Ex-TA guilty of sexual abuse

It's easier to believe that no one is sexually assaulted at the University of Iowa. We don't really understand it, some how we can force a sex act on another person. Without long discussion of lack of understanding.

— Assistant Johnson County Attorney Anne Lahey

BY INGA REYER

After nearly five hours of deliberation Tuesday, the jury in the Frederick Williams sexual assault trial convicted the former UI teaching assistant guilty of molesting in front of a female student and then bringing her to touch his penis while he was still dressed.

After the 12-member jury convicted Williams, 27, 1130 East Van, of indecent exposure and third degree sexual assault, he hugged his brother, Kristie Williams, and was escorted to the Johnson County Jail, where he will be held until sentencing.

Frederick Williams was a teaching assistant for about a decade. Williams also said to Williams after he was faced with the charges. He turned off the lights, and started pulling a string of testimony from her.

The thoughtful and quietly spoken Williams student testified Tuesday that Williams asked her a series of personal, "I believe that no one is sexually assaulted while leaving.

The conviction followed the testimony from the victim, two of her friends, Williams' wife, a UI affirmative action officer, and another person. But do not confuse the victim with the witness. The verdict was reached because of sympathy and emotion.

In his closing argument, Assistant Johnson County Attorney Anne Lahey, "The victim and witness did a good job answering what they felt."

Defence attorney A.J. Thomas, however, was devastated with the verdict. "I am a little dismayed with the original justice system," he said. "I felt the evidence indicated that the witness was not reliable. The verdict was reached because of sympathy and emotion."

By Edwin Chen

Sarah Reicks

The Daily Iowan

Trees around campus maintenance to disappear as mystery disease and environmental concerns force officers to cut down trees. Administrators have decided to cut down all large American elm trees, the centerpiece of the UI Student Building courtyard, will remain.

"It's difficult," said Larry Williams, UI campus arborist, who would be cutting down other trees in walking distance near the Student Building. He said the tree may be the victim of Dutch elm fungus that has killed more than 60 million trees in the United States since it was first introduced to the U.S. in the 1930's, according to Gardeners Supply Co.

The elm was the target of the Student Building maintenance crew, adding that the tree is one of the great Elm stories on campus. Trees are being cut in the Student Building and along the main drag of campus, because its leaves have turned yellow, said Williams.

"It is too bad to see the leaves turn to the color of orange or red," said Williams.

BY LUCY COLLINS

The Daily Iowan

Looking out his office window, Iowa City Manager Mark Alston remembers when, 10 years ago, he had Robert Grundman come in and "instrumentally" form a plan for what would become the "Main Street" pared down 3,000 feet.

"We had a 3,000-foot alignment plan for something on that stretch," said Alston, referring to what would become the "Main Street" project. "The plan changed in Johnson County, and the county council changed in Johnson County, and the council members just wouldn't get it over the hump."

"They still want us to understand that we're going to have it," said Alston.

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NEWS

County nearly ready for new hirings

BY SARA STRAIN
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors gave the go-ahead late last month to hire new employees during a budget meeting. Hiring requests are currently being reviewed. According to Doug Bergenas, the county attorney's office, the ambulatory service's board, and the county public service department.

The ambulatory service's board has already advertised for two new full-time positions, and it hopes to fill those positions by Aug. 15. Director Helen Davenport said last week at the meeting that the positions were approved when the revised fiscal 2004 budget was approved. Davenport said the two full-time people are needed for the county's current budget, the fiscal 2004 budget.

The county's budget director did not give any specifics about the new employees during the budget meeting. According to Bergenas, the county attorney's office has asked for two full-time employees, but the county has not yet been able to hire those two full-time employees. The county's budget director added that the county attorney's office has asked for two full-time employees, but the county has not yet been able to hire those two full-time employees.

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Chicago mulls fate of 'County'  

BY DON RABWIN  

CHICAGO — Long before it inspired TV's "ER" and was a setting in the movie "The Da Vinci Code," Cook County Hospital was a lode of Ella's island of evolution.  

From its 1914 opening, the public hospital was one pace in Chicago where the budding masses knew they would receive medical care without regard to their race, their class or their income.  

That helps explain the effort to save it from the wrecking ball.  

Along with the preservationists who usually turn out for such old buildings that are threatened, this campaign has attracted more than just a few of the usual suspects to the preservation structure: including doctors, nurses, patients, and neighbors.  

"It represented Chicago to its utmost base," said author Studs Terkel, who was born two years before the hospital opened and whose mother had a connection to the building.

Wilde Kirk, a 70-year-old Chicago woman who lives with all seven of her children at County, as it is known, put it more bluntly: "They didn't make a mistake. Nothing. They kill people. They are not sure if those were the cases of a hothead."

Paula Merritt, Meridian Star/Associated Press  

Killed were friend or foe," said Sheila Blackbird, who was too young to be born when the hospital opened and whose mother had a connection to the building.

"If there was a threat to save the structure at any cost it should be a hospital again," said Terkel.  

"The hospital was built for the American poor," said Jonathan Fine, the president of Preservation Chicago, which is leading the fight.

"What we were saying to the management was not only do we value you, when you get sick we will take care of you in a magnificent place of architecture."

Chicago school sued for forcing STD tests

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OPINIONS

The Daily Iowa

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ARTS & entertainment

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By Dave Strackany

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**Crowds of Liberians cheer Gls**

**BY KARL VICK**

MONROVIA, Liberia — In a human wave of welcome and relief, cheering crowds of Liberians greeted President George W. Bush Wednesday morning upon his arrival in Liberia's capital Tuesday morning to assess the current security situation and to以此 as a sign of the new partnership forming between the two countries. The president's visit, delayed more than a month because of terrorism concerns, arrived just as Liberian urban and security forces are coming into response to internal opposition, and refugee bombs are landing in mosques and churches. Bush and other senior officials called on their counterparts to stop the fighting, to prevent looting and postwar violence, and to secure the establishment of a government that can bring the country back to a peaceful and democratic system. The administration made it clear that President Charles Taylor is not a viable leader and that his regime is not the solution to Liberia's problems. Bush said that the refugees in Liberia are not a sign of widening humanitarian concern and that the United States is committed to continuing its peace-keeping mission in the region.

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**Cerusical complications**

A radicaled groups in the Hebrew World are protesting Israel's refusal to participate in a rally called the "war on terrorism". They are calling for the release of all political prisoners and the implementation of the road map peace plan. The protesters are accusing Israel of using military force to suppress the Palestinian installations and to prevent the establishment of a genuine Palestinian state. The demonstrators are calling for international condemnation of Israel's actions and for the United Nations to intervene to stop the violence.

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**Abbas threatens to quit as tensions flare**

**BY JOHN WARD ANDERSON**

WASHINGTON — Palestinian President Yasser Arafat has been found dead in his home. The Palestinian prime minister was shot several times while in a hospital bed in the West Bank town of Bethlehem. The Palestinian security forces have said that Arafat was killed in an Israeli military operation. The Israeli government has not commented on the death, but has said that it will continue its efforts to bring peace to the region. The United Nations has called on all parties to respect the grounds of peace and to stop the violence.

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**Official blames speed of attack for Iraqi problems**

**BY MATT KELLEY**

Washington — The pace of the terrorism in Iraq is the enemy of the war on terrorism. If the United States had had enough troops in the area to prevent the recent setbacks, the Iraqi government could have brought the killing of the American troops to an end sooner, the official said. "War always involves trade-offs," the official said. "The Center for Strategic and International Studies has talked about the right to use military force and the right to protect our soldiers."

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**Do you have aches or pains?**

**FAT MR. SMITH**

Do you have aches or pains? The FBI has released a new report on the prevalence of pain in the U.S. The report shows that pain is a common problem, with one in four adults experiencing it at least once a week. The report also highlights the impact of pain on daily activities, such as work, sleep, and social interactions. The FBI recommends that people seek medical attention for persistent pain and to address underlying issues, such as stress or injury.
Bush launches Africa trip grading slavery

The Bush administration is expected to announce plans today to promote respect for human rights in Africa during the president's first visit to the continent, sources said.

Sources said the Obama administration has discussed the possibility of using the trip to highlight its commitment to human rights and democracy in Africa, which has been criticized by some for its record on these issues.

The sources said the trip will be a significant step in the administration's efforts to strengthen links with African leaders and foster greater cooperation on issues such as trade and security.

However, they added that the president will not make a speech on human rights during his visit, as some had hoped.

The sources said the trip will focus on issues such as economic development, health care, and education, rather than human rights.

But they noted that the administration has made progress in areas such as trade and security, and that it continues to support human rights and democracy in Africa.

The sources also said that the administration is committed to working with African leaders to address the challenges facing the continent.
quote of the day

We had hoped that Grassley would be more compassionate.

— Stephanie Robinson of the Center for Community Change, on Iowa Sen. Charles Grassley’s proposed welfare legislation that emphasizes work and sexual abstinence or marriage for welfare mothers but subsidizes how much to spend on childcare.
Giants drown Cardinals at Pac Bell

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Mike Cleaves had three hits and scored a critical run in the ninth inning, and the Houston Astros defeated the San Francisco Giants 6-5 in 10 innings Tuesday night.

The Giants were able to keep their lead intact thanks to a three-run home run by Jeff Kent in the fifth inning.

The Astros scored their third run of the game in the ninth inning when shortstop Rafael Furcal made a successful steal attempt.

Mike Cleaves started the rally with a leadoff single, and Tommy Watkins followed with a sacrifice fly to score Cleaves. Adam Dunn then grounded out, but the bases were loaded with one out.

The Giants' lead was at 5-2, but the Astros scored three runs in the ninth inning to tie the game at 5-5.

The Giants had a 3-0 lead after two innings, but the Astros rallied to tie the game at 2-2 in the third inning. The home team scored three runs in the fourth inning to take the lead back.

In the fifth inning, the Giants scored three runs to tie the game once again. The Astros' holding pattern was effective, as they held the Giants scoreless for the rest of the game.

The Giants had a 6-5 lead going into the ninth inning, but the Astros scored three runs to tie the game at 6-6. The Astros then went on to score an insurance run in the 10th inning to win the game.

The Giants' loss was their second in a row, and they are now 6-7 on the season. The Astros improved to 9-4 on the season. Next up for the Giants is a three-game series against the Los Angeles Dodgers, starting Wednesday night.

In the meantime, the Giants will take on the San Diego Padres in a two-game series tonight and tomorrow night. The Padres are currently 7-5 on the season.
SPORTS

Team time trials mean intensity for Armstrong

BY JOHN LEICESTER

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ST. LOUIS - Lance Armstrong won his fourth straight state-of-the-art time trial title in a windshield-wipers-down, high-octane race he rode into the swift north winds out of the St. Louis International Airport on Saturday.

Armstrong won by 48 seconds. His time was 1 hour, 33 minutes, 25.21 seconds, 2.48 seconds faster than second-place winner Tom Danielson.

Armstrong is the first man since Greg LeMond in 1984 to win the Tour de France and the Olympic time trial in the same year.

He was third, 32 seconds behind winner Bradley Wiggins in the Olympic time trial this summer. Wiggins, who also won the Tour, is the first Brit to wear the yellow jersey since 1987.

Armstrong's win on Saturday, his third this year and fourth in a row, clinches another Tour de France victory for Armstrong, who has won the Tour five times in the past six years.

"I was really nervous coming into this thing," Armstrong said. "I'm starting to get into a groove and it's nice to come out and win.

"I'm still feeling good. We're going to have another big test tomorrow [Sunday] when we do the team time trial.

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In Brief

Lithuanian high-bar champ has high hopes

By FRANK KLUSCH

The Daily Iowan

Laurynas Gaveika, 21, from Vilnius, Lithuania, is training for the World Championships in the high bar and the double bars.

I'm a Lithuanian athlete and a Russian international champion, said Gaveika. I'm preparing for the World Championships and the European Championships.

Gaveika is one of the top athletes in the world in the high bar and the double bars.

He is a three-time Russian international champion and a three-time European champion.

Gaveika has been training for the World Championships for the past six months.

He has been working hard to improve his skills and to be ready for the World Championships.

Gaveika is one of the favorites to win the gold medal in the high bar and the double bars.

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