

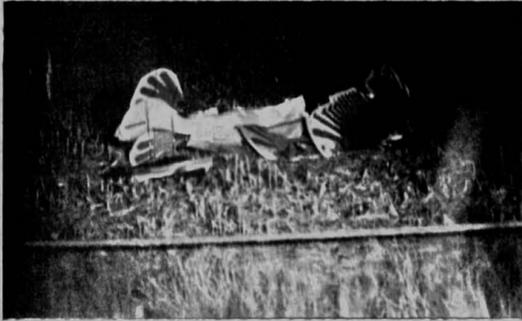
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Local plane crash kills 2



Laura Schmitt/The Daily Iowan
A crumpled plane lies in a Johnson County field after it crashed at approximately 5:55 p.m. Sunday near the intersection of Sharon Center Road and 490th Street. Two men died in the accident; the FAA will begin investigating the crash today.

The stunt plane appeared to have suffered engine trouble just before the accident

BY ELAINE FABIAN
THE DAILY IOWAN

A single-engine stunt plane that crashed in a rural Johnson County corn field, killing two men, appeared to have suffered engine problems moments before the accident, authorities and a witness said on Sunday.

The Christian Eagle spun into the

field south of the intersection of Sharon Center Road and 490th Street at roughly 5:55 p.m., said Marleen Schrock, who lives nearby.

Schrock, of 4648 Lockender Ave., said she heard a biplane and then saw it fly westward over her farm, trailing smoke. She heard and saw what she thought was the same plane a second time and spotted it "flipping" through the air around 5:45 p.m., just before it disappeared from sight.

Authorities on sight said the Johnson County Sheriff's Office had not yet notified the unnamed men's next of kin.

"I was amazed at how well I could hear it," she said of the "whitish-silverish" plane.

"It sounded like the same plane to me."

SEE PLANE, PAGE 6A

Suspect held in girl's slaying

BY NICK PETERSEN
THE DAILY IOWAN

The suspect connected with the death of a Cedar Rapids girl will make his initial appearance in a Johnson County courtroom today for allegedly killing the 10-year-old, whose body police found in a run-down mobile home near Kalona on March 25.

Roger Paul Bentley, 37, a convicted child molester, is the only suspect for the murder of Jetseta Marie Gage; he was held over the weekend in Linn County on charges of abducting the girl from her mother's home Thursday. Additional charges were still pending Sunday night.

"The victim died as a result of asphyxia, and this death is considered a homicide according to the preliminary results of the autopsy," Johnson County Sheriff Lonny Pulkrabek said in a March 26 press release.

Police discovered Jetseta's body after they received a tip that Bentley's vehicle was parked outside a mobile home on the Orval Yoder Turnpike near Kalona.

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Bentley will make his initial appearance today in a Johnson County courtroom



Gage, 10-year-old victim

'We want to let them live, so they let us live' | GATHERING FOR PEACE



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan

An activist group stands with the Women in Black in West Jerusalem to protest Israel's occupation of Palestine, which the group says is a direct violation of the Geneva Convention. The Women in Black stand at the same intersection every Friday for one hour, where they receive both support and derision from Israeli passersby.

A VIGIL TO END OCCUPATION

BY CHRISTINA ERB
THE DAILY IOWAN

WEST JERUSALEM — Aviva Muller-Lancet sat on a stone ledge in the Paris Square in West Jerusalem, her frail fingers wrapped around a wooden pole with a black, hand-shaped sign reading in Hebrew: "End the Occupation."

The 83-year-old Israeli has been a member of Women in Black since 1988, when the group began sitting in vigil for one hour each week to express its opposition to Israeli military control of the Palestinian territories.

Every Friday, she sits in the same spot, praying for the same outcome.

"As long as we are occupying their lands, there will be no peace," she said. "We want peace very much. We want to let them live, so they let us live."

A small group of Israeli and

Palestinian women created Women in Black after the first Palestinian intifada, a popular uprising that swept across the Gaza Strip and the West Bank, led to Israeli reprisals against the Palestinians and initiated talks between the United States and the Palestinian Liberation Organization.

The women meet in the heart of West Jerusalem at Paris Square, an area encompassed by heavy traffic from four different roads. Passing drivers yell obscenities and honk — some in support, some not — but the women still gather.

Their effect remains to be seen. The failure of the Camp David talks in 2000 between former Prime Minister Ehud Barak and the late Yasser Arafat, the subsequent breakdown of the Oslo peace process, and Sharon's current unilateralist approach, leave Muller-Lancet feeling

disheartened.

"We don't want just territories," she said.

"We want homeland and peace and for them also. There are people who think the territories are more important than life. They are fanatics."

Hebron, a Palestinian city in the West Bank, showcases this more extreme ideological side of Israeli settlers. The city is one of the few Palestinian cities in which Jewish settlers live. In 1994, Baruch Goldstein, a follower of Meir Kahane, shot and killed 29 Arabs worshipping in the mosque of Abraham — the patriarch of Christianity, Islam, and Judaism. After Goldstein was beaten to death by Arab onlookers, Jewish settlers erected a statue in the city in his honor. The city has also been the site of many Palestinian attacks against settlers and Israeli forces.

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Source: DI Research JS/DI

DI reporter Christina Erb and photographer Nick Loomis are reporting from Israel and the Palestinian territories this week as part of the Congressional Accompaniment Project, a fact-finding tour of the region for congressional representatives, local churches, and community groups. Their stories will continue through Wednesday.

PELL GRANT

Bill could mean increase for student aid

BY DREW KERR
THE DAILY IOWAN

A bill sitting in the U.S. House and Senate could mean a \$1,000 increase for Pell Grant recipients and additional funding for other need-based financial-aid measures at the UI, according to lawmakers sponsoring the legislation.

The Student Aid Reward Act outlines a strategy to save the federal government \$17.2 billion by enticing schools into participating in the Federal Direct Loan Program — where funds come from the U.S. Treasury — by offering additional need-based aid for compliance.

The UI has used the Federal Direct Loan Program since the 1995-96 academic year; the legislation, if passed, would reward the school for doing so. Sponsors say the additional funds could be used to fuel a \$1,000 Pell Grant increase, up to \$5,050, as opposed to the \$500 boost the U.S. Senate approved recently.

"Anything that allows us to have more funds for the Pell Grant is something the university could support, especially when it doesn't cost us anything," said Beth Oakes, an assistant director of Student Financial Aid.

Schools that don't use direct lending use private lenders, such as Sallie Mae. But these firms are guaranteed interest rates of 9.5 percent under the Federal Family Education Loan program, and, when interest rates fall below the guaranteed amount, the federal government picks up the difference.

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NOTHING SOFT ABOUT IT

The Hawkeye softball team is hotter than lava right now. **1B**

OUT OF BUSINESS

Gary Fethke, the dean of the UI Tippie College of Business, will resign in 2006. **2A**

SCHIAVO WATCH

The parents of the brain-damaged woman whose fate has captured the nation's attention have apparently used up their legal options. **3A**

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NEWS

Business-school dean to resign

BY SAM EDSILL
THE DAILY IOWAN

Gary Fethke, the longtime dean of UI Tippie College of Business, announced Friday that he will step down at the end of the 2005-06 school year.

"I've been in the position for 12 years, I've worked hard at it, and now I'm looking forward to doing other things," he said Fethke.

Following his exit in July 2006, Fethke, 63, plans to travel in Europe and conduct research in his field of economics. He will also continue to teach in the departments of economics and management sciences.

UI President David Skorton described Fethke as a "visionary leader."

"It will be hard to fill Dean Fethke's shoes because he has done such a great job," Skorton said, adding that he expects there will be a lot of interest in the position.

Some of Fethke's accomplishments in his time as dean include planning and coordinating the construction of the Pappajohn Business Building, which opened in 1994, and establishing the Bedell Entrepreneurship Learning Laboratory, a program that teaches students looking to start their own businesses, which opened in 2004.



Gary Fethke
Dean of UI Tippie
College of
Business

Within the next three months, UI Provost Michael Hogan will assign a committee to hunt for a new dean. The committee will perform an open

Fethke has also been involved in the development of the Pomerantz Center, which is slated to open in summer 2005 and will house many student services, including the Academic Advising Center and Career Services.

national search through the fall and winter, he said.

"The goal is to make an appointment effective July 1, 2006," he said.

Fethke said he hopes that remaining as dean for the next year will make the transition as smooth as possible.

He received both his bachelor's and doctoral degree in economics from the UI, and he has served at the university as chairman of the departments of marketing and management sciences, as well as senior associate dean of academic affairs for the business school.

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CITY & STATE

Natural-science majors to break electoral tie today

Undergraduates majoring in a natural science will have the opportunity to re-vote for an undergraduate senator today after the candidates tied in the first election.

Juniors Zach Johnson and Jessica Swanner, candidates for the Undergraduate Collegiate Senate, both polled 58 votes during the presidential election earlier this month.

Natural-science senators serve a one-year term on UI Student Government representing students in such majors as biology, chemistry, physics, and more, said Student Elections Board Director Ryan Beatty.

UI students majoring in natural sciences can log on to ISIS to vote. UISG President Mark Kresowik is planning to send a mass e-mail to remind those eligible to vote, Beatty said.

"It's definitely very unusual that two people tied," he said. He added that there have been ties before, but he could not remember how recently.

— by Jessica Seveska

UI to net funds from cancer treatment

The UI announced on March 25 it will receive at least \$6.75 million through a partnership with a pharmaceutical group to manufacture and market a newly developed cancer treatment.

Pfizer and Coley Pharmaceutical Group of Wellesley, Mass., will manufacture and commercialize a cancer treatment named ProMune, developed with UI technology.

Originally invented by Arthur Krieg, the chief scientific officer at Coley and a professor on leave from internal medicine at the UI, ProMune boosts the body's immune-system response to lung cancers and possibly some other cancers.

The UI may earn up to \$455 million in additional payments, plus royalties, with revenue based on the success of the treatment. An unspecified portion of the revenue will go to the UI Research Foundation.

"The first order of business is to make sick people better," said Bruce Wheaton, the executive director of the foundation, in a UI news release. "If the products meet this principle objective safely, we'll earn more. More is possible but not guaranteed."

— by Elaine Fabian

Lawmakers eye economic development, education

DES MOINES (AP) — The Legislature this week is focused on economic development and early childhood education programs, issues that lawmakers in both parties want to be the signature of this year's session.

Democrats and Republicans have been negotiating for weeks but still must decide how much money will be set aside. Broad details of the plan are likely to emerge this week.

"It seems promising right now," said House Democratic Leader Pat Murphy of Dubuque.

Republicans have proposed a \$12 million early childhood education program that largely focuses on incentives for parents to send children to existing preschool programs. Democrats and Gov. Tom Vilsack have offered a more ambitious \$30 million plan to expand preschool offerings.

"Everyone is agreeing that we need to address this area," Murphy said. "It's important that we figure out where we'll be working from."

Negotiations have also led to a rough outline of a plan to replace the state's premier economic-development

program, the Iowa Values Fund, which was struck down by the Iowa Supreme Court. The program provides grants and loans to high-tech businesses that expand or locate in Iowa.

Vilsack and Democrats propose a 10-year program costing as much as \$800 million.

Republicans favor a tax credit for companies that create new jobs in the state, and the final version is likely to include a combination of both.

Senate Republican President Jeff Lamberti of Ankeny said the plan being considered would spend nearly \$700 million over a 10-year period.

"We have a very robust tax credit that gets to small businesses throughout the state of Iowa," he said. "We don't have any objection to the Values Fund. We understand that's a component."

Combining the tax credit with the Values Fund gives state officials a doubled package of tools to lure new businesses to the state," Lamberti said. The Values Fund can be used to attract large projects, while small businesses would gain from the tax credit.

"We need to remember where most jobs are created in Iowa: small employers," he said.

POLICE BLOTTER

David Beatty, 24, 422 Brown St. Apt. 3, was charged March 10 with second-degree theft.

Tiffany Bione, 20, Coralville, was charged Sunday with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Daniel Bozek, 18, 741 Rienow, was charged March 26 with possession of a fictitious driver's license/identification.

David Carcellii, 46, Chicago Heights, Ill., was charged Sunday with interference with official acts, public intoxication, and assault on a police/fire/EMT personnel.

David Carcellii Jr., 21, 131 E. Davenport St. Apt. 6, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and interference with official acts.

Oscar Castro, 31, 46 Thatcher Trailer Court, was charged Sunday with possession of an open container of alcohol in a vehicle.

Joseph Colianne, 18, 704B Mayflower, was charged March 25 with PAULA, presence in a bar after hours, and misrepresenting age to purchase alcohol.

Beverly Davidson, 45, North Liberty, was charged March 24 with operating while intoxicated.

Jack Edwards, 20, 633 S. Dodge St. Apt. 5, was charged March 24 with driving while license was suspended/canceled.

Craig Fredericks, 47, 38 Wakefield Court, was charged March 24 with OWI and driving while license revoked.

Jerry Freeman, 25, Tiffin, was charged

March 26 with violation of a no-contact, domestic abuse protective order, assault causing injury, and driving while license was suspended/canceled.

Dennis Fuessel, 20, East Hartford, Conn., was charged March 26 with OWI.

Ryan Gibney, 21, Newhall, Iowa, was charged March 25 with OWI.

Savannah Hartenhoff, 18, Blue Grass, Iowa, was charged March 25 with obstructing an officer and PAULA.

Michael Hedges, 18, Kalona, was charged Feb. 20 with second-degree burglary.

Tyler Hershberger, 23, 45 Westside Drive, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and assault causing injury.

Destry Hughes, 40, address unknown, was charged Nov. 1, 2004, with possession of cocaine and Nov. 10, 2004, with possession of cocaine with intent to deliver.

Demetrius Johnson, 25, 1960 Broadway Apt. 11B, was charged Feb. 5 with domestic-abuse assault.

Eric Keeler, 25, North Liberty, was charged March 26 with public intoxication.

Susan Kemper, 20, 426 S. Johnson Apt. B, was charged March 24 with public intoxication.

Charles Knight, 18, 612 Manor Drive, was charged Jan. 27 with disorderly conduct.

John Koury, 26, 325 E. College Apt. 1612, was charged March 24 with public intoxication,

disorderly conduct, and PAULA.

Kristin Leonard, 19, 3308 Burge, was charged March 25 with obstructing an officer and PAULA.

Adam Linares, 57, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 2809, was charged Sunday with public urination.

Leshawn Lynn, 25, Cedar Rapids, was charged March 22 with third-degree harassment.

Michael Meaderds, 21, 1018 N. Dodge, was charged Sunday with domestic abuse assault and obstruction of emergency communication.

Victor Mercado, 37, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 1808, was charged Sunday with disorderly house and interference with official acts.

Roberty Messer, 37, address unknown, was charged Nov. 11, 2004, with third-degree theft by check.

Chris Michl, 18, Deerfield, Ill., was charged March 26 with public intoxication.

Sanjay Patel, 26, 42 Pentire Circle, was charged March 26 with OWI.

Blake Prall, 21, Burlington, Iowa, was charged March 25 with OWI.

Craig Purcell, 21, 530 E. Bloomington Apt. 2, was charged March 25 with OWI.

Michael Sasgen, 21, 512 S. Dubuque Apt. 4, was charged March 26 with disorderly house.

Matthew Schoonover, 21, 600 S. Capitol Apt. 102, was charged March 26 with public intoxication.

Jason Schroeder, 24, Cedar Rapids, was charged March 25 with OWI.

Courtland Simpson, 19, address unknown, was charged March 11 with second-degree burglary.

Jacob Sitzmann, 22, Le Mars, Iowa, was charged March 26 with public intoxication.

Kade Taylor, 19, 1119 Rienow, was charged March 25 with public intoxication and fifth-degree theft.

Jonathan Tweedy, 24, Cedar Rapids, was charged March 25 with driving while license suspended/canceled.

Sergio Vasquez-Lopez, 23, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 1808, was charged Sunday with disorderly house and interference with official acts.

Gregory Werly, 19, Emhurst, Ill., was charged March 25 with public intoxication.

Brent Willett, 22, 417 Grant St., was charged March 23 with OWI.

Steven Wunderlich, 22, 724 N. Dubuque St., was charged Sunday with OWI.

Kristina Zenor, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged March 26 with OWI, possession of a fictitious driver's license/identification, and driving while license was suspended/canceled.

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CORRECTION

In the March 24 article, "Optimism, pessimism abound in Israel," *The Daily Iowan* incorrectly datelined the story as Jerusalem, West Bank. Jerusalem is a stand-alone city, according to Associated Press style. The *DI* regrets the error.

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"I want to wish a fellow citizens and families a happy Easter. I prayed for peace, I prayed for our soldiers and their families. It's an honor to be at Fort Hood to celebrate Easter with those of the nation's uniformed service members." — President Bush, Easter service

BY NEDRA PICCOLO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT HOOD, Texas — President Bush attended a service Sunday at Fort Hood, Texas, where he offered peace and the well-being of American soldiers' families.

For a third-straight year, President Bush made the trip to Fort Hood for the annual Easter service. The highest holiday at Fort Hood is active-duty armored military and one that has tributed thousands of U.S. forces in Iraq.

"I want to wish all citizens and their families a happy Easter," Bush said after the service. "I prayed for peace; we are soldiers and their families. It's an honor to be

at Fort Hood to celebrate Easter with those of the nation's uniformed service members." — President Bush, Easter service

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A photograph of a woman, likely Nnenna Freeman, in a white dress, possibly performing or in a promotional shot.

President Bush offers peace and well-being to American soldiers and their families at an Easter brunch in Fort Hood, the largest active-duty armored post in the military.



J. Scott Applewhite/Associated Press

President Bush and Laura Bush talk to reporters following Easter worship services at Ft. Hood, Texas, approximately 50 miles from the Bush ranch in Crawford. The president's parents, former President George H.W. Bush and Barbara Bush, leave at right.

Bush prays for peace

"I want to wish all the fellow citizens and their families a happy Easter. We prayed for peace; we prayed for our soldiers and their families. It's an honor to be here at Fort Hood to celebrate Easter with those who wear the nation's uniform."

— President Bush, following Easter service

BY NEDRA PICKLER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT HOOD, Texas — President Bush attended an Easter service Sunday at Fort Hood, where he offered prayers for peace and the well-being of American soldiers and their families.

For a third-straight year, the president made the 50-mile helicopter flight from his ranch in Crawford to mark Christianity's highest holiday at the largest active-duty armored post in the military and one that has contributed thousands of troops to U.S. forces in Iraq.

"I want to wish all the fellow citizens and their families a happy Easter," Bush told reporters after the service. "We prayed for peace; we prayed for our soldiers and their families. It's an honor to be here at Fort

Hood to celebrate Easter with those who wear the nation's uniform."

Bush and his family worshipped at the 4th Infantry Division Memorial Chapel along with several hundred other worshippers, some of whom wore Army fatigues and other uniforms. The first family occupied the entire right front pew. Joining them were Bush's parents, his wife, and his twin daughters.

There was no fanfare for the first family during the service, other than a brief recognition at the beginning. One of the pastors thanked the president's mother for getting him out of bed early for Easter service and said it was a good habit. "He may go somewhere one of these days," the pastor said to laughter from the congregation.

The president and his family then returned to the ranch for the day. Their Easter dinner menu included Texas grapefruit; homemade mozzarella salad; glazed ham; green chili cheese grits soufflé; roasted asparagus with lemon dressing; chive biscuits; fresh fruit; coconut cake; and blueberry pie.

Bush was returning to Washington on Monday but did not plan to be back at the White House in time for Monday's traditional Easter egg roll on the South Lawn. His plans for the week include a speech on freedom and democracy Tuesday in the Rose Garden and a trip to

Iowa Wednesday to promote personal accounts for Social Security.

Earlier Sunday, the top U.S. military officer in the Mideast spoke of hopeful developments in Iraq and their effect on the number of U.S. troops in the country.

"I think that we've gone from a primarily military environment, to a primarily political one. And that's a very encouraging sign," said Army Gen. John Abizaid, the commander of U.S. Central Command.

"Obviously, the longer we have a delay in the formation of the Iraqi government, the more uncertainty there will be. The more uncertainty, the greater chance for escalated violence," he told CNN's "Late Edition."

"American forces provide the shield by which the political process can take place. And American forces also have got to develop the Iraqi security forces. When politics move forward and Iraqi security forces move forward, you will start to see not only a big change in the prospects for peace and prosperity in the region but an opportunity for a pretty substantial draw-down of our own forces," Abizaid said.

Military leaders have said that the extra 15,000 or so U.S. troops added during the run-up to Iraq's elections in January would be gone by the end of March. That would leave the U.S. force at about 138,000 troops.

Schiavo's parents exhaust options

Five protesters outside the brain-damaged woman's hospice are arrested

BY MIKE SCHNEIDER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PINELLAS PARK, Fla. — Their hopes fading and legal options exhausted, Terri Schiavo's parents appeared quietly resigned Sunday to watching her die but could claim one Easter victory: The severely brain-damaged woman received a drop of communion wine on her tongue — her only sustenance in nine days — after her husband allowed her to receive the sacrament.

Outside the hospice where Schiavo is being cared for, five protesters were arrested, and approximately a half-dozen people in wheelchairs got out of them and lay in the driveway, shouting "We're not dead yet."

Schiavo's husband, who a day earlier denied a request from his wife's parents that she be given communion, granted permission Sunday to offer the sacrament.

The Rev. Thaddeus Malanowski said he gave Schiavo wine but could not give her a flask of communion bread because her tongue was dry.

The priest's announcement drew applause and cheers from the crowd, which spent most of the day heckling police and protesting loudly. The noise prompted Schiavo's brother, Bobby Schindler, to come out and ask protesters to tone down their behavior.

"We are not going to solve the problem today by getting arrested," he told the restless crowd. "We can change laws, but we are not going to change them today ... You are not speaking for our family."

Schiavo's husband and parents have battled for years over whether the 41-year-old woman wanted to live or die. The two sides have given

differing opinions of her status. Her parents have said she is declining rapidly and in her last hours. George Felos, an attorney for Schiavo's husband, Michael, argued on March 26 that her condition is not yet that grave.

A spokesman for the Schindlers denied a report from David Gibbs III, their lead lawyer, who told CBS's "Face the Nation" Sunday that Schiavo has "passed where physically she would be able to recover."

That statement "was not made with the family's knowledge. In the family's opinion, that is absolutely not true," family spokesman Randall Terry told reporters.

Felos declined to comment on Schiavo's condition.

At Michael Schiavo's home in Clearwater, about three dozen protesters dropped roses and Easter lilies on his lawn in a peaceful demonstration. His fiancée's brother picked up the flowers and handed them to a bystander to take away.

Doctors have said Terri Schiavo would probably die within a week or two of the tube being removed March 18. She relied on the tube for 15 years after suffering catastrophic brain damage when her heart stopped beating and oxygen was cut off to her brain.

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NEWS

Census releases data on education, earnings

BY GENARO C. ARMAS
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WASHINGTON — Black and Asian women with bachelor's degrees earn slightly more than similarly educated white women, and white men with four-year degrees make more than anyone else.

A white woman with a bachelor's degree typically earned nearly \$37,800 in 2003, compared with nearly \$43,700 for a college-educated Asian woman and \$41,100 for a college-educated black woman, according to data being released today by the Census Bureau. Latinas took home slightly less at \$37,600 a year.

The bureau did not say why the differences exist. Economists and sociologists suggest possible factors: the tendency of minority women, especially blacks, to more often hold more than one job or work more than 40 hours a week and the tendency of black professional women who take time off to have a child to return to the work force sooner than others.

Employers in some fields may give extra financial incentives to young black women, who graduate from college at higher rates than young black men, said Roderick Harrison, a researcher at the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, a think tank that studies minority issues.

"Given the relative scarcity, if you are a woman in the sciences — if you are a black woman — you would be a rare commodity," Harrison said.

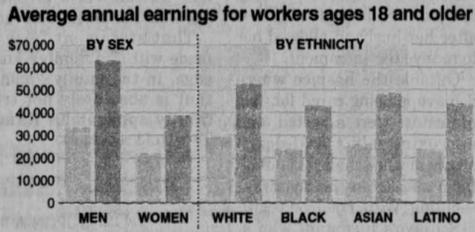
Because study in the area is limited, it is hard to pinpoint specific reasons, said Barbara Gault, research director at the Washington-based Institute for Women's Policy Research.

"It could be the fields that educated black women are choosing," she said. "It also could be related to the important role that black women play in the total family income in African-American families."

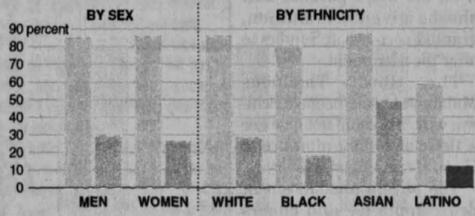
College educated workers earn more

Figures from a 2004 Census Bureau survey reinforce the value of a college education, showing workers with a bachelor's degree earn more than those with only a high-school diploma.

High-school graduate Bachelor's degree



Educational attainment of Americans ages 25 and older



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau

Notions that black women are struggling financially as much as other groups are should not be dismissed, Gault added.

For instance, nearly 39 percent of families headed by a single black woman were in poverty, compared with 21 percent of comparable white women, according to census estimates released last year.

A white male with a college diploma earns far more than any similarly educated man or woman — in excess of \$66,000 a year, according to the Census Bureau. Among men with bachelor's degrees, Asians earned more than \$52,000 a year, Latinos earned \$49,000, and blacks

earned more than \$45,000.

Workplace discrimination and the continuing difficulties of minorities to get into higher-paying management positions could help explain the disparities among men, experts say.

Demographics may offer an explanation: There are millions more college-educated white men in better paying jobs than there are black, Latino, or Asian men.

Minorities also suffered more financially as a result of the 2001 recession and its aftermath, as has been the case with past economic downturns, said Jared Bernstein, the chief economist with the Economic Policy Institute.

Confusion reigns over eBay \$

BY MARY DALRYMPLE
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WASHINGTON — Hawking baby and children's clothes, along with some garage-sale and thrift-store bargains, on eBay helps Sunni Wojnarowsky bring in some extra money so she can afford to stay home with her two young boys.

The additional dollars are great, but does she really need to hassle with the paperwork and report her small profit to the Internal Revenue Service? Her question, posed to the online auction site's discussion board for sellers, generated much advice — and more confusion.

"You can't get an answer from anybody," Wojnarowsky said in an interview from her home in Brunswick, Ohio. "It would be nice to have a straightforward answer of yes, you file taxes, or no, you don't."

More than 135 million people have registered to use the auction site that calls itself "the world's online marketplace." Buyers bought more than \$34 billion worth of merchandise there last year.

Some people make money by cleaning out items from their closets, others use the site to run small businesses.

In tax law, there is no clear, bright line that separates fun from profit or a hobby from a business. But IRS instructions make it clear that all income — a category that includes bribes, gambling winnings, kickbacks, and money made in illegal activities — can be taxed.

"When you're working on the Internet, it's kind of a gray issue," said Bart Fooden, a certified public accountant in Woodbury, N.Y., who advises small businesses and individuals. "The big issue is whether you're doing it as a business or not."

The IRS can apply a list of nine indicators that might prove whether someone's online auctions amount to a business. These indicators include evidence that the taxpayer depends on the income, acts in a businesslike manner, or puts enough time and effort into the activity to suggest a profit motive.

Fooden said the difference between a hobby and a business can often be the

seller's intent. If someone is selling the junk that is collecting dust in a garage or basement, then that person probably is getting less than he paid for it. No profit here.

If someone is buying goods in bulk from a wholesaler and hoping to make a couple extra bucks reselling each one, then that person could have just started a profitable business, Fooden said.

Some categories are not so clear. A great-aunt's collection of antique china fetched top dollar from collectors, that might mean capital-gains taxes are owed.

If someone scours neighborhood garage sales for great deals on comic books to resell on eBay, that might amount to running a business.

It often is best to ask a tax professional, said Bob Miller, who says he spends about 18 hours a day on eBay, selling collectible postage stamps and advising other buyers and sellers from his home in northern Utah.

"When the person that you owe the money to can throw you in jail, it's always a good idea to get professional advice," he said.

eBay spokesman Chris Donlay said the company does

not report individual sales to the tax authorities. eBay urges users, in the site's educational materials and seminars, to learn about tax issues.

"It's really up to the seller, just like offline," he said. "We are just a venue, really. We're sort of like the mall landlord or the owner of the parking lot where the flea market happens."

It takes so little effort to set up shop on eBay that some might overlook the tax issues, Miller said.

"If you have an e-mail address, you can start selling. If you're a U.S.-based seller, you need to have a credit card and a bank account," Miller said.

"People have a feeling that if they're selling on eBay, they're not a business. It's not true. If you are selling and making a profit, you have to declare it."

An eBay survey last year found that 430,000 of its U.S. sellers make a significant portion or all of their revenue from selling on eBay.

While it might sound like nothing good can come of the headache involved in claiming a small profit from online auctions, consider the perks. Business expenses can be deducted from profits. That includes the cost of the goods sold, fees, supplies, and maybe a home office — if the qualifications are met.

Past may haunt Michael Jackson's trial

BY TIM MOLLOY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SANTA MARIA, Calif. — Michael Jackson tried to close the door on a 1993 claim of child molestation when he paid millions to a young accuser, but a court hearing in his current trial could resurrect those allegations.

Judge Rodney Melville is to decide after a hearing Monday whether prosecutors may introduce past claims to show jurors a pattern of alleged abuse.

"It's like a nuclear bomb in this case," said Jim Hammer, a former San Francisco prosecutor and Fox News analyst. "[Jurors] are trying to do the right thing, and if they see two or three kids say the same thing ... the odds that they will convict him will go up astronomically."

The jury has been told of the 1993 allegations by a then-13-year-old boy, but the judge has discretion about what

details become evidence. He could allow testimony by the silenced accuser and also could let prosecutors say if there were other settlements. NBC's "Dateline" has reported that the singer paid \$2 million to the son of an employee at his Neverland Ranch in 1990.

Jackson has said repeatedly that he would never harm a child and that he reached civil settlements in the past only to avoid potential harm to his career.

In an interview with the Rev. Jesse Jackson on Sunday, the pop star said he was the victim of a conspiracy and is just the latest of several "black luminaries" to be unjustly accused, citing former South African President Nelson



Michael Jackson

Mandela and former heavyweight boxing champions Muhammad Ali and Jack Johnson as others.

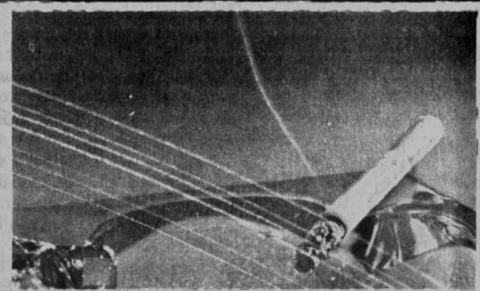
He asked fans for their prayers and to "be patient and be with me and believe in me because I am completely, completely innocent. But please know a lot of conspiracy is going on as we speak."

If earlier abuse allegations are used to show a pattern of behavior, the defense is ready with a counter-argument that the current accuser's family used the 1993 case as a model for a shakedown.

Defense attorneys have already made sure jurors know that both boys had the same attorney, Larry Feldman, and were interviewed by the same psychologist, Dr. Stan Katz.

The 1993 accuser refused to cooperate with a criminal investigation of his claims after he received his financial settlement.

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Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas indirectly criticized the United States in a discussion about whether Jewish settlements should continue to grow on the West Bank

Israeli settlements draw Abbas' ire

BY MARK LAVIE
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JERUSALEM — Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas criticized Israel and, indirectly, the United States over Jewish settlements Sunday, and Israel's Defense minister warned he would send troops into Gaza to seize Palestinian anti-aircraft missiles — the latest threats to efforts to expand a truce into lasting peace.

Incensed over a repeat of U.S. support for Israel retaining main settlement blocs in the West Bank in a peace deal, Abbas, also known as Abu Mazen, did not name the United States, but his target was clear.

"Any talk of settlements that is not a discussion of stopping them is unacceptable," he said. "Here I'm talking about the discussions of annexing settlement blocs. This is unacceptable, because this affects final-status issues."

The Palestinians claim all of the West Bank.

The issue resurfaced over the weekend with a leaked Foreign Ministry document that quoted U.S. Ambassador Dan Kurtzer as saying the United States did not support Israel keeping West Bank settlements. That leak

came against the background of reports that Israel plans to expand the largest one, Maaleh Adumim, next to Jerusalem, by building 3,500 new homes.

Kurtzer angrily denied a newspaper report based on the document, repeating a statement from President Bush that a peace settlement would have to take into account Israel's main settlement blocs.

In April, during a visit by Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, Bush gave the first-ever U.S. endorsement of settlements, writing in a letter, "In light of new realities on the ground, including already existing major Israeli population centers, it is unrealistic to expect that the outcome of final status negotiations will be a full and complete return" of the West Bank.

Kurtzer and Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice repeated the Bush formula, but U.S. officials also criticized the Maaleh Adumim expansion plan, which would fill the last vacant patch around Jerusalem, cutting off the Arab section from the West Bank with Jewish neighborhoods. Palestinians want East Jerusalem as the capital of their independent state.

At a Cabinet meeting Sunday, Sharon admitted that the Bush administration still opposes expanding settlements.

"The United States differentiates between keeping settlement blocs and continuing building in the settlements at this time," he said, according to participants. "They have been opposed to this since 1968."

The settlement issue has been a major sticking point in attempts to implement the U.S.-backed "road map" peace plan, which never got off the ground after Bush introduced it in 2003. But with a six-week truce holding for the most part, there have been hopes that peacemaking can resume, based on the plan.

The initial stage requires Israel to halt all settlement construction and remove dozens of unauthorized outposts from the West Bank, while the Palestinians dismantle violent groups. Neither side has carried out those steps.

Instead of peace moves, however, the truce itself is teetering, with charges by Israeli Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz that Palestinians succeeded in smuggling Strela anti-aircraft missiles into Gaza through tunnels under the Egyptian border.



Hatem Moussa/Associated Press
Palestinian police stand next to university graduates demanding jobs on Sunday in front of the building in which the revolutionary council of Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas' Fatah party is meeting in Gaza City. Abbas is seen in the poster.

If true, the missiles could change the strategic picture, threatening Israeli military helicopters flying over Gaza.

According to participants in the Cabinet meeting, Mofaz said, "Last week several Strelas were smuggled in by Palestinian military intelligence. If the Palestinians [police] don't get hold of the Strelas, we will."

Israel has refrained from

raids into Gaza since Sharon and Abu Mazen declared a truce Feb. 8. Before that, Israeli forces went into Gaza several times a week, looking for militants and destroying tunnels.

Rejecting Mofaz's warnings, Palestinian Information Minister Nabil Shaath charged that Israel was trying to sabotage the truce.

WORLD

Pope unable to speak at Easter

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II delivered an Easter Sunday blessing to tens of thousands of people in St. Peter's Square, but the ailing pontiff was unable to speak and managed only to greet the saddened crowd with a sign of the cross, bringing tears to many.

Aides had readied a microphone, and the pope tried to utter a few words from his studio window overlooking the square. But after making a few sounds, he just blessed the crowd with his hand, and the microphone was taken away.

Vatican watchers had been anxiously awaiting John Paul's appearance for signs of how the 84-year-old pontiff was faring after Feb. 24 surgery to insert a tube in his throat to help him breathe. After the dramatic appearance, many in the crowd cried or applauded in sad appreciation for John Paul's pained efforts to greet them on the holiest day of the church calendar.

John Paul last spoke to the public March 13, shortly before he was discharged from the hospital.

"Look, it's Easter, and everybody is so sad, and so many have tears in their eyes," said Hubert Wichert, from the German town of Essen, who was in the square.

A physician from Nice, France, Milou Drici, said he and others were saddened by what they saw — but also heartened.

"As a doctor, I felt for him. It is an ordeal for him, and you could see his frustration," he said. But he added: "You have to admire his strength and fortitude. The faith of the people, as you saw today, helps him overcome his difficulties."

For the first time since John Paul's papacy began in 1978, Easter Sunday Mass at the Vatican was celebrated without him, as he continued his convalescence following two recent hospitalizations for breathing crises. John Paul also suffers from Parkinson's disease, which makes it difficult for him to speak, and knee and hip ailments.

Iraqi video purports to show murder

BY MARIAM FAM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD — Al Qaeda in Iraq released a video Sunday claiming to show the murder of an Interior Ministry official, while debate raged about religion's place in Iraq's much-anticipated new government, as lawmakers were summoned to their second session.

As frustration grows over the slow progress in forming a new government two months after historic elections, guards fired on government workers demanding their wages in Baghdad, injuring three people.

Supporters of interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi criticized the involvement of the religious authority in politics, while Abdel-Aziz al-Hakim, the leader of the Shiite-led United Iraqi Alliance, defended the role of the clergy.

"As long as we're alive and as long as Iraq and the believers are there, we will continue to work according to the directions and the advice of the religious authority," al-Hakim told the U.S.-funded Alhurra TV station, according to a transcript provided by his office.

"The religious authority does not want to intervene in the details. It just gives direction when it thinks it will be beneficial," he added.

Secular-minded politicians have expressed concern about the influence of religion in the National Assembly in which the Shiite-led United Iraqi Alliance holds 140 of the 275 seats.

In a letter to the alliance, politicians who ran under an Allawi coalition warned that allowing religion to play a greater role in Iraq's government could "lead to

instability in the relations between political forces in the Iraqi arena."

Shiite leaders repeatedly have denied they are seeking an Islamic state like that of neighboring Iran, saying they plan to include Kurdish and Sunni Arabs in the government.

Shiites make up approximately 60 percent of Iraq's 26 million people, while Sunni Arabs account for around 20 percent. Kurds, who are Sunni Muslims but mostly secular, are 15 percent to 20 percent of the population.

The top U.N. envoy in Iraq, Ashraf Qazi, said Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani told him during a meeting Sunday in Najaf that the Shiite spiritual leader did not intend to involve himself in any political process, except for expressing his opinion during crises. The alliance came together under al-Sistani's guidance.

The National Assembly was expected to hold its second session on Tuesday to choose a Parliament speaker and two deputies, but it was not known if they would name the country's new president, expected to be Kurdish leader Jalal Talabani. The president will be responsible for nominating a prime minister, expected to be the alliance's Ibrahim al-Jaafari.

The first session, on March 16, was to swear in the Parliament. But officials have pushed back their second session amid negotiations over Cabinet posts.

In a meeting Sunday, Alliance members named former nuclear scientist Hussain al-Shahrastani as their candidate to be a deputy to the Parliament speaker, negotiator Ali al-Dabagh said, adding they were to choose a candidate for the president's deputy position on Monday.

Al-Hakim acknowledged the lack of progress was creating frustration, saying: "We are not comfortable with this delay, and we are sorry about it."

But he said the process was not easy because of the desire to "have everyone participate and to have a national unity government."

In an interview with CNN's "Late Edition," Army Gen. John Abizaid, the commander of U.S. Central Command, said progress had been made, but it was slow. "The more uncertainty, the greater chance for escalated violence," he said.

Attacks persisted Sunday, with gunmen killing a local official from SCIRI, a Shiite group, and two of his relatives. Police discovered their bodies Sunday in an abandoned car north of Baqouba, 35 miles northeast of Baghdad.

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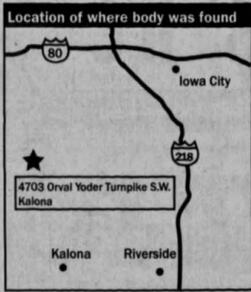
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A caller notified police of the vehicle's whereabouts after recognizing its description in an Amber Alert notifying the public about the abduction.

Pulkrabek said the investigation was bogged down by the amount of debris and abandoned items inside the mobile home.

Bentley knew the girl and her mother, Trena Gage, prior to the incident, police said. They met through his brother, James Howard Bentley, 33, who is in jail pending sexual-abuse charges involving Jetseta.

Roger Bentley was at the Gage house Thursday night, replacing the transmission on the Gages' minivan. Jetseta's



Location of where body was found. Source: DI Research JS/DI

Division of Criminal Investigation.

Roger Bentley was held in Linn County on the charge of child stealing. Kidnapping charges, which would necessitate an "intent to inflict serious injury upon such person, or to subject the person to sexual abuse," have not yet been filed.

If charged with and convicted of murder, Roger Bentley could face life in prison without parole.

He served two years of a five-year sentence for a 1994 conviction of lascivious acts with a female child, according to the Iowa Sex Offender Registry.

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Measure could help Pell Grants

LOANS

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"We waste billions of dollars in corporate welfare every year on student loans, and we can not afford it any longer," said bill sponsor Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said.

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But skeptics from the lending agencies call the savings estimates overblown.

Kevin Bruns, the executive director for American Student Loan Providers, a company that represents more than 80 student-lending firms such as Sallie Mae, said the savings estimates do not account for hidden administrative costs.

"The legislation's projected savings is a mirage," he said.

"It does not reflect reality, and, if experience from the last

10 years is any guide, the promised savings will vanish."

Bruns pointed to a recent PricewaterhouseCoopers study that demonstrated the budget scorekeeping rules seriously understate the true costs of the program. Sponsors refuted that assertion however, pointing to confirmed calculations by both the Congressional Budget Office and the president's Office of Management.

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Local plane crash claims two lives

PLANE

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Terry Kruse, a mission pilot with the Civil Air Patrol, arrived at the crash site approximately an hour after the incident to turn off the plane's emergency air loca-

tor, which helps search crews locate planes in emergency situations.

The plane, seen from a distance, appeared mostly intact, with the top set of wings buckled over the plane's fuselage.

"The wings were torn loose and out of shape," Kruse said,

adding that stunt pilots are generally highly skilled.

"The hood of the engine came off and was laying in the field."

The Federal Aviation Administration will arrive on the scene today to initiate an investigation.

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POLITICAL TURMOIL

Bomb blast rocks Beirut

BY SAM F. GHATTAS

ASSOCIATED PRESS

BEIRUT, Lebanon — A bomb blast set off huge fires in a mainly Christian suburb of Beirut on March 26, injuring five people in the third such attack in eight days. Opposition leaders blamed Syria, saying Damascus hoped to sow fear as it withdraws troops from Lebanon.

The latest attack, targeting an industrial area in Beirut's northeastern Bouchrieh area, raised tensions another notch in Lebanon, which has been gripped by political turmoil over Syria's presence since the Feb. 14 assassination of former Premier Rafiq Hariri.

A 55-pound bomb was placed between a car and a furniture factory, said Lebanon's police chief, Maj. Gen. Sarkis Tadros, citing an explosives expert. The blast destroyed nearby cars, shattered windows, and left a crater that was 3 feet deep and 10 feet wide.

A Lebanese woman and two Indian workers were injured, as were two civil-defense workers working on extinguishing the fire that engulfed at least six buildings, security officials said.

"They must love us — we got it twice in a week," Bouchrieh Mayor Antoine Gebara told Lebanese Broadcasting Corp. He was referring to the March 19 explosion in the nearby predominantly Christian neighborhood of Jdeideh that injured nine people. Five days later, another bomb blast killed three people near the port city of Jounieh, Lebanon's Christian heartland.

Witnesses said the blast on the eve of the Easter holiday occurred three hours before Catholics were to head to a midnight Mass.

The motive behind the latest

'They must love us — we got it twice in a week.'

— Bouchrieh Mayor Antoine Gebara

attacks wasn't clear, but Lebanese opposition leaders have blamed Syrian security agents and pro-Damascus Lebanese authorities for trying to show a need for Syria's military presence in Lebanon in the midst of a Syrian troop withdrawal.

Each attack has targeted Christian, anti-Syrian strongholds, raising fears of the return of the sectarian violence that plagued Lebanon during the 1975-90 civil war.

"They [Syrians] think they can destroy Lebanese national unity this way. But the Lebanese will remain steadfast till infinity," exiled Christian opposition leader Michel Aoun told Al Arabiya TV.

Aoun said the situation calls for "changing the security organizations related to Syria. This can't be delayed."

The death of Hariri, who opposed Syria's presence, sparked massive demonstrations in Lebanon that disrupted the government and helped force Damascus to pull back its 14,000 troops to eastern Lebanon under international pressure. Many Lebanese accuse the governments in Beirut and Damascus of being behind the slaying, a claim both vehemently deny.

Approximately 1,000 of the 10,000 Syrian soldiers remaining in eastern Lebanon's Bekaa Valley had started heading home in recent days, a Lebanese military official said on March 26. The redeploy-

ments follow the return to Syria of 4,000 soldiers in the first phase of the troop withdrawal that was completed March 17.

Lebanon's pro-Syrian Defense minister, Abdul-Rahim Murad, warned that the Lebanese army may not be able to handle security if Syrian forces leave the eastern Bekaa Valley, a strategically important region for Syria's own security, particularly in facing rival Israel.

The Bekaa, which covers 45 percent of Lebanese territory, "needs a lot of military forces," Murad told reporters on March 25, hinting that Syrian troops may still be needed in Lebanon.

Murad, who hails from the Bekaa, said the U.S. ambassador asked Lebanon's army commander recently about Lebanese army readiness to replace Syrian forces in eastern Lebanon.

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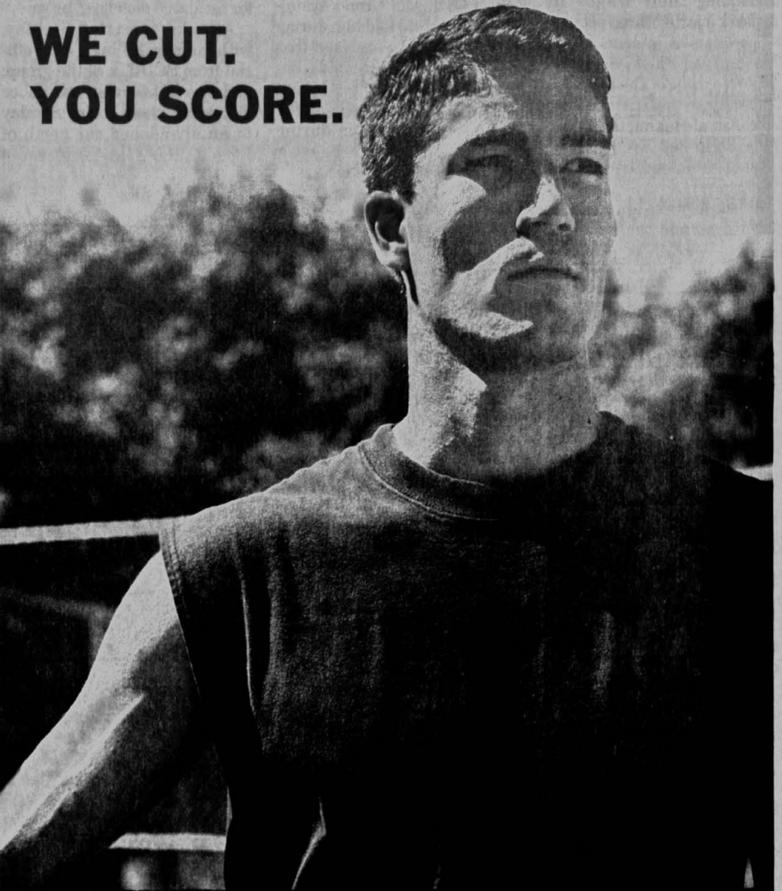
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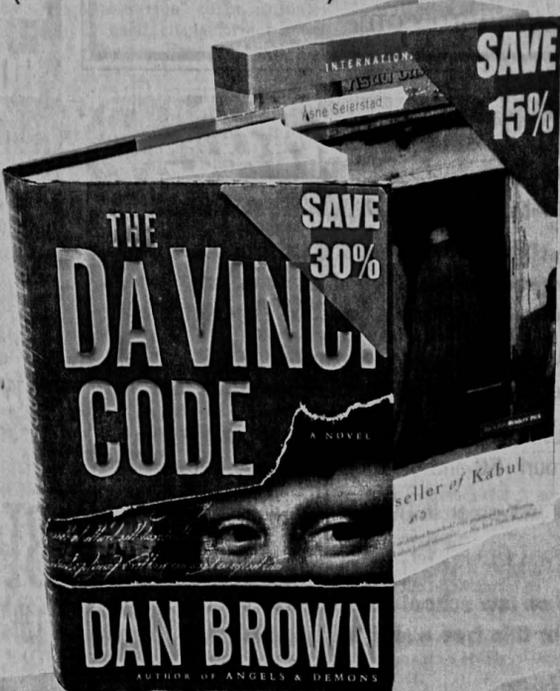
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Jeff Halper, the director of the Israeli Coalition for House Demolitions, said statistics show approximately 70 percent of the Israeli population want to end the occupation. "If most Israelis could have their wish, they wish that Bush would wish that Sharon it's over," he said. The Israeli military presence in the West Bank and Gaza is a mess, he said. "I don't care about the land of Israel. They can't do it with this occupation."

He added, however, that the majority of the Israeli military remains unconcerned about the Palestinian situation. Many Israelis realize they are living on occupied Palestinian territory in East Jerusalem and the West Bank.

The Israeli government recently confirmed a week ago to add 3,500 new housing units in Maaleh Adumim, the West Bank's largest settlement.

While settlements are temporary, Maaleh Adumim resembles a small South California city complete with rentals, restaurants, and mini-malls. The population of 30,000 is expected to double within the next few years. An old, poor, agricultural Palestinian village along a nearby hilltop — the position of the old and new communities.

Perhaps the most controversial aspect of the settlement is the way it cuts the West Bank into north and south. Sharon's expansion plan includes new housing in the last corridor of open land leading into East Jerusalem. The addition will block Palestinians from East Jerusalem, Halper said, ending the city of creating a viable Palestinian state.

Sharon, the father of the settlement movement, said the plan includes a withdrawal from 21 settlements in the Gaza Strip and from smaller settlements in the West Bank — an exchange he said is able to keep his main settlement around Jerusalem and — during peace negotiations.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Civic engagement the key to a better university and community

Readers who have glanced at this page during the last few weeks may have caught some passing reference to the question of how to involve UI students more deeply with the greater Iowa City community. The issue has been on the minds of many of our leaders lately, with university, UI Student Government, and city officials asking how best to reach the more than 28,000 students enrolled here. We have some ideas.

For the faculty's part, UI President David Skorton has declared that July 2005 will begin the "Year of Civic Engagement," a theme that featured prominently in the latest UISG campaigns and could be heard in arguments to put a nonvoting student liaison on the Iowa City City Council. This step is especially encouraging because the civic-engagement year hasn't started yet, but we shouldn't wait for a date on the calendar before setting out to improve our community.

The next high-profile opportunity for students to become more involved is in the City Council elections on Nov. 8 — and while it may be several months away, the historically low number of voters aged 18-24 (only 668 turned out for the last city elections in 2003) suggests that it's never too soon to get started.

We trust that incoming UISG leaders Mark Kresowik and Lauren McCarthy understand the importance of engaging students and that they will work toward that goal throughout their term. The work of the outgoing team led by Lindsay Schutte and Jason Shore has given a good starting point with the City Council's March 15 approval of the student-liaison position. We are pleased with

the results of the council's vote and encouraged that Kresowik appears to understand that councilors will be watching carefully to see what students do with the position they have been given.

So will we. In an editorial on March 15, we mentioned the importance of finding the right person to serve as liaison beginning this May, and one concern we have regards how that person will come into the job. UISG's plan at the moment is to select the liaison and alternate through a nine-person committee — confirmed by the UI Student Assembly — whose members need not even be elected officials. Absent in this process is any direct involvement for students in general, though strengthening ties between the city and students at-large ought to be the whole point of the position.

We recognize that more democratic alternatives (such as special elections, which generally produce very low turnout) pose logistical problems, especially for the first liaison. But they should nonetheless be seriously explored: The liaison was not presented to us or the City Council just as a device to give extra clout to UISG but as one to give students a louder voice. And the more closely students are connected to their liaison, the stronger that voice will be.

Civic engagement is not a cause that should be limited to a one-year term, but coincidentally or not, students in 2005 will have a tremendous opportunity to make themselves heard and affect the Iowa City community. We hope that our leaders work to provide and encourage every possible avenue for that to happen.

GUEST OPINION

Setting the record straight on animal research

In her March 23 *Daily Iowan* guest opinion, Leana Stormont expresses her disappointment that no UI representative has been willing to debate her or others who oppose animal research. Her insistence on debate rather than inquiry is emblematic of the intellectual failure of those who oppose animal research.

Debates are highly stylized performances aimed at scoring "points" for one side or the other of a contentious issue. Debates are not forums for communicating information or achieving understanding. Skilled debaters can "demonstrate" that the Earth is flat by suppressing factual evidence to the contrary.

The UI is dedicated to education, inquiry, and discovery free from demagoguery and intimidation. University administrators, including President David Skorton and Provost Michael Hogan, have attempted to educate and inform the university community about the realities of animal research. Stormont single-mindedly refuses to acknowledge the information readily

available to her and anyone else with questions about animal research at this university and other centers of research.

There are important facts to keep in mind about animals in research:

- Animal-research projects are undertaken only when the project has a clear and valuable scientific purpose. The necessary funding for these projects comes through a process of intensive peer review and evaluation by panels of expert scholars.
- Most laboratory animals are bred specifically for the purpose of animal research. They are not — nor were they ever intended to be — pets.
- Laboratory animals are extraordinarily well-treated. They must be under research-funding guidelines and in the interests of good research. Animals suffering or in pain do not make good animal models for



LINDA MAXSON
dean, UI College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

research. Stormont's image of laboratory animals who "suffer from horrendous confinement and unrelenting deprivation" is a figment of her own exaggerated imagination.

- Animal researchers are required, legally and ethically, to consider the use of alternatives to animal subjects. Because animal laboratories are expensive and labor-intensive, alternative methods are used where possible.
- Animal research is open to scrutiny by representatives of the community who serve alongside scientists on the university's Animal Care and Use Committee.
- In preparing research protocols for review by the committee, researchers must not only consider the scientific rationale for their experiments and the animal care necessary during the experiment, they must also identify any sources of pain and suf-

fering and outline approaches for alleviating these.

- All treatments intended for humans must be tested first on appropriate animals. Stormont's claim that one need not test dental cement on dogs demonstrates how little she has informed herself about the practices she opposes.
- Stormont dismisses the "supposed contributions to medical progress" made possible by animal research. Her implicit denial that such contributions exist is further demonstration that she does not wish to be informed on this question.

Concerns for animal welfare are legitimate and are taken seriously by the scientific community, as the many protocols and regulations concerning use of research animals testify. Those who wage an illegal and unethical campaign of intimidation and destruction do not advance the cause of animal safety or human welfare. On the contrary, they marginalize concerned individuals and trivialize the issues surrounding our relation to animals.

LETTERS

The natural choice for UISG

I am a junior and a biology major at the UI. I know what it means to represent students. I have six years of experience through high-school politics and college lobbying. Listening and seeking input is a refined characteristic that a good representative must attain.

With that said, there are some very important issues that face our natural-science majors in this upcoming term that I am eager to address. Working with UISG President-elect Mark Kresowik on these issues — including the 21-ordinance, skyrocketing student fees, student voice in the Kinnick Stadium renovations, and City Council representation — is of paramount importance. I want to be a commonsense voice for the natural-science majors in UISG.

Many of you don't know who your student representative is. That needs to change. I am committed to accessibility and constituent participation.

Your opinion is the one that matters to me, and I want to serve you the best I can. With your support, natural-science majors will know who their representative is. I humbly ask for you to vote for Zach

Johnson, the Natural Choice for Natural Sciences. Log onto ISIS today, and let your voice be heard.

Zach Johnson
University Collegiate Senate candidate

Denied a tradition of faith

Terri Schiavo was left dying on Easter weekend, the most sacred time in the Christian faith. Schiavo is Catholic.

I understand that what I am about to say may be ridiculed or misunderstood by some people, but I don't care. Catholics believe that the Eucharist is the literal Body and Blood of God himself.

It is the most sacred tradition in our religion and in the world. It is of the utmost importance that a dying Catholic be able to receive this sacrament as part of the last rites.

Michael Schiavo has always maintained that he has had Terri Schiavo's wishes in mind. Yet for some strange reason, he wouldn't let her receive this viaticum (final Eucharist), as of the night of March 26.

I assume that even if she did want to die this way, she would have at least wanted this last Blessed Sacrament. Her parents and siblings also see this rite as very



significant. To deny her this is to deny her nothing less than God. This action seriously calls into question Michael Schiavo's intentions.
Philip Kopp
UI student

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ON THE SPOT

Was the Easter Bunny good to you this year?



"He was very good to me. Lots of candy."

Amy Michael
UI senior



"No, I went to the library for Easter."

Jeff Daker
UI junior



"I don't celebrate Easter."

Daniel Nunez
UI graduate student



"No, I didn't get anything for Easter."

Becca Pierson
UI sophomore

Candidly conservative

TWO YEARS AGO, I came out of the closet as a conservative to draw closer to ideas that should resonate with right- and left-wingers alike: 1) Groupthink is anti-intellectual. 2) Judging others by the color of their skin denies them their individuality. 3) True courage means testing one's beliefs against an objective reality. Because my reasons for calling myself conservative resembled my justifications for calling myself liberal in the past, I didn't expect changing something as minor as my political alignment to deeply affect my personal life. Oops.

On the positive side, conservatism has given me piece of mind. This has been bad for my art (as my best writing has always been driven by discontent) but good for my heart. There's a reason every happiness survey shows that Republicans are more content than Democrats.



ANTHONY HARRIS

When I was liberal, political apathy offended me. Like Ward Churchill, I told myself that those who ignored politics contributed to society's problems. To me, complete strangers who didn't spend their free moments fighting my battles truly were little Eichmanns. After my conversion, I stopped taking myself so seriously.

One of Russell Kirk's six canons of conservative thought is "affection for the proliferating variety and mystery of human existence, as opposed to the narrowing uniformity, egalitarianism, and utilitarian aims of most radical systems." An important implication of this is that while many people will feel offended by my politics, and others will go as far as consciously undermine my goals, it's perfectly OK. Political disagreement, even if it's irrational, is part of the natural order of things. It's only dangerous when it manifests itself intrusively, such as through terrorism.

Negatively, my political right turn has accelerated the dissolution of more than one of my friendships. Also, as conservatism has become my most outstanding feature, even my current friends often have trouble picturing me as anything other than a political being. It's not unusual for me to be greeted with: "Hey, it's liberal-hating Tony."

Anyone who suspects he or she may be explicitly conservative better learn to like debating. Upon learning my political convictions, many of my liberal acquaintances immediately respond, "I hate George W. Bush" and follow that by listing all the things they dislike about Republicans, which is sort of like beginning a date by telling a woman she's fat. After arguing the same handful of issues with every liberal I meet ("What about Florida in 2000?" or "What about bin Laden's family being flown out of the country?") I understand why Bill O'Reilly consistently interrupts his unimaginative guests.

Because I don't feel ashamed about my conservatism, liberals often tell me I make conservatives look bad, which is similar to Ike Turner telling Tina Turner she's been a bad wife after all his abuse has failed to keep her depressed. Liberals like conservatives directly in proportion to how meek conservatives are. In volatile Liberalville, every time Ann Coulter says something funny, she might as well be flashing rival gang symbols.

One of the strangest things I've been told is that I can't possibly think and feel what I honestly think and feel (observant feminists have recognized the same behavior directed toward them). After graduate students' red herrings and straw-man arguments, the most common response to my columns is, "He can't be serious." Well, unless I'm making an obvious joke (i.e., "How many liberals does it take to starve a defenseless woman to death?"), I am serious. I wholeheartedly believe it's impossible to be faithful to both liberalism and Christianity at once. I do believe women's studies programs are frivolous. I know that undereducated people (as well as the overeducated) predominantly vote Democratic. Even though liberal understanding ends where conservative punditry begins, I proudly stand by what I write.

None of this is tragic. Being a conservative loudmouth in America isn't like being Jewish in the United Nations. All it means is that those who've never been compelled to seriously examine real, live conservatism think I'm reactionary, misogynistic, racist, callous, greedy, rich, ahistorical, dogmatic, and against scientific method. When I was liberal, that would have kept me from sleeping at night. Now, it just makes it easier to ignore the joyless politics of bad faith.

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The depths of desperation gone insane

The fragile mental states of both movies' main characters are dramatized in **THE MACHINIST** and **THE ASSASSINATION OF RICHARD NIXON**. Both films focus on the destruction of human beings because of desperation and paranoia.



Publicity Photo

In *The Machinist* Trevor Reznik (Christian Bale) is a sleep-deprived factory worker who, after an accident, suffers "a paranoia-induced mental collapse that leads to murder."



FILM REVIEW
by David Frank



Publicity Photo

Based on a true story, *The Assassination of Richard Nixon*, starring Sean Penn as Samuel Bicke, portrays a self-destructive American plagued by America's capitalistic society.



The Machinist

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The Assassination of Richard Nixon

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Tuesday at 9 p.m.

Where:
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ANTHONY HARRIS

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The Bijou descends into madness this week as it opens two critically acclaimed films from last year, *The Machinist* and *The Assassination of Richard Nixon*, both of which focus on the fragile mental states of their main characters.

Resembling a skin condom stretched over a human skeleton, Christian Bale (*American Psycho* and the upcoming *Batman Begins*) morphed his normally buff physique in to a cadaverous scollarding of jutting ribs, vertebrae, and collarbones to depict *The Machinist*'s Trevor Reznik, an insomniac whittled down to a mental and physical nub. And beyond the visceral impact of Bale's fat and muscle sacrifice, his is a powerhouse performance that nimbly teeters between madness and threadbare lucidity.

Oh, and the film supporting Bale's portrayal is pretty good too. Sleep has eluded Reznik for more than a year. He spends his days slaving away in a factory full of angular machines with rigid

gears that could chew the flesh off a rhino in seconds — not the ideal work environment for the sleep-deprived. His nightly routine consists of scrubbing the bathroom floor with bleach and toothbrush, visiting his favorite prostitute, and dropping by an airport café for coffee and pie.

After Reznik accidentally powers-up a machine that teaches a harsh lesson in occupational hazards to a coworker, a series of events lead him into a paranoia-induced mental collapse that leads to murder — or maybe there's no murder at all. I know I'm being vague, but to give away anymore would be a sin.

Overall though, *The Machinist* is a psychological thriller about a man ripped apart by the pangs of his conscience and unknowingly placed on the path of self-discovery and salvation.

Yet, redemption hardly seems possible in the *The Machinist*'s stark world. Ominous, otherworldly clouds hover on the horizon, and shady characters with

mutilated limbs dot the film's grimy landscape. With the help of this gloomy atmosphere and some tightly wound editing, director Brad Anderson steeps every scene in impending doom (similar to M. Night Shyamalan's best work), and creates a film of nerve scorching tension.

A sense of inevitable destruction also circles the outskirts of *The Assassination of Richard Nixon*. The film, inspired by a true story from the '70s, stars Sean Penn as Samuel Bicke, an insecure fellow who once bought into the American dream but came to realize it was a crock. Bicke's wife has left him, and he's working as a furniture salesman despite loathing the artificial nature of the sales world.

As the story progresses, Bicke begins blaming his personal problems on America's capitalistic society in which the greedy and power hungry "salesmen" — personified by Nixon — squash the little guy with their

expensive boots. While Bicke's sanity ebbs away with more and more raving outbursts against the system and The Man, he burns every bridge between family, friends, and his employer. And with nothing left in his life but a television set showcasing Nixon's toothy grin on the nightly news, he hatches a plot to slam a plane into the White House.

The Assassination of Richard Nixon contains a deft turn by Penn, who burrows in to the nervous, unhinged personality of Bicke and brings out empathy for a man who is clearly self-destructive. However, unlike *The Machinist*, the film's quality doesn't rise to the level of Penn's performance — dry writing and directing hollow out much of the potential emotional impact. Even the graphic violence that breaks out during the film's climax feels like a pulled punch.

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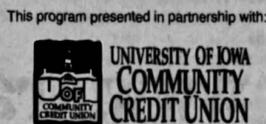


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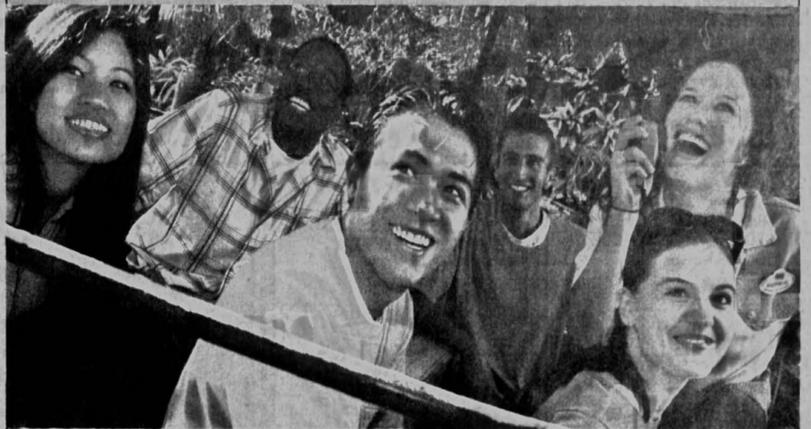
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• **Blood and Bone Marrow Drive,** 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Pharmacy Building Banker Student Activity Center.

• **War and Journalism discussion,** Peter Davis, 11:30 a.m., 302 Schaeffer Hall.

• **International Mondays Lecture Series, "Cross-Cultural Body Language,"** Venugopal Reddiar, noon, International Center Lounge.

• **Nuclear and Particle Physics Seminar, "Tau Neutrino Propaganda and Energy Loss,"** Yiwen Huang, 1:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen Hall.

• **Plasma Physics Seminar, "Plasma Needle: An Atmospheric Plasma Jet for**

Dentistry," John Goree and Bin Liu, 1:30 p.m., 309 Van Allen.

• **"Hearts and Minds,"** Peter Davis, 2:30, Van Allen Lecture Room 2.

• **Colloquium, "Can Superstring/M-theory Be Seen in the Heavens?,"** S. James Gates Jr., University of Maryland, 3:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen.

• **Film Screening, Hearts and Minds,**

Peter Davis, 7 p.m., Adler Journalism Building Rotunda.

• **Distinguished Public Lecture Series, "Why Einstein Would Love Spaghetti in Fundamental Physics,"** S. James Gates Jr., 7:30 p.m., W10 Pappajohn Business Building.

quote of the day

"The Bush era has been good for anarchist consumerism."

— Joey Cain of San Francisco, a longtime supporter of leftist causes, at the Bay Area Anarchist Bookfair on March 26. The event is one of the largest of its kind in North America.

horoscopes

Monday, March 28, 2005
— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A chance to do something great is present. Use your powers of persuasion and your ability to get things done, and you will excel. This is the ideal time to pick up information that will help you make your next important decision.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Getting together socially with friends or colleagues will be worthwhile. Youngsters in your life will give you a different perspective. Get busy turning any wrong into a right.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You may not be all that happy about something going on at work, but if you stick to what you know, you will overcome any pitfall that confronts you. Your versatility and adaptability will enable you to far exceed anything that stands in your way.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will be in a sociable mood, but not everyone around you will share your enthusiasm. Focus on doing something nice for someone you care about. Actions will definitely be the route to take.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your heart is in the right place, and your ability to grasp what is going on and act quickly to make matters better will pay off. Don't trust anyone who tries to play with your emotions. Your personal life may suffer if you are gullible.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Talk to someone you respect about an idea you have. You need more input before you decide to spend your money. A change in your professional direction may not turn out to be what you expect. Think before you act.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Money can be made in an unusual way, but if you take a risk or gamble, you are likely to experience loss. A short trip to meet with someone who is interested in doing business should pay off. Poor information will be given unintentionally.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You will feel emotional and a little uncertain today. Busy yourself with things that you can do by yourself. The less you have to rely on others, the better. You can take a creative project you are working on to the next stage.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Take a look at your personal papers, and make any overdue changes quickly. You may find yourself in an uncompromising position if you have neglected family responsibilities. Entertaining the people who mean the most to you will pay off.

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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You are changeable, so don't go locking yourself into any set direction. This is not the time to make promises but rather to find out what you want to do with the rest of your life.

news you need to know

April 4 — Last day for undergraduates to drop individual semester-length courses, 4:30 p.m.

April 5 — First day for students to request a change in final-exam schedule

April 7 — First deposit of thesis due at Graduate College

April 12 — Last day for graduate students to drop individual semester-length courses or withdraw entire registration, 4:30 p.m.

April 18 — Last day for undergraduates to withdraw entire registration, 4:30 p.m.

April 18 — Summer and fall early registration (April 18-29)

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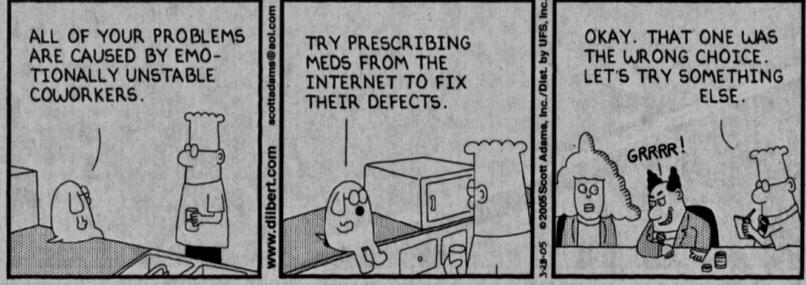
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4 This Week @ NASA
5 The Interdisciplinary Approach to Curing Blindness
6 College of Public Health presents Prions: A Public Health Threat?
7 "Live from Prairie Lights," Curtis Sittenfeld

8 Is there a Tragedy of the Anticommons in Biomedical Research?
9:15 Obesity: The Way We Eat Now
10 "Live from Prairie Lights," Curtis Sittenfeld
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3 What TV drama staked out the moral high ground in Rome, Wis.?

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• They have more coke, and they have more guns, and they aren't afraid to use them both.

• They, too, now have hip-hop artists.

• They can control their drinking habits.

• They don't agree with us.

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Michigan State 76, Vanderbilt Rutgers 64, Ohio State 58
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— by Bryan Ba

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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

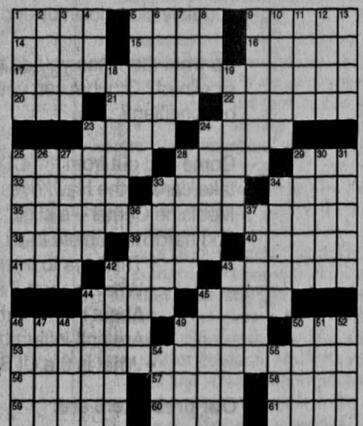
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Ely already told her parents they can dole out tickets only to fans who have been to a Tennessee game this year — not a bandwagon jumper. Those on the fence might want to rush to Philly.

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IOWA (27-5) SWEEPS HAWKEYE CLASSIC

WEDNESDAY VS. NORTHERN IOWA IN CEDAR FALLS, 3 P.M.



Iowa's Emily Nichols swings and connects during Sunday's Hawkeye Classic game against Ball State, which the Hawks won, 10-0. The freshman catcher/infielder entered Iowa's record books during the March 26 game against Ball State when she hit her 11th home run of the season.

Melanie Patterson/The Daily Iowan

HOME-RUN HAWKEYES

It's still early for Iowa softball, but freshman EMILY NICHOLS has already broken the school record for home runs in a single season

BY NICK RICHARDS
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa softball team completed a sweep of the Hawkeye Classic over the weekend, breaking records as it went. With the four wins on the weekend over Ball State, North Dakota State, and South Dakota State, the Hawkeyes improved to 27-5 on the year heading into their game with Northern Iowa on Wednesday.

"I think we were pretty excited to be home. I think that was pretty apparent," Hawkeye pitcher Lisa Birocci said. "I think we did a good job of staying consistent with our approach. It's just great to be playing in front of our fans again."

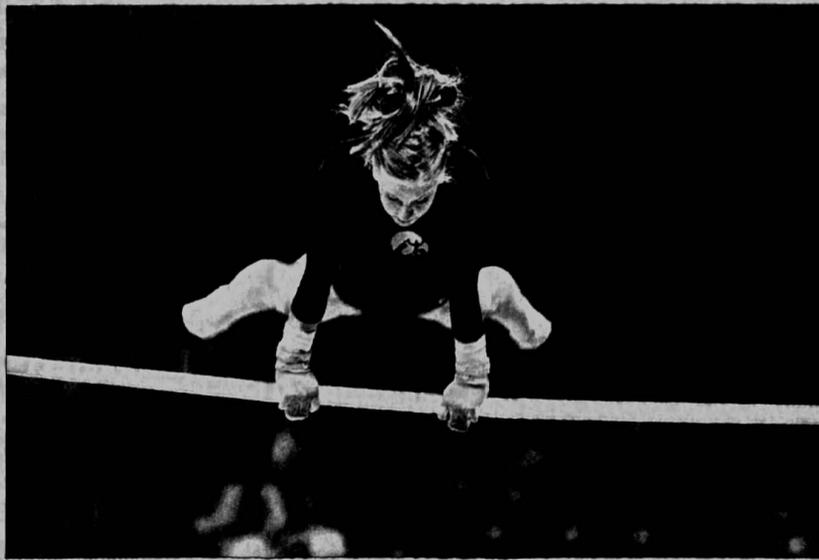
Freshman Emily Nichols, who had already tied the school record for home runs in a single season with 10 heading into the weekend, hit two more in the March 26 wins

over Ball State and South Dakota State. Birocci struck out 24 batters in her two starts, upping her season total to 136, which moved her ahead of Terri McFarland into third place on the all-time strikeout list with 794.

"It feels good. It's a little unbelievable, but it feels good," Nichols said. "If I like it, I'll swing at it."

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BIG TEN WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS — IOWA 193.00



Melanie Patterson/The Daily Iowan

GymHawk Beth Dillick balances while performing her routine on the uneven bars during the Big Ten championships on March 26. The Hawks placed sixth in the competition.

Gymhawks finish in sixth

BY KRISTI POOLER
THE DAILY IOWAN

It wasn't an ideal ending, but it was fitting.

For the Iowa women's gymnastics team, a sixth-place finish was not the outcome that the GymHawks had hoped for when

they hosted the Big Ten championships on March 26 at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, but it wasn't unrealistic.

As the end of a season characterized by injuries, lineup changes, and inconsistent performances, finishing just above last in the conference meet

wasn't all that unbelievable for the Hawkeyes. With the chance to perform in front of a home crowd and potentially turn around a disappointing and frustrating season, the GymHawks were unable to capitalize.

SEE GYMNASTICS, PAGE 3B

IOWA (23-9) VS. SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE (23-8)

TODAY VS. SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE, SPRINGFIELD, MO., 7:05 P.M.

Women's B-Ball team continues down NIT path

'Our team's getting better every game, and we're not plateauing like a lot of teams tend to do.'

— JAMIE CAVEY

BY RYAN LONG
THE DAILY IOWAN

Three down and two more to go.

This is the path that the Iowa women's basketball team has taken in the women's National Invitation Tournament. The Hawkeyes hope to continue the journey tonight at Southwest Missouri State at 7:05 in a semifinal matchup.

Iowa (23-9) is coming off a 66-52 victory over Arkansas State on March 24 in Cedar Rapids, while the Lady Bears (23-8) defeated Texas A&M, 62-60, at home on the same day.

"Our zone defense was probably the best that we've played all year," Iowa coach Lisa Bluder said. "That was definitely a key to our win, and it gives us confidence at the same time to go play at Southwest Missouri State. They're the best 3-point shooting team in the country, so I don't know how much zone we're going to

be able to play against them."

The Missouri Valley Conference regular-season champions will come into this evening's game averaging a nation's best nine 3-point field goals per game on a nation's best 3-point shooting percentage of 43. The Lady Bears feature three players averaging points in double-digits: senior forward Jenni Lingor (19.6), junior guard Kari Koch (14.9), and senior forward Nicole Lehman (10.7). Lingor is the Missouri Valley Player of the Year, and Koch was first team all-conference during the regular season.

In addition to Southwest Missouri's impressive group of scorers, the Lady Bears also post a 14-2 record at home and have averaged just under 7,000 fans a contest. Their only home losses were to top-ranked Louisiana State, 66-54, and Bradley, 72-69.

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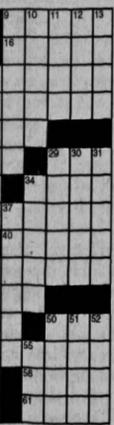
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CHICAGO REGIONAL Semifinals
 Thursday, March 24
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 Rosemont, Ill.
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 Arizona 79, Oklahoma State 78
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 Friday, March 25
 At The Frank Erwin Center
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 Michigan State 78, Duke 68
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Championship
 Sunday, March 27
 At The Frank Erwin Center
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 Thursday, March 24
 At The Pit
 Albuquerque, N.M.
 Louisville 93, Washington 79
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Championship
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 Louisville 93, West Virginia 85, OT

National Semifinals
 Saturday, April 2
 Illinois (36-1) vs. Louisville (33-4), 5:07 p.m.
 North Carolina (31-4) vs. Michigan State (26-6), 7:47 p.m.

Championship
 Monday, April 4
 Illinois-Louisville winner vs. North Carolina-Michigan State winner, 8:21 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
 By The Associated Press
AMERICAN LEAGUE
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UI SPORTS SCHEDULE

TODAY
 • Women's basketball (NIT) at Southwest Missouri State, 7:05 p.m. (Mediacom)

WEDNESDAY
 • Softball at Northern Iowa, 3 p.m.
 • Baseball at Illinois State, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY
 • Men's tennis hosts Michigan State, City Park, 1:30 p.m.
 • Softball at Michigan, 3 p.m.
 • Baseball hosts Michigan State, Banks Field, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY
 • Women's tennis at Michigan, 11 a.m.
 • Softball at Michigan, noon
 • Baseball hosts Michigan State at

Banks Field, 2 and 5 p.m.
 • Men's track at Cal State Northridge Open, TBA
 • Rowing hosts Minnesota, Iowa River, TBA
 • Women's golf at Indiana Invitational, Bloomington, Ind., TBA

APRIL 3
 • Men's tennis hosts Michigan, 10 a.m.
 • Women's tennis at Michigan State, 10 a.m.
 • Softball at Northwestern, noon and TBA
 • Baseball hosts Michigan State at Banks Field, 1 p.m.
 • Women's golf at Indiana Invitational, TBA

IOWA SPORTS

Men's tennis loses to Ohio State

The Iowa men's tennis team was unable to stay with the 34th-ranked Ohio State squad, falling, 7-0, in Columbus.

The Hawkeyes (9-5, 1-2 Big Ten) fell behind early when they were ousted in the doubles matches.

"We just got outplayed by a very good team," said Hawk coach Steve Houghton. "They are clearly one of the two or three best [teams] in the Big Ten."

Iowa's Chaitu Malempati and Bart van Monsjou kept their doubles match close before stumbling (8-6). Malempati was also a tough knockout in singles, as he gave 46th-ranked Buckeye singles player Joey Atlas a fight before losing (7-6, 6-1).

The Hawkeyes will return home after a month-long road trip to host 63rd-ranked Michigan State.

"The good thing for us will be coming home now after a month lapse," Houghton said. "It should help, but every match in the Big Ten is going to be tough, and we will have to play a lot better if we want to compete."

— by Bryan Bamonte

Losing streak continues for Iowa baseball after loss to Wichita State

The Iowa baseball team saw its losing streak extend to six games over the weekend after being swept by No. 21 Wichita State, 6-1, 17-6, and 7-3. Iowa led in every game but then allowed the Shockers (22-6) to rally.

Although the Hawkeyes (4-10) showed offensive production early on Sunday, they gave up five runs in the seventh inning. Nate Price, Skyler Moss, and Jason White all had a pair of hits for the Hawkeyes. Andy Lytle went one for three with two RBI's.

Iowa will continue action Wednesday at Illinois State.

— by Ryan Long

Four men's track members set new collegiate marks in 5,000-meter run

Some members of the Iowa men's track and field team concluded competition Sunday at the Stanford Invitational.

Hawkeye freshman Eric MacTaggart and junior Dan Haut qualified for the NCAA regional meet in the 5,000-meter run. MacTaggart's time was 14:04.79, while Haut came in at 14:08.90.

The tandem, along with teammates Jeff Kent and Adam Roche, all set new collegiate marks in the 5,000-meter run.

Other members of Iowa's track and field team wrapped up competition in the 62nd Annual Coca-Cola Florida Relays in Gainesville.

While no Hawkeyes took gold in the rain-shortened meet, junior Tim Brodersen and senior Andy Banse both qualified in the discus throw.

On the women's side, three runners — Meghan Armstrong, Nikki Chapple, and Rachael Marchand — all set new collegiate bests.

The Iowa men's team will next compete on Saturday in the Cal State Northridge Open. The women will compete in the Missouri Invitational on April 9.

— by Bryan Bamonte

Women's tennis team thrives in conference

Iowa's Hillary Mintz predicted her team would thrive in conference play.

The Hawkeyes are off to a good start.

The 62nd-ranked women's tennis squad squashed Ohio State, 6-1, en route to its eighth win of the season and its second in Big Ten play.

In doubles play, Mintz and teammate Meg Racette easily handled their Buckeye foes at the No. 1 position. Anastasia Zhukova and Hilary Tyler clinched the point for Iowa with their ninth-straight win.

Freshman Milica Veselinovic got Iowa going in singles, earning the team's first single win, and the Hawkeyes went on to take all but one match.

Iowa, 8-5 overall (2-0 Big Ten) will return to action Saturday, when it travels to Michigan.

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Tuesday finish looms for golf's 'fifth major'

Some compelling moments in golf were muddled by the constant storms and puddles that threaten to extend the **PLAYER'S CHAMPIONSHIP** to Tuesday

BY DOUG FERGUSON
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — And to think it used to take only two days to play 72 holes of championship golf.

The Players Championship turned into a wet, controversial mess Sunday when yet another round of storms all but promised to extend the PGA Tour's most prestigious event into six days, most of that spent indoors.

Luke Donald of England played nine holes — six in the morning to complete his second round at 4-under 68 and join three others in the 36-hole lead at 10-under 134; then, three in the afternoon, rumbles of thunder heralded the arrival of heavy rain that pounded the TPC at Sawgrass.

Players were sent home 2½ hours later, with Donald and Joe Durant tied at 11 under par. Tim Herron, who tied the tournament record earlier Sunday with six-straight birdies, was one shot behind along with defending champion Adam Scott, Lee Westwood, and Zach Johnson.

They were to return at 7:15 a.m., with hopes the Stadium Course would be ready.

Any other week, the tour almost certainly would settle for a 54-hole winner. But with a five-year exemption at stake and a tournament billed as the fifth major, the tour wants to go the distance.

During the first rain delay on March 25, the four players on the PGA Tour policy board agreed to give Commissioner Tim Finchem the authority to extend the Players Championship to Tuesday, if necessary.

"We felt like if this tournament is of the stature that most believe it is, we should make every effort to get in 72 holes," said Durant, who is on the board. The others are David Toms, Davis Love III, and Scott McCarron.

Herron said there was grumbling in the locker room about whether it should go to Tuesday,

and, despite being one shot off the lead barely halfway through the event, he doesn't think it should last more than another day.

"I guess the board voted on that during the tournament," Herron said. "I think that's kind of different, to vote on something while play has already been played. They're going to tell us something; you're going to have to do it. An opinion is just an opinion. I'm not the commissioner."

Durant sensed a difference in opinion during the 2½ hours of delay.

"After I had a chance to reflect on what I said, I should have thought more about it before I spoke," Durant said. "We have regulations in place that are to tell us what to do in situations like this. But in a tournament of this magnitude, where you're awarding a five-year exemption, it's not a typical tournament."

"I stick by my decision. This tournament is a notch above."

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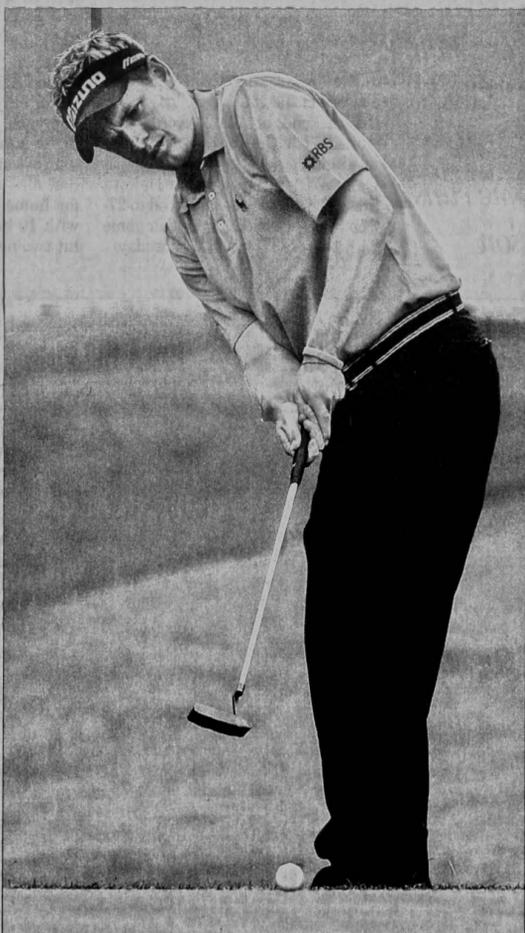
Lost in the slop and puddles on the Stadium Course at Sawgrass were some compelling moments Sunday.

Steve Jones, the first-round leader who had to wait 50 hours before his next shot, was still tied for the lead with nine holes to play in the second round until he made double bogey on consecutive holes, shot 43 on the back nine, and wound up with a 77, knocking him well off the pace.

Tiger Woods was fortunate to still be playing.

He extended his record cut streak to 140 but returned Sunday morning by hitting into an unplayable lie at the base of a palmetto bush and making double bogey, making him fight to make the cut at Sawgrass for the second-straight year. Woods was on the cut line when he holed a 12-foot par putt on the 16th.

By the time he got to No. 18 at 2 under par, the cut had dropped to 1 under. He made bogey to make the cut on the



Phil Coale/Associated Press

Luke Donald of England watches his putt to the second green during the third round of the Players Championship on Sunday in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. Donald is third-round co-leader at 11 under par after play was stopped because of bad weather.

number. It was his closest call since making the cut on the number at the 2003 Masters.

Herron returned Sunday morning to face the toughest par 3, the 219-yard eighth, and he ran off a string of six birdies that shot him into contention with a 66.

"I think I was still asleep. That probably helped," Herron said. "I finally woke up when the sixth one came and made double bogey."

But the moment that summed up the week came at the end of play Sunday afternoon.

Scott had just spun a wedge back to 2 feet on the soft, spongy green at No. 4 for his third birdie in four holes. He was one off the lead, and he laced a 3-wood down the middle of the fifth fairway.

Then came a low roar of thunder behind him, and he turned and bowed his head.

Gymnastics sixth champion

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Women's Missions

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'We blew it.'
— HAWKEYE COACH LARISSA LIBBY

Gymhawks finish sixth in Big Ten championships

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"We blew it," Hawkeye coach Larissa Libby said. "We had an opportunity of a lifetime — not to win, or anything like that, but to salvage the season."

"I'm disappointed. I'm disappointed that they're way better than this and that they did not use the opportunity that they had to show it."

The Hawks fell behind the competition early, tallying scores on beam that put them in last place after their first event, a position that the Hawkeyes have been in often throughout the season.

"Beam was shaky," Libby said. "And I'm OK with that; it's a hard event to start on."

Strong performances in the floor exercise put Iowa back in the competition. Success in routines that Libby said included more challenging moves than the women had performed earlier this season had her convinced that the Hawkeyes were prepared to make their run.

"We went to floor and earned back," Libby said. "I walked into the locker, and I was like, 'That's my team. Welcome back.' I was ecstatic because we had made a lot of changes to floor this week. We upped some difficulty, changed some passes, changed the lineup around, and every one of those kids hit those passes ... which just proves how good they are."

Big Ten champion Michigan counted one fall on the beam but was able to stay ahead of the competition, finishing with a score of 196.250 to Iowa's 193.000, one of their lowest totals this season. The seventh-ranked Wolverines have won 13 titles in 14 years, including seven straight.

Michigan and No. 11 Penn State traded top scores in events throughout most of the meet. The Nittany Lions allowed the Wolverines no time to relax and forced them to produce in their final event.

"It was a lot more nerve-racking, and I certainly feel good about the championship. This is a strong conference," said Wolverine head coach Beverly Plocki. "Overall, I don't feel tremendously good about our performance in terms of what that's going to do to help propel us into the postseason, but I certainly feel good that we were able to come out by the skin of our teeth with another victory."

Penn State finished second with 196.125, and Minnesota scored 195.375 to finish third.

After the shaky start, the Hawkeyes battled back in their second event but were unable to overcome the deficit that they created early and couldn't carry themselves through several rough performances on the vault.

"We had this problem all season, a consistency problem," Libby said. "You cannot expect to compete against the best in the Big Ten, the best in the nation, the best in the region, if you hit two events and you don't hit the other two."

Competing in a talented conference, Iowa needed to capitalize on the mistakes of their competitors. Instead, the GymHawks found themselves making more mistakes and falling farther out of meet contention.

Despite the disappointing performance, Libby is more concerned with the team growth and learning from the experience.

"They finished well below what I expected them to do," she said. "I don't think realistically it was possible for us to win the meet without other people making mistakes, but other people made mistakes. We had the opportunity to just be clean and consistent."

"They know in their hearts that they made enough mistakes that they let everybody else in, and when you're starting at a certain standard and you don't have room for mistakes like that, it's easy for people to overtake you."

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Iowa's Ali Arnold pitches during the Hawkeyes' game against Ball State on March 26. Arnold, a junior, has a career ERA of 1.49.

"It's going to be a real challenging Big Ten race this year. The teams look good, but that's what's great about our conference. I think a game like this really helped, because it helped us see the kind of pitching that we know we'll see as we get into conference."

— COACH GAYLE BLEVINS

Softball sweeps Hawkeye Classic

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For the weekend, Iowa pitchers Birocci and Ali Arnold allowed just 11 hits and no runs over the four games. The offense, which has shown a penchant for the long ball, had 40 hits and scored 24 runs.

The tournament started slowly for the Hawkeyes in their home opener against Ball State. Iowa looked tight and went scoreless until the bottom of the fifth, when Birocci helped her cause with a two-out, two-run home run to right field to give the Hawkeyes the lead.

In the bottom of the sixth, Nichols went deep to break the single-season record, sending a shot to center field to the right of the scoreboard. Sami Baugh walked, Steph Ackerson stepped up with a single, then two batters later, Natalie Johnson ripped a single to score Baugh for the final run to give Iowa a 4-0 lead.

"I think we were just probably a little tight offensively early. It just took us a little while to kind of calm down and be a little more relaxed at the plate," Iowa coach Gayle Blevins said.

In the second game on March 26, the Iowa bats came alive with a 9-0 win over South Dakota State in a five-inning

affair. Stacy May opened the scoring in the top of the third with a two-run double off the wall in left to score Mindy Heiderken and Jenna Spratt. Nichols then stepped up and hit a two-run shot to make the school record 12 and give Iowa a 4-0 lead. The Hawkeyes ended the game in the fifth with a two-run double from Johnson and a two-run home run from Abby Ruff, the first of her career.

"That was great. I haven't given Abby a ton of opportunities this year at the plate, and we always talk about taking advantage of your opportunities, and she did a good job this weekend," Blevins said.

Iowa's opened Sunday with another game against Ball State, and the hot bats returned. May and Ruff pounded out six of Iowa's 14 hits as the Hawkeyes waxed the Cardinals, 10-0. Arnold struck out 10 and scattered two hits over

six innings. The Hawkeyes scored early and often on Ball State, leading 1-0 after a first inning home run from May. The home run was the 38th on the year for the team, which leaves them just three short of the school record of 41 set in 2003 with the entire Big Ten schedule remaining. With the score 5-0 heading into the sixth, Iowa added five in the inning. Ackerson was walked with the bases loaded to make the score 6-0, Kylie Murray hit an RBI single, then Ruff hit a bases-clearing double to make it 10-0.

Birocci returned to the circle in the second game against North Dakota State and struck out 13. The Iowa bats, despite having seven hits, struggled with pitcher Allison Bakke, a rise-ball pitcher who forced several pop-outs from the Hawkeyes.

Iowa finally broke through in the bottom of the fourth with a Birocci triple over the head of right fielder Erin Troup. Ruff

doubled off the left field wall to score Birocci, then Spratt singled to bring home Ruff for a 2-0 lead.

Birocci didn't have her usual dominant stuff, and North Dakota had the winning run at the plate in the top of the seventh with one out. Birocci dug deep and struck out Meghan Norris, then forced Heather Hyatt to ground back to the circle to end the game.

Iowa will face Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls before heading to Ann Arbor to face top-ranked Michigan on Friday.

"It's going to be a real challenging Big Ten race this year. The teams look good, but that's what's great about our conference," Blevins said. "I think a game like this really helped, because it helped us see the kind of pitching that we know we'll see as we get into conference."

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Women's B-Ball team to face Southwest Missouri State Lady Bears in NIT

WOMEN'S B-BALL
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"It'll be tough. It's one of those things that it's fun to go in and quiet hostile crowds, but it's hard, because they motivate the other team," Bluder said. "They really motivate them to do well, and it's like they can bring them out of a drought."

Iowa trailed, 39-32, at half-time against Arkansas State but put on an eye-opening run in the second half by holding the Lady Indians to just three field goals. It's this type of play that

has Hawkeye senior center Jamie Cavey pleased with her team's execution at this juncture of the season.

"Our team's getting better every game, and we're not plateauing like a lot of teams tend to do," she said. "Just going into every game, you never know what's going to happen, and it makes it that much more exciting."

If the Hawkeyes win, they would face the winner of Kentucky and West Virginia.

Iowa senior guard Jenna Armstrong views the NIT runs of Iowa, Southwest Missouri,

Kentucky, and West Virginia as sharing one common factor of motivation — not being invited to the NCAA Tournament.

"We were angry that we didn't get in the NCAA, and I think that we're using our anger as motivation to show everyone that we're capable of winning basketball games," she said. "The other teams that are left in the NIT, you know that those are other teams that also could have been in the NCAA. So, it's still very, very tough competition."

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Sun Devils running back arrested on suspicion of murder

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Arizona State running back Loren Wade was arrested March 26 on suspicion of first-degree murder in the shooting death of a former ASU football player.

Police said Brandon Falkner, 25, of Tempe was shot in the head around 2:30 a.m. March 26 as he sat in his car outside Club CBNC, a Scottsdale nightclub.

Scottsdale police detective Sam Bailey said Falkner and Wade exchanged words before the shot was fired.

Wade was driving a car with three others inside when he went to the club to pick up his girlfriend, Haley van Blommestein, who played soccer at Arizona State until 2003.

Bailey said Wade saw her standing next to Falkner's car, got out of his car, exchanged words with Falkner, and fired once.

Falkner tried to drive away but crashed into another car, then hit a tree. He was pronounced dead at Scottsdale Healthcare Osborn.

"From everything I've heard, they didn't know each other," Bailey said. "He may have been in the wrong place at the wrong time, talking to the wrong person."

Wade was arrested by Maricopa County sheriff's deputies who were working as security guards at the club.

"We have more than enough witnesses," Bailey said.

Football coach Dirk Koetter canceled the team's first spring practice in pads on March 26.

"This is a tragedy that has shocked and saddened our entire community," university President Michael Crow said. "ASU has made its counseling services available this weekend to the entire football team and to any other student who feels that he or she needs to talk about this situation."

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NCAA TOURNAMENT

After a tense weekend of close tournament play, only four teams remain. Michigan State upset Kentucky in double overtime, North Carolina remained at the top, and Illinois proved that the near-perfect team has what it takes by overcoming a 15-point deficit with only four minutes left.

MICHIGAN STATE 94, KENTUCKY 88, 2 OTS

After a Kentucky 3-point shot bounced four times before falling through and forcing overtime, Michigan State reclaimed its momentum and earned a trip to the Final Four.

BY JAIME ARON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN, Texas — Kentucky's 3-point prayer bounced on the rim four times before falling through, and all held their breath during a five-minute review.

It was a 3-pointer, all right, forcing overtime.

But Michigan State reclaimed the momentum in time to force a second extra session, earning the Spartans a trip to the Final Four — their fourth in seven years — with their trademark withering defense.

As the final seconds of the first overtime ticked away, Kevin Torbert stood near half-court, smiled at his Michigan State teammates and screamed, "Let's go!" — and they did, not even allowing a last shot.

The Spartans made the most of their second overtime, pulling away 94-88 in the most gripping finish in a weekend filled with them to send Michigan State into the Final Four for the fourth time in seven years.

The trip to St. Louis, where they'll face North Carolina, will be sweet vindication for the Spartans' upperclassmen, a group that's been chided for being soft, weak, and under-achieving. Torbert, Alan



David J. Phillip/Associated Press

Michigan State's Alan Anderson cuts down the net after the NCAA regional final in Austin, Texas on Sunday. Michigan State beat Kentucky, 94-88, in double overtime.

Anderson, and Chris Hill — seniors who were oh-so-close to breaking the chain of Final Fours begun by their predecessors from 1999-2001 — simply wouldn't let it happen.

Torbert went 5-of-6 from the foul line in the second overtime, and Anderson was 4-of-4, keeping Kentucky from ever leading again in what certainly will go down as one of the more amazing of their NCAA-record 137 games.

This was the first time in tournament history that three regional finals went to overtime.

Only once before had it happened in two of the four games, in 1992.

Fueled by Patrick Sparks' longball at the end of regulation — which the referees reviewed for five minutes to be sure his right toe hadn't touched the line — the Wildcats jumped to a 79-75 lead at the start of the first extra period. But they never led again, and coach Tubby Smith remains without a trip back to the Final Four since winning it all in 1998. They've gone down in the regional finals three times, twice now to the Spartans.

North Carolina 88, Wisconsin 82

BY KEITH PARSONS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Rashad McCants made the big plays down the stretch, Sean May dominated inside, and North Carolina is back in the Final Four for the first time in five years.

McCants swished a clutch 3-pointer and had two huge blocks on the other end, leading the top-seeded Tar Heels to an 88-82 victory over Wisconsin on Sunday in the final of the Syracuse Regional.

May led North Carolina (31-4) with 29 points and 12 rebounds, and Raymond Felton added 15 points, including four free throws in the final minute to seal it. But it was McCants who did the most to end a marvelous run by the sixth-seeded Badgers (25-9) and send the Tar Heels to the Final Four for the first time since 2000.

With North Carolina clinging to a three-point lead, McCants jumped high to swat away a 3 by Clayton Hanson with approximately two minutes left, Hanson's only miss of the second half from beyond the arc. Later, when Kamron Taylor drove to the basket, McCants again was there to block the shot.

Wisconsin closed within three again on an alley-oop dunk by Alando Tucker before McCants made his 3-pointer, coming off a screen by Marvin Williams to



Winslow Townson/Associated Press
North Carolina coach Roy Williams celebrates the Tarheels' 88-82 win over Wisconsin in the NCAA East Regional in Syracuse, N.Y., on Sunday.

give North Carolina an 81-75 lead. He finished with 21 points.

That proved to be enough, and when the final buzzer sounded, McCants and Felton spent several seconds embracing in the lane, while their teammates quickly donned hats that read "Syracuse Regional Champions." Coach Roy Williams advanced to the Final Four for the fifth time in his career; after four trips with Kansas, he's taking his alma mater in only his second season as coach of the Tar Heels.

MEN'S NCAA

Illinois shows its mettle in getting to Final Four

ROSEMONT, Ill. (AP) — Deron Williams looked up at the scoreboard, frowned, and shook his head.

Down 15 with only four minutes to go, Illinois' season of triumph was about to slip away. All those victories, that near-perfect record, a path to the Final Four that seemed tailor-made for the Illini — none of it would matter. They'd be just another one of those teams that had teetered on the verge of greatness.

And that wasn't good enough. Not even close.

"I just said not to give up," Williams said. "That's what I said on the court. We've just got to keep fighting."

Led by Williams, Illinois (36-1) mounted a furious comeback that is sure to become an NCAA tournament classic. Williams scored 14 of his 22 points in the last four minutes of regulation and overtime, and Luther Head made huge plays offensively and defensively, as Illinois forced OT and then hung on to beat Arizona 80-79 and advance to the Final Four.

Fighting Illini, indeed. "It's incredible," Roger Powell Jr. said. "We were meant to be in St. Louis."

And this is the kind of victory that could propel them to a national championship.

"Coaches have told me, to win the national championship you've got to win a close game, make a big shot," Illinois coach Bruce Weber said. "Well, we did it today."

Though the Illini spent 15-straight weeks at No. 1 and were challenged plenty, they were never really threatened. They lost one game, the regular-season finale, and it took a last-second shot. They led a ridiculous amount, some 90 percent of their games, and never trailed by double digits until March 26.

But when it comes to winning a national championship, being good isn't enough. Teams need mental toughness, the grit to hang in there when things get bleak. Louisville proved it has it, coming from 20 points down to beat West Virginia and earn a spot in the Final Four against Illinois.

Now everyone knows the Illini have it, too.

"We've had a goal, a dream to make it to St. Louis," Williams said. "I wasn't going to let [losing] happen."

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