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Repeat nuisance offenses down

After the city's new regulations last year, only six of 178 offenders committed a second offense

BY CLARE PIERSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Since implementing nuisance regulations on rowdy Iowa City tenants in September 2003, the Department of Housing and Inspection Services has seen a significant drop in repeat offenses, according to a city report released Thursday.

Of 178 first-time offenders, only six committed a repeat offense and only one of those

six committed a third offense, the department said. No numbers are available from before 2003, but the improvement is significant, said Doug Boothroy, the director of housing and inspection.

"These numbers are positive in the sense that there are fewer repeat offenses this past year than previous years," he said. "We're communicating more with landlords, who are in turn communicating with

tenants about new regulations and penalties. It's going well."

The regulations emphasized early intervention, in which the city began sending notices to landlords and tenants within days of a violation. Boothroy said the tactic has been successful in other university communities around the country.

The six repeat offenders were required to attend a code-compliance meeting at City Hall, in which officials applied specific

penalties ranging from banning guests at the residence to initiating a "police watch" of the property.

The lone three-time offender this year was evicted and forced to pay a \$250 municipal fee, a \$500 criminal fine, and court costs.

Common violations of the "nuisance" regulations include having a disorderly house, possession of a controlled

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Democrat select Vilsack as point man during GOP's convention

BY NICK PETERSEN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack will lead the charge against the Republican Party during its convention next week, adding yet another prominent position in the Democratic Party to his political résumé.

The role as host of the Democratic headquarters in New York cements Vilsack's prominence in the national media, an aura he has enjoyed since he made Democratic nominee John Kerry's short list for vice-presidential candidates. His orphan-turned-governor story received substantial play during the presidential campaign's early stages.

Terry McAuliffe, the chairman of the Democratic National Committee, said the party chose Vilsack to lead it through the Republican Convention because he could best confront the current administration given his "firsthand experiences" with Bush's policies.

McAuliffe pointed to the governor's strength in dealing with education and job growth.

"He has been a leader on all of these issues that are so important to this country," McAuliffe said in a conference call with reporters.

Vilsack has said he won't seek a third term in office, and the



Vilsack
Iowa governor

Associated Press reported Thursday that there has been speculation he might find a job in Washington should Kerry win the election.

Kristin Scuderi, the communications director of the Republican Party of Iowa, was critical of Vilsack's national political interests. She said the governor should focus on Iowa instead of campaigning for Kerry.

"Gov. Vilsack is neglecting his duties as governor," Scuderi said. "He is just concerned with his own political advancement in the Democratic Party instead of tending to his business here as governor."

Carrie Giddins, a spokeswoman for the Iowa Democratic Party, disagreed.

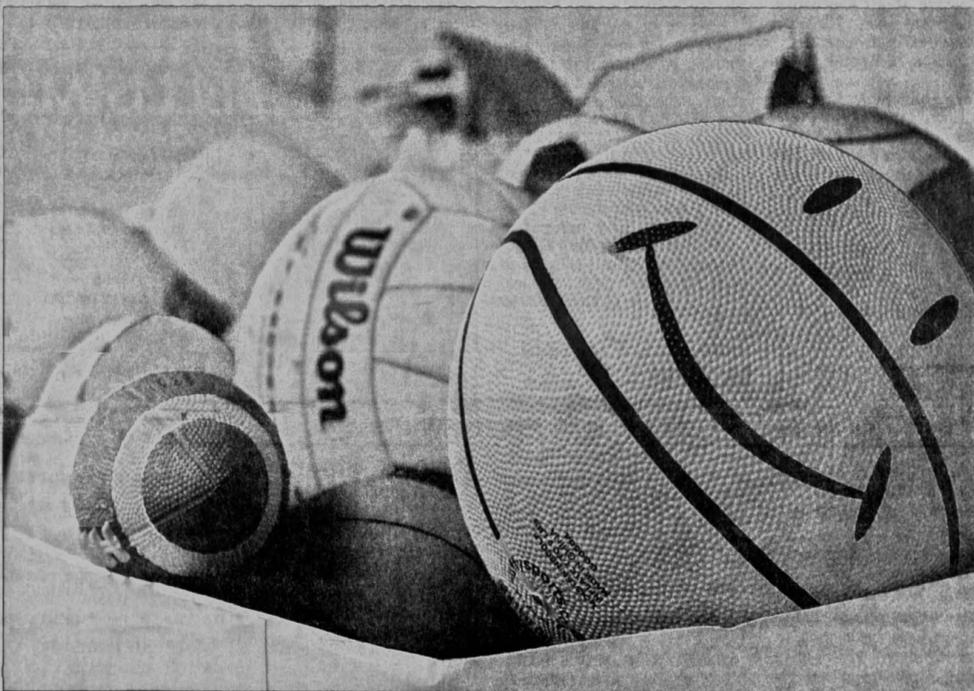
"He's representing his state, and I think he has Iowans' best interest in mind," she said.

Democrats will open their headquarters in New York today, pushing the theme "Mission Not Accomplished." Party leaders injected the word "not" into the phrase that hung

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Soldier Andy Guyer has a wish for the children of Afghanistan — to give them a simple luxury they have never known



Aaron Holmgren/The Daily Iowan

Donated sports balls and related paraphernalia spill over the brim of a box to be sent to children in Afghanistan. Bob and Nancy Guyer, parents of UI junior and Army Spc. Andy Guyer, began the "Balls for Afghanistan" program in June at the St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church. They will ship the donated items to Afghanistan after the collection ends Aug. 30.

Taking Afghan kids to the ball

BY MEGHAN SIMS
THE DAILY IOWAN

Bob Guyer was confused. The callers to his house kept asking for his son, Andy, a UI junior and National Guard soldier, to help side people's homes.

"Andy does things," Bob's wife, Nancy, said about her husband's Habitat for Humanity work. "He just does them."

And so his parents weren't surprised to hear Andy, an engineering specialist serving in Afghanistan, request toys for kids when asked what he needed.

Laughing, she said, "I told Bob he'd probably kill us if he knew we were talking to you; he'd be embarrassed to know."

The extreme poverty the Afghans endure disheartened 25-year-old Andy Guyer, who has served in Afghanistan since late May. With three schools near his military base, the conditions the children endure especially saddened him. Nancy Guyer, the clinical director of lipid research in the UI College of Public Health, remembers the phone conversation they had four weeks ago.

He told her that the children don't have anything to play with and asked to send sports balls and candy — a true luxury in an environment where most go barefoot.

She and her husband began sending balls in a shipment of toiletries to Andy Guyer. Soon after, in conversation with friend

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IRAQ Shiite cleric strikes deal to end standoff in Najaf

Iraq makes several concessions, Muqtada al-Sadr agrees to withdraw militia

BY RAJIV CHANDRASEKARAN
WASHINGTON POST

BAGHDAD — Rebellious Shiite Muslim cleric Muqtada al-Sadr agreed Thursday night to withdraw his militia from a contested shrine and other parts of the city of Najaf after three weeks of fighting against U.S. and Iraqi forces, government and religious leaders said. The last-minute deal, brokered by Iraq's top Shiite leader, commits the country's interim government to significant concessions.

In exchange for al-Sadr's compliance, the government pledged

to pull U.S. military forces out of Najaf and to allow al-Sadr, who had been wanted by the former U.S. occupation authority on murder charges, to participate in politics. "He is as free as any Iraqi citizen to do whatever he would like in Iraq," said Qasim Dawood, a minister of state, after announcing the government's acceptance of the peace plan.

The accord was reached on a day when more than 45 people died in a mortar attack and other violence in Najaf and the neighboring town of Kufa, which are approximately 90 miles south of Baghdad.

Members of al-Sadr's Mahdi Army, a well-armed militia that numbers in the low thousands, will be allowed to leave Najaf and return to their homes without any sanction, despite having

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Khald Mohammed/Associated Press

A militant carrying a rocket-propelled grenade launcher watches a vehicle bearing a picture of Iraq's top Shiite cleric, Grand Ayatollah Ali Sistani, as it heads to Najaf, Iraq.

Union reopens, wary of underage drinking

The new incarnation will take precautions against illegal drinking, an owner says

BY NICK PETERSEN
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Union Bar, 121 E. College St., reopened under new ownership Thursday with plans to keep a strict eye on age at the

door and at the bar to avoid the fate of its former owner.

The establishment's four new owners will allow 19- and 20-year-old patrons to enter, but they will take precautions against underage drinking, said one of the owners, Marty Maynes.

"Bartenders and wait staff will wear wrist bands to remind them to check customers," he said. He wouldn't reveal all the steps he is taking for fear minors would attempt to circumvent the rules.

George Barlas, the former owner, sold the longtime Iowa City bar after the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division revoked its liquor license in May.

Ben Jones, a UI senior and bouncer at Martinis, 127 E. College St., said the Union has a history of drawing in the masses with its reputation as the Big Ten's biggest bar. He said the bar used to lack the look bargoers desired.

"It wasn't as crowded the year

they shut it down because they didn't fix anything up," Jones said.

The updated bar, featuring sleek black seating and plasma televisions on the walls, went through an overhaul before its opening, Maynes said.

"We cleaned it up and updated it to provide a better experience," said Maynes, who admitted he was nervous about his business venture.

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Mostly cloudy, 60% chance of T-storms

ABORTION BAN BLOCKED
For the second time in three months, the ban on a type of late-term abortion is ruled unconstitutional. **9A**

RECLAIMING LUSTER
The Iowa field-hockey team is looking to get back to the top of the heap. **1B**

MESSED-UP OLYMPICS
If you enjoy a good old fashioned mess, you'll love the Paul Hamm/gold medal foul-up. **1C**

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NEWS

Lecturer to focus on ads

Speaker aims to encourage youths not to be overly influenced by advertising

BY TARA FLOCKHART
THE DAILY IOWAN

In the constant swirl of advertisements encompassing American culture, it's easy to overlook the effect that advertising has on people — especially young men and women.

This is the message that author and filmmaker Jean Kilbourne intends to bring to the UI. "[Advertising] has gotten worse, because the industry has more money and power," she said, adding that advertising's influence on people is now more

accepted by the mainstream. Kilbourne, a guest of the UI Lecture Committee, will speak at Hancher Auditorium on Aug. 29. The presentation, which is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m., is free and open to the public.

"I hope that the students will understand that we're all influenced by advertising, whether we believe we're making free-will choices or not. The good news is that we can change the environment and our behaviors by being better informed," Kilbourne said.

A two-time recipient of the Lecturer of the Year Award from the National Association for Campus Activities, she uses advertisements for such prod-



Jean Kilbourne
author and filmmaker

ucts as Sauza tequila, Camel cigarettes, and Gucci to expose the marketing tactics used to manipulate consumers.

Her main focus is alcohol, tobacco, and women's health advertising.

She said she has noticed that more and more young women are trying to model themselves on the women they see in advertisements. One of her goals in speaking to young people is to encourage them to not be overly influenced by the unrealistic images present in advertisements.

"Kilbourne looks to be an interesting lecturer," said Carissa Swanstrom, a Lecture Committee representative. "She is very informative and takes a critical look at all of the information presented. However, she is easy to understand and humorous, with ads that are very eye-catching. More than anything, I hope that it gets people talking."

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CITY & STATE

Court tosses out appeal in enticement case

The Iowa Court of Appeals rejected the notion Thursday that a stalker convicted of chasing a 10-year-old girl in January 2002 was defended inadequately in court.

Justin Washpun had demanded that the appeals court throw out his conviction of attempting to entice away a minor because he lacked effective counsel during his April 2003 trial.

According to Iowa law, a person may not entice away a minor with the intent to commit an illegal act with the child. At his trial, the prosecution argued Washpun had intended to commit assault and/or sexual abuse.

Washpun, now 26, contends that his attorney should have specified to the Johnson County jury elements of assault and sexual abuse. Court records show that on Jan. 18, 2002, Washpun's victim noticed a Chevy vehicle drive by her several times on a walk from a friend's house in Coralville.

Washpun later asked the girl where she lived, where she was going, and whether she would "get in the car and be my girlfriend," court records show.

Washpun was ordered to pay a \$500 fine in addition to serving a maximum two years in prison. The charge is an aggravated misdemeanor.

— by Seung Min Kim

Event registers woman voters

Registration drive registers 100 new voters in eight hours

BY ARNA WILKINSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

The owner of a kitchen and household tools company swept into Iowa City Thursday to celebrate Women's Equality Day with a voter-registration drive, the sixth stop on a nationwide tour targeting women.

Julie Hellwich, the founder of Minnesota-based Smart Women Products, joined forces with the League of Women Voters outside RSVP, 114 E. Washington St., to register women voters before upcoming federal elections.

RSVP's owner, Nicki Neems, said she was "thrilled" about turnout for the registration drive, which registered 100 new voters in eight hours. Women also registered at Catherine's, 7 S. Dubuque St., Dulcinea, 2 S. Dubuque St.,

Textiles, 109 S. Dubuque St., and the Velvet Coat, 116 E. Washington St. The New Voters Project, a nonprofit, nonpartisan voter-registration service, provided voter-registration forms; the group will check them afterward for accuracy, Neems said.

Among the balloons, popcorn, and Polaroid photos of the event's newly registered voters was the concern about female turnout in the 2000 election. According to the nonpartisan group "Women's Voices. Women Vote," unmarried women make up the country's largest group of unregistered and nonvoting citizens. Sixteen million unmarried women were not registered to vote in 2000, and 22 million unmarried women did not cast ballots in 2000.

Hellwich said her two daughters inspired her to prove that "issues are important to me, and I have made them my business as well." The tour will stop in New York City for the Republican Convention as well as such cities as Seattle, San Francisco, and Houston.

"I really wanted to get women to be active about the issues that they care about. Voting is the first part," Hellwich said.

The League of Women Voters has participated in such drives for more than 80 years, said Kelly Kiobas, the league's communications director.

"The League of Women Voters speaks to everyone," she said. "We're just trying to get the word that everyone needs to get out and vote."

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Supervisors ban smoking at public-health dept.

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors banned smoking in the county's public-health department Thursday with a resolution intended to set what the department's director has called a good public example.

The board voted 4-1 in favor of the measure with little fanfare at its informal meeting.

Assistant County Attorney Andy Chappell said there is no penalty for smokers on the property and that the policy is positive enforcement rather than an aggressive one. Violators will be asked to stop, he said, and those who refuse will face a trespassing charge.

Cigarettes and smokeless tobacco are also banned from cars in the parking lot — a move Supervisor Pat Harney, the lone dissenter, called "extreme."

The Johnson County Board of Health introduced the ordinance to the supervisors at their meeting two weeks ago.

— by Kate McCarter

Bars sued after auto accident

An Altoona, Iowa, man injured in a drunken-driving car crash accused two local bars of indirectly causing the collision in a lawsuit released Thursday, arguing that the man who struck him had been drinking at their venues.

The suit alleges that Donald Hansen suffered severe, painful, and permanent injuries in the August 2002 accident, in which his vehicle hit that of Jerome Griffin at the intersection of Highway 1 and County Road F52. Hansen said Brothers Bar & Grill, 125 S. Dubuque St., and Lindy's Bar & Grill of Oxford, Iowa, should also pay damages because they served Griffin alcohol and should have known the beverages would intoxicate him.

Hansen contends Griffin was speeding and not maintaining a proper lookout, failed to stop at a posted stop sign, and was drunk, among other allegations.

The owner of the vehicle that Griffin was driving, Iowa City resident Jessica McElderry, is also named in the suit.

— by Seung Min Kim

BLOTTER

Jose Carnares, 22, 39 Laura Drive, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

Allan Crimer, 20, 218 E. Market St. Apt. 2, was charged Thursday with public intoxication, interference with official acts, and possession of alcohol under the legal age.

David Enos, 18, 312 W. Benton St., was charged Thursday with unlawful use of a driver's license or identification and public urination.

Allison Gahagan, 18, 813 Slater, was charged Thursday with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Michael Hermesen, 19, 806 E. College St. Apt. 2, was charged Thursday with public intoxication and possession of a traffic-control device.

Rachael Hillman, 18, 3303 Burge, was charged Thursday with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Carl Johnson, 19, 2040 Broadway Apt. E, was charged Thursday with interference with official acts.

Brady Klemme, 31, 36 W. Court St. No. 413, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

John McDonald, 20, 325 E. College St. Apt. 1625, was charged Thursday with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Jeffrey McGrane, 41, Waterloo, was charged Wednesday with fourth-degree theft.

Shannon Molloy, 19, 404 Currier, was charged Thursday with public

intoxication. Jason Mueller, 18, 527 Slater, was charged Thursday with presence on the premise of a licensed liquor establishment after hours.

Erik Nylen, 18, 1004 Slater, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

Patrick Vantassell, 20, 907 E. Davenport St., was charged Thursday with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Sean Wade, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Thursday with operating a vehicle while under the influence.

Michael Wiebler, 22, 630 E. Bloomington St., was charged Thursday with keeping a disorderly house.

appeal, said he believes Williams is being held at the Iowa Medical and Classification Center in Oakdale.

Kinnamon added that he is planning to appeal the decision to the Iowa Supreme Court.

— by Seung Min Kim

STATE

Ex-TA loses appeal

The Iowa Court of Appeals shot down ex-UI teaching assistant Frederick Williams' bid to reverse a Johnson County jury's decision that he forced a UI student to touch his penis after masturbating in front of her in December 2002.

Williams, now 29, argued in his appeal that his attorney during the July 2003 trial should have more clearly defined the term "sex act" to the jurors, who eventually found him

guilty of third-degree sexual abuse and indecent exposure.

If the jury had been properly informed, Williams argued, the contact between his victim's hand and his penis would not have been deemed sexual, court records show. That contention, along with several others alleging ineffective counsel, were denied.

After he was found guilty, Williams was sentenced to the maximum 10 years in prison. Cedar Rapids-based attorney Jon Kinnamon, who handled Williams'

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CITY
Courthouse still without security officer
A miscommunication between the Johnson County Board of Supervisors and the Sheriff's Office has delayed the scheduled posting of a courthouse security officer by nearly two months, a district court judge told the board Thursday.
Sixth District Court Judge Douglas Russell said that on Aug. 20, the Johnson County Courthouse was open to the public even though the only employees working were court employees to question their safety, Russell said.
"When anyone can walk freely in judges' chambers, that's a concern," said Mike Sullivan, the supervisors' executive assistant.

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Nader wins ballot battle

State officials clear way for the independent in Iowa

BY MIKE GLOVER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — A panel of state officials cleared the way Thursday for independent presidential candidate Ralph Nader's name to go on the ballot in Iowa on Nov. 2.

The three-member panel rejected challenges to Nader's nominating petitions, arguing that a review by legal authorities showed the former consumer advocate had more than enough signatures required by state election law.

"Our concern is that the nominating petition is in proper order so the correct nominees appear on the ballots in each county," said Iowa Secretary of State Chet Culver.

State election officials said they would notify county auditors and clear the way for ballots to be printed. There was pressure for a relatively quick decision because absentee bal-

lots can be mailed Sept. 23.

"I'll take it to the court of public opinion," said Drake University Journalism Professor Lee Baldwin Jolliffe, who had challenged Nader's nominating petitions. "He didn't follow the law."

"It's the right decision," said Sally Frank, a lawyer representing Nader.

The panel, which included Culver, Attorney General Tom Miller, and Auditor David Vaudt, announced their decision after holding a hearing Wednesday on the challenge to Nader's nominating petitions. The decision was unanimous.

"We felt the need to resolve the question fairly quickly so I can give the county auditors final notification to print ballots," Culver said.

Jolliffe had argued that even a quick review of nominating petitions filed by Nader backers showed a pattern of suspicious findings, including streets that don't exist and names that were



Ralph Nader
independent candidate

illegible. She asked that state officials look deeper into the petitions to determine if the names were valid.

State law requires that presidential candidates submit nominating petitions with at least 1,500 signatures of eligible voters from at least 10 counties. On Aug. 12, Nader backers filed petitions bearing 3,198 signatures, but Jolliffe argued many of those names were questionable.

In a preliminary review, the panel of state officials said they had determined that at least 1,597 signatures on the petitions were valid, more than enough to put Nader on the ballot.

"The objector has presented no evidence casting doubt on the legitimacy of these signatures or providing a basis to set aside the presumption of validity afforded the signatures," according to a legal opinion from Miller's office backing up the decision. "There is no reason to uphold the objection."

Democrats are worried about Nader's presence on the ballot, fearing that he would drain votes from Democratic nominee John Kerry. Polls show the battle for Iowa's seven electoral votes is too close to call, and even a slight shift could alter the outcome.

Harkin says fed-housing rules tightening doesn't go far enough

BY TRACI FINCH AND J.K. PERRY
THE DAILY IOWAN

Two days after Republican lawmakers announced changes in income eligibility requirements for students who want to live in federally subsidized housing, Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, argued that the clarifications are not sufficient.

In June, news reports showed that hundreds of UI students were living in such Iowa City apartments — almost 20 percent of them being scholarship athletes, who receive a monthly stipend for housing. Pheasant Ridge Apartments, 2626 Bartelt Road, the complex at the center of the controversy, offers residency based on a calculation of income and aid; some residents pay nothing at all.

Following the reports, Harkin introduced a bill on July 20 that would close the loophole in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 8 policy, saying some students were abusing the lax rules.

Although Harkin's bill has yet to be assigned to committee and

has no projected time frame for congressional consideration, Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, and Rep. James Leach, R-Iowa, announced changes to HUD's policy on Wednesday.

"[There] appeared to be a looseness in the regulations that permitted a certain amount of willful abuse," Leach spokesman Gregory Wierzynski said on Thursday. "A lot of people probably shouldn't be eligible to benefit from the program."

To be eligible for subsidized housing, students must now be of legal contract age and establish residency for one year or meet the criteria for an independent student under Department of Education guidelines. Applicants also may not be claimed as dependents nor may they submit certification of parental financial assistance.

Wierzynski described the modifications as "slightly more restrictive."

However, parental income and the student's financial aid will not be calculated in determining need for the housing,

Harkin said Thursday in a press release.

"Sen. Harkin basically doesn't think these rules go far enough," his press secretary, Jennifer Carrier, said, adding that the office is still pushing the original legislation.

Harkin's bill would also rule out federally subsidized housing for students who are dependent by federal financial-aid standards, a stipulation not imposed by the new HUD guidelines.

"These new eligibility rules are just putting a Band-Aid on a serious problem," Harkin said in the release. "... Section 8 is meant to be a stepping stone for low-income Americans to achieve self-sufficiency, and HUD needs to get serious about assuring that the goal is realized."

Pheasant Ridge officials refused to comment Thursday on the fate of UI students living in the apartments who do not meet the HUD's new eligibility standards.

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CITY

Man files suit in wife's death

A Coralville resident accused numerous area health-care facilities, including Coralville Family Health Center, Iowa City Surgery, and Mercy Hospital, of causing his wife's death in a lawsuit filed Aug. 25.

William Skriver filed the suit seeking damages on charges of negligence and deviation from medical practices that allegedly led to Jacquelyn Skriver's death on Aug. 28, 2002. The lawsuit did not specify about the alleged negligence except to say, "The care and treatment rendered to Jacquelyn Skriver was below the standard of care."

According to court records, defendants Susan Goodner and/or Nancy Keerens-Knudson attended to Skriver beginning Aug. 22, 2002, when she complained of neck and chest pain and sweatiness. One defendant, Courtney Harris, performed a three-vessel bypass surgery on the woman, and another doctor, Daniel Reasoner, contributed to the neglect, the suit alleges.

An EKG, administered on Aug. 23, 2002, revealed Jacquelyn Skriver had suffered a myocardial infarction around 10 p.m. the day before.

Acute myocardial infarction results from an imbalance between the oxygen supply and demand on the middle layer of the heart. Acute myocardial infarction is a leading cause of death in the United States, according to eMedical.com.

— by Colin Van Westen

Council will decide on speed bumps at Monday meeting

The Iowa City City Council will decide at a work session on Aug. 30 whether to add four speed humps to the 400 block of Fourth Avenue and the 2000 block of A Street.

Residents in the areas near City High School have complained for years about high-speed traffic, said Jeff Davidson, an assistant director of the Department of Planning and Community Development.

"Basically, the City High kids are creating the need for this issue," he said.

Residents collectively agreed that speed bumps were the best way to slow drivers to the area's posted 25-mph limit. Fifteen area households voted on the issue before bringing it to the council, with seven in favor of the

speed bumps and six against them.

Two more favorable votes were turned in two days after the deadline.

Davidson said that because the vote was close, the council should remain aware of the issue and comment on the matter. The public can comment on the humps at the council's next meeting on Aug. 30.

— by Clare Pierson

3 local men charged with illegal gambling

Iowa City police arrested three men Wednesday for shooting dice and betting money in a Broadway apartment and charged each with illegal gambling.

Anthony Snoddy, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. K1, Dimarco Harris, 923 Cross Park Road Apt. G, and Troy Salter, 863 Page St., were all charged with

the serious misdemeanor. The trio was allegedly playing in a hallway at 2030 Broadway.

Snoddy, 25, was huddled over dice and cash on the ground, police said. Harris, also 25, allegedly held \$5 in his hand, and 23-year-old Salter was seen throwing money onto the ground. When Salter saw officers, he put the remaining money in his pocket and tried to leave, according to court records.

Police later seized \$50 from Salter, court records show. Harris was also charged with public intoxication.

All were released Thursday on their own recognizance with travel restricted to Iowa. Fourth-degree illegal gambling is punishable by a one-year jail term and up to \$1,500 in fines.

— by Seung Min Kim

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NEWS

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION 2004

Kerry idea: weekly debates Bush hits Kerry over taxes

BY MARY DALRYMPLE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ANOKA, Minn. — John Kerry challenged President Bush on Thursday to weekly debates from now until Nov. 2 on campaign such issues as education, health care, and national security.

"America deserves a discussion like we're having here today, which I'm prepared to have with this president every single week from now until the election," the Democratic presidential candidate said.

Kerry issued the challenge while speaking about health care at Anoka Hennepin Technical College, fielding questions from a group of more than 200 people, some of them self-described undecided voters.

The Kerry campaign picked Anoka County for its known political independence, drawing the audience from counties surrounding Minneapolis and St. Paul. Anoka County voted for presidents Clinton and Bush, as well as independent former Gov. Jesse Ventura, and it tends to be a bellwether for statewide candidates.

The Bush-Cheney campaign rebuffed the debate challenge.

"There will be a time for debates after the convention, and during the next few weeks,



Jim Mone/Associated Press

Democratic presidential nominee John Kerry addresses a town-hall meeting on health care at Anoka Hennepin Technical College on Thursday in Anoka, Minn.

John Kerry should take the time to finish the debates with himself," responded Bush-Cheney spokesman Steve Schmidt.

"This election presents a clear choice to the American people between a president who is moving America forward and a senator who has taken every side of almost every issue," he said.

The Commission on Presidential Debates has scheduled three presidential debates to be held on college campuses in the battleground states of Florida, Missouri, and Arizona in late

September and October.

Kerry used the health-care forum to highlight new figures released by the Census Bureau, which showed the ranks of the poor and uninsured grew last year; the third-straight annual increase for both categories.

"Today confirms the failure of President Bush's policies for all Americans. While George Bush tries to convince America's families that were turning the corner, slogans and empty rhetoric can't hide the real story," Kerry said.

BY PETE YOST
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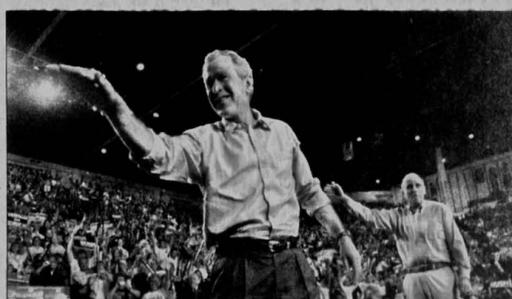
LAS CRUCES, N.M. — President Bush said Thursday that, with Election Day some 10 weeks away, rival John Kerry likely will propose new costly federal programs that would lead to tax increases on the middle-class.

"You know how tempting it is to get out in front of the people and make promise after promise," the president told several thousand supporters on the campus of New Mexico State University. "If he gets elected, he's going to tax you, but the good news is we're not going to let him get elected."

Flying to New Mexico after a week at his Texas ranch, Bush said Kerry has already proposed \$2.2 trillion worth of new promises, "and we're just getting started."

Kerry campaign spokesman Phil Singer responded later: "George Bush seems to have a problem being straight with the American people. John Kerry has been very clear about the fact that he will cut taxes for 98 percent of Americans. George Bush continues to avoid talking about the fact that his tax cuts have placed an increasingly larger portion of the tax burden onto the middle class."

Bush resumed his criticism of



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President Bush is introduced by former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani (right) at a campaign rally at New Mexico State University on Thursday in Las Cruces.

Kerry's record on the war in Iraq, saying the Democrat had repeatedly changed positions, an assertion seconded by former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, who campaigned with Bush.

Giuliani attacked Kerry as a candidate who says something one day and something else the next and praised Bush for guiding the nation "through some of its most difficult days, some of our worst times."

NATION

Kerry loses some ground during Swift Boat debate

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrat John Kerry has lost ground with voters in their perceptions of his honesty, leadership skills, and Vietnam experience during the heated debate over his war record as a Swift Boat commander, a poll found.

Ads paid for by a group called the Swift Boat Veterans for Truth have questioned Kerry's Vietnam service and claim he lied about his actions while piloting a Swift Boat on a Vietnam river in the late 1960s. Former crewmates of Kerry and a Green Beret he saved have refuted those claims.

The Kerry campaign has rebutted the claims with Navy documents, and Kerry has accused President Bush of being behind the ads paid for by an independent group. Bush has denied that charge. However, two members of his campaign have resigned because of their ties to the Swift Boat group.

A month ago, Kerry and President Bush were tied on the question of who has the honesty and integrity to serve as president. Bush now has an advantage on that question, 46 percent to 39 percent, according to a *Los Angeles Times* poll released Thursday.

The number of people who feel that in his Vietnam combat missions, Kerry demonstrated qualities America needs in a president has dropped from 58 percent in June to 48 percent now, according to the *Times* poll.

The poll found Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney with a slight lead, backed by 47 percent to 44 percent for Kerry and running mate John Edwards and 3 percent for independents Ralph Nader and Peter Camejo. The head-to-head matchup has shown very little change with Bush and Kerry tied in July.

Other polls released Thursday also found the race very close.

The Bush-Cheney ticket was at 48 percent, Kerry-Edwards at 46 percent, and Nader-Camejo at 4 percent in a CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll.

A Battleground Poll, sponsored by George Washington University, found Kerry-Edwards backed by 48 percent, Bush-Cheney backed by 47 percent, and Nader-Camejo backed by 3 percent.

Pre-convention polls by Fox News/Opinion Dynamics and NBC News-Wall Street Journal also found the race tied.

While the debate over Kerry's Vietnam record appears to have eroded some of his gains on character qualities when compared with Bush, several polls show the race remains very close.

Voters are so deadlocked on their choice for president that the campaigns will need to focus on keeping the intensity of support high and turning them out on Election Day, said pollsters Ed Goess, a Republican, and Celinda Lake, a Democrat, who conducted the

Battleground survey. That poll found Kerry has solidified support among key groups, such as blacks and union voters.

Here are details on the polls' methods:

- The bipartisan Battleground poll of 1,000 likely voters was conducted Aug. 15-17 and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

- The *Los Angeles Times* poll of 1,352 registered voters was conducted Aug. 21-24 and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

- The CNN-USA Today poll 709 likely voters was taken Aug. 23-25 and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 4 percentage points.

McCain furiously courted by Kerry and Bush

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican Sen. John McCain is emerging as the bipartisan scold whom neither presidential candidate can get enough of this year.

Although the maverick Arizona senator hasn't been shy about taking both campaigns to task, Democrat John Kerry sounded out McCain as a possible running mate, and President Bush will showcase him on the opening night of the Republican National Convention.

The phenomenon is explained by the blunt-spoken senator's appeal with voters of both parties, especially among the independents being courted so assiduously by both campaigns this year.

In a CBS poll taken earlier this summer, for example, the notion of a Kerry-McCain ticket gave Democrats a 14-point advantage over a Bush-Cheney ticket at a time when Kerry was running just about even with Bush in head-to-head matchups. The most recent favorability ratings for McCain, from polls last spring, showed people viewing him favorably by more than a 2-to-1 margin.

McCain, who unsuccessfully challenged Bush for the GOP nomination in 2000, surfaced at the epicenter of the 2004 campaign again this week as both candidates tried to co-opt his charisma.

The White House announced Thursday that Bush had telephoned McCain to say the president wanted to work with him to rein in political ads being run by outside groups. Happy for any opportunity to put Bush and McCain in the same sentence, White House spokesman Scott McClellan volunteered: "We certainly appreciate Sen. McCain's strong support for the president and look forward to hearing his remarks next week at the convention."

Unmentioned by McClellan was the weeklong leadup to the phone conversation, in which McCain called on the White House to condemn outside ads criticizing Kerry's military service. McCain compared the anti-Kerry ads with the tactics that were used against him when he was challenging Bush four years ago.



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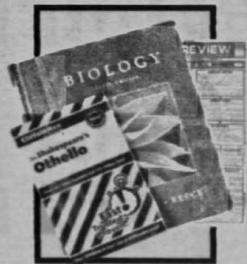
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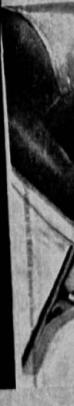
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NEWS

Dozens of arrests in crackdown on web crime

BY CURT ANDERSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — A summer-long effort targeting Internet crime has resulted in dozens of arrests and convictions on charges including use of "spam" e-mail to steal credit-card numbers, computer hacking, and online fraud, Justice Department officials said on Thursday.

The suspects were identified during more than 160 federal investigations into a variety of Internet crimes that victimized approximately 150,000 people and caused \$215 million in estimated losses, Attorney General John Ashcroft said. The initiative began June 1 and ended Thursday.

Although the arrests make only a tiny dent in overall online crime, Ashcroft said, it was important that law-enforcement officials demonstrate they take the problem seriously. Identity theft alone, he said, costs the U.S. economy an estimated \$50 billion a year.

"This is a series of cases that is designed to signal that we do not believe the Internet to be off-base for law enforcement," Ashcroft told reporters.

Announcement of the initiative came one day after the Justice Department disclosed the FBI had searched homes and an Internet service provider in the nation's first federal copyright infringement action taken against a peer-to-peer, or P2P, network, in which users can access files directly from one another's computer hard drives.

The effort described Thursday, dubbed "Operation Web Snare," produced 103 arrests and 53 convictions during the three-month time frame, although some of them overlap and some convictions were included in the total for people arrested before the initiative began. The Federal Trade Commission, FBI, Postal Inspection Service, and foreign agencies were all involved.

Among the cases:
• The June arrests of two men on charges of conspiring to steal a copy of the entire list of 92 million America Online members, with the goal of selling it to e-mail



Ashcroft

"spammers" who would then be able to send members unwanted messages.

• Roman Vega, a Ukrainian arrested in Cyprus, was extradited to California in June to face charges of buying and selling credit-card numbers obtained illegally from sources around the world, including online merchants and financial-processing companies.

• Jay Echouafni, the chief executive officer of Orbit Communications Corp. in Massachusetts, was indicted this week along with five others on charges that he hired computer hackers to attack his firm's online competitors. Prosecutors say the attack cost the competitors \$2 million and temporarily disrupted websites for the Homeland Security Department and Amazon.com.

• In Utah, R. Mark Pentrack is serving an 11-year prison sentence after pleading guilty to several charges stemming from a scheme in which he purported to sell car parts, aircraft parts, and other items over the Internet but never delivered them. Pentrack's victims sent him more than \$200,000.

Poverty up in U.S., Census says

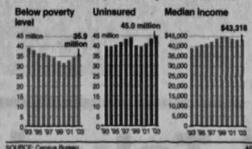
BY GENARO C. ARMAS
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WASHINGTON — The number of Americans living in poverty and without health insurance rose for the third-straight year in 2003, the Census Bureau reported Thursday in a pair of reports that delivered a double dose of bad economic news for the Bush administration.

Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry said the reports demonstrate the administration's failed economic policies. President Bush's supporters said the numbers don't reflect more recent economic gains, including the addition of 1.5 million jobs in the last year.

The reports provided a snapshot of Americans' economic well-being in 2003, two full years after the end of the recession. Joel Naroff, an economist and the president of Naroff Economic Advisers in Holland, Pa., said job growth was slow

Rankings of Americans in poverty climbed. The number of Americans living in poverty as well as those without health insurance rose last year, according to the Census Bureau.



until last August, while wages overall were stagnant. Many of those who did get jobs were faced with accepting scaled-back benefits and pension plans.

"It was what was expected when you have a soft economy and people losing their jobs," Naroff said. "It simply wasn't a good year."

There were 35.8 million people living in poverty last year, or 12.5 percent of the population. That was 1.3 million more than in 2002.

Children made up more than half the increase — about 800,000. The child poverty rate rose from 16.7 percent in 2002 to 17.6 percent.

More people lacked health insurance as well — about 45 million last year, or 15.6 percent, compared with 43.5 million, or 15.2 percent the previous year.

The rate of uninsured children was relatively stable at 11.4 percent, probably the result of recent expansions of coverage in government programs covering the poor and children, such as the state Children's Health Insurance Program, analysts said.

Meanwhile, the median household income, when adjusted for inflation, remained basically flat last year at \$43,318. Whites, blacks, and Asians saw no noticeable change, but Hispanics' income fell 2.6 percent, to \$33,000.

Asians had the highest median income, at more than \$55,000, nearly \$8,000 more than whites and \$26,000 more than blacks. The higher income for Asians is in part due to higher education levels.

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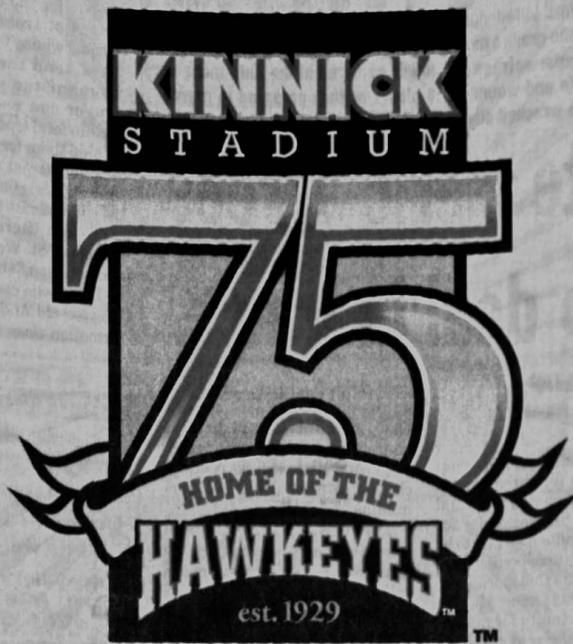
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NEWS



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Bodies of victims killed during a mortar attack on the main Kufa mosque lie on the ground next to a freezer at the hospital in Kufa, Iraq Thursday. A mortar barrage on crowds gathered at the Kufa mosque killed 27 people and wounded 63 others as they prepared to march on the violence-racked city of Najaf.

Shiite cleric agrees to deal in Iraq

NAJAF

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fought against U.S. and Iraqi security forces for three weeks. The agreement, crafted by Grand Ayatollah Ali Sistani, calls for thousands of Shiite pilgrims to be permitted into the closed-off city in the early hours this morning to visit the shrine of Imam Ali, providing an opportunity for militiamen holed up there to melt into the throng and avoid detection as they depart.

Al-Sadr, who has reneged on peace deals in the past, did not issue a statement of acceptance, but senior government officials and a top aide to Sistani expressed optimism that al-Sadr would comply with the terms of this agreement, which was reached during a meeting between Sistani and al-Sadr. "Mr. Muqtada Sadr has agreed to the proposals from his eminence, Ayatollah Ali Sistani," said Sistani's top aide, Hamed Khafaf.

If al-Sadr's militiamen leave the shrine, it would end a conflict that has claimed hundreds of lives and roiled Iraq's Shiite majority, who have been concerned that using force to resolve the standoff could damage the

gold-domed edifice. "Iraq has achieved a victory today," Dawoud said at a late-night news conference. "No more fights. Najaf and Kufa will be peaceful cities, free from arms, free from militias."

The U.S. military, which ceased offensive operations on Thursday because of the peace talks, did not withdraw from positions inside Najaf after the deal was announced. Daoud said U.S. forces will be instructed to "draw back" by interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi once al-Sadr's militia leaves the city.

The arrangement was a vivid indication of the enormous clout Sistani wields among Iraq's Shites. His objections to American plans for Iraq's political transition forced the U.S. occupation authority to make substantial changes on two occasions. But in recent months, some political and religious leaders questioned whether Sistani, a reclusive 73-year-old who believes in the separation of religion and government, was losing followers to al-Sadr, a mercurial man in his early 30s who lacks Sistani's clerical credentials but plays a more activist form of street politics.

Project sends children in Afghanistan toys, candy

BALLS

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LaDonna Wicklund after Mass at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, she mentioned how proud Andy's selflessness had made her. Moved by Andy's altruism, Wicklund thought, "we should make sure this soldier gets his wish." A word to Pastoral and Youth Minister Pat King, and the Balls For Afghanistan collection was posted in the church bulletin and a collection box positioned in the parish basement.

Aug. 30 marks the last day of the month long collection of balls, ball pumps, and hard candy. King estimates they have filled six garbage bags — with some balls deflated to make room. The Guyers expect to pay for the cost to ship the boxes of treats to the East Coast, where the military will then send the donations to Afghanistan — unless Bob Guyer can use his contacts within local trucking businesses to ship them for free.

King viewed the church community's response to the notice as characteristically generous.

"When there's a need, the people of St. Wenceslaus rise to the occasion," she said.

King, who oversaw the then-15-year-old Andy Guyer in confirmation class, remembers him

as a "still-waters-run-deep-kind of kid. He was quiet, but you could tell there was something going on there."

Bob Guyer said that though Andy Guyer has not told them specific stories about the destitute circumstances, "the people need everything," spurring his parents to gather clothes, shoes, and other goods. Nancy Guyer imagines shoes could be particularly helpful to protect their feet from the scalding ground, which bakes in the 100-plus-degree heat.

"The list keeps growing because the need is there," Bob Guyer said. The couple have begun asking family and friends for any type and size of shoe, and he believes that everyone could contribute with a little housecleaning. "Gee, if people just clean out their closets, you know?" he said.

Andy Guyer has told his parents that his situation is not hostile and that the Afghani people seem happy to have his unit there. Bob Guyer said the compassionate gesture could have potentially invaluable results.

"If you can make the kids happy, hopefully, you'll help the parents," he said. "Just something as simple as this could help prevent somebody from getting shot."

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Vilsack to lead Dem charge during GOP convention in NY

VILSACK

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behind Bush as he declared the end of major combat in Iraq in May 2003.

"Every day next week, we will be highlighting this simple truth about the administration of George Bush: Mission Not Accomplished," McAuliffe said. "So many missions for America's families were not accomplished in the last four years. And this time, there's no one for George Bush to blame but himself."

Vilsack said he expects Republican speakers' opinions to drift toward the center of the political spectrum on the issues they will address. These more liberal views vary from the policies Bush has demonstrated, he said.

"I have referred to the Republican Convention as a masquerade ball," Vilsack said in a conference call.

A number of prominent Democrats, including Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y.,

'Every day next week, we will be highlighting the simple truth about the administration of George Bush: Mission Not Accomplished'

— Terry McAuliffe, DNC chairman

will also push the party's message during the convention. McAuliffe said the Democratic National Committee started running a new advertisement Thursday in 21 battleground states to kick off its counterattack. The commercials push a "record low job creation" during Bush's term.

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Higher quality decor might bring the bar up to par, but Jones said that wasn't all a bar needed to attract large crowds. "The Summit has dollar-you-call-it on Tuesdays, and you can't even move," Jones said. Owners must do more than get customers in the door to survive. Stiff enforcement of underage drinking has resulted in a number of bars closing because of violations in recent months.

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substance, disorderly conduct, and assault. The Neighborhood Housing Task Force recommended the regulations to the Iowa City Council in June 2003. The council adopted them as law, and they will remain in effect unless further changes are needed, Boothroy said. "It's going to take time to see how this works," he said. "We'll see over time how the numbers hold up." E-mail/D reporter Clare Pierson at clare-pierson@uiowa.edu

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NEWS

Judge tosses out ban on late-term abortions

The action is the second such ruling in three months

BY LARRY NEUMEISTER
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NEW YORK — A federal judge declared the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act unconstitutional Thursday in the second such ruling in three months — even though he called the procedure “gruesome, brutal, barbaric, and uncivilized.”

U.S. District Judge Richard Casey — one of three federal judges across the country to hear simultaneous challenges to the law earlier this year — faulted the ban for not containing an exception to protect a woman’s health, something the Supreme Court has made clear is required in laws prohibiting particular types of abortion.

The law, signed in November 2003, banned a procedure known to doctors as intact dilation and extraction and called partial-birth abortion by abortion-rights foes.

Louise Melling, the director of the ACLU’s Reproductive Freedom Project, said her group was thrilled by the ruling.

“We can only hope as we have decision after decision after decision striking these bans, saying they endanger women’s health, that the legislatures will

finally stop,” she said.

On June 1, U.S. District Judge Phyllis Hamilton in San Francisco also found the law unconstitutional, saying it violates a woman’s right to choose an abortion. A judge in Lincoln, Neb., has yet to rule. The three judges suspended the ban while they held the trials.

The three verdicts are almost certain to be appealed to the Supreme Court.

“We are in the process of the appeal of these issues now, which tells you exactly what we’re doing and where we’re going,” Attorney General John Ashcroft said on Thursday.

The ban, which President Clinton twice vetoed, was seen by abortion-rights activists as a fundamental departure from the Supreme Court’s 1973 precedent in *Roe v. Wade*. But the Bush administration has argued that the procedure is cruel and unnecessary and causes pain to the fetus.

At trials earlier this year, doctors testified that of 1.3 million abortions performed annually, the law would affect approximately 130,000, almost all in the second trimester. Some observers suggest the number would be much lower — 2,200 to 5,000.

In his ruling, Casey said that there is evidence that the procedure can have safety advantages

for women. He said the Supreme Court had made it clear that “this gruesome procedure may be outlawed only if there exists a medical consensus that there is no circumstance in which any women could potentially benefit from it.”

At another point, Casey wrote that testimony put before himself and Congress showed the outlawed abortion technique to be a “gruesome, brutal, barbaric, and uncivilized medical procedure.”

Casey, who was appointed to the bench by President Clinton in 1997, was considered by some observers to be the best legal hope for the law’s supporters.

“We were on pins and needles on this one,” said Gloria Feldt, the president of Planned Parenthood Federation of America. “The judge was very aggressive in his questioning and very transparent in his articulation of his personal views on the matter. Fortunately, he chose to uphold the law.”

During a hearing earlier this year, Casey repeatedly asked doctors whether they tell pregnant women prior before an abortion that they will rip the fetus apart and that it might feel pain.

“Did you tell them you were sucking the brains out of the same baby they desired to hold?” the judge asked one doctor. At another point, Casey, who is blind, asked the same doctor whether a mother can detect in advance whether a baby will be born blind.



Richard Casey
U.S. District Judge



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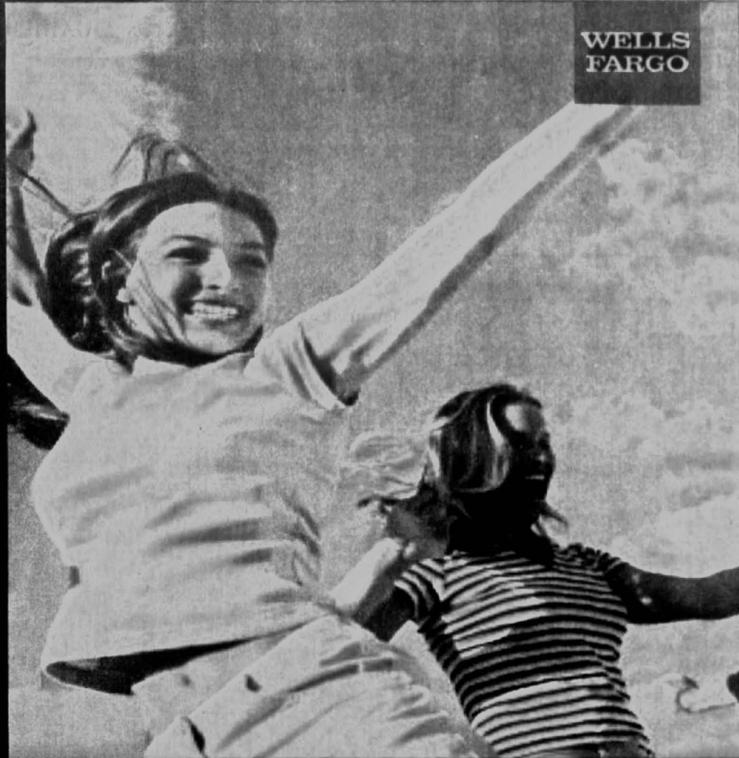
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NEWS

Russia: Terrorism likely in crashes

BY MARIA DANILOVA
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MOSCOW — A top Russian official acknowledged Thursday what many citizens already suspected — that terrorism was the most likely cause of two jetliners crashing minutes apart, a feeling reflected in a newspaper headline warning that "Russia now has a Sept. 11."

A day after officials stressed there were many possibilities besides terrorism, presidential envoy Vladimir Yakovlev told Russia's ITAR-Tass news agency that the main theory "all the same remains terrorism."

Yakovlev said the planes' flight recorders provide no clues to the disaster. He said both boxes had shut off abruptly without any indication of trouble, a sign U.S. aviation experts said was strong evidence of explosions.

Also, Transport Minister Igor Levitin confirmed Sibir airlines' report that its crew activated an emergency signal shortly before the plane disappeared from radar. Visiting the crash site, however, he said that details were slim because "no verbal confirmation from the crew was received" saying what the problem was.

Officials previously said there was no indication of trouble from a Volga-Aviaexpress airliner that also crashed late Tuesday, although people on the ground reported hearing a series of explosions.

Russian media also raised questions about a possible link between the crashes and an explosion a few hours earlier at a bus stop on a road leading to Domodedovo airport, where the two doomed planes took off. Without citing evidence, the reports suggested the blast,



Sergei Venyavsky/Associated Press
Emergency workers on Thursday search the wreckage of a Tu-154 plane near Glubokiy in the Rostov region some 600 miles south of Moscow. The black boxes in both planes shut off before indicating any problems.

which wounded four people, might have been an effort to distract attention.

Suspicions of terrorism came after warnings from officials that separatists might plan attacks before an election Aug. 29 in Chechnya to replace the war-torn region's assassinated pro-Kremlin president. The rebels have made attacks in Moscow and other cities, hijacked planes outside Russia, and allegedly staged suicide bombings.

"I am inclined to think that it is a terrorist act, because there are too many coincidences," said Ruben Suryaninov, an elderly retiree. "What needs to happen so that two planes going from the same airport would bang at the same moment?"

"It's too suspicious," agreed Natalia Kozhelupova, a physicist who was out on a national day of mourning for the 89 people killed in the crashes. Russia's tricolor flag flew at half-staff and television canceled entertainment programs.

Despite Yakovlev's statement about terrorism, the government was still officially investigating all possibilities — bombs, hijackers, mechanical failure, bad fuel and human error. Officials said no evidence had been found pointing to terrorism, and no one has claimed to have caused the crashes.

The government had hoped the jetliners' flight data recorders would shed some light, but Yakovlev told state-run First Channel that experts

found the boxes in both planes shut off before indicating any problems.

Yakovlev, the president's envoy for southern Russia, where one of the planes crashed, said the recorders "turned off immediately" — an indication "that something happened very fast."

Bill Waldock, aviation safety professor at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Arizona, said a sudden stoppage of a plane's two recorders indicates that its electrical system was cut. "An explosion could interrupt electrical power," he said, adding that it was extremely unlikely that another problem would cause four boxes in two planes to quit abruptly.

Israel closes main Gaza roads after missile attack

BY MARK LAVIE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JERUSALEM — Israeli forces cut main Gaza roads on Thursday after militants fired rockets at an Israeli town, and soldiers tore down houses in a refugee camp on the Egyptian border.

The Israelis have been unable to stop rocket fire into Israel, despite frequent army operations in northern Gaza, the launching zone. On Thursday, Israeli helicopters fired missiles at the area as a warning, Army Radio reported.

Prime Minister Ariel Sharon intends to pull Israeli soldiers and settlers out of Gaza next year. Critics warn that that after the exit, rocket attacks will intensify.

Militants are increasing attacks to portray the pullout as a defeat, while Israel has carried out tough crackdowns to show it's leaving of its own volition.

Palestinians on Thursday fired two of the primitive homemade Qassam rockets at Sderot, an Israeli town of approximately 20,000 less than a mile from the Gaza fence.

One rocket hit a storage shack next to a house, and the other landed in a field. No one was hurt.

Also, Palestinians fired several mortar shells at a Jewish settlement in Gaza, the military said. No damage or casualties were reported.

Responding to the rocket fire, Israel placed roadblocks on main highways, dividing Gaza into three sections between which no one was allowed to travel.

Cutting Gaza into three parts, a frequent response to violence, is seen by Palestinians as collective punishment, though the Israelis claim the purpose is to keep militants from transferring weapons from one part to the other.

In southern Gaza on Thursday, Israeli forces knocked down houses in the Rafah refugee camp on the Egyptian border.

The Israeli military said an operation was underway against the "terrorist infrastructure" in the camp, and two abandoned structures used by militants to fire mortars and guns were destroyed.

Associated Press pictures showed residents picking through rubble strewn with broken furniture and torn clothes.

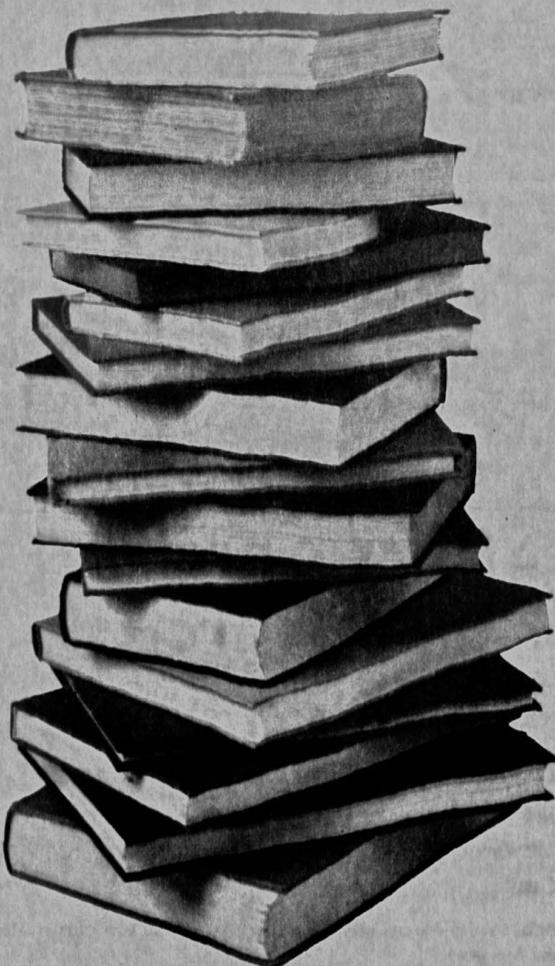
The camp is a frequent target as Israeli forces search for arms-smuggling tunnels, some of which terminate under buildings in the camp. Hundreds of structures have been destroyed in the camp during the current conflict.

In the Rafah camp after nightfall, an explosion rocked the house of a well-known Islamic Jihad militant, Mohammed Khalil, who was injured along with three other people, Palestinians said. There was no immediate word on what caused the blast. The Israeli military had no comment.

A second blast occurred in a house in the Shajiea neighborhood, east of Gaza City, killing Fahdi Iomear of the Al Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades, Palestinian officials said. The officials said the explosion was caused by an explosive device. They did not elaborate.

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NEWS

Doctors grow man a new jawbone

Surgeons use patient's bone marrow containing stem cells in 'ambitious' experiment

BY EMMA ROSS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — A German who had his lower jaw cut out because of cancer has enjoyed his first meal in nine years — a bratwurst sandwich — after surgeons grew a new jawbone in his back muscle and transplanted it to his mouth in what experts call an "ambitious" experiment.

According to this week's issue of *The Lancet* medical journal, the German doctors used a mesh cage, a growth chemical, and the patient's own bone marrow, containing stem cells, to create a new jawbone that fit exactly into the gap left by the cancer surgery.

Tests have not been done yet to verify whether the bone was created by the blank-slate stem cells, and it is too early to tell whether the jaw will function normally in the long term. The operation is the first published report of a whole bone being engineered and incubated inside a patient's body and transplanted.

Stem cells are the master cells of the body that go on to become every tissue in the body. They are a hot area of research with scientists trying to find ways to prompt them to make desired tissues, and perhaps organs.

While researchers debate whether the technique resulted in a scientific advance involving stem cells, the operation has achieved its purpose and changed a life, said Stan Gronthos, a stem-cell expert at



The *Lancet*, HO/Associated Press
Undated CT scan showing a patient's skull before a transplant (top) and a modeled new lower jaw (bottom). Doctors in Kiel, Germany, have rebuilt a man's face using a new jaw grown on his back.

the Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science in Adelaide, Australia.

"A patient who had previously lost his mandible through the result of a destructive tumor can now sit down and chew his first solid meals in nine years... resulting in an improved quality of life," said Gronthos, who was not connected with the experiment.

The operation was done by Dr. Patrick Warnke, a reconstructive facial surgeon at the University of Kiel in Germany. The patient, a 56-year-old man, had his lower jaw and half his tongue cut out almost a decade ago after getting mouth cancer. Since then, he had only been able to slurp soft food or soup from a spoon.

In similar cases, doctors can sometimes replace a lost jawbone by cutting out a piece of bone from the lower leg or from

the hip and chiseling it to fit into the mouth.

This patient could not have that procedure because he was taking a potent blood thinner for another condition, and doctors considered it too dangerous to harvest bone from elsewhere in his body because extraction leaves a hole where the bone is taken, creating an extra risk of bleeding.

Artificial jaws made from plastic or other materials are not used because they pose too much of a risk of infection.

"He demanded reconstruction," Warnke said. "This patient was really sick of living."

Warnke and his group began by creating a virtual jaw on a computer, after making a three-dimensional scan of the patient's mouth.

The information was used to create a thin titanium micro-mesh cage. Several cow-derived pure bone mineral blocks the size of sugar lumps were then put inside the structure, along with a human growth factor that builds bone and a large squirt of blood extracted from the man's bone marrow, which contains stem cells.

The surgeons then implanted the mesh cage and its contents into the muscle below the patient's right shoulder blade. He was given no drugs, other than routine antibiotics to prevent infection from the surgery.

The implant was left in for seven weeks, when scans showed new bone formation. It was removed about eight weeks ago, along with some surrounding muscle and blood vessels, put in the man's mouth, and connected to the blood vessels in his neck.

Scans showed new bone continuing to form after the transplant.

Four weeks after the operation, the man ate a German sausage sandwich, his first real meal in nine years. He eats steak now, but the complaints to his doctor that because he has no teeth he has to cut it into such small pieces that by the time he gets to the end of the steak, it's cold.

He has reported no pain or any other difficulties associated with the transplant, Warnke said, adding that he hopes to be able to remove the mesh and implant teeth in the new jaw about a year from now.

Paul Brown, head of the Center for Tissue Regeneration Science at University College in London, said it's not clear any major scientific ground has been broken, and tests may not be able to show whether the new bone came from stem cells, rather than from the growth factor alone.

The operation put established techniques together, resembling a well-known experiment in which University of Massachusetts scientists grew a human ear using a mold on the back of a mouse in 1995, he said.

"If you put loads of blocks of bone mineral into a hole and you induce cellular activity by putting in growth factors, it's a standard approach that people have used to induce the body's own response," said Brown, who was not connected with the study. "Clearly some of them are going to work and it sounds like for this patient, this has worked."

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NATION

U.S. to take over airlines' terror lists

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government announced Thursday it will take over the task of checking the names of airline passengers against terrorism watch lists, saying it can do a more comprehensive and secure job than the airlines.

The new system is intended to verify the identity of domestic travelers by amassing information that passengers have given airlines and comparing it with records in government databases. The goal is to better screen travelers by using a larger pool of suspected terrorists than airlines had access to.

The government does not now provide airlines with complete terrorist lists for fear that such information could fall into the hands of U.S. foes, said David Stone, the chief of the Transportation Security Administration.

"We will have the database under the umbrella of the government so we can have enhanced security and not have the release of the names into arenas where enemies can access them," Stone told reporters in a conference call.

The new system, Secure Flight, is to begin testing in the next two months. It replaces a proposed screening operation derided by critics for failing to adequately ensure passengers' privacy.

But Rep. John Mica, chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure subcommittee on aviation, said it will take a year to put Secure Flight in place after the testing. "I agree with the Sept. 11 commission there's been far too much delay," said Mica, R-Fla.

The government-run screening will not seek to identify anyone other than known or suspected terrorists. Nor will it assign a risk level to travelers.

Civil libertarians complained that the earlier system would use information on passengers gleaned from commercial databases.

The government said a very limited test of the new system will be done to see if comparing passenger information against such databases can help to more accurately verify people's identity.

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Yet another fine Olympic mess

Judge's scoring error ignites debate over who should receive gold medal

Paul Hamm, the American gymnast, recently brought home the first gold medal ever for America in the men's all-around gymnastics competition. That much is clear. What isn't so clear, however, is whether he should keep it. Sportswriters and reader polls on the Internet are encouraging, or perhaps just demanding, that Hamm return his prize, a measure that the U.S. Olympic Committee has stopped short of endorsing.

Here's the long and convoluted story. Hamm won the gold medal after a judge's scoring error failed to award the proper starting score to South Korean gymnast, Yang Tae-young; Yang should have started with a score of 10 for difficulty instead of 9.9 (gymnasts begin their routine with a certain score, and then deductions are factored into this starting score as errors are committed), a discrepancy that dropped the South Korean to the bronze medal. The scoring error wasn't discovered until after the medal ceremony when the judges reviewed videotape of the competition, at which point the time period during which countries can file protests with the oversight committee (the International Gymnastics Federation, commonly known as FIG) had already expired. Making matters more complicated, FIG is barred by its own rules from appealing the matter to the International Olympic Committee, which would be the only governing body that could mint another gold medal for Yang.

Confused? Between the alphabet soup of abbreviations that are the various governing bodies and the arcane rules of the federations, getting the facts in



order makes competing on the pommel horse look like child's play. On top of this, FIG has dropped several hints that it would prefer Hamm to rectify the situation on his own by giving the medal to the South Koreans of his own accord, a scenario that would solve media scrutiny of the matter and (more importantly, for FIG) certainly take a lot of heat off the organization. Hamm, for reasons that are apparent, wants to keep what he was awarded.

Ultimately, we're inclined to agree with Hamm; the gold medal belongs to him. If he wants to return it to the South Koreans, that would certainly be a commendable and generous gesture, but at this point, it is his decision. As Hamm himself noted, if the judges were to go back and re-score the entire competition based on videotape (instead of this one isolated incident), presumably more errors would be discovered, complicating the revised scoring only further. What is embarrassing is that the impotent and helpless FIG has put such public pressure on the young man to solve what is clearly its problem. It is not Hamm's fault that the judging was so woefully inept, nor that the Olympic rules regarding protests are so stringent, nor that the South Koreans didn't discover the mistake until after the medals had been awarded. While returning a gold medal would be a truly generous action, the only ones at fault in this matter are the incompetent Olympic committees, and they should be held accountable for their poor performance — not Paul Hamm.

Celebrities and politics

With the assured self-righteousness and piety that can be found only among those accustomed to a life of privilege, the celebrity left has mobilized for the fall election. This week marked the arrival of new television ads courtesy of MoveOn PAC, featuring the epiphanic political insights of Woody Harrelson, who, unbeknownst to most of America, is apparently still considered a celebrity. Perhaps video director Benny Boom best articulated the political acumen of the celebrity culture when, upon deciding to direct an ad, exclaimed "I was like, yo, I want to do an ad myself." MoveOn, you'll recall, is the same PAC that has sponsored commercials claiming that "religious extremists are reshaping the [United States] government," a curious claim given that the mayor of San Francisco brazenly flouts both California law and overwhelming public sentiment in marrying gay couples.



ROBERT SCHNEIDER

But such is the breathless sensationalism endemic to the Beverly Hills political establishment, whose poverty of policy knowledge does not inhibit its indignant passion. The Democratic establishment, which one week honeymooned with the slender Michael Moore and the next week whines about a group of decorated war veterans exposing John Kerry's tall tales of spending Christmas in Cambodia, has welcomed the Left Coast elitists and their bank accounts into the campaign trail.

And the Hollywood elites have responded in turn, showering vitriolic personal attacks on the president that, unlike the Swift Boat ads, do not presume to illuminate some hidden truth about Bush. Jokes delivered at a New York fund-raiser featuring Kerry, such as Whoopi Goldberg's sexual pun on the president's last name, are emblematic of the political callowness that is the hallmark of the Hollywood Left. While Slim-Fast promptly dropped Goldberg as its spokeswoman in response to her remarks, Kerry shared the stage with the comedienne, praising her performance and others (some of which also called the president a "dirty thug" and a liar) as representing the "heart and soul" of America.

Will this marriage deliver for the Democrats? It is hard to imagine swing voters in Ohio will find much to identify with in Ben Affleck, whose whirlwind romance with Jennifer Lopez, gambling binges in Las Vegas, and fleet of imported luxury cars might impress 16-year-old boys but resonate less with middle-aged working parents who are more concerned about the possibility of New York being incinerated by terrorists.

But what is remarkable about this year's Democrat/Hollywood alliance is the hypocrisy Kerry displays in his indifference to the Hollywood elite's juvenile attacks on Bush and his outrage over the ads of the Swift Boat Vets. At the bottom of all the legal bullying and Max Cleland stunts that surround the vets, one fact remains clear: Despite using the event as political capital (most dramatically on the Senate floor in 1986) and making numerous claims in the affirmative, John Kerry was never in Cambodia on Christmas of 1968. This has now been confirmed by Kerry's campaign.

The Swift Boaters, regardless of their political motivations, have exposed one breathtakingly bold and opportunistic lie of Kerry. This is not debatable, nor is it a smear of the candidate — it is simply the truth.

Now contrast the Swifties with the Left Coast elite, who are gifted when spouting off banal clichés about politics, but have yet to offer any consequential policy fiber. Indeed, their gift to the political discourse seems to be, apart from looking good, serving as Kerry's hitmen, calling the president a liar, and thug, and (courtesy of the aforementioned Benny Boom) "a gangsta." Janeane Garofalo, for example, has yet to substantiate the "Bush lied" claim or even attempt to refute the mountain of evidence to the contrary, but this doesn't prevent her from endlessly repeating this accusation.

And therein lies the crucial distinction between the attacks of the Swift Boat vets and the rantings of Hollywood stars. The Swifties, having already proven one of their charges, deserve the ears of the nation and the attention of the press. Goldberg, Garofalo & Company, who avoid any burden of proof by trafficking in personal insults, do not. ■

GUEST OPINION

Conservative contradictions

Conservative columnist Anthony Harris argues that "critical thinking keeps conservatism alive" (*DI*, Aug. 23). Curiously, what I value most from my liberal-arts education is the critical thinking skills I have cultivated. In fact, learning to critically evaluate information was the single skill I most sought to instill in my students during the short time I spent as a high-school teacher.

However, Harris seems to insinuate that critical thinking falls solely within the purview of conservative belief. A critical examination of the tenets of liberal ideology versus conservative ideology seems to contradict this assertion. It is a commonly held belief that conservatives see the world in black and white, whereas liberals see shades of gray. In fact, what draws many conservative voters to President Bush is his very absence of critical thinking; such voters support the president as resolute, a man who does not waver from his beliefs. Such conservatives are fond of comparing Bush's faith in the righteousness of his decisions with Sen. John Kerry, whom they perceive as a flip-flopper. Putting aside for now the validity of these characterizations (witness, for example, the Bush administration's recent departure from its own road map to peace in Israel), it should be clear that critical-thinking skills have not been utilized very effectively by the Bush administration, particularly evident in public statements made regarding the presence of

weapons of mass destruction in Iraq.

And Harris himself could benefit from more critically previewing his own article. For evidence of liberals' belief in their superiority to conservatives, Harris cites the Students for Academic Freedom Complaint Ledger? Harris falls into the trap of making sweeping generalizations, based upon isolated incidents. Indeed, it is not liberals but conservatives who have put forth the belief of a liberal academic elite. Doing so has allowed conservatives to claim the mantle of victimhood and has allowed them to avoid coming to terms with a contradiction inherent in their belief system: The prevalence of violence and sex in the media that conservatives decry is a direct product of the free-market system they so prize. Simply blame the intangible, unidentifiable, nonspecific "liberal media" or "liberal elite" for the ills of society, and all personal responsibility for addressing these grievances can be abdicated.

As for Harris's statistics alleging that undereducated members of the electorate tend to vote Democratic, I offer a simple explanation: These folks are voting their economic interest. Certainly the true corporate elites on the right are not looking out for them.

Noah Lawrence
UI graduate student

LETTERS

Readership program should stay

We are writing in response to the guest opinion about the *USA Today* Collegiate Readership Program (*DI*, Aug. 24).

In reference to the argument that anyone can read the same news online, the news you can obtain online is not as thorough as the news you read in a newspaper. Stopping by a number of locations around campus is often much easier for busy students who want to read the news on the way to class or during lunch. If students wish to read one of the newspapers, it is their responsibility to find them. If they do not take the time, students are aware of what they are missing and are in no way required to take advantage of this program.

Although the university is trying to cut down on paper use, the newspapers in the readership program are not printed by the university. Therefore, the papers produce no extra printing cost for the university. Also, the student fees are specifically designated for this program and could never be used for janitorial salaries or purchasing journals.

The newspapers read by students at the university are not limited to the ones provided by the readership program. We trust that students are smart enough to know they are not restricted to only five newspapers. There are many other sources for news throughout this campus and city, and it is unrealistic to expect the program to supply more newspapers than the five chosen. These mainstream papers may leave out some important independent thoughts, but no number of papers could ever encompass all points of view. These five



papers provide convenient access to many more viewpoints and information sources than existed before the readership program took effect.

The Collegiate Readership Program gives students access to broad coverage from the local to

the international level. The service is convenient, requires a minimal student fee that potentially benefits each student, and should be continued.

Kelly Chesnik, UI student
Eric Axelson and Paul Vollmers, UI alumni

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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NBC dusts off clichés for fall

BY FRAZIER MOORE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — "Father of the Pride," the first and most hyped of NBC's lackluster lineup of new fall shows, will premiere Aug. 31 at 8 p.m. CDT after months of anticipation.

As everyone knows, it's being hyped as an innovative comedy with youth appeal but adult racism, expensively employing the same computer animation used for the *Shrek* films by the same studio (DreamWorks) and boasting top-notch voice talent, including John Goodman, Cheryl Hines, and Carl Reiner.

As everyone knows, the series fancifully depicts the family life of just-like-people lions featured in the Las Vegas animal act of Siegfried & Roy.

And as everyone surely knows, Roy Horn was critically injured by a 300-pound tiger during a sold-out performance at the Mirage hotel-casino last October — after the series was already announced and well into production.

Now that "Father of the Pride" is finally going on the air, the audience's challenge will be accepting the show as a thing apart from its real-life, tragically affected source material.

But what then? Even if the premise buttressing "Father of the Pride" hadn't collapsed, would the show be everything it means to be? Doubtful. The dialogue is clever, and the animation meets *Shrek* standards. But it all adds up to more of the same: just another family sitcom.

For instance, the premiere episode finds Larry the head lion (voiced by Goodman) in a typical sitcom jam: Wife Kate (Hines) won't have sex with him until he can find someone to date a lovelorn friend.

"Larry, this isn't really the time," says Kate, whose friend is planted on the living-room couch.

"This is the PERFECT time," he reasons. "You're in heat. I'm not hungry. I just peed."



AP Photo/Dreamworks Photo via NBC Universal
Computer animated characters Larry (left), voice by John Goodman, and Sarmoti, voice by Carl Reiner, appear in a frame from the new NBC series "Father of the Pride" in this undated publicity photo.

New shows in NBC's fall lineup

- "Father of the Pride"
- "Joey"
- "Medical Investigation"
- "LAX"
- "Hawaii"

Computer animation doesn't make a comedy innovative. Saying "in heat" doesn't make it edgy. "Father of the Pride" isn't irreverent enough to score many points with the cool crowd, but a more general audience may not relate to cuddly wild animals with a naughty streak. Unlike "The Simpsons," which brilliantly caters to numerous tastes, "Father of the Pride" may end up satisfying nobody. It's a family sitcom about lions that is neither fish nor fowl.

As it happens, the show is just one among a five-series fall slate that reveals few signs of fresh thinking by NBC: The "Friends" spinoff "Joey" (trading on an idea unveiled 10 years ago); "Medical Investigation" (a "germ whodunit" as plodding and generic

as its title); "LAX" (a lax drama that pairs Heather Locklear and Blair Underwood as friendly rivals running Los Angeles International Airport).

And premiering Sept. 1 at 7 p.m., "Hawaii" is a cop drama that doesn't cop to a moment of originality.

Think: "Hawaii Five-O" crossed with "Starsky and Hutch" 30 years later, with all the clichés surviving intact.

NBC, which increasingly has cast its lot with the "Law & Order" franchise (a fourth edition is due by midseason) and was saved last season by "The Apprentice" (returning Sept. 9), seems nowadays to lack the will to launch any scripted series that's new and different.

Unlike ABC's "Desperate Housewives," CBS' "Clubhouse," Fox's "House," UPN's "Veronica Mars," or the WB's "Jack & Bobby," NBC is defaulting to well-thumbed scripted formulas — even when, as with "Father of the Pride," it claims to be taking creative risks. Cutting-edge or old hat? Maybe NBC has lost sight of the difference.

Passing the acid-rock test



CD REVIEW Comets on Fire *Blue Cathedral*

BY JASON BRIZZI
THE DAILY IOWAN

Comets on Fire's *Blue Cathedral* is, simply put, the rock record of the year. Though the band has been doling out its planet-crushing psychedelic rock for nearly five years, it's only with its Sub Pop debut that the sum of its drug-damaged efforts have finally equaled its parts.

Lead guitarist and vocalist Ethan Miller's incomprehensible Echoplexed vocals and crushing riffs dominated Comets on Fire's first two full lengths, creating an maelstrom of noise. While the group's brand of psychedelic rock,



Publicity photo
Comets on Fire pays homage to the blues-based psychedelic rock of the '60s but expands on the sound, refusing to be pegged into a single genre.

sounding like a cross between Acid Mothers Temple and MC5, was excellent, the cleaner production of *Blue Cathedral* (courtesy of Tim Green of the Fucking Champs) allows listeners to finally hear the complexities of the band's sound. Noel Harmonson's Echoplex and organ work pulls the band into outer space, while newcomer Tim Daly's ferocious sax work helps to flesh out the band's debris-spewing assault. Though the big-riffed psychedelic guitars make up the bulk of the record, it's when Miller's howling takes a rest and lets new Comet Ben Chasny (Six Organs of Admittance) bring his acoustic fingerpicking to the fore that the band's truly diverse sound is realized.

Blue Cathedral wastes no time in incinerating listeners. Opener "The Bee and the Cracking Egg" is a sledgehammer to the speakers, instantly recalling the blues-based

psychedelic rock of '60s acts Blue Cheer and Blue Oyster Cult — so much so that the album's title can be no coincidence. However, the band expands on the sound, pulling it into the third dimension on such tracks as the epic closer "Blue Tomb." Comets on Fire refuses to be pegged into a single genre — while the frenzy of distorted, echoing vocals and guitar noise clouded previous efforts, atmosphere reaches through the chaos and destruction with the downtuned dirge of the album's closer.

It took Comets on Fire three albums to do it, but it has finally built a masterpiece in *Blue Cathedral* — clearly worshipping at the altar of its influences but pushing rock forward at the same time. The album signals a rebirth for unforgiving psychedelic rock.

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NEWS

Terror suspect admits Qaeda tie

A Guantánamo inmate demands to represent himself in military trial

BY PAISLEY DODDS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GUANTÁNAMO BAY NAVAL BASE, Cuba — In a dramatic turn that silenced defense lawyers, a Yemeni poet accused of crafting terrorist propaganda argued on Thursday to represent himself before a U.S. military commission, and then admitted to being a member of Al Qaeda.

Ali Hamza Ahmad Sulayman al Bahlul, 36, of Yemen was adamant that he didn't accept

representation by his military lawyers when he went before the five-member panel to face charges of conspiracy to commit war crimes. If denied that request, he said he wanted a Yemeni attorney.

The procedural rules for the military commissions set up to try Guantánamo detainees say defense attorneys must be U.S. citizens and lawyers, and al Bahlul's arraignment was recessed until a higher authority can rule on his request.

During a discussion of the request, the presiding officer, Army Col. Peter Brownback, explained that if he chose to represent himself, he would not be allowed to see any evidence that was classified.

"I don't think it is fair the evidence would not be presented and the accused cannot defend himself without seeing such evidence," al Bahlul said, speaking through an Arabic translator.

Then he declared that "I am an Al Qaeda member," and started to speak about the 9/11 attacks on

the United States before he was cut off by Brownback. Brownback ordered that the comments be disregarded, but it was unclear if the information could be used against him during the trial.

The preliminary hearing — the first step in military commissions, or trials — was muddled by inaccurate translations. Several of al Bahlul's words were rendered incorrectly, said Arabic-speaking journalists in attendance and a translator for another charged Guantánamo prisoner.

NATION

Jobless claims up, partially reflecting hurricane effect

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of new people signing up for jobless benefits rose last week, reflecting the impact of Hurricane Charley, which recently tore through Florida.

The Labor Department reported Thursday that new applications for unemployment insurance increased by a seasonally adjusted 10,000 to 343,000 for the week ending Aug. 21. Half of the 10,000 rise was attributed to claims stemming from the hurricane, a Labor Department analyst said.

The increase in claims last week was larger than the rise economists were expecting. Some predicted that claims would increase by around 4,000. The 343,000 level of claims was the highest since July 24.

Many Florida businesses were damaged by the Aug. 13 hurricane, which caused an estimated \$7.4 billion in insured damage to homes, businesses, and personal possessions. That was more than any other hurricane in Florida since Andrew in 1992.

Hurricane-related claims showed up in the week after the storm as people were able to get out to employment offices to file applications for benefits.

Gov't keeping more secrets, report says

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government secrecy has increased sharply in the past few years — keeping Americans in the dark about information they should be able to access, says a report released Thursday by a coalition of watchdog groups.

It found the federal government created 14 million new classified documents in fiscal 2003 — a 26 percent increase over the number of documents stamped secret in 2002, and a 60 percent increase over 2001. Those numbers cover over 40 agencies but exclude the CIA.

At the same time, the government is declassifying fewer documents, the report said. Some 43 million pages were declassified in 2003, down from 44 million the year before — and a significant decrease from 2001 when 100 million pages were declassified.

"There are secrets that are necessary, but there are a heck of a lot of secrets that are being kept secret that the public would benefit from, with their disclosure," said Rick Blum, the coalition coordinator for OpenTheGovernment.org and author of the report.

Mortgage rates creep up

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mortgage rates around the country crept up this week, although 30-year mortgages still were below the 6 percent level for a fourth-straight week, Freddie Mac reported Thursday.

The mortgage giant said that its latest nationwide survey showed that rates on 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages rose to 5.82 percent for the week ending Aug. 26. That's up slightly from the average rate of 5.81 percent last week.

"Mortgage rates were mostly unchanged this week, amid conflicting economic reports as to the strength of the economy," said Frank Nothhaft, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

Rates on 30-year mortgages hit a high this year of 6.34 percent the week of May 13. Since then, rates have slowly drifted downward as economic activity cooled in the late spring and early summer.

For 15-year, fixed-rate mortgages rates rose to 5.21 percent this week, up from 5.19 percent last week. Rates on one-year adjustable-rate mortgages increased to 4.05 percent, compared with 4.01 percent last week.

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NHL



Todd Bertuzzi

Bertuzzi pleads not guilty to assault

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — Todd Bertuzzi of the Vancouver Canucks pleaded not guilty Thursday to an assault charge stemming from a hit on Steve Moore during a game that left the Colorado Avalanche forward with a broken neck.

Bertuzzi made the plea in a court appearance that lasted 10 minutes. He did not speak to reporters as he left with his wife in a limousine.

Bertuzzi was charged with assault causing bodily harm on June 24. He punched Moore from behind and then crashed onto the ice on top of him during the March 8 game. Moore was left with a broken neck and concussion.

Bertuzzi was suspended indefinitely by the NHL and missed 20 games.

A trial date may be set Sept. 1.

KOBE TRIAL

Judge questions prosecutor's claim

EAGLE, Colo. (AP) — In an often-testy exchange, the judge in the Kobe Bryant sexual-assault case on Thursday questioned why prosecutors waited until just three days before the start of the trial to ask for a hearing on the reliability of DNA evidence crucial to the defense.

Judge Terry Ruckriegle said he should deny the evidence challenge because it could delay the trial, but he gave prosecutors until Aug. 31 to more fully explain their objections.

He also held a closed hearing to discuss the roughly 100-item questionnaire prospective jurors were to fill out today as jury selection begins.



Bryant on trial

In a motion filed Tuesday and made public Wednesday, prosecutor Dana Easter said test results from laboratories hired by the NBA star's attorneys indicated there was contamination in control samples intended to ensure accurate testing.

FINE TUNED

Announcer fired over gay joke is rehired

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — A ballpark announcer who was fired by a minor-league baseball team for poking fun at Gov. James McGreevey's sexuality was rehired Tuesday after McGreevey went to bat for him.

Greg Maiuro lost his job with the Atlantic Surf after dedicating the 1970s song "YMCA" to McGreevey during a game Aug. 17. The Village People hit is widely considered a gay anthem.

McGreevey — who announced earlier this month that he is gay, had an affair with a man, and plans to resign Nov. 15 — urged the team to accept an apology and reinstate Maiuro "so we can move beyond this incident and get back to enjoying America's favorite pastime."

"I thank the owners of the Atlantic City Surf for their sensitivity and appreciate their desire to separate politics from baseball," the governor said in a statement.

IOWA FIELD-HOCKEY PLAYERS WORK TO REPEAT PAST BIG TEN ACHIEVEMENTS



Aaron Holmgren/The Daily Iowan

UI sophomore Kelly Slattery watches her shot sail past senior Barb Weinberg during field-hockey practice on Tuesday at Grant Field. The Iowa field-hockey team will open the 2004 season this weekend in Winston-Salem, N.C., facing two-time defending NCAA champion Wake Forest on Saturday. The Hawks will square off against North Carolina on Aug. 29.

GLORY DAYS?

BY JUSTIN SKELNIK
THE DAILY IOWAN

Times have changed in the world of Iowa field hockey.

The Hawkeyes, who used to finish at the top or near it in the final standings of the Big Ten, have not been dominant in recent years.

The main reason for the drop is parity. Last season, the team finished fifth out of seven teams with a conference record of 2-4. The Hawkeyes were then bounced out of the first round of the Big Ten Tournament with a 3-1 loss to NCAA tournament qualifier Penn State.

So why the sudden shift of power in the conference? Many would point out that four of the seven teams have a head coach who either played for or was an assistant coach on the Iowa field-hockey team. Iowa head coach Tracey Griesbaum, Indiana's Amy Robertson, and Michigan State's Michele Madison were all assistant coaches for the Hawkeyes before becoming head coaches. Michigan head coach Marcia Pankratz donned the Black and Gold as a player from 1982-85.

Another possibility is the lack of big-time recruits heading for Hawkeye country. Field-hockey players are primarily from the East Coast. Girls who grow up in the

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL
NCAA will not reinstate Williams

BY JOHN NADEL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — All-American Mike Williams was denied his request to play for Southern Cal by the NCAA on Thursday, leaving the star receiver unable to rejoin the top-ranked Trojans after being shut out of the NFL draft by the courts.

"I'm glad it's over. Now the team can move forward, and I can move forward," Williams said in a telephone interview. "I'm disappointed. I did everything asked of me. I don't know yet what I'm going to do. I'll just relax for the weekend, and watch the game, and root for my team."

The ruling came down shortly before the Trojans boarded an airplane for Baltimore. They



Williams denied

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Iowa and Iowa State team up to bring in more fans to games

'Cy-Hawk Series' coming soon

BY JASON BRUMMOND
THE DAILY IOWAN

DES MOINES — Iowa and Iowa State agreed to a partnership with Hy-Vee Inc. to begin the "Cy-Hawk Series" — a multi-sport competition to draw attention to the rivalry and increase event attendance, the schools' athletics directors announced Thursday.

Officials estimate that the four-year agreement, extending through the 2007-08 academic year, will generate nearly \$1.5 million between the two universities. The Iowa athletics department would receive approximately \$187,500 annually.

Iowa Athletics Director Bob Bowlsby and Iowa State Athletics Director Bruce Van De Velde said the income will help stabilize their budgets. They do not foresee spending money specifically on non-revenue sports but will use the money where it is most needed.

"I don't think we're going to allocate it based on the participation level in this series," Bowlsby said. "I think both institutions generally

work from a revenue pool."

Both athletics departments have had notable financial problems in the past few years. Iowa State was forced to drop baseball and men's swimming following the 2001-02 year, and Iowa was in jeopardy of losing programs last spring when the bulk of its general-fund support was threatened.

"Everything we put into our budgets, we allocate according to our priorities and our needs based on our equity plans and other issues," Van De Velde said.

"I can't say that every dollar earned will go toward that, but it certainly will be a big help in helping those programs that do not bring in a lot of revenue."

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"We understand the impact on

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Gophers gear up for a better 2004 season

No surprises — team plans to dominate with running game

BY JASON BRUMMOND
THE DAILY IOWAN

Minnesota coach Glen Mason isn't trying to hide anything from his opposing defenses. They're going to run the ball — try to stop them.

Junior Marion Barber III and sophomore Laurence Maroney finished fourth and fifth in rushing yards in the Big Ten last season, and they'll enjoy a veteran offensive line this fall.

Barber, who earned first-team all-conference accolades for his 1,196 yards and 17 touchdowns — a school record, is a speed-power combination back and will be a Doak Walker Award candidate. The 5-11, 215-pound back will also return punts, and he led the league with a 14.5 average last season.

The 5-11, 205-pound Maroney has amazing quickness and can

DI'S BIG TEN PREDICTIONS

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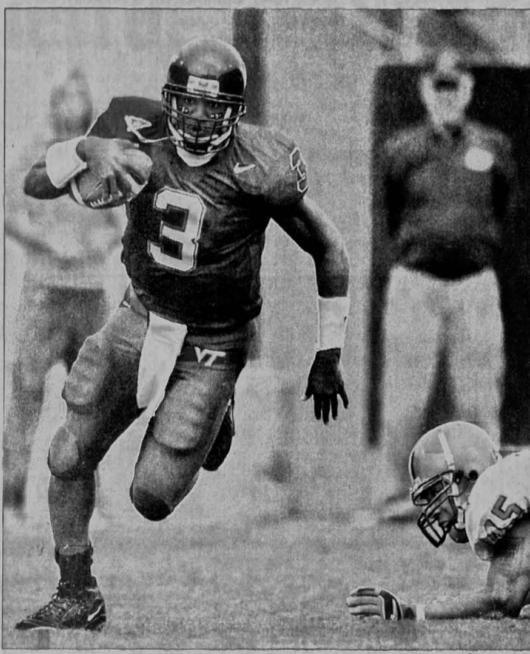
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SPORTS

COLLEGE FOOTBALL



Mark Gormus, Richmond Times-Dispatch/Associated Press
Virginia Tech quarterback Bryan Randall (3) leaves Syracuse's Kelvin Smith behind as he runs 75 yards for a touchdown on Oct. 11, 2003, in Blacksburg, Va.

"... I have a lot of responsibility on my shoulders, but that's responsibility that I want."

Bryan Randall, Virginia Tech quarterback

RANDALL TAKES OVER AS HOKIES' No. 1 QB

BY HANK KURZ JR.
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Bryan Randall won't look to the sideline and see Marcus Vick warming up to replace him this season. He won't have to share the starting job with anybody else, either. He's Virginia Tech's starting quarterback. Period.

But the senior, who has played in each of his three seasons with the Hokies, also won't have Kevin Jones taking his handoffs or Ernest Wilford catching his passes. In many ways, his job will be more difficult than ever, especially with the Hokies opening their season against top-ranked Southern California on Saturday night in Landover, Md.

Virginia Tech is 0-6 against No. 1 teams.

Ask anyone around the Hokies, though, and Randall is the perfect choice to lead a young, inexperienced team.

"He's a solid guy who's very, very mature," coach Frank Beamer said. "How he handles himself in public, with the media, his statements — they're all for Virginia Tech. He cares about Virginia Tech football,

and wants to be the leader, and lead us to great things."

Offensive coordinator Brian Stinespring said Randall's ability to adapt and teach will help immensely as the Hokies turn to a new set of offensive players.

"He just has this ingrained personality and this character," the third-year coordinator said. "He deals with things. He handles the things he can control and deals with every aspect of life."

This season, with Vick serving a suspension for getting in trouble with the law in the off-season, Randall is the quarterback, mentor, and coach for freshmen Cory Holt and Sean Glennon, the two wide-eyed guys waiting in the wings if Randall should go down.

It's a responsibility Randall relishes almost as much as playing.

"It's important that the quarterback be a leader," he said. "You're going to be a leader of your team by default and it's just a matter of taking control out there and the guys are going to look to you. This is my third year starting, so I feel I have a lot of responsibility on my shoulders, but that's responsibility that I want."

BASEBALL

National League
By The Associated Press

All Times CDT

East Division

Atlanta 73 53 .579 —

Florida 63 62 .504 9½

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New York 59 67 .468 14

Montreal 54 73 .428 19½

Central Division

St. Louis 83 44 .654 —

Chicago 71 56 .559 12

Houston 64 63 .504 19

Cincinnati 61 65 .484 21½

Pittsburgh 60 66 .476 22½

Milwaukee 55 70 .440 27

West Division

Los Angeles 74 53 .583 —

San Francisco 71 58 .550 4

San Diego 69 58 .543 5

Colorado 55 72 .433 19

Arizona 39 89 .305 35½

Thursday's Games

San Diego 10, N.Y. Mets 3

Chicago Cubs 8, Houston 3

Los Angeles 10, Montreal 3

San Francisco 5, Florida 0

Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 0

Atlanta 6, Colorado 4

Today's Games

Houston (Cwalt 14-9) at Chicago Cubs (Wood 7-5), 2:20 p.m.

San Diego (Tankersley 0-3) at Montreal (Downs 1-4), 6:05 p.m.

St. Louis (Suppan 12-6) at Pittsburgh (Vogelsong 4-10), 6:05 p.m.

Milwaukee (Santos 10-8) at Philadelphia (Padilla 4-6), 6:05 p.m.

Los Angeles (W.Alvarez 7-4) at N.Y. Mets (Glavin 9-10), 6:10 p.m.

Arizona (Webb 5-14) at Cincinnati (Clausen 2-3), 6:10 p.m.

Colorado (Kennedy 6-5) at Florida (Valdez 10-7), 6:35 p.m.

San Francisco (Rueter 7-9) at Atlanta (Jar.Wright 12-6), 6:35 p.m.

American League

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New York 79 48 .622 —

Boston 73 53 .579 5½

Tampa Bay 59 68 .465 20

Baltimore 57 69 .452 21½

Toronto 53 75 .414 26½

Central Division

Minnesota 71 56 .559 —

Cleveland 64 65 .496 8

Chicago 62 63 .496 8

Detroit 60 67 .472 11

Kansas City 45 80 .360 25

West Division

Oakland 74 53 .583 —

Anaheim 73 54 .575 1

Texas 71 55 .563 2½

Seattle 46 80 .365 27½

Thursday's Games

Oakland 9, Baltimore 4

Boston 4, Detroit 1

N.Y. Yankees 7, Toronto 4

Chicago White Sox 14, Cleveland 9

Kansas City 7, Seattle 3

Today's Games

Detroit (Maroth 10-8) at Boston (Lowe 11-10), 6:05 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Loaiza 9-7) at Toronto (J.Miller 2-2), 6:05 p.m.

Chicago White Sox (Griffi 0-0) at Cleveland (Sabathia 9-8), 6:05 p.m.

Baltimore (Bedard 5-8) at Texas (Wasdin 1-2), 7:05 p.m.

Kansas City (Greinke 6-9) at Seattle (Meche 4-5), 9:05 p.m.

Minnesota (Radke 9-6) at Anaheim (Sele 7-1), 9:05 p.m.

Tampa Bay (Hendrickson 6-12) at Oakland (Redman 9-10), 9:05 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

By The Associated Press

BASEBALL

American League

KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Named Donny Rowland senior director of player personnel.

TEXAS RANGERS—Activated RHP Chan Ho Park from the 60-day DL. Placed RHP Mickey Callaway on the 60-day DL. Moved INF Brad Fulmer from the 15 to the 60-day DL.

National League

HOUSTON ASTROS—Placed RHP Dan Miceli on the 15-day DL. Purchased the contract of RHP Russ Springer from New Orleans of the PCL.

MONTREAL EXPOS—Placed 2B Jose Vidro, retroactive to Aug. 22, and RHP Francis Beltran, retroactive to Aug. 25, on the 15-day DL. Recalled LHP Scott Downs and RHP Gary Majewski from Edmonton of the PCL.

National Football League

BUFFALO BILLS—Released WR Clarence Coleman, WR Cedric Boney, LB Asa Francis, C Dan Koons, RB Isaac Mitchell and LB Michale Spicer.

HOUSTON TEXANS—Placed LB Marcus Bell on injured reserve.

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Waived DE Aaron Hunt, C Shawn Lynch, LB Kevin Mitchell and G Andy Wagstrom.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Released WR J.J. Stoklos.

National Hockey League

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Re-signed F Mike Pandolfo.

NEW YORK RANGERS—Signed G Kevin Weekes.

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Re-signed F Matt Hussey.

COLLEGE

CASE WESTERN RESERVE—Named Jacki Windon women's basketball coach.

Women's soccer prepares for season opener

BY BRYAN BAMONTE
THE DAILY IOWAN

The message is simple. Prepare, focus, and attend to the business at hand.

"We can't look ahead; for us it is simply a matter of what we are able to bring to the playing field every game," said Iowa soccer coach Carla Baker, whose Hawkeyes open the season today at home.

Her unwillingness to project her team's place among the conference's elite has something to do with the quality of the team's first opponent.

"We can't look past our first opponent [Southwest Missouri State] because it deserves a lot of credit," Baker said. "Our focus and attention will be solely on Southwest Missouri State."

However, that focus on winning the first game may also have something to do with the

inexplicable beginning of the team's 2003 season. Similar to this year, the Hawks were ranked somewhere between the bottom of a seemingly impossible conference and oblivion. But after the first two losses, the Hawks dispatched two ranked opponents — Rutgers and BYU — to win the Kentucky Invitational.

So Baker is hesitant to assume the team will show up and achieve her vision tonight. What she does assume is that her team will devote its entire preparation to the Missouri Valley Conference foe.

"[Southwest Missouri State] has traditionally done well in its conference, so we know that if we are not sharp, it will take advantage," she said.

The match will begin at the Hawkeyes' soccer complex at 7 p.m.

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IOWA VOLLEYBALL

Scrimmage will introduce 2004 squad and new head coach

On Friday at 7 p.m. in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, the Iowa women's volleyball team will host a Black and Gold intrasquad scrimmage.

Admission will be free, and the event will give the public an opportunity to take a look at the 2004

Hawkeye squad for the first time. This event will also give Hawkeye fans an opportunity to watch first-year head coach Cindy Fredrick and her assistant coaching staff direct the team.

The regular season will begin Sept. 3 in the Illinois State University Tournament in Normal, Ill. The Hawkeyes will take on Wright State at 5 p.m.

— by Ryan Long



Want to know who's going to win the big game Saturday? The DI's football panel will select the winners to college football games each weekend to show how much — or how little — they know. Check out On the Line, every Friday in the sports section.

	Brian Triplett, Sports Editor (0-0)	Jason Brummond, Pregame Editor (0-0)	Tony Robinson, Editor-in-Chief (0-0)	Nick Richards, Reporter (0-0)	Beau Elliot, Columnist (0-0)	Mike Hall, ESPN Dream Job winner
Big Ten	Iowa No one is out, so why doubt?	Michigan Best receivers in the nation	Ohio State Going with my brain	Iowa Going with my heart	Michigan Pick against Hawks & they win	Iowa I grew up hating Michigan
Big 12	Oklahoma The Sooners are OK	Oklahoma Luck out with bye against the 'Clones	Oklahoma OU owns Texas	Oklahoma Has UT's number	Oklahoma No new Texas	Missouri Smith will at least win my heart
SEC	LSU Callin' Baton Rouge	LSU Will fend off tough Georgia, Florida	LSU I'm a Gator-hater	Florida They're loaded with talent	LSU Bayou, Bulldogs	LSU Not a popular pick, just like me
ACC	Miami This is the story of the Hurricanes	Florida State Will beat Miami and cruise	Florida State FSU owns Miami	Florida State FSU/Miami winner takes it	Florida State Had to type something	FSU/Miami Flip a coin
Pac-10	USC Williams will lead ... wait, what?	USC No one even close to the Trojans	USC They don't need Williams	USC Your 2005 national champs	USC Should be Pac-1	USC Will waltz through schedule ???
Big East	West Virginia LeBron James is the quarterback	Pittsburgh They still have a conference?	Pittsburgh For my sweetheart ;)	West Virginia Really, who cares?	Pittsburgh Is there anybody left to play?	Who-Gives-A-Crap State
National champion	USC No BcS will get in the way	LSU Most athletic team in the country	Oklahoma Don't be stupid	USC Too much talent to lose	Oklahoma Stoops to conquer	Iowa Like I said, I need friends
Heisman Trophy	Matt Leinart With Iowa QB close behind	Jason White Best player in '03, best in '04	Matt Leinart He's the favorite for a reason	Matt Leinart Better than Carson Palmer	Matt Leinart Trojan horse	Matt Leinart But watch for Darren Sproles

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Field-hockey season begins

FIELD HOCKEY
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ACC's backyard dream of playing for Maryland or Wake Forest.

Iowa used to have a good stream of recruits, but in recent years, the Hawkeyes have had to fight over them with other Big Ten teams, such as Michigan and Michigan State.

One player is determined to change all that this season and put Iowa back on top of the Big Ten. Mid-fielder and tri-captain Margot McMahon is one of five returning seniors, and she wants to see Iowa field hockey reclaim prominence before she leaves.

"Our main goals as a team are to win the Big Ten championship and to make the NCAA Tournament," she said. "But I would really like to bring back the tradition Iowa field hockey used to have."

McMahon will be looked upon to help carry the scoring load this season, with last year's points leader Pattie Gillern lost to graduation. The team as a whole will look to light up the net more often than last season.

"We were about average last season in scoring goals, but this year we want to be above average," McMahon said.

Another key player suiting up for the Hawkeyes for her last season is goalkeeper Barb Weinberg. The senior from Louisville, Ky., had a season full of honors last year. She was named first team All-Big Ten for the second year in a row, and she was a second-team Nation Field Hockey Coaches' Association All-American selection. The team will count on Weinberg to have another solid year in the net; she is the only goalkeeper on the Iowa roster.

But Weinberg doesn't feel the

pressure.

"We want a Big Ten title, but it is going to be tough," she said. "The league has gotten a lot stronger. Even the weaker teams in the conference have improved drastically over the past few years."

Griesbaum is returning for her fifth year as head coach, and she will have five new weapons at her disposal this season. The five incoming freshmen make up almost one-third of the team. Griesbaum has been trying to work on certain disciplines with her whole team at practice.

"I am trying to get the team to only take one week at a time," she said.

"I want the team to work on its competitiveness on a daily basis."

She will get her first look today at how her team responds to her demands when the

Hawkeyes travel to Wake Forest University, the site of this weekend's ACC/Big Ten challenge.

On Saturday, Iowa will challenge two-time defending national champions Wake Forest and then, on Aug. 29, square off against North Carolina — a squad returning all 11 starters.

The Hawkeyes are looking for revenge. Last year, Iowa went 0-2 in the challenge but remained competitive in both matches. Its loss to Wake Forest was in overtime, and the Hawks fell to Carolina by two goals.

Griesbaum wants her team to play at a higher tempo starting with the opening face-off.

"We want to set the tone early, playing at our tempo. I don't want the team to play passive this weekend," she said.

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Rivalry game to be focal point of "Cy-Hawk series"

CY-HAWK
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our economic vitality and viability of having strong programs at those institutions," said Ric Jurgens, the Hy-Vee CEO and president. "We also understand the impact they have on the social and cultural aspects of our society in our state."

The Hawkeyes and Cyclones will compete in nine events this year, beginning with the football game on Sept. 11 at Kinnick Stadium.

The schools have created a point system to track performance and academic success of their student-athletes.

All head-to-head competitions will be worth two points to the series total, with the exception of football's three points. There are 19 points available, with two additional points possible if a school's student-athlete graduation rate is greater than the national average.

Van De Velde said the football game is "certainly the focal point" of the series because of its interest and exposure.

"As a gemstone event, the one that the majority of the people of the state of Iowa look forward to is that whole week of Iowa-Iowa State football," Bowlsby said.

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Melander: Running game unbelievable

BIG TEN
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turn it upfield quickly with his 4.35 40 speed. He earned Big Ten Freshman of the Year in 2003, and will again complement Barber to provide Minnesota with the nation's best one-two punch.

"We have an unbelievable running game," senior left tackle Rian Melander said on Aug. 5 at the Big Ten kickoff luncheon. "We have some great backs and a great offensive line that have worked together for a long time."

Melander, a second-team All-Big Ten selection a year ago, is one of four returnees on the offensive line, and the new addition will be a fifth-year senior — guard Brandon Harston. Center Greg Eslinger, a third-team All-American in

2003, anchors the unit that will look to add to their league-best 289.2 rushing yards average from last season.

The Gophers lose dual-threat quarterback Asad Abdul-Khaliq, who amassed 2,401 passing yards and another 370 rushing last season for 21 total touchdowns. Mason will turn to sophomore Bryan Cupito — a 6-1, 195-pound signal-caller who was on Minnesota's third-team last year.

Junior-college transfer Adam Ernst, who threw for 2,300 yards and 23 touchdowns for Mount San Antonio in 2003, will push for the No. 1 spot. However, Cupito is expected to win the job because of his strong arm and instincts in the pocket.

"I thought Bryan Cupito performed very, very well at spring practice, and he is the type of quarterback that is a very accurate passer," Mason

explained.

"On the other hand, does he have the same body strength and movement as a Asad Abdul-Khaliq? No, but Abdul-Khaliq is not as accurate a passer as Bryan Cupito."

If Minnesota is looking for a run at the Big Ten title, it will be their defense that needs to make improvements from last season.

The Gophers finished in the middle of the league in rushing, passing, and scoring defense last season, and return six starters. In the team's three losses last season, they gave more than 40 points per defeat.

"I think it fits our team, in that it is the best defense that I have been associated with in my tenure at Minnesota," Mason said. "We have a bunch of young guys who have now grown up, gotten a little bigger, [and] a little faster."

Carroll upset with decision

NCAA
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open their season Saturday night against Virginia Tech at FedEx Field in Landover, Md.

USC coach Pete Carroll was angry with the ruling and its timing.

"It's very cold and insensitive for them to deny him this opportunity," he said.

"As a football team, we've been prepared for this for a while. I'm not surprised by it, but I'm disappointed for Mike and his family. You'll have to go and ask the NCAA for answers, how it can turn someone down who is academically eligible."

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SPORTS

ATHENS 2004

U.S. women win soccer gold over Brazil, 2-1

The Fab Five win gold in overtime before three key players retire



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USA forward Abby Wambach (left) celebrates her gold-medal winning goal against Brazil with teammates Julie Foudy (on the ground), Shannon Boxx, (third left), and Mia Hamm (right) as Brazil's Cristiane walks off at the end of the women's Olympic soccer game in Athens on Thursday.

BY JOSEPH WHITE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATHENS, Greece — When the final whistle blew, an exhausted Mia Hamm was quickly swarmed by 17 thrilled teammates.

In a few minutes, the Olympic gold medal would be around her neck, too.

Hamm and the rest of the Fab Five had just enough left in their 30-something legs for one more title, beating Brazil Thursday in overtime in their final tournament together.

Abby Wambach, the player who might break Hamm's records one day, scored in the 112th minute with a powerful 10-yard header off a corner kick from Kristine Lilly. It was Wambach's fourth goal of the Olympics and 18th in her last 20 games.

The game marked the final competitive appearance together for the remaining players from the first World Cup championship team in 1991. The five helped bring their sport to national prominence and captured the country's imagination by winning the World Cup in 1999, and together they have played in 1,230 international matches.

Hamm, Julie Foudy, and Joy Fawcett are retiring from the national team — although they might play in some farewell exhibitions this fall — leaving Lilly and Brandi Chastain as the last of the old guard.

They'll leave happy with the final result, but they might never want to watch a replay of a game that showed they should perhaps hang it up.

Maybe they were trying too hard, but the Americans were slower, less organized, less creative, and lost the chase to most of the loose balls against the young Brazilians, who hit the post twice late in regulation and weren't afraid to shove the U.S. stars around.

Hamm especially was a non-factor, unable to find space to make the kind of runs that made her famous. She had no legs left in the overtime of the 266th game of a 17-year career that included 153 goals.

The U.S. team was rescued by Wambach, some great saves from goalkeeper Briana Scurry, and a goal from Lindsay Tarpley, one of two college players on the team, in the 39th minute. Pretinha scored for Brazil in the 73rd.

After the game, the team took a victory lap, waving flags to the crowd of 10,416 at Karaïskaki Stadium.

The win helped erase the sting of the loss to Norway in the gold-medal game in Sydney four years ago and a third-place finish at last year's World Cup. In the 1990s, the United States ruled women's soccer, but the other teams have caught up over the last five years.

The victory also offers a measure of vindication for coach April Heinrichs, who took over after the 1999 World Cup triumph and failed to win the top prize in 2000 or 2003.

The team was captained for the last time by Foudy, who played the entire 120 minutes just three days after spraining her right ankle in the semifinal victory over Germany.

Despite the upcoming changes to the team, it looks to

be in promising hands with youngsters Tarpley, Wambach, Heather O'Reilly, Cat Reddick, and others.

In their final game mixing the older and younger players, the Americans were often out of sorts. They couldn't handle the Brazilian pressure and could barely string two passes together to get their possession game going.

The Brazilians also came out playing very physically, pushing and grabbing whenever they could get away with it. Coach Rene Simoes accused the Americans of trying to hurt his players when the two teams met in a 2-0 U.S. victory in the first round last week, but this time his team was clearly the aggressor.

Scurry, while not announcing her retirement, has also said this will be her last Olympics. Her teammates had her to thank for not trailing by a goal at halftime.

Scurry dived right, stretching her body as far as it could go, to barely get a piece of Elaine's 19-yard shot in the sixth minute. In the 41st, Scurry somehow pushed away a short drive from Cristiane that deflected off Chastain, ending a furious sequence that began with an indirect free kick from 10 yards out.

Given Brazil's control of the first half, Tarpley's goal seemed to come out of nowhere. In a rare attack for the U.S. team, she found space to launch a 24-yard drive that skirted two defenders and curled just inside the left post in the 39th minute. Tarpley got hugs from her teammates and an affectionate rub on the head from Hamm.

Crawford leads U.S. sweep of 200 meters

BY ROB GLOSTER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATHENS, Greece — Shawn Crawford and two U.S. teammates overcame the first hint of anti-Americanism at the Olympic track, capping a big night for U.S. athletes by sweeping the 200 meters despite a booing, rowdy crowd.

In a race missing disgraced Greek hero and defending Olympic champion Kostas Keneteris, Crawford ran a personal-best 19.79 seconds. That was just good enough to edge Bernard Williams, who tied his personal best of 20.01 seconds for silver. Justin Gatlin, the 100 champion, won bronze in 20.03.

Dwight Phillips earlier led a 1-2 American finish in the men's long jump, with NCAA champion John Moffitt taking the silver. In the first round of the 400-meter relay, Marion Jones ran the second leg as

the U.S. team's 41.67 matched its own best time in the world this year.

Olympic Stadium was packed, largely because Greeks thought they would be watching Keneteris, who withdrew from the Athens Games after missing a drug test.

The start of the 200 was delayed for four minutes because hostile spectators were whistling in derision and chanting "Keneteris" and "Hellas, Hellas" — the Greek word for Greece. They booed loudest when the Americans were introduced.

Crawford and Williams were doing a victory lap, draped together in an American flag, when Phillips climbed the victory stand to accept his gold medal. The sprinters stopped on the track as "The Star-Spangled Banner" was played. Williams put his right hand over his heart.

U.S. protests rhythmic gymnastics scores

BY EDDIE PELLIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATHENS, Greece — They wrangle over scores in rhythmic gymnastics, too. Upset with marks given to American Mary Sanders in qualifying Thursday, the U.S. team filed an inquiry with the International Gymnastics Federation seeking a review of her hoop routine.

Sanders finished 18th out of 24 gymnasts in the first of two qualifying rounds. The top 10 gymnasts after today's second round advance to finals. Sanders received a technical score — the measure of difficulty — of 4.6 in hoop.

The 4.6 was lower than anyone in the field except for competitors from Australia, South Africa, and Cape Verde. The technical score is one of three elements judged in a rhythmic routine. The others are artistic value and execution. All have a maximum value of 10. Sanders' score in the other two elements was

more in line with the other competitors.

"We don't know why the score was so low," American rhythmic program director Jan Exner said. "If there had been an obvious error in her routine, we would not have inquired, but there was not. We felt it was the prudent thing to do."

USA Gymnastics spokesman Brian Eaton said the inquiry was filed before scores were made official and that FIG was reviewing it. FIG spokesman Philippe Silacci did not immediately return messages left by the Associated Press.

LONG JUMP

Phillips, Moffitt go 1-2 in long jump

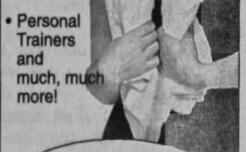
ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Dwight Phillips led a 1-2 U.S. finish in the men's long jump Thursday, jumping 28 feet, 2 1/4 inches on his first try to win the gold medal. NCAA champ John Moffitt was second with a personal best of 27-9 1/2.

Joan Lino Martinez of Spain took the bronze with a jump of 27-3 1/2.

Phillips' mark was a half-inch shy of his personal best, set earlier this season. He has the top six marks in the world this year.

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ATHENS 2004

U.S. hoopsters stuff Spain, move to semis

Americans finally begin to regain their dignity in a record-breaking victory

BY CHRIS SHERIDAN
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ATHENS, Greece — Written off after their opener and branded failures back home, Stephon Marbury and the Americans are showing signs that they just might be the team to beat after all. Marbury set a U.S. men's Olympic record with 31 points and broke the team mark with six 3-pointers, leading the suddenly accurate Americans into the semifinals with a 102-94 victory over Spain on Thursday.

In a game that ended with the opposing coaches swearing and pointing at one another, the United States finally started hitting jump shots — just as Larry Brown predicted.

"They were very good on 3's. That was something new in this tournament," Spain's Pau Gasol said. "They looked motivated, and it'll be hard to beat them if they keep playing like that."

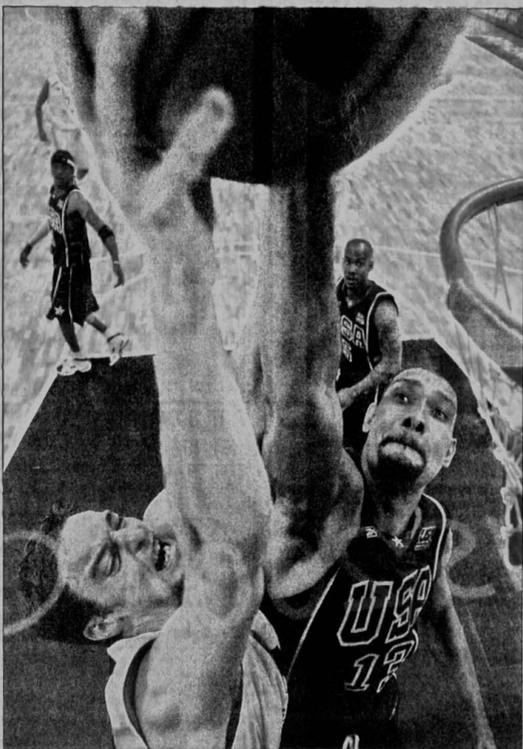
After spending 90 minutes practicing jumpers in an empty gym on a day off, Marbury made half of his team's 12 3-pointers and was a big reason why the previously undefeated Spaniards are now out of medal contention.

As the teams left the court, Spanish coach Mario Pesquera and Brown had to be separated by their assistants in an argument over a timeout Brown took with 23 seconds left and his team up by 11 points.

"I had — and I stress the word 'had' — a lot of respect for Larry Brown," said Pesquera, who smirked and shook his head when he heard Brown explain that he tried to rescind the timeout. "Dean Smith would have never done anything like that."

Marbury scored just 21 points in his team's first five games, missing 24 of 30 shots. The Americans lost two of them, to Puerto Rico and Lithuania.

But those struggles are in the past, and the Americans now have a chance to win the gold medal. Next up is a semifinal today against the winner of the Greece-Argentina game. The



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Spain's Pau Gasol (left) attempts to dunk as USA's Timothy Duncan tries to stop him during the men's Olympic basketball quarterfinal in Athens on Thursday.

other semifinal pits Lithuania, which defeated China, 95-75, against Italy or Puerto Rico.

Marbury's six 3's broke the record of five set by Reggie Miller against China in 1996, and his scoring total passed the mark of 30 points shared by Charles Barkley (1992 vs. Brazil) and Adrian Dantley (1976 vs. Yugoslavia). The Olympic record is 55 points by Oscar Schmidt of Brazil against Spain in 1988. The record for any U.S. player is 35 by Lisa Leslie against Japan in 1996.

Allen Iverson added 16 points, making three 3-pointers, and the Americans finally resembled

U.S. teams from the past three Olympics. They didn't get rattled by a large disparity in fouls (27-18), they knocked down their free throws to maintain the lead

in the final two minutes, and they topped 100 points for the first time in the tournament.

The Americans finished 12-for-22 on 3-pointers after shooting a tournament-low 24 percent in their first five games.

"We've been playing against so much zone, it doesn't really matter anymore," Marbury said. "We're starting to like playing against zones."

Marbury had struggled the most in the team's first five games, uncomfortable with Brown's insistence that a point guard should run the offense rather than score. Historically a shoot-first, pass-second player, Marbury's mindset was fundamentally at odds with his coach's.

"Playing under coach Brown is not easy," Marbury said. "It's tough because he demands so much from you — to try to play your game, and try to do what he wants, and have that all combine in one has been a challenge to me. But it's been a great challenge."

Gasol led Spain with 29 points, but he was held to just four in the fourth quarter by a tenacious American defensive effort, which quieted a crowd of 14,500 that included Spain's King Juan Carlos.

"It was said that the public supports the weaker team. I think in this case the public was solidly behind the stronger team because we were the stronger team," said Pesquera, who also complained that the officials allowed the Americans to get away with traveling violations.

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TWO BEDROOM
EASTSIDE condo, two bedrooms, top floor. \$625. (319)545-2075.

NEAR DOWNTOWN. Very nice two bedroom with fireplace, A/C, W/D, 1-car garage. Limit to 3-4. Tenants pay all utilities. \$750/ negotiable. (319)358-5890, leave message.

NEWER two bedroom, two bathroom apartment. North Liberty. No pets, no smoking. (515)777-0922.

One and two bedroom apartments, short term leases available. \$450-\$575. Section 8 accepted. (319)337-2496.

SCOTSDALE APARTMENTS in Coralville has a two bedroom sublet available immediately. \$590-\$620 includes water and garbage. 870 sq ft., 1-1/2 baths, pool, laundry, off-street parking and 24 hr. maintenance. Call (319)351-1777.

TWO bedroom apartment. Heat, no pets. \$450. (319)530-5420 or 400-2314.

TWO bedroom apartments for rent. Immediately. \$750 deposit. \$750/ rent monthly. (319)627-4101.

TWO bedroom basement apartment. \$650 month, utilities included. Close to downtown. Laundry on-site. (319)330-7081.

TWO bedroom basement apartment. 14 N. Johnson St. \$650/month, utilities paid. (319)330-7081.

TWO bedroom eastside location. \$500-\$550. H/W paid. Call Lincoln Real Estate, (319)338-3701.

TWO bedroom townhouses, 1-1/2 bathrooms, fireplace, deck, W/D, microwave, full-size garage. Use of rec room. Month free rent. Pets negotiable. Call (319)338-8058, (319)631-1189.

TWO bedroom. 1-1/2 bathroom on Haywood Dr. Lower level or second floor. \$575-\$625 plus gas and electric. No pets. www.vivetteapartments.com (319)337-7392.

TWO bedroom, Coralville, available now. 970 sq ft. \$575/month, water paid. Balcony, C/A, free parking, laundry on-site, pool, on busline. (319)339-7925.

TWO bedroom, eastside Iowa City, available now. Rent negotiable, H/W paid. A/C, free parking and garage, laundry on-site. (319)351-4452, (319)351-2415.

Luxury, new spacious, luxury. Security building, low utilities. Laundry on-site. Off-street parking. \$800. (319)621-1132.

TWO bedroom, one bathroom townhouse. Pets? W/D hook-ups. (319)331-1120.

TWO bedroom, two bathroom. Lincoln Ave. Close to UIHC and dental. \$660. Parking (\$30/month) free. (319)356-3656 or Heritage Property Management (319)351-8404.

TWO BEDROOM-CORALVILLE & TIFFIN. Newer responsive management. No pets/smoking. \$608 to \$745. (319)338-2918.

TWO bedroom. Quiet apartment. 929 Iowa Ave., near campus. Price negotiable. Huge petal! (319)594-3098. AHAPARTMENTS.COM

TWO bedroom. S. Clinton St. \$640-698/month. No pets. Available now. janjapts.com (319)466-7491.

TWO bedrooms on N. Dodge. Under new management. Available now. \$550. Pets allowed. H/W paid. Call Lincoln Real Estate, (319)338-3701.

TWO BEDROOMS. Water paid. W/D. \$500-\$550/month. (319)936-4647.

WESTGATE VILLA has a two bedroom with 1-1/2 baths available immediately. \$640 includes water. On busline and laundry on-site. Call (319)337-4323.

WESTGATE VILLA has a two bedroom available August 26. \$665 includes water, garbage, parking. 1-1/2 baths with a patio. Laundry. 24 hour maintenance. Call (319)337-4323.

WESTSIDE two bedroom close to Medical and Dental schools. Available now. Ten month leases available. \$550, H/W paid. Cat allowed with extra deposit. Call Lincoln Real Estate, (319)338-3701.

THREE/FOUR BEDROOM
504 S. Van Buren. Three bedroom, two bathroom. Close to downtown. Rent negotiable. (319)354-8331.

632 S. DODGE
Three bedroom, one bath, \$795/month. H/W paid (one month free), two parking spots, extra storage, on-site laundry. Close to downtown. Southgate (319)339-9320. s-gate.com

AUGUST free rent. Reduced \$200. Four bedroom townhouse. C/A, appliances, W/D hook-ups. 419 S. Governor. (319)

DAILY BREAK

calendar

- **Dance Marathon** Massage-athon, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., UHC Main Atrium.
- **"Talk of Iowa Live from the Java House," "Beauty and the Media Beast," Meenakshi Gigi Durham, UI School of Journalism, music by Jen Gloeckner,** 10 a.m., Java House, 211 E. Washington St., and WSUI.
- **Center for Teaching Workshop, "Helping Students Do Research Papers,"** 11:30 a.m., 341 IMU.
- **Annie Gaines, piano and voice,** noon, UIHC Eighth Floor Rooftop Terrace/Café.
- **Annual Deeded Body Program Memorial Service,** 1 p.m., Oakland Cemetery (rain location, St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 1300 Melrose Ave).
- **TOW Seminar, "Unmarried Parenthood and Redistributive Politics,"** Lena Edlund, Columbia University, 3:30 p.m., S207 Pappajohn Business Building.
- **WOW event, "WOW and Dance Marathon Present a Slice of Iowa ... The Other Piece," Friday Night Festival and Battle of the Bands,** 4 p.m., Hubbard Park.
- **"Know the Score Live,"** 5 p.m., Museum of Art and KSUI.
- **WOW event, Graduate and Professional Students Dessert Social, InterVarsity Graduate Christian Fellowship,** 7 p.m., First Mennonite Church, 405 Myrtle Ave.

the ledge

OBSERVATIONS FROM WEEK ONE

— by Josh Bald

• I've had to stop at least 850 guys to tell them, "Hey man, your hat is on crooked."

• Those UI police guys certainly get irritated when you say, "Hey man, can I borrow your gun? Oh wait, you don't have one," and you laugh and laugh.

• They REALLY don't like it when you ask them if they've ever beaten someone to death with their walkie-talkie.

• Somebody sneezed in a huge lecture hall, and a guy seven rows away said, "Bless you." I saw a biker get whacked by a bus, and no one even asked if he was OK.

• I don't know what to make of the above observation.

• Sure are a lot of ugly people in this town.

• Sure are a lot of hot chicks in the library. I think I'll hang out here more often.

• And by hang out, I mean "not read books, or study, or do anything conducive to learning or helping others, just like the lab monitors who play Yahoo pool."

• I like to see the terrified nausea on the faces of the freshmen who freak out when the ped bridges over Riverside Drive do that cool bouncy thing.

quote of the day

"We can only hope as we have decision after decision after decision striking these [late-term] abortion] bans, saying they endanger women's health, that the legislatures will finally stop."

— Louise Melling, the director of the ACLU Reproductive Freedom Project, on a federal court decision that ruled the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act to be unconstitutional.

horoscopes

Friday, August 27, 2004
— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Hold back making any decisions or discussing any important matters until later in the day. Channel your efforts into formulating what you can do for others.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): There are positive things happening all around you — so take part, and you will discover something you enjoy doing. You will also find new friends.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You won't be able to satisfy your insatiable need to experience something new if you don't get involved in what has interested you for some time. Change your direction to something more suitable for you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): The favors you do for others will not go unnoticed. You can expect to receive something in return. Consider making a few home improvements.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You will be in an excitable mood today. Don't let that get in the way of the perfectly good relationship you have with someone. Let others share the stage, and you will get so much more in return.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): If you really push yourself today, you can accomplish a lot. Later in the day, consider what you can do to improve your way of life.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): It's time to be a little adventurous and make changes that could alter your future. You will gain popularity if you socialize, and love is definitely in your corner.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Do whatever needs to be done early in the day. Later on, you will face setbacks and obstacles that will leave you feeling as though you are spinning your wheels.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't spend what you don't have, and you will feel better as the day progresses. You will be looking for a little excitement, so round up some of your buddies.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your super-industrious mind will think of all sorts of new ways to make money. Develop what you conjure up, and you won't be sorry.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You may be feeling a little out of the loop today. Don't play guessing games — ask questions, get answers, and do what you must in order to feel OK with what is going on in your personal life.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Expect someone to surprise you in a very unusual way. Your changing attitude is sparking your imagination, making you a hot commodity among your friends.

UI news you need to know

- Withdrawal of entire fall semester registration — Monday through today, student held to 10% of tuition and mandatory fees
- \$20 late registration fee effective through today
- **Aug. 29** — Withdrawal of entire fall semester registration — Aug. 30 through Sept. 3, student held to 25% of tuition and mandatory fees
- **Aug. 30** — \$60 late registration fee effective Aug. 30 through Sept. 3

happy birthday to ...

Today — Clare Pierson, 20; Sarah Traeger, 22;
Saturday — Mallory Logan, 18; Laura Avey, 20; Megan Donnino, 21

Wish your friends a happy birthday.
E-mail their names, ages, and dates of birth to daily-iowan@uiowa.edu at least two days in advance.

PATV schedule

12:40 p.m. Dhundiraj Govind Phalke
2 Out Foxed
3:50 waking up 2-get-her
4 Conversations
5 U.N. Report
5:30 Ed Fallon for Governor
6 Gospel Explosion Ministry

7 Country Time Country
8 Eden
8:30 Professor Noodle
9 The Lyle Style Show
9:30 In Christ's Image
10 Fellowship Temple
11 Tom's Guitar Show (Replay)

UITV schedule

3 p.m. Technology and its Role in Society, Parts 3 & 4
4:45 UI Lecture Committee Presents Mitch Albom
5:45 Bioterrorism: Close Encounters of the Lab Kind
6:30 UI Lecture Committee Presents Mitch Albom

7:30 Technology and its Role in Society, Parts 3 & 4
9:15 Intellectual Property, Patent Law, Professionalism, and Ethics
10:15 "Live from Prairie Lights" featuring Victoria Brown
11:15 Bioterrorism: Close Encounters of the Lab Kind

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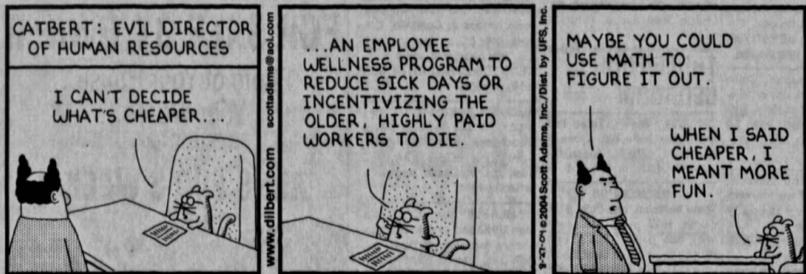
Little University

- 1 What sitcom counts "Five O'Clock World" and "Cleveland Rocks" among its many theme songs?
- 2 What historic battle site's flag-raising is depicted at the U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial statue near Arlington National Cemetery?
- 3 What CNN correspondent did *Talk* magazine dub "the Edward R. Murrow of cable"?
- 4 What moneymaking rock 'n' roller's "G clef" was a dollar sign, according to an Albert Goldman biography?
- 5 What vitamin-rich edible FDA-approved painkilling enzyme called papain?

Answers: 1. *The Drew Carey Show*, 2. Two Linas, 3. Christine Amanpour, 4. Elvis Presley, 5. The papaya

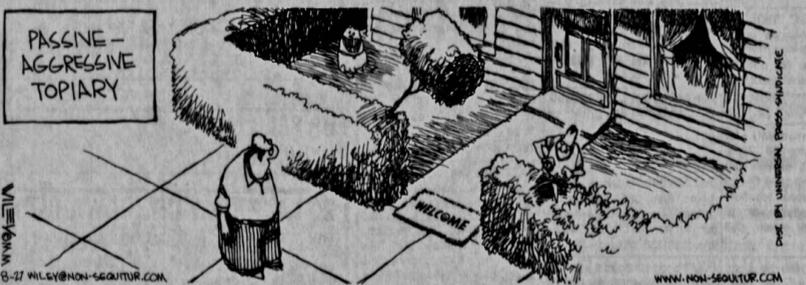
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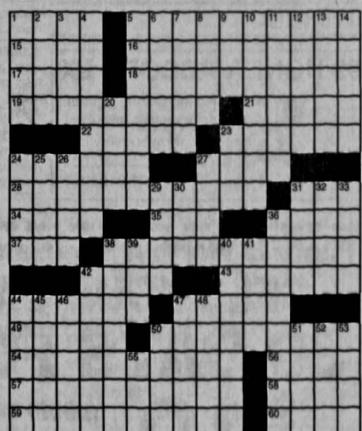
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Not blocked
 - 5 Knocked completely off one's feet
 - 15 What a card reader may do?
 - 16 For love or money
 - 17 Dejection interjection
 - 18 It's used to make carbon black
 - 19 Pool opening
 - 21 Like some hands
 - 22 It's nice when prize winnings come with lots of these
 - 23 Meddle managers?
 - 24 Town near Perugia
 - 27 Blazed
 - 28 Wars of the Roses battle site
 - 31 Coupe complement
 - 34 Permanently undecided
 - 35 Gallery item
 - 36 1989 target
 - 37 Head up North?
 - 38 Noted 2003 Eton graduate
 - 42 Pan, e.g.
 - 43 Peak
 - 44 Application after a break
 - 47 Reason to put on a collar
 - 49 Sash accompanier, maybe
 - 50 War game
 - 54 Line of sight?
 - 56 Inter
 - 57 Events for potential bidders

- DOWN**
- 1 Moore verse opener
 - 2 Counseling, e.g.
 - 3 Bring up
 - 4 Expanding
 - 5 Punch with punch
 - 6 Aviator Balbo
 - 7 "Princess Caraboo" star, 1994
 - 8 Currency unit in Harry Potter tales
 - 9 Strathclyde port
 - 10 Some earth movers
 - 11 Francis of old TV
 - 12 Probe
 - 13 Florida's National Forest
 - 14 Exploits
 - 20 Make a home
 - 23 Thither
 - 24 Contemporary of Emerson
 - 25 Bellow in a library
 - 26 Send down
 - 27 Barber's supply
 - 29 Cut off the back
 - 30 Crib

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ROBT PALE UPFOR
UTAH ENID HURON
YOTE TUNU ALOHA
HOT WITH SUP
ALLSET OIL WIA
NEE EIDERB MERR
NSC NOUN AVASTY
RAIN SAND S
GEESE OLAV USD
TREK DERIVIE ROO
OAK BOX INVERN
TWEET ALLY EPEE
NOVAE LANA ATRY
TOERR ENGR TOYS



- 31** Reason to press a suit, perhaps
- 40** Superlatively smooth
- 47** Persian
- 48** Rouse
- 50** Fear, to François
- 51** Cockeyed
- 52** Lago, e.g.
- 53** Disney dog
- 55** Letter lineup

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