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Police seek help in Daum altercation

BY SARAH FRANKLIN
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A Sunday morning assault near Daum Residence Hall that sent a 20-year-old man to the UI Hospitals and Clinics has prompted university officials to post notices of the altercation in the residence halls.

An anonymous caller reported the fight, which involved seven to 10 males against the man, as occurring on the east side of Daum on Sunday at 2:10 a.m., said Duane Papke, the UI police associate director.

The victim, whom police would not identify, was reportedly hit over the head with a beer bottle and kicked in the head after he fell to the ground. The attackers, reportedly between the ages of 18 and 22, surrounded the man and his female companion before the assault. They were last seen walking north toward Currier Residence Hall.

Papke said UI police posted notices in

each of the residence halls asking for students who may have witnessed the fight to contact the police. "We need a lot of help from the public," he said, adding that UI police post notices in the residence halls when others are possibly at risk.

Some Daum residents said they heard shouting outside the building but did not witness the altercation.

"I heard shouting ... At first I didn't think anything of it, but it was so prolonged I thought it had to be something," said UI freshman Scott Nichols, who lives on the second floor. "I heard shouting, not fighting. I heard people egging him on."

Nichols' roommate, UI freshman Christian Petersen, said he opened his window and yelled, "Break it up, or I'll call the police."

The roommates continued watching a movie but heard sirens and went outside to

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UISG candidates spar

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UISG candidates Schutte and Shore tell all.

BY DREW KERR
THE DAILY IOWAN

The giant sloth, the symbol of the UI Student Government political party that has captured the last three elections, met its match Tuesday night, and it came in the form of a cow.

The "cash cow," according to the Giant Sloth Party's opposition, is representative of UISG's allegedly wasted money. Presidential candidate Chad Aldeman, who has taken issue with what he has called the present administration's "fiscal irresponsibility," said the "teets won't run dry" with him in office.

Aldeman, along with vice-presidential nominee Brittany Shoot, engaged Sloth Party candidates Lindsay Schutte and Jason Shore on topics ranging from tenant-landlord relationships to improved Iowa City City Council-student relations at the annual UISG debate, sponsored by *The Daily Iowan*. Both

tickets gave opening remarks, then faced questions from *DI* staff members and each other.

Aldeman used the forum to highlight a number of what he calls problems with existing UISG procedures.

"All the UISG candidates go to the student groups once a year, and that's great. The problem is, they don't ever go again," he said, promising to solicit opinion through repeated trips.

Schutte, who has taken issue with Aldeman's claim that he will hold regular office hours, responded to that promise by noting the need to garner student opinion through a grass-roots effort that would include constant communication and personal contact.

The night's cordial atmosphere ended as soon as the two parties were given the chance to pose each other questions. Schutte found herself answering questions about her own voter participation, while Alde-



Eric Droze/The Daily Iowan
UI presidential candidate Lindsay Schutte speaks Tuesday evening during the UISG presidential debate in the Seamans Center.

man was forced to account for the inaccurate figures he quoted at the beginning of his campaign. Schutte's reply to Aldeman's question about international outreach drew mixed results.

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John Richard/The Daily Iowan

Mary Kay Brooks, the coordinator of UIHC quality management, walks for exercise during her lunch hour on Feb. 19.

BY MEGHAN SIMS
THE DAILY IOWAN

Wheelchairs, patients on gurneys, doctors, and nurses crowd the congested main floor at the UI Hospitals and Clinics, but suspended one floor above them, Mary Kay Brooks — clad in Nike Airmax athletic shoes — begins her daily exercise uninterrupted.

For the past four weeks, Brooks, a

UIHC quality-management coordinator, has power-walked between Boyd Tower and the Pomerantz Pavilion — a one-third-mile stretch — for 30 minutes during her lunch break.

"It's nice to get exercise during the day, and it's warm and dry in here," she said, adding that, with a daughter, her busy night schedule often only allows her an opportunity for afternoon workouts.

Brooks found her new track just before the American Heart Association's National Red Dress Day on Feb. 6, which is intended to spread female heart-health awareness. The association focused its campaign this year on heart disease in women — the No. 1 killer of females in the United States.

Spreading the word is critical, because most women consider breast cancer their biggest health

risk, said Patti Lounsbury, the director of the Cardiovascular Health, Assessment, Management, and Prevention Services. The program works to reduce the risk factors of cardiovascular disease for UIHC in- and out-patients.

"I think women tend to think heart disease as something that doesn't

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Taking heart while hiking UIHC miles

Walkers get heart healthy during their lunch break



Source: DI Research
UI Wellness Hospital Route

Bush backs amendment prohibiting gay marriages

BY MIKE ALLEN AND
ALAN COOPERMAN
WASHINGTON POST



Eric Risberg/Associated Press

Bob Kearney of the American Civil Liberties Union denounced President Bush's decision to urge approval of an amendment banning gay marriages on Tuesday.

WASHINGTON — President Bush called Tuesday for a constitutional amendment restricting marriage to the union of men and women, voicing concern that gay marriage would weaken society.

Bush's support for a ban on gay marriage put the weight of the White House behind conservatives working to thwart a Massachusetts court ruling that could permit same-sex wedding vows as soon as May 17 and the subsequent decision by San Francisco to issue marriage licenses to more than 3,200 gay couples so far.

"After more than two centuries of American jurisprudence, and millennia

of human experience, a few judges and local authorities are presuming to change the most fundamental institution of civilization," Bush said. "Their actions have created confusion on an issue that requires clarity."

To become part of the Constitution, an amendment must win a two-thirds vote in each chamber of Congress and be ratified by 38 states, a process likely to take years. Opponents pointed out that this would be the only time a constitutional amendment had restricted rather than expanded liberties besides the since-repealed prohibition on the sale of intoxicating liquor in 1919.

Bush said he wants to preserve marriage as a union of one man and one

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Finding the steps to politics as laughter

BY TIM CRIMMINS
THE DAILY IOWAN

This April won't be "politics as usual" as the Capitol Steps, a troupe of current and former congressional staffers, brings its musical version of political satire to the Iowa City West High auditorium.

The event, set for April 4 at 7:30 p.m., is sponsored by the Old Capitol Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind, an organization that lobbies government to support

blind people. The money raised will go toward forwarding legislation to help the blind, said Priscilla McKinley, the president of the Old Capitol Chapter.

The Capitol Steps released its 23rd album, *Between Iraq and a Hard Place*, in 2003. The group — creators of such classic songs as "UnZipin My Doo-Dah," spoofing Bill Clinton in a parody of the Disney tune "Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah," and "Don't Go Rakin' You're Smart," spoofing

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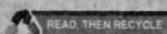
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ART GALLERY

Robert Gallery could very well turn into a masterpiece for the ages. See story, Page 1B

LOBBYING AGAINST RAPE

One hundred fifty advocates for rape victims press for changes in the law. See story, Page 2A



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NEWS

Workaholic Schutte ready to take charge

BY ALEX LANG
THE DAILY IOWAN

A rookie to the political game and self-described "workaholic," Lindsay Schutte is known for taking charge of problems.

The UI Student Government presidential hopeful tackled a major renovation project at her sorority last year, and works two jobs at downtown bars to pay the bills. Concerned about rising tuition and student representation at the state level, the 21-year-old jumped in a Chevy Suburban with student activists and drove to Des Moines.

Attempting to take UISG's top seat with no formal involvement is her latest challenge.

"I bring a breadth of knowledge," the Giant Sloth Party candidate said on Tuesday. "I'm not afraid about being attacked for not being informally involved. I think it is important to see outside of the box."

"I want people to think of me as president of the student body. Not just of student organizations."

When not spending time promoting her campaign, Schutte holds two jobs—one as event sales coordinator at the Summit, 10 S. Clinton



Lindsay Schutte
Presidential candidate

St., and bartender at One-Eyed Jakes, 18-20 S. Clinton St., which she would likely give up if elected. Mike Porter, who owns both bars, described her as a hard worker.

Schutte said she also spends a great deal of time in other student organizations, as a member of the Gamma Phi Beta sorority and director of operations for 10,000 Hours, a program that promotes community service.

Gamma Phi Beta sorority sister Katy Cunconan said Schutte was a great friend to many members and spearheaded a badly needed renovation project.

"I think [Schutte] would make a great president," Cunconan said. "She is very professional with her work, and when she says she will do something, she gets it done."

In the few minutes of down time she has, Schutte said she usually talks with friends or sorority sisters about their personal lives. Otherwise, "I'm kind of a loner," the Keokuk, Iowa, native said. "I usually just like to sit back and relax."

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UISG election

Schutte/Shore Platform Issues:

• **Fiscal Responsibility:** Mandate a report produced by the UISG executive branch be published once per year in order to keep UISG accountable.

• **UISG Accessibility:** Create a more interactive website, conduct "focus groups," and hold student referendums.

• **Alcohol:** Actively campaign against the 21-ordinance, place a non-voting student on the City Council to act as a representative for the students, work to create alternative programs on campus and throughout Iowa City.

• **Tuition:** Lobby the Legislature on a regular basis, fight against tuition costs based on level in school.

BY WILLIAM MIKESSELL
THE DAILY IOWAN

UI Student Government vice-presidential candidate Jason Shore boasts of his ability not only to beat the competition in the coming election, but also in freestyle rap and basketball.

Influenced by underground hip-hop, the "laid-back guy" has been freestyle rapping with friends since his youth.

"Schutte/Shore runnin' for VP in '04" was about to challenge the Alderman/Shoot ticket to a rap battle during the campaign, but "I had a feeling he would say no," Shore said.

The Wilmette, Ill., native describes himself as an avid Hawkeye football fan and a motivated athlete who plays on an intramural basketball team.

"We would destroy the other platform in basketball," he said. "That would be the easiest victory ever."

As an "interactive" Hillcrest resident assistant, Shore said he is not only a friend but a mentor to the students on his floor.

"I like empowering students, and that's one of the reasons why I became an RA," he said.

VP hopeful beats out winning rap

The UI sophomore said he participates in community service in Iowa City and at home.

Clint Hawthorne, a fellow Hillcrest RA, said Shore offers many opportunities for his residents and can "lighten the mood in a room."

"He is the type of person who takes initiative—one of the qualities a leader is supposed to have," Hawthorne said.

By educating students about their personal rights, the former UISG senator hopes students will understand important situations, such as answering when UI police knock on their doors and "what the penalties are for taking illegal action."

The risk of assault and drunken driving after the downtown bars close is particularly troubling adding that the solution is wider use of mass transportation. He hopes to extend Cambus routes until 2 a.m. every night of the week.

Shore said he loves the UI. His best memory this year, he said, was rushing the field after the Iowa-Michigan football game. "I want that to be everyone's feeling at the UI all the time."

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Jason Shore
UISG VP candidate

RVAP seeks end to rape statute of limitations

BY MARY BETH LARUE
THE DAILY IOWAN

One hundred fifty Iowa advocates for sexual-assault and domestic-violence victims met with legislators on Tuesday in Des Moines to address concerns that the state statute of limitations for sexual assault is not consistent with the longevity of rape kits.

The advocates took part in the Iowa Coalition Against Sexual Assault and the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence Annual Lobby Day to raise issues with legislators such as eliminating the criminal statute of limitations for sexual assault, establishing a minimum time period for rape-kit storage, and securing stable funding for sexual-assault crisis centers.

"The purpose of the statute of

limitations is to protect the accused from fading memories and lost witnesses, but with DNA, we have a 'witness' that proves unbiased and extremely trustworthy over the years," said a statement issued by the Rape Victim Advocacy Program.

The statute of limitations for sexual assault is 10 years, but coalition members would like this time period eliminated because victims often fail to report a rape immediately, said Karla Miller, the executive director of the Iowa City RVAP.

"The argument is that people might want to file a case after that period of time," Miller said. "An example of this is the Richard Dodd case. If he hadn't been on trial for murder, they couldn't have convicted him for rape because the statute of limitations would've run out."

However, local law professionals feel the statute will not be repealed.

"I don't think Iowa is ready to take the extra step of eliminating the statute of limitations," said Anne Lahey, an assistant Johnson County attorney.

Advocates also argued that a minimum time period for rape-kit storage needs to be concurrent with the 10-year statute. Currently, if a victim does not immediately choose to report a sexual assault to law-enforcement officials, there is no minimum time period for kit storage.

"Obviously, the time period would be a good thing," Lahey said. "This prevents the degradation of the samples and could be valuable."

Legislators said they plan to examine the likelihood of funding longer rape-kit storage.

"We'll have to speak about the costs," said Rep. Betty De Boef, R-What Cheer. "Budget is always a concern, but on the surface it seems like a good idea."

Iowa must also ensure funding for sexual-assault crisis centers. Two years ago, the Legislature removed all funding for victim services. The Attorney General's Office then transferred money from the Victim Compensation Fund to victim services, which allowed the programs to operate with 85 percent of the funds once available.

"There needs to be stable funding," Miller said. "The Attorney General's Office can't continue to support it, and the funding needs to be reinstated."

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CITY

Attorney files for dismissal of charges

The attorney for an Iowa City man accused of having sexual relations with a 10-year-old boy a dozen times has filed a motion to dismiss Tuesday.

Michael Perkovich was arrested Feb. 13 and charged with 12 counts of second-degree sexual abuse after he allegedly admitted to police he had sexually assaulted a 10-year-old boy numerous times at his residence.

Court records show Perkovich per-

formed oral sex on the boy twice and attempted to have anal sex with him. Perkovich also allegedly admitted to making a video of himself and the boy stripping, which police allegedly found at his home during a search. Perkovich has a previous third-degree sexual conviction

from 1983 that also involved a young boy. Second-degree sexual abuse is a Class B felony and is punishable by a maximum of 25 years in prison. Dennis Cohen, the attorney for the defendant, was not available for further comment Tuesday.

— by Seung Min Kim

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POLICE LOG

Ian Durkee, 22, 1011 Woodlawn Ave., was charged Sunday with assault causing injury.
John Evans, 34, address unknown, was charged Tuesday with criminal trespass.
James Fischer, 27, 2018 Waterfront Drive Lot 68, was charged Tuesday with operating while intoxicated.
Justin Graber, 21, 108 River St., was charged Sunday with assault causing injury.
Ollie Habbab, 78, address unknown, was charged Tuesday with criminal trespass.
Kenneth Handy, 24, 2216 Hollywood Blvd., was charged Monday with driving while revoked.
Howard Harold, 47, address unknown, was charged Monday with public intoxication.
Krista Jerrard, 43, 1905 Lakeside Drive, was charged Tuesday with public intoxication.

Elizabeth Kenefick, 67, 506 N. First Ave., was charged Monday with operating while intoxicated.
Mary Martin, 28, 31 Thatcher Court, was charged Monday with possession of marijuana.
David Scott, 22, 2851 Holiday Road Apt. C8, was charged Tuesday with simple harassment.
Martha Seals, 84, 2550 Nevada Ave., was charged Tuesday with driving while barred and failure to post proof of financial responsibility.
Laversa Sheers, 44, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. M8, was charged Monday with fifth-degree theft.
Michael Shrock, 25, 31 Thatcher Court, was charged Tuesday with possession of marijuana.
D'Shawn Stemley, 15, 1926 Broadway Apt. E, was charged Monday with fifth-degree theft.
John Stewart, 32, address unknown, was charged Tuesday with public intoxication.

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A float in the Rex Parade winds its way through the streets of New Orleans on Tuesday as the Big Easy celebrates Mardi Gras.

District eyes erasing learning barriers

BY COLIN VAN WESTEN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa City School District officials outlined a plan Tuesday night aimed at eliminating obstacles to learning created outside the school environment. The Removing the Barriers to Learning program, still in its planning stages, hopes to bring together Iowa City officials in social services, substance-abuse treatment, juvenile justice, business, and housing in order to meet growing challenges of low socioeconomic-status youth, minorities, and transfer students. "There are many examples of where the left hand does not

know what the right hand is doing," said Joan Vandenberg, a youth and family services coordinator and co-chairwoman of the program. "If we can facilitate that, we feel we can get results." The Iowa City program is designed after the 1998 "Adelman and Taylor model," which was created at the University of California-Los Angeles to solve similar problems in California. The rise in high-school physical altercations and delinquency filings in juvenile court, coupled with low academic performance from some subgroups, such as minorities and students who receive free and reduced lunches, were issues

identified by teachers as problems that needed to be addressed. Though the program aims to solve many of the same problems faced by subgroups identified under No Child Left Behind, officials said the program was in the works before the legislation's implications were clear. The Johnson County Youth Development Planning Project, which oversees the Removing the Barriers to Learning program, received a \$50,000 federal grant for the planning stage and \$100,000 for the following four years. Those funds will also be divided among 18 other Johnson County planning initiatives, including the Stepping

Up Project and United Way of Johnson County. The Iowa Collaboration for Youth Development will distribute the money from an arm of the Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S. Department of Justice. The program's portion of the funding will be used for further planning, hiring a part-time program director, and establishing an Early Childhood Work Group. "The goals are pretty lofty, but we have five years to do [it]," Vandenberg said. E-mail DI reporter Colin Van Westen at: cwv18@hotmail.com

Local Democrats not worried about Nader

BY PHIL DAVIDSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Though Democrats have expressed concerns about Ralph Nader's announcement on Sunday that he will return to presidential politics, one local Democratic official said there's nothing to worry about. David Redlawsk, the Johnson County Democrats' second vice chairman, said the Green Party's 2000 nominee will not factor at all into this year's election. Democrats blamed his presence in the 2000 campaign for siphoning off votes from Al Gore, thus helping to put President Bush in the White House. "I don't think he stands a chance

of being anywhere close to the amount of votes he received in the last election," said Redlawsk, referring to the 2.8 percent of the popular vote Nader received in 2000. The UI assistant professor of political science said Nader's decision to abandon the Green Party, coupled with the clear, well-defined differences between Bush and the Democratic candidates, will dissuade those who voted for him in the last election from doing so again. On Sunday, Nader announced on NBC's "Meet the Press" that he wanted to challenge what he called the "two-party duopoly" in American politics — a claim Redlawsk said is "absolutely wrong." The

issues separating Democrats and Republicans are more ideologically different than they've been in a long time, Redlawsk said. Florence Boos, a Johnson County Green Party delegate, said that although Nader is running as an independent, she thinks it's "wonderful" that voters have an alternative. "Our goal is to make sure that there is a third-party response to the democratic process," she said. Boos, a UI English professor, said the Green Party has not yet ruled out the possibility of selecting Nader as its candidate at the party's national convention in late June in Milwaukee.

She said the anger that some Democrats have expressed over Nader's announcement is misplaced. "I think it's a sign of success that some people got angry," she said. Despite some Republican opinions that Nader's entrance into the race only helps Bush, UI College Republicans Chairwoman Sara Sauber said she doesn't see it as good or bad. "All it means is that President Bush now has two candidates running against him," the UI junior said. "It just gives [Democratic voters] more options." E-mail DI reporter Phil Davidson at: phildond@yahoo.com

CITY

Coralville OKs Iowa River gazebo

With Councilor Tom Gill standing in as mayor for an absent Jim Fausett, the Coralville City Council approved all plans and costs for the Iowa River Gazebo Project on Tuesday by a 3-0 vote. A Michael Bell of RDG Inc., a Coralville-based design firm, presented the council with a 3-D model of the project, which has been planned for two years. The project includes a gazebo on the west end of a renovated trestle

bridge just north of the Iowa Power Restaurant that will mimic the restaurant's architecture. The gazebo will also feature aspects of Coralville's history, including plaques featuring historical figures and a millstone to commemorate Coralville's industrial beginnings. Councilor John Lundell praised the project's twofold purpose, giving the citizens a gateway to the area and visitors a way to learn more about Coralville. The bid for the project is set to be awarded on March 9, with construction beginning in early April. The project is to be completed by July 15.

The bid for the Highway 6 Water Main Extension Project, meanwhile, was awarded to Maxwell Construction of Iowa City. The firm's bid was \$267,905.90, 12 percent lower than the city's original estimate. The project originally raised concerns among citizens who already have access to a water main and were worried they would have to pay for this new project without receiving additional benefits. Assistant city engineer Scott Larson said that adjustments have been made to appease those citizens, and assessments and costs in that area

had been lowered. Construction will begin this spring. — by Dan Shea

School officials want to raise levy

Iowa City School District administrators recommended on Tuesday night that the School Board place a provision allowing the voters' portion of the maintenance levy tax to double, which could raise an additional \$2.2 million. If the voters approve the move later this year, it could raise additional

funds for the schools' building plans and upkeep. The tax is a part of the Physical Plant and Equipment Levy grant, voted on every 10 years, which is set to expire in June. School Board members, however, requested information from the administrators about possible alternatives to the tax double, including a 1 cent sales-tax option or increasing the levy by less than the proposed amount. The current rate is set at 67 cents per \$1,000, which was the maximum rate in 1994. A 1997 revision in Iowa statutory law allows schools to ask for \$1.34 per \$1,000. School Superintendent Laine

Plugge said the additional funding is a necessity in order to maintain the quality of the School District. "We are not the poster child for financial problems now, but if you look at all the indicators, we may be [in the future]," he said. Indicators include a \$24 million price tag on currently unfunded repair, building, and maintenance projects. The additional revenue from the tax increase may be used in case of unexpected expenses, such as window replacement at South East Junior High School and the district's neighborhood center project. — by Colin Van Westen

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Sloth runs into cash-cow accusations

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rest of the student body," Schutt said before being interrupted by dismayed crowd members.

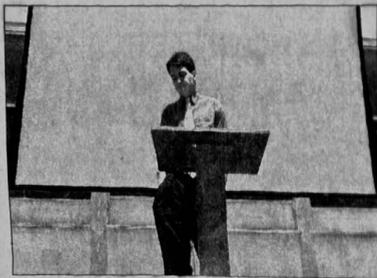
She said afterward that her focus for the night was not personal attacks on the other candidates or their platform but on issues.

"Their negative campaigning is creating terrible apathy. It's horrendous," she said.

Aledeman said he was inexperienced in public speaking but thought he did well nonetheless.

The debate will be broadcast on UITYV at noon and 7 p.m. Saturday and Feb. 29, as well as 7 p.m. March 1. The election will be held on ISIS is March 1-2.

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UI presidential candidate Chad Aldeman speaks Tuesday evening at the UISG Presidential debate at the Seamans Center.

UIHC workers hiking for health

POWERWALKERS

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really affect them," said Tina Clair, a cardiac rehab specialist and the manager of Enhanced External Counterpulsation at UIHC.

"Women don't fuss over themselves, they fuss over everyone else," allowing serious conditions to become more life-threatening, she added.

Because women experience different symptoms from those in men, such as back pain instead of arm pain, they often go unrecognized as an indication of cardiovascular disease, she said.

The cardiovascular service took off in 1993 when it moved to its permanent location, in the UIHC Carver Pavilion and became a maintenance and prevention program for people wanting to improve their cardiovascular health, Lounsbury said. Originally, it was strictly a service for patients recovering from cardiac events, but now it also serves as an in-house health club for members of the prevention program. For those unable to afford the \$52.50 monthly charge, but who are nevertheless interested in improving their hearts' health, Lounsbury recommends power-walking.

Margaret Warner, a secretary in internal medicine, sports white

sneakers and a Weight Watchers pedometer — a mechanism to help her calculate distance — while she books it past those heading to the first-floor cafeteria.

Examining the pager-sized instrument strapped to her waistband, she says, "I'm up to 2.11 miles today."

Warner said she values this time to exercise because it's enjoyable, gives her energy, and raises her spirits. As a Personal Assisted Transportation vehicle zooms past, she eyes it, saying, "See, I could ride that nice little cart back and forth," and continues on her way.

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Steps bring show to Iowa steppes

CAPITOL STEPS

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George W. Bush in a parody of Elton John's "Don't go Breakin' My Heart" — can be heard four times a year on National Public Radio.

Capitol Steps producer Elaina Newport said the only complaint she can remember was from former Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., who complained that there wasn't a song about him.

The show will mostly consist of songs from the troupe's 23 albums, but the members will also perform skits. In the past, they have performed "Tom Ridge's Children's Bedtime Stories," a skit in which the Homeland Security Director issues vague, color-coded threats. Newport said the group, whose members dress up at shows

in presidential costumes and wigs, is working on a new song, "Pappa's Got a Brand-New Baghdad."

"The guy who plays Dick Cheney might also play John Edwards," Newport said.

The Capitol Steps formed in 1981 when staffers of former Sen. Charles Percy, R-Ill., decided to perform a traditional nativity scene at the senator's Christmas party.

"We were working in the Senate, and the joke was that we couldn't find three wise men and a virgin," Newport said.

Instead, the staffers decided to parody their Washington bosses through song and dance. The performance was a major hit, and they were subsequently asked to perform at other locations around the capital.

"Eventually, we traveled so

much we couldn't keep our day jobs," Newport said. "Now, it's 22 years later, and we just keep going. We try to get everybody. I think both [Democrats and Republicans] are ridiculous from time to time."

Every year, the Capitol Steps books more than 300 performances nationwide. It last appeared in Iowa City in May 2002 at Hancher Auditorium.

"The show sold extremely well," selling more than 1,600 of its 2,500 seats, said Hancher Artistic Director Judith Hurtig.

Tickets are available at Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., online at the Old Capitol Chapter's website, or by phone at 319-354-8614 for \$25. To break even, McKinley said, her organization needs to sell at least 550 tickets.

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Police look for help in daum rumble

DAUM

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see what was happening around 2:30 a.m. There, they saw the victim being taken out of the Daum lobby in a stretcher.

"He was cleaned up, but it was obvious he had been beaten up," Nichols said.

Petersen said he often hears

shouting outside his room on Friday and Saturday nights but added, "I've never heard anything like that around here."

Papke said weekend fights are common in Iowa City.

"There are fights downtown every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday," he said. "Most of the time it is a bloody nose or a black eye ... the very serious assaults we normally don't have. A lot of

times when we have a report of a fight, when officers get there it is over, and they're all gone."

Anyone who witnessed the Daum altercation or has information on the case is advised to call UI police at 335-5022.

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Bush seeks marriage amendment approval

GAY MARRIAGE

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woman but allow state legislatures to determine whether same-sex couples should receive various benefits, a formula that apparently would allow the kind of civil unions and domestic-partnership arrangements that exist in Vermont and California.

Such arrangements confer some rights of marriage but are not recognized by the federal government or other states. That means that gay partners would not receive Social Security survivors' benefits, would not inherit property without paying federal taxes, and would not be guaranteed the same pension benefits or hospital visitation rights as a married couple.

"Marriage cannot be severed from its cultural, religious, and natural roots without weakening the good influence of society," Bush said. "Government, by recognizing and protecting marriage, serves the interests of all."

Polls show the nation is split on the question. A *Washington Post-ABC News* poll released Tuesday found that 46 percent of respondents favored an amendment banning gay marriage, while 45 percent opposed it. But with the issue of gay

marriage heavily in the news, support for such an amendment rose 8 percentage points from a similar poll taken last month.

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Moroccan earthquake kills 300

BY ALI NAJI
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AL HOCEIMA, Morocco — A powerful earthquake devastated an isolated, picturesque region of northern Morocco on Tuesday, killing more than 300 people as they slept, injuring at least 600, and laying ruin to villages that suffered for decades under government neglect.

Rescuers with pickaxes and sniffer dogs were searching for survivors trapped under the rubble of their fragile mud-and-stone homes, which crumbled

easily in the 6.5-magnitude tremor. Victims were most likely women, children, and the elderly because men in the region tend to emigrate to the Netherlands and Germany in search of work, said Mohammed Ziane, a former human-rights minister.

The quake, which rattled apartment buildings as far away as southern Spain, destroyed rural communities near the coastal city of Al Hoceirha, a hideaway tucked between the Rif Mountains and the Mediterranean Sea that draws European tourists with its sandy beaches.

Selaam Bennaissa, a farmer who lives in Ait Daoud, 12 miles from Al Hoceima, said he was home when the quake struck at 2:27 a.m., and he barely escaped before his house came crashing down.

"Fortunately, it didn't fall on me," he said. He estimated that approximately 90 percent of the houses in his village collapsed.

Authorities were scrambling to reach about a half-dozen remote villages, including Ait Kamara, Tamassint, and Imzourn, where 36,000 people live.

Josephine Shields of the International Committee of the Red

Cross, citing civil-defense officials in Al Hoceima, said she heard reports that Ait Kamara — a village of 6,000 — was destroyed.

Rescuers reported difficulties getting to the stricken area in mountain foothills and served by narrow, poor roads. As they arrived, they found corpses; some families already had buried their dead.

French LCI television showed men with pickaxes chipping their way through debris left by flattened buildings — while others used their bare hands — to try to reach trapped victims.



Jalil Bounhar/Associated Press

Two Moroccan residents look at destroyed houses in Imzourn, 8 miles southwest of Al Hoceima in northern Morocco, after a powerful earthquake struck the area on Tuesday.

Aristide warns of violence, refugees

BY MARK STEVENSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Haiti's president urgently appealed for the world's help Tuesday to avert a bloodbath and a new exodus of boat people as rebels threatened the capital. Despite last-ditch diplomacy, an opposition coalition rejected a U.S.-backed peace plan.

Supporters of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide armed with old rifles and pistols built junkpile barricades blocking the road into Port-au-Prince, setting some of the barriers ablaze with burning tires.

The opposition rejected a peace plan that would have kept Aristide as president but with diminished powers and would have compelled him to share government with his rivals.

"We sent our position [paper] and a signed letter saying no to the proposal," opposition leader Paul Denis told the Associated Press. He said the letters from the Democratic Platform were delivered to David Lee of Canada, the Organization of American States representative in Haiti.

"There will be no more delays. Our answer remains the same. Aristide must resign," said Maurice Lafortune, the president of the Haitian Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Democratic Platform, following a coalition meeting.

After meeting all day Tuesday, the opposition coalition said it would officially announce its decision at a news conference this morning.

The State Department said it did not accept as final the opposition's rejection, according to a U.S. official who refused to be named. The United States "is still talking and working with the parties in Haiti to gain acceptance of the plan," the official said.

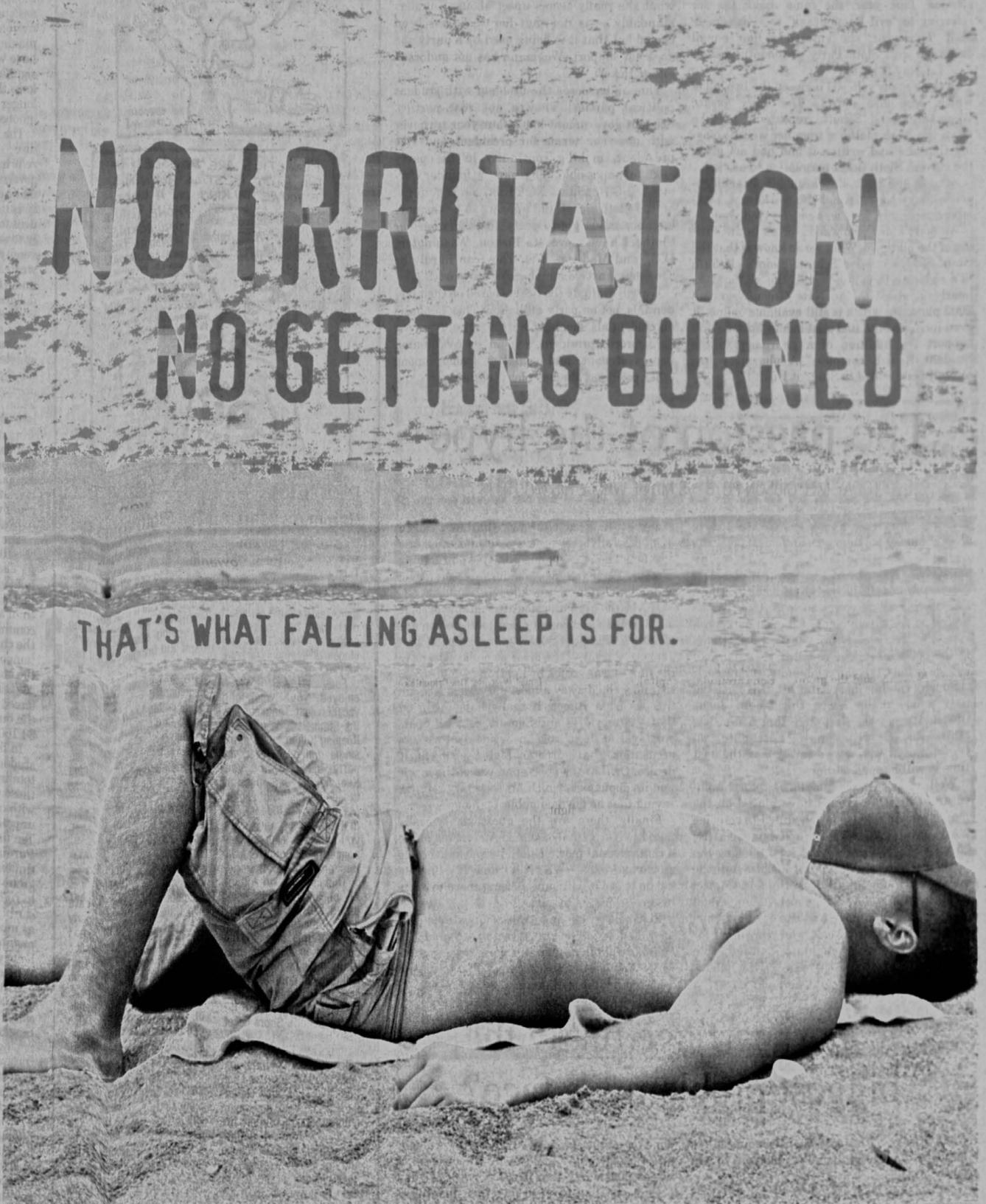
Secretary of State Colin Powell on Tuesday conferred with French Foreign Minister Dominique de Villepin and expressed support for the French effort to reach a political solution, the official said.

On Monday, Powell had asked the opposition leaders to delay their formal response for 24 hours — until 5 p.m. Tuesday — and they said he had sought to assure them that the international community would call for Aristide to step down if he did not honor any agreement.

The neighboring Dominican Republic sent 1,500 extra troops to patrol its border with Haiti, said military spokesman Col. Juan Julio Tejada Madera. He said that brought to 3,000 the number of troops at the 225-mile border. He said that he didn't expect a mass influx of refugees, "but we are ready."

At a news conference, Aristide warned that if rebels try to take the capital, the death toll would be high. So far, at least 70 people have been killed in the three-week uprising.

"Should those killers come to Port-au-Prince, you may have thousands of people who may be killed," Aristide said, adding the rebels had taken their fight overnight to the northwest town of Port-de-Paix. "We need the presence of the international community as soon as possible."



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The platform wars

SLOTH DISPUTE SHOWS LIMITS OF A STUDENT PARTY

For the second year in a row, UISG Vice President Mayrose Wegmann has found herself in the middle of an e-mail flap during the UISG election. Last year, she came under fire for referring to "evil Republicans" in a listserv e-mail. This year, she entered a four e-mail exchange with Sloth Party presidential candidate Lindsay Schutte.

In the e-mails volleyed between the two, all of which were also sent to *The Daily Iowan*, Wegmann asked Schutte repeatedly to take down the Sloth platform from her website, saying that she had written it and had not given the current Sloth ticket permission to use it.

Schutte and Sloth vice-presidential candidate Jason Shore contend that the platform is a collaborative effort, written by no one individual.

We don't know who was involved in the writing of the platform. What we do know is that the Giant Sloth section of Schutte/Shore's platform (it's separate from the rest of the platform) is nearly identical to the Nate Green/Wegmann 2003 platform, which is still available online. It even includes outdated statements, such as "We support the addition of a pharmacy to the Student Health complex." A pharmacy has already been added to Student Health.

Wegmann may have a point on her plagiarism charges, depending on whether the work was collaborative or not. We don't know. But what she really seems upset about — understandably — is not that her work has been copied but that it is being used by a party she does not support (Wegmann has not endorsed either ticket).

This underscores the problem with student political parties: They're not real parties. Student government has a four-year turnover with one-year terms for president and vice president, making continuity in the party next to impossible. The party's founder, former UISG President Nick Klenske, is running on the Sloth ticket and appears to be the only member holding the party together. Former Slothers have moved to Boston, Washington, D.C., and Madison, Wis. They can hardly be considered active members of the party.

We will evaluate the tickets based on their credentials, not on party affiliation. This emphasis on credentials shouldn't hurt Schutte, however. As a sorority president, a volunteer coordinator, honors student, and volunteer leader among other positions, she has plenty of them.

The passion of the hype

TODAY, MEL GIBSON PUTS HIS MOVIE WHERE HIS MOUTH IS

Groups of moviegoers are expected to flock to theaters today for the much-anticipated opening of *The Passion of the Christ*, described as a brutally vivid and realistic portrayal of Jesus of Nazareth's last 12 hours before being crucified. Perhaps the most-hyped film so far this year, its arrival on the big screen has also sparked controversy on varying levels, from its portrayal of Jews to the potential impact it will have within and outside of the Christian community worldwide.

So why the big fuss? After all, this isn't the first movie made about the life of Jesus Christ. It's not the first time that a film has cast an international spotlight on Christianity. And it's certainly not the last time it will happen, either.

Well, maybe it's the emphasis that churches and Christian groups have placed on the movie, whose release is scheduled to coincide with Ash Wednesday. Pedestrians along Clinton Street have a hard time missing the large posters advertising the film on the doors of the old Planet X in the Old Capitol Town Center, where 24-7 meets. Members of this organization have had the option of purchasing tickets this week, and the shows for Friday and Saturday nights are already sold out at Coral Ridge 10. And what about Evangelical Pastors in Commencement, a

group of 12 area churches that has raised \$7,000 to advertise the movie and offer discussions about it? It has gone beyond buying tickets — that's a considerable chunk of change just to promote a movie.

Maybe the uproar is also attributable to some of the claims and rumors that have been made about *The Passion*. Such as, for example, that James Caviezel — the actor who plays Jesus in the film — was struck by lightning while on the set and walked away almost unscathed (though this wasn't a rumor; it really happened). Or that the movie is anti-Semitic because of its portrayal of Jews' role in Jesus' death — an accusation that director Mel Gibson flatly denies. Or that the pope approved of the movie and its depictions, which his secretary refuted, saying that he gave no public opinion.

Finally, there are the questions typically posed by perpetually worried Americans about a controversial movie before its release. Is this movie too violent? Why is it rated "R"? Can my kid go to see it without me being there to cover his eyes if it gets too scary?

Regardless of how these questions are answered, it will be interesting to see what *The Passion* will offer audiences. Forget the controversy. Anytime, it seems impossible to have a high-profile film without one.

Is gay marriage really the biggest problem we face?

On Tuesday, President Bush announced his support of a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriage.

Well, thank God. After all, the largest problem our nation faces is the possibility of two gay people wanting to join as one through a legal ceremony recognizing their lifelong bond.

We're lucky that, as a nation, we have no big issues to deal with. But watch out! Gay marriage might open up a Pandora's box of troubles we can only imagine.

If gays get married, for example, what's to stop the divorce rate from skyrocketing to 50 percent? Bush is right. We must uphold the sanctity of marriage.

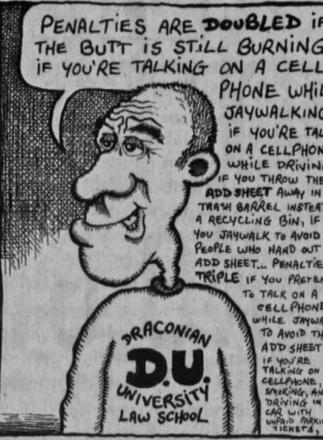
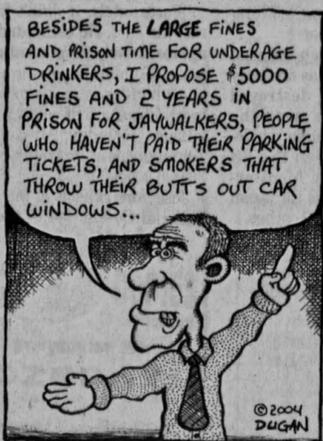
It doesn't stop there. If gays marry, we might find ourselves embroiled in war in the Middle East. Thousands of civilians could die. And

don't forget the spread of AIDS. In Africa alone, 6,500 people a day could die of the disease. If we let gays marry, that is.

Domestic issues aren't safe either. Just think — gay marriage might cause a financial crisis for social security, or huge tuition increases at public universities, or an enormous budget deficit and huge national debt. Thank God we don't have any of these problems. And thank God Bush is taking steps to prevent gay marriage.

It's a luxury to live in a country where our greatest problem is something that hurts no one — so let's keep it that way. We're glad we have none of these problems. Let's prevent gay marriage!

God knows that, if we don't, 40 million Americans will go uninsured.



LETTERS

One more year!

"Does student government actually do anything for me?" This question led me to establish the Giant Sloth Party nearly four years ago. Since my presidency, the party has continually and consistently shown UI students that yes, student government can work for you.

For example, if you enjoyed your week-long vacation last Thanksgiving, the Sloth Party is to thank. Keeping tuition raises in the single digits last year, the party did that for you. Keeping the bars open to those under 21, Sloth again. Maintaining a student voice in Des Moines and giving you outlets to express your concerns to your legislators, again, the Sloth Party.

This list goes on and on. All of this success being brought to you by the hard work of the Sloth Party.

All of this success has occurred in a short three years. Imagine how this list will grow in another year. It is because of this that I have decided to support and run on the Schutte-Shore ticket. After being asked to run by both tickets, I decided to go with Lindsay Schutte and Jason Shore because I felt that they had the experience, leadership, and vision needed to continue the Sloth tradition of getting things done through actions and not merely words.

On March 1 and 2, we need to put aside all of the distractions and misinformation dominating this campaign season. We need to focus on what really matters: maintaining a student government that knows how to work for you, one that knows the issues that matter to you. To do this, to continue the successes of the past while creating new successes for the future, I ask you to join me in placing your vote for Schutte and Shore.

Nick Klenske
former student body president

The Sloth must die

As a former UI student and ardent Sloth supporter, I am very sad to see what a mockery is being made of the party, if you can call it that anymore.

Instead of focusing on improving student government and bringing about real change (the foundations the party was based on), it has degenerated into a pointless battle between current and potential future leaders.

Ultimately, I don't care who wrote what and who plagiarized from whom. Shouldn't the real issue be what these candidates stand for?

From what we've all read in *The Daily Iowan*, this is obviously not much.

To hear members of this so-called "party" calling each other out in a public forum is ridiculous. The students have given the power to this party for three years in a row, and I think a fourth is unnecessary. The party, which began with two average students who wanted to make an impact, has now fallen into the hands of an overzealous vice president and potentially a sorority president looking to pad her résumé.

Students of Iowa, I have the faith in you to stop the Sloth Party before this goes any further. Stop letting your government be controlled by self-important phonies. It's time for real change.

Katie Low
Madison, Wis., resident

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Confessions of a dangerous secretary

Students typically respond to UI Student Government presidential candidates with apathy. I don't blame them. After being a student for almost four years, the calls for lower tuition, protection of drinking rights, increased student participation, and other lofty goals all run together. This year, though I worked as a UISG office assistant and, although my primary responsibilities don't extend far beyond making copies and taking messages, I have witnessed significant problems that can no longer be ignored.



SHAWN SEBASTIAN

The UISG is in dire need of reform. Student government's primary responsibility is to spend student fees efficiently to serve the university; instead, it wastes thousands and thousands of dollars. The reform of these internal problems is easily within reach of the next administration. The elimination of wasteful expenditures is a simple, nonpartisan goal that should be the top priority for whoever takes office. I observed the waste of our student funds when I overheard executives discussing how they would begin their voter-registration drive for the City Council election last fall — a week before the deadline. Because of poor preparation, voter turnout among students actually went down from the previous election. The program was a failure despite UISG spending almost \$4,000 in student fees.

The \$700 wasted largely on food for the 10-15 volunteers who showed up for Campus Cleanup was comparatively frugal. When UISG began planning its Campus Cleanup — again, less than a week before the event — I was commissioned to design fliers because the chairwoman of press relations was temporarily AWOL. As it turned out the chairwoman of press relations was AWOL basically all semester and was forced to resign, but she still received the bulk of a semester's share of her \$4,160 salary.

In fact, the top seven officials in our student government receive salaries totaling \$39,075 and there are still those who approach their office hours with complete disregard. These are unpaid volunteer positions at other Big Ten universities such as Illinois, Purdue, and Michigan. And yet, I continually tell a steady stream of student group leaders, "I'm sorry but ___ is not in right now. Here's their business card." I'll be the first to admit I do only as much work as your average ITC monitor, but at least I only get my hourly wage when I actually show up.

In addition to their salaries, UISG executives will reward themselves with a \$4,000 trip to Washington, D.C., at the end of their terms, when there are no tangible results for students, who are paying for the excursion. What makes these observations disheartening is that I constantly deal with leaders of student organizations who slog through paperwork for hours to receive \$50 for fliers or \$100 toward a room rental. Then, after finding out they've received half or even none of their request because "the budget is too tight," they walk out of the office with their heads hung in disappointment ... right past the unused large-screen television and DVD player purchased with UISG funds.

This waste stems largely from institutionalized practices that continue because students aren't aware of them. But now that I've let you in on the secret (and I'll probably get fired for it), you can actually do something about it: Vote on ISIS on March 1 and March 2. Despite my affiliation with Chad Aldeman on the University Lecture Committee, I believe both candidates are intelligent, qualified, and capable of serious change, but so is the current student government. Talk to the candidates, and tell them you demand more — if they want your vote, they have to commit themselves to eliminating waste.

To expect the UISG in its present form to advance its more ambitious goals, such as stopping tuition hikes, is like asking a leper to run a marathon. How can UISG approach larger challenges effectively if it can't even solve glaring internal problems?

Whatever you do next week, vote. Don't let the UISG treat your student fees with the same disregard as a last-minute rhetoric paper. Whomever you vote for, make it clear you expect reform of wasteful spending and you demand they judiciously spend student fees to effectively serve students in the future. ■

ON THE SPOT

Do you plan on seeing Mel Gibson's *The Passion of Christ*?



"I haven't even heard of it."

Cassie Isaacson
UI sophomore



"Yes, I do."

Amy Carqueville
UI junior



"Yes. There have been lots of movies made about Jesus, so this wouldn't be the first."

Nick Zonona
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"Yeah, just got done talking about it."

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ARTS

From art and the ordinary to haunting terrain

BY SARA CONRAD
THE DAILY IOWAN

Environmental awareness meets overseas exploration tonight as poet Robert Hass and UI alumna Jennifer Vanderbes share the Shambaugh stage and read from their most recent works.

Hass, a recipient of the MacArthur Fellowship and National Book Critics Circle Award and the chancellor of the Academy of American Poets, has served twice as a U.S. poet laureate and published four volumes of poetry. The San Francisco native graduated with a Ph.D. in English literature from Stanford University and wrote a four-year running weekly column on poetry for the *Washington Post*. He has also translated various volumes of poetry with Nobel Prize-winning poet Czeslaw

Milosz, and he was the guest editor for the 2001 edition of *Best American Poetry*.

Hass, a passionate environmental-education advocate, is a member of the International Rivers Network, an organization that focuses on water issues outside of the United States, and he founded River of

Words, a program that works in conjunction with the Library of Congress Center for the Book, bringing children from all over the country to Washington, D.C., to present their art and poetry in celebration of the environment. While many American schools are involved in the program,

Hass said, he is having a difficult time getting Iowa students to participate.

"[Environmental education] is crucial in taking care of a place," he said. "Kids need to have a history of knowledge in order to be stewards of the place."

It isn't surprising, then, that his poetry reflects his passion for the environment. His book *Field Guide*, chosen by Stanley Kunitz for the Yale Younger Poets Series, is about "landscape and place." He said his other books, *Human Wishes*, *Praise*, and *Sun Under Wood: New Poems*, deal with themes ranging from art and the ordinary, touching on beauty, suf-

fering, daily life, and consciousness.

Hass is working on another book of poems and essays, tentatively titled *An Unnamed Flowing*.

Vanderbes, a Capote Fellow in the Iowa Writers' Workshop, first became known for her short fiction when her story "The Hatbox" was published in the *Best New American Voices* 2000 anthology. The same year, the Soho Repertory Theatre in New York produced her one-act

play "The Applicant" for the Summercamp 2000 Festival.

She will read tonight alongside Hass from her recently published debut novel, *Easter Island*, a book about two women who travel to Easter Island — 60 years apart — encountering turning points in their lives as they encounter new, haunting terrain. It has received praise from the *San Francisco Chronicle*, *People* magazine,

and author Robert Stone.

The Yale graduate and New York native graduated from the Writers' Workshop in 2000, where she began writing *Easter Island* during her second year.

Vanderbes is working on a second novel and said she appreciates being in Iowa City during the writing process.

"It's helpful being in an environment again that is focused on fiction," she said.

Today's reading takes place in Shambaugh Auditorium at 8 p.m. Admission is free.

E-mail DI reporter Sara Conrad at: luxylux68@yahoo.com



Hass poet



Vanderbes fiction writer

READING

Robert Hass and Jennifer Vanderbes

When: 8 p.m. today
Where: Shambaugh Auditorium
Admission: Free

ARTS

No Motown for Timberlake

NEW YORK (AP) — Justin Timberlake has backed out of an agreement to co-host ABC's "Motown 45" special because of a conflict with filming his first movie, *Timberlake's* spokesman said Tuesday.

The April 4 taping of the special in Los Angeles conflicts with the start date for *Edison*, spokesman Ken Sunshine said. Timberlake has a substantial role in the drama opposite Morgan Freeman and Kevin Spacey, playing a young journalist who discovers an elite team of corrupt police.

"He'll be in the middle of filming when the event is scheduled to be taped, and that's the reason he can't do it, and that's the only reason he can't do it," Sunshine said.

The recent Grammy winner had been tapped earlier this year to co-host the anniversary celebration of the legendary soul music label along with Lionel Richie.

Last week, the Los Angeles-based group Project Islamic Hope issued a press release saying that unnamed black leaders were "outraged" by the choice of Timberlake, who is white, to co-host the Motown special.

The leader of Project Islamic Hope, Najee Ali, was unavailable for comment Tuesday after being arrested and booked for investigation of felony hit-and-run driving that left a woman injured, according to Los Angeles police.

ABC spokeswoman Lauren Tobin said neither the Super Bowl flap or black protests played a role in Timberlake's departure from the special and ABC did not pressure producers to remove Timberlake.

"We were not going to dictate, 'Hey you've gotta get rid of him,'" Tobin told the Associated Press. "It just happened, unfortunately, that right around the time that we were made aware of Project Islamic Hope thing, Justin got information about when he needed to work."

More breast fallout

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Janet Jackson has been left out in the rain after "Stormy Weather" singer Lena Horne balked at having the younger star play her in a planned television movie.

The 86-year-old Horne reportedly is angry about Jackson's breast-baring stunt at Super Bowl and pressured ABC to drop Jackson from the project, the trade newspaper *Variety* reported Tuesday.

Producers Craig Zadan and Neil Meron, who also produced the TV bios "The Three Stooges," "Martin and Lewis" and the controversial "The Reagans," also quit the project in solidarity with Jackson, *Variety* added.

ABC executives resisted Horne's demand, but Jackson representatives told the trade newspaper that she left willingly after Horne and her daughter, Gail Lumet Buckley, asked that she not take part.

The network wouldn't comment on the film Tuesday.

In addition to her work as a pop musician, Jackson also has acted in the films *Poetic Justice* and *Nutty Professor II: The Klumps*.



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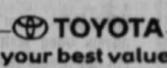
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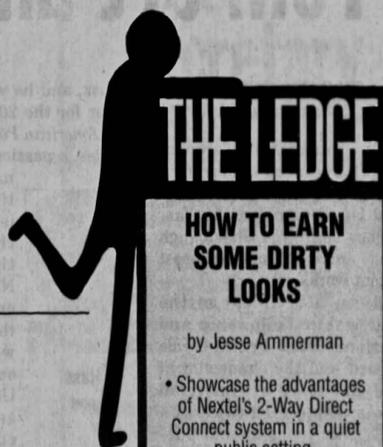
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- Jamie Laredo and Sharon Robinson master class, 10:30 a.m., Voxman Music Building Harper Hall.
- Nuclear and Particle Physics Seminar, "The Efimov Effect," Wayne Polyzou, 3:30 p.m., 309 Van Allen Hall.
- "Defend Abortion Rights," Iowa International Socialist Organization, 6:30 p.m., 341 IMU.
- Brown-bag discussion, "Between the Waves," noon, Women's Resource and Action Center.
- Joint Astrophysics/Space Physics Seminar, "Investigations of Plasma Turbulence Using the Cluster Electron Drift Instrument," Scott Bounds, physics/astronomy, 3:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen Hall.
- Writers' Workshop reading, Robert Hass and Jennifer Vanderbes, poetry and fiction, 8 p.m., Main Library Shambaugh Auditorium.
- "Get Answers Lunch Break," 12:40 p.m., 343 IMU.
- Arianna String Quartet, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall.



THE LEDGE

HOW TO EARN SOME DIRTY LOOKS

by Jesse Ammerman

- Showcase the advantages of Nextel's 2-Way Direct Connect system in a quiet public setting.
- Be a little more vocal about your support for the Colorado football program and its fine student-athletes.
- When driving, don't waste time with those turn signals or brakes.
- Tell your boyfriend that if he doesn't get his act together, you'll trade him for Alex Rodriguez.
- If a classmate tells you her or his test score, spit out your drink and exclaim, "That's all?!"
- Next time your class meets, let the professor know that you didn't feel the last exam was sufficiently challenging.
- Actively test your theory that everybody could use a solid butt-slapping once in a while.
- Don't be afraid to boast about your many rewarding experiences in student government.
- Lacking a better icebreaker at the bar, just guess the girl's weight and dress size before asking for her name and number.
- Go ahead — let that phone ring a few more times.
- Now, tell us all what you REALLY think about gay marriage ...

Black History Month Facts

Adrienne Mitchell became the first African-American woman to die in combat in the 1991 Persian Gulf War.

— provided by the Black Student Union

Little University

1. What nation has 2 percent of Latin America's population but 11 percent of the scientists?
2. Which rat got whacked on a boat in "The Sopranos"?
3. What heavy-metal band decided not to change its name in October 2001, despite admitting its members felt bad about it?
4. What U.S. author's mystery novels often feature retired FBI guy Gregor Demarkian?
5. What semi-disposable, "no muss, no fuss" devices did Telespree start selling at U.S. gas stations and in vending machines in 2002?

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3. Anthrax
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news you need to know

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horoscopes

Wednesday, February 25, 2004 by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Push to make others aware of what you are doing and how you believe it will help everyone on some level. If you can sell your ideas to others, you will put yourself in a favorable position.
- TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): This is a perfect day to make some much-needed adjustments. Opportunities will manifest themselves in the most unusual places, so don't hesitate to talk about your dreams.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Keeping a secret will be of utmost importance today. By disclosing what you are up to, you could blow a deal or your cover. Work by yourself; question your motives.
- CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Do something creative today that can be used to benefit others. The more you do to help make reforms, you the better.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): You will be misled if you are too gregarious. Tone down, and observe what others are doing. Advancement may be at stake.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You can find an ideal romantic partner if you get out and do things that interest you. Get involved in talks that will stimulate your mind and broaden your perspective about projects you want to pursue.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Prepare yourself well so that you can follow through with what's necessary as quickly as possible. Don't be lazy or waste time thinking about what you should be doing.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Partnerships will be a little hard to handle if you don't take precautions and fully prepare. You can get on with your plans and get the praise you deserve.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your work ethic will pay off, so roll up your shirtsleeves, and work alongside others for best results. Your team-player approach will put you in a leadership position.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You should develop your ideas today. If you find someone particularly inspiring, spend time discussing your plans together. Love and romance will be on your doorstep.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Take the initiative to follow what you feel is the best path, and refrain from being led astray. Prepare to take a pass on what others are asking of you.
- PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Your involvement in good causes will be rewarded today. You will begin to see the results of a job well done. Someone unusual, but interesting, will want to get to know you better.

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by Scott Adams

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MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Hawkeyes hoping for a lot of bubble power

BY KELLY BEATON
THE DAILY IOWAN

For Steve Alford's Hawkeyes, it's a simple matter of fixing their RPI status or R.I.P.

With a Ratings Percentage Index of 73, Iowa sits on the outside looking in at the field of 65 for the NCAA Tournament.

Luckily for the Hawkeyes, the Illinois Fighting Illini (No. 31) are in town tonight, and Iowa can give their tourney vital signs a significant boost with a win.

"It ought to be a lot of fun for the people at Carver on Wednesday night," the fifth-year UI coach said Monday. "Because I think you're going to see two teams that are confident, two teams that are

going to give everything they have to get a win."

While the Hawkeyes (14-9, 7-5) look to build upon their modest two-game win streak, their border rivals come to Carver-Hawkeye Arena tonight as arguably the hottest team in the Big Ten with six-straight wins.

After starting 3-3 in conference play, Illinois has ridden the hot hands of sophomore guards Deron Williams and Dee Brown of late. Williams — who lost 26 pounds on a diet rivaling that of the late Dr. Atkins after he broke his jaw against Maryland-Eastern Shore Dec. 11, 2003 — poured in 31 points in the

Illini's win over Wisconsin Feb. 18, while Brown keyed Illinois' offense with 24 points in a win at Penn State Feb. 21.

"In Deron, I think the biggest thing is you have the broken jaw. He can't eat; he loses 26 pounds," said first-year Illinois coach Bruce Weber. "He's finally gotten to the point I think he has his strength back; he has his conditioning back which allows him to have some legs."

"I think both those guys are much more confident now," Weber added. "They had good freshmen years, but they weren't the go-to guys, and it took them a while ... to realize that when you're the focal point of the team, you've got

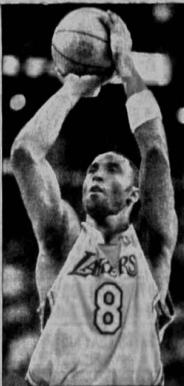


Steve Alford

HERE'S WHAT THE PUNDITS ARE SAYING ABOUT THE HAWKEYES' NCAA TOURNEY PROSPECTS:

cbssportsline.com — The site lists Steve Alford's squad under the "Bubble Burst" category in the Big Ten, along with Michigan and Purdue, and made the following comment: "Iowa, which perhaps has the most work to do, has the easiest schedule of the three and would be in terrific shape if it takes down the Fighting Illini on Wednesday."

espn.com — Does not list the Hawkeyes either as a lock to make the tournament or even as "On the Bubble." It lists Wisconsin, Michigan State, and Illinois as "Locks" and Purdue and Michigan as bubble teams.



Kobe Bryant

ON TRIAL

Judge sets hearing in Bryant case

DENVER (AP) — Kobe Bryant's attorneys will get a chance next week to tell a judge why they should be able to use the accuser's sexual history against her at the basketball star's sexual-assault trial.

State Judge Terry Ruckriegle said on Tuesday that attorneys should be prepared during the two-day hearing that will begin March 1 to discuss whether the information is relevant to the case.

The defense has argued that the 19-year-old woman had sex with two other men in the days before her June 30 encounter with Bryant at the hotel near Vail where she worked. They say those men may have caused injuries found by a nurse who examined the woman the next day.

Under Colorado's rape-shield law, Bryant's attorneys would be able to present evidence about the alleged victim's sexual past only if the judge determines it is relevant.

NFL

Johnson could be traded to Cowboys

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Keyshawn Johnson could be headed for the Dallas Cowboys and a reunion with coach Bill Parcells. The Tampa Bay receiver said Tuesday that his agent has been granted permission by the Bucs to talk to the Cowboys about a possible trade that more than likely would bring receiver Joey Galloway to Tampa Bay.

Johnson, who played three seasons under Parcells with the New York Jets, declined to elaborate. The Bucs had little to say, either.

"We won't comment on rumor and speculation," club spokesman Jeff Kamis said. Johnson, who has four seasons remaining on an eight-year, \$56 million contract he signed in 2000, was deactivated for the last six games of 2003 because of differences with Tampa Bay coach Jon Gruden.

FILM

Rose to be subject of ESPN movie

BRISTOL, Conn. (AP) — Pete Rose will be the subject of an ESPN movie beginning production this spring.

"Hustle" will premiere on Sept. 25, ESPN Executive Vice President Mark Shapiro announced Tuesday. The two-hour movie will focus on events in Rose's life and baseball career in the mid- to late 1980s, including the lifetime ban he agreed to following an investigation of gambling — a suspension that has kept the career hits leader off the Hall of Fame ballot.

"The saga of Pete Rose — who in many ways epitomized the word 'hustler' — is a truly American melodrama that has captured the nation's attention for 15 years," Shapiro said. "This project continues our strategy of presenting compelling films that transcend sports — a morality tale with complex, conflicted characters struggling to do what is right."

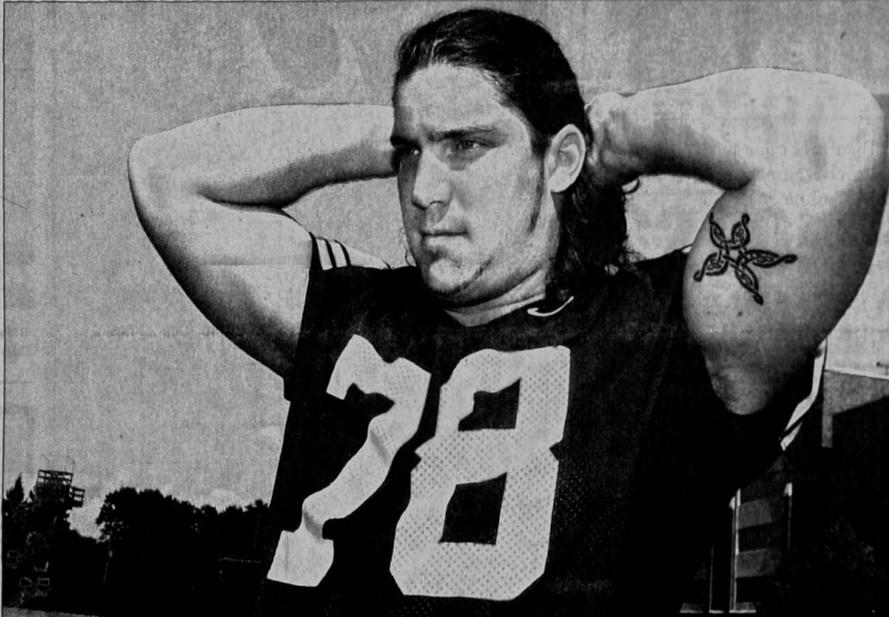


DONOVAN BURBA

This week, *Sports Illustrated* is profiling Iowa as part of the magazine's 50 States in 50 Weeks feature. Dan Gable reportedly earned Iowans' choice as the state's greatest athlete, and deservedly so. In addition to Gable, *SI* will, as it has with every other state, choose a few more great athletes from Iowa to profile briefly.

So, who else should share the pages of the nation's most-respected sports publication with Gable? You can bet on Bob Feller, one of baseball's all-time great hurlers and a Van Meter native. Nile Kinnick (no introduction needed) is another sure thing, along with Cael Sanderson, Roger Craig, and maybe inaugural Heisman winner Jay Berwanger.

SEE GALLERY, PAGE 3B



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Former Iowa offensive tackle Robert Gallery returned to Iowa City after displaying his talents at the NFL combine in Indianapolis. Gallery was labeled this year's safest draft pick by foxsports.com.

Q&A

Iowa's Robert Gallery showed signs of greatness during his years in a Hawkeye uniform, and continued impressing onlookers at the NFL combine in Indianapolis this past week.

Gallery, who was joined by former teammates Mo Brown, Jared Clauss, Nate Kaeding, Fred Russell, and Bob Sanders in the extensive testing process, is projected to be selected in the top five of April's NFL draft.

The 6-7, 323-pound offensive tackle spoke with *DI* reporter Brian Triplett about his performance, his unique speed, and the strange questions that were thrown at him in Indy.

The Daily Iowan: How do you feel about your performance at the combine?

Gallery: It wasn't too bad, I guess. I thought I ran real well, and I guess I would have liked to have done better on the bench, but that's the way it goes, and I just gotta move on.

DI: Do you feel like you boosted your stock?

Gallery: Yeah, I think so. I think I might have helped it a little bit and

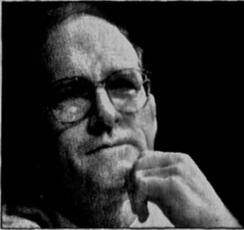
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IOWA ON THE NEWS STANDS

In the March 1 edition of *Sports Illustrated*, which hits news stands today, Iowa is the featured state in the magazine's 50 states in 50 years anniversary tour.

Although not all of the information has been disclosed, *SI* has revealed that Dan Gable was chosen as the state's greatest athlete.

Gable recorded a 118-1 mark as a wrestler at Iowa State, won a gold medal in the 1972 Olympics, and led the UI to a 355-21-5 record as head coach, including 15 NCAA titles.



Witness speaks at Williams trial

Third witness testifies that Williams wiped down shotgun

BY JEFFREY GOLD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

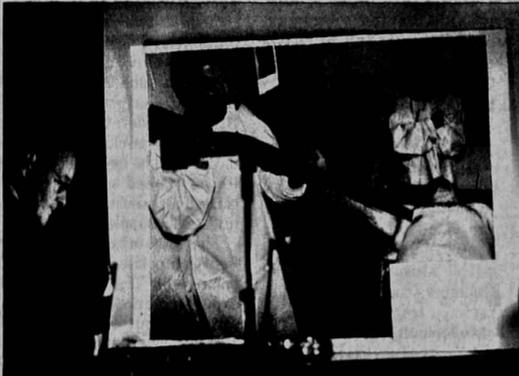
SOMERVILLE, N.J. — Former NBA star Jayson Williams ran naked from a bathroom in his New Jersey mansion and handed some clothing to an acquaintance after a hired driver was fatally shot, a witness testified Tuesday.

"He said, 'Here J.G.," John W. Gordnick, who has pleaded guilty to evidence tampering, testified at Williams' manslaughter trial.

Gordnick said he "assumed" Williams wanted him to get rid of the clothes, prompting an objection from defense lawyer Billy Martin.

Gordnick said he put the clothes in a black garbage bag, and placed it in his car, and put other clothing from Williams' bedroom floor in the car of another friend, Kent Culuko — hiding both bags at a highway underpass.

Gordnick is the third witness to describe a chaotic scene after



Kathy Johnson/Associated Press

Defense attorney Michael Kelly (left) shows a photo taken at the autopsy of Costas Christofi during the Jayson Williams manslaughter trial in Somerville, N.J., on Tuesday.

driver Costas "Gus" Christofi was hit with a single blast from a shotgun held by Williams on Feb. 14, 2002.

None were with Williams and members of the Harlem Globetrotters when the fatal shooting occurred; all three have said they saw Williams wiping down the shotgun.

Culuko also has pleaded guilty to evidence tampering and to witness tampering. Dean Bumbaco, who testified Monday, was not charged.

In his testimony Tuesday, Gordnick recalled he was downstairs with his two young sons and John

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Offensive disasters common in NBA

Some experts say scoring totals have no bearing on the league's popularity

BY DIANE PUCIN
LOS ANGELES TIMES

On the Sunday before the NBA All-Star game at Staples Center, the Golden State Warriors scored two points in the fourth quarter of a game they lost in overtime. "That's awful," said coach Eric Musselman.

The night before, the Miami Heat scored 64 points, the fourth-lowest total in Heat history, and shot a season-low 30.5 percent. "It was an offensive disaster," said coach Stan Van Gundy.

Offensive disasters have not been singular occurrences this season. In the span of three weeks last fall, three NBA teams managed to score only 23 points in a half — the fifth-lowest total since the 24-second shot clock was instituted in the 1954-55 season.

The dismal numbers reflect a two-decade-long downward trend in both scoring totals and shooting percentages across the NBA. Experts disagree on the cause, citing recently liberalized defense rules, better coaching, an overemphasis on highlight-ready dunks, and even players outgrowing the court.

The consequences of this decline are also unclear. Nineteen of 29 teams report a drop in attendance, but the number of tickets sold league-wide is up. Television ratings for the 2003 NBA Finals between San Antonio and New Jersey were the lowest since the current Nielsen ratings system began 27 years ago. But ratings are up on TNT and ESPN this season.

Some experts say scoring totals have no bearing on the league's popularity. But there is no disputing that points-per-game averages have fallen decisively into double-digits.

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SPORTS

SPORTS 'N' STUFF

ON THE SPOT

Who's the greatest sports figure in the history of the state of Iowa?



"Dan Gable."

Norris Ingbretson
UI senior

"Cael Sanderson."



Ben Hecht
UI sophomore



"Nile Kinnick, because he's Iowa's only Heisman Trophy winner."

Matt Farrell
UI junior

"Dan Gable."



Sarah Jensen
UI sophomore



"Kirk Hinrich; he came in and took over an NBA team in his rookie season."

Eddie Griffin
UI senior

IOWA SPORTS

Today
• **MEN'S BASKETBALL** hosts Illinois at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, 6:05 p.m. Game televised on KGAN.

Thursday
• **MEN'S SWIMMING** at Big Ten championships in West Lafayette, Ind., noon.
• **MEN'S TENNIS** at Drake, 6 p.m.
• **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** at Purdue, 6:05 p.m.

Friday
• **MEN'S SWIMMING** at Big Ten championships in West Lafayette, Ind., noon.
• **BASEBALL** at Centenary College, 7 p.m.
• **WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS** hosts Minnesota at the Field House, 7 p.m.

Saturday
• **SOFTBALL** at the Louisville Tournament vs. Toledo, 11 a.m.; vs. Western Kentucky, 1 p.m.
• **WOMEN'S TENNIS** at Minnesota, 11 a.m.
• **MEN'S SWIMMING** at Big Ten championships in West Lafayette, Ind., noon.
• **BASEBALL** at Centenary College, Noon and 3 p.m.
• **MEN'S BASKETBALL** hosts Minnesota at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, 3:30 p.m. Game televised on KGAN.

Feb. 29
• **WOMEN'S TENNIS** at Minnesota w/Montana, 11 a.m.
• **SOFTBALL** at the Louisville Tournament vs. Louisville, Noon.
• **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** at Illinois, 12:05 p.m.
• **MEN'S TRACK** at Big Ten indoor championships in Ann Arbor, Mich.
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TV SCHEDULE

Today
• **CBB** Illinois at Iowa, 6 p.m. on KGAN.
• **CBB** North Carolina State at Georgia Tech, 6 p.m. on ESPN.
• **NHL** Chicago Blackhawks at Columbus Blue Jackets, 6 p.m. on FSX.
• **NHL** Tampa Bay Lightning at Atlanta Thrashers, 6:30 p.m. on ESPN2.
• **NBA** Cleveland Cavaliers at Houston Rockets, 8 p.m. on ESPN.
• **CBB** UCLA at USC, 9:30 p.m. on FSX.

• **NBA** Sacramento Kings at Los Angeles Lakers, 9:30 p.m. on TNT.
• **CBB** San Diego at Gonzaga, 10 p.m. on ESPN2.
Friday
• **NBA** Toronto Raptors at Boston Celtics, 6 p.m. on ESPN.
• **NBA** Phoenix Suns at Seattle Sonics, 8:30 p.m. on ESPN.
Saturday
• **CBB** Michigan State at Penn State, 11 a.m. on KGAN.
• **CBB** St. Joseph's at Rhode Island, 11 a.m. on ESPN2.
• **CBB** Southern Mississippi at DePaul, 1 p.m. on FSX.
• **CBB** East Tennessee State at College of Charleston, 1 p.m. on ESPN2.
• **CBB** UCONN at Villanova, 1:30 p.m. on ESPN.
• **CBB** Northwestern at Illinois, 1:30 p.m. on KGAN.
• **CBB** Valparaiso at Duke, 8 p.m. on ESPN2.
• **CBB** Oregon at Cal, 9:30 p.m. on FSX.

• **CBB** Cincinnati at UNC-Charlotte, 4 p.m. on ESPN.
• **CBB** Creighton at Southwest Missouri State, 4 p.m. on FSX.
• **CBB** Butler at Illinois-Chicago, 6 p.m. on FSX.
• **CBB** Santa Clara at Gonzaga, 8 p.m. on ESPN2.
Feb. 29
• **CBB** Ohio State at Michigan, 11 a.m. on KGAN.
• **WCBB** Purdue at Penn State, 12:30 p.m. on ESPN2.
• **CBB** Oklahoma at Kansas, 11 a.m. on KGAN.
• **WCBB** DePaul at Marquette, 2 p.m. on FSX.
• **CBB** Kentucky at LSU, 3 p.m. on KGAN.
• **CBB** North Carolina at North Carolina State, 4:30 p.m. on FSX.
• **NBA** Minnesota Timberwolves at Philadelphia 76ers, 6:30 p.m. on ESPN.
• **CBB** Duke at Florida State, 7 p.m. on FSX.

NBA

By The Associated Press
All Times CST
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	35	20	.636	—
New York	26	32	.448	10 1/2
Miami	25	33	.431	11 1/2
Boston	23	35	.397	13 1/2
Philadelphia	23	35	.397	13 1/2
Washington	16	38	.296	18 1/2
Orlando	16	43	.271	21

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Indiana	42	15	.737	—
Detroit	35	24	.593	8
New Orleans	30	26	.536	11 1/2
Milwaukee	29	27	.518	12 1/2
Toronto	25	31	.446	16 1/2
Cleveland	23	34	.404	19
Atlanta	19	38	.333	23
Chicago	16	40	.286	25 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Minnesota	41	16	.719	—
San Antonio	38	19	.667	3
Dallas	36	20	.643	4 1/2
Memphis	34	22	.607	6 1/2
Houston	32	24	.571	8 1/2
Denver	32	26	.552	9 1/2
Utah	28	30	.483	13 1/2

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Sacramento	41	14	.745	—
L.A. Lakers	35	19	.648	5 1/2
Portland	29	28	.509	13
Seattle	26	30	.464	15 1/2
Golden State	24	31	.438	17
L.A. Clippers	24	31	.438	17
Phoenix	18	40	.310	24 1/2

Tuesday's Games
Portland 94, Orlando 91, OT
Indiana 107, Golden State 96
Atlanta 85, Philadelphia 75
New Jersey 86, Toronto 74
Minnesota 108, Milwaukee 102
San Antonio 86, Houston 77
Dallas 116, L.A. Clippers 91
Utah 99, Seattle 86
Sacramento 107, New York 99

Today's Games
Milwaukee at Boston, 6 p.m.
Washington at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Golden State at Memphis, 7 p.m.

New Jersey at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Denver, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Houston, 8 p.m.
Utah at Seattle, 9 p.m.

NHL

All Times CST
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	33	15	11	5	82	185	147
New Jersey	32	17	11	1	76	147	147
Detroit	29	22	9	2	69	174	174
N.Y. Islanders	22	29	7	4	55	160	160
N.Y. Rangers	22	29	7	4	55	160	160
Pittsburgh	11	42	5	4	31	125	125

Northwest

W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA	
Ottawa	34	16	5	5	81	208	182
Toronto	34	17	9	3	80	182	182
Boston	30	15	13	6	79	163	163
Montreal	31	25	6	2	70	162	162
Buffalo	28	27	6	1	63	161	161

Southeast

W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA	
Tampa Bay	32	17	7	5	76	176	176
Florida	22	25	13	3	60	139	139
Atlanta	24	31	6	2	56	170	170
Carolina	19	27	12	3	53	118	118
Washington	19	33	8	2	48	147	147

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA	
Detroit	35	17	9	2	81	202	182
Nashville	30	23	7	2	69	159	159
St. Louis	29	23	7	2	67	144	144
Chicago	17	32	7	5	46	139	139
Columbus	17	33	8	4	46	129	129

Northwest

W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA	
Colorado	33	15	10	4	80	182	182
Vancouver	33	19	7	4	77	182	182
Calgary	31	23	5	3	70	149	149
Edmonton	25	26	10	1	61	159	159
Minnesota	21	23	16	2	60	139	139

Pacific

W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA	
San Jose	30	16	11	5	76	161	161
Dallas	30	22	10	0	70	138	138
Los Angeles	24	17	14	7	69	166	166
Anaheim	21	25	9	8	59	136	136
Phoenix	20	24	15	3	58	154	154

Tuesday's Games
Montreal 4, Ottawa 2

Boston 0, N.Y. Islanders 0, tie
Philadelphia 3, Chicago 1
Calgary 2, Colorado 0
Vancouver 4, Detroit 2
Today's Games
Carolina at Washington, 6 p.m.
Chicago at Columbus, 6 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Buffalo at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Edmonton at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
NEW YORK YANKEES—Agreed to terms with 1B Travis Lee on a one-year contract. Released INF Tyler Houston.
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES—Named Brad Hainje media relations manager and Adam Liberman and Meagan Swingle junior publicists.
MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Agreed to terms with RHP Brooks Kieschnick on a one-year contract.
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Signed INF Skip Adams, 1B Cole Hill and RHP Shane Roele.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NBA—Fined Washington G Jerry Stackhouse \$5,000 for throwing a basketball into the stands during a Feb. 22 game.
TORONTO RAPTORS—Signed G Jannero Pargo. Placed F Lonny Baxter on the injured list. Waived G Eric Montross.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
CAROLINA PANTHERS—Named Mike Gillhamer assistant coach for defense and secondary.
DENVER BRONCOS—Agreed to terms with LB Al Wilson on a seven-year contract.
GREEN BAY PACKERS—Designated LT Chad Clifton franchise player.
HOUSTON TEXANS—Waived S Matt Stevens.
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Designated S Donovan Darius franchise player.
OAKLAND RAIDERS—Named Clayton Lopez defensive backs coach.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Released DE Bruce Smith, LB Jessie Armstead, P Bryan Barker and DT Lionel Dalton.

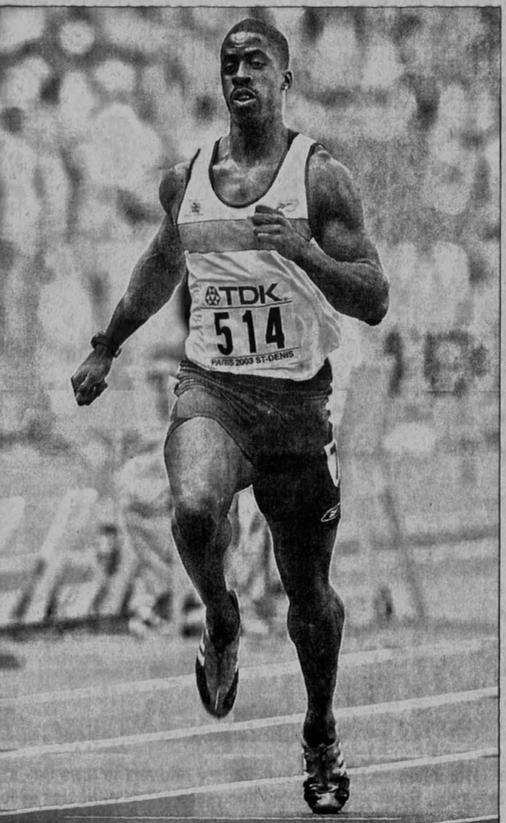
GOLF

Iowa finishes 13th in spring golf opener

PARRISH, Fla. — The Iowa women's golf team shot a 54-hole total of 945 and finished the Central District Regional in 13th place. Louisiana State took the team title with a score of 903, and senior Laura Holmes posted a score of 244 to tie her for 55th. Freshman Virginie

Leading the way for the Hawkeyes was junior Shannon Fleming, who fired a three-round total of 228. Junior Liz Bennett shot a 232, good enough to tie her for 27th. Freshman Karla Murra finished 51st with a score of 241, and senior Laura Holmes posted a score of 244 to tie her for 55th. Freshman Virginie

Bonifis came in 66th place after a score of 260. Individually, the tournament was won by a trio of golfers — Wisconsin's Malinda Johnson, Texas A&M's Christa Spedding, and TCU's Brooke Tull fired rounds of 220. Iowa will compete next at the East/West Rio Verde Invitational in Rio Verde, Ariz., on March 5-6.



Michael Probst/Associated Press

Dwain Chambers of Great Britain competes in the men's 100-meter heat at the World Athletics Championships on Aug. 24, 2003. Chambers was suspended for two years on Tuesday and banned for life from the Olympics because he tested positive for the steroid THG.

Olympics ban Chambers for life over steroid use

BY KRYSZYNA RUDZKI
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — British sprinter Dwain Chambers was suspended Tuesday for two years and banned for life from the Olympics, the first athlete punished for testing positive for the designer steroid THG. THG, which was undetectable until last year, is at the center of the scandal surrounding a San Francisco-area lab accused of supplying dozens of professional athletes with banned substances. Chambers' coach, Barry Bonds' personal trainer, and two others were indicted this month. Chambers, the European 100-meter champion, tested positive in an out-of-competition drug test in August. UK Athletics suspended him, and under British Olympic Association rules, he is barred from ever competing in the Olympics. "It's an exceptionally sad day for Dwain and an exceptionally painful day for the sport," UK Athletics chief executive David Moorcroft said. "But it is absolutely a price worth paying." Chambers, who finished fourth in the 100 at the 2000 Sydney Games, had been con-

sidered a potential gold-medal contender at the Athens Olympics in August. His suspension will end Nov. 7, 2005. "I think two years is pretty emphatic. It's basically the end of a career," said Nick Davies, a spokesman for the International Association of Athletics Federations. The 25-year-old sprinter has maintained he never knowingly took a banned substance and blamed his positive THG test on nutritional supplements. The four other track-and-field competitors who tested positive for THG, or tetrahydrogestrinone, were Americans: shot putter Kevin Tott, 1,500-meter runner Regina Jacobs, and hammer throwers Melissa Price and John McEwen. Their hearings haven't been held yet. Chambers' California-based coach, Remi Korchemny, was one of four men indicted Feb. 12 on federal charges of supplying THG and other banned drugs to dozens of athletes. The UK Athletics panel concluded that THG was "chemically and pharmacologically related" to the banned steroid gestrinone. It also said it had no evidence to prove Chambers intentionally took the drug.

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Defense may be winning component

MEN'S HOOPS

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to be ready to play every game, you've got to be leaders, have a good mindset. I think that's happened with both of them."

How well the Hawkeyes match up defensively on Illinois' dynamic guard duo may be the difference in the game. Williams and Brown combined for 31 points in the squads' earlier matchup, an 88-82 Illini win Jan. 17.

"You pick your poison. One game it's Brown, the next game it's Williams," Alford said. "You just hope you don't get a game

where both of them are 25 [-point scorers], because then you've got big-time issues." He added that Iowa guard Pierre Pierce, widely perceived to be the Hawkeyes' best defender, will likely guard both Williams and Brown at different points in the game.

Alford also said, because of his squad's depth, or lack thereof, fans will likely continue to see the Hawkeyes use a heavy mix of zone and man-to-man.

The 134th dust-up between the Illini and Hawks kicks off a key week for Iowa, in which it plays its last two home games of the season (barring an appearance in the NIT). On Saturday, the Hawkeyes will

take on Minnesota at 3:37 p.m. to close out their home slate.

How vital are the clashes with the Illini and Gophers?

"Well, both of them are must-wins for us," Iowa guard Brody Boyd said. "I know going into these games, we're definitely thinking we need those two to get into the tournament."

Iowa currently sits in fourth place in the Big Ten standings, just ahead of Purdue and Michigan, the likely pair of obstacles they must overcome to make the NCAAs. Some pundits believe the conference, ranked just the sixth-strongest in the nation in the RPI, may only receive three bids to the Big Dance, despite

the fact it has never had fewer than five teams since the field expanded to 64 in 1985.

The Hawkeyes can't afford to look ahead, though. Their route to the tourney can only come one step at a time, starting tonight. Then comes Minnesota, and road tilts at Northwestern and Purdue next week.

"There's an awful lot that can happen in a two-week frame," Alford said. "We can go anywhere from battling for the whole thing or end up being 7-9 and not be in any of it. So I think each game is huge, and obviously [tonight] is very big for us."

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Williams faces 8 charges in shooting

WILLIAMS

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McPartland, a former professional basketball player in Europe, when they heard a "thump."

When the two men got upstairs, Gordnick said Globetrotter Curley "Boo" Johnson dashed past them "probably running as fast as he can run." Gordnick said he found Williams in his bedroom.

"I saw Jayson on his knees with his hands on his head. I heard him a few seconds later, 'Oh my God, Oh my God,'" Gordnick said.

Gordnick said after his lawyer later persuaded him to give authorities the hidden clothing, he asked Williams if that would be a problem. "He

said, 'Absolutely not. You do whatever you have to do,'" Gordnick testified.

Also Tuesday, McPartland said guests at Williams' mansion agreed to make up a story — that they were downstairs and Christofi had wandered off. A week later, McPartland said Williams urged them: "You guys have to tell the truth, and I'll have to deal with the consequences."

Williams, 36, faces eight charges in the shooting, including aggravated manslaughter and witness tampering, that carry up to 55 years in prison.

The defense maintains the shooting was a complete accident, and that the shotgun was prone to malfunction. The prosecution charges Williams' actions showed recklessness.

Gallery's future looks promising

GALLERY

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Let's fast-forward, oh, 15 years. Chances are Gable, Feller, Kinnick, and Sanderson still are easy choices. But by the year 2019, another familiar name may sneak into the ranks of Iowa's all-time greats: Gallery.

Yes, yes, it's premature to grant a man who hasn't yet been drafted such lofty status, and 15 years from now, Robert Gallery may be selling farm implements back in Masonville. I personally wouldn't bet on it, but in football, as in life, anything can happen.

Realistically, though, Gallery has a chance to be the kind of player you tell your kids you saw play, a particularly impressive accomplishment for a man on the most unglamorous of units — the offensive line. According to ESPN.com's Len Pasquarelli, one of the most tuned-in of all football journalists, "The early guesstimates are that [Gallery] will be a top-five selection in two months and will then become a multiple-appearance Pro Bowl performer." And that was before the draft combine started on Feb. 18.

Gallery will, barring a Vikings-esque freeze-up on draft day by a team with a high pick, go in the top five come April 24.

Now, that doesn't guarantee him numerous Pro Bowls, certainly; his size (6-7, 323 pounds), agility, and football smarts will take care of that.

And should he succeed in the NFL, even if he doesn't accomplish as much as Craig or Feller did in their pro careers, he'll be more popular in Iowa than those two Hall of Famers. He is an offensive lineman in a state that appreciates a good block, he gutted through hard times to win the Outland Trophy in a state that appreciates hard work, and he helped build a nationally strong program in a state that appreciates winning. Plus, he's from a small town in Iowa — what more do you want?

In just five years under coach Kirk Ferentz, Iowa City has become one of the places to be for prospective offensive linemen, and an NFL team throwing a few million bucks Gallery's way will only enhance that reputation. Guys such as Eric Steinbach and Bruce Nelson preceded Gallery to the NFL, and there will likely be more Hawkeye linemen to follow in the coming years.

But 15 years from now, when people sit in the Kinnick Stadium parking lot and talk about Iowa's all-time greats, the name "Robert Gallery" will be on more than a few tongues.

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Gallery confident going into the NFL combine

Q&A

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have gotten some of the top teams to rethink a little bit.

DI: Were you prepared?
Gallery: Definitely. Working with [Iowa strength] Coach [Chris] Doyle and his staff, they always have you prepared for everything.

DI: Was there a lot of pressure with so much talent pooled together in one group?
Gallery: I don't think so. I've played Big Ten football for four years, so I didn't feel pressure. I was confident going in.

DI: Which test was your strongest?
Gallery: I'd say my 40 [yard dash] probably. I ran real well.

DI: How fast did you run it in?
Gallery: 4.95.

DI: Is there any other man of your size who can run that fast?
Gallery: I wouldn't think so, but I'm sure there's somebody out there. There wasn't anybody there [at the combine]. I've been

taught well and trained well, and I'm blessed with being around good people and having some good abilities.

DI: What do you think scouts were most impressed by?

Gallery: I don't really know. I was just myself. I did what I've always done. Hopefully, I showed that I'm a good person, and I'm a hard worker, and I would make a good addition to any team.

DI: What was the strangest question you were asked?

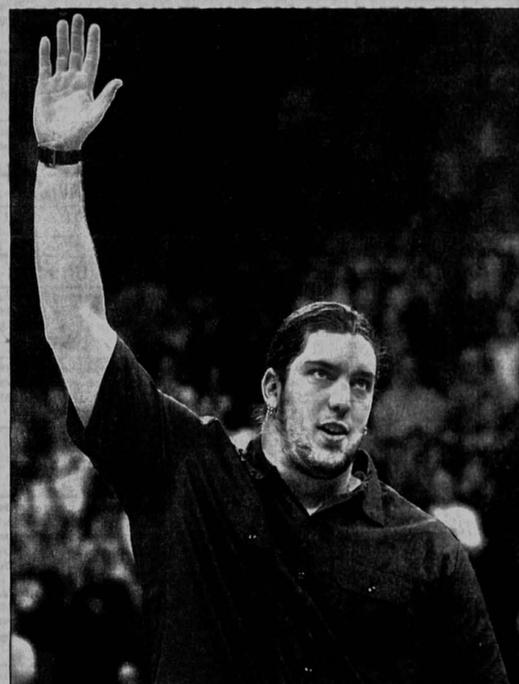
Gallery: They have some psychological testing. Just stuff like would you rather be a cat or a dog.

DI: Which did you choose?

Gallery: I don't remember.

DI: Did you get a chance to ask your teammates about how they performed?
Gallery: I talked to some of the different guys. I think everybody did pretty well. I think for the most part guys shined.

— by Brian Triplett



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

Iowa senior football lineman Robert Gallery is congratulated by fans at Carver-Hawkeye Arena during a special halftime presentation of the Outback Bowl trophy to him and head coach Kirk Ferentz on Jan. 31.

League not concerned with offensive lows

NBA

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Ten years ago, 20 of the NBA's 27 teams averaged at least 100 points, and the lowest-scoring team averaged 95.1. Twenty years ago, all 23 teams averaged at least 101.5 points. This year only two of 29 teams — Dallas and Sacramento — are averaging more than 100 points.

Russ Granik, the deputy NBA commissioner, said the league is not concerned.

"When you put in new rules ... the defense is going to be ahead of the offense," he said, referring to the legalization of the zone defense in 2001. "At this level a point here or there is not something anybody considered or was particularly an issue."

But David Carter, a sports business consultant and USC professor, disagreed.

"I can't remember the last time someone said, 'You know, I'd like to see a great defensive struggle,'" he said. "If I was the NBA, I'd be worried about the overall quality of play and of my brand."

Several respected current and former coaches are also distressed and offer various theories about what is behind the decline.

"Blaming TV is one easy thing," said Johnny Bach, an assistant coach for the Chicago Bulls who has been involved with the NBA for 51 years. "It might be a cliché, but it's also true: All TV shows is dunking, so who wants to work on a jump shot?"

Laker assistant Tex Winter, innovator of the triangle offense employed by Phil Jackson with the Chicago Bulls and now the Lakers, says the belief that defense wins championships has prompted coaches to create ever-more-complicated defensive schemes.

"But, yes, it's a problem," Winter said, "if no one wants to watch the games."

There are simple solutions, these NBA veterans say — solutions that don't involve making every player go to an Indiana farm and shoot 1,000 jump shots a day at a rickety hoop attached to a decaying garage.

For example, the NBA could wait to start that 24-second shot clock until the ball has advanced past the half-court line. And making that late-starting clock last 30 seconds would work too, says Pete Newell, the Hall of Fame coach.

Doc Rivers, the former coach of the Orlando Magic and once an All-Star player, proposes using the 3-point line only in the final three minutes of a game because too many bad shooters have begun relying on the 3-point shot.

As a rookie in 1983, Rivers took 12 3-pointers. In the final year of his career, he took 137.

"I shouldn't have taken the [12] my first year, I shouldn't have taken the 137," he said. "I wish someone had sat [me] on the bench each time I took the 3-pointer my rookie year."

"I tell my son to watch Michael Jordan tapes. How many of Michael's game-winning shots were dunks or 3's, and how many were pull-up jump shots? He says, 'Jump shots, dad.' I say, 'Why aren't you working on that?' That shot is unguardable."

But maybe nothing is wrong. Jack Ramsay, who coached Portland to the 1977 championship and has written books on coaching defense, says the game is fine.

"What's wrong with well-played defense?" he said. "I like the game. Rules changes have forced teams to play a more complete game, and I think

that's good. Watching games now, there's more demanded of teams on offense. There's no reason why the best players on the planet can't make the adaptation necessary for whatever defenses are put out there.

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SPORTS

Cubs' Baker likens drug search to McCarthyism

BY NANCY ARMOUR
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MESA, Ariz. — Dusty Baker thinks suspicions over which baseball players are using steroids smacks of a McCarthy witch hunt. "I hate steroids. I knew Lyle Alzado," the Chicago Cubs manager said Tuesday, referring to the NFL star who died of cancer after admitting to several years of steroid use.

While Baker said, "I've got my own ideas about guys around the league," he said all players are being tainted.

"It's like McCarthyism or something. They're looking to see who looks like a communist," he said.

"I'll probably get in trouble for that, too, but that's how I equate it," Baker added. "Oh, he lost weight. He gained weight."

Baseball has been under a cloud of suspicion for steroid use for years, as players got bigger and offensive numbers skyrocketed. Anonymous survey testing last season showed 5-7 percent of the tests were positive, and Barry Bonds' personal trainer has told federal agents he gave steroids to several baseball players.

Bonds' trainer, Greg Anderson, was among four men charged this month in an alleged steroid-distribution ring. All the men have pleaded not guilty; no athletes have been charged.

Bonds and Jason Giambi appeared in December before the grand jury investigating the case. Both have repeatedly denied using drugs, and they did



Tom Hood/Associated Press
Chicago Cubs manager Dusty Baker watches his club work out in Mesa, Ariz., on Monday.

so again on Monday, when they reported to spring training.

Asked Monday about the allegations against Anderson, Baker said he didn't know anything. That prompted criticism by some members of the Chicago media.

"Who am I? The FBI? I ain't the FBI. I'm not the DEA," said Baker, who managed the San Francisco Giants for 10 years before coming to the Cubs last season. "Because I was the manager, does that mean I know what guys are doing when they get away from the field? Does that mean I'm supposed to know everything in every situation in every town about everything? Nobody knows that."

"I've never even seen steroids," Baker added. "I don't even know how you take [them]. How am I supposed to know who's doing this and who's doing that?"

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SPORTS

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CARLSBAD, Calif. — Tiger Woods called the Match Play Championship his best performance last year. The numbers don't lie.

He made two bogeys on the first 102 holes he played and just five in his six matches. He only saw the 18th hole three times, and one of those was in a practice round.

If this had been a stroke-play event?

"I felt like I would have won by a lot," Woods said Tuesday. "I mean, I really played well."

The funny thing about this \$7 million World Golf Championship is that even if Woods plays just as well this year, there's no guarantee he won't be among 32 guys heading for the airport after the first round.

"It's the unpredictability of match play," Woods said. "If we had to play match play every single week, guys would retire by the age of 40 because of the emotional ups and downs and roller coasters you go through on 18 holes."

The most fickle format in golf gets under way today at La Costa Resort with 32 first-round matches where seeds are about as valuable as an unsigned check.

Last year was the first time two top-10 seeds have reached the 36-hole finals, and Woods outlasted sixth-seeded David Toms on the 35th hole.

The No. 2 seed has lost in the first round each of the last three years, which doesn't bode well for Vijay Singh. Besides, the Fijian has never made it past the second round.

Seeds of the other Accenture Match Play Championship winners look like lotto numbers — 24, 19, 55, 62. Those belonged to Jeff Maggert, Darren Clarke, Steve Stricker, and Kevin Sutherland.

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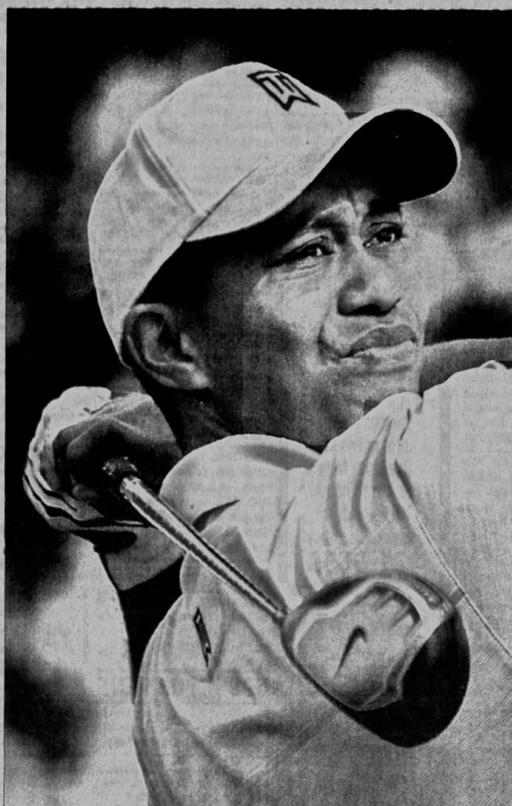
Redskins weigh Bailey trade possibilities

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Washington Redskins are pondering several trade possibilities for four-time Pro Bowl cornerback Champ Bailey in addition to the much ballyhooed proposal to send him to Denver for Clinton Portis.

The Redskins remain in contact with the Broncos. But director of player personnel Vinny Cerrato said Tuesday he also is talking to our other teams concerning Bailey, including one that contacted him Tuesday morning.

No deal can take place officially until the offseason trade and free agency period begins March 3, although an agreement can be announced before then.

"It'll probably happen right before the start of free agency," Cerrato said.



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Tiger Woods grimaces as he watches his drive on the third tee in the first round of the Nissan Open in Los Angeles' Pacific Palisades area on Feb. 19.

Clarke is the only guy from that group who qualified this year, and he had this to say about the difference of match play and stroke play.

"Stupidity, I was going to say," Clarke said. "But I don't think that will go down well."

No, it's a perfect application this week.

Just ask Scott Hoch, who played a beautiful round of golf last year. He was splitting the middle of the fairway and holing enough putts to be 3-under par through 13

holes. Only one other guy had a better score in the quarterfinals, and it happened to be his opponent — Woods — who was 8-under when the match ended on No. 14.

Cerrato did not identify all the teams that are interested, although he confirmed that Detroit was no longer a serious contender. Jack Reale, Bailey's agent, has said the Redskins have talked to the New York Jets, Houston, Chicago, and Arizona, among others.

In a Bailey-Portis trade, Denver would also receive Washington's second-round selection in April's draft, an NFL source told the Associated Press on condition of anonymity. That would leave the Redskins with just two picks in this year's draft.

The source said the talks with the Broncos have been held up because Denver wanted to complete a new contract with Pro Bowl linebacker Al Wilson before dealing with Washington. Wilson agreed Tuesday to a seven-year, \$42 million contract with the Broncos that includes a signing bonus in excess of \$10 million.

Tejada looks to extend the Cal Ripken legacy

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FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Miguel Tejada intends to handle the shortstop position for the Baltimore Orioles in much the same fashion as his childhood idol, Cal Ripken.

Ripken won two MVP awards, set several fielding records, hit for power, and helped the Orioles win a World Series before retiring in 2001. His stellar career has provided inspiration for Tejada, who signed a \$72 million, six-year contract with Baltimore in December after six years in Oakland.

"The good thing for me is I'm going to be walking in the same clubhouse that Cal Ripken walked in, and I'll have the same feeling," Tejada said Tuesday after checking in to spring training. "That's something that will make me do well for this team."

There is one facet of Ripken's legacy that Tejada has no interest in duplicating: The Iron Man's major-league record of playing in 2,632-consecutive games.

Tejada's current run of 594 games is the longest active streak in the majors and ranks 20th in major league history.

"I don't think anybody is going to break that record," Tejada said. "I play all those games because I like to play baseball."

He plays it well, too. The addition of Tejada, the 2002 AL MVP, was a landmark signing for a club that has endured six-straight losing seasons since its last trip to the playoffs in 1997.

"He gives you credibility right away," Orioles manager Lee Mazzilli said. "As a manager, you want to have a lineup that's

out there every day. His history gives me no indication why he should not be. That's the beauty of this kid — you've got to love him because he wants to play every day, every inning, all the time."

Tejada, 27, is an upgrade over his two predecessors, Mike Bordick in 2002 and Deivi Cruz a year ago. Tejada established career highs with a .308 batting average and 131 RBIs in 2002, then rebounded last season from a slow start to hit .278 with 27 homers and 106 RBIs.

Along with fellow newcomers Javy Lopez and Rafael Palmeiro, Tejada should provide a cure for an anemic Baltimore offense that last year ranked 12th in 14-team AL in runs.

Right-hander Sidney Ponson signed as a free agent in January in part because he knew the Orioles would be a better team with Tejada at shortstop.

"He plays good defense, so he's going to help you a lot there, and he hits 30 home runs, 100 RBIs a year," Ponson said. "He loves winning; a guy who plays with a lot of passion like that is great to have behind you."

Much like Ripken.

"For me, it's my dream come true to be on the same team as Cal Ripken, to be talking about him. It's making me real proud," Tejada said.



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New Baltimore Orioles infielder Miguel Tejada is seen at his first workout with the team on Tuesday in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Back in Ripken's heyday, the Orioles arranged to have him speak to the media en masse on his first day in camp. Tejada, the Orioles' newest star, received similar treatment Tuesday.

"I know I'm going to mean a lot for this team," Tejada said. "I hope everybody understands I'm not going to be the only one to go in the field. But I'll give 100 percent every day and play hard, and we're going to be a better team this year."

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