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## 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, how someone can force a sex act on another person. But do not confuse lack of understanding with lack of recognition.' — Assistant Johnson County Attorney Anne Lahey

BY INGA BEYER  
THE DAILY IOWAN

After nearly five hours of deliberation Tuesday, the jury in the Frederick Williams case found the former UI teaching assistant guilty of masturbating in front of a female student and then forcing her to touch his penis while he ejaculated on Dec. 3, 2002.

After the 12-member jury convicted Williams, 27, 1150 Hotz Ave., of indecent exposure and third-degree sexual abuse, he hugged his wife, Kristine Williams, and was escorted to the Johnson County Jail, where

he will be held until sentencing Aug. 15.

Williams, who did not testify during the trial, displayed no emotion while leaving.

The conviction followed Monday's full day of testimony from the victim, two of her friends, Williams' wife, a UI affirmative-action officer, and a UI police investigator.

The tearful and visibly shaken female UI student told jurors Monday that Williams asked her a series of personal, "violating" questions after he told her he would help her cheat to improve her grade in

the animal-biology class, in which he was her TA.

The women also said Williams led her into his back lab, turned off the lights, and started masturbating in front of her. According to her testimony, he then forced her to squeeze his penis while he ejaculated, and told her he was sorry and that he wouldn't take her virginity.

"I felt [the trial] went as well as it could with the evidence we had," Assistant Johnson County Attorney Anne Lahey said. "The victim and witnesses did a good job conveying what they felt."

Defense attorney A.J. Thomas, however, was dissatisfied with the verdict.

"I am a little dismayed with the criminal-justice system," he said. "I felt the evidence indicated that the witness was not reliable. The verdict was reached because of sympathy and emotion."

In his closing argument, Thomas contended that the victim "fabricated" the sexual-abuse story because she was failing Williams' class.

"After realizing her efforts were futile, she fabricated this story to get a good grade, or not get a bad one," the Anamosa lawyer said,

while the woman broke down in tears and was comforted by her mother. "There is no physical evidence of this story."

Thomas also added that the victim could have left Williams' office at any point during the afternoon when the sexual abuse occurred.

Lahey, on the other hand, argued that the woman's failure to leave was no excuse for Williams' actions.

"She didn't have to leave," Lahey said in her rebuttal. "In

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## Bush: Slavery a great crime

BY EDWIN CHEN  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

GOREE ISLAND, Senegal — Calling slavery "one of the greatest crimes of history," President Bush on Tuesday launched a five-day African visit with a pilgrimage to this one-time staging area for traders who dispatched their manacled captives to the New World.

Under a punishing midday sun, with the shimmering Atlantic Ocean at his back, Bush spoke of redemption and the triumph of the human spirit as he recalled "one of the largest migrations of history."

"By a plan known only to Providence, the stolen sons and daughters of Africa helped to awaken the conscience of America. The very people traded into slavery helped to set America free," he said.

Bush added, however, that America's "journey toward justice" was not over.

"The racial bigotry fed by slavery did not end with slavery or with segregation," he told several hundred attentive Senegalese. "And many of the issues that still trouble America have roots in the bitter experience of other times. But however long the journey, our destination is set: Liberty and justice for all."

During his tour of five countries, including South Africa, where he arrived late Tuesday night, Bush intends to stress his message of economic development and democracy for a continent that has been racked by poverty, disease, and ethnic wars.

Bush told reporters in Dakar that he has assured West African leaders that the United States would "participate" with members of the Economic Community of West African States to restore order in Liberia. The country was founded in 1817 by the American Colonization Society, a group of white Americans (including slave owners) who wanted a place for freed slaves to settle.

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## Pappajohn elm joins UI list of sick trees

BY SARAH REICKS  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Trees around campus continue to disappear as mysterious illnesses and environmental damage force UI officials to order workers to fire up the chain saws.

Administrators have decided that the large American elm tree, the centerpiece of the Pappajohn Business Building courtyard, will soon be removed.

"It's dying," said Larry Wilson, a UI campus planner. "It's a sad thing; there are no other elms in walking distance [of campus]."

He said the tree may be the victim of Dutch elm disease, a fungus that has killed more than 40 million trees in the United States since it was imported from Europe in the 1930s, according to Gardenline Web site.

The elm was tested for the disease last year, but results were inconclusive, Wilson said, adding that as the tree continues to show symptoms of the disease this year, campus arbor experts fear the worst.

New tests have been sent to the labs to test for Dutch elm once again, but regardless of the

## CITY FLOPS ALONG

BY LAURA HOLMES  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Flip-flop fanatics can be seen, and heard, flapping across campus, wearing flimsy footwear at almost any time of year.

With hot weather officially here, for a lot of people nothing beats a pair of airy shoes to keep feet from overheating.

However, according to some foot experts, flip-flops aren't the most sensible choice of footwear.

Dr. George Sehl, a podiatrist at Professional Foot and Ankle Care PC, 98 Sturgis Corner Drive, said flip-flops with no support are extremely bad for the feet.

"Wearing shoes with no support such as flip-flops makes it possible to develop plantar fascitis [a condition in which the bottom of the heel is extremely painful] or metatarsalgia

[pain in the ball of the foot]," he said.

Sehl added that the biomechanics of the foot causes a great deal of stress to the foot, heel, and Achilles tendon when wearing shoes with poor support.

If people want to wear flip-flop-type shoes, he said, they should find a brand with some kind of support.

"I would recommend Mephistos, Birkenstocks, Clarks, or Sas Shoes," he said. "They provide more support and less pressure to the arch."

The only people he would advise to wear flip-flops are athletes and people using public showers.

"Wearing flip-flops will elimi-

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John Richard/Photo illustration

"It's so much easier taking them on and off. I know it's lazy, but I'm not going to stop wearing them."

— Kelsi Fobian, UI junior

## Ten years after Great Flood, city & UI greatly changed

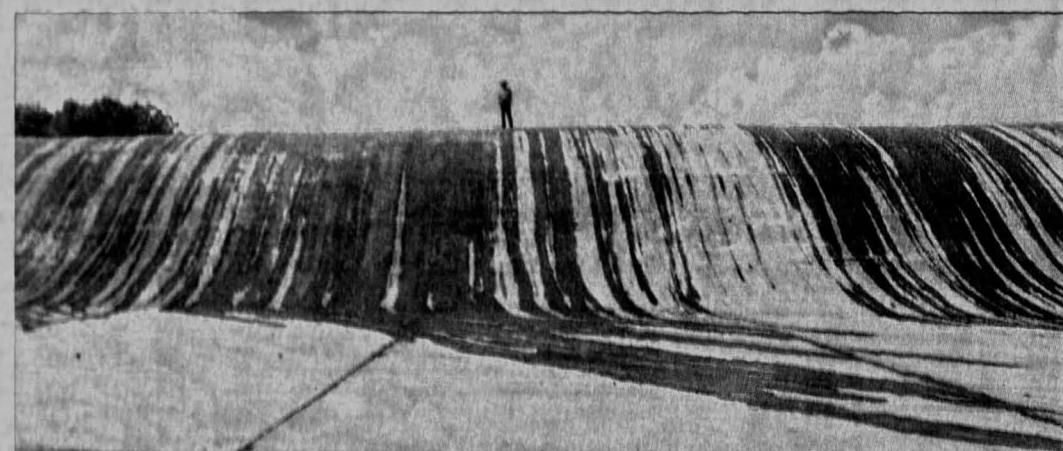
BY LUCY COLLINS  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Looking out his office window, Iowa City City Manager Steve Atkins remembers when, 10 years ago, he saw Ralston Creek engulf cars during a "moment in history" that altered the lifestyles of everyone in town.

"It was a 500-year storm; you cannot plan for something on that level," said Atkins, referring to the Great Flood of 1993, which spawned changes in Johnson County to ensure that effects of such an event wouldn't be quite so devastating in the future.

"We have to understand that Mother Nature will have her way," Atkins said.

According to the Rock Island District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mother Nature did have her way in '93. The flood is known as the worst in U.S. history — it dam-



File photo/The Daily Iowan  
An unidentified Army Corps of Engineers official stands on the spillway during the summer of 1993.

aged 504 counties in nine states, killed 47 people, forced 74,000 out of their homes, left 72,000 homeless, damaged more than 40,000 community structures, closed 1,000 miles of road, and cost an estimated \$15.6 billion.

S.K. Nanda, the hydraulics chief at the Corps' Rock Island District, said the Iowa City and Coralville areas suffered an excess of \$20 million in property damages during the flood.

Among other areas reported

in The Daily Iowan in 1993, Dubuque Street, South Gilbert Street, the Coralville Strip, and Interstates 80, 380, and 965 were temporarily closed. UI classes in low-lying areas were relocated, sometimes to teach-

ers' homes. Such structures as the Art Building, the English-Politics Building, Mayflower Residence Hall, and Hancher Auditorium all suffered from some flooding.

Summer graduation was can-

celed, City Park was flooded, and there was a tetanus scare.

Transportation also became a challenge. Atkins said, "People

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## WEATHER



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## GIRLS GOT GAME

As the temperatures heat up, so does the tempo of play in the Game Time League. See story, page 12

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## NEW HIRINGS AHEAD?

Johnson County supervisors give the go-ahead for new hirings, with a small catch. See story, page 2

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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 to county departments to hire new employees during a budget meeting Tuesday.

Although hiring is allowed, the supervisors unofficially requested that departments wait on hiring new employees until reports on the budget for fiscal 2004 are released. Supervisor Pat Harney said several departments had independently chosen to hold off on hiring without the directive.

County departments looking to hire new employees included the county attorney's office, the ambulance service, and the conservation department.

The ambulance service has already advertised for two new full-time paramedics, and it hopes to fill the positions by Aug. 1, director Steve Spangler said. He added that the positions were approved when the ambulance service submitted its budget for the year.

Harry Graves, the conservation executive director, said the department was looking to hire a full-time field worker, but because of budget constraints, it would hire two seasonal part-time workers. He added that the last hiring in the department was in 1986.

The county attorney's office has an opening for a legal assistant, but County Attorney J. Patrick White has told other officials he plans to wait to fill

the position, Harney said.

The move to begin hiring again came after budget coordinator Jeff Horne informed the supervisors that the county has \$500,000 left over in the fiscal 2004 budget for discretionary spending.

Treasurer Tom Kriz suggested the surplus was due to departments underbudgeting their incomes.

"If you budgeted income where it should be, you wouldn't have that," he said in reference to the surplus.

While Horne delivered the good news about the fiscal 2004 budget, fiscal 2005 looks bleak. He identified four areas where costs for the county will continue to grow: shelter for juveniles, cost of property and casual insurance,

health insurance for employees, and the transportation of prisoners to other county jails.

Horne and the supervisors added that the state is likely to continue to cut county funding and mandate more services to counties.

"In this coming fiscal year, there are so many unanswered questions," Supervisor Terrence Neuzil said.

Horne also gave the supervisors several ideas for cutting costs and increasing revenue in the future. Such suggestions included closing the administration building one day per week, opening for four 10-hour days, and sharing services with cities and other counties in the area.

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## POLICE LOGS

**Byron Stewart Bacher**, 26, 208 Blackfoot Trail, was charged Sunday with possession of products to manufacture meth and possession of marijuana. According to court records, the Iowa State Patrol stopped Bacher's car on I-380 for an equipment violation. The officer allegedly noticed a glass bowl, salt, tools, and a scanner in the car and in a search allegedly found cable fillers, glass jars with residue and sludge, tubing, funnels, and a heating pad, among others. Bacher is being held at the Johnson County Jail on \$17,500 bond.

**Danny Duane Bishop**, 42, 4154 Kessler Drive, was charged Tuesday with driving with a revoked license, OWI, and leaving the scene of a personal-injury accident stemming from an alleged June 26 incident. Bishop was allegedly injured when involved in an accident at the intersection of Highway 6 and Gilbert Street, then drove away from the scene, records show. Later, officers received a call about a drunken driver, and Bishop was allegedly identified as the person involved in the accident.

**Joe Casey Booth**, 30, address unknown, was charged Monday with third-degree burglary. Booth allegedly broke into a parked van and stole a wallet; he was arrested later that day, records show. The charge is a Class D felony punishable by five years in prison and/or a \$7,500 fine.

**Adam Eugene Claypool**, 20, address unknown, was charged Monday with second-degree theft. According to court records, Claypool was sleeping in a 1994 Pontiac Grand Am that was identified as a stolen vehicle. He allegedly admitted to Coralville police that he had stolen the vehicle two weeks earlier. He is being held at the Johnson County Jail on \$7,500 bail.

**Brian Joseph Flynn**, 28, Coralville, was charged July 4 with assault causing injury. According to court records, Flynn and his ex-girlfriend got into an argument over a cell phone when Flynn allegedly pushed her repeatedly. The woman received minor injuries to her nose, hands, and lower legs, according to reports. Flynn is being held at the Johnson County Jail on \$1,950 bail.

**Alexis Lanee Gant**, 20, 2535 Bartelt Road Apt. 2B, was charged Monday with assault causing injury. According to court records, the complainant was speaking with Gant when Gant allegedly punched her in the face, leaving a small abrasion and swelling under the left eye. Gant was released on her own recognizance.

**Annie Marie Long**, 34, Rock Island, Ill., was charged Monday with forgery. According to court records, Long allegedly tried to cash two payroll checks at Cub Foods, 855 Highway 1 W. According to reports, upon examining the checks, employees realized they were fraudulent and were able to stop Long in the parking lot, where she allegedly admitted she got the checks from a friend. She is being held at the Johnson County Jail on \$7,500 bail.

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# Board pleased by school-nutrition report

BY SEUNG MIN KIM  
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa City School District's nutrition committee presented "very encouraging" results to the School Board regarding a yearlong study in an overall campaign to raise awareness of nutrition and fitness in the local schools.

At the board meeting Tuesday, Superintendent Lane Plugge presented sales numbers from vending machines offering such dairy products as milk, string cheese, and yogurt, which were placed in the district's secondary schools at the beginning of the last school year.

According to the report, 2,313 units of milk, 286 units of yogurt, and 501 units of string cheese were sold at City High School in a 22-week pilot period. At West High School, however, 5,653 units of milk, 430 units of yogurt, and 510 units of string cheese were sold during the same period.

The difference in the sales volume between the two schools is because of the less-accessible location of the vending machines at City High, which the committee anticipated, Plugge said.

"Well, it's very encouraging to see almost 10,000 units sold [of healthy snacks] in the past year, whereas one year ago, it would have been zero," board member Dave Franker said.

A similar study at Southeast Junior High School showed that juices and milk accounted for 47 percent of all beverages sold in the school year, which, Plugge believed, showed that "kids are making their own choice."

In addition, he presented an update on the implementation of programs in different ele-

mentary schools to increase physical activity and nutrition education.

Programs varied from nutrition updates in monthly newsletters, a "mileage club" in which students ran during recess three times per week, and a program funded by Iowa State University called "Pick a Better Snack," where students would learn about "unconventional" foods such as artichokes, rhubarb, and clementines.

"There have been no mandates from the administration, no regulations [regarding nutrition awareness]," Plugge said. "We make suggestions because it's an education process, because our focus is on choice."

Swiss Valley, the main vendor for dairy products in the local schools, is most likely to continue as the vendor for the district, Plugge said. However, the district will have to purchase the machines in place at various schools, he added.

If the district acquires another vendor for dairy products, the string cheese and yogurt currently provided will not be available, he said.

Despite positive results, the board members emphasized the need to continue efforts to increase nutrition awareness in schools.

"The focus is now, what is the action plan?" member Don Jackson said. "It can't just be a six-month trial thing."

Although no specific action was thoroughly discussed by the board, Franker referred to a recent decision by New York City to eliminate vending machines from all public schools.

"The goal is to try to engage our students in various activities to get them involved and to promote good health for their entire lives," Plugge said.

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## Renovations on tap for City, West Highs

Plans to renovate City and West High Schools are the furthest along in the Iowa City School District's \$39 million expansion plan, Superintendent Lane Plugge reported at the Iowa City School Board meeting Tuesday.

At West, 2901 Melrose Ave., plans to construct a separate wing for ninth-grade students are still intact, Plugge said.

However, because the district wants to preserve the student plaza located behind the school, the building-design committee decided to construct the wing running from the north to the south, attached to the building's west end. There will most likely be a different entrance for the freshmen in addition to the new wing.

However, at City High, 1901 Morningside Drive, the committee is facing more challenges in renovation plans because of the age and infrastructure of the school, Plugge reported.

Future students may see a loss in outdoor space and possibly a move in practice facilities to other locations.

The committee is also discussing with the cities of North Liberty and Coralville the possibility of sharing outdoor space and indoor facilities for the new elementary school, Plugge said.

The committee is continuing to work on building plans for other construction projects included in the bond referendum, Plugge said, adding that he hopes to present building updates every two weeks.

— by Seung Min Kim

## CITY

## Man stabbed in Manville Heights

Detre Anton Anderson, 23, was stabbed in the back Monday night in an area of the 300 block of Ellis Avenue.

According to police reports, Anderson was approached from behind by a black male described as 5-10, 220 pounds, with a bald or shaved head, wearing a white shirt with dark pants.

After the attack, Anderson drove

to the UI Hospitals and Clinics for treatment; the hospital's Emergency Treatment Center reported the stabbing to police at 11:59 p.m.

Anderson was treated for puncture wounds to his back, but the injuries were not life-threatening,

according to police records.

He was released from the hospital.

The incident remains under investigation; anyone with information is encouraged to contact Iowa City police at 356-5275.

— by Johan Bergenas

## CORRECTION

On July 8, The Daily Iowan incorrectly reported that the investigation into the death of Herbert Milton Delano Jr. was not ongoing. The investigation by the UI police is continuing. The DI regrets the error.

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Chief Deputy Mike Mitchell of the Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department (left) and Meridian police Officer Ricky Roberts console Brandie Tiller after she arrives at Lockheed Martin Plant in Meridian, Miss., where a family member works. A white factory worker known as a racist opened fire with a shotgun and a rifle at the plant Tuesday, killing four blacks and one white.

## 'Bigot' kills 5 at plant

BY MATT VOLZ  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MERIDIAN, Miss. — A factory worker known as a bigoted "hothead" who talked about killing people opened fire with a shotgun at a Lockheed Martin plant Tuesday, leaving five fellow employees dead before committing suicide.

Dozens of employees at the aircraft parts plant frantically ran for cover screaming, "Get out! Get out!" after Doug Williams, dressed in a black T-shirt and camouflage pants, started firing. The rampage occurred after Williams attended a meeting on workplace ethics.

Nine people were injured, including one critically, in the nation's deadliest workplace shooting in 2½ years.

"At first I thought it was something falling on the ground. Then I walked to the aisle and saw him aiming his gun. I took off. Everybody took off," said Booker Stevenson, who was helping assemble airplane parts when he heard the first shot.

Exactly what set Williams off was not immediately clear, but co-workers said the 48-year-old assembler had had

run-ins with management and several fellow employees.

"Mr. Williams was mad at the world. This man had an issue with everybody," said co-worker Hubert Threat. "It's not just about race. It was just the excuse he was looking for."

Williams was white, and four of his victims were black; the fifth was white.

Nevertheless, Sheriff Billy Sollie said it appeared Williams fired at random. "There was no indication it involved race or gender as far as his targets were concerned," Sollie said.

Several co-workers said they were not surprised when Williams was identified as the killer.

"When I first heard about it, he was the first thing that came to my mind," said Jim Payton, who is retired from the plant but had worked with Williams for approximately a year.

Stevenson said Williams was known as a bigot who did not like blacks. And Payton had said Williams had talked about wanting to kill people. "I'm capable of doing it," Payton quoted Williams as saying.

One of those killed was Lanette McCall, a black woman who had worked at the plant 15

years. Her husband, Bobby McCall, said she expected Williams to harm someone someday.

"She said he made a threat against black people," a distraught Bobby McCall said. He added: "Obviously, he was a sick guy. I wish somebody had given him some help before he done destroyed my life and my kids' life."

Russell Wright, who works at the plant but was not there Tuesday, described Williams as a "hothead."

The sheriff said he had no information on whether the gunman had been in trouble with his bosses. Williams and other employees were attending an annual ethics meeting that the company requires of all its workers. Most of the victims had attended the meeting, authorities said.

"We are not sure if those killed were friend or foe," the sheriff said.

Austin Clark, who called in sick Tuesday, said Williams made accusations when he was angry. "He's had problems with white people, too," said Clark, who is white. "I have no idea what set him off."

## School sued for forcing STD tests

BY KAREN MATTHEWS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — School administrators forced several eighth-graders to be tested for pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases after they skipped school to attend a party where some students reportedly had sex, according to a lawsuit filed Tuesday.

Around 10 girls were told they couldn't return to Intermediate School 164 without a doctor's note after they attended the "hooky party," said Donna Lieberman, the executive director of the New York Civil Liberties Union.

"What [the school] did is completely unheard of," she said. "It violates their right to privacy. It violated their right to go to school. It violated their right not to be subjected to summary punishment."

One male student also attended the party, but he was not required to be tested for diseases, Lieberman said.

Asked about the federal lawsuit, school Chancellor Joel Klein said, "As in any lawsuit there are two sides. Different people have different views of what happened, and we will respond appropriately in court."

A woman who answered the phone at the school said she had no comment.

Dr. David Bell, who saw two of the girls at New York Presbyterian Hospital's family-planning clinic, said he was "outraged" that the school demanded confidential medical information from the students.

"Having teens presented to me as a punishment jeopardizes their trust to future relationships with me and their future care providers," he said.

According to the lawsuit, the two plaintiffs got notes stating

only that they had been seen in the clinic, but those were rejected. They were forced to get a second note that included their test results, said Rebekah Diller, the director of the NYCLU's reproductive-rights project.

"There seems to be an assumption here that if they had tested positive for pregnancy or for an STD, they would not

have been allowed back in the school," Lieberman said. "That's clearly wrong under the law."

In addition to unspecified monetary damages, the NYCLU is asking the court to order the Department of Education to apologize to the girls, to remove the matter from their academic records, and to train its personnel to respect students' privacy.

## Chicago mulls fate of 'County'

BY DON BABWIN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Long before it inspired TV's "ER" and was a setting in the movie *The Fugitive*, Cook County Hospital was a kind of Ellis Island of medicine.

From its 1914 opening, the public hospital was one place in Chicago where the huddled masses knew they would receive medical care without regard to their color, their language, or their ability to pay.

That helps explain the effort to save the now-shuttered hospital from the wrecking ball.

Along with the preservationists who usually turn out when old buildings are threatened, this campaign has attracted scores of people whose lives are tied to the mammoth structure, including doctors, nurses, patients, and neighbors.

"It represented Chicago at its most humane," said author Studs Terkel, who was born two years before the hospital opened and whose mother had a rooming house nearby when he was a boy.

Wilma Kirk, a 70-year-old Chicago woman who gave birth to all seven of her children at County, as it is known, put it more bluntly: "They didn't make you feel that you were trash. Anybody that needed help in any kind of way, they gave it to them."

The two are among more than 6,500 people who have signed petitions to save the eight-story hospital, which the county's board of commissioners voted in

Brian Kersey/Associated Press  
Gurneys stand idle in the emergency room of the old Cook County Hospital, the inspiration for "ER," on June 30 in Chicago. Some Chicago residents are attempting to save the now-shuttered hospital from the wrecking ball. The hospital has been open since 1914.

1999 to tear down once a new hospital was built next door.

In December, the John H. Stroger Jr. Hospital of Cook County opened and the old hospital closed its doors. That seemingly cleared the way to raze the old building and erect a parking garage and a park, as planned.

To be sure, those fighting to save the sprawling structure are not saying it should be a hospital again. This is a building, after all, that the American College of Surgeons declared too decrepit for modern surgery — in the 1930s. And the day it closed, it was still largely without air conditioning.

But they say the building can be gutted for a host of uses, such as lofts, offices, or a fitness center, with a gymnasium and a track.

Preservationists say the building is worth saving not just because it represents a grand example of ornate Beaux Arts architecture but because of what the terra-cotta facade and limestone columns say about the county's commitment to the poor.

"If you look at what the county decided to build, you would think the hospital was built for the elite," said Jonathan Fine, the president of Preservation Chicago, which is leading the fight.

"What we were saying to the immigrant was not only do we welcome you, when you get sick

we will take care of you in a magnificent piece of architecture."

# OPINIONS

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### Editorial

## SARS 'epidemic' overblown

The World Health Organization announced on July 5 that the "chain of transmission" of the SARS illness appears to have been broken, with the virus no longer finding new victims anywhere in the world. We may soon notice a reduction in news coverage of the disease, but likely, we'll notice no change at all in at least one thing: the rate at which people around us drop dead of SARS.

SARS first emerged in November in southern China and quickly sprouted up in other parts of Asia. The WHO declared it an international health emergency on March 15, and officials feared it could evolve into a global pandemic.

It didn't.

The WHO fulfilled its duty in taking every possible precaution against an explosive spreading of SARS. However, the national news media performed a disservice for the country by playing on the fears inside us all. In fact, the media response to SARS is symptomatic of a danger possibly greater than the actual disease — namely, a culture of fear and sensationalism.

Major newspapers have published pictures of hundreds of people in Asia and the United States donning masks as protection against this deadly disease. Each day, new articles appeared warning against travel to Asia or Toronto.

Instead of portraying the disease as more dangerous than it really is, perhaps the media should have examined some of the following statistics:

The current case count of SARS in the U.S. is 419, with zero deaths. Zero. You can't get better survival rates than that. The chance of contracting SARS in the United States is 1 in

4.6 million. There hasn't been a single case reported in Iowa.

Worldwide, the SARS death rate hovers somewhere between 5 and 8 percent. In a world with a population of 6.3 billion, SARS has killed slightly more than 800.

An epidemic? Hardly.

This certainly isn't the first time the media have sensationalized fear of the unknown. Think back to summer of 2002, when the media harped on the dangers of the West Nile virus. Out of 4,100 human cases in the United States, only 284 resulted in death. And over a decade, 125 people have died of the much-ballyhooed Mad Cow disease. Oh, and we mustn't forget the shark attacks on the Eastern Seaboard in 2001 that claimed the lives of — brace yourself — four swimmers from Maine to Florida.

Compare these statistics with the 3,000 African children who die every day from malaria or the 430,000 Americans who die from tobacco every year. The real tragedy here is that while Americans canceled their plans to visit Asia, avoided "shark-infested" beaches, or draped themselves in mosquito netting, they largely ignored much greater problems at home and abroad. No doubt, many still have smoldering cigarettes dangling from their mouths.

In the midst of the media circus, we have lost sight of the unsensational, everyday things that will make drastic differences in our lives: putting on our seat belts, quitting smoking, making smarter choices in our diets, and drinking more water and less beer.

## Road of reminiscing and ramblings

**J**ust a few hours prior to my 20th birthday, en route to Iowa City, I found my mind wandering from the miles of I-80 highway ahead of me.

The lightning bugs flickering in the fields alongside the road, like a million Christmas lights continually blinking, jogged my memory. (That's the first sign of getting older, isn't it? When a smell or a song or a brigade of flashing insects brings one back to some random moment in time ...)

I remembered turning 10. I cried by myself that day because I realized for the rest of my life, I was going to have to write two numbers on any form that asked for my age. Being a 10-year-old meant I wasn't a little kid anymore. I should have felt special because I was 10. I should have felt older. I should have at least looked older. But I was no different.

And in many ways, I am still no different. I do not look my age, and people constantly remind me of that fact. Coworkers think I'm a first-year student and are surprised when I say I'm graduating next spring. Friends tease that I may not be able to go on the roller coasters at Six Flags. Restaurants ask if I need a booster seat and a children's menu.

The most recent embarrassing incident occurred while shopping with my mom at a department store. A woman behind a makeup counter began casually chatting about her daughter, while using my fingernails as a display palette to entice my mom into buying overpriced nail polish. The woman said her daughter was on a journalism internship, to which my mother replied that I am also studying journalism. The rest of the conversation went something like this:

Nail-polish woman: Oh, I didn't know they had journalism classes in high school.

My mother: High school?! How old do you think she is?

Nail-polish woman: 14!

My mother: She's almost 20!

Nail-polish woman: (pause) Well, she is lucky to look so young.

Lucky? I don't consider myself lucky.

Maybe when I'm 30 and people still think I look 14, but right then I felt insulted.

Looking so young has become quite the



LACEY  
IRBY

burden. If I go out downtown, bouncers take a very close look at my driver's license. I always get carded at movie theaters. Over winter break I, 5-3, tried to go to an R-rated movie with my 5-10 boyfriend and my 5-8 younger brother. The ticket attendant, who couldn't have been more than 15 years old, asked to see some identification. Thinking she was going to look at everyone's, I handed over my driver's license first. She then allowed all of us to walk through the ticket gate.

Wait a minute, how does this make any sense? At the time, my little brother was 16 and had braces, and I am the one who looks under 17!?

But maybe this is my fault, aside from the height issue, which is totally out of my control. I still wear shirts from freshman year of high school. I ask for crayons when I go to restaurants. Movies about animals (like *Homeward Bound*, *Free Willy*, and *Milo and Otis*) still bring me to tears, and right now I own a hamster who I love as much as one may love a dog or a cat. I play only video games with premises about

birthday parties and amusement parks.

Which makes me wonder: What on earth am I going to do this time next year? I will have graduated, but will I be ready to become an active part of the "real" world? Will I be successful, or will I first have to struggle immensely? Will everything be exciting or stressful or a combination of both? Will I find my place in the vast "real" world?

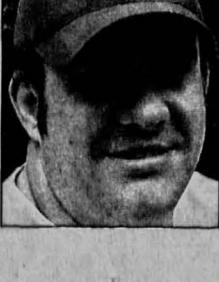
Most of all, who is going to give a job to someone who looks like she's 14?

I forced my mind to focus on the road. I drove through a *splat* swarm of fireflies *splat*, some of whom slammed against the front of the car. Their fluorescent insides stayed bright on the windshield for a few seconds. *Splat*. I smiled. I felt a sort of sick pleasure in watching them become my own personal light show. As I continued driving, I stopped caring about turning 20 and about looking so young. I decided that whatever happens next year is going to be thrilling, even if I run into a few *splats*. (That's the second sign of getting older, isn't it? When a smell or a song or a brigade of flashing insects makes you realize that everything's going to be OK ...)

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### On the Spot

#### Do you think the media sensationalized SARS?



"Of course they did."

Scott Dragoo  
UI senior



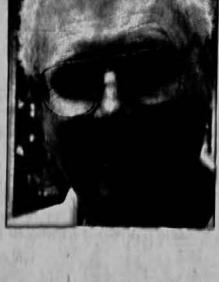
"Yes, but it was a good news item and those of us in the health care industry know that it's not easily transmittable."

Kristy Nichols  
UI employee



"They totally did."

Erica Sweeney  
UI senior



"Yes, because they focused on the number of cases altogether rather than the actual fatalities."

Richard Murphy  
Iowa City resident



"Yes, they blew it out of proportion, although I'm moving to China soon, and it didn't affect my decision."

Sherene Judeh  
Iowa City resident

### QUOTEWORTHY

It was a 500-year storm; you cannot plan for something on that level.

Iowa City City Manager Steve Atkins,  
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## Shaping the scope and scope of IC

BY DAVE STRACKANY

THE DAILY IOWAN

In the end, relatively few people move and shape and shape the scope of the land they inhabit. Since moving to Iowa City in 1974, Benjamin Chait, a local artist and entrepreneur, whether he likes it or not, has become one of them.

Raised in a working-class family in Coral Gables, Fla., Chait moved to New Orleans to receive an undergraduate education in architecture from Tulane University. From there, Chait went on to receive his master's in urban design from Washington University in St. Louis.

Inspired by the hippie ideals of the period, Chait collaborated with Vista — which was incorporated into AmeriCorps in 1993 — as part of his master's thesis, "A Community-Level Approach to Community Development." The project focused on a small, urban black population that had been given 135 acres. Chait used his education in city planning to assist the community in developing the property, which was surrounded by affluent white suburbs.

Upon completing his thesis, Chait found himself with no company or college to support him. He began looking for direction, and in short order, Iowa City answered that call.

He found work with the UI as a hospital architect. After two years, he moved into private practice as a residential and commercial architect and developer in the Iowa City area — buying, refurbishing, and selling residential and commercial real estate.

"The thing that occurred to me around the time of doing real-estate development is that problem-solving is my training as an architect," he said. "Whether you're solving a design problem or building a building, or creating a business and helping it grow, there are a lot of the same fundamental characteristics."

Chait still owns three of the properties he purchased during his introduction to real-estate development in the late '70s: 401 S. Gilbert St., home of Uptown Bill's Small Mall, 408 S. Gilbert St., the Biolife Plasma Center, and 218 E. Washington St., home to Galleries Down-



Whitney Kidder/The Daily Iowan

Local artist and entrepreneur Benjamin Chait sorts through a stack of photographs and other artwork in his office/studio, located upstairs from the Galleries Downtown, Chait's most recent endeavor.

town and the yesterdays of local video hub That's Rentertainment, now located at Chait's new property, 202 N. Linn St. Under his purview, the properties graduated from residential obscurity to become fixtures in the Iowa City area.

The key word is possibilities," he said. "I don't ask myself why something can't be done; I'm too dumb to know it can't be done. I just get right out and do it."

After meeting Chait and trying to dissect his varied interests and accomplishments, three designations come to mind: He is an entrepreneur, an artist, and a synergist for creative economy. However, he argues that his involvement in these three roles began before ever setting foot in their mutually exclusive arenas.

"Be, do, have. A more common attitude is the opposite," Chait mildly gestured and bobbed his head theatrically. "When I win the lottery, then I will do really good things; then I will be a really good person."

He paused, rested his hand on a jet-black stylus, and looked me directly in the eye. "It just doesn't work that way. You have to be who you are, do the things that you believe in, and then you will have the things that you really want."

As a businessman, Chait began buying and selling real estate, but his efforts did not come to fruition until the inception of That's Rentertainment in April 1983. Chait bought the building in 1979 and renovated it, and he was leasing it when

one of his tenants came to him with a plan.

"A college kid approached me about renting the space for a record-rental store. It was an emerging industry in Chicago." With Chait's support and guidance, the student began laying the groundwork for the new business. Just when everything was set to launch, however, the student backed out. Seizing the opportunity, Chait took the reins of the decapitated business.

"Everything was put together to move forward when he decided, for whatever reason, not to," he said. "But things were so organized in terms of people to work there and money that we decided to just move ahead. We opened in '83 with 4,600 records and 50 videos."

In time, That's Rentertainment turned into a franchise, boasting 14 stores and pummeling the competition. But when Michael Prefakes, the company's general manager, passed away in 1999 and the 202 N. Linn St. location became available, the video franchise was downsized to one store.

Chait's most recent venture, Galleries Downtown, fuses his expertise in business and development with his passion for art. "I've always had that artistic sense. As an architecture student, I was always more of a conceptualizer."

Examples of his art can be seen in the gallery. The temperament of his work ranges from cold and austere to lithe and sensual, and the scale is consistently grand. The compositions are geometric, even in dealing with organic subjects; focal points are set along invisible grids of thirds, fourths, and subdivisions therein. By and large, Chait's focus is photography. "I can see, but I can't draw. It's about being able to capture some kind of energy; the difference between a killer picture and a blink is just a microsecond," he said.

But some of Chait's greatest achievements are the result of collaboration with individuals, organizations, and the meeting of talents and visions.

For instance, Galleries Downtown is not simply a retail gallery space, it is a unique relationship between a for-profit business (Galleries Downtown) and a nonprofit organization (Arts Iowa City). In exchange for both wall and office space, Arts Iowa City provides expertise, advice, and connections for the new gallery.

"There's not a write-off," Chait said. "There's just a shared vision. When we had our first opening, there must've been 1,000 people here. You couldn't ask for a better mix of crowd, and I think that had to do with Arts Iowa City and its networking history and community. We wouldn't have done it without each other."

Art collaborations have also worked in his favor. His galactic collaborations with Gene Anderson, for example — maybe his most engaging achievements — depart from his solo works. Although Chait describes himself as a "lone ranger," the benefits of teamwork are undeniable.

Impressed by his lengthy résumé, I asked Chait if there was any advice he might impart to a younger generation, those who typically read *The Daily Iowan*. To this, he said, "Well, nobody can tell your generation anything" and half-smiled.

"Knowing that you don't know something is probably the most powerful tool that you have," I nodded, already planning some clever way to tie that in to my article.

"And your ability to say it," he added. "To admit that you don't know."

I have no idea how that fits in with the flow of this story.

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### 'Beverly Hillbilly' had rich life

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Buddy Ebsen was known for the genial characters he played on "The Beverly Hillbillies" and "Barnaby Jones" but enjoyed a rich creative life beyond television, family and friends said.

Ebsen, who died Sunday at age 95 of respiratory failure, also wrote and painted. He started his show business career as a song-and-dance man.

"His career from beginning to end, from Broadway to the last television series, was second to none," said Fess Parker, who forged a 50-year friendship with Ebsen when they costarred in TV's "Davy Crockett."

He was an artist who "saw and appreciated beauty in all things," Ebsen's family said in a statement.

In his later years, he created seascapes and landscapes, published an autobiography, and was an accomplished sailor.

"We choose to not grieve Buddy's passing but to celebrate the life of this extraordinary man," the family said in the statement. He died at Torrance Memorial Medical Center, where he was hospitalized last month for pneumonia, said his daughter, Connie Ebsen-Jackson.

Ebsen was first married to Ruth Cambridge, Walter Winchell's "Girl Friday," and they had two daughters. The marriage ended in divorce, and he met and married his second wife, Nancy, while both were in the Coast Guard. They had four daughters and a son. Ebsen was married to Dorothy Knott in 1985.

He is survived by his wife, six children, six grandchildren, and sister Vilma, according to the family's statement. Funeral arrangements were incomplete.

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## NEWS

# Crowds of Liberians cheer GIs

BY KARL VICK  
WASHINGTON POST

MONROVIA, Liberia — In a human cascade of welcome and relief, chanting crowds of Liberians swarmed the motorcade carrying a team of U.S. military experts as they ventured into Liberia's capital Tuesday morning to assess the city's humanitarian and security situation for a possible deployment of U.S. troops.

At the sight of American soldiers they believe have the power to salvage their country after more than a decade of intermittent civil war, residents and refugees burst into song and rambunctious applause at every stop. Mothers led chants of "No More War! We Want Peace," men praised President Bush, and children clutched the visitors' hands and would not let go.

"You come in here, and they all welcome you and touch you," said Cmdr. Gene Smallwood, a Navy medical planner from Damascus, Md. "It actually brought tears to my eyes on my way in. I was glad I was wearing sunglasses, so you guys couldn't see."

As he spoke, a crowd of Liberians cheered the Americans from a soccer stadium where several thousand have been living since civil war pushed them from their villages. "My wife and two children have both died" from hunger and disease, said the Rev. Terence Dudley, who said he had been living in the stadium for a month. "Now I'm so hungry, I'm afraid I may also die. I'm seeing double and my insides hurt at night. Can you help me?"

More than 100,000 people have fled fighting in recent months between rebels and forces loyal to President Charles Taylor. Indicted on war-crimes charges, his capital surrounded by rebels, Taylor — a one-time Boston gas-station attendant, escapee from a Massachusetts



A man struggles to grasp a U.S. flag as a jubilant crowd on Tuesday welcomes the arrival of the U.S. military assessment team at the Redemption Hospital in the Liberian capital of Monrovia.

Ben Curtis/Associated Press

jail, and warlord — is viewed by international prosecutors, diplomats, and some Liberians as the main impediment to peace in the region.

A cease-fire has been in place since June 17.

"I think it's astounding," said Navy Capt. Roger Colclough, in the center of a chanting throng in a nearby village swollen by several thousand displaced Liberians. "There's absolutely no word for it."

The exuberance of the team's welcome overshadowed a pair of incidents that marred its first full day in Liberia but that pointed to the complications that would accompany any U.S. deployment here.

President Bush, who is considering dispatching troops to lead an "international stabilization

force" in the West African nation of 3 million, said his decision will hinge in part on the 32-member team's assessment.

After a morning briefing from aid agencies, the team climbed into eight SUVs to visit the makeshift places that shelter Liberia's uprooted population.

The Americans stopped first at Redemption Hospital, where aid groups struggle to provide basic treatment without international aid agencies who fled last month's rebel offensive. Then they moved to a school sheltering 18,000 refugees, and a chant went up against Taylor, who was recently charged with crimes against humanity for arming and training a brutal rebel force fighting in neighboring Sierra Leone. Taylor has said he will

step down and accept safe haven in Nigeria, but he has not said when.

"Taylor's wings broke!" the crowd cried. "Bush, wake up!"

The first hitch came on the way to the next stop, a large camp near a Voice of America broadcast tower outside the capital. Pausing at a Liberian army checkpoint at a strategic bridge, the motorcade was ordered back to town. Minister of Defense Daniel Chea was offended that the visitors had not paid a courtesy visit before setting off for the day, and he ordered them turned away.

"It was unfair of them to leave me standing here," Chea told reporters in his downtown office. "They understood my point, they turned around, and we had a beautiful meeting."

## Abbas threatens to quit as tensions flare

BY JOHN WARD  
ANDERSON  
WASHINGTON POST

JERUSALEM — A radical Palestinian group that had agreed to a three-month halt in attacks against Israelis claimed responsibility Tuesday for a bomb blast Monday night that killed a 65-year-old Israeli woman in her home. The bombing, which came amid threats by other Palestinian militants to continue attacking Israelis, suggested that internal opposition to the cease-fire is more intense and widespread than Palestinian leaders have acknowledged.

In a further sign of widening rifts among Palestinian leaders, Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas on Tuesday threatened to quit as premier and submitted his resignation from the central committee of Fatah, the largest Palestinian political movement, in a dispute over his government's relations with Israel.

His resignation followed a stormy meeting of the committee Monday night during which Abbas, known as Abu Mazen, was disparaged by hard-liners for what they called his weak response to Israel's refusal to

release thousands of Palestinian prisoners, a senior Palestinian official said. Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat rejected Abbas' resignation, the official said.

The cumulative picture was that of a Palestinian prime minister and government unable to control militants, under bitter attack from internal factions and lacking popular support, but trying desperately to meet the demands of Israel and the United States to quell Palestinian violence and keep alive a peace plan called the road map.

"For the government, it means people are really watching, and Abu Mazen doesn't have a lot of support on the street or in Fatah, and he's going to be under a lot of pressure to show gains for the Palestinians that they haven't seen yet," a senior Palestinian official said. "For the peace process, it means that if the Americans want Abu Mazen, they are going to have to pressure Israel to release Palestinian political prisoners."

Monday's bombing occurred in Kfar Yavetz, a small Israeli community approximately 14 miles northeast of Tel Aviv and two miles from the border with the West Bank, where an explosive device being carried by a suicide bomber from the radical group



A Palestinian youth in Bethlehem's Manger Square carries pictures of an unidentified Palestinian prisoner allegedly held by Israelis as he and other youths participate in a rally on Tuesday calling for the prisoners' release.

Islamic Jihad exploded in the living room of a private home. The roof of the house collapsed, killing Mazal Afari, 65, and slightly injuring three of her grandchildren, police said. The bomber also was killed in the blast.

A statement purportedly issued by the military wing of Islamic Jihad said the operation

was in response to "continuing Zionist aggression" and "the tightening on the prisoners in their jails and tampering with their nerves by talking about an intention to release some of them and exclude others."

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## Official blames speed of attack for Iraqi problems

BY MATT KELLEY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Some of the problems with looting, sabotage, and attacks on U.S. troops in Iraq are the legacy of the speedy American advance on Baghdad, the Pentagon's top policy official said Tuesday.

If the United States had waited to invade Iraq until it had enough troops in the area to prevent looting and postwar chaos, Saddam Hussein's regime could have burned Iraqi oil fields or created worse problems, Undersecretary of Defense Douglas Feith said.

"War always involves trade-offs," Feith said in a speech to the Center for Strategic and International Studies. "It's not right to assume that the major problems in Iraq are attributable to poor planning."

Feith lashed out at critics of the Iraq war who say the Bush administration exaggerated Saddam's threat and ignored international opposition.

"The danger of [weapons of mass destruction] in Saddam's hands appeared grave," Feith said.

No chemical or biological weapons have been found in Iraq. Echoing a position the administration has taken for months, Feith said finding out the extent of Saddam's banned-weapons programs would take a long time.

However, the White House on Tuesday admitted that President Bush had erred in his State of the Union speech when he tried. Saddam Hussein had tried to buy uranium in Africa. Democrats immediately pressed for deeper investigation of pre-war U.S. intelligence efforts.

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This is a very important admission," said Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota. "It's a recognition that we were provided faulty information.

And I think it's all the more reason that a full investigation of all of the facts surrounding this situation be undertaken."

Sen. Carl Levin of Michigan, the ranking Democrat on the Armed Services Committee, also said the development underscored a need for more investigation.

The reported White House statements only reinforce the importance of an inquiry into why the information about the bogus uranium sales didn't reach the policy-makers during 2002 and why, as late as the president's State of the Union address in January 2003, our policy-makers were still using information that the intelligence community knew was almost certainly false," Levin said.

Michael Anton, a spokesman for the White House's National Security Council, said in a statement, "We now know that documents alleging a transaction between Iraq and Niger had been forged."

Meanwhile, at the Pentagon,

Feith acknowledged that problems in providing basic services in Iraq, such as electricity and water, were hampering U.S.-led stability and security efforts. He blamed that more on sabotage and the "threadbare" condition of Iraq's infrastructure under Saddam than on shortcomings of the coalition administration.

"We want the Iraqis to trust our competence and good faith," Feith said.

The United States plans to begin training a new Iraqi army soon, with a goal of having a division of 12,000 troops trained within a year, Feith said. Officials hope to have 40,000 Iraqi troops trained within three years, he said.

Pentagon officials also want to hold trials for some captured leaders in Saddam's regime, Feith said. He said U.S. officials had not decided on what courts would try the Iraqi officials but added that Iraqis would probably lead that effort.

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**RUGRATS GO WILD (PG)**

12:30, 2:30, 4:30

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**FINDING NEMO (G)**

SCREEN 1: 11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:40

SCREEN 2: 12:00, 2:30, 5:00

Ends Thursday-Screen 2 Only

**BRUCE ALMIGHTY (PG-13)**

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# Bush launches Africa trip ripping slavery

**BUSH**

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Bush dodged a specific question about whether he would commit U.S. troops to that West African nation.

"The United States will work with [the Economic Community of West African States]," the president said. "We are in the process of determining what is necessary to maintain the cease-fire and to allow for a peaceful transfer of power."

Bush repeated his call for Liberian President Charles Taylor to step down before U.S. troops are sent. Charged with war crimes for his role in Sierra Leone's grisly civil war, Taylor has said he will go, but he has given no date.

There were also questions about the U.S. role in Liberia on Capitol Hill where Vice President Dick Cheney was questioned during a closed-door GOP luncheon.

Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., summarized the mood of fellow lawmakers after the meeting: "I

think most members ... are very much open-minded about it and have some concerns." He said he was concerned about "stretching our forces too thin at this time," given the U.S. involvement in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere.

"We're not going to send our troops into harm's way without asking a lot of questions," said Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas. "I will want to see if it is a peacekeeping mission and are we going to bring in other countries to be helpful here so that we don't spend our troops need-

lessly. And if it's not a peacekeeping mission, I'm going to have to know what the United States security interest is."

Bush ended his Goree Island remarks with a pledge to help Africa end its civil wars, combat terrorism, fight hunger, and conquer disease.

"We know that these challenges can be overcome, because history moves in the direction of justice," he said. "This untamed fire of justice continues to burn in the affairs of man, and it lights the way before us."

Accompanied by wife Laura Bush, the president arrived in Dakar early Tuesday morning, after an all-night flight from Washington. He delivered his speech after meeting with Senegal President Abdoulaye Wade and then with the leaders of seven other Western African democracies: Benin, Cape Verde, the Gambia, Ghana, Mali, Niger, and Sierra Leone.

JANET HOOK AND NICK ANDERSON OF THE WASHINGTON BUREAU CONTRIBUTED TO THIS REPORT.

# TA found guilty in sexual-abuse case

**WILLIAMS**

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hind sight, we might think that [she could have], but she was under his power, and she was scared."

Lahey further argued that Williams abused his position of power "for his own arousal" and took advantage of her naivete.

"She was victimized by the

teacher she trusted, and he had no right to prey upon her," she said. "In the end, he underestimated her. She is someone who has strong roots and stands out when it counts. She has an innate sense of justice."

Third-degree sexual abuse, a Class C felony, carries a minimum \$500 fine and a maximum penalty of no more than 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. Indecent exposure calls for a minimum \$250

fine and a maximum of one year in jail and a \$1,500 fine.

"It's easier to believe that no one is sexually assaulted at the University of Iowa," Lahey said, addressing the jury. "We don't really understand it, how someone can force a sex act on another person. But do not confuse lack of understanding with lack of recognition."

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# UI trees continue to sicken, die

**TREES**

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results, removal is looming, Wilson said, adding that other factors can be to blame for the tree's death.

The business building was built around the 80-year-old tree, and Wilson cited a Minnesota arbor expert as saying the tree could just now be showing the effects of construction damage.

If the tree is not diseased, Wilson said, he hopes to donate the wood to the university for some artistic purpose, adding that if diseased, the tree has to be disposed of properly so more trees aren't affected.

The massive stump and massive root structure of the elm make planting a new tree in the exact spot impossible, said Bob Brooks, a UI landscape architect who is contemplating replacement designs.

"We want to have a plan of action in line before we remove

(the elm)," he said. "We may do two or three trees, but we are ironing out exactly what type."

Environmental stress is also blamed for the deaths of 13 trees across campus, prompting their removal, said Shawn Fitzpatrick, a UI grounds supervisor.

"The mystery to all of these [deaths] is that environmental stress gets credence, because different species of trees are involved here," he said.

For example, two white pines and an ironwood at the Nursing Building loading dock were removed Monday. Fitzpatrick said they were in pretty good health until last spring, when their conditions started to deteriorate.

"We're just not sure [what went wrong with them]," he said, but noted that because two different species of trees in the same location are involved, environmental stress is his "educated guess."

Near the Latino Native Amer-

ican Cultural Center, a hackberry tree will be removed in the near future. Citing the Iowa Arborist Association newsletter, Fitzpatrick said hackberries are dying across the state. Again, there is no definite reason for the deaths other than possible environmental stress.

"We are worried about the changing ecology," Wilson said of three other hackberries mysteriously dying in the ravine near Quadrangle Residence Hall. Brooks says the trees in the ravine will not be replaced until the cause of their death is determined.

Fitzpatrick says 6,000 trees on campus and 4,000 trees on Oakdale campus are inventoried and tracked. Replacement of the trees now being removed will begin in the fall.

"Generally, we install more trees than we remove," he said. "That's a good thing."

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# Flip-flops raising a local flap

**FLIP-FLOPS**

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nate the chance of catching skin diseases such as athlete's foot or another type of fungus," he said.

However, avid flip-flop wearers don't need to panic yet.

Dr. Jill Scholz, a podiatrist at Town Square Family Foot Care in Coralville, agrees that shoes without arch support can lead to injuries such as ankle strains. However, this doesn't mean that people need to stop wearing them completely.

Scholz, who finds the shoes uncomfortable, said flip-flops are suitable for walking on the sidewalk for short periods of time.

"They aren't the best shoes for your feet," she said. "But if you don't have any foot problems, they're probably OK."

With so many flip-flop wearers in Iowa City, the knowledge of potential foot problems may not stop the shoes from flip-flopping around.

"Flip-flops are definitely our best-selling type of shoes right now," said Devra Sheffer, a sales associate at Lorenz Boots, 132 S. Clinton St. She added that there is a large variety of flip-flops and sandals on the market, some of which provide more support than others, ranging in price from \$7.50 to \$150.

"The flip-flops we have in stock that provide the most sup-

port for your feet are the Rainbow sandals," she said. "They have an arch support, and the sole molds to your feet."

The shoes, which are handmade in California, cost approximately \$50 and are quickly growing in popularity.

Although the price of flip-flops sold at Lorenz is as low as \$8, the cheapest brands have no support whatsoever, Sheffer said.

Even when aware of medical warnings, people around town are likely to remain flip-flop crazy.

"It's so much easier taking them on and off," said Kelsi Fabian, a UI junior. "I know it's lazy, but I'm not going to stop wearing them."

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# Locals will never forget great flood

**THURSDAY PRIME TIME**

IC	UI	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
<b>HOME ANTENNA</b>													
KGAN	2	2	News	Millionaire	Amazing Race 4	CSI: Crime Scn	Without a Trace	News	Late Show (10:35)	Extra			
KWWL	7	7	News	Fortune	Friends	Scrubbs	Will-Grace	Frasier	ER	News	Tonight Show (10:35)	Late Night	
KFXA	8	41	Frasier	Seinfeld	Dale Earnhardt Tribute Concert		News	Raymond	King-Hill	Seinfeld	Star Trek: Voyager		
KCRG	9	9	News	Friends	Picture Perfect (97) *	(Jennifer Aniston)	Primerime Thursday	News	Dharma	Friends	Nightline		
KINN	13	13	NewsHour	Ask This	Iowa	Antiques	Flea Market	Wide Angle	Business	Vicar-Obly	News	Rose	
KWKB	20	16	Little Hse.	'70s Show	Blue Streak ('99) *	(Martin Lawrence)	'70s Show	Will-Grace	Will-Grace	Just Shoot	5th Wheel	Dating	
<b>CABLE CHANNELS</b>													
WSUJ	10	10	Audio programming										
WGN	3	31	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Columbo: Troubled Waters.		News	Rockford Files	Heat of Night				
GOVT	4	4	Johnson County Board of Supervisors' Meeting (5:30)				Violence and Conflict						
FAX	6	6	Supermix	Fam. Feud	It's a Miracle	Unexplained	Diagnosis Murder	BeatClock	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.			
LBR	10	10	Off Shelf	Off Shelf	If a Butterfly Sneezes	Irving B. Weber Day 2002		Aging Parents			Library Information		
EDUC	11	11	West High Sr.	Iowa City Community School District Board Meeting							Throne of Blood (57)		
C-SPN	14	23	House of Rep.	Prime Time Public Affairs			Prime Time Public Affairs						
C-SPN2	15	21	U.S. Senate Coverage	Public Affairs			Public Affairs						
CNRC	16	29	Brian Williams	Kudlow & Cramer	Capital Report	Brian Williams	Kudlow & Cramer	Capital Report					
UTV	17	3	France	Spanish	Movie		Avengers	Korean	Greece	France	Argentina		
PUBL	18	18	Hope UMC	Grace Church	Revival in Oxford	Local Prog	Glory	Power of Victory		Local Programming			
FNC	23	28	Fox Report	O'Reilly Factor (Live)	Hannity & Colmes	On the Record	O'Reilly Factor	Punk'D	Jackass	Tom Green Late Night			
MTV	27	44	MTV Special (5:30)	MTV Special	Made	True Life							
CNN	28	26	Live Headlines	Live Headlines	Larry King Live	NewsNight-Br.	Lou Dobbs Tonight	Larry King Live					
DISC	29	5	New Detectives	Most Wanted	Skip Tracers	Grand Canyon	Most Wanted	Skip Tracers					
A&E	30	38	Amer. Justice	Biography: M'A'SH	Columbo: Butterfly in Shades of Grey ('94)	Third Watch	Biography: M'A'SH						
USA	31	34	JAG: We the People.	JAG: Secrets.	E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial ('82) **** (Dee Wallace)	Monk	Nash						
LIFE	33	56	Miracle in the Woods ('97) (Meredith Baxter)	Nightwaves (NR, '02)	Golden	Golden	Nanny	Nanny					
IWC	34	30	Weather	Weather	Strm Story	Strm Story	Evening Edition	Strm Story	Strm Story	Evening Edition			
FX	35	35	Buffy Vampire	Kingpin (PG-13, '96) *** (Woody Harrelson)	Cops	Orlando	Kingpin ('96) (Woody Harrelson)						
TNT	36	35	Law & Order: Bad Girl.	While You Were Sleeping (PG, '95) ***	While You Were Sleeping (PG, '95) ***	While You Were Sleeping (PG, '95) ***	Night Sins ('97) **						
VHT	37	43	Young Hollywood	Fab Life	Will Smith	TV Moments Eminem.	Fab Life	Williams	Video	Fab Life	Behind the Music		
ANIM	38	38	Animals	Animals	Double Teamed ('02) (Annie McElwain)	Sister, Sis. Even	Boy World	Proud	Boy World	Smart Guy			
AMC	41	41	The Comancheros (5)	Shane ('53) **** (Alan Ladd, Jean Arthur)	The Searchers (9:25) ('56) **** (John Wayne)								
SPEED	42	42	Auto Racing: USAR Hooters Pro Cup Series.	Auto Racing: Dirt Car	Auto Racing: Off-Road	Rush Hour on Dirt	Auto Racing: USAR						
DISN	43	43	Sister, Sis., Lizzie	Double Teamed ('02) (Annie McElwain)	Sister, Sis. Even	Star Dates	Lov Chain	Howard S.	Wild On... Costa Rica.				
FOXSP	44	53	See This	MLB Baseball: Chicago White Sox at Detroit Tigers.		Samurai X Men	Futurama	Family	Big O	Kikaider			
DOM	45	42	Daily Tough	Primetime Trigger	Insomniac South	Insomniac	Insomniac Daily	Tough	Insomniac	Insomniac			
BRAV	46	39	Actor Studio	La Bamba (PG-13, '87) *** (Lou Diamond Phillips)	La Bamba (PG-13, '87) *** (Lou Diamond Phillips)								
NICK	49	18	Arnold	Rugrats	Sponge	Amanda	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby		
ESPN	50	45	Outside the Lines	Sumo Wrest.	Int. Auto Show	Baseball Tonight (Live)	SportsCenter (Live)	Outside	Baseball				
EL	51	45	E! News	True H'wood	Kirstie Alley: THS	Star Dates	Lov Chain	Howard S.	Wild On... Costa Rica.				
TOON	53	17	Powerpuff	Dexter	Ed, Edd & Courage	Pokemon Jackie	Samurai X Men	Futurama	Family	Big O	Kikaider		
ESPN2	55	46	Reporters	WNBA	WNBA Basketball: Liberty at Fever	Dog Show	Dog Show	Interrupt	Baseball	Strongman			
BET	57	40	106 Park	Bad Boys	3rd Annual BET Awards	From the Kodak Theatre, Los Angeles.	News	Maad	Midnight Love				
TNN	59	37	Diamonds Are Forever ('71)	James Bond battles a space-crazy villain.	Ren	Gary	Stripper	Ren Stimpy	Blind Date	Blind Date			
NIST	60	37	Modern Marvels	Comic Book Superheroes Unmasked	Modern Marvels	History of Sex	Superheroes						
TBS	61	32	Seinfeld	Friends	The Thomas Crown Affair ('99) *** (Pierce Brosnan)	The Thomas Crown Affair (R, '99) ***	Sea-Love						
LNI	62	24	Las Vias del Amor	Rebecca	Niña... Amada Mía	Aquí y Ahora	P. Impacto	Noticiero	Mejores Familia				
TBN	70	24	Billy Graham Classic	Behind	Michael Y. Bishop	Your Day	Praise the Lord (Live)	Wheaton	Dr. Baugh				
<b>PREMIUM CHANNELS</b>													
HBO	550	14	The Majestic (5:15) (01)	**** (Jim Carrey)	Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood ('02)	Real Sex 21	Greenlight	First Look					
MAX	562	18	Ocean 11	Riding in Cars With Boys (6:45) (01) (Drew Barrymore)	The Hunt for Red October ('90) ***	Best Sex	Salton						

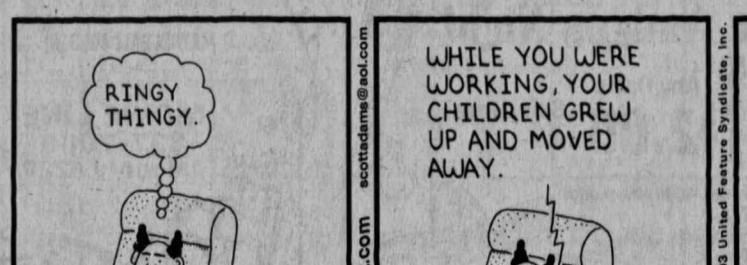
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**quote of the day**

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  
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mothers but sidesteps how much to spend on childcare.

by Scott Adams

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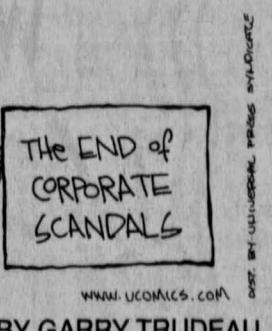
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**BASEBALL**

National League				
All Times CDT				
East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	57	31	.648	—
Philadelphia	48	39	.552	8½
Montreal	48	42	.533	10
Florida	47	44	.516	11½
New York	39	49	.443	18
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	46	43	.517	—
St. Louis	46	44	.509	1
Cincinnati	40	46	.455	5½
Pittsburgh	39	47	.453	5½
Milwaukee	36	52	.409	9½
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	55	34	.618	—
Arizona	50	39	.562	5
Los Angeles	46	42	.523	8½
Colorado	46	46	.500	10½
San Diego	34	57	.374	23
Tuesday's Games				
Florida 4, Chicago Cubs 3				
San Francisco 8, St. Louis 3				
Pittsburgh 13, Montreal 6				
Atlanta 5, N.Y. Mets 3				
Houston 6, Cincinnati 3				
Pittsburgh 6, Milwaukee 7, 10 Innings				
Arizona 9, Colorado 3				
San Diego 8, Los Angeles 5				
Tuesday's Games				
Atlanta (Hu. Ortiz) 11-4 at N.Y. Mets (Glavine) 6-6,				
1:10 a.m.				
Florida (Pavano) 6-9 at Chicago Cubs (Wood) 8-6,				
1:20 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Millwood) 9-6 at Montreal (Oka) 7-8,				
8:05 p.m.				

Los Angeles (Ishii 7-3) at St. Louis (Tomko 5-5), 6:05 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Benson 5-6) at Milwaukee (Rusch 1-11), 7:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Graves 4-8) at Houston (Robertson 7-3), 7:05 p.m.				
San Francisco (Fopper 5-7) at Colorado (Cook 2-6), 8:05 p.m.				
San Diego (Peavy 8-6) at Arizona (Batista 6-3), 8:35 p.m.				
American League	W	L	Pct	GB
East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	54	34	.614	—
Boston	51	37	.580	3
Toronto	48	42	.533	7
Baltimore	39	46	.459	13½
Tampa Bay	31	56	.356	22½
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	48	39	.552	—
Minnesota	44	44	.500	4½
Chicago	43	45	.489	5½
Cleveland	38	50	.432	10½
Detroit	22	60	.233	26
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	55	32	.632	—
Oakland	44	44	.500	6½
Anheim	44	43	.506	11
Texas	36	52	.409	19½
Tuesday's Games				
Boston 2, Toronto 1, 12 Innings				
Cleveland 4, N.Y. Yankees 0				

Detroit 2, Chicago White Sox 1	
Tampa Bay 8, Minnesota 6	
Kansas City 4, Anaheim 0	
Baltimore at Seattle, Late	
Tuesday's Games	
Tampa Bay (Kennedy 3-5) at Oakland (Lilly 5-7), 2:35 p.m.	
Boston (Lowe 10-3) at Toronto (Escobar 5-5), 6:05 p.m.	
N.Y. Yankees (Wells 10-3) at Cleveland (Sabathia 8-3), 6:05 p.m.	
Chicago (White Sox Colon 6-7) at Detroit (Bonderman 2-13), 6:05 p.m.	
Minnesota (Rogers 7-4) at Texas (Bennet 3-4), 7:05 p.m.	
Baltimore (Helling 5-6) at Seattle (R.Franklin 6-7), 9:05 p.m.	
Kansas City (Affeldt 5-4) at Anaheim (Appier 6-5), 9:05 p.m.	
Thursday's Games	
Chicago (White Sox at Detroit), 12:05 p.m.	
Tampa Bay at Oakland, 2:35 p.m.	
Kansas City at Anaheim, 3:05 p.m.	
Boston at Toronto, 6:05 p.m.	
N.Y. Yankees at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.	
Minnesota at Texas, 7:05 p.m.	
Baltimore at Seattle, 9:05 p.m.	

**TRANSACTIONS**

By The Associated Press  
American League  
BOSTON RED SOX—Signed OF Matt Murton and assigned him to Lowell of the New York-Penn League.  
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Placed OF Jeremy Dye on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to July 7. Purchased the contract of OF-1B David McCarty from

Statement of the PCL Designated RHP Bert Snow for assignment.  
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Acquired RHP John Weidin from the Pittsburgh Pirates for OF Rich Thompson.  
National League  
MONTREAL EXPOS—Signed 1B Joshua Whitesell.  
NEW YORK METS—Recalled RHP Jason Roach from Norfolk of the IL.  
TORONTO RAPTORS—Signed F Luke Walton.  
Three-Year contract.  
National Football League  
GREEN BAY PACKERS—Signed LB Chris Johnson to a multiyear contract.  
National Hockey League  
CAROLINA HURRICANES—Signed D Glen Wesley to a one-year contract.  
DETROIT RED WINGS—Announced G Dominik Hasek will join the team next season.  
LOS ANGELES KINGS—Signed D Richard Seely to a one-year contract.  
MINNESOTA WILD—Re-signed G Johan Holmqvist to a multiyear contract.  
NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Signed D Marek Zidicky and D Curtis Murphy.

COLLEGE  
ALLEGHENY—Named Jared Lutera men's and women's tennis coach.  
BRADLEY—Named Venus Taylor softball coach.  
DANISON—Named Dina Henry women's basketball coach.  
MARIETTA—Named Vicki Griffin women's basketball coach.  
PITTSBURGH-GREENSBURG—Named Mike Katarski softball coach and Leroy Simms women's volleyball coach.

ST. JOHNS—Named Rick Sowell men's lacrosse coach.

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## Giants drown Cardinals at Pac Bell

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Jose Cruz Jr. homered and drove in four runs, and Jim Brower pitched 4 1/2 strong innings in place of injured starter Kirk Rueter as the San Francisco Giants defeated the St. Louis Cardinals, 8-3.

Brower (5-1) retired 10 in a row during one stretch after Rueter left in the second inning with a strained shoulder. Brower added a single in the second and made a nice slide into home to beat the throw by shortstop Edgar Renteria as San Francisco took a 4-1 lead.

**Marlins 4, Cubs 3**

CHICAGO (AP) — Ivan Rodriguez and Luis Castillo hit back-to-back solo homers in the seventh inning, and the Florida Marlins withstood a ninth-inning rally to beat the Chicago Cubs.

Dontrelle Willis allowed four hits and struck out seven in 5 1/2 scoreless innings. He left after a rain delay of 1 hour, 24 minutes in the bottom of the sixth.

Sammy Sosa hit his 14th homer of the year, and the Cubs rallied with two runs in the ninth.

**Red Sox 2, Blue Jays 1**

TORONTO (AP) — Jason Varitek hit a go-ahead single in the 12th inning Tuesday night, leading the Boston Red Sox over the Toronto Blue Jays.

Johnny Damon led off with a double off Jeff Tam (0-3), and Varitek, who had entered as a pinch hitter in the 10th, singled in the tiebreaking run.

Todd Jones (1-0) pitched two hits.

less innings, and Byung-Hyun Kim got the save.

**Rangers 8, Twins 6**

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Juan Gonzalez started an inning-ending double play with a perfect throw from right field, then hit a tie-breaking homer as the Texas Rangers rallied past the Minnesota Twins Tuesday night.

Rafael Palmeiro hit his 511th career homer, his 21st this season, and Michael Young had three hits for Texas, which overcame a 5-0 deficit.

**Astros 6, Reds 3**

HOUSTON (AP) — Tim Redding snapped his four-game losing streak, and Morgan Ensberg hit a two-run homer as Houston beat Cincinnati Tuesday night.

Redding (5-8) allowed two runs and four hits in 5 1/2 innings. Billy Wagner pitched the save.

Jimmy Haynes (1-9) gave up six runs, six hits, and five walks in 5 1/2 innings. He struck out six.

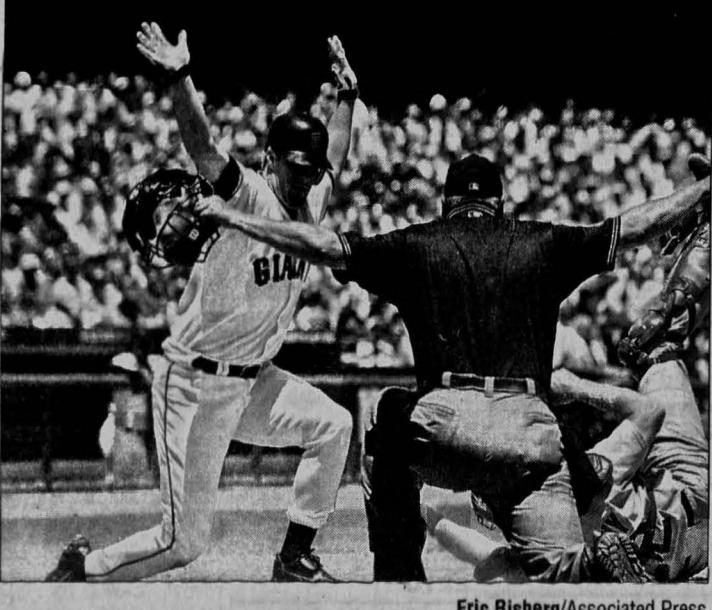
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Eric Risberg/Associated Press

Giants' pitcher Jim Brower and homeplate umpire Jim Joyce both signal the safe call after Brower slid home to score past Cardinals catcher Mike Matheny during the second inning Tuesday.

**Braves 5, Mets 3**

NEW YORK (AP) — Shane Reynolds shut down the team that tried to sign him earlier this season, and Jung Keun Bong provided timely relief as the Atlanta Braves beat the New York Mets Tuesday night for their fifth-straight victory.

Vinny Castilla homered and drove in three runs for the Braves. Chipper Jones went 0-3 with two walks.

Rookie Jason Roach fell behind after three batters, and New York never led.

Reynolds (6-4) escaped two early jams, with shortstop Rafael Furcal making a smart play to end one and snaring a bases-loaded liner to halt the other.

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**LeBron lives up to hype in debut**

ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO, Fla. — LeBron James dominated the competition to the delight of his audience, then eyeballed the scoreboard for his own satisfaction.

With 14 points, seven rebounds, and six assists Tuesday night, the most talked-about high-school draft pick in NBA history thrilled a huge crowd that waited several hours to see him make his pro basketball debut.

But he said what he'll remember most is the outcome of this summer-league game — Cleveland Cavaliers 107, Orlando Magic 80.

"Victory," James said. "Victory, and just stepping on an NBA court for the first time."

"I know last year [Cleveland] didn't get too many victories, and I'm happy to give them a victory with me running the point."

Playing 23 minutes of a 40-minute game, James was five for 11 — despite missing three 3-point tries — from the floor and converted all four of his free throws. He had three turnovers while running Cleveland's offense.

He sat out all the third quarter, icing his right leg after sustaining a contusion. He said his status is day-to-day.

James' game showed little rust although it was his first competition since late March, when he led St. Vincent-St. Mary High School to its third Ohio state championship of his prep career. A little more than three months later, the 18-year-old James is worth about \$100 million, thanks to endorsement deals and, to a far lesser extent, his NBA contract.

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The people here are very friendly, he said. They smile when I say 'Hi.'

The core of Linas Gavelika's character may lie in his response to a question about the difference between gymnastics and the more ego-driven realm of many other men's sports.

"I'm not cocky," he said. "But

I love to yell and scream for my teammates."

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## SPORTS

# Team time trials mean intensity for Armstrong

BY JOHN LEICESTER

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAINT-DIZIER, France — Now Lance Armstrong gets serious.

His bid for a fifth-straight Tour de France title begins in earnest today in the team time trials. By day's end, Armstrong hopes to be wearing the leader's yellow jersey.

That would put him in excellent position before cycling's showcase race heads into the arduous climbs up the Alps on Saturday.

Armstrong conserved his strength Tuesday and finished 69th in the third stage, won by Italy's Alessandro Petacchi. Armstrong is 12th overall, 19 seconds behind leader France's Jean-Patrick Nazon.

Today squads race separately against the clock over a 43-mile course. Each rider gets his team's time, meaning Armstrong's challengers — or Armstrong himself — could lose vital seconds or minutes if their squads perform badly.

Today "is really the first decisive move of the race," said Dan Osipow, the general manager of Armstrong's U.S. Postal Service team.

"With a bad team time trial, you can lose a handful of minutes, and where do you find those minutes again when the Alps come?" he said. "We want to gain time on all of our rivals."

Armstrong's squad races last because it leads the overall standings among the Tour's 22 teams. That will allow the riders to see how Armstrong's rivals did.

"It's a big advantage," Armstrong said.

The route from Joinville to Saint-Dizier starts with a significant climb. Officials from Armstrong's team scouted the route Tuesday.



Armstrong

"The beginning's hard," Armstrong said.

Last year, U.S. Postal placed second, 16 seconds behind the Once team.

"We all want the yellow jersey," team spokesman Jogi Muller said. "It's within reach; we've got an incredibly strong team."

Armstrong is trying to match the record of Spain's Miguel Indurain, who won five straight Tours from 1991-95.

He has played it safe so far, trying to avoid accidents that pose a constant risk in the first week when riders are fresh and sprinters try to make the most of relatively flat and fast stages.

On Tuesday, Petacchi sped to the finish in a sprint marked by another crash. It was his second stage win in three days.

Three of Armstrong's teammates, whose job is to shield him from bumping in the main pack, finished grouped around the star rider.

"The team did a great job in protecting Lance," Muller said. "They're still nervous; there are still crashes, still lucky not be involved."

Petacchi beat Latvia's Romans Vainsteins and Spain's Oscar Freire in the third of the three-week Tour's 20 stages. Petacchi also won the first stage Sunday, which was marked by a crash involving about 35 riders. Armstrong was among them but was not seriously hurt.

"I had a great sprint," said Petacchi, of the Italian Fassa Bortolo team. "I'm starting to get into form."

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Phillies 13, Expos 6	Devil Rays 9, Athletics 3
Tigers 2, White Sox 1	Padres 8, Dodgers 5
Red Sox 2, Blue Jays 1	Mariners 6, Orioles 5
Braves 5, Mets 3	
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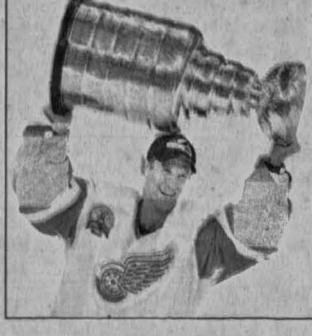
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## IN BRIEF



### Hasek returns to Red Wings, creates jam

DETROIT (AP) — The return of two-time league MVP Dominik Hasek gives the Red Wings a unique problem: too many top-notch goaltenders.

The 38-year-old Hasek, who led Detroit to a Stanley Cup title a year ago, announced Tuesday that he plans to come out of retirement to rejoin the Red Wings.

"My batteries are recharged, and I have the fire for competing for the Cup again," he said during a conference call.

The Red Wings late last month exercised an \$8 million option on Hasek, who lives in the Czech Republic. It wasn't clear until Tuesday whether he would play this season.

Hasek's re-emergence in Detroit means the Wings have a glut of quality goaltenders, including two set to earn \$8 million each this season.

Among those who will probably be traded: Curtis Joseph, signed last summer to a three-year, \$24 million deal to replace Hasek. He first would need to waive a no-trade clause in his contract.

"Ideally, as quickly as possible, I'd like to get a goaltender moved," general manager Ken Holland said Tuesday.

He added: "We're going to have to be creative with some other teams to try to put something together."

### Payton will sign with Lakers; Malone next?

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (AP) — Gary Payton is set to join the Los Angeles Lakers, and Karl Malone may not be far behind.

The Lakers have been negotiating with Payton over the past several days, general manager Mitch Kupchak said Tuesday.

"It is the Lakers' intention to enter into a contract with Gary Payton once the moratorium period ends. Due to NBA rules regarding free agency I am unable to further comment at this time," Kupchak said in a statement.

With nine-time All-Star Payton teaming up with Shaquille O'Neal and Kobe Bryant, the Lakers would be favored next season to win their fourth NBA title in five years. If two-time MVP Malone also decides to sign, Los Angeles would be even more imposing, featuring four superstars.

Payton and other free agents are not allowed to sign contracts until July 16.

Payton's agent, Aaron Goodwin, told ESPN.com that the longtime member of the Seattle SuperSonics has chosen the Lakers.

"He could have taken a lot more money to go somewhere else," Goodwin said. "But he's going to Los Angeles to follow his dream."

## WEDNESDAY TV

**BASEBALL**, Atlanta Braves at New York Mets, 11 a.m., ESPN

**BASEBALL**, Florida Marlins at Chicago Cubs, 1:10 p.m., WGN

**BASEBALL**, Los Angeles Dodgers at St. Louis Cardinals, 6 p.m., ESPN

**BASEBALL**, Boston Red Sox at Toronto Blue Jays, 6 p.m., ESPN2

**BASEBALL**, Chicago White Sox at Detroit Tigers, 6 p.m., Fox Sports

**READ, THEN RECYCLE**

## More is better for Coefield, Hy-Vee in GTL

BY FRANK KLIPSCH

THE DAILY IOWAN

A general rule of thumb in basketball is that the team that shoots better shots more frequently will win. That rule proved true once again Tuesday night, when the Iowa pair of Johanna Solverson and Tiffany Reedy took the floor for Westport Touchless Autowash in a Game Time League contest against a balanced Coralville Hy-Vee team featuring Hawkvee post-player Becca McCann.

Westport dug itself into a hole early on by shooting quick, off-

balance shots. Hy-Vee, on the other hand, spread the ball around evenly and found scoring opportunities in rhythm. After moving ahead by eight at the half, Hy-Vee cruised through the second frame, winning, 118-74.

Former St. Ambrose and Iowa State standout Mary Coefield put up the biggest numbers on the night, connecting on 17 of 22 shots for Hy-Vee, including six of nine from the 3-point arc. Her perfect two-of-two from the free-throw line gave her a total of 42 points to go along with nine rebounds and four assists.

UNI's Amy Swisher sat in the

driver's seat for Hy-Vee in the second half, making nine shots on 10 attempts and finishing with 25. McCann added 15 points and seven boards.

"These summer-league games usually don't have much structure to them," said the 6-0 senior McCann. "We're just really lucky to have great chemistry."

Westport was paced by Iowa forward Reedy. The 6-0 Dysart, Iowa, native finished with team highs of 28 points on 12 of 29 shooting and nine rebounds.

The most telling statistic of the night was Westport's shooting: 12 3-pointers from at least

NBA range. Only one of these long shots fell.

Five minutes before the end of the first half, Westport put a nice run together and momentarily took the lead.

Solverson pulled down a long rebound and dribbled the length of the floor, hitting a runner down the middle of the court from eight feet to cut Hy-Vee's lead to three points, 27-24.

Westport used the run to take control of the momentum and establish an offensive rhythm. UNI's Tara King knocked down two 3-pointers off of her teammates' penetration while Solverson returned to the game.

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the left side.

But Coefield and Hy-Vee continued to get better shots, working a nice pick and roll and grabbing three offensive rebounds in the last few minutes of play before half.

When Solverson left the game after twisting her knee, Hy-Vee pulled the lead back to eight.

Solverson returned in the second half, but Hy-Vee was just too much for her and Westport to handle.

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Two men allegedly assaulted an elderly man in their motel room at the Motel 6 in Cedar Rapids.

The suspects allegedly broke into the married couple's room, 810 First Street, and assaulted them, police records show.

The men are Gregory S. White, 26, and Brian C. Williams, 24, of Iowa City, records show.

Upon returning home with luggage from a 35-year-old man and his old wife, both of whom were allegedly attacked in their room, police Lt. Ron Wenzel said.

Another man, 26, was allegedly threatened and demanded money, police records show.

Both the elderly woman and face and foot to suffer from facial injuries as a result of the attack, Police Chief Barry Johnson said.

Motel officials say who spotted and men running down a block of First Avenue identified White as the alleged robber.

Police records show that was transported to the hospital and Clinics. Their condition is unknown.

Coralville police evidence from the investigation about the case is ongoing, and no weapon was found.

In a written statement, Daily Iowan from the motel chain, America, a company directed all questions but said, "We are fully with authorities to investigate the situation and our thoughts are with the families and their families and comment further about the case."

Bedford said the suspicion that Williams and White are linked to the crimes in the area.

Williams and charged with first-degree

murder.

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## Flipping out in America

### Lithuanian high-bar champ has high hopes

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Linas Gaveika (pronounced LEE-nus guh-VAY-kuh) stands feet together, arms extended at a 15-degree angle to his body, fingers together, palms down. He's wearing black shorts, no shirt, and white gymnastics slippers. There's a smattering of chalk on his sculpted frame.

Gaveika stares down a carpeted blue runway that is three feet wide and four feet off the ground. His focus is on a springboard 76 feet away, resting quietly in front of a vault that, in a short amount of time, he will use to propel his 5-8, 150-pound body through the air in a brief defiance of gravity.

Gaveika takes a deep breath, leans forward, and lifts himself up onto his toes. He raises his right leg, falling forward with a skip, and then sprints as fast he can go. Landing on the springboard with both feet, he creates a loud bang. His feet come flying over his head as his hands instantaneously press against the vault. His body rotates one and a half times before he lands, his face red, his short, black hair still in place. His eyes look back to the place he began.

At this point, spectators resume breathing.

Gaveika hops down from the dismount mats, checks for any coaching pointers, and heads back to begin again.

"Everyone gets scared," the



Linas Gaveika from Vilnius, Lithuania, works out in the Iowa Field House. Gaveika was an All-American last year for the Hawkeyes and is now training for the World Championships to be held in August in Anaheim, Calif.

21-year-old said. "For me, I know that sooner or later I have to do it."

The Russian/international business major from Vilnius, Lithuania, is spending his summer practicing nine times a week at the UI Field House while also taking summer classes. He is training to compete in the World Championships in Anaheim, Calif., on Aug. 17.

That process began in 1999. Gaveika was still in high school at Ozo Secondary School in Vilnius when he competed in the World Championships for the second time, in Tianjin, China. As the luck of the black-and-gold gods would have it, Gaveika was placed in the same

in 2000, and is the only high-bar champion in school history.

"There are really two aspects to Linas' story," said Iowa gymnastics coach Tom Dunn. "One is competing in the World Championships and the other, possibly harder part, has been the process of getting him into the university."

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group as another Hawkeye, Barbados' Shane de Freitas.

"We were put in the same rotation because there aren't many gymnasts from Lithuania or Barbados," said de Freitas, a former All-American who now helps run the family video-store chain in Barbados. "I spoke to Linas through a translator and he sounded interested. From there, [Dunn] took over."

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The process required Gaveika to attend school for one year at Vilnius Pedagogical University.

At that time, Gaveika, who will turn 22 on July 27, had been a gymnast for 14 years. His older sister was the first gymnast in the family.

"I was 6 years old when I started gymnastics," said Gaveika, who now speaks English in addition to Lithuanian and Russian. "My sister, who was eight, broke her arm and my parents just started taking me to the gym every day instead."

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## point/counterpoint

## Who deserved to make the AL All-Star team?

I'm going to be honest. My selection was going to be Corey Patterson of my beloved Chicago Cubs. He's carried the team offensively with Sammy Sosa having a not-so-Sosa season. He deserved to be in the All-Star game.

However, Patterson tore his ACL on Sunday and will miss the rest of the season. This looked to be a year where the Cubs could make a decent run at the NL Central, but now my hope is beginning to dissolve. If you can't tell, yes, I'm bitter about it.

Oh, yeah, the question.

The one player that I would add to an All-Star roster would be New York Yankees starting pitcher Roger Clemens. "The Rocket" leads the American League with 122 strikeouts and ranks 14th among starters with a 3.75 ERA, statistics through Monday.

The 40-year-old has a respectable 8-6 record in 18 starts. While his numbers may not entirely warrant an All-Star bid, his position in the game does. This season, Clemens recorded his 300th victory and notched his 4,000 career strikeout. He's won six Cy Young Awards in three different decades and has a .657 career winning percentage.

The 6-4, 240-pound Clemens has already announced that he is retiring after this season; what could be a better way for all baseball fans to say farewell to the greatest pitcher of all time than the game designed for fans? The fans want to see Clemens.

Michael Jordan and Cal Ripken Jr. each played in the All-Star game during their last season — why shouldn't Clemens? He's the best pitcher ever; he's earned his spot.

Frank Thomas doesn't need your vote to get into the All-Star game. Not that he's up for the final "fan vote" spot, anyway, because he received nothing but criticism at the start of the season from everyone including sports writers, fans, and teammates.

Obviously, Thomas has not let the negative talk about him during the off-season and spring training dictate the way he has played this year. Nor has he dropped production because he hasn't always started at first base but instead has been the designated hitter.

Thomas is batting .283 this year with an on-base percentage of .422 and a slugging percentage of .580. He has 20 home runs and 48 RBIs. He has also hit 22 doubles so far. Granted, these are far from stellar numbers (except for the OPS), but no one, including myself, thought Thomas would put up these numbers after the last two seasons.

And since the All-Star game is supposed to be for the fans — not for home field advantage in the World Series — Thomas should have been selected as a reserve instead of Mike Sweeney.

Sweeney is having another fine year, yes. But he's hit only 12 home runs and only has two more RBIs than Thomas. Maybe it's because he hasn't played in the last 18 games. But that is even more reason to sit him out for the break.