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## A FAMILY AFFAIR



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During an interview with *The Daily Iowan* at their residence on Monday afternoon, Iowa City residents (from left to right) Dawn, Breeanna, McKinley, and Jen BarbouRoske say they are like any other family. Dawn and Jen BarbouRoske have been together for 15 years and want their relationship and family to be recognized legally. The two agree that they work to make a better community not just for gays but for all Iowans.

## 'A happy, average family'

BY MARGARET POE

THE DAILY IOWAN

A pair of high-pitched female voices pervaded an otherwise docile Iowa City kitchen recently, as a pair of miniature hands sifted past milk and eggs in search of an afternoon snack.

Momentarily pacifying the pair of young blondes, Dawn and Jen BarbouRoske tore open tubes of squeezable yogurt and unwrapped packages of lipstick-red Fruit by the Foot, laughing as 7-year-old McKinley squirted the creamy yogurt into her mouth and 3-year-old Bre

uncoiled the fruit leather into a curling gummy tongue.

The two women are plaintiffs in a lawsuit challenging the state's ban on gay marriage, but the bustling home, littered with Roald Dahl books and toy plastic hot dogs, felt worlds away from the

fierce political battle surrounding the issue.

"We just live our life," said Dawn BarbouRoske, a clearly satisfied Bre grinning on her lap. "It's not about gay activism. It's about family."

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## Childcare workers to unionize

Two unions will vie to represent Iowa's childcare providers after Gov. Tom Vilsack signed two executive orders on Monday

BY BRYCE BAUER

THE DAILY IOWAN

A pair of executive orders that Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack signed Monday would allow in-home childcare providers across the state to unionize for the first time ever, but a pair of unions competing for the job leave some local providers wondering just who will take charge of the efforts.



Vilsack

Both the AFSCME-Childcare Providers Together and the Service Employees International Union are vying for the chance to represent the nearly 13,000 men and women who care for an estimated 180,000 children.

While Vilsack's orders allow unionization rights for all childcare providers, AFSCME said it would only represent those who are registered with the state, which requires providers to meet health and safety standards, receive nutrition training, and undergo background checks.

Matt Tapscott, the president of the Des Moines-based Early Education Benefits Association, which is aligned with AFSCME on the issue, said registration is important because "childcare is an industry in this state, and any industry needs quality standards."

Representative of the service-employee union, however, say they would represent both registered and unregistered providers. Childcare providers supporting that union's

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## 2 face life in fatal fire

BY REBECCA MCKANNA

THE DAILY IOWAN

Two former Iowa City men face life in prison when they are arraigned today on charges they set fire to an Iowa City apartment five years ago — killing one UI student and injuring his wife.

Marcus Davis, 32, and Stephen Edwards, 33, face federal charges of maliciously damaging and destroying, by means of fire, an apartment at 845 Cross Park Ave. on March 6, 2000.

Kurtus Miller, 20, and wife Laura Miller — both UI students — were transported to UI Hospital and Clinics following the third-floor blaze; Kurtus Miller was pronounced dead at the hospital because of smoke and soot inhalation and thermal injuries.

Davis was arrested in Chicago in early December. Meanwhile, Edwards, currently serving a sentence for possession of a firearm with a felony on his record, remains in jail. Neither man has a local address listed.

"Penalties can be greater, charge by charge, in federal court," said Al Overbaugh, a spokesman for the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern Iowa District.

### TIMELINE

**March 6, 2000** — Fire at 845 Cross Park Ave. kills UI student Kurtus Miller and injures wife Laura Miller.  
**March 9, 2000** — Investigation of the fire reveals the fire was intentionally set, and Kurtus Miller's death is investigated as a homicide by local authorities.  
**Sept. 14, 2005** — Former Iowa City residents Marcus Davis and Stephen Edwards are indicted.  
**Dec. 5, 2005** — Davis is arrested in Chicago; Edwards continues to serve a prison sentence for possession of a firearm with a felony.  
**Jan. 18, 2006** — Davis and Edwards are arraigned in federal court, facing the charge of maliciously damaging and destroying, by means of fire, the Iowa City apartment.

Overbaugh said he was not able to reveal the exact reason that the investigation lingered for more than five years without charges, but, he said, any investigation's goal is to gather all evidence possible before heading to trial.

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## Agency: N. Liberty violating discharge limitations



Photo contributed by Dave Ratliff

IOWATER coordinator Brian Soenen examines a sludge deposit found in Muddy Creek on Oct. 7, 2005.

BY JASON PULLIAM

THE DAILY IOWAN

The city of North Liberty has repeatedly violated discharge limitations for solids pursuant to the operating permit of its wastewater-treatment facility, according to a recent notice served by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

Twenty-two violations between November 2004 and September 2005 were identified in the letter, pre-

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### IOWA IN-HOME CHILDCARE

BY THE NUMBERS

- Number of In-Home Childcare providers in Iowa: **13,000**
- Number of total Iowa children in childcare: **180,000**
- Number of registered childcare providers in Iowa: **6,000**
- Amount state pays providers to care for low-income children: **\$7.36-\$11.25 / per child for a half-day**
- Childcare providers unionized in Illinois: **49,000**
- Wage increase after Illinois unionization: **35 percent**

## VET CENTER OPENS ARMS

BY MASON KERNS

THE DAILY IOWAN

From January 2003 to April 2004, Army tactical intelligence specialist McKinley Bailey led more than 120 combat missions in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Upon returning to the United States, the Webster City native retired his fatigues in favor of college threads and enrolled at the UI.

But without guidance in filling out a GI Bill, applying for benefits, or obtaining academic credit for a course he took as a noncommissioned officer, he faced different challenges from those of most new college students. And he was leaving the support of his fellow soldiers who had shared his struggles in the Army.

Now a UI senior and the UI Veterans Association president, Bailey, with other student veterans, is trying to make that transition easier — at the new UI Veterans Center, which officially opened its doors Tuesday.

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# Closing in on a black hole

Three UI researchers may be one step closer to helping explain how galaxies are made

BY NICK PETERSEN  
THE DAILY IOWAN

On the seventh floor of Van Allen Hall, three UI researchers base their operations as close to their subject of study as possible.

This still leaves nearly 10 million light-years of space, minus the height of the physics/astronomy building, between UI Associate Professor Philip Kaaret, Assistant Professor Cornelia Lang, and UI student Melanie Simet, who recently discovered evidence that may eventually help explain how galaxies form.

And the concepts the group uses in its studies are nearly as distant to non-astrophysicists.

"What I do is pretty far out," Kaaret said. "There aren't going to be applications that affect your everyday life."

The three researchers announced their discovery on Jan. 5 of more evidence that supports the existence of a certain kind of black hole.

Like all black holes, the object attracts and captures light identical to how the Earth's gravity attracts Isaac

Newton's apocryphal apple, but its size accounts for the discovery's significance. Thus far, scientists have only spotted black holes much smaller or much larger, and they are in search of a missing link that might explain how the larger ones form.

There has been mounting evidence for the existence of these black holes, and this discovery adds yet another bit of proof, Lang said.

These kinds of discoveries are frequent in astronomy, she added, because of the exploratory nature of the field.

After gathering data and spending time confirming that the telescope was working properly, it was easy to see that a star was orbiting the black hole, Kaaret said. Now, he and his colleagues must measure the velocity of the star to verify that the black hole is the missing link.

"[Determining velocity of the star] would be the smoking gun," he said. "That would give us a way to determine the mass of the black hole, with nothing more than concepts you learn in [an undergraduate course]."

Six years ago, NASA launched the satellite telescope.



**Kaaret**  
associate professor



**Lang**  
assistant professor

Approximately three years later, the UI physicists applied for time on the telescope, which they used to observe the black hole every other day for 240 days.

Simet performed the day-to-day work, collecting information from a NASA computer and then reporting to Kaaret and Lang.

The three scientists had originally gone into the research in hopes of observing a high-energy flare from the black hole. But after compiling the information, they realized the significance of a 62-day cycle in energy radiation: a star was orbiting the black hole.

While this interpretation came relatively easily, Kaaret

emphasized the importance of interaction with other scientists, because unexpected data are common in astronomy.

"When I was little, I always thought scientists went off by themselves, came up with their great ideas, and never talked to anybody," he said. "Science is actually an incredibly social field."

Kaaret said he uses Thursday lunches with a group of five UI astronomers to discuss the inner workings of the universe — when they're not talking about the inner workings of the department.

The three UI physicists involved in this discovery have applied for time on other telescopes in hopes of gathering more evidence to determine the black hole's mass.

This step would be on course for Kaaret, whose grade-school teacher predicted his eventual career.

"I'd like to say that if I didn't have my current job here, and I was a dentist or something, I would do this in my spare time. I'm sure I would have my telescope and go look at stars."

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## BOOKED

Students flock out of the University Book Store's temporary location on the IMU second floor carrying books following the first day of classes Tuesday.



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan

# Council moves on patios

BY COLIN BURKE  
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa City City Council passed an ordinance Tuesday to regulate the height and length of restaurant café fences on the Pedestrian Mall, following complaints that one outdoor seating area was too large.

In a 7-0 decision, the council unanimously passed the measure, which will require outdoor patio areas to maintain a fence height of 3 feet and provide a pedestrian pathway if the patio extends farther than the 10 feet from the building allowed. The measure also requires anchored fencing — except in winter months, for snow-removal purposes.

City Clerk Marian Karr said the issue arose because people

complained to the city that the outdoor café at Giovanni's, 109 E. College St., jutted too far onto the Ped Mall. Giovanni's owner Jim Mondanaro declined to comment Tuesday.

Karr said she did not foresee any complications with compliance.

"We're certainly hoping that this will address all the issues involved," she said.

She added that the Ped Mall is divided up into three zones: one for the outdoor cafés, one for such items as trash cans and benches, and the third for unobstructed walkways.

Sylvia Venuto, the owner of Venuto's World Bistro, 115 E. College St., who has an outdoor café at her restaurant in the spring and summer months, said she was willing to comply

with the council's ordinance.

"We did exactly what they told us to do," she said.

Outdoor cafés add flavor to the Ped Mall, she said, but they need to be reasonably sized and not become an intrusion.

The council also received a presentation from City Manager Steve Atkins about the fiscal 2007 budget. Among the proposals are an 8 percent increase in sewer rates and a refuse- and recycling-collection fee increase of \$.50. Atkins said that would amount to approximately \$1 and change in updated fees for Iowa City residents.

Additional proposals include an increase in \$.60 an hour on-street parking meters 75 cents an hour.

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## POLICE BLOTTER

**Matthew Becker**, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Jan. 15 with OWI.

**Robert Harris Jr.**, 49, address unknown, was charged Jan. 14 with public urination and possession of marijuana.

**David Lawrence Cahill**, 45, 802 Benton Drive Apt. 23, was charged Jan. 17 with possession of marijuana and disorderly conduct.

**Tim Meyer**, 47, Coralville, was charged Jan. 17 with disorderly conduct.

**Melody Murphy**, 22, 2813 Friendship St., was charged Jan. 16 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

**Sean Flynn**, 21, 630 S. Capitol St. Apt. 209, was charged Jan. 15 with public urination.

**Jeff Ribble**, 48, 704 Reno St., was charged Jan. 17 with possession of a controlled substance.

**Alexander Vandewater**, 23, 312 E. Burlington St. Apt. 9, was charged Jan. 16 with public intoxication.

Once in the squad car, Diltz allegedly placed the handcuffs in front of himself, and officers had to remove him from the car to put the cuffs behind him again, police reports said.

Diltz was charged with operating while intoxicated in June 2003.

— by **Rebecca McKanna**

## White responds to Bentley motion

Johnson County Attorney J. Patrick White filed a response Tuesday to a Jan. 10 motion filed by Roger Bentley's defense attorneys to suppress cited "illegally obtained evidence."

In March 2005, a telephone tip led police to an abandoned trailer near Kalona, roughly 20 minutes from downtown Iowa City, where convicted sex-offender Bentley allegedly opened the door with his clothing stained red. According to police reports, a cabinet inside of the rust-stained, white trailer contained the

body of then 10-year-old Jetseta Gage, feet bound and a bag tied over her head. Inside the trailer lay a bloodied mattress and a pair of pink tennis shoes, the reports allege.

The defense attorneys, Peter Persaud and Quint Meyerdirk, classified the search warrant as overly broad and lacking specificity.

White's response stated the warrant was "fully specific in describing the person and places to be searched and the items to be seized." The response continues the warrant was sufficiently specific and fell within the constraints of Iowa law.

Bentley is charged with first-degree murder and first-degree kidnapping — if found guilty, he faces up to a lifetime in prison.

Sixth District Judge Patrick Grady will address the two motions in a final pretrial conference slated for this afternoon. The trial is scheduled to begin Jan. 23 in Davenport.

— by **Amanda Masker**

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— Laura Newton, UI junior

# Running down the 'Big C'

BY ERIC PAPE  
THE DAILY IOWAN

UI junior Jill Latham had received letters in the mail asking her to run marathons for cancer research and awareness before.

But last year, her aunt died of leukemia only eight days after her diagnosis.

So, this year, when Latham received a letter asking her to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society at a Jan. 15 marathon, she had a change of heart. The marathon was tough, she said, but all she had to do was remember her aunt and a friend who was able to beat the disease.

"So many times, I wanted to stop, but just thinking about the pain they went through, and I knew I could continue," Latham said.

She was one of six UI participants who flocked to downtown Phoenix for P.F.Chang's Rock 'n' Roll Arizona Marathon and Half Marathon. The race attracted nearly 34,000 runners from all over the globe to run in the 26.2 mile full marathon and the 13.1 mile half marathon to raise money for charities.

One charity involved with the marathon, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, raised \$4.6 million through its Team in Training foundation.

Carol TeBockhorst, the Team in Training campaign manager, said the Iowa chapter raised \$45,600 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

"Half of the people involved in our chapter turn out to be college students" she said.



Contributed photo

UI junior Laura Newton runs toward the finish line at a marathon to raise money to fight cancer.

## TEAM IN TRAINING

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Each participant had to reach a fundraising goal of \$3,800 to qualify for paid coaching, mentoring, travel, and lodging, she said.

TeBockhorst said only around 10 percent of all participants in

the event run in memory of someone affected by a blood cancer. Those who do not know someone affected are paired up with an individual who is. Many are matched with young children who are going through treatment at UI Hospitals and Clinics.

"Once participants are paired up with someone, it often turns into, instead of running the marathon for themselves, they are doing it for the affected individual," TeBockhorst said.

UI junior Laura Newton, who was matched up with a young

girl, and others sent out fliers, solicited donations with cans at the Iowa/Minnesota football game, and received other large donations to help meet the trip's goal.

The shirts participants bore the name of their home states, the people they were running for, and their organizations.

"I had a wonderful experience. Nothing felt better than to have Iowa, Team in Training, and those who you were supporting written right on your jersey," Newton said.

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## IOWA LEGISLATURE

# Savings plan aims at students

BY COLIN BURKE  
THE DAILY IOWAN

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The Iowa College Savings Plan, a state savings and investment program that allows both students and relatives to invest in the students' higher education, was rated as a top savings program by *Kiplinger's*, a personal-finance magazine. The publication estimates that the average UI student's debt is \$16,750 by graduation.

"We want to help families deal with that debt and reduce that debt, and it'll be better for the state if we do," said Iowa State Treasurer Michael Fitzgerald.

Student may hop on the Internet, go to [collegesavingsiowa.com](http://collegesavingsiowa.com), and click on "open an account." The site requires addresses, Social Security numbers, and bank information. Students can choose from 12 different options for aid, including putting all their money in stocks or some in stocks or bonds, which are managed by Vanguard, a mutual-fund company, Fitzgerald said.

If students work part-time, donations of up to \$2,375 can be deducted from state taxes and are not subject to federal taxes until 2010.

Fitzgerald said he realized how expensive college can be for students and their families, adding that higher education has always been a priority in Iowa.

"That's just an important value that we have in the

state, and that's why we're doing it," he said.

However, the 6-year-old program does have some drawbacks, Fitzgerald said. In terms of federal taxes, the program's benefits will end in four years, he said. The treasurer said he is working with Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, to resolve that.

"We're very hopeful and very optimistic that that will happen," Fitzgerald said.

Mark Warner, the director of UI Student Financial Aid, said he supports the program but noted students would have to have additional funds set aside to start an account. That might be tough for students who have to pay for tuition, rent, and textbooks on their own.

"You have to have the resources to put money into that," he said.

According to the Iowa Legislative Services Agency, more than 225,000 students nationwide have used similar programs to help pay for their college educations. The Iowa plan was created in 1998, two years after Congress allowed states to create their own plans under the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

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# Panel: Raise teacher's salaries

BY MIKE GLOVER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — A legislative task force on Tuesday told lawmakers they should spend an extra \$150 million in each of the next two years to boost teacher pay but also put in place tough new performance standards for teachers and students.

The group also called for an independent commission to design a new educational structure focused on student performance.

"Iowa ought to be the first state in the country to develop performance standards," said Doug Gross, a Des Moines lawyer and former Republican gubernatorial candidate who sat on the task force. "Please take this report seriously. We don't have time to waste."

The additional \$300 million for teacher pay would be designed to raise minimum teaching salaries to a range between \$32,000 and \$40,000.

Gross argued that state spending on public education

has been dwindling over the years, and there's a pressing need for an injection of new money.

"There has been a profound diversion of resources away from public education," said Gross.

University of Northern Iowa President Robert Koob was one of the heads of the task force, and he said shifting schools to a performance-based measurement system for both students and teachers is key to the sweeping revision of schools the group is seeking.

The report says lawmakers immediately should require all schools to offer a tougher core curriculum with a goal of maintaining an average Iowa score of 22 on the ACT college entrance exams, one point above the national average.

"The nature of work has changed and the nature of our competition has changed," said Koob.

Gross warned that only about 30 percent of the state's work

force has a higher education background, and that isn't nearly enough to compete in an increasingly global, knowledge-driven economy.

"If we don't have higher level skills long term, people are going to lose their jobs," said Gross.

The task force was created by the Legislature last year to come up with recommendations on how to reform the state's schools. It was a bipartisan group that included Gross and former Democratic state Rep. Linda Nelson, representing the state's teacher union.

The panel did not suggest where lawmakers could get the additional \$300 million, saying that's up to the Legislature.

"That's fundamentally not a decision we could make," said Gross.

Des Moines businessman Marvin Pomerantz, a co-chairman of the task force, said the group's report includes the views of education experts and business leaders, all of whom agree that changes are needed.

"Intense collaboration between education and business leaders has led to a set of initiatives we believe will restore Iowa to its first-in-the-nation-in-education status," said Pomerantz.

In addition to heading the Mid-America Group, Pomerantz is a former president of the state's Board of Regents.

The future of the report is far from clear. Many Republican lawmakers have balked at a much smaller, \$30 million teacher pay increase pushed by Gov. Tom Vilsack, saying they are likely to scale that back.

## STATE

### Old cell house torn down at Iowa prison

FORT MADISON, Iowa (AP)—Two months after a pair of inmates escaped the Iowa State Penitentiary by scaling its walls, a two-ton wrecking ball destroyed Cellhouse 297 of the prison.

The demolition was one of many immediate steps recommended by the Iowa Department of Corrections inspector general's office in the aftermath of the escapes of convicted killers

Martin Moon and Robert Legendre on Nov. 14, 2005.

But even as steps are taken to address concerns raised by the escape, questions linger in the aftermath of the escape.

Ron Welder, the prison's executive officer, said the escape has had a significant effect on the prison's budget. Though Gov. Tom Vilsack has promised \$1 million in additional salary money for the prison to pay for manning full-time guard towers, Welder said that money has yet to come through.

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# Kidnapped reporter shown in videotape

BY QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA  
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BAGHDAD — Hostage American reporter Jill Carroll appeared in a silent 20-second video, aired Tuesday by Al-Jazeera television, that said her abductors gave the United States 72 hours to free female prisoners in Iraq or she would be killed.



Jill Carroll  
Freelance reporter

The tape showed the 28-year-old reporter sitting in front of a white background and speaking, but her voice could not be heard. On the tape, Carroll is pale and appears tired, and her long, straight, brown hair is parted in the middle and pulled back from her face.

Al-Jazeera would not tell the *Associated Press* how it received the tape, but the station issued its own statement calling for Carroll's release. Al Jazeera producer said no militant group's name was attached to the message that was sent to the station with the silent tape on Tuesday.

However, a still photograph of Carroll from the videotape that later appeared on the Jazeera website carried a logo in the bottom right corner that read "The Revenge Brigade." The group was not known from previous claims of responsibility of violence in Iraq.

Carroll was a freelance reporter for the *Christian Science Monitor*, and the newspaper released a statement from her family pleading with her captors to set her free.

"Jill is an innocent journalist, and we respectfully ask that you please show her mercy and allow her to return home to her mother, sister, and family," the statement said. "Jill is a friend and sister to many Iraqis, and she has been dedicated to bring-

## RECENTLY CAPTURED JOURNALISTS:

- Daniel Pearl, captured in Karachi, Pakistan and killed in 2002.
- Micah Garen, captured in Iraq in 2003.
- Louis Alberto Pena Vergary, captured in Northeast Peru in 2005.
- Eduardo Arrobo Samaniego (Vergary's interpreter), captured in Northeast Peru in 2005.
- Christian Chesnot, captured in Iraq in 2004.
- Georges Malbrunot, captured in Iraq in 2004.

ing the truth of the Iraq war to the world. We appeal for the speedy and safe return of our beloved daughter and sister."

In its own statement appealing for Carroll's release, the newspaper said she arrived in Iraq in 2003 and began filing stories for the *Monitor* early last year.

The kidnappers "have seized an innocent person who is a great admirer of the Iraqi people," the newspaper said. "She is a professional journalist whose only goal has been to report truthfully about Iraq and to promote understanding. As an intelligent, dedicated, open-minded reporter, she has earned the respect of her Arab and Western peers."

The State Department responded to the videotape with a statement that U.S. officials were doing everything possible to win Carroll's freedom.

"We continue to make every effort we can, working with Iraqis and others, to see Miss Carroll is returned safe and sound," spokesman Sean McCormack said.

Carroll was kidnapped Jan. 7 in one of Baghdad's most dangerous neighborhoods. Gunmen ambushed her car and killed her translator shortly after she left the offices of a Sunni Arab politician, who failed to show up for a scheduled interview.

The U.S. military raided a prominent Sunni mosque a day after Carroll was kidnapped, sparking a demonstration by hundreds of worshippers. A U.S. military official said the raid was a necessary immediate response to the kidnapping based on a tip

provided by an Iraqi citizen.

Carroll, who speaks some Arabic and wore a head covering while moving around Iraq, has been described by her editor as an aggressive reporter but not a reckless one. Insurgents in Iraq have kidnapped more than 240 foreigners and killed at least 39 of them.

# SEC pitches rules on executive pay

BY KATHLEEN DAY  
WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — The federal agency that polices public companies proposed rules on Tuesday to give shareholders more information — and in plainer English — on executive pay, including a "total" compensation number that for the first time would include perks such as the use of corporate jets or apartments, the value of stock options, and severance and retirement benefits.

The five-member Securities and Exchange Commission voted unanimously for the proposal, which would be

the most significant change in 14 years to rules on what corporations must disclose about how much top executives and directors are paid.

Pay packages totaling tens of millions of dollars for executives at the nation's largest companies, including many that have failed, such as Enron and WorldCom, have focused attention and criticism in the last five years on how compensation is awarded and disclosed.

The agency will seek public comment on the proposal for 60 days, then will decide what if any changes to make before taking a final vote. The goal is to have the new disclosure rules in place for the

shareholder proxy season in the spring of 2007, SEC officials say.

"Our purpose here today is to help investors keep an eye on how much of their money is being paid to the top executives who work for them," SEC Chairman Christopher Cox said shortly before Tuesday's vote. "Simply put, our rules are out of date."

The Business Roundtable, a lobby group for chief executives at the nation's largest companies, said on Tuesday that its members support the idea of more disclosure but worry that estimates of hard-to-value compensation, such as stock options, will overstate chief executives' income.

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# Fed agencies seek veterans

BY CHRISTOPHER LEE  
WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — If you want to work for the federal government, it helps to have served in the military.

Since at least the Civil War, veterans have enjoyed an official leg up on other federal job seekers, both as an appreciation for their sacrifice and because of a belief that they are skilled team players. As a general practice, veterans who meet minimum qualifications for a job have five or 10 points added to their numerical rating when competing for civil service positions.

"[W]e as a federal government owe our veterans the utmost assurance that, when they return from harm's way, we will provide them their entitlement to veterans' preference based on service," Linda Springer, the director of the Office of Personnel Management, said in a new annual report on federal employment of veterans.

The 55-page report, released last week, details federal agencies' outreach efforts in fiscal 2004, the most recent year for which data are available. The report notes, for instance, that veterans accounted for 33.6 percent of new full-time permanent federal hires in 2004, a 0.6 percent increase from 2003.

Overall, the government employed 453,793 veterans that year, making them 25.1 percent of the 1.8 million-strong federal civilian work force. More than half of all veterans in the government — about 51 percent, or 231,171 people — worked in the Defense Department.

The long-term trend, however, shows a gradual decline. In 1994, 558,347 veterans made up 28 percent of the federal work force. Since 2000, the number has never reached 26 percent. In fact, the raw number of veterans in the government fell in eight of the 10 years since 1995. (Veterans do better in government than in the private sector, where they made up 9.4 percent of the work force in 2003.)

Such figures have led some members of Congress to conclude that agencies must do more. The topic is especially sensitive these days, as thousands of military members, some of them seriously injured, return from service in Iraq and Afghanistan and look for new work.

"While some agencies perform better than others in the practice of employing and re-employing veterans, ... overall improvement is needed," said Rep. Lane Evans, Ill., the ranking Democrat on the House Committee on Veterans Affairs. "I would like to see a robust employment-outreach effort by the administration to service members, veterans, and military families."

Administration officials have said that such efforts are already underway. Agencies have sought out veterans at job fairs, through recruiting visits to medical centers and military bases, and through training for managers.

"The federal government recently has made a major effort to recruit more veterans," said Joseph Sharpe, deputy director for economics at the American Legion. "I do foresee an increase in veterans working for the federal government."

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# Court upholds assisted suicide

BY GINA HOLLAND  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court upheld Oregon's one-of-a-kind physician-assisted suicide law Tuesday, rejecting a Bush administration attempt to punish doctors who help terminally ill patients die.

Justices, on a 6-3 vote, said that a federal drug law does not override the 1997 Oregon law used to end the lives of more than 200 seriously ill people. New Chief Justice John Roberts backed the Bush administration, dissenting for the first time.

The administration improperly tried to use a drug law to punish Oregon doctors who prescribe lethal doses of prescription medicines, the court majority said.

"Congress did not have this far-reaching intent to alter the federal-state balance," Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote for himself and Justices Sandra Day O'Connor, John Paul Stevens, David Souter, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and Stephen Breyer.

Kennedy is expected to become a more influential swing voter after O'Connor's

departure. He is a moderate conservative who sometimes joins the liberal wing of the court in cases involving such things as gay rights and capital punishment.

The ruling was a reprimand to former Attorney General John Ashcroft, who in 2001 said that doctor-assisted suicide is not a "legitimate medical purpose" and that Oregon physicians would be punished for helping people die under the law.

Kennedy said the "authority claimed by the attorney general is both beyond his expertise and incongruous with the statutory purposes and design."

Justice Antonin Scalia, writing for himself, Roberts, and Justice Clarence Thomas, said that federal officials have the power to regulate the doling out of medicine.

"If the term 'legitimate medical purpose' has any meaning, it surely excludes the prescription of drugs to produce death," he wrote.

Scalia said the court's ruling "is perhaps driven by a feeling that the subject of assisted suicide is none of the federal government's business. It is easy to sympathize with that position."

Oregon's law covers only



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Ruth Gallaid of Eugene, Ore., demonstrates her support for physician-assisted suicide in front of the Supreme Court on Oct. 5, 2005. The court on Tuesday upheld Oregon's physician-assisted suicide law, a blow to the Bush administration.

extremely sick people — those with incurable diseases and who are of sound mind, and after at least two doctors agree they have six months or less to live.

"For Oregon's physicians and pharmacists, as well as patients and their families, today's ruling confirms that Oregon's law is valid and that they can act under it without fear of federal sanctions," state Solicitor General Mary Williams said.

The ruling backed a decision by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which said Ashcroft's "unilateral attempt to regulate general medical practices historically entrusted to state lawmakers interferes with the democratic debate about physician-assisted suicide."

Ashcroft had brought the case to the Supreme Court on the day his resignation was

announced by the White House in 2004. The Justice Department has continued the case, under the leadership of his successor, Attorney General Alberto Gonzales.

The court's ruling was not a final say on federal authority to override state doctor-assisted suicide laws — only a declaration that the current federal scheme did not permit that. However, it could still have ramifications outside of Oregon.

White House press secretary Scott McClellan said the Justice Department had immediately begun a review of what the impact might be. "We are disappointed at the decision," he said. "The president remains fully committed to building a culture of life, a culture of life that is built on valuing life at all stages."



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New York police officers enter the Queen of Peace Church in North Arlington, N.J., on Jan. 10 for the funeral of retired NYPD Officer James Zadroga. Zadroga's family and friends believe he died as a result of exposure to World Trade Center dust and debris.

## Ground Zero deaths rising

BY AMY WESTFELDT  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — James Zadroga spent 16 hours a day toiling in the World Trade Center ruins for a month, breathing in debris-choked air. Timothy Keller said he coughed up bits of gravel from his lungs after the towers fell on Sept. 11, 2001. Felix Hernandez spent days at the site helping to search for victims.

All three men died in the past seven months of what their families and colleagues say were persistent respiratory illnesses directly caused by their work at Ground Zero.

While thousands of people who either worked at or lived near the site have reported ailments such as "Trade Center cough" since the terrorist attacks, some say that only now are the consequences of working at the site becoming heartbreakingly clear.

"I'm very fearful," said Donald Faeth, an emergency medical technician and officer in a union with two of the Ground Zero workers who died last year. "I think that there are several people who died that day and didn't realize that they died that day."

Some officials say it is too early to draw that conclusion. Doctors running different health-screening programs say it will take decades to get a clear picture of the long-term health effects of working at Ground Zero.

The city Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, which is tracking the health of 71,000 people exposed to 9/11 dust and debris, said last week that it is too soon to say whether any deaths or illnesses among its enrolled members are linked to Trade Center exposure.

But Robin Herbert, who directs a medical-monitoring program at Mount Sinai Medical Center for more than 14,000 Ground Zero workers, said "certainly it is not inconceivable" that a person could die of respiratory disease related to 9/11.

Karin DeShore said she does not need scientists to tell her what caused the death of friend Keller, 41. DeShore was

a Fire Department captain who took Keller to the Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001, and barely escaped the south tower's collapse.

"He came back coughing" two days later, she said. Faeth said that Keller told him that he coughed up debris so violently he could barely breathe on Sept. 11, 2001, and later developed emphysema.

Keller went home to Levittown on medical leave in March. He died on June 23 of heart disease complicated by bronchitis and emphysema, the Nassau County medical examiner's office said.

Felix Hernandez, 31, worked on rescue and recovery work at Ground Zero following the attacks, said his former supervisor, Lt. Regina Pellegrino. In 2002, "it started with a cold he couldn't shake ... and it kept getting worse and worse and worse," she said.

Hernandez was diagnosed with various respiratory diseases and was told by doctors at one point that he may have cystic fibrosis, Pellegrino said. He left the job in 2004 when he became too weak to climb stairs, and died Oct. 23 of respiratory ailments in Florida, said colleagues who spoke with his family.

Both Keller and Hernandez, each with a decade on the job, were nonsmokers and had no previous health problems before 9/11, Faeth said. Zadroga, a 34-year-old New York detective, logged 470 hours at the site in 2001, including 9/11, and died Jan. 5. Family members and co-workers said he had contracted black lung disease and had high levels of mercury in his brain. Autopsy results have not been released.

David Worby, an attorney representing more than 5,000 plaintiffs suing those who supervised the cleanup over their illnesses, said 21 of his clients have died of 9/11-related diseases since mid-2004. He said he was not authorized to release their names, but he represented people who toiled at Ground Zero, at the Fresh Kills landfill in Staten Island where Trade Center debris was moved, and at the city morgue.

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## VIOLATION

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pared by the Natural Resources field-services and compliance bureau in Washington, Iowa.

Additionally, a group of five IOWATER and Iowa Geological Survey water-quality monitors independently found several pockets of thick, black "sludge" in the bottom of Muddy Creek on Oct. 7.

That discovery was not included in the notice of violation, but Natural Resources officials say there could be a relationship between the two.

The sludge, as it is referred to by those who located and tested the substance, was discovered a couple hundred feet downstream from North Liberty's sewage-treatment facility, 605 S. Front St., which releases liquid into the creek.

Katie Foreman, a project assistant in the water-quality section of the Iowa Geological Survey, said at least four places in the same general area had substantial amounts of sludge possessing a "strong, unpleasant odor." No sludge deposits were found upstream from the wastewater plant.

Researchers found only blood worms in the thick, murky substance — which, Foreman said, speaks to the sludge's ability to degrade the availability and quality of habitat for water bugs and fish.

"If you only find blood worms there, it's a big indication of poor water quality," she said.

Muddy Creek begins roughly one mile north of North Liberty and stretches approximately 6.5 miles before it empties into the Iowa River near N.E. Dubuque Street in Iowa City.

Russell Royce, a Natural Resources environmental specialist, said he didn't know if the solids discharged from North Liberty's wastewater plant were the sole source of the sludge found in Muddy Creek

— but he believes it is contributing to the problem.

North Liberty's wastewater-treatment plant began operating in 1998; it uses two 575,000-gallon sequential batch reactors to clean raw sewage.

The system uses naturally occurring bacteria in the sewage to isolate pollutants and convert them into solid form, Royce said. The cleaner water produced in the process is then discharged, while the solids remain in the system for further treatment, he said.

North Liberty's wastewater plant exceeded the amount of solids it is allowed to discharge according to its permit frequently and significantly enough to "raise the red flag," Royce said.

"If you go beyond [the limit], you can cause negative things to happen in the creek," he said. "These sludge pockets would be considered a negative impact."

Brian James, North Liberty's city administrator, said the city's engineers are working to determine the source of the problem so they can take corrective measures.

"Until we get the information back and the study completed, we don't know what the issue is," he said.

The city has until March 1 to respond in writing to the notice of violation. Natural Resources is awaiting North Liberty's response and plan in lieu of taking enforcement action.

Royce said that while such problems are not necessarily common, he feels North Liberty officials will identify and address the problem and the city should not be viewed as "poster children for pollution."

"North Liberty is not a chronic problem, and it has not been," he said. "I think maybe it is experiencing that phenomenal growth that all of the corridor has been."

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# Couple fight for equal rights

## MARRIAGE

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The BarbourRoskes are part of a 12-person lawsuit calling for legalized gay marriage filed Dec. 13, 2005, in Polk County.

The case, handled by New York-based gay-rights organization Lambda Legal, has rippled throughout the halls of the Capitol in Des Moines, where Republican senators are proposing to amend the Iowa Constitution to ban gay marriage this session.

Legislative leaders have not drafted such an amendment, but the lawsuit has reinvigorated the debate. A similar amendment proposal passed Iowa House lawmakers in 2004 but was rejected in the Senate.

Republican Sen. Stewart Iverson of Clarion said Tuesday he does not support gay marriage but feels the decision

should be left to Iowa voters.

Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City, said he supports legalizing gay marriage in Iowa. He does not want the Senate to debate the amendment, however, because state law already prohibits it.

"I think it's a waste of time," he said, pledging his support for the 12 plaintiffs in the case.

The second-term senator said the Legislature should focus its efforts on education, health care, and economic growth.

The two Iowa City women — who met on a softball team 15 years ago — believe their family and others similar deserve better.

"We're a family, and we're not recognized as that legally," said Jen BarbourRoske, a UI Hospitals and Clinics pediatric nursing supervisor.

The pair receives same-sex partner benefits through the UIHC but say their premiums are heftier and their coverage isn't so expansive as that of married couples.

Their legal limitations became clear when, in 1998, Jen BarbourRoske gave birth to an eight-weeks premature McKinley.

"Had something happened," Jen BarbourRoske said, "Dawn had no legal ties to me or McKinley. If we could be married, this would be a done deal."

After adopting each of the children, Dawn BarbourRoske became legally recognized as the girls' mother but still cannot obtain legal ties to Jen.

Five years ago, the women formed Proud Families, a play group for gay and lesbian children in the Iowa City area. Today, around 30 families participate in the monthly potlucks. The enthusiastic pair also serve as Girl Scout leaders, coach soccer, and help at their daughter's elementary school.

Each praised the generally "liberal" mindset of Iowa City

residents and said it allows them to pursue the lawsuit without fear of backlash.

Jen BarbourRoske said she is "very confident" the lawsuit will be successful.

"The world has changed a lot in the 15 years we've been together," she said. "More people are coming out of the closet and speaking out for us."

While the lawsuit has garnered publicity statewide, Dawn BarbourRoske said, their request is simple.

"We're asking for the same rights and opportunities that should be offered to all Iowans," she said.

Chiming in as she helped Bre cook dinner on a miniature toy stove, Jen BarbourRoske said, "We're just kind of a happy, average family."

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# UI veterans open center

## VETERANS

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The facility will offer counseling services not only to 230 UI student veterans but also to active National Guard or Army Reserve members and others who have been enlisted in the armed services.

"I and other members of the group had experienced, the hard way, the shocks that come

with going to college after being overseas," Bailey said. "We wanted to make it easier for those who served."

He and other group members decided late last year they needed a formal office for the Veterans Center and approached UI Associate Provost Lola Lopes.

"She was unaware of the support we had, but we showed her the numbers, and she jumped

aboard and found us space," Bailey said. "And the Registrar's Office was extremely helpful."

The walls of the office — E339 Pomerantz Center — are now lined with pamphlets and forms meant to assist students in getting financial aid, benefits, and transfer credit.

"Basically, we're trying to put these students in touch with the right people," Bailey said.

"Which is usually the hardest part."

He and fellow UI students and UI Veterans Association members Jared Josephsen, John Mikelson, and Corey Stoglin will take turns working at the center between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, giving people the services they wish they'd had.

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# Unions eye childcare workers

## CHILDCARE

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efforts petitioned the state Tuesday.

Vilsack said he would allow the groups to form separate unions, but representatives from the service union have pushed to be the sole caretaker of any unionization efforts.

Connie McCall, who looks after nearly a dozen kids in her Davenport home, said she supports the service union, "because its interest seems to be focused toward quality of care." While she is a registered childcare provider, she said, the union should also cover unregistered providers, because, she believes,

"they do the same job; they commit to the same quality care."

Childcare providers are not state employees, but they do receive state subsidies for children who come from low-income families and qualify for assistance — effectively qualifying them for union representation.

Childcare providers who take care of state-subsidized children received \$7.36 to \$11.25 per child for a half-day of service in 2005, according to the Iowa Department of Human Services — an amount considered low by some officials' standards.

"Right now, the state is paying 2002 market rates, so they're already behind," Tapscott said.

Some local childcare workers

say unionizing would not only present a united voice on subsidies but would also improve the overall quality of their industry.

Unionizing "isn't just about money but about quality of care," said Jill Dodds who, along with husband Jeff Dodds, watches a dozen kids at their residence.

Jill Dodds, the president of Hawkeye Area Child Care Network, said she supports the AFSCME union because she feels "it has more political power" and would better serve her top priorities: education and professional benefits for providers.

Officials from both unions said they could not predict when Iowa Mediation Services would announce the

membership numbers in the two unions, but each union appears confident its group will appeal to the largest number of childcare providers; ultimately, it's possible that both unions will represent the workers.

A total of 49,000 childcare providers in Illinois unionized under the service-employees union in 2005. Those workers recently negotiated a new contract with the state that promises childcare providers health-care coverage and a 35 percent wage increase.

The service union represents the most childcare providers of any union in the country.

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# Two charged

## ARRAIGNMENT

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Both Davis — who is in the custody of U.S. marshals — and Edwards could face seven to 40 years if convicted of causing the injuries to Laura Miller. The pair could get life in prison if convicted of causing Kurtus Miller's death.

The men will appear in federal court today, where the trial date

and initial pleas will be determined.

"Usually, at this stage, it's not guilty," Overbaugh said.

Johnson County Attorney J. Patrick White said he was unable to comment, and Iowa City Fire Marshall Roger Jensen deferred comment to the U.S. Attorney's Office.

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# New Orleans colleges reopen their doors

BY JUSTIN POPE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — For the first day of school, Alissa Bigger was in an upbeat mood.

Hurricane Katrina closed several major New Orleans colleges last semester, but the start of classes Tuesday at Tulane, Xavier, and Southern Universities marked a welcome return to routine.

"I don't think I've ever been so excited about the first day of school. I'm so happy just to be back," said Bigger, a Tulane sophomore. "It's proving there's hope for the city. If the school can run, we can go back to doing normal things."

None of the colleges are fully up to speed, and it could be years — if ever — before all are back to their former size. But with their energy, optimism, and free-spending ways, college students could be just what this struggling city needs right now.

"Most of you have returned at a time when many would have stayed away," jazz trumpeter Wynton Marsalis said Monday night at an event on Tulane's campus welcoming back the city's students, before playing a set with a band that included his pianist father, Ellis.

"And now that you are here, you have the opportunity to set a new tone, not only a new tone for New Orleans, but ... a new tone for our nation."

Gov. Kathleen Blanco told the students their return was a boost for the city and asked them to commit their summers to helping rebuild the state.

"Your state needs you," she said. "We need your minds, your good ideas, your contagious energy, your spirit, to rebuild."

The half-dozen or so major colleges in the city have plenty of problems of their own. Many classes will be held in trailers and hotel conference rooms while they continue to repair of hundreds of millions of dollars of campus damage, and overall enrollment is considerably lower than before the storm. They have laid off hundreds of faculty and staff to try to meet budgets.

Tulane senior Clay Kirby, a mechanical engineering major,

will be able to graduate but was set to protest cuts in his university's engineering program. "I love Tulane, and this decision is going to hurt Tulane," said Kirby, whose family has sent four generations of students to the school.

Still, more students have returned than initially feared — including 88 percent at Tulane — offering New Orleans the prospect of both an immediate economic boost and, down the road, an educated work force to rebuild the city.

An estimated 65,000 students attended New Orleans colleges before the storm, and about 40,000 lived in the city, according to the 2000 census.

Not only is Tulane the city's largest employer, but the reopening of the school will boost New Orleans' population 20 percent, President Scott Cowen said. Before Katrina, Tulane had 13,214 students — 7,976 undergraduate and 5,238 in graduate schools.

In the short run, businesses, from bars to bookstores, should see a much-needed revenue boost. In the long run, the city hopes they will stay after graduation as a skilled work force.

"It's hard to imagine a major city growing and thriving without having universities," said Tim Ryan, an economist and chancellor of the University of New Orleans. "They will really give a breath of new life to the city."

Some neighborhoods around Tulane and Loyola are relatively vibrant, but Xavier, the country's only historically black and Roman Catholic college, is in an area of mostly abandoned homes and stores. Dillard, near the London Avenue Canal breach, was so badly damaged that it will not reopen there until at least next fall. Even then, it will almost certainly be an island of life in a sea of empty neighborhoods.

Marsalis, co-chairman of the mayoral arts commission that was announcing recommendations Tuesday for preserving the city's cultural heritage after Katrina, urged students to commit themselves to rebuilding the city.

But he also had sharp words for the region's politicians, urging



photos by Ben Margot/Associated Press

**ABOVE:** Xavier University freshman Adrienne Noble (left) lights the candle of fellow student Joanna Hill during a candle vigil in commemoration of Martin Luther King Jr. Monday at Loyola University in New Orleans.

**RIGHT:** Students with candles lit in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. walk in a procession on Monday at Loyola University in New Orleans. Hundreds of students from Tulane, Dillard, Xavier, and Loyola Universities gathered at the Holy Name of Jesus Church to honor the fallen civil-rights leader.



## FIRST DAY OF CLASSES FOR VARIOUS NEW ORLEANS UNIVERSITIES

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to "realize the importance of holding your elders and your peers accountable when it comes to rebuilding the city of New Orleans."

"Our challenges is to rebuild a great city in these times of unbelievable political callowness and corruption," he said.

# Hastert pushes gift restrictions

BY JIM ABRAMS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — House Speaker Dennis Hastert urged new restrictions on gifts from lobbyists Tuesday, responding to a scandal that already has claimed two Republican leaders and raised GOP fears about this year's elections.

Hastert, confronting a political crisis spawned by the Jack Abramoff scandal, promoted legislation that would end the practices of lobbyists footing the bill for lunches or arranging lavish "fact-finding" trips for members of Congress to warm-weather resorts.

Lawmakers-turned-lobbyists would be banned from the House gym and from access to the House floor, where they have been known to make deals in hopes of changing votes.

House Rules Committee Chairman David Dreier, R-Calif., who is spearheading the lobbying overhaul effort for Hastert, said the goal was to pass legislation by the end of February. He said it would include the forfeiture of congressional pensions for members convicted of a felony related to official duties.

"The problems we have been reading about stem from violation of existing rules," Hastert, R-Ill., said in apparent reference to Abramoff, who sought to influence lawmakers through donations, meals at his high-priced restaurant, golfing trips, and skybox seats. Abramoff has pleaded guilty to corruption-related charges and is cooperating with prosecutors.

Democrats, who are unveiling their own lobbying ethics package today, chided Republicans for addressing the issue only after the Abramoff controversy helped bring down two senior Republicans and cast a shadow on next fall's elections.

Former Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas, who had stepped down from his post after being indicted on campaign-finance charges in Texas, decided against trying to regain his job after the guilty plea of Abramoff, with whom he had long had ties. And Rep. Bob Ney, R-Ohio, another recipient of benefits from Abramoff's clients, has temporarily given up his chairmanship of the House Administration Committee.

House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi said that "for more than a decade, Speaker Hastert and House Republicans have benefited from their systemic culture of corruption at the expense of the American people. Today, the Republicans' so-called lobbying reform proposal sticks a Band-Aid on a gaping wound."

Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid of Nevada and Democratic Whip Richard Durbin of Illinois have told their staffs that they may no longer accept gifts, meals, or travel from lobbyists.

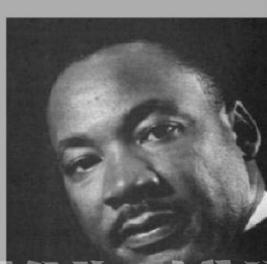
Within minutes of Hastert's news conference, Republican senators met with reporters to announce Senate plans for quick action on lobbying reform.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., often at odds with his own party in pressing for reforms in how lawmakers get elected and conduct business, was joined by Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., a member of the GOP leadership deputized by Majority

Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., to work with McCain on the issue.

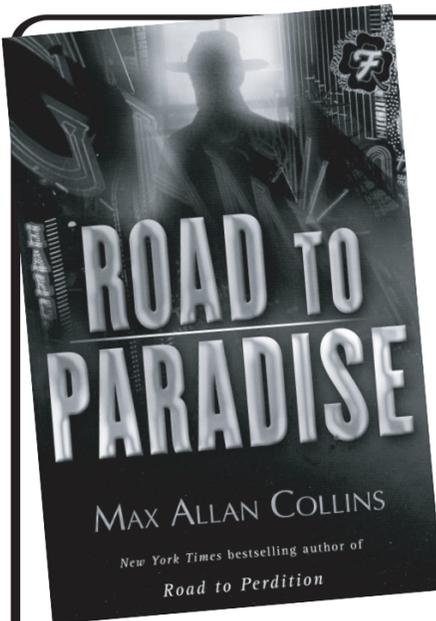
McCain, who introduced legislation several months ago, said he would work with Democrats, including Sen. Joe Lieberman of Connecticut and McCain's partner on the campaign finance act, Russ Feingold of Wisconsin. His bill would also restrict gifts and travel arranged by lobbyists, extend the time period between when a lawmaker leaves Congress and can accept a job as a lobbyist, and require more detailed disclosure of lobbying activities.

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# Laura Bush unveils book plan

First lady Laura Bush visits Africa promoting her husband's Africa Education Initiative in an effort to get more textbooks and teachers in African classrooms



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U.S. first lady Laura Bush kisses a Ghanaian girl who presented her with flowers upon her arrival as Ghana President John Agyekum Kufuor and Barbara Bush look on in Accra, Ghana, on Tuesday.

BY DEB RIECHMANN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ACCRA, Ghana — In a muggy college auditorium, first lady Laura Bush on Tuesday announced a U.S.-backed program to provide 15 million textbooks for students in Sub-Saharan Africa where more than one-third of primary school aged children are not enrolled in school.

"It's not uncommon in rural areas to see just one textbook for a whole classroom," Bush said at Accra Teacher Training College.

"Girls, especially girls in rural villages, are much less likely than boys to attend school. And students who live in poverty have few opportunities for schooling because their parents cannot afford the school fees or buy uniforms and books."

Bush was joined by representatives of six U.S. colleges and universities that are receiving USAID funds to produce and distribute textbooks in Ghana, Senegal, Zambia, Tanzania, South Africa, and Ethiopia. The colleges are: Chicago State University, Elizabeth City State University in North Carolina, Tougaloo College in Mississippi, South Carolina State University, the University of Texas-San Antonio, and Alabama A&M University.

"These textbooks will be created in Africa so they will represent the unique experiences of African students," Bush told approximately 500 students, all dressed navy pants or skirts, white shirts and navy ties stamped with the school emblem.

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Information from White House press release

The president of Ghana, John Kufuor, wiping sweat from his brow, thanked the first lady for visiting Ghana to underscore U.S. commitment to education in Africa, especially for girls.

"Madam, we know how you feel about educating the girl child," he said. "We share this passion of yours."

The program is part of President

Bush's Africa Education Initiative, a \$600 million commitment to provide books, scholarships, school uniforms and teacher training so that more children in Africa can attend school. Laura Bush said the initiative already has helped ship more than 2 million books to African schools and libraries.

Later, Laura Bush visited the Korle-Bu clinic, which treats

150 to 220 AIDS patients three times a week. She met a woman who cares for children who have lost their parents to AIDS, HIV-positive women taking antiviral drugs and children with the disease who are struggling to maintain normal lives.

"A big problem here is stigma and discrimination," Dr. Nii Addo, program director for national AIDS control in Ghana, said, adding that people still fear shaking hands with AIDS sufferers.

"It's really important to reach out to people who are HIV positive or who have AIDS and also to reach out to people around the world who don't — to get the word out and get the education out so that people can avoid ever getting AIDS," Laura Bush said.

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# U.S. sets off furor in rape case

BY TERESA CERAJANO  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CARMEN, Philippines — The United States on Tuesday refused a Philippine request to hand over four Marines charged with rape, provoking anti-American protests in the capital and the Muslim south, where U.S. troops began annual counterterrorism training of Filipino soldiers.

In a letter to the Philippine government, the U.S. Embassy invoked the bilateral Visiting Forces Agreement, which allows large-scale U.S. training in the country, and vowed to keep the Marines in its custody during an upcoming trial.

Prosecutor Prudencio Jalandoni said he was disappointed but would ask the court handling the rape case to abide by the U.S. decision and set a trial date.

Custody of the Americans "is important for the purpose of showing that we are a sovereign and independent state, but ... what is important to us is that justice be done," Jalandoni said.

A Philippine judge last week issued arrest warrants for the Marines, who were charged with rape late last year while on liberty following counterterrorism maneuvers with Filipino troops.

Prosecutors allege that Lance Cpl. Daniel Smith raped a 22-year-old woman Nov. 1 inside a van at Subic Bay, a former U.S. Naval base northwest of Manila, as fellow Marines cheered him on. Smith claims he only had consensual sex.

Also charged were Lance Cpl. Keith Silkwood, Lance Cpl. Dominic Duplantis, and Staff Sgt. Chad Carpentier, part of the 31st Marine Expeditionary Force stationed in Okinawa, Japan.

The embassy hasn't released their hometowns.

The case has stirred emotions in the former American colony,



Aaron Favila/Associated Press

Filipino Muslim women shout slogans during a rally against a U.S.-Philippines joint military exercise in North Cotabato province, southern Philippines, on Monday.

and it is seen as a black mark on U.S. military exercises, which have been credited with helping weaken Al Qaeda-linked militants in the country's restive south.

Approximately 30 left-wing students with mock arrest warrants lay on a scorching road near the U.S. Embassy, raising their fists and yelling: "Arrest the American troops, and let them pay."

Left-wing Rep. Satur Ocampo called for the abrogation of the Visiting Forces Agreement and said the U.S. rejection of the custody request was "an insult to Philippine sovereignty."

Renato Reyes, head of the left-wing umbrella Bayan, called for a boycott of American products — an unlikely development in the country awash in U.S. goods.

Sen. Joker Arroyo said the U.S. decision "will only provoke ... a re-examination of the [Visiting Forces Agreement] and if need be, its abrogation to correct an inequality and settle once for all ... the question of custody over U.S. servicemen who commit criminal offenses in the Philippines."

Approximately 2,000 protesters also greeted American troops in the southern town of Carmen, around 560 miles southeast of Manila, where they started monthlong exercises with Filipino troops.

Zaynab Ampatuan, the deputy head of the left-wing Muslim group Suara Bangsamoro, said the local Muslim community "should not allow U.S. troops to train Filipino troops to run after suspected terrorists. No other sus-

pects are being arrested except [Muslims]."

The protesters carried streamers "Never again to gang rape," and "U.S. troops out now."

Maj. William Nagel, the commander of Alpha Company, 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group Airborne, based in Fort Louis, Wash., and his Philippine counterpart said U.S. troops will mostly be restricted to the camp.

"I am confident that we will not have problems that may have happened in the past," Nagel said, adding: "I will make sure that my soldiers behave in a manner and in keeping with our standards."

## WAR ON TERROR Strike killed some terrorists in Pakistan

BY JAMES RUPERT  
NEWSDAY

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — The Jan. 13 missile strike on the village of Damadola killed "four or five foreign terrorists" in addition to 18 local people, the top Pakistani official in the region said on Tuesday. The statement suggested that the attack, reportedly conducted by the CIA, at least partly hit its intended target, a gathering of Qaeda militants.

As many as 12 militants were invited to a dinner hosted on Jan. 12 by villagers, said district administrator Fahim Wazir in a statement. That contradicted Damadola residents who vehemently denied to visiting journalists over the weekend that they knew or had hosted any Qaeda members or other militants.

At least some of the guests left the dinner around midnight, a resident told the Lahore-based *Daily Times*. Around three hours later, rockets slammed into the village, destroying three homes, including a guesthouse where the dinner had been held.

Later on Jan. 13, U.S. intelligence officials in Washington told American TV networks that the CIA had killed Al Qaeda's No. 2 leader, Ayman al-Zawahri. His presence in the village has not been confirmed. Pakistani

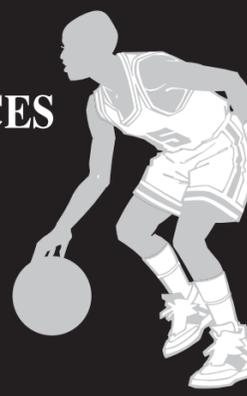
intelligence officials quoted by the *Associated Press* said al-Zawahri declined the dinner invitation and sent two aides instead.

"According to our information, at least four to five foreign elements had also been killed in this incident," in addition to local residents, "but their bodies were removed from the scene within no time by their companions," said the statement by Wazir. He said militants of a locally based group, the Tehrike Nisaze Shariat Mohammadi (Movement for the Implementation of the Shariat of Muhammad) had removed the bodies of the militants, whose nationalities were unconfirmed.

But a counterterrorism official, who spoke on condition he not be named, told the AP that several of those killed were believed to be Egyptian. The *London Daily Telegraph* quoted an Afghan source close to Al Qaeda as saying an Egyptian named Abu Ubaida and a Syrian, Marwan Alsuri, were missing after having apparently attended the dinner.

When journalists reached Damadola on Jan. 14, residents showed 13 new graves, saying each held a local resident killed in the attack. They denied rumors that other bodies had been carried away.

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# Grad anxiety

At the family Christmas last month, I told my extended family that, after graduation, I *may*: look for publishing jobs, look for house-painting jobs, move out to LA and look hooked up with soap operas, look for a position as a copy editor somewhere.

These weren't lies, by any means. I mean, I've looked at job offerings online, and I've visited the Career Center. I have a résumé draft, I swear.

But this break was an exercise in hurling my imagined future at the ears of concerned, intrigued relatives. By the end of Christmas, I had created a healthy pile of possibilities for the relatives to conceptualize and pick at. But that's all for them to savor.

So what about my personal concerns and those of other seniors graduating with degrees that lack defined career paths?

There's this line from Saul Bellow's novel *Herzog*: "The dream of man's heart, however much we may distrust or resent it, is that life may complete itself in significant pattern." It's easy to resent those cute narratives we imagine for our lives: college-job-wife-kids-retirement-death, apprenticeship-union job-wife-kids-death, etc.

But there's comfort in conceptualizing structures — it allows one to understand their specific placement within that structure. It's a superficial, but comforting, way of understanding "life." Imagining the world as entropic collisions of random people and places will drive a kid mad, and even now I find myself enjoying waking up at 6:30 and shaving while bacon fries on the stove-top. Coffee has that warm-routine aroma, and the streets are quiet while I walk to my morning work shift. As we grow older, we grow lame.

So what do we? You can imagine yourself a "nonconformist," whatever that is. But isn't that what our parents did? Look at that hippie crap manufactured in VH-1 specials on Woodstock, and now see those baby boomers all grown up. They're mortgaging our futures, making the national debt unfathomably huge, and creating Third World disparities between rich and poor on our own soil. Their summer of love will be our winter of discontent. In this current course, the flower child is the standard-bearer of the apocalypse.

Not only do we have the pressure to "make something of ourselves," but now, thanks to our parents' generation, we have an ocean of mistakes to drain. I feel, when walking city streets, the landscape itself was constructed with someone else's dreams in mind. But it's hard to muster the energy to be constructive when lacking a footing in the postgrad void. And it's that desire to help that levels a man impotent — it's a shitload easier if you don't care.

Story time. It is late December, a few days before Christmas, and I am in Boston. I am visiting my brother. I carry a liter of Powers whiskey in my backpack. We go to the Harvard Business School's subsidized cafeteria for lunch. A teeming tray of gourmet food costs me only \$7. A chandelier the size of a sedan hangs from the dining-hall ceiling. I sit down. I pour the whiskey into my coffee. It is 11:30 in the morning. I drink the coffee. My brother drinks some whiskey from my backpack. We laugh. My brother has been unemployed for a month now.

The Harvard campus is all ivy and cobblestone, and the buildings have stately names that sound like sheep-dog breeds and Scotch brands. My brother can't cover next month's rent. We're now drinking whiskey in an empty classroom. We put the bottle back in my backpack, on which the zipper recently broke. Harvard's \$22 billion endowment has a scent that exudes from the classroom AV equipment, the electronic doors, and the cafeteria gourmet — and my backpack doesn't close anymore. I'm drunk.

We leave Harvard. I borrow bus fare from Michael. It is too bright outside, and my stomach hurts.

I ride out of the cobblestone glitz of Cambridge and watch the sidewalk walkers glide by. There exists a simple means to rethink the quotidian and is amber-brown, triple-distilled, and sloshing in my backpack.

So tip your fedoras, seniors — this is going to be a short semester. ■ Steve Sherman is a UI senior majoring in American studies and English. Contact him at [stephen-sherman@uiowa.edu](mailto:stephen-sherman@uiowa.edu)



STEVE SHERMAN

## EDITORIAL

# Student aid faces unwise cuts

Legislation pending in the U.S. House of Representatives to reduce the deficit would slash nearly \$40 billion from government expenditures. Nearly one-third of the savings would be created by eliminating government-backed student-loan programs. This would be a grave and unnecessary mistake, widening the already growing economic and social-capital divide between the haves and have-nots in this country. Moreover, raising the barriers between many Americans and the opportunity of attending college sharply contrasts with the values this country cherishes.

A bitterly divided U.S. Senate voted 51-50 in late December to approve the cuts, with five Republicans joining every Democrat and independent Jim Jeffords to oppose the bill — and Vice President Dick Cheney casting the tiebreaking vote. The bill is expected to receive top priority when the House returns to session late this month.

Under the plan, interest rates for parent loans would increase to a fixed rate of 8.5 percent, up from 6.1 percent now. Student rates, meanwhile, would jump to 6.8 percent from their current 4.7. Government payments to banks encouraging lower interest rates are also threatened, and lower profit margins will likely cause banks to pass more charges onto Americans in the form of higher expenses for parents and students. The U.S. Student Association has estimated that average student-loan interest payments will increase by several thousand dollars.

These cuts would represent the greatest dollar term reduction in the history of the student-loan program. Cuts in student loans will further ongoing

trends making it more difficult to afford college: Public university tuition has increased 54 percent over the last decade. Additionally, the budget cuts would create have already been compromised by four tax-cut bills passed in late 2005. These cuts will reduce federal revenue by double what the budget cuts would have saved. Congress and the administration have also refused to revisit previous tax reductions, primarily targeted towards the wealthy.

Deficits created by huge tax cuts and reckless, wasteful government spending must not be paid for by curtailing programs that primarily benefit underprivileged Americans. In an election year already highlighted by anti-incumbent public feelings, one might imagine Washington would think better of eviscerating an extremely valuable government program. It is especially unfortunate that this has not proven the case.

There is little question that government spending has spiraled out of control, as pork-filled bills sail through Congress to a president who has never vetoed a single piece of legislation. However, the answer to this waste is not to cut essential programs for average Americans. Those in power have chosen to cater to the demands of the obscenely wealthy and powerful interest groups as opposed to common Americans. Ensuring a highly educated future society should be an uppermost priority of government, and keeping education affordable is key. Hopefully, our congressional representatives will recognize this and find their savings elsewhere.

## LETTERS

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## Equal obligation

The UI recently won a court victory against David Johnson, a staff member who sought to help take care of his newborn child and who believed he should be entitled to the same parental leave that the university grants to adoptive fathers. The university has also recently formed a task force on gender equity aimed at improving quality of life for female faculty members.

This committee might begin its work by questioning the benefit inequities that make it difficult for biological fathers to share the burdens of the early days of parenthood. All fathers should have childcare obligations when babies arrive on the scene. The university's benefit policies would better serve female faculty by reflecting this expectation.

Judith Pascoe  
UI associate professor

## King's justice

Martin Luther King Jr. Day and the UI's Human Rights Week are a good time for us to remember all of Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy.

We should celebrate and discuss King's "I Have a Dream" speech. We should celebrate and discuss cultural diversity. We should celebrate and discuss the civil-rights movement. We can agree there is much work to be done.

But we should not forget the speech King gave a year before his death at New York's Riverside Church in 1967. "We must rapidly begin the shift from a thing-oriented society to a person-oriented society. When machines and computers, profit motives and property rights, are considered more important than people, the giant triplets of racism, extreme materialism, and militarism are incapable of being conquered."



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King spoke these words in 1967 — and who can argue that they are not just as, if not more, meaningful today as then.

It is a sad truth that we can discuss economic justice, and we can discuss opposition to war. But there is little if any cause to celebrate.

Richard A. Shannon  
UI employee

## GUEST OPINION

# A good first answer to Egypt

This editorial appeared in Tuesday's *Washington Post*.

The Bush administration has taken a first step toward adjusting its relationship with Egypt, following President Hosni Mubarak's flagrant violation of his promises to lead a transition to democracy. An Egyptian delegation that was to visit Washington this month to discuss a free-trade agreement has been disinvited, and the agreement itself was put on hold. Thanks to Mubarak's autocratic backsliding — including his crude persecution and imprisonment of his leading liberal opponent, Ayman Nour — Egypt will continue to lag behind Jordan, Morocco, and other modernizing Arab states that enjoy tariff-free access to U.S. markets. For Egypt's business community and the reformist technocrats in its Cabinet, the message should be clear: Egypt won't join the global economic mainstream unless it abandons its corrupt dictatorship.

For much of the past year, Mubarak, 77, has sought to convince the Bush administration that he could dismantle the autocracy he has presided over for nearly a quarter-century. He changed the Constitution to allow a multi-candidate election for president, allowed more open debate in the press, and eased repression of the banned Muslim Brotherhood, Egypt's largest opposition movement. Though his own re-election in September was heavily manipulated, Mubarak promised to carry out a long list of reforms in his new term, including more freedom for the media, independence for judges, greater authority for Parliament, and reform of the emergency laws that give him dictatorial power.

Now Mubarak has squandered the tenuous credibility he had acquired in Washington. When the Muslim Brotherhood's candidates performed better than expected in the first rounds of parliamentary elections in November, his government used fraud and brutality to alter the final results — security forces opened

fire on voters trying to cast ballots. Mubarak, meanwhile, set out to crush Nour, a moderate, secular politician who won 8 percent of the national vote on a platform of liberal democracy. Though far weaker than Islamic leaders, Nour, 41, poses a threat to Mubarak's 42-year-old son, Gamal, who also presents himself as a moderate reformist. Without Nour, the only choices in Egypt are the Mubarak family and the Muslim Brotherhood. That's why Nour was sentenced on Dec. 24 to five years of hard labor on bogus charges of forgery.

Mubarak calculates that President Bush will eventually overlook this crude maneuver and will choose to accept, again, promises that his regime will make Egypt a democracy. Already, his government has brazenly petitioned the administration for hundreds of millions of dollars in new aid this year — over and above the \$1.8 billion Egypt regularly receives — ostensibly in compensation for its efforts to maintain security in the Gaza Strip. U.S. officials say this request will be rejected — as it should be. Instead, Egypt's standing aid allocation and, in particular, its military component should be subjected to a rigorous review by the administration and Congress.

While there may not be ready alternatives to Mubarak, it is foolish not to connect one of the largest U.S. foreign subsidies to vital American interests. First among those interests is concrete steps toward the construction of a political system that will allow Egypt's next president and Parliament to be elected democratically. That means the lifting of emergency laws, the legalization of centrist parties that Mubarak keeps banned, and the removal of controls from the press and independent civil-society groups. Nour should be freed and allowed to work unhindered in the constitutional reform he advocates. If Mubarak will not take these steps — this year — then it is not in the U.S. interest to keep funding his armed forces.

## ON THE SPOT

Have you participated in any Human Rights Week activities?



"I haven't seen enough info."

Kayla Kroeger  
UI junior



"No — not heard of anything."

Megan Adams  
UI junior



"Haven't seen anything advertised."

Brad Purgett  
UI senior



"No — it's not been well publicized."

Daniella Fleckenstein  
UI junior

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# ARTS & CULTURE

## Aware of her inner windows

BY ADAM GREENBERG  
THE DAILY IOWAN

The sounds of pinball machines click and clunk at the Deadwood at a level that lies barely under the smooth melodies of Tom Petty on the jukebox. It is quiet, sparsely filled, and dimly lit just before Angry Hour, as one of Iowa City's rambunctious daughters shoves through the front door, sucking on a cigarette. After seating herself, Kathryn Musilek, a young veteran of the town's music scene clad in a collarless jean jacket and white skirt with black leggings, sipped a Miller Lite and talked a moment about her newest job — that of a film critic for local magazine *Little Village* — before discussing her recent and upcoming departures, the first of artistic license, the latter of locale.

Since 1998, the singer/songwriter has held a ubiquitous presence in Iowa City as a solo act and with such bands as sludge moodsters Burn Disco Burn and the electro suicidios Skin Club. Now 26, Musilek has matured from a self-described victim of high-school anxieties to a woman who deeply understands the meaning behind the Bob Dylan line "You're right from your side, and I'm right from mine."

"When I was about 16 to 19, the voice [of my songs] was very accusatory, that of the angst-ridden teenage female," the guitarist/keyboardist said. Now, she feels her songs are "less accusatory — it's more of a flawed character aware of her weaknesses."

In roundabout fashion, her 2002 solo album *Every Window In My House* (Stumble And Fall Records), an extremely personal, intimate disc that is "interested in the impossibility of uncomplicated love," does a much better job capturing the singer's soul than her previously unreleased recordings.

Of the 16 tracks that didn't wind up on the recording, the UI student said they simply didn't fit. "My songs didn't sound like they were written by the same artist," she said. "I was flailing around in this nongenre."

She may rework at least half



Rachel Mummey/The Daily Iowan  
Local singer/songwriter Kathryn Musilek smokes in the entryway of the cellar under her residence. She uses the cellar to practice guitar, which she has played since she was 14.

### DI WEB GIVE A LISTEN

...athryn Musilek's picks from her album, *Every Window In My House*

- "Just What I Needed"
- "Everyone's Tired of Hearing About It"
- "Winter"

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the elided tunes, she said, in an effort to move closer to the sound she captured on *Every Window*.

The sinuous nature of the unreleased songs may be symbolic for

Musilek, whose continual use of the word "complicated" throughout the interview may be more telling of her past and future than the artist would like to admit.

After playing bass and vocals for Burn Disco Burn from 1999 until 2002, the Nevada, Iowa, native played with several Iowa City bands, including the mellow pop-folky Deathships and Skin Club. The latter performed until late October 2005. At a Halloween show the co-ed members of Skin Club dressed as stewardesses and pilots only to have members of another group, the noisesters ft (the Shadow Government), appeared onstage wearing executive suits and faces hidden behind Bush and Cheney masks. Possessing fake box cutters, the Shadow Government members pretended to slit the throats of Skin Club, hijacking the show in a splashy fake-blood massacre.

Musilek, however, left the band later that week.

"I had some immediate priorities, but it was a lot of fun," she said. "I really miss playing music that makes people dance."

Since then, she has performed little, choosing instead

to focus on her studies. In her final semester at the UI, the cinema and comparative literature major is busy plotting her escape. New York, unsurprisingly, is the city of her ambitions.

"Iowa City lets you know when it's time to go, and my time is up," she said. "I'm obsessed with New York. Every time I think about it, I become nostalgic. There's a lot of people pulling me out there."

In the East Coast megapolis, the spouter of philosophies à la Camus and Dostoevsky is not even sure she'd like to continue making music full-time.

"It's something I'll always be into, but I'm not sure about it as a career, now," she said, adding that her upcoming energies might be more focused on film.

Though intent on fleeing Iowa City for the East, she is full of praise for the town. When asked if she had any regrets, she first responded, "Of course," then quickly changed her answer to, "No."

"I can recognize the bad is bad without actually calling it a regret."

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## Love, squalor, not for Esmé



### CD REVIEW

We Are Scientists  
*With Love and Squalor*  
★★★ out of ★★★★★

BY ANNA WIEGENSTEIN  
THE DAILY IOWAN

"The scene is dead," declares the second track on We Are Scientists' debut album. It's kind of an odd sentiment for the band to express, given the love the Brooklyn group has gotten not only from MP3 blogs, such as Stereogum.com, but also from hipper-than-thou magazine *Spin*, which booked We Are Scientists to play at its "Year in Music" bash. Are these not major components of the indie-music scene the band members refer to? Ah, but wait ... the chorus ends with the pluckier couplet, "I'm blacking out / But it's been fun."

After three self-released EPs and numerous live shows in the NYC area, We Are Scientists seems to have its brand of "fun" pretty figured out by now, even if it is one exhaustively compared with that of others. A look at the group's artist profile on AOL music or VH1.com provides "Sounds like ..." links from Bloc Party to Franz Ferdinand. Upon listening to *With Love and Squalor*, I was also reminded of Hot Hot Heat and even a tiny bit of Interpol's vocal style. That said, the band manages to take all these elements and create its own sound, one that not only makes *With Love and Squalor* a good listen but that promises more of the same in the future.

Opening with the first single,

"Nobody Move, Nobody Get Hurt," the album plants its best foot — the instrumentation — in front, beginning with a catchy guitar riff and a speedy cymbal beat that the band uses on several more songs, yet never to tiresome lengths. The beat pattern reaches its speediest rate with the album's best song, "The Great Escape" (a better potential single, truth be told). The steady cadence of the high-hat cymbals propels the guitar riffs so effortlessly that, when the end comes, it seems odd that the driving song has lasted a whole three minutes.

With lyrics that are forgettable at best ("Nobody Move, Nobody Get Hurt" lasts an entire song, rhyming "hurt" with "hurt," in the fourth verse with similarly uninspired combinations throughout), the instruments take center stage. The beats alternate between a stuttery drum or a steady beat on a cymbal that allows the guitar to create the track's sound. Sometimes, though, as on "It's A Hit," Keith Murray's guitar distracts listeners from his vocals, resulting in a disappointingly disjointed sound.

The few variations on *With Love and Squalor* show that the Scientists has range, one that should be interesting to follow in the coming years. "Callbacks," the hardest song on the album, rocks out surprisingly well, while "Lousy Reputation" demonstrates that the band members know how to slow things down without losing momentum. Unfortunately, the album closes with "What's The Word," a track that sounds like someone imitating everything that *didn't* work in the rest of the record.

We Are Scientists maintains just enough of an unpolished feel to be classified as "indie rock." Its melodies are "hook-tastic" and could easily cross over to become a modern rock-radio hit. So, forget the Franz comparisons and focus on We Are Scientists for what it is — full of potential and ready to convert you to a fan.

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Monday, January 23, 7:30 p.m. Iowa City Public Library, Meeting Room A. Free and open to the public.

Kirk Bloodsworth was the first person to be exonerated on the basis of DNA evidence. Jeanne Bishop is a Chicago public defender and associated with Murder Victims' Families for Reconciliation.

WSUI "Talk of Iowa" with Kirk Bloodsworth, Jeanne Bishop and a member of the Actors' Gang.  
Tuesday, January 24, 10 am on WSUI, 910 AM radio.

College of Law Forum with Kirk Bloodsworth, Jeanne Bishop and Greg Reiner, managing director of The Actors' Gang, moderated by Professors David Baldus and Emily Hughes of the UI College of Law.  
Tuesday, January 24, 12:40-1:40 p.m. Levitt Auditorium, Boyd Law Building. Free and open to the public.

# DAILY BREAK

**“ [The Medicare drug program] is a program that touches tens of millions of people. And anyone that a government program is working poorly and is affecting adversely so many people, it's bound to have huge consequences. ”**

— Ross Baker, a Rutgers University political-science professor. Since the Bush administration's prescription-medicine program began on Jan. 1, tens of thousands of elderly people have been unable to get the medicines promised by the government.

## the ledge

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ERIC FOMON

### Herky's New Year Resolutions

- Finally break things off with Aubie the Auburn tiger because of her no-mounting-before-marriage policy.
- Move out of the one-room studio he shares with Nut Sack the UI squirrel.
- Get ripped, make out with sorority birds.
- Take an ornithology class so he can have an excuse to sit out in public and look at books with nude birds spreads in them.
- Drive to Ames, and punch Cy the ISU bird right between the groin feathers for having nothing to do with Cyclones.
- Stop pooping on his own Escalade.
- Start giving his number to all of his hot moms whose kids want pictures with him.
- Ask President Skorton to teach him more about the whole birds-and-bees thing.
- Fly south for the winter — psych Herky's too much of a badass for that pigeon \*\*\*\*.

— Eric Fomon hopes Herky will stop pooping on his car, too, because when Herky rides a load, he means business.

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## horoscopes

Wednesday, January 18, 2006  
— by Eugenia Last

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Consider the promise you made yourself at the beginning of the year. If you haven't stuck to it, take the time to get back on track. Don't let other people's agendas take precedence. Stick to your game plan.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Don't wait for others to do things for you. Take the initiative, and you will get results. Today is not about standing in someone else's shadow. A connection can be made with someone professionally and personally important.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** You may be led astray by someone who has her or his own motives. This is not a good time to spend money or to try to make personal or physical changes. A fast decision will be based on false information.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Home will be where the heart is today. You should make a few adjustments to your surroundings that will make you more comfortable. Take the time to deal with someone you love in a positive way. You will avoid unnecessary upset later.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Don't even think about taking a break. You have to put your heart and soul into a job that requires your undivided attention. By following through with a business plan, you will get things moving in a positive direction.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** You really should be on vacation or at least doing something you enjoy today. Time spent with children, family, friends, or your lover will be worth its weight in gold. This is a perfect day to make adjustments to your life.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** You are likely to be ridiculed for whatever you try to do around the house today. Money matters can be rediculed, and making a change to one of your investments will be wise. Renovations may cause some worry.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Get on top of things, especially partnerships. You can win in the end if you are articulate in the way you describe your plans. Your position must not change, regardless of the circumstances.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** It may be difficult for you to keep what you are trying to do a secret, but you will stand a better chance of accomplishing your goals if you do. Someone will cause trouble if you are too trusting or open.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** You see it, you want it, you take it — that should be the flavor of the day. Rethink why you have been watching out for everyone else. Don't forget to make special plans late in the day.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Don't believe everything you hear. Someone may be trying to convince you of something by being complimentary. Steer clear of overindulgent people, and distance yourself from a partner who has caused you grief in the past.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Listen to someone who is fighting for a good cause. You may want to join in. Getting involved will take your mind off your own problems and the changes taking place in your life. Develop one of your many talents.

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- 12:55 Bassoon Metical
- 2 First United Methodist Church
- 3 Faith Holiness Apostolic Church of God
- 3:30 Don Tang's Story
- 3:55 February Snow Removal
- 4 Our Redeemer Church

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- 3 p.m. "Live from Prairie Lights," Bart Yates
- 4 Johnson County Landmark Jazz Band
- 6 Iowa Basketball with Steve Alford
- 6:30 College of Education presents Closing the Gender Gap, Helping Boys Succeed in School
- 7 "Live from Prairie Lights," Bart Yates

- 8 Johnson County Landmark Jazz Band
- 10 Iowa Basketball with Steve Alford
- 10:30 DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update
- 11 "Live from Prairie Lights," Bart Yates

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- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, "Looking for YOU," 10 a.m., Pomerantz Center first-floor conference room
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, "Straight from the Heart: A Parent's Journey to Understanding and Love," noon, UIHC East Room
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, "Cultural Diversity, Limited English Proficiency," 3 p.m., UIHC East Room
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, "Put Your Language to Work at UIHC," 4 p.m., UIHC East Room
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, "Celebrating 30 Years of Interpreting and Translation Services," 5 p.m., UIHC social-services department
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, "I Had an Abortion: Real Stories, Real Choices," 6 p.m., Emma Goldman Clinic, 227 N. Dubuque
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, Native American Food Night, 6 p.m., Latino Native American Cultural Center
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, *Crash*, 6:30 p.m., W151 Pappajohn Business Building
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, *The Untold Story of Emmett Louis Till*, 7 p.m., Bijou
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, "Breaking the Silence: Human Trafficking Around the World and At Home," 7 p.m., 346 IMU
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, "Compulsory Homosexuality," 7 p.m., 335 IMU
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, musical performance, Gospel Fest 2006 Film — The Music of Martin, featuring Charism and other local gospel groups, 7 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom
- "Live from Prairie Lights," Max Alan Collins, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque, and WSUI
- Shinebone Alley, 7 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- Jam Band Jam, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 12 S. Linn

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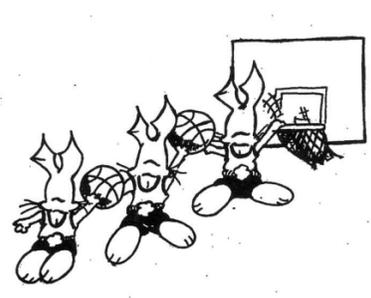
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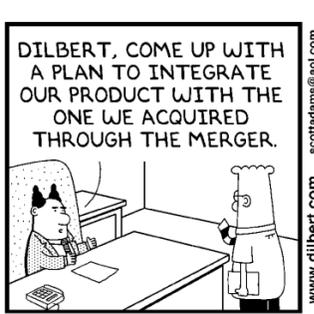
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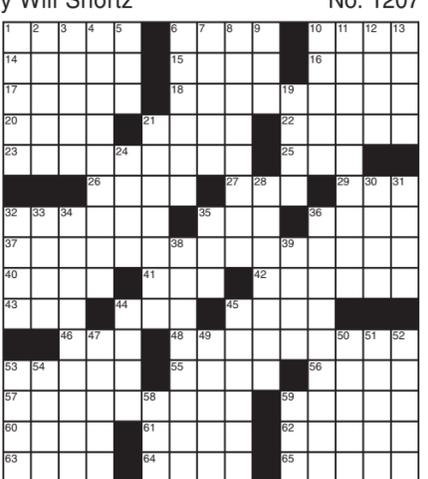
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Bosch Gardens locale
- 6 Enervates
- 10 Tête-à-tête
- 14 Modern source of pass-along jokes
- 15 Legal claim
- 16 Too smooth
- 17 For the \_\_\_
- 18 "Things are great for me"
- 20 Long march
- 21 Hoofed it
- 22 Little laugh
- 23 #1 hit for the Crystals
- 25 Eerie ability
- 26 Pay, with "up"
- 27 Belief system
- 29 C.I.A. forerunner
- 32 Odds and ends
- 35 Serengeti sighting
- 36 Vitriol
- 37 "Quit cryin'"
- 40 Mailed
- 41 Whole lot
- 42 Does toe loops, e.g.
- 43 Army Corps of Engrs. supply
- 44 Source of an androgyne's confusion
- 45 Window ledge
- 46 Alley \_\_\_
- 48 Kipling's comment about "The Liner"
- 53 "Peter and the Wolf" bird's name
- 55 Suffragist Carrie Chapman \_\_\_
- 56 Award for Samuel Beckett
- DOWN**
- 1 Tithing fraction
- 2 Subject for an Italian aria
- 3 Prides of lions?
- 4 Criticize analytically
- 5 Happy hour order
- 6 Pass
- 7 Evangelist \_\_\_
- 8 McPherson
- 9 \_\_\_-Cat
- 10 Two-scoopers, e.g.
- 11 Acme
- 12 Lip balm ingredient
- 13 Little kid
- 19 Particular
- 21 Able to feel
- 24 One may be skipped
- 28 Get by (on)
- 30 Sour fruit

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- 31 Finishes, with "up"
- 32 DOS part: Abbr.
- 33 "Fargo" director
- 34 Deteriorate
- 35 Martini ingredient
- 36 Undoubtedly
- 38 Game summary
- 39 Tulsa's locale: Abbr.
- 44 Butt heads
- 45 Fixed charge
- 47 "That's for sure"
- 49 Weapon handles
- 50 "\_\_\_ With Me" (popular hymn)
- 51 Car on a train
- 52 A long time
- 53 Hurlly-burly
- 54 "I get it now"
- 58 Fish lacking a pelvic fin
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# Gymnast swings past Katrina



Indiana's Marco Killingsworth

**INDIANA WINS**

**No. 13 Indiana 62, No. 7 Illinois 60**

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Marco Killingsworth scored 20 of his 23 points in the second half to help No. 13 Indiana beat No. 7 Illinois on Tuesday night.

Indiana (11-3, 3-1 Big Ten) won for the seventh time in eight games and became only the fourth team to beat the Fighting Illini in the regular season since Jan. 24, 2004. The victory set off a wild celebration as Indiana extended its home winning streak to 11 against Big Ten teams.

Illinois (16-2, 2-2) was led by Shaun Pruitt's career-high 17 points, but lost for the second time in three games. Brian Randle added 15 points, but leading scorer Dee Brown, who averaged 15.6 points, had just five.

**BADGERS**

**Lawmakers pay tribute to Alvarez**

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — State lawmakers praised retiring Wisconsin football coach Barry Alvarez on Tuesday with resolutions honoring his 16-year tenure.

Both the Assembly and Senate gave Alvarez standing ovations as they passed resolutions hailing his 118 wins as Badgers' coach, his back-to-back Rose Bowl victories, and his three Big Ten conference titles.

"Barry Alvarez has once again made Wisconsin synonymous with winning," said Rep. Spencer Black, D-Madison, noting Alvarez made an athletics program that had been mired in mediocrity among the most successful in the country today.

Alvarez returned the kind words to lawmakers, thanking them for investing state money in building the Kohl Center and renovating Camp Randall football stadium.

**BASEBALL**

**A-Rod to play for USA, after all**

NEW YORK (AP) — A-Rod plans to play for the USA.

His allegiance torn between the Dominican Republic and United States, Alex Rodriguez finally made up his mind Tuesday night and decided he will participate in the World Baseball Classic as a member of the U.S. team.

"In recent weeks, following dialogue with caring friends and players, both Dominican and American, I reached the conclusion that if I played in the Classic, I would play for the United States and honor my American citizenship," Rodriguez said in a statement on his website.

"I appreciate the support and understanding of my fellow Dominican players and friends who aided me in making this decision. The World Baseball Classic offers baseball and its fans an exciting new forum and I look forward, if selected, to representing the United States in what will be baseball's greatest international competition."



Hawkeye gymnast Danielle Legeai works on a floor routine in the Field House during practice on Monday afternoon. Legeai, from New Orleans, balances gymnastics and studying health promotion and psychology.

*Iowa gymnast Danielle Legeai, a New Orleans native, and women's gymnastics coach Larissa Libby, a former LSU gymnast and assistant coach, will reunite with their pasts Friday when the GymHawks compete against LSU.*



Danielle Legeai



Larissa Libby

BY BRENDAN STILES  
 THE DAILY IOWAN

While Iowa gymnast Danielle Legeai was in the midst of starting her junior year, a storm unlike any other was on track to destroy her hometown of New Orleans, and she realized that the event was beyond anything she's had to overcome.

"I've never evacuated from a hurricane," she said. "My parents evacuated from Katrina, and that was the first time they had ever left."

"That's how I knew it was serious."

Failed attempts to call home took their toll, but Legeai was able to reach her family via text messaging. She received word

that her parents had been evacuated to Dallas and were safe. She said that while most of her family went to either Florida or Texas, her uncle stayed behind.

"We had a lot of trouble getting in touch with him, and it was scary," she said. "He was there for the hurricane and left for the levees."

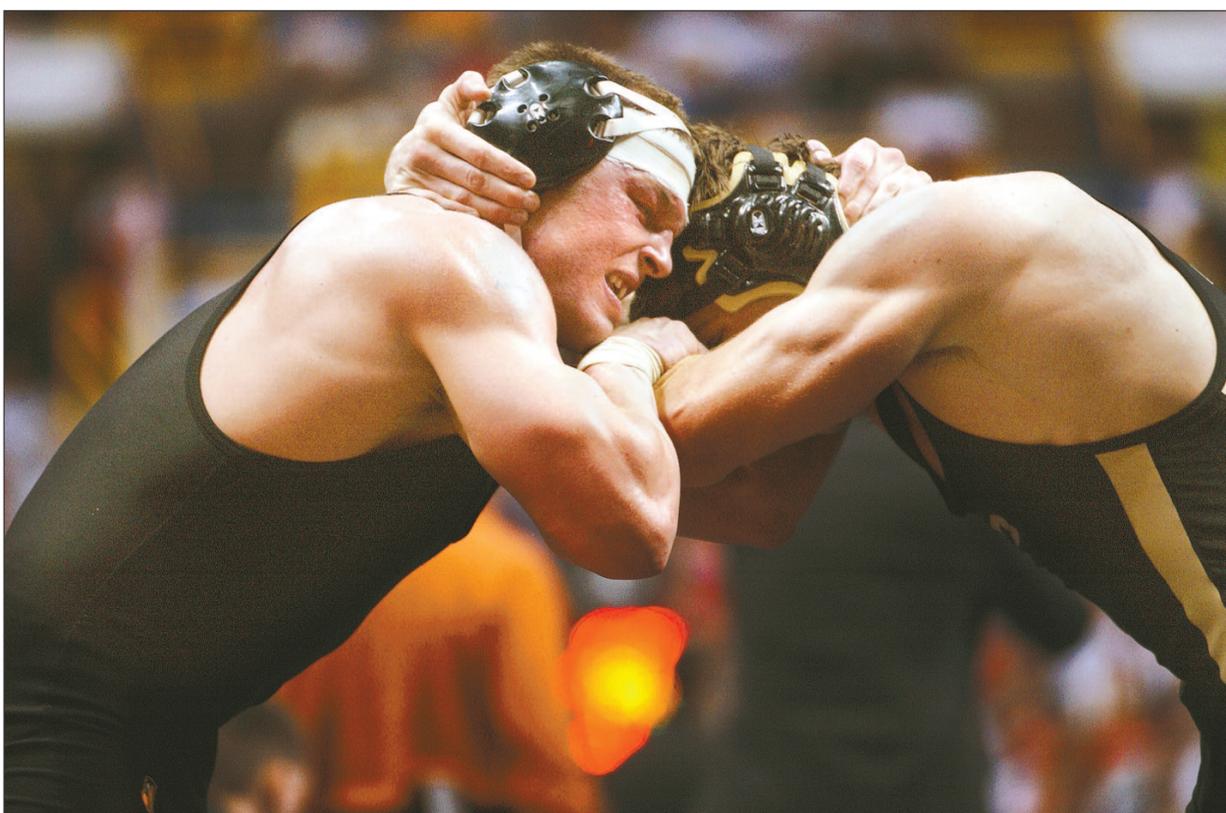
"The current was so bad that he couldn't even swim out to our house. That was a reality check."

Legeai, who is one of only three current Iowa student-athletes from Louisiana, said one thing that made growing up there unique was all the diversity it has to offer.

SEE GYMNAST, PAGE 3B

# No panic in wrestling room

*With All-Americans filling out four of Iowa's 10 weight classes, the conference title is not a far-fetched dream*



Hawkeye wrestler Paul Bradley locks up with Nebraska's Travis Pascoe in his final match of the 2005 NCAA championships on March 19, in St. Louis. Bradley scored a takedown late in the third period to win the match, 3-1, and place fifth overall.

BY ANDREW SHANKS  
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa wrestling coach Jim Zalesky issued a warning to Hawkeye wrestling fans on Tuesday, as Iowa prepares to open Big Ten action Friday at Wisconsin.

"Don't panic," the ninth-year coach said. "I think we've wrestled really well. We've lost a couple of really close matches, but I think we're about where we need to be to make a run at the conference title. There's definitely a lot of hope there."

A brutal nonconference schedule that featured home

bouts against three-time reigning national champion and then-No. 1 Oklahoma State — an 18-14 loss — and neutral meets against annual powerhouses Oklahoma and Michigan this past weekend at the N.W.C.A./Cliff Keen National Duals in Cedar Falls should prepare No. 6 Iowa (6-3) for the upcoming conference schedule.

And if the team's not ready yet, it could be in trouble. A Jan. 22 meet at No. 1 Minnesota is looming on the Iowa radar.

"We have Minnesota this weekend, and that's going to be a test for our team," 133-



"With [Ty Eustice, Joe Johnston, Mark Perry, and Paul Bradley] we almost know that we're going to get a win every time."

— Jim Zalesky, Iowa wrestling coach

pound Daniel Dennis said. "They have a solid team from top to bottom, and we're wrestling them on the road. But we have to worry about every conference team. They're all pretty good."

Indeed. Conference foes account for four of the top six teams in the nation and five of the top 10.

Minnesota features numerous All-American-caliber wrestlers, including heavyweight Cole Konrad, who defeated former Hawkeye and current Oklahoma State national champion Steve Mocco in the finals of the National Duals to ensure a

SEE WRESTLING, PAGE 3B

# Hawks face Gophers



Alford  
 Hawk coach



Horner  
 Hawk guard

BY NICK RICHARDS  
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Don't overlook Minnesota's cellar-dwelling 0-3 start to Big Ten play. Steve Alford and his newly ranked Hawkeyes won't be.

No. 23 Iowa, back in the rankings for the first time since mid-December, will host the struggling 9-5 Golden Gophers at 7:05 p.m. today in a game with major implications for both sides. A win will boost the Hawkeyes to 14-4 overall and 3-1 in the conference — their best start under Alford since 3-0 starts during the 2000-01 and 2002-03 seasons — heading into the meat of their schedule, starting Saturday at Michigan State. Indiana and Ohio State will visit Carver next week.

"We're definitely going to be able to tell where we're at in this conference," senior Jeff Horner said. "Playing Minnesota here, at home, is going to be a tough game. [The Gophers are] coming in, and they know they have to win. Then you're playing three teams that are ranked higher than you are in the polls, but we can't overlook Minnesota, because it is definitely a good team."

A victory is almost a necessity for the Gophers, who have battled constant injury problems and dropped home games against Northwestern and Wisconsin, before falling by 17 at Purdue on Jan. 14. Because of injuries to leading scorer Vincent

SEE MEN'S BASKETBALL, PAGE 3B

SPORTS

# NEXT WOMAN UP FOR HAWKS

BY RYAN LONG  
THE DAILY IOWAN



VanderPol partially torn MCL



Solverson torn ACL



Richards torn ACL

a full-time starter.

"I just knew I had to step up in that position," she said. "I thought I had been pretty prepared to be able to go into that position. That's what [the coaches] were preparing me to do all season. But, it's just an unfortunate situation that I would have to do it in that way."

The injury to VanderPol will also present a position switch. Freshman small forward Wendy Ausdemore will spend more time contributing in the power forward spot.

"I played the 4 position when I was in high school, and when we lost Stacy in practice, I kind of started to make some changes and learned a couple of offenses at the four position," she said. "I'm looking forward to it, and, hopefully, I can help the team at that position."

The Hawkeyes (11-6, 4-2) will continue Big Ten action Thursday at 7:05 p.m. at Wisconsin (6-11, 1-5); they will host No. 16 Minnesota (11-4, 4-1) on Jan. 22 at 2:05 p.m.

"What we've gone through this year, I'm pleased where we are," Bluder said. "We can continue to get better. We're going to continue to want to win a lot more games. I think this week is a very important week for us."

E-mail *DI* reporter **Ryan Long** at: ryan-long-2@uiowa.edu

When freshman forward Nicole VanderPol partially tore her MCL on Sunday at Northwestern, it meant that the Iowa women's basketball team had suffered its fifth knee injury in the past seven months.

Even though VanderPol is projected to be back in three to six weeks without surgery, the odd situation brings back thoughts of the 2004 Iowa football squad, which was plagued with an identical number of knee injuries to its running backs.

Those particular Hawkeyes finished their campaign with a 10-2 overall record, a Big Ten championship, and a New Year's Day victory in the Capital One Bowl.

Now, Iowa coach Lisa Bluder is facing a task that she has never dealt with as a coach during her 21-year career.

"I've never experienced anything like this, with as many knee injuries as we've had," she said. "I really admire the way team is handling it, because, I think, after a while, it can wear on your psyche a little bit. You just think, 'When's my turn; when's it going to happen to me.'"

With the ACL tears that crossed the paths of Lindsay Richards, Johanna Solverson, Stacy Shlapkohl, and the meniscus tear to Jenee Graham — who returned to the floor this season — Bluder realizes that creating depth and filling the holes will have to continue for the remainder of the season.

"We deal with it, and make our adjustments, and move on," she said. "I think our team has taken a really good attitude, as good an attitude as you can, with this situation."

One of those filling the void has been freshman center Megan Skouby. Skouby, who had been rotating with Shlapkohl before the sophomore's tear, has been averaging 15.3 points, 5.5 rebounds, and 1.8 blocks during her six games as

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### MEN'S BIG TEN BASKETBALL

By The Associated Press  
All Times CST

Conference	W	L	PCT	All Games	W	L	PCT
Wisconsin	4	0	1.000	14	2	875	
Indiana	3	1	.750	11	3	786	
Iowa	2	1	.667	13	4	765	
Illinois	2	2	.500	16	2	889	
Michigan St.	2	2	.500	14	4	778	
Ohio St.	2	2	.500	12	2	857	
Northwestern	2	2	.500	9	6	600	
Michigan	1	2	.333	11	3	786	
Penn St.	1	2	.333	9	5	643	
Purdue	1	3	.250	7	8	467	
Minnesota	0	3	.000	9	5	643	

**Tuesday's Games**  
Utah 111, Toronto 98  
Sacramento 119, Phoenix 90

**Today's Games**  
Detroit at Atlanta, 6 p.m.  
Charlotte at Indiana, 6 p.m.  
New Jersey at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.  
Washington at Orlando, 6 p.m.  
Minnesota at Boston, 6:30 p.m.  
Memphis at New Orleans, 7 p.m.  
New York at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.  
Dallas at Houston, 7:30 p.m.  
Milwaukee at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.  
Cleveland at Denver, 8 p.m.  
Toronto at Portland, 9 p.m.  
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

**Thursday's Games**  
Detroit at New York, 6 p.m.  
L.A. Lakers at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.

### NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

By The Associated Press  
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	28	10	8	64	164	143
N.Y. Rangers	25	14	7	57	144	120
New Jersey	23	18	5	51	137	138
N.Y. Islanders	20	23	2	42	134	162
Pittsburgh	11	28	9	31	128	184

**Northeast**

W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Ottawa	31	10	3	65	185	105
Buffalo	29	13	3	61	150	128
Toronto	24	18	3	51	146	143
Montreal	21	16	6	48	128	137
Boston	17	21	7	41	128	148

**Southwest**

W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Carolina	31	10	4	66	167	140
Atlanta	22	18	6	50	164	159
Tampa Bay	23	20	3	49	136	141
Florida	18	22	7	43	122	148
Washington	15	24	5	35	125	169

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

Central	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	30	12	3	63	168	120
Nashville	28	12	5	61	144	131
Chicago	15	25	6	36	119	161
Columbus	16	28	2	34	109	162
St. Louis	10	29	5	25	110	170

**Northwest**

W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Colorado	27	17	3	57	176	149
Calgary	26	14	5	57	120	114
Vancouver	26	15	5	57	154	141
Edmonton	24	17	5	53	152	144
Minnesota	20	21	4	44	124	117

**Pacific**

W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Dallas	30	13	2	62	149	116
Los Angeles	28	18	5	58	163	146
San Jose	21	17	5	47	136	133
Anaheim	19	16	9	47	127	125
Phoenix	22	22	2	46	128	143

Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss.

### TOP 25 COLLEGE BASKETBALL

#5 Texas 80, Texas Tech 46  
#13 Indiana 62, #7 Illinois 60  
#8 Villanova 73, Seton Hall 64  
#12 West Virginia 64, Providence 48  
#21 Boston College 63, Holy Cross 53

**WOMEN**  
#24 Notre Dame 78, #10 DePaul 75

### NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

By The Associated Press  
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**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

Atlantic	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	20	15	.571	—
Philadelphia	18	19	.486	3
Boston	14	23	.378	7
New York	13	23	.361	7 1/2
Toronto	13	25	.342	8 1/2

**Southeast**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Miami	23	16	.590	—
Washington	17	19	.472	4 1/2
Orlando	13	22	.371	8
Charlotte	11	27	.289	11 1/2
Atlanta	10	26	.278	11 1/2

**Central**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Detroit	30	15	.667	—
Indiana	20	16	.556	10 1/2
Milwaukee	19	17	.528	11 1/2
Chicago	15	22	.405	16

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

Southwest	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	29	9	.763	—
Dallas	28	10	.737	1
Memphis	23	13	.639	5
New Orleans	18	19	.486	10 1/2
Houston	12	24	.333	16

**Northwest**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Minnesota	18	17	.514	—
Denver	20	19	.513	—
Utah	20	19	.513	—
Seattle	15	23	.395	4 1/2
Portland	13	24	.351	6

**Pacific**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Phoenix	24	13	.649	—
L.A. Clippers	20	14	.588	2 1/2
L. Lakers	21	17	.557	3
Golden State	18	19	.486	6
Sacramento	16	21	.432	8

**Monday's Late Game**  
L.A. Lakers 100, Miami 92

### HAWKEYE SPORTS SCHEDULE

- Today**
- Men's basketball hosts Minnesota, Carver-Hawkeye Arena, 7:05 p.m.
- Thursday**
- Women's basketball at Wisconsin, 7:05 p.m.
- Friday**
- Women's gymnastics at LSU, 7 p.m.
  - Wrestling at Wisconsin, 7 p.m.
  - Women's tennis at Wildcat Invitational, All Day
  - Women's track at Arkansas Razorback Invite, TBA

# Broncos waiting for the Bus

BY EDDIE PELLIS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER — Every so often over the past 15 years or so, hard-hitting Broncos safety John Lynch has had to gird up for a confrontation — a rite of passage is more like it — that almost every defender must face at some point in his career.

Tackling Jerome Bettis. "They're all memorable, when they're against him," Lynch said of the hits and punishment he and Bettis have dished to each other over the years, both in college and the pros. "You've just got to bring a lot, because you know he's carrying a lot."

Denver defensive lineman Gerard Warren, who faced Bettis twice a year during his seasons in Cleveland, describes Pittsburgh's big fella as "a bowling ball rolling down hill." Domonique Foxworth, a rookie cornerback from Maryland, concedes "we never saw anyone quite that big in the ACC."

If form holds, though, Foxworth, Lynch, Warren, and all the Broncos will see Bettis around 15 times on Jan. 22, when the Steelers come to town for the AFC title game. Most of those encounters will come in short-yardage situations or near the goal line. Some might come with a win or loss hanging in the balance.

Coach Mike Shanahan's tip: "It's got to be a group effort." Barring moving a 270-pound offensive lineman onto the scout team, there is no real way for the Broncos to emulate Bettis this week in practice. And, even if a lineman would make the move, he probably couldn't — well — make the moves Bettis does.

"Anytime you've got a back listed at 265 who's probably 280 and still has nimble feet like a 225-pound guy, it's going to take more than one guy to take him down," Broncos defensive line coach Andre Patterson said. "He's got great size and great feet. That's the combination



Tom Puskar/Associated Press

Pittsburgh Steeler running back Jerome Bettis carries Cleveland Brown linebacker Ben Taylor into the end zone during NFL action on Dec. 24, 2005, in Cleveland.

that makes it so difficult. That's what makes him so special."

The Broncos insist they have confidence, mainly because of what they've been doing all season.

Tackling on this team was not great in 2003 or 2004, so, since training camp started, there has been extra time devoted to wrapping up and taking people down. Most NFL teams, afraid of risking injuries, don't encourage much contact in practice. During training camp, Broncos were on the ground on seemingly every play.

And once the regular season started, they've opened most practices with tackling drills.

"We've done it more than most teams I've worked with," said Patterson, who has coached with the Browns, Cowboys, Vikings, and Patriots before the Broncos.

As much as form counts when trying to make a tackle — especially on a guy like Bettis — Patterson believes it's a "want-to" thing more than anything. "It's always what's pumping in your chest," he said.

As almost everyone has seen over his illustrious 13-year career, which many think will come to an end after this season, Bettis has a way about making players lose their will to hit him.

"He's the size of a tight end," Foxworth said. "Just shorter and wider."

Making things trickier for Denver is that the Bus does not carry the ball on every play anymore for the Steelers.

This year, they've taken to giving it to Willie Parker, a more traditional back, on about 70 percent of their plays. Then, when it's time to ride the Bus, the tempo changes. Dramatically.

"It's one thing when you play a team with a big back, and it's going to be him packing that thing 40 times," Patterson said.

"You get ready for it. But they only give you Bettis for 15 and Parker for 25. That's a big adjustment the defense has to make."

SPORTS

# GymHawk works on in Katrina aftermath

**GYMHAWK**

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"New Orleans is really different from anywhere else," she said. "It's a part of anybody who lives there, and New Orleans is about opportunity for anyone who wants to achieve."

Her home suffered roof damage and flooding, and her aunt's home was destroyed, but despite that, Legeai is more grateful for what she still has.

"I didn't lose anything compared with anybody else, and

my entire family was so blessed, compared with what happened to thousands of people there," she said.

How she was able to keep things in perspective has made a big impression on Iowa women's gymnastics coach Larissa Libby, who also has ties to Louisiana; she is a former LSU gymnast and assistant coach. Libby believes that being able to deal with this type of adversity has only made Legeai stronger and tougher than she already was.

"Danielle is an extremely

tough individual, and for her to have let any emotion go at all was odd for the rest of the team, because she normally doesn't do that," Libby said. "I think seeing the images and stuff on TV and hearing about it still is hard, because it's her home, but she's done a good job at putting it all behind her and concentrating on the things she needs to concentrate on."

Legeai feels she owes a lot to Libby for helping her deal with all the stress that came from Katrina.

"I don't think I would've fared

as well if I didn't have her to go talk to, and she's the reason I stayed on two feet," Legeai said. "It made a big difference, not that she's from there and can relate to me, but that she is who she is."

Everyone associated with the GymHawks felt obligated to make an effort of helping Legeai. On Sept. 17, they all stood outside Kinnick Stadium during the Iowa-UNI football game, collecting donations for the American Red Cross.

Legeai made her first trip back to New Orleans last month

over Christmas break, and she said that while there were still uncleared streets and houses in ruin, the city itself looked less gruesome than she had thought it would be.

"I was expecting more of the city to be worse and not built up, but the communities got together," she said. "Our street got cleared, because we got together, and we cleared it."

It won't be long before Legeai will return to Louisiana — on Friday night, the GymHawks will be in Baton Rouge for a meet against LSU. The home-

coming is one that Legeai has definitely been excited about, because not only will she have family and friends in attendance who survived it all, the team will also be visiting New Orleans as well.

"They can see what can happen from a natural disaster, and I think that strengthens anybody," she said.

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**HOPE FOR HAWKEYES**

## Wrestlers take aim at Big Ten

**WRESTLING**

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team championship for the Golden Gophers.

"Illinois won it last year, and it's returning a lot of talent," Zalesky said. "Minnesota was second in the conference last year, and it's loaded again. Michigan was third, and we were fourth, so all four teams have a legitimate shot at the title. But every other team in the Big Ten has great individuals that cause matchup problems."

If Iowa fails in its quest to win the conference championship, the schedule-makers won't be at fault. The Hawkeyes don't face Michigan in conference meets this season, and despite squaring off with Minnesota in just its second Big Ten meet, Iowa gets a relatively easy run. The home slate features Purdue, Penn State, Illinois, and Northwestern — all of which, except for the Boiler-makers, are nationally ranked. The away schedule boasts a trifecta of talented teams on three-straight Sundays, beginning at Minnesota and concluding with Indiana and Michigan State. But, thus is the fate of wrestling in the Big Ten.

"It's tough to stress how difficult the conference is," 125-pound Lucas Magnani said. "We have a lot more tough matches coming up, so we need to get some victories and gain some momentum. I think that's what's going to get us prepared for the Big Ten championships and NCAA championships."

With All-Americans filling out four of Iowa's 10 weight classes, the conference title is not a far-fetched dream. However, Zalesky said that continued improvement from the other six wrestlers is probably what will seal Iowa's fate.

"With [Ty Eustice, Joe Johnston, Mark Perry, and Paul Bradley], we almost know that we're going to get a win every time," he said. "The other six who are just as instrumental to us, though. If they go out, and continue to work hard, and get better, we'll have a much better shot at being where we want to be at the end of the conference season."

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## Hawks face Minnesota

**MEN'S BASKETBALL**

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Grier, Maurice Hargrow, Ryan Saunders, Jason Stamper, and the jewel of this year's freshman class, Kevin Payton, coach Dan Monson has been forced to use 10 different starting lineups in the first 14 games.

The Gophers have been so stretched by injuries and family issues that against Gardner-Webb on Nov. 28 — a 73-72 loss in Minneapolis — they only dressed eight players. The injury situation has also affected practice, to the point where Monson has only had a handful of practices with the entire team intact.

"I think [Monson] has done an incredible job of getting them to this point of even being competitive, with everything they've had go wrong from about the first of December on," Alford said.

Even with all the injuries, the Gophers have four players averaging in double figures, led by Grier's 16.9-point average. Sixth-year senior Adam Boone, Hargrow, and Dan Coleman all average 11 points a game or better.

If anything, the Gophers could be buoyed by last year's Iowa State team, which started

Big 12 play 0-5, then beat the likes of ranked Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas — the latter two on the road — to go 9-7 in conference play and advance to the second-round of the NCAA Tournament.

"Nobody, obviously, likes getting off to the tough starts. We got started on one last year," Alford said. "It makes the climb tougher, but this is a team that has three senior guards in the lineup. Their guards are experienced, and their bigs are tough. I think it's still too early in the season to look at it like this is 2-1 versus 0-3."

**Freeman to play**

The Hawkeyes will breathe a huge sigh of relief in knowing that freshman guard Tony Freeman's ankle injury suffered at the end of Iowa's 80-76 win at Penn State was what Alford called a "mild strain." Freeman, who was warming-up with the team early in practice Tuesday, is expected to play tonight.

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**BIG 12 NEWS**

**Iowa St. 88, Nebraska 75**

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — With his hospitalized mother weighing on his mind, Curtis Stinson turned in one of his best performances of the season.

The junior guard scored 20 of his 27 points in the second half to lead Iowa State to an 88-75 victory over Nebraska on Tuesday night.

Hours before the game, Stinson found out that his mother, Rosezine Stinson, was in a New York hospital with a heart ailment. He said he never considered going home after his sister told him that their mom wanted him to play.

"My mom said, 'Go out and win this one.'" Stinson said. "I did. I went out there and played hard."

Stinson said his mom was on his mind while he was warming up and while he played.

"That's all I could think about," he said. "She watched all my games she could. I went out and played the game, because that's what she wanted me to do. She taught me how to be strong. I was strong today."

Rahshon Clark said Stinson didn't tell them about his mother's heart problem. Nor did Clark see any difference in Stinson's play.

"He played like he always plays," Clark said. "He plays aggressive, and he plays hard."

Iowa State coach Wayne Morgan said he admired the way Stinson responded to the adversity.

"He came in here and had a phenomenal all-around game," Morgan said. "For him to come out and play the game that he played under that tragedy is incredible."

Stinson said his mother has had heart and breathing problems for about a year. He said he might miss Saturday's home game

against Texas A&M to be with her.

Stinson got scoring support Tuesday from Will Blalock, who had 21 points, and from Clark and Jiri Hubalek, who had 11 points apiece.

The Cyclones (12-5, 2-2 Big 12) used a 23-6 run to build an 11-point halftime lead and took its biggest lead, 67-48, on John Neal's 3-pointer with 8:31 left.

Nebraska (12-4, 2-1) tried to come back, with Wes Wilkinson's 3-pointer cutting the Cyclones' lead to 74-65.

But Shawn Taggart converted a three-point play and hit a jumper, to put the Cyclones up 79-65 with 2:10 left.

Iowa State built its halftime lead behind Blalock, who hit three 3-pointers during the 23-6 run that included his buzzer-beater to make it 41-30.

Nebraska was able to pull within six points early in the second half. But the Cyclones quickly rebuilt the lead to double figures.

Wilkinson led Nebraska with 19 points. Marcus Walker had 14 and Aleks Maric 13 for the Huskers, who had come into the game in a tie with Texas for first place in the Big 12.

"We made the game up and down, and that's what we wanted to do," Stinson said. "And we played hard defense, like we should all the time."

Nebraska coach Barry Collier saw the game the same way as Stinson did.

"It was really fast paced," Collier said. "Our defense was not good enough. They played really well and shot the ball better from 3-point range than they had been, and they're good shooters."

"I thought that Curtis Stinson had a good game. They played very aggressive on defense, and a number of their scores came off our turnovers."

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HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — Patriot defensive coordinator Eric Mangini was hired as New York Jet coach Tuesday, becoming the youngest head coach in the NFL.

Mangini, a disciple of Bill Belichick, will turn 35 Thursday. He replaces Herman Edwards, who left for Kansas City after five seasons.

"I thank you guys for having the vision to make me your head coach," Mangini said to general manager Terry Bradway and owner Woody Johnson at a news conference.

Mangini accepted an offer from the Jets on Monday night, a few hours after the team interviewed former Viking coach Mike Tice. But the deal wasn't completed until Tuesday morning. Terms of the deal weren't known, but it is believed he will get between \$2 million and \$2.5 million per year over five years.

He emerged as the leading candidate for the Jets last week. Though he is young and has been a coordinator for one season, he is regarded as one of the brightest defensive minds in the game after spending 10 of his 11 seasons in the NFL working under Belichick. "I've got tremendous mentors," Mangini said. "I've worked with some of the greatest coaching minds in the NFL."

The Jets hope some of the Belichick genius rubbed off on his protégé.

"He definitely has the ability to be a great coach in this league," Patriots defensive end Richard Seymour said after New England was eliminated from the playoffs. "He has a lot of tools that it takes. He's very poised. He's a smart guy. He understands defenses and how to take things away from offenses, so he'll probably have a lot of success in this league."

Mangini also has close ties to Jets assistant general manager Mike Tannenbaum, and he was an assistant with the Jets from 1997-99, working with Belichick in the secondary.

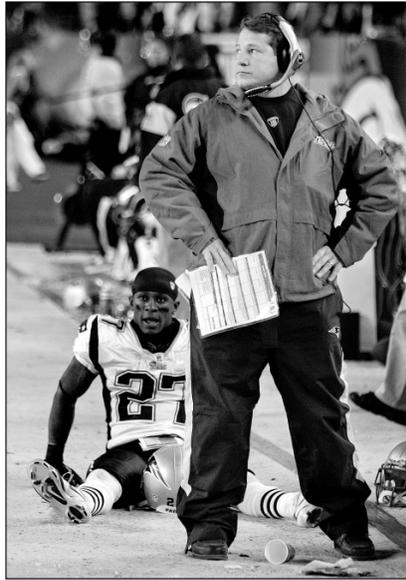
"I know how passionate the Jets fans are," Mangini said. "I've been here with them, and I've played against them, and I'm a lot happier to be here with them."

In a strange twist, Belichick was the Jets coach for one day before changing his mind and bolting for New England in 2000. That connection didn't seem to bother New York and Johnson, who is desperate to gain on the Patriots in the AFC East.

With Mangini in, defensive coordinator Donnie Henderson, offensive coordinator Mike Heimerdinger, and special teams coordinator Mike Westhoff would probably be out. All three interviewed for the head coaching job.

The Jets also spoke to three other candidates: former Saint coach Jim Haslett, former Ram interim coach Joe Vitt, and Giant defensive coordinator Tim Lewis.

Edwards parted ways with the Jets in a messy split. Speculation for the better part of the season linked him to the Chiefs. Though Johnson told the team in November he wanted Edwards to stay, he made few comments publicly to squelch the rampant speculation the Chiefs wanted his coach.



Charles Krupa/Associated Press  
Then-New England defensive coordinator Eric Mangini looks across the field during the final minutes of the Patriots' 27-13 loss to the Denver Broncos in the AFC divisional playoff in Denver on Jan. 14. Mangini has accepted the New York Jets' head-coach job.

The idea that Edwards would ask for an extension after going 4-12 may have rubbed some in the organization the wrong way, leaving them no choice but to let Edwards go. After several days of negotiating, the Jets received a fourth-round pick as compensation for Edwards from the Chiefs.

Mangini inherits a team that has its share of questions. That is the big reason Edwards wanted an extension, because he anticipated it might take a few years to rebuild the team.

Quarterback Chad Pennington is coming off his second major shoulder injury. Though he vowed to be ready for the start of training camp, the Jets plan to bring in a veteran to compete for the starting job.

Another major question is whether veteran running back Curtis Martin will return.

Edwards planned to have Martin back, but Mangini might have different thoughts. The 32-year-old back is coming off knee surgery and might not be viable as a starter, anymore. The Jets also need help at offensive line and receiver.

The defense should be the strength of the team and could be even better with Mangini at the helm. But the Jets must make a decision on whether to put the franchise tag on defensive end John Abraham or sign him to a long-term contract.

Mangini is the fourth NFL coach hired since the end of the regular season. There are still four openings: Buffalo, New Orleans, Oakland, and Houston.

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# Misfits, throwaways fuel the Panthers

Carolina team has made it to the NFC championship game despite numerous injuries throughout the season

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Al Wallace almost quit football the day he was told he'd been traded to the Carolina Panthers.

It was July of 2002, and Wallace had spent the last year out of the NFL, working as an assistant principal at Palm Beach Lakes High School in Florida. He signed with Miami that spring, open to attending training camp and trying one last time to make it with the Dolphins.

A week before he was due to report, the defensive end was sent to Carolina.

"Football was a game that had kicked me around pretty good for a few years," said Wallace, who contemplated telling his agent he was ready to give it up. "I almost called him and said, 'Hey look, this isn't for me. I'm going to move on with my life.'"

Wallace's wife talked him into giving Carolina a chance, and the Panthers are grateful. He's the key backup on Carolina's vaunted defensive line, just one of the many misfits and throwaways the Panthers have relied on to make it to the NFC championship game.

There's safety Marlon McCree, a free-agent addition who reported to training camp fifth on the depth chart. But when first-round pick Thomas Davis struggled in the season-opener, McCree replaced him and hasn't looked back.

Or punter Jason Baker, acquired in a trade with Denver when Carolina was desperately

bidding to rid itself of troubled punter Todd Sauerbrun. Baker made the Panthers never miss the talented Sauerbrun by earning first alternate to the Pro Bowl.

And don't forget running back Nick Goings, an undrafted free agent who will once again be called on to rescue the Panthers. With Stephen Davis and DeShaun Foster out with injuries — Foster broke his leg in the NFC divisional playoff win over Chicago — Goings will be the featured back when the Panthers play the Seattle Seahawks on Sunday.

It's a job Goings has held before: When injuries ravaged Carolina's running backs last season, he vaulted from sixth-string to starter and finished the year with five 100-yard rushing games.

"He has the confidence of his coaches and his team; I think that's the key," coach John Fox said. "We had a couple of guys in front of him. Those couple of guys got hurt a year ago, and those couple of guys have gotten hurt this year. We've been down this road before."

Fox has tremendous confidence in all of his replacement players, largely because they almost always deliver.

Wallace is Carolina's "other" defensive end, the guy called on to spell Julius Peppers and Mike Rucker. Only he's used his limited time on the field — he estimates he plays just 40 percent of the defensive snaps — to earn his own name recognition.



Julie Jacobson/Associated Press

Carolina Panther running back Nick Goings carries the ball as New York Giant safety Brent Alexander tries to tackle him during a wild-card playoff football game on Jan. 8 in East Rutherford, N.J.

Wallace tied his career high with five sacks this season, while adding 34 tackles, five quarterback pressures, two interceptions, one forced fumble, and one fumble recovery.

"Of course, my opportunities are going to be limited, playing

behind the great guys that I play behind," Wallace said. "I took it as a goal this year not only to go in and just spell those guys but to go in, and actually make some plays, and make a difference."

"If I play 15 or 20 snaps a game, I want to make a game-changing



Bill Haber/Associated Press

Carolina Panther Al Wallace runs down Atlanta Falcon quarterback Michael Vick during action in Atlanta on Jan. 1.

play — whether it's getting my hand on a fumble, making a sack, or an interception — something to make a difference."

The Panthers only got Wallace because they insisted the Dolphins add in something extra when they were shopping defensive end Jay Williams.

"It was dumb luck, when you get right down to it," Fox said. "He came in here and picked up on the things that we were doing, and it's all history from there."

Wallace has worked out so well, he was awarded a five-year, \$7.5 million contract extension after the 2003 season.

McCree might also be on his way to earning a big payday.

After short stints in Jacksonville and Houston, the

Panthers gave him a shot with a one-year contract. They didn't know much about him and were really only looking for a quality backup.

But Colin Branch got hurt during the preseason, and Davis was a disaster in the season-opener, asking to come out of the game when he struggled with assignments.

McCree replaced him that day, and Davis has not been able to reclaim his job since. McCree finished the regular season second on the team with 95 tackles and had three interceptions.

## TEIXEIRA AND WILLIS RE-UP

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NEW YORK — All-Star first baseman Mark Teixeira agreed to a \$15.4 million, two-year contract Tuesday with the Texas Rangers, and catcher Brian Schneider got a \$16 million, four-year deal from the Washington Nationals.

Dontrelle Willis agreed to a \$4.35 million, one-year contract with Florida, and Angels pitcher John Lackey also was one of several players who avoided arbitration by reaching a new deal.

Atlanta second baseman Marcus Giles, Toronto first baseman Lyle Overbay, and Texas catcher Rod Barajas got one-year contracts as well on Monday, a day before players in arbitration were to exchange proposed salaries with their teams.

Los Angeles Angels catcher Jose Molina agreed to a two-year deal for \$2.1 million.

More than a quarter of the 100 players who filed for arbitration Jan. 13 had settled with their teams by Tuesday morning.

Teixeira, who gets \$6 million this year and \$9.4 million in 2007, hit .301 with 43 home runs and 144 RBIs last season. The RBIs were the most for a switch-hitter, breaking the record set by George Davis, who had 136 RBIs for the New York Giants in 1896. In three major-league seasons, the former first-round pick has a .282 career average, with 107 homers and 340 RBIs.

Schneider led NL catchers by throwing out 38 percent of would-be base stealers last season, and he hit .268 with 10 homers and 44 RBIs.

"Brian is one of the best defensive catchers in baseball, and we're glad to be able to keep him in Washington for at least the next four years," general manager Jim Bowden said. "It is the goal of any organization to sign, develop, and then retain their own homegrown players, and this is what we've accomplished with Brian's contract."

After leading the major leagues in wins, Willis earned a big raise from the \$378,500 he made last season, when he went 22-10 with a 2.63 ERA and finished as runner-up to St. Louis' Chris Carpenter for the NL Cy Young Award.

The 24-year-old left-hander is 46-27 with a 3.27 ERA in 93

career starts for the Marlins. He would also get a \$100,000 bonus for winning the Cy Young Award this year, \$50,000 if he starts 35 games, \$25,000 for making the All-Star team, and \$25,000 for winning a Silver Slugger award.

Lackey agreed to a \$3.76 million, one-year contract with the Angels, after going 14-5 last year, when he had a 3.44 ERA and 199 strikeouts. The 27-year-old right-hander was 8-1 with a 2.57 ERA in 15 starts after the All-Star break.

"John has been an integral part in the success of our pitching staff," Los Angeles general manager Bill Stoneman said. "We look forward to another impressive season from him."

A backup in 2005, Molina has a chance to replace his free-agent brother, Bengie, as the Angels' starter this season. Jose Molina, who had six homers and 25 RBIs last year, is guaranteed \$850,000 in 2006 and \$1.25 million in 2007. He can double his 2007 base salary by starting 115 games at catcher this season.

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