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Academic women struggle to balance job, motherhood

BY SONJA ELMQUIST
THE DAILY IOWAN

Larissa Samuelson is confronting the typical trade-offs of having a child and a career. Since becoming a mother in May, she doesn't have as much time to spend socializing with colleagues, she sometimes finishes work after her son is asleep, and she

worries about whether she can keep up the pace of her career and personal life.

Holding a tenure-track job as an assistant professor in the UI psychology department makes Samuelson an atypical mother, according to a recent study. Researchers at the University of California-Berkeley, in a study titled "Marriage and Baby Blues:

Re-defining Gender Equity," found that only one-third of women who start a university career without children become mothers.

The study, which used National Science Foundation data, further found that fathers in academe have a much better chance of earning tenure than mothers in the same position — 77 percent of men who become fathers within

five years of earning a Ph.D. go on to earn tenure, but only 56 percent of corresponding mothers do.

Mothers usually have spouses who also work full-time, whereas fathers often have a spouse who stays at home to care for children, said Marc Goulden, a co-author of the study.

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Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan
Newly elected City Councilor Regina Bailey gets a round of applause from former Councilor Karen Kubby as well as from family and friends during her inauguration at City Hall on Thursday evening.

Bailey sworn in, looks forward to new council

BY SARAH FRANKLIN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Newly elected Iowa City City Councilor Regina Bailey was sworn in Thursday at a ceremony in City Hall attended by more than 50 community members.

Since winning the election in November, Bailey has spent the past weeks talking with Iowa City residents and city staff members, attending council meetings, participating in the municipal leadership academy, and going over last year's budget.

Bailey, the executive director of the Iowa Women's Foundation, said she has spent the time reviewing the budget because it will be particularly important with the city's current budget constraints. "Creating a sense of access to the council starts with the budget process," she said. "It is important to familiarize citizens with the budget, especially in fiscally difficult times."

Bailey, who will keep office hours during her tenure, hopes to spend time listening to people and their concerns. "I want to be a really accessible councilor," she said, adding that she is maintaining the Web site she used in her campaign to receive feedback. "I hope people don't hesitate to call me or e-mail me ... that includes students, who are a really important part of this community."

"I am really delighted to be undertaking this task," she said. Bob Elliott, who was also newly elected in November, was sworn in earlier this month in a private ceremony.

To prepare for his first council meeting after the first of the year, he said he has been attending city meetings and reading the council packets.

"I'm excited to get started," he said. "I hope I will bring some knowledge from experience and common sense and really be someone who is anxious to work productively. I hope people will feel good about this council."

The last meeting with the current council is Dec. 16; the first meeting for Bailey and Elliott will be Jan. 5.

Iowa City Mayor Ernie Lehman said he hopes the new council will accomplish more than previous councils.

"Judging from what I heard during council forums and the election, I think we will see a council that is more cohesive than in the past," he said. "I think the council will work better together than it has in the past."

He is looking forward to the new composition of the council, he said. "I think [Elliott and Bailey] are great additions," he said. "They both have significant abilities and great backgrounds working with people."

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ANOTHER BLAST IN ISRAEL



Oded Baillity/Associated Press

Israeli police officers secure the scene of an explosion in Tel Aviv on Thursday. The explosion went off at a money changer's shop, killing three people and wounding at least 12.

Tel Aviv bombing linked to underworld

BY KEN ELLINGWOOD
LOS ANGELES TIMES

TEL AVIV, Israel — To a terror-weary nation, the scene of Israel's latest fatal bombing Thursday looked bleakly familiar: the jagged and gaping storefront, the carpet of smashed glass, the squad of well-practiced

religious volunteers gathering strewn fragments of the dead for proper burial.

But this blast, which killed three people and injured more than 30, was different from the suicide attacks that have killed hundreds of Israeli civilians during the three-year Palestinian uprising.

This time, police said, the attack was about crime, not politics, and the target was not the civic psyche but a reputed organized-crime boss, Zeev Rosenstein. Authorities said Rosenstein, named in the Israeli media as the most powerful figure in Israel's underworld, has shown a

knack for frustrating the efforts of would-be assassins, surviving five previous plots on his life since 1996.

He apparently did so again Thursday after the explosion of a bomb that had been planted in the awning of a

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Young congressman, UI students find like spirit in Dean campaign

BY ANNIE SHUPPY
THE DAILY IOWAN

Rep. Tim Ryan, D-Ohio was the insurgent underdog among fellow party members when he won the primary for his district's House seat and then became the youngest Democrat in Congress in 2002.

Ryan, 30, credits his victory to a grass-roots organization fueled largely by friends in their 20s. The same successful tactic of "pulling up the system by the roots" has been employed by Howard Dean at the national level, and that has won Ryan's endorsement.

"I gravitated toward Dean because my own political experience has been going against the

establishment and winning," he said, adding that Dean's campaign is "changing the way the game is being played."

Ryan, who defeated a 16-year incumbent congressman last year, tapped into the college-student constituency for volunteers and voters. Likewise, the Dean campaign's ability to bring young people into the political process has made his campaign stand out in a field that has, for the most part, catered to traditional party activists. Ryan's two-day stump for Dean is targeting three colleges and two high schools in Iowa.

"Other candidates have gone to campuses, but they haven't made it their focus the same way [Dean]

has," said UI freshman Lydia Funk, who devotes up to 15 hours a week working for the Dean campaign.

Before she began volunteering for the campaign in August, she said, she was politically aware but not active. Now, her network of fellow Dean supporters all over the country, many of whom communicate through blogging, "feels like a huge community."

"By now, the campaign feels like this huge force," Funk said. "We feel like we own the campaign."

UI graduate student Cath Denial said the UI Students for Dean group has more than

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"Howard Dean has the ability to win. He's structurally reforming the political system."

— Rep. Tim Ryan, D-Ohio

DEAN TAKING BIG LEAD IN IOWA ELECTRONIC MARKETS

BY MATTHEW MOSS
THE DAILY IOWAN

Presidential hopeful Howard Dean's stock is rising — literally. The price of Iowa Electronic Markets contracts for the former Vermont governor shot up 13 percent after a national news leak that Al Gore would endorse Dean — a jump that added to his already substantial lead.

The electronic market is a real money market organized as a research and teaching tool in the Tippie College of Business. Accounts are available to anyone interested, and people can open them for as little as \$5 or as much as \$500. The market has 4,475 participants with a total investment of more than \$135,000.

"These folks don't just show up randomly," electronic market co-director Thomas Rietz. "They want to make money."

Electronic market co-director Thomas Gruca said there was more incentive than just cash: "It's much more to show off your political expertise and predict the winner."

Dean's stock had risen in the 2004 U.S. Democratic Convention Market from 64 cents to more than 75 cents per share after the endorsement Tuesday afternoon. The value of Dean's stock is associated with his likelihood of receiving the Democratic presidential nomination.

The price jump was six times the average price change, Rietz said.

Other candidates that have made strong showings in the market include Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, who held the lead from February until August, and Rep. Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., who had a high value in May. Rietz said both candidates had been valued at more than 30 cents, but they have since declined to under 10 cents.

Dean's stock was at 71 cents as of Thursday afternoon. Immediately behind him were retired Gen. Wesley Clark at around 10 cents and Gephardt at approximately 7 cents.

A separate electronic market that gauges who will face President Bush in the general election

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WEATHER



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NO CAT HOUSE

The Hawkeye wrestling team demonstrates many ways to skin a cat. See story, page 1B



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A French panel recommends banning religious symbols in public schools, setting off a firestorm. See story, page 4A

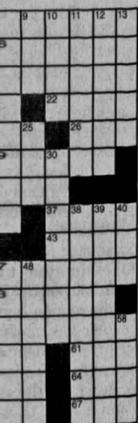


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NEWS

Attorney urges councilors' recusal

BY MICHAEL DHAR
THE DAILY IOWAN

Some local officials have a little too much interest in their city's downtown. So, on Thursday, City Attorney Eleanor Dilkes advised three Iowa City city councilors not to vote on a potential increase in downtown property taxes because of a conflict of interest — the fee would cost them money.

Next month, the council will discuss a proposed "Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District" in downtown Iowa City. The district, petitioned for by downtown property owners, would add \$2 of tax per \$1,000 of property value; the funds could go toward cleaning, downtown improvements, or bringing in new businesses, said Councilor

Connie Champion, the owner of Catherine's, 7 S. Dubuque St. Champion and Mayor Ernie Lehman, the owner of Enzler's Inc., 118 S. Clinton St., both rent property within the proposed district, and Councilor Dee Vanderhoef's husband, Pete, owns Iowa Book, 8 S. Clinton St. All three businesses would be affected by the new tax. Dilkes suggested that the three abstain to avoid a conflict of interest, though state law does not specifically prevent the councilors from voting.

"In cases of doubt ... public officers should err on the side of disqualification," Dilkes wrote. She was unavailable for comment Thursday night.

Benjamin Chait, a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, which was responsible

for reviewing the petition, also owns affected property and should not participate in proceedings, Dilkes wrote.

Councilors supported the move.

"I think it's totally appropriate," Lehman said. "Whether or not she said I had a conflict, I would not have participated."

While agreeing with the recommendation, Champion said she worried that barred councilors might have less input on downtown Iowa City's fate.

"I have to respect [Dilkes'] opinion because she's a lawyer," Champion said. "But I wish I could vote, because I'd vote for it."

The Iowa City Downtown Association will decide how to spend the new revenue, but councilors would have to give

final approval. Dilkes' memo recommended barring councilors from voting on the tax's creation but did not specify if they could participate in subsequent spending decisions.

Dilkes cited a 1969 case in which the Iowa Supreme Court prevented councilors who owned property in a proposed urban-renewal district from voting on the issue.

"We doubt whether any rule of law has more longevity than that which condemns conflict of interest between the public and private interests of government officials," Dilkes' opinion said. "It is almost universally held that such statutes are merely declaratory of the common law."

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Hopeful: Get students involved in research

BY ALEX LANG
THE DAILY IOWAN

The fourth candidate for the open provost position stressed the need for continued research and scholarly activity at Thursday's provost forum.

Christina González, the senior adviser to the chancellor at the University of California-Davis, said she would like research to continue, but she wants to see more students involved in professors' research.

"The mission of research at a university is to introduce students to it and not just do research," she said.

Originally from Spain, González moved to the United States in 1976, when she attended Indiana University. She said hailing from a different

part of the world allows her to have a unique view on the American education system, as well as bringing diversity to the campus.

Many of the questions at the forum involved the university's continued budget woes.

"How you spend your money and what you do has to support the academic integrity of the institution," González said, adding that if she had money to spend, she would rather hire more "young" teachers than a few "superstar" teachers.



Christina González
provost candidate

However, the UI's budget problems are not so severe as those facing California schools, she said.

If she does receive the provost position, González said her goals include helping with budget concerns and helping to improve the university's image nationwide. The university is not doing enough marketing in other areas of the country to demonstrate "what a fine institution it is," she said.

González got a good chuckle out of the packed room, of mostly faculty, when she said campus "reminded [her] of Paris, complete with a river."

"I think I will bring a scholarly attitude, and I will help advance the quality of programs here," she said, adding she has the mentality of a faculty member even though she has been an administrator for numerous years.

For incoming freshmen, she said, she would like to see more interaction with the faculty to help them grow accustomed to the campus and at least one member of the teaching staff.

In her current duties, González spends a great deal of time dealing with faculty and academic programs.

She has one more public speaking engagement while on campus; she will present her symposium today at 2:30 p.m. in W151 Pappajohn Business Building.

UI President David Skorton urged students to get involved in helping select the university's new provost, adding that he would like student feedback on each candidate.

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CITY

Change of venue granted in HIV transmission case

A judge granted a change of venue in four upcoming trials of an Iowa City man accused of criminal transmission of HIV, noting the amount of media coverage of the case.

Adam Musser, 23, was scheduled to stand trial in Johnson County early next year for the first of four counts of criminal HIV transmission filed against him. Judge Patrick Grady on Wednesday moved the proceedings to Benton County.

In order for change of venue to be granted, the defendant must show the publicity attending the trial is so pervasive and inflammatory that

prejudice must be presumed or actual prejudice on the part of the jury.

A local police officer was quoted in one article as saying, "Maybe seeing this charge will give someone a little more courage to come forward."

The ruling also notes that the press reported on anticipated pleas of guilty and the aborted plea proceeding. Assistant Johnson County Attorney Victoria Dominguez was quoted as saying Musser was attempting to "manipulate" the situation because "he had nothing to lose"; she has since apologized for those remarks.

Grady wrote that the nature of the offenses and the media coverage "give this court a great deal of pause as to whether Musser can receive a fair trial in Johnson County."

— by Annie Shuppy

Supervisors vote down zoning amendment

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors, in a 3-2 vote on Thursday night, rejected an amendment to the county's zoning ordinance that would have enabled residential growth of up to 350 homes.

The amendment would have changed the Road Performance Standards, a set of rules established in 2000 by the Planning and Zoning Department to manage growth and development in rural areas.

If an area's characteristics do not allow for growth, according to the ordinance, development is prohibited. The amendment specified exemptions to the ordinance, two of which

the supervisors had previously approved. In addition to exempting the Farmstead Splits property and land that doesn't allow for buildable lots, petitioners wished to spare dead-ends made of a chip-seal surface less than a mile long.

Supervisor Terrence Neuzil, who voted in favor of the amendment, believes that if some exemptions are made, others should be allowed.

"I am disappointed that there are a majority of supervisors who believe in an inconsistent anti-growth policy," he said.

Supervisor Sally Stutsman adamantly opposed more changes, saying, "I think it [the first exemption] did what it intended to do. Once we start making changes, when do we stop?"

— by Meghan Sims

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POLICE LOG

Yureko Johnson, 23, and Marylee Zahradnik, 48, both of 316 S. Dodge St., were charged on Wednesday with possession of crack cocaine with intent to deliver. Johnson was also charged with possession of a firearm as a felon after police searched their home, police records show.

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STATE

Health officials anti-flu nasal spray

DES MOINES (AP) — Missouri's largest insurance company said on Thursday that the FluMist nasal-saline vaccine under their health policies as a way to encourage people to save the flu shot for need it most.

The spray cannot be used by health-care workers or people with weak immune systems because a mild live virus that can give people mild cold-like symptoms can transmit the virus to others. Dr. Tom Boo, a state epidemiologist, said the vaccine is not as effective as the shot.

An unexpected rush to get the shot, said Maureen Hansen, the director of the Department of Public Health, said she is encouraging people to get the shot. "We are encouraging people to get the shot because we can use FluMist to use the shot for people who cannot use FluMist," she said.

State officials do not have many flu shots remain available. Hansen has been told that the flu shot is out.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is working on more doses and has even sent its search to other nations.

Attorney general seizes mail from S.C. company

DES MOINES (AP) — General Tom Miller said that state investigators seized pieces of mail in what he called a nationwide scheme that targets people who think they have won huge prizes.

Miller said the mailings state's consumer-fraud law. "The mail is from outside the U.S. and Canada. The letters are people's to mass-mailing prize sweepstakes we allege are illegal."

A 5th District Court judge issued an order for mail sent to a commercial business in the suburb of Des Moines to be held. The impound order came to a mail-drop box in mid-November by Richard Panas of Rock Hill, S.C.

The order, issued Wednesday afternoon, allows the attorney general's office to keep the mail until proceedings are completed.

"I think we have disrupted this operation," Miller said.

In addition to the 7,000 mail being held, he said, he has additional pieces continuing into the mail address.

Woman charged with killing husband, get children back

HARLAN, Iowa (AP) — A woman who has agreed to return two children to a Defiance woman who was charged with shooting her abusive husband to death and leaving his bedroom for a year.

Dixie Shanahan, 35, was charged with the deaths of her 7-year-old Zachary and 10-year-old Ashley, as early as Thursday. She got custody of her 10-year-old baby, Brittany, in November.

Shanahan was freed on a week of her arrest, with conditions coming from neighbors and strangers. Her children were sent to foster care.

Shanahan's lawyer, Greg Galt, said attorneys reached an agreement for the children to be returned to her. He said the older children have been returned earlier, and counselors "wanted to know more about what the children were without hearing it in school or from reading the

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Vilsack makes pitch to keep dairy in Iowa

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Le Mars Mayor Virgil Van Beek (left) talks with Gov. Tom Vilsack after a presentation Thursday to Wells' Dairy officials.

STATE

Health officials push anti-flu nasal spray

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"We are encouraging people who can use FluMist to use that so we can free up the shot for those people who cannot use FluMist," she said.

State officials do not know how many flu shots remain available, but Hansen has been told that central Iowa has run out.

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A 5th District Court judge in Polk County issued an "order to impound" mail sent to a commercial mail-drop business in the suburb of Clive.

The impound order covers mail coming to a mail-drop box arranged in mid-November by Richard James Panas of Rock Hill, S.C.

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Shanahan was freed on bail within a week of her arrest, with the money coming from neighbors, relatives, and strangers. Her children were sent to foster care.

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LE MARS, Iowa — Gov. Tom Vilsack and state economic-development officials offered a "substantial" and "comprehensive" proposal to entice Wells' Dairy to maintain its headquarters in Iowa.

"I think the officials from the company recognized what we put on the table was a significant effort, and they were appreciative," Vilsack told reporters following a 1½-hour private meeting with Wells' executives Thursday. "I believe Iowa put its best foot forward today. ... I think we have a very competitive package in relationship to other states."

The governor cited a confidentiality request by the company as he declined to make public the total dollar value or details of the incentive package.

Nebraska Gov. Mike Johanns traveled to Le Mars last week, accompanied by several South Sioux City leaders who presented a proposal. South Dakota Gov. Mike Rounds plans to visit next week. Dakota Dunes, a planned community in extreme southeast Union County, is

believed to be the only South Dakota site in the running for the headquarters.

The two neighboring states are pitching their own economic advantages. South Dakota, for example, has no corporate- or personal-income tax. Nebraska offers two major tax-incentive programs for new and expanding businesses.

Vilsack and state Economic Development Director Michael

Blouin confirmed Iowa's proposal includes tapping the newly created Iowa Values Fund — a seven-year, \$503 million initiative aimed at creating 50,000 new jobs.

"That is not the only tool we're using," Vilsack added.

Wells', the makers of Blue Bunny ice cream, frozen novelties, and dairy products, wants to build a \$30 million corporate campus to replace seven crowded

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— Tom Vilsack, governor

office buildings scattered around Le Mars. The company is considering staying in Le Mars, moving to another Iowa location, or relocating across the border into Nebraska or South Dakota.

The three states and several neighboring northwest Iowa cities are competing to land Wells' 400 corporate jobs, as well as an additional 100 positions the company expects to create.

In an attempt to save those jobs, Le Mars and Plymouth County officials have fashioned their own local incentive package. Le Mars has been Wells' home since its founding in 1913.

Sioux City, a 25-mile drive south on U.S. Highway 75, last week presented what one city leader described as a "significant" proposal. Two other Iowa cities, Spencer and Council Bluffs, also have reportedly expressed interest.

Vilsack said he is not favoring one city over another.

"It's a lot like the Iowa State-Iowa football game. I love them both," he said. "The reality is, as the governor of the state, our primary concern needs to be to make sure we maintain the presence of this company in our state."

"Each individual community will obviously put its best foot forward and make its case. We did not make a set of proposals conditioned on or subject to a particular location. This is the state's proposal. It will be supplemented by whatever individual communities have to offer."

State officials did suggest there might be long-term opportunities for Wells' to consider multiple projects in more than one community, Vilsack said.

Wells' hopes to wrap up presentations from individual communities by the end of the month and make a decision no later than the middle of next year, company spokesman Dave Smetter said.

Contractors to clean contaminants near complex

BY MICHAEL DHAR
THE DAILY IOWAN

Contractors will vacuum soil and water pollutants out of two wells located near an Iowa City apartment complex next month at the behest of the Environmental Protection Agency, which also ordered a test for possible contaminants on a newly unearthed storage tank.

Neither the wells nor the tank will likely pose health risks to the roughly 150 residents of the Iowa-Illinois Manor, 505 Burlington St., said Diana Engeman, an EPA remedial project manager. However, she added, the agency wants to remove contaminants from the site so that construction this summer on the nearby Burlington Street bridge doesn't kick them into the air.

The EPA will send letters to the apartments' occupants, most of whom are UI students, once plans to perform the work are completed, Engeman said. In the past, residents and activists have complained that the public was not properly informed about possible health risks.

Testing done in October revealed high levels of contaminants, including benzene, floating in the two water-monitoring wells on the north side of the apartment building. A vacuum truck will suck contents from the wells, removing contaminants from surrounding soil and ground water in the process, Engeman said.

"It's kind of like sticking a giant soda straw into the ground and sucking to see if you can get all the yucky stuff out," she said. She added that the contaminants could have come from an old gas plant or a leaking petroleum tank located at nearby L&M Mighty Shop that was repaired within the last 10 years.

Mid-American Energy Co., which took responsibility for monitoring and cleaning the site in 1995, will contract work on the wells and tank. The process will take place over one or two days during the winter recess, Engeman said.

The complex and surrounding area has been under investigation for pollution since the early 1990s. The Iowa City Gas Co. burned coal and other materials at the site between 1910 and 1939, leaving behind

such pollutants as lead, cyanide, and the carcinogens benzene and xylene.

While the pollutants have leaked into the section of Ralston Creek running beside the apartment complex, they pose no risk to apartment residents, Engeman said. The only way the contaminants could pose a risk is if they "volatilized" and entered the complex's air.

"We've done sampling in the apartments, and Mid-American has done testing in

the [basement] crawl spaces," she said. "We do not see the elevated levels that would cause any kind of risk to health."

Complex resident and UI senior Josh Peters said he trusts statements that the apartments are safe.

"I've had friends living here since I was a freshman, and they're still alive," he said. "I don't think that it's a health threat."

Testing in October also revealed the outlines of a round, 6- to 8-foot-wide, 8- to

12-foot-deep tank on the north edge of the site. An insurance map identifies the structure as an ammonia tank, though inspectors say it may be empty.

Workers will draw the tank's contents into drums and dispose of them once testing determines their identity, said Allan Urlis, the Mid-American director of media relations. The contractor will then fill the tank with an inert material, such as clay or sand, Engeman said.

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NEWS

President defends contract ban for Iraq work

BY PAUL RICHTER
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON — President Bush on Thursday strongly defended his decision to bar countries that opposed the Iraq war from competing for more than \$18 billion in U.S. prime reconstruction contracts, even as political pressure built for him to reverse the move.

In his first comments on a policy that has reignited transatlantic tensions, Bush said "the expenditure of U.S. dollars will reflect the fact that U.S. troops and others risk their life. ... It's very simple. Our people risk their lives. ... Friendly coalition folk risk their lives. Our contracting is going to reflect that. That's what the U.S. taxpayers expect."

Bush scoffed at the idea that the Pentagon policy to restrict the bidding to the United States, Iraq, and 61 countries that have backed the mission could violate international agreements.

"International law? I better call my lawyer. I don't know what you're talking about, about international law," the president said.

The administration has faced an outcry since Tuesday, when the Pentagon posted a memo, signed by Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz, saying the administration was limiting eligibility for the upcoming prime contracts to rebuild Iraqi infrastructure in the interests of national security.

Critics argue that the policy, which bars bidding by France, Germany, Russia, Canada, China, and approximately 100 other nations, will damage important alliance relationships and also set back efforts to collect aid and ease the debt burden on Iraq. All countries are entitled to bid for subcontracts.

Thursday some of Bush's domestic political allies criticized the move.

Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., said he had "expressed concern" to the White House. Speaking on CNBC's "Capital Report," he said: "I do think we need to have a balanced policy as we go forward ... We have to remember that many of these countries that are being denied these contracts are supporting us elsewhere in the world, maybe fighting HIV/AIDS in Africa, maybe in Afghanistan. That's why I hope there'll be some moderation of the policy as we go forward."

Another influential conservative voice, William Kristol, the publisher and editor of the *Weekly Standard* magazine, distributed a memorandum arguing that "this particular effort to reward friends and punish enemies is stupid, and should be reversed."

The administration, Kristol argued, would have been wiser to open the bids to all, to buy support for the Iraq effort "and demonstrate to the world a little magnanimity."

Privately, some U.S. allies in the Iraq war also acknowledged misgivings about the approach.

"This does not make our relations with some of our neighbors any easier," said one European diplomat in Washington whose country is closely allied with the United States.

U.S. officials insisted that the administration did not intend to change the policy. But they suggested that other countries might be added to the list because of their contributions.

"We'll probably find a way to add people, to make sure that anybody who is qualified is on the list," said a senior administration official, speaking on the condition that he not be named. "It's pretty hard to predict at this point. But the president was pretty categorical today."

The White House, however, seemed to send differing signals on how ready it was to reconsider the eligibility of some individual countries.

French panel wants religious-symbol ban



François Mori/Associated Press

Alma Levy, 16, left, points to her 18-year-old sister Lila's headscarf, as they give a news conference at the headquarters of the Movement Against Racism and for Friendship Between People in Paris on Oct. 13.

BY ELAINE GANLEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PARIS — A presidential commission on Thursday backed a ban on Islamic head scarves in public schools — stepping into the wrenching debate over how to preserve the country's secular identity while integrating France's Muslim population, the largest in Western Europe.

If it becomes law, the measure would also bar other conspicuous religious symbols, including Jewish skullcaps and large Christian crosses. The commission spent six months studying the issue and held 120 hearings, collecting testimony from experts across Europe.

French President Jacques Chirac, who in the past has made clear his opposition to head scarves in the classroom, is expected on Wednesday to announce in an address to the nation whether he supports enacting the panel's recommendations into law.

For nearly 15 years, France has debated the issue, but it has taken on new life during the past two years with the expulsion of dozens of girls from school for refusing to remove their scarves.

Bernard Stasi, who headed the commission, said the proposed law was aimed at keeping France's strict secular underpinnings intact and at countering "forces that are trying to destabilize the country," a reference to Islamic fundamentalists.

Stasi said the commission was not discriminating against France's Muslim community but sought to give all religions a more equal footing.

The panel recommended a ban from classrooms of all "obvious" political and religious symbols including Islamic head scarves, Jewish skullcaps, and large Christian crucifixes. More discreet symbols such as small crosses would be acceptable, it said.

France covets its secularism — won nearly a century ago after a long battle with the Roman Catholic Church — and fears that this constitutionally guaranteed principle is being undermined by some communities, particularly Muslims.

A more basic fear is that the head scarf reflects the rise of militant Islam in France.

One panel member, researcher Jacqueline Costa-Lascoux, cited a Moroccan girl whose father was paid \$600 a trimester to ensure that his daughter wore a head scarf to school.

Muslims represent some 7 percent of France's 60 million people, while the country's Jewish community is about 1 percent of the population — also Western Europe's largest.

Until now, the only policy on head scarves in schools comes from The Council of State, France's highest administrative body, which has said they can be banned if they are of an "ostentatious character," a judgment left to each school.

Head scarves are already forbidden for people working in the public sector, but that rule — which is not a law — is occasionally broken. A Muslim employee of the city of Paris was recently suspended for refusing to take off her scarf or shake men's hands.

The Muslim head scarf is but one aspect of the conflict between religion and the secular culture, the panel found. Without naming a particular religion, the report cited

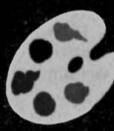
examples of male students refusing to take oral exams from female teachers or men refusing to allow their wives to be treated by male doctors.

Such behavior is often the work of "organized groups testing the resistance of the Republic," the report said.

There also has been an alarming rise in anti-Semitic

attacks and teaching about the Holocaust "becomes impossible" in some classrooms, it added.

The report did offer some concessions to religion, proposing the addition of one Jewish and one Muslim holiday to the school calendar and creating a national institute to study Islam.



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ban Returning to Iraq challenges morale

BY CHELSEA J. CARTER
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TWENTYNINE PALMS, Calif. — After returning from months of duty in Iraq, Marine Gunnery Sgt. Elia Pontecchio spent several days trying to figure out how to break the news to his wife that he would be going back to the combat zone.

He told her in a private moment, simply and in straightforward fashion. At first, she was angry and disappointed. Now, she is just trying to make every minute count.

"Every day is one day closer until he goes away," said Kinney Pontecchio. Her husband has not gotten his orders yet but expects he will be sent back sometime after New Year's.

Thousands of military members and their families have begun grappling with the news that many of those who have already completed one tour of duty in Iraq will be sent in again as part of what the Pentagon calls the biggest series of troop rotations since World War II.

The Pentagon has ordered 85,000 Army and Marine combat forces to Iraq to replace those ending one-year tours. An additional 43,000 National Guardsmen and Reservists may also be sent. Many of them have already been in Iraq or Afghanistan, or both.

At Camp Lejeune, N.C., nearly 1,000 members of the 2nd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, were sent to Afghanistan last month after returning from Iraq earlier this year. Some 20,000 Marines from Camp Pendleton, Calif., and from nearby Twentynine Palms are also bound for Iraq.

For some, it is a morale challenge as they face another long separation from their families. For others, it is a second chance to take care of what they see as unfinished business.

"We're all definitely surprised that we were going back so soon,"

said 1st Lt. Adrian Haskamp, executive officer of India Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, at Twentynine Palms. The regiment returned from Iraq in September.

Haskamp, 27, said that it will be hardest on the youngest of his 250 Marines, but that their previous tour of duty will help them stay focused: "I think a lot of the Marines have matured."

Pontecchio said he is working with Marines and their families struggling with the news. "I'm being straight with them, and telling them the importance of their job. Marines will want to do the right thing," he said.

Pontecchio, 29, of Satellite Beach, Fla., said the Marines' experience in Iraq would benefit them. "I'm very familiar with the territory and the culture now. We know some of the mistakes ... and we know how to handle them now," he said.

Lance Cpl. Michael Burrola, a 21-year-old from Buena Park, Calif., who is serving with India Company, expects to be in Iraq as early as January for another six-month tour.

"When I first got back, I was like, 'I can't see myself ever going back,'" he said. "But it's my job, and we still have a job to do there."

Burrola said he and others avoid news reports about the death toll in Iraq. More than 440 U.S. service members have died since the beginning of military operations in Iraq, according to the Pentagon.

Burrola said he is focusing on spending time with his wife, Crystal, 19.

"When he first told me, I was in denial. I was taken back. I said, 'No, you're not going.' It's kind of a helpless feeling," she said. But "we did it once before and he came home. We'll do it again. We're very religious, and we'll use the strength of God in our household to get through it."

Flu outbreaks swallow 24 states

BY ROB STEIN
WASHINGTON POST

At least 24 states, including Virginia, are now reporting widespread flu cases, nearly double the number that had been hit hard just a week ago, federal health officials reported Thursday.

With vaccine supplies dwindling around the country, the government announced it had bought an additional 250,000 doses and recommended that the sick, the young, the elderly, and pregnant women get priority for remaining stocks.

"The flu season is far from over; we are going to have to prioritize," said Julie Gerberding, the director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

Fifteen states, including Maryland, are reporting regional flu outbreaks, six states plus Washington, D.C., have local outbreaks, and every other state has had at least some cases, the CDC said.

Most states reporting widespread flu activity are in the West, but the worst of the flu season appeared to be moving eastward. In addition to Virginia, among the states added to the list of those reporting widespread flu this week are Indiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, and Rhode Island.

Doctors' offices, clinics, and hospitals in many parts of the country are reporting a flood of sick people and worried parents. Some places have closed schools

because of the large number of sick children.

Several Ohio schools, for example, were among those that shut down this week, officials said. "The logic is if we break the chain of sick people coming to school we might be able to get rid some of the virus in the building," said Dan Vincent, an assistant superintendent for Madison School District in Richland County, which closed its junior high Thursday.

And the worst could be yet to come, federal officials said.

"It's clear the epidemic has not peaked this year," Gerberding said.

Federal health officials are concerned that the nation could be facing one of the nastiest flu seasons in years because the disease

has hit several states, most notably Texas and Colorado, unusually early and hard. In addition, most of those who have gotten sick have been struck by a new, unanticipated strain of the virus. The Fujian strain comes from a family of viruses that typically are more virulent.

Concern has been heightened by the deaths of babies, school-age children, and teenagers. At least nine — and possibly as many as 11 — children have died of flu in Colorado alone.

In at least three deaths — an infant, a 20-month-old, and a 22-month old — the children were also infected with drug-resistant strains of staph bacteria, the CDC said. Although staph infections are common in flu patients, this is the first year that resistant strains

have been detected. It's unclear, however, how much that might be contributing to the deaths. Doctors have also reported several cases, including at least one death, of unusual symptoms that parents may not recognize as flu — abdominal pain but no fever and only mild respiratory symptoms, the CDC said.

Federal officials cautioned, however, that it was too early to tell whether there would be more deaths overall this year, or among young people or children, than in previous years.

"We're really concerned about this because we don't know if there is going to be a bigger impact on children this year," said Scott Harper, a CDC flu expert. "We're taking steps to try to examine this issue."

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Companies scramble for Voice Over IP

BY BRIAN BERGSTEIN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Cable and phone companies are hustling to offer new services that route calls over the Internet, a technology that eventually will make the 125-year-old telephone system seem about as advanced as sending smoke signals.

That day bounded closer this week as three major communications companies — Time Warner Inc.'s cable TV unit, Qwest Communications International Inc., and AT&T Corp. — announced plans to sell Internet phone services to consumers. The plans promise to lower the cost of phone service and include new features, such as the ability to check voice mail or program call-forwarding requests on the Web.

Internet phone technology has already made serious inroads in big companies and as a means of carrying international calls.

But while Internet phone services for consumers have been available for more than a year from some cable companies and startups such as Vonage Holdings Corp., it has remained a niche technology.

Fewer than 200,000 Americans use Internet phone service as their primary line, according to TeleGeography Inc.

That figure could soar in 2004. Besides the announcements made this week, the nation's biggest phone company, Verizon Communications Inc., plans to deliver a consumer Internet phone offering within six months.

"The giants getting into the business gives Voice Over IP credibility," said Guzman & Co. analyst Pat Comack, using the technology's official name. "People will give it a shot now. All of a sudden, this is not a toy anymore."

But while the Internet phone bandwagon swells, the full-fledged revolution seems several years away. For now, only the roughly 20 percent of U.S. households that have broadband Internet access can use the technology.

Perhaps most importantly, special steps have to be taken to make the Internet phone systems connect to 911 dispatch centers or work in blackouts, as the old-fashioned phone network can.

"I'm not going to pretend that we're ready to solve those problems," AT&T spokesman Gary Morgenstern acknowledged Thursday. "We're working on that."

Other providers say they have addressed those issues. Internet phone pioneer Net2Phone Corp., which is focusing on helping cable companies deliver the service, boasts that it also has overcome the technical hurdle of letting law enforcement officials set wiretaps, which phone companies are required to allow.

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NEWS

Malvo jury faces stark differences in teen's story

BY TOM JACKMAN
WASHINGTON POST

CHESAPEAKE, Va. — Just a few weeks ago, jurors listened intently to a tape of Lee Boyd Malvo laughing and boasting about shooting FBI analyst Linda Franklin and others during last fall's sniper shootings. "I can hit you in the head from the car, or I can hit you in the head from outside," he said on the tape.

But over the past couple of days, the same jurors have been hearing a wildly different story. Through a battery of mental-health experts hired by his lawyers, Malvo claimed he was only sitting in the passenger seat or watching from outside the car when his partner John Allen Muhammad climbed into the trunk of their Chevrolet Caprice and gunned down unsuspecting victims.

Was Malvo lying to investigators or to the psychiatrists? Those jurors will soon have to sort through the two versions as they weigh Malvo's responsibility for last fall's sniper rampage, which killed 10 people and wounded three others in the Washington region.

Fairfax County, Va., prosecutors believe Malvo, 18, was the triggerman in many of the sniper slayings, based on his first statements to police, and they are seeking the death penalty on murder charges related to Franklin's slaying on Oct. 14, 2002.

Malvo's lawyers are arguing that the then-17-year-old was temporarily insane due to indoctrination by Muhammad, and they ended their case with three mental-health experts who all testified that Malvo suffered from a mental disease, dissociative disorder, at the time of the shootings.

Defense psychiatrist Neil Blumberg was the only witness Thursday, but he provided

plenty of new details for the jury to ponder. In some cases, the details were telling. He told Blumberg there were "lots of Latinos in the area" when Franklin was killed. She was shot in the Seven Corners neighborhood, which has a large Latino population.

But he also told Blumberg that the fatal shot fired at Pascal Charlot on Oct. 3, 2002, came from a parking lot in Washington, D.C. Witnesses along Georgia Avenue said the Caprice was parked on a side street.

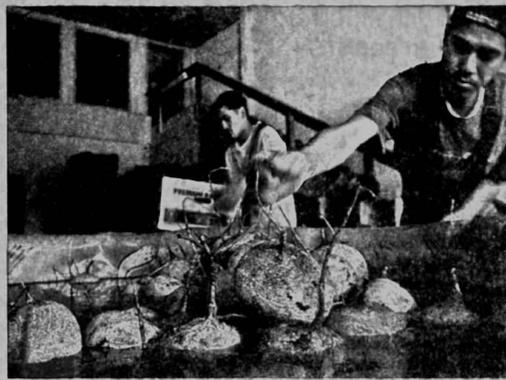
Malvo also told Blumberg that Muhammad had planned to shoot "three to five children" outside the Benjamin Tasker Middle School in Bowie, Md., where 13-year-old Iran Brown was shot and that Muhammad had checked out three schools as possible targets.

Malvo said he and Muhammad camped out in the woods near Tasker the night before the shooting and they also slept in the Aspen Hill, Md., woods near where Conrad Johnson was shot on Oct. 22, 2002, Blumberg testified. Malvo said Muhammad informed him that morning that Malvo would be taking his first shot that day, Blumberg said.

But Blumberg stood firm with his diagnosis of Malvo Thursday in the face of withering cross-examination by Fairfax Commonwealth's Attorney Robert F. Horan Jr. Horan asked if Malvo suffered from dissociative disorder when he provided his new version of the killings. Blumberg said yes.

"So based on your definition, he is insane when he's talking to you?" Horan asked. Blumberg said Malvo was still suffering from the disorder, which he described as a psychological numbness and a loss of identity.

New bioterrorism rules pose roadblocks



Guillermo Arias/Associated Press
Cleaning and packing worker Jorge Velazquez on Wednesday cleans jicamas as Julio Montes walks by at the Montero & Lopez Farm store room in Reynosa, Mexico.

BY OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ
ASSOCIATED PRESS

REYNOSA, Mexico — Indian pigeon peas, Mexican cilantro, Turkish laurel leaves — any food headed for the American market — will be more closely examined as of today under new rules to thwart bioterrorists.

Under the Bioterrorism Act, the U.S. government requires 400,000 food handling companies to register all products with the Food and Drug Administration.

While the new regulations affect both imported and domestic food, foreign exporters fear they will be hit the hardest. Many say it could drive them out of the U.S. market, although some hope the new law will expedite trade.

The law requires those exporting food to the United States to give American inspectors advance notice before shipments arrive.

Although there has not been a terrorist attack on the U.S. food supply, Americans have been hit by an anthrax scare, and FDA officials believe green onions that originated in Mexico infected hundreds of U.S. residents with hepatitis.

The FDA said that as of Wednesday, two days before the new regulations were put in place, nearly 131,000 food-handling companies had registered.

Mexican customs broker Janet Martinez said many of her clients are not even aware of the new law. She doubts whether they will register, let alone meet the new requirements.

"In Mexico, there are places where there isn't even a phone," she said. "A lot of our clients are small producers, and they are not at the level to comply with what the FDA is asking. They are going to be hit the hardest."

Javier Navarro of the vegetable exporting company Nueva Era in the Mexicali Valley said the new regulations signal the beginning of trade roadblocks to come.

"There is a lot of uncertainty in all of this," said Navarro, whose company exports \$8 million worth of cilantro, basil, spinach, leeks, and other vegetables to the United States each year. "We hear this is the first step in many more and tougher requirements the FDA will put in place. We don't have proof to show this, but at times it feels it is about protecting the American market."

FDA spokesman Michael Herndon said the rules were created to protect against a possible bioterrorism attack.

"The FDA goal is not to interrupt the flow of safe food imports," he said. "But just like with anything new, you'll have some bumps and bruises."

In India, exporters say the new rules could result in product losses.

Subodh Shah, a deputy manager of international marketing for Vadilal, a company that exports canned and frozen foods to the United States, said his products must be kept at near freezing temperatures or they will spoil. Delays at ports of entry could cost him entire shipments.

Herndon said firms will have at least four months to get acquainted with the new law and comply with the regulations.

"We will allow for a period of education rather than enforcement," he said.

The FDA and U.S. Customs have agreed to share information so that companies won't have to submit details about incoming shipments twice. Customs already requires companies to register imported products, but the FDA registration involves a much more detailed questionnaire. The FDA registration will enable the agency to track food as it leaves packing plants and arrives in ports.

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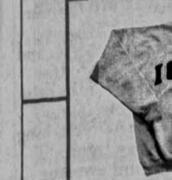
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Balancing kids, jobs still a struggle

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Kevin Schut is staying home while on fellowship this year to finish his Ph.D. in communication studies at the UI to care for his daughter, Karina. His wife will stop working when he secures a tenure-track position. For McClain Watson, a communication-studies graduate student

and parent of two, "it just happened to work out." He is on fellowship this year, allowing him to stay home and care for his 7-month-old baby Annika, while his wife, women's studies graduate student Jill Duquaine, teaches. Ideally, he said, next year she will be on fellowship and he will be in a tenure-track position, allowing them both to pursue their career goals and care for their family. Watson sees the possibility

for arguments and trade-offs with his wife about career and family in the future, but for now, he said, "hanging with [Annika] is the coolest, most rewarding thing. Work is the furthest thing from my mind." Samuelson keeps the advantages of parenthood in mind — she studies language development in children and teaches Language Acquisition and Child Development. "Being a developmentalist,

there are benefits," she said. Having more demands also makes her more focused when she is working. "It's a lot of work. It's hard. I do worry, but at this point, I'm comfortable with the choices I've made," she said. "If I give up on tenure and choose to focus on family, then it's my decision to make." E-mail/DI reporter [Sonja Elmquist](mailto:sonjaelmquist@aol.com) at sonjaelmquist@aol.com

Israel bombing linked to criminal

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money-changing shop. Rosenstein was injured during the attack, as was a bodyguard, police said. The dead were the 19-year-old son of the shop's owner, a messenger leaving the business when the bomb went off, and a pedestrian walking by.

Like terror bombings, the latest blast took place on a busy commercial avenue in downtown Tel Aviv. Initial news of a fresh afternoon explosion came as a jolt to a nation that has endured a string of recent terror alerts but no bombings against civilians in more than two months.

The explosion was originally thought to be an act of terrorism. But soon, even as emergency workers were still carrying victims from the gutted shop, police were declaring the incident the work of criminals, not terrorists.

"The first indicator was that Zeev Rosenstein was here and his bodyguard was injured," said Maj. Gen. Yossi Sedbon, the Tel Aviv district commander of the national police.

Rosenstein was treated in a local hospital and was interviewed by police Thursday night.

Meanwhile, Palestinian Authority Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia issued a sharply worded warning to Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon against trying to draw the borders of a Palestinian state without negotiations.

"The conflict would continue, the fires would burn, terror would increase, and no one would gain," Qureia told the mass-circulation Israeli newspaper *Maariv*

in his first response to informal proposals raised by Sharon for a unilateral Israeli pullback from parts of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"It would be a bad mistake to force a settlement on us," the Palestinian prime minister said. "We would not accept it. The world would not accept it."

In the interview, Qureia also denounced the Israeli security barrier being constructed around the West Bank, which cuts deep into territory claimed by the Palestinians. His position was a familiar one, but the language was harsher than any the Palestinian prime minister has previously employed publicly.

"You cannot build a fence on our land, put us into coops like chickens, and hope for the best," he said. "It will cause a disaster. If you want a fence, fine. Build it on the Green Line," he said, referring to the frontier between Israel and the Jordanian-controlled West Bank before the 1967 Middle East War.

He added sardonically: "In that case, we would be prepared to share the construction costs with you."

In the Tel Aviv bombing, police Cmdr. Sedbon noted that twice before, authorities had intercepted assassins who were planning to kill Rosenstein. In October, police foiled a plot to kill him and his business partner by leaving explosive bundles outside of the associate's home. Last January, five people were injured by a blast believed to have been ignited by remote control as Rosenstein was leaving the offices of a Tel Aviv firm that arranges gambling tours abroad. He was slightly injured in that attack.

In August, a bomb killed a woman and wounded four others at a Tel Aviv restaurant that was linked to crime figures, but the



People tend to a wounded man as he lays in the street at the scene of an explosion in Tel Aviv on Thursday.

target was not known. Just Monday, Rosenstein was released from custody after police discovered inconsistencies in the information they received from a witness concerning Rosenstein's links to organized crime. He had been held a few days.

Israeli authorities said Thursday's bombing was the latest sign of a worrisome rise in organized-crime activity here.

Sharon announced that his Cabinet would hold a special meeting on Dec. 14 to discuss the rising crime wave, and Israeli police Commissioner Shlomo Aharonishki vowed to wage war on organized crime.

Police spokesman Gil Kleiman said the authorities have been consumed with combating terrorist attacks during the past three years, but they would have to redouble efforts against organized crime as well.

"Innocent people dying — whether it's a criminal bomb or a terrorist bomb — is wrong," he said.

Dean's stock soaring in electronic market

ELECTRONIC MARKETS

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appears to confirm Dean's lead, with a Bush-Dean ballot valued highest at 45 cents. The next closest pairing is Bush and New York Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, who isn't a candidate but is listed in the market.

The electronic market began in the 1988 presidential election, and it has covered every presidential election since with great accuracy. Rietz said there is a 1.7 percent average margin of error

between the market value of a candidate and election tallies. Markets for state elections such as the gubernatorial are also included on electronic market.

Earlier this year, when Dean was considered a long shot for the nomination, the electronic market's highest category was "others," a group that included Clark before his announcement and former Ambassador Carol Moseley Braun.

"When we listed Dean, he immediately became the leader," Rietz said. "There was some movement after Clark came in."

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Dean campaign morale soars as caucuses near

RYAN

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200 members on its mailing list, with roughly 60 of those students actively working for the campaign. She noted that the Dean campaign has not only been able to snag young activists, it has also been able to draw in students who were not previously interested in the political process.

"Our students are part of it; they recognize they're part of a big team," she said.

Ryan said he believes young people "have become skeptical about politics," but young Dean backers say they are just as committed as the union members and seasoned activists who will attend the caucuses in January.

"I think it's the one thing that angers us, when people say, 'You're just a bunch of inexperienced college students,'" Funk said.

Denial acknowledged that it will take organization to ensure students participate in the caucuses shortly after they return from winter recess, adding that the Dean group has already formulated a plan to increase participation. Similar outreach methods are typical in the campaign, supporters say.

"The difference is the candidate and his message," Denial said. "It's the confidence he has as a candidate in letting people go with it and do whatever they think is going to help."

Ryan, too, alluded to a metamorphosis in the way both campaigns and the political system are run, adding, "it's really time for a change."

"Howard Dean has the ability to win," Ryan said. "He's structurally reforming the political system."

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Goring him softly with his song

Dear Joe,
I know you're probably hurt right now. That's OK, I understand. I heard that you didn't believe me when I said I couldn't get in touch with you Monday night to tell you about me and Howard. I know I am the former vice president of the United States, and it *does* seem a little strange that I couldn't catch the attention of *anyone* from my former running mate's staff, but that's what happened, honest. I didn't intend for you to hear about it from CNN.
Politics isn't supposed to be personal, but I realize that between you and me that just isn't the case. On the "Today Show," when you described our telephone conversation as "four or five minutes in length and too late," I felt so bad. I don't feel what I did was wrong, Joe; but I do see now that *how* I did it was wrong. Some people are saying what I did

was a betrayal, but I never promised you anything, did I? Please remember that I never lied to you. However, it's true you did deserve better. I hope we can at least remain friends after all this.
I heard from someone that you called Bill. I'm not sure what you two talked about, but I hope you know that I've never spoken badly of you to anyone, especially to Bill. I don't mind that you guys talked. I'm not sure how objective Bill might be because he and I went through kind of the same thing a few years ago, but you know all about that. If you two are thinking of getting together, I'm fine with that. I think you two could make a good team. I would be happy you both found someone. I just hope it would be for the right reasons and not just to bad-mouth me (just kidding).
I know you're hurt, and have said

some things to some people about me, like when you said I'm endorsing "somebody who has taken positions in this campaign that are diametrically opposite to what Al himself has said he believed in over the years," on the "Today Show." I realize you're upset, but please don't say things like that about Howard. He doesn't deserve it. This was my choice. Howard hasn't done anything to you. I like his ideas. You and I were right for 2000. This is 2003, and things are different, and, because of that, I think Howard and I are better together than you and I would be. Howard believes in the same things I do. If you can't see that, maybe you don't know me as well as you'd like to think you do.
I hope we can still be friends.
Yours,
Al Gore

Leading Zimbabwe into a quagmire

Robert Mugabe, having led Zimbabwe away from the rule of law, respect for human rights, and economic sanity, has now abruptly taken his country out of the 54-member Commonwealth, an organization predominantly made up of Britain and its former colonies. As with President Mugabe's other rash and despotic actions, it will be his fellow Zimbabweans who will suffer the most from this latest act. His ruinous land-reform policies have already brought hunger and starvation to millions of his countrymen. The thumbing of his nose at Zimbabwe's past International Monetary Fund obligations has brought his country to the brink of expulsion from the global financial institution. And now Mugabe's decision to leave the

Commonwealth following that group's action to keep Zimbabwe on suspension only reinforces the out-cast role he has chosen for his nation.
After 23 years in power, Mugabe has little positive to show for it. Foreign investment has been chased away. The country is under sanctions of the European Union and the United States. And to underscore the extent to which Mugabe is held to be beyond the pale, international travel restrictions forced him to seek a special waiver from the Swiss government to attend a U.N. information summit in Geneva. But it is the state of political freedom that is under the greatest duress in Zimbabwe.
Faced with implacable international opposition to his political repression and abuse of human rights, Mugabe

has resorted to the old standby slogans of race and the haves vs. the have-nots to justify his outrageous behavior. It won't wash. Race didn't cause food shortages in Zimbabwe; Mugabe's policies are to blame. Race was not responsible for voting irregularities and violence in Mugabe's reelection vote; Mugabe's thugs were responsible.
Zimbabwe's civil society is in meltdown, and a once relatively prosperous country has been transformed into a failed state. That, too, is Mugabe's doing. For that the international community and, more importantly, the people of Zimbabwe, must hold Mugabe accountable. There can be no stepping back from the pressure he so richly deserves.
This editorial appeared in the Washington Post.

Having a bad nudes day

SO THE OTHER DAY I was sitting in my friend Lauren's room, reading through her pile of magazines. I finished reading a compelling tale of "My Music Career as a Foot Rubber and Babe Wrangler" in *Jane* and sifted through to find a more suitable publication for my jolly holiday mood.
My hand landed on a papery cover, and I pulled out the winter issue of *Abercrombie & Fitch's Quarterly*. I found myself staring at two naked men and a woman wedged between them, wearing only underwear. My instinctive freshman curiosity said "Ooh," and I opened up to page one.
After turning seven pages and seeing approximately 74 naked butts and 324 nipples, I was shaking so severely that Lauren turned to me, concerned. "What's wrong?"
"Must... buy... clothes..." I stammered. I proceeded to get up, stagger toward the door, and run madly all the way to Coral Ridge Mall, where I maxed out my UI Alumni Association credit card and spent all of my saved Christmas money on approximately one shirt and four whole buttons. I walked out of the store with my head held high, turned around, and winked at the half naked man on a larger-than-life display in the entrance.
I felt good.
And then I woke up from my nightmare and rummaged anxiously around my bed for any foreign shopping bags. I found none.
Apparently, I am lucky to be the only soul in the entire world who can look at all the sex in the *Quarterly* and not be affected by the spell the clothesless models supposedly put on America's youth. This horrifying nightmare has come true repeatedly throughout the nation, according to several groups who are hopping mad about A&F's advertising. The complaints have caused the firm to pull the December issue on Dec. 9, and it announced plans to unveil a new advertising campaign in the spring.
Kevin McCullough, a columnist for WorldDailyNet, summarizes these groups' discomfort with in a Nov. 14 column:
The "images include overt portrayals of group sex, lots of teen and young adult nudity, men kissing, and teens/young adults frolicking in a river, engaging in sexual activity in [numerous] group settings." They are also disturbed by the "sexpertise" column describing flings, threesomes, public oral sex, and intercourse with schoolgirls versus older, married women.
McCullough concludes with a plan of action for those groups and other parents who want to see A&F burn to the ground. His third step (after "read this column and forward it to everyone you know") reads: "Add your voice to the growing list of parents, teens, and citizens who wish to see sexually transmitted diseases reduced and less teen pregnancy by signing the letter of protest at Stop A&F."
Oh, for the love of the moose! I completely forgot that staring at a suggestive picture of a female and a male emerging from a car gets girls pregnant. And please don't forget that jacking off to a topless girl will give a 13-year-old boy syphilis.
These activist groups and parents are paranoid. The magazine must be put into perspective; the advertisements are meant for adults — customers must be 18 or older and the models are required to be the same. Also, the *Quarterly* is quite expensive for its target audience — \$16 for four issues.
Yes, it is probable that preteens and high-schoolers can get access to this publication. And let's pretend that the sexual situations create an uncontrollable desire for A&F clothing in the prepubescent. They think, "if only I wear that cable-knit sweater... he will engage in a game of Jack and Jill Off with me."
The worst act a child who has seen this magazine could commit is actually wearing the jeans in the magazine, apparently. So activist groups such as National Coalition for the Protection of Children & Families are boycotting Abercrombie clothes.
The real guilty parties here are the parents, who buy for their incomeless children and who do not screen reading materials closely enough. Perhaps the activist groups should shift their campaign and teach fellow parents how to take care of their children. ■



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BY LAYNE GA...
THE DAILY IOWA...

There's still a place to see classic film on a big screen, but not for long. The Bijou, the UI's oldest independent theater, is screening classic films like *Princess Bride* to *The Untouchables* as late-night fill-ins during the semester. This winter movie, *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, will be the last late-night screening the theater will offer, Executive Director McCarthy said.
The Stepping Stone Theater funded the late-night program to provide students with non-alcoholic weeknight activities, group co-ordinator olyn Cavitt said. She approved a grant to fund the program, which covered the first semester, but was not available for the second semester.
The Bijou staff is currently looking for grant to pick films for the next semester. Students thought students would enjoy or would come to see. Once the films are selected, Bijou programmers contacted the companies to negotiate and time it would be. The Bijou receives either 16 mm or 35 mm film.
"Sometimes they vary," McCarthy said. "n't at *The Princess* screening, but apparently wasn't the highest

LETTERS

No great leader in Alford

I write concerning the excellent article "Alford drops the ball in recruitment" (*DI*, Dec. 10). The UI has long had a tradition of high-caliber varsity coaches in the various men's and women's teams. The teams were not always successful in the various competitions, but they were always led by coaches who valued the high image of the university and coached accordingly.
In that regard, the information presented in the above-mentioned article does not surprise me, given the events of last year's Pierre Pierce incident. Coach Steve Alford's inappropriate statements and other involvement in the aftermath of that incident left a serious cloud hanging over the basketball program, and the content of the article is just one indication of the damage that he caused.
One can only conclude from his behavior and attitude that his self-interest in winning basketball games is a more powerful motivation than the reputation of the university and the full development of the young people who are placed in his trust.
It is a well recognized fact in NCAA sports that UI fans are among the most loyal and

supportive in the country, both in good times as well as in losing times. We would all prefer that our teams be strong and enjoy winning seasons — but not at the expense of the reputation of the university. Living in Chicago, I listen to some of the more popular radio sports-talk shows, and even to this day Alford remains a news item, not so much for his poor record as a coach but more because of his perceived shortcomings in character and integrity. I don't know of any other college coach who is treated in this manner. I am sure that you hear these same shows in Iowa City.
I believe that the damage that he has caused his reputation is irreversible, and the poor example that he has shown to the young people on the campus, particularly the women, is unforgivable. His failures in recruiting other young Iowa student-athletes is but one indication of the trouble.

John Casey
Chicago resident

Meyer, on the other hand...

The "Third provost candidate has worldly view" (*DI*, Dec. 8) describes how Luanna Meyer, a potential nominee for the UI's open provost slot, would focus on increasing campus diversity.

Meyer has worked at universities in New Zealand, Hawaii, Minnesota, and New York, and as a result, she has a lot of "experience enhancing diversity." As a UI student, I believe that campus diversity among students and faculty is exceedingly important in our continuously changing culture.
Iowa City has been named one of the 10 most-enlightened towns in the United States by the *Utne Reader*. I would have to disagree, however, after looking at the statistics of the number of people enrolled at the UI from outside the

Midwest or from other countries. Almost 30,000 students were enrolled at the UI last year, and only 21 of them were from Mexico. Does the Office of Admissions understand that Latinos account for the largest minority in our country at almost 13 percent? For a Big Ten university, I believe we should be a little more "enlightened" and culturally diverse.
There are in fact several programs that our university offers to increase cultural awareness. Initiatives such as the Foreign Language Incentive Program are

great ways to entice students to learn a new language or continue their education in a foreign language. Students who take advantage of this program receive "FLIP" credit (extra credit hours) for participating in a foreign-language elective. I believe these curricula are beneficial to our school, but we need someone who will take a look at the big picture and make the appropriate modifications. Meyer is sufficient cultured and can see that the UI needs to diversify.
Allison Gorman
UI student



ON THE SPOT

The university is looking for a new provost. What do provosts do?



"I have no clue."
Brock Halverson
UI junior



"I have no idea, to tell you the truth."
Erica Cerrone
UI sophomore



"I think they're on the president's committee."
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Late-night Bijou nods off



BY LAYNE GABRIEL
THE DAILY IOWAN

There's still a place in Iowa City to see classic films on the big screen, but not for long.

The Bijou, the UI's student-run independent theater, has screened classics from *The Princess Bride* to *The Godfather* as late-night films on Saturdays throughout the fall semester. This weekend's movie, *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, will be the last late-night film the theater will offer, Bijou Executive Director Lauren McCarthy said.

The Stepping Up Project funded the late-night movies to provide students with more non-alcoholic weekend activities, group co-coordinator Carolyn Cavitt said. Stepping Up approved a grant for \$5,000, which covered the films for the first semester, but funding was not available to continue the film series in the spring semester.

The Bijou staff used the grant to pick films that members thought students would enjoy or would consider classics. Once the films were selected, Bijou programming directors contacted the distribution companies to negotiate the cost and time it would be available. The Bijou receives the films in either 16 mm or 35 mm format.

"Sometimes the quality varies," McCarthy said. "I wasn't at *The Princess Bride* screening, but apparently it wasn't the highest-quality

(Clockwise) *The Godfather*, *The Princess Bride*, and *Breakfast at Tiffany's* are all films the Bijou has shown as late-night films on Saturdays.

film, and that will happen."

The process is exactly the same for the current features that the Bijou screens. The theater has a volunteer board of 15 students who suggest films for screening, and the films are chosen by a majority vote.

Board members learn about films they would like to screen in a variety of ways. Some are avid readers of movie Web sites, such as www.rottentomatoes.com and www.imdb.com. Others subscribe to film magazines that focus on independent films. The board members also get ideas from national newspapers and films they may have seen in larger cities.

"I think we just have a different mission from that of a lot of other theaters," McCarthy said. "Because we're a nonprofit theater, we have

the ability to not be driven necessarily by profit. Obviously, we don't want to lose astounding amounts of money, but we have the luxury of choosing more obscure movies."

The theater's focus is on independent and art-house films that aren't available at other Iowa City and Coralville theaters, McCarthy said. Other area cinemas have tried to offer independent and art-house films with little success, but with the backing of the university, the Bijou is successful in providing films that are of interest to a wide variety of audiences.

The Bijou is also one of the few venues in the area that will screen foreign films. Through the university, the Bijou can provide additional facets, such as panel discus-

sions. The theater recently screened *Everyone's Child*, a film from Zimbabwe that ran in conjunction with World AIDS Day. One of the producers of the film flew in from Zimbabwe to participate in the panel discussion that went along with the film.

"We're able to do things like that — that are a unique in terms of not just the programming but the external elements that go along with it," McCarthy said.

The Bijou will still provide a variety of independent, foreign, and art-house films at regular screening times, and though the grant from Stepping Up has been exhausted, late-night films may not be over forever.

McCarthy said that the theater would like to continue late-night movies every now and then and work with Stepping Up next fall to get another grant to restart the regular late-night movie schedule.

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Publicity photo
UI President David Skorton and new UI Martha-Ellen Tye Opera Theater Director Gary Race in a rehearsal for *Midnight at Maxim's*.

Merry at midnight

BY PETER MADSEN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Jazz aficionado and UI President David Skorton is no stranger to music, yet when approached by Gary Race, the newly appointed director of the UI Martha-Ellen Tye Opera Theater, to play a minor role in his UI operatic debut, *Midnight at Maxim's: A Merry Night with the Merry Widow*, Skorton had one trepidation — that he might be required to sing.

"I'm a horrible singer," he said matter-of-factly. "If they let me sing, I'll probably empty the audience."

He said he learned to abstain from such vocal strain after once singing the Hawkeye Fight Song during a taping of WSU's "Talk of Iowa Live at the Java House." Skorton reported that he received lots of feedback basically saying, "Don't do that again."

Skorton, who appears in the speaking role of Njegus, said he was eager to participate in Race's translation and adaptation of Franz Lehár's classic operetta, *The Merry Widow*.

Although written loosely around the original work, *Midnight* focuses on the coming-of-

age of the quaint European nation Pontevedro. Head diplomats in Paris working to establish an embassy receive news that their countrymen have fallen in such financial turmoil that bankruptcy looms on the horizon. All hope for Pontevedro resides in the hands of the incredibly wealthy and recently widowed Hanna Glawari, who lands in Paris at the start of the play. Yet trouble runs amok when a series of rendezvous and close liaisons threaten to pull the affluent lady's heartstrings — as well as those of her purse.

The opera, which is backed by the UI Chamber Orchestra, features a cast laden with School of Music faculty and students. Assistant Professor Rachel Joselson stars in the title role, with Professor Stephen Swanson supporting his star-crossed lover; Assistant Professor John Muriello stars as the Pontevedrian ambassador to Paris.

Midnight opens at 8 p.m. Saturday at Clapp Recital Hall. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for UI students, children under 17, and seniors.

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NEWS

Bomber hits U.S. base



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A U.S. soldier passes by a huge bust of the ousted Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein outside the al-Salam Palace in Baghdad on Thursday.

BY PATRICK J. MCDONNELL
LOS ANGELES TIMES

RAMADI, Iraq — In a major breach of security, a suicide attacker pierced a heavily guarded U.S. military base and set off a powerful car bomb Thursday, killing one U.S. soldier and wounding 14 others, military officials said.

It was the third suicide assault on a U.S. base in Iraq this week, but the only successful infiltration — and the first in which a U.S. soldier was killed.

The explosion, which threw a huge fireball into the air and was heard miles away, occurred inside the sprawling compound of Task Force All American in a former palace complex of Saddam Hussein's, west of Baghdad along the Euphrates River. The military offered few details about how the bomb was brought onto a secure base and did not identify the soldier.

"Initially, we thought it might be a truck bomb at the back gate," said Army Capt. Jeff Fitzgibbons. "Once we came out, we realized it wasn't at the back gate. It was inside."

After the explosion about 1:30 p.m., stunned soldiers sprinted from their barracks and posts and rushed to assist the wounded and repel any attack on the base, known as Champion Main. Reinforcements were rushed in to guard the compound, which is home

Several Iraqi civilians who work at the base said they were interrogated intensively by U.S. officials after the bombing.

"They wanted to know who we worked for, what we were doing, how long we were there," said Ahmed Hamid, 17, a laborer who spoke to a reporter outside the base after completing his shift and being allowed to go home with several other young workers. "They were very upset."

He and a co-worker said they were questioned about a blue Kia pickup truck. Authorities would not confirm that such a vehicle was suspected in the blast.

It was unclear whether the attacking vehicle was stationary or moving when the bomb went off or how far into the base it had advanced. The explosion site was about 500 feet from the base's Tactical Operations Center, the operational hub, Fitzgibbons said.

to approximately 800 soldiers, including Maj. Gen. Charles Swannack Jr., who commands the Army's 82nd Airborne Division.

Of the 14 wounded, three suffered severe injuries, an official said. The other 11 were treated and returned to duty.

The incident was expected to force a reassessment of protective measures at the Army's fortified bases throughout Iraq. "Is this a breach in security? Absolutely," Fitzgibbons said. "Our goal is obviously to minimize U.S. casualties and ensure that our forces are protected."

All nonmilitary vehicles and visitors are searched before entering U.S. bases, but officials concede that the procedure may sometimes be less than thorough. Dozens of trucks routinely line up outside the gates of some U.S. facilities waiting to deliver loads of construction materials, food, and other supplies. Searching each vehicle can take hours.

"The bottom line is, these guys were clever in terms of preparing their vehicle," said one military official in Baghdad who asked not to be identified. "So what we're going to have to do is be more scrupulous in terms of examining the vehicles that come through the gate."

The official said it was his understanding that more than one suicide attacker was in the vehicle, but there was no official confirmation of how many participated. Some reports said as many as three people may have been in the vehicle.

In rare move, China thanks U.S.

BY JOHN POMFRET
WASHINGTON POST

BEIJING — China issued a rare "thank you" to an American president Thursday when it applauded President Bush's strongest statement yet opposing any moves by Taiwan toward independence.

The statement from China's Foreign Ministry, calling Taiwan "the most important and sensitive [issue] in U.S.-China relations," underscored a continuing improvement in relations between the countries and followed this week's visit by Premier Wen Jiabao to the United States, which Beijing called "a complete success."

"We appreciate President Bush's statement," said Foreign Ministry spokesman Liu Jianchao.

The highlight of Wen's four-day trip was his presence in the Oval Office on Tuesday when Bush used the sharpest language of any American president in years to rebuke Taiwan.

Bush said the United States opposes "any unilateral decision by either China or Taiwan to change the status quo." He added: "And the comments and actions made by the leader of Taiwan indicate that he may be willing to make decisions unilaterally to change the status quo, which we oppose."

Wen, who departed for Canada on Wednesday, had more to show for his U.S. visit than the last Chinese premier to visit Washington, Zhu Rongji in 1999. Zhu, whose goal was to advance China's accession to the World Trade Organization, left President Clinton's White House empty-handed and returned home to accusations that he was a "traitor" to the Chinese people.

After a chilly start in the early months of the Bush administration, U.S.-China ties have been

warming since the 9/11 terrorist attacks in the United States as China has sought to become a U.S. partner in the fight against terrorism and backed the American goal of establishing a nuclear-free Korean Peninsula.

Bush, in his remarks Tuesday, was responding to recent moves by Taiwan's president, Chen Shui-bian, to call a "defensive" referendum asking voters whether they want China to withdraw the hundreds of missiles it has deployed within striking distance of Taiwan.

Western analysts have said Chen's move was based on a desire to heighten tensions between Taiwan and China in the run-up to Taiwan's presidential election on March 20. In 2000, Chen benefited from increased tension with China and became the first opposition candidate to win Taiwan's presidency.

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U.N. report: Educating girls hits glass ceiling

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — A UNICEF report released Thursday warns that global development efforts have hit a glass ceiling and that educating girls is the best way to break through it.

Women make most of the decisions that affect a family's health and welfare and thus, a nation's living standard, the report says. Without accelerated action to get more girls into school over the next two years, global goals to reduce poverty and improve the human condition will not be reached, it states.

"International development efforts have been glaringly inadequate at getting girls into school in too many countries," UNICEF Executive Director Carol Bellamy said in releasing "The State of the World's Children," the agency's report. "We stand no chance of substantially reducing poverty, child mortality, HIV/AIDS, and other diseases if we do not ensure that all girls and boys can exercise their right to a basic education."

The report argues that sex discrimination has undermined development policies and that more attention must be focused on people, especially women, and how they can contribute to a nation's economic growth, rather than concentrating on economic policies. Investing in education — with an emphasis on the

teaching of girls — is the best use of a nation's resources, bringing numerous returns, the report says.

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HOCKEY

Caps can Cass...
ODENTON, Md. (AP) — A daring move ultimately won the Washington Capitals... The team pulled Bru... from the minor lea... months ago, hoping... and brash coach with... bench experience cou... the likes of Jaromir Jag... But with the Capita... last place in the NHL, Ca... fired Wednesday.
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BASKETBALL

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2003

HOCKEY

Caps can Cassidy

ODENTON, Md. (AP) — The daring move ultimately failed for the Washington Capitals.

The team pulled Bruce Cassidy from the minor leagues 18 months ago, hoping the bright and brash coach with no NHL bench experience could handle the likes of Jaromir Jagr.

But with the Capitals tied for last place in the NHL, Cassidy was fired Wednesday.

"We are in this spiral this season, and I couldn't sit back any longer," general manager George McPhee said. "We still have every intention of making the playoffs. Ten games under .500 this time of year is dangerous. We can't lose any more ground."

Assistant coach Glen Hanlon will replace Cassidy, and he immediately promised a patient approach that appears a stark contrast from the in-your-face style that hindered Cassidy's adjustment to the big leagues.

"We're not going to make a lot of system changes, but I think we can make some changes overnight in how we approach the game and how we treat ourselves," Hanlon said.

Hanlon joined the staff last season after spending three seasons as coach of the Portland Pirates, Washington's AHL affiliate.

"It's not that the previous coaches tried to make things miserable here," Hanlon said. "It's just that we've lost some hockey games, and we haven't been able to deal with it."

The Capitals are 8-18-1 with 18 standings points, tied with Pittsburgh for fewest in the NHL despite one of the highest payrolls in the league. Washington has struggled with an inexperienced defense and has had trouble scoring despite a lineup that includes Jagr, Peter Bondra and Robert Lang.

BASKETBALL

Oklahoma knocks off Purdue at buzzer

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Freshman Drew Lavender hit a leaping shot in the lane with 1.1 seconds to play to give No. 11 Oklahoma a 47-45 victory over No. 16 Purdue on Thursday night.

Lavender had 14 points, and Kevin Bookout added 12 for the Sooners (6-0).

Purdue (6-1) nearly pulled out the win despite shooting 30 percent from the field.

Chris Booker's two free throws with 3:30 left gave Purdue its first lead of the second half, 42-41.

Bookout made it 45-44 after taking Lavender's tremendous wraparound pass from the baseline.

Purdue's David Teague hit one free throw with 11 seconds remaining to tie it, setting the stage for the 5-foot-7 Lavender's off-balance shot.

Illinois dominates Eastern Shore

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Roger Powell scored 19 points to lead the Illini to their 20th-straight win at home, 85-43.

Luther Head added 16 points for Illinois (5-2), which rebounded from Tuesday's 19-point loss to Providence in the Jimmy V Classic.

The Illini scored the game's first 16 points, six by James Augustine.

The Hawks (0-2) missed their first 12 shots and their first points came on their 13th possession, a short jumper by Jason McKinnon 7:07 into the game.

Te Trotter scored 12 points for Eastern Shore, which was playing its first game in 18 days.

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Gallery wins Outland Trophy

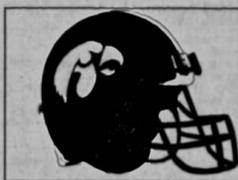
BY DONOVAN BURBA
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa offensive tackle Robert Gallery won the Outland Trophy Thursday night, becoming just the third Hawkeye to win the prestigious award, given out each year to the nation's best interior lineman.

Gallery, a senior, beat out Arkansas' Shawn Andrews and LSU's Chad Lavalais, for the honor, which was first awarded in 1946.

The Masonville, Iowa, native could have left after his junior season and been a high pick in the 2003 NFL Draft, but instead chose to return to Iowa City, despite losing four of his fellow starting linemen to graduation. The decision paid off, as Gallery is projected to be a top-five pick in next year's draft.

"I know I would have gotten drafted high, but I got some



advice from somebody who said, 'If you think you're as good a player as you're going to be in college, then leave,' and I wasn't," said Gallery in July. "I wanted to be a for-sure top guy."

Gallery came to Iowa as part of head coach Kirk Ferentz's first recruiting class. After redshirting in 1999, he started at tight end before moving to tackle midway through the 2000 season. Since then, he's started 43-straight games at tackle, the longest such streak in the Big Ten.

The 6-7, 320-pound elementary education major racked

up the off-season awards, earning spots on the Football Writers of America, Walter Camp, and Sporting News All-American teams. He was also selected to the All-Big Ten squad by both the media and coaches.

Only two other Hawkeyes have won the award, named for Penn All-American lineman John Outland: Calvin Jones (1955) and Alex Karras (1957).

Following Iowa's Outback Bowl appearance on Jan. 1, Gallery will train for the NFL scouting combine in February. There, he'll do his best to impress NFL teams before the April 24 draft. He decided to forgo the various senior bowls designed to give players the chance to boost their pre-draft stock, saying the risk isn't worth the reward.

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Whitney Kidder/Daily Iowan
 Outland Trophy winner Robert Gallery celebrates Iowa's win over Wisconsin on Nov. 22. The award goes to the nation's top interior lineman each year.



DONOVAN BURBA
 Sports Writer

White not the trophy type

This isn't going to be a column about how unfair it is that the Heisman always goes to running backs and quarter-

backs. That Pittsburgh wide receiver Larry Fitzgerald is even invited to the ceremony in New York on Saturday is, like Fitzgerald himself, nothing short of exceptional. Even if he does win (and he should), the men in the backfield have a solid lock on sport's most prestigious individual trophy, and no amount of ink is going to change that.

The problem with this year's award isn't that it will probably go to a quarterback, but that Oklahoma's Jason White is the front-runner. White, a solid quarterback on an allegedly great team, has been the prohibitive Heisman favorite since the season's early weeks, and his numbers certainly aren't too shabby: 3,744 passing yards, 40 touchdowns, and just eight interceptions.

No, White's stats aren't an issue. What is the issue is the word preceding his name in the last paragraph: Oklahoma's Jason White. The Sooners, despite losing 35-7 to Kansas State last weekend, still have one of the nation's top three defenses, great wide receivers, and a powerful offensive line. In essence, all coach Bob Stoops needed was a quarterback who wouldn't lose him any games, and that's exactly what White turned out to be. Certainly White deserves some credit for that.

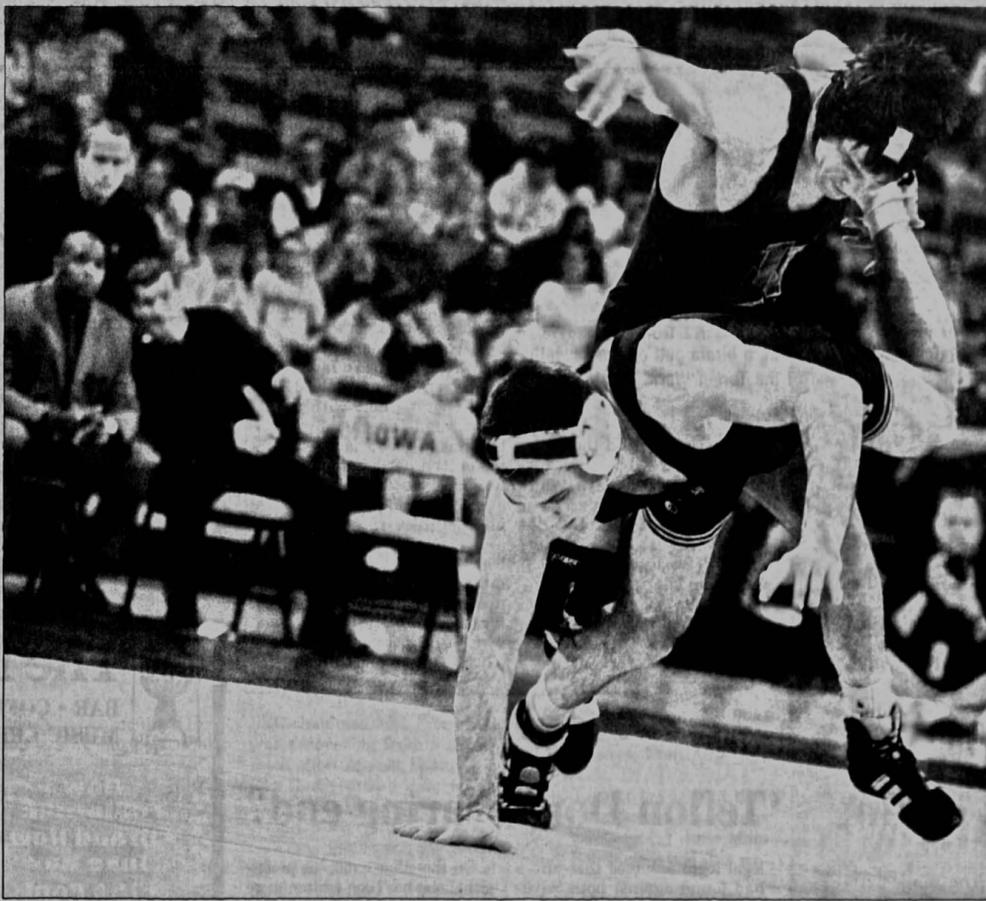
But as I write this, ESPN is airing its annual college-football awards show. Highlights of Mark Clayton, White's favorite target, flicker across the screen, and one thing stands out. After every catch, Clayton is running, dodging, and breaking tackles en route to the end zone. How many seven-yard slant routes did Clayton or Brandon Jones turn into 25-yard gains? And White gets credit for every one of those yards.

The perception is that the quarterback on a great team must therefore be a great quarterback; any Bears fan born before 1985 can tell you that's not always the case. Oklahoma would have won without White, and it might have even won the Big 12 championship game without him and his two interceptions.

Fitzgerald, on the other hand, is the heart of Pittsburgh's offense, scoring 22 touchdowns, and he hasn't been held scoreless in a record 18-consecutive games, dating back last season.

UNI VS. IOWA WRESTLING

Back on track



Amanda May/The Daily Iowan

Iowa's Tyler Nixt wrestles UNI's Eric Hauan at Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Thursday evening. Nixt was one of the seven Hawkeyes to win his match. Iowa won the dual meet, 27-10, giving head coach Jim Zalesky his 100th career win.

Grapplers rebound with win over UNI

BY ALI NOLLER
 THE DAILY IOWAN

For Iowa senior Cliff Moore, Thursday night's dual with Northern Iowa didn't come fast enough.

Moore wrestled like an animal that had been caged for days, four days after the 141-pound Hawkeye lost his first match of the season, 6-3, to Iowa State's Nate Gallick.

Moore did his best to destroy his Dec. 7 alter-ego, manhandling 2003 NCAA runner-up and current No. 2 wrestler Dylan Long on Thursday night in Carver-

Hawkeye Arena to lead Iowa to a 27-10 pounding of the Panthers.

Moore started with a takedown in the first 10 seconds and didn't relent until he handed Long a 15-4 major decision to put the first Hawkeye points on the board.

"You have to go out there and get the first takedown, but you've got to continue that unbelievable pace throughout the entire match," said Moore, a two-time all-American, after the Hawkeyes' home opener.

"Every guy on this team needs to focus on having that

intensity the entire match."

Moore's victory over Long was the third of his career, having defeated the Northern Iowa senior at the 2000 Kaufman-Brand Open and the 2000 Northern Open.

To the satisfaction of Iowa coach Jim Zalesky — who dropped his wrestlers off six miles from Iowa City to jog the remainder of the trip from Ames on Dec. 7 — the Hawkeyes came out as a more offensive team.

"I saw a lot more of what I wanted to see," Zalesky said, who notched his 100th career coaching win. "I saw more

emotion, and intensity and emotion go hand in hand."

Iowa's Ty Eustice (149-pounds) decisioned Jon Garvin, and then Joe Johnston unleashed a takedown-heavy assault on Nick Baima for a major decision to swell the Hawkeye lead to 10-0.

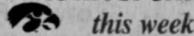
No. 4 Tyler Nixt, employing his usual double-jointed, Gumby-legged style of wrestling, notched his fifth career victory over No. 5 Eric Hauan at 174. His 6-3 decision over the UNI junior is the largest victory in their meetings.

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SPORTS

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Today

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL hosts Kansas State, Carver-Hawkeye Arena, 7:05 p.m. Tickets remain available.

TELEVISION

Friday

NBA: Seattle Sonics at Detroit Pistons, 7 p.m. on ESPN.
NHL: Chicago Blackhawks at Dallas Stars, 7:30 p.m. on FSN.
NBA: Dallas Mavericks at Los Angeles Lakers, 9:30 p.m. on ESPN.

NFL

All Times CST									
AMERICAN CONFERENCE									
East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA			
y-New England	11	2	0	.846	269	209			
Miami	8	5	0	.615	241	203			
Buffalo	6	7	0	.462	214	200			
N.Y. Jets	5	8	0	.385	240	255			
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA			
Indianapolis	10	3	0	.769	372	281			
Tennessee	9	4	0	.692	347	281			
Houston	5	8	0	.385	211	317			
Jacksonville	4	9	0	.308	229	264			
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA			
Baltimore	8	5	0	.615	331	251			
Cincinnati	7	6	0	.538	281	297			
Pittsburgh	5	8	0	.385	250	284			
Cleveland	4	9	0	.308	212	250			
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA			
x-Kansas City	11	2	0	.846	368	267			
Denver	8	5	0	.615	324	233			
Oakland	3	10	0	.231	229	305			
San Diego	3	10	0	.231	247	349			
NATIONAL CONFERENCE									
East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA			
x-Philadelphia	10	3	0	.769	281	222			
Dallas	8	5	0	.615	236	244			
Washington	5	8	0	.385	256	287			
N.Y. Giants	4	9	0	.308	209	286			
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA			
Carolina	8	5	0	.615	248	249			
New Orleans	6	7	0	.462	263	292			
Tampa Bay	6	7	0	.462	244	198			
Atlanta	3	10	0	.231	241	342			
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA			
Minnesota	8	5	0	.615	344	302			
Green Bay	7	6	0	.538	332	276			
Chicago	5	8	0	.385	240	281			
Detroit	4	9	0	.308	209	294			
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA			
St. Louis	10	3	0	.769	373	266			
Seattle	8	5	0	.615	330	273			
San Francisco	6	7	0	.462	298	244			
Arizona	3	10	0	.231	180	357			

Seattle at St. Louis, Noon
Pittsburgh at N.Y. Jets, Noon
Detroit at Kansas City, Noon
Houston at Tampa Bay, Noon
San Francisco at Cincinnati, Noon
Jacksonville at New England, Noon
Cleveland at Denver, 3:15 p.m.
Baltimore at Oakland, 3:05 p.m.
Dallas at Washington, 3:15 p.m.
Carolina at Arizona, 3:15 p.m.
Green Bay at San Diego, 3:15 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at New Orleans, 7:30 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 15
Philadelphia at Miami, 8 p.m.

NBA

By The Associated Press									
All Times CST									
EASTERN CONFERENCE									
Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB					
Philadelphia	12	10	.545	—					
New Jersey	10	11	.476	1 1/2					
Boston	10	12	.455	2					
Washington	7	14	.333	4 1/2					
New York	7	16	.304	5 1/2					
Miami	6	15	.286	5 3/4					
Orlando	3	19	.136	9					
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB					
Indiana	17	5	.773	—					
New Orleans	15	7	.682	2					
Toronto	13	8	.619	3 1/2					
Detroit	14	9	.609	3 3/4					
Milwaukee	10	12	.455	7					
Atlanta	7	16	.304	10 1/2					
Cleveland	6	16	.273	11					
Chicago	5	15	.250	11 1/2					
WESTERN CONFERENCE									
Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB					
Dallas	13	8	.619	—					
Denver	13	8	.619	—					
Houston	13	8	.619	—					
Memphis	12	8	.600	1/2					
San Antonio	14	10	.583	1/2					
Minnesota	12	9	.571	1					
Utah	12	9	.571	1					
Pacific Division	W	L	Pct	GB					
L.A. Lakers	18	3	.857	—					
Sacramento	14	5	.737	3					
Golden State	10	10	.500	7 1/2					

Portland	10	10	.500	7 1/2
Seattle	8	10	.474	8
L.A. Clippers	7	11	.389	9 1/2
Phoenix	8	13	.381	10

Thursday's Games
Cleveland 95, Detroit 86
San Antonio 71, Houston 67
New Orleans at Phoenix, late
Today's Games
Denver at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Minnesota at Washington, 6 p.m.
Toronto at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Indiana, 6:30 p.m.
Memphis at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Seattle at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Utah, 8 p.m.
Dallas at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.
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Orlando at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
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Indiana at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Portland, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Miami at Toronto, Noon
Milwaukee at Seattle, 2:30 p.m.
Utah at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.
Washington at New York, 6 p.m.
Phoenix at Sacramento, 8 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

By The Associated Press
American League
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Agreed to terms with LHP Mark Buehler on a three-year contract.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Agreed to terms with C Benito Santiago on a two-year contract.
SEATTLE MARINERS—Agreed to terms with OF Randy Winn on a three-year contract and RHP Ryan Franklin on a two-year contract.
National League
CHICAGO CUBS—Named Dave Groeschner athletic trainer.

Only Love at Sherwood was atop the leaderboard

BY DOUG FERGUSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. — Davis Love III birdied the final hole for a 2-under 70 that ordinarily would have left him in the middle of the pack against a world-class collection of players at the Target World Challenge.

This time, it was good enough for the lead.

"It was cold all day, windy all day, and as hard as I've ever seen the golf course play," Love said Thursday after an opening round when no one shot in the 60s.

Tournament host Tiger Woods made two eagles and still wound up with a 71, tied with Kenny Perry and Justin Leonard.

The money is guaranteed, with \$1.2 million to the winner and \$150,000 for last place.

That doesn't mean it has to be easy.

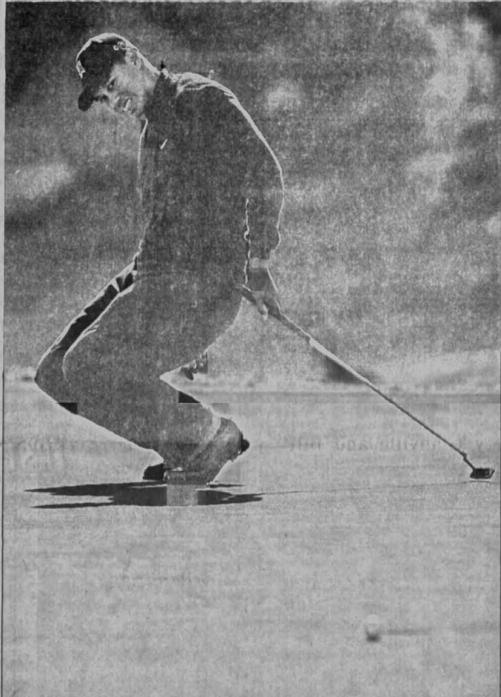
"If you shot even par, you won the battle," Perry said.

So where does that leave Darren Clarke? The trimmed-down Irishman had a triple bogey and two double bogeys on his way to an 81, which would have sent Clarke straight to a tap of Guinness except that he's had only three beers in the last four months.

The Target World Challenge brings together the top 12 players available from the world ranking and four wildcard picks, making it the strongest field of any silly-season event.

It is looked upon as a perk, although there was plenty of pain.

Love managed to avoid most of it. He holed out a bunker shot for eagle on No. 2, kept the damage to a minimum, and got a bonus birdie at the end for the lead.



Mark J. Terrill/Associated Press

Tiger Woods reacts after missing a birdie putt on the seventh hole during the first round of the Target World Challenge on Thursday in Thousand Oaks, Calif.

Woods, who started the week with news that he was voted PGA Tour player of the year for the fifth straight time, looked as though he would be in the lead.

He played the three par 5s on the back nine in 4 under and was in the lead until he misjudged the cool wind swirling through the foothills of Sherwood Country Club,

coming up short on the 17th and long on the 18th.

Both led to bogeys, and Woods had to settle for a 71.

"I turned a 67 into a 71," Woods said. "It's frustrating to end with two bogeys."

Leonard has played Sherwood enough to know the course usually offers a lot of birdies, especially with five par 5s. Then again, he doesn't recall this much wind.

"Normally if you don't shoot 4 or 5 under, you feel like you're losing ground," Leonard said. "Today was different. It's difficult to come out and do this when it's this late in the year."

Robert Allenby, a late entry when David Toms withdrew to have surgery on his left wrist, battled his way around the course to even-par 72 and was tied with K.J. Choi.

He looked whipped, and it had little to do with his 16-hour flight from Australia.

"It's meant to be a good time, isn't it?" he asked. "I felt like I was playing against Rocky. It's bloody hard when you don't know the course. I was guessing all the time with my irons, and a lot of times, I guessed right."

Woods, Fred Couples (73), and Chris DiMarco (74) were the only players to get as low as 3 under at any point during the round.

DiMarco made bogeys on four of his final six holes.

Vijay Singh was 2 under through 14 holes when he, too, went into a swoon. He made triple bogey on the par-3 15th and for good measure bogeyed the last two holes for a 74.

Defending champion Padraig Harrington also had a 74.

Woods nearly drove the 341-yard opening hole with a 3-wood, made an easy birdie, and was in good shape off the tee on the par-5 second hole when it came undone.

His approach drifted right into the trees, rattled around and came out backward, bounding along a dry patch of land and into the creek. He made bogey, then three-putted for bogey on the next hole when his 3-foot par putt made a horseshoe around the hole.

COMMENTARY

Is King's run as boxing's 'Teflon Don' nearing end?

BY JIM LITKE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

After beating the feds not once, but twice, and manhandling just about everybody else who ever came after him in a courtroom, Don King finally lost a big one.

This week, he agreed to settle a lawsuit against him by former middleweight champ Terry Norris for \$7.5 million. All of a sudden, like all those aging fighters whose pockets he supposedly picked over the years, King looks vulnerable, easier to hit.

"It's the first time anybody ever got a big settlement from him, but it won't be the last," said attorney Judd Burstein, who represented Norris. "All those other fighters out there know now that Don King can be beaten. This is the beginning of the end."

Or maybe not. "Judd Burstein says a lot of things," countered King's attorney, Peter Fleming.

"Anyone who knows what happened would strongly disagree. This case was unique in

several respects, including its ultimate resolution. Anyone who believes it provides an example," he added, "is sadly mistaken."

Who to believe? Read between the lines and decide for yourself (keeping in mind that another former client, Mike Tyson, contends in a lawsuit that King stole \$100 million from him).

Former middleweight champion Norris, who suffered brain damage from all the punches absorbed over the course of his career, was broke at the end of it — despite fighting for millions in purses. Seven years ago, he sued King, contending that boxing's evil promotional genius loaned \$200,000 to Norris' manager, Joe Sayatovich, and then conspired with Sayatovich to pay Norris less for his fights than he was owed.

After closing arguments, but before the New York State Supreme Court jury rendered its verdict Wednesday, jurors returned to the courtroom and asked the judge for a calculator and a magnifying glass. King's

legal team assumed that jurors had found against both Sayatovich and King and all that remained was toting up the damages.

As it turned out, the jurors had only finished with Sayatovich and were about to turn their attention to King. Not knowing that, King agreed to settle for nearly 10 times his original \$800,000 offer to Norris. He also caved in on the Norris camp's insistence that the settlement be made public.

"That was important," Burstein said. "The fighters who worked for King always viewed him as boxing's version of John Gotti, some kind of 'Teflon Don' who could charm jurors or else scare them. That didn't fly here. "There's no admission of guilt, but people don't pay \$7.5 million if they haven't done something wrong," he continued. "That's why I think the Tyson case will destroy him."

For perhaps the first time in recorded history, King issued a terse "no comment" through one of his spokesmen.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

AP COACH OF THE YEAR

LSU's Saban top coach

BY JOSH DUBOW
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — This is one honor LSU coach Nick Saban won't have to share.

Saban's steady leadership helped earn him the Associated Press Coach of the Year award Thursday, beating Pete Carroll of Southern California.

"Even though I'm accepting the honor, it's for all of the players, and coaches, and support staff, also," Saban said. "They all had as big a part in it as I did. I'm very flattered and honored."

Saban received 22 votes in balloting by the panel of sportswriters and broadcasters on the AP college football poll, five more than Carroll.

Oklahoma's Bob Stoops and Tulsa's Steve Kragthorpe tied for third with four votes each, and Navy's Paul Johnson and Michigan State's John L. Smith tied for fifth with two votes each.

Iowa's Kirk Ferentz won the award last year.

The second-ranked Tigers won a school-record 12 games, captured their second SEC title in three years, and earned a berth in the Sugar Bowl against No. 3 Oklahoma with a chance to win the school's second national title.

LSU might have to share the championship because USC is No. 1 in the AP poll and can win that title with a win against Michigan in the Rose Bowl.

"It is not a perfect system," Saban said. "I'm sure that there will be some changes made because of this, and I am sure college football will be better because of it. If we had a four-team playoff this year, we would not have a problem."

LSU finished fast to get into position to win the title. The Tigers were in seventh place in the Bowl Championship Series standings on Nov. 3, with a tough closing stretch to come.

That's when Saban got his team together before an off-week to sharpen its focus. He told the players now was the time to voice any frustration over the rankings, because after that, they could only talk about the next game.



Alex Brandon, The Times-Picayune/Associated Press
LSU coach Nick Saban celebrates after his Tigers defeated Georgia on Sept. 20. Saban, the AP Coach of the Year, will play for the BCS title in the Sugar Bowl on Jan. 4 against Oklahoma.

With games remaining at Alabama and Mississippi, home against Arkansas, and possibly in the SEC title game, Saban knew his players couldn't get bogged down in any BCS controversy.

"I said we're going to talk about the BCS and where we're ranked. This is the time to talk about it," he recalled. "I told them when we leave this room, we'll focus on what is and not what was."

"Rankings are what was. Rankings are what happened last week; we had to worry about what will happen this week. We knew we had no control of the BCS, but we knew that if we didn't win we didn't have a chance. We could only control what we could do."

That was the second time this season that Saban sensed that his team's focus could be an issue. The Tigers got off to a quick start, using a 17-10 win over then-No. 7 Georgia on Sept. 20 to move into the AP's Top 10.

Three weeks later, a struggling Florida team came to Baton Rouge off a bad loss at home to Mississippi. The Tigers were feeling full of themselves, according to Saban, and fell 19-7 to the Gators — their season's only blemish.

"We came out flat as a pancake against Florida," Saban said. "I think from that point on the players bought into what we were saying. They knew they had to play hard all the time. They finally got it. I think it was an osmosis sort of thing with saying it so much that it finally sunk in."

Instead of screaming at his players after that loss, Saban offered words of encouragement.

The Tigers responded by winning their next seven games to make it to the Sugar Bowl.

"Basically, he kind of calmed us down after the Florida game," offensive lineman Rodney Reed said. "He said not to stress out trying to get better."

Saban came to LSU for the

2000 season, leaving Michigan State to take over a program full of potential and short on results. The Tigers had losing records in eight of the 11 years before Saban arrived.

But with a rich recruiting base in Louisiana and some of the game's most passionate fans, he built one of the top programs in the country.

LSU has 38 wins in his four seasons, the first Tigers coach to post four-consecutive winning seasons since Charles McClendon from 1976-79.

Saban learned the trade as an assistant to coaches like Don James, Earle Bruce, and George Perles in college and Jerry Glanville and Bill Belichick in the NFL.

His NFL ties have always raised questions about whether he would like to return to the pro game. He turned down NFL jobs with the Indianapolis Colts and New York Giants while at Michigan State, but his name surely will be linked to pro openings this year.

Finalists slipped in big games

BY JOSH DUBOW
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Jason White appeared to be a lock to win the Heisman Trophy until he flamed out in the Big 12 title game.

Luckily for Oklahoma's quarterback, he was not alone. Three of the four finalists for college football's most prestigious award had their worst games of the season with conference championships on the line.

In a sport where late losses often count much more than early ones in the rankings, White, Pittsburgh receiver Larry Fitzgerald, and Mississippi quarterback Eli Manning hope the same doesn't hold true when the Heisman is awarded Saturday night.

White threw at least two touchdown passes every game until wilting against the heavy pressure from Kansas State's defense on Dec. 6 in the Big 12 championship game.

White went 27-for-50 for 298 yards, no touchdowns, and two interceptions in the 35-7 loss,



White
Oklahoma



Manning
Ole Miss



Fitzgerald
Pittsburgh



Perry
Michigan

turning what looked like a Heisman runaway into a potentially close race.

"Some guys are sitting at home relaxing and not playing, and others are playing a championship game against one of the best teams you will play the entire year," Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops said. "I believe most people will take that into consideration."

White was the only finalist who played last weekend, after some of the 922 ballots had already been sent in.

Manning was at home after completing only 44 percent of his passes in a November showdown against LSU, costing Ole Miss a chance to play for the

SEC championship. Fitzgerald was recovering from a three-catch effort against Miami in a loss that cost the Panthers a share of the Big East title.

Only Michigan's Chris Perry — a long shot to win the award — delivered when it counted most. He capped a spectacular season with a 204-yard, two-TD game in a 35-21 victory against Ohio State that sent Michigan to the Rose Bowl.

"If he wins the Heisman Trophy, he will certainly be very deserving," Michigan coach Lloyd Carr said. "I think he had a great year playing against great competition. And in our biggest games, he had his biggest games."

This year's Heisman vote figures to be a two-man race between White and Fitzgerald, with the decision coming down to the definition of what "outstanding" really means.

The award for the "most outstanding player" is usually limited to quarterbacks or running backs — only six winners didn't play one of those two positions.

The winner also almost always plays for a top team, which hurts Manning and Fitzgerald.

Only one of the last 15 winners played for a team with as many losses as the three Manning's Rebels (9-3) had this season.

And only once since Notre Dame's Paul Hornung won the award on a losing team in 1956 had a winner played for a four-loss team like Fitzgerald's Panthers (Steve Owens, Oklahoma, 1969).

What also hurts Fitzgerald is that no sophomore has ever won the award, and no pure receiver has, either. Desmond Howard, Tim Brown, and Johnny Rodgers also returned kicks when they won the Heisman.

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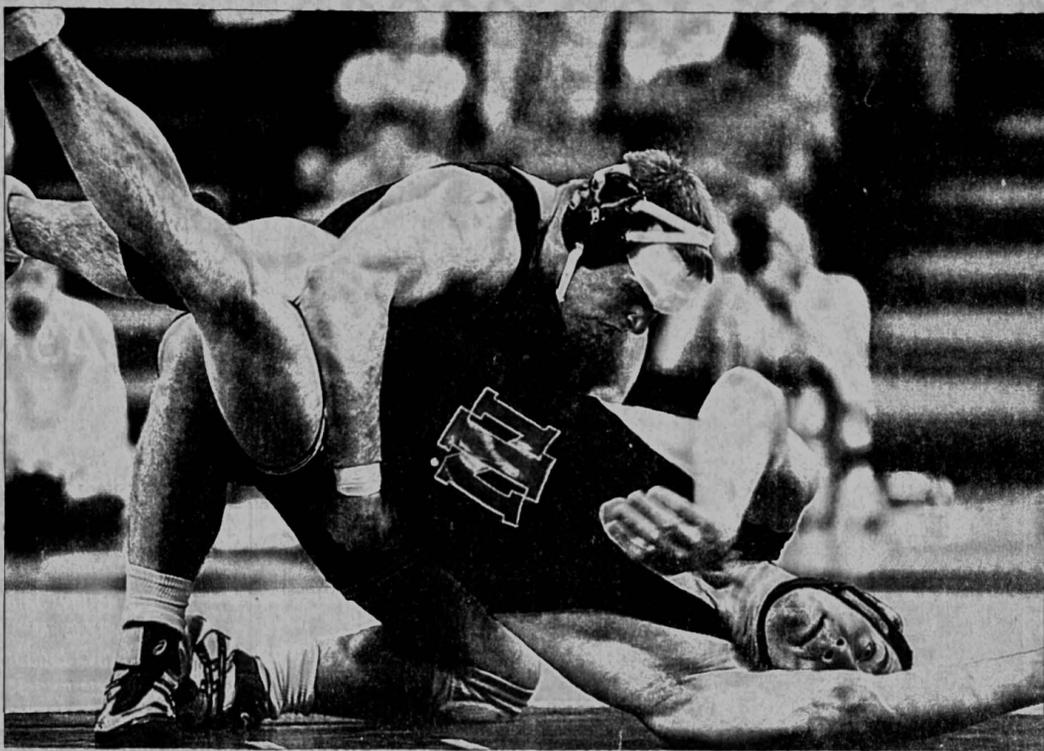
Because he is virtually the Panthers' only threat, he's repeatedly put in double and triple coverage, yet he still makes the play. One much-played highlight shows him catching a touch-down pass between not two, but three defenders. Any receiver who merits the attention of more than a quarter of the opposition's defenders certainly can't be dismissed because he lacks talent around him.

Then there's Eli Manning of Ole Miss, a preseason favorite, who passed for more than 3,400 yards even though he, like Fitzgerald, isn't surrounded by All-Americans. And Michigan's Chris Perry, who carried 51 times in a Nov. 1 win over Michigan State. They, too, are more deserving than White, and they will succeed in the NFL, where White won't.

This is not to slam White; he did his job and did it well. But the Heisman demands more than just performing up to expectations. Fitzgerald, only a sophomore, exceeded everyone's expectations in becoming one of the best college receivers in a long, long time. If his name isn't called Saturday night, it will demonstrate once again that the Heisman has become an award exclusively for big-name players on big-name teams, and that would be a shame.

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ISU loss inspired wounded Hawks



UI wrestler Paul Bradley dominates UNI's Eric Pendretti at Carver on Thursday night. Bradley won his match despite many delays because of an injury that required stitches.

Amanda May/The Daily Iowan

WRESTLING

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Zalesky said in the days following Hawkeyes' first loss to Iowa State in 31 tries, it wasn't just the coaches harping on the athletes' inadequacies.

"The coaches got their point across, but the athletes did, too," the seventh-year Hawkeye coach said.

Iowa senior Luke Eustice (125) and sophomore Paul

Bradley (184) padded the Hawkeyes' lead with a decision and major decision, while senior Ryan Fulsas scored the easiest six points of the night when the UNI forfeited at 197 pounds.

The Panthers, led by former Iowa all-American Brad Penrith, remain the underdog for the 28th time in the series between the two teams.

The Hawkeyes will now take an 18-day break until they travel to the Midlands

Championships in Evanston, Ill., on Dec. 29-30.

Moore was a 2001 Midlands Champion, while Nixt and Luke Eustice were runners-up in 2002.

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INDIVIDUAL MATCH RESULTS

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141 Cliff Moore (I) maj. dec. Dylan Long (UNI), 15-4
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174 Tyler Nixt (I) dec. Eric Hauan (UNI), 6-3
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133 Patrick Garcia (UNI) maj. dec. Trent Goodale (I), 14-3

Hawks look for revenge vs. 'Cats

BY ROSEANNA SMITH
THE DAILY IOWAN

Jennie Lillis swears she hasn't forgotten about Kansas State.

As she recounts watching the Wildcats' game against Purdue on Nov. 16, her eyes burn like old-time flashbulbs.

"Its highlights were against us, and you see it over and over. Every time you see Kansas State on TV, its highlights are against us. That eats at you, but at the same hand, it's not going to take you out of your game."

Last year, in Manhattan, Kan., the Hawkeyes were out of sorts facing the Wildcats. Kansas State smeared Iowa all over the floor like wet cat food, 103-60.

There wasn't much Iowa could do to counter guard Laurie Koehn, who returned to the lineup after missing two games and scored a career-high 33 points, shooting 11-15 from the field. The loss was the eighth-

worst in Iowa history and something Lillis can't get out of her mind.

"It was a game where you kind of had to forget it last year, but to have them on our home court this year, we're going to play hard, and we're going to do the things we need to do. Whether we win or not, who knows, but we're going to fight for it."

In order to do so, the Hawkeyes will not be able to afford to slouch on offense or defense. And because of last year's game, Iowa coach Lisa Bluder said on Wednesday that she would emphasize this point to the team in practice all week.

"I don't think we can let up in any area; I think we have to work hard in [everything]," she said. "I don't think you can have a weakness and come out with a win in this game."

In addition to Koehn, Nicole Ohlde, Kendra Wecker, and Megan Mahoney return. Ohlde averages 11.3 points per game;

she is also 6-5 and will likely create a mismatch at the post because of her height. Wecker leads the team in scoring and rebounding with 16.9 ppg and 9.4 rpg. Bluder said teams would often overlook Mahoney but noted that she recorded a triple-double in the team's last game against Saint Louis, which the Wildcats won, 94-54.

Kansas State runs a triangle offense, and Bluder said because of the Wildcats' impressive shot selection outside the 3-point line, the Hawkeyes will not rely only on zone formation.

In last year's game, the Hawkeyes were burned from behind the arc — Koehn and her teammates shot a scorching 65.2 percent (15-23). The 15 treys were the most ever allowed by an Iowa team in a single game.

To counter the offensive attack, Bluder said she hoped freshman Deb Remmerde would return to the lineup. The word on Remmerde is that she

has incredible range, and she has been shooting the ball in practice. She was originally slated to return on Dec. 3 against Iowa State, but after suffering a stress fracture in her left foot, she has not dressed yet this season.

The Hawkeyes will also need to keep their starters in the game. Against UNI, the Iowa bench played well in the absence of starters Jamie Cavey and Lillis, who had early foul trouble. On Dec. 3 at Iowa State, four starters fouled out of the double-overtime game.

Another key will be perhaps playing at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

"I hope Kansas State remembers [last year] and takes us lightly," Bluder said. "I hope it comes in overconfident, feeling really good about it, and maybe it won't prepare so hard this week. But knowing the coaching staff, they're not going to make that oversight."

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Bradley takes stitches, still wins match

What happened Thursday night was a first for both sophomore Paul Bradley and head trainer Matt Doyle.

Bradley, who suffered cuts above his right eye and on his forehead during practice on Monday earlier this week, got struck on the left side of his left eye by the forehead of opponent Eric Pedretti in the 184-pound match, and the cut began dripping blood onto the mat and onto Pedretti.

"It was pretty much all over his arm at one point I remember," Bradley recalled. "It was pretty gruesome."

Bradley had to step off the mat to get treated by Doyle for the fourth time during the match after the padding, gauze, tape, and Vaseline failed to do the trick, and that's when Doyle knew Bradley's only option was to get stitched up right beside the mat.

"It's pretty rare that you do sutures on the mat, so that was a first," said Doyle, who in his five years as the head trainer at Iowa has never stitched anyone up during a meet prior to Thursday.

Bradley, who was given a local anesthetic, said although that was the first time he had ever been stitched up on the mat, the only thing about the situation that hurt was that he wasn't able to get into the flow of the match after so many breaks. Bradley did, however, manage to cruise to an 11-4 victory over Pedretti.

— by Brian Triplett

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BY MICHAEL A
ASSOCIATED PR

HOUSTON (AP) — Pettitte followed back home to Houston a "gut-wrenching" Thursday to leave York Yankees and \$31.5 million, three

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To fill Pettitte's Yankees turned to Kevin Brown.

The Yankees agreed to the outline that would send Brown, Yankees and right-hander Weaver, two minor-league players, to \$3 million, two officials said on Thursday.

Brown, who turned 30 on Dec. 10, has the right to trade and has not asked about it, a Boras said. All players pass physicals, and the Yankees want to review contract before signing the swap, the officials said.

"We hate to lose Pettitte," Yankees general manager Steinbrenner said. "We know that he'll be disappointed, but counting us out doesn't bet the house."

With the Astros forming a powerful rotation that already includes Roy Oswalt and Vladimir Guerrero, Houston would be tough to beat.

Still, the Astros' signing on Octavio Dotson, closer Billy Wagner, Philadelphia to save "All I've known is I was winning," Pettitte wouldn't have come wouldn't have had a chance to win.

Sounding wistful, the 31-year-old said the Yankees pursue him again allowed him to turn to Houston, to up signing him for

Russell if he ret

BY MARK MA
WASHINGTON POS

Former Pro Bowl tackle Darrell Russell Thursday he is re-signing with the Redskins for next season he would have to receive an offer from team officials he would have an opportunity to play regularly.

Russell has received little playing time since the Redskins reinstated by the NFL drug suspension and by the Oakland Raiders remains a reserve starting defensive end Bernard Halsey a Dalton. Russell said problem with that is that he is "about halfway" from being a starting player that he would be going to said, he will need to play a significant role in the team for next season and be sold, 27, signed a contract with the Redskins that would end this season eligible for unrestricted agency in the off-season.

"As far as staying in the city, and I wouldn't really like to choice to make. It's or less like: What plans next year as

Pettitte, Brown on the move

BY MICHAEL A. LUTZ
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON (AP) — Andy Pettitte followed his heart back home to Houston, making a "gut-wrenching" decision Thursday to leave the New York Yankees and accept a \$31.5 million, three-year contract with the Astros.

After winning four World Series championships and six AL pennants in New York, Pettitte hopes his winning ways will help lead Houston to its first-ever title. And he'd like an old friend to join him — Pettitte is trying to get Roger Clemens to push back retirement and pitch for the Astros next season.

"I left him this morning. He's still working out with me. We'll see what happens," Pettitte said. "I know the media's already hit him up on that, and if I feel there's a chance, I'll hit him up on it, too."

To fill Pettitte's void, the Yankees turned their attention to Kevin Brown.

The Yankees and Dodgers agreed to the outline of a trade that would send Brown to the Yankees for right-hander Jeff Weaver, two minor leaguers, and \$3 million, two baseball officials said on the condition of anonymity.

Brown, who turns 39 in March, has the right to block a trade and has not yet been asked about it, agent Scott Boras said. All players must pass physicals, and the Yankees need to review Brown's contract before signing off on the swap, the officials said.

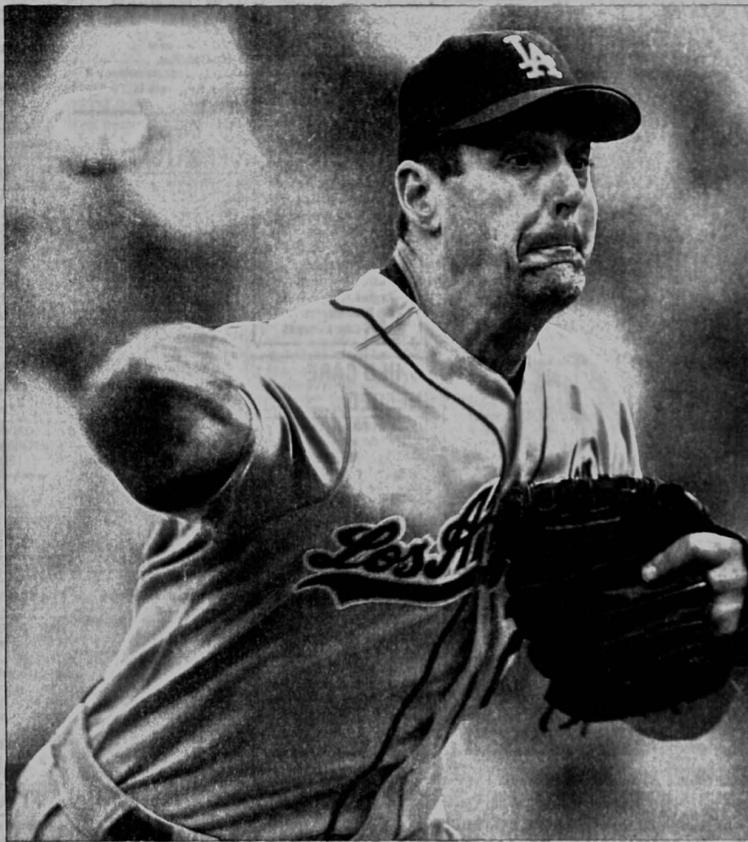
"We hate to lose Andy Pettitte," Yankees owner George Steinbrenner said in a statement. "We know the fans may be disappointed, but if you're counting us out next year, don't bet the house."

With the Astros, Pettitte forms a powerful front end of a rotation that already included Roy Oswalt and Wade Miller. If the Astros make it to the postseason, Houston's pitching would be tough to handle.

Still, the Astros are counting on Octavio Dotel to replace closer Billy Wagner, traded to Philadelphia to save money.

"All I've known in New York was winning," Pettitte said. "I wouldn't have felt I had a chance to win."

Sounding wistful at times, the 31-year-old left-hander said the Yankees' failure to pursue him aggressively allowed him to turn his attention to Houston, which wound up signing him for \$7.5 million



Paul Sancya/Associated Press

Hurler Kevin Brown will head cross-country, leaving the Dodgers for the Yankees. The Yankees need Brown to replace Andy Pettitte, who signed with the Houston Astros.

less than New York offered. "When I left there after [World Series] Game 6, I never really envisioned myself in a different uniform," Pettitte said. "I thought that they would try to make a serious push to sign me then."

New York's initial proposal, made just before Pettitte could start negotiations for all teams last month, was for \$30 million over three years, including some deferrals. The Yankees didn't make another offer until late Wednesday night.

Randy Hendricks, Pettitte's agent, told the Yankees during the day that Pettitte was on the verge of going to Houston and suggested that if New York wanted to catch his attention, the Yankees should offer a \$52 million, four-year contract. Even with that, Hendricks couldn't guarantee Pettitte would accept.

"At that level, we weren't comfortable," Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said. New York countered with a \$26 million, two-year offer

with a third season at \$13 million that would become guaranteed if Pettitte wasn't on the disabled list for much of 2005.

By then it was too late. "Over the last two weeks I felt my heart was really pushing me to come back here," Pettitte said.

Pettitte, who helped the Yankees win four World Series titles and six AL pennants, was 21-8 last season with a 4.08 ERA, improving his career record to 149-78.

Pettitte will get \$5.5 million next season, \$8.5 million in 2005 and \$17.5 million in 2006 — with \$7.5 million in the final season deferred until July 1, 2008, according to contract details obtained by the Associated Press.

In addition, the lack of a state income tax in Texas and not having a residence in New York will add to an annual savings of about \$1 million.

Pettitte lives in nearby Deer Park. His wife wanted him to sign with the Astros, but his father lobbied for the Yankees.

"I didn't think this would be a reality," Pettitte said. "But the fans of Houston in the past six weeks have just really embraced me. I'm a Houstonian and they've really let me know that."

He never considered the offer by the Red Sox.

"I'm a Yankee. That's all I know is Yankees," he said. "I just couldn't do that, to tell you the truth. I couldn't do that to my teammates."

With his departure, only Derek Jeter, Mariano Rivera, Bernie Williams, and Jorge Posada remain from the group that led the Yankees to titles.

"It's going to be a little strange," Yankee reliever Steve Karsay said. "It's going to be sad to see him go."

Clemens sounded surprised by the Yankees' bargaining.

"This is his guy," he told Sporting News Radio. "I think if they would have come and hit him hard early, no other team would have been able to sway him away."

Robbins, Giambi, Sheffield appear before grand jury

BY ROB GLOSTER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO — Baseball sluggers Jason Giambi and Gary Sheffield, boxer Shane Mosley, and Oakland Raiders teammates Bill Romanowski and Barret Robbins were among the latest athletes to appear before a grand jury probing a nutritional supplements lab.

Also appearing Thursday was Jeremy Giambi, the younger brother of Jason.

"It went good," Jason Giambi said as the brothers left the grand jury room, accompanied by agent Arn Tellem. "I can't really talk about it."

Sheffield, who is in the process of trying to work out a free agent contract with the New York Yankees, said his appearance went "all right" and flashed a thumbs-up sign as he entered an elevator near the grand jury room.

Jason Giambi plays for the Yankees. Jeremy Giambi played for the Boston Red Sox last season and is now a free agent.

Mosley's attorney, Judd Burstein, said the boxer testified "because the government wanted some information from him, and he was happy to provide it."

Federal investigators had asked for a sample of Mosley's urine taken after his Sept. 13 win over Oscar De La Hoya, a fight that took place in Las Vegas.

But Nevada deputy attorney general Keith Kizer said in October that the sample already had been discarded by the lab.

Burstein said in October that Mosley passed all drug and steroid tests performed after that fight. Burstein also said at that time that Mosley had used nutritional supplements from the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative, or BALCO.

Romanowski and Robbins were among four Raiders notified by the NFL last month that

they failed tests for THG, a source close to the investigation has told the Associated Press on condition of anonymity. The steroid was undetectable in drug tests until this summer.

Robbins, who has been diagnosed and treated for bipolar disorder and alcoholism, disappeared from the team on the eve of the Raiders' 48-21 loss to Tampa Bay in the Super Bowl last season.

Neither Romanowski nor Robbins commented after his grand jury appearance. Romanowski also did not comment when asked whether he had used steroids, or whether he had used THG.

Athletes from five sports — football, baseball, swimming, boxing, and track and field — have appeared before the grand jury. The group includes baseball's Barry Bonds; track star Marion Jones and her boyfriend, 100-meter world record-holder Tim Montgomery; seven NFL players, and Olympic champion swimmer Amy Van Dyken.

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Russell wants major role if he returns to Redskins

BY MARK MASKE
WASHINGTON POST

Former Pro Bowl defensive tackle Darrell Russell said Thursday he is receptive to re-signing with the Washington Redskins for next season but he would have to receive assurances from team officials that he would have an opportunity to play regularly.

Russell has received relatively little playing time since signing with the Redskins in late October, just after he was reinstated by the NFL from a drug suspension and released by the Oakland Raiders. He remains a reserve behind starting defensive tackles Bernard Holsey and Lionel Dalton. Russell said he has no problem with that setup at this point and acknowledged that he is "about 20 pounds away" from being the dominant player that he used to be.

But if he is going to return, he said, he will need to have a significant role in the team's plans for next season and beyond. Russell, 27, signed a contract with the Redskins that runs through the end of this season and he is eligible for unrestricted free agency in the off-season.

"As far as staying or going, a lot of it has to do with them, not so much me," Russell said. "I like the players here. I like the city, and to stay here wouldn't really be a hard choice to make. It's just more or less like: What are their plans next year as far as their

defense and where do they see me within the scheme? They already have great d-tackles. If I'm going to stay here, I guess I'd have to be part of it a little more. It just pretty much has to do with where do they see me fitting in from here on out."

The Redskins, like other NFL teams, were wary of Russell's history of off-field problems while contemplating whether to sign him. While on suspension by the league, reportedly for testing positive for ecstasy, Russell was charged with 25 felony counts for allegedly videotaping a woman being raped by his friends. Prosecutors dropped the charges in September 2002 because of a lack of evidence. Russell and the two men said the sex was consensual.

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BY DAVE GOLDBERG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Cincinnati Bengals are the NFL's feel-good story this season. The San Francisco 49ers are the most puzzling team: 6-1 at home, 0-6 on the road.

So it's little wonder that the Bengals are favored by three points — the home-field advantage — when the 49ers come to town Sunday.

Considering the disparity between the way San Francisco plays at home and on the road, that spread isn't much.

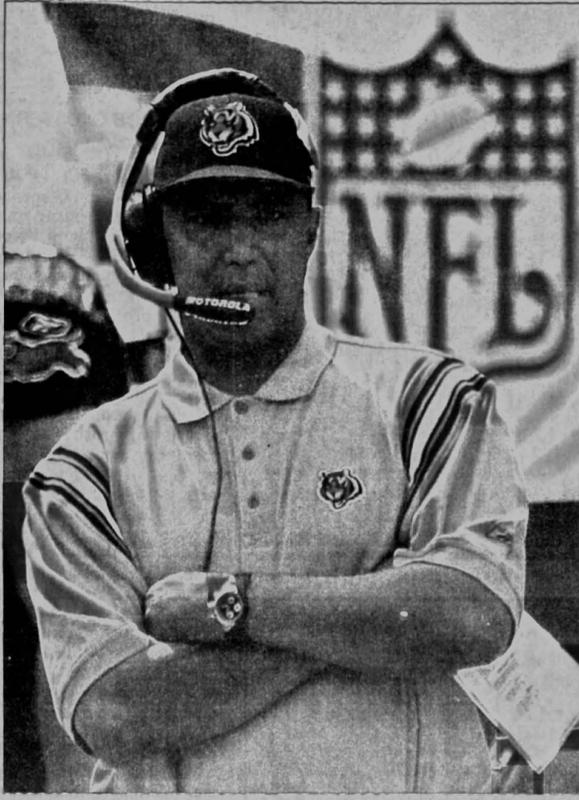
In six road losses, the 49ers have allowed an average of 27 points. In seven home games, they've outscored the opposition 219-82.

Despite that, San Francisco remains marginally alive for a wild-card playoff berth, although it would have to win its last three games and hope for a lot of help. Two of those games are on the road, which makes the postseason even more unlikely.

The Bengals are still in contention in the AFC North, a game behind Baltimore after their 31-13 loss last week to the Ravens.

"We'll be fine," says Marvin Lewis, a coach of the year contender after taking over a 2-14 team that had been the NFL's laughingstock for a decade.

BENGALS, 27-12.



Al Behrman/Associated Press

Cincinnati Bengals coach Marvin Lewis pulled his team from the bottom of the NFL and into playoff contention. Sunday, he takes on the 49ers.

Philadelphia (+ 2) at Miami

At least the Dolphins get warm weather this week after losing in the snow in New England. Jay Fiedler, who reinjured his knee last week, says he can play, but he might be limited.

The Eagles are a tiebreaker ahead of the Rams for home-field advantage in the NFC.

EAGLES, 24-22

Seattle (+ 7) at St. Louis

The Seahawks trail the Rams by two games in the NFC West. The Rams are 6-0 at home, Seattle is 1-5 on the road, and the Rams clinch the division with a win.

RAMS, 31-20

Dallas (pick 'em) at Washington

The Cowboys have lost three of four, but Bill Parcells' defense could be a problem for Tim Hasselbeck.

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Yet another shot at the division clincher for the Panthers.

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PACKERS, 34-17

Jacksonville (+ 7) at New England

The Patriots haven't allowed a touchdown in their last four home games. Byron Leftwich has shown promise, but he hasn't seen a Belichick defense yet.

PATRIOTS, 17-2

Buffalo (+ 6 1/2) at Tennessee

The Bills are back in form, and Steve McNair is limping again. But ...

TITANS, 22-17

Cleveland (+ 10) at Denver

Not THAT easy.

BRONCOS, 19-13

Pittsburgh (+ 3) at New York Jets

Which team is more disappointing?

STEELERS, 26-20

New York Giants (+ 7 1/2) at New Orleans

The Giants are playing backups for backups.

SAINTS, 30-7

Philadelphia (+ 2) at Miami

The Eagles are a tiebreaker ahead of the Rams for home-field advantage in the NFC.

EAGLES, 24-22

Seattle (+ 7) at St. Louis

The Seahawks trail the Rams by two games in the NFC West. The Rams are 6-0 at home, Seattle is 1-5 on the road, and the Rams clinch the division with a win.

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• 2.5 hrs/day, Food Service Assist., Lucas
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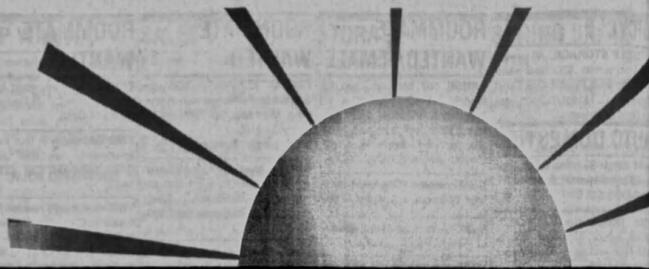
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

International law? I better call my lawyer. I don't know what you're talking about, about international law.

— President Bush, responding to a question about the U.S. decision to ban nations critical of the Iraq war from bidding on reconstruction contracts.



The Daily Break

calendar

- **Small Business Tax Workshop**, 8:30 a.m.-noon, S410 Pappajohn Business Building.
- **Talk of Iowa Live from the Java House**, independent bookselling, Jim Harris and Paul Ingram of Prairie Lights, 10 a.m., Java House, 211 E. Washington St.
- **Waco High School choir**, noon, UIHC Colleton Pavilion Atrium.
- **Holiday Tuba Music**, Collegium Tubum, 12:30 p.m., Pentacrest.
- **Provost Candidate public symposium**, 2:30 p.m., W151 Pappajohn Business Building.
- **Special Colloquium, "The Physics of Flight: 100 Years Since the Wright Brothers,"** Donald Gurnett, physics/astronomy, 3:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen Hall.
- **TOW Seminar Series, "What was lost is IS-LM,"** David Laidler, University of Western Ontario, 3:30 p.m., C121 Pappajohn Business Building.
- **Film Series: Cinemas of the Middle East and North Africa, Forget Baghdad**, by Samir, 7:30 p.m., 101 Becker Communication Studies Building.
- **Advanced Choreographic Design Concert**, 8 p.m., Space/Place, North Hall.



WHAT PEOPLE ARE DOING TO PREPARE FOR FINALS WEEK

by Jesse Ammerman

• Getting in shower and covering in fetal position until exams pass.

• Dusting off textbooks, finding something new to set TV on.

• Conducting intensive field research on widely disputed "Beer Before Liquor" theorem.

• Reflecting on all those mornings spent watching "The View" instead of attending class, trying vainly to remember if Star Jones had anything worthwhile to say about the fomentation of collective national identities in 17th-century Europe.

• Completing financial arrangements with professors to ensure grades suitable enough to impress parents.

• Neglecting personal hygiene to the point at which people on the Ped Mall give you spare change without even being prompted.

• Ritually sacrificing more goats to the high gods of macroeconomics.

• Seriously reconsidering the whole college thing.

public access schedule

- 7 a.m. Democracy Now
- 11 Beyond Words, True Prosperity
- 11:50 Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- Noon Black Margin
- 3:50 p.m. Bucking the Myth
- 4 Conversations
- 5 U.N. Report
- 5:30 The Good News
- 6 Gospel Explosion Ministry
- 7 Country Time Country
- 8 Eden
- 8:30 Professor Noodle
- 9 Balls to the Wall Nov. 13, 2002
- 9:30 In Christ's Image
- 10 Silvis Full Gospel
- 11 Tom's Guitar Show (Replay)

UITV schedule

- 6:30 p.m. Iowa Basketball with Steve Alford
- 7 Provost Search Forum (December 11th Candidate)
- 8 Provost Search Forum Luanna H. Meyer
- 9 Live from Prairie Lights featuring Fred Turner
- 10 Student Video Productions

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horoscopes

Friday, December 12, 2003

by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You will have more to do with younger people today. Listen to what they have to say. Their innocence will open your eyes and lead you in a better direction. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): You may be feeling a little unstable about your personal life. Don't make a big deal out of it. Focus on your work, and don't let innuendo cause you grief. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Mix business with pleasure, and you will have the best of both worlds today. Deals can be made, and progress achieved. Your imagination should draw interest in more ways than one.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Slow down your buying until you're clear about what you are worth. Unusual circumstances will surround your finances, so don't assume money will come in even if it has been promised.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You'll be riding a fragile crest at an emotional level. Don't set yourself up for a big fall. Romance is all around you, but you are looking in the wrong place. Open your eyes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Hidden matters are likely to surface at the most unsuitable time. A secret you've been hiding may be revealed in an unusual manner. Don't be tricked into telling someone something personal.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Offer your time to help those in need. The connections you make through volunteer work will shape the way you think in the future. This can be a life-altering day.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may have trouble getting things done today. Don't become frustrated with others. Someone may not be up-front with you about how he or she feels.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The opportunity to travel a short distance is apparent. Your restlessness will make you appear adventuresome, which is likely to attract someone you meet.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may be tempted to spend more than you should. Don't let anyone influence you with regard to money matters. Use your own judgment, and you will eliminate stress.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You will face some unruly opposition from a partner or loved one today. Step back, and do not retaliate. When things settle down, you will be able to sort through any complaints.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): If you aren't happy with your current job, or if you're unemployed, use your imagination, and strive to get a position that will make you feel good about what you are doing. Put your talents to work.

Little University

1. What genre of writing is honored by the Philip K. Dick Award?
2. What cosmetics company rescinded its job offer to Monica Lewinsky once the Clinton sex scandal broke out?
3. What south-central U.S. state invites the curious to travel from Ordinary to Oddville?
4. What ball team is known in South Central as the "Bling-Bling Dynasty"?
5. According to an Al Franken book title, what is Rush Limbaugh?

1. Science Fiction
2. Revision
3. Kentucky
4. The Los Angeles Lakers
5. A Big Fat Liar

DILBERT

by Scott Adams

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BY VIEV

THE CALL OF THE MILD

WELL, IT WAS NICE MEETING YOU, DAVE, BUT LUCKY AND I SHOULD GO HOME NOW.

SO... DO YOU KNOW THE WAY BACK, DAVE?

OF COURSE HE DOES, DON'T YOU, HONEY-BUNCHA?

HEY, NO PROBLEM, BABES.

WE JUST TURN AROUND AND FOLLOW OUR...

THANKS COOL.

...TRUCKS.

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

AND AMERICA APPRECIATES YOU, APPRECIATES YOUR SACRIFICE!

OKAY, IN TIGHT ON THE BIRD...

HOW GREAT IS THIS, RAY?

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BRING 'EM ON!

UM... OKAY, LET'S LOSE THAT IN THE EDIT.

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 1031

- ACROSS**
- Well statistic
 - Chalk ingredient
 - Gardener's accessory
 - Beethoven's "Für..."
 - Concrete
 - This might be at the end of the line
 - Like young Abe Lincoln
 - Puccini piece
 - Bay
 - Cartridge contents
 - Spooky star of "Mo' Mummy?"
 - Concert ticket
 - Under attack
 - Spooky star of "Broadcast Noose?"
 - Moralists' targets
 - Nightclub singer's aid
 - Upstate N.Y. college
 - Slangy insults
 - Restaurant row?
 - Impression
 - Marketing tools
 - Renaissance (historical reenactment)
 - Chart holder
 - Spooky star of "Monster M*A*S*H"?
 - Shadow
 - White house: Var.
 - Spooky star of "The Boos Brothers"?
 - Fraternity letter
 - "Major" animal
 - Well
 - Arise
 - Parade stopper
 - Get
 - Feudal lord
 - Confined
 - Really big show
 - Rodeo ring?
- DOWN**
- Kosher
 - Spirit
 - Lets go
 - "That wasn't nice!"
 - Primes
 - One way around town
 - Digest (classic aviation magazine)
 - Reposed
 - Manhandle
 - Cast member
 - Glow
 - "Prizzi's Honor" heroine
 - Not in the
 - Biblical verb ending
 - Biblical brother
 - Wings
 - Mother of Ares
 - "Tristia" poet
 - Computer text format
 - In (prior to birth)
 - Large jazz group
 - Piggy
 - Bibliographical content

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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Puzzle by Earl L. Martin III

- French tire
- Popular appetizer
- Off-target
- Third-column stat
- Seize
- Jazz's Carmen
- Sink
- Charge
- Animal with curved horns
- Midwife's act
- Needle, for short
- Love signs
- Modern ice cream flavor
- Bug group?: Abbr.

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BY RA. CHANDRASE WASHINGTON

BAGHDAD - Iraqi President Hussein was captured out a shot on the Dec. 13 by American soldiers who discovered him hiding in the dark underground tunnels of his home town, Uday Hussein's secretary officials said.

Saddam was discovered by a team of soldiers from the U.S. Army's 4th Infantry Division, military officials said. He was spirited to Baghdad, officials said, where he was subjected to a medical examination.

tioning that could lead to a trial and crimes against humanity.

Within hours of the capture, the man who was the absolute power almost three decades ago, he had been tormented by a minute meeting at a facility at Baghdad International Airport, the country's new leader, Saddam had his

"He had no remorse," said a U.S. official. "He was a member of the U.S.-appointed Council. He remained defiant," said a U.S. official.

lim politician. "He was all apologetic. He had excuses for his capture."

However, Lt. Gen. Sanchez, the commander in chief of the 4th Infantry, said the 66-year-old leader as "a tired man who resigned to his fate."

The capture of Saddam, who appeared exhausted and

SEE SADDAM

SMILING C

President Bush Christmas present

See story, Page 1

For home trips

BY MEGHAN THE DAILY IOWAN

Nearly 35,000 lined the streets of Sunday night as Christmas traditions "Aisle of Lights," Coralville woman 2

The first year, Megan, now 79, trimmed way with 35 bag c being inspired by homes. The following neighbors helped t

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↑ 36 ..
↓ 25 ..