Baghdad, U.S. troops clashed with Iraqi soldiers and militiamen at flash points along a 150-mile slice of central and southern Iraq Sunday in an effort to protect supply lines, soften defenses, and eliminate rear-guard resistance before heading for the capital.

U.S. warplanes and cruise missiles again bombarded Baghdad, striking a presidential palace, an intelligence complex, and a training center for paramilitary forces. As the air attacks rattled the capital another day, the ground troops mounted operations in and around four key cities to the south — An Nasiriyah, Samawah, Najaf, and Karbala — to suppress Iraqi army and paramilitary units threatening U.S. troops moving north. The American attacks led to gun battles, artillery exchanges, and helicopter assaults and air strikes by U.S. and British jets flying close-air support.

Many front-line troops, who have sped to within 50 miles of the Iraqi capital, have spent the past few days resting and resupplying. Some of their generals have suggested that unexpectedly tough resistance means more troops should be thrown into the fight before an all-out



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assault on Baghdad. But Sunday's activities indicated the U.S. forces have been far from static even as debate rages about what to do next.

Units of the 3rd Infantry Division, at the tip of the U.S. spear, pushed to Hillah, just southeast of Karbala, after overnight air strikes scattered three Iraqi army mechanized and tank units guarding the city. Militiamen armed with assault rifles and rocket-propelled grenade launchers tried to stop the advance, but they were beaten back by a barrage of artillery and rockets, allowing additional elements of the 3rd Infantry to move within striking distance of the Republican Guard's Medina division arrayed north of Karbala.



Dan Chung, Pool/Associated Press

Iraq families on Sunday leave Basra, in southern Iraq, heading across a bridge that is manned by British soldiers.

In Najaf, along the Euphrates River approximately 100 miles south of Baghdad, troops from the 1st Brigade of the 101st Airborne Division used artillery and called in air strikes to target militiamen who have been responsible for repeated attacks on U.S. military supply lines. The 101st also secured an airfield near the city, although some of the division's Apache attack helicopters were forced to abandon their missions after coming under Iraqi fire.

It is in Najaf — a city of 300,000 — that U.S. military leaders are faced with a difficult decision.

It was unclear whether the U.S. strategy is to take Najaf or simply to cordon off the city. There are too many Iraqi fighters to bypass them or leave them unattended; they're a danger to supply lines on the way to Baghdad.

But if Najaf is a key stepping stone to the capital, it is also a dangerous one. On March 29, a suicide attack killed four U.S. soldiers at a checkpoint north of town; on Sunday, nervous U.S. troops warned approaching drivers they would be shot if they did not leave the area.

"This is our type of fight," said

Command Sgt. Maj. Marvin Hill, of the Fort Campbell, Ky.-based 101st. "This is probably the most dangerous part of combat, and that's urban. Sometimes, you don't find out who the enemy is until they're shooting at you."

It is also a place where soldiers must tread with sensitivity.

It is in Najaf that Ali, the son-in-law of the prophet Muhammad, is buried at an extraordinary shrine, its gold dome and twin minarets gleaming for miles. It is surrounded by low buildings and narrow streets, a nightmare of an urban battleground.

Other Muslim prophets are buried there and at the vast al Wadi es Salaam cemetery — one of the world's largest — that forms a semicircle around the city. Officers speaking on the condition of anonymity said some of the Iraqi fighters were hiding there.

A battle that destroyed these holy places could inflame passions of Shiites in Iraq and elsewhere, most notably Iran.

Ibrahim Khalili, a prominent Iranian Shiite clergyman, said,

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Ruling leaves local police 'breathless' in OWI cases

BY KELLEY CASINO
THE DAILY IOWAN

Area law-enforcement officials were forced to begin conducting urine testing on suspected drunk drivers after a local judge deemed breath-testing results "highly questionable" on March 28.

On March 28, District Associate Judge Stephen Gerard indefinitely suspended evidence resulting from the current breath-testing device — the CDM DataMaster — ruling it to be inadmissible in court.

The judge found that law-enforcement officers were not using the equipment properly, resulting in unreliable data. The ruling forced law-enforcement departments to use urine tests to prove in court that defendants

were operating while intoxicated.

"With the DataMaster, it offers a button you can push that can bypass all the safeguards, and [police officers] were pushing the button," said defense attorney J. Dean Keegan.

The button, which the manufacturer does not recommend, allows officers to test the air in the chamber at the time the button is pushed instead of measuring an eight-second flow of air into the device.

Keegan attributed the misuse of the machines to lack of instruction from the state Division of Criminal Investigation's Criminalistics Laboratory in Des Moines and not obtaining approval for operation methods from the Commission of Public Safety, which Gerard noted in the ruling.

According to the judge's ruling, the "NV" or "No Volume" button on the device produces an incomplete and invalid test of the suspected drunk driver's blood-alcohol level; the current legal limit in Iowa is 0.10.

"The evidence now in the record suggests that the 'NV' button is used in a manner that shows lack of methodology and guidance, lack of uniformity and procedure, and lack of accuracy and reliability," Gerard wrote.

Training and unchanging operation methods are mandated by state law and are acts that Keegan said could have been adjusted during the six-week period between the hearing and the ruling.

"[Officers] had six weeks to be prepared, but the Criminalistics

Lab did nothing to get the local law enforcement prepared," he said. "The fact that they did nothing during this period of time is just an example of the arrogance they have displayed."

Officers at Iowa City and Coralville police could not be reached for comment.

The ruling may change outcomes of cases for some defendants, ranging from lesser penalties and deferred judgments to the dismissal of cases, Keegan said, adding that each defendant's case will be handled on an individual basis with the prosecutor.

Assistant Johnson County Attorneys Michael Brennan and Adam Pollack, prosecutors for the case, were unavailable for comment.

Keegan said he doubted whether urine testing would prove much more satisfactory than breath testing, adding that the test must be done within two hours of the alleged drunk-driving incident. Officers will still use handheld Breathalizers primarily, but only a urine test will be admissible in court.

Keegan currently has a pending motion in Iowa County regarding the suspension of evidence and pending OWI cases in 12 to 15 other counties that he says this ruling may affect. Iowa City police made six OWI arrests this weekend, police records show.

"Rulings like this have a way of circulating," he said.

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NEWS

Foreign-students head faces changes

BY BRANDON CAMPBELL
THE DAILY IOWAN

After studying abroad in Germany for one semester, Scott E. King changed the direction of his life, enabling him to eventually land a job as the director of the UI Office of International Students and Scholars.

"It was a life-changing experience," said King, who assumed his current position on March 17. "I was going to drop out of school because of personal problems."

King, 49, formerly served as the head of a similar program at Old Dominion University, in Norfolk, Va., for 11 years.

Before King arrived at Old Dominion, there were 400 to 500 foreign students and 20 to 30 foreign scholars attending the school. That population grew to 1,200 foreign students and 150 scholars before King left. He says he plans on continuing his success at the UI.

King's goals include providing campus information on the office's

Web site for international students in order to communicate with people. He also wants to demystify the purpose of the office.

The department serves international students, scholars, and their families, dispersing information and providing assistance with immigration procedures and connections with community organizations.

I hope to continue to help the UI maintain its reputation of being one of the best in international education.

Scott E. King,
director of UI Office of International Students and Scholars

King said he plans to address the main concerns international students face on campus — language barriers, cultural adjustment, and visa changes.

"There are a lot of uncertainties that they face of what will happen in their lives," he said. "The way we structure our environment is different

[in the United States]."

King took over the position at a time when colleges across the country are working to implement the Student and Exchange Visitors Information System, a controversial new database created by the federal government after the 9/11 terrorist attacks. Universities must meet an Aug. 1 deadline to have all foreign students entered.

"People need to understand and accept why people act the way they do. We need to send more students overseas to challenge their own perceptions. They would see how the rest of the world operates," he said.

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conducted while at Old Dominion, he found that more than 99 percent of foreign students are complying with immigration laws.

"We need to rid students of the misperception that foreign students violate immigration laws," he said.

Another one of King's goals is to bridge the gap between foreign students and American students.

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Alum revels in aria of expertise



BY INGA BEYER
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Michele Crider daily tells stories of Ethiopian slaves in ancient Egypt, love triangles of the Druids, and a king's love for his first minister's wife — mostly in Italian, in breathtakingly high notes.

The UI alumna is a world-renowned operatic soprano who has performed in the leading opera houses and concert halls of Europe and America.

The Quincy, Ill., native, who is working on a new production in Trieste, Italy, has been singing since she was a little girl. She said she knew she wanted to become an opera singer at age 16.

"I think I always loved the classics, more so than pop music," she said in an overseas phone call, with a hint of an Italian accent.

"My first voice teacher was an opera singer, and she introduced me to it."

After receiving her undergraduate degree in singing, Crider came to the UI School of Music in 1985 to earn a graduate degree.

During her years in Iowa City, she impressed the faculty with a talent that promised

greatness. After making her debut in a UI Opera Theater Production of *Madame Butterfly*, news of her voice traveled quickly, and the soprano soon received national attention.

She won twice in the highly acclaimed Metropolitan Opera District Auditions.

During her second year at the UI, Crider was asked to sing with

UI alumnus and opera star Simon Estes, who afterwards personally recommended her to study at the Zürich Opera Studio, a prestigious school in Switzerland that focuses on development of young singers.

Upon acceptance, she made the difficult decision to disrupt her studies, pack up, and make the move overseas.

"It was a hard start, but I was very lucky," she said.

"It's difficult; you miss your mother tongue and 24-hour shopping," she added, laughing.

Crider said she is thankful for the opportunities that the school in Zürich gave her, without which she would have never been able to conquer the opera world.

"The Zürich Opera House is one of the last opera schools for

young students to work with the opera houses," Crider said. "You get to sing for agents, and then the agents decide if they want to work with you."

"On my own, I would have had to have financed my own trips, and that can be very costly."

In her professional career, Crider has performed in numerous venues across Europe and has sung title roles in *Aida*, *Madame Butterfly*, *Norma*, and *Luisa Miller*.

Although her reviews commend her talent, calling her voice "unbelievable," "perfect," and "sumptuous," with the ability to "carry away the audience," Crider set a rule many years ago to never read her reviews.

"Everyone has an opinion, and you know for yourself what's true," Crider said.

Despite her success, Crider said she always tries to remember the people who helped her along the way: the "opera supers," a support group of passionate opera lovers in Iowa City.

Marlene Stanford was part of that group, which raised money with bake sales so that Crider could move overseas.

"Her career was worth helping," Stanford said. "She's got the talent. She has a deep-seated faith that God gave her this talent, and she works hard at it."

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Crider
singer

CITY

1st man charged under HIV law gets no jail time

The first man to be charged with criminal transmission of the HIV virus in Johnson County will not serve additional jail time if he successfully completes a three-year probation term.

District Judge Patrick Grady issued Aaron Dahlberg, 25, of Minnesota, a suspended sentence of five years in prison, a \$750 suspended fine, and \$1,346 in victim-restitution fees March 28. He could have

received a five-year prison term; he will serve time only if he violates the terms of the probation.

Dahlberg avoided standing trial for the Class B felony, which carries a maximum sentence of 25 years in prison, by entering an Alford plea to a lesser charge of willful injury in January.

"I've learned the importance of being completely candid and especially to communicate with those I care about," he said during the 20-minute hearing. He was accused of failing to tell an Iowa City man with whom he had unprotected sexual contact

in March 2000 that he had the virus that causes AIDS.

Assistant Johnson County Attorney Anne Lahey said the victim did not want Dahlberg to spend any time in prison.

Grady denied a request for a deferred judgment submitted by defense attorney Leon Spies, citing the importance of sending a message of deterrence to the public.

A deferred judgment would have allowed the conviction to be expunged from Dahlberg's record upon completion of the probation term.

— by Amy Jennings

Unoccupied house destroyed in a fire

An unoccupied house was destroyed in a six-hour blaze Sunday that initially required the efforts of three fire departments.

Iowa City firefighters found "heavy" smoke coming from the house, 619 E. Market St., when they responded to a report just after 7 a.m., officials said in a release. They called off-duty

fighters as well as units from Coralville and West Branch to help, but they couldn't enter the building because fire had burned a large hole in the floor, rendering it unsafe.

Solon, North Liberty, and Hills departments manned Iowa City's stations while the units fought the fire, authorities said.

No injuries were reported, and the building, owned by Mercy Hospital, was to be demolished, yielding no dollar loss. The

property next door, 625 E. Market St., was protected with handlines, and authorities allowed the fire to burn itself out. Iowa City firefighters remained on the scene until around 1:45 p.m., when the house was destroyed.

Officials have not yet determined a cause, but hospital representatives reported recent problems with unauthorized people entering the house.

— by Grant Schulte

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Red Cross caters to troops

BY PAULA MAVROUDIS
THE DAILY IOWAN

U.S. troops serving in the Persian Gulf area can expect to indulge in rare foods and American pastimes with donations of Brach's hard candies, Kool-Aid, and games of Yahtzee and checkers.

The Grant Wood Area chapter of the American Red Cross expects to send the most boxes of community donations in the seven-year history of Operation Support Our Troops sometime this week. The volume will exceed the record of approximately 70 boxes, the size of typical office paper boxes, donated in the wake of 9/11.

Operation Support Our Troops, a program dedicated to supplying donations to American troops stationed all over the world, provides items scarce to

troops residing in hardship bases. Candy, magazines, toothbrushes, powdered drink mixes, and games are common staples shipped across the world, said Angela Schmucker, an assistant executive director of the Grant Wood Area American Red Cross, based in Cedar Rapids.

"The troops living in the hardship bases are living in tents and don't have access to electricity or good water," Schmucker said. "It's not a regular base."

Troops relish indulgences such as Crystal Light, UNO, and chess that are dropped off at various donation spots, including churches and local businesses, throughout Benton, Delaware, Iowa, Johnson, Jones, and Linn counties. Lightweight books are part of the inventory, too. But chocolate was given the boot because it melts.

The list of items sent to troops comes from a list made by the military in 1996, Schmucker said, adding that donors are more conscious of troops' needs because of the war with Iraq and 9/11.

Organizers run a month-long donation campaign every few months to further the Red Cross's goal to continue a 100-plus-year history of U.S. military support, said Renee Uecker, the director of communications for the chapter.

The deadline to donate to this week's shipment will end today. The next donation campaign will probably start in July.

"We do get thank-you letters from Red Cross chapters all over the world after we send them items," Uecker said. "We've gotten letters from places such as Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and Iraq."

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Gulf activist keeps low profile

BY JEFFREY PATCH
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Incensed by U.S. action in the Persian Gulf in 1991, UI alumnus John Gardner drove for nearly 15 hours to meet with the Iraqi deputy minister in Washington, D.C.

Twelve years later, he's not willing to repeat the brazen act of protest he found disillusioning.

Gardner and his then-wife, Edith, both graduate students, embarked on the 900-mile trek Jan. 10, 1991, to discuss alternative actions to force with Iraqi and U.S. officials. Now, Gardner fears repercussions from the government should he publicly act against the U.S. military, laying to rest his days of fervent activism in light of what he calls the government's "incredibly broad power of surveillance" and "blatant intolerance of dissent," which is also shared by the media, he says.

"With the way the world is today, I'm not even comfortable talking," said Gardner, who received a Ph.D. in Sanskrit from the UI in 1998 and now works as a senior developer at Sun Microsystems. "I'm afraid of the possible ramifications for sticking my head up too high."

He opts to circulate his strong antiwar convictions among Internet friends and like-minded dissenters.

The Massachusetts resident, who also received his M.A. in world religions at the UI in 1993, holds no illusions that what he or other protesters does has a lasting effect.

Gardner and his wife met for an hour with Iraqi Deputy Minister Khalid Shewayish in 1991. But that episode left him feeling insignificant in the realm of political discourse. The Gardners also tried to speak with U.S. legislators but only made contact with an aide to Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa.

"The only thing that my efforts did [in 1991] was give

me peace of mind," the Huntsville, Ala., native said. "At the end of the day, it didn't make a damn bit of difference. [Protest is] falling on deaf ears."

The trip was the beginning of the end for the Gardners' marriage, he said. His wife's parents were staunchly opposed to their antiwar efforts, sentiments that strained their relationship.

The couple, who married in 1988, were separated for years before divorcing in 1994.

Instead of merely protesting, Gardner said, he has directed his efforts toward a different kind of activism. He volunteer teaches inner-city children about technology to "give them an advantage," his latest project involves helping students build a Web site.

Gardner's Ph.D. dissertation adviser, Frederick Smith, an associate professor of Asian

languages and literature, describes Gardner as a "very intense person who was committed to his beliefs." "He was very distrustful of authority for all the right reasons," he said.

Gardner, 39, a former president of UI Student Government in 1993-94, had his share of tangles with the university administration, led by then-President Hunter Rawlings.

In September 1992, Gardner was arrested near Rawlings' office while protesting state funding cuts for the university. A secretary slammed a door in Gardner's face and alleged that he assaulted her, Gardner said. He asserts he didn't touch the secretary, and was acquitted. Gardner served no jail time.

Gardner said he won't disclose his protest plans publicly; however, he aims to do all he can to "stop the killing."

"[Activists] are fighting for the soldiers' lives," he said. "It's just as noble as the soldiers fighting for our freedom."

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Gardner former activist

Lawmakers set for contentious week

BY DAVID PITT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — A number of controversial bills are likely to come up for debate in the Legislature this week, including one that would let criminals out of prison earlier and one that would lower the drunken-driving threshold.

Lawmakers have been waiting for information from the federal government to determine if the drunken-driving bill complies with federal guidelines.

The measure, which would lower the blood-alcohol level that brings an automatic conviction from 0.10 percent to 0.08 percent, passed the House in February.

Iowa could lose \$45.6 million in federal highway construction funding if lawmakers don't act.

A bill that would relax criminal sentences and change the residential requirements for sex offenders also will probably see

debate in the Senate this week, said Senate Majority Leader Stewart Iverson, R-Dows.

The measure would allow an inmate to be released on parole after serving half of the maximum sentence. It also would permit the Board of Parole and state corrections officials to reopen an inmate's sentence if the original sentencing court permits the sentence to be reconsidered.

The Legislature is looking at sentencing changes as a way to alleviate prison overcrowding.

The House will likely debate funding for community colleges and the three universities regulated by the state Board of Regents, said House Majority Leader Chuck Gipp, R-Decorah.

Democrats criticized the Republican funding plan, saying it would probably lead to double-digit tuition increases again this year. Gipp said the remarks were an exaggeration.

Iverson said discussion of tax

changes will become more intense this week.

"We'll get both House and Senate members together working on tax proposals from both sides and find out what's doable," Iverson said.

Democratic leaders said they're willing to discuss taxes as long as Republicans are serious about fairness.

"At some point, we will take the opportunity to work with Republicans if they decide to work in good faith on tax policy," said Senate Minority Leader Michael Gronstal, D-Council Bluffs.

Gronstal said the plan presented by Sen. Larry McKibben, R-Marshalltown, offers tax breaks to the rich at the expense of taxing the poor.

"I have pretty serious reservations about whether they have a majority of their own caucus that would support the plan they have out there," he said.

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An Israeli policeman looks at the remains of the Islamic militant who blew himself up in a crowded pedestrian mall in the Israeli coastal town of Netanya on Sunday.

Suicide bomber hits Israeli cafe

BY JASON KEYSER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NETANYA, Israel — A Palestinian suicide bomber wounded 30 people outside a packed cafe in northern Israel on Sunday, an attack the Islamic Jihad called "Palestine's gift to the heroic people of Iraq." The blast raised Israeli fears of more bombings as the war in Iraq intensifies.

The militant group said a vanguard of Palestinians has arrived in Baghdad ready to kill American and British soldiers in suicide missions. The claim came a day after a noncommissioned Iraqi army officer driving a taxi detonated explosives at a U.S. checkpoint in Iraq, killing himself and four American soldiers.

The blast in the coastal town of Netanya was the first suicide bombing in Israel in nearly a month; it involved five pounds of explosives studded with nails. It occurred during lunchtime outside the popular Cafe London on the downtown pedestrian mall.

Ten of the wounded were Israeli soldiers, including one who stopped the attacker as he tried to enter the cafe, police and the army said. Panicked customers ran, overturning chairs and tables and shouting, "Terrorist! Terrorist!"

Islamic Jihad identified the bomber as Rami Ghanem, 20, from a West Bank village just across the porous line with Israel. The bombing affirmed

"the unity of battle from Palestine to Baghdad in confronting the American-Zionist invasion, which targets the entire Arab and Islamic nation," the group said in a statement.

The militants' support for Iraq appeared to be a departure from pledges not to get involved in other conflicts. In the past 30 months of fighting with Israel, Islamic Jihad and its sister group Hamas have sent dozens of young men and a few women into Israeli cities, where they've killed hundreds with bombs and bullets.

Hamas also appeared to link the battle against Israel with the fighting in Iraq. Masked Hamas activists at a pro-Iraq march in the West Bank city of Nablus on Sunday posed before a large placard showing bloodied maps of Palestine and Iraq with a black-clad man strapped with explosives standing between them.

Meanwhile, Hamas leaders met in Gaza City with the Palestinian prime minister-designate, Mahmoud Abbas. One of Abbas' main challenges will be to rein in the militant groups.

Hamas, which opposes peace talks with Israel, had earlier criticized Abbas' appointment and said the militant Islamic group would not take part in his government.

Abbas, in Gaza to form a new Cabinet, also met Sunday with representatives of the militant Popular Front group and the

Iraq-backed Arab Liberation Front.

Arriving at the scene of Sunday's attack, police found the bomber's mangled body on the blood-spattered pavement. Detectives wearing plastic gloves fingerprinted his severed hand and sifted through detritus that included broken plates, food, shredded clothing, bits of flesh, and a baby's pacifier.

"There were pieces of bodies," said Alberto Sciunnach, 37, who owns a nearby ice cream parlor. A wounded teenage girl trying to flee collapsed in front of his shop, he said.

Israeli officials have warned that Palestinians could step up attacks during the U.S.-led war in Iraq.

"The motivation to harm Israel and to help the Iraqi struggle is well known to us, and it comes across in all the intelligence reports," said Internal Security Minister Tzachi Hanegbi.

Tens of thousands of Palestinians have taken to the streets in recent days to show support for Iraq and call on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's forces to fire Scud missiles at Israel, hit by 39 Iraqi rockets in the 1991 Gulf War.

Saddam has increased cash handouts to the families of Palestinians — including suicide bombers — who die in fighting with Israel. The Arab Liberation Front has doled out more than \$35 million in Iraqi money to families over the last 30 months.

U.S. officials defend war

BY ESTHER SCHRADER
AND TYLER MARSHALL
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON — The U.S. military's top civilian and uniformed leaders and the commander of the war, Army Gen. Tommy Franks, joined ranks Sunday in a robust defense of their war plan and the way it is being carried out.

Franks also disputed a published report that he had wanted to delay the ground war in Iraq until the Army's 4th Division's arrival in Kuwait next month. The decision and the timing were his, Franks said at command headquarters in Doha, Qatar.

Franks and his superiors, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and Air Force Gen. Richard Myers, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, were responding to questions being raised by military commanders in the field and retired officers about the progress and strategy behind the military campaign.

Generals in the field have complained in recent days that

the U.S.-led invasion has been blind-sided. They have described overstretched supply lines and troops caught off-guard by unexpectedly passionate Iraqi fighters employing guerrilla tactics.

Rumsfeld and Myers, making the rounds of the Sunday television news shows, rejected the criticisms, and both said they had never promised a swift or easy victory.

"This is going to be a tough war, a tough slog yet, and no responsible officials I know has ever said anything different once the war has started," Myers said.

At the daily news briefing at U.S. command headquarters in Doha, Franks vigorously defended the battle plan for Iraq and insisted he wasn't pressured from above to start the war. Referring to Rumsfeld as "my boss," Franks told reporters, "no one has driven the timing of this operation except the operation commander."

He said the timing of the invasion had been determined not by political pressure but by what he said was the chance to head off the destruction of the

country's southern oil fields.

"We saw evidence that the regime was intending to destroy the southern oil fields [and] had not been able to fully set conditions to be able to do that, so we sensed that we had an opportunity to get to these oil fields," he said.

In the April 7 issue of *The New Yorker* magazine, Seymour Hersh reports that after Turkey refused to let the 4th Infantry Division use its soil to enter Iraq from the north, Franks wanted to delay the war until the 4th could be rerouted through Kuwait. That would have put off the invasion until at least mid-April.

Franks implied Sunday that the initial loss of the 4th Infantry Division had been a blow but that the ability to replace it with more lightly equipped paratroop forces still enabled the U.S.-led force to carry out the twin objectives of pressuring Saddam Hussein's regime from the north and preventing any clash between Turks and the Kurds of northern Iraq.



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NEWS

Sting nets Hancher in underage-alcohol sales

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"appropriate monitoring" of sales at public events.

"We will be in compliance with the law and our policy, or we will stop serving alcohol altogether," he said.

The findings of the investigation are likely to embarrass university officials, who are asking the City Council to raise the minimum entrance age at bars to 21. The council is to see a draft of the ordinance this week.

When Hancher officials knew that a *Daily Iowan* reporter was coming to watch sales at the March 6 performance of *Riverdance*, servers carded everyone in line — even those who looked to be in their 50s and 60s.

Before learning of the sting, Greg Black, the director of IMU Food Service, which oversees the university's alcohol sales, asserted that the school would never sell to underage patrons "under any condition."

Informed of the findings, he quickly backtracked and promised to take action to ensure more frequent checks.

"The policy is only as good as the line worker," he said, adding that he will "be reminding his own staff of the importance of checking IDs."

Daily Iowan reporters visited three Hancher shows in pairs, one underage student along with a reporter of age. Each of the three underage students were served, and only one student, a 21-year-old, was carded.

Reporters did not use fake IDs or any other deceptive means.

Hancher policy calls for bartenders to card anyone who looks under 28.

The investigation was carried out at Hancher because it is one of the few venues at which the university sells alcohol. Other events where alcohol is served include some plays at the UI Theatre Building and banquets at the IMU.

Current school policy limits the sale of alcohol to "educational, cultural, and recreational programs" and places responsibility for dispensing and controlling alcoholic beverages in the hands of the IMU Food Service. Events with hard liquor are closed to the public.

We will be in compliance with the law and our policy, or we will stop serving alcohol altogether.

Phillip Jones,
vice president for Student Services

Iowa law imposes a \$500 civil fine for the first time a liquor-license holder is caught selling alcohol to underage customers. A second conviction within three years hits the license holder with a \$1,500 fine and 30-day suspension, and a third means another \$1,500 and a 60-day suspension. With a fourth offense, a license is revoked and cannot be returned for two years.

But had the reporters been working with police as part of a sting, the university would only have had to pay the first fine because it was not notified that it had sold to underagers

immediately after the initial test, the state's Walding said.

"The penalties are intended to be progressive," he said. "It allows the retailer to correct behavior. The intent of the [Iowa law] section is to get compliance, not penalties."

Local bar owners who oppose the 21-ordinance said the investigation points to more hypocrisy on the university's part — that the UI itself cannot keep underagers from obtaining alcohol as it pushes for the 21-only ordinance.

"Well, surprise, surprise," Daryl Woodson, the owner of the Sanctuary Restaurant & Pub, 405 S. Gilbert St., said when told of the investigation. "It's like I've said, the university needs to have a mandatory class in school to educate students about alcohol, parties, and issues like renting an apartment instead of going to the council. This Nancy Reagan 'just-say-no' attitude is just not going to work."

One bar owner compared Hancher, which offers alcohol for certain plays and performances, to a downtown bar that features live music.

"Hancher is essentially Gabe's, except it caters to a different audience," said Summit and One-Eyed Jakes owner Mike Porter.

Jones called the comparison between Hancher and local bars "spurious."

"Hancher's not open every night," he said. "I will never tell you that everything we do is perfect, but we do not have the problem of underage

UI staff members attended three Hancher Auditorium events at which alcohol was sold. On all three occasions, an underage person was able to purchase an alcoholic beverage.

Dec. 10, 2002
Show: *Voice of the Dragon*
Grant Schulte (20) bought Samuel Adams beer

Dec. 11, 2002
Show: *Voice of the Dragon*
Tony Robinson (20) bought Heineken beer

Feb. 28
Show: Joshua Bell, violinist
Paula Mavroudis (19) bought champagne

drinkers at shows."

Though the auditorium is one of several units that report to Jones, Hancher buys and distributes alcohol largely at its own discretion.

"Someone who's looking to get drunk isn't going to come to

Hancher to do it," Tipsword said.

Hancher sold \$13,600 worth of alcohol in fiscal 2002, a "relatively small" figure that includes special events such as weddings, said Charles Swanson, the auditorium's executive director. Bottles of beer and glasses of champagne cost \$3.50 apiece.

"We don't have happy hours or anything like that," he said, adding that only 1 to 2 percent of all audience members on a typical night buy alcohol. "People are coming here pretty much for a live performance."

So why serve alcohol? Many audience members who buy at Hancher want to socialize during an intermission or after a performance, and others

will buy a glass of champagne while waiting for traffic lines to clear, Swanson said.

The university may only sell alcohol during public events at areas Jones has pre-approved, including the IMU, Hancher Auditorium, the Museum of Art, the Levitt Center, University Theatres, the UI Hospitals and Clinics Solarium, Oakdale Hall, and University Libraries. The libraries need Jones' permission for each event held.

Selling alcohol in academic buildings is prohibited without Jones' approval, and then only when the event is closed to students.

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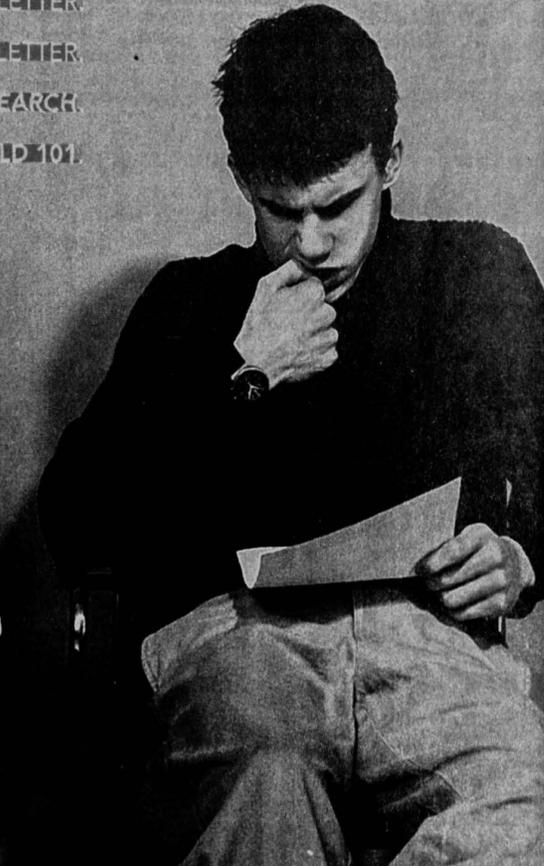
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U.S. officials wonder if Saddam still alive

BY GREG MILLER
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON — Senior Pentagon officials expressed new skepticism Sunday that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and his sons survived a strike designed to kill them on the opening day of the war.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, appearing on morning TV talk shows, all but challenged Saddam to show himself and prove that he is still alive after the U.S. bombarded a bunker in Baghdad in which the Iraqi leader and his sons were thought to be sheltering.

"We have not seen their leadership since" that March 20 attack, Rumsfeld said. "Where is Saddam Hussein? Where is Qusai, where is Uday — his sons? They're not talking."

His comments, and similar remarks by Gen. Richard Meyers, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, came as another U.S. official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said no new evidence has emerged to indicate whether Saddam and his sons were killed, or injured, or escaped unharmed. It is in the Pentagon's interest to spread doubt about the stability of the Iraqi regime.

However, intelligence officials took note of at least one intriguing sign: Iraq's Defense minister appeared on Iraqi television last week accompanied by a man believed to be Saddam's longtime bodyguard.

"It's worthy of note," the official said. "Here's a guy who's always seen with Saddam. You always see him in the videos."

U.S. officials wonder why the bodyguard would stray from Saddam at a moment when the Iraqi leader presumably would be concerned about coup attempts and his personal security.

Rumsfeld described the bodyguard's appearance as "interesting." "It may be an indication that Saddam Hussein is not moving around much," he said.

A TV appearance Sunday by Iraq's ambassador to the United Nations, Mohammed Douri, did little to scuttle speculation about Saddam's well-being.

Asked on NBC's "Meet the Press" whether Saddam was alive, Douri hesitated before saying: "I think that he is alive, of course, because we saw him several times on the TV."

Douri was referring to televised appearances by Saddam, including one just hours after the initial attack.

U.S. officials have said those appearances could have been taped earlier and do not prove he survived.

Speaking from New York, Douri suggested that the regime could outlast the death of Saddam or his sons. "It is not a question of one person or two persons," he said.

CIA officials remain convinced that Saddam and his two grown sons were in the Dora Farms compound struck by cruise missiles and bunker-busting bombs in the opening salvo of the war.

Rumsfeld also suggested Sunday that some members of Saddam's family, and members of other Iraqi leaders' families, may have fled to Syria.

The U.S. official speaking on the condition of anonymity said there have been "rumors and reports" to that effect, but there is "no hard evidence" that any members of Iraqi leadership families have fled. The official cautioned that some of these reports have come from Iraqi opposition groups that, like the Pentagon, have an interest in making Iraqi military commanders wonder whether they have been betrayed.

U.S. troops encircle Najaf, shrines

IRAQ

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"I don't think that anyone dares to attack a holy site in Iraq. An attack on holy shrines will only provoke the uncontrolled anger of Muslims, especially Shiites, with serious consequences to the attackers."

In Samawah, also along the Euphrates but 50 miles farther south, two battalions from the 82nd Airborne Division engaged in often-intense fighting as they pursued an estimated 1,000 paramilitary fighters holed up in the city. And a Marine raid secured buildings held by Iraq's 11th Infantry Division in Nasiriyah, a riverfront town another 50 miles to the south that has been the scene of fierce fighting over the past week.

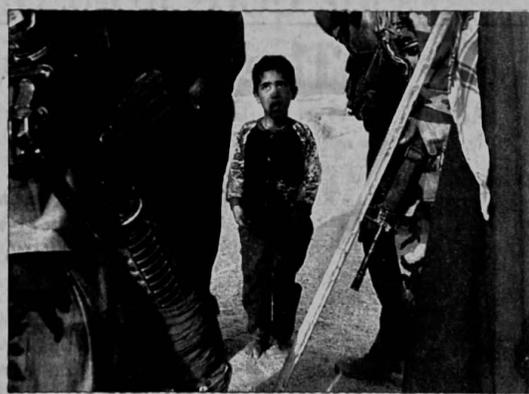
The Central Command reported that in one building, Marines found more than 300 chemical suits and masks, injectors for the nerve-agent antidote atropine, two decontamination vehicles, and other decontamination devices. In another, they discovered more than 800 rocket-propelled

grenades, along with mines, hundreds of mortar and artillery rounds, and thousands of rifle bullets. Earlier, Marines found chemical suits and masks, weapons, and ammunition inside a hospital in Nasiriyah that U.S. officials said was being used as a staging area for paramilitary forces.

In the southern port city of Basra, British troops also reported finding a cache of training equipment for chemical warfare, including a Geiger counter, nerve-gas simulators, gas masks, and protective suits.

Although the discoveries suggested Iraqi forces were prepared for chemical warfare, it was unclear when the equipment was deployed, and U.S. forces have found no chemical or biological weapons.

British troops on the southern and western edges of Basra exchanged artillery fire with Iraqi forces, but they have refrained from a full-scale invasion of the city because of fears it could lead to bloody urban combat. At the same time, the troops began what one British Defense official called "aggressive patrolling" inside the city.



John Moore/Associated Press
U.S. Army military intelligence officers question Bedouins in the desert of central Iraq on Sunday.

Group Capt. Al Lockwood, a spokesman for British forces in the Persian Gulf, said Royal Marine commando units staged raids to target militiamen and soldiers who continue to control the city. The operation was called "James," after the fictional spy James Bond.

The first to be nabbed, British Defense officials said,

were five Iraqi military officers, including a general. The commandos also killed a Republican Guard colonel who British officials believe was sent to Basra to "try to strengthen the resolve among the Baath Party militia and the paramilitaries that are operating in the area," Lockwood said.

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BAGRAM, Afghanistan (AP) — An ambush that killed two American servicemen is a sign rebel activity is increasing in Afghanistan following the start of the war in Iraq, an Army spokesman said Sunday.

Col. Roger King also said the military was considering new offensives in the area of southern Afghanistan where the ambush occurred.

"This helps paint the picture for future operations," King told reporters. However, he said, the attack also "points out that it's a challenge to pick out enemy forces that are made up of local Afghans."

Late Sunday, a rocket hit the headquarters of the international peace-keeping force that patrols Kabul, the Afghan capital. No injuries were reported. Afghan authorities say Taliban, their Qaeda allies, and forces loyal to a renegade rebel commander are behind the killings and the rocket attacks.

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Letters to the Editor

Peace is a pipe dream

I must admit it makes no sense to me why anyone would protest an action that would lead to freedom for others — unless, of course, one feels that the Iraqi people do not deserve freedom. After all, why shouldn't America have it all? That strikes me as a legitimate explanation for the rampant protests against this war that occur across the country. I agree with this war. I agree with it because I believe that Saddam Hussein deserves to die for the last three decades of terror that he has inflicted upon his own people. Genocide is genocide, no matter who commits it. He has gassed Iranian prisoners of war, his own citizens, and the Kurds in northern Iraq. He tortures prisoners of war in gross violation of the Geneva Conventions, something the United States has never and will never do. Personally I'm not willing to wait until he actually starts constructing crematoria before arguing that the United States should step in and stop him. He has brought this war upon himself.

The deaths of civilians are regrettable but also inevitable. That is how war is. If one wants to protest innocent people dying, then protest drive-by shootings. Is war always the way to go? Of course not. Desiring peace is a good thing, but peace itself is a pipe dream. As long as there are those who desire power over others, there will be dictators, and war will be the only way to stop them. Dream of peace if you want — but don't be ignorant enough to

think it will come soon, or easy. Life just doesn't work that way.

Jennifer Zarr
 UI student

The man, not the mission

I condemn those of you who are speaking out in opposition to Operation Iraqi Freedom. Are you willing to fight for your right to protest? Have you not forgotten that your constitutional right of freedom of speech protecting your right to voice your opinion, along with all your other rights afforded you through the Constitution of our free country, was not acquired through diplomacy but only after great bloodshed of American lives?

Where were you when President Clinton launched Tomahawk cruise missiles into Iraq in 1996? How about in December 1998, when Clinton again unleashed hundreds of cruise missiles at Iraq just hours before his scheduled impeachment hearing regarding his adulterous involvement with Monica Lewinsky and his perjurious attempts to conceal his affair? In response to Clinton's decision to launch attacks on Iraq he stated, "Reckless acts have consequences, to reduce Saddam's ability to strike out again at neighbors, to increase America's ability to prevent future acts of violence and aggression."

Where were you then, or was that time different? So, explain to me what is different this time around. I don't think your opposition to war has anything to do with the actions taken against Saddam Hussein. But there is one difference this time. You

are opposed to who is making the decisions — a Republican president instead of a Democrat. Anything that President Bush is in support of you are adamantly opposed to. You would rather have our country harmed and our economy dwindle than allow Bush to succeed in protecting our country and strengthening our economy. You have more concern for your party than you do for your country.

Everyone wants to live in a world of peace, but sometimes military conflict is required to attain peace. Maybe a short lesson in history will revive your memory.

Jason Burgmaier
 UI law student

The UI forgets its place

The UI is neither a baby-sitting nor a savings and loan agency. It had no business loaning money to Planet X in an effort to divert student attention from drinking to frivolous activity. As an underclassman in the 1950s, I did my share of staggering in downtown Iowa City. I do not begrudge the present generation the same prerogative.

If the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences were abolished, underclassmen would be forced to puke on sidewalks closer to home. There would be fewer jobs at the UI, resulting in fewer socialists and societal whiners in Iowa City. Those who oppress students would have to face the economic consequences of not having students around. You could find a parking place.

Bob Dostal
 Iowa City resident

Editorial

Peaceful local protests almost set example for entire nation

Ever since the Vietnam War, antiwar protests have been overshadowed by the grim specter of violent outburst. Peaceful sit-ins can erupt into pitched battles between activists and riot police. In some cases, protesters and police are carried away on stretchers; people lie in the street handcuffed, while others nurse cuts, lacerations, and broken limbs. All meaning to the protest is lost in the melee.

Here in Iowa City, however, activism is alive and well, and violence is nearly nonexistent. It is neither luck nor happenstance that produced this result, but rather the concerted effort of all parties involved. The protesters remain true to their affirmations of pacifism; the police exercise restraint and compassion, and city and university officials support the people as they exercise their First Amendment rights.

Last week, to protest the war, roughly 20 people decided to hold a sit-in and block traffic at the intersection of Gilbert and Burlington streets. Often, when police arrive, the situation can become very tense and possibly violent. Luckily, the Iowa City police handled the situation with care and understanding. After asking the protesters numerous times to vacate the street, the police arrested four women. For their part, the women asked to be arrested and did not violently resist police attempts to remove them from the street. No tear gas was used, no batons were swung, and no shop windows were smashed. Through the exercise of restraint, both sides accomplished their purpose. The protesters received the attention they desired from the public and the media, while the police maintained public order.

In a separate example, UI officials demonstrated their commitment to First Amendment freedom of assembly. To protest the war, Iowans for Peace with

Iraq and Campaign Against War requested permission to set up a peace camp between Jessup and Macbride Halls. Of course, even if permission had been denied, the protesters probably would have proceeded, because civil disobedience is at the heart of protest. Then, the UI police would have become involved, students would have been arrested, and all sides would have had to deal with the negative consequences. Luckily, however, Phillip Jones, the UI vice president for Student Services, recognized the importance of free expression and granted the protesters permission to camp until May 16. By showing support and understanding for the protesters, Jones has iterated the university's commitment to student activism and expression, while at the same time preventing a possible confrontation between students and UI police officers.

Over Spring Break, windows were broken near one ROTC office and graffiti sprayed all over campus. Rather than pursue acts like these that create an uncomfortable environment for student-soldiers, the examples set forth in the peaceful protests should be followed.

As the war continues, protests around the globe will inevitably become more commonplace. Nightly newscasts show police in full riot gear shooting tear gas into assembled crowds. Protesters smash windows, flip automobiles, and throw anything they can lift at police. Without the narration from the reporter, it would be impossible to recognize such behavior as a peace protest. In Iowa City, however, all sides are working together to support activism and maintain the peaceful spirit of the protest. Other cities would do well to follow the example of Iowa City in order to prevent further bloodshed in the name of peace.

Switching sides — the truth of the matter

I'll admit it: I've switched sides, and I make no apologies. Before this promised-to-be-teeny-tiny war started, I was against it. Now that it has (and promises to drag out much longer than we all anticipated), I'm behind it 100 percent (well, maybe 90 percent, but who's counting?).

Let me explain. I was never for the war. In fact, I'm still not "pro-war," a term the hippie protesters on the Pentacrest will throw around loosely. I don't think war is ever a good idea; invading a sovereign nation in a pre-emptive strike seems like an even worse one. People die, international relationships inevitably suffer, and the news is saturated with nothing but war coverage — even March Madness is taking a back seat to Iraq.

So I was against the war — right up until the moment that it became cold-hard reality. I sided with the liberals, and now I agree with the conservatives. And most likely, both sides want nothing to do with people like me — the seemingly wishy-washy, I'll-take-whatever-side-is-winning people. I assure you that is not the case.

It's just that now, the war is unavoidable. It's in full swing, and there's not much we

can do about that. Still, though, the protests against it continue. And I find them ridiculous. I went to Los Angeles for Spring Break, and while I was there, some protesters held a "vomit-in." You read that right — they got together and threw up around some government building. I'm sure that sent a glaring message to our nation's leaders — something along the lines of, "We're idiots."

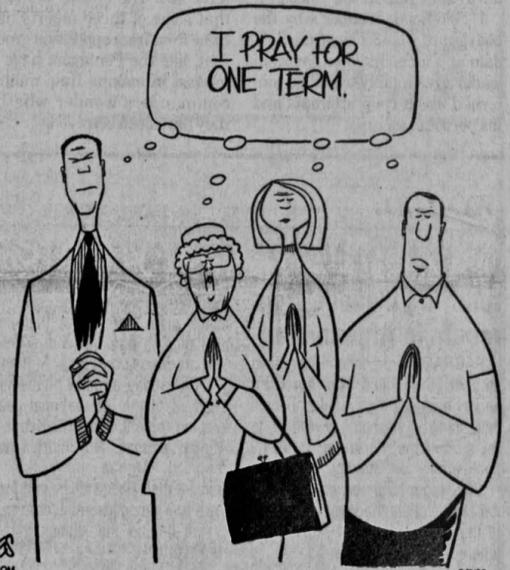
Whether we like it or not, the war is on. And as that is the case, I say we all get on board. There's no turning back, and really, let's ask ourselves: Would we want to? Do we want to be in this same position in 2015? Do we want to get within arm's reach and turn back — again? Do we want to continue withholding food and aid from Iraq because it never gets to the people who need it, causing needless death and harm to innocent civilians?

Those in the Pentacrest camp have told me that our troops are doing exactly that with their bombs and other weapons.



AMANDA MITTLESTADT

"One thing that's really great about our country is there are thousands of people who Pray for Me..."
 —GW BUSH



Really? It seems that the military has been far more precise in its aim this time around. There has not been a "carpet bombing" of Iraq. The "Shock and Awe" plan has not been a widespread assault on the Iraqi people; rather, it has hit its targets with almost "shock"ing and "awe"some accuracy.

And so a few hundred people die — theirs and ours. Is that small cost not worth saving millions of lives that might be lost to an oppressive regime otherwise? If we do our job and do it well, the sanctions against Iraq can end and its people will have access to the resources they need — food and otherwise.

Protesters, I would hope, are arguing for an end to the fighting because they want the people of Iraq to be able to live in peace. But if they are arguing for a better quality of life for those under Saddam Hussein's power, they should be for the war. The sooner Saddam is ousted from his

country — no matter who takes over (unless it's one of his sons, which, obviously, it won't be) — the people will be better off.

But back to the point — switching sides. I'm not a fairweather fan. Rather, there has been new information presented and I have simply adjusted my opinion based on that new information, based on the facts.

The fact is, protesters have every right to protest, but if they choose to object to this war, they better get their facts straight. I've yet to hear hard numbers or even a rational argument from anyone holding a sign or camping out for peace.

The fact is, the government has access to a lot more information than any of us do. Granted, the constant coverage by the media has left many things very transparent. But our leaders still get first word on the goings-on inside Iraq.

The fact is, we're in this now — knee-deep and wading in further — whether we like it or not. All we can hope for now is that it's over as soon as possible. Until then, I'm behind it 90 percent.

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In My Opinion

How do you think protesters can best get their message across?



"Locally, they won't get anything accomplished. Tents on the Pentacrest won't solve any world problems."
Diana Reed
 UI freshman



"They should write letters to Congress."
John Suh
 UI junior



"Camping on the Pentacrest — just kidding."
Nik Maffioli
 UI junior



"By making it clear they support the troops."
Kato McKlernan
 UI sophomore



"By not protesting but by doing something. Where I work, we are making boxes filled with materials."
Karen Pace
 Iowa City resident

ARTS

& entertainment

Drinking coffee everywhere

BY DIANA ROFFMAN
THE DAILY IOWAN

While reading ZZ Packer's debut collection of stories, *Drinking Coffee Elsewhere*, don't be surprised if you feel uncomfortable or at all distressed.

Caught between worlds of grit and tranquility, Packer's stories create a pressure cooker of the human spirit drawn against time itself. Swelling with the possibilities of human relationships, how we are when we try to survive on our own and what we can do for each other when we offer ourselves and our houses over to others, *Drinking Coffee Elsewhere* is a constant reminder of the daily lives we live and could live.

First published when she was 19 years old, Packer has since been in *The New Yorker*, *The Best American Short Stories 2000*, and the anthology *Twenty-five and Under*. A recent recipient of the Whiting Writers' Award and a Rona Jaffe Foundation Writers' Award, Packer, a graduate of the Iowa Writers' Workshop, is a Jones lecturer at Stanford University.

Full of stories that address the messy lives we live with a fast-paced prose that matches the way in which we live them, *Drinking Coffee Elsewhere* does not pretend to be either overly delicate or exotic. Moving between its mostly black, female teenage characters, the South, and even Japan, Packer gets the dirt beneath us all to surface, sometimes to clear out and always to at least move around enough so that we are able to see the shiny glaze of hope that is beneath all people, not just Packer's characters.

Blazing through her characters' lives with respect and honesty, she treats us to moments of pain with perfect doses of humor, kindness, and a sensuality that alternates between a brashness and a loveliness.

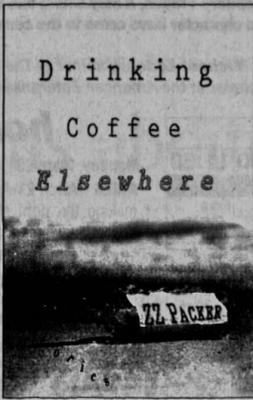
Dina, Packer's one character whom we meet twice in this collection — once in the title story and once again in "Geese" — is the embodiment of both the outrage and the complete lack of control that we have in our lives.

When we first meet her, Dina is at Yale participating in her college orientation. Young, black, and just a little bit angry, Dina, during one orientation game,

says that if she had to choose one inanimate object to be, she would be a revolver. A revolver that, in the end, plummets her into a headlong fall toward eventually leaving Yale but not before her sexuality and morals are tested.

When we meet her again in "Geese," Dina has found herself in a melting pot of an apartment, sharing the packed floor of the living room (and basically only room) with the owner and friend and a man who, for all the unfairness that has been put on him in the world, takes his anger out on Dina in one night of sudden confusion that involves threatening her life.

But while we meet Dina twice, Packer's other characters are no less memorable. In "Our Lady of Peace," we meet Lynnea Davis, who, on her quest for government benefits, becomes a teacher who never clears her mind enough to see the power she could have over her students' lives if she so chose to. Blinding herself with



how it "should be" and looking for that "light in their eyes," she eventually drives herself, and her car, into a trouble that is harder to escape from than all the problems she may have been having as a teacher.

Packer's collection of stories, which are made of seemingly fragile stuff, and their characters, many of whom are mostly strong in their determination to buck up against the world, offers us the ability to relate to the characters — if not in terms of the physical worlds in which they dwell, then certainly in terms of the mental terrain that they are constantly battling within.

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From NPR to indie-pop success

BY DANE ROBERTS
THE DAILY IOWAN

San Diego's indie-pop group Pinback got a break in outlets quite different from mainstream radio and MTV.

In 2001, National Public Radio ran a positive four-minute review of the band Pinback on "All Things Considered." After the broadcast, *Blue Screen Life*, the band's second full-length release, made its way into the top-10 category on Amazon.com. The band also got a boost when the clothing store Urban Outfitters put Pinback albums into heavy rotation in all 40 of its U.S. stores.

Pinback started in 1998 as the recording project of Armistead Smith IV, formerly of the indie-rock band Three Mile Pilot, and Robert Crow, formerly of the bands Thingy and Heavy Vegetable. The two-piece eventually expanded the lineup to include drummer Tom Zinser, also of Three Mile Pilot.

That same year, after a legal battle with Tim/Kerr Records, and after playing only three shows in the San Diego area, Pinback signed with Ace Fu Records.

Shortly after, Smith, Crow, and Zinser went to work, recording 14 songs, and they released the group's self-titled album in 1999. The album displayed a departure, or perhaps more accurately, an amalgama-



Publicity Photo

HERC and Deathships will open up for Pinback tonight at Gabe's.

tion of the members' previous musical efforts.

The eponymous debut features drum-machine beats, acoustic drums, thick keyboards, plinking guitar melodies, and the layered and dreamy vocals of Crow and Smith. The songs are clean-toned and precisely timed, and the vocals are natural and whispery.

Pinback released numerous singles and EPs in 2000 and followed up with its second full-length release, *Blue Screen Life* in 2001. The second album emerged as a tighter and more confident album than the impressive debut.

The highlight of *Blue Screen Life* is "Penelope," which features arpeggiated acoustic guitars, a

building drum machine rhythm, a funky sliding bass line, and the usual quiet and melodic tenor voices. *Blue Screen Life* is one of those select albums that you can press play and listen to contentedly for the duration.

Pinback is musically akin to fellow West-Coasters Modest Mouse, Beulah, and, most similarly, Death Cab for Cutie.

Pinback may be limited in its live performances by a lack of members available to recreate the dense and varied instrumentation heard on the album. But with each member splitting his stage time playing several different instruments on the band's finely tuned and upbeat pop songs, tonight's show will surely be a unique and entertaining performance.

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calendar

- Interdisciplinary Health Group session, "Reflections on Health Care in Cuba," Maureen McCue, International Center, today at noon, Public Policy Center Seminar Room, South Quadrangle.
- International Mondays, "The Power to Shape Your World: International Studies at the UI," today at noon, International Center Lounge.
- UI Celebration of Excellence and Achievement Among Women, reception and awards ceremony, today at 4 p.m., IMU.
- UI Celebration of Excellence and Achievement Among Women, fundraising dinner, today at 5:30 p.m., IMU.
- Semester Lecture and Discussion Series, "Understanding Islam and Muslims," today at 6 p.m., 347 IMU.
- "Live from Prairie Lights," ZZ Packer, fiction, today at 8 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., and WSUI.

quote of the day

I think the level of casualties is secondary. I mean, it may sound like an odd thing to say, but all the great scholars who have studied American character have come to the conclusion that we are a warlike people and that we love war.
 — Michael Ledeen, author of *The War against the Terror Masters* and a scholar at the American Enterprise Institute, a conservative think tank.

horoscopes

Monday, March 31, 2003 by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You must be sure that you are making the right choices, especially at a personal level. Your financial situation could be upset if you are not straight with yourself and others today.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Get motivated, and start doing. The more you get involved in worthwhile groups, the better you will feel about yourself and the more likely you are to meet people who can further your own interests.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You will have some original ideas. If you work on them quietly behind the scenes, you will be able to make progress. It is certainly the day to accomplish.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): The day may start out to your advantage, but things could turn quickly if you are too pushy with others. Give the people around you space to do as they please.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Bide your time, and everything will turn out the way you want. Listen to what others have to say, and you can make wise choices regarding financial matters.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Expect opposition from anyone with whom you form a partnership. You will both have your own ideas of what will and what won't work. The deciding factor will be financial.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't talk about what you feel or want to do. Be aggressive, do what's necessary to prove your point, and you will stand a much better chance of coming out on top.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Someone close to you will probably give you false information to spare your feelings. Focus on your work and getting along with colleagues. Try to put things in perspective.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may want to lie low until later in the day, when your charming side will reappear. You will be very lively and entertaining as the day progresses.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You are likely to have a change of heart, but don't let your feelings be known just yet. You will change your mind several times this week.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You may want to take special care when it comes to important relationships. If you are too candid about your feelings, you may give the wrong impression.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You will want to do something to improve your position. Take a look at the options available to you and at the direction that you see yourself going. You may need to pick up additional skills.

MONDAY PRIME TIME

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FNC	28	28	Fox Report	O'Reilly Factor	Live	Hannity & Colmes	On the Record	O'Reilly Factor	Special Report			
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ESPN2	65	65	MLB Baseball: New York Yankees at Toronto Blue Jays (Live)				Baseball Tonight (Live)	Billiards: Trick	NBA	Basketball		
DE	67	40	106 Park	BET com	Light It Up (R, '99)	** (Usher Raymond)	Comicview	News	Hey Monie	Midnight Love		
WGN	69	37	Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.	WWE Raw (Live)		CSI: Crime Scn	Blind Date	Blind Date		
HIS	69	37	Modern Marvels	Mail Call	Conquest	Killer Storm		Wrath of God	Mail Call	Conquest		
WGN	71	32	Seinfeld	Friends	Money Talks (R, '97)	** (Chris Tucker)	The Distinguished Gentleman (9:15) (92)	(Eddie Murphy)	Son-in-Lw			
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PREMIUM CHANNELS												
HD	650	14	Normal	Legendary	Riding in Cars With Boys (PG-13, '01)	**	Dead Men Talking	A Better Way to Die (10:15) (R, '00)	**			
MAX	652	15	Swingers (5:15) (96)	Death to Smoochy (R, '02)	(Robin Williams)		Turbulence (R, '97)	(Ray Liotta)	Married People, Single Sex			

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- 11 International Harvest
- 11:55 Tom's Guitar Show at the PATV Chili Dinner
- 12:50 p.m. Green Chester
- 1 Bollywood for America!
- 2:30 Maneater
- 3 Protostarr
- 3:30 FSTV NYC Protest Feb. 15
- 4:35 Coleman & Howe: Music of the Heart
- 5:20 City Council Meeting March 19
- 5:30 Cold Frames
- 5:50 Maggots of Youth
- 6 From Death Row: This Is Mumia Abu Jamal
- 6:30 SCTV Calendar
- 7 Education Exchange
- 7:30 Live & Local
- 8 Access Update
- 8:30 Nancy Cree Keyboard Highlights
- 9 30 Minutes
- 9:30 Cold and Grey
- 10 UI Student Film & Video Show
- 11 National Gallery Presents

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ACROSS

- Book of maps
- Lounge
- Lounge
- Milk purchase
- Actress Falco
- Word before a verb, maybe
- Pain inside
- Taboo
- Not timid
- Cruising
- 1986 Detroit debut
- Refuses
- Tall tale
- E.P.A. concern: Abbr.
- Paint over
- Government subsidy
- This-and-that dish
- 21-Across, e.g.
- Bruin Bobby

DOWN

- Shades of blue
- Oklahoma city
- Cagney's TV partner
- Regions
- Narrow waterway: Abbr.
- Late-night name
- Olfactory stimulus
- Dance named after an aviator
- Dance class wear
- Grouped
- It may get into a jamb
- Humdinger
- They may be split or tight
- An ellipse has two of them
- "... you sure?"
- Take-home
- ... about (approximately)
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35 Lots

36 Out

37 "... la Douce" (1963 film)

38 Actor Stamp

39 Tennis's Arthur

40 Bill ... TV's Science Guy

41 No. on a business card

42 Manhandles

43 "Hurray!"

44 Had control of the deck

45 Gopher Palmer, informally

46 Like farm oxen

47 Husband of Ruth, in the Bible

48 Take back

49 Funnymen Laurel

50 Oversupply

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The Ledge

by Nick Narigon

Random Musical Inquiries

• Whose the better drummer, Don Henley or Phil Collins?

• What kind of deal was made that allowed Paul and Ringo to be the only Beatles left alive?

• Why did Great White ever get back together? Two tragedies could have been avoided.

• Isn't it kinda disheartening that Bono was nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize instead of thousands of American politicians?

• Did drugs lead to techno or does techno lead to drugs?

• Aren't those girls from t.A.T.u. just precious?

• Is there anything left to say about Michael Jackson?

• Why don't people rap about their cats?

• Am I beautiful? No matter what they say?

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SCOREBOARD

NHL
Devils 6, Islanders 0
Oilers 4, Blackhawks 4
Ducks 3, Canucks 1

NCAA Women
JConn 70, B.C. 49
Purdue 66, Notre Dame 47
LSU 69, Louisiana Tech 63
Texas 73, Minnesota 60

NCAA Men
Syracuse 63, Oklahoma 47
Texas 85, MSU 76

MLB
Rangers 6, Angels 3

NBA
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Monday, March 31, 2003

HOCKEY

World games nixed because of disease

GENEVA (AP) — The women's world hockey championships in China were called off Sunday because of the mysterious disease that has killed at least 57 people and sickened 1,600 worldwide.

The tournament was to have started Thursday and ended April 9. The International Ice Hockey Federation in Zurich said it could no longer ensure the health of the teams and has yet to decide if this year's event will be rescheduled. The federation advised teams in the eight-nation tournament to return home as soon as possible.

Switzerland, Sweden, Russia, and Germany already were in Beijing with the host Chinese team. Squads from the United States, Canada, and Finland were about to leave.

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Hawkeye weekend

See how your favorite Iowa sports team fared over the weekend.
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IOWA SPORTS

Tuesday

SOFTBALL, Iowa at UNI, double-header, Cedar Falls, 3 p.m., free

BASEBALL, Iowa hosts UNI, Duane Banks Field, 5 p.m., free

Thursday

TRACK, Iowa at Texas Relays, Austin, Texas, all day

Friday

SOFTBALL, Iowa at Michigan, Ann Arbor, 3 p.m.

BASEBALL, Iowa hosts Indiana, Duane Banks Field, 6 p.m., \$3 adults/\$2 students

GOLF, Iowa men at Marshall Invitational, Huntington, W.V., all day

TENNIS, Iowa women host Northwestern, Rec Building/Klotz Tennis Courts, 2 p.m., free

TRACK, Iowa at Texas Relays, Austin, Texas, all day

Saturday

SOFTBALL, Iowa at Michigan, Ann Arbor, noon

BASEBALL, Iowa hosts Indiana, double-header, Duane Banks Field, 4 p.m., \$3 adults/\$2 students

GOLF, Iowa men at Marshall Invitational, Huntington, W.V., all day

TRACK, Iowa at Texas Relays, Austin, Texas, all day

GOLF, Iowa women at Indiana Invitational, Bloomington, all day

TENNIS, Iowa men at Wisconsin, Madison, noon

TRACK, Iowa women at Luther College, Decorah, 9 a.m.

TRACK, Iowa women at Texas-Arlington Invitational, Arlington, all day

Sunday

SOFTBALL, Iowa at Michigan State, double-header, East Lansing, noon

BASEBALL, Iowa hosts Indiana, Duane Banks Field, 1 p.m., \$3 adults/\$2 students

TENNIS, Iowa women host Wisconsin, Rec Building/Klotz Tennis courts, noon, free

ROWING, Iowa hosts Notre Dame, Iowa River, 10 a.m., free

GOLF, Iowa women at Indiana Invitational, Bloomington, all day

TENNIS, Iowa men at Northwestern, Evanston, Ill., noon

Home runs abound on Texas' opening night

BY KEN PETERS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ANAHEIM, Calif. — With Game 7 winner John Lackey on the mound, the Anaheim Angels started this season the same way they began last year — with a thud.

Alex Rodriguez, Juan Gonzalez, and Michael Young homered, making manager Buck Showalter a winner in his Texas debut as the Rangers beat the World Series champion Angels, 6-3, on Sunday night in the major-league opener.

Lackey was hit hard as the Angels dropped their fourth-straight opener. Last year, they started off with a 6-0 loss to Cleveland and fell to a franchise-worst 6-14 before coming back.

After rousing pregame ceremonies that included the raising of the Angels' first World Series championship flag in their 42-year history, Young quieted the crowd with a three-run shot over the center-field wall off Lackey to give Texas a 4-2 lead in the fourth inning.

The Rangers rocked Lackey for five runs on eight hits in five

innings. In his last outing, the 24-year-old right-hander became the first rookie to win the seventh game of a World Series in 93 years, when he gave up one run in five innings of the Angels' 4-1 victory over San Francisco.

Ismael Valdes made his first start in an opener and got the win against his former teammates, allowing three runs on seven hits in five innings.

Ugueth Urbina, signed as a free agent over the winter, pitched the ninth for the save. He had 40 last season for Boston last year.



Angels pitcher John Lackey throws to Carl Everett. Mark J. Terrill/Associated Press

IOWA SOFTBALL

Racking up wins

Hawkeyes strong in first four, open conference season with perfect record

BY TODD
BROMMELKAMP
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa softball team started Big Ten play strongly by winning its first four games, including a double-header sweep of Wisconsin on Sunday.

Iowa overcame a shaky start in the opener to take a 4-2 victory and then handed the Badgers a resounding 8-1 defeat in the second contest. Sunday's victories, coupled with a sweep of Minnesota on March 29, improved Iowa's record to 25-6 overall and 4-0 in Big Ten play.

At 2-0, Ohio State is the only other team to escape the opening week of league play unblemished.

"It's a great start, especially being able to do it at home," said centerfielder Katie Boney, who was 4-5 in Sunday's second game with an RBI.

Offensive production from all areas of the lineup helped energize the Hawkeyes. Iowa tallied 22 hits on Sunday, with 15 of those coming in game two.

"What's been nice is that we're starting to get more production out of our 6, 7, and 8 spots," said coach Gayle Blevins.

That portion of the order combined for five hits against the Badgers, highlighted by an RBI double off the left-field wall by catcher Elisha Huse that



Stephanie Park gets congratulated after scoring a run against Minnesota on March 29. The Iowa softball team opened the Big Ten Conference last weekend by sweeping four games from Minnesota and Wisconsin. John Richard/The Daily Iowan

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IOWA GYMNASTICS AT BIG TENS

Iowa ties school best; Champaign good for team

BY BRIAN TRIPLETT
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa loves Champaign.

The women's gymnastics team set a school record with a team score of 196.85 at the Big Ten championships held in the Illinois city on March 29, finishing second behind Michigan.

The finish tied a school best for the Hawkeyes in the conference tournament — the only other time the team finished second was in 1991.

"To break the school record at a conference tournament is



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almost unheard of," Iowa coach Mike Lorenzen said. "It was the toughest, best all-around team effort that I have ever witnessed as a coach. They just did everything they needed to do."

When the Hawkeyes traveled to Champaign on March 8 at Huff Hall, they set a school high mark with a 196.8 — a record set at Illinois in 2001.

"We're trying to schedule our home meets there next year," Lorenzen joked.

The Wolverines won the conference tournament for the fifth-consecutive year by recording a 197.45.

"If Michigan would have missed at all, we would have won the meet," Lorenzen said. "They had their best meet of the year."

Junior Alexis Maday was the

Hawkeyes' top all-around finisher at fourth. Junior Stephanie Gran took sixth, sophomore Annie Rue finished ninth, and freshman Elizabeth Grajewski ended up at 13.

Three Iowa gymnasts were awarded All-Big Ten honors: Maday and Rue were named to the first team, with Gran landing on the second team.

After a slow start this season, Iowa is peaking at the perfect time, Lorenzen said. The Hawkeyes recorded their four highest team scores of the year in the last four meets, and

Lorenzen couldn't be happier with his team's progress.

The Hawkeyes, ranked No. 17 in the country, will find out their final regular-season ranking along with their NCAA regional destination sometime this afternoon, Lorenzen said.

"It really doesn't matter to us where we go," he said. "I think if we did the job we did yesterday, we're going to go to nationals."

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Men rebound at conference championship for third

BY KELLY BEATON
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa men's gymnastics team had appeared to be fading down the stretch as it entered the Big Ten championships March 28-29. But with a third-place finish in Columbus, Ohio, the slide appears to have come to an end.

The Hawkeyes knocked off several higher-ranked foes on March 28, paced by Cameron Schick, Linas Gaveika, and Michael Reavis.

Schick made the event finals

Team standings	
1. Penn State	220.550
2. Ohio State	218.600
3. Iowa	215.600

in the floor exercise with a season-best tally of 9.4, earning a fourth-place finish. Gaveika, a transfer from Vilnius, Lithuania, led the Hawkeyes on the pommel horse with a score of 9.2.

Freshman Michael Reavis added to the Iowa attack, making the event finals in the vault with a score of 9.25, good

for a seventh-place tie.

"I was pleased with our performance," said Iowa coach Tom Dunn. "We went into the competition sixth. It was our best performance of the season, and our guys did what they needed to do."

The Hawkeyes' best team performances of the weekend came on the pommel horse and high bars, where they placed second.

The Hawkeyes placed seven gymnasts in the event finals March 29. Gaveika made the most of his opportunity, stepping up his horizontal bar performance with a season-high

total of 9.725, earning him both a Big Ten title in the event and All-Big Ten honors. He also finished third on the pommel horse and fourth on the parallel bars.

Eric Block, Ryan Meeks, Nathan Blair, and Schick all put forth solid efforts in the finals as well. Block earned third on the parallel bars. Meeks finished fourth on the pommel horse. Seniors Schick and Blair earned a par of fourth-place finishes as well, Schick on floor exercise and Blair on the horizontal bar.

The solid showing over the weekend virtually assures the

Hawkeyes an appearance in the April 11-12 NCAA championships in Philadelphia.

The No. 8 Hawkeyes need to stay ranked in the top 12 nationally in Monday night's rankings to advance. The 12 teams of NCAA finalists are whittled down to six on April 12 to determine a national champion.

"We're definitely capable of making it to the second day of the NCAAs," said Meeks. "Then from there, our goal is to finish at least in the top three."

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IOWA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

1. Michigan 197.450, 2. Iowa 196.850, 3. Penn State 196.650, 4. Minnesota 195.425, 5. Ohio State 194.975, 6. Illinois 193.575, 7. Michigan State 193.425.
Vault — 1. Katie Rowland (PS) 10.000, 2. Alexis Maday (Iowa) 9.900, 3. Koryn Williamson (Iowa) 9.875, 4. Stephanie Gran (Iowa) 9.850, 5. Annie Rue (Iowa) 9.800, 6. Elizabeth Grajewski (Iowa) 9.750, 7. Tiffany Kwan (Iowa) 9.675.
Uneven Bars — 1. (tie), Alexis Maday (Iowa), Jenny Deiley (MI) 9.950, 11. (tie), Annie Rue (Iowa), Tiffany Kwan (Iowa) 9.850, 19. (tie), Stephanie Gran (Iowa), Nicole Wong (Iowa) 9.800, 31. Elizabeth Grajewski (Iowa) 9.700.
Balance Beam — 1. Janessa Grieco (MI) 9.950, 2. Janessa Alexandrova (Iowa) 9.925, 12. Annie Rue (Iowa) 9.825, 15. (tie), Stephanie Gran (Iowa), Elizabeth Grajewski (Iowa) 9.800, 18. Alexis Maday (Iowa) 9.775, 22. Nicole Wong (Iowa) 9.750.
Floor Exercise — 1. (tie), Stephanie Gran (Iowa), Call Ryals (MI) 9.950, 4. Alexis Maday (Iowa) 9.900, 14. (tie), Annie Rue (Iowa), Michelle Conway (Iowa) 9.825, 20. Koryn Williamson (Iowa) 9.800, 28. Elizabeth Grajewski (Iowa) 9.775.
All-Around — 1. Katie Rowland (PS) 39.825, 4. Alexis Maday (Iowa) 39.525, 6. Stephanie Gran (Iowa) 39.400, 9. Annie Rue (Iowa) 39.300, 13. Elizabeth Grajewski (Iowa) 39.025.

IOWA MEN'S GYMNASTICS

Floor exercise — 1. Clay Strother (MN) 9.675, 2. Schick (I) 9.250.
Pommel horse — 1. Ben Newman (ILL) 9.675, (I) 3. Gavvika 9.300, 4. Mosko 9.275, 6. Cesar 8.750.
Rings — 1. Tan (PSU) 9.725.
Vault — 1. DiGirola (Mich) 9.625, (I) 10. Reavis 8.750.
Parallel Bars — 1. Bhavsar (OSU) 9.275, (I) 3. Block 8.975, 4. Gavvika 8.950.
Horizontal bar — 1. Gavvika (I) 9.275, (I) 4. Blair 9.275, 6. Reavis 8.900.

IOWA MEN'S TENNIS

Michigan State 4, Iowa 3
Singles — Formanzyk (M) def. Waters, 6-4, 6-3; Skogman (I) def. Mitchell, 6-2, 6-1; Rose (I) def. Marshall (M), 5-7, 6-3, 6-2; Topalo (M) def. Bergenas, 7-6 (5), 6-4; McGuire (M) def. Malempati, 4-6, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (3); Simonon (M) def. Freid, 7-5, 6-2.

Doubles — Waters/Skogman (I) def. Simonon/Marshall, 8-1; Bergenas/Jones (I) def. Houran/McGuire, 8-6; Formanzyk/Mitchell (M) def. Rose/Malempati, 8-5.
Iowa 4, Michigan 3
Singles — Rubin (M) def. Waters, 7-6 (3), 6-4; Skogman (I) def. Jackson, 6-0, 4-6, 6-2; Rose (I) def. Houran/McGuire, 8-6; Bergenas/Jones (I) def. Formanzyk/Mitchell (M) def. Rose/Malempati, 8-5.
Doubles — Waters/Skogman (I) def. Rubin/Ford, 9-7; Shays/Jackson (M) def. Bergenas/Jones, 8-4; Gossain/Arving (M) def. Rose/Malempati, 9-7.

IOWA WOMEN'S TENNIS

Iowa 5, Michigan State 2
Singles — Lay (M) def. Haas, 7-5, 1-0 ret.; Hoch (I) def. Thompson, 6-4, 6-2; Okino (I) def. Gustafson, 6-1, 6-1; Thomas (M) def. Glynn, 6-4, 0-6, 10-7; Alexandrova (I) def. Schmude, 6-1, 6-1; Hodgman (I) def. Wislasek, 6-0, 6-0.
Doubles — Lay/Thompson (M) def. Hoch/Okino, 8-4; Haas/Alexandrova (I) def. Gustafson/Thomas, 8-3; Hodgman/Glynn (I) def. Schmude/Wislasek, 8-5.
Michigan 4, Iowa 3
Singles — DeCosta (M) def. Haas, 6-2, 6-1; Hoch (I) def. Nolan, 6-3, 6-1; Rutherford (M) def. Okino, 6-2, 7-6 (7), Glynn (I) def. Plushnina, 6-4, 6-7 (5), 7-6 (6); Alexandrova (I) def. Musgrove, 7-5, 6-1; Duprez (M) def. Hodgman, 6-1, 6-7 (4), 7-5.
Doubles — DeCosta/Rutherford (M) def. Hoch/Okino, 8-6; Duprez/Plushnina (M) def. Haas/Alexandrova, 8-4; Nolan/Streifer (M) def. Hodgman/Glynn, 9-7.

IOWA SOFTBALL

Iowa 1-7, Minnesota 0-1
Minnesota 000 000 0-0 3 1
Iowa 000 010 x-1 4 1
Martin and Thul, Brocci and Huse, WP - Brocci 14-5, LP - Martin 6-7, 2B - Brocci, Huse.
Iowa 111 300 1-7 14 1
Minnesota 000 001 0-1 6 2
Arnold and J. Bashor, Reckner, Peyer and Thul, WP - Arnold 9-1, LP - Reckner 9-3, 2B - L. Bashor, HR - K. Johnson 3, SB - K. Johnson (2), Boney, May, Schmalz, Murray.
Iowa 4-8, Wisconsin 2-1
Wisconsin 200 000 0-2 2 0
Iowa 101 200 1-4 7 0
Kirchberg and Gillette, Brocci and J. Bashor, WP - Brocci 15-5, LP - Kirchberg 9-10, 2B - May, HR - K. Johnson (2), S.

Iowa 000 008 0-8 15 2
Wisconsin 000 001 0-1 4 0
Arnold and Huse, Layne, Kirchberg and Gillette, WP - Arnold 10-1, LP - Layne 2-4, 2B - Huse.

IOWA MEN'S TRACK

Bronco Stampede Results
200 meters — 1. Grant Franson (WMU) 22.22, 2. Ryan Strang (Iowa) 22.78, 5. Tony Leick (Iowa) 23.02, 7. Robert Beach (Iowa) 23.65.
800m — 1. Steve Walke (WMU) 1:58.68, 2. Matt O'Holearn (Iowa) 1:59.31, 6. Josh Tweedy (Iowa) 2:01.26, 7. Dan Dziubski (Iowa) 2:01.75, 1.500m — 1. Kris Seata (Una.) 3:57.66, 7. Shaun Allen (Iowa) 4:10.24.
5,000m — 1. Adam Frazza (Oakland) 15:01.56, 3. Adam Roche (Iowa) 15:10.40, 7. Stephen Traphagen (Iowa) 15:34.45, 11. Joe Weller (Iowa) 15:52.44.
110-meter Hurdles — 1. Dan Knoll (W. Michigan) 14.98, 2. Tony Leick (Iowa) 14.98.
400-meter Relay — 1. Iowa 42.63.
High Jump — 1. David Springer (W. Michigan) 6-4 3/4, Luke Nessa (Iowa) 6-0 3/4.
Shot Put — 1. Matt Groh (Detroit) 52-1.3, Adam Hamilton (Iowa) 45-2.12.
Discus — 1. Brad Daufeldt (Iowa) 170-0.3, Tim Brodersen (Iowa) 162-6.7, Andy Banas (Iowa) 144-8. Hammer Throw — 1. Chris Voller (Iowa) 186-5.3, Brad Daufeldt (Iowa) 177-5.4, Adam Hamilton (Iowa) 177-2.7, Andy Banas (Iowa) 165-6.10, Tim Brodersen (Iowa) 158-10.

IOWA BASEBALL

Iowa 9, Michigan 6
Michigan 001 111 200 — 6 8 2
Iowa 070 011 00x — 9 10 5
WP - Pawlek (1-2), LP - D. Taylor (0-3) Save - Johnson (I) SB - Anderson (I), Bruckner (I)
Game one Sunday
Michigan 130 000 0 — 4 10 1
Iowa 000 000 0 — 0 4 1
WP - M. Penn (1-3), LP - Mentkowski (1-3) 2B - G. Lollo (M), N. Wright (M), Cantalamessa (M) SB - Guyer (I) SB - N. Rudden (M)
Game Two
Michigan 20 012 0 — 9 13 2
Iowa 000 310 1 — 5 7 0
WP - B. Garza (3-0) LP - Hollenhorst (2-2) 2B - B. Korman (M), M. Sokol (M), Cantalamessa (M), Thousand (I), Gremley (I) SB - Cantalamessa (M)

NCAA MEN

EAST REGIONAL Championship
Albany, N.Y.
Sunday, March 30
 Syracuse 63, Oklahoma 47
SOUTH REGIONAL Championship
At The Alamodome
San Antonio
Sunday, March 30
 Texas 55, Michigan State 76
MIDWEST REGIONAL Championship
At The Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome
Minneapolis
Saturday, March 29
 Marquette 83, Kentucky 69
WEST REGIONAL Championship
At Arrowhead Pond
Anheim, Calif.
Saturday, March 29
 Kansas 78, Arizona 75

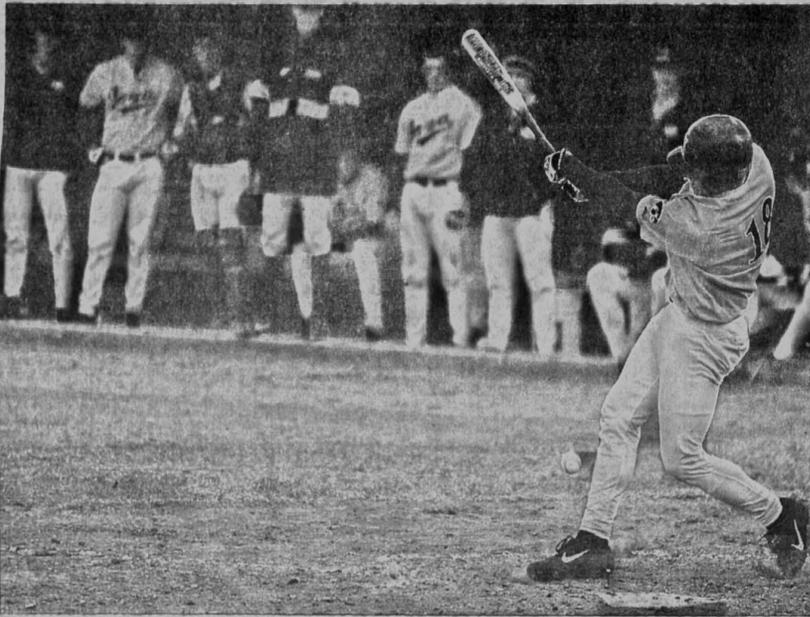
NCAA WOMEN

EAST REGIONAL Semifinals
Sunday, March 30
 Dayton, Ohio
 Connecticut 70, Boston College 49
 Purdue 66, Notre Dame 47
MIDWEST REGIONAL Semifinals
Saturday, March 29
 Knoxville, Tenn.
 Villanova 53, Colorado 51
 Tennessee 86, Penn State 58
WEST REGIONAL Semifinals
Saturday, March 29
 Albuquerque, N.M.
 Duke 66, Georgia 63
 Texas Tech 71, New Mexico 48
WEST REGIONAL Semifinals
Sunday, March 30
 Stanford, Calif.
 LSU 69, Louisiana Tech 63
 Texas 75, Minnesota 60

IOWA BASEBALL

Hawkeyes 1-2 in Michigan series

BY KELLY BEATON
 THE DAILY IOWAN



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Iowa outfielder Nate Yoho hits a foul ball during the Hawkeyes' game against Michigan on Sunday.

The ideal setup for a baseball home opener includes sun-drenched fans basking in the first rays of the oncoming summer. From a weather standpoint, the Hawkeyes' 2003 home opener was far from ideal.

The Hawkeyes shrugged off both the temperature and Michigan on March 29 in a 9-6 victory. Amid snow flurries, the Hawkeyes even managed to use the winds of winter to their advantage on the raw, 40-degree day.

Wind wreaked havoc on fielders all day as both teams combined for five errors.

"In [cold weather], your muscles don't have a chance to loosen up. When you go to throw, you're real tight," said Iowa shortstop Jeff Gremley.

The most costly misplay of the day came in the bottom of fifth inning, when Gremley hit what looked to be a catchable fly ball to right field. A gust of wind shifted the ball significantly at the last second however, causing the ball to squirt past Wolverines right fielder Brandon Roberts, resulting in a RBI triple and giving the Hawkeyes a key insurance run.

Iowa did the majority of its damage in the series opener in a seven-run second inning. The Hawkeyes' batters tacked on the runs by garnering six hits and taking advantage of one error.

"I thought we came out and set the tempo," said Gremley. "We put seven runs up in the second, and then they were playing catch-up the rest of the ball game."

Starting pitcher Reed Pawlek took advantage of the Hawkeyes' outburst, earning his first win of the year, while reliever Nathan Johnson tallied his first save of the year follow-

ing two scoreless innings. The sun came out in game two of the series on March 29, but unfortunately for the Hawkeyes, their bats failed to make much of an appearance.

Michigan sophomore Michael Penn (1-3) pitched a complete game shutout, scattering four hits to earn his first victory on the season as Michigan won, 4-0.

All of the offensive output in the second game of the series came in the first two innings, as the Wolverines roughed up Hawkeye starter Ryan Mentkowski (1-3). Michigan came out swinging, getting six hits, which they converted into four runs.

The top of the order did the majority of the damage for Michigan, as the first four men in their batting order totaled five hits and all four RBIs.

Michigan again did early damage to the Iowa pitching staff in game three of the series, as they tallied six runs on eight hits in the first two frames.

Iowa first baseman Mike Best finally brought an end to the Hawkeyes' 10-inning scoreless streak in the bottom of the fourth when he ripped an RBI single to right-center field.

Gremley kept things going for the Hawkeyes in their next at-bat, lacing a double, slicing the Michigan lead in half, to 6-3.

That proved to be as close as

the Hawkeyes could inch to the Wolverines. Misplays by Iowa third baseman Andy Cox and left fielder Lance Guyer allowed Michigan to tack on insurance runs, and the Wolverines held off a mild Hawkeye rally late to win 9-5, dropping Iowa to 7-8 overall and 1-2 in conference play.

"We had to come back from being down. It's tough to battle back," said Iowa coach Scott Broghamer. "Now, we have to come back and get ready to play tomorrow."

The Hawkeyes and Wolverines will close out the four-game series with one game today, starting at 1 p.m.

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WEEKEND ROUNDUP

Klami better at NCAAs

Junior diver Timo Klami ended the NCAA championships with a 15th-place finish in the 3-meter event. The championships, held at the University of Texas, concluded on March 28, and Klami's score of 501.95 was an improvement on his 21st-place finish in the event at the 2001-02 NCAAs.

However, the preliminary score and placing wasn't enough to qualify him for the finals. Still, Klami's performance at the meet — which also included a 33rd-place preliminary finish in the 1-meter on March 27 — closed out an excellent season, which saw him claim nine first-place finishes and two Big Ten Diver of the Week awards.

Among his most notable victories were first-place placings in the 3-meter at the NCAA Zone C qualifying meet and the Big Ten championships.

The NCAAs marked the official end of the 2002-03 Iowa men's swimming season.

Rowers edge K-State

Iowa rowers put down a resilient challenge March 29 at Kansas State.

The women led the three-team contest in the Varsity-8+, 4+, and 2V8+. Iowa crossed the line at 6:59.20, six seconds quicker than Clemson and 14 seconds faster than Kansas State. Clemson would continue to play second fiddle to Iowa by 11 seconds in the 1V4+ and 12 seconds during the 2V8+.

"We knew coming in that Clemson was going to be tough," said Iowa coach Mandi Kowal. "So it's exciting to come away with a victory in all the varsity events."

The Tigers would reap revenge in the 1N8+, nipping Iowa by three seconds at 7:36.6.

"I'm proud of the novices because they raced pretty close," Kowal said.

The Hawkeyes' next competition is at home against Notre Dame on Sunday at 10 a.m.

— by Jerod Leupold

Poor conditions can't stop Iowa track team

The Hawkeyes met poor spring conditions this past weekend in Michigan. But even in snow and a wind chill in the 20s, the men's track team was able to pull off some key performances at the Bronco Stampede.

Hawkeyes dominated in the throwing events, taking away the honors in the discus and hammer throw and getting a third-place finish from Adam Hamilton in the shot put.

In the discus, Brad Daufeldt met with destiny and qualified for the NCAA regionals. He threw for 170-0 feet and a first-place finish. Joining Daufeldt in the qualifying category was Chris Voller in the hammer throw. He also garnered a first-place finish with his mark of 186-5.

With good performances despite the wintry conditions, assistant coach Scott Cappos said he was pleased.

"I thought it was a great opening meet," he said. "It shows the athletes have been training well."

Other notables include the 400-meter relay team, which won its event in a time of 42.63 seconds. Tony Leick and Ryan Strang also put up strong performances in the 110-meter hurdles and 200-meter sprint respectively. Both finished runners-up. Leick ran 14.96, Strang 22.78.

Two members of the team were enjoying beautiful weather on the West Coast to take advantage of the good distance competition at the Stanford Invitational.

Tony Rakaric, a native of Palatine, Ill., was on hand with 1,500-meter runner Adam Thomas. Rakaric took part in his first ever 5,000, and on the way qualified for the NCAA regionals. His time of 14:22.92 minutes easily secured a place for him under the NCAA mark of 14:25.

— by J.K. Perry

Basketball banquet tickets available

The Iowa men's basketball team will host its annual banquet April 13 at the Sheraton in downtown Iowa City. A social hour will start at 2 p.m. with dinner beginning at 6 p.m. Gary Dolphin, play-by-play announcer, will emcee the event.

Tickets are \$25 per person and can be ordered from the UI men's basketball office at 800-424-6677.

Women split matches

The Iowa women's tennis team

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Mavs move past T-Wolves with ease

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MINNEAPOLIS — Dirk Nowitzki scored 33 points in 34 minutes as the Mavericks beat the lethargic Timberwolves, 119-95, on Sunday.

Steve Nash had a season-high 15 assists to go with 14 points in three quarters, and reserve Nick Van Exel contributed 19 points and nine assists for the Mavericks, who led 100-71 after the third period.

With its third-straight loss, Minnesota missed another chance to clinch a playoff berth. Kevin Garnett had 24 points and 11 rebounds for the Wolves.

It's tough to figure out how a team can lose track of a 7-footer who can score from anywhere on the court, but the Timberwolves always have trouble keeping a man on Nowitzki.

Toronto 95, New York 86

TORONTO — Vince Carter scored 28 points as the Toronto Raptors beat New York on Sunday, hurting the Knicks' slim playoff hopes.

Allan Houston had 24 points for

the Knicks, who have lost three straight and four of five. Latrell Sprewell scored just four points and was benched for the entire fourth quarter when the Knicks cut a 19-point deficit to four.

New York trails eighth-place Washington by three games and is 2½ games behind ninth-place Milwaukee. The Bucks and Wizards played later Sunday.

Indiana 92, Phoenix 81

INDIANAPOLIS — Jermaine O'Neal had 24 points and 11 rebounds, and Ron Artest had 20 points as the Indiana Pacers led by as many as 17 points and defeated the Phoenix Suns on Sunday.

The Pacers took control with one fast spurt late in the first half. Steals by Artest and O'Neal were converted into four quick points, and a block by Reggie Miller turned into a fast-break 3-pointer by Artest. O'Neal then blocked a 3-pointer by Shawn Marion.

The Suns rallied late, but never really recovered.

Marion finished with 22 points and 15 rebounds, Joe Johnson had 19 points, and Amare Stoudemire 15.

Brad Miller had 11 points and 11 rebounds and Erick Strickland had 16 points for the Pacers.

Milwaukee 109, Miami 87

MILWAUKEE — Gary Payton had 24 points and Sam Cassell had 23 points and nine assists as the Bucks snapped a three-game losing streak, using a big first half to defeat the Heat.

Toni Kukoc added 18 points, Michael Redd 14, and Desmond Mason had 11 points and 11 rebounds for Milwaukee, whose reserves outscored Miami's 47-25.

Rookie Caron Butler led the Heat with 24 points, Mike James added 15 and Eddie House 12, but it wasn't enough to keep the Heat from losing their 12th game in the last 16.

Detroit 99, Sacramento 88

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — The Detroit Pistons dominated when it mattered most, closing the game with a 15-1 run.

Cliff Robinson scored 21 points and Corliss Williamson had 15 of his 19 points in the fourth quarter for the Pistons, who trailed by 21 midway through the second quarter and by 10 after three quarters.

Detroit outscored Sacramento 14-3 to open the fourth quarter and take a 81-80 lead — its first since the opening minutes — with 7:32 left. The Kings went ahead 87-84 on Peja Stojakovic's layup with 5:08 left, but then scored only one point the rest of the way.

San Antonio 92, New Orleans 90

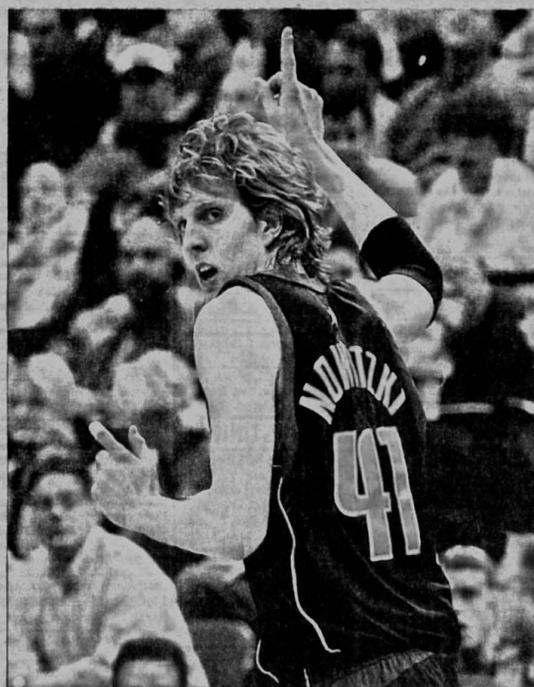
NEW ORLEANS — Tim Duncan scored 33 points and 12 rebounds, including a clinching 3-pointer in the final minute, as the Spurs won their fifth straight with a victory over the Hornets on Sunday night.

Duncan's late 3 gave San Antonio a 91-86 lead after P.J. Brown missed an open 14-foot jumper that could have tied the game.

Duncan set up the shot — his sixth 3-pointer of the season — by diving after a loose ball and calling timeout.

New Orleans had the momentum up to that point, having erased an 84-75 deficit with an 11-2 run to tie the game at 86 with 2:15 left.

Malik Rose scored 12 points off the bench for San Antonio, including seven-straight points in the fourth quarter.



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Dallas' Dirk Nowitzki gestures after scoring two of his game-high 33 points against the Minnesota Timberwolves.

NHL

New Jersey romps past New York in 6-0 shutout

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EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Martin Brodeur became the first NHL goaltender to post four 40-win seasons as the Devils beat the Islanders, 6-0, on Sunday.

Patrik Elias had a career-best four goals and an assist, and linemate Scott Gomez had a career-best and a team-record-tying five assists as the Devils extended their unbeaten streak to seven games (5-0-2).

The win moved New Jersey four points ahead of the idle Philadelphia Flyers in the Atlantic Division and within four points of Ottawa in the race for the best record in the Eastern Conference.

Brodeur only had to make 19 saves in recording a league-high ninth shutout this season and the 64th of his career.

Elias and Gomez gave Brodeur the only goal he would need, setting up defenseman Scott Stevens at 5:04 of the first period.

Chicago 4, Edmonton 4

CHICAGO — Radek Dvorak had two goals and Todd Marchant added another score, all in a 1:28 span late in the third period, as the Oilers rallied to tie.

The Blackhawks led 4-1 before Dvorak deflected a shot for a power-play goal with 2:29 left, cutting Edmonton's deficit to 4-2.

Marchant beat rookie goaltender Craig Andersson 28 seconds later, Dvorak tied the game on a shot from the slot with 1:01 left in regulation.

Ryan Smyth also scored for the Oilers, who have gone eight games without a loss in (6-0-1-1). Edmonton's Tommy Salo finished with 14 saves.

Chicago's Alexander Karpovtsev and Tyler Arnason each had a goal and an assist. Igor Radulov and Eric Daze also scored for the Blackhawks, who have won just seven of their last 34 games (7-20-4-3).

Anaheim 3, Vancouver 1

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Petr Sykora scored 41 seconds into the third period and Martin Gerber made 41 saves to lead the Ducks.

Steve Thomas and Adam Oates each scored first-period goals to give the Ducks an early 2-0 lead but the Canucks outshot Anaheim 18-5 in the second to get back into the game.

Markus Naslund scored his NHL-leading 47th goal of the season during a power play in the second to cut Anaheim's lead to 2-1.

But Sykora swatted a loose puck past Vancouver goalie Dan Cloutier after a pass from Paul Kariya deflected off Oates' skate just outside the crease in the Vancouver zone.

Kariya and defenseman Sandis Ozolinsh each had two assists as Anaheim moved past Minnesota into sixth-place in the Western Conference.

The loss was just the 10th on the road this season for the Canucks, who remain in third-place in the conference. Vancouver would meet Anaheim in the first round of the playoffs if the teams held their current positions.

Thomas took the puck off the stick of Vancouver defenseman Marek Malik and quickly lofted it past Cloutier to give Anaheim a 1-0 lead 4:19 into the first. Oates made it a two-goal lead with 1:49 left in the period when he put a wrist shot over Cloutier's glove. It was the 1,400th point of Oates' career.

GOLF

Love III charges for TPC win; Sorenstam edged out

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PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Davis Love III provided the charge everyone expected from Tiger Woods and delivered a performance every bit as dominant Sunday in the Players Championship.

Love pulled way with five-straight birdies and closed with an 8-under 64 to match the best final round by the winner in the 30-year history of the tournament known as the fifth major.

It was the second time Love has won the Players Championship, and it could be a huge boost to his confidence with the Masters only two weeks away.

Love finished at 17-under 271 and won by six strokes over 49-year-old Jay Haas and Padraig Harrington of Ireland, who shared the lead going into the final round but never stood a chance against such a barrage of birdies.

Love was playing in the group ahead with his best friend on tour, Fred Couples, who also had a 64 when he won the Players Championship seven years ago.

This performance was even better. Strong, cold winds that whooped away the rain left the TPC at Sawgrass as difficult as it had been all week, but Love made it look like he was on a pitch-and-putt.

Even into the crosswinds, the most challenging in golf, Love blasted his drives down the middle of the fairway and stuck his approach shots close to the hole.

"You can't do that for 18 holes, and he did it," Couples said. "That's the best round I've ever seen played. In these conditions, he did not miss a shot."

Love earned \$1.17 million from the richest purse on the PGA Tour.

Sorenstam ends in second

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. — Patricia Meunier-Lebouc kept talking all week about how much fun it was to play with Annika Sorenstam. It didn't compare, though, with the joy of beating her to win a major championship.

Meunier-Lebouc shook off an out-of-bounds tee shot with some steady play in the final holes Sunday to win the Kraft Nabisco by a shot, denying Sorenstam's bid to become the first LPGA player to win the same major title three years in a row.

Meunier-Lebouc birdied the 13th hole to take the lead, then parred her way in before a meaningless 3-putt bogey on the final hole gave her a 1-over 73 and a one-shot win over Sorenstam.

"I really feel very happy," Meunier-Lebouc said before taking the ceremonial victor's plunge into the pond next to the 18th green.

Eighth-grader Michelle Wie was never a factor, missing short putts to finish eight shots back. The 13-year-old Hawaiian began the day four strokes behind Meunier-Lebouc for the lead.

Meunier-Lebouc, the best female player in France, beat the best in the world by playing Sorenstam's game of fairways and greens and doing it just a little bit better to finish at 7-under for the tournament.

She knew it well, after playing her last six rounds with Sorenstam and using the knowledge gathered to remain composed under the pressure of playing a final round in a major championship.

"I actually felt pretty good out there," Meunier-Lebouc eagled the second hole by pitching in, but her celebration turned to disgust one swing later when her tee shot on the third hole went out of bounds.

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NCAA MEN

Final Four firm

Texas, Syracuse secure spots in New Orleans

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ALBANY, N.Y. — Carmelo Anthony stepped up from the start, and Syracuse's zone defense did the rest.

Next stop for the Orangemen: New Orleans.

Anthony scored 20 points and added 10 rebounds to lead coach Jim Boeheim and Syracuse back to the Final Four for the first time in seven years with a 63-47 victory over top-seeded Oklahoma in the East Regional final.

After slow starts in the first three games of the NCAA Tournament, Anthony came out strong. The 6-8 freshman star scored 10 points in the opening 12 minutes.

Syracuse's 2-3 zone took over from there, causing the Sooners (27-7) fits inside and outside. The Sooners managed just three points over the final 8½ minutes of the first half as Syracuse took a 30-20 lead.

Things got worse.

Syracuse scored the first eight points of the second half to take its biggest lead on a 3-pointer by freshman Gerry McNamara with 15:35 to play that capped a 22-3 run.

Texas 85, Michigan State 76

SAN ANTONIO — The Texas Longhorns are the last No. 1 seed standing, headed to the Final Four for the first time in 56 years.

T.J. Ford had 19 points and 10 assists to lead Texas to the biggest victory in school history, sending the Longhorns past Michigan State.

With chants of "Texas Fight" and "Final Four" reverberating throughout the Alamodome, the Longhorns earned the school's first trip to the Final Four since 1947, when the NCAA tournament field was eight teams.

As the final seconds ticked off, Ford dribbled to halfcourt, flashed a "Hook 'em Horns" sign to the crowd, and hugged coach Rick Barnes. Ford was named the most valuable player of the regional.

The Texas wins means the Big 12 will have two teams in the Final Four for the second-straight year. Kansas, the league's regular-season champion, won the West Regional on March 29. The loss kept Michigan State from appearing in its fourth Final Four in five years.



Amy Sancetta/Associated Press
Texas guard T.J. Ford flashes a Hook 'em Horns sign after cutting the net following Texas' 85-76 win over Michigan State.

Texas had five players score in double figures. Brandon Mouton had 16, Brian Boddicker 15, Sydmill Harris 12, and Brad Buckman 11 as the Longhorns tied the school record for victories in a season.

NCAA WOMEN

UConn headed for Elite Eight

ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAYTON, Ohio — Diana Taurasi had it going from the start and so did her Connecticut teammates. Boston College had no chance to win on a buzzer-beater this time.

The top-seeded Huskies (34-1) shot 59 percent en route to a 19-point halftime lead and held BC to 32 percent shooting, ending the Eagles' charmed run through the NCAA Tournament.

"I think in the first half that was probably the best we've run our offense in a while," Taurasi said. "Everyone was touching the ball, a lot of screens, a lot of cuts. That was probably one of the best paces we've played at for a while."

Fifth-seeded Boston College had advanced to the round of 16 for the first time by beating Old Dominion and Vanderbilt on last-second shots.

But with Taurasi scoring eight points, UConn closed the first half with a 14-2 run to open a 44-25 lead. Boston College never challenged the rest of the way — a sharp contrast from the earlier meeting, when UConn had to pull away late for an 83-75 victory.



Mark Duncan/Associated Press
Brianne Stepherson closely guards Connecticut's Diana Taurasi.

Purdue 66, Notre Dame 47

DAYTON, Ohio — Erika Valek scored 19 points and helped key an early second-half spurt for Purdue.

The second-seeded Boilermakers advance to meet defending champion and top-seeded Connecticut for a spot in the Final Four.

As for 11th-seeded Notre Dame, its upset streak came to a halt. The

Irish were the lowest-remaining seed left in the tournament after beating No. 6 Arizona in the first round and No. 3 Kansas State in the second round.

Shereka Wright had 12 points and 10 rebounds, Mary Jo Noon added 12 points, and Beth Jones scored 10 points for the Boilermakers, who won their eighth straight.

Johnson blasts past Kirchberg in opener

SOFTBALL

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opened the flood gates for a decisive eight-run sixth inning in the nightcap.

"It felt good [personally]," she said. "But it was nice to see we were finally able to string some hits together as a team."

Boney's four-hit game set the pace for the Hawkeyes, as six other hitters bagged at least two safeties, ensuring a sweep of the twin bill.

Ali Arnold earned the victory, her 10th of the year, striking out four in seven innings of work. Her bid for a shutout was spoiled when she allowed a solo home run to Wisconsin's Boo Gillette in the sixth.

The solid, all-around team effort Iowa posted in the second meeting with Wisconsin stood in stark contrast to the day's first game, which saw one player do most of the damage.

Kristin Johnson smacked two home runs off Wisconsin's Andrea Kirchberg in the opener, including a mammoth blast in the third that struck the center-field scoreboard.

"Kirchberg is easily one of the best pitchers in our conference," Blevins said of the Wisconsin ace. "Fuzz just had her number today."

Johnson finished the game 2-3 with a pair of runs scored and three RBIs. Christina Schmalz

was responsible for Iowa's other tally, plating Boney with a single to left in the first inning. That came after the Badgers took advantage of a shaky start by Lisa Birocci in the first, grabbing a two-run lead in the top of the inning after the Iowa hurler hit one batter and walked another. She eventually settled down, allowing just two hits and striking out six to improve to 15-5.

"That's not the kind of start you want, but we didn't allow the inning to get away from us," Blevins said.

The pair of victories over the Badgers followed a double-header sweep of Minnesota the previous day. An RBI single by Amanda Hentges in the bottom of the fifth provided Birocci with all the support she needed in the opener.

Johnson homered for Iowa in the second game, one of 14 Hawkeye hits, and Arnold pitched well as the team cruised to a 7-1 victory and a sweep of the Gophers. Freshman Kylie Murray was 3-4 in the second contest and Johnson was 4-5 over both games.

The Hawkeyes will travel to Northern Iowa on Tuesday before resuming Big Ten play this weekend with a visit to long-time rival Michigan as well as Michigan State.

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Men oust Michigan in 4-3 win

BY KATIE LOW
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa men's tennis team recorded a historic win over Michigan on Sunday, knocking off the Wolverines for only the sixth time ever in a hard-fought 4-3 victory.

"It's a very prestigious school," senior Hunter Skogman said. "To beat Michigan in anything is pretty impressive."

The Hawkeyes (5-7 overall, 1-4 Big Ten) started the match slowly by dropping the doubles point. At No. 1, Skogman and senior Stuart Waters recorded a 9-7 victory over their opponents but Nos. 2 and 3 were unable to finish.

The singles matches proved to be a roller coaster for the Iowa team. Chaitu Malempati at No. 5 was the first to finish, recording a point for Iowa with a 6-4, 6-4 victory.

However, the usually tough Waters fell at the No. 1 spot. He put up a fight in the first set and lost in a tiebreaker. Waters was not able to come back and win the second set and eventually fell to Michigan's Michael Rubin.

"Stuart was just having an off weekend," Iowa coach Steve Houghton said. "The No. 1 players in the Big Ten are good enough that you can't be off, or you risk losing."

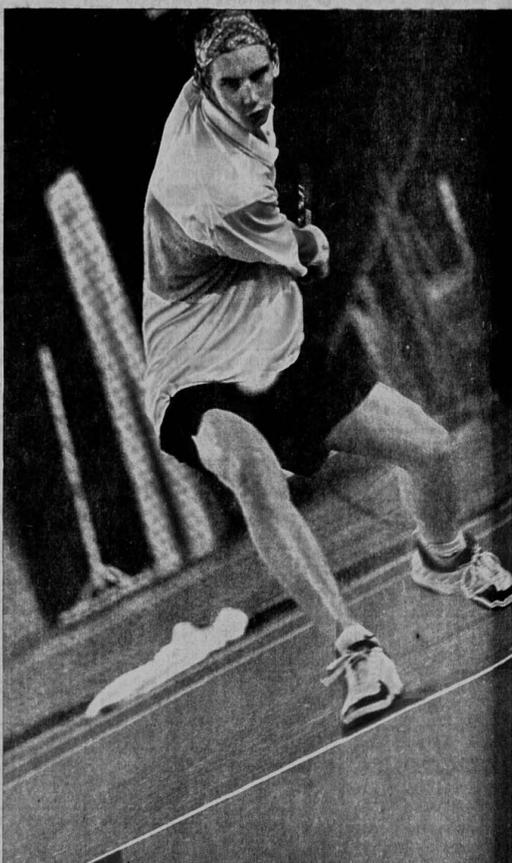
With Michigan up by one, Skogman evened the score by defeating Anthony Jackson in a three sets.

"It was more about mental issues than anything," he said. "He actually beat me pretty badly a few months ago, so it felt good to get a win against him."

Skogman is known for his three-set matches; he leads the team with six. He said an occasional loss of focus was part of the problem.

"In this match in particular, I got really tentative in the second set," he said. "I just stopped going for my shots ... and he was able to get back in the match. I think it's possible that it could be a pattern."

After Skogman's match, the Hawkeyes turned up the heat



Chris Hennessey/The Daily Iowan
Johan Bergenase helped the Hawkeyes secure a rare win against Michigan on March 30 with a win at No. 4 singles.

on the Wolverines. At No. 4, Johan Bergenase defeated Chris Shaya in a tough three-setter (4-6, 7-6 [3], 6-3). Senior Pete Rose sealed the victory for Iowa with an exciting three-set win over Dan Anving (7-6 [4], 5-7, 6-4).

Michigan scored the last point of the day when Josef Fischer defeated Iowa's David Freijd.

In the first match of the weekend, Iowa suffered a disappointing 4-3 loss to Michigan State on March 28.

"I think we're playing better

all the time," Houghton said. "The team's we're playing next weekend are teams that are very much in our range and that we are capable of beating."

He said he is hopeful the combination of solid performances by his seniors as well as recent wins by the younger players will propel his team to finish the season on a winning streak.

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