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UI could lose 82 positions in budget plan

Board of Regents plans to cut \$7.8 million from UI spending

BY MARY BETH LARUE
THE DAILY IOWAN

The state Board of Regents will complete plans for a \$7.8 million reduction in UI spending, including with the possible loss of 82 positions, at its meeting next week in the IMU.

The 82 positions would include 37 faculty, 19 professional and scientific staff, and 26 merit employees, according to documents the regents released Thursday. But UI interim Provost Patricia Cain cautioned that she is unsure when or if the cuts will take place.

"The problem with budget cuts is that we have cut everything that we are able to cut," she said.

Other possible changes include reducing 50 College of Liberal Arts and Sciences course sections and 54 discussion or laboratory sections, reducing the number of academic departments in the College of Nursing from four to three, eliminating 15 course sections in the summer session, and reducing the number of UI police security guards by two and offering fewer services. In addition, the commitment to the four-year graduation plan could be compromised if the

university cannot produce the number and breadth of course credit hours required.

"We didn't cut all of the sections, or you would've heard a lot of screaming students this spring," said Linda Maxson, the dean of the liberal-arts school. "This will mostly affect general-education classes and the students coming onto campus next year, particularly freshmen."

"The budget cuts are terrible. We are literally hemorrhaging and can't ask faculty for any more without compromising students' education."

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AREAS OF REDUCTION

- The four-year graduation plan could be compromised if the number and breadth of course credit hours required are not produced.
- The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences would reduce 50 course sections and 54 discussion sections.
- Fifteen course sections would be eliminated from the summer session.
- UI police would reduce the number of security guards by two, and they provide fewer evening services.
- Eighty-two positions would be cut, of which 37 would be faculty, 19 professional and scientific, and 26 merit.
- Early retirements scheduled for June 30 may reduce the need for layoffs, but will create a challenge in rebalancing the workforce.
- Colleges canceled searches for tenured and tenure-track faculty.

Regents: Move tuition rates decision back

BY CHRISTINA ERB
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The state Board of Regents is expected to pass a policy next week requesting the state Legislature permit it to set tuition rates as late as March, four months after the current deadline.

If passed by both regents and lawmakers, the new policy could delay student financial-aid decisions. Their combined effort, if implemented, will

combat the "unpredictability" of state education funding.

One regent, however, voiced concerns Thursday about the policy's effectiveness.

"The principal positive of it would be that the board would have a much better idea what state appropriations would be before setting tuition," said Regent Robert Downer. "One of the potential negatives of this would be that financial-aid decisions could be delayed."

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ONE DAY TILL VALENTINE'S DAY

Time for last-minute gifts ... or breakups

BY MARK QUINER
THE DAILY IOWAN

Surrounded by dozens of half-empty flower boxes and hypnotized by the incessant ringing of phones, Iowa City floral shop employees were rushing around Thursday night to make thousands of Valentine's Day fantasies a reality.

Bud Sueppel, the owner of Sueppel's Flowers Inc., 1501 Mall Drive, estimated there would be 1,700 flower deliveries Friday and Saturday. Two employees will be awake most of the night organizing floral arrangements for the 12 trucks that will distribute the parcels the following day.

"Tonight, we'll be here until 1 or 2 [a.m.] and tomorrow probably the same," said office manager Ted Sueppel, adding that employees generally work 60 to 70 hours in the three days leading up to Valentine's Day.

Between phone orders, Sueppel's employee Jami Hall laughed about one customer who asked to have the card addressed from a puppy to its owner.

Elsewhere, weary floral workers tested their limits, filling orders and catering to the needs of spirited customers.

"It's very, very stressful. I don't think customers realize how much work we do," said Hy-Vee floral designer Allison Hellyer, adding that with the stress comes a degree of enjoyment.

Hellyer and fellow employee Sue Byers manage to keep the work environment light by recalling odd requests from past seasons to pass the long hours of standing and tedious work.

"Last year [at another floral shop], this lady wanted us to put a dildo in her flower arrangement," Hellyer said.

Byers said she enjoys seeing what people order, growing excited as she imagines how pleased the recipients of the arrangements will be.

At Flowerama, 817 S. Riverside Drive, employees conjured authentic smiles for each



Jodi Peer of Sueppel's Flowers prepares for the Valentine's Day rush on Thursday afternoon.

Amanda May/The Daily Iowan



Tina Fineberg/Associated Press
Blaine, the new "doll-ing" of Barbie, is shown in New York on Thursday.

Ken's out, Blaine's in as Barbie's new accessory

NEW YORK (AP) — Just like J.Lo and Ben, the romance is over for Barbie and Ken.

After 43 years as one of the world's prettiest pairs, the perfect plastic couple is breaking up. The couple's "business manager," Russell Arons, the Mattel vice president of marketing, said Barbie and Ken "feel it's time to spend some quality time — apart."

"Like other celebrity couples, their Hollywood romance has come to an end," said Arons, who quickly added that the duo "will remain friends."

Truth be told, the announcement was prompted by the fact that Mattel is releasing the Cali (as in California) Girl Barbie, arriving in stores now. Ken will still be in the picture — only now he's "just a friend," Mattel claims.

Whatever. The important news is that to better reflect her single status, Cali Barbie will wear board shorts and a bikini top, metal hoop earrings, and have a deeper tan.

This new style already has attracted a new admirer, Blaine the Australian boogie boarder.

Barbie — the most popular fashion doll in the world, according to Mattel — met Ken on the set of a TV commercial in 1961, and they have been inseparable ever since.

HOW DID YOU MEET YOUR VALENTINE?

UI junior Andy Cox and sophomore Emily Gerlick have been dating for four months. They met through friends at a house party. "He didn't call me for two weeks," Gerlick added. They celebrated Valentine's Day Thursday night at the Brown Bottle.



UI senior Ty Morris and Kristin Cooney, 19, have been dating for three months. They met at a friend's party and Morris said he plans on making his Valentine dinner. "Really?" Cooney said.



UI seniors Kyle Payne and Brooke Watters have been dating for three years. They met in rhetoric class and celebrated Valentine's Day Thursday night at Diamond Dave's. "I got her some flowers and candy because she deserves it," Payne said.

PLANS TO SHOW UNITY AGAINST THE REPORTED HATE CRIME INCLUDE:

- Distributing ribbons with the quote "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."
- Attending a meeting on Feb. 16 to plan a rally against the reported hate crime and to try to get the alleged attackers expelled.
- Meeting with administrators and other student leaders to discuss the problem of hate-related verbal and physical violence around campus.
- Draft a set of goals to educate students on racial tolerance.

UI coalition steps up anti-hate crime fight

BY ALEX LANG
THE DAILY IOWAN

Using ribbons to show unity, the UI Asian-American Coalition began a campaign Tuesday to unify and educate the campus against hate-related violence in the wake of a reported attack last month.

The alleged incident involved Thomas O'Malley in a scuffle with Charles Holden III and three of his friends. O'Malley said Holden called his girlfriend, Janis Chang, a "chink," and then a friend of Holden's attacked him. O'Malley, of Mount Prospect, Ill., suffered fractures to his cheekbone, eyesocket, and sinus cavity.

"I was shocked something like this could happen in Iowa City," said coalition Co-President Jane Wu. "It's hard to understand that university students could do something like this."

At a meeting Thursday, the coalition held an open discussion to mull different strategies against the alleged hate crime. The most promising idea

involved distributing ribbons around campus with the Martin Luther King Jr. quote: "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

It is still unknown when or where the ribbons would be distributed.

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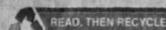
GRAPPLING WITH REALITY

Iowa and Minnesota wrestlers are discovering there's a strange creature called parity in the Big Ten.
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SCHOOL DAYS GETTING LONGER

Nationally, college students are taking their time.
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NEWS

Nationally, college taking longer

BY LAUREN KAMM
THE DAILY IOWAN

Most students are familiar with the term "super senior," but with an increased number of students taking longer than four years to earn a bachelor's degree, the term may have to be amended for students who need more — as many as six or seven years — to graduate.

The National Center for Education released preliminary statistics based on a study of 1 million students, showing that, nationwide, 33.1 percent of students who started college full-time in fall 1996 graduated in four years. The study also indicated that 16.5 percent graduated in five years and 5.1 percent finished in six years. The remaining students took longer to earn a degree or never finished at all.

"At least half of all students who have entered a four-year institution have failed to realize their dreams and aspirations that led them there in the first place," Watson Scott

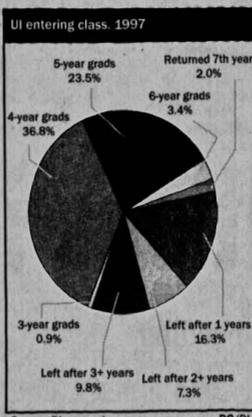
Swail, the president of the Educational Policy Institute, wrote in the January issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.

But while institutions create a picture of slacker students and overloaded classes, Lola Lopes, the UI associate provost for undergraduate education, said she thinks otherwise.

"Iowa's graduation rate is actually quite high," she said. "Our four-year graduation rate is about 37 percent, and we are very proud of that because that is a higher number for public institutions that admit a broad range of students."

The UI has undertaken two key approaches to raising the graduation rate, Lopes said. In 1995, the university implemented a four-year graduation contract in which the school promises that a student will graduate in four years without being delayed by the unavailability of classes.

"That is a major commitment from the university to make sure no one gets slowed down because of our fault," she said.



Source: DI research RC/DI

For UI students who enrolled before the plan was established, 33 percent graduated in four years from 1991 to 1994. From 1995 to the present, the percentage has remained steady at approximately 37 percent, according to a university report.

More recently, the university created a college-transition class that helps students adjust to the university, which in turn lowers the transfer rates, Lopes said. Transfer rates are important because they significantly lower the graduation rate, she said.

Despite the university's statistics, some students are still having difficulty graduating in four years.

Aaron Lagneaux, a UI sophomore and pre-journalism major, doesn't anticipate earning a bachelor's degree in four years. He entered his freshman year fall semester as a pre-business major and plans on changing again to pre-law.

"Between switching majors and all the different course requirements, it is hard to graduate in four years," he said.

But he expressed no regrets and said he loves college.

"Graduating in four years is like leaving a party at 9 o'clock," he said.

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Neuzil to run for supervisor again

BY CHRISTINA PREISS
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Terrence Neuzil, the chairman of the Johnson County Board of Supervisors, announced on Thursday he will run for re-election to complete the initiatives he has started.

"I love the job, and I love the fact that we've set out an ambitious agenda," he said. "We've made incredible steps that will have effects on people not only for the next five years, but for the next 50 years as well."

Neuzil said he decided to seek another term after exploring different governmental positions, such as the Iowa Legislature, but knew there was more he wanted to accomplish as a supervisor.

"I realized that this is the best fit for me," he said.

During his first term, the 33-year-old was part of county projects such as technology developments with the new Government E-Management System and the mental-health services database to replace county computer systems dating back to 1982. Also on his list of accomplishments are the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee, which proposes jail alternatives, and the Geographic Information System, in which information on real-estate assessment and mapping will be placed online.

"He's been a pretty integral part to the board for the last four years," said Supervisor Mike Lehman. "He plays the devil's advocate a lot, which is good. What we may think is a slam-dunk issue, he adds another wrinkle that we might not have thought of."

Neuzil still wants to develop some projects if re-elected. Among those plans are focusing on inter-governmental relations affected by looming state and federal budget cuts.

Inspired by a five-week course he took at Kirkwood Community College, Spanish in the Workplace, he said he plans to implement a plan to have all county department heads and elected officials trained in basic Spanish.

"We are changing the way the government is run, and I've helped start a lot of these things," he said. "It's been exciting to be apart of this."

The three seats that Neuzil, Carol Thompson, and Pat Harney hold are up for election this year. While Thompson has publicly announced her decision not

to seek re-election, Harney has not announced his plans.

Neuzil, who received his degree in political science and history from the UI, once worked in the Legislature as an assistant to former Rep. Dick Myers, D-Coralville, and Sen. Robert Dvorsky, D-Coralville.

Since the late 1980s, Neuzil has worked as an early morning news anchor and business manager of KCJJ, a news/talk/hits AM radio station. He says he is "big into the outdoors," with his favorite hobbies including hunting, fishing, and camping. A fifth-generation Johnson County dweller, Neuzil lives with his wife, Jill, and their beagle, Bailey, in Iowa City.

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CITY

UI prof sues insurance firm

A UI professor is suing his insurance provider for more than \$1 million after the company allegedly skewed stipulations in its coverage policy and subsequently refused to pay death benefits.

Marcelo Bento Soares, a UI professor of medical genetics, claims that because of a contract between his family and Phoenix Life and Annuity Co. — a Connecticut-based insurance company — he should have received compensation after his wife's death.

The 47-year-old lost his wife, Vera Da Costa Soares, to cancer on July 15, 2001. She was diagnosed with a cancerous mass on May 19, 2000, after experiencing pain in her lower abdomen five days prior, court records show.

The policy provided by Phoenix for Vera Da Costa Soares began on May 12, 2000, the petition contends.

After her diagnosis, the Soareses allegedly received a letter from the company, asking them to verify that her health conditions had not changed. Because she had been

diagnosed, the Soareses were allegedly told they would have to fill out a new medical-release form.

In August of that year, Phoenix allegedly sent a letter to the couple expressing "regret" that it declined the policy for Vera Da Costa Soares after the company informed the Soareses of conditions in the policy that were allegedly false.

Phoenix allegedly denied Soares' claim on Jan. 6 — after the UI doctor confronted the company in October 2003 — saying it has a right to confirm that the policyholders'

health had not changed.

Soares is suing Phoenix for breach of contract and bad faith, contending that the company had "no reasonable basis for denying benefits under the policy," according to court records.

He is also alleging breach of fiduciary duty and negligent misrepresentation against Filbrandt and Co., Inc., which initially approached the couple with the policy and is asking for \$998,970.85 plus interest accrued since his wife's death in 2001, plus the costs of legal action.

— by Seung Min Kim

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POLICE BLOTTER

Todd Baggot, 37, address unknown, was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.

Terry Carter, 22, 630 S. Capitol St. Apt. 307, was charged Thursday with criminal mischief and public intoxication.

Elizabeth Clark, 23, Tiffin, was charged Thursday with driving while suspended.

Sonya Cunlifton, 31, Cedar Rapids, was charged Tuesday with third-degree theft and driving while barred.

Melissa Dickess, 32, Muscatine, was charged Wednesday with driving while suspended.

Keith Ennis, 44, Coralville, was charged Thursday with third-degree theft and disorderly conduct.

Anita Erickson, 26, North Liberty, was charged Thursday with operating while intoxicated.

Octavia Guadalupe, 35, Hiawatha, was charged Wednesday with second-degree theft.

Duane Gugel, 40, 1802 Deforest Ave., was charged Wednesday with possession of

controlled substance.

Douglas Harris, 41, 2410 Waterfront Drive Apt. 84, was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.

Andrea Holck, 20, 611 N. Johnson St. Apt. 2, was charged Thursday with operating while intoxicated.

Marcus Hunt, 33, Harvey, Ill., was charged Thursday with domestic assault causing injury.

Darryl Jenkins, 37, Coralville, was charged Wednesday with disorderly conduct.

Tyranus Nelson, 13, address unknown, was charged Wednesday with interference with official acts and disorderly conduct.

Gerald Seals, 24, Coralville, was charged Wednesday with driving under suspension.

Tony Scolaro, 20, 638 Westgate Drive Apt. 44, was charged Thursday with operating while intoxicated.

Deondra Sykes, 15, Cedar Rapids, was charged Tuesday with fourth-degree theft.

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Guard OKs bid on center

BY BRIAN SPANNAGEL
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa National Guard has awarded Muscatine-based Stanley Consultants Inc. a \$300,000 contract to design a \$12 million, 80,000-square-foot Iowa City Readiness Center, which will become the state's largest armory, pending federal funding.

The project will move the site of the Iowa City Armory from 925 S. Dubuque St. to a 25-acre location on Melrose Ave., next to the Johnson County Poor Farm. After construction, to begin in 2005, is completed, another infantry battalion and ambulance unit will relocate to Iowa City.

"Rather than being an armory, it is a readiness center because it will have more than one unit in it," said Lt. Col. Kevin Hulett of Iowa City's 105th Troop Command.

Funds to build the project have not yet been appropriated, but Col. Vince Reefer, the legislative liaison for the Iowa National Guard, said receiving government funding for the design is a

promising indicator that more money will follow. But nearly a quarter of the \$12 million will need to be allocated from the state's already tight budget.

"Anything is subject to change. It could be put up on a shelf for 10 years," Hulett said.

The old armory was built in 1937 as a riding arena and medical regiment for a horse cavalry squad.

Michael Flattery, a Stanley Consultants vice president, said he wasn't yet authorized to discuss the particulars of the project, but he did confirm the contract.

"We have a large 'bind' with military-experience background," he said. "We understand military needs. They are somewhat different than commercial buildings."

Stanley is expected to design an assembly hall, classrooms, vaults to secure equipment, office space, storage space, and a 12,000-square-foot service center for vehicles for the center.

The Guard swapped the old armory with Johnson County

for the 25-acre plot where the new readiness center will stand, which will be effective once the Guard moves into the center.

"The county has had an interest for a number of years in the armory next door," said Mike Sullivan, the executive director for the Johnson County Board of Supervisors. "We want to do a central campus concept, and [we] said, 'Here is 25 acres,' to the Guard."

The Iowa City Armory is valued at more than \$1.5 million; the assessed value for the county's 25 acres is nearly \$800,000.

Despite the monetary disparity, both the county and Guard say the swap fits their growth and location needs.

"The one [armory] we have now is too small," Hulett said. "The size will be an advantage and so is the location. Large numbers of people can come in right through the highway instead of having to come through town."

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City snow dumping irks motel

BY ARNA WILKINSON
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The city's dumping ground for snow and dirt has irritated the owners of an aviation-themed inn who contend that the all-night unloading is driving away guests.

In a Feb. 7 e-mail to the Iowa City City Council, Jay and Mary Honeck, the owners of Alexis Park Inn & Suites, 1165 S. Riverside Drive, complained that city workers are disturbing their customers by dumping snow on city-owned property across the street.

"If you take a 500-pound steel drum and set it up next to your house, then bang on it all night, you will get an idea of what it's like," said John Remmert, the inn's assistant manager.

According to the message, the Honecks complained to Iowa City police and the Department of Public Transportation about "incredible, incessant, and illegal noise" of trucks dumping snow and the use of reverse warning beepers "all night long."

"We have had lots of people say that they would never stay here again because of it,"

"If you take a 500-pound steel drum and set it up next to your house, then bang on it all night, you will get an idea of what it's like."

— John Remmert,

Alexis Park Inn & Suites assistant manager

Remmert said. "The [motel's] numbers are down from last December, and we think there is a direct correlation to the dumping."

At first, the owners thought the activity violated the city's noise ordinance. But city agencies are exempt.

City Manager Steve Atkins defended the dumping, contending that the Public Works has little choice.

"If we were to take the snow anywhere else, it would be the same situation," he said. "If we tried to take it farther out in the country, it would take longer."

As for the timing, he said the snow must be moved because removal takes place at night when fewer people will get in the way. "That dump has been there for 50 years," he said.

Atkins said there were no solutions to the noise problem,

which has amounted to what he describes as "a good-sized hill" of snow across from the inn.

The city code states it is illegal to "load, unload ... objects outdoors between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. ... as to create a disturbance across a residential real property boundary."

The exception: "Emission of sound in the performance of emergency work, including snow removal," the code states.

City Councilor Bob Elliott said the letter had been brought to his attention, but the council has not made any decisions about whether to reduce the level of noise.

"I would suspect that the city would be interested in learning more about the problem," he said. "But [the dumping site] is on the highway, so there might not be much that we can do."

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Vilsack vetoes 98% spending cap

BY AMY LORENTZEN
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DES MOINES — Gov. Tom Vilsack signed legislation Thursday to repay the Senior Living Trust, using his line-item veto to strike provisions that would cap state spending at 98 percent of available revenues.

The bill would use money from the state's cash reserves to replace \$118 million borrowed from the trust fund over the past three years to pay for other state programs, such as Medicaid.

The trust was created with money from the federal Health Care Financing Administration to pay for assisted living and in-home services that would keep

Iowa's elderly out of nursing homes.

Senate Minority Leader Mike Gronstal, D-Council Bluffs, said the governor "has saved the day for Iowa's seniors."

The centerpiece of the bill, however, was a state spending cap that would have taken effect in 2006.

The state's current spending limit, put in place in 1992, is 99 percent of available revenue. The 1 percent of unspent revenue is put into the state's cash reserves.

The bill would have adjusted the spending cap to 98 percent, sending the additional 1 percent of revenues into reserve funds after the Senior Living Trust was repaid.

Vilsack said the state already maintains healthy reserves at approximately \$160 million. He said the additional money is needed now to support schools, health care, and city and county government services.

"Putting an additional 1 percent of the state's budget in a savings account will short-change our commitment to excellence in education, impede our ability to provide basic health care for seniors and veterans, and jeopardize efforts to ensure the safety and security of all Iowans," he said.

House Speaker Christopher Rants, R-Sioux City, called the move disappointing.

CITY

Man pleads not guilty in ring theft

An Iowa City man accused of stealing a diamond ring from its Coralville owners is pleading not guilty to the charge.

Michael Richard Shearrer, 2401 Highway 6, filed a written plea of not guilty Thursday in 6th District Court to first-degree theft after he allegedly stole a 1.27-carat diamond ring on

Jan. 14, valued at \$10,279.50, and hid it in a pack of cigarettes.

The ring's owners, who also reported a pair of earrings missing from their Coralville residence on the same day, allegedly received a phone call from Shearrer, asking them if they had found the ring yet.

After Shearrer told them to search the van parked in their driveway, the owners discovered

the diamond ring tucked inside a cigarette pack inside the van, court records show.

The 31-year-old was arrested and charged Jan. 27.

First-degree theft is a Class C felony punishable by a maximum of 10 years imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine. Shearrer was released on his own recognizance from the Linn County jail on Feb. 4.

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NEWS

Bill would allow more casinos

BY DAVID PITT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — A bill calling for up to five more casino licenses and significant changes to the state's gaming laws was unveiled Thursday.

The bill sets a limit on the number of racetrack casinos allowed at the current three but permits the Iowa Racing and Gaming Commission to approve up to five more floating casinos.

The bill does not automatically lift the current moratorium, leaving that decision to the Iowa Racing and Gaming Commission.

The bill sets a new 22 percent tax rate for all casinos and boosts the rate to 26 percent for racetracks offering table games and for casinos on boats that convert from floating riverboats to barges.

Iowa's first gambling legislation, designed to improve tourism, required floating casinos to be riverboats capable of cruising.

The proposed bill removes that requirement and permits operators to set up gambling operations on floating barges, a less-expensive option. It also

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Rep. Scott Raecker, chairman of the House subcommittee drafting the bill

allows table games such as poker at racetracks.

The Iowa Supreme Court struck down the state's previous two-tiered casino tax, which taxed racetrack casinos at a higher rate than riverboats.

The new taxing structure, although still containing two different rates, was crafted with the court's ruling in mind.

"I believe it meets the Supreme Court's guidelines," said House Speaker Chris Rants, R-Sioux City.

The new taxing structure raises approximately \$81.2 million a year from the state's three racetracks and around \$139.6 million from 10 riverboat casinos. The \$220.8 million combined revenue is more than the \$218 million the state would have taken in under the taxing scheme overturned by the court.

The bill also allows the state

to collect a one-time \$10 million licensing fee for each new casino. Previously, the state did not charge a fee for licenses.

Rep. Scott Raecker, R-Urbandale, said the bill is a starting point and is likely to see changes as it makes its way through the Legislature.

"I don't think anyone can predict what the bill will look like at the end of debate," said Raecker, the chairman of the House subcommittee drafting the bill.

Rants said gambling is not a partisan issue, but it is very personal for each lawmaker, making it difficult to predict whether the bill will pass.

"People are going to make up their own decisions based on their regions — where they come from — how they philosophically feel about it..." he said.

Lana Ross, a spokeswoman for the Iowa Conference of United

Methodist Church, said opponents will work to remove any additional licenses as the bill goes through the legislative process.

"We really hope we can not have any additional licenses. We just know there are so many families hurting from the addiction, and with each new license, there's more addiction," she said.

The bill boosts the amount of gambling revenues set aside for treating problem gamblers. It also requires the state to study the socioeconomic impact of gambling and requires casinos to remove cash and credit card machines from casino floors.

Supporters of new licenses include the five counties that have approved gambling referendums. They are Franklin, Wapello, Black Hawk, Worth, and Palo Alto.

Steve Heldt, a car salesman who is working to get a floating casino on a lake in Emmetsburg in northwestern Iowa, said he was encouraged.

"We're anxiously waiting to appear before the Iowa Racing and Gaming Commission to apply for a license," he said.

STATE

Lawmakers urged to ban same-sex marriage

DES MOINES (AP) — There was cake and music just like a wedding reception, but the group lobbying at the Capitol on Thursday were gathered for a protest against same-sex marriage.

Marriage Matters, a department of the Iowa Family Policy Center, presented lawmakers with 10,000 signatures supporting a definition of marriage as the union between one man and one woman.

Several lawmakers accepted the signatures, including House Majority Leader Chuck Gipp, R-Decora, said Chuck Hurley, the president of the Marriage Matters.

"These signatures prove that we are ready for stronger laws to protect marriage," Hurley said.

Marriage Matters is proposing that lawmakers draft an amendment to the Iowa Constitution that would ban same-sex marriage, as well as pass a resolution that would encourage the same action at the federal level.

No bills on the resolution have been introduced yet in committee, said Hurley, who hopes that lawmakers will consider legislation soon.

Woman accused of embezzling \$450,000

AMES (AP) — A woman who police say created a fake shipping company that allowed her to embezzle more than \$450,000 from her longtime employer was arrested on theft and fraud charges.

Debera Fay Hurley, 49, of Boone created DM Express and used the company to submit 183 fake shipping claims to her employer, Sauer-Danfoss Inc. of Ames, authorities said.

"This is an employee who has been with us for quite a number of years," said Matt Bendler, the Sauer-Danfoss human-resources director. "We are disappointed that we did have this happen, but certainly we are supportive of the criminal charges."

Hurley worked for Sauer-Danfoss for 24 years. The company paid the shipping claims over a six-year period. Hurley was released from jail Thursday morning without having to pay any of a \$170,000 bond.

She was fired Jan. 26 from her job in the Sauer-Danfoss shipping and customer-relations department after a weeklong internal investigation, company officials said.

The company discovered the funds were missing during a routine audit and turned the information over to detectives.

Lawmakers float education proposal

Even with a proposed increase in spending, some Iowa school districts may not receive new money

BY DAVID PITT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — Republican legislative leaders proposed a \$1.9 billion education-spending bill Thursday that provides \$65 million to pay for 2 percent allowable growth in school-district budgets and \$44 million to restore across-the-board cuts made last year.

"We are keeping our commitment to Iowa's schools," said Sen. Nancy Boettger, R-Harlan, the chairwoman of the Senate Education Committee. "We know that education suffered severely under the across-the-board cuts ordered by the governor last fall. This funding restores those cuts so Iowa's schools can continue to provide our students with a world-class education."

Of the total \$109 million for education, Republicans dedicate \$10 million for textbooks and supplies.

Senate President Jeff Lamberti, R-Ankeny, said lawmakers have received numerous letters from teachers, administrators, and parents indicating shortage of funds for textbooks and supplies.

"What we're trying to do is make sure we have money for that," he said.

The Republicans' bill does not include additional money for class-size reduction or teacher-compensation programs which Gov. Tom Vilsack had requested.

"We're working on that," Boettger said.

The governor's proposed budget sought \$74 million for allowable growth and \$42 million to restore last year's cuts. The total proposal was to spend approximately \$2.26 billion from the state's \$4.75 billion general fund for education next year.

Des Moines Public Schools Superintendent Eric Witherspoon has said 2 percent

Funding Facts

- \$1.9 billion proposed education-spending bill
- \$44 million reserved to restore last year's cuts
- \$65 million allocated for 2 percent allowable growth in school-district budgets
- 2/3 of school districts in Iowa had decreased enrollment
- Bill does not include funding for reducing class sizes
- Approximately 100 school would not get new funding next year
- Current proposal amounts to \$7.4 million cut in Des Moines School District budget and loss of 160 teachers

growth and restoring last year's cuts alone would not be enough to enable schools to keep up with escalating insurance and utility costs.

The level of funding proposed would result in a \$7.4 million cut in the Des Moines School District budget, including the loss of up to 160 teachers, Witherspoon said.

School officials have said 6 percent allowable growth or about \$211 million is needed to keep pace with costs.

"Our membership has been very clear that even with backfill and 2 percent allowable growth, we are dismantling public education in the state of Iowa," said Margaret Buckton, a lobbyist for the Iowa Association of School Boards.

She said forcing school districts to spend a dedicated amount of money on books and supplies gives districts less flexibility and could force some to lay off a teacher.

Allowable growth determines the annual increase in dollars each school district receives per student.

Because about two-thirds of the state's 370 school districts have seen a decline in enrollment, an increase in allowable growth does not always translate to an increase in funding.

For example, about 100 districts would receive no new money next year, even if the Legislature approved 6 percent allowable growth.

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NEWS

Comcast puts Disney CEO on hot seat

BY GARY GENTILE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO, Fla. — Disney chief executive Michael Eisner wasn't acting like a man whose job was in jeopardy Thursday, either because of an unwelcome offer for the company from Comcast Corp. or from his own board trying to appease unhappy investors.

Eisner, speaking after two days of upbeat presentations to analysts at Walt Disney World, was asked about possible acquisitions.

"We're buying Comcast," he quipped.

Comcast, the nation's largest cable provider, launched a surprise bid for the Walt Disney Co. on Wednesday, saying it could manage Disney's diverse entertainment assets better than the current management.

Eisner praised the quality of his managers on Thursday and said he does not think it's necessary for Disney to partner with another company to gain better distribution for its films, television shows, and other products.

"There are great distribution companies," Eisner said. "There are great content companies. They can be together, [but] they don't have to be together. We feel we're running a pretty good company as it is."

His optimistic attitude comes despite speculation from analysts that after two decades of running Disney, Eisner could lose his job just as he is responding to critics of his combative style and delivering better results to investors.

Eisner has survived numerous calls for his ouster over the years. But the unsolicited offer from Comcast — \$54 billion when announced Wednesday — follows an aggressive campaign against him by two former board members and the collapse of a deal with former ally Pixar.

Disney's board needs to decide if the company is better off without him, analysts said.

"It's the \$64,000 question," David Miller, an analyst at Sanders Morris Harris said on

Thursday. "I'm better off gambling my money away at the Bellagio."

Eisner was hired at a time when Disney faced its last takeover attempt — from corporate raiders who wanted to break up the then-tiny theme park and movie company.

Disney's board fired Walt Disney's son-in-law Ron Miller and, at the urging of Walt's nephew Roy E. Disney, hired Eisner and former Warner Bros. executive Frank Wells.

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NATION

GI charged in Al Qaeda/info scheme

FORT LEWIS, Wash. (AP) — A National Guardsman was arrested Thursday and charged by the Army with trying to provide information to Al Qaeda, the military said.

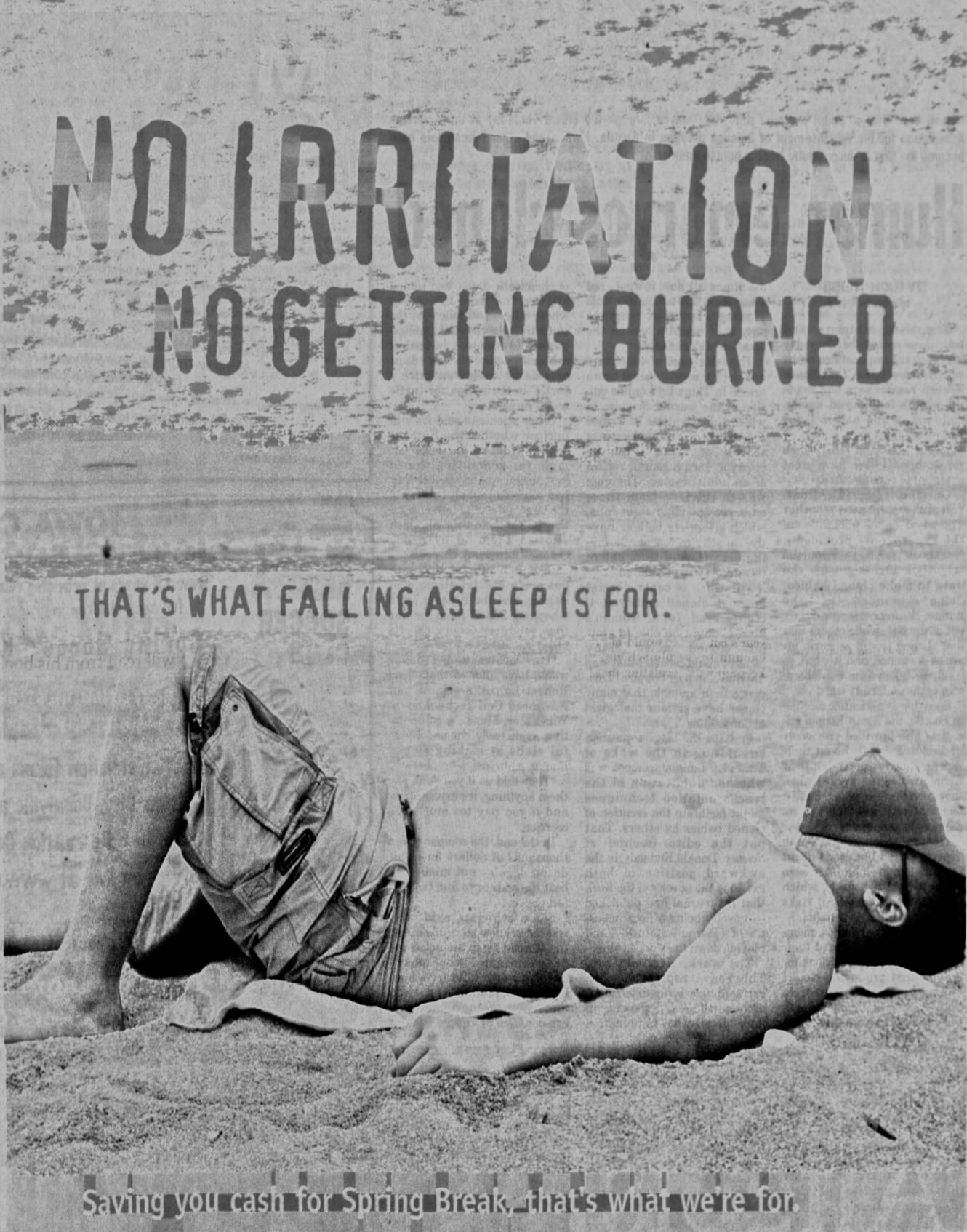
Army Lt. Col. Stephen Barger confirmed that Spc. Ryan G. Anderson was charged with aiding the enemy by wrongfully attempting to communicate and give intelligence to Al Qaeda. Anderson, 26, is being held at Fort Lewis, an Army base near Tacoma.

Barger declined to give any details on the arrest, including what information allegedly was given to Al Qaeda or how it was provided.

Anderson converted to Islam five years ago and studied military history with an emphasis on the Middle East while attending Washington State University, the *Everett Herald* reported last week.

Anderson is a tank crew member from the National Guard's 81st Armor Brigade, a 4,000-member unit set to depart for Iraq for a one-year deployment. It is the biggest deployment for the Washington Army National Guard since World War II.

The brigade has been training at Fort Lewis since November. Eighty percent of the soldiers — 3,200 — are from Washington state, and 1,000 are from Guard units in California and Minnesota.



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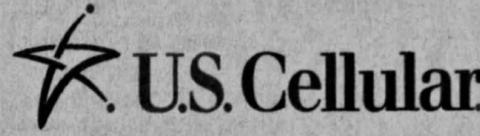
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NEWS



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Hwang Woo Suk of Seoul National University moves through the crowd Thursday at the American Association for the Advancement of Science meeting in Seattle. Hwang and other researchers have become the first to successfully clone a human embryo.

Human embryos cloned

BY RICK WEISS
WASHINGTON POST

Scientists, ethicists, and politicians scrambled Thursday to absorb the implications of the surprise revelation that South Korean researchers had made the world's first cloned human embryos — and had isolated from one of them a colony of highly prized stem cells, which researchers believe have great potential to cure diseases.

On the scientific front, researchers debated whether Thursday's online publication of the experiments provided a "cookbook" for less-scrupulous scientists who might use the data to make cloned babies. Some contended that the human-cloning act is now mostly out of the bag, while others said that cloning is still as much an art as a science, and it won't so easily be taken from the laboratory to the maternity ward.

Speaking at a scientific meeting in Seattle, the South Korean scientists also provided previously undisclosed details about their experiments, revealing that their technique had not worked when they tried to clone male cells — a fact that calls into question its therapeutic potential for men.

In the ethics arena, some experts raised questions about the way female volunteers were recruited for the study, which carried modest medical risks and offered them no benefits.

And in political circles, members of Congress iterated their deeply entrenched positions for and against producing cloned human embryos for research. With dueling statements spewing from lawmakers' fax

machines all day, it appeared Congress is still a long way from passing a law that everyone says they want: a ban on the creation of cloned babies.

The whirlwind of conjecture and debate was triggered by an article in Thursday's online edition of the journal *Science*, in which the scientists described the unprecedented production of scores of cloned human embryos, each a genetic replica of an adult woman. The goal was to retrieve from those embryos so-called stem cells, which scientists believe have the capacity to regenerate failing organs. And from one of those embryos, they did so.

The work is controversial because cloned embryos, if transferred to a woman's uterus, might be able to grow into cloned babies. Many experts would consider that step unethical, in part because of evidence from animals that many clones have serious biological abnormalities.

Perhaps the biggest question circulating in the wake of Thursday's announcement was whether publication of the team's detailed techniques might facilitate the creation of cloned babies by others. That put the editor-in-chief of *Science*, Donald Kennedy, in the awkward position of both extolling the novelty of the work that his journal had published — novelty being a large measure of a journal's stature — and playing down the work's value.

The work, Kennedy said Thursday, represents "an extraordinary series of technical accomplishments," showing in great detail what combination

of chemicals, doses, and timing allowed the team to succeed where others had failed. At the same time, he insisted, publication would not speed the birth of a human clone. "It is a recipe only in the sense that 'catch a turtle' is the recipe for turtle soup," he said.

Other scientists said it's still unclear whether the Koreans had really hit on the magic formula for generating cloned human embryos or whether they had succeeded simply because of the large number of human eggs they had at their disposal, which allowed them to overcome cloning's inherently long odds.

Eggs are difficult to obtain but are a crucial element of cloning, and the Koreans got a whopping 242 of them for free from volunteer donors, experts noted jealously.

"Our ethics board never would have allowed that," said Robert Lanza, a scientist at Advanced Cell Technology in Worcester, Mass., a company that made early but unsuccessful stabs at making cloned human embryos.

"They told us if you don't pay them anything, it's exploitation, and if you pay too much, it's coercion."

In the end, the company paid thousands of dollars for a few dozen eggs — not enough to beat the odds or to find the perfect recipe.

Some ethicists said they wanted to know more about how the Korean team attracted the 16 volunteers, who took a month's worth of ovary-stimulating hormones and then underwent an uncomfortable egg-donation procedure.

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Regents may delay tuition decisions

REGENTS

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UI Vice President for Finance Douglas True said he and his colleagues are working to prevent such a scenario. He intends to release those plans during the Feb. 18-19 regents' meeting, he said.

True added that several other Big Ten schools, including the University of Wisconsin, don't complete their tuition rates until the middle of summer.

Under the current system, students know the next school year's tuition rate by December. If changed, Downer fears students will choose other schools where both tuition and financial packets are known before Christmas.

The UI and other regents' institutions are funded primarily through state appropriations and tuition revenues. In past years, the regents have been required to complete tuition rates before the Legislature and governor enact complete the state budget. As a result, the board has budgeted more

money for the UI in the last five years than the Legislature appropriated.

"It involves a guessing game on the part of the regents to set a budget, because we don't know what the state appropriation is going to be for the next year," Downer said.

Legislators have taken the position that, when the regents enact substantial tuition increases, they can cut appropriations in return, he said.

In 1981, state appropriations financed roughly 77.4 percent of state-funded universities' budgets. In 2004, state appropriations funded 49.6 percent of state universities' expenditures, regents records show.

"Unless there is a modification of the statute, the board cannot effectively plan for the future," the records state.

While some fear the decision will negatively affect student financial-aid decisions, Steve Parrott, the UI director of University Relations, said the regents reassured him the tuition rates would be set before March.

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UI might face cutting 82 jobs

BUDGET

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Layoffs could be required in some areas, though no plans are set. Early retirements scheduled for June 30 may reduce the need for layoffs, and they will create a challenge in re-balancing the workforce, according to the regents' plan.

"It seems at some point, we'll have to look at eliminating some programs that don't involve substantial numbers of students and reduce some administrative positions, and these are unpleasant prospects," said Regent Robert Downer. "We have to maintain the quality of the institution and do as much as we can for the largest number of students."

The Carver College of Medicine contends that reductions will continue to weaken its ability to compete with other

schools and therefore maintain high retention and recruitment rates. "If you are a state university and the state stops giving you support, it hurts your competitive edge against institutions that are fully supported," Cain said.

Despite the cuts, Downer struck an optimistic tone about the near future.

"I'm very hopeful, personally, that we will not see further reductions," he said. "... Institutions have been doing a better job recently in explaining the importance of the strength and quality of a university."

Cain, too, said students should not worry about budget cuts.

"We are looking at the university to see what we can remove from the general-education fund," she said. "If anything, students might have to pay a little more for a ticket at Hancher."

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UI group wants attackers expelled

COALITION

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The coalition plans to attend a meeting on Feb. 16 to set a date and time for a rally against hate and push for the expulsion of the alleged attackers. The meeting will include community and university organizations at 4 p.m. in 341 DMU.

Coalition Co-President Robert Ting said he is drafting a list of goals the coalition would like to see the university implement to help teach students about ethnic tolerance. A lecture at Orientation to inform students about tolerance and possible punishments for those who commit hate crimes is also a possibility, he said.

Wu said the coalition wants to distribute the ribbons and have the rally as soon as possible so the incident stays fresh in people's minds and strong emotions remain.

"If [the alleged attackers] don't get kicked out of the university, then it is basically supporting racism," Tang said.

The meeting not only allowed the coalition to plan a show of unity against hate, it also provided a chance for members to vent frustration.

"A lot of people don't know the gravity of the words they're using," said coalition member Alex Boyce. "I think we can't excuse racism on ignorance, though."

He added that, as a coalition, the members have to figure out ways to educate students on ethnic slurs and their hurtful effects.

Evelyn Ho, another coalition member, said the issue was "more than a minority issue." She also pushed for involving other student organizations — not just minority groups — in the fight.

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Tempers roiled in marriage debate

BY JENNIFER PETER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — After 10 hours of heated discourse, tempers boiled over in the midst of the Massachusetts Legislature's debate of a proposed constitutional ban on gay marriage. Dozens of lawmakers, shouting "We want a vote," walked out of the House chamber Thursday night, in protest of an apparent filibuster by pro-gay rights lawmakers.

The outburst came in the middle of a prolonged debate on a bipartisan version of a proposed constitutional amendment, which would legalize civil unions while simultaneously stripping gay couples of their court-granted right to marriage.

"Anarchy. Anarchy," said Democratic Sen. Jarrett Barrios, an openly gay lawmaker and one of the most visible critics of the constitutional ban.

The lawmakers who had walked out returned a few minutes later, but their brief exit reflected the deep frustrations of a Legislature that has been grappling with one of the most-watched social issues in the nation since the state's highest court ordered gay marriages to begin in mid-May.

The constitutional convention was recessed soon afterward but reconvened about 11:20 p.m.

Three other amendments have been defeated during the course of the constitutional convention. Senate and House leaders had expressed hope earlier Thursday that a new



Michael Dwyer/Associated Press

Supporters of a Massachusetts amendment to ban same-sex marriage, Heather Scarano (right) wipes away tears on Wednesday as Carolyn Render (center) prays during a Constitutional Convention at the Statehouse in Boston.

mixture of words would muster a majority and bring the Statehouse spectacle to an end.

"It's so clear that the legislators need time to think. It's so clear that they're exhausted, they're confused about the amendments, they're uncertain about the issues and they're desperately asking time to sort this out," said Arline Isaacson, co-leader of the Massachusetts Gay and Lesbian Political

Caucus. "And right now, before they take more votes and make more mistakes, it's not unreasonable to let them have some time to sort this out."

Earlier in the day, supporters of a bipartisan proposal urged colleagues to adopt a measure that would preserve the traditional definition of marriage while offering benefits to gay couples.

Although the amendment under consideration would make Massachusetts only the second state in the country to approve civil unions, gay-rights advocates fiercely condemned it, arguing it would revert gay people to second-class citizenship after a hard-won court victory. Vermont is the only state with civil unions.



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OPINIONS

QUOTEWORTHY

The budget cuts are terrible. We are literally hemorrhaging and can't ask faculty for any more without compromising students' education.

Linda Maxson,
UI dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences

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Hey, at least they're trying ...

SKORTON AND JONES MAY NOT BE ABLE TO DRAW A CROWD, BUT THEY'RE STILL ENTERTAINING — ESPECIALLY THEIR DISCARDED NICKNAMES

The attendance at the last "P&D" talk night was so low that even "D," Dean Phillip Jones, didn't show up until after the first 15 minutes.

Those who didn't join *The Daily Iowan* — and six other spectators — at Monday's forum with Jones and UI President David Skorton missed out on ... well, not a lot. Skorton and Jones took the low turnout in stride, however, talking for more than an hour about drug policy, transportation to Greek houses, and slippery ice.

The administrative pair left their black-and-gold "P&D" T-shirts at home, as well as their former monikers — Pizzle and Dizzle — which were revealed after the last session to have less-than-flattering meanings in some circles. According to entries on UrbanDictionary.com, "Pizzle" means "the dick of an animal (such as a bull)" or "shockingly obese and extremely annoying girl," while "Dizzle" denotes "a dong" or a "blow job."

Poor Skorton and Jones. You've got to love them for trying.

Jones — sometimes demonized as gruff or unapproachable — was tardy for a touchingly heartwarming reason: He was helping a woman who had broken her ankle on the ice.

Peace for all and goodwill toward men and women lasted only a moment, though. Students soon demanded to know why the university's sidewalks were so icy. Skorton rattled off a few details of the university's severe-weather policy before exhorting students to just be a little more careful.

Hardly the stuff John Edwards' "Two Americas" speech is made of, but again — points for trying.

The ice may have been the most important issue raised on Monday. Close seconds included a whine about the lack of bus service to Greek housing, which prompted a several-minutes-long argument



between the sorority woman and Jones. This was soon followed by the ever-popular "the university discriminates against pot smokers," which prompted a several-minutes-long argument between a Students for a Sensible Drug Policy member and Jones. Both are real, if not pressing, issues; yet when countered by Jones with a toss of his hand and a "No, that's not right," they become somewhat of a joke.

Toward the end, several students left, and Skorton asked those remaining who had received one of the 500 formal invitations he had mailed out. None had.

Some might argue that little was accomplished Monday night. And perhaps nothing was. But to that, we say: What about the peanut butter cookies, served complete with juice and water? A platter six inches deep awaited those who actually stayed until the end, which turned out to be Skorton, Dean, and four students.

Show up next time, and they might even have milk. You may not be in for the most exciting night. But it's bound to be interesting. Fo' shizzle.

Say one thing, do another

OUR POST-WATERGATE society doesn't pay much attention to what our public figures say. Perhaps because of cynicism, we no longer hold people of influence to their word, considering gross mistakes no more than missteps or slips of the tongue. We have become so tolerant of poor conduct by our leaders in all walks of life that we hold none of them responsible for their deeds.

At one time, national figures meant something. Our heroes and heroines of yesteryear recognized their positions as movers and shakers in society. That knowledge tended to modify their actions and their words. Professional athletes and entertainers conducted themselves in public in a way that deserved respect. But that is no more. Young kids idolize well-known ballplayers only to be disappointed when they are hauled to jail for horrible crimes. The frequency of misconduct among our overpaid athletes has reached new heights recently.



BODE OLAKANMI

Take, for another example, politicians. President Clinton did a lot of good for this country when he was in office. However, he contributed to the devaluation of that same office by his misconduct. As a consequence, many have come to assume that what our leaders say has no connection to what they do.

A few months ago John Kerry's campaign was in shambles. He was so desperate to resurrect his campaign that he took a personal loan of \$6.2 million against his family home. He decided to put it all into his Iowa campaign with the hope of performing well enough to keep his candidacy alive. The strategy worked; Kerry won the Iowa caucuses, and the momentum he gained has helped him win 12 of the first 14 Democratic contests of 2004. Now that all is going well for him, he has started complaining about rich people and what he calls "special interests." Although he (along with John Edwards) is a millionaire, he rails against the rich. How disingenuous! It's only surprising that nobody has pointed out the obvious.

A year ago, the talk of the town was President Bush's doctrine of pre-emption and his designation of countries as belonging to an axis of evil. The president's approval rating was very high in polling following 9/11. As the United States invaded Iraq, many expressed their worry about Iran and North Korea, the rest of the axis. Political opponents pointed out what they saw as inconsistencies in U.S. foreign policy under Bush. Former Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill accused the President of hypocrisy and deception.

In recent days, Bush has backtracked on the issue of Iraqi WMD. Although he still insists that it's possible inspectors will find such weapons existed in prewar Iraq, the president now contends that his intelligence on WMD might have been wrong. That admission, coupled with constant hammering by Democratic candidates, has eroded much of the popularity of Bush enjoyed in national polls. The running controversy over his military record doesn't make things better for him, either. The people who are the loudest critics of his record, however, were the same who defended Clinton and made military service unnecessary to assume the highest office in the land. No matter how you look at it, the use of the issue is hypocritical.

In the old days, the press was held in high esteem. Through the time of Walter Cronkite, anchormen on national television networks were highly admired. In the past decade, the distinctions between journalism and business have become increasingly blurred. Now, Disney owns ABC, GE owns NBC, and CBS is aligned with MTV. And what can one say about Fox? Each election year, the press makes a lot of noise about how much is spent on campaigning. But the lion's share of the money is spent on advertising on network TV. No wonder the national press is the least-admired institution in the country today. Maybe we are becoming more enlightened after all. ■

LETTERS

The gift that'll keep on giving

On Wednesday, Gen. Wesley Clark stepped out of the race for the Democratic presidential nomination. As a longtime Clark supporter, I'd like to point out to my fellow Iowans that while it was by no means perfect, his run was pretty impressive: Five months in the race, and in spite of anything but love from the media, Clark managed to make quite a splash. Is America just not ready for "the thinking person's candidate"? Perhaps. Was it really a result of the so-called "gaffes" unwittingly committed between the Hawkeye State and the Granite State? Maybe. Was it all Howard Dean's doing, with his implosion shifting the eye/opinion of the nation from a potential Clark-Dean race to a certain senator from Massachusetts? Could be.

At any rate, I hope that this national treasure sticks around for a while, perhaps by running for senator in Arkansas in a couple of years ... or accepting President Kerry's invitation to be Secretary of State ... or hiring the right spin people and giving that commander-in-chief nod another shot in 2008, 2012, etc. We have been given an extraordinary gift, and I'm not ready to dig up my receipts and return that gift to the store. But, like your Aunt Sadie tells you when she hands you your annual \$20 birthday check, let's just hope we get to see that gift put to good use.

Rebecca Sheir
UI graduate student

When the war hits too close to home

Up until three weeks ago, the war in Iraq seemed somewhat plausible. We had invaded this foreign country in order to liberate its people from the shackles of oppression and cruelty. Even for a hard-core liberal like myself, this siren song was quite seductive.

Then, I got word that my friend Brian was being called to active duty. In an instant, the high-minded objectives, the rhetoric about "freedom" and "liberty," the flags prominently displayed all over the country — they all seemed hollow. Now that I personally knew someone whose life was on the line, the price was simply too high.

The only reason Brian joined the National Guard was to pay for school. He had no delusions about glory, honor, or duty. A few years back, he examined his options and decided he was willing to trade one weekend a month and two weeks a year for college. Tossing sandbags in a flood or handing out food to tornado victims was a chance he was willing to take.

Now, he has been uprooted from his life as a hard-working student and thrust into a war that none of us understand. We are about to send him halfway around the world to a hostile land where the citizens want him gone and the extremists are willing to kill him in order to drive the point home.

Are the lives of our brothers

and sisters worth what we have accomplished in Iraq? The infrastructure is in shambles, suicide bombers kill more innocents every day, and our exit date is still unknown. WMDs remain ever elusive, despite the fact that before we arrived in Iraq, our leaders assured us that canisters of nerve gas and plutonium would be stacked to the ceiling in every warehouse. Worst of all, our actions have created an environment much more conducive to terrorism than ever before. In effect, we have created a breeding ground for terror while at the same time putting our brothers and sisters within the terrorists' reach.

My friend Brian's life is in your hands. Pick up the phone and call your senators, your representatives, your president, and anyone else you can think of. Tell them that you are not willing to send your friends off to die for nothing. Our citizen-soldiers are not political capital to be spent on personal agendas. They are our brothers and sisters, our friends, our neighbors, our lovers. Would you risk any of them for the mess that is Iraq? I know I wouldn't risk Brian.

Micah Wedemeyer
UI alumnus

The real John Kerry

There has been so much Bush bashing by the "Wannabe Presidents" that it is disgusting. We have the greatest and most courageous president of all time. He is following the constitutional

demands for the office of the president. John Kerry is a pathological liar, and if you do not believe me, open up the Vietnam Veterans Against John Kerry website, where they have gathered up "true" information about this yellow bird who got his training from Jane Fonda in Hanoi.

When all of the facts come out about Kerry, you will thank God that you have a courageous president like George Bush. Please take a look at his personal bio, his special-interest money, how he got his Purple Hearts and the so-called injuries, his statements of the past and his statements now, you will be appalled. This is a serious time for our great country while we are threatened with terrorist actions. Please study the issues and separate fact from fiction.

Do not behave as town morons repeating what some of the politicians tell you, who are only looking for those fantastic jobs and benefits at taxpayer expense. We live in a great country, and we need to protect it from despots like Kerry. Look up his DD214 that reveals his military service, look up his divorce papers with his first wife, as this guy is no John F. Kennedy.

Paul Jackson
Sioux City, Iowa resident

Only one worthy side to this story

While I normally appreciate efforts by news organizations to balance their coverage, the

attempt by "The Daily Iowan" to give credence to Charles Holden's defense of his attack on Thomas O'Malley in an alleged hate crime does a disservice to the newspaper's credibility.

The description of Holden as "pale and shaken" is awfully hard to reconcile with the serious injuries to O'Malley (apparently the only person hospitalized) in the accompanying photograph. Holden admits that he and/or his friends initiated both the verbal and physical contact. Furthermore, Holden fails to appreciate the severity of he and his friends' actions by calling it "just another scuffle."

An attack that results in multiple face fractures and a broken sinus cavity is anything but. Regardless of whether this turns out to be a hate crime or not, Holden and his friends don't represent anything that the university stands for. They have proven themselves to be a threat to the safety of members of the UI community and should be expelled immediately.

Jeremy M. Yarwood
UI postdoctoral research fellow

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ON THE SPOT

What are your plans for Valentine's Day?



"Going out with friends, probably to some bar."

Theresa Noe
UI freshman



"A nice romantic date with my girlfriend to dinner."

Bryan Den Hartog
UI freshman



"Going on a date to the movies."

Eric Smith
UI junior



"I'm probably going to do homework."

Kyle Obrecht
UI freshman

ARTS

CALENDARWORTHY

The UI dance department Faculty/Graduate concert will take place at 8 p.m. today and Saturday in the Space/Place Theater of North Hall. Admission is \$5 for students.



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan

Roommates (from front to back) Mei-Ling Shaw, Nick Rahn, and Katie Scanlan take a break from preparing for their art show at the Frame House & Gallery in their Iowa City home Thursday.

Wit, corpses & Beach Boys

BY PETER MADSEN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Three young artists were sipping tea around a table at the Tobacco Bowl, waiting. Moments later, a young man holding a cream soda greeted them as he pulled up a chair. Small talk soon drifted to the trio's upcoming art show, *Sursum Corda*, opening Saturday from 5-8 p.m. at the Frame House & Gallery, 211 N. Linn St.

"So tell me about the show — is its name Latin?" the young man said after removing his stiff leather coat. Nick Rahn, one of the artists, translated — "lift up your heart" — a mantra of sorts for him and his housemates, Katie Scanlan and Mei-Ling Shaw.

"We're all newly single," Rahn said with a soft sort of smirk. "This isn't a show dedicated to sweethearts."

Holed up from the steely, chilly scenes of winter, the housemates kept blood flowing to the hands and heart by busying them. Instead of moping around the house doing nothing, they made art.

Rahn, a lifelong fan of comics without any academic training, achieves a lush, cartoony aesthetic in his pieces. Working

mostly with acrylics and pen and ink, the Tobacco Bowl employee's works are as lighthearted as they are intimate. One piece, *To Build a Fire*, is a self-deprecating self-portrait with dashed-out eyes and a heart-sprung leak. Clutching a cigarette, the pugish figure ambles below a starry black sky.

Another painting, *Snake Eating Tale*, is a generational portrait of a wide-eyed runt in red Tonka T-shirt standing before two men who look worn and deadened. Encircling each figure's head is a shimmering frame that dribbles down toward a bed of rosy red swirls.

Shaw, whose soft nature contrasts her affinity for her red '66 Honda Dream motorcycle, has incorporated organic objects into her art — kitten skeletons, bird feet, spines of mice, and moth wings.

"I don't kill them," she said, with eyebrows raised, adding that when she finds a dead animal that looks as if it will fit in a piece, she takes it home and

deposits it in her yard. After nature runs its course and the flesh deteriorates, Shaw attaches the ebony remnants.

She finds beauty and life in the juxtaposition of seemingly dead, ugly, animal parts. One piece, *Anne Hiedonia*, consists of a doll head stuck atop a glass jar. Inside, two inverted doll hands suspend a prying mantis above an image of the cosmos.

ART SHOW

Sursum Corda

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"It know it sounds morbid, but it isn't," she said. "I make them into little creatures."

Scanlan, an English and art-school graduate with a B.F.A. in painting, offers a collection of paintings and embroideries. Between sips of tea, she described the colorful medley of thought and lyric; some her own, some from the Beach Boys.

"It's how you can get fixated on certain songs, and then they start to take on certain meanings in your life," she said, looking up at the other artists and the young man.

"But there's something so depressing about the Beach Boys."

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ARTS

Bullock snares Hasty award

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Actress Sandra Bullock had to show off her dating skills Thursday to earn a shiny, brass pudding pot and the title of Harvard's Hasty Pudding Woman of the Year.

Bullock, who has acted with some of Hollywood's most charming leading men, sauntered across the stage and, playing with her golden brown hair, tried to woo a Harvard student wearing a costume with bulging padded biceps and leather pants.

"This is the one that always works, whether the man is inebriated,

whether he's gay or straight, married or single. I walk up like this, and I do like a little hair thing, and I say this: 'Hi. I have a more than a million dollars in my bank account, and I'm single,'" Bullock said to a cheering audience.

Before receiving the award, Bullock led a parade through Harvard Square, riding in the back of a black convertible flanked by co-presenters John Blickstead, dressed in a long purple, yellow, red, and blue dress and a blonde wig, and Clare Putnam, wearing a brown dog costume with a British flag patch.

Bullock, 39, has starred in the romantic comedies *Two Weeks Notice*, *Miss Congeniality*, and *While*

You Were Sleeping, which earned her a Golden Globe nomination. She is slated to appear next in *Miss Congeniality 2*.

Actor Robert Downey Jr. is to receive the Hasty Pudding Man of the Year Award on Feb. 19 at the opening night of the theatrical group's production, *As the World Turns*.

Last year's Hasty Pudding honorees were actress Anjelica Huston and director Martin Scorsese.

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NEWS

U.N. official backs Shiites

BY ALISSA J. RUBIN, CHARLES DUHIGG, AND MAGGIE FARLEY
LOS ANGELES TIMES

BAGHDAD — A team of U.N. election experts met with Iraq's leading Shiite Muslim cleric Thursday and expressed support for his demand for a direct vote to choose a new government. But there was no consensus on how soon elections could be held.

In an example of the violence still roiling Iraq and threatening any voting, insurgents fired rocket-propelled grenades at a convoy carrying Gen. John Abizaid, the commander of U.S. forces in the Middle East, as he visited the town of Fallujah. Neither Abizaid, nor Maj. Gen. Charles Swannack, the commander of the 82nd Airborne Division who was also in the convoy, were injured.

Following Thursday's meeting between U.N. envoy Lakdar Brahimi and Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani in Najaf, officials at the world body indicated that they may be leaning toward recommending national elections but delaying the process beyond July 1, the date Washington has set to hand over sovereignty to an interim Iraqi government.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan "understands that there is a consensus emerging ... that direct national elections are the best way to establish a Parliament and government in Iraq that are fully representative and legitimate," Fred Eckhard, Annan's spokesman, said at U.N. headquarters in New York.

"At the same time, there is wide agreement that elections must be carefully prepared, and that they must be organized in technical, security, and political conditions that give the best chance of producing a result that reflects the wishes of the Iraqi electorate and thus contributes to long-term peace and stability in Iraq."

Sistani is protesting a U.S. plan to install, by the end of June, a transitional Iraqi government selected by regional caucuses. The caucuses, he argues, would be heavily influenced by the United States and perceived as undemocratic. Tens of thousands of his supporters took to the streets last month in support of Sistani's stance on elections, forcing Washington to seek U.N. help to resolve the issue.

After Thursday's two-hour meeting with Sistani, Brahimi said the cleric "is still insisting on the elections" but agreed with the United Nations that voting should be "well-prepared."

"What is encouraging is that I think they want to go toward the rule of law, they want to go toward a government that is representative, and they all agree that this can best be done through elections," Brahimi said later in a brief interview with CNN. "The question is, when are these elections possible?"



Steve Nesius/Associated Press
U.S. Gen. John Abizaid listens to a question during an interview session in this Oct. 15, 2003 file photo. Abizaid, the commander of all U.S. forces in the Middle East, escaped injury in a gun battle on Thursday in Fallujah, Iraq.

Brahimi will brief Annan fully next week when he returns to New York, after meeting in Kuwait this weekend with foreign ministers of nations bordering Iraq and of Egypt. On Thursday, Brahimi and other U.N. officials did not mention an election timetable, and officials in Sistani's office refused to comment on the meeting.

In addition to elections, Sistani also has demanded that an elected legislature — rather than the U.S.-chosen Iraqi Governing Council — approve a temporary Constitution still being drawn up and a status-of-forces agreement that outlines the future role of the American military in Iraq. But the 75-year-old Shiite leader has refused to meet with U.S. officials, including L. Paul Bremer, the head of the U.S.-led occupation administration, to discuss his concerns.

In Thursday's attack in Fallujah, west of Baghdad in the so-called Sunni Triangle, insurgents fired three rocket-propelled grenades from rooftops at Abizaid's convoy, but no Americans were killed, Army officials said. It was unclear whether the attackers knew Abizaid was in the convoy.

Inspectors find blueprints for new Iranian nuclear program

BY JOBY WARRICK
WASHINGTON POST

U.N. inspectors have discovered blueprints for a previously unknown Iranian program to enrich uranium, a finding that they said calls into question Iran's promise three months ago to fully disclose its nuclear activities, diplomatic sources familiar with the investigation said Thursday.

The documents — designs for a highly sophisticated machine used in uranium enrichment — were not declared by Iran in October 2003 when it suspended enrichment and promised "full transparency" for its nuclear

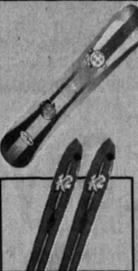
program in the face of threatened international sanctions, the sources said. Iran acknowledged the documents only when confronted with what one official described as "unassailable" evidence by investigators of the International Atomic Energy Agency, the U.N. nuclear watchdog.

The blueprints contain instructions for building a type of gas centrifuge known as the P2, a super-efficient machine used in producing enriched uranium, the fuel used in nuclear power plants and a key ingredient in atomic bombs. Iran has acknowledged possessing hundreds of less efficient P1 machines at a formerly secret

nuclear facility near the central town of Natanz.

Although some U.S. officials suspect Iran of operating secret enrichment facilities elsewhere in the country, nuclear-agency investigators have found no evidence that Iran is using the advanced machines to enrich uranium. Iran has consistently maintained that its nuclear program is intended only for energy production.

"This is not an indication of a significant new capability, but it is something that will cause people to question Iran's good faith," said one Europe-based diplomat, who, like the others, spoke on the condition that he not be identified by name.



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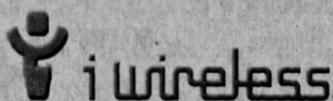
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Hawkeyes hope to repair broken hearts

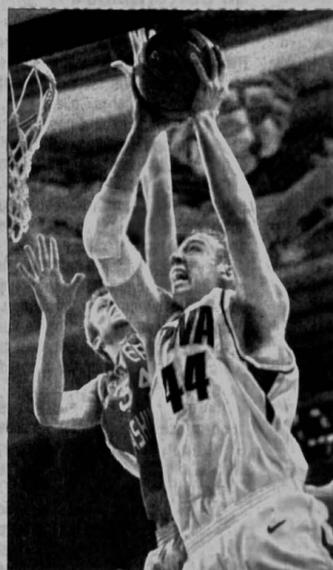
BY KELLY BEATON
 THE DAILY IOWAN

This Valentine's Day, Steve Alford and Tommy Amaker will try to hard to avoid heartache. The duo already had enough of that on Wednesday night, as their Hawkeye and Wolverine squads lost in gut-wrenching fashion. Iowa enters its home tilt with Michigan on Saturday afternoon on the heels of a 54-52 loss to Wisconsin that ended when Jeff Horner rimmed out on a 22-footer at the horn. Eerily, Michigan lost to Minnesota, 81-78, in

similar fashion when Dion Harris also clanked a long ball off the front of the rim. Nevertheless, like those who will be stood up on their Valentine's dates, both squads must swallow their hurt and soldier on. "This team's very competitive. We're [never] going to let these losses take effect," Iowa's Greg Brunner said. "We come in tomorrow and just put it behind us, just like we put the Indiana win behind us, too. It's part of basketball. It's how you get from game to game."

BIG TEN STANDINGS

Wisconsin	7-2	16-4
Illinois	7-3	16-5
Mich. St	7-3	12-9
Indiana	6-4	12-9
Purdue	5-5	15-8
Iowa	5-5	12-9
Northwestern	5-5	10-11
Michigan	4-5	13-7
Ohio St	3-6	11-11
Penn St	3-6	9-11
Minnesota	1-9	9-13



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan
 Iowa forward Greg Brunner takes the ball up strong against East Washington's Paul Butorac on Dec. 5, 2002, in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

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— Greg Brunner, Iowa forward

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Adu

SOCCER

Adu excels in first scrimmage

BRADENTON, Fla. (WASHING-TON POST) — Before Freddy Adu took the field for his first scrimmage with D.C. United on Wednesday morning, his coach, Peter Nowak, told him exactly what he hoped to hear. "Freddy," Nowak instructed the 14-year-old, "you have the freedom to do whatever you want out there. Just do what you do best. Move the ball around, and when the time is right, take someone on."

Adu, who was excused from school to participate in the scrimmage at the IMG Academy, responded by being one of the standouts on the field during the first half, in which D.C. United controlled play against the U.S. men's national team.

Nowak used almost all of his top players in that scoreless half, then subbed almost all of them, Adu included, and the national team went on to a 2-0 victory.

SCOUTING

Henson shows skills to NFL scouts

HOUSTON (AP) — Drew Henson tried to show NFL scouts Thursday he can hit a receiver better than he could hit a curveball.

Representatives from 20 teams gathered at the Houston Texans' practice bubble to watch the former Michigan quarterback throw approximately 75 passes.



Henson

"I felt good," said Henson, a third-base prospect for the New York Yankees until his release last week. "I threw as good as I could have hoped today." Said Miami Dolphins general manager Rick Spielman: "He had an extremely good workout. He showed very good arm strength, and he was very accurate with all of his throws."

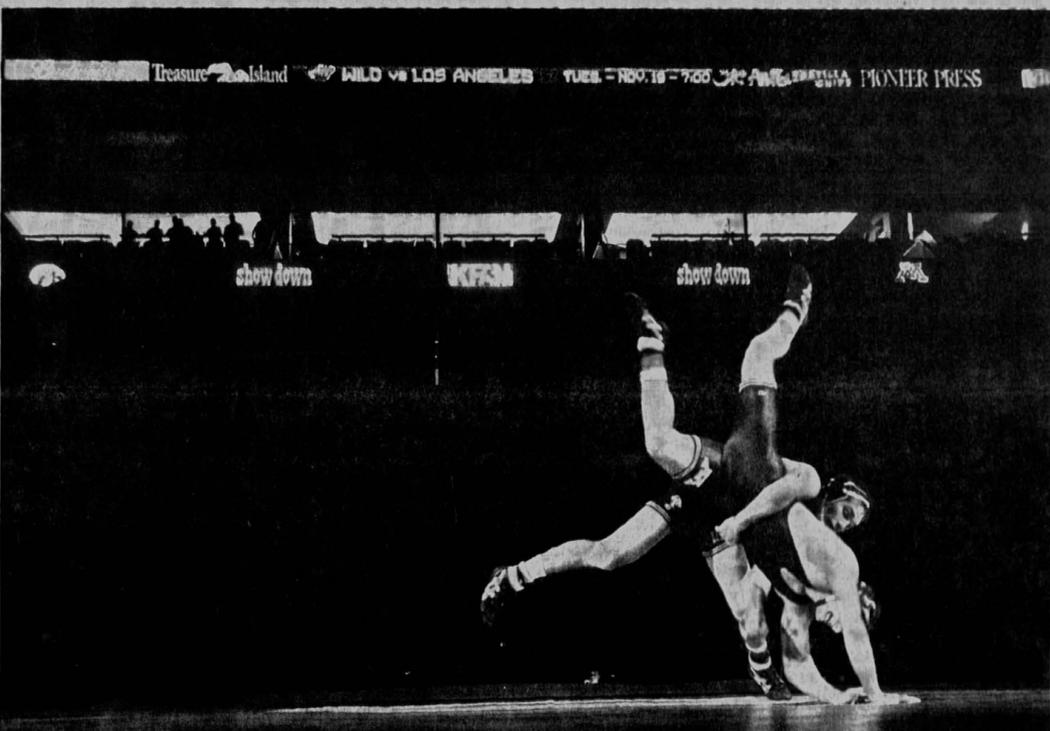
FINANCES

NHL claims \$273 million loss

NEW YORK (AP) — Painting a gloomy financial picture that could lead to a lockout, the NHL released a report Thursday that its 30 teams combined for \$272.6 million in operating losses last season. To bolster its contention of widespread red ink, the league hired former Securities and Exchange Commission chairman Arthur Levitt Jr. to examine franchises' financial figures. Levitt said his report was independent and concluded 19 teams had operating losses in 2002-03.

"The results are as catastrophic as I've seen in any enterprise of this size," Levitt said. "They are on a treadmill to obscurity, that's the way the league is going. So, something's got to change." The NHL Players Association immediately challenged the results. Ted Saskin, the union's senior director of business affairs, said that its examination of four teams' finances — Boston, Buffalo, Los Angeles, and Montreal — found revenue and benefits to the clubs had been underreported by \$52 million.

IOWA AT MINNESOTA



Daily Iowan file photo

Iowa's Tyler Nixt tosses around Minnesota's Josh McLay during Iowa's 24-11 victory over Minnesota in the 2002-03 wrestling season. The Gophers and the Hawkeyes will face each other for the first time this season on Feb. 15 in Minneapolis at 2 p.m.

Iowa and Minnesota strive to keep traditions alive

BY BRIAN TRIPLETT
 THE DAILY IOWAN

As the regular season nears an end, the Iowa and Minnesota wrestling programs find themselves in a peculiar place — the middle of the pack. With three dual meets remaining before the Big Ten championships, the Hawkeyes (9-3, 4-1) hold a No. 10 ranking according to the NWCA Top 25, which puts them at fourth in the conference. The Golden Gophers (9-6, 3-3) trail close behind at No. 12.

While neither ranking is anything to be ashamed of, the pair of prominent programs expect nothing less than to be the best. "I think that that's what those two programs are about," said Minnesota head coach J. Robinson. "I think that it's all about excellence. I have no doubt [Iowa coach] Jim Zalesky feels that way because he wrestled for me and he coached with me." The two schools have combined for eight out of the last

nine national championships, and although they have both seen some adversity this season, the teams still feel they have a responsibility to keep their winning traditions alive. "Anytime you reach the top, you've been there, you know what it's like, and you want to stay there," Zalesky said. "Once you reach the top, it's hard to say, 'Let's shoot for second or third place.'"

SEE WRESTLING, PAGE 4B

THE WINNING YEARS

	Iowa		Minnesota	
	Big 10 finish	National finish	Big 10 finish	National finish
'02-'03	2	8	1	2
'01-'02	2	4	1	1
'00-'01	3	2	1	1
'99-'00	1	1	2	3
'98-'99	2	1	1	2
'97-'98	1	1	3	2
'96-'97	1	1	2	3
'95-'96	1	1	6	19
'94-'95	1	1	3	12

NBA ALL-STAR WEEKEND BEGINS TONIGHT

EASTERN CONFERENCE STARTERS



Vince Carter, Raptors; Jermaine O'Neal, Pacers; Ben Wallace, Pistons; Allen Iverson, 76ers; Tracy McGrady, Magic

East Reserves
 Ron Artest, Pacers; Baron Davis, Hornets; Jason Kidd, Nets; Jamaal Magloire, Hornets

Kenyon Martin, Nets; Paul Pierce, Celtics; Michael Redd, Bucks; Coach: Rick Carlisle, Pacers

Slam Dunk Contest
 Chris Andersen, Nuggets; Ricky Davis, Celtics; Fred Jones, Pacers; Jason Richardson, Warriors

ALL-STAR SCHEDULE

All-Star Celebrity Game ESPN, today at 6 p.m.
 Rookie Challenge TNT, today at 8 p.m.
 All-Star Saturday Night: Slam dunk contest, 3-point Shootout, Skills Challenge, Shooting Stars TNT, Saturday at 7:30 p.m.
 53rd NBA All-Star Game TNT Feb. 15 at 7 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE STARTERS



Kevin Garnett, Wolves; Tim Duncan, Spurs; Yao Ming, Rockets; Steve Francis, Rockets; Kobe Bryant, Lakers

3-point contest
 Chauncey Billups, Pistons; Kyle Korver, 76ers; Voshon Lenard, Nuggets; Rashard Lewis, Sonics; Cuttino Mobley, Rockets; Peja Stojakovic, Kings

West Reserves
 Ray Allen, Sonics; Sam Cassell, Wolves; Andrei Kirilenko, Jazz; Brad Miller, Kings

Dirk Nowitzki, Mavericks; Shaquille O'Neal, Lakers; Peja Stojakovic, Kings; Coach: Flip Saunders, Wolves

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WEEKEND PREVIEW

Men's track team tries to rebound

The Iowa men's track team will look to rebound from a disappointing performance last weekend at the Husker Invitational with a strong showing at the Cyclone Invitational in Ames. Competition will begin at 3:30 p.m. today and continue at 10:15 a.m. Saturday.

"This is a big meet for us right now," said Iowa coach Larry Wiecek. "The team didn't win any events in Lincoln, compared with the three winners and 19 top-five individuals at the UNI Open on Jan. 31. Twenty-five team members will compete for the Hawkeyes in Ames."

"I wish we had better news right now, but we just don't," Wiecek said. "I was really disappointed with how we performed last weekend."

Last weekend's notables were senior Ken Kemery, who finished seventh in the shot put with a throw of 57-9. He is the lone men's team member to have qualified provisionally for the NCAA indoor championships.

"Ken is looking to step it up this weekend," Wiecek said. "He is going to go for 60 on the shot put." Along with Kemery's showing were the notable performances of senior Tony Leick and sophomore Jason Wakenight. Leick placed sixth in the 600 with a time of 1:13.01, and Wakenight finished seventh.

"We need everyone to really step up this weekend," Wiecek said. "We need to qualify some sprinters for NCAAs. Guys such as Juan Coleman and Russ Peterson need to step it up."

The team will return home for the Iowa Open on Feb. 20 at the Rec Center. Teams participating include Augustana, Coe, and Loras. The field events will start at 5:30 p.m., with the runners opening up at 6:30.

— by Nick Richards

Women's track team travels to Ames

After a strong performance last weekend at the Husker Invitational, the Iowa women's track team looks to repeat its showing at the Cyclone Invitational in Ames. Last week, the Hawkeyes qualified three individuals for the NCAA indoor meet. Like last weekend's meet in Lincoln, this meet will also feature several nationally prominent teams, such as Georgia and LSU.

"It is a big meet," said Hawkeye coach James Grant. "The Southern schools are always tough if they come up, and some of the schools out West, such as Arizona, are tough." Last week, the team qualified seniors Shellene Williams and Michelle Lahann and freshman Nikki Chapple for the NCAA indoor championships in Fayetteville, Ark. All three posted collegiate-best and season-best times in their respective events. Williams, ranked second in the Big Ten and fifth nationally in the 200, won the event in Lincoln with a time of 23.62. Lahann, first in the Big Ten in the mile, placed third with a time of 4:47.23, while Chapple, also first in her event, finished fifth in the 3,000 meters with a time of 9:34.17.

"Our goal this weekend is to get some more qualifiers," Grant said. "We'd like to qualify Shellene in the 400. Sarah Arens is going for the first time, so we'd like to qualify her."

The key for the team thus far this year has been the lack of injuries: The team has not suffered a major injury this season.

The team will return to Iowa City for the Iowa Invitational on Feb. 20 at the Rec Center. Field events will start at 5:30 p.m., while running events will begin at 6:30. Other area teams participating include Augustana, Coe, and Loras.

— by Nick Richards

GymHawks focus on performance

The ninth-ranked GymHawks continue on the second part of their three-legged road trip, taking on the Maryland Terrapins on Saturday at the Comcast Center in College Park. "We're heading into the postseason, so all of these meets are pretty important," said assistant coach Larissa Libby. "We're not focusing on score, but more on performance. Performing last week in front of 10,000 people spooked the women a little bit."

Last week, the team lost a tough meet to Utah, one of the traditional powers in women's gymnastics. Despite the loss, the team broke the school record in the vault with a score of 49.525, breaking the old mark (49.4) set last year.

The team received a courageous performance from senior Stephanie Gran, who nearly missed the meet after battling pneumonia. Despite the illness, she tied for first on the vault. "We almost had to take Stephanie out," Libby said. "Things like that keep popping up for us. Injury-wise, it's just bumps and bruises that just take time to heal. The big thing has been illness."

The team has also received strong performances from the middle of the lineup — sophomores Liz Grajewski and Kortny Williamson and freshman Beth Dilick have stepped up their performances. Grajewski finished fourth on the beam with a career-high 9.85 and fifth on the bars. Williamson tied for third on the vault, which moved her to No. 21 nationally for the event. Dilick's contributions have come in Iowa's big win over Michigan on Jan. 24 and against North Carolina State on Jan. 31. Against Michigan, Dilick finished second on the bars to senior teammate Alexis Maday. Dilick followed the Michigan performance with a fourth-place finish on the vault and second on the bars against the Wolfpack.

"Beth is certainly coming into her own," Libby said. "We thought it would take Beth longer to develop, but she's done a really good job for herself. I honestly think that Williamson and Grajewski have been the difference-makers."

— by Nick Richards

Women's softball team starts season

The nationally ranked Iowa softball team will start the season Saturday at Georgia State's First Pitch Classic in Atlanta, an event the Hawks have won the past two years. The defending Big Ten champion Hawkeyes start the season ranked in the top 20 in both the USA Today and ESPN.com polls. The Hawkeyes' appearance marks the first time in 14 years that they will open the season somewhere other than Arizona State. On Saturday, they play the host Panthers at 11:15 p.m., then take on Arkansas at 3:45 p.m. On Feb. 15, Iowa goes up against Tennessee State at 11:25. The consolation game in the round-robin tournament will be played at 1:30, followed by the championship at 3:45.

Pitchers Lisa Birocci and Ali Arnold lead the Hawkeyes. Birocci was the Big Ten Pitcher of the Year in 2003, and she set the school record for strikeouts with 267. The junior posted a 29-9 record a year ago. Arnold went 14-6 with a 1.47 ERA in her freshman campaign.

Stacy May moves over from third base to fill the hole created by the loss of All-American shortstop Kristin Johnson. May had a Big Ten-best .450 batting average in conference play in 2003; with five starters lost from last year, her offense will be much-needed.

— by Donovan Burba

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Today
• **WRESTLING** at Wisconsin, 7 p.m.
• **MEN'S TRACK** at Cyclone Classic in Ames.
• **WOMEN'S TRACK** at Cyclone Classic in Ames.

Saturday
• **MEN'S BASKETBALL** hosts Michigan at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, 1:34 p.m. Televised on KGAN.
• **WOMEN'S TENNIS** hosts Georgia Tech at the Recreation Building, 10 a.m.

• **WOMEN'S GYMNAS-TICS** at Maryland, 7 p.m.
• **MEN'S TRACK** at Cyclone Classic in Ames.
• **WOMEN'S TRACK** at Cyclone Classic in Ames.
• **SOFTBALL** at Georgia State Tournament in Atlanta. Georgia State at 11:15 a.m., and Arkansas at 3:45 p.m.

Feb. 15
• **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** at Indiana, 1:05 p.m.

TV SCHEDULE

Today
• **NBA All-Star** Celebrity Game, 6 p.m. on ESPN.
• **NBA Rookie** Challenge, 8 p.m. on TNT.

Saturday
• **CBB Minnesota** at Michigan State, 11 a.m. on CBS.
• **CBB Seton Hall** at Notre Dame, 11 a.m. on ESPN.

• **CBB Georgetown** at Temple, 1 p.m. on ESPN.
• **CBB Penn State** at Northwestern, 1 p.m. on ESPN2.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	
New Jersey	31	20	.608	
New York	25	29	.463	
Boston	23	31	.426	
Philadelphia	22	31	.415	
Miami	22	32	.407	
Washington	16	34	.320	
Orlando	13	41	.241	
Indiana	39	14	.736	
CENTRAL DIVISION				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Detroit	33	21	.611	6 1/2
New Orleans	28	24	.538	10 1/2
Milwaukee	27	24	.529	11
Toronto	25	28	.490	13
Cleveland	20	33	.377	19
Atlanta	18	35	.340	21
Chicago	15	38	.283	24
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	
Minnesota	37	15	.712	
San Antonio	35	18	.660	
Dallas	33	19	.635	
Houston	30	22	.577	
Memphis	30	22	.577	
Denver	31	23	.574	
Utah	26	27	.491	
PACIFIC DIVISION				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Sacramento	37	13	.740	
L.A. Lakers	31	19	.620	
Seattle	25	27	.481	
Portland	24	27	.471	
Golden State	23	28	.451	
L.A. Clippers	22	29	.431	
Phoenix	18	37	.327	

Thursday's Games
Chicago 107, Boston 87
Seattle 94, Toronto 74
Denver 107, Portland 98

Today's Games
No games scheduled

Saturday's Games
No games scheduled

Sunday's Game
All-Star Game at Los Angeles, 7 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE			
Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct
New Jersey	28	16	.636
N.Y. Islanders	26	21	.558
N.Y. Rangers	21	25	.452
Pittsburgh	11	35	.238
NORTHWESTERN			
W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	31	14	.688

Tennis coach hopes Ross will boost team

BY JASON BRUMMOND
THE DAILY IOWAN

The chances of the Iowa men's tennis team earning its first dual meet victory of the season this weekend just got a little better. Hawkeye coach Steve Houghton said sophomore Parker Ross will be in the lineup against DePaul on Feb. 15 after missing the first three matches of the spring season.

Will the addition of Ross provide the Hawkeyes with a significant boost on the court? "I hope so," the 23-year Iowa coach said. "He's one of our better players, and he's done a good job over the fall, and he's back after being out for a few weeks. I think he can add a lot to our singles and doubles."

The Libertyville, Ill., native was out of the lineup to start the spring season for unspecified reasons, Houghton said. Houghton is not sure where in the lineup Ross will play against DePaul, but he envisions he will be in the top three for singles.

Ross, 6-0, 155-pounds, was the only Hawkeye to begin competition at the ITA Omni Orrington Midwest Regionals in the main-draw qualifying round this fall. Last spring, Ross recorded a 2-11 dual record at the No. 4 through No. 6 positions.

Earlier in the week, Houghton thought the team would be able to use the services of freshman

Boston	28	14	11	5	72	150
Ottawa	30	15	7	4	71	186
Montreal	28	22	6	2	64	143
Buffalo	24	26	5	1	54	134
SOUTHEAST						
W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	29	17	7	3	68	156
Florida	20	23	11	3	54	129
Atlanta	21	29	6	2	50	153
Carolina	17	26	11	2	47	108
Washington	17	31	6	2	42	132
WESTERN CONFERENCE						
Central Division	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF
Detroit	32	15	8	2	74	185
Nashville	26	21	6	2	60	132
St. Louis	26	22	7	1	60	130
Columbus	16	29	8	3	43	116
Chicago	15	29	7	5	42	130
NORTHWEST						
W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	31	11	10	4	78	172
Vancouver	31	16	7	3	72	170
Calgary	28	20	5	3	64	140
Edmonton	23	24	8	1	55	146
Minnesota	19	21	15	2	55	124
PACIFIC						
W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	26	15	11	5	68	141
Dallas	27	20	10	0	64	122
Los Angeles	22	15	13	6	63	150
Phoenix	18	20	14	3	53	139
Anaheim	18	23	8	7	51	124

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Thursday's Games
Los Angeles at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Edmonton at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Washington at Nashville, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Anaheim at Calgary, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

Saturday's Games
Carolina at New Jersey, 11 a.m.
Boston at Chicago, 2 p.m.
Colorado at Detroit, 2 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Philadelphia, 2 p.m.
Montreal at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Buffalo at Toronto, 6 p.m.
San Jose at Columbus, 8 p.m.
Florida at Tampa Bay, 8:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Anaheim at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Calgary at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Los Angeles at New Jersey, 1 p.m.
Edmonton at Nashville, 2 p.m.
Washington at Chicago, 6 p.m.

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American athletes nervous about attending Olympics

BY TIM DAHLBERG
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Six months before the Summer Games, American athletes are starting to worry. Athens just doesn't seem safe from afar, despite the most expensive security plan ever devised for an Olympics.

Among the most nervous are athletes who might be the biggest targets for terrorists — NBA stars on the U.S. basketball team.

"The players are definitely concerned," said Jermaine O'Neal of the Indiana Pacers. "It definitely sits on your mind. If you wanted to send a message to the world, what better place is there to do it?"

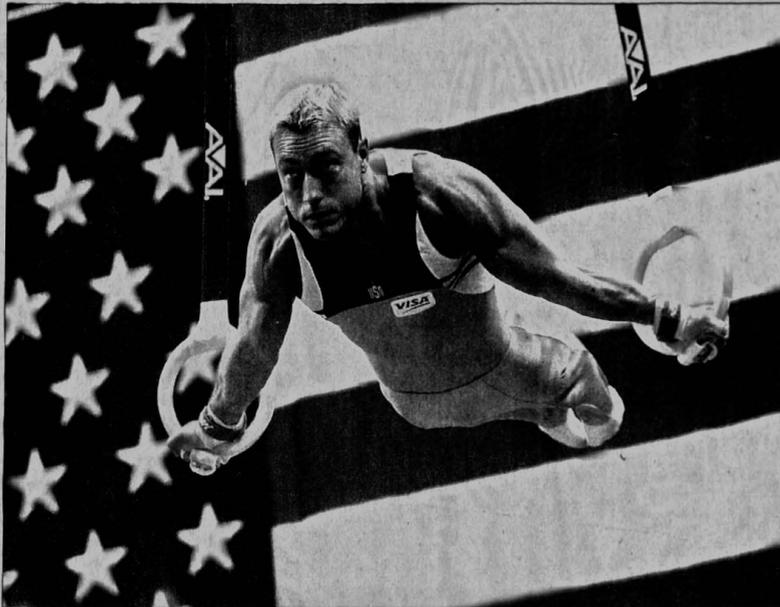
Basketball players and other athletes told the Associated Press they are especially worried because the games will be held close to the Middle East in a country with a strong undercurrent of anti-American sentiment.

They're also not sure the \$750 million plan to protect athletes will be enough. The cost is three times what was spent on the 2000 Sydney Games.

"There will be bomb-sniffing dogs and shady characters. You just hope they do everything they can," Seattle Sonics guard Ray Allen said. "From the American side, there's only so much we can do as far as security. They have to take care of their part before we get there."

Allen said he is also concerned about plans to house the Dream Team on the Queen Mary 2 in an Athens harbor.

"The only thing I can think of is the battleship that got blown up," Allen said, referring to the USS Cole, which was bombed in Yemen in 2000. "They came up on the side in a little boat."



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U.S. national champion Sean Townsend competes in the still rings rotation during the Visa American Cup gymnastics event on March 2, 2002, at the TD Waterhouse Center in Orlando, Fla.

U.S. security officials say they have confidence in the security plan, but they admit there are no guarantees everyone will be safe.

The plan was recently revamped, mostly because of American, British, and French concerns about the possibility of snipers in the hills around Athens.

The November terrorist bombings in neighboring Turkey made preparations even more urgent. The blasts killed 63 people and injured more than 700.

"It's hard not to look at those bombings as a wake-up call," said Bruce Hoffman, a terrorism

expert at RAND, a think tank that often does work for the Pentagon. "It's just one step removed from Greece and those bombings showed a degree of planning and sophistication that is unsettling."

Athletes are already unsettled enough.

"The one thing is you don't want to live in fear, but also you are not on your home land," New Jersey Nets guard Jason Kidd said. "Knowing we are going to be one of the big stories there, you always have to be prepared and understand what's at stake."

Basketball players aren't the only ones worried about competing at the first Summer Olympics since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

"It freaks me out a bit," said Hazel Clark, a member of the 2000 U.S. track team. "You just have to have faith God will protect us."

Already, would-be Olympians are being told not to wear team clothing or anything else that might identify them as Americans when not competing. Many say they don't plan to venture far outside the Olympic Village or U.S. training center in Athens.

The U.S. athletes will get added protection from a special security team assembled through the State Department. Security agents will probably accompany any groups of Americans outside the athletes' village, in the foothills on the outskirts of Athens.

"I have to realize that people do hate Americans. That's unfortunate," said Stacy Dragila, who won gold in the pole vault in Sydney. "You just want to limit the distractions or the possibilities of creating a problem."

After a slow start, Greek organizers — with help from the United States and other countries — are implementing a plan that includes 50,000 police and troops to guard Olympic venues and athletes.

Specialists from Russia, the United States, Britain, and other countries are involved, and NATO troops will be on alert ready to enter the country if needed.

Security officials have held training exercises to prepare for chemical, biological, or "dirty bomb" radioactive attacks, and the lone U.S. military base in Greece is storing emergency and medical equipment in case of an attack.

Some athletes say they try to ignore signs of possible trouble, while others say they can't. In December, anarchist groups claimed responsibility for firebomb attacks that damaged the home of an Athens judge and destroyed a car with U.S. license plates.

"I worry about it a lot," said Sean Townsend, 2001 national champion gymnast. "But I have full trust in our U.S. security team. I just try not to think about it because our main job is gymnastics."

Stadler silences Tiger

BY DOUG FERGUSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN DIEGO — Kevin Stadler can't waddle far without being reminded how much he looks like his father.

The comparisons were more about golf than girth Thursday in the Buick Invitational, when the son of former Masters champion Craig Stadler shot an 8-under-par 64 to steal the spotlight from Tiger Woods and Vijay Singh.

Stadler, who used to romp across Torrey Pines as a kid and watched his father win here 10 years ago, finished with a birdie and an eagle on the North course for a one-shot lead over Jesper Parnevik and Ted Purdy.

"I've been playing well, but I would never have dreamed of this," Stadler said.

It sure caught Woods off guard. As he was completing a frustrating round of 71 on the tougher South course, Woods was told that Kevin Stadler was leading the tournament.

"Kevin?" Woods said. "I thought it was Craig."

Everyone knows the father, nicknamed the "Walrus" for his mustache and hollow eyes, not to mention expansive waistline. Kevin has a goatee, but that's where the differences end.

"You get a look a like comment about every 4 feet wherever I go," he said. "I don't know if that's a good thing or a bad thing, but it will never go away unless I do something about it."

Any nicknames? "I definitely don't want to start thinking about those," he said. "No animals."

There were plenty of birdies and eagles, though, especially on the North course, which played 3.8 strokes easier than the South. Hal Sutton was the only player among the top 27 on the leaderboard to play the South, where the U.S. Open will be staged in 2008.

Woods finished his round and asked where he stood.

"They said I was fourth on this golf course and 57th in the tournament," he said.

The numbers changed by the end of the day. Woods, who didn't make a putt longer than 4 feet, was in a tie for 63rd and 11 players had better scores on the South.

"Everyone is tearing up the North, so I need to do the same thing," Woods said.

Not everyone.

Singh, coming off a victory at Pebble Beach for his 12th consecutive top-10 finish, never got

it going and needed a birdie on the par-5 18th to shoot 71 on the easier course.

Purdy summed it up best after his bogey-free 65 on the North.

"I'm going to the U.S. Open tomorrow," he said.

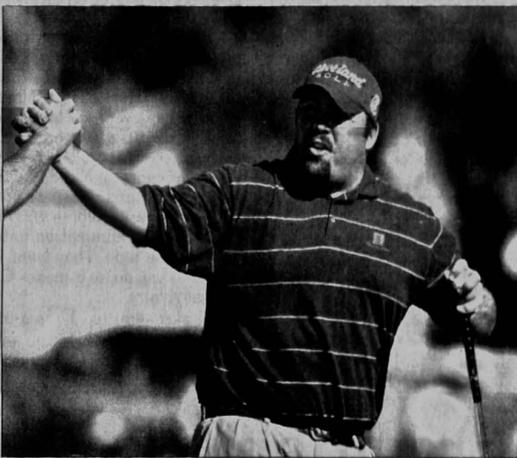
There can be exceptions, however. Woods opened with a pedestrian 70 on the North course last year, then closed with rounds of 66-68-68 on the South to win by four shots.

He had a tougher time in his first tournament in a month, and twice had to hit sensational shots under and around the trees to avoid big numbers. He picked up birdies on two of the par 5s, and got another with a shot out of thick rough to 4 feet on the 15th hole.

"I didn't play well," Woods said. "But I hung in there and kept myself out of trouble."

Stadler played with his father last week at the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, where Kevin made the cut for the first time in five PGA Tour events. He wound up in a tie for 35th and earned \$25,000, which was a big boost to his confidence.

Stadler, who played up the road at USC, has failed to get



Denis Poroy/Associated Press

Kevin Stadler, whose father Craig Stadler won the Buick Invitational at Torrey Pines in 1994, is congratulated by his caddy on Thursday after sinking an eagle putt on the 18th hole to finish the first round at 8-under par at the Buick Invitational in San Diego.

past the first stage of Q-school twice, and he felt awkward about taking a sponsor's exemption to the Buick Invitational.

"I kind of feel from certain people that they think I'm just playing because of my dad, and I want to shed that," Stadler said. "But that's the way it is right now. I just need to make my own way out here."

He earned his keep Thursday. Stadler moved from San

Diego right before starting high school, but he still had some friends in the gallery and he was nervous. He holed an 8-footer for par, then chipped in for birdie to settle him down, and he was on his way.

The only bad hole was No. 15 — a bad drive, a bad lie, a bad second shot, bad putts. The disgust was evident, just like it always is for his demonstrative dad.

COLLEGE HOOPS

St. John's may suspend basketball program

NEW YORK (AP)—The president of St. John's told a newspaper he might recommend suspending the school's basketball program if it can't remain scandal-free.

The school's chief spokesman, however, said Thursday there hasn't been any consideration of dropping the team.

"In no way, shape or form are we thinking of disbanding the program," spokesman Jody Fisher said.

The Rev. Donald Harrington told the *Daily News* for Thursday editions: "I would go to the board of trustees and say, 'It's now my con-

viction we can't do it.'" if the program's troubles persist.

"The university's values and mission are too important," Harrington said. "If the question is, 'Would you sacrifice your principles rather than face fact?' The answer is no. We will not sacrifice our principles or our mission. Ultimately, that would be the decision of our trustees, but that would be my recommendation."

On Wednesday, guard Elijah Ingram withdrew from the university, one week after he and five teammates broke curfew to go to a strip club. Ingram, a sophomore who led the team in scoring, left on the same day the St. John's judicial board suspended teammate Abe Keita from

school for one year, the university announced.

Both Ingram and Keita already were permanently suspended from the basketball team. A third player, Grady Reynolds, was expelled from St. John's last week. Two other players were suspended from the basketball team but remained in school.

The players got in trouble after a 71-51 loss to No. 4 Pittsburgh on Feb. 4. A woman told police she was raped by St. John's players she met at a strip club outside the city.

No criminal charges were filed against the players, and the woman was charged with prostitution, attempted extortion, and filing fictitious reports.

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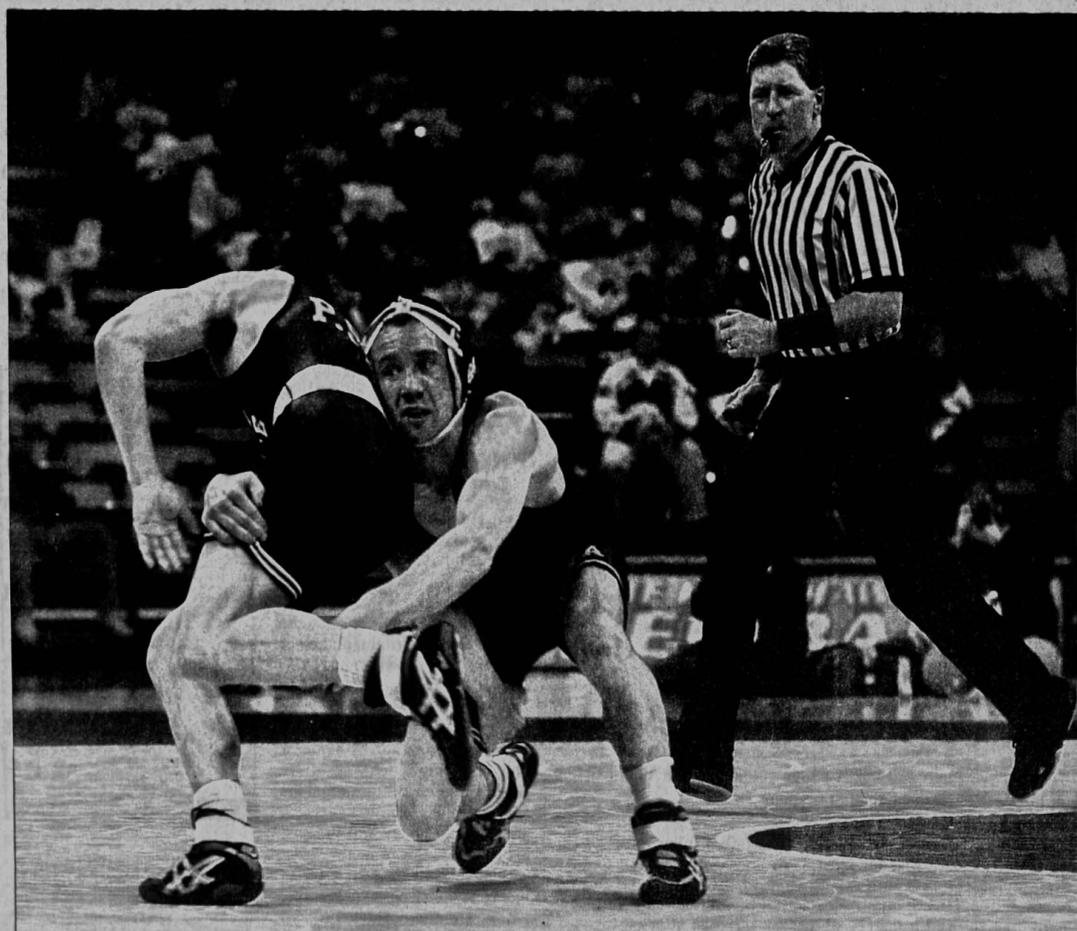
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IU senior Cliff Moore wrestles Penn State's DeWitt Driscoll in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Jan. 30.

Unusual parity in Big Ten

WRESTLING

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Iowa senior Luke Eustice feels a sense of responsibility to the fans, but he said with all the time and effort he and his teammates put in, a loss is more disappointing for the wrestlers than for the onlookers.

"It's not like Iowa or Minnesota or anybody else isn't working hard," he said. "Sometimes, things come together, and sometimes, things don't ... Not everything's gonna go according to plan every year."

Both Robinson and Zalesky agree that there are a handful of competitive teams in the conference this season, opposed to just one or two dominant forces.

Robinson feels, however, that despite the parity in the Big Ten, his team has a strong opportunity to win when it counts.

"We're pointing for the Big Ten and national tournaments," he said. "That's what the whole season's about ... You go to the national tournament and win it, and everybody will forget the regular season real quick."

Iowa senior Ryan Fulsaas feels the same way about his squad.

"Clearly, there isn't one team that has blown every team out of the water," he said. "But there are teams that are capable of doing that. Iowa, for one, we are very capable of taking the competition and shutting them down."

After a 12-day break from competition, Zalesky and his

Hawkeyes will be back in action tonight to face the No. 14 Wisconsin Badgers at 7 p.m. in Madison, followed by a meeting with the Golden Gophers in Minneapolis on Feb. 15 at 2 p.m.

The Hawkeyes have won the past three meetings against Minnesota and hold a 61-21-1 all-time series mark. The Golden Gophers, however have taken the past three Big Ten championships.

"The rivalry on Sunday will be great because both teams will be the best," Robinson said. "There's that admiration/hate at the same time. They want it as bad as you do, so it makes for a great rivalry."

Zalesky admitted he is a bit worried about how his team will perform after such a long break

from competition, and he wonders whether Iowa will come back sluggish or if the Hawkeyes, who have won three-straight meets, can pick up where they left off.

Iowa will conclude its regular season with a home meet against Ohio State on Feb. 20 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

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Saturday's game important for Big Ten tourney

MEN'S HOOPS

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It will be indeed be imperative for the Hawkeyes to get over their loss to Wisconsin quickly, because Saturday's game could prove to be huge come Big Ten Tournament time in March. As it stands right now, the Hawkeyes sit at 12-9 overall and 5-5 in conference, good for a fourth-place tie with Purdue and Northwestern. Michigan, which beat Iowa, 90-84, in Ann Arbor on Jan. 28, stands at 13-7 overall and 4-5 in conference play. The Maize and Blue appear directly below Iowa in the conference standings and would hold the tie-breaker over the Hawkeyes should they win Saturday. The top five finishers in the league standings earn a bye in the first-round of the four-day Big Ten Tournament, which gets underway March 12 in Indianapolis.

A strong showing in the conference tournament will likely be necessary for both teams if they hope to make the NCAA Tournament the following week. The Big Ten is ranked as just the sixth-toughest conference in the nation in the RPI.

"All these things will take care of themselves at the end of the year, and all these teams that want to be in the tournament will certainly have a chance to play themselves in by winning games," Amaker said. "We like to think we're one of those teams that has an

'We've got to do a very good job — there's going to be pressure on the coaches and players [leading up to the game] to get ready for Michigan ... It'll be a very demanding game physically, and we have to make sure we're ready mentally. That's going to be a tough assignment.'

— Iowa coach **Steve Alford**

opportunity if we do what we're supposed to do."

Alford said his downtrodden squad will have a hard time picking itself up off the canvas after the knock-down drag-out with Wisconsin to prepare for a very deep and athletic Michigan squad.

"That's the hardest thing in sports," he said. "We've got to do a very good job — there's going to be pressure on the coaches and players [leading up to the game] to get ready for Michigan ... It'll be a very demanding game physically, and we have to make sure we're ready mentally. That's going to be a tough assignment."

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NCAA president vows to clean up recruiting

BY JAIME ARON
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FORT WORTH, Texas — Stories of high-school football stars having wild weekends on college campuses have been around forever. But recently, those whispers have turned into front-page news.

Three sexual assault lawsuits in Colorado. A stripper company saying it has provided topless dancers for years at many schools. And the star of Miami's recruiting class now jailed for what he allegedly did during a recruiting trip to Florida.

It's all too much for NCAA President Myles Brand to tolerate at once.

So on Thursday, hours before being a keynote speaker at a panel discussion on values and ethics in college sports, Brand took action, announcing the formation of a task force that will re-examine the organization's recruiting rules.

"The allegations are serious enough and the talk is that it's very extensive," Brand said. "We have to be proactive and immediate about it and not push it under the rug."

Brand said it was "an interesting coincidence" that he would take an ethical stand the same day he, Ohio State Athletics Director Andy Geiger, Texas coach Mack Brown, and former SEC Commissioner Roy Kramer, the founder of the Bowl Championship Series, were taking part in the public discussion on the TCU campus.

"But ethical concerns are really at the heart of what the NCAA and college sports are all about," said Brand, who in his previous job as president of Indiana University also took a

'To say that it happens everywhere is not true. We can't follow them around every day. We have to look more closely at who we're bringing to campus. We have to look more closely at who is showing them around.'

— Texas coach Mack Brown

stand against basketball coach Bob Knight.

"College sports is not a business. It's about educating young men and women in the field and in the classroom. And that has serious ethical implications."

Brand is frustrated that existing recruiting rules are aimed at preventing "inappropriate behavior" without defining it. Being more specific would enable the NCAA to better punish such incidents, just like there are other minor and major infractions for other types of violations.

He also wants it done quickly. He expects a report within 60 days and changes made by the NCAA convention in April. That's plenty early for next year's recruiting season.

"We're not going to take a year to do it," Brand said. "We're on top of it now."

In the most prominent case, three women are suing the University of Colorado, saying they were raped at or after an off-campus party for football recruits in December 2001.

A newspaper story about Colorado football players allegedly hiring strippers for recruits led to implications of similar activities at many schools. The head of a Colorado-based stripper agency has acknowledged supplying topless dancers at campuses in Colorado, Texas, and Nevada.

Miami signee Willie Williams surrendered to authorities Tuesday because of charges stemming from his trip to Gainesville, Fla., over Super Bowl weekend. He's accused of setting off three fire extinguishers in his hotel, grabbing a woman against her will, and hitting a man at a bar in a span of five hours.

Brown applauded Brand for trying to pluck something good out of a bad situation, but he also pointed out a quote from Colorado coach Gary Barnett, who said schools do all they can to monitor high school players, but have to leave them alone at some point.

"To say that it happens everywhere is not true," Brown said. "We can't follow them around every day. We have to look more closely at who we're bringing to campus. We have to look more closely at who is showing them around."

Brand is proud of his immediate response to a developing situation, something he hasn't done since in his 13-month tenure. He hopes it sends a message of how serious he and his organization are about cleaning up college sports.

"That's awesome," Geiger said. "The enterprise of college athletics is obviously suffering from this. Let's do our best to get it right and get it right now."

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- 2004 Intramural Women's 3-Point Shootout, 4-7 p.m. Feb. 15, Field House South Gym.
- Dance Marathon Blood Drive, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., 337 IMU.
- Bible Study: James 1, "Pure Hearts," InterVarsity Graduate Christian Fellowship, 7 p.m., First Mennonite Church, 405 Myrtle Ave.
- Sweetheart Optional Coffeehouse, 8 p.m., Women's Resource & Action Center.

Little University



- 1 What U.S. state attracts throngs in thongs to the World Fire Knife Dance Competition?
- 2 What author kicked off her debut talk show with a segment on "Homicidal Tendencies Among Kids with Unpronounceable Names"?
- 3 What notorious paramour capped her 15 minutes by appearing on 1998's Gallup Poll of Most Admired Women?
- 4 Who are the three Van Pelt kids in "Peanuts"?
- 5 What's the only team in Major League Baseball named after a geological feature?

Answers:
1. Hawaii
2. Lynda Van Zant
3. Monica Lewinsky
4. Lucy, Lindy, and Rerun
5. Colorado Rockies

Black History Month Facts

On June 8, 1953, the Supreme Court outlawed discrimination in D.C. restaurants.

— provided by the Black Student Union

happy birthday to ...

Feb 13 — Brandie Thomas, 21; Frank Klobucar, 21; Lindsay Wolff, 21; Jenny "The Beaver" Wessels, 22
Feb. 14 — Luke Johnson, 20; Bryan Shepherd, 23
Feb. 15 — Jenny Davis, 19; Erin Northway, 21; Sarah Zucker, 21; Elizabeth Stemmler, 19

Wish your friends a happy birthday. E-mail their name, age, and date of birth three days in advance to daily-iowan@uiowa.edu.

news you need to know

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For more information, call Emily Cornish, an assistant director of marketing at the UI Alumni Association, 335-2214.

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horoscopes

Friday, February 13, 2004 by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Double-check your bankbook to make sure that everything is in order. Putting your money into home improvements or an investment that is safe, but rewarding, should be your intent.
- TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): You can enjoy a very good time with someone you love if you are attentive and affectionate. If you are neglectful, you can expect her or him to become possessive and insecure. Build up your partner's self-esteem by talking about your future together.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): The changes that are going on around you will turn out to be positive if you give things a chance to settle down. Sit tight, and be professional.
- CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Develop one of your skills, and you will soon be able to make extra cash doing something you enjoy. Travel and searching for knowledge will enhance your awareness.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): You will have to think on your feet today. One slip of the tongue, and you may be doing unnecessary backtracking. Don't let anyone talk you into following a path that doesn't suit you.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Get together with friends who will push you to follow through with your plans. Someone you meet will influence the choices you make. Be receptive.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can make changes regarding your direction. Money matters will get better if you are happy with what you are doing. If you make a few sacrifices, things will improve.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You will be highly creative and quite interested in changing your mind or your direction today. The outcome of the changes you make will be beneficial and probably long overdue.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The more you can do to make your place more comfortable, the better. Your home is your space to do as you please and enjoy yourself. Make arrangements to help out a family member.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Partnerships will be advantageous and lead to a prosperous turn of events. Listen to what others have to say, draw your conclusions, and proceed with your ideas and suggestions.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You may have trouble getting your point across. Someone may lead you in the wrong direction or misinterpret what you are trying to convey. Keep your mind clear.
- PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): This is a perfect day to scout for information that will open your eyes to the possibilities that surround you. Wasted opportunities will result in frustration. Follow your heart.

THE LEDGE

HOW TO PULL OFF A SMOOTH DATE ON VALENTINE'S DAY

By Jesse Ammerman

- Strip clubs, for the most part, should be ruled out.
- When boarding the Cambus, tip the driver well. Surely, he will then lead you and your lady on a scenic and exotic journey all along the Interdorm route.
- It doesn't hurt to get a little dressed up, you know. On this special day, be sure to wear one of your very cleanest Van Halen T-shirts.
- Show your girl that you aren't afraid to splurge on life's more exquisite items, like the No. 4 combo at Wendy's. With pickles, even.
- A nice table wine can easily improve the situation. But for god's sake, share at least some of it with her.
- When trying to set the mood, you're better off playing some Teddy Pendergrass than the usual Marilyn Manson.
- An afternoon picnic could be just the recipe for unforgettable romance — and unforgettable frostbite, if you insist on exposing all that.
- Unbelievably enough, Taco Bell does not accept reservations. So you'll want to arrive early for premium seating.
- You might need to remind your date occasionally that belching, rolling one's eyes, and pinching the waitress are actually signs of utmost respect in some cultures.

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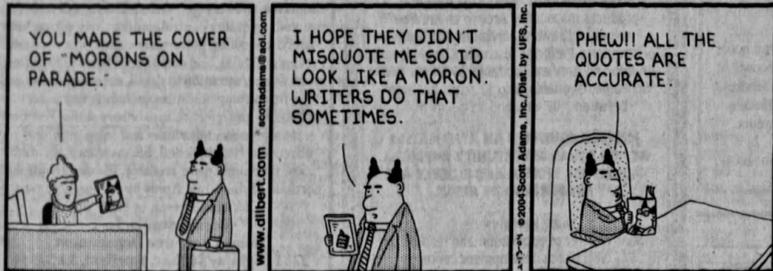
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- Noon NLGE 115: John Kerry
- 1 p.m. Sweethearts' Serenade
- 2:20 15 Min. Musical/Prey or Pray for Prey
- 2:40 The New Patriot
- 3 New Pi Presents: Chocolate Mousse Torte for Your Sweetheart
- 4 Conversations
- 5 U.N. Report
- 5:30 House on the Rock
- 6 Gospel Explosion Ministry
- 7 Country Time Country
- 8 Eden
- 8:30 Professor Noodle
- 9 Uncovered: The Whole Truth About the Iraq War
- 10 Silvis Full Gospel

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- 6:30 p.m. Lisa Bluder Press Conference (Rebroadcast)
- 7 Live from Prairie Lights featuring Walter Shapiro
- 8 Steve Alford Press Conference (Rebroadcast)
- 8:30 Ueye
- 9 Live from Prairie Lights featuring Mary Swander
- 10 Student Video Productions

DILBERT

by Scott Adams



YOU MADE THE COVER OF "MORONS ON PARADE."

I HOPE THEY DIDN'T MISQUOTE ME SO I'D LOOK LIKE A MORON. WRITERS DO THAT SOMETIMES.

PHEW!! ALL THE QUOTES ARE ACCURATE.

'NON SEQUITUR

BY VIEV



WHAT'CHA WORKIN' ON, DANAE?

YA KNOW, IF YOU PUT THIS KIND OF EFFORT INTO YOUR SCHOOLWORK INSTEAD OF THESE ELABORATE SCHEMES AS A DISTRACTION FROM YOUR BAD GRADES, YOU'D HAVE MORE TIME TO DO SOMETHING FUN...

...WHICH OF COURSE, IS WHAT YOU DO FOR FUN... DUH! WHAT WAS I THINKING?

SOMETIMES I REALLY WONDER ABOUT YOU, KATE

MY PLANS FOR A HORSE STABLE ON MARS

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



KERRY GOT THE QUESTION EXACTLY RIGHT—HOW DO YOU ASK SOMEONE TO DIE FOR A MISTAKE?

WHAT DOES BUSH SAY TO A KID IN THE GUARD SENT TO PUT HIS LIFE ON THE LINE...

...IN THE CAUSE OF "PROGRAM RELATED ACTIVITY"?

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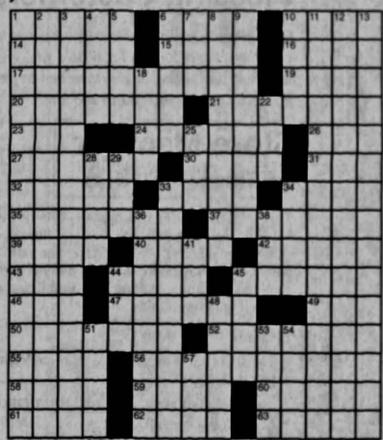
IT'S DIFFERENT TODAY, SIR.

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 0102

- ACROSS**
- 1 "O Captain! My Captain!," e.g.
- 6 What some watches display: Abbr.
- 10 Watch things, for short
- 14 "All ___" (1967 Temptations hit)
- 15 Choice for small toiletries
- 16 Company whose name is derived from a passage in Hosea
- 17 Watch
- 19 Musher's goal in March
- 20 Places for roots
- 21 "Hmmm ..."
- 23 It began in A.D. 800: Abbr.
- 24 Town in east Umbria
- 26 It may get licked: Abbr.
- 27 Pioneer in scholasticism (Rebroadcast)
- 30 Part of un opera
- 31 One doing garden work?
- 32 1969 film character who said "I'm walkin' here! I'm walkin' here!"
- 33 Bond
- 34 "As I Lay Dying" family name
- 35 Montana's ___ National Park
- 37 Writing of St. Basil the Great
- 39 "A Dream" artist
- 40 Physics Nobelist Fitch and others
- 42 Jackal genus
- 43 Third of September?
- 44 Shakespeare's Gertrude, e.g.
- 45 Violent upheaval
- 46 Clark's "Mogambo" co-star
- 47 Bromide
- 49 It follows a chain in the military: Abbr.
- 50 Carrier of Bellerophon, in myth
- 52 Having a richer white hue
- 55 Hydrocarbon endings
- 56 Goose-pimply
- 58 Something Eric the Red read
- 59 Georgia O'Keeffe's "___ Pueblo"
- 60 9000 cars
- 61 "La Scala di ___" (Rossini opera)
- 62 Some lifesavers
- 63 Hiding place in "Hamlet"



Puzzle by Sherry O. Blackard

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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REFASTENS OPT
ALINE RHINE
CONTRACTIONOFTS
EPEE HOARD RUNS
SESS AGREE SLOE

- DOWN**
- 1 Service enders
- 2 It doesn't include customs
- 3 Bathroom shower, at times
- 4 Pentagon fig.
- 5 Snorri Sturluson story
- 6 Yooks' and Zooks' creator
- 7 Announcement over the P.A.
- 8 Script extras
- 9 Skirt
- 10 See-through item
- 11 "Almost!"
- 12 Toasted singer?
- 13 Summery attire
- 18 Unit of fat
- 22 Wed
- 25 "A wild sort of devil" in song
- 28 Verb ending
- 29 Napoleonic law
- 33 Sweeping success
- 34 Old overlord
- 36 Weigh
- 38 First person in Frankfurt?
- 41 Baudelaire's "___ fleurs du mal"
- 44 Recommended behavior
- 45 Dweeb
- 48 Build a reserve of
- 51 Where liners go
- 53 Soprano Safer
- 54 Bump on a log
- 57 Great deal

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NEWS

NATION

Bonds' trainer among 4 charged in steroid scheme

WASHINGTON (AP) — Barry Bonds' personal trainer and a coach for some of the world's top track stars were among four people charged on Thursday with running a steroid-distribution ring that provided performance-enhancing drugs to dozens of athletes.

A 42-count indictment returned by a grand jury in San Francisco described in detail how a nutritional-supplements lab — Bay Area Lab Cooperative, known as BALCO — allegedly provided the drugs from December 2001 to September 2003 to Major League Baseball and NFL players, Olympics-caliber track stars, and bodybuilders.

No sports figures were named, but Attorney General John Ashcroft left open the possibility some could be charged later.

The indictment names Bonds' trainer, 37-year-old Greg F. Anderson, and Remi Korchemny, 71, a top track coach whose roster includes Kelli White, a sprinter who faces forfeiture of world championship gold medals after testing positive for a banned stimulant.

"I am saddened by the news of the indictment against my trainer and friend," Bonds said in a statement. "I don't know the state of the evidence, and it would be inappropriate to comment on this matter."

Also named are Victor Conte Jr., 53, the president and chief executive officer of BALCO, and its vice president, 49-year-old James J. Valente. Ashcroft said the public's confidence in athletes and their sports has been undermined by questions about how some players attained their greatness.

"Illegal steroid use calls into question not only the integrity of the athletes who use them, but also the integrity of the sports that those athletes play," he said. "Steroids are bad for sports, they're bad for players, they're bad for young people who hold athletes up as role models."

Terry Madden, the chief executive officer of the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency, which provides testing for American Olympic athletes, hailed the case as a step toward "removing drug cheats from sport."

"We fully expect that developments in the U.S. attorney's proceedings and our ongoing investigation will lead to the initiation of more doping cases against athletes and others," he said.

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Unique rooms in historical setting. Northside. Laundry. (319)530-9157.

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QUIET, warm, cozy house, own bedroom. Available immediately or summer to non-smoking female. \$350/month including utilities, laundry facilities, and parking. Close to bus stop. (319)351-7842-evenings; (319)354-5044-days.

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ROOMMATE WANTED

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REDUCED Rent. Downtown, available immediately. Master bedroom/bathroom, large living room, underground parking, utilities included, rent negotiable. 332 S. Linn St. Call Brad (319)400-2501.

WESTSIDE townhouse on bus route. Near UIHC. W/D. Call (319)351-9206.

ROOMMATE WANTED/FEMALE

AVAILABLE immediately. Non-smoker, one bedroom in three bedroom, HW paid, dishwasher, W/D on-site, close to campus, \$300/month plus 1/3 utilities. (319)358-1468.

FEMALE roommate wanted. 2BD. Good location. Free February rent. Call (847)401-2687.

FEMALE wanted for one bedroom in three bedroom apartment. Great location, near downtown. \$391/month, available immediately. Call Erin (515)240-0331.

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2 and 4 BEDROOM Now leasing for Fall! -517 S. Linn St. -720 S. Dubuque St. -Hartocks St. Condos New, nice, close to campus and UIHC. Free parking & laundry. **RAE-MATT PROPERTIES** (319)351-1219 or (319)624-5065 www.raematt.com

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ONE bedroom close to downtown. Parking and extra storage. \$550, HW paid. Call Lincoln Real Estate, (319)338-3701.

ONE bedroom, Coralville, available now. 670 sq. ft. \$495/month, water paid. C/A free parking, laundry on-site, pool, on busline. (319)339-7925.

ONE bedrooms across from dorms. Available May or August. \$560-\$675. Ten month leases available. Call Lincoln Real Estate, (319)338-3701.

SEVILLE APARTMENTS has a one bedroom sublet available immediately. \$550 includes heat, water, and A/C. Laundry on-site. Call (319)338-1175.

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SUBLET premium loft apartment on Burlington above Nutri-Sport. Cathedral ceilings with spiral staircase. Must see. \$750. (603)355-5530.

VERY large quiet one bedroom. Downtown, parking, C/A, microwave, security entrance. No smoking, no pets. August. \$595. (319)351-1250 9-4p.m. After 6p.m. (319)354-2221.

TWO BEDROOM

QUIET two bedroom duplex on Rundell St. Available April 1. Only \$530/month!!!!!! W/D, A/C, cats welcome! (319)887-6815.

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AD#321. Two bedroom apartment close to campus. HW paid. Rent at market price. Keystone Property, (319)338-6288.

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AD#508. Two bedroom townhouse. Coralville, W/D hook-ups. C/A, parking, pets okay. M-F 9-5, (319)351-2178.

AFFORDABLE Coralville Court apartment. Two bedroom, one bathroom, W/D. Lease until July 31 with option to extend. Fire place, dock, dishwasher, garage. \$750. (319)330-2142.

TWO BEDROOM

AD#5. Two bedroom apartment, westside, C/A, dishwasher, off-street parking, pets negotiable, \$510 plus utilities. Keystone Property, (319)338-6288.

AVAILABLE now, February FREE. Two bedroom apartment in quiet well maintained building. Close to UIHC. Underground parking, dishwasher, deck, on busline. \$650/month. (319)341-9686.

AVAILABLE now. 375 Willow Wind Place. \$650/month. W/D, private parking. (319)752-7025.

BENTON DRIVE. Two bedroom apartment. No pets. Clean, unfurnished. (319)393-7779, (319)270-6151.

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DOWNTOWN location, 505 E. Jefferson, two bedroom, one bathroom, \$575, HW paid. Available 2/15/04. Call Lincoln Real Estate, (319)338-3701.

EMERALD COURT apartments has a two bedroom available immediately. \$585 includes water and garbage. Laundry, off-street parking and 24-hour maintenance. Call (319)337-4323.

GREAT LOCATIONS FOR FALL

Two bedroom, two bathroom, downtown, close-in. 12 E. Court \$999 + ele. 320 S. Gilbert \$930 + ele. 601 S. Gilbert \$920 + ele. 521 N. Linn \$899 + ele. 618 N. Dodge \$765 + ele. Call (319)354-8331

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TWO bedroom apartment. Newton Road with parking garage. Jeremy (319)631-8864.

TWO bedroom apartments. 400 block of Jefferson. \$760-\$860. No pets. (319)338-3810.

TWO bedroom for rent. \$375/month person, price negotiable. Above Bruegger's downtown Iowa City. (319)331-1351.

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On Linn Street, just south of Burlington, next to Firestone. One and two bedrooms. Complete kitchens. Deluxe units at reasonable rental rates. Laundries on premises. Convenient and affordable!

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Two bedrooms on Jefferson St. Available August. Ten month leases available. \$650. HW paid. Call Lincoln Real Estate, (319)338-3701.

Two bedrooms on N. Dodge. Under new management. Available now. May, and August. \$550-\$595. Pets allowed. HW paid. Call Lincoln Real Estate, (319)338-3701.

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Boyfriend,
I would show you how much I love you but my arms are not long enough!
Love, Girlfriend

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RAKASIAA LAV RAKASIAA AHAVA
AMOR AMOR AMORE
For Mirsad,
sree moje i dusa moja.
I love you more today than yesterday but not as much as tomorrow.
Happy Valentine's Day.
Volim te.
From tvoja Jeanne

Kamran Kasmi,
Will U Be
My Valentine...??
-Ur Dreamgirl
Norah

Sunil,
You've Been My
Partner, My Lover,
and My Best Friend!!
Happy
Valentine's Day!
Love U 4 eva
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KD
Loves
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Dave-
Happy Valentine's Day
Stud!
I Love You.
XOXO Emily

PS,
Luv U and your sport,
in and out of gym.
PM

Kim-
With you, I can let
my hair down, I
can say anything
crazy, I know
you'll catch me
right before I hit
the ground!
Love, ?????

Marisa,
Happy Valentine's
Day Sweetheart,
I Love You
Nick

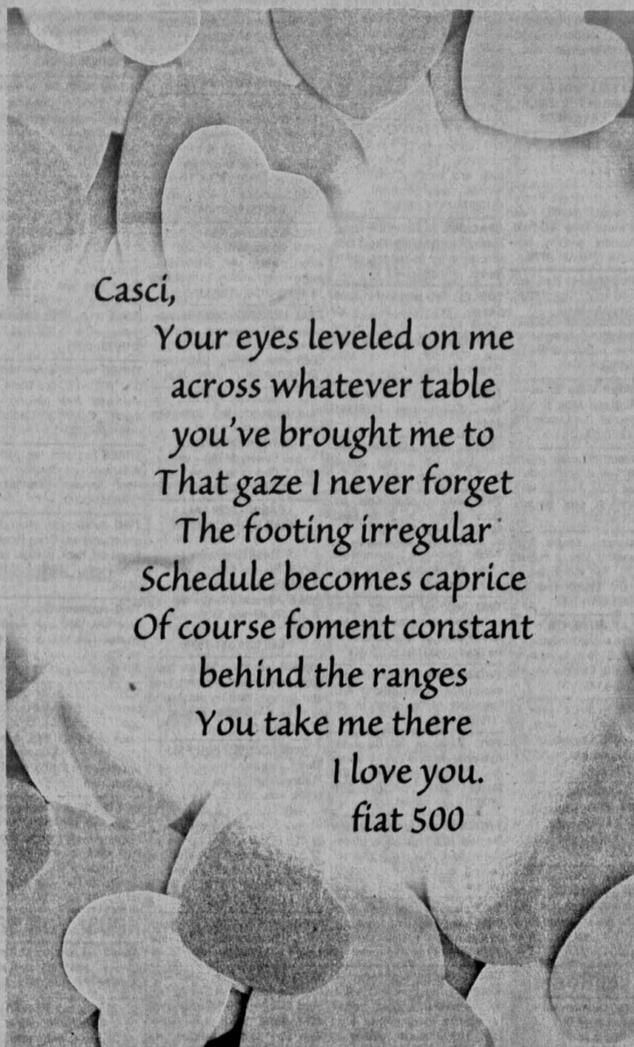
**Mandy, Sally,
Melissa, & Buffy**
send Valentine's
greetings. Drew
says you're his
Valentine. Will
you be mine?
Love, Ph.

Our couch is red
Our rug is blue
It's a rainbow
Living with you
We love you, Jim!
Melrose Girls

Steve,
Happy Valentine's Day
Sweetie. You are my
sunshine and I love you.
Bridge

Chris Schaub
"Hubba Hubba"

**Jennifer
&
Drew**
Jennifer,
I am so lucky to
have you in my
life. You mean
everything to me.
I love you.



Casci,
Your eyes leveled on me
across whatever table
you've brought me to
That gaze I never forget
The footing irregular
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You take me there
I love you.
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**Matt
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Marissa**
Matt,
Happy
Valentine's Day!
I love you so
much!
Hugs & kisses!
Love Always,
Marissa

To My Cowboy -
You took me away.
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Love,
Your Nuggett

You're so sweet Bradley,
I love you with all my heart.
- Your Special Lady

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY
DELTA ZETAS!
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bella donna mio,
mi corpo trema.
-Sig. Y

**Jason
&
Susie**
I pledge my
endless love, now
and forever.
Until the ocean
doesn't touch the
sand, I will be
your man.

**Happy
21st
Birthday Collin!**
YOU ROCK!
Love,
912 Iowa Ave.

**Lovie
&
Lovie**
Lovie,
Happy
Valentine's Day
and Happy
Two Year
Anniversary!
I love you,
Lovie

To the Pooperiest
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We will remember our
first Valentine's Day
being married forever.
I love you my
beautiful wife! Muah!
Laura and Stephanie
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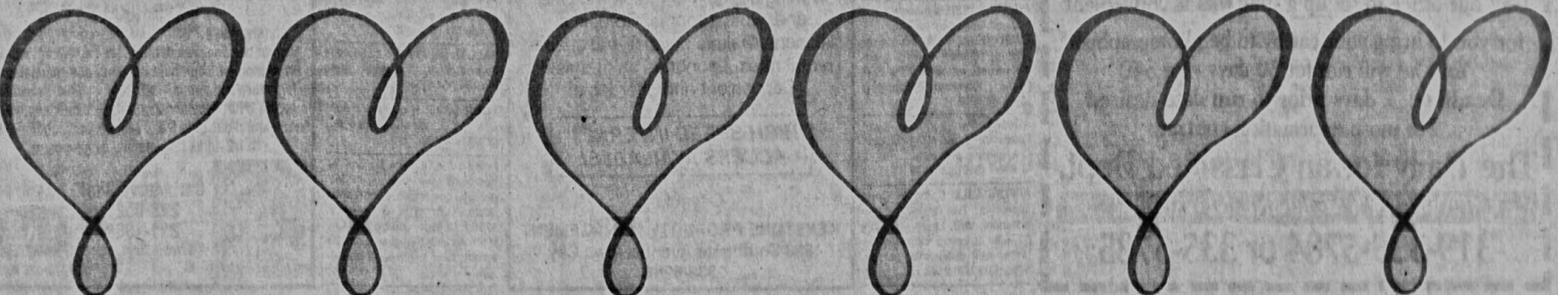
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*just keepin' it simple! ☺



Sydney & Zachary
You make my heart melt
XOXOXOXO
Mom

**Happy
Valentine's
Day
to the
Women of
Pi Beta Phi**
Love You,
Jo

**Heather
&
Brice**
You are the love
of my life now
and forever.
I love you my
Barnacle-Brice



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