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No tuition waiver for grad students

BY BRIAN SPANNAGEL
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Just days after President David Skorton said the university would "ultimately" need to waive graduate students' tuition, representatives for the state Board of Regents proposed Tuesday not tampering with the existing levels.

The proposal came at the second bargaining meeting between

regents' representatives and the Campaign to Organize Graduate Students, the UI graduate assistants' union. The negotiations, which will continue for months, are to renew COGS contract, which expires in June.

The regents' representatives said their offering was modest and in line with the state's recent budget cuts, which have caused hefty tuition hikes since 2000. But graduate students

said the current plan saddles them with hardships that will deter top-notch students from seeking advanced degrees at the UI.

"Tuition remission is good for us and good for university recruitment and prestige," graduate student Nat Godley said after the meeting. "You need it if you want to compete with the big boys and girls."

At the first meeting in October, COGS asked the regents for full-

tuition aid, a \$1,000 salary raise for each of the next two years and lower health-insurance payments. The regents responded Tuesday by keeping the figures at nearly their current levels, except for slight adjustments for inflation. The regents blamed the state's lagging economic growth and another expected tuition hike.

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String of recent robberies up to 5

BY ANNIE HAMM
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa City police are investigating the fifth local robbery in less than three weeks after a man walked into a US Bank branch Tuesday afternoon with a note demanding money.

The man — described as a heavy-set black male with a hooded sweatshirt, sneakers, and dark-colored pants — did not display a weapon but slipped a teller the note shortly after entering the 3212 Mormon Trek Blvd. bank just after 2:40 p.m., police said. He fled with an undisclosed amount of money.

No injuries were reported, police said, but the robber was captured on tape by the bank's surveillance cameras. "There were a couple tellers and another customer in there," said Iowa City police Officer Robert Gass.

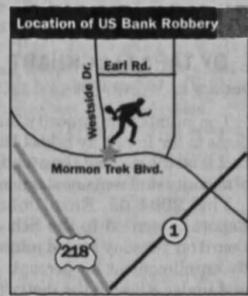
The incident follows a string of local robberies, but Gass said police have yet to find a connection. The bank branch is located on Iowa City's West Side, unlike most of the robberies, which have taken place east of the Iowa River.

The past robberies include:

- On Nov. 3, another US Bank branch, 1117 Williams St., was robbed by a male described as 5-6 and 150 pounds. The robber displayed no weapon and fled on foot with an undisclosed amount of money.
- On Nov. 1, the Adult Marketplace, 440 Kirkwood Ave., was held up by a slim, 6-2 white male with an ice pick.
- On Oct. 21, El Paso, a Mexican supermarket at 609 Hollywood Blvd., was robbed at 10:23 a.m., by two men who fled on foot. A store employee suffered minor injuries after she was struck in the head with a bottle.
- Little more than an hour after the El Paso robbery, a 5-6 to 5-10 black male in his early 20s or 30s robbed West Bank, 1910 Lower Muscatine Road.

Anyone with information about the recent robberies is urged to contact Iowa City police at 356-5276.

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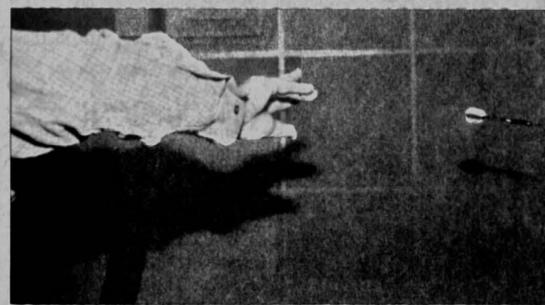
THE BATTLE IN IRAQ



John Moore/Associated Press

A 9-year-old Iraqi girl recovers from a skull fracture and two broken legs in the 31st Combat Support Hospital in Baghdad on Tuesday as hospital staff X-ray a Marine injured in Fallujah in the background. A U.S. Army Bradley fighting vehicle crashed into her family's car, her parents said. See more on the battle in Fallujah, 5A.

A local darts league is going strong after 17 years



Aaron Holmgren/The Daily Iowan

Kirkwood student Matt Hammen hopes his aim is true as he lets loose a dart at College St. Billiards Club & Deli on Monday night. He is a member of the Iowa City Area Dart League, which is open to men and women 21 years of age and up.

BULL'S-EYE

BY JESSICA SEVESKA
THE DAILY IOWAN

The first throw landed right where he wanted it and triggered a video-game tune. But the second throw hit the plastic edge and landed on the floor.

"Damn it!" Twenty-two-year-old Renfred Miller takes his darts game seriously.

"If you see someone fired up here, it's going to be me," he said. "There's a lot of strategy in this game."

For approximately 17 years

now, the Iowa City Area Dart League has been gathering in local bars, holding competitions in which four-person teams compete against each other. Bob O'Rear, the owner of Bob's Place in North Liberty, created the league after suggestions from customers.

Almost two decades later, the league is still attracting participants. There are 12 teams and approximately 50 people playing in the league this fall. Teams compete for 12 weeks; the league runs in the fall from

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Local write-ins range from Herky to horse

Some of the write-in votes cause groans in the Johnson County Auditor's Office

BY SEUNG MIN KIM
THE DAILY IOWAN

Herky for Johnson County Agriculture Extension Council?

Iowa's beloved mascot wasn't a candidate — obviously — but that didn't stop one voter from casting her or his ballot for the Hawkeye athletics staple.

Once again, write-in ballots accompanying those cast for the top contenders ran the gamut from legitimate votes for alternate candidates to nonsensical choices such as Marilyn Monroe and Laser the Drug Dog, according to county voting records.

Johnson County Auditor Tom Slockett, himself up against such write-in candidates as Snoopy, Kirk Ferentz, and Bill Clinton, knows ballots cast for offices from president to county supervisor aren't always legitimate.

"I don't mind the ones that are serious; at the same time, the

WRITE-IN VOTES IN JOHNSON COUNTY FOR THE NOV. 2 GENERAL ELECTION:

- President: 60 of 65,469 votes
- U.S. Senate: 45 of 63,521 votes
- U.S. House: 70 of 62,631 votes
- Johnson County Board of Supervisors: 486 of 138,649 votes (could vote for three)
- Johnson County Sheriff: 1,143 of 60,091 votes

people who do it as a joke have a right to do that," he said. "Each individual has her or his own way of expressing her or his vote."

This year, some voters suspended their disbelief by scribbling Scuba Steve, Fox News commentator Bill O'Reilly, and even the Holy Ghost for various federal offices.

Or by writing in Barry Bedford for sheriff, who already has a day job as the Coralville police chief.

But Slockett declined to name silly write-in votes that stuck out in

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Kristol, in IMU, lauds Bush victory

BY DREW KERR
THE DAILY IOWAN

William Kristol, the publisher and editor of the leading conservative magazine the *Weekly Standard*, was happy to be in a county that just one week ago voted 64 percent in favor of Sen. John Kerry.

Coming off stops at Berkeley College in Paramus, N.J., and Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass., Iowa City was relatively tame, he said, calling the UI the "least liberal of the three."

"It's a somewhat more civilized, reasonable environment," he continued.

"Though not too reasonable. You did vote for John Kerry."

Iowa, which ultimately went to Bush, displayed much better judgment, he quipped.

Speaking in front of a crowd of roughly 700 people Tuesday night in the IMU Main Lounge, Kristol reflected on last week's election, which he correctly predicted Bush would win in an Oct. 28 interview with *The Daily Iowan*.

He discussed election results and implications of another four years under Republican leadership in front of a crowd that, for the most part, supported him.

Kristol, who worked as former Vice President Dan Quayle's chief of staff during the senior George Bush's administration, said the results shouldn't surprise many,



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— William Kristol, publisher and editor of the *Weekly Standard* magazine

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by Josh Bald

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The Hawkeye wrestlers are ready to step it up by taking it down. 1B



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John Ashcroft, the controversial attorney general, and Commerce Secretary Don Evans are quitting. 4A

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You've never seen a concert like this one. No, really. 7A

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Study: Cancer vaccine promising

BY ELAINE FABIAN
THE DAILY IOWAN

The UI obstetrics/gynecology department last week released the results of a nationwide study on a cervical-cancer vaccine that produced promising results.

The study, which included 1,505 women volunteers nationally, showed that 94 percent of women given the vaccine did not contract human papillomavirus, or HPV-16, which is a major cause of cervical cancer. Of the 755 women who received the vaccination, only seven became infected with HPV-16 over the four-year observation period.

Infections took hold in 111 of the 750 women who received placebos, and 12 of those women

developed pre-cancers.

The study's discovery may have a large effect on the medical field.

"It looks promising as a preventative measure," said Lisa James, the UI Student Health Service nurse manager. "It should have a positive effect on the health of young women."

Fifty percent of women contract HPV within three years of becoming sexually active because it is so common and a lot of males are infected, said Kevin Ault, an associate professor of obstetrics/gynecology and the leader of the UI portion of the study.

The only way to prevent contracting HPV is to avoid skin-to-skin contact during sex with

someone who is infected, according to the American Cancer Society. Ault said the only way to treat HPV in young women is to follow up with more exams.

He added that in women, cells damaged by HPV can be removed, frozen, or destroyed with laser surgery. If cervical cancer is caught in the early stages, it can usually be cured with radiation and surgery.

The UI portion of the study enrolled approximately 10 percent of all of the women in the study, most of whom were UI students. The study was conducted at 16 other U.S. sites, including Washington University, Indiana University, and Denver Public Health.

The vaccination, which was

developed by the pharmaceutical company Merck, is the first of its kind. The closest thing to a vaccine that the medical community has for cancer is the Hepatitis B vaccine, Ault said. Hepatitis B can cause liver cancer.

He said the immunity in the women who received the vaccination appeared to last for four years.

"I think that this is good news for women," he said.

This study is just one of many to come. The UI is participating in several other cervical-cancer vaccine studies, including one that combines a vaccine for both HPV-16 and HPV-18, in which women are being enrolled now.

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Minority enrollment up, but not in district staff

The percentage of minority students in local schools keeps rising, but minority-staff numbers remain the same

BY TARA FLOCKHART
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The number of minority students in the Iowa City School District is on the rise, but the number of minority staff remains stagnant.

The 2004-05 Enrollment Report presented to the School Board on Tuesday placed minority enrollment at 26 percent — just under 2,800 of the district's 10,900 students.

This is a jump of 1.75 percent over last year and more than 5 percent over 2001-02.

Despite the rise in minority presence, only 3.4 percent of the district's staff are minorities —

a percentage that has remained the same for the last two years.

This is partially because of a low turnover rate — the district only hired 48 new teachers this year, down from the typical 70 to 80, said Jim Pedersen, the district's director of human services.

"We have a plan in place to increase staff diversity," said Superintendent Lane Plugge. "It is definitely a district goal."

The plan aims to increase minorities to 6 percent of the total staff through expanding recruitment at job fairs, networking, and consulting with current minority staff members, among other ideas.

"Even if the number of minority students was not increasing, hiring a diverse staff is the right thing to do," Pedersen said.

"It reflects the world in which our students will live and work."

Within the district, Twain Elementary, 1355 De Forest Ave., has the highest minority percentage; nearly 57 percent of its 310 students are American Indian, black, Asian American, or Latino.

Among minority students, blacks represent the largest group at 12 percent. The Asian American and Latino populations are not far behind at 7.4 and 6 percent respectively. American Indians make up fewer than

1 percent of students.

Iowa City is one of many school districts nationwide that do not adequately represent student diversity through their staff, according to the most recent report prepared by the National Summit on Diversity in the Teaching Force.

The report shows that although only 60 percent of public-school students are white, just 10 percent of teachers are minorities. More than one-third of all schools have no minority teachers on staff.

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M.B.A. students copy 'The Apprentice' in contest

BY KATE MCCARTER
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UI business students this week are participating in a competition patterned after the television show "The Apprentice" — but without fear of termination, public humiliation, or Donald Trump's do.

Graduate and undergraduate business organizations are fighting to sell the most \$5 raffle tickets with the ultimate prize of keeping 100 percent of the profits for their groups. The losing organizations will get to keep 40 percent of their profits, with 60 percent going to support the M.B.A. Program Fund.

One student will win the top

raffle prize — an Iowa Hawkeye SkyBox Vendor — during a Nov. 16 drawing.

The SkyBox Vendor is a personal beverage dispenser for the sports aficionado manufactured by Maytag. It is valued at more than \$600, can be customized to celebrate any sports team with interchangeable panels, and can be counted on "to deliver with that refreshing ka-thunk sound," according to the Maytag website.

Maytag donated the SkyBox Vendor to the university's M.B.A. program. Each year during fall orientation, M.B.A. students form teams to develop comments and a marketing plan for a product or service. The teams then

present their cases to the product's business representatives.

Cara Wick, an M.B.A. student who worked on the SkyBox Vendor plan in the fall, said her group thought the product was a risky venture for Maytag, because it is fairly expensive and ventures away from its domestic market. However, members of her group still thought it would be a success.

"Maytag appreciated our enthusiasm, because we did think it was a great idea," she said. "We all agreed that we would love to have one in our house."

After the competition was over, the college was not sure what to do with the machine. "We didn't have much of a use

for it, so we wanted to make it available to the public," said Jeff Emrich, the director of student services at the School of Management. "We developed a committee, and it came up with the idea for the raffle."

There are five organizations selling raffle tickets, including Delta Sigma Pi, Leadership Council, Net Impact, Tippi Optimist Chapter, and Women in Business.

Jason Van Zant, the financial director for Delta Sigma, said that the group has 150 tickets to sell.

"I already bought four of them," he said. "I want it pretty bad."

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Alternative students' mural found

The 10-by-15-foot mural crafted by Senior High Alternative Center students but snatched from the halls of Uptown Bill's Small Mall, 401 S. Gilbert St., has been returned to its rightful owners.

Alternative Center teacher Hani Elkadi said on Tuesday that Iowa City police told him they had the mural after officers found a man on Nov. 6 dragging the artwork down Gilbert Street. "It's back and safe, and the job is

done," Elkadi said. "We've received a lot of support from the community, and we'd like to thank it for its prompt action."

Aside from a few scratches, the mural was not damaged, Elkadi said. The school is also planning a public reception for the mural's artists today at 2 p.m. at Uptown Bill's.

— by Seung Min Kim

Coralville OKs final acquisitions for hotel

Coralville city councilors approved

the final plans for the construction and land acquisition for the \$63 million Coralville Marriott Hotel and Conference Center during a formal meeting Tuesday.

The councilors voted to purchase small parcels of land from owners for approximately \$1 million. The land, located at 215 E. 11th St. and 302 E. 11th St., will be the site of the hotel.

The city will use a small portion for its environmental project, which is slated to house a five-acre indoor rain forest.

The 10-story hotel and conference

center will include 250 rooms and suites, an indoor pool, coffee shop, bookstore, two ballrooms, 30,000 square feet of exhibit space, and numerous conference rooms.

Project leaders are expected to break ground later this month, the beginning of an 18-month building period, according to representatives from Faulkner Development Team.

The council agreed to set back the construction bid date for the hotel project to Nov. 19 at 10:30 a.m.

— by Clare Pierson

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POLICE BLOTTER

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Cory Peterson, 24, 413 S. Johnson St. Apt. 6, was charged Sept. 9 with possession of marijuana.

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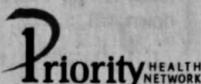
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— Kate Stewart, a UI graduate student in history.

Regents reject tuition waiver

COGS

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"Our goal in that framework is to provide wages and benefits that are reflective of our goal to be competitive in the market place," said Thomas Evans, the regents' director of legal affairs and human resources.

Despite the setback, COGS

leaders said they will keep negotiating for a better tuition package.

"We are not discounting the fact that the state is in a budget crunch, but this is about how you evaluate your priorities," said COGS President Patrick Oray.

The university provides a minimum tuition aid of 25 percent and also pays \$15,330 to graduates who work 20 hours, a higher salary than many

other universities pay. COGS leaders said all other Big Ten universities waive most or all of graduate assistants' tuition.

The university spent around \$52 million in academic 2004-05 and \$49 million in 2003-04 to pay its 2,100 graduate assistants. Even so, COGS said, the university needs to offer more tuition aid to remain competitive, especially if their salaries

aren't boosted.

Both sides said they want to reach a livable agreement.

"Most of us are living paycheck to paycheck and trying not to accumulate too much debt," said Kate Stewart, a UI graduate student in history.

The groups' next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 19.

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Darts-league players take aim at fun time

DARTS

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September to December and in the spring from January to March. The league is open to men and women 21 or older.

"The idea behind the league is fun, fun, and more fun," said league President Jim Burr.

A mixture of students and local residents, the players range in age from 21 to upper 50s. Burr said playing darts with the group creates a competitive league that offers fellowship and a chance to meet new people.

The league plays with a handicap, in which players are given advantages or compensations to equalize their chances of winning, thus evening out the competition, Burr said. After six weeks, the league is divided into two different brackets, placing the top teams in the same bracket. This creates more competition, he said.

To participate in the league, teams must receive a \$25 sponsorship fee. Any organization or individual can sponsor a team, but most teams are sponsored by local bars, which rotate holding the competitions.

"We're unique because we have a wide range of ages and

venues," Burr said.

Last year, the league held a tournament and raised \$2,000 to send four children to the Miracle Burn Camp of Iowa. The league is looking into having another fund-raiser this fall, Burr said.

Competitions take place Mondays at 7 p.m. and last for two to three hours. A tournament will be held Saturday at Bob's Place, and anyone is welcome to enter. Local organizations have sponsored the tournament, and a prize of \$400 will be awarded. A \$5 fee from each player will also be added to the pot. Burr said the league is always open to new players; people can contact him for information on joining.

Monday night players from the College St. Billiards Club and Deli team and the Q Bar's Mini Dittkas were excited and looking to win at one of their weekly competitions. Many of them joined the league for the fun of competing. Miller, who was concentrating on the game, said it's a great way to relax after a long week of work.

For some, a game of darts is all about winning. For most in the league though, it's about high-fives and good times.

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Conservative editor pleased with election

KRISTOL

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noting just three states, including Iowa, that switched their political favor from the 2000 general election.

Lauding Bush's campaign, Kristol said the incumbent "personally dragged" many Republican congressmen to victories.

Bush is the first president since 1964 to win re-election and pick up seats in both the House and the Senate.

"Bush is in the strongest position in our lifetime to get things through Congress," he said, eliciting applause from the crowd.

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— William Kristol,

Bush's "pseudo-mandate" is only a mandate if he makes it one, Kristol said, adding that the former Texas governor's legacy depends on what he does in his second term and how successfully the Iraq war — "if you want to call it a war" — goes.

Before closing he fielded numerous pointed questions from audience members, including

whether the Fox News Channel, to which he regularly contributes, is actually fair and balanced and if Bush is merely a "front" for political adviser Karl Rove.

"Many of the questions seemed more like statements than actual questions," said Anthony Jack of Iowa City following the lecture.

Anjali Khosla, a UI Lecture

Committee co-chairwoman, said the right-of-center speaker should feel welcome in a county that routinely votes Democratic because though it "leans to the left, it's not close-minded."

"Here, we're surrounded by people interested in learning as much as possible," she said, adding she knew many people in attendance that "aren't necessarily conservative."

The Lecture Committee, which doled out \$11,000 for the appearance, said it "doesn't have an agenda, it's just giving people an option."

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'I guess it would ultimately take a political environment in which enough people aren't very happy with the candidates. It would really depend on the particular circumstances.'

— David Redlawsk, a UI assistant professor of political science, on the likelihood of a write-in candidate being elected

Write-ins run gamut from goofy to protest

WRITE-IN

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his mind in his 27 years as the county auditor. He said he doesn't want to encourage any more jokes disguised as write-in votes to flood his office.

"Our staff uniformly has sympathy for the poll workers," Slockett said.

"They really object to having to stay late on election night and compiling the non-serious write-ins. It takes a lot of time to do it."

Statistics show that write-in votes for president this year decreased slightly from the 2000 presidential race. Slockett said the more polarized campaign, combined with the perception that the race was a dead heat, may have decreased the voting for contenders other than Sen. John Kerry and President Bush.

But sprinkled through Johnson County voting ballots marked Kerry, Bush, and Nader for the next commander in chief were ones that listed Elvis Presley, John McCain, and P. Diddy.

Statewide, approximately 688 of the nearly 1.5 million votes cast for president were write-in ballots, according to statistics from the Iowa secretary of State's office.

It takes unusual circumstances for a write-in hopeful to beat a candidate on the ballot officials say.

"I guess it would ultimately take a political environment in which enough people aren't very happy with the candidates," said David Redlawsk, a UI assistant professor of political science.

"It would really depend on the particular circumstances."

In 1983, write-in candidates Ellen Widiss and David Woodrik nabbed two seats on the Iowa City School Board by beating Patrick Lumsden and Thomas Halliburton, who were listed on the ballot.

Nationally, one current major election looks like it may tip the ballots in a write-in candidate's favor. San Diego City Councilor Donna Frye, a write-in candidate for the California city's mayor, is leading a three-way tie for the position.

In Johnson County, Keith Slaughter, a former Democratic sheriff candidate who was crushed in the June primaries, received more than 800 write-in

votes — roughly 1.3 percent of the total ballots cast, according to a *Daily Iowan* tally.

But it is votes such as Andre 3000, one-half of the rap duo Outkast, for county sheriff that induce groans from poll workers.

After all, this is a county in which a horse — no name, just a horse — received one vote for sheriff.

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CITY

Police probe robbery

Iowa City police are investigating a Monday night robbery at a southeast Iowa City residence.

At approximately 9:50 p.m., three black men wearing ski masks entered a residence at 2216 D St.

According to the department's online police log, a resident was hit in the head with a bottle, and a gun was put in his mouth. The reported attack remains under investigation.

Telephoned on Monday night, a resident at the home listed hung up without commenting.

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— by Grant Schulte

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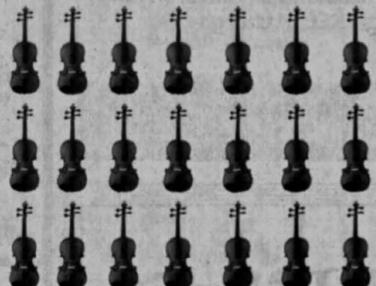
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Ashcroft, Commerce head quit

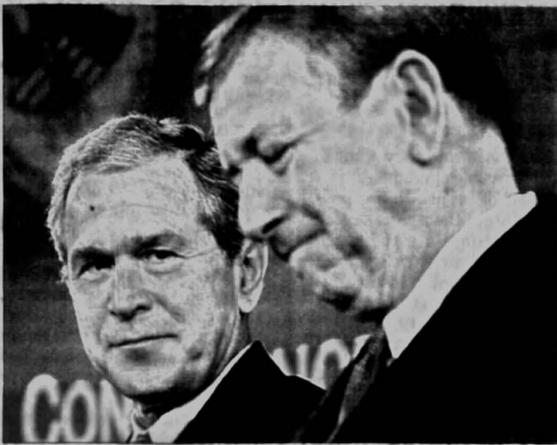
BY DAN EGGEN
AND MIKE ALLEN
WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — John Ashcroft, the combative attorney general whose anti-terrorism policies made him the focus of a fierce national debate over civil liberties, resigned Tuesday along with Commerce Secretary Don Evans, one of President Bush's closest friends.

The departure of Ashcroft, 62, marks the exit of one of the most controversial and influential figures of Bush's first term, a man who provided reliable fodder for Democrats on the campaign trail and served as a visible representative of the evangelical Christians who played a crucial role in re-electing the president.

In a five-page handwritten resignation letter to Bush — dated election day but released Tuesday — Ashcroft took credit for declining crime rates and preventing additional terrorist attacks during his tenure. "The objective of securing the safety of Americans from crime and terror has been achieved," he wrote.

But Ashcroft, who had his gallbladder removed in March after he was hospitalized for pancreatitis, also wrote that the "demands of justice are both rewarding and depleting" and



Susan Walsh/Associated Press

Attorney General John Ashcroft bows his head as he is introduced with President Bush in Tampa, Fla., on July 16. Ashcroft and Commerce Secretary Don Evans resigned Tuesday.

that "the Department of Justice would be well served by new leadership and fresh inspiration."

Bush said in a statement Tuesday night that Ashcroft "has worked tirelessly to help make our country safer" and has "transformed the department to make combating terrorism the top priority."

The resignations were the first departures from Bush's

Cabinet since the re-election, and administration officials said they came for very different reasons. Ashcroft — aware of the controversy he provoked and, friends said, exhausted after his illness — pre-emptively offered his letter before the White House initiated a formal discussion about his future.

Evans, 58, often described as Bush's best friend, was eager to

return to Texas to rejoin family members, who had already moved back.

A White House official said Bush considered Ashcroft's resignation at Camp David over the weekend and decided to accept it this week. Ashcroft said in his letter that it was handwritten "so its confidentiality can be maintained."

Many administration officials have said they would like Ashcroft's former deputy, Larry Thompson, to succeed him. But Thompson, who would be the nation's first black attorney general, recently became a senior executive at PepsiCo in Purchase, N.Y., and has indicated he is not interested, officials said.

Among other contenders are White House Counsel Alberto Gonzales, who would be the first Latino attorney general, and Marc Racioc, a former Montana governor who was chairman of Bush's re-election effort, administration officials said. Ashcroft's deputy, James Comey, would be considered, but administration officials said they did not foresee him getting the nod. Former New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and New York Gov. George Pataki also are on the lists of administration insiders. Most are considered more moderate than Ashcroft.

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New drug aids in losing weight, quitting smoking

BY MARILYNN MARCHIONE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — An experimental pill that offers the fairytale promise of helping people lose weight and quit smoking has gathered even more stardust.

The biggest test yet of the drug found that it helped people not only drop pounds but also keep them off for two years — longer than any other diet drug has been able to achieve. Cholesterol and other health measures improved, too.

The impressive results from a study of more than 3,000 obese people were presented at a medical conference Tuesday, capping months of anticipation about the new drug, Acomplia, made by the French pharmaceutical firm Sanofi-Aventis.

Doctors called the research exciting, and the company, which funded the study, thinks the drug could have blockbuster potential similar to cholesterol-

lowering statin drugs. In a study of 3,040 obese people throughout the United States and Canada, those given the higher of two doses of the drug lost more than 5 percent of their initial body weight, and a third of them lost more than 10 percent.

"They achieved and maintained a weight loss of 19 pounds as compared with 5.1 pounds in the placebo group," said Dr. F. Xavier Pi-Sunyer of Columbia University in New York, who led the research and presented results at the American Heart Association conference.

Those who quit taking the pill in the second year of the study regained most of what they'd lost, suggesting that people might have to take the drug indefinitely to maintain a lower weight.

"We consider this to be a chronic problem. You don't cure obesity, you just improve it," Pi-Sunyer said.

Approximately two-thirds of American adults are overweight or obese, raising their risk of

everything from cancer and cardiovascular disease to sore joints and snoring. Around a fourth of American adults smoke, which brings many of the same woes.

It's been devilishly difficult to develop effective treatments for either problem. Diet drugs in particular have a checkered history, most notably the withdrawal from the market in 1997 of the popular "fen-phen" drug combination after users developed heart-valve problems.

Drugs now on the market either are designed for short-term use or have distasteful side effects such as bowel problems that make many shy away from them.

Acomplia's maker thinks it will avoid those problems by attacking obesity in a novel way, and it plans to seek federal approval for it next year.

It's the first diet drug aimed at blocking the "pleasure center" of the brain and interfering with the cycle of craving and satisfaction that drives many compulsive behaviors and addictions.

This same circuitry is activated when people smoke pot.

"Weight regulation is really kind of an addictive behavior," said Dr. Robert Eckel, an expert on metabolism from the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center who had no role in the study.

It involved people who either were severely obese or were moderately obese and also had another heart-related health problem such as low "good" cholesterol, high blood pressure, or high blood sugar.

They were given nutrition advice and urged to cut 600 calories a day from their diet, and were randomly assigned to get either a 5- or 20-milligram dose of Acomplia or fake pills. Neither they nor their doctors knew who had received which.

After one year, those on the higher dose had lost an average of 19 pounds — the same result found in two smaller studies of the drug reported earlier this year.

STATE

Heating costs projected to rise 10-17 percent

DES MOINES (AP) — Utility officials predicted Tuesday that Iowans will face higher natural-gas prices this winter as near normal temperatures are forecast.

With a market tightly balanced between supply and demand, any fluctuation in those factors can "alter prices dramatically," said Chris McGill of the American Gas Association.

McGill said that before 2000, supply outweighed demand.

"Since 2000, the amount of gas consumed is approximately 100 percent of production capacity," he said.

Despite the tight market, McGill said Alliant Energy has around 20 percent of the natural gas it will use this upcoming winter in storage or already under contract.

"The storage position is better than it was last year; it's the best it's been in a number of years," he said.

He said the average Iowa household

can expect to pay between 10 percent and 17 percent more this year for natural gas, compared with last year.

Scott Drzycimski, an Alliant Energy spokesman, said a breakdown of the increase into dollars wasn't immediately available Tuesday afternoon.

Meanwhile, a forecaster with the National Weather Service said projecting what the weather will be like this winter is a tossup.

There is an equal chance that the Iowa winter will be colder or warmer than normal, said Ray Wolf, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service office in Davenport.

"Climate factors are indicating we're in the middle, where things could go either way," he said.

Wolf said there is an indication that the effect from El Niño will be weak, a potential sign of a colder and drier winter. El Niño is the warming of Pacific waters that can alter the flow of the jet-stream winds and thus affect weather in many areas, including the United States.



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U.S., Iraqi forces punch into center of Fallujah

BY JIM KRANE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEAR FALLUJAH, Iraq — U.S. troops powered their way into the center of the insurgent stronghold of Fallujah on Tuesday, overwhelming small bands of guerrillas with massive force, searching homes along the city's deserted, narrow passageways, and using loudspeakers to try to goad militants onto the streets.

As of Tuesday night, the fighting had killed 10 U.S. troops and two members of the Iraqi security force, the U.S. military announced. The toll already equaled the 10 American military deaths when Marines besieged the city for three weeks in April.

U.S. officials issued no estimate of insurgent casualties, but one American commander said his battalion alone had killed or wounded up to 90 guerrillas.

As the offensive moved into a second full day, up to eight attack aircraft — including jets and helicopter gunships — blasted guerrilla strongholds and raked the streets with rocket, cannon, and machine-gun fire ahead of U.S. and Iraqi infantry, who were advancing one or two blocks

behind the curtain of fire.

Small groups of guerrillas, armed with rifles, rocket-propelled grenades, mortars, and machine guns, engaged U.S. troops, then fell back. U.S. troops inspected houses along Fallujah's streets and ran across adjoining alleyways, mindful of snipers.

A psychological-operations unit broadcast announcements in Arabic meant to draw out gunmen. An Iraqi translator from the group said through a loudspeaker: "Brave terrorists, I am waiting here for the brave terrorists. Come and kill us. Plant small bombs on roadsides. Attention, terrorists of Fallujah."

Faced with overwhelming force, resistance in Fallujah did not appear as fierce as had been expected, though the top U.S. commander in Iraq said he still expected "several more days of tough urban fighting" as insurgents fell back toward the southern end of the city, perhaps for a last stand.

Some U.S. military officers estimated they controlled about a third of the city. Commanders said they had not fully secured the northern half of Fallujah but were well on their way as

American and Iraqi troops searched for insurgents.

U.S. and Iraqi troops captured two key landmarks Tuesday — a mosque and neighboring convention center that insurgents used for launching attacks, according to a *Los Angeles Times* reporter embedded with U.S. forces.

"I'm surprised how quickly [resistance] broke and how quickly they ran away, a force of foreign fighters who were supposed to fight to the death," Lt. Col. Pete Newell, a battalion commander in the 1st Infantry Division, told CNN.

He was quoted on CNN's website as saying his battalion had killed or wounded 85 to 90 insurgents.

The move against Fallujah prompted influential Sunni Muslim clerics to call for a boycott of national elections set for January. A widespread boycott among Sunnis could wreck the legitimacy of the elections, seen as vital in Iraq's move to democracy. U.S. commanders have said the Fallujah invasion is the centerpiece of an attempt to secure insurgent-held areas so voting can be held.



Luis Sinco/Los Angeles Times
U.S. Marines walk past a dead insurgent in Fallujah, Iraq, on Tuesday. U.S. forces punched into the center of the insurgent stronghold, overwhelming bands of guerrillas on the second day of a major offensive.

WORLD

Arafat worsens but 'still alive'

PARIS (AP) — Yasser Arafat's condition deteriorated dramatically overnight as his coma deepened, but

the Palestinian Foreign minister said Tuesday he is "still alive," and his brain, heart, and lungs are working.

The 75-year-old leader was in critical condition, Palestinian Foreign Minister Nabil Shaath said after top

Palestinian officials went to the hospital outside Paris where Arafat has been treated since Oct. 29.

Shaath told a news conference the Palestinian leadership wanted to end rumors about Arafat's health.

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Arafat must be replaced peacefully

After having lived through prolonged wars, a disfiguration of the Palestinian state, an airplane crash, assassination attempts, and finally house arrest, it's apparent now, to his supporters and foes alike, that Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat is as human as anyone else as he fights a final losing battle for his life in Paris.

This is yet another trying time for the Palestinians as they wait for news about their leader's deteriorating health. Hovering rumors about Arafat being in an irreversible coma and simultaneous denials by his wife and Palestinian officials do little to ease a situation becoming increasingly tense.

There is no doubt whether the two parties who are going to be affected the most, should the ailing Palestinian leader pass away, are Israelis and the Palestinians. The question that is undeniably occupying international scrutiny is, who will replace the 75-year-old Arafat once his time is up? While some feel passionately for the leader, looking up to him as a father figure, others harbor extremely bitter feelings. They denounce Arafat as a corrupt leader who added more to his personal prosperity than to that of those he stood to represent — the Palestinian people who bore the brunt of his alleged misdeeds.

Whether Arafat acted selfishly is irrelevant. The fact remains that he designated no successor for himself. So far, however, it is safe to say that there has not (yet) been an outbreak of political chaos in response to Arafat's serious illness. But his position as a representative of the Palestinian people cannot be easily replaced. His death will leave the chain of leadership broken in three places — chairman of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, which is the umbrella group for all Palestinian factions; president of the Palestinian Authority, which governs the areas of West Bank and Gaza; and head of Fatah, which is the largest political party of the PLO.



Yasser Arafat
Palestinian leader

As this drama unfolds, the most crucial need of the hour is a peaceful transition of power in terms of passing on leadership to new hands. The open violence and fighting that took place between different Palestinian factions in Gaza and the West Bank earlier this year was seen as a preface to a power struggle between the old Palestinian Authority led by Arafat and those who want the Palestinian Authority reformed. It demonstrated the lack of organization and unity that plagues that organization. A frenzied power struggle will only break down the Palestinian Authority further, undermining its capability to maintain any control in the area. On the other hand, an eruption of violence will benefit the much more organized and united militant groups who may have no qualms about attacking any new leadership that does not conform to their objectives.

As commendable as Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's plan to withdraw from the Gaza settlements in the face of opposition is, Arafat's death might delay it if violence intensifies. If the Palestinian Authority leadership disintegrates, it will leave Hamas to run the Gaza Strip, which could lead to troubled waters — Hamas is detested by Israel as the organization that has created more Israeli bloodshed than any other through its use of suicide bombers.

Sharon's plan is already under attack from his own side. If Hamas — a group whose many supporters believe in ending Israeli occupation not only in the West Bank and Gaza but in all of what used to be Palestine — gains excessive political influence, it will definitely disrupt the progress of the plan being sketched out.

However, a lot can be expected without being overly optimistic if the situation is settled in a peaceful manner and a new moderate leadership is allowed to emerge. This could make room for a positive regeneration of the currently ugly relationship between the two sides. More importantly, Israelis and Palestinians will be able to talk across a new table with less tension, to stifle negotiations.

Senility is a truly tragic ailment. Symptoms of senility include loss of memory and the loss of ability to think and reason. The cruel irony of senility is that the victim may not realize the symptoms, but those around him can see the symptoms in action. Based on his recent actions and statements, I have that unsettling feeling about Iowa's junior senator, Tom Harkin.

In October 2002, Harkin's colleague and friend, Sen. Paul Wellstone of Minnesota, died in a plane crash. At the memorial service turned political rally, Harkin exploded.

"Will you stand up and join together and board [Wellstone's campaign] bus? SAY YES!" Harkin exhorted, ripping off his suit jacket. Harkin continued, "NOW! NOW! NOW! Keep fighting! FOR PAUL! FOR PAUL! FOR PAUL!"



KEVIN WHITE

Keep in mind that this was a memorial service for a recently deceased man. The *Minneapolis Star Tribune* likened Harkin's "chanting and ranting" to "Nazi or totalitarian rallies." No rational individual would act the way he acted at that memorial service.

Harkin's wild antics have only accelerated in occurrence. Christopher Reeve passed away on Oct. 10. The next day, Harkin took to the Senate floor to speak on stem-cell research with a large photo of Reeve behind him. The former Superman had not been buried, there had been no funeral, the family had been given no grieving period, but Harkin could not wait more than a few hours before using the memory of Reeve for political gain. A man of mental fitness would not politicize death the way Harkin has.

Sixteen days later, this very publication printed a letter from Tom Harkin claiming that, if President Bush were re-elected, the draft would be reinstated. This, of course, flies contrary to all the facts that indicate the contrary. The Pentagon has steadfastly said it does not want a draft — a conscript army creates a less effective, disenchanted army, and above all, a draft would never pass in Congress. Harkin must have forgotten these facts when he submitted that letter to *The Daily Iowan* and various other newspapers in the Midwest.

Speaking to a crowd in Vinton, Iowa, he said that John Kerry was rising in the polls, George W. Bush was falling in the polls, and then concluded, "That's how God wants it to be." No rational individual would declare who God wants to win an election. But this does not stop Harkin, whose thoughtless and reasonless comment caused laughter nationwide.

Harkening back to the past, no pun intended, the senator traveled in Nicaragua with Marxist President Daniel Ortega (and Sen. John Kerry) during the Nicaragua civil war. The two senators were called dupes by the White House when Ortega flew to Moscow to receive \$200 million from the Soviet Union, and Harkin's own Democrat colleague, Sen. Christopher Dodd of Connecticut, trashed Harkin for the visit with Ortega. There's no reasonable rationale on Harkin's part for coddling a Central American Marxist.

Let us also remember that Harkin voted for the war in Iraq but subsequently voted against the \$80 billion requested to provide body armor and proper munitions for our troops. Surely that's a sign of lack of reason and judgment.

Thirteen years ago, people nationwide knew of Harkin for reaching across the aisle to work jointly with former President George H.W. Bush on the Americans with Disabilities Act. Sadly, this is no longer the case. Today, when people across the country think of Iowa, they think of corn, quality schools, and a loose cannon of a senator who says bizarre things and acts in bizarre ways (but who, to his credit, made for an awfully good coat rack for Howard Dean during the infamous "I Have a Scream" speech). Any benefits he may bring to Iowa are more than outweighed by the embarrassment of his statements and actions.

This fall, members of the press in Kentucky questioned Republican Sen. Jim Bunning's mental fitness during his re-election bid against Democratic challenger Daniel Mongiardo, citing unsettling comments by Bunning. We Iowans have plausible reason to ask the same of our junior senator, who is becoming a political laughingstock. ■

LETTERS

Election is SO last week

I know this is probably not news to anyone, but the election of 2004 is now over. Bush won, Kerry lost, and most people still don't care about Nader. So why are some people still proudly displaying stickers and buttons advocating candidates who will never run for president again?

I was sick of political ads long before the election happened, and I'm sure the rest of the country was too. Sure, I had my preference on who got elected or re-elected, and I even volunteered my time and effort to make it happen. But if I couldn't get the outcome I wanted on Nov. 2, I was very much looking forward to at least having the whole thing over with. I decided long ago that all my buttons and stickers were coming off the day after the election no matter which way it went, but apparently some people didn't make that decision.

Consequently, the rest of us now have to stand by while partisans whine or gloat about the results with their outdated stickers, buttons, and yard signs. It's time to get rid of them and move on, folks. The vote has been rocked, 2004 is almost over, and the "Fush" (from a button popular among campus Democrats) is now out of "Bucking" range. The nation is divided enough as it is, and we don't need small-scale private advertising to proliferate that division. Besides, you all look ridiculous.

Ian McConeghey
UI student

Ledge is entertaining

I'm a first-year student at the UI and originally from a suburb of Chicago. I have always read the local newspapers and like them mostly because of the humor that some staff writers show in their articles. On my first few days here, I picked up *The Daily Iowan* and was drawn to The Ledge on the Daily Break page.

I think that Josh Bald is very talented, and I am tired of hearing about people being upset with him. Everyone is entitled to state her or his opinion. Reading The Ledge brings a smile to my face every day, so in response to everyone who dislikes the column, I find it incredibly entertaining, and I wouldn't change a thing about it. Josh Bald, keep sharing your wonderful sense of humor with the readers of *The Daily Iowan*.

Carli Magel
UI student

Thanks for the humor and satire

To Josh Bald: It has been in my mind to write and thank you for so long that I finally decided to sit down and do so.

Thank you for making my day on Nov. 4. I was very upset about the election, like millions around the world, but I had a big laugh when I ran into your column. "Good things about George W. Bush being re-elected." I never knew or imagined that no words could say so much and make me happy at least for couple of hours. I know, some people complain about your work because you say things in a different way, like the one about cancer kids. But I try to explain to people that it is not just humor; it is satire. You make people aware of things around them.

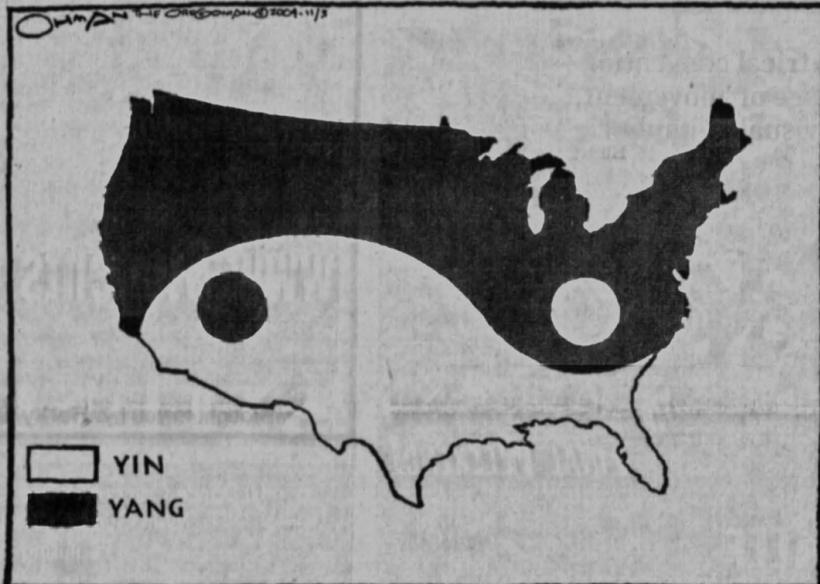
So, I would also like to tell you to be more careful with your words and give you some options, if you don't mind. I am from Azerbaijan. Don't be upset if you are hearing that word for the first time. It is a tiny, oil-rich country and sits on the Caspian Sea. Go ahead and make fun of my country. I won't whine about it. (But be aware that some people might.) At least some people will learn that there's a country by that name. Or go ahead and bring up the numbers of killed civilians in Iraq — 100,000, mostly women and children. Hopefully, some of the people who voted for Bush will realize that he is not rebuilding Iraq, and there is no way that he can rebuild innocent lost lives.

Thanks again for Nov. 4, and keep up the good work!

Dilbar Gasimova
Iowa City resident

World out of touch with America

I recently read that America is out of touch with the rest of the world. This statement was directed squarely at the 59 million-plus



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people who voted for President Bush.

In reality, I think it is the other way around. I think the world is out of touch with America. I think foreign politicians and citizens somehow believe that because they watch CNN, they know all about people in the United States (this is the same CNN that was caught posting pictures of Bush with the filenames a\$\$hole.jpg and moron.jpg — very unbiased).

With coverage from a network like that, do you really think other people really know what is going on here? I am sick of hearing about foreign leaders spewing hate toward America and the way we do things. Don't get me wrong — I understand the importance of foreign relations and respecting differences of opinion, but it's time people living in this country stopped whining about how some leader living thousands of miles away said we are "stupid" because we elected the "wrong" guy or because we did something they didn't like.

Last time I checked, America is still the best place on Earth to live, and we didn't get this way by asking the rest of the world what they think before making a decision, especially when electing a president. That's why we are a leader in this world and not a follower.

Ken Singletary
UI employee

Youth apathy a myth

I have heard a lot since the election about the failure of the youth vote, and I think that it is simply not true. Overall numbers show that voting in every age category was up.

I'm sorry for all the college students who wanted John Kerry, but you were matched person-for-person (or at least proportionately from 2000) by rural voters who wanted George W. Bush. If you take a look at the state breakdown for Iowa, you'll notice that Story, Johnson, and Black Hawk Counties all voted for Kerry. Coincidence that these counties house the three state schools? I think not. I think if we look at the raw data (which I don't have right now) more youth voters did vote than previous years. It just got lost in the crowd of everyone else voting.

Mark Peterson
UI student

CLARIFICATION

In a Nov. 8 editorial, "Accuracy, not expediency, important," it was stated that Iowa Secretary of State Chet Culver "declared" the winner of Iowa's seven electoral votes. Culver announced the results of the vote count but did not actually certify the winner, which the state will not do until Nov. 29.

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ON THE SPOT

Should evolution be taught in public schools in America?



Liza Jochem
UI junior

"Yeah."



Michael Bricker
UI junior

"Why not?"



Elyssa Shapiro
UI sophomore

"Yes."



Hasan Al-Mabuk
UI sophomore

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CALENDAR-WORTHY

Musicians from Marlboro will present works from Mozart, César Franck, and Leon Kirchner at 8 p.m. today in Clapp Recital Hall. Tickets are \$28, \$15 for students.

A startling mélange of musical innovation

Ropeadope will swing into town with a concert unlike any other

BY SCOTT MCCALLUM
THE DAILY IOWAN

"This guy, Matt Haimovitz, nobody's ever heard of, is like the Michael Jordan of classical," exclaimed Andy Hurwitz. "You get a guy like him, and then you take someone such as Lyrics Born on the other end of the spectrum, and fill in the blanks in between. It's just a really, really good time."

Hurwitz is the owner of the independent record label Ropeadope, which will swing into Iowa City with the New Music Seminar on Thursday night.

The event promises to be a concert unlike any you've ever seen, with artists jumping onstage to jam with other performers. No two shows are the same, and concerts routinely last up to four hours.

"It works out really well, and it's really, really fun. It's exciting because you never know what's going to happen. You never know who's going to go next," Hurwitz said.

One group will take the stage by itself to start the night; it will then be joined by another group. Eventually, the first performer will exit, leaving the second act alone on stage, and soon after that, the process will start over with a third act joining the second and so on through the night.

"It leaves you wanting more from each band, too," Hurwitz

said. "Instead of being like, 'OK, I'm over this, I've heard enough of Charlie,' or whoever, you get that tasty 30- to 40-minute set, and then it morphs into something else, and before you know it, they're gone."

Talent exudes in a lineup that includes the styles of underground hip-hop from Lyrics Born, classical cellist Haimovitz, jazz from Sex Mob, Benevento/Russo Duo, and Critters Buggin', guitar from Charlie Hunter, and the words of poet DJ Rich Medina, among others.

"If you like music, it's guaranteed a great time," Hurwitz said. "The music is so amazing. There's everything from hip hop to jazz to classical and funk. It's just, like, everything all mixed up, and it's just a good time."

The concert is only half of what Ropeadope will bring to Iowa City. At 3:30 p.m., 1061 Voxman Music Building will play host to lectures by the musicians, instructional classes, and seminars on the business of music. This is a chance for students to get up close and personal with some of the most talented people in music today.

The seminars are a unique offering from an unconventional label. Hurwitz founded Ropeadope in 1999 in his Brooklyn apartment with the purpose of being an artist-friendly label. Its first release was an album that no other label would release by DJ Logic, *DJ Logic Presents*.

ROPEADOPE NEW MUSIC SEMINAR

When: Thursday, doors open at 7 p.m., show at 8 p.m.
Where: IMU Second-Floor Ballroom
Admission: Free

When: 3:30-5 p.m.
Thursday
Where: Voxman Music Building
Admission: Free

Little has changed since those humble beginnings, and the label still blazes on, taking chances that other labels are too scared to pursue. Artists appreciate that Hurwitz has the first and the last word when it comes to business matters, as evidenced by Charlie Hunter's move to Ropeadope from the most prestigious label in jazz, Blue Note.

"At the end of the day, it's just me in my apartment, my cat Otis, and that's it," Hurwitz said.

Hurwitz will be leaving Otis at home, but he will bring the rest of the Ropeadope cats to town in what promises to be the one of the most entertaining and most original shows this year.

E-mail DJ reporter **Scott McCallum** at: mico3568@yahoo.com

DJ RICH MEDINA



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LYRICS BORN



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CRITTERS BUGGIN'



publicity photo

The Ropeadope New Music Seminar artists include:

- Lyrics Born
- DJ Rich Medina
- DJ Olive
- Charlie Hunter
- Matt Haimovitz
- Sex Mob
- Bobby Previte
- Critters Buggin'
- Benevento/Russo Duo

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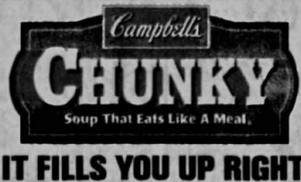
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DAILY BREAK

the ledge

WAYS TO GET THE GIRL

—by Josh Bald

- Wear pants.
- Bring flowers. Check first for thorns or hidden wasps that could fly out and sting her face off.
- Be polite, make eye contact with her chest, I mean her eyes.
- Skip the getting-to-know-you stuff and just make fun of her. Girls love that.
- Even though you completely disagree with her and it is painful for you to do so, say that you can't stand The Ledge, either.
- Be yourself. And by "be yourself," I mean be the fake yourself you were when you first introduced yourself to her, because if she sees the real yourself, it's over.
- Print "I love [her name]" on a T-shirt. Wear it next time you'll see her.
- Of course, when I did that, the next day the girl moved 1,000 miles. Coincidence? Probably not.
- Pick her up in your convertible with your new puppy and cute 5-year old brother in the back seat, towing behind you your motorcycle and boat. You'll bag her, guaranteed.

calendar

- "International Human Rights in Arts & Culture," Liz Shropshire, keynote speaker, 8:15 a.m.-2:30 p.m., IMU Main Lounge.
- UI Learning and Development Seminar, "Effective Constructive Criticism and Discipline Skills," 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., IMU.
- "Perspectives on the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Privacy Rule One Year After Implementation," Ann Rhodes, noon, 1502 UIHC Colleton Pavilion.
- Staff Council Meeting, 2:30 p.m., 102 Center for Disabilities & Development.
- One Community, One Book, discussion forum on *The Kite Runner*, by Khaled Hosseini, 6:30 p.m., City High School Cafeteria.
- Writers' Workshop Reading, Larry Baker, fiction, 8 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St.

quote of the day

"I'm out of here."

— Bruce Dallas Goodman as he walked out of the Utah State Prison on Tuesday. He spent 19 years behind bars for the rape and murder of his girlfriend before being cleared by DNA evidence.

horoscopes

Wednesday, November 10, 2004
— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You can't win when it comes to partnerships, so prepare to compromise. Do something to help others, and you will be offered a proposition.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Settle any work-related issues. You can find a solution to a problem that has been bothering you about your health or appearance. Minor mishaps will occur if you aren't cautious.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Consider all the things you can do to update your look, and go for it. Taking a different approach to life will inspire you. Romance should be high on your list.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Focus on getting your place as well as your finances in order. Your home is likely to be disrupted by someone who doesn't think the same way you do.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Nothing will be too much trouble for you today. Your generosity will lead to greater friendships, love, and romance. Travel should lead to a chance meeting.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Make some career changes, or consider what you always wanted to do, and find out how you can accommodate your dreams. A hobby may give you satisfaction.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Get involved in something that will inspire you to be more creative. You are in a high cycle regarding social and romantic encounters. Children may need your help.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't neglect your finances. If you are creative in your approach to budgeting, you will discover you can make your money work for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Focus on your business and personal connections today. You can make a lasting impression. Be colorful about your ideas, intentions, and plans.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): One slip on your part or someone else's could cost you both emotionally and financially. Stay out of the limelight if possible.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): This is the perfect time to talk about love, romance, and following through with your personal plans. Single or not, you can find love or improve a relationship you are in.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Go over your own personal papers. You should probably update your will or your insurance policy. If someone owes you money, this would be a good day to collect.

news you need to know

Thursday — First deposit of theses due at Graduate College
Nov. 15 — Last day for undergraduates to withdraw entire registration, 4:30 p.m.
Nov. 15-19, 29-30; Dec. 1-7 — Winter 2004-05 and Spring 2005 Early Registration

happy birthday to ...

Nov. 10 — Kate Maletta, 19; Spencer Smith, 20; James Kollbaum, 20; Amanda Rohlf, 20; Laura Kingery, 19; Grayson Beatty

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

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| 11 Four Iowans Who Fed the World | 9 The Cousin Arnold Show Live |
| 1 p.m. Grape Juice & Bagels with Mr. Newell | 10 Nation's Worship Center |
| 1:35 Return Home | 11 Maneater III |
| 2 First United Methodist Church | 11:30 The Lyle Style Show |
| 3 Radio | Midnight Cold & Grey |
| 4 Our Redeemer Church | |
| 5 Power of Victory | |
| 6 Ripitup Sports! Live | |
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| 3 p.m. The Commercialization of Childhood: How Marketers Are Remaking Kids' Lives | 8:30 "Know the Score," Oct. 29 |
| 4 No Child Left Behind: Policy | 10:30 The Commercialization of Childhood: How Marketers Are Remaking Kids' Lives |
| 4:30 "Know the Score," Oct. 29 | 11:30 Ueye No. 6 |
| 6:30 The Commercialization of Childhood: How Marketers Are Remaking Kids' Lives | |
| 7:30 Poet John Ashbery Reading | |

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Little University

- 1 What pint-sized rapper titled his debut album *Beware of Dog*?
- 2 What DVD was the first to boast a "Revoice Studio" so viewers could sub their own voices for those of Cameron Diaz and Mike Myers?
- 3 Who was the first baseball player to have a Padres logo on his plaque in the Hall of Fame?
- 4 What illustrator, famed for restyling Spider-Man, left Marvel to spawn Image comics?
- 5 What eastern U.S. state's town of Bradford is the epicenter of National Zippo Day festivities?

1. Lil' Bow Wow
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3. Dave Whelton
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by Scott Adams

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 0929

- ACROSS**
- 1 Like most world table tennis champions
 - 6 One who's been down the aisle
 - 10 Sales caveat
 - 14 "Ars ..."
 - 15 Roman way
 - 16 "Out with it!"
 - 17 Ways up the slopes
 - 18 Court plea, for short
 - 19 Cameo stone
 - 20 What friends said about 29-Across?
 - 23 Bonanza find
 - 24 Capp and Capone
 - 25 Book before Esth.
 - 26 Long-eared animal
 - 29 Subject of this puzzle
 - 32 Play's start
 - 35 Like very narrow shoes
 - 36 Opportunities, so to speak
 - 37 Rubberneck
 - 38 Nasty
 - 41 Duff
 - 42 "Peer Gynt" composer
 - 44 L'homme over there
 - 45 180's
 - 46 What 29-Across might say about a good joke
 - 50 Like very wide shoes
 - 51 Item worn around the neck
 - 52 A.T.M. need
 - 53 Give a nickname
 - 56 29-Across's political aspiration?
 - 60 Mine, in Marseille
 - 62 Cross letters
 - 63 ___ sprawl
 - 64 Artworks
 - 65 Dodge compact
 - 66 Actress Witherspoon
 - 67 Pubmates
 - 68 Sailor's drink
 - 69 Cousins of harps
- DOWN**
- 1 Even it, succinctly
 - 2 Off the sauce
 - 3 Blown away
 - 4 Indian tourist city
 - 5 Capital of the Bahamas
 - 6 Plane stat
 - 7 Words of agreement
 - 8 Grand theft auto, e.g.
 - 9 Chipped away at
 - 10 Wide-eyed
 - 11 City on a strait
 - 12 Wrigley Field flora
 - 13 "___ sells" (advertising catchphrase)
 - 21 Soprano Gluck and others
 - 22 Israel's Barak
 - 27 Leave the flock
 - 28 Methods: Abbr.
 - 29 Outdoorsman of a sort
 - 30 Pre-kickoff call
 - 31 Tend to a spill

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- Puzzle by Verna Suit**
- 32 Cow college student
 - 33 Bill of fare
 - 34 Like Hawthorne's "Tales"
 - 39 Won ton, e.g.
 - 40 Kid's song refrain
 - 43 Kotter of 70's TV
 - 47 Dove's activity
 - 48 Julie ___ the voice of Marge Simpson
 - 49 Roll out
 - 53 Rome's river
 - 54 Have ___ of the jitters
 - 55 Inheritance carriers
 - 57 Villain's reception
 - 58 Suffix with buck
 - 59 Glenn of the Eagles
 - 60 Earthlink alternative
 - 61 War stat

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SCOREBOARD

Kinnick's scoreboard on sale at e-Bay

Kinnick Stadium's scoreboard and JumboTron screen appeared for sale on e-Bay Tuesday as the university prepares to make way for \$90 million in stadium renovations. With a starting bid of \$10,000, the screen had not collected any offers on Tuesday evening with eight days and 15 hours left to bid. The scoreboard can be viewed online at <http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&category=50133&item=5137723232>.



Maurice Clarett
OHIO STATE

Clarett accuses Ohio State of illegitimate aid

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Maurice Clarett accused Ohio State coach Jim Tressel and his staff of arranging for him to get passing grades, cars, and money for bogus summer jobs. The school immediately denied the claims Tuesday. Most of Clarett's allegations, in an article in *ESPN The Magazine*, were covered as part of an NCAA probe that found he lied to investigators. Ohio State Athletics Director Andy Geiger was not surprised by the accusations, saying Clarett had vowed to try to hurt the program. "In moments of frustration during the investigation, he might say, 'I can blow the whole program up,' and we'd say, 'OK, blow it up,'" Geiger said. Clarett's claims are his first public comments in months after shunning reporters during workouts to prepare for the spring NFL draft. He lost a lawsuit earlier this year challenging the league's eligibility rule.

TICKETS

Bobcats turn sexy

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Charlotte Bobcats fans were in for a surprise if they dialed an NBA ticket number listed in a local phone book: Instead of getting seats, they were told to call a sex chat line. The correct number — (800) 4NBA-TIX — was established by the league three years ago for tickets in any city, and it was listed correctly in the 2002-03 BellSouth White Pages, back when the city had the Hornets. But the number in this year's BellSouth book, released in September, lists a wrong toll-free number that refers callers to the sex line. BellSouth and Bobcats officials said they learned of the glitch on Nov. 4. "We certainly apologize to any of our fans who have been inconvenienced by this," said Chris Weiller, a team spokesman. The NBA expansion team and BellSouth were unsure how the mistake happened. The Bobcats were trying to get the incorrect number rerouted to the team's direct line for tickets.

TRIVIA

Do you know the answer?

Q: Who are the only four players in NBA history to drop 70 points in a single game?
CHECK YOUR ANSWER WITH THE CORRECT ONE, 2B

PRESS CONFERENCE: IOWA AT MINNESOTA
11 a.m. Metrodome, ESPN.

Bring on the battle of the rush

The Iowa Hawkeyes are No. 4 in the nation for rush defense, allowing only 68.2 yards a game while the Minnesota Gophers have the best running game in the Big Ten; who will win?

BY JASON BRUMMOND
THE DAILY IOWAN

Minnesota has the Big Ten's best running attack, while Iowa has the conference's top rush defense. Something has to give. The Gophers are racking up nearly 250 yards on the ground — seventh best in the nation — with 25 touchdowns. The Hawkeye defense ranks fourth nationally, surrendering only 68.2 yards a game, 2.3 yards a carry, and three touchdowns on the year. Minnesota has used the two-prong attack of Laurence Maroney and Marion Barber III — third and fourth in the Big

Ten — to lead its offense, which is scoring a conference-best 31.4 points a game. The 5-11, 205-pound Maroney, a sophomore, has averaged 108.7 yards a game and 6.4 yards a carry with nine touchdowns on the season. Barber has 10 touchdowns while averaging 91.5 yards a game for the Gophers. Both backs are quick and fast, but Barber is more of a power runner than Maroney. "They have two of the better running backs you're going to find anywhere in the country," Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said on Tuesday. "They're both outstanding performers."



Hawkeye free safety Sean Considine breaks up a long pass to Minnesota's Aaron Hosack at Kinnick Stadium during the Nov. 15, 2003 game, which Iowa won, 40-22.

9th ranked Hawkeyes start the season with nine freshmen, one redshirt, and two new coaches. The team will depend heavily on junior PAUL BRADLEY for leadership and experience



Hawkeye junior Paul Bradley is the only returning All-American on the 2004-05 Iowa wrestling squad. After compiling a 26-11 record last season, he placed fourth at 189 pounds in the NCAA championships.

WHO HAS THE 'STRUT'?

BY NICK RICHARDS
THE DAILY IOWAN

The strut in the Iowa wrestling room wasn't there last year. It might be back now. "Sometimes, you have to have that strut. Sometimes,

you have to have that confidence, cockiness, whatever you want to call it, on a team," head coach Jim Zalesky said at Iowa wrestling media day on Tuesday. "I don't think we had it last year. I think some of these young guys, they have it."

The Hawkeyes, who will start the season ranked ninth in the country, will welcome 10 newcomers to the roster, including nine true freshmen. The freshman class was one of the top ones in the country, including heavyweight Matt Fields,

considered by many to be the top heavyweight recruit in the country, and Alex Tsirtsis, who went undefeated (236-0) in his high-school career in Griffith, Ind. "The good thing about it is that a lot of young guys have come in that want to

wrestle right away. We're not worried about redshirting right away," Zalesky said. "They want to compete, so I think that's really going to make this team maybe a little bit different from other teams."

Iowa field-hockey team goes to NCAA Tournament

BY JUSTIN SKELNIK
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa field-hockey team has been selected as one of the eight at-large teams that will participate in the NCAA Tournament. This will be the first time the Hawkeyes have participated in the

event since 1999, when they reached the final four. Iowa (13-7) will travel to the campus of the University of Maryland for the first-round game. The Hawks will take on seventh-ranked American University in the first round on Nov. 13. The winner of the Iowa-American game will face the winner

of second-ranked Maryland and 10th-ranked Richmond. Hawkeye coach Tracey Griesbaum is "thrilled to be heading back to the NCAA Tournament." "The whole season has been a complete team effort, and for the past six weeks we have been gradually improving our game," she said. "We are very happy to go to

Maryland, as well, because it will be close to many family and friends of the team." Iowa has been successful in NCAA tournaments in the past. It has compiled a record of 24-17 and has reached the Final Four 10 times.

E-mail DI reporter Justin Skelnik at justin-skelnik@uiowa.edu

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TRIVIA ANSWER

Elgin Baylor, Walt Chamberlain, who did it six times, David Thompson, and David Robinson.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

By The Associated Press
All Times CST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	3	1	.750	—
New Jersey	2	2	.500	1
Boston	1	2	.333	1½
New York	1	2	.333	1½
Philadelphia	1	3	.250	2
Southeast				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Miami	4	0	1.000	—
Orlando	3	1	.750	1
Washington	2	2	.500	2
Charlotte	1	1	.500	2
Atlanta	0	4	.000	4
Central				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Indiana	4	0	1.000	—
Detroit	3	1	.750	1
Milwaukee	1	1	.500	2
Cleveland	1	3	.250	3
Chicago	0	3	.000	3½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	2	1	.667	1
Houston	3	2	.600	1
Memphis	0	4	.000	4
New Orleans	0	4	.000	4
Northwest				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Utah	4	0	1.000	—
Seattle	3	1	.750	1
Minnesota	2	2	.500	2
Portland	2	2	.500	2
Denver	1	4	.200	3½
Pacific				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Phoenix	4	0	1.000	—
L.A. Lakers	3	2	.600	1½
L.A. Clippers	2	2	.500	2
Sacramento	1	3	.250	3
Golden State	0	4	.000	4

Tuesday's Games

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NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	7	1	0	.875	208	146
N.Y. Jets	6	2	0	.750	185	138
Buffalo	3	5	0	.375	137	137
Miami	1	8	0	.111	123	186
South						
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Indianapolis	5	3	0	.625	249	206
Jacksonville	5	3	0	.625	128	146
Houston	4	4	0	.500	171	174

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East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	7	1	0	.875	189	131
N.Y. Giants	5	3	0	.625	172	141
Dallas	5	5	0	.500	141	203
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Atlanta	6	2	0	.750	170	170
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Carolina	1	7	0	.125	124	185
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San Francisco	1	7	0	.125	145	224

Sunday, Nov. 14

Chicago at Tennessee, Noon
Houston at Indianapolis, Noon
Baltimore at N.Y. Jets, Noon
Seattle at St. Louis, Noon
Tampa Bay at Atlanta, Noon
Detroit at Jacksonville, Noon
Kansas City at New Orleans, Noon
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, Noon
Cincinnati at Washington, 3:05 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Arizona, 3:15 p.m.
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Open: Miami, Denver, Oakland, San Diego
Monday, Nov. 15
Philadelphia at Dallas, 8 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

By The Associated Press
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NBA—Suspended Milwaukee F Marcus Fizer for one game following his guilty plea on a gun charge.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
BUFFALO BILLS—Signed WR Drew Haddad to the practice squad.
CLEVELAND BROWNS—Placed OL Kelvin Garmon and DB Leigh Bodden on injured reserve. Signed OL Javier Collins. Signed P Ryan Dutton to the practice squad. Waived OL Anthony Oakley from the practice squad.
DETROIT LIONS—Placed C Jody Littleton on injured reserve. Signed C Don Muhlbach.
MIAMI DOLPHINS—Announced the resignation of Dave Wannstedt, coach. Promoted defensive coordinator Jim Bates to interim head coach. Placed S Shawn Wooden on the reserve/physically unable to perform list. Waived PK Bill Gramatica. Waived WR-DB Bobby Siggins from injured reserve.
NEW YORK GIANTS—Placed DE Michael Strahan and DE Keith Washington on injured reserve. Activated DE Lorenzo Brownell off the physically unable to perform list.
NEW YORK JETS—Placed S Derek Pappalardo on injured reserve. Waived OT Brent Smith. Signed S Oliver Celestin.

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• **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** — Truman State, Carver, 7:05 p.m.
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• **WOMEN'S SWIMMING** — Truman State, Field House, 5 p.m.
• **VOLLEYBALL** — Michigan State, East Lansing, Mich., 6 p.m.
Saturday
• **VOLLEYBALL** — Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich., 6 p.m.
• **MEN'S CROSS-COUNTRY** — NCAA regionals, Peoria, Ill., TBA
• **MEN'S TENNIS** — Big Ten singles, Madison, Wis., All Day
• **WOMEN'S CROSS-COUNTRY** — NCAA regionals, Peoria, Ill., TBA
Nov. 14
• **MEN'S BASKETBALL** — Universit'e Laval of Canada, Carver, 2:05 p.m.
• **MEN'S TENNIS** — Big Ten singles, Madison, All Day



Al Behrman/Associated Press
Houston Astro pitcher Roger Clemens reacts after Astro catcher Brad Ausmus picked off St. Louis Cardinal Tony Womack at first base in the fifth inning of Game 7 of the NLCS in St. Louis on Oct. 21.

Roger Clemens wins record 7th Cy Young

The "Rocket" receives 23 of 32 first-place votes

BY RONALD BLUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Roger Clemens easily won his record seventh Cy Young Award after putting off retirement and being about as dominant as ever — even at age 42.
The Rocket received 23 of 32 first-place votes and 140 points in balloting released Tuesday by the Baseball Writers' Association of America to win the NL Cy Young for the first time after capturing six Cy Youngs in the American League.

He's the oldest Cy Young winner. Gaylord Perry was 40 when he won the NL honor in 1978.
Clemens retired after pitching for the New York Yankees in the 2003 World Series, then changed his mind and signed with his hometown Houston Astros and went 18-4 with a 2.98 ERA and 218 strikeouts. Currently in Japan with a touring major-league all-star team, he said last week he hasn't decided whether he will pitch in 2005.
Arizona's 41-year-old Randy Johnson, second to Clemens with five Cy Youngs, finished second in the voting with eight

first-place votes and 97 points. The Big Unit went 16-14 with a 2.60 ERA and a major league-leading 290 strikeouts — Arizona scored two runs or fewer in 17 of his 35 starts.
Houston's Roy Oswalt, who went 20-10 to lead the NL in wins, was third with 19 points, followed by San Francisco's Jason Schmidt with 13.
Clemens won three Cy Youngs with Boston (1986-87, 1991), two with Toronto (1997-98), and one with the New York Yankees (2001). He is the first player to win baseball-writer awards with four teams and the first to win eight awards — he was the AL MVP in 1986.

With a 328-164 record, Clemens is 10th on the career wins list, and his 4,317 strikeouts are second to Nolan Ryan's 5,714.
He signed with the expressed intent of helping the Astros reach the World Series for the first time, but Houston fell one win short. Clemens couldn't hold a 2-0 lead against St. Louis in Game 7 of the NL Championship Series — when Albert Pujols hit a tying double in the sixth inning, and Scott Rolen followed with a two-run homer.

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ABOVE: Newly appointed Dolphin interim head coach Jim Bates speaks to the media after head coach Dave Wannstedt resigned.

LEFT: Wannstedt announces his resignation during a news conference on Tuesday at the Dolphins' training camp in Davie, Fla.

Dolphin coach resigns with 1-8 record

BY STEVEN WINE
ASSOCIATED PRESS
DAVIE, Fla. — Dave Wannstedt resigned on Tuesday as coach of the Miami Dolphins, forced from the job by lousy luck, relentless speculation about his future, and eight losses in nine games.
Defensive coordinator Jim Bates was promoted to interim coach, and management immediately began a search for a coach in 2005.
A wave of injuries and the retirement of running back Ricky Williams contributed to this year's transformation of the long-proud franchise into a laughingstock with the NFL's worst record. Wannstedt accepted the blame and said he resigned

because his job status had become a distraction.
"I have too much respect for the players and owner of this organization to allow myself to be the focal point for the remainder of the season," he said at a news conference. "I told the players today the team must come first. This is what's best for our team."
The coaching change comes during the Dolphins' bye week and two days after perhaps their most wrenching defeat yet. They twice blew a lead against the Arizona Cardinals, who scored in the final seconds Sunday to win, 24-23, and break a 17-game road losing streak.
On Monday, Wannstedt requested a meeting with owner Wayne Huizenga and said he had

decided to step down. Huizenga wanted Wannstedt to coach the rest of the season but reluctantly accepted the resignation, team President Eddie Jones said.
Attendance has been in steep decline, but while Wannstedt's departure gave fans cause for celebration, the mood was gloomy at the team complex. As linebacker Zach Thomas and cornerback Sam Madison spoke about Wannstedt, their voices broke, and general manager Rick Spielman fought back tears.
Defensive end Jason Taylor reacted sharply to a question about Wannstedt quitting.
"Let's get this straight: Dave didn't quit," Taylor said. "Ricky Williams quit. Dave stepped aside. There's a big difference. Anybody who watched Dave on

Sunday saw how much it hurt him. That's not a man who quit. That's a beaten man, a man who has been through a lot the last two or three years."
Wannstedt had been on the hot seat for some time, despite a 43-33 record in 4½ seasons with Miami. His lone playoff victory came four years ago, and he barely avoided being fired after the Dolphins went 10-6 but failed to make the playoffs in 2003.
Huizenga, who missed the news conference because he was out of town, has been through three coaches since becoming the Dolphins' sole owner in 1994. Now they're one defeat from their first losing season since 1988 and the butt of jokes, with one wag renaming the team's home Semi-Pro Player Stadium.

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Do you have the strut?

Hawkeye wrestlers are ranked No. 9 in the nation and have one of the best recruiting classes

WRESTLING
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In addition to the new wrestlers, the program also saw a shift in the coaching staff. Gone are former Hawkeye wrestlers Joe Williams and Tom Brands. Williams joined the Iowa State staff as an assistant, while Brands took the head coaching job at Virginia Tech. The staff added former Iowa wrestler Troy Steiner, who won a national title with the Hawkeyes in 1992, and Tim Hartung, a former University of Minnesota wrestler and coach.

"They are both guys with a very strong work ethic. I think more than anything, though, they are very competitive," Zalesky said. "When they wrestled, they were very competitive. I think you need that competitive nature in the room to really push guys. I think they are very good coaches right now. I've seen them in the room, and I think the guys have responded well to them."

The team will lean heavily on junior Paul Bradley, a 184-pounder who is the only returning All-American on the team. He finished second in the conference and fourth in the nation last year, and he is looking forward to stepping into the role of team leader. Bradley's training — mostly weight lifting during the summer — has been taken to a new level by Hartung.

"Hartung — that's a different story. That's a constant battle the entire practice," Bradley said. "He's been showing me things I've been lacking, like getting angles on guys and constantly hand fighting. When I wrestle him, that's one thing I



Iowa wrestling head coach Jim Zalesky speaks about the state of the Hawkeye squad in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Tuesday afternoon. This will be Zalesky's eighth season as head coach.

have to do the entire time, is constantly hand fighting."

Bradley also had a parting shot for Mocco, who won the national title in 2002, then red-shirted last year for a shot at the Olympic team before transferring to rival Oklahoma State during the summer.

"With Mocco's departure, you couldn't ask for a better team right now," Bradley said. "It's

like Coach Zalesky said, it's not Mocco University. That's kind of how he treated it when he was here, and I think that's why we were more relaxed."

There was also a noted difference in Zalesky's demeanor. Iowa has not won a national championship since 2000, and the lack of a title the last four seasons has made him hungry for his fourth career title.

"Coming to practice, he's fired up," Bradley said. "He knows what our ranking is right now, and it kind of ticks off all of us, and I think it's more of a thing that we want to prove to people we're still at the top."

While the Hawkeyes had senior leadership on the team last year, they lacked the strut. It might be back in Carver this year.

"When you have guys talking about, 'I'm shooting to win a national title,' or 'I'm going to do certain things, I have certain goals,' that rubs off, and I don't think we had that last year, even though we had some seniors," Zalesky said. "It just didn't rub off like it can."

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Hawks take on the Gophers

FOOTBALL
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Not like the Hawkeyes.

Iowa is last in the Big Ten with 82.4 yards a game, which is 1,700 yards fewer than Minnesota has accumulated this season. But injuries to four running backs certainly haven't helped. Fifth-string back Sam Brownlee has started the last three games, and last weekend's 52-yards against the Boilermakers was a career-high.

Luckily for Ferentz, quarterback Drew Tate has been among the Big Ten's top passers. The sophomore leads the conference with 263.3 passing yards a game in league play and is second with a 134.0 efficiency rating.

Ferentz has praised Tate in past weeks for his field awareness and ability to avoid the pass rush and still make a play downfield.

"I think the most pleasing thing about him is the fact that he really learns from every experience that he goes through," he said. "He really studies, he learns, and he has good football sense and savvy."

Sophomore center Mike Elgin will not play against Minnesota after suffering a sprained right ankle in the first half against Purdue. Junior Ben Cronin, who took Elgin's spot last weekend, will start for the Hawkeyes on Saturday.

Left tackle Lee Gray and full-back Aaron Mickens are questionable for the game. Gray had leg problems last week in practice and was relieved by Ben Gates against Purdue. Mickens, who suffered a concussion against Illinois, is still being worked back into practice, but Ferentz said he should be able to go against Wisconsin on Nov. 20.

Marques Simmons, who went down against Ohio State with a high-ankle sprain, will not be ready to go this weekend against Minnesota. The junior Davenport native has 118 yards and two touchdowns this season in four games.

Ferentz is not counting on Simmons for the remainder of the regular season, but it's a small possibility he could play against the Badgers.

"He's running a little bit right now, but he will not play this week," he said. "Maybe an outside chance for the last one."

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Washington delays vote on new Expos ballpark

BY HEATHER GREENFIELD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The District of Columbia Council delayed a vote on funding a new ballpark for the Expos, with Council Chairwoman Linda Cropp proposing another new plan on Tuesday.

Last week, Cropp said the new ballpark should be adjacent to RFK Stadium rather than at the site south of the U.S. Capitol called for in the agreement Washington signed with the Expos in September. That original deal called for \$435 million to be spent on site acquisition, a new ballpark, and refurbishing RFK Stadium as a temporary home for the team for the next three seasons.

On Tuesday, Cropp proposed that the ballpark remain at the site specified in the agreement but said the city should pay \$150 million and a private entity be responsible for \$350 million.

She promised a vote in two weeks on both the plan in the agreement and her proposal.

"I don't want to slow them down," Cropp said. "If we could save businesses and taxpayers \$350 million, it is extremely valuable to take this two-week period."

Mayor Anthony Williams called the delay a setback but said he will push for enactment of the original plan, which requires approval from a majority of the council's 13 members.

"I believe the reason we're not having the vote today is because we have the votes," Williams said.

Under Williams' proposal, the district would pay approximately \$11 million per year to finance \$550 million in revenue bonds. Spokesman Chris Bender said that money would come from a gross receipts tax — not the general fund used for areas such as schools and libraries. Companies near the stadium subject to gross

receipt taxes would pay \$4 million a year.

Williams and Bill Hall, the baseball committee chairman of the D.C. Sports and Entertainment Commission, said they are open to offers to blend the financing with a private company, but it would have to be a better deal for taxpayers than what's on the table now.

"My overriding interest is that it gets done in a way that's best for the city and gets done in a way that [upholds] our agreement," Hall said.

The Expos' agreement with Washington requires funding to be approved by Dec. 31. In addition, baseball owners must approve the move, and baseball must defeat an attempt by the Expos' former limited partners to gain an injunction blocking a relocation. A hearing is scheduled for Dec. 6 in federal court in Miami.

Bob DuPuy, baseball's chief operating officer, did not return a telephone call seeking comment.



Al Behrman/Associated Press
Cincinnati Reds general manager Jim Bowden is shown in this Feb. 10, 2000, photo. Bowden was hired Tuesday to be the general manager of the Washington-bound Montreal Expos, taking a job that might last only a few months while the team is being sold.

Davenport and Mauresmo vie for No. 1 rank

BY BETH HARRIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Serena Williams squeaked into this week's WTA Championships, but she's out of contention for the year-end No. 1 ranking, leaving Lindsay Davenport and Amélie Mauresmo to contend for the top spot.

"It doesn't matter that I have no real shot at No. 1 because I feel like I have less pressure, and it really doesn't matter. It's OK," she said Tuesday. "It's like Tiger [Woods]. It's weird when Tiger loses. It's kind of weird when I lose. It's definitely bigger news for me to lose. I make people's careers."

Williams won the tournament in 2001 and lost to Jennifer Capriati in the 2002 final, then missed last year while recovering from knee surgery.

She has won two titles and has a 36-7 match record this year — respectable but not up to her Grand Slam expectations.

Not winning one of the year's four major tournaments "definitely increased my intensity to want to work harder and do better," Williams said.

Her attention isn't entirely on tennis this week.

A judge declared a mistrial Tuesday in the case of a 24-year-old man charged with killing the half-sister of Serena and Venus Williams after jurors said they could not reach a verdict.

A mistrial also was declared on Nov. 5 in the case of Robert Edward Maxfield's co-defendant, Aaron Michael Hammer, after a separate jury deadlocked in favor of acquittal. Hammer was accused of shooting at Yetunde Price with a .22-caliber handgun in 2003, but prosecutors said the shot that killed her came from Maxfield.

"It's really hard," Williams said. "Obviously, we want a good ending to it, but we'll see."

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Big Ben knew he would be good for Steelers

BY ALAN ROBINSON
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PITTSBURGH — When quarterbacks Eli Manning and Philip Rivers were chosen before the Steelers drafted Ben Roethlisberger No. 11 in April, he responded with words that bordered on anger and were wrapped with a promise to Pittsburgh: Play me, and I'll show you.

"Everyone seems to think they (Manning and Rivers) had better systems, have played against better teams, have been born into a football family," he said. "I feel that once I get on the field, my will to win is much greater than both of them. ... I think I bring a little more athleticism than both of them, but I guess we'll have to wait and see."

That didn't take long. Halfway through a season in which the Steelers (7-1) themselves are the NFL's other big surprise story, he is, indeed, showing them.

Thanks to an ace quarterback and a Duce (Staley), an owner's reluctance to change and a coach's determination to return to the past, the Steelers are coming off easy victories over the otherwise unbeaten Eagles and Patriots. If they're not the Super Bowl favorite, they're on a short list with Philadelphia and New England.

"We played the Patriots, who everybody said was the best team in football, and we beat them," linebacker Joey Porter said. "Then we played the Eagles, who everyone said was the best team in football, and we beat them. I'll let you take it from there and draw your own conclusions."



Gene J. Puskar/Associated Press

Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger (right) talks with backup Tommy Maddox after throwing a first-quarter touchdown to Hines Ward against the Eagles in Pittsburgh on Sunday.

The Steelers haven't opened as fast or as furious since they won four Super Bowls in six seasons from 1975-80 yet, remarkably, are essentially the same team that was 2-6 a year ago.

The only major personnel changes were adding Roethlisberger and free-agent running back Staley (101 yards per game) and promoting linebacker Clark Haggans and safety Troy Polamalu to starters. The biggest changes came off the field, with Ken Whisenhunt taking over the offense after Mike Mularkey left to coach the Bills, and Dick LeBeau returning as

defensive coordinator, the same job he had 10 years ago.

Some impatient NFL owners might have fired Bill Cowher after last year's 6-10 season, which matched his worst in 12 years in Pittsburgh. Instead, the Steelers — who haven't fired a coach in 35 years — gave him a contract extension through 2007.

The move was viewed by some as stubbornness, a refusal by chairman Dan Rooney to admit Cowher's time might be up. Cowher has justified Rooney's confidence by making sure his team was confident, poised, and focused since training camp began, a

mindset his players have carried throughout the season.

"That's what it comes down to: Do you believe your coach can win a championship for you?" team president Art Rooney II said.

While the Steelers were reluctant to make a change, Cowher wasn't. Days after the 2003 season ended, Cowher talked of his determination to rebuild a running game that was the NFL's second-worst last season, lost amid a trickery-laden and pass-heavy system. Cowher also felt the defense was too soft and passive and had moved too far away from the blitzing and pressure he preferred.

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