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Judge: Public may see Moen data

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Prominent local real-estate developer Marc Moen's personal financial information can be publicly disclosed, a district judge ruled Tuesday, dissolving a temporary injunction originally halting the city from releasing the documents that Moen had contended were confidential. Sixth District Court Judge Thomas Koehler agreed with First Assistant City Attorney Sarah Holecck's argument that the public had a right to Moen's records.

"I don't think plaintiffs have proven that they will be irreparably injured if [their financial information were to be disseminated]," the judge said. "Also, in an open government, a taxpayer should be privy to this type of information." Tuesday's debate stems from Moen's 2001 proposal to develop the land directly south of the Iowa City Public Library, which included information regarding financial responsibility. The project, known as the Plaza Towers, broke ground in December 2003 and is proceeding nicely, Moen said.

Court records show city officials received two e-mails earlier this month from Iowa City resident Jim Knapp, both asking for Moen's personal financial records to be disclosed, citing disagreements with Moen's construction. Moen, through attorney Steven Ballard, had filed a petition for an injunction March 22 to stop the city from releasing his personal financial information, which, he contended, would give his competitors an advantage, serve no public interest, and

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STAYING THE COURSE



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UI junior Molly Baker pauses in a contemplative moment in Stanley Hall on Tuesday afternoon. Baker, a resident assistant known for being creative and fun, is fighting cystic fibrosis.

Stanley RA faces down cystic fibrosis

BY CHRISTINA ERB
THE DAILY IOWAN

Cystic Fibrosis Facts

- It is a genetic disorder that affects the respiratory, digestive, and reproductive systems.
- It is a hereditary disease, passed by two abnormal genes, one from each parent.
- There are approximately 30,000 people in the United States with the disease.

- The median life expectancy for a person with cystic fibrosis is now 32, but many people live into their 50s and 60s. Only 30 years ago, a cystic-fibrosis patient was not expected to reach adulthood.
- Currently, there is no cure for the disease, but there are many promising new treatments in use.

Source: www.cysticfibrosis.com

One year after UI junior Molly Baker was born, doctors informed her parents that she had cystic fibrosis and would most likely die by her early 20s. Seven years later, her parents, burdened with fear and grief, reluctantly told her the genetic disease would one day kill her. But the 20-year-old Stanley Hall resident assistant refuses to look at her life as having an expiration date. Instead, she hopes for a brighter and longer future — complete with a husband, high-school teaching career, and children.

"I don't think about it as 'I have 10 years to live,'" the education major said, her voice momentarily trembling as she acknowledged her current life expectancy of 34 years.

For her mother, Ann Baker, the biggest heartaches have come from her daughter's recent lung infections and hospitalization, not the initial diagnosis.

"That's the difficult thing. I guess it's always been a day that would eventually come," she said of her daughter's recent decline in health. "Cystic fibrosis did not become a part of my daughter's life [until two years ago]. She and I have



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Molly Baker throws the vest component of her Vest Airway Clearance System on the floor of her dorm room Tuesday afternoon. Baker uses the vest along with nebulizer treatments to help control her cystic fibrosis.

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Bush bows to pressure, allows Rice's testimony

BY MIKE ALLEN AND DAN EGGEN
WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — President Bush reversed himself under political pressure Tuesday and agreed to permit National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice to testify in public and under oath before an independent commission investigating the 9/11 attacks. Capitulating on a second point, Bush said he would submit to questions in a

private session with all 10 commissioners, backing off his previous demand to meet only with Chairman Thomas Kean and Vice Chairman Lee Hamilton. Bush added a new restriction by saying he would appear only with Vice President Dick Cheney at his side.

Rice and other Bush aides had said repeatedly, and as recently as Monday, that her refusal to provide formal testimony was a matter of constitutional principle and that to do so could erode the separation of powers between the

executive branch and Congress, which created the commission.

Bush said Tuesday that he was willing to make the concession because he has been assured by the commission and congressional leaders that he would not be setting a precedent for future inquiries. He told reporters he had "ordered this level of cooperation because I consider it necessary to gaining a complete picture of the months and years that preceded the murder of our fellow citizens on

September the 11th, 2001."

The decision represented an effort to quiet a controversy that threatened to undercut Bush's credibility on his handling of terrorism, a credential that is vital to his re-election strategy, and also resulted from his aides' conclusion that the showdown with the commission was drowning out the White House messages on all other issues. A top Bush political adviser called the controversy over

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Category	Comments: Platform Issues	Grade
Tuition	Support for increased funding of regents' institutions led to the lowest tuition hike in four years at 6.5 percent.	A
Recycling	Support for the UI Recycling Commission was promised, but members say that they have had little contact with UISG officials and campus recycling remains an unresolved issue.	D
21-Ordinance	Opposition to the City Council's proposed measure mandating that the bar-entrance age be 21 led to the 19-ordinance compromise.	B+
Transportation	Advocacy for the extension of Campus hours until 2 a.m. were successful.	A
Technology	Support for high-speed Internet access to off-campus housing, namely fraternities and sororities, went nowhere, and the houses remain wired.	F
Student Voice	Advocacy for a student seat on the City Council also went nowhere, but it remains on the docket for the incoming administration.	F

Source: DI research

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Holding line on tuition among UISG successes

BY DREW KERR AND JESSICA SEVESKA
THE DAILY IOWAN

UI Student Government President Nate Green had what he called "conflicted emotions" today during his final 24 hours as leader of the university's students.

Green, who was elected president in March 2003, will step aside Thursday as President-elect Lindsay Schutte assumes her position as 2004-05 UISG president. Green, who said he made many sacrifices to fulfill his role, has had a roller-coaster year.

He said he has worked hard to improve student life on campus by lobbying at both the state and national level and improving relations with the state Board of Regents, steps he says limited the 2004-05 tuition increase to 8.3 percent, the first single-digit hike in four years.



Nate Green
UISG President



Mayrose Wegmann
UISG Vice President

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Third measles case discovered

BY PHIL DAVIDSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

A passenger on a March 12 Northwest flight to Cedar Rapids who gave an Iowa City native the measles infected another person on the same flight — an unidentified female student from Iowa who visited Grinnell College last weekend.

The state confirmed the third case of measles on Tuesday, prompting a 10 phone calls an hour from concerned citizens, said state epidemiologist Dr. Patricia Quinlisk.

The newest case involved a student who attended a Destination Imagination event at Grinnell College March 22, Quinlisk said. The creative problem-solving program, one of the world's largest, drew 1,000 students from across the state.

While the event drew a large number of people, Quinlisk said, attendees were placed in subgroups, so only those directly exposed to the affected individual could be in danger.

"We had exposures that we thought posed a risk, and we figured that was about 60 people," she said, adding that those who came into contact with the infected person have been identified and given preventative treatment.

The student, whose name, hometown, and age have not been released, also visited the Ladies Dome at Maharishi University in Vedic City and the Best Western Hotel in Newton on March 21.

Quinlisk said it's too early to tell if the measles outbreak could spread further.

"We don't know how infectious somebody is. You just don't know until after the next wave of cases," she said. "It's not something that we can predict

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WEATHER

↑ 45 ° Cloudy to partly cloudy, windy, 30% chance of rain/snow

↓ 28 °

BERTHING LEADERSHIP

Kirk Ferentz must replace more than some bodies; he's looking for team leaders.

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GAS WARS

John Kerry issues a series of steps to battle high fuel prices, and the Bush campaign criticizes his voting record.

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NEWS

Boyle drops in; laughter ensues

BY LESLIE SHAFER
THE DAILY IOWAN

Roars of laughter filled a packed Van Allen lecture hall on Tuesday night as a captivated audience listened to famed author T.C. Boyle read from *Drop City*, his latest novel.

The reading marked the final stop on his tour promoting the book, a novel about West Coast hippies. The UI alum (M.F.A. and Ph.D.), who returned one autumn to teach in the Writers' Workshop, spent an hour explaining *Drop City's* plot, reading from his novel, and answering a few questions.

"His writing gives us the best sense of how absurd, how funny, and how human our society really is," said Steve Kistulentz, a workshop student.

Wearing a black T-shirt beneath a suit coat, Boyle said *Drop City* takes place in California and Alaska in the 1970s, dealing with hippies and the Back-to-Earth movement. His research took him as far as Alaska, where he encountered such new things as swarms of mosquitoes the size of Air Force formations and dogs running in battalions. For the first time in his life, he found himself in the presence of bears.

"I know you aren't supposed to alert a bear ... and I know you are supposed to make a loud noise to let the bear know you are there, like clapping pots," Boyle said. "Because I was in the wilderness and didn't have any pots, I sang."

"You know if you sing country,

the bear will attack you. The best music to sing is good old elementary songs like 'O Susanna.'"

The Hippie Trip, by Lewis Yablonsky, is one of the books that inspired and helped him to write *Drop City*, Boyle said before he read an excerpt from his novel.

"I've heard him read before, and my son loves his books," said Marjorie Jones, a legally blind Iowa City resident who enjoys readings.

The lecture room went silent as Boyle read from Chapter 6 of *Drop City*, describing a night narrated by the character, Ronnie. The excerpt featured Ronnie killing a deer, being interviewed by a professor about his life as a hippie, and looking a long time for toilet paper on an Alaska night in which he ate too much venison.

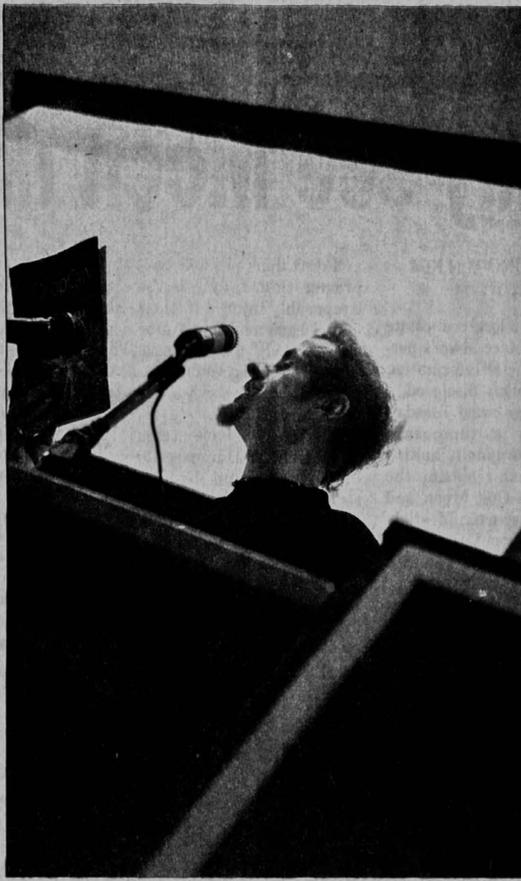
When asked what genre of literature he writes in, Boyle said: "I am a genre writer, and my genre is not science fiction or horror, but literature."

Boyle's newest novel, the tale of Dr. Alfred Kinsey, a famous sex researcher in the 1940s and 50s, is due out in September 2004.

The last question Boyle answered was, "When society does collapse, how will we have access to your continuing work?"

"No cheating, by the way — we must all abstain from sexual relations for a 100 years, and the problem [of the world ending] is solved," he said.

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Eric Droze/The Daily Iowan
T.C. Boyle reads from his latest novel, *Drop City*, to a capacity crowd Tuesday evening in Van Allen Hall.

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Reporters tell of unearthing police scandal

BY ALEX LANG
THE DAILY IOWAN

Scott Glover and Matt Lait, the *Los Angeles Times* reporters whose stories on Los Angeles Police Department corruption cost dozens of officers their jobs, drew laughs and questions from a group of 35 Tuesday as they explained the work that went into their award-winning coverage.

Over a four-year period, the duo wrote more than 150 articles exposing the Rampart police scandal — a hidden world of sex, drugs, police brutality, and other illegal activities. The series, which earned them national recognition, led to criminal charges against nine police officers and helped overturn more than 100 criminal convictions.

"It's not like we have it out for the cops," Glover said.

Several of those who attended the hour-and-a-half lecture said they left with a better understanding of the stories and the difficulty obtaining the critical information.

"I want them to come investigate the police in Iowa City," said Amy Kincaid, a UI junior and criminology major.

Lait and Glover, she said, may inspire college students to investigate to see if there are similar problems in the local department.

UI junior Margaret Slaton said the most important thing she took from the discussion was the knowledge that it's sometimes unclear how authorities are using their power.

Slaton, also a criminology major, said the lecture reminded



Lait
Los Angeles Times reporter
Glover
Los Angeles Times reporter

'It's not like we have it out for the cops'

— Scott Glover,
Los Angeles Times reporter

her to question information and make sure it's accurate.

Stephen Bloom, a UI associate professor of journalism, said it was important for students to hear from the duo because they tell "real-life stories, and that's what journalists do."

It's one thing to hear stories from a professor, he said, but

there is no substitute for real-life accounts.

"In many ways, they are the [Bob] Woodward and [Carl] Bernstein of California," Bloom said. "They didn't topple a president, but it resulted in fundamental changes."

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CITY

Trial set for attempted-murder charge

Trial date has been set for an Iowa City man who was charged with attempted murder after he allegedly attacked his 85-year-old female roommate with a hammer.

Michael Allen Ridenour, who waived his right to a speedy trial, will be tried July 12. His attorney, Leon Spies, said Tuesday that the court entered the not guilty plea on Ridenour's behalf during an arraignment last week.

The 63-year-old was arrested Feb. 28 after allegedly admitting to firefighters that he had tried to kill Viola

Comer, his roommate. He had allegedly disabled the smoke alarms and planned on venting the furnace into the 2100 Miami Drive S.E. residence, allegedly saying he wanted to kill himself, but Comer would not allow him to do so.

According to police reports, Ridenour called 911 at roughly 10:30 a.m. that morning and reported that "a woman had accidentally been cut while making breakfast," telling officials the injury was on her head.

Spies said Ridenour is being held at the Johnson County Jail on a \$1 million bond. If convicted of the Class B felony, he could face up to 25 years in prison.

— by Seung Min Kim

POLICE BLOTTER

Don Fountain, 39, Coralville, was charged Monday with driving with a suspended license.

Jason Heeren, 20, Marion, was charged Tuesday with operating while intoxicated.

Keith Johnson, 28, Hiawatha, Iowa, was charged Tuesday with allowing a person to drive while revoked.

Bradley Logan, 41, 5254 Lower West Branch Road, was charged Tuesday with possession of a schedule I controlled substance.

Jon Petersen, 43, Cedar Rapids, was charged Tuesday with operating while intoxicated.

Shaunda Thomas, 28, 1946 Broadway Apt. E, was charged Monday with unlawful use of a driver's license.

Analyst: Bush focused on missiles, not terrorism

BY TODD DVORAK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GRINNELL — Prior to the 9/11 terrorist attacks, the Bush administration appeared to be focused more on stopping a rogue-nation missile attack than terrorism, a retired State Department analyst said Tuesday.

Greg Thielmann also defended the credibility of Richard Clarke, the former White House counterterrorism chief who has said Bush was slow to act against Al Qaeda before the attacks.

Thielmann, 54, worked with Clarke on intelligence projects both early in his career as a foreign-service officer and later, when Thielmann became head of the State Department's Office of Strategic Proliferation and Military Affairs.

Shortly after Bush took office, Thielmann said, he was surprised to see the administration shift priorities and devote more energy to thwarting missile attacks and building a missile-defense system than terrorism.

"It wasn't like they were ignoring the terrorist threat. But the administration seemed to have other, higher priorities," Thielmann told the Associated Press in an interview after speaking to students at his alma mater, Grinnell College.

He cited the administration's decision to back out of international missile treaties and reluctance to join nations seeking stronger bans on chemical and biological weapons.

It's not the first time Thielmann has questioned the president and his senior advisers since retiring from the State Department two years ago.

Thielmann was one of the first former government officials to publicly question the accuracy of statements Bush and other senior officials made about Iraqi weapons of mass destruction before and after the invasion.

He is not surprised at Clarke's critical assessment of the Bush administration in a best-selling book and in testimony last week to the 9/11 commission.

Thielmann described Clarke as ambitious, confident, truthful, and extremely skilled at winning policy debates. He also praised Clarke, a Republican, for his ability to keep partisan politics out of decision making and for risking his career reputation by criticizing Bush at such a critical time.

Clarke has criticized the president as a failure in the fight against terrorism, blaming Bush and others focusing on outdated Cold War policies after taking office and diverting energy toward Iraq when the focus should have been on Al Qaeda.

"I found his testimony to be very credible," Thielmann said. "I think the attempts to undermine his credibility, the credibility of a civil servant who served administrations of both parties, are unfair. I'm surprised in fact at the crude forms of attacks against him."

Several top Republicans in Congress have attacked Clarke and vowed to declassify statements Clarke made in testimony before the 9/11 panel.

Senate Majority leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., has said Clarke's statements supportive of the administration during those hearings will expose him as an

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Study says sun aids papilloma infection

BY DANIEL Q. HANEY
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ORLANDO, Fla. — The long sunny days of summer may increase the risk of catching a common sexually transmitted infection. And it's not just because people have more sex when the weather is nice.

Researchers using data from Holland found that detection of papilloma virus infection during routine cancer screening peaks during August. Their theory: Sunlight suppresses women's immune systems.

Experts have long suspected that sunlight has powerful — and perhaps conflicting — effects on the body's tendency to develop a variety of diseases, including cancer. The best example is the risk of too much sun triggering skin cancer.

However, many suspect sunshine can have less obvious influences and can even affect susceptibility to a variety of everyday viruses such as papilloma. These viruses are spread through sexual contact, and they are the most common cause of cervical cancer, a disease that kills approximately 4,000 women annually in the United States. Although the

virus can cause genital warts, most infected people have no outward symptoms.

"The sun is a kind of drug, a drug that influences whether a papilloma infection takes hold or not," said Dr. William Hruslesky, an authority on how disease patterns fluctuate over time.

Hruslesky, who is based at the WJB Dorn Veterans Administration Medical Center in Columbia, S.C., presented his findings Tuesday at a meeting in Orlando of the American Association for Cancer Research.

He looked at the results of more than 900,000 Pap tests done in southern Holland between 1983 and 1998. The test does not detect papilloma virus directly. But it reveals abnormal cells that are typically caused by the infection.

Hruslesky found that the sunnier the year and the sunnier the month, the higher the rate of human papilloma virus.

August is consistently the sunniest month in southern Holland, and the screening tests picked up twice as much evidence of papilloma virus infection then as in the winter. The virus fell off sharply in September.

M.D. would risk jail on abortion

Ban on D&X abortions has been challenged as unconstitutional in three U.S. courtrooms

BY KEVIN O'HANLON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LINCOLN, Neb. — A doctor testified Tuesday that he would risk going to jail rather than obey a federal ban on abortion that is being challenged as unconstitutional.

"I'd probably continue" performing abortions, said Dr. William Fitzhugh of Richmond, Va., during a trial in U.S. District Court in Lincoln. "I'd have to take my chances."

The Partial-Birth Abortion Act, signed into law by President Bush last year, bars the procedure that medical organizations refer to as "intact dilation and extraction," or D&X.

During the procedure, generally performed in the second trimester and occasionally in the third, a fetus is partially delivered and its skull is punctured.

The law has not been enforced because judges in three cities agreed to hear evidence before deciding whether it violates the Constitution. Other trials are being held in New York and San Francisco on lawsuits filed by the National Abortion Federation and the

Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

Fitzhugh and others say the ban is written vaguely and could be applied to other types of abortions.

"Enforcement of the act would limit my ability to care for those women," he said.

The federal law prohibits doctors from committing an "overt act" designed to kill a partially delivered fetus.

The federal act carries a maximum two-year prison term for doctors convicted of performing the procedure. The issue is expected to reach the Supreme Court.

The Lincoln trial is the result of a lawsuit filed by the Center for Reproductive Rights on behalf of abortion provider Dr. LeRoy Carhart of Bellevue, Fitzhugh, and two other physicians.

Carhart brought a challenge to the U.S. Supreme Court overturning Nebraska's D&X ban in 2000. The high court said the Nebraska law and others like it were an "undue burden" on women's rights.

Supporters of the federal ban argue that Congress wrote its law to take into account the

court's objections to the Nebraska statute.

U.S. District Judge Richard Kopf, who is presiding over the trial, also presided over Carhart's challenge to the Nebraska ban.

Also party to the Lincoln case is Dr. Jill Vibhakar, who practices medicine at Emma Goldman Clinic for Women and at the UI Carver College of Medicine Hospital.

She said the term "overt act" was vague in the law.

Enforcing the ban might force her to quit doing abortions in the second trimester of pregnancy, she said. It would force other doctors to inject drugs such as digoxin to induce fetal demise before a late D&X, after 20 weeks, she said.

"I might not be willing to incorporate that into my practice," she said.

In issuing a temporary restraining order last year

blocking enforcement of the federal ban, Kopf cited concerns that the law did not contain an exception for preserving the health of a woman seeking the abortion.

He also said he could find no record of a doctor who performs abortions in the second and third trimesters testifying before Congress on late-term abortions.

Anthony Coppolino, who is presenting the U.S. Justice Department's case, stressed Monday that Congress used expert witnesses in formulating the law.

Congress declared that a "partial-birth" abortion is never necessary to preserve the health of a woman and is "outside the standard of medical care."

In New York, assistant U.S. Attorney Sean Lane described the law as an attempt to ban an "inhumane and gruesome procedure that causes pain to the fetus."

Senate defies Bush, passes childcare funding

BY MARK SHERMAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Over White House objections, the Senate voted Tuesday for an additional \$6 billion for childcare for welfare recipients and the working poor as part of a bill to renew the landmark 1996 welfare-reform law.

Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., was among 31 Republicans who supported the increase, which passed, 78-20, despite the Bush administration's contention that significant reductions in welfare rolls have freed up money for childcare. House Republicans did not include it in the version of the legislation that passed the House last year.

The provision would send states \$20.5 billion over five years in the form of block grants for programs for children up to 13 years of age. Its authors, Sens. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine, and Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., said hundreds of thousands of children could lose childcare without the extra money, which in turn could force thousands of low-income parents to give up their jobs.

State budget crises already have caused reductions in childcare budgets, Dodd said.

Childcare numbers:

- \$6 billion in additional childcare funding
- 78-20 Senate vote in favor of increase
- 31 Republicans supported the increase

"Virtually every state has pared back, in one way or another, its support for childcare," he said.

One opponent of the additional money, Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., said a \$1 billion increase already built into the legislation was sufficient. "The idea that there isn't enough money out there for daycare is a ruse," he said. "What

this is about is a social policy that people should be more and more dependent upon government."

Senate Republican leaders want to finish work on the legislation this week and allow House and Senate negotiators to work out differences between the bills. It is unclear whether Republicans in the House would accept the sizable childcare increase, but Snowe and Dodd said Tuesday's vote indicated the Senate probably would not support welfare legislation without additional money.

First, though, the Senate's Republican leadership has to

contend with Democratic demands that the Senate vote on several amendments dealing with workers' wages and benefits, including a proposal to raise the hourly minimum wage from \$5.15 to \$7. Republicans said the amendments are election-year grandstanding unrelated to welfare.

Santorum also intends to seek a vote on his proposal to allow faith-based programs broader access to federal funding.



Ali Abunimah

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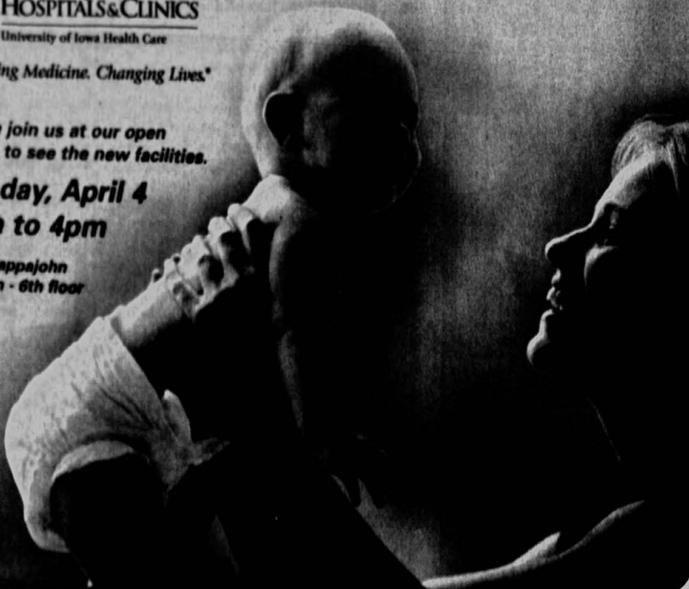
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Campaigns clash over fuel prices



BY JIM VANDEHEI AND MIKE ALLEN
WASHINGTON POST

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — With gasoline prices hitting new highs across the country, Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., Tuesday proposed new policies for reducing auto-fuel costs in a move certain to escalate the election-year political fight over prices at the pump.

Facing GOP attacks for advocating higher gas taxes as a senator, the Massachusetts Democrat called on President Bush to apply greater pressure on oil-producing nations to increase production in a bid to drive down crude oil prices and to temporarily suspend filling U.S. oil reserves.

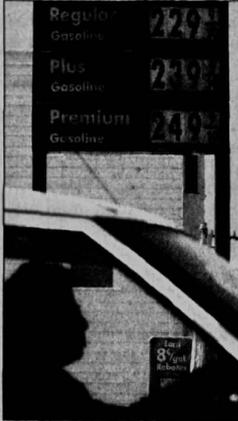
Kerry argued that diverting oil intended for U.S. reserves directly to the market will help depress gas prices, although analysts say that probably would have a negligible effect. Kerry also iterated his longer-term plans for decreasing the country's dependence on foreign oil and increasing its reliance on cleaner-burning alternative forms of energy.

"This administration has done nothing with OPEC to reduce gas prices," he said.

Kerry isn't alone in advocating this position: Several congressional Republicans have lobbied for freezing reserves to show consumers the party is doing everything it can to lower gas bills.

As summer approaches, soaring gasoline costs are emerging as a top pocketbook concern of consumers and businesses with steep transportation costs; prices at the pump are topping \$2 a gallon on the West Coast and averaging a record-high \$1.80 nationwide.

The Democrats believe that the price of gas could become a major flash point in the presidential debate over oil, the economy, and even Iraq and broader



Jeff Chiu/Associated Press
A woman drives past the gasoline-price board at the Shell gas station on Seventh Avenue and Lincoln Way in San Francisco on Tuesday. AAA has said more demand, high crude-oil prices, and low inventories are to blame for the rise in gasoline prices.

Middle East foreign policies. As one measure of the political sensitivity of the issue, a group of House Republicans, looking ahead to Memorial Day visits to their districts, has formally asked the White House to do what Kerry is calling for — ease pressure on prices by suspending shipments to the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, the government's emergency stockpile of oil.

Earlier this month, the Senate passed a nonbinding amendment, a matter the House has not taken up, calling for the suspension of shipments to the reserve. Sponsors contended that it could lower prices by a dime or more per gallon. Administration officials said they believe that suspending the purchases would have a negligible effect on gas prices. A senior administration official, who insisted on anonymity because he sets policy and is not a spokesman, said Monday that the White House would support such a move only in the case of a "severe supply disruption," such as an embargo or a political crisis in a major oil-producing crisis.



Gareth Fuller, Press Association/Associated Press
A British police officer stands guard as forensic officers prepare to enter a house in Crawley, West Sussex, on Tuesday, following raids across southeast England in which eight men were arrested under suspicion of being involved in terrorism.

British arrest 8 in alleged terrorist plot

BY JILL LAWLESS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — Police arrested eight men and seized half a ton of ammonium nitrate, a fertilizer compound used in the Oklahoma City bombing, in raids by hundreds of officers — one of the biggest antiterrorism operations in Britain since the 9/11 attacks.

Home Secretary David Blunkett, who has warned for months that London is a prime terrorist target, said the arrests Tuesday were a "timely reminder" of the threat from Al Qaeda. But a Muslim leader warned that the headline-grabbing dawn raids risked demonizing the whole community. Press Association, the British news agency, said all eight men who were arrested were of Pakistani descent, but police would not comment.

In a sweep involving 700 officers, eight suspects were picked up in London and towns to the south and west on suspicion of

involvement in the "commission, preparation, or instigation" of acts of terrorism, London's Metropolitan Police said.

Authorities recovered the ammonium nitrate — often used in terrorist bombings — from a self-storage facility in western London, police said. It was the largest seizure of potential bomb-making material in England since the Irish Republican Army suspended its campaign of violence in 1997.

"Part of the investigation will focus on the purchase, storage, and intended use of that material," said Deputy Assistant Commissioner Peter Clarke, the head of the force's antiterrorist branch. Clarke said the suspects were British, aged 17 to 32, and were arrested as part of an operation targeting alleged international terrorist activity. He said the operation, which involved five police forces, was not connected to the Madrid train bombings this month or to Irish terrorism.

Clarke gave no details of the suspects' background or religious affiliation, but he told reporters that "we in the police service know that the overwhelming majority of the Muslim community are law-abiding and completely reject all forms of violence."

Three of the arrests were in Uxbridge and Slough, near Heathrow Airport west of London, and four were in Crawley and Horley, near Gatwick to the

south. Police refused to say whether there was any significance to the proximity. The eighth arrest was in Ilford, east London.

Officers conducted 24 searches that also targeted addresses in Reading, Luton, and northern London. In Crawley, a bedroom community near Gatwick, forensic investigators in blue coveralls searched a red-brick house as neighbors and journalists looked on.

WORLD

Uzbek violence continues; death toll climbs to 42

TASHKENT, Uzbekistan (AP) — Gunfire and explosions resounded in the capital Tuesday as Uzbek forces battled for hours with suspected Islamic militants after two more suicide attacks. Officials claimed 20 terrorists and three police died in the fighting.

The bloodshed brought the death toll to 42 in three days of violence, the government said — the most serious unrest in the country since Uzbekistan let hundreds of U.S. troops use a base near the Afghan border after the 9/11 attacks. All of this week's attacks appeared to target Uzbek authorities.

The clashes Tuesday were centered in the Yalangach neighborhood, just outside the city limits off the road heading to the official home of President Islam Karimov.

An Associated Press reporter saw four separate sites of fighting in the district: remnants from two suicide bombings on roads, a burned-out building pockmarked with bullet holes, and the bodies of at least five suspects splashed out in front of an apartment house.

The Interior Ministry said in an statement read on state-run TV that 20 terrorists and three police were killed in the confrontations that began about 7:20 a.m., while five other police were wounded.

"Twenty of them blew themselves up using self-made explosive devices," the ministry said of the alleged terrorists.

The statement didn't say how long the operation lasted, but witnesses indicated explosions and shooting went on for at least several hours.

The clashes began with a pair of suicide bombings.

Police stopped a small car, and two alleged terrorists jumped out and detonated explosive-laden belts, killing themselves and three police officers and wounding five more officers, said a National Security Service officer at the scene who declined to give his name.

Spain fingers terrorist group in bombings

MADRID, Spain (AP) — The Spanish government named a Moroccan extremist group linked to Al Qaeda as the main focus of the Madrid bombing probe and said Tuesday that investigators were making swift progress.

The Moroccan Islamic Combatant Group, the forerunner of a group blamed for last year's suicide bombings in Casablanca, is now the "priority," Interior Minister Angel Acebes said — a reversal of the government's initial statements that the prime suspects were Basque separatists.

"Other options are not being ruled out, but primarily the investigation is going to go in this direction," Acebes told reporters.

The group had surfaced in Spanish news reports, but this was the first time a Spanish government official publicly identified it as the focus of investigation into the March 11 commuter-train bombings.

Acebes said witness testimony and the discovery of a rural house in which the attackers were believed to have assembled the backpack bombs used in the attacks have led investigators closer to unraveling the plot behind the bombings, which killed 191 people and wounded more than 1,800.

"The investigation is advancing. In 18 days, we have arrested 23 people including some of the chief perpetrators of the attack," Acebes said. Moroccan, British, and German authorities were involved in the investigation, he added.

Court officials said Judge Juan del Olmo would issue an international arrest warrant for five other suspects Tuesday.

The Spanish news agency Efe said Abdelkrim Mejjati, a 36-year-old Moroccan reportedly believed to have masterminded the attack, was among the five being sought. Court officials would not confirm the report.

Moroccan authorities have said Mejjati was linked to the suicide bombings in Casablanca last May, but his role in the Madrid attack was unclear. He is also wanted by the FBI in connection with possible terrorist threats against the United States.

Iraq car bomb kills 1, wounds 7

BAGHDAD (AP) — A suicide bombing outside the house of a police chief killed the attacker and wounded seven others Tuesday. Elsewhere, a U.S. soldier died in a bomb blast, and Spanish soldiers and Iraqi police quelled a riot by job seekers.

Attacks against U.S.-led coalition forces have increased in the last week, said Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt. He said there has been an average of 26 attacks daily, an increase of about six from recent weeks.

Despite the "slight uptick," Kimmitt said, the security situation in Iraq remained "stable."

In the latest assault, one U.S. soldier was killed and another wounded in a roadside bombing Tuesday, Kimmitt said. The injured soldier was flown to a combat support hospital after the explosion near Ramadi, west of Baghdad.

In Ramadi, a U.S. Humvee was hit with a rocket-propelled grenade

Tuesday, setting it on fire, witnesses said. Four soldiers who were in the vehicle were seen being rushed away in another Humvee. A U.S. spokeswoman in Baghdad could not confirm the attack.

It was unclear whether the incidents were related.

The suicide bombing occurred in Hillah, approximately 60 miles south of Baghdad, near where another police chief was shot and killed a week ago and nine police recruits died when assailants sprayed their minibus with small arms fire.

Police Maj. Ali Jawad said guards outside the house of Brig. Gen. Qeis Hamza, Hillah's police chief, fired at the car when they saw it speeding toward them but failed to stop the attacker.

Four of the wounded were guards; the three others were residents of nearby houses, Jawad said. Hamza and his family, who were home at the time, were unharmed. The explosion damaged the chief's house and those of his neighbors.

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The USDA recently proposed that downed cattle, animals too sick to stand, be banned from the human food supply after the discovery of mad cow disease in a downed cow. Mad cow disease is a fatal neurological disorder with no known cure.

While mad cow disease was officially confirmed in the U.S. in December, 2003, there is evidence that a similar neurological disease has been present in the U.S. since at least the early 1990's. Other diseases known to afflict U.S. cattle include bovine leukemia virus, bovine immunodeficiency virus, and Johnes Disease - whose human counterpart is Crohns Disease. Sheep in the U.S. harbor their own neurological disease, called "scrapie," while poultry are known to harbor avian influenza. In the age of factory farming, transmissible animal diseases spread quickly, and they commonly go undetected as meat, milk and eggs are rushed onto supermarket shelves. Even when diseases are found, they are allowed into the human food supply. Downed animals with malignant lymphoma, hepatitis, gangrene and other ailments have been approved for human food by USDA.

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Much needs to be done to improve the quality of our food supply and the well-being of farm animals, including a ban on the use of downed animals in the food supply. The USDA is accepting public comments on its proposed rule to prevent downed cattle from being used for food until April 12. Please write immediately urging the USDA to publish a final rule banning all downed cattle, as well as downed sheep, pigs and other species, from being used for human food.

Encourage friends, family, and others to write. This public comment period provides a rare opportunity to formally express concerns about the acceptability and influence marketing of the slaughter of downed animals.

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'Conflicted emotions' for Green on last UISG day

UISG

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UI President David Skorton iterated that sentiment, saying UISG was "extremely successful at maintaining a close relationship with the Iowa state Board of Regents and communicating students' concerns about increasing tuition."

In Green's eyes, the most successful UISG initiative was the Collegiate Readership Program. Beginning in the fall, the program will provide students with five different national and state newspapers at various campus outlets.

Yet, students lounging in the downstairs of the IMU Tuesday afternoon knew little of such initiatives, and one question even elicited the response, "Who's Nate Green?"

"Isn't he the old president?" asked UI freshman Josh Brown, who was not alone in his lack of knowledge about the administration.

Former UISG President Nick Klenske said the lack of communication between the outgoing administration and students could have been improved by mass e-mails or attending student-group meetings.

But Green said sending mass e-mails was something he felt to be a lofty goal, considering the approval process each message must undergo, adding there was "no way to reach every student."

Another unfulfilled desire of Green's was to establish a better residence-hall recycling program, contending that it "wasn't because of lack of effort" but fire codes and administration policy that prevented the program's success.

UI Recycling Commission Chairwoman Alena Green said the idea is "regurgitated every year on [nominees'] platforms," but the program's success or failure inevitably falls in UI administrators' hands.

"There are always more

issues that need to be addressed that you can't fit in," said Skorton of UISG's shortcomings.

The UISG budgeting committee was also criticized in November 2003 for unconstitutionally doling out \$25,000 in student fees without sufficient minute-taking or number of voting members. After UISG tried to cut \$12,500 from the UI Lecture Committee, the committee decided to take a direct cut from student fees instead of receiving funding from UISG.

"We're getting a consistent budget now," said Patrick Finn, the chairman of the Lecture Committee. "There are benefits from getting out of UISG funding."

Green said he will miss serving as president, but he is excited about spending more time with his wife, Andrea, and becoming involved in other activities.

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Another measles case turns up

MEASLES

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ahead of time."

This is the third case linked to a passenger who flew from Amsterdam through Detroit to Cedar Rapids on March 12.

Quinlisk said the newly infected student contracted the virus from the same man returning from India as did an Iowa City native who now lives in Santa Cruz. That man, a 21-year-old student at the University of California-Santa Cruz,

visited several locations in Iowa City and Coralville during the week after his return, including the AT&T Wireless store at Coral Ridge Mall, the UI Dental Clinic, and the UI Hospitals and Clinics' emergency room.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, there is a high risk of exposure to measles when traveling outside the United States. The CDC recommends an initial vaccination at 12-15 months old and a second dose between 4 and 6 years of age.

According to the agency, 95 percent of people who receive the first vaccination will become immune to measles.

Quinlisk said the Iowa Department of Public Health is asking the infected individuals to stay at home until around four days after the rash — the virus' most apparent symptom — starts. She said the department will watch for new cases at least through the May 8 second incubation period.

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Rice to testify before 9/11 panel

RICE

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the testimony "a thick layer of smoke that you couldn't pierce with any other messages."

The standoff between the White House and the commission had been going on for weeks, but public attention to it increased exponentially following last week's testimony by Richard Clarke, formerly Bush's

counterterrorism director, that the administration failed to respond quickly enough to near-daily warnings about Al Qaeda in the months before attacks.

Commission members, who questioned Rice in private for four hours in February, have said they are anxious to get her public testimony regarding discrepancies between White House statements and Clarke's assertions.

As Bush left the White

House press room after reading a four-minute statement, he ignored questions about why he had changed his mind and why he did not do so sooner.

Kean and other commissioners praised the White House decision. "We want to understand the nature of the decision-making at the highest levels of government," Kean said. "We've got to try to clear up those discrepancies as best we can."

UI student resilient in fighting cystic fibrosis

CYSTIC FIBROSIS

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had a lot more adjusting to do in the last couple of years."

Instead of wallowing in her fears, Molly Baker chooses to raise awareness about the disease. For roughly the past eight years, she has either coordinated or participated in Iowa City's cystic-fibrosis walk, "Great Strides."

"Molly is one of the most resilient and exciting people to be around," said friend and UI senior Joanna Waggoner, who joined her on last year's walk and plans to attend again on May 15. "She is always doing something creative or fun and has a really good personality. She is always encouraging, she is always so happy."

Sitting in her dorm room,

Baker is surrounded by pictures of smiling friends and a poster of Leonardo DiCaprio — images overshadowing the nebulizer, which vaporizes medication to help her breathe, and the \$16,000 inflatable breathing vest, hidden behind her bed, which pounds on her lower and upper chest to break mucus from her lungs twice a day.

Healthy throughout high school, she had her first of half a dozen lung infections at the beginning of her freshman year at the UI. The infection, which landed her at UI Hospitals and Clinics for two weeks over winter recess, has colonized in her body — further decreasing her lung function each year.

"They will give me medication to manage it," she said, even though eradicating the infection is no longer possible.

The last three years have meant more medication and

hospital visits, coupled with a serious infection.

In the meantime, her illness creates problems with her social life and work. She has trouble dating new people and frequently finds herself wheezing in smoke-filled bars and exhausted from school and work.

"How many guys say, 'I want to date a girl with a terminal illness?'" she said with a wide grin. "I don't want to scare anyone."

She describes her mother as her main source of comfort and guidance. She not only supports Molly Baker emotionally but also donates time and money to cystic-fibrosis fund-raisers.

"I have to sit and believe that they are going to find something someday," Ann Baker said.

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Judge rules against Moen on releasing of records

MOEN

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eventually harm him.

Koehler issued a temporary injunction soon after the petition was filed.

Moen testified Tuesday that he believed his personal information would remain confidential after a discussion with Karin Franklin, the city's planning and community-development director. During that conversation, Franklin told Moen to file information he wished to keep confidential under a separate cover, he said.

"I had a comfort level that the city would see it as confidential and not release the information as such," Moen said.

Franklin said she "fuzzily" remembers the alleged conversation and that she does not have the authority to grant requests for confidentiality, adding post-hearing that such requests are granted through the city attorney's office.

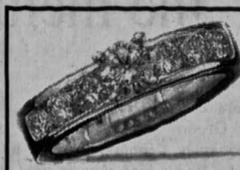
Also, stipulations for confidentiality requests must specifically cite the applicable law to the request, court records show. Upon Koehler's questioning, Moen said he did not cite the particular law but did use its language.

Ballard ended his argument Tuesday saying that no evidence existed that showed a compelling public interest because the project had already begun and "layers upon layers" of protection are set in place to ensure the project proceeds

well. After the hearing, he and Moen left the Johnson County Courthouse without speaking

to reporters.

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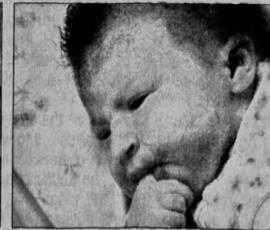
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Landing my dream job



SHAWN SEBASTIAN

I WOKE UP smacking my lips and running my hands through my hair, but found my head was smooth save for a few electrodes stuck to my bare scalp.

Alarmed, I quickly turned over in bed and saw through a window to my left a laboratory full of men and women in lab coats bustling past each other, carrying stacks of overflowing files, listening with headphones to huge audio reels, and viewing a large screen displaying a confusing but oddly familiar series of images of dogs, fire, and trapeze artists in fast forward, slow motion, and reverse.

As I struggled to focus my eyes, a man in thick-rimmed glasses with a crew cut leaned over me and began speaking rapidly and obsequiously. "Ahh, Mr. Sebastian, hello, hello. How are you today? Good? Good. Another great job today sir, in fact a *fantastic* job if I do say so myself, but by now you must be sick to death of my propensity for superlatives in regards to your work, am I right? Of course, of course. Enough of my meaningless prattle, let's just get on with it then, shall we?"

I stared at him blankly. "Good! Sir, do you recall your recent dream about the gigantic Dobermans taking over a tire yard and forcing you to lead a fleet of helicopters equipped with flamethrowers to drive them onto an isolated tropical island, thus affording a retired family of circus performers the opportunity to train them to pull their wagons and till their fields?"

I stared at him blankly. "Sir?"

"Uhh ... yeah," I forced myself to snap back into it. "Yeah, I do. Vaguely."

"Well the Department of Defense loved the helicopters, and it plans on putting a portion of its discretionary budget toward development and manufacturing. The Department of Agriculture is in talks with Johns Hopkins about the feasibility of cloning giant dogs for farm labor, maybe pairing them up with the hyper-intelligent chimpanzees from last month to settle their fears about letting the monkeys use heavy machinery. The lab's still trying to figure out the juggling guy on stilts, but we're confident ..."

"If I could just interrupt for one second ... what exactly am I doing here?"

"Don't worry Mr. Sebastian, periodic moments of disorientation are expected with this procedure." He sighed and continued, "I won't bore you with the technical details because the gist of what we do is quite simple: From the analysis and observation of your dreams, we farm out your best ideas to the government and manufacturing and entertainment industries. Our job is to monitor your brain waves and your job is to ... well, your job is to basically just sleep."

I sat up in bed, slowly scanning the frenzied activity in the lab. "This isn't ... real is it? This whole thing ... this is a dream in and of itself, right?"

The man paused, caught off guard, and looked sheepishly down at his clipboard and shuffled his feet, "Umm, yes it is, sir."

"What does this all mean?" "Permission to speak freely sir?" I nodded in assent. "Well, as a trained psychologist the answer is quite simple: You're gay."

I stared at him blankly. "Sorry, sir," he chuckled. "Inside joke. Seriously, though — you, a liberal-arts major with no tangible skills, are experiencing extreme anxiety toward entering the job market. You've only had the haziest ideas of what you wanted to study, and now you have no clue what you actually want to do. Seeing no point in taking the last few steps in what you have come to view as a useless charade, you spend 14 hours a day sleeping."

"Overwhelmed with a bleak future, you ignore present responsibilities, which sends you deeper into catatonia. To cope, you've constructed this elaborate, and rather pathetic, fantasy in which your occupation and contribution to society requires you to do absolutely nothing — the only thing you seem able to do nowadays. In short, sir, your self-loathing has resulted in the creation of an alternate reality in which you have made a career of your narcissism and laziness."

I stared at him blankly. The man shifted uncomfortably, "If it's any consolation, sir ... those helicopters were honestly quite cool." ■

JUMP shots

Literary itinerary

If you haven't noticed, Iowa City is even more literary than usual this week. Salman Rushdie lectured Monday night, T.C. Boyle read Tuesday night, and that's just the half of it. James Salter will read tonight, and Lorrie Moore rounds things out on Friday.

So if you haven't taken advantage yet, you might want to start. Iowa City has a lot of fun bars, some great live music, and more than its fair share of theater. But what it's known for is the written word. Check it out.

OK, enough preaching. But if our badgering doesn't persuade you, we're also pretty sure you could get some extra credit for class.

A good move by Bush

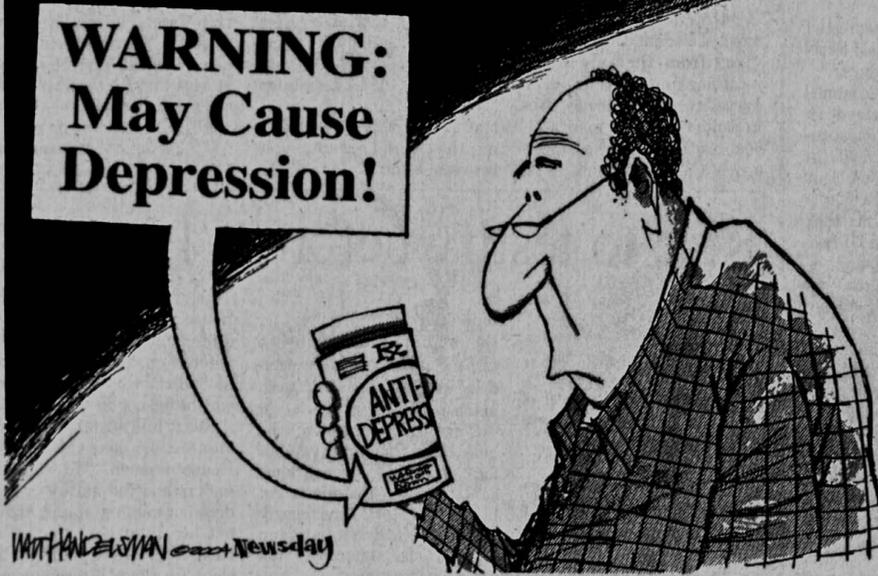
The Bush administration took huge steps Tuesday toward ensuring that the commission investigating the 9/11 attacks will have the tools it needs to do its job.

Previously, the Bush administration steadfastly opposed the notion of National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice appearing before the commission in public. It also said that President Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney would be made available to only part of the commission.

The administration reversed itself on both counts Tuesday, saying that Rice will in fact testify in public and under oath and that Bush and Cheney will testify — although in private — in front of the entire commission.

Not only do these steps acknowledge the level of cooperation necessary to deal with the aftermath of an event such as 9/11, it also helps the administration out a little. Rice likely has nothing to hide, and the administration will probably benefit from her testimony. At the very least, the administration will no longer be under fire as being "too secretive."

The administration had previously kept Rice from public testimony because of the technicality of "executive privilege." We're glad that Bush, Cheney, and Rice have finally seen the light.



Thanks for the 19-law, the memories

A look back at Green and Wegmann

As the term of UI Student Government President Nate Green and Vice President Mayrose Wegmann draws to a close — with Lindsay Schutte and Jason Shore poised to assume those spots Thursday — it's an opportune moment to look at the highlights of the past year under Giant Sloth leadership.

Former UISG President and fellow Sloth Nick Herbold passed the torch on to Green one year ago, just as debate began to rage over a proposed ordinance that would deny bar entry in Iowa City to those under 21. This was possibly the most remarkable victory for student government under Green's leadership — the City Council had actually passed one of three votes required to enact the ordinance but agreed to negotiate a compromise, settling on the current ordinance, which allows bar entrance to those 19 and older. The compromise took place following a steady line of opposition to the

original policy by bar owners and student leaders, including Green and Wegmann. Green subsequently created an Alcohol and Bar Committee, consisting of a four members, whose duty is to gauge effectiveness of the current law — an action that illustrated UISG's concern over the issue and willingness to cooperate in addressing it.

Green's agenda wasn't restricted to booze. UISG implemented the Collegiate Readership Program — making five local, regional, and national newspapers available to students on campus — for a test period last fall to determine whether there was interest in the initiative. The program is expected to continue next fall, with pick-up locations around campus; students can gain access to the papers by swiping their student IDs. The cost is only \$5 per student per semester — certainly a worthwhile expenditure when considering the educational opportunities.

The Green-Wegmann team also had its share of controversial moments, such as Green's decision last May to veto the applications of 50 students for charter committees because of "inconsistencies in the interviewing process." Or the excessive amount of money that was spent on last year's student voting project — more than \$4,000 was devoted to encouraging students to vote in the council elections last November, but student voting actually decreased. And some goals were not met, such as the implementation of online academic-adviser evaluations or the placement of recycling facilities in the residence halls.

But we approve of the overall performance by Green and Wegmann during the past year. They stood for student interests on controversial issues, namely alcohol ordinances and tuition hikes, and at the very least, they made a concerted effort to increase student participation in local and regional affairs.

LETTERS

The mercury blues

The EPA planned to require power plants to reduce mercury emissions by 90 percent by 2008.

The EPA now proposes to demand only a 30 percent emission reduction and allow some sources to avoid controls entirely by buying pollution "credits."

The Bush administration proposes to emit mercury pollution longer. The proposal also would give polluters at least 15 years to make the reductions rather than the three years currently required by law.

There is no uncertainty about the danger to the environment, and to humans, emanating from power-plant mercury pollution. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that 8 percent of women of childbearing age in the United States have unsafe mercury levels in their blood.

The EPA itself reports that 630,000 infants annually are born at risk for learning disabilities. Mercury is a toxic metal that can cause severe neurological and developmental problems in unborn fetuses and young children.

The EPA must protect our children by making all power plants install controls to stop mercury pollution by 2008.

If you want to do something about it, please write your congressional representatives or the EPA. I did.

Ralph Ramer
Iowa City resident

Making sure the kids are all right

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. We need to honor the month of April as National Child Abuse month and take action while doing so.

Child abuse is everyone's business. More than three children die each day as a result of abuse in the home. Approximately 3 million child-abuse reports are made each year; on average that is one report every 10 seconds.

There are many organizations out there trying to prevent and treat abuse, including Childhelp USA. The organization's mission is to meet the physical, emotional, educational, and spiritual needs of abused and neglected children.

One of the best ways to stop child abuse is to warn the public about how serious a crime it is. The public should be aware of the signs that a child who gets abused may have. People should also be aware of how they can help — reporting child

abuse is one major way, and it could save a child's life. The ability to prevent child abuse is at the public's fingertips.

I am asking that people participate in learning about how they can prevent child abuse and support such programs as Childhelp USA. One way is to find an abuse program or organization in your area and ask if there is any way to help. There are many different options, whether you volunteer to work directly with children, hand out brochures for the organization, or make a donation. Child Abuse Prevention Month is an opportunity to remind ourselves of our combined responsibility to prevent more children from being abused this year. Let's do all we can to protect the children.

Destinee Beene
UI student

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The WICKED WITCH of the WEST WING

ON THE SPOT

On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate the job Nate Green has done as UI Student Government president?



"Nine. I thought Nate did an awesome job as president."

Pete McElligott
UI freshman



"Six."

Sandy Reynolds
UI sophomore



"Eight."

Matt Johnson
UI alumnus



"Zero, because I don't know what's going on with student government."

Mike Samos
UI senior

ARTS

No great vintages in this worn-out vineyard

BY DANNY KIMBALL
THE DAILY IOWAN

I want to like the Vines. I really do. I've tried to at least give it the benefit of the doubt, and I certainly don't have anything against the group. I just can't bring myself to like it.

The world was introduced to the Vines upon the release of its debut album, *Highly Evolved*. What followed was exaggerated critical acclaim, the utter saturation of the single "Get Free," and the perpetual presence of lead singer and band patriarch Craig Nicholls. Any one of those things would have made me want to write the band off then and there.

However, I took a close look at the record and saw a very promising debut and a good young rock band with a great deal of potential. I heard Nicholls bragging about the hundreds of songs he had written since recording *Evolved* and about how the next record would be laps ahead of the first. From this, I thought, "Well, it must be a focused, determined band that will improve upon the raw energy and style of the first release and give me something for which to really like it."

That's where I was wrong. The Vines' follow-up, *Winning Days*, is merely a rerun of the first record, only this one lacks the inherent energy that was the debut's greatest strength. This album is more of the Vines' now-predictable post-grunge sludge and dirty garage punk. The band strays little from the sound that has garnered unending comparisons



CD REVIEW
the Vines
Winning Days

with Nirvana. Once again, though, it seems far more like covering than it does tribute or innovation.

Days is a mix of one part two-and-a-half-minute distortion rock-outs with throat-mangling screaming and one part slow, wandering electric strums with soaring vocal harmonies. This tired formula wears on without the endearing reckless vivacity that drove through the first record. *Evolved* was excused for its lack of imagination by this power and by being a debut album — the band at least displayed the spark that could be ignited into a blaze with time. So, add this expectation to Nicholls' claims of prolific songwriting and recording resolve, and we see the assumptions about *Days* that are all wrong.

The single "Ride" is a microcosm that explains the new album perfectly. It is an only slightly differing retread of "Get Free" — instead of "I'm gonna get free," it's "Ride with



Publicity photo

Usually on drugs and always obnoxious, Vines lead singer Craig Nicholls (left) can't put his music where his mouth is. *Winning Days*, the Vines' sophomore effort, is simply an unimpressive re-creation of its debut.

me." The guitar lines are noticeably similar, and the instrumental and vocal rhythms are virtually identical. Truly the only difference is that "Ride" is completely devoid of the rollicking intensity that kept "Get Free" from being a tedious mess. This pattern holds true for the whole album: The rockers are missing the force, and the lighter fare fails to go anywhere.

The muddy guitars on "Animal Machine" and the stop-and-go, fast-and-slow dynamics of "TV Pro" seem flat and accomplish little more than overt Kurt Cobain worship. The closer, "FTW," is the only track that delivers the primal energy of *Evolved*, but it can't overcome being just plain dumb. The track consists of lit-

tle more than squealing guitars and Nicholls repeatedly screaming "Fuck the world!"

As with the first album, the most interesting tracks on *Days* are the slower ones. Fittingly, the stand-out number is "Autumn Shade II," actually the sequel to a track from *Evolved*. The evocative, attractive acoustic guitar and piano melody and lovely vocals are a noticeable difference from the rest of the record — mostly because it is basically straight from the other record. This version, not so much of a sequel as it is a re-recording, is practically indistinguishable from the original.

"Winning Days," "She's Got Something to Say," and "Rainfall" are enjoyable old-school pop built on mid-tempo melodies and sugary background harmonies. This stretch

of songs — found in the middle of the album — is merely a short interlude from one disappointing section of the album to another.

Perhaps I expected more from Nicholls because of the way he acts. The obnoxious, heavily drugged singer is notorious for throwing tantrums and trashing places, and he has a reputation of being inexplicably rude to everyone from managers to the press to bandmates. I guess I assumed a rock star would only act that bratty and annoying if he could back it up with his music. You shouldn't be treated like a mad genius without the genius part.

I really don't know why I would have anticipated more from *Winning Days*. *Evolved*, while a solid debut with undeniable punch, was far from extraordinary. Here, the Vines tries only to recreate that record but fails to match the essential potency. I'm still waiting to be impressed.

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- Nuclear and Particle Physics Seminar, "Asymptotic Behavior of Universal Amplitudes," Yannick Meurice, physics/astronomy, 3:30 p.m., 309 Van Allen Hall.
- Joint, Astrophysics/Space Physics Seminar, "Spectral Clumping in Hot Star Winds," Andrew Onifer, physics/astronomy, 3:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen Hall.
- Grants and Proposals Workshop Series for Graduates/Undergraduates, "Discipline-Specific Sessions: Arts and Humanities," 4 p.m., 118 MacLean Hall.
- "Palestine/Israel: the End of the Two-State Solution?," Ali Abunimah, 7 p.m., W10 Pappajohn Business Building.
- Campus Activities Board/SCOPE event, auditions for Ari Hest opening, 7 p.m., IMU Wheelroom.
- James Salter, fiction, 8 p.m., Van Allen Hall Lecture Room 2.
- College Greens meeting, 6 p.m., IMU River Room 2.
- 2004 Promotion and Tenure Symposium, 6:30 p.m., 2217 Seamans Center.

Little University

- 1 What late author's ashes were stolen at a costume party at Joanne Carson's house?
- 2 What home entertainment device did Sony's CEO boldly predict would be its top "cash cow" in 1996, the year it was launched?
- 3 What year-old stadium's fabric roof collapsed in 1983 under the weight of a heavy snow?
- 4 What word flashes every three minutes on a sign next to a cardboard cutout of Mr. Wunnerful at the Lawrence Welk Museum?
- 5 Who dated Robert De Niro, Timothy Hutton, and Richard Gere before marrying Ethan Hawke?

Answers:
1. Truman Capote's
2. Playstation
3. The Metrodome
4. Applause
5. Uma Thurman

Quote of the Day

[Saddam's] a pretty wily guy, and he's not giving much information that I've seen. But he seems to be enjoying the debate.

— Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage, on the lack of success U.S. officials are having in interrogating Saddam Hussein.

happy birthday to ...

- March 31 — Todd Alan Plagman, 19
- March 31 — Asana Mohamad, 20
- March 31 — Fuseina Mohamad, 20
- March 31 — Angie Mahrt 21
- March 31 — Ian Durkee, 23

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news you need to know

- April 5 — Undergraduates: Last day to drop individual semester-length courses, 4:30 p.m.
- April 8 — Graduate students: First deposit of theses due in Graduate College
- April 13 — Graduate students: Last day to withdraw entire registration or drop individual-length courses, 4:30 p.m.
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- April 19 — SUMMER AND FALL 2004 EARLY REGISTRATION, APRIL 19-30
- April 19 — Undergraduates: Last day to withdraw entire spring semester registration, 4:30 p.m.

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- 7 a.m. Democracy Now
- 10 National Gallery Presents
- Noon Johnson County Democratic Convention '04
- 1:40 p.m. Penguin Music Hour
- 2 First United Methodist Church
- 3 Highlights from the Toastmasters Founders Day
- 4 Our Redeemer Church

- 5 QM (replay)
- 6 Ripitup Sports! Live
- 7 Kumina
- 8 PATV Reserved: Premieres
- 9 The Cousin Arnold Show Live
- 10 Our Bodies, Ourselves
- 10:20 Nachte Rahon
- Midnight Cold & Grey

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- 8 Say Something
- 8:30 Uwey
- 9 Chinese New Year

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DOCTOR DOGBERT SHOW

MY NEXT GUEST IS ADDICTED TO PLASTIC SURGERY.

I'VE ALWAYS LIKED THE WHOLE DINOSAUR LOOK, SO I JUST WENT FOR IT.

DO YOU HAVE SOME PLAINSPOKEN ADVICE FOR ME?

SHUT UP, YOU FREAK.

BY SCOTT ADAMS

'NON SEQUITUR

UH...WHAT'S WITH THE APRON, DANAE?

IT'S THE FIRST STEP TO FILLING THE VOID AS DOMESTIC DIVA...

IT ALL STARTS RIGHT HERE IN THE KITCHEN. I JUST NEED SOME FABULOUS RECIPES, THEN PRESENT THEM IN A FABULOUS WAY...

...WITH A FABULOUS ASSISTANT

HEY, I KNOW HOW TO MAKE MUFFINS.

BY WILEY

Doonesbury

SO IF BIG DEFICITS ARE DESIRABLE, THEN IT FOLLOWS THAT SURPLUSES ARE BAD, FRANK?

ABSOLUTELY! SURPLUSES ENCOURAGE WASTEFUL SPENDING!

THAT'S WHY CLINTON KEPT BUILDING BIG SURPLUSES YEAR AFTER YEAR—SO HE'D HAVE MORE TO SPEND!

NOW... THAT'S DEVIOUS!

I THINK THE WORD YOU'RE LOOKING FOR IS EVIL.

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

THE LEDGE

HOW TO MAKE YOUR INTERNSHIP APPLICATION STAND OUT

By Jesse Ammerman

- You may be competing against hundreds of other applicants with similar backgrounds. While some might be more qualified for the job, show that you can at least lay claim to the role of Beyoncé's No. 1 superfan.
- Prove that you mean business by including a picture of the Rock or Vin Diesel.
- No matter how successful you've been, give credit where it's due: to the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In fact, you'll probably want to list Him as a reference.
- Feel free to experiment with your grammar. Traditional notions about copyediting were cast aside after the release of Chingy's "Right Thurr."
- Keep in mind that the government now recognizes fast-food labor as a "manufacturing" trade. So if you include your high-school gig at Hardee's, you could rightly be considered a titan of modern industry.
- If there are noticeable gaps in your résumé, quickly fill these with some smiley faces or cute bunny stickers.
- In most cases, erotic advances and innuendo should be saved for the interview.
- Don't waste time typing a cover letter when a pink highlighter and construction paper will demonstrate your interest more vividly.
- Never lie about your educational background. Just make up the stuff about employment history.

horoscopes

Wednesday, March 31, 2004 by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Your go-getter attitude plus your unique ideas will lead to some interesting prospects today. The more you interact with other people, the greater your chance for a worthwhile partnership.
- TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Follow your own path today. Someone you live with or spend a lot of time with will make you angry. Don't be surprised if he or she has withheld information from you.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Plan to go on a little adventure. Whether you travel a long or short distance, the end result will be positive. Romance can lead to some very interesting decisions.
- CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Use your head about making extra cash, but try to get someone else to use her or his money. An interesting connection to your past will surface, bringing back some old ideas that you can reuse.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): It may be hard to hold things together at an emotional level if you are experiencing a change of heart. Insecurity may be the reason you are feeling uncertain. Be honest with yourself.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take your work seriously, or someone will think that you aren't interested in pursuing advancement. Someone is likely to withhold information you require in order to complete a job.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): The improvements that you can bring about will also result in your own popularity. You can help youngsters and develop new partnerships through the company you keep.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't look for trouble — it will find you, especially if you are working with other people today. Slow down, and take a closer look before making a decision that could result in a loss.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Get involved in community events. A business trip will help you discover if a project you want to pursue is feasible. You are likely to discover a new approach that will help you advance.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You know all about time and money, so don't procrastinate when it comes to financial matters. Be careful not to let yourself get run down. Worry about something you can't change will lead to more stress.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): The chance of getting blamed for something you didn't do is likely. Bend a little if you are in a relationship — your partner isn't likely to back down.
- PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Someone you work for may be jealous of your ideas. He or she may try to take credit for something you brought to the table. Stay current in all that you do, and you'll be the one to advance.

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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 0218

- ACROSS**
- 1 Shout from the sidelines on TV
 - 6 "Monty Python" airer
 - 9 "Concentration" puzzle
 - 14 Expo '70 site
 - 15 "Seinfeld" uncle
 - 16 Visibly shocked
 - 17 Casino slickster
 - 19 Caddie, basically
 - 20 Dangerous cargo, in modern lingo
 - 22 Humble reply
 - 23 "Charlotte's Web" author
 - 27 Sheriff's party?
 - 29 Snickers
 - 30 Like some eels or catfish
 - 33 Genesis firstborn
 - 34 Steek, in car talk
 - 35 "I'm so glad!"
 - 36 Elevs.
 - 37 Toaster treat
 - 40 State Dept. figure
 - 41 Comics shriek
 - 42 Met number
 - 43 Opposite of endo-
 - 44 Shows contempt for
 - 46 Potential retiree
 - 48 Gold rush territory
 - 49 Shamefaced
 - 50 W.W. II ally
 - 52 Major fiction
 - 54 "Go ahead, ask!"
 - 56 What 17- and 37-Across and 11- and 25-Down each comes to?
 - 61 Two-door conveyance
 - 62 Aladdin's sidekick
 - 63 Instant message recipient, maybe
 - 64 Like unlucky terrors
 - 65 Iron-pumper's unit
 - 66 Writer who's in the minority
- DOWN**
- 1 Ad
 - 2 "Love — Sickness" (Daniel poem)
 - 3 Deface
 - 4 Gave the go-ahead
 - 5 Five iron
 - 6 Mark, as a trail
 - 7 Road shoulder
 - 8 Accede to the district attorney, perhaps
 - 9 Blow the whistle (on)
 - 10 Self-server
 - 11 Bad coffee, informally
 - 12 Manipulator
 - 13 Light-footed
 - 18 Panama and porkpie
 - 21 " — is human
 - 23 Makes aquaints
 - 24 Much traveled
 - 25 Sugary cocktail
 - 26 Clucker
 - 28 Nae sayer
 - 30 Trouble constantly
 - 31 "You are not!" retort
 - 32 RoboCop, e.g.
 - 37 Bench locale
 - 38 Mork's leader on "Mork & Mindy"
 - 39 Place for cocktails
 - 43 Chang's twin
 - 45 Low Countries locale
 - 46 Margarita feature
 - 47 Ratify by stamping
 - 49 In a lather
 - 50 Maritime grp.
 - 51 "Buzz off!"
 - 53 Sensation, slangily
 - 55 Sitcom newsmen
 - 57 Lobster eggs
 - 58 Brownie
 - 59 Take captive
 - 60 Like some wells and lectures

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Duke takes on unfamiliar role

BY AARON BEARD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DURHAM, N.C. — Duke is hardly used to being an underdog. After all, the Blue Devils have won three national championships and reached 10 Final Fours under coach Mike Krzyzewski.

But Connecticut has beaten all of its NCAA Tournament foes by at least 16 points, and it is favored to defeat Duke in Saturday's national semifinals in San Antonio.

It will be a rematch of the 1999 NCAA final, which UConn won for its first national championship in men's basketball.

Duke was favored in that game, but Krzyzewski insists it shouldn't be this time.

"I'm not saying [the Huskies] can't be beaten by the other three teams in the Final Four, but I think they're the best team because they have more

ways to beat the other team than anybody else," Krzyzewski said. "They can beat you with their defense. They can beat you with their rebounding. They can beat you with inside game. They can beat you with their outside shooting. And they can beat you with driving."

UConn (31-6), ranked No. 1 in the preseason, have certainly done a little bit of everything to reach San Antonio.

In a 72-55 second-round victory over DePaul, Connecticut scored the game's first 11 points and followed with a 16-2 run to take control.

In a 73-53 third-round rout of Vanderbilt, the Huskies built a 44-21 rebounding advantage.

In a 87-71 win against Alabama in the Phoenix Regional final, Connecticut got 36 points from Ben Gordon and 28 from Rashad Anderson. The Huskies made 10-of-17 3-pointers, and

led, 53-29, at halftime.

Gordon is averaging 22 points in the tournament, while Anderson is averaging 18 and has made 16 of 31 attempts from behind the arc.

And, of course, the Huskies have Emeka Okafor, the nation's leading shot blocker, to anchor the front line.

"All of us have some of those [abilities] but not all of them," Krzyzewski said. "It's a very difficult team to figure out how to beat, because if all those things are happening for it in a game, it's pretty tough."

The Blue Devils (31-5) are hardly an overmatched team that won't put up a good fight, however.

Duke was ranked No. 2 in the preseason, won 18-straight games to reach No. 1 at midseason and is back in the Final Four for the first time since winning the title in 2001.



Duke head coach Mike Krzyzewski cuts down the net after Duke beat Xavier in the NCAA Atlanta Regional final on Sunday.



Brad Banks

CONTRACT

Banks signs with Canadian league

Former Iowa Hawkeye quarterback and 2002 Heisman trophy runner-up Brad Banks signed a two-year contract with the Ottawa Renegades of the Canadian Football League on Monday. The one-year starter at Iowa was cut by the NFL's Washington Redskins in August of 2003, but like well-known former and current NFL players Warren Moon and Jeff Garcia, the mobile quarterback is hoping to use the CFL as a stepping stone in fulfilling his dream of playing in the pros in the United States.

"I think Brad just needs to play," Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said. "I think that will give him his best chance to pursue his dream of playing in the National Football League."

"He only played one year of major college football at that position, one year of junior college. I think he's just scratching the surface... I think the more he plays, the more interest he'll drum up that way, so I think it's a great thing."

— by Brian Triplett

NBA

Iverson likely to sit out rest of season

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Philadelphia 76ers All-Star Allen Iverson will likely miss the rest of the regular season with a knee injury, according to media reports Tuesday.



Iverson
Out for season

Iverson will be out four to six weeks with cartilage damage to his right knee, the Philadelphia Inquirer and ESPN reported on their websites, citing an anonymous source close to the guard.

The injury was diagnosed Monday by New York Giants team doctor Russell Warren, according to the reports.

Philadelphia general manager Billy King told reporters before the team's home game Tuesday night against Golden State that an announcement on Iverson would be coming.

A message left by the Associated Press for Iverson's agent, Leon Rose, was not immediately returned.

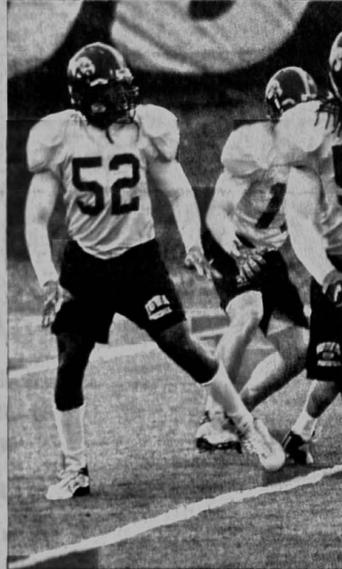
The Sixers had eight regular-season games left heading into Tuesday night.

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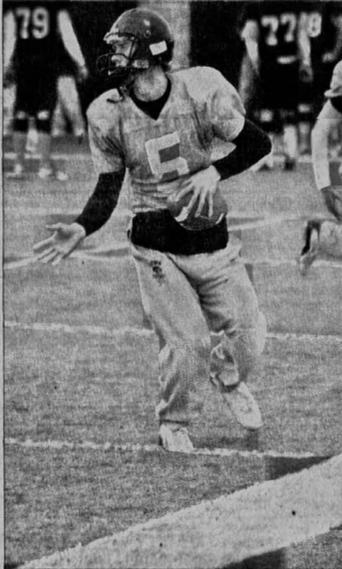
Redskins get Thrash from Eagles

WASHINGTON (AP) — Receiver James Thrash returned to the Washington Redskins in a trade Tuesday that sent a 2005 fifth-round draft pick to the Philadelphia Eagles.

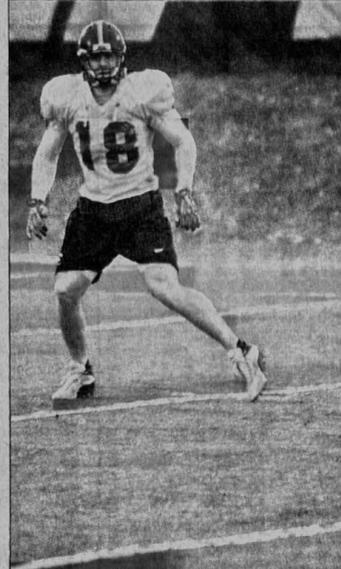
Thrash began his NFL career with four seasons in Washington before signing a five-year deal with the Eagles as a free agent in 2001. He joins a crowded Redskins receiving corps and could be the No. 3 wideout behind Laveranues Coles and Rod Gardner.



Abdul Hodge
Linebacker



Drew Tate
Quarterback



Chad Greenway
Linebacker

BY BRIAN TRIPLETT
THE DAILY IOWAN

As spring football begins for the Iowa Hawkeyes, the absence of last season's senior leaders is quite evident to coach Kirk Ferentz and his crew.

While offensive lineman Robert Gallery, safety Bob Sanders, running back Fred Russell, and kicker Nate Kaeding are in the process of moving on to bigger and better things, the sixth-year Iowa coach is in the early stages of waiting for the next generation

of Hawkeyes to emerge as commanders of the field.

"We lost an awful lot of good seniors in that senior class, not only from a playing standpoint but also from the leadership they provided, and that's the challenge ahead of us," Ferentz said. "So we've got to go out there and try to replace those guys right now."

An obvious place to begin the search would be in the group of Hawkeye veterans. Ferentz expects his senior classes to take on the leadership role each year, but with a

smaller group than normal, the coach is looking for others to fill the void as well.

"The big difference is our underclassmen really have to grab the reins, too, because I don't think we have the numbers that we would have in a typical year," the coach said.

For the first time in five seasons, Iowa won't start the year off with a senior quarterback. Although it's still early, Drew Tate, who will be a sophomore this coming season,

SEE FOOTBALL, PAGE 6B

Yankees fall in season opener

BY RONALD BLUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TOKYO — Fans in the Tokyo Dome seemed surprised. The ones back in New York must have been shocked.

On the other side of the world, playing when the rest of baseball was in bed, the New York Yankees looked lost.

Jose Cruz Jr. hit a tying home run that sparked a comeback, Tino Martinez put away his former team with his 300th career homer, and the lowly Tampa Bay Devil Rays roughed up Mike Mussina for an 8-3 victory Tuesday over the Yankees in the major-league season opener.

People back home got up in the middle of the night to see this?

"Hopefully, it's 5 a.m. and not many people were watching," Alex Rodriguez said, thinking of when the game began, New York time.

The team that dominates the AL East couldn't do much in the Far East, getting out hit 15-7 and playing sluggishly in the field.

A-Rod's first game in pinstripes won't be remembered fondly in the Bronx. He took called third strikes his first two times up before doubling and popping out. But he did make three sparkling defensive plays at third base, the position he switched to when Texas traded him to New York last month.

Hideki Matsui had the first hit of the major-league season, a first-inning double in front of the fans who adore their home-grown hero, and he scored on Jason Giambi's two-run homer to left. Gary Sheffield also had a checked-swing RBI double in his first game for New York.

Aside from that, the defending



A group of Japanese businessmen wearing Statue of Liberty hats cheer the New York Yankees during their major-league season opener against the Tampa Bay Devil Rays on Tuesday in Tokyo.

The Kid is missing



DONOVAN BURBA

AS RECENTLY AS FOUR YEARS ago, Ken Griffey Jr. was the walking, talking incarnation of all that was good about the game of baseball. He hit home runs with a butter-smooth swing, crashed into center-field walls to win Gold Gloves, and seemingly never left the house without a boyish grin on his face.

Baseball pinned its hopes on The Kid, who came complete with an impeccable pedigree: His father was part of the Big Red Machine, the Cincinnati mini-dynasty of the 1970s, and Junior grew up in major-league locker rooms.

But the Griffey fairy tale came crashing down soon after he demanded a trade to the same Reds team that made his father famous, and the news Monday that Junior suffered yet another injury, this time a strained calf, is just another sad chapter in the downfall of baseball's formerly most popular player.

From 1989, when Griffey burst onto the scene in Seattle, to 2000, his first season with the Reds, Junior racked up 438 home runs and 826 RBIs, and he played in an average of 140 games per season. He won 10 Gold Gloves, made 11 All-Star teams, and was the youngest member of baseball's All-Century team.

A funny thing happened on the way to Cooperstown, though; baseball's Golden Child turned out to have a body of glass. There had been warning signs in Seattle: broken wrists in 1995 and 1996 caused him to miss 93 games in the two-year span. But when a guy comes off the DL grinning like the Cheshire cat and hitting 56 home runs in each of the

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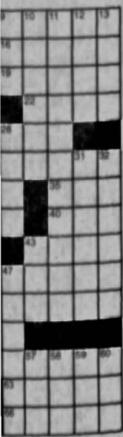
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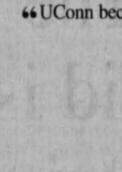
“Duke ... because Coach K is the man.”
Brittney Moriarity
 UI senior

“Duke ... I'm kind of a Duke fan, and I have friends that go there.”

Vishal Arora
 UI grad student



“Georgia Tech, because of Jack.”
Chris Ryder
 UI sophomore



“UConn because Emeka Okafor is the best.”
Jackie Meissner
 UI sophomore



“I hate Duke.”
Ben Hecht
 UI sophomore

IOWA SPORTS

- Today**
 - SOFTBALL at Drake, 4 p.m.
- Friday**
 - BASEBALL at Michigan State, 1 p.m.
 - MEN'S GYMNASTICS at NCAA qualifier in Champaign, Ill., 1 p.m.
 - MEN'S TRACK at Missouri Relays, 4 p.m.
 - SOFTBALL hosts Northwestern at Pearl Field, 6 p.m.
- Saturday**
 - MEN'S TRACK at Missouri Relays, 9:30 a.m.
 - WOMEN'S TENNIS hosts Michigan at Koltz Tennis Center, 10 a.m.
 - BASEBALL at Michigan State, noon and 3 p.m.
 - SOFTBALL hosts Northwestern at Pearl Field, noon.
 - MEN'S TENNIS at Michigan State, noon.
 - MEN'S GYMNASTICS at NCAA championships in Champaign, Ill., 2 p.m.
 - WOMEN'S GOLF at Indiana Invitational.
 - WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS at NCAA regionals.
- ROWING** hosts Minnesota.
- April 4**
 - WOMEN'S TENNIS hosts Michigan State at Koltz Tennis Center, 10 a.m.
 - MEN'S TENNIS at Michigan, noon.
 - SOFTBALL hosts Michigan State at Pearl Field, noon and 2:30 p.m.
 - BASEBALL at Michigan State, noon.
 - MEN'S GYMNASTICS at NCAA championships in Champaign, Ill., 2 p.m.
 - WOMEN'S GOLF at Indiana Invitational.

TV SCHEDULE

- Today**
 - NHL Detroit Red Wings at Columbus Blue Jackets, 6 p.m. on ESPN2.
 - H.S. BB McDonald's All-American Game, 8 p.m. on ESPN.
- Thursday**
 - MLB Preseason, Houston Astros at Atlanta Braves, noon on ESPN2.
 - MLB Preseason, Arizona Diamondbacks at Chicago Cubs, 2 p.m. on FSX.
 - CBB Nit Final, 6 p.m. on ESPN.
- Friday**
 - NBA New York Knicks at New Jersey Nets, 7 p.m. on ESPN.
 - NBA Los Angeles Clippers at Chicago Bulls, 7:30 p.m. on FSX.
- Saturday**
 - CBB Slam dunk and 3-point competition, 2 p.m. on ESPN.
 - NHL Chicago Blackhawks at Phoenix Coyotes, 3 p.m. on FSX.
 - CBB Final Four, 5 p.m. on CBS.
 - CBB Final Four, 7:30 p.m. on CBS.
- April 4**
 - NHL Chicago Blackhawks at Dallas Stars or St. Louis Blues on CBS.
 - Minnesota Wild, 2 p.m.

MLB

Cub's Prior injured

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — Mark Prior probably won't pitch until May because of inflammation in his right Achilles' tendon and a stiff elbow. "I'd say May 1 or the first week of May is optimistic," Chicago Cubs general manager Jim Hendry said Tuesday. "He's a guy that I don't think needs more than three or four weeks to get ready." Prior returned to spring training Tuesday after spending Monday in Chicago, where he had an MRI and bone scan on his Achilles' tendon and right arm. The 23-year-old right-hander has not pitched in a spring-training

game because of the Achilles' injury and was already expected to start the season on the disabled list. He's also felt "stiffness" in his pitching elbow. Prior has been throwing off a mound this spring. Both the Cubs and Prior said the MRI and bone scan showed nothing but inflammation in the heel and elbow. "It was completely away from the ligament and was more down on the bone," Prior said, referring to the stiffness in his elbow. Prior was 18-6 with a 2.43 ERA and 245 strikeouts in his first full big-league season last year, finishing third in voting for the NL Cy Young Award.

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 At Madison Square Garden, New York
 Rutgers 84, Iowa State 81, OT
 Michigan 76, Oregon 53
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 Rutgers (20-12) vs. Michigan (22-11), 6 p.m. CST

NBA

By The Associated Press
 All Times CST

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Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-New Jersey	42	31	.575	—
Miami	36	38	.486	6½
New York	35	40	.467	8
Boston	34	40	.459	8½
Philadelphia	32	43	.427	11
Washington	23	51	.311	19½
Orlando	19	56	.253	24
Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Indiana	54	20	.730	—
x-Detroit	47	27	.635	7
New Orleans	37	37	.500	17
Milwaukee	37	37	.500	17
Cleveland	32	42	.432	22
Toronto	30	43	.411	23½
Atlanta	24	50	.324	30
Chicago	20	54	.270	34
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
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x-Minnesota	51	24	.680	—
x-San Antonio	49	25	.662	1½
x-Memphis	48	26	.649	2½
x-Dallas	46	28	.622	4½
Houston	42	31	.575	8
Utah	38	36	.514	12½
Denver	39	37	.513	12½
Pacific Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Sacramento	52	21	.712	—
x-L.A. Lakers	51	23	.689	1½
Portland	37	36	.507	15
Seattle	34	40	.459	18½
Golden State	32	41	.438	20
L.A. Clippers	27	48	.360	26
Phoenix	26	49	.347	27

Portland at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
 Sacramento at Dallas, 7 p.m.
 Houston at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE						
Atlantic Division						
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x-New Jersey	42	24	12	2	98	207
x-Philadelphia	39	20	14	6	98	223
N.Y. Islanders	36	29	10	4	86	223
N.Y. Rangers	26	39	7	8	67	200
Pittsburgh	21	47	8	4	54	183
Northeast						
W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
x-Boston	40	16	14	7	101	201
x-Toronto	43	24	10	3	99	234
x-Ottawa	41	22	10	6	98	254
x-Montreal	40	28	7	4	91	201
Buffalo	36	32	7	4	83	213
Southeast						
W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
y-Tampa Bay	45	21	8	6	104	240
Atlanta	32	36	8	4	76	210
Carolina	28	33	13	6	75	162
Florida	28	33	14	4	74	175
Washington	23	45	9	2	57	178
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Central Division						
W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
y-Detroit	46	20	11	2	105	248
St. Louis	38	28	11	2	89	185
Nashville	36	28	11	4	87	210
Columbus	24	43	8	4	60	169
Chicago	20	41	11	7	58	184
Northwest						
W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
x-Colorado	39	22	13	5	95	227
x-Vancouver	40	24	10	5	95	224
Calgary	40	29	7	3	90	195
Edmonton	35	28	12	5	87	218
Minnesota	27	29	20	3	77	176
Pacific						
W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
x-San Jose	41	20	12	6	100	211
x-Dallas	40	24	13	2	95	186
Los Angeles	28	27	16	8	90	200
Anaheim	28	34	10	8	74	181
Phoenix	21	35	18	6	66	186



Chuck Fadely, Miami Herald/Associated Press
 Serena Williams, ending an eight-month layoff, returns a backhand in her win Tuesday over Marta Marrero of Spain at the NASDAQ-100 Open tennis tournament in Key Biscayne, Fla.

Agassi falls, and Serena advances

BY STEVEN WINE
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

KEY BISCAIYNE, Fla. — Andre Agassi's reign on Key Biscayne ended Tuesday, when he lost to Agustin Calleri (6-2, 7-6 [2]) in the fourth round of the NASDAQ-100 Open. Agassi had won three consecutive titles and 19-straight matches in the tournament. He was bidding for his seventh title in the event and his 800th career match victory. The 20th-seeded Calleri served poorly but dominated from the baseline, repeatedly skipping shots off the line. He hit 47 winners, many on backhands into the corner that Agassi didn't even try to chase. "He was just playing too good for a long stretch of time out there," the fourth-seeded Agassi said. On the women's side, top-seeded Serena Williams won the tournament's most lopsided quarterfinal since 1996, beating Jill Craybas (6-0, 6-1). Agassi rallied from a break down twice in the second set, took a 5-4 lead, and held five set points in the next game. Each time, he had a look at a second serve but failed to convert. "I had some chances there,"

Agassi said. "The ball was sort of sitting there, and it was probably an easier shot than I was making it. But you're telling yourself not to do anything too stupid." Agassi finished 2-for-10 on break points. Calleri saved some of his best shotmaking for the tiebreaker. He dropped one last forehand on the baseline to reach match point, and when Agassi double-faulted, Calleri sank to his knees in jubilation. The Argentine dominated from the start. He broke in the opening game, raced to a 4-1 lead, and won the first set in just 33 minutes. In other men's play, No. 3-seeded Guillermo Coria won the final five games to overtake qualifier Julien Benneteau (7-6 [3], 2-6, 7-5). Nicolas Kiefer reached the quarterfinals by beating No. 12 Sebastian Grosjean (6-4, 6-2). Todd Martin committed 40 unforced errors and lost a matchup of two unseeded players to Andrei Pavel (7-6 [5], 7-6 [1]). Williams, who returned from an eight-month layoff last week, won the first 10 games and needed just 55 minutes to advance to Thursday's semifinals. She'll play the winner of the match between No. 25 Eleni Danilidou and No. 29 Karolina Sprem.

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First female wins dunking contest

ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIDWEST CITY, Okla. — Candace Parker was already considered one of the best high-school basketball players ever, and now she's among the elite in dunking.

Parker, a 6-3 Naperville, Ill., high-school senior dunked three times and beat five male competitors Monday night to become the first female to win the POWERade Jam Fest slam-dunk competition.

The dunk contest was held in conjunction with the McDonald's All-American boys' and girls' games. Parker and the other participants will play in the all-star games today.

The judges gave Parker 223 points, with second place going to Joe Crawford, who had 148 points and has said he will sign with Kentucky.

Parker, who will be a freshman at Tennessee next season, finished off the competition with a one-handed jam while covering her eyes with her forearm.

The crowd roared, and seven of the eight judges gave her 10s.

Former NFL star Barry Sanders gave her a nine.

Parker first dunked in a game as a high-school sophomore.

"I've been dunking the ball since I was 15," she said. "I just wanted to get my first one down and knew I'd be all right."

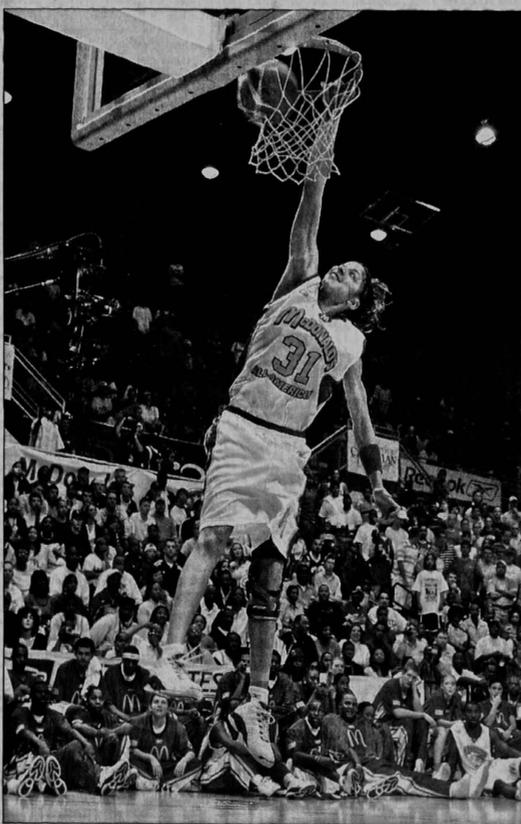
Parker was named the Naismith Prep Basketball Player of the Year in 2003 and 2004.

She is the second female participant in the dunk contest. Last year, McDonald's All-American Brittany Hunter competed but failed to complete any dunks. She plays for Duke.

Previous winners of the dunk contest include Vince Carter, Baron Davis, Carmello Anthony, and LeBron James.

If Parker dunks next season at Tennessee, she would be the fourth woman to dunk in a college game and second Lady Vol. Michelle Snow had three dunks in her career from 2000-02. Lisa Leslie became the first woman to dunk in a professional game in 2002.

The slam-dunk contest was scheduled to be televised on ESPN at 7 p.m. CST today before the boys' game.



Henny Ray Abrams, McDonald's/Associated Press
McDonald's All-American Candace Parker of Naperville, Ill., slam dunks her way to winning the POWERade Jam Fest slam-dunk competition on Monday in Midwest City, Okla.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Nevada coach signs new contract

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Nevada coach Trent Johnson agreed to a new five-year contract worth \$450,000 a season Tuesday, staying at the school he led to the NCAA Tournament's Sweet 16 for the first time.

The Wolf Pack have improved each season under Johnson, with records of 9-20, 10-18, 17-13, and 18-14 before this season's 25-9 — a best for the team.

Nevada upset Michigan State and Gonzaga in the tournament before losing to Georgia Tech.

Giacoletti led Eastern Washington to its first NCAA Tournament this season. He will be introduced at a new conference today.

Giacoletti and Utah Athletics Director Chris Hill did not return messages seeking comment Tuesday.

Eastern Washington Athletics Director Scott Barnes said he learned Tuesday that negotiations were in progress and expected to be losing Giacoletti.

"They're going to get a young coach who is of great character and integrity. He will outwork everybody in the country," Barnes said. "He is a strong teacher and a relentless recruiter and, I think, is a guy that will endear himself to the community."

Utah also interviewed former Utes assistant Trent Johnson, who agreed to a contract extension at Nevada on Tuesday.

Giacoletti, 41, was 69-50 with Eastern Washington, taking the Eagles to the Big Sky Conference Tournament title game in each of his four seasons.

Women's tournament ratings increase

BRISTOL, Conn. (AP) — Ratings for the women's NCAA Tournament on ESPN are up from last year and are the network's highest since 1999.

Ratings on ESPN through the regional semifinals rose from a 0.6 last year to 0.8. ESPN2 is averaging a 0.5 rating, up from last year's 0.3.

The men's tournament on CBS is averaging a 5.8 national rating, up from 4.5 last year.

The rating is the percentage of all homes with TVs, whether or not they are in use.

Giacoletti name Utah men's bball coach

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Eastern Washington coach Ray Giacoletti was hired Tuesday by Utah to replace the most successful basketball coach in school history.

Giacoletti replaces Rick Majerus, who took the Utes to 10 NCAA Tournaments and the 1998 national title game but resigned in January because of poor health.

Coaches shine more than players

BY EDDIE PELLIS

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Looking at Duke's roster, it's easy to find a number of good players, but only one household name.

That would be the coach, Mike Krzyzewski.

Over the past decade or so, college basketball has slowly turned into a showcase more for big-name coaches than superstar players. That reality will be seen clearly this year at the sport's biggest event, the Final Four.

With apologies to Chris Duhon, Emeka Okafor, B.J. Elder, and the rest, the coaches will be more recognizable than most of the players this week when Duke (Krzyzewski) plays Connecticut (Jim Calhoun) and Oklahoma State (Eddie Sutton) plays Georgia Tech (Paul Hewitt, the only relative unknown).

"What people like seeing is the teams," Calhoun said. "The name on the front of the jersey is more important than the name on the back of the jersey. I think people still relate to that."

Good thing, because dwindling are the days of Bird vs. Magic, the Fab Five, and great four-year college stars such as Patrick Ewing, Steve Alford, Christian

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There are many factors in play, although the prime reason for the shift is the large increase in players who leave school early to go pro. It forces coaches to adjust — not only their X's and O's, but the way they recruit.

"I'm a big believer in developing depth," Hewitt said.

Indeed, more and more coaches are trying to recruit solid players — not stars, necessarily, but guys who can contribute for three or four years.

Florida's Billy Donovan gets praised for routinely collecting top-five recruiting classes, but many of those recruits leave early and some, like Kwame Brown, never enroll. The Gators haven't made it out of the first weekend of the tournament in four years.

On the other hand, there are examples such as Maryland's 2002 championship team. Two key players — Juan Dixon and

Lonny Baxter — were seniors. Neither was considered a big-time star at any point in his college career.

"They developed depth, played eight, nine players, had a solid inside game, and a very, very solid team," Hewitt said of the Terps.

That's not to say there aren't great players in college.

Just last season, Syracuse won a national championship largely on the strength of freshman Carmelo Anthony. Orange-men coach Jim Boeheim knew Anthony might leave when he recruited him, but there were no regrets.

"I knew he would help us," Boeheim said last year. "I knew he'd be a special player. We were talking about him being the Player of the Year in college basketball. We weren't talking about being the freshman of the year. We thought he honestly had a chance to be the best player in college basketball."

Krzyzewski, meanwhile, has been a master of keeping players around for longer than many people expect. The last time Duke was at the Final Four, in 2001, the Blue Devils won it all largely on the shoulders of Shane Battier, who stayed for his senior year when he had the game to leave early.

Coach K doesn't have a perfect track record of keeping players — who does these days? — but his is better than most. And that could explain why the Blue Devils have reached this stage in 10 of the last 19 seasons.

Krzyzewski said it's not a matter of "selling" a player on staying.

"It's a shared vision," he said. "It's what's best for the player. I believe getting a taste of college is important."

Thus, for every Corey Maggette — the star who left after his freshman year in 1999 — Krzyzewski gets lots of guys like Duhon, a gritty senior who is gutting it through a painful rib injury in the tournament in hopes of capping off his career with another title.

"He's my first option. He conveys what I would like to have out on the court really well," Krzyzewski said.

NFL adds third instant-replay challenge

BY BARRY WILNER

ASSOCIATED PRESS

PALM BEACH, Fla. — NFL owners voted to keep instant replay for at least five more seasons, and they added a twist Tuesday: A team successful on two challenges in a game will get a third.

Only once last season did a team have two successful challenges.

The vote at the NFL meetings was 29-3, with Cincinnati, Kansas City, and Indianapolis against the five-year extension.

The owners were given several proposals on instant replay, including one that would have made it permanent. They chose to go with the five-year option and the extra challenge.

"It's time for voting on it permanently," competition co-chairman Rich McKay said. "This rule has been tried and tested in our minds. I think we should be a league of permanent rules."

The owners also made it clear they want Commissioner Paul Tagliabue around for the next few years.

Tagliabue will be offered a contract extension of as long as three years, Steelers owner Dan Rooney said. The 32 owners agreed unanimously to lock up Tagliabue, 63, beyond the May 2005 expiration of his current contract, which pays about \$5 million a year.

He's expected to get about \$8 million a year under the new deal.

"He's taken the league to a new level," Rooney said of Tagliabue,

who replaced Pete Rozelle in 1989. "The television situation is phenomenal; the relationship with the players' union is great. We're entering an important period, and we want him to continue to lead us through it. It's obvious what we think of him."

Upcoming matters the league faces are negotiations for a new network television contract — the current eight-year, \$17.6 billion deal expires after the 2005 season — and an extension of the collective bargaining agreement with the NFL Players Association.

"We've had back-to-back stewardships not seen anytime before in any league," retiring Ravens owner Art Modell said of the Rozelle-Tagliabue years.

Several other rules changes will be voted on.

Changing overtime to allow both teams a possession is unlikely to be approved. The competition committee doesn't favor it.

The committee also recommended instituting 15-yard penalties for choreographed celebrations and suggested some minor changes to the fair-catch rule that would eliminate any returns by the receiving team once the signal is made.

An expansion of the playoffs from 12 to 14 teams won't be on the agenda after Kansas City withdrew the proposal. Although many coaches said they favor the idea, the Chiefs felt there wasn't enough support among the owners, and the competition committee was strongly opposed.

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SPORTS

Quarterback spot still open



Iowa football head coach Kirk Ferentz watches his offense scrimmage on Tuesday afternoon.

FOOTBALL

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has established himself as the leading candidate at the position thus far after seeing minimal playing time as a true freshman in 2003.

Sophomores Jason Manson, Eric McCollom, and Cy Phillips will contend for the spot as well.

"[Tate's] got a little advantage," said Ferentz, who predicted that even by August, there will still be competition at the position. "It's common sense because he got a little more work there as our backup last year, but I think it's gonna be real interesting to watch how that whole thing develops."

"I don't know who's gonna be our quarterback, but I know this — he's gonna be young." Ferentz added that he isn't bothered by the fact that an underclassmen will lead the offense and that he is rather excited about the process.

"A program goal for mine privately from day one was to get a young guy in ... I don't think that's a bad thing at all." Tate battled through mononucleosis earlier in the year, but Ferentz noted the Texas native is doing fine and is working his way back up.

On the other side of the ball, returning linebackers Abdul Hodge and Chad Greenway — who led the team in tackles in 2003 and will enter next season as juniors — are expected to make an impact.

"Abdul, Chad — there's no reason those guys shouldn't be leaders," Ferentz said. "They're playing leadership positions. They have that personality, and we're gonna need that from those guys."

That three out of four players from last year's secondary are returning should help ease the pain that comes from losing Sanders. Cornerbacks Jovon Johnson and Antwan Allen, who will be challenged by junior-college transfer Walner Belleus,

and free safety Sean Considine have an added year of experience to bring to the table.

"We lose a marquee player like [Sanders], but we're a little more veteran at the other three spots, so hopefully, the sum of the parts will compensate for losing a great player," Ferentz said.

Sophomore Kyle Schlicher will take on a tough task of filling the shoes of Kaeding — the leading scorer in Hawkeye history — but Ferentz is confident in his kicker's abilities.

"I think it's a real benefit for Kyle to have been around Nate for two years and watch how he prepares and how he goes about his work," said Ferentz, who added that Schlicher currently has no one behind him on the depth chart.

While there are many questions about who will emerge as the leaders of the 2004 season, like last year's challenge of replacing Heisman trophy runner up Brad Banks, Ferentz said it isn't fair to make comparisons with players in the past.

"There aren't many Bob Sanders. There aren't many Nates. There aren't many Galleries in the country," Ferentz said. "That's a fact."

"Like any spring, we've got a lot of work to do right now. That being said though, I'm real confident that if we take the proper steps and don't have too many unforeseen things take place, we feel like we're gonna have a good football team next year."

Ailing O-line

As a coach and a father, Ferentz has had to deal with a difficult situation this past month as his son and player Brian — who started at center for the Hawks as a sophomore last season — faced complications during surgery to repair the MCL in his right knee. On March 8, the coach learned that Brian developed a staph infection in the knee, and he has gone through numerous surgeries in a short time period.

"His career's not over, but to count on him playing next year, I think's real unrealistic at this point," Ferentz said.

"The hospital and the medical care here, I can't imagine it being any better anywhere in the world, so we're very appreciative of that."

Junior offensive lineman David Walker is recovering from a ruptured Achilles tendon and will also miss spring practice. The 6-2, 303-pound Fort Lauderdale, Fla., native is expected to be back in action by August. There are no other significant injuries in Iowa's lineup at this time.

Itching to talk

Although Ferentz said he isn't allowed to comment just yet on the allegations surrounding the Kansas State recruit who visited Iowa and accused the school of setting him up with a woman on his recruiting visit, the coach said he will be more than happy to comment when the investigation is completed.

"I'll make myself available," Ferentz told the media at Tuesday's press conference.

Mixing it up

Ferentz and his staff have made a handful of position changes so far this spring, highlighted by sophomore Champ Davis' switch from fullback to tight end.

"We have high hopes for Champ," Ferentz said. "We think he's a guy that can be a good weapon for us, and we're just trying to find the best way to get him involved and maybe touching the ball a little bit more."

Other key changes include redshirt freshman Tom Busch from linebacker to fullback, junior Ben Gates from tight end to the offensive line, sophomore Edmond Miles from inside linebacker to outside linebacker, and sophomore A.J. Johnson from tailback to fullback.

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Loaded Yankees have plenty of questions to answer

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American League champions seemed jetlagged against the younger Devil Rays.

"We don't look like we're that alive, yet," said Mussina, who hasn't slept well since making the 7,250-mile trip last week from Tampa, Fla. "We need a little life, and we just didn't have it."

At the sushi stands and sake bars in the Big Egg, the talk was about baseball's most famous club. Yet after circling halfway around the globe, all those All-Stars fell flat against one of baseball's least-known teams.

"I'm sure that there are a lot of people driving to work right now saying, 'Who are those guys?'" Devil Rays owner Vince Naimoli said.

In the second opener played by major-league teams in Japan, Mussina looked as if he would have rather been back home in Montoursville, Pa. Trying to become the 100th pitcher with 200 wins, he gave up a broken-bat, two-run single to Toby Hall in the fourth, then let Cruz tie it 3-all in the sixth with his homer.

Martinez, Julio Lugo, and Toby Hall followed with consecutive doubles for a 5-3 lead and chased Mussina, who took the loss.

Paul Quantrill got three outs on three pitches to end the inning, but he left after his fourth pitch, when Rodriguez banged into his right knee trying to field Rocco Baldelli's bunt single leading off the seventh.

Felix Heredia let the game spin away, making a wild pick-

off throw for a two-base error before his first pitch, then allowing a single to Aubrey Huff and a two-run homer to Martinez, playing his first game for his hometown team.

"Obviously, to beat the Yankees is great," said Martinez, who helped New York win four World Series titles from 1996-2000. "The fans here love them, but we made them cheer for us, too."

Victor Zambrano got the win for the Devil Rays, who have finished last in all six seasons they've been in the majors. He allowed three runs and six hits in six innings.

The hosts did their best to duplicate the atmosphere of games back home, with some twists, of course.

Even though New York was the visiting team, the Yankees wore their famous pinstripes — the Hall of Fame couldn't find any records of them having done that before. Both teams had ads on their uniform sleeves and helmets, a repeat of what baseball did during the Mets-Cubs series here four years ago.

Actor Billy Crystal wished Yankees manager Joe Torre good luck in a pregame telephone call, and former New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi threw out ceremonial first pitches.

Women in pink-and-green kimonos presented Torre and Devil Rays manager Lou Piniella with bouquets. Many of the ads on the outfield walls were in Japanese kanji script, and women vendors walked through the aisles selling whiskey.

Flashbulbs popped whenever Matsui walked to the plate. During 10 seasons in this ball-

"We don't look like we're that alive yet. We need a little life, and we just didn't have it."

- Mike Mussina, Yankees pitcher

park with the Yomiuri Giants, he became Japan's biggest baseball star.

Fans saw two teams at major league extremes. New York, flush with cash, opened the season with a major league-record payroll of \$182.8 million, more than six times that of Tampa Bay, among the two lowest in the majors at \$29.2 million.

Nine of New York's 10 starters were former All-Stars — the only All-Star in the Devil Rays' lineup was Martinez.

After the game, New York's clubhouse was subdued. Special adviser Reggie Jackson thought about how owner George Steinbrenner, who did not make the trip, would react.

"He won't be happy," Jackson said in perhaps an understatement.

In the other clubhouse, Piniella mentioned that the players of the game were rewarded.

"They gave Lugo a check and Toby a check," he said. "Where's the check for the manager?"

Trade to Cincy didn't work out as planned for Jr.

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next two years, you tend to overlook the injuries.

The trade to Cincy was supposed to make Junior even happier. He grew up there, the fans loved him, and, of course, there was the connection to his father. But the exact opposite happened. The injuries popped up again, this time with near-comical frequency: hamstring tear in late 2000, another in 2001, a torn patellar tendon and a third hammy tear in 2002, and a dislocated shoulder and injured ankle last season.

In sum, Griffey has missed more than half the Reds' games since the start of the 2001 season, and while Cincinnati's management played down Monday's calf injury, starting the season hobbled isn't exactly the best way to begin a career rena-

sance. His numbers, of course, are down as well: 43 homers and 114 RBIs in three years for the man who was once almost a lock to break Hank Aaron's career home-run record.

What may be more depressing than Griffey's fragile body is the complete about-face in his personality. Still a relatively youthful 34, he's adopted the bitter mentality of a grizzled veteran, whining to the media when they criticize him and all but demanding his job back in 2002 after returning from an injury, despite the fact that the Reds already had an outfielder of Austin Kearnes, Adam Dunn, and Juan Encarnacion that was winning games.

Most telling is the center-fielder's body language. In Seattle, Griffey always looked like he understood that playing baseball for millions of dollars is the best gig on earth. Not only did he play hard, but he enjoyed

himself at the same time. To be fair, he still plays hard for the Reds; he separated his shoulder last year laying out for a line drive against the Cubs, a play few fielders would have the courage to attempt. But at the plate, on the base paths, and in the dugout, Junior looks less like The Kid of old and more like a child forced to do chores on a Saturday afternoon.

Even fans of other NL Central teams can't help but root for Griffey to get back on his horse. He played the game with grace and style rarely seen anymore, and no true supporter of the game can dislike a guy like that. And if he continues to be plagued by injuries until he decides to call it quits, the spectacular fall of Ken Griffey Jr. will go down as one of the great tragedies of modern baseball.

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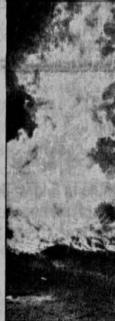
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