

— by Andrew Edwards

• Call up Nomar Garciaparra and Mark Prior to see if they want to go to a Sox playoff-game with you.

• Wear a yellow shirt. Go to the IMU for Orientation. When the real Orientation leader disappears, divert a group of moms back to your place for some drinks.

• Check out the awesome acts coming to the new Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines, such as "American Idol Live" and "Tony Hawk's Boom Boom Huckjam."

• Go to the Farmers' Market, and instead of paying with cash, try to barter. Try to exchange some Hy-Vee canned corn for some golden corn on the cob.

• Go swimming in the Iowa River, and then see what is swimming inside of you the next day.

• Summer trip with friends to Aruba.

• Road trip to Abbotsford, British Columbia, for the Abbotsford Berry Festival. Find a car that gets berry good gas mileage. Muster up some change buried in the sofa to fund trip. Consume berries. Eat so much you can berrily stand. Try not to have a bear eat you. Realize it is freezing, and head towards Berrymuda.

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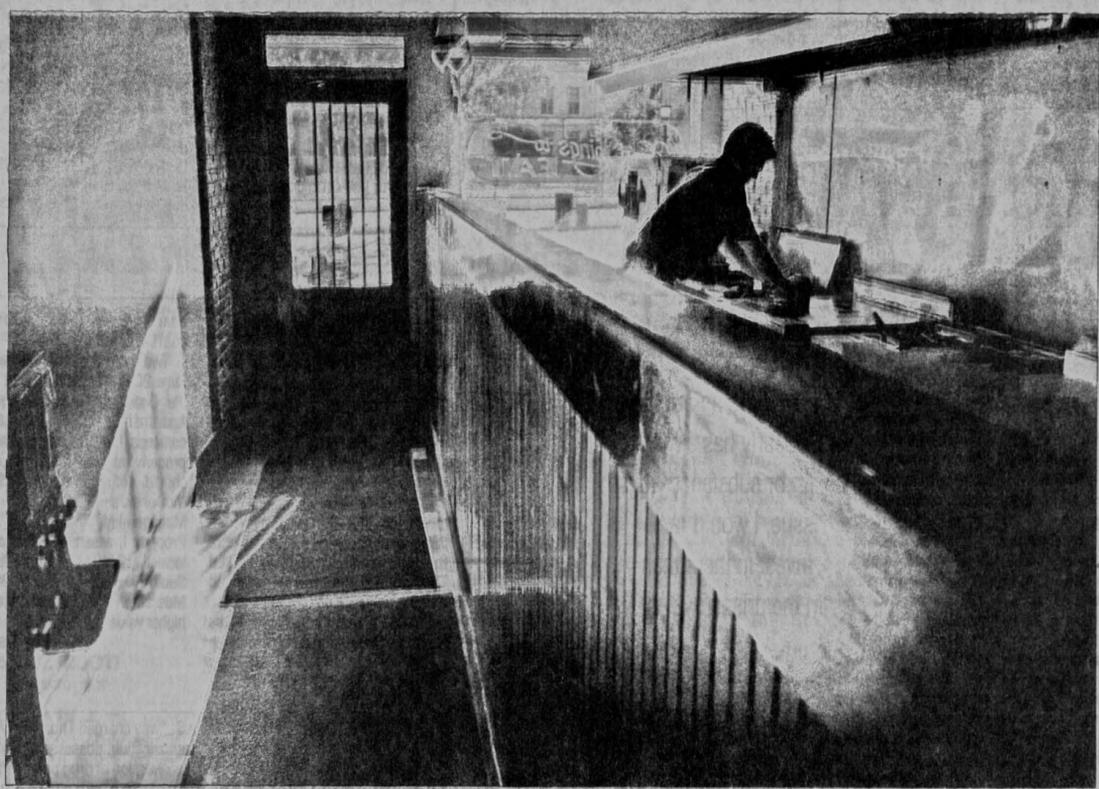
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Doldrums continue for some local businesses

The summer months in Iowa City bring in fewer customers for area establishments but allow the locals to enjoy a quieter downtown



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan

UI senior and Baldys Wraps employee Bret Snyder cleans the restaurant's grill Thursday evening during a slow dinner hour. Many Iowa City businesses are experiencing a drop in sales typical of the summer, when many students are away.

BY DANNY VALENTINE
THE DAILY IOWAN

'I like it a lot better when students are here.'

— Jessie Gonzales, Tony's Grill employee

After the bars close on any given Friday during the winter months, students by the dozen escape from the frigid cold and step into Tony's Grill to satisfy their late-night munchies. During the summer months, one or two lone customers dot the sparse interior.

Students who fill its coffee shops, eat in its restaurants, and, of course, drive the wrong way up the one-way streets. But when most of the students pack up and leave, Iowa City residents come out of hiding, and life resumes at a more relaxed pace.

service three days a week, it is not rare for the business to bring in only \$122 to \$378 per eight-hour shift.

"In April of this year, we made around \$56,000, and when the students left in May, that number dropped down to \$43,447," said Jessie Gonzales, Tony's Grill employee. "Now, it's probably a lot lower than that."

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Wellmark, UIHC end dispute



— UI President David Skorton

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BY NICK PETERSEN
THE DAILY IOWAN



Gold Wellmark vice president

After months of discussion, two state Board of Regents resignations, and an often bristly public dispute, the UI Hospitals and Clinics and Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield announced on Thursday that they have come to an agreement that will maintain the status quo for Wellmark customers at the hospital.

"[The agreement] continues, in an uninterrupted fashion, patients' ability to come here with the same coverage they've had from Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield," UI President David Skorton said.

Contention over how much Wellmark should pay the university for services threatened patients, because without a contract between the two businesses, they would have been forced to pay a higher insurance deductible.

The new agreement maintains the previous contract, but the discussions gave UIHC greater influence by putting it on all of Wellmark's rate-advisory groups, Wellmark Vice President Cliff Gold said.

"The university was represented on at least one, and we agreed to include it on all advisory committees," he said.

In February, the UI had asked for what would have amounted to an additional \$39 million from Wellmark; it will receive an estimated \$8.6 million increase next year under the agreement. The amount is based on the 5 percent increase in reimbursement Wellmark is giving all of the hospitals it works with.

"I don't think it's correct to boil down the discussions to a bottom-line number," Skorton said. "We believe it was an acceptable agreement, and if it was not acceptable, we would not have gone forward."

He said the exact terms of reimbursement, the long-term relationship that will be maintained, and the university's ability to work with Wellmark all contributed to the decision to ratify the pact.

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Med students marshal a tsunami of a relief effort

Students from the Carver College of Medicine's class of 2007 will host a Silent Art Auction and Benefit Show on Saturday

BY ALI GOWANS
THE DAILY IOWAN

Each class in the medical school is required to complete a project as a class between the members' second and third years.

Art, music, and medicine may seem an odd blending of forces, but this weekend, the three disciplines will come together in an effort to raise money and make a difference. This Saturday's Southeast Asia Tsunami Relief Silent Art Auction and Benefit Show will be hosted by students from the UI Carver College of Medicine's class of 2007.

"It's when we transition from being just in the classroom and starting to work with patients," Sens said. "It's a way for the class to reaffirm its commitment to humanitarianism and medicine. It's a good way to show we really are dedicated to the sick, to those in need."

The art auction, consisting of work by UI medical students, will be at US Bank, 204 E. Washington St. from 5-7 p.m. on Saturday. A benefit show will follow at the Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington St., from 7-9 p.m. Tickets for the Englert show, featuring the Tornados, Letterpress Opry, Kat Rouche, and Bree Nettie Clime-White, are

STUFF TO DO THIS WEEKEND

Today Words

- "Live from Prairie Lights," Lee Child, fiction, 8 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., and WSUI, free
- **Theater**
- *Lend Me a Tenor*, Iowa Summer Rep, 8 p.m., Theatre B, \$10-\$22
- *The Taming of the Shrew*, Riverside Theatre Shakespeare Festival, 8 p.m., Lower City Park Festival Stage, \$15-\$35
- **Saturday**
- \$12 for students and \$18 for the general public.

"I'm kind of amazed at how big an event it's turned out to be," said medical student Justin Leitch, who

Theater

- *Lend Me a Tenor*, Iowa Summer Rep, 8 p.m., Theatre B, \$10-\$22
- *The Taming of the Shrew*, Riverside Theatre, 8 p.m., Lower City Park Festival Stage, \$15-\$35
- **June 26**
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- *The Taming of the Shrew*, Riverside Theatre, 7 p.m., Lower City Park Festival Stage, \$15-\$35

was on the talent committee that recruited the musicians for the show. "It's really beyond what I expected."

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UIHC/Wellmark Negotiations

Dec. 30
University officials sent a notice of termination of the contract with Wellmark because they want to negotiate a new one. Wellmark says it will not grant the UIHC deals it does not grant other Iowa hospitals.

Jan. 24
State Board of Regents President John Forsyth resigns citing a conflict of interest as CEO of Wellmark, Inc. Fellow regent David Neil also resigns. He had previously served on the Wellmark Board of Directors.

Feb. 4
UIHC announces that it wants an additional \$30 million in the contract that would begin in 2006. Wellmark says the announcement contradicted previous agreement to conduct private negotiations.

Jun. 23
The UI and Wellmark jointly announce that they have made a deal that does not substantially alter the previously held terms of their contract.

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RETRACTION

In the June 23 story "Lineman charged with interfering with police," *The Daily Iowan* wrote that Matthew Mills had, in the past, been charged with third-degree sexual abuse, and the charges had been dismissed. Mills was never charged with third-degree sexual abuse, he was listed as an interested party in a sexual-abuse case in 2001, according to the Iowa online court records. He was listed as such because he had been subpoenaed in the case. Mills' age was also incorrect; he is 34. *The Daily Iowan* regrets the errors.

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NEWS

Ruling extends eminent domain

BY MARK BOSWORTH
THE DAILY IOWAN

A Thursday Supreme Court ruling will allow local governments the power to seize homes and business of citizens, with or without their consent, for private economic development — something Iowa City officials have done before.

Local governments know best when it comes to the betterment of their cities, the majority of the court decided, according to reports from the Associated Press. The 5-4 decision bestows local governments with extensive authority to condemn and demolish private homes and establishments for such economic ventures as hotels and shopping malls.

"I am not going to say we won't [seize property], because we have done it before," said

City Councilor Connie Champion. Property owners whose holdings may be taken would be adequately compensated, she added.

This ruling is bad news for landowners unwilling to give up their property, because there is "nothing" they can do to prevent the seizure of their establishments, said UI law Professor Lea VanderVelde, an expert on property rights and eminent domain.

The ruling stemmed from a case filed by homeowners in New London, Conn., after city officials released plans to replace their homes with a health club, a hotel, and office space.



Champion
City Councilor

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"The city has carefully formulated an economic development that it believes will provide appreciable benefits to the community including — but by no means limited to — new jobs and increased tax revenue," wrote Justice John Paul Stevens in the majority opinion, according to AP. Justice Sandra Day O'Connor wrote the dissent.

"Any property may now be taken for the benefit of another

private party, but the fallout will not be random," she wrote, AP reported. "The beneficiaries are likely to be those citizens with disproportionate influence and power in the political process, including large corporations and development firms."

VanderVelde said Thursday's findings do not suggest much change in present law, but the close vote could signal change in the future.

In the past, the high court has voted unanimously against the rights of the property owner. Future cases may swing in favor of the home and business owner and limit the government's power to snatch up private property, VanderVelde suggested.

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County to aid inmates with drug-abuse, mental-health issues

BY PATRICK DAVIS
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County officials have high hopes that an upcoming training program for some county employees will help mentally ill and substance-abusing convicts get out of jail quicker.

Johnson County received a grant from the National Institute of Mental Health to become a test site for a possible nationwide program offering alternative treatments for inmates who have a history of mental disability and substance abuse.

"What I'm hoping for is that we get a better system of helping inmates after they leave the facility," said Johnson County Supervisor Terrence Neuzil. "If we have inmates who clearly have a mental-health or substance-abuse issues, I would

rather invest in them than in the prison system."

Inmates who participate in counseling and drug-rehabilitation programs could have their sentences shortened as a reward for cooperative behavior.

The grant will pay for a two-day training course in July for approximately 50 people in the criminal-justice, housing, mental-health, substance-abuse, and consumer-advocacy fields. The participants will be instructed on the best ways to identify and treat people so that they do not become repeat offenders.

Johnson County Sheriff Lonny Pulkrabek said he hopes that, after the training, the county will be able to provide better assistance to the mentally ill by keeping them on their medications and out of the prison system.

"I don't think the program will cut down on the jail population,

but, hopefully, it will slow its growth," he said. "This is another alternative that the community is calling for."

Yet another goal of the training is to make the county's mental-health treatment more streamlined and user friendly.

"I think that [the program] will get collaboration going between county departments, and people will get to know each other in the system," said Malinda Lamb, the county's mobil crisis coordinator.

She hopes that with better communication among rehabilitation facilities, such as the jail, National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, and MECCA, people will be able to get better treatment, faster and easier.

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Johnson County supervisor

Johnson County Planning and Advisory Committee members met on June 17 with Policy Research Associates of Delmar, N.Y., the company providing the training, to confer on how the county's court system and treatment facilities currently work. The company will use the information to tailor its instructional techniques to fit the county's needs.

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Report: Iowa's economy growing

BY MIKE GLOVER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — Gov. Tom Vilsack on Thursday touted a new economic report that showed Iowa's economy grew faster than the rest of the nation last year.

The report by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis shows that his economic-development policies are beginning to pay off, he said.

The report, released Thursday, showed Iowa's gross state product grew by 8.1 percent in 2004; the national rate was 4.2 percent.

"We have been making steady progress," Vilsack said in a conference call with reporters.

The report also shows that the median income in the state has grown past \$30,000 but remains below the national average of about \$33,000, he said. If progress continues, the governor said, he expects the state to reach the national average within a year.

State officials were still analyzing the report to determine which segments of the economy are posting the fastest growth, Vilsack said.

"Our ag sector and the biotech

economy are showing very significant growth," he said.

An initial review of the report also showed that the financial-services industry contributed to an improved economy, he said. While Iowa lost manufacturing jobs, the loss wasn't as great as in other areas of the country, he said.

Vilsack pushed hard for the recreation of the Iowa Values Fund, approved by lawmakers this year. The fund earmarks \$700 million over 10 years to attract new businesses to Iowa.

The fund already has created 18,000 jobs, the governor said, and the numbers in the report

reflect an economic turnaround based on the fund's success.

Michael Blouin, the director of the Iowa Department of Economic Development, said other studies have shown that exports contributed to Iowa's improving economy.

"Our exports are at an all-time high," he said.

Studies show that the number of college graduates and Iowa's overall population are on the rise, he said.

"Our population is beginning to pick up," Blouin said.

The Bureau of Economic Analysis is an arm of the U.S. Commerce Department.

STATE

State registers 1 millionth person on immunization registry

DES MOINES, (AP) — The state of Iowa has recorded its 1 millionth patient on its immunization registry, state health officials said on Thursday.

The Immunization Registry Information System was created in 2001. Since then, state health officials have been working to enroll every public and private clinic in the system, said Dr. Mary Mincer Hansen, the director of the Iowa Department of Public Health.

There are 124 public-health clinics and 301 private clinics enrolled in the registry system, she said.

"Maintaining this data provides important information for families, the state medical community, and Iowa's health system in general," she said.

The statewide database helps doctors and parents to better track immunizations, state health officials said.

The registry can provide an official state Department of Public Health immunization certificate, help prevent unnecessary vaccines, and help medical clinics manage their vaccine inventory, officials said.

The registry also sends out reminder letters when immunizations are due and helps track a patient's health history.

Terri Henkels, the director of the Polk County Health Department, said the registry helps parents and doctors to better track immunization records for children.

"Our childhood immunization population, the uninsured, and underinsured, oftentimes does not have a permanent medical home," Henkels said. "... IRIS allows them to maintain a permanent record of their immunizations."

Dr. Stephen Rinderknecht, a pediatrician at the Lakeview Clinic in

West Des Moines, said the registry makes doctor's jobs easier.

"What it really does, from a physician's standpoint, is we can avoid missed opportunities to vaccinate," he said.

He said many people move from doctor to doctor with changes in jobs and insurance companies and in many cases, parents don't carry updated immunization records with them when they make such changes.

"With the registry it simplifies us being able to keep track of immunization records without making phone calls or waiting for records, which oftentimes, never come," he said.

CITY

Shelter House appeals ruling

Lawyers for the Iowa City Shelter House are protesting a judge's decision to keep the facility from expanding to a second location, according to an appeal filed Tuesday in 6th District Court in Johnson County.

Judge David Remley's June 2 ruling

for the Hilltop Mobile Home Court blocked the transitional-housing facility from building on property at nearby 429 Southgate Ave.

The mobile-home court's residents and area business owners protested an Iowa City Board of Adjustment's decision to waive commercial zoning restrictions and allow the homeless shelter to build at the site.

The concerned parties said such a shelter would bring criminals or sex offenders to the area and might decrease property values.

Remley said the board did not produce sufficient evidence from real-estate assessors, appraisers, realtors, or property owners to combat those concerns.

The current shelter, 331 N. Gilbert

St., provides sleeping quarters for 29 people, according to the lawsuit. Adding a new location could house 70 more.

Shelter House employees and Iowa City city councilors have voiced concerns that the facility has had to turn some homeless people away because of the lack of space.

— by Danielle Stratton-Coulter

CITY

Coral Ridge owner appealing assessment

Coral Ridge Mall owner General Growth Properties is appealing the Johnson County Board of Review's recent \$91 million property assessment, which mall owners said is \$28 million more than the actual value.

General Growth wants the court to decide that the property Coral Ridge Mall sits on is worth no more than \$63 million. Owners also asked Thursday that no taxes be collected until the legal battle is completed.

Johnson County collects taxes from the property based on the

board's assessment, according to court records.

Two additional appeals were filed June 20 in 6th District Court involving the Board of Review. Willow Ridge Apartments, 724 Westgate St., contends that the board assessed its property at nearly \$2 million, but it should not be more than \$900,000. McDonald's Corp., Creative Management, Inc., and Archland Property I, assert that their properties located at 2440 Mormon Trek Blvd., 804 South Riverside Drive, and 1861 Lower Muscatine Road also were assessed at a higher value than they should be.

— by Traci Finch

POLICE BLOTTER

Jordan Berte, 22, 3155 N.E. Dubuque St., was charged Thursday with operating while intoxicated.
Tyler Guhl, 17, 2318 Taylor Drive, was charged Wednesday with possession of drug paraphernalia.
David Martyn, 36, 224 N. Dubuque

St., was charged Thursday with public intoxication, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and interference with official acts.

Corey Whitehall, 22, 412 S. Dodge St. Apt. 1, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

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Top military administration officials to content congress hearing

BY LIZ S ASSOCIATED PRESS

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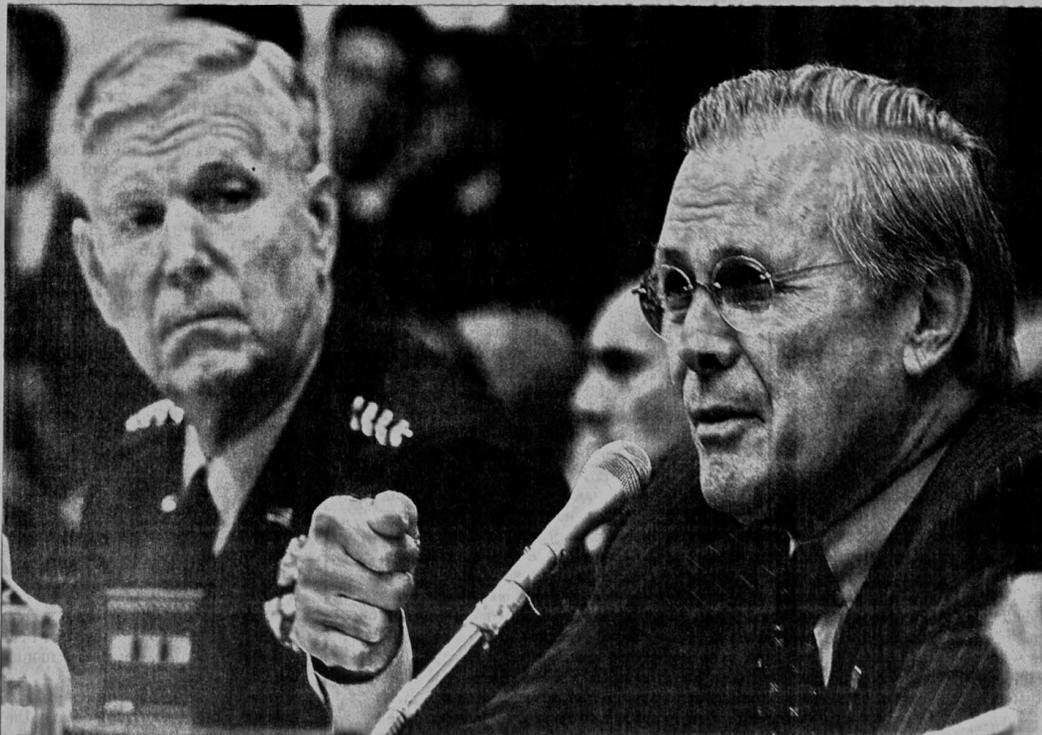
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General: Insurgency still active



Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld (right) testifies about the progress of Iraqi security forces on Thursday before the House Armed Services Committee. Gen. Richard Myers, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, is at left.

Top military and administration officials testify at contentious congressional hearings

BY LIZ SIDOTI
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Iraqi insurgency is as active as six months ago and more foreign fighters are flowing in all the time, the top U.S. commander in the Middle East said on Thursday, despite Vice President Dick Cheney's insistence that the insurgency was "in its last throes."

Gen. John Abizaid, testifying at a contentious Senate hearing alongside Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, gave his view of the war in response to lawmakers who expressed concern about progress in Iraq and support at home.

"People are beginning to question, and I don't think it's a blip on the radar screen," said Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C.

Added Joe Lieberman, D-Conn.: "I fear that American public opinion is tipping away from this effort."

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., told Rumsfeld he should quit. Rumsfeld said he had offered his resignation to President Bush twice, and the president had said no.

Abizaid acknowledged that U.S. troops, too, were becoming aware of the drop in the public's confidence.

"When my soldiers say to me and ask me the question whether or not they've got support from the American people or not, that worries me. And they're starting to do that," he said.

In back-to-back hearings of the House and Senate Armed

Services committees, lawmakers vigorously questioned Rumsfeld and other military leaders.

The Senate's was especially contentious. Kennedy renewed his call for Rumsfeld to step down because of repeated "gross errors and mistakes" in the Iraq campaign.

"In baseball, it's three strikes, you're out. What is it for the secretary of Defense?" Kennedy asked Rumsfeld. "Isn't it time for you to resign?"

"That's quite a statement," Rumsfeld said. He added that Bush had rejected his resignation offers, and "that's his call."

The hearings came ahead of today's White House meeting between Bush and Iraqi Prime Minister Ibrahim Jafari — and the week before the one-year anniversary of the U.S.-led coalition's handing of political control to Iraqis.

Several Republicans expressed concern about the insurgency and skepticism about how the U.S. was conducting the war. U.S. deaths have surpassed 1,700 since the war began in March 2003, and an Associated Press-Ipsos poll this month found just 41 percent of adults supported Bush's handling of the war — the lowest that figure has been.

Rep. John McHugh, R-N.Y., told Rumsfeld he fears enough Iraqis are not turning their back on insurgents. "If they don't start trending in that way, I'm deeply concerned that we are looking at a long-term quagmire," McHugh said. Another concern, said Rep. James Gibbons, R-Nev., was whether the training given to Iraqi security forces is adequate. "We seem to be rushing through the process of training," he said.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., noted "some signs of progress that should be encouraging." But

he said, "I also must tell you, I'm very worried." He cited stress on the National Guard and Reserve, recruiting shortfalls and continuing casualties.

Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I., said it was obvious why public-opinion polls were down. "We have a credibility gap here with the American people," he said.

Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., accused Rumsfeld of responding to questions with "smart answers" and "a sneer" every time he testifies about the war.

"The American people haven't heard enough of the truth," Byrd told Rumsfeld, adding that he should "get off his high horse."

Democrats and even some Republicans accused the administration of being overly optimistic, citing an observation by Cheney last month that the insurgency was in its "last throes."

Rumsfeld told senators that it was false to suggest that "people, me or others, are painting a rosy picture."

Abizaid said the overall strength of the insurgency was "about the same" as six months ago. He also said, "I believe there are more foreign fighters coming into Iraq than there were six months ago."

"We see good progress in both Iraq and Afghanistan ... but we are realistic. And we know that great change is often accompanied with violence," Abizaid said.

Told by Sen. Carl Levin of Michigan, the Senate committee's senior Democrat, that his assessment directly contradicted Cheney's, Abizaid said: "I gave you my opinion."

Cheney, asked about his comment, told CNN he would not change it "but I'd be happy to explain what I meant by that."

"I think there will be a lot of violence, a lot of bloodshed,

because I think the terrorists will do everything they can to try to dispute that process [of training security forces]," Cheney said. "But I think it is well under way. I think it's going to be accomplished — that we will, in fact, succeed in getting a democracy established in Iraq, and I think when we do, that will be the end of the insurgency."

In the House hearing Thursday, Democratic Rep. Ike Skelton of Missouri asked, "Why aren't the number and the lethality of the attacks decreasing?" He said he feared one of two things would happen with the prolonged war: "We're going to lose the American people, or we're going to break the Army."

Rumsfeld was confident that public support would bounce back, saying Americans have "a good center of gravity." Addressing concerns about manpower, the secretary told House members "there isn't a chance in the world that the draft will be brought back."

Levin said the Bush administration should tell the Iraqis that if they do not meet their deadline for drafting a Constitution — Aug. 15, with a possible six-month extension — the United States would consider setting a timetable for troop withdrawals.

Rumsfeld said such a timetable would be a bad mistake.

The administration contends that Iraqis must be able to defend their own country against a lethal insurgency before a timeline for bringing home troops can be considered.

Said Gen. Richard Myers, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff: "Leaving before the task is complete would be catastrophic."

WORLD

Palestinians close to deal on disarming militants

NABLUS, West Bank (AP) — Palestinian officials said Thursday they reached a tentative agreement to absorb approximately 700 gunmen in this West Bank city into the Palestinian security services, pushing forward with a campaign aimed at disarming rogue militants.

The program of offering government jobs to militants in exchange for giving up their weapons has been a centerpiece of Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas' efforts to impose law and order in the chaotic West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Israel has said the tactic is ineffective and has demanded tougher action against the militants, and even Palestinian officials conceded the weapons collection would not take place anytime soon.

Still, reaching a deal in Nablus could be significant. The city is widely considered to be a center of militant activity — a concern that was underscored Wednesday when gunmen in a nearby refugee camp opened fire and detonated a bomb as Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia delivered a lecture about the need to end the chaos. No one was injured.

In the latest violence, gunmen in a car opened fire on a Palestinian police station in the northern West Bank town of Jenin, witnesses said, killing a police officer. Police returned the fire. Then the gunmen set fire to a Palestinian lawmaker's car. Zakariye Zubeydi, the local leader of the Al Aqsa Martyrs'

Brigades, a violent group affiliated with Abbas' ruling Fatah party, said it was not involved in the attack.

Senate nears completion of energy bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate neared completion of national energy legislation that would promote conservation and environmentally friendly fuels. It also would set up a confrontation with the House, which prefers a bill more favorable to oil and gas producers.

With only a few amendments left to consider, the Senate was working into the evening Thursday to try to complete the measure. But that won't be the end of the energy debate, with Senate-House negotiations over a final bill likely to begin later this summer.

"It's going to be a tough conference," said Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., who will lead the Senate negotiations with the other chamber.

The Senate bill, cobbled together during months of behind-the-scenes discussions and then two weeks of floor debate, includes \$18 billion in energy tax incentives, more than twice the amount approved by the House. Approximately 40 percent of the tax breaks would go for conservation, renewable energy, and programs promoting alternative motor fuels.

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POINT/COUNTERPOINT

Class rank — achievement gauge or impediment?

DI editorial writers argue opposing sides on whether Iowa City's public high schools should have scrapped the system

YES

Class rank is a meaningless statistic that sends the wrong educational messages. City High and West High made the right decision in getting rid of it.

The educational quality of public high schools in America varies wildly. A student with a 3.0 grade-point average might be in the lower half of one high-school class — or valedictorian of another. What's the value in comparing the top students from an excellent school with the top students from a terrible one?

The emphasis on a student's position relative to classmates also unfairly punishes students from bigger schools. It's easier to look good when one comes from a graduating class of a few dozen others than it is when one is lost in a field of hundreds of A- and B-students. Getting rid of class rank will put all students back on the same playing field.

Some people question how the UI will be able to admit students from high schools that don't release such information (a policy grants automatic admission to the UI, Iowa State University, or the University of Northern Iowa to any Iowa high-school graduate who was in the top half of his or her class). The Admissions Office will still be able to use other ways to evaluate a student's potential success in college — such as GPA and standardized test scores.

No one will be unfairly denied admission, because any students who graduated in the top half of their classes should be able to meet UI admission requirements for grades and test scores anyway. If they can't, they probably shouldn't be here.

College-bound high-school students are often under intense pressure to get into the "right" school. Students — along with their parents and teachers — focus on competing for grades to the exclusion of other educational goals.

It's not uncommon for students nervous about getting into the colleges of their choice to refuse to take classes that might hurt their class rank. They don't want to "risk" their standing by taking a challenging class that won't guarantee them a good grade. Instead, they take only the safe, standard classes, all the while watching how everyone else is doing. It's sad that high-school students are learning how to game the system instead of learning how to learn.

This unfortunate emphasis on being first instead of being smart carries over to college. College students chase after easy classes that require minimal critical thinking so they can pad out GPAs. People become so used to the rat-race mentality from high school that they forget college is supposed to be a place for academic growth.

Eliminating class rankings will encourage students to do their best instead of doing better than someone else.

— Jayne Lady

NO

To the detriment of higher-education facilities, the Iowa City School District will no longer provide the class rank of its high-school students to prospective colleges. West High Principal Jerry Arganbright said the move was spurred by parents complaining that the traditional class-ranking system hurt their children's chances of admission to Iowa's three state universities.

The UI's formula for admittance is pretty simple. Iowa residents must rank in the top 50th percentile in their class or meet an admission-index score of 95. Nonresidents must be in the top 30th percentile and have a score of 100. The admission index score is one's ACT score multiplied by two, plus one's percentile rank. Considerations are given for students who do not meet these qualifications, and students whose schools do not give class ranks must "present an academic profile that strongly indicates academic success," with judgment on what that means left open to interpretation.

Colleges and universities such as the UI need class-rank information to accurately judge future students for admittance; it is essential to measure how a student ranks against her or his class. Admission officers can no longer look at a GPA and take it at face value. This is an era of grade inflation, in which schools give out more A's and B's and are far less likely to fail a student. The class rank gives a true comparison among students.

The best predictor of higher educational success is socioeconomic status, followed by scores on standardized tests and high-school GPAs respectively. All indicators of higher-educational success have some problems (our society deems itself better than judging a student based on her or his relative socioeconomic status, standardized tests are subject to claims of bias, and high-school GPAs are completely subjective and relative to a particular school), but class rank is one of the truest measures of a student's academic merit.

It certainly is more worthwhile than simple GPA. Even with the UI's current formula, only roughly 35-40 percent of entering freshmen graduate in four years. Another roadblock would only make judging applicants more difficult, and the four-year graduation rate would decline. As is, nearly 17 percent of first-year students do not return for a second year.

Colleges should factor in a cornucopia of data when making their decision on whether to admit students. Each institution already has its own formula for how it weighs each part of a student's academic past. Some schools rely more heavily on standardized tests, personal statements, letters of recommendation, the applicant's strength of schedule, or the size and quality of the high school. It is not the role of high schools to censor this information.

— Chad Aldeman

America's real threat

As the U.S. House of Representatives on Thursday debated whether public television or the National Institutes of Health were worth less to the common good — which is a process normally considered appropriations but has become misappropriation in light of recent self-imposed budget cuts for social programs — I came to the realization that Christian-hating Nazis were the biggest threat to American life.

Don't believe me? Ask the same politicians who are deciding not to invest in education, medical research, social justice, and the artistic and cultural health of our society.

Rep. John Hostettler, R-Ind., on Monday declared that America is engaged in a "long war on Christianity" at the hands of Democrats, who "like moths to a flame ... can't help themselves when it comes to denigrating and demonizing Christians."

When talking about judicial filibusters, Robert Byrd, the dean of the Senate Democrats, said, "Many times in our history we have taken up arms to protect a minority against the tyrannical majority in other lands. We, unlike Nazi Germany or Mussolini's Italy, have never stopped being a nation of laws, not of men."

Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., made the same comparison about the filibusters but corrected us — Democrats, not Republicans, are truly the Nazis. "The audacity of some members to stand up and say, 'How dare you break this rule?' — it's the equivalent of Adolf Hitler in 1942 saying, 'I'm in Paris. How dare you invade me? How dare you bomb my city? It's mine.'"

Lest we forget there's a war going on, Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., reminds us that U.S. officials at the terrorist detention center at Guantánamo Bay are the real Nazis. As he said last week, "If I read this to you and did not tell you that it was an FBI agent describing what Americans had done to prisoners in their control, you would most certainly believe this must have been done by Nazis, Soviets in their gulags, or some mad regime Pol Pot or others that had no concern for human beings."

Forget Al Qaeda, forget poverty, forget rising costs in higher education, and forget a mounting budget deficit and an even larger national debt. The biggest problem Americans face is Christian-hating Nazis — our leaders have spoken. And I, for one, think it's a great thing.

I'm tired of worrying about such depressing things as thousands of people dying in wars for dubious reasons and even more questionable objectives. I'm tired of worrying about Social Security and whether I'm going to have to support my parents. I'm tired of worrying about whether my gay friends are going to threaten a centuries-old institution by being given the same rights as straight folks. You know what? I'm just plain tired of worrying — period.

With the help of Rep. Hostettler and Sens. Byrd, Durbin and Santorum, though, I have seen there is only one thing I need to worry about: Christian-hating Nazis. It's a load off — let me tell you — because I've never met a Christian-hating Nazi before. It's really easy to hate something you've never actually seen. And now my hate is appropriately directed — not at the politicians who are wasting everyone's time with spurious comparisons and stupid fake wars on a majority religion — but with Christian-hating Nazis.

This is what passes as political discourse in Washington today. But what is infinitely more troubling than the fact that our politicians are behaving like children is that it seems to work. Voter turnout was among the highest ever last November, and we elected people who would rather call each other names than address the issues on which we elected them to work.

The hard but logical response to this decline in civility and intelligence is to examine ourselves and ask whether we want this out of our elected leaders. An even harder thing to do would be to demand that they buck up and start seriously addressing the problems that are becoming all too real and all too pressing in our society. If I wore my religion on my sleeve, I might demand that they start acting like the Christians they profess to be.

But all of that is too hard, so I'll just go back to cursing Christian-hating Nazis. ■

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BARRY PUMP

LETTERS

Unfair statements by UI professors

On June 9, the *Chicago Tribune* published an extensive article about extremist animal-rights activists in Iowa and Wisconsin. In it, the article mentions that some UI professors "believe the break-in may have been carried out by grad students who applied to specific departments solely to facilitate such an act."

I'd like clarification by these professors, because it is insulting to the graduate students of the department on a national stage. This is a grave accusation to a limited number of students. I'd say let ongoing investigations continue, and leave the accusations to the judicial system. It's the scholarly way.

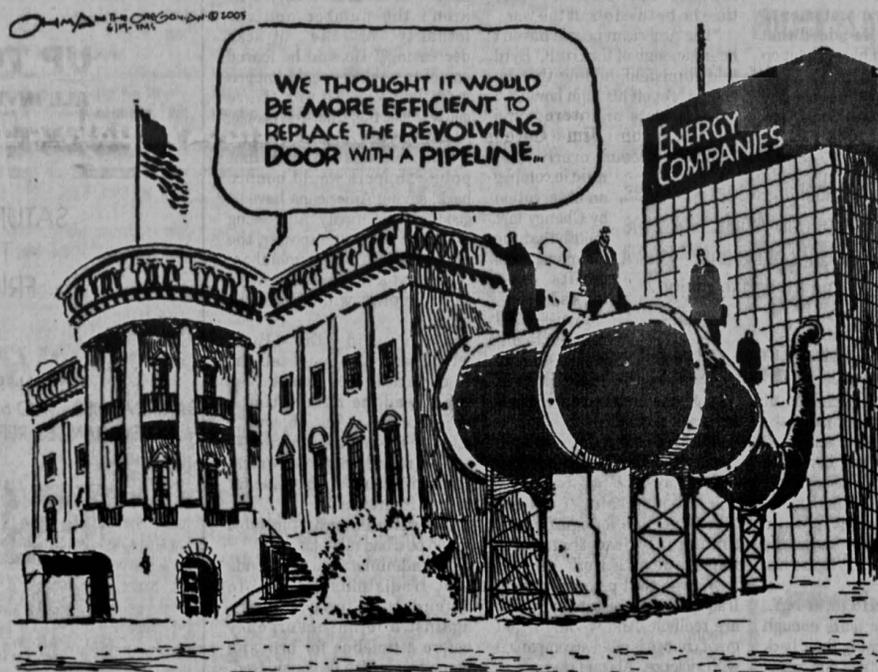
Marcelo Mena
UI research assistant

Peace is possible

In 2000, Congress passed "Plan Colombia," an aid package from the United States for the Colombian government as a way to stabilize the country and combat the illegal drug trade. The \$4 billion plan included five-year goals of strengthening democracy, promoting human rights and the rule of law, fostering socioeconomic development, and reducing coca cultivation. Five years later, however, little progress has been made.

Colombia is home to what the United Nations calls the worst humanitarian crisis in the Western Hemisphere. More than 3 million Colombians have been forced from their homes and are now internally displaced. Women, children, Afro-Colombian, and indigenous people face a daily barrage of violence, hunger, and impoverishment that stems from more than 40 years of armed civil conflict.

Despite these difficult circumstances, local peace initiatives, nonviolent communities, cultural and religious leadership, and citizens from all strata of Colombian society have illustrated that an end to violence is possible there. Peace requires the alleviation of human



suffering, sustainable development, and common visions and agendas for a better future.

America should support a new path toward peace in Colombia. Instead of continuing the pattern of a failed policy that allocates 80 percent of U.S. aid to military and police, Congress should emphasize a strengthening of the social system and humanitarian and development assistance for the creation of a lasting peace. Please call your members of Congress and ask for a new Plan Colombia that prioritizes human need, sustainable development, and a negotiated end to the conflict.

Pete Flynn
UI student

A matter of priorities

The "big news" in late May was a picture of Saddam Hussein in his underwear. The story and the picture first appeared in a London newspaper. The public received complete coverage of this on television, radio, and the front pages of mainstream newspapers. It also received attention from President Bush, who said that "an aggressive and thorough investigation is called for."

On May 1 in the *Times* of London, a story appeared offering proof that Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair lied to Congress and the British Parliament

and to the American and British people to take us into an unjust, illegal, immoral, and totally unnecessary war in which tens of thousands of innocent people have been killed and tens of thousands more seriously wounded. Bush did not call for "an aggressive and thorough investigation," nor did the media. The public has received practically no coverage of this.

I guess it's a matter of priorities — someone has to decide what is important. This was not "big news." In this case, a picture of Saddam in his underwear won.

Dick Distelhorst
Burlington resident

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ON THE SPOT

Who did you think was going to win the NBA championship?



"Do I even know who's playing?"

Maggie Hoenig
UI junior



"Detroit."

Reid Frumkin
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"I live closer to Detroit, so I'm going to have to say the Pistons."

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ARTS

Going on the air, classically

BY ANDREA TORO
THE DAILY IOWAN

The powerful and melodic sounds of violins, trumpets, flutes, and harps are brought outside of the concert halls and into the living rooms of Iowans during Iowa Public Television's first Symphonies of Iowa Series, which will conclude on Sunday.

The series began on June 5 with the Sioux City Symphony, and it has continued throughout the month with a new performance at the beginning of each week. Iowa Public Television created the series in hopes to showcase Iowa orchestras by broadcasting their performances. Although the UI Orchestra is not a part of the series, William LaRue Jones, the conductor of the UI Orchestra, still feels that the series plays a vital role in the emphasis of the orchestral arts.

"Society is so entertainment-driven rather than culturally driven," he said. "These broadcasts are absolutely welcome and appreciated."

The series included performances from the Waterloo/Cedar Falls Symphony and the Quad City Symphony. It will conclude with a performance by the Cedar Rapids Symphony Orchestra. Jennifer Glover Konfrst, the Iowa Public Television manager of communications, said the idea for the series stemmed from executive producer Jerry Grady and was based around some of the jazz programs that had been showcased earlier.

"Iowa Public Television really did this as a way to promote talented Iowans around the state," she said. "People really seem to appreciate the fact that the performances are on TV, because this provides a way for

them to see real symphonies without actually having to travel to a concert hall."

Iowa Public Television attended both a dress rehearsal and a live performance in order to capture the essence of the symphony, she said, adding that the network worked very closely with each orchestra to find out which performances would be the best to cover.

UI senior Tim Zeithamel has been playing in the Quad Cities Symphony for a little over a year, and he remembers when he and the members of his symphony were recorded for the series. The musicians had to do one dress rehearsal so the television crew could get the logistics before a live performance was recorded.

"They added a lot more lighting, and they had cameras placed in several places around the concert hall," he said. "It wasn't intimidating, but it was extremely hot with all the added lighting."

Along with broadcasting these performances, Iowa Public Television is also providing a digital television service as well, which it is continually expanding. For viewers in the Iowa City, Fort Dodge, and Waterloo areas with high-definition televisions, the program will air on channel 25 at 5:30 p.m. (Cedar Rapids, channel 35). Those without high-definition capabilities can catch the program on channel 12.

"It's very difficult for the performing and visual arts to get these types of performances out to the public," Jones said. "I believe support through these broadcasts is very important, and it's very good for the reputation of the state."

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In the beginning, DARKNESS



Batman, the darkest and most fascinating of superheroes, has been brought to movie-theater screens seven times prior to Christopher Nolan's masterful *Batman Begins*, but Nolan is the first director to adapt the adventures of the DC comics character most faithfully. Creator Bob Kane would have been proud.

Until now, there was a 1943 serial, a fun 1966 spin-off of the campy TV show, two brilliant features by Tim Burton (1989, 1992), two very misguided sequels by Joel Schumacher (1995, 1997), and a spectacular animated movie based on the equally great cartoon series (1993). But after Schumacher botched Batman in decidedly family-friendly versions, it looked as though Hollywood had no hope of resurrecting the Dark Knight.

If last year's disappointing *Catwoman* was any indication, the legends of Gotham City should retire to the same resting place that those embarrassing episodes of "Superfriends" have gone to await the Grim Reaper. Fortunately — and finally — a talented director has come along to revive the franchise and bring Batman back into the dark ... right where he belongs. Better yet, Nolan conducts half a dozen excellent performances and an exciting action that rarely relies on computer-generated effects.

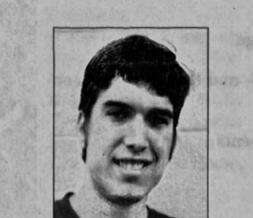
Heavily influenced by classic Batman graphic novels *The Dark Knight Returns* (1986) and especially *Year One* (1988) —

both by Frank Miller — *Begins* soars into the shadows of Batman's tragic past. Nolan (*Memento* [2000]) and co-writer David S. Goyer craft a visually Gothic and emotionally powerful origin story that explores how the Caped Crusader came to be.

Christian Bale plays young Bruce Wayne (Batman's daytime alter-ego), a handsome, wealthy playboy living in a Gotham City mansion with his avuncular British butler, Alfred (Michael Caine). The eccentric and mysterious Bruce should be the happiest man on earth, but he suffers from crippling guilt, loneliness, and depression stemming from his parents' murder.

On an excursion to the Far East, Bruce trains with an enigmatic team of vigilantes called the League of Shadows under the strict tutelage of Ra's Al Ghul (Ken Watanabe) and his lieutenant Henri Ducard (Liam Neeson). Bruce quickly learns the deadly combat skills and sagacious mental control he will need to avenge his parents' death. Upon returning to Gotham City, he picks up where his father left off at Wayne Enterprises, and, by night, strikes fear in the hearts of the Gotham underworld as a costumed crime fighter.

Batman, Bruce's secret identity, gradually develops when he acquires tools, weapons, and an armor-like outfit from the benevolent Lucius Fox (Morgan Freeman),



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by Will Scheibel

Batman Begins

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a scientist employed by Bruce's company. The bat cave underneath Wayne Manor soon becomes the Batcave, and when Lucius supplies Bruce with a cross between a tank and a Humvee, the Batmobile is born. Batman also benefits from two important allies: Assistant D.A. Rachel Dawes (Katie Holmes), a potential love interest, and honest cop Jim Gordon (Gary Oldman).

No Batman movie is complete without a rogue's gallery of bizarre villains, and here we have some of the most interesting. Tom Wilkinson plays Carmine Falcone, a Mob boss who rules most of the gang activity in Gotham. Cillian Murphy plays Dr. Jonathan

Crane (a.k.a., the Scarecrow), a psychiatrist who uses scare tactics and hallucinogens — including drugged water and a really creepy mask — to turn Gothamites into pawns in his evil plan. Even Rutger Hauer shows up in a slimy role as a Wayne Enterprise executive.

Begins understands the superhero mythology and deliberately turns Bruce Wayne/Batman into one of the most alienated, morally ambiguous antiheroes in all of pop culture. Burton's *Batman* and *Batman Returns* are only slightly superior because of their tighter and more subtle approach (not to mention a conscious effort to retain that expressionistic, film noir feel of the comics). Nolan, however, gives us the best possible prequel — one that is self-contained and holds its own, while still enriching the other installments in the series. This is one of the year's finest films.

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- **Lawrence Arms, Wilhelm Scream, Smoke of Fire, and Shots Fired**, 6 p.m., Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St.
- **Shelter House Benefit Show**, 6 p.m., Iowa City Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn St.
- **Trek Fest XXI**, 6 p.m., Hall Park, Riverside.
- **All-State Music Camp Percussion Camp Final Concert**, 7 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall.
- **Iowa Summer Rep, Lend Me a Tenor**, by Ken Ludwig, 8 p.m., Theatre Building Theatre B.
- **"Live from Prairie Lights," Lee Child, fiction**, 8 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., and WSUI.
- **Open Mike**, 8 p.m., Uptown Bill's Small Mall, 401 S. Gilbert St.
- **Deathships, and Meth and Goats**, 9 p.m., Gabe's.
- **Downfall**, 9 p.m., Bijou.
- **Farmers' Market**, 5-7:30 p.m., Lenoach & Cilek Ace Hardware, 600 N. Dodge St.
- **Classy Chassy Cruisers**, 5:30-9:30 p.m., Sycamore Mall.
- **Friday Night Concert Series, Mike and Amy Finders**, 6 p.m., Pedestrian Mall.
- **Nobody Knows**, 6 p.m., Bijou.

quote of the day

“The U.S. image has improved slightly, but is still broadly negative. It's amazing when you see the European public rating the United States so poorly, especially in comparison with China.”

— Andrew Kohut, director of the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press, speaking about an international poll that showed the United States' popularity is lagging behind that of communist China.

horoscopes

Friday, June 24, 2005
— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): New acquaintances will inspire you to follow through with an idea you have. You will be able to capture attention if you are quick, precise, and colorful in your presentation. A business or personal partnership looks promising.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Run your ideas past a trusted friend or relative before you go ahead with your plans. A small but very important detail will need to be adjusted. Emotional matters may not sit well with you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Curiosity will lead to interesting answers and information. A chance to head down a more prosperous path is apparent. Reading, short trips, and research will pay off.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will have to cut corners if you want to finish what you start. Don't let emotional problems interfere with what you must do. Spend a little cash on items that will help you get your chores done more quickly.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Something may be going on behind your back. You have to take things one step at a time. An unusual partnership will turn out to be beneficial. A problem with an authority figure will be the direct result of not doing what you are supposed to be doing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Getting involved in something that will bring you into contact with other productive people is essential. Taking a unique approach to health, diet, and exercise will bring great results. Start new projects that show promise for the future.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You have to put a push on business, professional advancement, or even looking for a new job. The chance to upgrade your lifestyle is possible. Romance will lead to new and exciting plans for the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): New emotions will rise to the surface today. A chance to get involved with someone who excites and inspires you should not be dismissed. A deceptive friend may try to lead you in a direction not really suited to your needs.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Take a look at your assets. A number of financial deals can be made if you are quick to invest in something a little different. You will be able to drum up the support and help you need to make a prosperous move.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Get out and network, or mingle with people or groups that interest you. The more talking you do, the more likely you will join someone for business or personal reasons. The future is looking bright.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You'll be emotional today, but that doesn't mean you should hide at home. Join in the activities in your community, and you will drum up some opportunities. The time to make some changes is now.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Not everything will be out in the open. Think about what you want and what everyone else wants you to do. You have to be true to yourself if you want to achieve success. A love connection will be inspiring, intimate, and emotional.

news you need to know

- June 30** — First deposit of thesis due at Graduate College
- July 4** — University holiday, offices closed
- July 15** — Last day for graduate students to drop 6- and 8-week courses or withdraw entire registration, 4:30 p.m.
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- 7 a.m. Democracy Now
- 11 Wocidj No. 5
- 11:20 Wocidj No. 6
- 11:40 Wocidj No. 7
- Noon Islam: Dispelling the Myths
- 1 p.m. PATV Fundraiser at the Mill Pt. 1
- 2:40 Break Dance 2
- 3 BUSTED: A Citizen's Guide to Surviving Police Encounters

- 3:45 Iowa Donor Network
- 4 Conversations
- 5 PATV Open Channel (replay)
- 6 Gospel Explosion Ministry
- 7 Country Time Country
- 8 Eden
- 8:30 Pluto's Plight
- 9:45 Isolation: Why Me?
- 10 Fellowship Revival Center
- 11 Tom's Guitar Show (Replay)

UITV schedule

- 3 p.m. The Science of Optics: The History of Art
- 4:30 Pitfalls of Narrative and Discourse Analysis in Social Science, a Public Discussion
- 6 African Writers: Readings by Kofi Awoonor and Helon Habila
- 7 Intellectual Property, Patent Law, Professionalism, and Ethics

- 8 The Impact of the Internet in the United States and Around the World
- 9 Student Video Productions Presents Iowa Desk and Couch No. 7
- 9:35 Student Video Productions Presents Iowa Desk and Couch No. 1
- 10 Student Video Productions Presents KRUI-TV No. 3
- 11 Binge Drinking at Iowa

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the ledge

HOW TO TELL IF YOU ARE AN ENGINEERING STUDENT

— by Matt Mobily

• Hearing the name Seamans Center no longer makes you chuckle.

• Organic Chemistry is your easiest class.

• You are immune to the consultations that you receive as you walk home through the Ped Mall with your backpack on a Thursday night.

• You have job opportunities when you graduate.

• You have been called an "engineer" so many times that you have not only accepted it, you have embraced it.

• Males will become slightly depressed, because they are surrounded by men.

• Females will become slightly depressed, because they are surrounded by nerds.

• While at a bar, you catch yourself discussing the vapor-liquid equilibrium of your Jack & Coke.

• You graduate with a B.S.E. instead of some other B.S. degree.

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Little University

1. What new name did Ani DiFranco give her Righteous Records label after a Christian company with the same name threatened to sue?

2. What did the "50 pounds of white powder" seized from Manuel Noriega's freezer turn out to be: Lavative, tamale mix, or Slim Fast?

3. What phrase does a fast-typing cyberchatterer shorten to "IMHO"?

4. What quirky TV series featured an FBI agent who liked his coffee "black as the midnight without a moonlight"?

5. What motorcycle maker unleashed the ZZ-R1100, the fastest bike of its day?

1. Righteous Babe Records
2. Tamale mix
3. In My Humble Opinion
4. Tim Allen's *Home Improvement*
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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

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I WOULDN'T MISS THIS FOR THE WORLD, MASTER. ALTHOUGH TRUTHFULLY, I'M FEELING A BIT GUILTY ABOUT BEING HERE.

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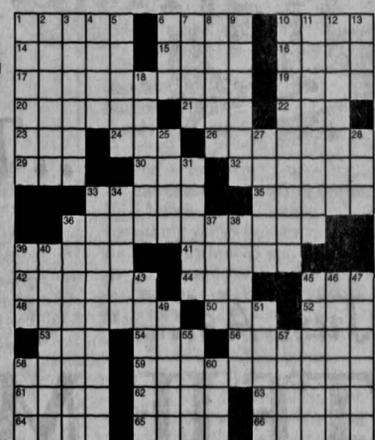
YOU HAVE ACTED NIBBLY, SEAHORSE. I KNOW, MASTER, AND YET I AM TROUBLED.

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Met men
 - 6 Coordinate closely
 - 10 Gulf of San _____ east of the Panama Canal
 - 14 Ingredient of 'Wow!' potato chips
 - 15 Contemporary of Rosewall
 - 16 Something a computer user may click
 - 17 It may go through the mill
 - 19 Directional lead-in
 - 20 College V.I.P.
 - 21 Bosox nickname
 - 22 Assets mgr.?
 - 23 Boiling blood
 - 24 Suffix with free
 - 26 Geological formation
 - 29 Jarrett of NASCAR
 - 30 Carol contraction
 - 32 Clearings
 - 33 Decorative coat
 - 35 Van Gogh locale
 - 36 Base assignment ... or an apt title for this puzzle
 - 39 Bad stroke
 - 41 Verse composition
 - 42 It may be felt on the head
 - 44 Was on the bottom?
 - 45 Water holder
 - 48 Lacking life
 - 50 Tenors and altos
 - 52 Collector's suffix
 - 53 Home of TV's "Doctor Who"
 - 54 Try to get money from, maybe
 - 56 Merchant with a scented shop
 - 58 Shipbuilding material
 - 59 Cook's convenience
 - 61 Designer for Lillian Gish and Anna Pavlova
 - 62 Let out
 - 63 Potentially deadly loop
 - 64 _____ stands
 - 65 Used to get around
 - 66 Big key



- DOWN**
- 1 Thread winds up on it
 - 2 "It"
 - 3 Pan-_____
 - 4 Bursae
 - 5 Stamping need
 - 6 Captain's aid
 - 7 Behold
 - 8 Give a buzz
 - 9 Israeli president, 1983-93
 - 10 Reason to close off a city street
 - 11 In a clear manner
 - 12 Late actress who was on "General Hospital" for 25 years
 - 13 Have a peak experience?
 - 18 Generating heat
 - 25 Viet _____
 - 27 Seasonal name
 - 28 Part of a car test course
 - 31 Dance makeup
 - 33 Twist, after training
 - 34 Took the loss
 - 36 Republic on the Equator
 - 37 One issued a flood warning
 - 38 Want absolutely nothing to do with
 - 39 Pool site
 - 40 Smashers' opposites
 - 43 Mitchell replaced him as Disney chief
 - 45 Vegas visitor's vision
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Wellmark, UI agree on deal

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Both Wellmark and the university stressed that disclosure of information and increased dialogue between the two institutions was a key product of the last few months of discussion.

The university had originally argued that because it is an academic medical center, it treats unique and severe cases similar to no other Iowa hospital's and thus deserves greater

reimbursement rates for certain services.

Skorton said during negotiations it became apparent that Wellmark's reimbursement schedule accounted for the UIHC's status.

Another key element of talks when the issue first emerged was the university's ability to negotiate the reimbursement rate year-to-year. As was the case in the past, the UI will only be able to protest inadequate rate increases by ending the contract with at least a year's notice.

The discussions produced an "open door in both directions," Skorton said, and the university has always and still does intend to have a relationship with Wellmark, however.

The university was under pressure from regents to reach an agreement before the contract ended.

"I'm very pleased that it has been signed and that there will be a continuance of progress and growth at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics," said Michael Gartner, the

regent president. "They can now move on to other challenges."

Gartner replaced former regent President John Forsyth, who resigned in January because of a conflict of interest as chairman and CEO of Wellmark Inc. Regent David Neil, who also resigned, had also sat on the company's Board of Directors at one time. He rejoined the Wellmark board after resigning.

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Students aid tsunami relief

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The money raised will go to Heart to Heart International, a Kansas based nonprofit group that sends supplies and teams of volunteers to areas in need.

"They really emphasize providing medical aid," Sens said. "So as med students, it was a good fit for us."

The organization works by soliciting donations from a network of corporations that donate medical and other supplies, as well as transportation. All of the relief shipments are sent for free by FedEx, one of Heart to Heart's major partners. Such donations allow the group to send \$25 worth of aid for every dollar raised, Heart to Heart

spokesman Pete Brumbaugh said.

The UI students are one of dozens of groups to offer to raise tsunami-relief funds for Heart to Heart.

"It's pretty amazing the response we got from academic institutions in the Midwest, from elementaries to universities," Brumbaugh said. "We're probably the only organization that does this kind of work in this area."

Since the tsunami, the group has sent \$3 million dollars worth of medical supplies to Sri Lanka and Indonesia, Brumbaugh said.

"Every little bit counts," he said. "These donations really add up."

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Some enjoy life in the summer lane

SUMMER
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"Now, we mostly just get regulars; usually middle-age men," Gonzales said, while looking around at an empty restaurant. "I like it a lot better when students are here."

Pedestrian Mall vendor Denise McKelvie said that although her stand has not felt

the brunt of the summer lull, businesses that don't plan for the absence of students are in trouble.

Baldys Wraps employee and UI senior Bret Snyder, who has worked more than a year at the restaurant, 18 S. Clinton St., said that while lunchtime is about the same, nights are "kind of slow."

"It's hit or miss," he said. The hardships of businesses

reliant on student patrons does not extend to the rest of the community; in fact, most residents enjoy the few months without students.

"Generally, besides being very green, it is very quiet when school is out. I come here to write every day; it's something that I really cherish," said UI graduate Joshua Sales, diligently scribbling in his notebook outside the Java House, 211 1/2 E. Washington St.

Several residents said summertime is a chance for local families to crawl out of their homes and once again experience their city.

"There are fewer people running around all the time," said Alex Suha, a UI senior and the host of KRUT's "Banana Nut Breed." "There are definitely a lot fewer drunks around."

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Class to decide Iran vote

Iranians face stark choice between millionaire Rafsanjani, working-class hard-liner Ahmadinejad

BY KARL VICK
WASHINGTON POST

BAGHERABAD, Iran — In the 26 years since the Iranian revolution, Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani has become not only a millionaire but the most conspicuous embodiment of a privileged political elite that exists far from the everyday struggles of ordinary people.

Class has become a pivotal issue in today's vote for Iran's next president. And the gap between the country's political elite and everyone else has been sharpened by the surprise emergence of Rafsanjani's opponent, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, the hard-line mayor of Tehran whose working-class background has endeared him to many Iranians and made the runoff election too close to call.

In Bagherabad, a sun-blasted, working-class town 20 miles and a world away from the luxury high-rises of north Tehran, residents welcome the mayor's arrival on a political scene many have come to view with sullen anger.

"People talk about him a lot and say he's a good man to vote for," said Kobra Hassanzadeh, 50, behind the counter of a corner store that supports a family of five, on \$14 a day.

"They say he seems like us." The number of other Iranians who see an ally in Ahmadinejad may decide the vote, the first runoff in recent Iranian history. Campaign officials for Rafsanjani insist there is a limit to their rival's appeal. Of the 29 million votes split among seven candidates in the first round, they calculate that Ahmadinejad can count on no more than 11 million in the second round. If that's the case, they say, the mayor would prevail only if overall turnout dips toward 20 million.

"He has a mix of both religious conservative votes and rural and urban poor. That is a

big base," said Nasser Hadian-Jazy, a political scientist who favors Rafsanjani.

Still, Hadian-Jazy said he believed Rafsanjani would win because reformers were worried about the alternative. "There's the fear factor," he said. "People will come out."

This week, it was Rafsanjani's campaign that looked to be running scared. He bested Ahmadinejad by about 1 percentage point last week, then spent the brief runoff campaign promising to draw attention to social-justice issues that his opponent had campaigned on heavily. On Thursday, a Rafsanjani supporter hastily unveiled a promise to put \$11,000 in the pocket of every Iranian family by selling off state assets.

But it was the populist campaign of the scruffy, bearded Ahmadinejad that threw open a window on public discontent in Iran.

After last week's vote, an exit poll by the Ministry of Culture and Islamic Guidance found many voters were motivated by anger over the gap between rich and poor.

"Business is no good unless you enjoy a government rent or are the son of a cleric," said Faramarz Etemadi, 52, peddling black fabric for women's veils at a stall in Tehran's vast bazaar. "We had one shah, and now we have thousands."

Unemployment in Iran, officially at 10 percent, is widely thought to be twice as high. Inflation is at 16 percent. Per capita income is \$2,000.

"He's not one of the mullahs, so maybe he would work for people," Atieh Faramurzi, 48, a housewife in Tehran, said of Ahmadinejad.



Vahid Salemi/Associated Press
A woman walks past a campaign poster of Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani in Tehran on Wednesday. Rafsanjani will face Tehran's hard-line mayor, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, in Iran's first presidential runoff election in its history today.

WORLD

Romanian monk, 4 nuns charged in exorcism death

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — A 23-year-old Orthodox nun — said to be possessed by devils because she shouted so much — was chained to a cross, gagged with a towel, and left in a dank room at a convent for three days without food, where she died of suffocation and dehydration.

A monk and four nuns were arrested Thursday, and they have been charged with murder in the case, which has focused attention on the secretive convents and

monasteries that dot Romania's impoverished northeast. Maricica Irina Cornici died last week in the Holy Trinity convent outside the remote village of Tanacu.

Daniel Petre Corogeanu, the red-bearded monk accused of leading the exorcism, has appeared unrepentant. He performed a funeral service for the nun on Sunday and said he was trying to take devils out of her.

Asked whether the nun was mentally ill and in need of medical help instead of exorcism, he responded: "You can't take the devil out of people with pills. You cure [possession by] the devils with fasting and prayer."

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Chicago	36	35	.507	8 1/2
Pittsburgh	33	38	.465	11 1/2
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Cincinnati	29	43	.403	16
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Arizona	37	37	.500	3 1/2
Los Angeles	35	37	.486	4 1/2
San Francisco	30	41	.423	9
Colorado	22	48	.314	16 1/2

Thursday's Games
N.Y. Mets 4, Philadelphia 3
Chicago Cubs 4, Chicago White Sox 7
L.A. Dodgers 4, San Diego 3, 10 innings
Arizona 7, San Francisco 2
Florida 8, Atlanta 0
Pittsburgh 11, St. Louis 7
Friday's National League Game
Pittsburgh (K. Wells 5-6) at St. Louis (Suppan 6-6), 7:10 p.m.
Friday's Interleague Games
Chicago Cubs (Mitre 2-2) at Chicago White Sox (Garcia 9-3), 3:05 p.m.
Toronto (Flowers 5-6) at Washington (Loaiza 2-5), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (P.Martinez 7-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Muzina 8-4), 6:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Milton 3-9) at Cleveland (Elarton 4-2), 6:05 p.m.
Boston (Wakefield 5-6) at Philadelphia (Lieber 8-6), 6:05 p.m.
Florida (Lester 3-6) at Tampa Bay (Wechter 3-4), 6:15 p.m.
Baltimore (Penn 2-0) at Atlanta (Davies 2-2), 6:35 p.m.
Texas (Ric. Rodriguez 2-0) at Houston (Oswalt 8-7), 7:05 p.m.
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Detroit (Maroth 5-7) at Arizona (Estes 5-5), 8:40 p.m.
Seattle (Meche 7-4) at San Diego (May 1-1), 9:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Foppert 0-0) at Oakland (Blanton 3-6), 9:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Weaver 6-6) at L.A. Angels (Lackey 5-2), 9:05 p.m.
Saturday's National League Game
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 6:15 p.m.
Saturday's Interleague Games
Baltimore at Atlanta, 12:20 p.m.
Boston at Philadelphia, 12:20 p.m.
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Sunday's National League Game
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 1:15 p.m.
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Chicago Cubs at Chicago White Sox, 2:05 p.m.
Seattle at San Diego, 3:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Oakland, 3:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at L.A. Angels, 3:40 p.m.
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Texas	37	33	.529	4 1/2
Seattle	32	39	.451	10
Oakland	32	40	.444	10 1/2

Wednesday's Late Game
Seattle 5, Oakland 4, 12 innings
Thursday's Games
Minnesota 6, Detroit 2
Oakland 5, Seattle 0
Tampa Bay 9, N.Y. Yankees 4
Toronto 6, Baltimore 2
NBA PLAYOFFS
San Antonio vs. Detroit
Thursday, June 9
San Antonio 94, Detroit 69
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San Antonio 97, Detroit 76
Tuesday, June 14
Detroit 95, San Antonio 79
Friday, June 17
Detroit 102, San Antonio 71
Sunday, June 19
San Antonio 94, Detroit 95
Tuesday, June 21
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TRANSACTIONS
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BASEBALL
American League
TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Purchased the contract of INF Eric Mays from Durham of the IL. Designated OF Reggie Taylor for assignment.
National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Named John Moses bench coach.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Placed LHP Mike Gonzalez on the 15-day DL. Recalled LHP Mike Johnston from Indianapolis of the IL.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Claimed OF Alex Sanchez off waivers from the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

Baylor hit with penalties

'This is the final step in bringing a two-year scandal to a close for the university.'

— William Underwood, Baylor's interim president

BY KRISTIE RIEKEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Baylor's men's basketball team was banned from playing nonconference games for one season and placed on five years' probation by the NCAA on Thursday for numerous rules violations found after a former player murdered a teammate in 2003.

Gene Marsh, the chairman of the Division I Committee on Infractions and a professor of law at Alabama, said he believes it is the first time the NCAA has instituted a partial ban on regular-season games in basketball.

He said the committee seriously considered banning Baylor's program for a season. "As a repeat violator, it was subject to the death penalty," he said. "[Baylor officials'] penalties and their approach saved their basketball season."

The NCAA has used the death penalty only once — on the SMU football program in the late 1980s. Marsh said Baylor's violations were "as serious" as those committed by SMU.

Baylor was considered a repeat offender because the tennis program received sanctions in 2000 for improper financial aid and extra benefits.

Last week, Carlton Dotson, 23, was sentenced to 35 years in prison after he pleaded guilty in the death of Patrick Dennehy, a killing that led to revelations of wrongdoing in Baylor's program.

Dennehy was missing for six weeks before his body was

found in July 2003 in a field where the best friends had gone to shoot guns at targets.

"This is the final step in bringing a two-year scandal to a close for the university," said William Underwood, Baylor's interim president.

"It will never close for some individuals, including the Patrick Dennehy family and the Carlton Dotson family, but this is the final piece in moving beyond the scandal."

The NCAA gave Baylor the option of canceling its nonconference schedule, usually about 15 games a year, this season or next. Underwood said the Bears would play the shortened season this year.

The Bears will be allowed to play regular-season Big 12 games and participate in the postseason tournament. Although the team will be eligible for NCAA postseason play, it will be difficult to gain enough wins to make the NCAA or NIT tournament without a nonconference schedule.

By August 2003, basketball coach Dave Bliss and Athletics Director Tom Stanton had resigned in the wake of numerous allegations of NCAA violations.

School investigators later discovered that Bliss paid up to \$40,000 in tuition for two players and improperly solicited \$87,000 from Baylor boosters. The probe also revealed that staff members did not properly report some players' failed drug tests.

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Nadal booted from Wimbledon

BY HOWARD FENDRICH
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WIMBLEDON, England — By the end, the joy was gone from Rafael Nadal's game. All those uppercuts, hops, and yells of "Vamos!" he normally displays were replaced by the serious look of someone taking mental notes.

The spunk and strokes that carried Nadal to a French Open championship on clay just don't have the same effect on grass right now, and while the 19-year-old Spaniard is convinced he can learn enough to win a title at the All England Club, that day must wait.

The No. 4-seeded Nadal lost (6-4, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4) on Thursday in the second round of Wimbledon to 69th-ranked Gilles Muller, the only man from Luxembourg to win a Grand Slam match in the Open era.

Nadal was beaten but unbowed, saying he'd like to build a grass court on his home island of Mallorca so he can practice on the slick surface. Of the four majors, Nadal grew up most wanting to win Wimbledon, because only one Spanish man has, Manuel Santana in 1966.

"When I improve a lot, I can win a lot of matches here, no? Because I am fast," said Nadal, whose English is getting better by the day. "I need to improve my volley. I need to improve my serve. I need to improve my confidence with the game on grass, no?"

He's become tennis' "It Boy," thanks to his skills, his success, his exuberance, his clamdiggers-and-muscle-shirt outfits. Nadal shot from 51st in the rankings at the end of 2004 to the top five, but no matter how much attention he receives, the intensity might never rival what Tim Henman experiences annually at Wimbledon.

The locals haven't had a British men's champion to celebrate since 1936, and Henman's serve-and-volley game carried him to the semifinals four times. Henman ended early this year, though, with the sixth-seeded Englishman's 3-6, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3, 8-6 loss to Dmitry Tursunov. It's the first time since 1995 that



Alastair Grant/Associated Press
Tim Henman (right) and Dmitry Tursunov shake hands at the end of their second-round match at Wimbledon on Thursday. Tursunov won the match.

Henman, 30, didn't at least reach the fourth round. "You sit here now and sort of feel somewhat numb," he said. "But what can I do about that? Can I try harder? It's not about that."

So he passes the burden on to the last British man or woman in the tournament: Andrew Murray, an 18-year-old wild card ranked 312th, who surprised No. 14 Radek Stepanek (6-4, 6-4, 6-4). Not long after, a BBC announcer suggested that the grassy slope where fans picnic and watch matches on a giant screen be renamed, changing "Henman Hill" to "Murray Field."

"He doesn't get enough credit," said Murray, who watched Henman play before taking the court. "He had so much pressure on him every year, and he's done so well." The Scotsman's third-round opponent is 2002 Wimbledon finalist David Nalbandian, and Murray immediately set about lowering expectations, pronouncing simply: "I'll lose my

next match." Looking forward in the women's tournament, it's tough not to focus on the potential fourth-round matchup between the Williams siblings. It looked for a time as if Serena Williams might not make it to the end of this week, but she recovered to beat qualifier Mara Santangelo of Italy (2-6, 6-3, 6-2).

Williams, whose older sister, Venus, beat Nicole Pratt (7-5, 6-3), said she's playing on a slightly broken left ankle, and though it appeared to hamper her early on, she was racing to turn Santangelo's drop shots into winners by late in the second set.

"I keep promising. The next match, I'm going to do A, B, C, and D. And I didn't do it today," said Serena, the 2002-03 champion. "But I'm here to stay. I think I have the best chances of people left in the draw. I'm probably the most mentally tough person out here."

The woman she lost to in last year's Wimbledon final, Maria

Sharapova, was a 6-0, 6-1 winner over Sesil Karantcheva, the 15-year-old Bulgarian who surprised Venus Williams en route to the French Open quarterfinals.

Karantcheva pledged to rout Sharapova before they played at Indian Wells, Calif., last year. Karantcheva is now 0-3 against the Russian — but has no regrets about talking trash.

"I'm just going to say what I feel like I want to say," said Karantcheva, who learned English by listening to Spice Girls songs. "For sure, it's going to get me in trouble most of the time, but you really can't be that perfect doll that always says what people want you to say."

Sharapova dismissed the topic, saying, "The tennis does the talking." She won the first nine games Thursday and won 27 of the last 31 points.

"I knew she got to the quarterfinals of a Grand Slam," Sharapova said. "Obviously, grass is totally different."

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Duncan, Ginobili too much for Pistons

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through several defenders for a lay-up that was almost too easy, making it 75-68.

The Pistons couldn't recover. Detroit had won 10-straight postseason games with a chance to eliminate its opponent and was trying to become the first team in NBA history to win two Game 7s on the road in a postseason. As resilient as they were, that turned out to be too tall of a task.

"I am unbelievably happy. I couldn't be happier," Ginobili said. "It's just an unbelievable feeling. I need another body to feel it."

Duncan's legacy was as much in question as his team's. He had struggled through out the series against a superior defensive team, the Pistons presenting the toughest test the Spurs had faced in the finals after defeating the 1999 Knicks and the 2003 Nets, teams that might have been a little too pleased just to have a shot at the title.

"I don't listen to anything that was said. I wanted to come out here and give my best effort," Duncan said after winning his third finals MVP. "We fought for this thing."

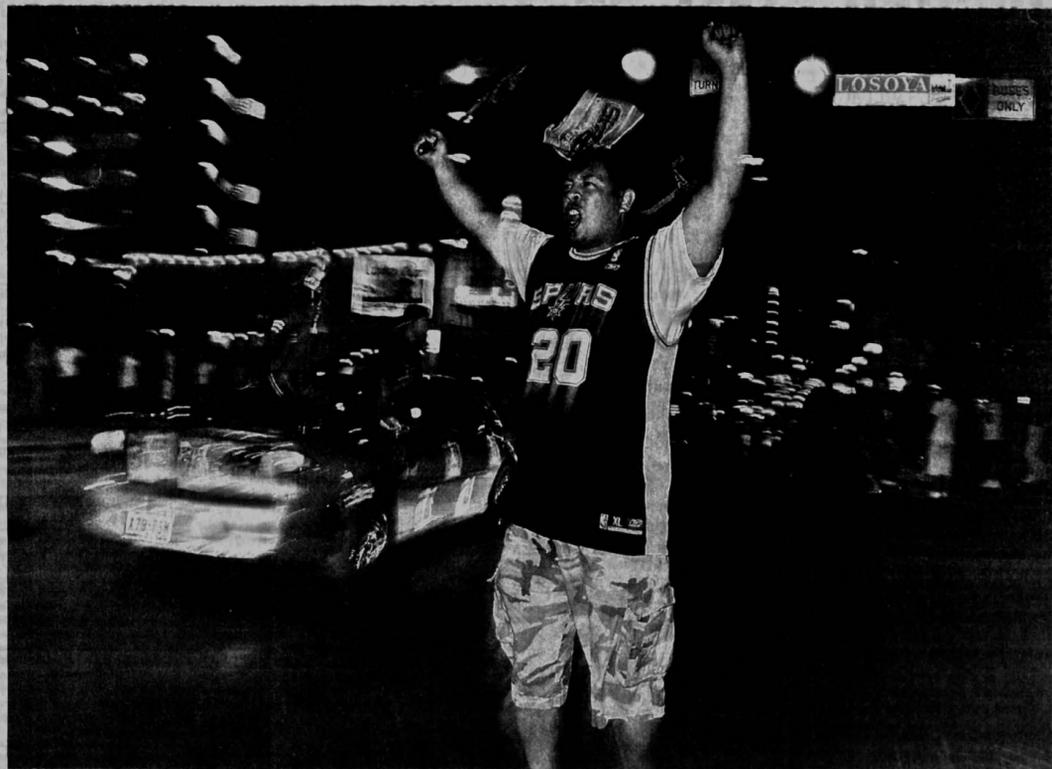
Duncan came up short on a dunk and a 21-footer early in the third quarter, giving him six consecutive misses, and Detroit slowly began to build upon its lead. A dunk by Tayshaun Prince, a steal and two foul shots by Chauncey Billups, a poor

possession by San Antonio, and a spin move by Antonio McDyess made it 48-39.

Duncan's string of misses reached eight before he converted a three-point play, and Ginobili drove for a score off a turnover to complete a 7-0 run that got the Spurs right back in it. A 14-foot bank shot by Duncan — a part of his usual repertoire that had been absent in this series — produced a 53-53 tie before he knocked down another shot off the glass, this time from a few steps further away, to help produce a 57-57 tie entering the fourth.

Duncan had 12 points and six rebounds in the third quarter. After a flat start, Popovich told the Spurs during a timeout to start creating for each other — to stop standing around on offense and letting the Pistons be the aggressors with their defense. There was a change in Duncan immediately thereafter as he had a blocked shot, an assist and a tip-in to start a 10-0 run that gave San Antonio a 16-12 lead.

Each team's defensive intensity was a bit sharper than their offensive execution, in large part because Billups and Ginobili each picked up two early fouls, and the first quarter ended with the Spurs ahead 18-16. Points continued to be difficult to come by in the second quarter, the Pistons hurting themselves with too many long outside shots and too few possessions in which the ball moved around, and not enough second-chance points generated by their better



Nicole Fruge, San Antonio Express-News/Associated Press

Joe Conarrubias celebrates the Spurs' NBA championship victory against the Detroit Pistons on Thursday in downtown San Antonio.

work on the offensive boards.

The Spurs were having their own problems, almost never get-

ting an easy shot while trying as hard as they could — too hard, perhaps — to force their offense

through Duncan. Ben Wallace had dunks on three consecutive possessions late in the first half

to give him a team-high 12 points on 6-for-7 shooting as Detroit led 39-38 at halftime.

Store emphasizes reuse of equipment

PLAY IT AGAIN

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said could be his only day off all summer.

"It's great to come here," he said. "You don't always need new equipment. I always say reduce, reuse, recycle."

While most business owners might shudder at the thought of discounts or handing money out, customers such as Hoke are what get Suchomel to work every day.

The City High graduate's day does not end at 7 p.m., when the store closes. He heads straight for — where else — the baseball diamonds, to coach his son's team.

"While I'm coaching, I look out at the fields and see kids using

bats that I sold to them and gloves that they bought the other day," he said. "I like that."

"It's cool to think that maybe someday they'll be on their high-school team or college team. I'll be able to say I knew them from way back."

For him, Play It Again is almost like an orphanage. He coddles each piece as if it were his own. "I always try to find a home for things."

Suchomel plans on handing the store over to his kids at some point, but don't expect that to happen anytime soon. He's having too much fun.

"I can't imagine myself doing anything else."

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Ishii, Reyes lead Mets over Philly

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Kazuhisa Ishii pitched 6 2/3 strong innings, and Jose Reyes had three hits and stole three bases, leading the New York Mets past the Philadelphia Phillies, 4-3, Thursday.

Doug Mientkiewicz homered and drove in two runs for the last-place Mets, 6-3 against Philadelphia this season. Jim Thome and Todd Pratt homered for the Phillies, who have lost six of nine after winning 12 of 13.

Ishii (2-6) gave up three runs and six hits for his second win in nine starts. Cory Lidle (6-6) allowed four runs and eight hits in 6 2/3 innings.

Dodgers 4, Padres 3
SAN DIEGO — Jeff Kent hit a sacrifice fly with one out in the 10th, his second late-inning RBI, and Los Angeles rallied for a split of the four-game series.

Cesar Izturis doubled off Trevor Hoffman (0-4) opening the 10th, his sacrifice to third by Mike Edwards, and scored on Kent's fly to center. San Diego's Mark Sweeney reached second with one out in the ninth but was picked off by Duane Sanchez (2-3). Dave Roberts then flied out.

Yhency Brazoban pitched the 10th for his 13th save.

Marlins 8, Braves 0
ATLANTA — Dontrelle Willis

pitched a five-hitter to become the NL's first 12-game winner, leading Florida over Atlanta.

Miguel Cabrera hit two homers and drove in a career-high six runs for the Marlins, who were outscored 13-0 in the first two games of the series, but used Willis' dominant outing to salvage the finale.

Willis (12-2) walked one and struck out seven in his third shutout of the season and fifth of his career. He stretched his streak of consecutive scoreless innings to 19 in his eighth career complete game and fourth this season.

Jorge Sosa (3-1) gave up only four hits and three runs in six innings, but two of the hits were Cabrera's 13th and 14th homers.

Cabrera added a two-run single off Braves reliever Adam Bernero in the Marlins' four-run seventh inning, and an RBI single off Dan Kolb in the ninth.

Diamondbacks 7, Giants 2

SAN FRANCISCO — Troy Glaus homered, and Brandon Webb (8-3) pitched seven strong innings for his first win in nearly three weeks to lead Arizona over San Francisco.

Luis Gonzalez had two hits, drove in a run, and scored for the Diamondbacks, who split the four-game series and concluded their second-straight disappointing road trip at 4-6. Arizona has won only one of its last nine series since taking two of three at Detroit from May 20-22.

Devil Rays dump Yankees again

NEW YORK (AP) — Jorge Cantu hit a pair of two-run homers, and Tampa Bay beat the Yankees, 9-4, to win its first series at Yankee Stadium since Sept. 24-27, 1999. The Devil Rays improved to 7-3 overall against New York this year.

Damon Hollins added a three-run double as Tampa Bay took three of four from the Yankees. The Devil Rays are 8-29 on the road but half those wins have been at Yankee Stadium, where they are 4-2. They do not have a winning record in any other ballpark, including their own, where they are 18-18.

Mark Hendrickson (3-4) won for the first time in five starts, allowing four runs and nine hits in 7 1/3 innings. With Tampa Bay ahead 6-4, Danys Baez got Ruben Sierra to hit into an inning-ending groundout with the bases loaded in the eighth and finished for his 12th save.

Chien-Ming Wang (4-3) allowed six runs — five earned — in six innings with three walks and a hit batter.

Blue Jays 6, Orioles 2

TORONTO (AP) — Roy Halladay (11-4) allowed two runs and seven hits in eight innings with eight strikeouts and no walks. He had been 0-2 with a 7.43 ERA in two outings against the Orioles this year.

Orlando Hudson had three RBIs for the Blue Jays, who took three of four from the Orioles to move within 5 1/2 games of the AL East leader.

Sidney Ponson (7-5) allowed six runs and 11 hits in 5 1/2 innings, raising his ERA to 5.42.

Twins 6, Tigers 2

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Carlos Silva pitched his second complete game, working around nine hits and spurring the Minnesota Twins out of their slump with a win over the Detroit Tigers on Thursday.

The Twins took advantage of Jason Johnson's bases-loaded wild pitch in the first and ended a four-game losing streak. Matthew LeCroy homered and drove in three runs as Minnesota won for only the fourth time in 13 games.

Chris Shelton had three hits, including a home run, for the Tigers, who had won four straight and seven of eight.

Silva (6-3) struck out two without a walk. Johnson (5-6) gave up six runs — five earned — and nine hits in 5 1/3 innings.

Athletics 5, Mariners 0

SEATTLE (AP) — Kirk Saarloos (4-4) pitched a four-hitter for his second career shutout.

Saarloos tied his career high with seven strikeouts and walked none. His only previous complete game was a six-hit shutout for

Houston over Pittsburgh July 25, 2002.

Scott Hatteberg had four hits for the eighth time in

his career, and Oakland finished with 16 hits.

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Bill Hall
MLB

Brewers 8, Cubs 7

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Bill Hall hit a tiebreaking, two-run homer with two outs in the eighth inning as the Milwaukee Brewers overcame a pair of Derrek Lee homers and beat the Chicago Cubs on Thursday for a split of the four-game series.

With two outs in the eighth and the score 6-all, Jeff Cirillo singled on a ball just under the glove of second baseman Todd Walker. Hall followed with his 11th homer, a drive off Mike Remlinger (0-2).

Ricky Bottalico (1-1) pitched 1½ innings, and Derrick Turnbow finished for his 12th save. After Turnbow allowed Neifi Perez's two-out RBI single in the ninth, he retired Lee on a game-ending lineout to left.

Lee had three hits to raise his major-league-leading average to .395 and took over the home run lead with 22. It was his fifth multihomer game this season and the 14th of his career.

Chicago has lost six of its last eight games and eight of 11.

Milwaukee trailed 6-4 before Chris Magruder, in an 0-for-11 slide, hit a two-run single in the seventh off Will Ohman, who had just entered the game. Chicago had gone ahead in the top of the inning on Michael Barrett's RBI double and Perez's run-scoring single.

Brewers starter Ben Sheets allowed a season-high six earned runs, and he also gave up eight hits in 6½ innings. Lee hit a two-run homer in the first off Sheets, who has allowed homers in eight of 11 starts.

Chicago's Glendon Rusch, winless in four starts, gave up four runs and seven hits in six innings.

Chad Moeller hit a solo homer for the Brewers, 17-8 in their last 25 home games.

NBA

Mavs' Bradley likely to retire

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks are negotiating to buy out the contract of center Shawn Bradley, a precursor to his likely retirement after 12 seasons.

Mavs owner Mark Cuban said Thursday that Bradley started the discussions "because of injury concerns, primarily his knee and hip. A seldom-used reserve, Bradley has averaged less than 12 minutes per game each of the last two seasons.



Shawn Bradley

The 7-6 Bradley was such an intriguing prospect coming out of BYU that Philadelphia made him the second overall pick in the 1993 draft. Despite his height, he never added the bulk to become a dominant inside player. He was traded to New Jersey in his third season, then to Dallas in 1997.

Although still hailed as a cornerstone when he arrived on the Mavericks, Bradley was a role player by the time the team became a playoff perennial. He averaged fewer than four points per game each of the last two seasons. He's owed \$14.5 million over the next three seasons.

For his 832-game career, Bradley has averaged 8.1 points, 6.3 rebounds, and 2.5 blocks.

Spur-iousity motors

BY CHRIS SHERIDAN
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SAN ANTONIO — With the NBA title on the line, Tim Duncan and the San Antonio Spurs proved themselves worthy champions.

Duncan came up huge in the second half after having the worst playoff series of his career, and Manu Ginobili had another breakthrough performance Thursday night to lead the Spurs past the Detroit Pistons, 81-74, in a Game 7 that was as thrilling as it was rare.

In a matchup of the past two NBA champions, the Spurs came through in the clutch to win their third title in seven years and deny Detroit the chance to repeat.

The Spurs are certainly not a dynasty, but their staying power as a championship caliber team helps validate a legacy that history will respect.

Duncan had 25 points and 11 rebounds while shrugging off a stretch of eight straight misses that ended in the third quarter with the teams tied. Ginobili scored 23 points with a series of slashing, scintillating drives and big passes.

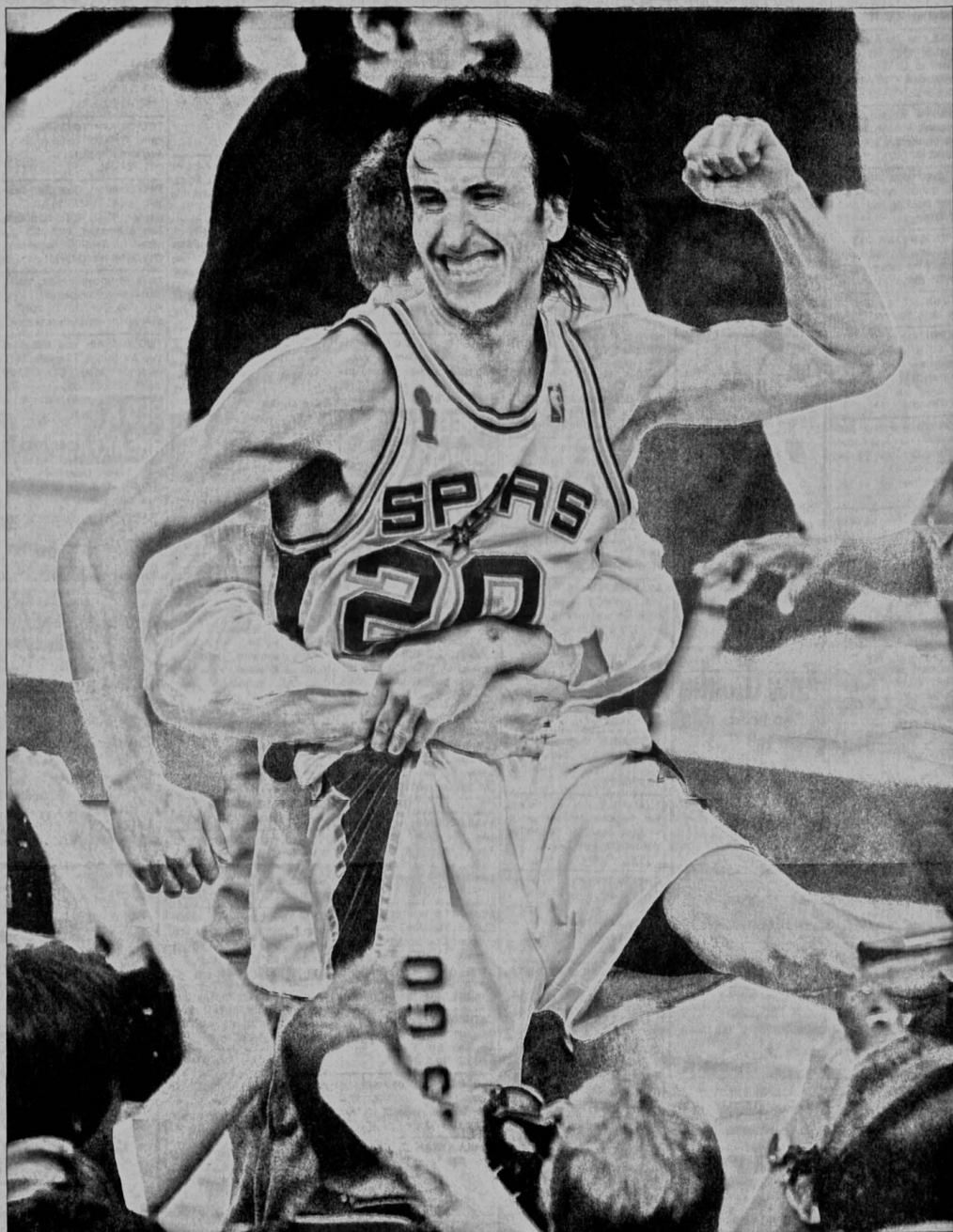
Behind the established star and the young Argentine, the first Game 7 in more than a decade ended with the Spurs celebrating on their home court.

The NBA had waited a long time for a game with so much riding on it and such little room for error, and the teams produced a gritty, spirited effort that did each of them proud.

The difference was the fourth quarter, when the Spurs were able to make the plays the Pistons couldn't.

Midway through the period, Ginobili assisted on a 3-pointer by Robert Horry and Duncan found Bruce Bowen alone outside the arc for another 3 that put San Antonio ahead 67-61. Detroit pulled within four before the Duncan-Ginobili combo clicked perfectly on two-straight possessions.

First, Ginobili drove the lane and drew Duncan's defender, zipping a pass to Duncan all alone on the baseline for a 19-footer. Next, Duncan had three defenders collapsing on him when he saw Ginobili all alone at the 3-point line. The shot was perfect, and San Antonio



M. Spencer Green/Associated Press

San Antonio's Manu Ginobili celebrates after the Spurs beat the Pistons, 81-74, to win the NBA championship in San Antonio on Thursday.

led 72-65 with 2:57 left.

Detroit's next three possessions brought an airball, a foul

shot, and an offensive foul, but all San Antonio could produce over that shot was a single free

throw by Duncan. The score was 73-68 entering the final minute when Ginobili made the

play that clinched it, weaving

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You must remember this

Play It Again Sports specializes in used sporting equipment and prides itself on catering to niche sports enthusiasts

BY DAN PARR
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Chris Suchomel isn't your typical face-painting, jersey-wearing sports fanatic. He's much more than that.

The owner of Play It Again Sports, 1705 S. First Ave., signed his life away 13 years ago and made his obsession a profession.

Suchomel, 35, had just graduated from UNI with a degree in business management when he walked a block and a half from his childhood home to find his true love, a sporting-goods store — one in which you could trade

'It's great to come here. You don't always need new equipment. I always say reduce, reuse, recycle.'

— William Hoke, recent UI graduate

in used equipment and receive money for it.

A college roommate tipped him off to the job after interviewing for it and concluding that it wasn't his calling.

In this case, as it is for many of Suchomel's customers, one man's trash is another man's treasure.

"I wouldn't change that decision for the world," Suchomel said, standing in front of a "wall of fame" laden with stuff that most people store in boxes in the basement. It's an old timer's wonderland, complete with tattered baseball gloves and decade-old ice skates.

The father of two took over the store three years ago after having been a manager for the previous 10. Since he became the owner, sales have risen 15 to 20 percent every year.

What has not increased, much to the chagrin of Suchomel, is

the amount of used gear for sale. The ratio of new to used stock is 70-30. For a store that boasts about its recycled equipment, the surging majority of new product is a little disheartening.

But Play It Again Sports is developing new ways to separate itself from the competition by catering to niche sport enthusiasts.

"I think we're the largest disc-golf retailer," said manager Jon Shear. "The disc golfers are always really impressed when they come in. A lot of people have told me that we're the only place that sells the bean bags for bean-bag toss separately."

The diverse array of sporting goods and not-so goods that make up the shop aren't in contrast with its customers. On Tuesday afternoon alone, the store was pulsating with a mother of a Little Leaguer who had lost his glove, a hospital



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

23-year-old Iowa City resident William Hoke tries on a bicycle helmet at Play It Again Sports on Tuesday. He traded in two tennis rackets and a backpack in exchange for the helmet and two shirts.

employee on his lunch break, and a recent UI graduate who biked his way there in the heat, just to name a few.

William Hoke — the recent graduate — came in with a couple old tennis rackets and left

with a bike helmet and two running shirts.

Hoke, who is working as a mover this summer, made the trip to Play It Again on what he

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