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Democratic presidential hopeful Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., is seen on a large television monitor as he answers a question while his competitors listen during the Democratic debate in Manchester, N.H., on Thursday night.

Dems clash (softly) in debate

BY DAVID S. BRODER AND DAN BALZ
WASHINGTON POST

GOFFSTOWN, N.H. — John Kerry and Howard Dean defended themselves against charges that they are too liberal to defeat President Bush as the Democratic presidential candidates met Thursday night for

the final debate before the Jan. 27 New Hampshire primary. Challenged on how he would deal with Republican charges that his values are too liberal for the country, Dean, the former Vermont governor, said he was "more conservative on money" than Bush and would leave most new gun regulation to the states.

Kerry, the Massachusetts senator, said that if the Republicans try to paint him as one of the most liberal Democrats in the Senate, he would say, "I fought in Vietnam, I was a prosecutor, I supported welfare reform, and I have been a hunter all my life." Dean, who rode his opposition to the war in Iraq to lead in the

New Hampshire polls, now faces a major threat from Kerry, who scored an upset win in Monday's Iowa caucuses. Retired Gen. Wesley Clark, who skipped Iowa and has drawn large crowds here, defended his Democratic Party credentials, saying he had voted

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Public-utility idea to go before voters

BY WILLIAM MIKESSELL
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa City residents who have been pushing for a municipal electrical utility presented a sufficient number of signatures to the Iowa City City Council on Thursday to force a referendum on the issue in November 2005.

Members of Citizens for Public Power collected more than 1,200 signatures in support of a municipal nonprofit energy distributor after two years of pressure to decommission MidAmerican Energy Co.

Municipal-utility advocates, backed by a feasibility study from a Cedar Rapids-based consulting firm, argue that the city could save \$60 million to \$83 million in 25 years if the city purchases infrastructure from MidAmerican and sets up its own utility.

The study assessed the impending utility rate increases and projected revenues from municipal control, said Robert Latham, the president of Latham & Associates Inc. of Cedar Rapids. The financial gains could lower the energy rate, increase city revenue, or both, the study found.

MidAmerican officials dismissed the report, saying it's based on faulty assumptions. "From the perspective of costs, services, and reliability, MidAmerican Energy is a much better option for the city," said Todd Raba, the senior vice president of MidAmerican's energy-delivery service.

He said there were several inconsistencies in the study's data, including the assumption that energy rates will increase 2 percent each year. An agreement with the Iowa Utilities Board guarantees MidAmerican will not raise rates until at least 2010, he said, and the company hasn't had an increase since 1995. He added that municipal-utility supporters also underestimate the cost of purchasing the infrastructure.

Latham said up to six loopholes in the rate-freeze stipulation could cause the kilowatt-per-hour charges to rise. Even if they don't, the longevity of the municipality will be kept costs lower.

"When it really comes down to it, we believe our analysis was accurate," he said, adding that his report even found a municipal utility the best option with higher interest rates and doubled property values.

No matter the accuracy of either study or the results of the referendum, the City Council is not forced to take any action, said Carol Spaziani, the chairwoman of Citizens for Public Power. If citizens vote for the public utility, the council is recommended, but not required, to purchase the utility at a meeting with the Iowa Board of Utilities, she said.

The municipal-energy proposal will be discussed at a council meeting Feb. 2.

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UI scientists study effects of alcohol on immune system

BY SEUNG MIN KIM
THE DAILY IOWAN

In ongoing efforts to study the effects of chronic alcoholism on the human immune system, which makes users more susceptible to infectious diseases, UI Hospitals and Clinics scientists have conducted the first successful experiments in the country using mice for research involving long-term alcohol use.

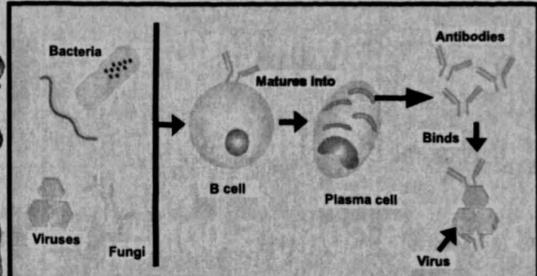
The five-year study, titled "Alcohol and Immune Dysfunction," began in September 2003, when the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism endowed UI pathology Professors Robert Cook and Thomas Waldschmidt, along with Annette

Schlueter, a UI assistant professor of pathology, with a \$6.3 million grant for the research.

Now, Waldschmidt said, the researchers have successfully shown that habitual alcohol use decreases the B-cell count in mice, the first step in uncovering the intricacies of the immune system in a complicated study that could not ethically be performed on humans.

"We asked, 'Are we seeing the same thing in mice as we are in humans?'" Waldschmidt said. "The answer is yes, so now, we're asking more detailed questions and looking at the B-cells more closely."

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How the B-cells in the immune system normally work: B-cells make antibodies, proteins that circulate the body and attack pathogens, which live outside cells. Pathogens are bacteria that can cause infectious diseases such as pneumonia and sepsis, an infection of the blood.

Source: DI research

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Survivor of clinic bombing keeps the faith

BY MARY BETH LARUE
THE DAILY IOWAN

In the lobby of the Iowa House, Emily Lyons pulls up her pant legs to reveal scars from a 1998 abortion-clinic bombing. As she runs her hand over her shin, the former nurse does not flinch but describes the agony of a skin graft that used half of her calf to replace her shin.

"It took me a long time to be comfortable enough to touch my leg," she said. "The first time I touched, it was an accident, but it has gotten better since then."

Her story brought looks of amazement to the faces of 170 Thursday evening who gathered for the Emma Goldman Clinic's annual Choice Dinner at the IMU, at which Lyons

was the keynote speaker. The event celebrated the 31st anniversary of the landmark *Roe v. Wade* decision.

On the day of the bombing, she arrived at the New Woman All Women Health Care clinic in Burlington, Ala. at 7:30 a.m. Three minutes later, a pipe bomb filled with nails exploded, killing the clinic's security guard and leaving Lyons unconscious in a pool of blood.

The six years since the life-altering blast have been marked with painful surgeries and recuperation. The 47-year-old mother of two has undergone 19 surgeries and still cringes at the mention of her ruptured eardrums.

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Emily Lyons gets a hug from Roxanne Lindamin following her speech Thursday evening in the IMU. Lyons spoke about recovering from a bomb attack on her life and about women's right to choose abortion.

Senate budget action boon for local rain forest

BY TODD DVORAK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — Plans to build an indoor rain forest and education center in Coralville got a major boost Thursday when the Senate passed a spending bill that includes \$50 million for the project.

The project, called the Iowa Environmental/Education Project, carries a \$180 million price tag, features a 4.5 acre rain forest and a 1 million gallon aquarium, and is expected to create 300 permanent jobs and draw 1.5 million visitors annually.

The federal money, which has been criticized by some lawmakers and media as classic pork-barrel spending, was included in a \$373 billion year-end spending bill that finances most federal agencies and now awaits the signature of President Bush.

"This is a red-letter day for the project and, more importantly, the state of Iowa," said David Oman, the project's chief administrator. "There is only one other project like this in the world, and this we hope will be huge for our state."

The Senate approved the 1,182-page bill by a bipartisan

65-28 vote. The House passed it in December.

Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, led the fight to get the \$50 million included in the bill and defended spending federal money on a rain forest in the nation's heartland as a boon for education, the environment, and economy.

"This nonprofit, green construction project that would be built on an old brownfield site is forward-looking and provides numerous educational and economic opportunities for Iowa," Grassley said in a statement Thursday.

The project is the dream of Des Moines businessman Ted Townsend, who runs a company founded by his father who invented machines that strip rind from pork and stuff hot dogs at high speeds.

Townsend has pledged \$10 million, the city of Coralville has vowed to kick in a \$15 million in-kind donation, and an undisclosed utility company signed a letter of intent to donate \$15 million, project officials say.

With the federal money, Oman said that leaves approximately

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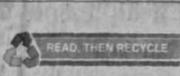
ROOTS ROCKIN'

Jamie Cavey will feel right at home during the women game on Jan. 25. See story, page 1B



NO DOLLARS LEFT BEHIND

School officials criticize the president's education program for lack of funding. See story, page 4A



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NEWS

Diners chow down Down Under

BY MEGHAN SIMS
THE DAILY IOWAN

A recording of a didgeridoo resonated from the IMU Main Lounge on Thursday as patrons moved through the buffet line to their seats. Seashells spilled from a cornucopia of flowers, and a large painting of Sydney's Opera House hung behind three men serving the "Lunch with the Chefs" meal, which commemorated Australia Day, Jan. 26.

Now in its fourth year, the IMU Food Service program features monthly meals from cultures around the globe. Last fall, the chefs awakened tastebuds with such inventive creations as a medieval-style Harry Potter "Lunch at Hogwarts" and Greek and Russian cuisine. Thursday's theme proved to be a favorite among veteran clientele.

Many of those in attendance did not know what to expect of native Australian dishes, and they were pleasantly surprised by the fish chowder, salad of roasted beetroot, and poached chicken with mango relish. They stopped at the dessert table, an interpretation of the Great Barrier Reef, snagging the most delectable piece of Sticky Toffee pudding they could find.

"Today is the best. Everything is consistently excellent," said Anne Frankfurt, a secretary in the UI College of Dentistry. "This chowder is exceptional."

Lunch partner Judy Heilman, a dental-school research assistant, said her favorite was February 2003's all-chocolate menu, which included sweet and sour sauces and bittersweet soups in addition



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan

UI chefs serve up Australian fare on Thursday during their monthly "Lunch with the Chefs" event in the IMU.

to traditional chocolate desserts.

At \$6.50 for five courses, the lunch is a bargain. However, of the more than 250 people the lunch averages, Tom Searls, the IMU retail operations manager, said he expects fewer than 20 UI students will take advantage of the reasonably priced fine dining, a situation he is trying to remedy.

"In the past, we marketed more toward the general public," he said. Food Services is now trying to attract more students, he said, adding that location is an obstacle in interesting

younger clientele.

"There are people who have been here a semester who don't know the River Room exists," he said.

UI senior Jacek Pruski was one of the few students present. Now that his schedule allows for it, he said, he would definitely come back for seconds.

"The food's delicious, obviously, but I had no idea it was such a lively event," he said.

Searls is grateful for the collaboration of the various foreign-language departments on lunch ideas, and the volunteer

efforts of older community members who consistently attend. The president of the "Andy Griffith" fan club played the show's songs on the piano for November's Southern-inspired lunch, and the "Harry Potter" lunch originated from customers' menu suggestions.

In February, valentines can escort their dates to the Italian Love Fest. March's special is Spanish cuisine, and April remains a surprise.

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CITY

Man arrested for stealing clothing, car

A Coralville man was arrested on Wednesday for allegedly stealing a variety of clothing, accessories, and electronics from a residential home and driving a woman's vehicle without her knowledge.

Roger Loveless was charged with third-degree burglary and operating a vehicle without the owner's consent. According to court records, the 34-year-old allegedly went to the house, violating a domestic no-contact order.

He then allegedly forced his way into the residence and allegedly stole 10 CDs, a pair of jeans, one pair of lounge pants, one pair of ladies' gloves, one neckwarmer, one Walkman, one stocking cap, one duffel bag, and a pair of headphones, according to court records. He also allegedly left in her car, according to the records.

The owner of the residence later returned to discover the car missing. Loveless returned with the car soon after. He is being held in the Johnson County Jail on a \$15,000, cash-only bond.

— by Seung Min Kim

POLICE LOG

Moon Rye Chin, 42, 65 Arbury Drive, was charged Thursday with serious domestic assault. Chin allegedly assaulted her husband, causing scratches on his upper left chest — which the couple's two children witnessed.

Larry Hook Jr., 24, 829 Hudson Ave., was charged Wednesday with two counts of assault causing injury. On Dec. 21, 2003, Hook allegedly grabbed and pushed one of his accusers to the ground at 2012 Taylor Dr., causing a bloody nose and abrasions. According to police records, he allegedly twice punched a second person in the face while in a vehicle, resulting a bloody and swollen lip.

Suzette Lauritson, 18, 304 S. Summit St. Apt. 202, was charged on Wednesday with forgery after she allegedly purchased \$50.36 worth of merchandise from Deli Mart. According to court records, she allegedly wrote a check for the merchandise from a handbook that was not her own, and she later allegedly admitted she did not know from where it came. She was released Thursday on her own recognizance.

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Law-dean hopeful known as a feminist trailblazer

BY CHRISTINA PREISS
THE DAILY IOWAN

Christina Brooks Whitman, the first woman hired as a professor at the University of Michigan Law School, now hopes to become the UI law school's first female dean.

Whitman is the second of seven candidates to visit the College of Law in hopes of taking the job. Dean N. William Hines will leave when he steps down in June. The Francis A. Allen Collegiate Professor of Law and professor of women's studies at Michigan fielded questions on fund raising, diversity, and strengthening the school's prestige at a forum Thursday evening.

Adrien Wing, a law professor and the dean search-committee chairwoman, said Whitman was being considered because of her lengthy experience as a scholar and administrator.

As a professor in the 1980s, Whitman personalized a course about sex equality and the law by

holding class at home, which allowed her to take care of her newborn. Built to accommodate her schedule, the class became a fixture in her teaching load.

"I wanted to be a model [for my students] of being a professional and also having a family life," she said. It's that extra attention that makes her work so inspirational, co-workers said.

"She is such a strong advocate for women," said Sarah Zearfoss, an assistant dean of admissions for Michigan Law School, adding that she considers Whitman a mentor. "She was a law professor when many women were not in law."

Whitman witnessed the U.S. Supreme Court's affirmative-action ruling in June that concerned the



Christina Brooks Whitman
UI law school candidate

Michigan Law School's admissions process.

"We loved that the ruling was upheld by the Supreme Court," she said. "We were worried that students would feel somewhat targeted."

Whitman received her B.A. with honors, M.A. in Far Eastern Languages and Literature, and J.D. with high honors from the University of Michigan.

She clerked for Judge Harold Leventhal of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit and then Justice Lewis Powell of the U.S. Supreme Court. Whitman is a former associate dean for academic affairs, and she specializes in constitutional law, torts, and feminist jurisprudence.

The rest of the candidates will appear at the UI through Feb. 11, after which the field will be narrowed to three candidates. UI President David Skorton will make the final selection.

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STATE

Vilsack appoints new student regent

Gov. Tom Vilsack on Thursday announced the appointment of a University of Northern Iowa junior as the student representative to the state Board of Regents.

Jenny Rokes, 21, of Dike will replace 2003 UI alum Neala Arnold pending a two-thirds vote of approval by the state Senate. Arnold resigned her seat in December after deciding against returning to graduate school in order to teach kindergarten.

Rokes, a 2001 graduate and valedictorian of Dike-New Hartford High School, works as a resident assistant at UNI, volunteers as a middle school tutor, and has made the Dean's List four times.

"This is a great opportunity to have an influence on the decisions that affect the quality of our state universities," the history-education major said in a statement. "I look forward to representing the interests of the students and to help enrich and expand the education opportunities that the state regents' universities offer."

Arnold said she plans to help Rokes accustom herself to her new responsibilities at the IMU. Feb. 18-19 meeting at the IMU.

— by Brian Spannagel

State hits jackpot with caucuses

DUBUQUE (AP) — The caucus director for the Iowa Democratic

Party estimates that the Iowa caucuses injected as much as \$100 million into the state's economy.

"You really had a lot of campaign staff and volunteers on the ground over the past six, eight months, and they did a lot of spending," Ben Foecke said.

He noted Iowa played host to thousands of campaign staffers and volunteers over the past several months, not to mention the 900 members of the national and international media who descended on the state over the course of the campaign. Those visitors spent on everything from hotel rooms and car rentals to meals in Iowa's restaurants and drinks in its bars.

U.S. embracing Big Brother

BY WILLIAM MIKESSELL
THE DAILY IOWAN

Couch potatoes, beware — a UI assistant communications studies professor sees reality television eating away the nation's privacy.

The boom in reality programming has normalized a surveillance society in which Americans are watched by cameras on street corners and tracked through credit-card use, chipping away their personal lives, said Mark Andrejevic, the author of *Reality TV: The Work of Being Watched*. The 272-page commentary on the TV phenomenon warns that 21st-century society no longer fears the watchful totalitarian state warned of by George Orwell and fueled by 1950s McCarthyism.

"Big Brother is no longer this type of totalitarian specter but is a game show. Big Brother is fun," Andrejevic said from his office decorated with critical media theory and Marxist literature.

The loss of privacy does not pose a great menace to a culture accustomed to situations in which protagonists are hounded by cameras 24 hours per day. Uncensored celebrity shows are as popular as the stars they depict, he said.

Big Brother is no longer this type of totalitarian specter but is a game show. Big Brother is fun.

— Mark Andrejevic, author

"You get habituated to this notion that it's not so creepy anymore to be watched all the time," said Andrejevic, who taught a class on reality television in the fall. "Being watched all the time becomes something cool to do."

As he researched his book, Andrejevic learned that producers of the first "Real World" TV series found it difficult to find people willing to subject themselves to a 24-hour surveillance despite lavish offerings. But the need to provide inexpensive programming to audiences bored with scripted sitcoms and dramas led to the explosion of interactive shows, he said.

What concerns Andrejevic more than the real or potential threats to privacy is the blur between popularity contests and politics.

"Anymore, we're taught that democratic participation is the

same thing as choosing one favorite candidate on reality TV," he said, adding that more people watch reality shows than political events.

Despite the term "reality," he says audiences understand the situations are contrived. But the emotional reactions that attract viewers reinforce the notion that surveillance can create "life-changing events."

Not all reality TV junkies believe they are letting Big Brother rule their lives. UI freshman Kaitlyn Viater, who watches at least two hours of reality television per day, said she used to have concerns but stopped thinking about being watched over time. Reality television, she said, is "really taking up a lot of my time."

The trend of going to the extreme of exposing the most disgusting and obscene video or the most unusual situations usually just traumatizes contestants, Andrejevic said, but that can present social commentary that would normally remain buried.

"Sometimes, not deliberately, shows such as 'The Simple Life' and 'Rich Girls' start to deal with issues of social class," he said.

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NEWS

STATE

Priest gets year for kiddie porn

DES MOINES (AP) — A Roman Catholic priest convicted for downloading images and movies of child pornography on a laptop computer he used to publish a church newspaper was sentenced Thursday to one year in prison.

The Rev. Richard Poster, the former director of liturgy and publisher of the newspaper for the diocese in Davenport, pleaded guilty in August to receiving pictures of children engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

Federal sentencing guidelines gave U.S. District Judge Ronald Longstaff a range of 21-to-27 months in Poster's case. But the judge departed from the guidelines and opted for a lower sentencing window, citing Poster's commitment to recovery and taking responsibility for his behavior since his arrest 14 months ago.

"Rev. Poster has committed himself to a rehabilitation program that took one year of his life," Longstaff said. "As such, I find he does qualify for departure for his efforts in that regard."

Doctor claims IBP had him fired

CEDAR RAPIDS (AP) — Trial began this week in a case in which a doctor claims a pork-processing company pressured a medical clinic into firing him for prescribing rest for injured employees instead of returning them to work.

IBP did not employ or have anything to do with the termination of Branimir Catipovic from the People's Community Health Clinic in Waterloo, said IBP attorney Robert Houghton.

Catipovic was fired on Sept. 27, 1999, the day he returned from a three-week vacation from his native Croatia, his attorney, Kevin Visser said.

Catipovic was in the United States on visa conditions that required him to practice medicine for three years in an underserved area. At the end of three years, Catipovic would be rewarded with a green card and would be allowed to work in the country without restriction. He was forced to leave the country when he was fired because he had only worked two years.

Officials take aim at No Child Left Behind

BY AMY LORENTZEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — State and local education officials criticized standards set forth in the No Child Left Behind Act on Thursday, the day before a list was released showing that 145 Iowa schools failed to meet those requirements.

Some education officials and lawmakers say the federal education initiative isn't adequately funded and sets unrealistic — but high stakes — testing standards.

"Our big struggle with compliance right now is that the testing procedures are not funded, and they are a real strain," said Kathi Slaughter, a spokeswoman for the Iowa Department of Education. "Schools don't have the staff to do this."

Judy Jeffrey, an administrator for the state Education Department, said being on the list doesn't mean the schools are failing.

"What you have to understand is that schools and districts who will be on this watch list ... are on simply

that, a watch list. They are not yet deemed a school or district in need of improvement," she told lawmakers on Thursday. "It is sort of a warning to them that means you have to get the scores or the points that you need."

Most of the schools were on the list because they failed to test at least 95 percent of their students, she said.

That includes testing of 95 percent of students in subgroups such as minorities and students with disabilities.

"At many of the buildings, because of the size of our school districts, there are not enough students [in each subgroup] for testing, Jeffrey said.

Under the federal law, test scores are used as a form of accountability for schools. If schools on the watch list don't meet their goals, they'll end up on the "Schools in Need of Assistance" list in August. Schools on that list must give parents the choice to send their children to other schools within the district — with the district paying for transportation.

Of the fourth-grade students in Iowa who were tested last year, the data show that only around 70 percent of them were proficient in reading and mathematics. Under the No Child Left Behind Act, all students in the state are to be at or above proficient level by 2014.

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Congress passes huge budget bill

BY RICHARD SIMON
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON — Congress on Thursday sent to President Bush a \$328.5 billion spending bill that clears the way for new rules dealing with gun purchases, media ownership, and overtime pay.

The measure is packed with pet projects, including \$50 million for an indoor rain forest near Iowa City and \$200,000 for the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland, designed to curry favor with voters back home.

The measure, which cleared the House last December, will fund a wide range of Cabinet departments and government agencies for fiscal 2004, which began Oct. 1, 2003. Its approval comes as Congress readies for a bruising election-year budget battle over Bush's 2005 spending plan, which will be unveiled Feb. 2.

Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., called the measure a "Frankenstein of a bill." And during the debate Wednesday, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a critic of what he estimated is \$11 billion in "pork-barrel" spending in the measure, urged: "Veto this bill, Mr. President."

But Bush said he would sign the bill, which includes funding for some of his initiatives, including \$2.4 billion for combating AIDS worldwide and a \$423 million boost in the FBI's efforts against terrorism. It also allows the administration to move ahead with controversial rules that would limit overtime pay, let big media companies buy more TV stations, and delay implementation of country-of-origin food labeling.

In a statement, Bush said he was pleased that the bill "stays within the spending limits I proposed, which is necessary as we work to cut the deficit in half over the next five years."

But Jill Lancelot, the president of Taxpayers for Common Sense, a Washington-based budget watchdog group, decried legislators' lack of fiscal discipline. "Lawmakers see this as the kickoff for the 2004 re-election campaigns," she said. "They can now go back home with their pockets full of goodies for their constituents, leaving a huge crater of a budget deficit behind in Washington."

The measure includes a provision, supported by the National Rifle Association, that will require the destruction of records on background checks for gun purchases within 24 hours if law-enforcement officials find no immediate red flags; currently, records can be saved for 90 days.

Democrats objected to Republican leaders stripping a provision that would have blocked

the Labor Department from implementing a new overtime rule, which, critics say, will deny overtime pay to up to 8 million workers. Both houses of Congress last year voted to block the rule, but Bush threatened to make the spending measure his first veto if it tied his hands.

A veto threat also led GOP leaders to allow media companies to become larger than many lawmakers wanted. House and Senate majorities earlier had voted to oppose a Federal Communications Commission decision permitting a media company to own TV stations reaching 45 percent of the U.S. viewers, up from 35 percent. But GOP leaders, fearing a veto, raised the cap to 39 percent.

Some lawmakers — Republicans as well as Democrats — also objected to the two-year delay in the requirement for country-of-origin labels on meat, an issue that gained prominence after last month's discovery of a case of mad-cow disease in Washington state.

"We can drive a vehicle on the surface of Mars, and we cannot put labels on meat?" said Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., who held up a package of steak on the Senate floor. "Total nonsense."

But Sen. Robert Bennett, R-Utah, said the delay in food labeling was a compromise. House members wanted to kill the program, which they regard as costly and difficult for the food industry to implement. Several GOP senators who favor labeling said they had been assured by party leaders that the Senate would reconsider the issue later this year.

In the end, however, the hundreds of home-state projects packed into the bill — and the politically riskier alternative of failing to pass a spending bill and leaving funding for many programs at last year's lower levels — made the package too difficult for most lawmakers to resist in an election year.

"There are provisions in this bill that I would have preferred be different," said Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn. But, he added, "It is time to move on."

In a preview of the fight over the 2005 budget, Democrats accused Republicans of caving in to White House pressure and putting the interests of business ahead of the interests of workers.

"By all means, let us satisfy the White House, forgetting, I guess, that there are separate branches in the government," Dorgan said during the debate this week. Democrats said they would look for other ways to try to block the overtime rules and implement the country-of-origin food labeling sooner.

"These issues will not go away," Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., vowed.

NATION

Gibson's Christ movie draws Jewish fire

NEW YORK (AP) — Representatives of two Jewish groups who attended screenings of Mel Gibson's upcoming movie *The Passion of the Christ* said Thursday it contained offensive stereotypes about the Jewish role in the crucifixion. The American Jewish Committee, which sent its interfaith experts to church screenings in Florida and

Illinois, said the movie contained "unnecessary and destructive imagery of Jews" and "represents a disturbing setback" to relations between Jews and Christians.

Abraham Foxman, the national director of the Anti-Defamation League, who has accused Gibson of holding anti-Semitic views, saw the film for the first time Wednesday night in Florida. He said it is an "unambiguous portrayal of Jews as being responsible for the death of Jesus."

Ex-Rep. Janklow gets 100 days

FLANDREAU, S.D. (AP) — Bill Janklow, who dominated South Dakota politics for three decades as governor and then congressman, was sentenced to 100 days in jail Thursday for an auto accident that killed a motorcyclist and ended Janklow's career in disgrace. After 30 days behind bars, Janklow will be allowed to leave jail

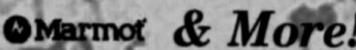
during the day for up to 10 hours to perform community service. After he completes his jail term, he will be on probation for three years, during which he will not be allowed to drive.

The 64-year-old Republican was found guilty on Dec. 8 of second-degree manslaughter, speeding, and running a stop sign in a collision that killed 55-year-old motorcyclist Randy Scott at a rural intersection on Aug. 16.

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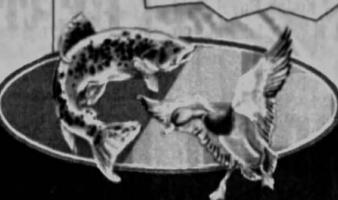
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Embattled Sharon says he won't resign

BY RAMIT PLUSHNICK-MASTI
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JERUSALEM — Ariel Sharon said Thursday will not resign as prime minister, despite corruption allegations and the looming possibility he could be indicted in the coming weeks.

A real-estate developer was indicted Wednesday on charges of bribing Sharon with \$690,000, and Justice Ministry officials said they would decide within weeks or months whether to indict the prime minister for accepting bribes. Such charges would only be filed if prosecutors are convinced Sharon had criminal intent.

"I am not about to resign. I emphasize, I am not about to resign. I am busy with work from morning to night, and I do not intend to make time for issues that are under investigation," Sharon told the *Yediot Achronot* newspaper. Sharon's aides confirmed the remarks.

At a meeting of backers of his ruling Likud Party on Thursday afternoon, Sharon said: "I plan to keep serving as prime minister and as Likud chairman until 2007 at least," according to the *Yediot* Web site.

Eyal Arad, a close associate of Sharon, also said the prime minister "does not intend to resign."

Sharon said the burgeoning scandal would not deflect his attention from what he considers to be more pressing issues, including a hearing at the world court in The Hague, Netherlands, on the legality of a barrier Israel is building in the West Bank.

An Israeli court on Wednesday indicted real-estate developer David Appel for allegedly bribing Sharon. The indictment raises the chances Sharon will be indicted as well and further clouds hopes for a renewal of stalled peace efforts.

A Dahaf Institute poll published in *Yediot* on Thursday found 49 percent of Israelis think Sharon should resign or suspend himself; 38 percent said he should stay premier. The poll of 504 people had a margin of error of 4.4 percent.

The focus of the scandal is the so-called "Greek Island Affair," in which Appel allegedly paid Sharon's son Gilad money so Sharon, then foreign minister, would use his influence to help Appel promote a project in Greece in 1999.

Opposition politicians urged Sharon to resign, and a leadership struggle in Likud already was brewing.

Sharon's spokesman, Asaf Shariv, said Sharon could not comment on the case because of the pending investigation. "I can guarantee there will not be an indictment," he told the Associated Press.

There is precedent for Israeli politicians to resign as a result of scandal. There have also been cases where, despite suspicion, no indictments were handed down, and leaders have held on despite criticism.

A former general, Sharon is considered likely to wage a fierce battle to maintain his leadership.

"He will fight until the last bullet," Israel Radio political analyst Hanan Crystal said.

"But Richard Nixon was a fighter. You cannot fight against everything."

Justice Ministry officials said on the condition of anonymity they expected to complete an investigation of Sharon within several months, possibly sooner, and decide on an indictment.

Appel was indicted in the Tel Aviv Magistrates Court for allegedly bribing Sharon to use his influence to push the Greek Island project and to help rezone urban land near Tel Aviv. Neither project came to fruition.

During 1998-99, the indictment said, Appel gave "Sharon a bribe in recognition of activities connected to the fulfillment of his public positions."

It said Appel sent \$690,000 to Sharon's family ranch in the Negev desert. Appel also promised to support Sharon in Likud primaries, the indictment said.

The indictment also charged Appel with bribing Vice Premier Ehud Olmert to promote the Greek project when Olmert was mayor of Jerusalem in the late 1990s.

The indictment said Gilad Sharon, while hired as a consultant in the Greek project, served as a middleman in accepting the bribes.

Appel's lawyer, Moshe Israel, denied the charges. "There is no doubt he is innocent," he said.

The indictment further complicated Sharon's legal problems, which include a probe into his alleged involvement in illegal campaign financing.

If Sharon is charged, there would be legal precedent for him to suspend himself while the case is pending. But the prime minister could also face pressure from the public and his party to step down before that.



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The daughter and mother of Najia Adam Shabu, who was killed when unidentified assailants opened fire on a minibus in which she was traveling in Fallujah, Iraq, bury her at a cemetery in Baghdad on Thursday.

Insurgents kill four Iraqi women who worked for U.S.

BY PAMELA CONSTABLE
WASHINGTON POST

BAGHDAD — The shooting deaths of four Iraqi women, who were being driven late Wednesday to their jobs as cleaners at a U.S. military base, have heightened official concerns about attacks against Iraqis who cooperate with or are employed by U.S.-led occupation forces.

The incident near the city of Fallujah, in which gunmen followed a van carrying nine women to work and opened fire, came three days after a powerful suicide car bomb exploded outside a gate of the U.S. administration headquarters when many Iraqis were entering to work, killing 31 people and wounding at least 120.

The attack on Wednesday marked the first time terrorists appeared to deliberately target women after months of recurring violent assaults against U.S.-led troops, Iraqi police, and other security forces.

"It really shows a certain amount of desperation, if not just cold-heartedness ... that anti-coalition elements would have the audacity and the temerity to go attack women as they were going to work," Gen. Mark Kimmitt, the U.S. military spokesman, said Thursday.

The motive was "to send a message of terror to these people: that if you work for the coalition, if you worked alongside and tried to support the coalition, we can reach out and touch you," he said.

In other armed attacks in the last two days, at least two American soldiers and three Iraqi policemen were killed, U.S. and Iraqi officials said. A Spanish police commander was shot in the head and seriously wounded early Thursday when gunmen fired at him in his car during an antiterrorist operation near the southern city of Diwaniya, Spanish authorities reported.

The two American soldiers died Wednesday evening, and a

third was seriously injured when attackers fired mortars and rockets at a U.S. military base near Baqouba, a Sunni Muslim town north of the capital that has been plagued by anti-occupation violence. Several other soldiers were injured.

The deaths of the soldiers brought to 505 the number of American service members who have died since a U.S.-led coalition launched the Iraq war March 20. Most of the deaths have occurred since President Bush declared an end to active combat May 1.

In Madrid, the Spanish Defense Ministry said the security chief for Spanish troops in Iraq was shot and seriously wounded Thursday during a raid against suspected insurgents south of Diwaniyah, headquarters of the 1,300-member Spanish military force in Iraq.

Civil guard commander Gonzalo Perez Garcia was rushed to a U.S. military hospital in Baghdad, where he was in critical condition.

Ten Spaniards have died in Iraq since August, including seven intelligence agents killed in an ambush in November.

In Basra, Iraq's second-largest city, the 23-year-old son of a former senior official from Saddam Hussein's Baath party was slain Thursday by an unidentified attacker. The city is a stronghold of Shiite Muslims who were oppressed by Saddam's Sunni-dominated regime.

The Iraqi police officers were killed in a separate attack early Thursday at a police checkpoint on the highway between Fallujah and Ramadi, west of the capital, an area that has also been a center of armed Sunni resistance to the occupation.

Iraqi police said the post was attacked by unidentified assailants who drove past, firing assault rifles and tossing a grenade. They said three policemen were killed and five wounded, although U.S. officials confirmed only two deaths.

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Bombing survivor speaks at Emma Goldman dinner

SURVIVOR

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The operation to remove metal shrapnel from her eye and the physical therapy she required to be able to take just a few small steps are only a few of the residual effects of the fateful day she went to work, filling in for a co-worker out on baby leave.

She runs her fingers across a few small bumps on her forehead and says in her slight Southern accent, "We thought these were pieces from the building when the bomb went off, but they are actually bone fragments from Sandy [the clinic's security guard]."

Her husband, Jeffrey, loved the independent woman he

married, but he feels that it is an honor to take care of her now.

"When we said that we would be there for each other through better for worse, sickness and health, we didn't know we'd be tested like this," he said.

Lyons points to a photograph of herself lying in front of the women's clinic with a man leaning down next to her.

"That man was a doctor who was walking down the street going to work," Lyons said. "He stopped and covered my guts up with a sweatshirt. He required years of counseling."

The pipe bomb was allegedly planted by Eric Rudolph, who has been charged with bombing four women's clinics.

"When I saw him in the courtroom, I couldn't take my eyes off of him or stop crying," said Lyons, who was unconscious for two weeks after the bombing.

"That day, I wanted to hurt him. I wanted him to feel just a little of the pain I'd been through these last few years.

"He deserves the worst penalty this country has. Killing him is what I call easy."

The 47-year-old woman with long brown hair tinged gray was familiar with protesters, but she never feared becoming the target of a hate crime. The protesters that picketed the Alabama clinic where she worked were more vocal than physical, sneering as she pulled into the parking lot.

"Did you buy that car with blood money?" they would yell, Lyons said. "Some days I would want to mouth off, but I didn't want to give them the satisfaction."

Because of her leg and hand injuries and limited eyesight, Lyons' everyday life has

drastically altered since the accident. She is unable to read the books she once loved, watch television from an average-sized screen, play the piano, or drive at night.

Lyons has devoted her time to voicing her message of action to end the violence surrounding reproductive workers. Along with winning several awards, such as Ms. magazine's Gloria Steinem honor in 1999, she has testified before Congress and spoken on the steps of the U.S. Supreme Court.

"The situation was already there," she said. "The basic options were to either get along and go about things or be put 6 feet underground. The bomb must've flipped a switch, because I knew what I wanted to do."

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UI profs research immune system

ALCOHOLISM

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The study comes when alcoholism and its treatment are driving up health-care costs and filling medical centers with more patients than ever who are suffering from infectious diseases, which Waldschmidt said is the No. 1 cause of death in alcoholics.

"The cost to the health-care field is huge, because there are many alcoholics who suffer from infections," Schlueter said. "So how can we prevent this from happening?"

Approximately 14 million Americans — 1 in every 13 adults — are classified as alcoholics, with the 18-29 age group being the most problematic, according to the alcohol-abuse institute.

The UI study is split into several parts, with each professor researching a particular area of interest. Cook, who is heading the study, is researching T-cells, which are required to maintain normal immunity, he said.

Schlueter is studying the effects of alcohol on dendritic

cells, which initiate immune-system response, while Waldschmidt is concentrating his study efforts on B-cells.

In Schlueter's study, preliminary results show that alcohol decreases the number of dendritic cells and causes them to lose their function. She is now looking at reasons for the decrease.

The trio is also collaborating in an effort to discover ways the three cells — T-cell, dendritic, and B-cell — interact with each other in the immune system.

Tom Jerrells of the Department of Pathology and Microbiology at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, is also a researcher in the project, and UI internal-medicine Professor Zuhair Ballas will begin his part in April.

"This study is an interesting thing, and it needs to be done for the long run so we can better treat patients with infection," Cook said. "And study how reversible the damage is, because we don't understand that very well right now."

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Senate vote benefits local rain forest

RAIN FOREST

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\$90 million to yet to raise through donations from a mix of individuals, corporations, and foundations. Last month, Oman announced that a series of cuts had trimmed \$45 million from the project, originally priced at \$220 million.

Organizers hope to begin construction on a 30-acre parcel along the Iowa River this fall and open doors to visitors in 2008.

Kerry rides surge to lead in N.H.

DEBATE

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for both Bill Clinton and Al Gore when they ran for president — after backing such Republicans as Richard Nixon and Ronald Reagan.

Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., who closed strongly in Iowa to snag second place, said he was standing up for principle when he voted against Bush's \$87 billion request to support troops and reconstruction in Iraq. He insisted it was not inconsistent with his support for the Iraq-war resolution.

But Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., who also skipped Iowa, said that by opposing the

appropriation, Kerry and Edwards had left him "the only one on stage who has unwaveringly supported the removal of Saddam Hussein, which has made America safer tonight."

The debate came at a critical moment in a Democratic race that was turned upside down by the unexpected results of the Iowa caucuses, which Kerry won handily and where Dean finished third behind Edwards.

Since then, Dean has seen what once was regarded as a nearly insurmountable lead over Kerry melt away in a matter of days. A slew of tracking polls have recorded Dean's slide and Kerry's rise,

and heading into the final weekend, the Massachusetts senator has moved into the lead, with Clark third.

Clark and Lieberman are counting on good showings to boost their candidacies, although Lieberman continues to struggle.

Thursday's debate was held on the campus of St. Anselm College just outside of Manchester. The two-hour session was moderated by ABC's Peter Jennings and Fox News's Brit Hume, with questioning also by John DiStaso of the *Manchester Union Leader* and Tom Griffith of WMUR-TV.

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NEWS

Ashcroft pushes fight on world corruption

BY EDITH M. LEDERER
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DAVOS, Switzerland — Attorney General John Ashcroft on Thursday urged nations that rallied against terrorism after 9/11 to unite again to fight corruption, which is costing the world economy more than \$2 trillion every year.

In a speech to the World Economic Forum, Ashcroft attacked government officials who pocket payoffs and deprive their people of money for better roads, cleaner water, and more modern schools.

"We are winning the war on terrorism," he said, but corruption is threatening "the capacity of business and government to work together to end the plague of poverty and expand human achievement."

The World Bank estimates the cost of corruption represents about 7 percent of the annual world economy — roughly \$2.3 trillion, which "is equal" to the entire U.S. federal budget, Ashcroft told more than 100 participants at a private lunch during the annual five-day meeting.

"Twenty-eight months ago, all free nations were called to defend freedom from terrorism. Today we are called to defend our freedom from corruption," the attorney general said.

"To defeat terrorism we must prevent acts from occurring in the first place. Just as we cannot wait for the next terrorist to strike, we must not wait for the next bribe to be paid before moving to stop future corrupt activity," he said.



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Attorney General John Ashcroft (center) talks to David Gergen (left), the director of the Center for Public Leadership at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government, at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, on Thursday.

Ashcroft called for leadership, unprecedented international cooperation, and openness to detect and deter corruption.

Last month, Ashcroft signed a landmark U.N. anti-corruption treaty requiring politicians to disclose their campaign finances and countries to return tainted assets to the nation they were stolen from.

The United States was one of 95 countries to sign the U.N. convention, which Ashcroft said shows "a worldwide conviction that the crime of corruption ... must be defeated."

Later at the forum of business and government leaders, Pakistani President Gen. Pervez Musharraf stressed his commitment to resolve

his country's dispute with India over Kashmir.

"I strongly believe that we must not live perpetually in enmity," he said. "I am very glad that mutually we agreed on a way forward."

India and Pakistan are expected to start talks next month aimed at resolving the Kashmir conflict and other disputes.

Musharraf also said his government would prosecute any scientists in Pakistan who sold nuclear secrets.

"All the nuclear and strategic assets are under total custodial control. The Pakistan government has never and will never proliferate," he said.

Israelis kill unarmed boy

BY IBRAHIM BARZAK
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GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — An 11-year-old Palestinian was killed and two other boys were wounded near Gaza's border fence Thursday — the violent end to what one youth's family said was an innocent bird hunt but appeared to Israeli soldiers like an infiltration attempt.

Troops shot toward the boys, who turned out to be unarmed, in an area where Palestinian militants have repeatedly planted explosives or tried to sneak into Israel, the army said. The area, along the fence between Gaza and Israel, has been off limits to Palestinians during more than three years of fighting.

Also, in the West Bank city of Nablus, soldiers blew up a four-story apartment building Thursday during a standoff with a Palestinian fugitive.

The military said the blast was set off after the wanted

man hiding in the building refused to surrender and instead fired on soldiers.

Militants said the fugitive slipped out of the building before the blast and later called members of his group, Al Awda, to say he was OK. Al Awda is one of several armed gangs in Nablus with loose ties to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's Fatah movement.

The building, owned by the wanted man's father, had six apartments that were home to 40 people.

The Palestinian boy killed Thursday, Mohsan Daur, was from the Jebaliya refugee camp in northern Gaza.

Mohsan's uncle, Hassan, said his nephew and several other boys from the neighborhood set out to hunt goldfinches east of Gaza City, near the border fence, in one of the few green areas in overpopulated Gaza.

Some Palestinian children hunt birds for pocket money, selling them for meat or as pets. A goldfinch can bring up to \$20 in Gaza City's markets; many Palestinians keep caged songbirds in their homes.

Asked why Mohsan's family didn't stop him from going into the dangerous border zone, where trespassers are often shot by Israeli soldiers on sight, the uncle said: "Children their age have no place to go; they have no playground."

The military said soldiers spotted seven figures with a ladder near the border fence Thursday morning. Troops opened fire, believing those approaching might be militants trying to sneak into Israel or plant anti-tank mines. The shootings took place in daylight, but the military said it was not clear whether troops realized those near the fence were youngsters.

China welcomes monkey business

BY TED ANTHONY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BELJING — The Year of the Monkey arrived Thursday, casting an eerie holiday calm over China's capital as hundreds of millions of people hunkered down in their hometowns and hoped for promised prosperity — and a season free of two fear-some diseases the government is racing to contain.

Authorities announced stepped-up holiday efforts against SARS and bird flu, tightening checks on air, bus, and train passengers and enforcing a crackdown at border posts with Vietnam to prevent suspicious fowl from entering.

"The country," said the official Xinhua News Agency, "is mobilized."

The torch-passing from sheep to monkey under the Chinese astrological calendar was seen as an auspicious event, not only in traditional culture but in modern financial practicality. It coincides with an announcement that the economy grew 9.1 percent last year, and a hopeful tone prevailed.

"The golden monkey presents us with fortune; our sacred provinces welcome spring," said the *Beijing Youth Daily*, one of the few of the capital city's dozens

of newspapers that published abbreviated editions on the Lunar New Year's first morning.

From Beijing to Singapore, businesses and government offices closed for Spring Festival. Indonesia marked the Chinese New Year as a public holiday for only the second time. Tightly controlled Singapore permitted the cacophony of firecrackers at street level for the first time in more than 30 years.

"A new buoyancy is evident everywhere. May this buoyant quality remain with us throughout the new year," Hong Kong Chief Executive Tung Chee-hwa said, welcoming the return of good times after last year's SARS epidemic and economic problems.

In Thailand, members of the country's large ethnic Chinese minority made offerings of food on temple altars, substituting pizza for the usually popular chicken because of uneasiness over avian flu.

In Taiwan, President Chen Shui-bian distributed traditional red "hongbao" money envelopes in his hometown. To avoid accusations of vote-buying before a March election, Chen's envelopes contained only 30 cents — far less than the \$6 he handed out last year.

The departure of millions of people from Beijing for the holiday left usually traffic-choked streets quiet

at rush hour and littered with spent scarlet firecrackers. On the ring roads that encircle the capital — one of the world's most clogged cities — cars were moving smoothly.

Even 24-hour stores were shuttered, and traditional morning exercisers were absent from parks. The skyline's ubiquitous cranes, symbols of the frantic building boom, were still.

Fireworks resonated through the night, and Roman candles cascaded over the Foreign Ministry and the Workers Stadium despite a city ban.

Shanghai uncorked an all-night fireworks barrage, with firecracker bundles detonated in the street inside buckets that amplified the sound.

"No one can sleep, not even with ear plugs in," said convenience store clerk Liu Yuhua.

Firecrackers are considered a deterrent to evil spirits and a delightfully noisy way to celebrate, and they have been a staple of Lunar New Year celebrations in China for centuries.

President Hu Jintao was shown Thursday afternoon making traditional "jiaozi" dumplings with Chinese citizens in what is becoming an annual rite: the government broadcaster showing senior leaders sitting down with everyday people against wintry backdrops.

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Ban on smoking, round 2

For some time it appeared that Iowa City's short-lived anti-tobacco law had gone up in smoke. But those who routinely light up in restaurants around here shouldn't get too comfortable. The battle may soon re-ignite.

In March 2002, the City Council enacted an ordinance stipulating that restaurants and bars deriving more than half of their revenue from in-house food sales must be smoke-free. That rule was quashed slightly over a year later when the Iowa Supreme Court ruled that municipalities cannot enact ordinances that are stricter than state law, rendering Iowa City's policy unenforceable. A similar ordinance may take shape in the foreseeable future, however, as state legislators began the first steps last week toward removing the law that precluded local smoking prohibitions. Such action by the state is long

past due. To retain a law that prevents cities and towns from enacting policies meant to advance public health is nonsensical. The adverse effects, according to some reports, of prolonged exposure carbon monoxide from cigarette smoke should not be forced on local workers by state law. Iowa is one of only 16 states in which localities cannot adopt stricter smoking ordinances. If this measure does pass, it will simply give cities more leverage to create different rules regarding tobacco use in certain establishments. This is not a statewide ban on smoking in public buildings, as exists in California.

Iowa should eventually consider a law similar to that of California, however, or at least one that applies to restaurants. There are still numerous places in which smoking indoors remains permissible, such

as bowling alleys and most bars, and this can continue to be the case. If a smoke-free law were enacted, either on a local or state level, restaurants would not need to worry about losing business because all would be on the same playing field. This is a move that Mayor Ernie Lehman has already supported publicly.

Restaurants that do allow smoking are required by law to provide sections where the non-smoking customers may be seated, but this provision is often inadequate because the two sections are situated side-by-side with little division in some establishments. The right of a smoker to light up indoors at a public facility is outweighed by the right of everyone to breathe smoke-free air in public. Lawmakers must be more sensitive to the seriousness of this public health issue.

JUMP SHOTS

Get over it

OK, we've seen the footage already. Former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, after coming in third in the Iowa caucuses, gave a lesson in U.S. geography and then let out a cowboy yell.

So? Sure, it was funny to replay the clip a few times on Conan and "The Daily Show." But for days now, we've watched political pundits stare cross-eyed into a camera and ask, very seriously, "Is this man fit to be president?"

Dean's 20 seconds of excitement are apparently such a big deal that they've lasted through a news cycle that included President Bush's State of the Union Address and a massive budget bill passed by the Senate. With so much reporting on ... well, nothing, it will be little surprise if many Americans cast ballots next November less informed than they should be about the issues that matter.

A poor record

The Recording Industry Association of America is at it again. Rather than keeping up with the times, the music industry has stuck to its "the customer is always wrong" attitude, suing another 532 computer users this week for illegal file sharing.

Legally, the industry has a point. But it doesn't make much sense to us to sue your customers rather than ask why they have abandoned you.

Some argue that consumers are merely thieves who don't want to pay for anything. But perhaps it also has to do with the music industry artificially inflating the price of CDs. Perhaps it has to do with more and more CDs that contain only one decent song.

Not everything that's free goes out of style. *The New York Times* is free on the Web. So are a variety of games. But people still buy them because they enjoy having a hard copy. People will always prefer owning a CD, complete with cover art and liner notes, to owning an electronic file. But they will also prefer owning a good, cheap CD to owning an expensive, crappy one.

Living in Blank space

THE OTHER DAY, I decided to move into the Blank Honors Center. The way I see it, I can make much more use of the space than the university can.

It's got everything I could ever ask for — a great view, a big-screen TV complete with DVD and surround sound, a full-size refrigerator in the mini-kitchen, countless comfortable chairs and study areas, even an ITC. And that's just the third floor.



TRACI FINCH

The Honors Center boasts two floors devoted to classrooms, a floor for the Honors Program, another for the Belin-Blank Program, and a fifth floor for expansion. Pretty schmazzy, I know.

The only thing missing is a shower room, but with the skywalk connecting me to Daum, a short walk to my old residence is no big deal. Besides, the fifth floor isn't even done yet — who knows what is going to happen up there?

So I brought some essentials over and got settled. I called my parents to tell them where they could send my mail, but they weren't too happy. They wanted to know why they were paying \$4,000 for room and board when I could stay somewhere nicer for free, and I really couldn't tell them.

"Honestly, I'm not sure why. This building is only open to a few students, and it's always nearly empty when I'm here. This is the perfect place for me to live." In reality, during the school year, the classrooms are general assignment, but the third floor is a space intended just for the roughly 5,000 UI honors students. In the summer, the fourth floor opens up for the high-schoolers in the Belin-Blank program.

After hanging up, I realized that I was wasting my parents' very important out-of-state dollars, and I had an uneasy night's sleep in my new home. The next morning, after a sad goodbye, I relocated to 5386. I immediately missed the Honors Center — the peace and quiet, the roominess, the big windows.

And then I became bitter. I started to question my love for the new building. I became jealous, even taking the mindset of non-honors student, asking myself why so much effort and money went into constructing an entire facility devoted to a small percentage of the campus population.

I am grateful for the very generous donation that began the project, and I would rather have an amazing new building for student use than not. Most of the funding and vision for the new building came from the Belin and Blank families, who are not alums of the UI but wanted to support gifted students. I do not believe that there should ever be any restrictions on what donors want to do with their money.

However, for future donations, I would like make a suggestion: If a donor would like to give to the UI and doesn't know exactly where he or she would like the money to go, officials should suggest a monetary donation toward scholarships or to lower tuition in general. The rest of the funding came from other university fund-raising programs, which leads me to suggest that these committees should refuse to back anything unnecessary.

By building the center entirely for students, the donors, the UI Foundation, and the university itself are all putting students first. But if they truly wanted to make the university better for us, they would make sure we can attend the school in the first place by concentrating on lowering costs. Officials have also said the Honors Center is a great recruiting tool for the university; however, a better overall attraction — not just for honors students — would be a diminished tuition rate.

For now, I'm looking for a place to live in the fall. The new Pomerantz building is looking promising, and other prospects include Athletics Learning Center, the journalism or the art buildings. One could argue that these facilities are necessary (with the obvious exception of the Athletics Learning Center). But try arguing that to a student who can't afford to go to school here. ■

GUEST OPINION

Skorton and the Herbarium move

At a recent "brown-bag lunch," an angry UI President David Skorton declared that UI Herbarium supporters were merely upset with the decision rather than the process by which the decision was made to eliminate the facility. Skorton pointed to a meeting with student Herbarium-users as an example of the due process that he contends to have given this issue.

At our request, 10 students met with Skorton on April 21, 2003. When we arrived at the meeting, we found ourselves in an unexpectedly intimidating situation. Not only was the president there, he was accompanied by four other administrators, including Bill Decker, the interim vice president for Research, Michael O'Hara, an associate dean of Research and Development, Jack Lilien, the biology department chairman, and Steve Parrott, the director of University Relations.

Skorton's opening statement to us was, "I have absolutely no intention of reversing the Herbarium decision." He then courteously allowed each of us to introduce ourselves and give a personalized account of the value of the Herbarium to our educational experience at the UI, as well as to highlight the value of the Herbarium for research, conservation, and public service in Eastern Iowa. Skorton listened intently, jotting down notes at times. When the last of us had spoken, we had given him 20 solid minutes of reasons for which

we believe the Herbarium should remain at the UI.

Wasting no time, the president tersely responded that "all of these issues were taken into consideration when the decision was made" and blocked further discussion on the matter. The remainder of the hour-long meeting was dominated by Skorton and his associates, who informed us in no uncertain terms that it was impossible for the Herbarium to stay here, citing financial and space limitations, as well as lack of support from the biology-department chairman.

We attempted to respond that the Center for Global and Regional Environmental Research had pledged to cover the salary of the assistant curator of the Herbarium and also had offered to serve as the administrative home for the Herbarium; that Cornelia Anderson Biggers (daughter of William Anderson, former Herbarium curator) and her husband, James, had made a bequest, with an estimated value of \$250,000, for the long-term care of the Herbarium; and that several thousand square feet of under-utilized space in Macbride Hall could house the Herbarium. However, Skorton refused to discuss, or even acknowledge, the contributions of center, the Biggers family, or the available space.

It appears that Skorton met with us without

any intention of involving us in the decision-making process. Furthermore, he has never engaged with us (or any affected user-groups) in direct, open discussion about the decision to transfer the Herbarium. Students, faculty, state agencies, and the general public were never involved or even consulted in the decision-making process; in fact, we were informed of the decision only after it was made. This decision needs to be reworked from the ground up.

We chose to attend the UI because we were promised a well-rounded, quality liberal-arts education. The Herbarium is a key facility that makes this university outstanding. The loss of the Herbarium would greatly diminish the quality of our education, as well as the respect associated with a degree from the UI. As tuition-paying, degree-earning students, we hold administrators accountable for maintaining the standards that attracted us to the university, the standards that make UI graduates valuable to future employers. We would like to work with Skorton on a compromise, whereby the Herbarium can leave the biology department, yet be retained on campus under the leadership of the Center for Global and Regional Environmental Research. Our question to Skorton is: Are you willing to work with us?

Thomas Madsen is a UI student.

ON THE SPOT

Do you think that the UI is doing too much construction?



"No, I think other universities are also upgrading, so we have to stay on the same level."

Dana Fromm
UI junior



"No; it's time that older buildings on campus are improved."

Megan Fickel
UI sophomore



"As long as they are not spending too much money, it's not a problem."

Sam Klahn
UI freshman



"The library should be expanded so I have a better place to study."

Nhan Truong
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ARTS

Playing in 'Traffic' again

BY MARCUS ELIASON
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NEW YORK — "Traffic" is proving to be one of the most durable entertainment formulas of our time.

In the beginning there was "Traffic," the 1989 British TV drama that tracked the passage of heroin and the lives it ruined along the way, from Pakistan's poppy fields to Britain's ruling classes. Then came 2000's *Traffic*, Steven Soderbergh's big-screen version, which transplanted the action to the United States and Mexico and collected four Oscars.

Now cable's USA Network offers yet another update, a miniseries also called "Traffic," which takes us to post-9/11 Afghanistan and Seattle and adds new levels of human wickedness — terrorism and trafficking in illegal immigrants.

Despite being a retread of a retread, it works pretty well.

Like its predecessors, the version airing in two-hour chapters Monday through Wednesday (8 p.m. CST) depends on its ability to weave together disparate lives and cultures: the lawlessness of Afghanistan and the comforts of suburban Seattle; the glistening Seattle skyline and its drug-addled derelicts; a bankrupt garment factory and a moneymaking immigrant-smuggling business; a Chechen immigrant cab driver building his own American dream; a teen romance with the girl next door.

All are tied together by drugs, the traffic in immigrants, and worse.

Story line 1: Mike McKay (Elias Koteas) is a DEA field agent. He's working to dismantle drug operations in Afghanistan while his wife, Carole (Mary McCormack), and teenage son, Tyler, are settling into a new home.



Elias Koteas stars in "Traffic."

Story line 2: Adam Kadyrov (Cliff Curtis) plies the streets of Seattle in his battered cab. He's anxiously waiting for his wife and daughter to arrive in a container load of immigrants.

Story line 3: Ivy League business graduate Ben Edmonds (Balthazar Getty looking rather like Charlie Sheen in *Wall Street*) is getting desperate for the good life. But his big real-estate venture and his father's garment business are sliding into bankruptcy.

Bodies start surfacing in Puget Sound with bullet wounds in their necks — Kadyrov's wife and child are among them. The DEA's McKay embarks on mysterious business of his own, raising suspicions back at headquarters that he has "jumped the rails." And Edmonds succumbs to his greed and becomes ensnared in the immigrant business.

Now, here's the problem: How many times can you recycle the same themes (that drugs kill the

innocent, that we are all vulnerable, and that the war on drugs — surprise, surprise — is futile)? These ideas felt new when "Traffic" first aired. Two versions later, they might be considered a bit stale, yet they're still powerful enough to keep the viewer on edge.

What made the original "Traffic" so convincing was its cast of largely unknown actors, most notably Jamal Shah in his towering portrayal of an honest Pakistani peasant whose dignity and family are disintegrating. The star-studded Soderbergh version couldn't possibly match its authentic feel. In this regard, at least, the new "Traffic" does better.

Koteas as loose-cannon McKay and Martin Donovan as his by-the-book partner breathe crackling life into an otherwise off-the-shelf cop pairing. Getty as the young hustler, McCormack as the stressed-out DEA wife, and Nelson Lee as the sinister immigrant smuggler are persuasive. Justin Chatwin and Jennifer Rae Westley make a watchable, poignant teen couple.

Although the edifice of interwoven story lines seems to weaken somewhat near the end, the two central mysteries — McKay's one-man mission and those bodies in Puget Sound — sustain themselves to a satisfying resolution.

And be warned: The violence and corpses are graphic.

The previous versions of this story were brave enough not to preach or contrive happy endings. They left us in no doubt whether all the bad things that have happened will happen again and whether the best we can hope for is to slow their advance. To its credit, the "Traffic" premiering this week also refuses to force-feed us with easy answers.

ARTS

Affleck & J-Lo a no-go

NEW YORK (AP) — The on-again, off-again relationship between Ben Affleck and Jennifer Lopez is off. Again.

And this time, it looks like it's for good.

Jennifer Lopez ended the engagement, one of her publicists told the Associated Press on Thursday.

A spokeswoman for Lopez confirmed to *People* and *Us Weekly* magazines that she had ended it, saying: "At this difficult time, we ask

that you respect her privacy."

Affleck's publicist, Ken Sunshine, would only say: "As usual, we never comment on the private lives of our clients."

Lopez, 34, and Affleck, 31, have been the subject of near-constant media scrutiny for the past year and a half.

Their romantic comedy, *Gigli*, was considered the cinematic disaster of the year before it even debuted in August.

They were supposed to have married a month later, but they abruptly

postponed their lavish plans "due to the excessive media attention surrounding our wedding."

Since then, the media have followed their every move, keeping track of whom Lopez was with and whether she wore her 6.1-carat pink diamond Harry Winston engagement ring.

Now the former couple will appear on screen together in *Jersey Girl*, due out March 19.

Lopez plays Affleck's wife, but she dies 12 minutes into the movie.

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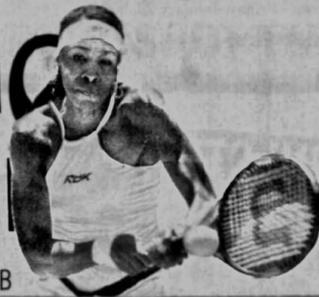
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Hawks looking for wind

BY KELLY BEATON
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa trainer John Streif may want to invest in a few oxygen tanks.

If the last two games are any indication of what's in store for the Iowa men's basketball team members, they'll be running a few track meets throughout the rest of their schedule.

Iowa coach Steve Alford has just eight scholarship players at his disposal after the recent trimming of the Hawkeye herd.

Due to its recently depleted roster — brought on by Nick DeWitz and Mike Henderson being ruled academically ineligible, and Jared Reiner undergoing surgery to relieve a stress fracture in his right foot on Jan. 16 — Iowa's opponents have made no bones about their plans to leave the Hawkeyes gasping for air.

In the Hawkeyes' last two outings, that strategy has worked to near perfection.

Iowa surrendered a season-high point total in its 88-82 loss at Illinois on Jan. 17, then backed that effort up with another porous defensive showing on Wednesday, a 84-76 loss to Iowa State.

Illinois shot a mind-boggling 68 percent in the second-half as it pulled away from the Hawkeyes, while the Cyclones reeled off 10 3-point goals and attempted 100 shots (70 field goals and 30 free throws) as they overwhelmed Iowa in the closing stages.

The loss to Iowa State marked one of the first times all season the Hawkeyes allowed more free throws than they took.

"They turned the tables on us at the foul line," Alford said Wednesday night. "Normally, 30 [free throw attempts] to 15 are the stats that we're putting up." He pointed to the discrepancy as one of the decisive differences in the game.

The squad from Iowa City was left wheezing late in the Iowa State loss, and as a result, the Hawks also literally started hacking.

Rather than breaking down and sliding into position defensively, the wearied defenders

SEE MEN'S BASKETBALL, PAGE 4B

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEW: IOWA VS. MICHIGAN

'She's gone up against some of the best posts in America — Janel McCarville at Minnesota and Nicole Ohlde at Kansas State — and she's held her own.' — Women's basketball coach Lisa Bluder on Jamie Cavey

Standing up to the tallest

BY ROSEANNA SMITH
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Michigan is coming to town, but it will be North Cedar day at Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Jan. 25.

Jamie Cavey will face a tough opponent in Wolverines forward Jennifer Smith, who averages 21.2 points and 7.6 rebounds per game. Smith is a 6-4 center who has played well against the Hawkeyes before, but lots of people are expected to make the 30-mile trip from the North Cedar/Mechanicsville area to Iowa City to cheer for their former star.

"I don't approve of this," I told my mom," Cavey said. "But they say the tickets are selling like wildfire."

Cavey, who is unusually humble and deflects all praise to her teammates at all times, will have a cheering section all to herself. Perhaps it will help her with the tough defense and full-court press Michigan is sure to bring under first-year coach Cheryl Burnett.

Burnett coached 15 seasons at Southwest Missouri State, where she led the Bears to 10 NCAA Tournament appearances and one Final Four. Iowa coach Lisa Bluder faced Burnett countless times when the two were opponents in the Missouri Valley — Burnett with the Bears and Bluder at Drake.

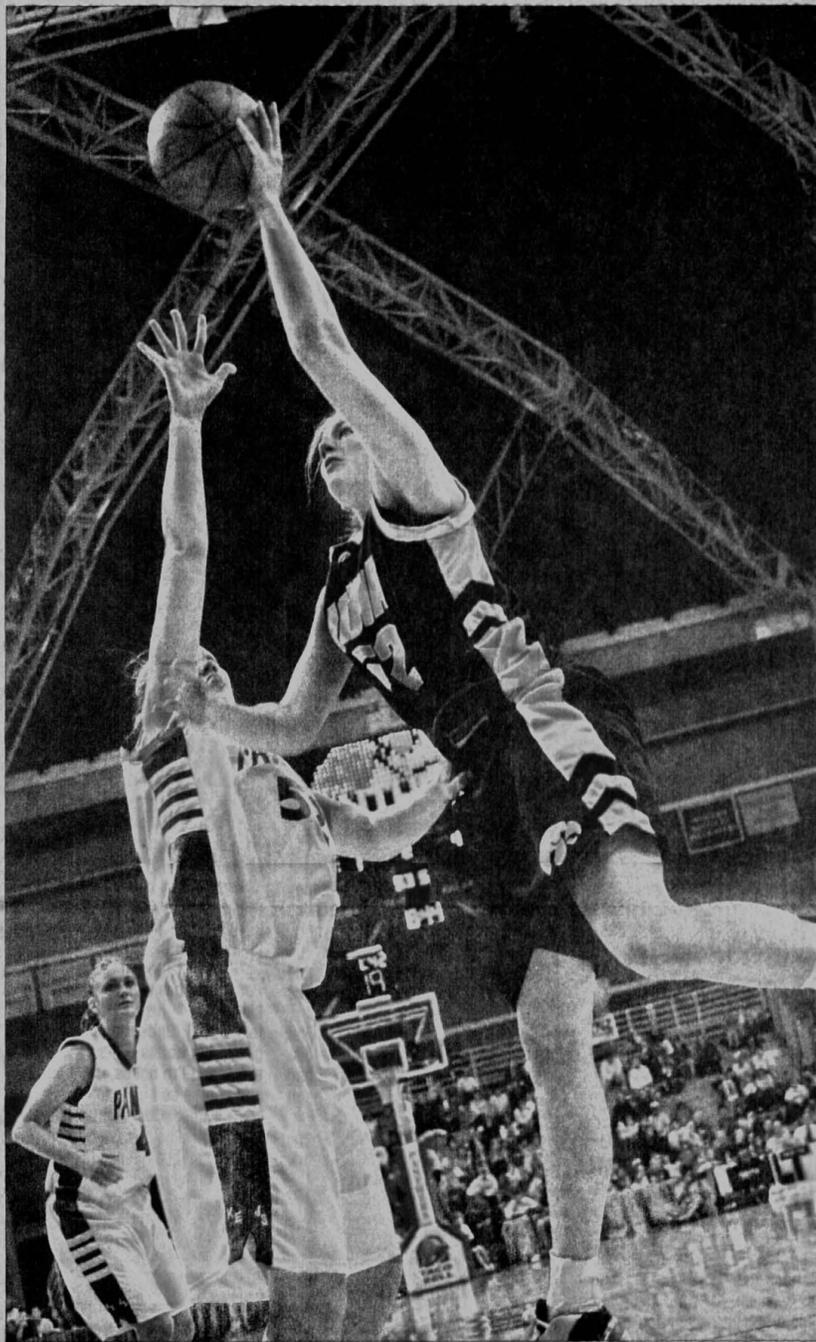
Bluder said she expected Cavey to be prepared for the challenge.

"She's gone up against some of the best posts in America — Janel McCarville at Minnesota and Nicole Ohlde at Kansas State — and she's held her own."

But Smith is also a threat as a skilled 3-point shooter. Cavey said her adapted defense is making a difference in practice — she must come out to the arc instead of merely to the outskirts of the paint.

But aside from playing good defense in every cranny on the court, Cavey said the most important element in her arsenal against Smith

SEE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL, PAGE 4B



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan, file photo

University of Iowa junior Jamie Cavey lays the ball in the basket on Dec. 8 against the UNI Panthers. Cavey finished the night shooting 7-11 from the field with 15 points.

OOPS... HE DID IT AGAIN

Sanders injures right foot, again

Iowa safety Bob Sanders will miss the Senior Bowl after suffering an injury to his right foot on Wednesday according to a report from ProFootballWeekly.com.

The 5-8, 202-pound senior was sent home after re-injuring the same foot that ailed him last season.



Sanders

Placekicker Nate Kaeding and receiver Mo Brown were among the other Hawkeyes selected to participate in Saturday's contest.

— by Brian Triplett



BALANCING WITH THE BEST

Maday to compete against Olympian Elise Ray

Revenge could be on the minds of several Iowa women gymnasts Saturday when the No. 6 GymHawks take on No. 23 Michigan, a team that has dominated the Big Ten for the last decade. The meet could have Big Ten title implications — Iowa set itself up to win the Big Ten last year, only to let Michigan steal the title, 197.45-196.85.

The GymHawks' second-place finish at the Big Ten championships tied the finish of the 1991 Hawkeyes. Michigan has won the Big Ten 11 of the past 12 years.

The Wolverines return several outstanding gymnasts from a team that advanced to the Super Six. The team leader is junior Elise Ray, who was the Big Ten champion on the balance beam in 2002 and a member of the U.S. Olympic team at the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney.

"Elise Ray is clearly their headliner," Lorenzen said. "Alexis [Maday] has beaten her every time they've gone head-to-head in the all-around, which is pretty remarkable, because she's a great athlete."

The meet will be held in the Field House at 2 p.m.

— by Nick Richards

HOME SWEET HOME

The Iowa men's swimming team will return to the Field House pool Saturday — its first home meet in more than two months. The Hawkeyes will have their hands full as they host two nationally ranked opponents in Minnesota and Indiana.

The No. 8 Gophers have recorded two team titles in competition this season, including an impressive victory at the Georgia Invitational in Athens, Ga., last weekend. Minnesota placed second at the Big Ten championships last season.

"Minnesota is a perennial, strong power in the Big Ten," Iowa coach John Davey said. "It's as strong as ever this year. It will be a tough to beat it, but we're improving, and it's good experience for our guys to race against a team like that."

The Hoosiers are ranked 25th in the nation with a record of 1-5 (0-2 in conference).

The diving competition will start at 11 a.m., followed by swimming events at 1 p.m.

— by Jason Brummond

Rodriguez, Maddux looking for right deal

BY RONALD BLUM
 AP SPORTS WRITER

NEW YORK (AP) — Less than four weeks before the start of spring training, Ivan Rodriguez and Greg Maddux are still looking for the right deals.

Rodriguez, the 10-time All-Star catcher who helped Florida win the World Series last year, received a \$40 million, four-year offer from Detroit last week.

His agent, Scott Boras, plans to make a counteroffer to the Tigers today. Rodriguez isn't close to a deal.

"We're continuing to talk to a number of teams and are working through this in a methodical fashion," Boras said Thursday.

Rodriguez rejected a \$24 million, three-year offer to re-sign with Florida on Dec. 7. The Marlins are ineligible to re-sign him until May 1, although they could agree to a minor-league deal and bring him up after the first month.

"We have no rights to him," general manager Larry Beinfest said Thursday. "I would absolutely say all these



Maddux



Rodriguez

things are speculative because there's nothing we can do on our end. Pudge is a terrific ballplayer. I'm sure there's a lot of interest in him and ultimately it's up to him what he's doing with his career and where he wants to play, and we're not a part of that right now."

Maddux, a four-time Cy Young Award winner, has received a two-year offer from the Chicago Cubs but also isn't close to a decision, Boras said.

Among players in salary arbitration, AL Cy Young Award winner Roy Halladay agreed to a \$42 million, four-year contract with the Toronto Blue Jays. He would have been eligible for free agency after the 2005 season.

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Wide-open Big Ten race starts up

BY BRIAN TRIPLETT
 THE DAILY IOWAN

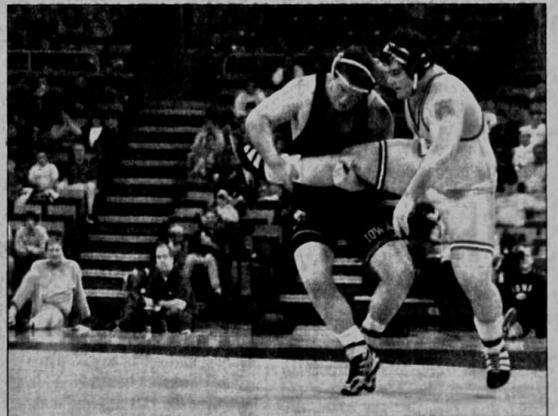
While the race for the Big Ten wrestling title may be wide open this season, that doesn't mean it will be an easy task to capture the crown in what is easily considered the toughest wrestling conference in the nation.

Nine Big Ten schools (Illinois, Michigan, Penn State, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Purdue, Ohio State, and Michigan State) are ranked in the Interim Top 25, and, Michigan coach Joe McFarland said, there are five to six teams capable of winning the conference championship at season's end.

"The Big Ten season is a grind," he said. "There's no easy team in the Big Ten."

The Wolverines coach will experience the grind firsthand this weekend when Iowa coach Jim Zalesky and the No. 10 ranked Hawkeyes travel to Ann Arbor to face No. 5 Michigan (10-2, 0-0) in Cliff Keen Arena today at 6:30 p.m. That meet will be followed by No. 12-ranked and defending national champion Minnesota coming to town the following day.

"When I saw that when they came out with the Big Ten schedule, I said, 'Wow, that's going to be a tough weekend,'" McFarland said.



John Richard/The Daily Iowan

Ryan Fuller attempts to take down Northwestern's Scott Johnson. The Hawkeyes will wrestle against Michigan and Purdue this weekend.

Iowa (6-2, 1-0) will face a similar situation this weekend, but the Hawkeyes will not be able to enjoy the comforts of home. After the meet with Michigan, the Hawkeyes will hop on a bus to Mishawaka, Ind., where they will face No. 17 Purdue (14-2, 0-0) at 2 p.m. on Jan. 25 in the Mishawaka High School Gymnasium.

Although Iowa defeated Northwestern, 39-4, on Jan. 17, this will be the first true test for the Black and Gold.

"It was a good boost," said

Zalesky about the Wildcats meet. "Some guys needed to pick up the intensity where it needed to be picked up."

He added that it is important for his squad to practice what he and his coaching staff have preached, including winning close matches and continuing to move forward every meet.

"I would say that there is no one team right now that's blowing any team out of the water,"

SEE WRESTLING, PAGE 4B

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SPORTS

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Q & A

Eustice looks forward to Iowa State's Paulson

Iowa sophomore Ty Eustice wrestles at 149 and hails from Blue Earth, Minn. During the 2002-03 season, he had an overall record of 30-10. He was 15-4 in dual competition and 7-1 in Big Ten matches. Eustice also shared the team's Mike McGivern Most Courageous Wrestler Award with teammate Joe Johnston. The DI's Ryan Long had the chance to talk with Eustice about a little bit of everything.



Eustice

D: What's your favorite album?
Eustice: Anything by Waylon Jennings.

D: Favorite sport besides wrestling?
Eustice: I like basketball and golf.

D: NCAA football or the NFL?
Eustice: The NFL.

D: What are your career aspirations?
Eustice: Winning a national championship.

D: What's your most memorable high-school experience?
Eustice: My last year, when our team won state.

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IOWA SPORTS

- Today**
- **WRESTLING** at Michigan, 6:30 p.m.
 - **WOMEN'S TENNIS** hosts Hawkeye Invitational, all day.
- Saturday**
- **MEN'S BASKETBALL** hosts Ohio State, 7:05 p.m.
 - **MEN'S SWIMMING** hosts Minnesota and Indiana, 1 p.m.

- **WOMEN'S SWIMMING** at Ohio State w/Illinois, Noon.
- **WOMEN'S TENNIS** hosts Hawkeye Invitational, all day.
- **WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS** hosts Michigan, 2 p.m.
- **MEN'S TENNIS** hosts Hawkeye Invitational, all day.
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- Sunday**
- **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** hosts Michigan, 2:05 p.m.
 - **WRESTLING** at Purdue, 2 p.m.
 - **MEN'S GYMNASTICS** at Nebraska, 1 p.m.
 - **MEN'S TENNIS** hosts Northern Illinois, 2:30 p.m.

TV SCHEDULE

- Today**
- **NBA** Houston Rockets at Indiana Pacers, 7 p.m. on ESPN.
 - **NBA** San Antonio

- Spurs at Phoenix Suns, 9:30 p.m. on ESPN.
- **PGA Golf** Bob Hope Chrysler Classic — Third Round. From La Quinta, Calif., 3 p.m. on USA.
 - **Tennis** Australian Open — Early Rounds. From Melbourne, Australia, 10 p.m. on ESPN2

HAWKEYE SPORTS

On the road, again

The Iowa women's swimming team will travel to Columbus, Ohio, on Saturday to compete against Ohio State and Illinois, continuing its stretch of meets away from the Field House pool. The team last swam there on Nov. 7, when it hosted Purdue.

The Buckeyes have posted a 7-2 mark, while the Fighting Illini hold a 5-3 record. Fourth-year Iowa coach Garland O'Keeffe said the competition will be a good challenge for her team, and she expects some very close, exciting races.

"They're both really competitive teams, and it's going to be a very close meet," she said. "Both teams are much improved over last season."

The meet will be the Hawkeyes' (3-3, 2-1 in the Big Ten) first of the spring semester; their home meet last weekend was canceled because of travel difficulties for the visiting Minnesota Gophers. O'Keeffe said the time between meets is not something the team is concerned about.

"We're all the more ready and anxious to compete," she said.

— by Jason Brummond

Track teams to compete in Minnesota

The Iowa men's and women's track teams will travel to Minneapolis to compete in the Minnesota Gold Country Classic on Saturday. Competition will begin at 10:30 a.m.

At the Hawkeye Invitational on Jan. 17, the teams won a combined 18 events, and senior Ken Kemery became the first Hawkeye of the 2004 indoor season to qualify for the NCAA championships, which will be held March 12-13 in Fayetteville, Ark.

"The Hawkeye Invitational was a good starting point for us," men's coach Larry Wiczorek said. "We saw a lot of strengths in our team. We also had some weaknesses we need to work on in the coming months."

The men's squad recently named Brad Daufeldt, Bill Neumann, and Russell Peterson as tri-captains for the 2004 season.

— by Brian Triplett

Women's tennis team will host Hawkeye Invitational

The Iowa women's tennis team will host the Hawkeye Invitational this weekend at the Recreation Building to begin the spring season.

The Hawkeyes start things off against Iowa State today at 3 p.m., followed by a Saturday matchup against Northern Iowa at 2 p.m. and a Jan. 25 meeting with Northern Illinois at 10 a.m.

"The Hawkeye Invitational is a perfect way to begin the season," Iowa coach Paul Wardlaw said. "The dual-match format allows us to play as a team, yet ensures each player ample playing opportunities."

This will also mark the first competition of the spring season for the Cyclones and the Panthers; the Huskies have a record of 1-1 after defeating Western Illinois and losing to Marquette.

Northern Illinois will also face Iowa State at 10 a.m. on Saturday.

— by Brian Triplett

Spring season begins for men's tennis team

The Iowa men's tennis team begins its spring dual season Sunday by hosting Northern Illinois in the UI Recreation Building at 2:30 p.m.

The Hawkeyes hold a 25-4 advantage over the Huskies in the series, including a 6-1 Iowa victory in the first dual of last season.

"Northern Illinois is an excellent team," said Iowa coach Steve Houghton, who is in his 23rd season as head coach of the Hawkeyes. "They are probably the most improved team in our region. We are entering this match with young, inexperienced players and some injuries. It will be very challenging."

The fresh group of Hawkeyes includes only four returning players from last season, three of which have solid collegiate experience.

Before heading to Iowa City, Northern Illinois will begin its dual season today in Madison, Wis., by facing the Wisconsin Badgers.

— by Brian Triplett

NBA

By The Associated Press

| EASTERN CONFERENCE | | | | |
|--------------------|----|-----|------|--------|
| Atlantic Division | W | L | Pct | GB |
| New Jersey | 21 | 19 | .525 | — |
| Boston | 21 | 23 | .477 | 2 |
| Philadelphia | 19 | 23 | .452 | 3 |
| New York | 19 | 25 | .432 | 4 |
| Miami | 16 | 26 | .381 | 6 |
| Washington | 12 | 28 | .300 | 9 |
| Orlando | 11 | 32 | .256 | 11 1/2 |
| Central Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | |
| Indiana | 33 | 11 | .750 | — |
| Detroit | 29 | 14 | .674 | 3 1/2 |
| Milwaukee | 23 | 19 | .548 | 9 |
| New Orleans | 23 | 19 | .548 | 9 |
| Toronto | 20 | 20 | .500 | 11 |
| Cleveland | 14 | 28 | .333 | 18 |
| Atlanta | 13 | 30 | .302 | 19 1/2 |
| Chicago | 12 | 30 | .286 | 20 |
| WESTERN CONFERENCE | | | | |
| Midwest Division | W | L | Pct | GB |
| Minnesota | 28 | 12 | .700 | — |
| San Antonio | 28 | 15 | .651 | 1 1/2 |
| Dallas | 18 | 19 | .484 | 9 |
| Denver | 26 | 18 | .591 | 4 |
| Houston | 24 | 17 | .585 | 4 1/2 |
| Memphis | 23 | 18 | .561 | 5 1/2 |
| Utah | 21 | 20 | .512 | 7 1/2 |
| Pacific Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct | GB | |
| Sacramento | 30 | 10 | .750 | — |
| L.A. Lakers | 25 | 15 | .625 | 5 |
| Salt Lake City | 21 | 20 | .512 | 9 1/2 |
| L.A. Clippers | 17 | 22 | .436 | 12 1/2 |
| Portland | 17 | 23 | .425 | 13 |
| Golden State | 17 | 25 | .405 | 14 |
| Phoenix | 16 | 27 | .372 | 15 1/2 |

| Columbus | 13 | 25 | 7 | 3 | 36 | 96 |
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| Northwest | 12 | 25 | 7 | 5 | 36 | 105 |
| Colorado | 27 | 11 | 5 | 0 | 14 | 148 |
| Vancouver | 26 | 14 | 7 | 2 | 61 | 140 |
| Calgary | 24 | 16 | 4 | 3 | 55 | 113 |
| Minnesota | 17 | 18 | 4 | 0 | 48 | 108 |
| Edmonton | 19 | 21 | 5 | 1 | 47 | 122 |
| Pacific | | | | | | |
| W | L | T | OL | Pts | GF | GA |
| San Jose | 22 | 11 | 11 | 4 | 59 | 118 |
| Los Angeles | 18 | 14 | 10 | 5 | 51 | 120 |
| Dallas | 21 | 20 | 8 | 0 | 50 | 97 |
| Phoenix | 16 | 15 | 2 | 47 | 118 | |
| Anaheim | 14 | 21 | 8 | 5 | 41 | 96 |

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and over-time loss.

Thursday's Games
 Buffalo 3, Boston 2
 Colorado 1, Atlanta 1, tie
 Ottawa 6, Pittsburgh 5
 Philadelphia 4, N.Y. Rangers 2
 Chicago 7, Columbus 0
 Tampa Bay 3, Edmonton 2
 Calgary 4, Nashville 0
 Phoenix at San Jose, late
 Detroit at Los Angeles, late

Today's Games
 N.Y. Islanders at Carolina, 6 p.m.
 Washington at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
 Montreal at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
 St. Louis at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
 Minnesota at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games
 Buffalo at Philadelphia, Noon
 Florida at Boston, 6 p.m.
 N.Y. Rangers at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
 Toronto at Montreal, 6 p.m.
 Chicago at Columbus, 6 p.m.
 N.Y. Islanders at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
 Colorado at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
 Dallas at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
 Detroit at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
 Nashville at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
 Tampa Bay at Calgary, 9 p.m.
 Minnesota at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.
 Anaheim at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games
 Buffalo at Carolina, 12:30 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Washington, 6 p.m.
 Atlanta at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Washington, 7 p.m.
 Nashville at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

By The Associated Press

BASEBALL
American League
 CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Agreed to terms with RHP Shingo Takatsu on a one-year contract. Named Razoar Shires manager and Manny Trillo hitting coach for Birmingham of the Southern League. Ken Dominguez manager for Winston-Salem of the Carolina League. Chris Cron manager and Darren Wheeler trainer for Kannapolis of the SAL. John Cron manager and Kevin Pflanz trainer for Great Falls of the Pioneer League. Nate Oliver base running-bunting instructor and Dale Torborg conditioning coordinator.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Named Tommy John manager for Staten Island of the New York-Penn League.

TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Agreed to terms with INF-Dan Rolis and LHP Damian Moss on one-year contracts, and RHP Todd Ritchie on a minor league contract.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Agreed to terms with RHP Roy Halladay on a four-year contract.

National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Agreed to terms with LHP Jim Parque on a minor league contract.

MONTREAL EXPOS—Agreed to terms with C Jason Brown, OF Juan Camilo RHP Coco Pascual, RHP Ryan Douglas, INF Brian Harris, INF Pedro Lirano, RHP Fernando Rijo, RHP Manny Santillan, OF Jeremy Ware, RHP Jeff Farnsworth, RHP Christian Parker, RHP Michael Judd, INF Jesus Mateo, INF Luis Lopez, C Randy Knorr and C Paul Hoover on minor league contracts. Named Tim Abraham assistant trainer.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Claimed OF Colin Porter off waivers from the Houston Astros. Named Will Clark spring training guest instructor.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
SEATTLE SUPERSONICS—Activated F Ansu Sesay from the injured list. Placed G Richie Frahm on the injured list.

NHL

| EASTERN CONFERENCE | | | | | | | |
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| Atlantic Division | W | L | T | OL | Pts | GF | GA |
| Philadelphia | 23 | 11 | 10 | 5 | 61 | 133 | |
| New Jersey | 23 | 12 | 10 | 1 | 57 | 106 | |
| N.Y. Islanders | 22 | 20 | 4 | 1 | 49 | 134 | |
| N.Y. Rangers | 19 | 19 | 7 | 4 | 47 | 127 | |
| Pittsburgh | 11 | 30 | 5 | 2 | 30 | 96 | |
| Northeast | | | | | | | |
| W | L | T | OL | Pts | GF | GA | |
| Toronto | 26 | 12 | 8 | 3 | 63 | 133 | |
| Ottawa | 26 | 12 | 7 | 3 | 62 | 158 | |
| Boston | 22 | 13 | 10 | 4 | 58 | 121 | |
| Montreal | 24 | 16 | 6 | 2 | 56 | 122 | |
| Buffalo | 19 | 24 | 5 | 1 | 44 | 115 | |
| Southeast | | | | | | | |
| W | L | T | OL | Pts | GF | GA | |
| Tampa Bay | 22 | 16 | 6 | 3 | 53 | 117 | |
| Atlanta | 21 | 21 | 5 | 2 | 49 | 139 | |
| Carolina | 16 | 21 | 9 | 2 | 43 | 89 | |
| Florida | 15 | 20 | 10 | 3 | 43 | 104 | |
| Washington | 14 | 27 | 5 | 2 | 35 | 116 | |
| WESTERN CONFERENCE | | | | | | | |
| Central Division | W | L | T | OL | Pts | GF | GA |
| Detroit | 27 | 14 | 6 | 2 | 62 | 156 | |
| St. Louis | 25 | 14 | 6 | 1 | 57 | 118 | |
| Nashville | 23 | 17 | 6 | 2 | 54 | 113 | |

GOLF

Perry takes lead in Chrysler Classic

LA QUINTA, Calif. (AP)—Kenny Perry is in his prime two decades after making his tour debut.

Perry shot a 6-under 66 Thursday to go to 14 under and take the second-round lead in the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic.

Phil Mickelson, playing his first tournament of the year after a disappointing 2003 season, had another good round, a 63 that left him one shot behind Perry.

Mickelson was the 2002 Hope champion, and Perry took the title in 1995 in the 90-hole event.

MLB

Bush set to meet World Series champs

MIAMI (AP)—The Florida Marlins will visit President Bush at the White House today, more than three months after winning the franchise's second World Series.

Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, who will be in Washington for a visit with the Department of Agriculture, will join the team in the East Room in a continuation of the president's tradition of welcoming sports champions.

HAWKEYE SPORTS

No. 5 Iowa takes on Nebraska Cornhuskers

The No. 5 Iowa men's gymnastics team will hit the road on Jan. 25 for a meet against No. 11 Nebraska at the Bob Devaney Sports Complex in Lincoln, Neb. The Hawkeyes have already matched up once against the Cornhuskers this season, finishing second in the collegiate division of the Rocky Mountain Open in Colorado Springs. Despite that, Iowa coach Tom Dunn is looking for more out of his team.

"We're still looking to make improvements in our consistency," he said. "We're doing some good things, but we haven't been consistent. That's partly because we don't want to peak too early."

The Hawkeyes will look for sophomore Michael Reavis to continue

Kirk Triplett had a 65 and Skip Kendall a 68 and were tied with Mickelson at 13-under 131.

Perry, 43, is coming off his best year, with three victories, 11 finishes in the top 10, and \$4.4 million to rank sixth on the earnings list. "I've just gotten better," said Perry, who has won seven times in his career. "I just understand how to play. I understand my golf game. I'm not as rattled as I used to be, and I'm not as angry on the golf course as I used to be."

"I used to always get frustrated trying to make things happen. I'm just letting it happen instead of trying to force it now."

The Marlins' contingent will include owner Jeffrey Loria, President David Samson, general manager Larry Beinfest, and manager Jack McKeon along with the all of the players and their families.

First baseman Derrek Lee and catcher Ivan Rodriguez, who are no longer with the team, will attend.

The Marlins, who beat the New York Yankees in six games in the World Series, will present the President with a personalized No. 1 Marlins jersey.

his hot streak. He is nationally ranked in three events, including the all-around. Junior Linas Gaveika is nationally ranked on the horizontal bar, pommel horse, and in the all-around. Iowa's rings group features three ranked gymnasts, junior Kenny Lin and seniors Matt Metzger and Jacques Bouchard. While the Hawks have several ranked individuals, Dunn believes this meeting with Nebraska will be more difficult than the meeting in Colorado.

"They performed a difficult rings routine in Colorado, which was impressive," he said. "They made a lot of errors, but I think they will be more comfortable at home on their own equipment."

After taking on Nebraska, the Hawkeyes will return home on Jan. 31 for a battle with two-time defending national champion Oklahoma.

— by Nick Richards

CORRECTION

In the Jan. 22 Daily Iowan, Iowa women's gymnast Annie Rue was identified as Alexis Maday. The DI regrets the error.

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MEN'S NCAA TOP 25

Stanford wins, remains one of two unbeaten Division I teams

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Justin Davis made his first nine shots on the way to 21 points, and No. 2 Stanford stayed unbeaten with a 67-52 victory over UCLA on Thursday night.

Josh Childress started for the first time this season for the Cardinal, one of two undefeated Division I teams left in the country along with third-ranked Saint Joseph's. Childress came off the bench in five games as he regained his strength following a foot injury that sidelined him for the first nine games.

The star forward had 14 points, six rebounds, three assists, two blocks, and two steals in 32 minutes.

Stanford (15-0, 6-0 Pac-10) has matched the fourth-best winning streak in school history and is chasing the school record of 20-straight victories to start the 2000-01 season.

Dijon Thompson scored 15 points for UCLA (9-5, 5-2).

Florida St. 90, No. 7 North Carolina 81, OT

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Tim Pickett scored six of his 30 points in overtime, and Florida State rallied from a 24-point deficit to beat North Carolina.

Todd Galloway sent the game into overtime tied at 78 with a 3-pointer from the corner with 7.2 seconds remaining, tying the game for the first time since the opening tip.

Riding the momentum of a stunning

comeback, the Seminoles (13-5, 2-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) scored the first 11 points of overtime to take control. Rashad McCants hit a 3 with 20.4 seconds remaining for North Carolina's only points in the extra session.

When the final buzzer sounded, fans poured onto the court in celebration.

McCants led five Tar Heels in double figures with 26 points. He and Melvin Scott keyed a 21-0 run that gave North Carolina (11-4, 1-3) a 42-18 lead with just more than five minutes left in the first half.

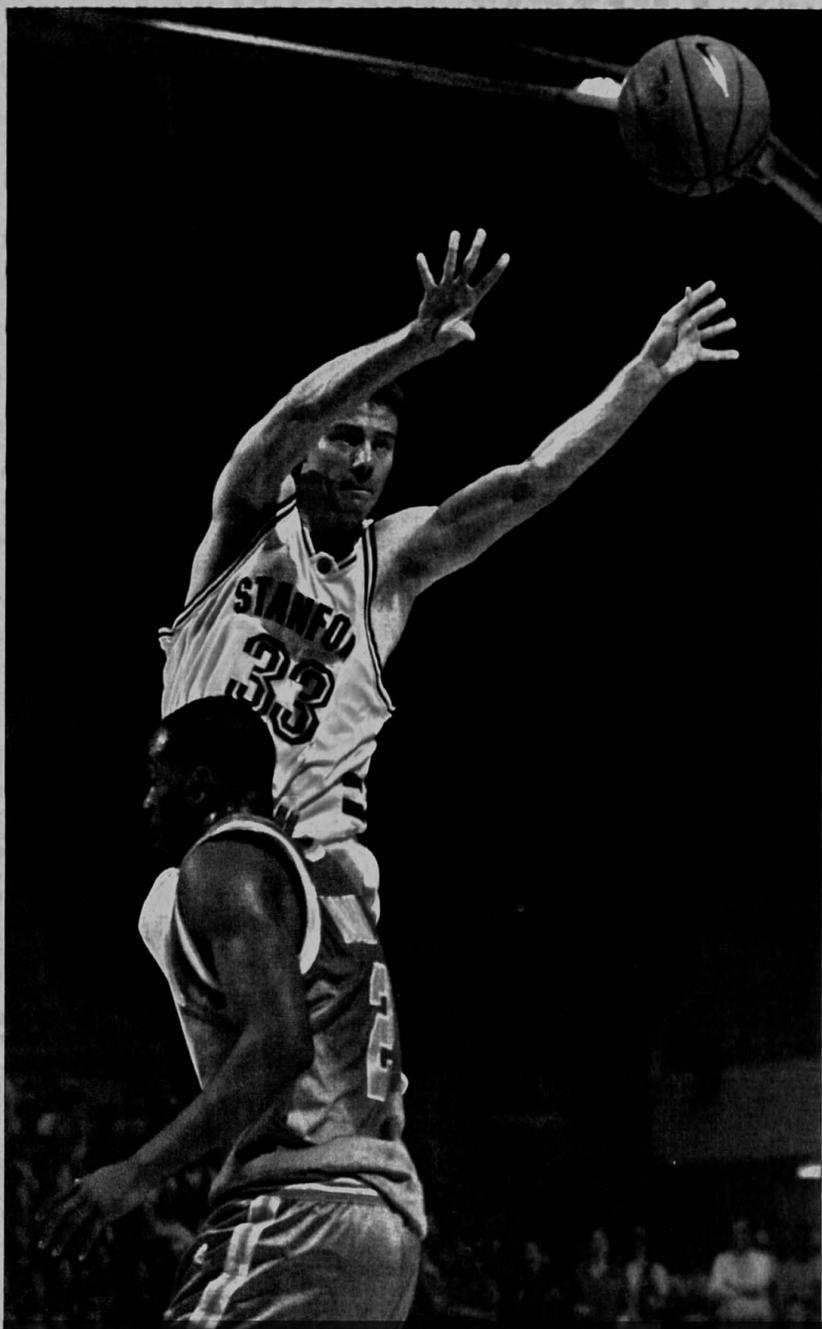
No. 14 Arizona 109, Oregon St. 75

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Salim Stoudamire and Hassan Adams scored 20 points apiece — making 16 of 21 shots in the process — to lead Arizona to a rout of Oregon State.

It was the 21st loss in a row for the Beavers at McKale Center. Oregon State hasn't won at Arizona since 1983, the season before Lute Olson became the Wildcats' coach.

Arizona shot a season-high 63 percent (43-for-68) in its biggest offensive outburst since a 112-81 victory over Washington on Feb. 5, 1998.

The Wildcats (12-3, 4-2 Pac-10) put away the Beavers (8-8, 2-4) with a 36-8 run late in the first half and early in the second. Andre Iguodala had 19 points, eight rebounds, and seven assists for Arizona.



Paul Sakuma/Associated Press
Stanford guard Matt Lottich passes over UCLA guard Cedric Bozeman in the second half on Thursday in Stanford, Calif. Stanford defeated UCLA, 67-52.

Duke proves why it's No. 1

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Iciss Tillis broke out of a scoring slump with 21 points, and top-ranked Duke defeated Maryland, 78-48, Thursday night for its 49th-straight victory over an Atlantic Coast Conference opponent.

Tillis had gone six games without reaching double figures for the Blue Devils (15-1, 6-0). Alana Beard, leading the ACC in scoring with 19.7 points a game, had nine in just 21 minutes for Duke. She strained a groin muscle in practice Tuesday.

Monique Currie added 12 points and Lindsey Harding 10 for the Blue Devils.

Freshman Shay Doron scored 17 points to lead Maryland (12-6, 4-3).

Tillis scored 13 first-half points and Currie 10 as Duke took a 44-28 lead at the break.

No. 2 Tenn. defeats Vanderbilt, 79-54

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Shyra Ely scored 22 points for No. 2 Tennessee, which beat Vanderbilt 79-54 in a tune-up for Saturday's showdown at top-ranked Duke.

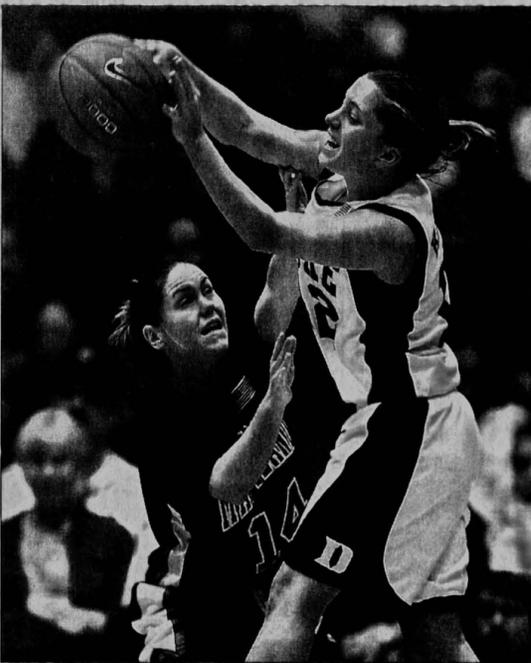
Brittany Jackson added 15 points to help the Lady Vols (15-1, 5-0 Southeastern Conference) win their 50th-straight home game in league play.

The Commodores (14-3, 2-2) lost their fifth-straight game against Tennessee and dropped to 0-19 in Knoxville. They didn't help themselves much by turning over the ball a season-high 26 times.

No. 7 Penn St. beats No. 9 Minn., 75-56

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — Kelly Mazzante hit six 3-pointers and scored 29 to lead No. 7 Penn State to a 75-56 come-from-behind victory over No. 9 Minnesota.

One of those 3-pointers came as the Lady Lions (14-3, 7-0 Big Ten) opened the second half with a 15-3 run, going up 49-37 on Jess Strom's layup with 14:15 left.



Sara D. Davis/Associated Press
Duke's Vicki Krapohl (right) passes over Maryland's Allie Spence (left) in the second half at Cameron Indoor Stadium in Durham, N.C.

Mazzante's other basket during that run, a steal, and lay-up, scored her 2,614th career point and moved her past Calbert Cheaney as the Big Ten's career scoring leader for men or women. Cheaney finished his career at Indiana in 1993 with 2,613 points.

No. 8 Purdue Defeats Ohio St. 74-68

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Shereka Wright scored 23 points for eighth-ranked Purdue, which built a big lead in the first half then hung on for a 74-68 victory over Ohio State.

Erika Valek added 18 points, including a 3-pointer and a three-point play to keep the Boilermakers (15-2, 5-1 Big Ten) on top after the Buckeyes came storming back from a 19-point deficit early in the second half.

No. 20 Mich. St. Beats Northwestern, 67-57, in OT

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP) — Lindsay Bowden had 18 points, and No. 20 Michigan State outscored Northwestern 14-4 in overtime for a 67-57 victory.

Northwestern held a 30-28 lead at the half, but the Wildcats made only nine of 24 shots after the break while Michigan State (14-3, 4-2 Big Ten) was 11 of 24 from the floor and eight of 11 from the foul line. Northwestern made three of eight free throws.

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Hawkeyes closely watching Wolverines frontcourt weapon

Wrestlers within striking distance of Big Ten title

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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would be to keep perspective through the game.
"I just have to know she's going to score. She'll make a shot or two. I guess you would call it constant vigilance — I can't give up. ... I can't let it get me down, and I have to remember that you can't have a perfect game."

Michigan's other frontcourt weapon, Tabitha Pool, won't be overlooked by the Hawkeyes, either. Pool is the second-leading scorer on the team with 12.9 ppg and first in rebounding with 8.1 rpg. In the team's last outing, against Michigan State, Pool was the only Michigan player to score in double figures with 10 points. The Spartans nabbed a convincing 67-33 victory in East Lansing.

Solverson stands out

Against Wisconsin, Johanna Solverson scored five points, had six assists and 10 rebounds, and blocked four shots. The blocks created a new career-high, and the rebounds led the team.
It was her first start since Dec. 8, when the sophomore suffered an ankle sprain. Bluder said she saw improvement in Solverson's shot selection, decision-making, and overall progress.

"Everybody knows about Kristi Faulkner and Jennie Lillis," Bluder said. "Jo has the God-given ability — if she matures and uses it well, she could be the X factor."

Game time

Iowa will tip off against Michigan at 2 p.m. Tickets are on sale — \$7 for adults, \$5 for children. The Hawkeyes will not play at home again until Feb. 5.
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WRESTLING

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senior Ryan Fulsaas said. "Whatever team keeps making the most progress upward is going to have the most success."

Zalesky pointed out that it's always good for his team to compete in a different environment, helping prepare the wrestlers for the Big Ten and national meets later in the year.

Although he is content with his team's top-five rank, McFarland said, he doesn't put

much stake in the current rankings because it all depends on what takes place on the mat on a given day.

As far as predicting who will finish on top at the end of the season, he said he wouldn't even begin to take a stab at it.

Fulsaas, who is 14-4 this season for the Hawkeyes, feels confident that his team is in good shape.

"I believe we're right on top," he said. "We're right in striking distance."

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Struggling Hawkeyes will attempt to regroup against Buckeyes at Carver

MEN'S BASKETBALL

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often resorted to fouling and sending their opponents to the line. Iowa committed 23 fouls in the game, compared with just 16 for Iowa State.
Starting center Sean Sonderleiter fouled out with 2:50 remaining, and Glen Worley followed suit with one of his trademark disqualifications with 32.7 seconds remaining.

Alford tried to give his overworked rotation a rest by giving more minutes to players who previously had rarely played. Freshman Ben Rand, who entered the clash with the Cyclones sporting a career-high of four points, played seven minutes. By the end of the contest, no Hawkeye was left wearing his warm-up suit; even deep bench players Jack Brownlee and Kurt Spurgeon garnered late-game minutes.

Delving deep into his bench didn't exactly bear fruit for Alford: the trio of reserves combined for five points, three rebounds, and two turnovers.

Nevertheless, Alford will likely have to rely on every player in uniform if the Hawkeyes are to make an ascent to the top of the conference standings.

"This [was] a difficult three-game stretch with a lot of things happening the last two weeks, and I think we've battled," Alford said. "Hopefully, we can build from this as we get into Big Ten play."

After a midweek excursion, the Hawkeyes will take on Ohio State on Saturday at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, starting at 7:05 p.m.

The Buckeyes (9-8, 1-3) arrive in Iowa City on the heels of a 69-61 loss to Indiana on Tuesday night. Terence Dials and Velimir Radinovic combined for 35 points in the loss.

Ohio State is led by a guard duo of Tony Stockman and J.J. Sullinger, who pace the Buckeyes with a combined 23.4 points per game.

The Buckeyes also feature a roster sporting 10 players who log more than 10 minutes a game. Which of course means the Hawkeyes better tighten their bootstraps and get ready to sprint back on defense

against a squad that will likely be more rested.

"Defense has been our weakness all year," Pierre Pierce said. "We've got to learn to go out and get stops."

LOOSE BALLS

In collegerpi.com's Jan. 19 poll, the Hawkeyes were ranked 75th out of all Division-I teams (that figure will likely worsen after their loss to Iowa State on Wednesday night). Iowa is the seventh-rated Big Ten club, trailing Wisconsin, which appears at No. 14 in the poll, as well as Michigan State (38), Illinois (51), Michigan (53), Purdue (62), and Indiana (69). Iowa's opponent on Saturday, Ohio State, is ranked 113th in the nation. The Hawkeyes' strength of schedule is ranked 76th in the nation ... A couple of overall team statistics could lead to an Iowa win on Saturday. Ohio State was last in the Big Ten in free-throw shooting percentage entering the week. Although the Buckeyes' 65 percent figure isn't much worse than the Hawkeyes' 68 percent, Ohio State has attempted 43 fewer free throws than Iowa.

The gang from Columbus also appears at No. 11 on the conference's 3-point percentage defense, category, yielding 40.4 percent shooting from downtown to their opponents. That could spell doom for the Buckeyes, considering that Jeff Horner and Brody Boyd nailed 10 3's combined against Iowa State on Wednesday.
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Tampa Bay & Moss sign contract, Hernandez continues to heal arm

MLB

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"I want to win here and be part of a team that builds something rather than going out and just trying to sign with a team that has the best chance to win," he said. "It's hard to say what things are like in other organizations, but I can't see myself being any happier anywhere else."

Halladay, 22-7 with a 3.25 ERA last season, gets \$6 million this year, \$10.5 million in 2005, \$12.7 million in 2006 and \$12.8 million in 2007.

"If you have one of the top 10 pitchers in baseball, that's a commodity that you don't want to let get away," Blue Jays general manager J.P. Ricciardi said. "We think our best baseball is ahead of us and we wanted Roy to be part of that."

Utilityman Damian Rolls agreed to an \$800,000, one-year contract with Tampa Bay. The

26-year-old infielder-outfielder sought \$900,000, and the Devil Rays offered \$700,000. The difference was the smallest among the 27 players who exchanged figures with their teams in arbitration Tuesday.

Tampa Bay also agreed to a one-year contract with left-hander Damian Moss and a minor-league contract with right-hander Todd Ritchie.

Shingo Takatsu, Japan's career saves leader with 260, completed his \$1 million, one-year contract with the Chicago White Sox.

"Takatsu has enjoyed a spectacular 13-year career in Japanese baseball, and he ranks as one of the greatest relief pitchers in his country's history," White Sox general manager Ken Williams said. "We were impressed by his desire to come to the United States and fulfill his dream of competing in Major League Baseball."

In Coral Gables, Fla., Orlando Hernandez worked out in front

of scouts for around 20 major-league teams, and the free-agent pitcher said he's nearing a full recovery from shoulder surgery.

El Duque, who missed all of last season, threw 35 pitches at the University of Miami.

"I'm not 100 percent, but by spring training I should be 100 percent," Hernandez said through an interpreter. "I'm at about 85 percent. I've been coming back quicker and quicker every day."

In San Salvador, El Salvador, Cuban pitcher Maels Rodriguez and second baseman Yobal Dueñas worked out for scouts from 15 teams, including the Yankees, Mets, and Red Sox.

The players fled Cuba in October, arriving by boat in Mexico. They traveled to El Salvador at the end of last year.

"The important thing is to show that I am very well physically, that the arm is healthy," said Rodriguez, who didn't top 90 mph.

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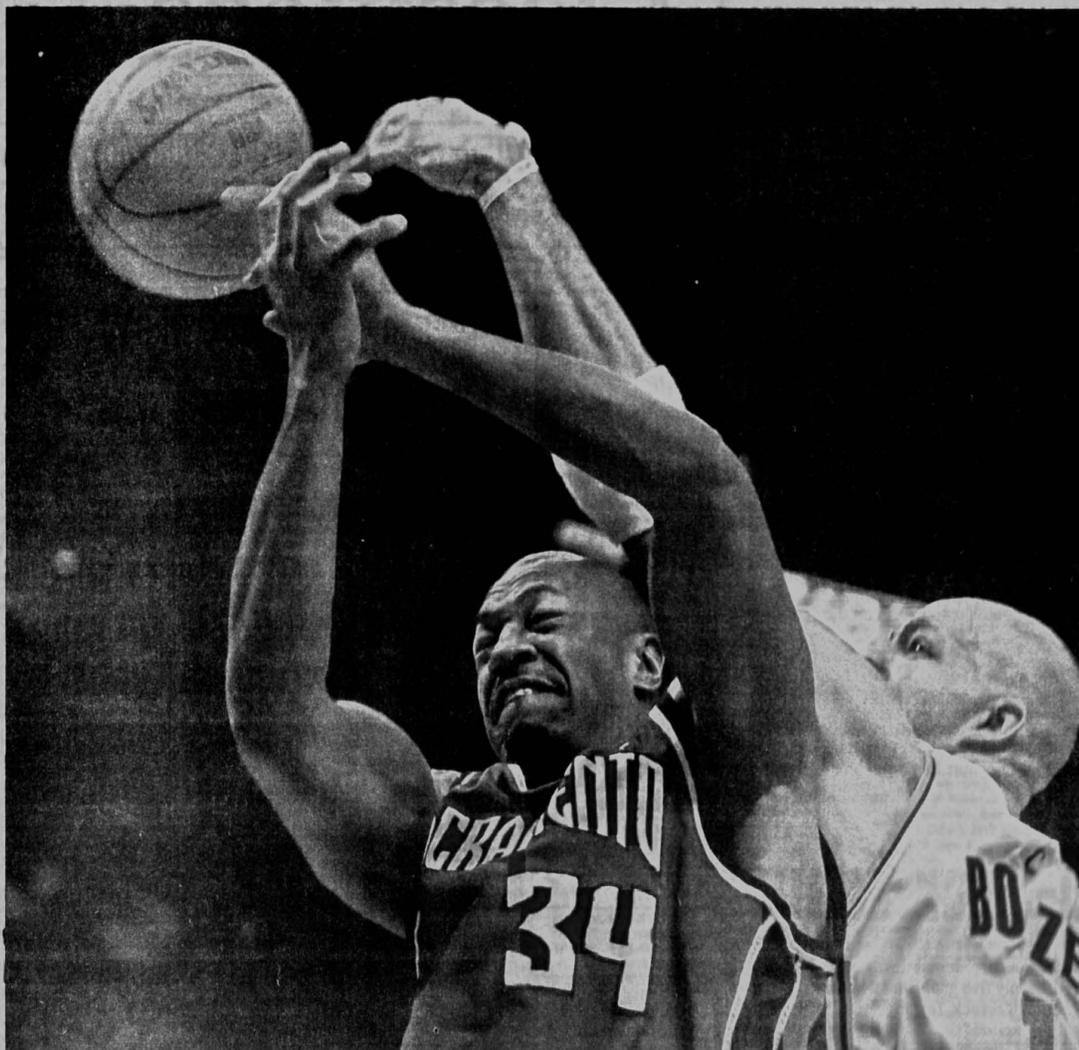
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Sacramento King Tony Massenburg (left) is fouled by Cleveland Cavalier Carlos Boozer in the second quarter of the Kings' 95-89 win on Thursday in Cleveland.

Kings end longest road trip of season with win

PEJA STOJAKOVIC SCORES 37 POINTS TOTAL, 27 IN SECOND HALF TO LEAD HIS TEAM TO A VICTORY OVER THE CLEVELAND CAVALIERS

CLEVELAND (AP) — Peja Stojakovic scored 27 of his 37 points in the second half Thursday night and the Sacramento Kings opened their longest road trip of the season with a 95-89 win over the undermanned Cleveland Cavaliers.

Stojakovic, on a tear of late, scored 20 in the third quarter and the Kings held off the Cavs, who were still missing LeBron James but nearly rallied from a nine-point deficit in the final minutes.

Brad Miller had a key put-back off a missed free throw with 57.5 seconds left as the Kings (30-10) became the first Western Conference team to reach 30 wins.

Vlade Divac had 13 points,

nine rebounds, and nine assists, and Miller had 15 rebounds for Sacramento, which began a six-game trip with its 10th win in 12 games.

Dajuan Wagner had 20 points, and Carlos Boozer 15 with 11 rebounds for the Cavs.

Cleveland only dressed nine players and was again without James, who still hasn't been able to run on his sprained right ankle and had to sit for the second-straight game.

The Cavs were also short-handed because Jeff McInnis and Ruben Boumtje Boumtje, acquired Wednesday in a trade with Portland for Darius Miles, hadn't had their physicals yet.

Still, Cleveland was within 89-87 with 1:13 remaining when Wagner made two free throws.

Divac missed a free throw — he clanked his last four from the line — with 57.5 seconds to go, but Miller smartly sneaked behind Boozer on the baseline to grab the rebound and score while being fouled. He missed the free throw.

Boozer hit two foul shots to make it 91-89, but Mike Bibby penetrated in the lane and made a nice pass underneath to Divac, whose lay-up sealed it with 24.7 seconds to play.

Kevin Ollie, who is losing his starting job to McInnis, had nine points, nine assists and matched a career high with 10 rebounds for Cleveland.

After scoring just 10 points — all in a 1:29 span of the opening quarter — in the first half, Stojakovic hit all four of his 3-pointers and converted two three-point plays in the third as the Kings opened an eight-point lead.

The Kings shot 74 percent (14-of-19) in the quarter and made five of six 3s.

Sacramento, which shot a season-low 33 percent in a loss on Tuesday to Portland, started out hot from the floor. But the Kings went just 1-for-15 during a stretch of the second quarter that allowed the Cavs to build a six-point lead.

But Bibby hit two free throws and drained a 3-pointer as the Kings tied it at 41 by halftime.

Primeau proves he's an All-Star

NEW YORK (AP) — Keith Primeau had two assists just hours after being selected to the All-Star game, and the Philadelphia Flyers snapped out of a power-play slump in a 4-2 victory over the New York Rangers on Thursday night.

Primeau, a surprise choice to the Eastern Conference All-Star team, set up Sami Kapanen's tying goal late in the first period and assisted on Simon Gagne's score that made it 3-2.

Mark Recchi and John LeClair added power-play goals for the Flyers, 3-for-35 with the man-advantage in their previous 10 games. Anson Carter and Brian Leetch scored for the Rangers.

Avalanche 1, Thrashers 1
ATLANTA (AP) — Pasi Nurminen made 20 saves and Atlanta held Colorado's NHL-leading power play scoreless.

Colorado had converted 24 percent of its opportunities with the man-advantage coming in, but squandered five chances against the Thrashers, including a brief five-on-three in the second period.

Frantisek Kaberle gave Atlanta a 1-0 lead early in the first period on a power play, and Brad Larsen tied it in the second.

Colorado's David Aebischer made 20 saves.

Senators 6, Penguins 5
OTTAWA (AP) — Martin Havlat and Peter Schaefer each scored two goals and Marian Hossa had three assists for Ottawa.

Daniel Alfredsson and Josh Langfeld also scored to help Ottawa move within a point of Toronto for the Eastern Conference lead. The Senators improved to 13-2-4 in their last 19 games.

Milan Kraft, Drake Berehowsky, Tom Kostopoulos, Brian Holzinger, and Dick Tarnstrom scored for Pittsburgh. The Penguins have lost five straight.

Sabres 3, Bruins 2
BOSTON (AP) — Miroslav Satan scored two late goals to help Buffalo snap a six-game road winless streak.

Buffalo ended a three-game losing streak and won for only the second time in its last six games. The Sabres also ended Boston's six-game home unbeaten streak.

Satan gave Buffalo a 2-1 lead with 6:20 left, and added an empty-net goal, his 17th of the season, with 1:10 to go to make it 3-1. Rory Fitzpatrick also scored for the Sabres.

Mike Knuble and Glen Murray scored for Boston.

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Boston Bruin goalie Andrew Raycroft makes a save on a shot by New York Ranger center Mark Messier during the second period in Boston on Monday.

Messier added to All-Star team

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NEW YORK — New York Rangers captain Mark Messier was added to the NHL's Eastern Conference All-Star team Thursday, four days after his 43rd birthday.

Messier will become the third oldest to play in an All-Star game when he suits up Feb. 8 in St. Paul, Minn.

Only Gordie Howe, who was 51 when he represented Hartford in 1980, and St. Louis defenseman Doug Harvey, 44 in 1969, were older All-Stars. Messier also will become only the fifth player to appear in 15 or more All-Star games.

Messier, who passed Howe on the NHL's career points list earlier this season, leads the Rangers with 13 goals. He has 1,869 points — second only to Wayne Gretzky.

His 1,727 NHL games played trails only Howe on the career list. Messier is tied with Ray Bourque for the most All-Star assists with 13 and is fourth in points with 18.

Messier will have plenty of stories to share with five East teammates, chosen to their first All-Star game.

Making their debuts will be Florida goalie Roberto Luongo; defenseman Adrian Aucoin of the New York Islanders, Nick Boynton

of Boston, and Montreal's Sheldon Souray. Washington forward Robert Lang also will play in his first All-Star game.

The third goalie, playing behind New Jersey starter Martin Brodeur, is Montreal's Jose Theodore — a second-time All-Star. Theodore has rebounded from a subpar season and regained the form that made him an All-Star, an NHL MVP, and the Vezina Trophy winner two years ago.

On defense, Wade Redden of Ottawa will join elected starters Scott Stevens and Scott Niedermayer of Stanley Cup champion New Jersey, who were chosen in fan balloting. Stevens is out indefinitely due to post-concussion symptoms, leaving his status in question.

The remaining forwards are Washington's Jaromir Jagr, making his ninth appearance, Daniel Alfredsson, and Marian Hossa of Ottawa; Toronto's Gary Roberts and Mats Sundin, making his eighth trip; and Keith Primeau and Jeremy Roenick of Philadelphia.

Pittsburgh, Buffalo and Carolina are the only Eastern teams without representation.

Primeau, the Flyers' captain, was surprised by his second career selection and first since 1999 with Carolina. He centers a line focused

on checking and was picked despite only five goals and 11 assists.

"Shock for me," he said. "I'm excited."

Roenick was chosen a week after harshly criticizing referee Blaine Angus and NHL commissioner Gary Bettman after Angus didn't see Roenick being high-sticked during a game. Roenick threw a water bottle toward Angus and was ejected from the game and suspended for another.

He was in a better mood following his ninth All-Star selection.

"Every year is great," Roenick said. "When you can be mentioned among the top players in the league it's a special thing. You never see enough of those shirts hanging in your closet."

The starting forwards are Boston center Joe Thornton, Martin St. Louis of Tampa Bay, and Atlanta's Ilya Kovalchuk.

Toronto coach Pat Quinn will lead the East in his fourth career All-Star appearance, and he will be assisted by Philadelphia coach Ken Hitchcock.

The roster additions were made by the NHL's hockey operations department, after consultation with general managers. For the second straight year, the All-Star format pits the East Conference against the West instead of North America versus the World.

Williams working out kinks

BY JOHN PYE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MELBOURNE, Australia — After six months on the sidelines, Venus Williams knows her game needs work.

And the experience that comes with winning four Grand Slam tournaments is helping gauge her progress.

So she wasn't too concerned when she made 23 unforced errors during a second-round match Thursday at the Australian Open against 17-year-old Vera Douchkina, a Russian ranked 112th.

Williams is well aware that all that counts is how her strokes feel — and the final score, which happened to be 6-4, 6-2 in her favor.

"I had a good match. I had a few more errors than what I wanted to, but really the whole goal was just to keep hitting out," Williams said. "I felt that I could have pulled back, of course, and cut my errors in half. But I really wanted to go after her."

She put some extra zing on her groundstrokes, and some missed the lines by a fraction.

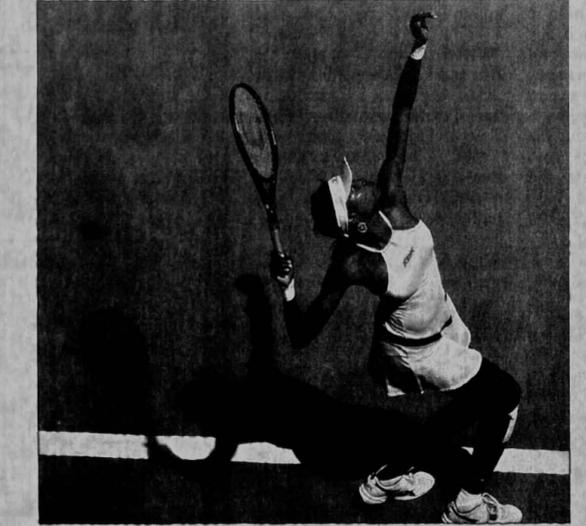
She took something off first serves to work on placement — and not because she's concerned about the abdominal muscle problems that kept her out of action since July.

And Williams wanted to up the ante on her second serve, to experiment with handling some pressure.

Second-ranked Kim Clijsters didn't hold anything back in a 6-0, 6-0 win over Maria Elena Camerin, a 21-year-old Italian ranked 92nd and making her first appearance at the Australian Open.

Clijsters is trying to win her first major title.

The reigning men's Grand Slam champions all reached the third round in straight sets. Wimbledon champion Roger Federer eliminated



Steve Holland/Associated Press

Venus Williams serves during her second-round match against Vera Douchkina at the Australian Open in Melbourne on Thursday. Williams won the match (6-4, 6-2).

U.S. qualifier Jeff Morrison (6-2, 6-3, 6-4), while French Open winner Juan Carlos Ferrero ignored pain in his left wrist and beat Filippo Volandri (6-4, 7-6 [3], 7-5).

U.S. Open champion Andy Roddick and defending Australian Open champion Andre Agassi reached the third round earlier.

Roddick faces friend and potential Davis Cup teammate Taylor Dent, while Agassi brings a 4-5 career record against 1999 Australian Open finalist Thomas Enqvist into their third-round match.

Other winners Thursday included Australians Mark Philippoussis and Lleyton Hewitt, No. 8 David

Nalbandian, No. 11 Tim Henman, No. 14 Jiri Novak, and No. 22 Albert Costa.

On the women's side, the top half of the draw is in action today, with No. 1 Justine Henin-Hardenne facing Svetlana Kuznetsova, No. 4 Amelie Mauresmo against Anabel Medina Garrigues, and 2000 Australian Open champion Lindsay Davenport against Laura Granville. Clijsters, still conscious of an ankle injury that sidelined her for two weeks coming into Melbourne, rattled off winners with regular precision. The longest game was the last, when Camerin saved four match points in a desperate, last-ditch effort to avoid being blanked.

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HOUSE with three females, close-in, W/D, parking. Negotiable terms. (319)341-9385.

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ONE bedroom in four bedroom apartment. Available immediately. Great location! Call (319)351-1443.

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Rise and shine with The Daily Break

calendar

- **Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Event, "Reducing Barriers: Working with Diverse Populations,"** resource materials table, 7:45-10 a.m., Pharmacy Building Zopf Auditoria Lobby.
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Event, "Race: The Power of an Illusion — The House We Live In,"** 9 a.m., 20 Nursing Building.
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Event, "10,000 Hours Show Volunteer Drive,"** 9 a.m.-5 p.m., IMU basement.
- **"Iowa Talks Live from the Java House,"** singer-songwriting duo Scott and Michelle Dalziel, 10 a.m., Java House, 211 E. Washington St.
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Event, "Serving a Culturally Diverse Population,"** Hayley Harvey, noon, N212 Dental Science Building.
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Event, "Between the Waves: A Dialogue on the Intersections of Race and Gender,"** noon, Women's Resource & Action Center.
- **Center for Teaching Spring Workshop, "Leading a Discussion,"** noon, 259 IMU.
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Event, "Serving the Underserved: Knowledge, Skills, and Attitudes,"** Christopher Okilshi and Maureen Connolly, 12:30 p.m., 1110A Medical Education and Biomedical Research Facility.
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Event, "Education and Health Care: Right or Privilege?,"** Richard J. Mark, 3 p.m., 283 Eckstein Medical Research Building.
- **TOW Seminar Series, "Husbands Might Really Be That Cheap,"** Eric Young, Florida State University, 3:30 p.m., C121 Pappajohn Business Building.
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Event, Fourth Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration, remarks by David Skorton, keynote speaker: Roosevelt Johnson,** 3:30 p.m., IMU Main Lounge.
- **Art After Hours, 6-9 p.m.,** Museum of Art.
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Event, "What Are You Doing for Others?,"** Tisch Jones, 7 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom.

Little University

- Who hurled a no-hitter against the Orioles in his debut with the Red Sox in 2001?
- What company's toxic-fumes leak in Bhopal, India, killed more than 3,300 people in 1984?
- What comic strip character's alter ego, Tracer Bullet, insisted: "I'm not an opera critic, I'm a private eye"?
- Who earned the moniker "Digital Goddess" while hosting a radio show on the Internet?
- Who had just broken Babe Ruth's career walks record in 2001 when he was promptly thrown out trying to steal second?

1. Hideo Nomo
2. Linnon Garcia
3. Calvin
4. Kim Komando
5. Rickey Henderson

quote of the day

We now know we have had a very serious anomaly on the vehicle.

— NASA Spirit rover project manager Pete Theisinger, on the condition of the Mars rover. Since early Wednesday, it has transmitted only random, meaningless radio noise or simple beeps.

happy birthday to ...

- Jan. 23 — Mike "Lunch" McDonald, 22
- Jan. 23 — Annie Shuppy, 20
- Jan. 29 — Kristen Julzi, 22

Wish your friends a happy birthday. E-mail their name, age, and date of birth to dailyiowan@uiowa.edu.

news you need to know

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences' annual Scholarship Competition began on Nov. 3, 2003; it will continue through Jan. 30. For more information please see http://www.clas.uiowa.edu/students/scholarships/index_2.shtml.

For 2004-05 the college is pleased to announce a new scholarship for liberal-arts students, the Roger H. and Marilyn J. Coleman Scholarship for students majoring in Communication Studies or Journalism & Mass Communication.

Please see <http://www.clas.uiowa.edu/students/scholarships/coleman.shtml> for more information. Applications are available at <http://www.clas.uiowa.edu/students/scholarships/apps/coleman.pdf>. Application deadline is Jan. 30.

If you have further questions please contact Curt Graff, Academic Programs and Services, at 335-2633 or curt-graff@uiowa.edu.

public access schedule

- 7 a.m. Democracy Now
- 10 Project Censored
- 11 Four Iowans Who Fed the World
- 1 p.m. Disabilities Awareness Day Concert
- 1:30 Kelly Pardekooper & Dustin Busch
- 1:55 Aerohawks/Video Rental
- 2:15 Packing the Courts
- 2:30 The Geneva Lecture Series: John Calvin & the Problem of American History
- 4 Conversations
- 5 U.N. Report
- 5:30 An Interview with Dennis Kucinich
- 6 Gospel Explosion Ministry
- 7 Country Time Country
- 8 Eden
- 8:30 Professor Noodle
- 9 Small Justice
- 10 Silvis Full Gospel
- 11 Tom's Guitar Show (Replay)

UITV schedule

- 6:30 p.m. Iowa Basketball with Steve Alford
- 7 MLK Human Rights Convocation
- 7:30 Lisa Bluder Press Conference (Rebroadcast)
- 8 Intellectual Property & Patent Law
- 9 Ida Beam Sponsored Lecturer Henry Friedlander

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J. BERGEBEL CLEAN CHANNEL STANDARDS MINISTER

NSA? CAN I SEE THAT?

UM... THIS IS THE BILL OF RIGHTS

WHAT'S YOUR POINT, PINKO?

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

MONEY? IS THAT YOU OUT THERE?

YES, SIR. I'M JUST REPLAYING YOUR WORDS IN MY MIND — WORDS I THOUGHT I'D NEVER HEAR!

GREAT... WHAT THE HELL DID I SAY TO HER?

"IN SOME SMALL, MEANINGLESS WAY, I'D MISS YOU, MONEY!"

THE LEDGE

NUTRITION ADVICE FOR THE STUDENT ON A BUDGET

By Jesse Ammerman

- Experts agree that fruits and vegetables are essential to one's diet. To meet this requirement, occasionally garnish your mixed drinks with a lemon or lime.
- Maintaining proper hydration is critical. Fortunately, Mountain Dew is provided in two-liter bottles to assist in this need.
- Though it might spare you the hassle of cooking and cleaning, nacho cheese should seldom be taken intravenously.
- Pepperoni makes a great snack. But to guarantee success on your Atkins diet, be sure to eat from all five deli-meat groups.
- If you'd like an exotic treat, ramen noodles offer a mystical journey to the Orient for only 20 cents.
- For quicker absorption of nutritious whole grains, consume them in liquid form via Miller Lite or Budweiser.
- In extreme cases of hunger, forgo the lunchtime cigarettes and treat yourself to some Cheez-Its instead.
- If you feel sluggish or out of sorts, you're probably not getting enough taco sauce in your diet.
- For special occasions, you may wish to prepare your Doritos with a side of parsley or celery.
- Disregard the food pyramid and all those tricky numbers — stick with food that is circular and delivered in a box.

horoscopes

Friday, January 23, 2004 by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Offer your hand in friendship to someone you meet through a common interest. Getting involved in something you believe in will give you the chance to give back.
- TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): A stubborn attitude will work against you today. Emotional turmoil will result. Someone you work with will not be sympathetic to your problems.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Someone may try to stand in your way, or you may be inclined to let your personal life take precedence over your business goals. If you do, you will pay too high a price.
- CANCER** (June 21-July 22): You will have to be careful when dealing with legal, financial, or health matters. The information you receive is not likely to be accurate. Follow your own line of investigation.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Uncertainty about the way someone feels about you will play on your mind. You won't get the whole truth today. Eventually, this person will show her or his true colors.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A turn of events will lead to a better position or at least more responsibility. This is a perfect day to make an honest assessment of how you are doing in all aspects of your life.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Self-improvement prospects look good. Develop an idea that you have; people you meet will be impressed and intrigued.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may have to deal with someone who is overindulgent today. Problems at home will stem from deception or the use of stimulants. Focus on creative projects.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your heart is in the right place, and the help you offer others will be appreciated and bring you added popularity. Plan your next vacation with someone you love or a close friend.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may find yourself re-evaluating what you wanted to accomplish in life. Be sure that you base your decision on your own needs and not on the needs of those around you.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Go easy on yourself and those you love. Emotional problems will unfold if you can't distance yourself from someone who may not be good for you. Focus on your goals.
- PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): You will have a wonderful effect today on people who are going through problems, helping them to see the possibilities. You will be an inspiration, and that could bring about reform.

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 1212

- ACROSS**
- 1 Trip break
- 9 Naughty, but not too
- 15 Valentine inscription
- 16 Just so
- 17 Like some forces
- 18 Fundamental beliefs
- 19 Places where suckers are lined up
- 21 Fictional cabbie of old radio
- 22 Race's end
- 23 Heat shield locale
- 26 When repeated, a dolphin
- 28 "Walk right in!"
- 29 Tongs, e.g.
- 32 Like leftovers
- 35 Municipal facility: Abbr.
- 36 Year Helsinki was founded
- 37 Needle hole
- 38 "Some meat and canna eat": Burns
- 39 Preserves fruit
- 41 High degree
- 43 Possible answer to "Where are you?"
- 45 Kill
- 46 Underbodice
- 48 Anima doctor
- 50 "Potent Potables for 400,"
- 51 "Amare" might be conjugated on it
- 55 Improve a plant
- 58 Investigates
- 59 Double decker?
- 60 Bring about
- 61 Just
- 62 Not worry

DOWN

- 1 Skirt feature
- 2 Tenor
- 3 It may go from 0 to 500
- 4 Relate
- 5 Available
- 6 Say-so
- 7 Footnote ender: Abbr.
- 8 Soften
- 9 Telecom giant, once
- 10 Stodge with a bowl cut
- 11 Ultimate solution
- 12 One may be moved
- 13 "Dragonwyck" writer Anya
- 14 Author influenced by 48-Across
- 20 "My mistake ... big deal!"
- 24 "Crime and Punishment" heroine
- 25 People in masks wave them
- 26 Gunk
- 27 Aleutian island
- 28 Sibling's threat

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

TORE PARISH ADD
IVAN USED TO PUT
MEND LIFE IS WHAT
ERG ALA ANTOINE
SEE RONA GIRDER
HAPPENS WHILE
AGORA KALE SIC
RELY GOWDY DODO
ERE RIPA HAVEN
YOU ARE MAKING
EMBOSS DAIS ETO
LAERTES RST TIL
OTHER PLANS HIKE
PEA APOGEE UZIS
EON LEPERS METE

- 30 Plant fungi
- 31 Bitterroot Mountains locale
- 33 Word with rabbit or all
- 34 Leaves home?
- 40 Rosinante's rider
- 42 Life insurance form
- 44 Newspaper circulation unit
- 46 Bank
- 47 Coeur d'...
- 48 "Bringing Up Father" father
- 49 Not hard enough
- 52 Sticking point
- 53 Holy ones: Abbr.
- 54 Conservative
- 56 Mouse catcher
- 57 Myrna of "The Thin Man"

Puzzle by Manny Nosowsky

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