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Ex-Hawk wrestling coach charged



Williams
former Hawkeye wrestling coach and Olympic contender; charged with indecent exposure Tuesday

A former wrestler's girlfriend alleges the coach made unwanted sexual advances toward her in November 2003

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A former Hawkeye wrestling coach and Olympic contender was charged with indecent exposure

Tuesday on allegations that he made unwanted sexual advances toward one of his wrestlers' girlfriends in November 2003.

In a report filed with police and obtained by *The Daily Iowan*, ex-Hawkeye wrestler Jason D'Agata and his girlfriend accused former assistant coach Joe Williams of making unwanted sexual advances toward her in D'Agata's apartment and then masturbating while D'Agata was at work. Williams, an Ames resident, turned himself in to Iowa City police on Tuesday and was released on his own recognizance,

said police Sgt. Doug Hart.

Williams was unavailable for comment. In court records, Williams said his exposure was an accident, that his penis had fallen out of his boxer shorts during a back rub.

Indecent exposure is a serious misdemeanor punishable by one year in prison and a fine as large as \$1,500.

In an exclusive interview with the *DI*, D'Agata and his girlfriend said they told UI head wrestling coach Jim Zalesky, assistant coach Tom Brands, and Associate Athletics Director Fred Mims about the alleged incident, and they were informed the

university would investigate. But no one from the university contacted them, D'Agata said.

Hawkeye Athletics Director Bob Bowsby said he had no comment, saying Williams' Feb. 7, 2004, resignation from the team was a private personnel matter. However, Zalesky acknowledged on Tuesday that Williams had left the team because of the incident and his training for the Olympics.

Despite the charge, the couple feels little comfort about the incident and the way it was handled.

"I feel no sense of closure to this whatsoever," the woman said. "I had

to go the doctor in February after all this. I was just sick over it. If this ever happens to another girl ... my conscience isn't allowing me to stop with this. It's just telling me this guy needs to be stopped; he has a problem."

Williams, who worked at the UI for three years, was D'Agata's personal coach, specifically coaching his weight class. Outside of practices and training, the two did not spend time together, D'Agata said. The girlfriend said she had baby-sat for Williams' son before because "most of the wrestlers' girlfriends did it."

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MARRIAGE STUDY

UI study finds compatibility necessary for marital bliss

BY DANIELLE STRATTON-COULTER
THE DAILY IOWAN

If you like sampling a different Merlot, cabernet, or Syrah each weekend but your mate insists on sticking with the same brand of beer, you may not be compatible, a recent UI study suggests.

"What predicts marital satisfaction is personality similarity," said Eva Klohnen, a UI assistant professor of psychology.

She studied almost 300 couples over a three-year period, comparing their personality characteristics.

The study shows that the key to long-term marital happiness is sharing common types of personality, such as openness to new experiences and attachment to another person. Relationships suffer when one person is clingy and the other prefers to be alone, Klohnen said.

The findings, published in February's *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, prompted NBC's "Today Show" and other national media to run Valentine's Day stories about the study.

"Everybody's interested in the idea of what makes [people] click," said Gregg Oden, the chairman of the UI psychology department. "We're very proud of the research."

Reporter Karen Schradin contacted Klohnen for a segment on WSAV radio station in Savannah, Ga. She said the study captivated her interest for personal reasons — she and her husband have opposite personalities but stay happily married.

"I just thought, 'Wait a minute, that's not necessarily true,'" Schradin said. "[But] it worked for Valentine's Day to find couples who have been married for 60 years and ask them how they made it work."

Klohnen said there are always exceptions to any study.

"People take it all so personally," she said, laughing. "They always think that general findings apply to everyone, but you could be with someone who is completely different and be completely happy."

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KLOHNEN'S "BIG FIVE" ASPECTS OF PERSONALITY TRAITS

Couples who report high marital satisfaction are the most alike in:

OPENNESS — trying new foods vs. eating McDonald's daily

AGREE-ABLENESS — forgiving easily vs. constantly starting fights

NEUROTICISM — becoming overly stressed about a test vs. being laid-back

CONSCIENTIOUSNESS — concentrating on a task vs. tendency to be lazy

EXTROVERSION — liking to be around others vs. shyness (study results actually found that extroverts and introverts were more compatible)

UISG ELECTIONS 2005



Aaron Holmgren for The Daily Iowan

UISG President Lindsay Schutte and Vice President Jason Shore, plus 16 other students, lobbied state legislators Wednesday morning in support of the Board of Regents' proposed \$40 million supplement for Iowa's three public universities.

UI students join lobbying effort

BY JESSICA SEVESKA
THE DAILY IOWAN

DES MOINES — UI students teamed up with President David Skorton and state Board of Regents Tuesday to sell state lawmakers on a \$40 million legislative supplement that has come into question following the recent departure of several regents.

Sixteen UI students — joined by students and officials from University of Northern Iowa

TUITION PROPOSAL

Division of the proposed \$40 million supplement:

UI: \$16.5 million
Iowa State University: \$16 million
University of Northern Iowa: \$7.5 million

and Iowa State University — met with the members of a joint House-Senate budget panel for Regents Day at the Capitol.

Discussion focused on the regents' request for a four-year,

\$40 million supplement. With the supplement, tuition would rise 4 percent — approximately the rate of inflation — and universities would have to match every \$2 they receive with \$1 of internal re-allocation. If approved, the UI would receive \$16.5 million each year.

The re-allocations would move funds from within the general education fund to faculty salaries.

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"Our position is to pursue the appeal process, and, as it goes through, we'll see where it ends up."

— Matt Boles, one of Pierce's attorneys

Alford nixes Pierce return



Steve Alford
rejected Pierce's plea to rejoin the team



Pierre Pierce
dismissed from the basketball team Feb. 2

BY NICK PETERSEN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa men's basketball coach Steve Alford rejected Pierre Pierce's plea to rejoin the team during a meeting with the one-time leading scorer Tuesday.

The junior guard was kicked off the squad Feb. 2, a week before West Des Moines police charged him with burglary, domestic assault, assault with intent to commit sexual abuse, false imprisonment, and criminal mischief.

The charges are tied to an alleged incident involving a West Des Moines woman Pierce has said he was in love with.

The meeting was the first step in Pierce's attempt to reclaim his spot on the team; he must next appeal to Athletics Director Bob Bowsby. If Bowsby rejects his appeal, Pierce will meet with the President's Commission on Athletics and ultimately President David Skorton.

"Our position is to pursue the appeal process, and, as it goes through, we'll see where it ends up," said Matt Boles, one of Pierce's attorneys.

Pierce's foremost hope for the appeal process is to retain his scholarship, Boles said.

Pierce would likely be able to finish his degree with another semester's worth of work beyond this session, the lawyer added.

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Partly sunny, breezy

WATER WORLD

The Hawkeye women swimmers head off for the Big Ten championships after a season of firsts. **1B**



DIPLOMATIC RECALL

The United States, outraged by the assassination of an ex-Lebanese leader, recalls its ambassador to Syria. **4A**

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NEWS

Speaker outlines 'flawless' road to success in motivational talk

BY KATE MCCARTER
THE DAILY IOWAN

The founder of Students Against Drunk Driving delivered a motivational speech Tuesday at the IMU ballroom before a crowd of approximately 450 students, encouraging them to choose their destiny by staying drug-free and working hard.

Bob Anastas, who has risen to national prominence as a speaker, educator, and author, told the crowd how to develop responsible attitudes in difficult situations and outlined his "flawless" road to success.

"Destiny is not a matter of chance, it's a matter of choice," he said.

Anastas founded the anti-drunk-driving group in 1981 and served as its director for 10 years before stepping down to concentrate on delivering speeches.

The former high-school hockey coach started the organization after two of his star players died in separate drunk-driving accidents in the same week. Although he doesn't condone underage drinking, he said,

when it happens, people should know not to drive.

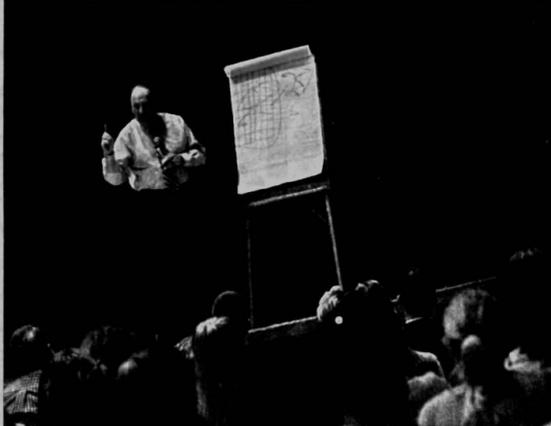
"Educators and the federal government have been giving you misinformation for years," he said. "It's time to stop treating you like babies."

After he founded the group, CBS and HBO aired a movie about his life.

Anastas was drafted as a quarterback for the New England Patriots, and he later decided to teach. In 1971, he won the Massachusetts Teacher of the Year Award for Drug Education. Today, he gives approximately 125 speeches a year to students, parent groups, and athletics departments.

"We really wanted someone to address the issue of drunk driving because it is definitely a problem in Iowa City," said UI Student Government Vice President Jason Shore, the only student member of the Iowa City Alcohol Advisory Board.

The board used fund-raisers to get the money to bring in Anastas, and it hopes to have an educational event every semester, said co-founder Leah Cohen, the owner of



Laura Schmitt/The Daily Iowan

Bob Anastas speaks to a full house Tuesday night in the IMU. Anastas, the founder and former director of Students Against Drunk Driving, said there are five ways to make positive changes in students' lives during his presentation, "Check into a Winning Life."

Bo-James, 118 E. Washington St.

Along with UISG and the alcohol panel, the Greek community also sponsored the talk.

"I thought the speech was awesome," said Julianna Hoffman, a Zeta Tau Alpha sorority member.

"Bob's message really hit home with all his personal stories. Especially because nearly all of us know someone who has died because of drunk driving."

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CITY

City budget meeting draws 15 citizens

Approximately 15 people turned out Tuesday for a Iowa City City Council meeting to voice opinions about the city's fiscal 2006 budget.

Kyle Vogel of the Greater Iowa City Area Apartment Association asked the council not to raise rental-inspection

fees 17 percent.

"In 2002, landlords and property owners were hit with an incredible increase, and over the last two years, the fees have produced \$5,000 to \$7,500 in profit," he said.

Vogel requested the city consider other alternatives, such as rewards for landlords and property owners who show outstanding property

upkeep. He suggested that such owners be allowed to skip city inspection periodically.

Iowa City citizens Garry Klein and Amy Correa both requested that the council make the citizen's copy of the proposed budget easier to understand. Klein wanted to see councilors hold a meeting to describe a budget to citizens.

Correa asked for an additional summary of the goals and objects of the city's budget.

City Manager Steve Atkins said that he had provided an opportunity to discuss the budget with citizens in the past and would be glad to hold such a meeting if the citizens organized more people.

— by Elaine Fabian

More meningitis vaccinations seen after CDC move

BY HEATHER LOEB
THE DAILY IOWAN

A recent Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendation that all college students living in dorms be vaccinated for meningitis will likely persuade more incoming UI students to get the shot, a Student Health Service official said.

Student Health officials already strongly encourage students to receive a meningitis vaccination but are not likely to make it a requirement, said nurse manager Lisa James.

"We're already promoting it hard," she said. "We do

everything but require it."

The number of meningitis vaccinations Student Health gives annually has fluctuated in recent years. It administered 269 in 2001-02, 217 in 2002-03, and 311 in 2003-04, James said.

She noticed fewer vaccinations administered at orientation last summer because more students were already vaccinated, she said, citing higher awareness as a possible reason.

The CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices found that college freshmen living in dorms are at a higher risk for contracting the disease than is the rest of the population, said Von

Roebuck, an agency spokesman.

"It's a recommendation by the committee that the CDC is following through with," Roebuck said. The CDC previously did not recommend the vaccination, but a new vaccine approved by the Food and Drug Administration in January prompted the change.

Menactra, which will become available in March, immunizes a person for over eight years, compared with the current vaccine's three- to five-year period. It will also prevent people from carrying the bacteria, while the current vaccine does not. It is approved for people ages 11-55, according to the website of the manufacturer, Sanofi Pasteur.

Meningitis infects the fluid of a person's spinal cord and the fluid surrounding the brain. It can be spread through such actions as kissing and coughing.

Of those diagnosed with the disease, 10 percent die. Thirteen percent of survivors suffer long-term problems, including hearing loss, mental retardation, and loss of limbs.

Johnson County has seen 11 reported cases of bacterial meningitis since 2000, said Kot Flora, an assistant director of the Johnson County Public Health Department.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Randolph Churron, 24, 2401 Bartlett Road Apt. 1A, was charged Feb. 11 with unlawful use of a driver's license.

James Countryman, 20, 333 E. Church St. Apt. 13, was charged Sunday with falsifying a driver's license.

Marla Donohoe, 19, 36 Valley Ave. Apt. 6, was charged Sunday with operating while intoxicated.

Alexander Dorman, 18, 1137 Rienow, was charged Feb. 12 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Joey Fagen, 20, 7121 Forest Court, was

charged Monday with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Amanda Gerot, 22, 2406 Bittersweet Court, was charged Feb. 12 with OWI.

David Hennessy, 19, 1108 Rienow, was charged Feb. 12 with PAULA, unlawful use of a driver's license/identification, and interference with official acts.

Uwem Inama, 34, address unknown, was charged Monday with criminal trespass.

Eclipse Johnigan, 26, 2023 Davis St., was charged Monday with

driving while license was suspended/canceled.

Mitchell Jones, 20, N212 Currier, was charged Feb. 12 with public intoxication.

Janis Kincade, 45, Coralville, was charged Monday with public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Christine Metz, 20, Davenport, was charged Feb. 15 with PAULA.

Jennifer Morris, 20, 716 E. Burlington St. Apt. 9, was charged Feb. 15 with PAULA.

Tyler Rogers, 25, 2965 IWW Road S.W., was charged Feb. 12 with

driving while barred.

Jillian Rowe, 19, North Liberty, was charged Feb. 15 with PAULA.

Robert Senn, 26, 1301 5th St. Apt. 10, was charged Feb. 12 with OWI.

Megan Slater, 19, 804 Iowa Ave., was charged Feb. 15 with PAULA.

Matthew Williams, 18, Channahon, Ill., was charged Feb. 11 with possession of drug paraphernalia and public intoxication.

Sarah Wood, 20, 220 W. Benton St., was charged Feb. 15 with PAULA.

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Des Moines soldier killed in Iraq

DES MOINES (AP) — A Des Moines soldier is one of three reported killed when their vehicle overturned into a canal near the town of Balad, Iraq, the Department

of Defense reported on Tuesday. Spc. Dakotah Gooding, 21, and the other two were assigned to the Army's 5th Squadron, 7th Cavalry, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Ga., the department said. The incident on Sunday is under investigation, the Army reported.

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'We're looking for them to be held responsible for the damage that they have done and to be sure this never happens again.'

— ex-Hawkeye wrestler Jason D'Agata

Ex-coach charged

WILLIAMS

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GIRLFRIEND: 'I WAS SCARED OUT OF MY MIND'

In a two-page statement to police, the girlfriend told a graphic account about the late-night encounter that she said began with a seemingly harmless phone call. Police would not confirm the account, but an Aug. 26, 2004, incident report obtained through Iowa's open-records laws showed that authorities were investigating the claim.

According to the statement, Williams called D'Agata's apartment on Nov. 14, 2003, and insisted on speaking to his girlfriend that night about D'Agata's wrestling. Although D'Agata was not home, the girlfriend said she agreed because he was a trusted coach of D'Agata and she had baby-sat for his son before.

Williams came to the apartment, and the two discussed medication D'Agata was taking, according to the statement. Williams allegedly inquired about the couple's sexual relationship, which made the woman "uncomfortable."

The former Hawkeye coach then asked the woman for a massage and said he would offer incentives if she massaged him every month, according to the statement. The girlfriend said she told Williams to leave, then ran into the bathroom to "figure out what to do."

"I was scared out of my mind," the girlfriend said.

When she came out, Williams had his hand around his penis and, according to the statement, said, "I have a way that you can help out Jason; come over here and help me out." The girlfriend again told Williams to leave, she said, but he refused, so she locked herself in the bedroom.

Williams went to the door and said he wasn't leaving until he was "finished," according to the statement. He returned minutes later, told her he had masturbated, and left.

"I just wanted to cry," the girlfriend recalled. "I feel like crying right now."

She said she stepped out of the bedroom and locked the apartment's door, then called a close friend to tell her about the incident.

The friend, who requested anonymity because she doesn't want to become involved in the case, said D'Agata's girlfriend was crying about the incident and confused. For the next few days, she was "quiet" and more reserved, the friend said.

When D'Agata returned home from work around 1:30 a.m., his girlfriend told him about the alleged encounter.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS

Nov. 14, 2003 — Williams calls D'Agata's apartment, insisting to speak to his girlfriend about D'Agata's wrestling. D'Agata's girlfriend agrees to see him that night, during which Williams allegedly makes unwanted sexual advances toward her.

Nov. 17, 2003 — D'Agata says he received a call from Williams who apologizes for what D'Agata's girlfriend is alleging.

January 2004 — D'Agata and his girlfriend say they approach athletics administrators about the incident.

Feb. 7, 2004 — Williams resigns from coaching Hawkeye wrestling team.

Feb. 15, 2005 — Williams turns himself in to Iowa City police and is formerly charged.

"I was shocked," D'Agata said. "I really didn't know what to think."

It wasn't until three days later, on Nov. 17, 2003, that D'Agata said Williams called him. Throughout the conversation, Williams was "stuttering like a little girl. Stuttering like I've never heard anybody stutter before," D'Agata said.

"He told me he apologizes for whatever it is [I think] that he did," D'Agata said.

D'Agata said he no longer practiced with Williams, but Williams remained in his corner during meets, which was difficult.

"It was an uncomfortable situation when I had him in my corner and I wanted to kick his ass and not my opponents," D'Agata said.

BLOWING THE WHISTLE

The couple went to athletics administrators in January 2004 and told them about the incident, D'Agata said. The 24-year-old said he and his girlfriend kept quiet at first because they were embarrassed and didn't want to harm the team, which had several wrestlers vying for national championships.

Zalesky, who confirmed he had learned about the incident in January 2004, said he raised the issue with Williams soon afterward. The incident sounded like a "he said, she said" situation, he said.

The UI's Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity is responsible for examining sexual-harassment claims on campus, but the office can probe off-campus incidents if they affect a student's classroom performance,

said Charlotte Westerhaus, the university's director of Equal Opportunity.

She could not comment on specific cases but said that if students tell administrators — such as coaches or athletics officials — about sexual harassment, the administrators are required to notify her office. The office will then look into the allegation and provide a written report of its findings.

D'Agata said he never talked to anybody from the office about an investigation.

The only response from a university official came during a conversation with former head coach Dan Gable, now a special assistant to the athletics director.

Gable said he talked about the incident with D'Agata late in the wrestling season and apologized for Williams' behavior. "The guy needed somebody to talk to," Gable said.

"I complained to [Gable] because I didn't understand how a man like this, who could do this, was representing the United States of America. I thought that was very sick," D'Agata said.

The couple is considering further legal action, including a civil suit against Williams and the university.

"Basically, we're looking for them to be held responsible for the damage that they have done and to be sure this never happens again," D'Agata said.

Williams, who served as an assistant wrestling coach for three years, came to the UI in 1995 to wrestle for the Hawkeyes. He compiled a 129-9 record, won three national championships, and was named an All-American all four years at the UI. He also was an Olympic athlete during the 2004 summer games.

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Alford denies Pierce appeal

PIERCE

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Bowlsby has said Pierce will keep his scholarship for the remainder of this semester. The university must make a decision whether to extend Pierce's scholarship to the fall semester by July 1, at which point Pierce could appeal the

decision, said Fred Mims, an associate athletics director.

While Pierce has made his education plans clear, Boles said, the Hawkeyes' former star player will make decisions about his basketball career in the next two to three weeks.

At Tuesday's meeting, Pierce and his attorney sat down with Alford and the university's

counsel, Iowa Assistant Attorney-General George Carroll.

Boles acknowledged in a conference call with reporters that the university "[has] already made [its] position known" but said he and his client would like to formally pursue the appeal.

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Study examines marital bliss

MARRIAGE

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Previous studies similar to hers have found a variety of results, she said, but none were identical.

"Our findings are unique

from what other research has found," Klohnen said.

During the study, couples answered questionnaires and participated in videotaped interactions for researchers to determine their personality traits and marital satisfaction.

As for Klohnen, she enjoyed her fame, at least to an extent.

"I was basically on the phone all day long [on Monday]," she said. "I'm glad I'm not always in the limelight."

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UI students lobby at Statehouse

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If legislators do not approve the plan, the regents will likely look to supplemental tuition hikes. Such increases would be based on variables including major, year in school, and need.

UI President David Skorton said he remains committed to the plan.

"I believe this plan is the best, most forward-looking plan I have seen in my 16 years at the UI," he said.

UI Student Government President Lindsay Schutte said the plan is central to keeping the option of college open to Iowans.

"It is an absolute must," she said. "It is important to make higher education available."

Sen. Herman Quirmbach, D-Ames, said lawmakers should consider the \$40 million as restoring cut funding. Over the last four years, \$100 million has been cut from the regents' schools.

"I frankly believe parents and students need tuition relief," he said.

During the hearing, legislators questioned recent shake-ups on the board but were assured that the board remained stable and its goals had not changed.

"There is no equivocation

whatsoever," said Regent Robert Downer. "There is an absolute commitment to this program."

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This is an undated handout screen grab from a commercial for the Olympus m:robe 500i. The scene shows a young actor of Asian and Latino ancestry with Asian senior citizens.

BY ERIN TEXEIRA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Somewhere there's an America that's full of neighborhoods where black and white kids play softball together, where bi-ethnic families e-mail photos online, and where Asians and blacks dance in the same nightclub.

And that America is on your television.

In the idyllic world of TV commercials, Americans increasingly are living together side by side, regardless of ethnicity. The diverse images reflect a trend that has been quietly growing in the advertising industry for years: Scenarios with mixed

ancestries — families, friendships, neighborhoods, and party scenes — are often used as a hip backdrop to sell products.

The ads suggest America's ethnic communities are meshing seamlessly, bonded by a love of yogurt, lipstick, and athletics gear. Last year, Verizon used a fictional inter-ethnic family —

white and Latino — in seven commercials pushing its communications products in an effort, said a company spokesman, to "portray something that was contemporary and realistic."

Such commercials, including more than a few that debuted during the Super Bowl, allow advertisers to convey an inclusive corporate image and reach a broad range of consumers. Many applaud them as an optimistic barometer of the nation's progress.

But critics say such ads gloss over persistent and complicated ethnic realities. Though the proportion of minorities in America is growing, experts say, more than superficial interaction among groups is still relatively unusual. Most Americans overwhelmingly live and mingle with people from their own background.

Advertising, meanwhile, is creating a "carefully manufactured ethnic utopia, a narrative of colorblindness" says Charles Gallagher, a sociologist at Georgia State University in Atlanta. Only around 7 percent of all marriages are inter-ethnic, according to census data. Approximately 80 percent of whites live in neighborhoods in which more than 95 percent of their neighbors also are white, and data show that most Americans have few close friends of another ethnicity, Gallagher said.

NATION

Michael Jackson hospitalized with flu

SANTA MARIA, Calif. (AP) — Michael Jackson was taken to an emergency room with flu-like symptoms Tuesday, delaying jury selection in the pop star's child-molestation case for a week.

The entertainer was being treated for a "flu-like illness with some vomiting," Dr. Chuck Merrill said during a brief news conference at Marian Medical Center about five hours after Jackson's illness was announced in court by the judge.

"He's in stable condition, and we expect a full recovery," Merrill said. The doctor would not answer questions, and it was not immediately known how long Jackson would be at the hospital.

Earlier, as potential jurors filed into the courtroom — including a

few who were scolded by bailiffs for being late — Jackson's seat remained empty. Nearly 20 minutes after the singer was scheduled to arrive, Judge Rodney Melville announced that Jackson had been taken to a hospital.

He said the 46-year-old singer would need three or four days to recover, noting that several members of the jury pool were out with the flu and that it appeared to be going around.

The judge said Jackson had been on his way to court but was taken to a hospital emergency room instead.

Outside the hospital, approximately two miles from the courthouse, a growing crowd of around 50 fans and reporters gathered. Police officers guarded all entrances, stopping anyone who appeared to be with the news media, while hospital officials put up white fabric to hide what was going on in the emergency room.

'Outraged' U.S. recalls ambassador to Syria

BY ANNE GEARAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The United States pulled its ambassador from Syria on Tuesday, expressing "profound outrage" over the assassination of a Lebanese leader who had protested Syrian influence in his country.

In Lebanon, noisy street processions mourned former Prime Minister Rafiq Hariri a day before the funeral that will bring international leaders to Beirut. Angry Lebanese attacked Syrian workers in his hometown of Saida, injuring several and shattering the windows of a Syrian-owned bakery.

Many Lebanese are pressing Syria to withdraw its 15,000 soldiers — in the country for more than a decade.

"We believe the Lebanese people must be free to express their political preferences and choose their own representatives without intimidation or the threat of violence," State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said in announcing the imminent return of U.S. Ambassador Margaret Scobey.

Administration officials stopped short of directly accusing Syria of carrying out the murder. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said the assassination was the "proximate cause"

of the ambassador's recall.

Asked if the United States would punish Syria with new economic sanctions, Rice said, "We will continue to consider other options."

"The Syrian problem is a serious problem," she said. "Our problems with the Syrian government are not new."

Among the problems, she said, were support for terrorism and for insurgents in Iraq. "The Syrian government is, unfortunately, on a path right now where relations are not improving but are worsening," she said.

Scobey's return does not break diplomatic relations with Syria, a country the United

States has accused of exporting terrorism. Syria took no immediate reciprocal action, such as recalling its own ambassador from Washington.

Hariri died Monday when a huge car bomb blew up his motorcade in downtown Beirut. Sixteen others died in the bombing.

The killing was the most serious and destabilizing violence in Lebanon in more than a decade. It came just as Israel and the Palestinians were taking hopeful steps toward a peace agreement — and as the Bush administration was pressing for greater democratic changes elsewhere in the Middle East.

NATION

Cuppa joe may protect against liver cancer

WASHINGTON (AP) — That hot cup of coffee may do more than just provide a tasty energy boost. It also may help prevent the most common type of liver cancer.

A study of more than 90,000 Japanese found that people who drank coffee daily or nearly every day had half the liver-cancer risk of those who never drank coffee.

The American Cancer Society estimates that 18,920 new cases of liver cancer were diagnosed in the United States last year, and some 14,270 people died of the illness. Causes include hepatitis, cirrhosis, excess alcohol consumption, and diseases causing chronic inflammation of the liver.

Animal studies have suggested a protective association of coffee with liver cancer, so the research team led by Monami Inoue of the National Cancer Center in Tokyo analyzed a 10-year public-health study to determine coffee use by people diagnosed with liver cancer and people who did not have cancer.

They found the likely occurrence of liver cancer in people who never or almost never drank coffee was 547.2 cases per 100,000 people over 10 years.

But for people who drank coffee daily the risk was 214.6 cases per 100,000, the researchers report in this week's issue of the "Journal of the National Cancer Institute".

They found that the protective effect occurred in people who drank one to two cups of coffee a day and increased at three to four cups. They were unable to compare the effect of

regular and decaffeinated coffee, however, because decaf is rarely consumed in Japan.

It's the caffeine in coffee that makes some people nervous, and it has been shown in other studies to prompt mental alertness in many people. Some studies have suggested caffeine aggravates symptoms of menopause or intensifies the side effects of some antibiotics. Heavy caffeine use has been linked to miscarriage. But studies have also shown that a skin cream spiked with caffeine lowers the risk of skin cancer in mice.

"It's an excellent, interesting, and provocative study, and their conclusions seem justified," said Dr. R. Palmer Beasley of the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

"It will provoke a lot of new work here," said Beasley, who was not part of the research group.

While the study found a statistically significant relationship between drinking coffee and having less liver cancer, the authors note that it needs to be repeated in other groups.

And the reason for the reduction remains unclear.

However, Inoue's team noted that coffee contains large amounts of antioxidants, and several animal studies have indicated those compounds have the potential to inhibit cancer in the liver.

In their study, the team also looked at green tea, which contains different antioxidants, and they found no association between drinking the tea and liver cancer rates.

"Other unidentified substances may also be responsible" for the reduction in cancers, they said.

A separate study reported in the same issue of the journal showed no relationship between drinking caffeinated coffee or tea and the rates of colon or rectal cancer.

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Iraqi prime-minister candidate promises moderation

BAGHDAD (AP) — The shy family doctor who emerged Tuesday as the most likely candidate to become Iraq's first democratically elected prime minister said ending the nation's rampant violence is his top priority and that U.S. troops would remain as long as they are needed to achieve that goal.



al-Jaafari
Iraqi interim vice president

In an exclusive Associated Press interview, Ibrahim al-Jaafari, a 58-year-old moderate Shiite Muslim politician who fled a brutal crackdown by Saddam Hussein in 1980, also talked about drafting a Constitution that will draw not only on Islam for inspiration.

"Islam should be the official religion of the country and one of the main sources for legislation, along with other sources that do not harm Muslim sensibilities," said al-Jaafari, who currently serves as Iraq's interim vice president.

He said he supports women's rights, including the right to be the president or prime minister, as well as self-determination and individual freedoms for all Iraqis.

Explosion in Chinese mine kills 203

FUXIN, China (AP) — Three years after a promised overhaul of China's workplace safety system, an explosion deep in a coal shaft killed 203 miners and left 12 more missing, the government said Tuesday in its worst reported mining disaster since communist rule began in 1949.

Dozens of rescuers worked through the night in freezing temperatures to try to reach the miners who may have been trapped by Monday's blast in the Sunjiawan coal mine in northeastern Liaoning province.

The cause of the gas explosion, which went off about 794 feet below the surface, was under investigation, state media said.

A thick cordon of men in matching dark coats and helmets stood side by side blocking the entrance to the mine late Tuesday as cars full of paramilitary police patrolled the site. A line of vans waited to transport any wounded to hospitals in Fuxin, a gritty soot-covered city where mining is the main industry.

Lebanese mourn slain ex-premier

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Lebanese mourned their slain ex-premier Tuesday with noisy street processions, while the country's Interior minister suggested a suicide bomber aided by "international parties" may have been behind the assassination of Rafiq Hariri.

Lebanon's government, still in shock from the bombing that left Hariri and 16 others dead, came under mounting pressure to bring the assassins to justice. Many in Lebanon blamed the attack on Syria.

International leaders are expected to join tens of thousands at Hariri's funeral today as the outpouring of grief and anger following the billionaire tycoon's death continued.

Dozens of angry Hariri supporters attacked Syrian workers in the former leader's hometown of Sidon, in southern Lebanon, lightly injuring five and shattering the windows of a Syrian-owned bakery. Syria has denied involvement and condemned the attack, but many Lebanese have increased demands on Damascus to withdraw its 15,000 soldiers from the country.

Syria deployed its forces to Lebanon during the 1975-90 civil war to stop the country from falling apart, and they remained after the conflict ended. Their continued presence is a source of frustration for many Lebanese and for the international community, particularly Washington.



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GUEST OPINION

'My role within the student government is that of a liaison that addresses in theory — and, hopefully, in practice — the objective of informing and speaking on behalf of students regarding pertinent issues.'

Benefits of nonvoting student city councilor

My name is Andrew Tugan, and I am a senior in political science at Iowa State University. I currently serve as the student ex officio member of the Ames City Council. To my knowledge, the position in which I serve does exist within the bounds of the law, though I have not done a great deal of research to that end.

While I am generally not a proponent of bigger government, I do support efficient government. To achieve that end, I actually serve in two positions, both of which address the relationship between the ISU Government of the Student Body and the city of Ames. My role within the student government is that of a liaison that addresses in theory — and, hopefully, in practice — the objective of informing and speaking on behalf of students regarding pertinent issues.

The second role that I serve is my role with respect to the city of Ames and the one that was not addressed fully in a *DI* editorial of Feb. 2 ("Student liaison, not councilor, the best option"). As the ex officio councilor, it is my role to provide the city with input regarding student issues, to offer another perspective, and to act as a point of contact for both the city government and the community. It cannot be emphasized enough



ANDREW TUGAN
Iowa State University student

the ability this position has to foster relationships with the community of Ames. This is a role that could hardly be filled by a face in the crowd as is proposed by the editorial.

In respect to the statement in the editorial, "A nonvoting councilor doesn't have the clout that most students would probably want," I must take issue. First of all, the American system of government is not designed to merely give a group the clout it wants. Influence must be earned through voting, effort, and sometimes money. Second, the right to vote is not the only way to effect change or influence policy, even within government. For centuries, international politics has survived because of a concept called diplomacy. Negotiatory and persuasive skills can be used to great ends, even in the absence of voting power.

I respectfully ask that the *DI* Editorial Board consider the full scope and possibilities of a nonvoting student seat on the Iowa City City Council before passing judgment on such a proposal. I know that a similar program has been implemented in College Park, Md., as well as here in Ames.

A young Iowa

"What are you doing tonight?"
"Hittin' the bars — what else is there to do around here?"
Such was the nature of a conversation I overheard while riding the bus to work one morning recently. The two girls, who I could tell were first-year students by their discussion of classes and what dorm food was like at the new Burge cafeteria, inadvertently touched on a very pertinent point, not just for this university and city, but for the entire state. They alluded to the reason that so many young folks flee what they perceive to be the barren wastelands of Iowa, literally just days after being presented with their college degrees.



PETE WARSKI

What else is there to do, besides drink so much that you can't even remember that you're in Iowa? I hear that question from students all the time. Some longtime residents of the area may roll their eyes at such an inquiry. If only college kids these days weren't so damn immature, they might say. Then they'd figure out how to have fun without tipping the bottle.

But it's a legitimate question. And if we could provide a legitimate answer, maybe we'd get legitimate results, and maybe lawmakers in Des Moines wouldn't have to be speculating on how to solve Iowa's evil brain-drain problem.

Speaking of Des Moines, we wrote an editorial earlier this week ripping on it and other cities and towns in the state that die once the businesses close in the afternoon and everybody disperses from the downtown area. And we suggested that maybe if such places devoted more attention to quality-of-life initiatives geared toward the younger crowd — such as shopping, and more restaurants, and more cultural venues — perhaps the younger crowd wouldn't be so inclined to move as far away as possible. We can't give Iowa the natural wonders that it doesn't have — though, trust me, I've been to a lot of places, and Iowa is far from being ugly — but we can make its communities more attractive to the young/professional/unmarried demographic. We've said this once, and I'm saying it again because it's an important message.

Don't get me wrong — I know that Iowa's cities have already made a concerted effort to improve their image, most notably with Vision Iowa funds that allow for landscaped riverfronts, new recreation centers, and so on. And they should be commended for that. But it seems that they're going about it the wrong way. For instance, the brand-new Iowa Events Center in downtown Des Moines, whose construction has been in the works now for several years, won't do anything to wake up the core of that city unless there are events held regularly at that facility's 1 million square feet of concert, athletics, entertainment, and convention space.

And even if events do take place regularly, will there still be any other reason to visit downtown Des Moines? The concert venue may be alive and kicking, but that doesn't mean the rest of the city will be. And an idle downtown — one without character, one without nightlife, one without fun places to go — doesn't attract new residents, particularly people fresh out of college who don't yet have kids and want to have a good time with the freedom they still have.

Iowa City, probably the most youth-friendly city in the state, could use improvement, too. If there were something to do downtown besides drink — and I'm not talking about playing laser tag at Planet X, which was more suitable for 13-year-olds than 20-year-olds — we'd solve a lot of problems around here. My personal idea is to put a bowling alley on the virtually vacant second floor of the Old Capitol Town Center, which I've been saying for the past four years, but no one has listened. (Try to keep it down, though; if this idea takes off, I'm claiming credit for it.) Who's with me on this? How much cold hard cash would that make?

But cold hard cash is just what it might take to see the cold hard truth: If Iowa wants to stay young, it needs to be young. Its cities should be filled with people, not with vacant storefronts and streets that are busy only when workers are scurrying out at the end of the day.

LETTERS

Importance of academic expression

I wasn't surprised to see Robert Schneider hop on the right wing's onslaught wagon of University of Colorado Professor Ward Churchill in his Feb. 11 column, "Academic freedom?" I also wasn't surprised that he took the all-too-familiar approach of neoconservatives when he blew a subject out of context and called on extreme measures to stifle opinions that aren't in line with his, without paying attention to Churchill's clarification of the matter. If one listens to the words of Churchill, one would realize that he doesn't condone attacks on America "but is simply pointing out that if U.S. foreign policy results in massive death and destruction abroad, we cannot feign innocence when some of that destruction is returned" (Associated Press, Feb. 2).

Furthermore, Churchill is protected by regent policy in Colorado, which states that faculty members are explicitly to be protected from the political repercussions of what it is they say. Although I may not agree with everything the professor says, I do agree with the fact that he has the right to express his views in an academic setting.

Schneider should save us the inflammatory "anti-American" rhetoric and put some of his energy toward the study of domestic and international crimes committed in our names by U.S. presidents of the present and past under the false pretense of spreading "freedom and democracy."

All Americans should work toward a change in their government while making sure that all presidents who have committed war crimes are indicted and brought to justice (a very tough task). If you want to view Churchill's full explanation of the context of his statement, hear it from the man himself by searching his name in the video archives of c-span.org.

Abdul Mohamed
UI student

mourn the deaths and trauma experienced by loved ones on 9/11. If we believe every life is valuable and we want "terrorism" to stop, we need to look at why it is happening and truly value every life by stopping this war. Churchill's irresponsible comments are much less scary than the evidence to back them up.

Steve Dillon
UI student, community activist

Hypocrisy of *DI* editorial stance

A Feb. 11 editorial regarding the embryo-status debate being decided by one case is possibly the single greatest instance of hypocrisy spewed by the liberal-propaganda machine called the *DI*. Of course this debate should not be decided by one judge trying to legislate from the bench; that is *exactly* what the conservatives have been saying for years. I saw no mention of the blatant judicial activism when Iowa's own Planned Parenthood filed and achieved an injunction on the late-term abortion bill and not a peep when local judges in the Northeast and West made liberal decisions on gay marriages.

In addition, nice try to sound unbiased in regards to biotechnology: "Science must triumph over ideology." The *DI* is right — we ought to opt out of the biological-weapons ban because science is good.

I am a biology graduate and understand the research very well; it is not nearly as cut-and-dried as the editorial attempts to portray it. For example, when an alcoholic's liver cells are planted into a cell, you don't have more liver cells, you have an embryo.

To point out the absurdity, complete absence of morality, and irony of the entire liberal stance on bioengineering: As research advances, we will eventually develop artificial wombs. While this will also be a "triumph for women," it will completely demolish the argument that these cells are not human because they will never need a

woman. Liberals will then have to fine-tune their stance once again. This paradox is precisely the reason that morality (don't patronize us with "ideology") must be a constant companion whenever considering any case involving embryos.

John Greenwood
UI graduate

Relocating student section a bad move

I don't know how many people know this, but UI Athletics Director Bob Bowlsby and his department are moving the student section at Kinnick Stadium to the south end zone and the southwest sideline.

Is this move supposed to be good for the students at the university? It doesn't seem that way to me, but I guess I am not Bowlsby or any other high official in the athletics department. It looks to me like another way for an already greedy school to make a little more money. If people see a game at Kinnick, a lot of the noise is generated because the student section can be in the game no matter which way it is going. But with the student section in just one end zone, the intensity will not be heard unless the opposing team is coming in that way. Not to say that the students won't try to be loud; they just won't be heard nearly as much. I have sat in student sections at the University of Wisconsin and University of Minnesota, where the student sections are in the end zone, and the intensity was not nearly as high as it was here when the students were in their original location.

I think the UI should think twice before it makes a money-hungry move such as this one. Sometimes it would be nice if officials thought about the students that go to this university instead of themselves and the money they can make.

Brandon O'Hare
UI student

Importance of accountability for U.S. actions

Robert Schneider's latest column takes Ward Churchill's comments about 9/11 out of context.

In his resignation statement, Churchill said, "I am not a 'defender' of the 9/11 attacks but simply pointing out that if U.S. foreign policy results in massive death and destruction abroad, we cannot feign innocence when some of that destruction is returned." Churchill's latest book, *On the Justice of Roosting Chickens*, is a chronology of every international law the United States has ever broken, along lawsuit has broken against its own citizens. Churchill's basic point is that in the last 200 years, the United States has killed or aided in the death of millions of people in Iraq, Afghanistan, Vietnam, Granada, Nicaragua, East Timor, Palestine, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, and Japan through the enslavement of millions of people and legalized segregation, through the genocide of indigenous people in this country, and through contemporary neo-liberal economic policies as dictated by the WTO. Churchill uses this government's own records to point out the human suffering it has caused and simply asked, "Are we really surprised that once someone struck back?"

In no way do I condone the attacks of 9/11, but I also don't condone other forms of terrorism committed by this government. I mourn the deaths of Iraqi people as I

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ON THE SPOT

How useful would it be to have a UI student representative on the Iowa City City Council?



"I think it would be very useful."

Kelley Strout
UI junior



"I think it'd be good to get a student perspective."

Nick Clark
UI freshman



"It'd be good to have a student's view on how the community should be."

Mark Dignin
UI sophomore



"Really helpful to get young people involved with the city."

Katie Miller
UI junior

ARTS

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A horror film sans horror



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Boogeyman features Skye McCole Bartusiak, Barry Watson, Styrofoam-like acting, clichés like the plague, and very little horror. Maybe they shouldn't have used the variant spelling.



FILM REVIEW

by David Frank

Boogeyman

When: 12:10, 2:30, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30 p.m.
Where: Cinema 6
 ★ out of ★★★★★

Boogeyman. Sweet smirking Lucifer, I love how that word rockets up the gullet and out the pie hole. What a great title for a horror B-flick.

Boogeyman (the title) has the right dash of no-nonsense cheese to lurk alongside other memorable single nouns B-monikers such as *Orca*, *Piranha*, and *Leprechaun*. Too bad the movie behind the title isn't much better than *Leprechaun in the Hood* — at least that has tiny Warwick Davis.

All *Boogeyman* offers for purported actors are Barry "7th Heaven" Watson (main character Tim) and a couple of Styrofoam

products by the names of Emily Deschanel (some chick from Tim's past) and Tory Mussett (Tim's rich skin-puppet of a girlfriend) — plus the mandated creepy kid with a derivative secret shows up just to give me an aneurysm (please terminate this cliché before it terminates me).

Nostril crust exudes more personality than these thespian-positors, who do little more than regurgitate stilted lines, mug a worried expression or two, and put forth their best zombie impersonations — not a wise decision when trying to give omph to pedestrian material that's not of the zombie genre.

When Tim was a kid, the bogeyman sucked his daddy into the closet and performed a perfect impression of *Jurassic Park's* first kill. Years pass, and the sight of closets, kitchen cabinets, and velociraptors still hurl Tim into a catatonic state (or maybe Watson can't remember his lines). Regardless, Tim is a megawuss. Several scenes later — which only exist to boost the running time to an epic 86 minutes — Tim revisits his childhood home, which looks like Norman Bates' former residence, and pisses himself each time the camera lunges his way or when a creak croaks over the soundtrack.

Yes, the bogeyman is waiting in the closet for Tim, but fear not because he's only a cheap CGI clone of Judas Priest frontman Rob Halford — maybe director Stephen T. Kay suffers

from Halford-phobia, but I doubt whether many others do.

On the other hand, Kay wanks off to horror auteur Sam Raimi (who produces ass-snot like *Boogeyman* while directing brilliant *Spider-Man* sequels) — *Boogeyman* pilfers every shot from Raimi's *Evil Dead* trilogy — and there's even enough Vaseline left over to smudge the camera lens for generating pointless visual blurs.

But here's a movie with zero qualms about tossing in the meaningless. Dead-mother nightmares and a ghost subplot are just a few bits with little connection to the bogeyman story line. And often a later scene will jettison the earlier established logic to maximize *Boogeyman's* incoherence (light scares away the monster ... hey, wait; the lights are on and he's still there).

The flick's sole consistency (other than its inconsistency) is the solemn atmosphere that succeeds in smothering all fun from the B-movie premise. There's no humor or self-aware winking — desired characteristics for a decent B-movie — nor is there any gore.

Come on, the least a shoddy B-flick can do is splatter some crimson upon the screen. But it seems *Boogeyman* is so out of touch with its low-rent roots that it needs to move to the woods, grow a beard, and read the philosophy of Roger Corman.

E-mail D/I film critic David Frank at david-frank@uiowa.edu

Desperation whacks Grammys

BY LISA DE MORAES
 WASHINGTON POST

CBS's 4½-hour tribute to the dead, a.k.a. the 47th-annual Grammy Awards, got knocked off by ABC's "Desperate Housewives" Sunday night.

The Grammys cast clocked its smallest numbers in a decade among viewers of all ages, as well as in the coveted 18-to-49 demographic group that CBS used to say was not its focus but which the network now admits targeting — now that it's actually attracting them.

Grammy's total audience of 18.8 million is a 28 percent plunge from last year's 26.3 million and the franchise's smallest audience since 1995,

when the ceremony ran on a Wednesday night.

Of course, ratings for last year's Grammys got goosed by the whole see-Justin-bare-Janet's-right-breast Super Bowl halftime thing just a couple of weeks earlier.

Both Justin Timberlake — who had ripped off part of Janet Jackson's costume during the halftime show, thereby condemning millions of American children to lives of crime and debauchery — and Jackson were scheduled to participate in last year's Grammy broadcast. But at the eleventh hour CBS stuck by Timberlake and dumped Jackson because, little girls, it's a man's world and the sooner you learn that,

the better off you'll be.

Anyway, last year's Grammy show enjoyed a four-year high as viewers tuned in to see what music superstars would have to say about the controversy and the banishment of Janet. (Surprisingly little, it turned out, because rockers may be "dangerous," but they're not stupid.)

The Grammys is the second trophy show in a few weeks to feel the might of ABC's "Desperate Housewives."

Last month, the 40-something babes of Wisteria Lane stripped NBC's broadcast of the Golden Globes Awards of a whopping 10 million viewers compared with its 2004 performance.

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UI Students To Win Big At IMU, University Book Store

Iowa City, IA — It really will be 60 seconds in heaven.

Two UI students will have the chance to dart and dash through the University Book Store ground floor for one minute this Thursday, cramming as much merchandise as they possibly can into backpacks — with both straps still over their shoulders. When time's up, the pair will take home everything they've packed in the 2005 "Cram It, Jam It" event, part of the IMU Spring Fling to be held on Feb. 17.

The contestant who shoves the highest dollar value of merchandise into their backpack also wins a \$50 IMU gift certificate.

"It's a college student's dream come true: Filling your bag at the bookstore and charging nothing to your U-Bill," says UI senior Mike Wiebler. "Two people are definitely going to head home extremely happy."

After the "Cram It, Jam It" spree at 12:30 p.m., the party will continue with plenty of giveaways, including Spring Break packages, UBS gift certificates and more. Z102.9 will be providing tunes from 11 a.m. — 2 p.m. outside the UBS.

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- UI Learning and Development Seminar, "Essential Time Management and Organizational Skills," 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., IMU.
- Piano Festival, Piano Master Class, Natalya Antonova, 9 a.m., Voxman Music Building Voxman Hall.
- Brown-bag lunch discussion, "Extreme Behavior Challenges in the

- Classroom: How to Keep Teaching and Learning on Track," noon, 351 IMU.
- Iowa City Foreign Relations Council Luncheon, "Ukraine's Orange Revolution," Oleksandr Komarenko, noon, Congregational Church, 30 N. Clinton St.
- Bahari Karacay and Turkana, 12:30

- p.m., Medical Education and Biomedical Research Facility Atrium.
- "So I Saved It; Now What?," 2 p.m., Iowa City Senior Center.
- Tow Seminar, "Can Financial Frictions Account for the Cross-Section Feldstein-Horioka Puzzle?," Jing Zhang, University of Minnesota,

- 3:30 p.m., C121 Pappajohn Business Building.
- DeGowin Blood Center Blood Drive, 4-7 p.m., Parklawn Residence Hall north lounge.
- Cinema in Transition, Contemporary Films from Central-Eastern Europe, *Before the Rain*, Milcho Manchevski (1994, Macedonia), 7 p.m., 212 Phillips Hall.

quote of the day

“The person who gave you this number did not want you to have their real number. Maybe the idea of going out with you just seems as appealing as playing leapfrog with unicorns.”

— The voice of Jeff Goldblatt, a 27-year-old Emory University student and the founder of Rejection Hotline. The free telephone service allows uninterested objects of affection to blow off come-ons when they dial what they think is that person's phone number but is actually Rejection Hotline.

horoscopes

Wednesday, February 16, 2005
— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A deal can be made, but before signing, make sure you are getting everything you want and that you aren't giving too much away in return. Someone you meet will be able to help you in the future. A partnership will turn out better than you imagined.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Money matters will stand out today. You can make your life easier financially by making the right moves. Don't say you can't before you try. You must create your own opportunities if you want to get ahead or make changes that will bring long-term results.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Excitement will fill your day. Love, romance, or meeting new people will be high on your list. You will have some fabulous ideas that can equate to a new look and attitude. Travel will result in an experience that teaches you something very valuable.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Take a moment to make the much-needed changes at home. Once you have this task out of the way, you will feel free to pursue something new. Money or legal matters should be taken care of today. The results you get will be in your favor.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Partnerships should be at the forefront of your mind today. Ask yourself if you are happy with the arrangements you have with other people and, if you aren't, make any changes required. You can benefit if you collaborate with someone who can offer what you can't.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may be eager to get to the bottom of things, but haste will definitely make waste today. Slow down, be observant, and don't think twice about letting your perfectionist quality lead the way. Strive for the best, and you'll get it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You have so much going for you today. Put all your cards on the table, and go for broke. You have Lady Luck in your corner and the intuitive wisdom that will lead you down a very fortunate path. Don't let the little things hold you back.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Check out an investment opportunity. A change is in order; if you make the right moves, you will be able to follow through with what you know in your heart you should be doing. Today can be pivotal, so don't let indecision be your downfall.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Act fast, and reap the rewards. Money, love, and health may all be at issue, but if you play your cards right, you will beat the odds on all counts. You have what it takes, but if you don't finish what you start today, the tables could turn.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19): Don't lose sight of what everyone around you is doing. It will be crucial that you stay on top of anything and anyone that matters to you. Efficiency and control coupled with an imaginative and inventive mind will bring the best results.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can have it all if you are ready to pursue new people, places, and activities. Being a participant will lead to personal or professional relationships. Your ideas may be a little ahead of the times, but you appear to be on the verge of setting a new trend.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You may feel as if everything is piling up around you. Restlessness is forcing you to look for alternatives. Be careful that you don't give up something that could be of use to you in the future. Caution will be your best friend.

news you need to know

- Thursday — First official class lists due, 5 p.m.
- March 4 — Degree applications due for May graduates, 4:30 p.m.
- March 7 — Late degree application fee in effect

happy birthday to ...

- Feb. 16 — Brooke Wilson, 19; Kelly Talbot, 20; Megan Yotter, 20; Jenna Zak, 20; Allie Outlend, 21; June Wenzel, 39

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PATV schedule

- 7 a.m. Democracy Now
- 11 Cornel West on White Privilege
- 12:30 p.m. PTV: Birds
- 1 Tai Wai Hua
- 1:25 Turkey Man
- 1:50 Jamming on a Starry Night
- 2 First United Methodist Church
- 3 cjm 3rd mtg
- 4 Our Redeemer Church

- 5 Acoustic Mayhem
- 5:55 Painful Grey
- 6 Riptop Sports! Live
- 7 Sports Opinion
- 8 PATV Reserved: Premieres
- 9 The Cousin Arnold Show Live
- 10 Whatever No. 4
- 11 Medium
- 11:30 Cold & Grey

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- 3 p.m. "Live from Prairie Lights," Christopher Merrill
- 4 Dealing with Manipulative and Destructive Behaviors in the Workplace
- 6:05 No Child Left Behind, Iowa's Approaches
- 6:30 No Child Left Behind, Testing
- 7 "Live from Prairie Lights," Christopher Merrill

- 8 Dealing with Manipulative and Destructive Behaviors in the Workplace
- 10 "Live from Prairie Lights," Christopher Merrill
- 11 The Modernization of Torture and Slavery: A Human Rights Lecture

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What did Massachusetts officially declare the original bean of Boston Baked Beans?

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5. Lottery tickets

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0105

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- 6 Artsy Manhattan area
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— by Nick Narigon

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BIG TEN B-BALL

Ohio St. slides past Indiana, 57-44

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — J.J. Sullinger scored 14 of his 17 points in the second half to spur Ohio State to a 57-44 win over Indiana on Tuesday night.

Terence Dials added 14 points, and Jamar Butler scored a career-high 13 for the Buckeyes (18-8, 7-5 Big Ten), who have won six of their last seven. The Buckeyes took over fourth place in the conference with the win.

D.J. White had 17 points and Robert Vaden 14 for Indiana (11-11, 6-5), which dropped to 1-7 on the road.

Ohio State pried open a lead in the final minutes thanks to the inspired play of Dials, Sullinger, and sub Matt Sylvester during a 15-2 run.

Down 36-33 midway through the half, the Buckeyes tied it on a Sullinger jumper and a free throw by Dials. Dials then scored the go-ahead bucket off an assist by Sylvester for a 38-36 lead with 8:32 to go. A Sylvester free throw pushed the lead to three.

WILLIAMS CONTRACT

Judge upholds ruling against Williams

MIAMI (AP) — An arbitration ruling that ordered Ricky Williams to repay the Miami Dolphins \$8.6 million was upheld Tuesday by a federal judge, who rejected arguments that the award disregarded Florida law and was excessive.

U.S. District Judge James Cohn ruled arbitrator Richard Bloch was "well within the scope of his authority" in his interpretation of the case.

Bloch ruled in September that Williams breached his contract by abruptly retiring. Under the terms of that contract, the 2002 NFL rushing champion was required to repay the Dolphins \$8.6 million in bonus money he had received, Bloch said.

Attorney Jeffrey Kessler, representing the NFL Players Association, conceded at a hearing on Feb. 11 in Fort Lauderdale that the Dolphins were entitled to some damages. But he argued that the case should be returned to Bloch and the award amount reduced because the arbitrator's ruling disregarded Florida law, which prohibits contracts from including penalty clauses.

ACC FOOTBALL

ACC to try instant replay

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — The Atlantic Coast Conference will use instant replay in the 2005 football season, experimenting with a system based on the one the Big Ten debuted last season.

The league announced the move Tuesday after a proposal by the league's athletics directors was approved unanimously at the conference's winter meetings. The NCAA Football Rules Committee voted last week to allow conferences to use instant replay on an experimental basis for the 2005 season.

Under the Big Ten's system, a technical adviser watched the game from the press box and notified officials on the field via pager if he saw something questionable. Play was halted while the adviser reviewed the call using video from the television feed.

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Giving it their best SHOT

BY JASON BRUMMOND
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Purdue may have the fewest total victories in the Big Ten, but tonight's game could be one of the biggest of the season for the Iowa men's basketball team.

The Hawkeyes, whose RPI ranges from 50th to 32nd on various websites, are considered to be just in or just out of the NCAA Tournament, depending on the source. Iowa is still searching for its first conference road win after four losses in tonight's game in West Lafayette, Ind., which is scheduled to tip off at 7:05 p.m.

Without star Pierre Pierce, who met with Iowa coach Steve Alford on Tuesday in the beginning stages of appealing his dismissal from the team, the Hawkeyes have depended on crisper ball movement and jump shots.

"It is one game at a time, but this is a pivotal one on Wednesday," Alford said. "We are close, and that was the message to our team after Wisconsin. I think we were getting right there, and then we had to deal with losing Pierre, and now it is a different mindset that we have to deal with."

Purdue forward Carl Landry scores a Big Ten-best 19 points a game; he will likely be guarded by Greg Brunner, Adam Haluska, or a combination. The junior, who scored 16 points in a 71-57 loss to the Hawkeyes on Jan. 22, is fourth in the league in rebounds and shoots 62 percent from the field.

"Landry stepped right in as a starter from day one on a team that was plagued with injuries before the season," Alford said. "Landry has done a very good job producing."

SEE MEN'S BASKETBALL, PAGE 3B



Illustration by Jen Stewart

WOMEN'S SWIMMING BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

UI swim team heads to Indiana

The women's swimming team will travel to Bloomington, Ind., for the 2005 Big Ten swimming championships; first-year coach Marc Long said this season has been interesting.

BY BRYAN BAMONTE
 THE DAILY IOWAN

It was a year of firsts for the Iowa swimming team.

Former men's coach John Davey resigned, leaving one coach to manage the combined men's and women's teams for the first time. It was the first season for coach Marc Long, who guided the women's team to a 5-4 record, notching its first Big Ten win in the final meet.

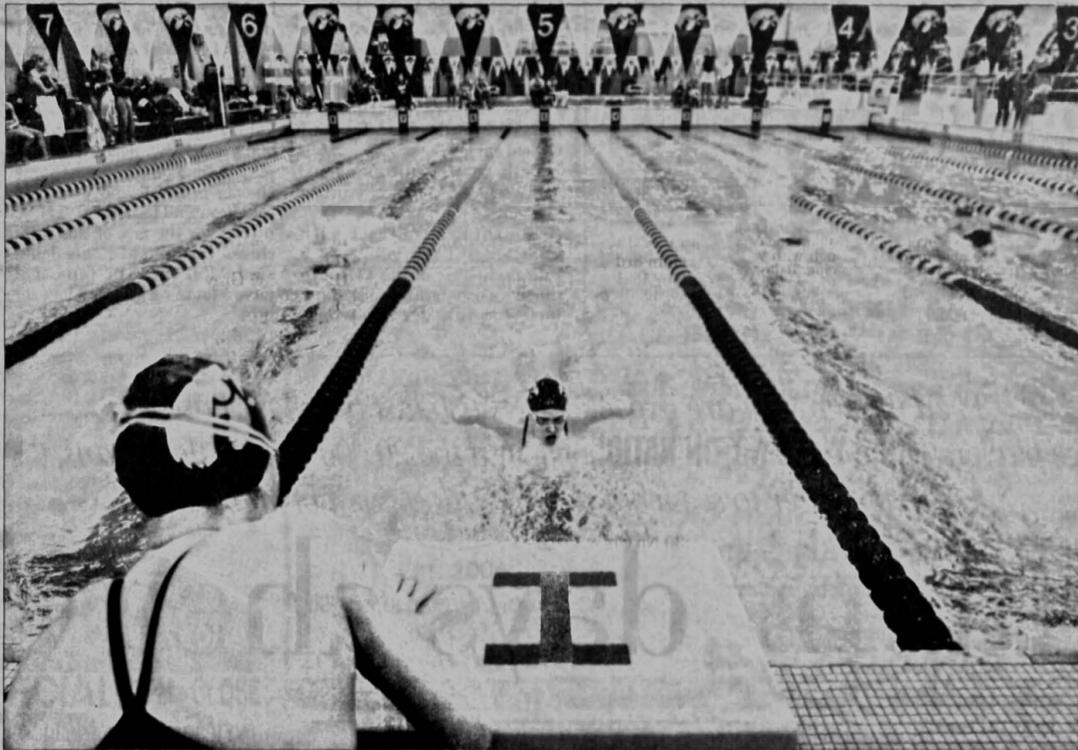
As the Hawkeye women travel to Bloomington, Ind., for the Big Ten championships, Long will look to continue moving up in the league standings.

"It's been an interesting season," he said in January after the final home meet. "It's been a little hectic with some of the changes, but the women have handled everything in stride."

Long and his swimmers hope to finish better than a season ago in the conference championships, which will begin today and conclude on Saturday.

"Our goals for Big Ten's are to move up in placing from last year," said junior Andrea Hemphill. "We want to have more people make it back for finals, because that's where all the points are at."

SEE SWIMMING, PAGE 3B



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye swimmer Robin Samples cheers on teammate Andrea Hemphill as she swims the 200 butterfly during a three-way meet against Northwestern and Ohio State on Jan. 29 in the Field House pool.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



Melanie Patterson/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye center Jamie Cavey struggles to maintain control of the ball during the Wisconsin-Iowa game on Sunday. The Hawks lost, 88-78.

Earning respect

'I think that they're an NCAA Tournament team.'

— OHIO STATE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACH JIM FOSTER

BY RYAN LONG
 THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa women's basketball team is gaining respect — even after a loss.

"I think that they're an NCAA Tournament team."

That's the statement Ohio State women's basketball coach Jim Foster made after the Buckeye's 67-60 win over Iowa on Sunday. Call it a compliment if you will, but it could also be a sign that the unranked Hawkeyes are beginning to earn some respect. If Iowa (16-7, 5-7), can continue to display the same type of play as it did against No. 2 Ohio State, then its chances of earning a bid in the NCAA Tournament may increase.

"I think we showed it against the No. 2 team in the country," Hawkeye forward Johanna Solverson said. "We showed it in the beginning of the year. We had a big lapse, but we came out again against the No. 2 team, which is pretty big."

Senior guard Jenna Armstrong seemed flattered by Foster's comment, and she has noticed her team's improved play since 60-40 victory at Northwestern on Feb. 10. The continuing improvement of Iowa will be vital against No. 9 Michigan State (22-3, 11-2) Thursday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena at 7:05 p.m.

"I definitely saw a difference in intensity at the Ohio State game," Armstrong said. "I think

we are a lot more intense, I think we're playing with a big sense of urgency right now, and I think that it's a huge compliment to have somebody say that."

"We lost the game, but I think there are some things like the effort and intensity that we can take from that game, even though we lost the game. We can take a lot of things from that game and use it in the Michigan State game."

Iowa coach Lisa Bluder believed that the Ohio State game was a great way to demonstrate the type of NCAA Tournament potential her team is capable of displaying in its final four games of the season.

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Denver	24	28	.462
Portland	21	29	.420
Utah	17	35	.327
Pacific	W	L	Pct
Phoenix	41	12	.774
Sacramento	33	19	.635
L.A. Lakers	26	24	.520
L.A. Clippers	23	29	.442
Golden State	14	38	.269

Today's Games
Orlando 99, L.A. Clippers 94
Denver 100, Atlanta 99
Minnesota 82, New Jersey 71
Chicago 107, Sacramento 102
Houston 123, Washington 93
L.A. Lakers 102, Utah 95
Dallas 114, Golden State 107

Today's Games
Memphis at Boston, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
Chicago at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Detroit at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Denver at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
Portland at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Milwaukee at New York, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Sacramento at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
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Purdue	2-8 6-15
Penn St.	1-9 7-16

Monday's Game
Northwestern 59, Texas A&M Corpus Christi 51

Tuesday's Game
Ohio State 57, Indiana 44

Today's Games
Iowa at Purdue, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Michigan State
Illinois at Penn State

Saturday's Games
Illinois at Iowa, 11:15 a.m.
Michigan State at Purdue
Penn State at Northwestern
Ohio State at Minnesota

Sunday's Game
Indiana at Michigan

TRANSACTIONS

American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Acquired INF Alejandro Machado from the Washington Nationals for a player to be named or cash considerations. Agreed to terms with RHP Denny Torrealba on a minor league contract.

TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Agreed to terms with LHP Mark Hendrickson on a one-year contract.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
NBA—Fined Sacramento G Cuttino Mobley \$10,000 for verbal abuse of a game official and failing to leave the court in a timely manner during a Feb. 11 game.

GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS—Activated F Andre Biedras from the injured list.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
CLEVELAND BROWNS—Signed OL Phil Bogle, DB James Boyd, LB Jamal Brooks, OL Lewis Dawson, WR C.J. Jones, RB Sultan McCullough, FB Corey McIntyre and OL Greg Randall.

GREEN BAY PACKERS—Named Joe Baker assistant defensive coach.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Announced the resignation of Ray Compton, senior vice president of sales and marketing.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Named Rich Olson quarterbacks coach.

IOWA SPORTS

Today
• Women's swimming, Big Ten championships, Bloomington, Ind., 10 a.m.
• Men's basketball at Purdue, 7:05 p.m. (KGAN)

Thursday
• Women's swimming, Big Ten championships, 10 a.m.
• Women's basketball hosts Michigan State, 7:05 p.m., Carver-Hawkeye Arena

Friday
• Women's swimming, Big Ten championships, 10 a.m.
• Women's tennis at Marquette, 4 p.m.
• Men's track hosts Iowa Open, TBA, Recreation Building
• Softball, Arizona State Tourney, Tempe, Ariz., TBA
• Women's track hosts Iowa Invitational, TBA, Rec Building

Saturday
• Women's swimming at Big Ten championships, 10 a.m.
• Men's basketball hosts Illinois, 11:06 a.m., Carver-Hawkeye
• Men's tennis hosts Western Michigan, 11:30 a.m., Rec Building
• Women's tennis at Bowling Green, noon
• Women's basketball at Michigan, 6:05 p.m.
• Women's gymnastics hosts Iowa State, 8 p.m., Carver-Hawkeye
• Men's gymnastics hosts Minnesota, 8 p.m., Carver-Hawkeye
• Softball, Arizona State Tourney, TBA

Feb. 20
• Men's tennis hosts DePaul, 11:30 a.m., Rec Building
• Wrestling hosts Indiana, 2 p.m., Carver-Hawkeye
• Softball, Arizona State Tourney, TBA

The HEAT of the **MOURNING**

Seven time All-Star center **ALONZO MOURNING** is close to a return to the Miami Heat

BY TIM REYNOLDS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIAMI — Alonzo Mourning's return to the Miami Heat is imminent. The seven-time All-Star center was examined by doctors Tuesday, and Heat President Pat Riley expects Miami's former franchise cornerstone to begin practicing with the team immediately after this week-end's All-Star break.

Mourning spent eight years in Miami, a stay interrupted twice by his fight with kidney disease. No contract will be signed until the physical is done, a process Riley said may take a couple days. Mourning, who cleared waivers Tuesday and became a free agent, could be in a Heat uniform by early next week.

"This is not about sentiment. This is about winning," said Riley, who coached Mourning during the player's first stint with the Heat. "We want to win, and it's all about business, and it's about business with Zo. We have an opportunity to get a big man, and if it weren't Alonzo, we'd be searching out there to get another big man."

Heat coach Stan Van Gundy wouldn't comment on Mourning's return, saying he's focused on players currently with the team. Shaquille O'Neal, however, sounded absolute to play for another contender.

"Now that we've got Mourning, it's really good for us," O'Neal said.

Calls to Mourning's agent, Jeff Wechsler, were not returned Tuesday.

Mourning's contract with Miami most likely will be for a prorated share of the \$1.1 million veteran minimum salary, meaning the Heat — whose

39-14 record is tops in the Eastern Conference — will pay him only around \$375,000 for the rest of the season.

Money probably isn't a major motivator at this point for Mourning: He's made more than \$120 million in the last nine seasons, including the buy-out of \$9 million to \$10 million from the Raptors. Toronto acquired him in the trade sending Vince Carter to New Jersey, but Mourning never played for the Raptors.

"This is a no-brainer," Riley said.

Mourning averaged nearly 20 points and 10 rebounds with the Heat yet made only one trip to the Eastern Conference finals. Michael Jordan's Chicago Bulls ousted Miami in five games in 1997.

He left Miami after the 2002-03 season — which he missed with the kidney problems — and signed a \$22.6 million, four-year deal with New Jersey, saying that was his best shot at a title. But the Nets dropped out of the league's elite ranks, and Mourning wanted out to play for another contender.

Mourning, who received a kidney transplant in December 2003, made his desire clear: to play in his home city, where his charity is based and where he could contend for a title.

"He was the face of this franchise," Heat guard Eddie Jones said. "I'm sure the fans still have a lot of respect and love for him."



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Even though they are expected to finish last in the NL East, the players of the **WASHINGTON NATIONALS**, and the 20,000 season-ticket fans, are eager to see what a new outlook will bring

Happy days ahead

BY JOSEPH WHITE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

VIERA, Fla. — Their dispositions were as sunny as the Florida day that greeted them, their outlook as bright as the immaculate red practice jerseys that hung in neat rows along the lockers. Pitchers, catchers, and assorted other players reported for spring training at Space Coast Stadium on Tuesday, flush with relief and satisfaction that they are something new called the Washington Nationals.

"It's been a long journey," catcher Brian Schneider said. "We've wanted this for a while, and it's here now. We're ready for it, that's for sure."

The vagabond days of the Montréal Expos are over. Sure, the players said all the right things and persevered as best they could as they dealt with the threat of contraction and then two years of "home" games in Puerto Rico. But no one came close to remembering the last three years as good ol' days, now that they're done.

"Last year was even worse," pitcher Zach Day said. "Because we actually knew what we were going to have to go through. The year before, we didn't know. So going into last year, we were already down before we even started."

No such negative feelings this year, even if the team is expected to finish last again in the NL East. At least six position players — including big bats Brad Wilkerson, Nick Johnson, and Jose Vidro — were among those reporting, checking in five days earlier than required.



Lawrence Jackson/Associated Press
Washington National manager Frank Robinson talks with the media at the team's spring-training site on Tuesday in Viera, Fla.

"No team in major-league baseball's ever done what we did," Wilkerson said. "It was very tough on us, physically and mentally. To say we were going to compete through the whole season was very tough, and I think it was unrealistic. But now we've got a home. There's no more excuses. We go out there, and play baseball, and try to win ball games."

The first player to report was pitcher T.J. Tucker, who surveyed the lockers and nameplates amid the sea of red jerseys and asked, "Where am I? Did they release me already?"

"It's a little different," said manager Frank Robinson, returning for a fourth year with

the team. "It's a little brighter, seeing that red in there. Sometimes you say, 'Am I in the Cardinals' clubhouse?' But it's great. I like the uniforms."

The Nationals logo appears throughout the stadium, although the word "Expos" still appears on a couple of signs, and the seats remain teal from the facility's days as the Florida Marlins' spring home. Several players still carried their gear in big blue Expos bags. All were buoyed by the news that the Nationals are approaching the equivalent of 20,000 season tickets sold, far exceeding the sparse crowds in Montréal.

"It hasn't hit me as much as it's going to hit me when we get

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— WASHINGTON NATIONALS PLAYER BRAD WILKERSON

there for opening day," Wilkerson said. "To see those people in the ballpark, and then you come the next night, and you're going to see just as many people. Anybody can sell out opening day, but that next night, there's probably going to be just as many. We're used to it tapering off pretty good after the opening night."

The pitchers, catchers, and staff will have their physicals today and take to the field Thursday. During camp, the players will get a briefing on the Washington area, including advice on how to get around and where to search for places to live in an area that most have rarely, or never, visited.

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Women's swim team heads to Big Ten championships

SWIMMING

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The Hawkeyes placed ninth in 2004, scoring 152 points — more than 450 points behind team title-winner Michigan, which floated away with 604.5 points. Iowa has a difficult task looming, but the team has been

resilient all season. "We've had an eventful season so far," Hemphill said. "But everything that our team has gone through has made us stronger and even closer as a team. We're all extremely excited for this week because we have a chance to put together everything we've been working on all season."

Senior Jennifer Skolaski placed second in the 200 back in last season's championships, earning second-team All-Big Ten honors, and she will lead a veteran team with 10 seniors into their final collegiate competition.

"It's a chance for the seniors to end their careers the way they want to," Long said.

In the 23-year history of the women's Big Ten championships, Iowa has 13 event champions, including nine swimmers, three divers, and one relay team.

Today, they swim for their first team title.

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SPORTS

No. 5 Wake Forest holds off Miami, 68-63

CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — Wake Forest overcame a subpar offensive performance Tuesday night, holding Miami to 33 percent shooting in the second half to win and retain its lead in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The fifth-ranked Demon Deacons enjoyed their biggest lead at 61-53 with 4½ minutes left. Miami rallied and had one shot to tie, but Anthony Harris' 22-footer fell short with 5 seconds to go.

Wake Forest (22-3, 10-2) earned its sixth-straight win. The streak includes two victories over Miami (15-8, 6-6).

The Demon Deacons reached 10 conference victories for only the second time in the past eight seasons. The latest win came even though Wake Forest had its lowest point total since December, 18 points shy of its average of 86 per game.

Eric Williams and Chris Paul each scored 13 points for Wake Forest, and Justin Gray added 11.

Guillermo Diaz led the Hurricanes with 20 points, and Harris had 14. Robert Hite totaled six, 12 below his average.

The Hurricanes shot 47 percent in the first half but finished at 39, shooting 12-for-36 in the second half. They finished 3-for-18 from 3-point range.

Giving it their best shot

MEN'S BASKETBALL

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The Hawkeyes will look to freshman Alex Thompson to make his second-consecutive start at center. The 6-9, 215-pound forward played a career-high 27 minutes against Northwestern last weekend and offers Alford inside-outside versatility at the position.

Tonight will be Thompson's

first Big Ten road start. "It will be a different experience," the native of Ames said. "It's a big game. I'll be ready for it."

Thompson has made a big effect on the defensive end with aggressive style and constantly moving feet, but Alford said he continues to improve in practice.

"He is a tremendous passer, great work ethic, really listens, and works, and I think that he

is doing a lot of nice things," Alford said. "Hopefully, as his confidence grows, his game is going to grow."

Erek Hansen and Doug Thomas had minutes limited against Northwestern, and Alford said they both need to earn back playing time.

Hansen has been plagued by poor defense and quick fouls, but it was unclear why Thomas was held out of the game against the

Wildcats. Neither has been an offensive force, but Thomas sparked the Hawkeyes coming off the bench with enthusiasm and his up-tempo style of play.

"They have to produce in the minutes they get," Alford said. "If they don't, then we will just rotate them until we find someone who does."

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Women's basketball team earning respect

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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"I think that we showed we were on that particular night," she said. "Now, if we can put the consistent play for the remaining games of the year, we will be in the NCAA Tournament. I really believe if we play like we did on Sunday, we can do that. We can't have any up-and-down games anymore. We have to really come

out and give that type of full effort every single game in order for us to make the tournament."

Armstrong said the team can learn a significant lesson from the Ohio State loss. The Hawkeyes led 34-22 with 6:09 remaining in the first half and surrendered 16 unanswered points to the Buckeyes right before halftime. Iowa also battled back in the second half and led, 55-53, with 5:41 remaining off of a Jamie Cavey

lay-up, but that was the Hawkeyes' final lead of the game.

"I think that we just need to maintain our focus for the entire 20 minutes," Armstrong said. "If we didn't have that four minutes at the end of the first half, it probably would have been a different ball game."

Solverson is taking Foster's statement into consideration, but she still knows it doesn't guarantee her team a spot in the tournament. Her and her

teammates' play will have to speak even louder than Foster's words.

"It gives us a lot of confidence. We know deep down inside that we are an NCAA [Tournament] team. We just have to prove it to other people," she said. "Just us knowing for ourselves isn't really going to help us get into the tournament. We just need to prove it and show it."

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SPORTS

No. 18 UConn tops Providence in double OT, 94-89

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Charlie Villanueva had 18 points and nine rebounds after halftime to help No. 18 Connecticut turn back feisty Providence in double overtime on Tuesday night.

Villanueva, a sophomore forward, finished with 22 points and 10 rebounds. He had four points and a key rebound while the Huskies (16-6, 8-3 Big East) scored seven consecutive points to start the second overtime. Rudy Gay had a 3-pointer in the run, while Providence (11-14, 1-10) missed two 3-pointers to guarantee itself another close loss.

Providence's Herb Hill scored in heavy traffic in the lane on a pass from Ryan Gomes to make it 69-69 at the end of regulation. UConn's Denham Brown made a basket with 24 seconds left in the first overtime to tie it, 78-78.

But the Friars, who have managed to lose close games all season, ran out of gas in the second overtime.

Villanueva scored on a putback and then, after Gomes missed a 3-pointer, Gay hit a 3 to make it 83-78. Donnie McGrath missed a 3 for Providence, and Villanueva got the rebound; at the other end, he made a hook shot to give the Huskies a seven-point lead.

Providence never got within four points again.

Gomes, a first-team All-America last season as a junior, scored a career-high 37 points — including all of the Friars' 11 in the second overtime — to go over the 2,000-point milestone in his career. The Friars had beaten UConn twice in a row and were trying to beat a defending national champion for the second-consecutive season.

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NHL LOCKOUT

FINAL OFFER

With a season on the brink of cancellation, the players' association will have until 11 a.m. today to decide whether to accept a \$42.5 million salary cap



David Duprey/Associated Press

BY IRA PODELL ASSOCIATED PRESS

Buffalo Sabre Jay McKee pushes back his hair after a pickup hockey game with other NHL players in Amherst, N.Y., on Tuesday.

NEW YORK — One more day, one final offer, and one last chance to save the hockey season.

The NHL made a take-it-or-leave-it pitch to the players' association Tuesday night, just hours before hockey was set to be canceled altogether.

The league bumped its salary-cap proposal from \$40 million to \$42.5 million and gave the union until 11 a.m. today to accept. If it is rejected, the season would be canceled two hours later, according to a letter sent by Commissioner Gary Bettman to players' association Executive Director Bob Goodenow.

"This offer is not an invitation to begin negotiations — it's too late for that," Bettman said in the letter obtained by the Associated Press. "This is our last effort to make a deal that's fair to the players and one that the clubs (hopefully) can afford. We have no more flexibility, and there is no time for further negotiation."

In the final bargaining session Monday between NHL chief legal

officer Bill Daly and players' association Senior Director Ted Saskin, the league dropped its long-standing demand for a link between revenues and player costs.

In return, the union came off its reluctance to a salary cap — and proposed one.

The cap the players offered was a soft cap of \$52 million, a source close to the negotiations told AP on the condition of anonymity. Teams would be allowed to spend up to 10 percent above that three times in six years, but they would be subject to an escalating luxury tax on anything above \$40 million.

While Monday's talks were still ongoing, Bettman scheduled a news conference for today with the intention of announcing that there wouldn't be any hockey until at least next fall.

"Hopefully, the press conference will not be necessary," Bettman said in the letter.

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SPORTS



Tony Gutierrez/Associated Press
New York Yankee manager Joe Torre responds to reporters' questions while sitting in the dugout Tuesday at Legends Field in Tampa, Fla.

No. 1 topic for spring training is steroid use

BY RONALD BLUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Usually, the start of spring training is a time of clean slates, sun-splashed fields, and endless hope.

Not this year. Steroids were the No. 1 topic Tuesday, when the new Washington Nationals, the New York Yankees and the Cincinnati Reds opened camp.

"It doesn't go away, unfortunately," Yankees manager Joe Torre said in Tampa, Fla.

Pitchers and catchers on seven more teams will report today, and workouts will begin Thursday, 45 days before the World Series champion Boston Red Sox and Yankees play the major-league opener on April 3. The Minnesota Twins will be the last team to report, on Feb. 20.

Ken Griffey Jr. ran for the Reds' medical staff in Sarasota, Fla., showing how far he has recovered from surgery on his torn right hamstring. Pedro Martinez, an early arrival at the New York Mets' camp, worked out in Port St. Lucie, Fla. And Trot Nixon kept up the Yankees-Red Sox sniping, saying of Alex Rodriguez: "He can't stand up to [Derek] Jeter in my book, or Bernie Williams, or [Jorge] Posada."

The Nationals had the most complicated journey to spring training. After 36 seasons as the Montreal Expos, the team morphed into Washington's first major-league team since the expansion Senators became the Texas Rangers after the 1971 season.

Owned by Major League Baseball since early 2002, the team was uncertain of its fate for three seasons before the move to the nation's capital was completed in December.

"It's been a long journey," catcher Brian Schneider said. "We've wanted this for a while, and it's here now. We're ready for it, that's for sure."

As camps opened, there was a new steroid report. The *New York Daily News* reported on Tuesday that an FBI agent in Ann Arbor, Mich., told baseball security chief Kevin Hallinan about 10 years ago that Jose Canseco and other players were using illegal anabolic steroids.

Calls to Stejskal's office in Ann Arbor and to FBI headquarters in Washington were referred to the Detroit FBI office, where spokeswoman Agent Dawn Clenney said Stejskal and the agency would have nothing to say.

Hallinan was traveling and did not return telephone calls seeking comment. He told the *News* he never was contacted then about steroid use. "I have absolute confidence in his integrity," said Sandy Alderson, the executive vice president for baseball operations in the commissioner's office. "We are looking into the situation described by the agent to see if we can figure out what exactly took place. There may have been someone else he talked to. There are a number of possibilities. We want to see if there is some reasonable view of his explanation and Kevin's."

Canseco's autobiography, published this week, accused the Yankees' Jason Giambi and others of using steroids.

"I think that the problems that are out there are coming to the surface, which I think is good for baseball," Red Sox manager Terry Francona said in Fort Myers, Fla.

Still, baseball's new drug-testing agreement — calling for



Tony Gutierrez/Associated Press
New York Yankee pitcher Carl Pavano reports to spring-training camp Tuesday.

harsher penalties and more frequent testing — remains in the drafting phase. Baseball management expects the new rules to be in place by the mandatory reporting date, March 1.

"I know that we were well on our way to having serious steroid testing, drug testing, and we still are, and we didn't need a book to come out and tell us that we needed to do something," Nixon said.

Baltimore shortstop Miguel Tejada, among the players accused by Canseco, denied that he used steroids.

"Any inference made by Jose Canseco that I used steroids is completely false," Tejada said in a statement. "I barely knew Jose during his career, so it is ridiculous for him to suggest we ever had discussions regarding their use. I work very hard to keep in shape, and any suggestion that I use steroids, or any banned substance, is insulting and not worth discussing further."

MLB

FBI agent reportedly warned MLB about steroids

NEW YORK (AP) — An FBI agent says federal investigators warned Major League Baseball approximately 10 years ago that some of its players were using steroids, but baseball executives failed to act on the information, the *Daily News* reported.

In Tuesday's editions, the *Daily News* reported that a special agent in Ann Arbor, Mich., told baseball security chief Kevin Hallinan that Jose Canseco and other players were using illegal anabolic steroids.

"I alerted Major League Baseball, back in the time when we had a case, that Canseco was a heavy user and that they should be aware of it," Special Agent Greg Stejskal told the *Daily News*. "I spoke to the people in their security office. Hallinan was one of the people I spoke to."

Stejskal also told the newspaper there wasn't much baseball could

do at the time because MLB and the players' union didn't have steroid testing program or disciplinary actions in place until 2002.

Baseball officials denied they were told of steroid use, and Hallinan told the *Daily News*, "It did not happen. Not with this guy, not with anyone else."

The agent told the paper that the FBI's investigation in the 1990s centered on Michigan and dealt with weightlifters and bodybuilders. The probe spread to California, Florida, Canada, and Mexico, he said.

"There's very little question the use of steroids was very widespread in baseball," Stejskal told the newspaper. "And Major League Baseball, in effect, it didn't sanction it, but it certainly looked the other way."

The report comes just after the release of Canseco's book, *Juiced: Wild Times, Rampant 'Roids, Smash Hits, and How Baseball Got Big*, in which he details his steroid use and accuses several former teammates of using them, too.

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Web firm owned by MLB to buy Tickets.com

COSTA MESA, Calif. (AP) — An Internet company owned by Major League Baseball agreed to acquire Tickets.com.

Tickets.com, based in Costa Mesa, said Tuesday its directors appointed a committee to review the process and approve the agreement and merger plan.

Approximately a quarter of the company's \$70 million annual revenue is from the online sale of baseball tickets, while the rest comes from concerts and other sports and events. The company offered \$1.10 for each outstanding share of the online ticket seller.

"It is essential for this industry to set the standard for our fans, providing them with the best experience not just on the field but getting there as well," said Robert DuPuy, Major League Baseball's president and chief operating officer.

MLBAM, owned by the major-league teams, manages the league's official Web site and the sites of individual teams. It said it had also secured a line of credit of \$125 million from Bank of America Corp. and JPMorgan Chase & Co.

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SIDEWAYS (R)
FRI-SUN 1:30 4:30 7:15 9:50
MON-THU 4:30 7:15 9:50

HOTEL RWANDA (PG-13)
FRI-SUN 2:00 4:50 7:20 9:50
MON-THU 4:50, 7:20, 9:50

OCEAN'S 12 (PG-13)
FRI-SUN 1:45 4:45 7:30 9:50
MON-THU 4:45 7:30 9:50

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HITCH (PG-13)
12:30 3:30 6:30 9:30

IN GOOD COMPANY (PG-13)
12:45 3:45 6:45 9:40

FINDING NEVERLAND (PG-13)
12:00 2:25 4:50 7:15

BOOGEYMAN (PG-13)
12:10 2:30 4:50 7:10 9:30

WEDDING DATE (PG-13)
12:00 2:20 4:40 7:00 9:20

ASSAULT ON PRECINCT 13 (R)
9:40 ONLY

AVIATOR (PG-13)
12:45 4:45 8:45

CORAL RIDGE 10

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POOH'S HEFFALUMP MOVIE (G)
1:00 3:00 5:00 7:00 8:45

HITCH (PG-13)
12:45 3:45 6:45 9:30

THERESE (PG)
12:10 2:20 4:40 7:10 9:20

MILLION DOLLAR BABY (PG-13)
12:30 3:30 6:30 9:30

HIDE & SEEK (R)
12:00 2:20 4:45 7:15 9:45

ARE WE THERE YET? (PG)
12:00 2:20 4:40 7:00 9:20

COACH CARTER (PG-13)
12:10, 3:20, 6:30, 9:40

RACING STRIPES (PG)
12:10 2:30 4:50 7:10 9:30

PHANTOM OF THE OPERA (PG-13)
1:00 4:15 7:45

MEET THE FOCKERS (PG-13)
1:00 4:00 7:00 9:45