Pierce request denied

Judge Gregory Hulse quotes a 1988 Iowa Supreme Court case in his ruling: 'Probation is not meant to be painless'

BY KELSEY BELTRAMEA

Former All-Big Ten guard Pierre Pierce’s probation will not be modified as he can pursue his basketball career, a judge has ruled.

Judge Gregory Hulse denied the former Hawkeye basketball player’s request to either discharge his probation or modify it to eliminate drug testing. The 12-page ruling also included findings that Pierce broke into a woman’s home, attacked her, and was guilty of guilt of third-degree burglary, assault with intent to commit sex abuse, false imprisonment, and fourth-degree criminal mischief.

The court ruled that at this time, only a total of four months after having been released from prison, sufficient time has not passed for Pierce’s probation to determine whether rehabilitation efforts have been successful or whether he poses a risk to the community,” he wrote in his 12-page ruling.

Pierce had wanted to attend training camp for the Arizona Cardinals, an NBA Development League team, but the state of California denied his probation transfer, partly because of Pierce’s sex-offender status.

The former basketball star served approximately 11 months behind bars for a series of charges that resulted when he broke into the West Des Moines home of a former girlfriend and attacked her. In August 2005, Pierce pleaded guilty to third-degree burglary, assault with intent to commit sex abuse, false imprisonment, and fourth-degree criminal mischief.

Pierce is an associate director in the Iowa Consortium for Bioethics, currently researching the ethical implications of therapeutic embryonic stem-cell research. The bill would overturn Iowa’s current ban on therapeutic cloning. The bill would also create a bill to overturn the ban, which is nearly gridlock.

BY MASON KERN

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Debate rages on stem cells

The bill would overturn Iowa’s current ban on therapeutic cloning, which could create human embryonic stem cells for researchers.

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BY KAYLA KELLEY
The Daily Iowan

After a number of airline passenger deaths were in the headlines on the runway for as long as 10 hours, federal lawmakers have mulled a proposal to create a Passengers’ Bill of Rights that would ensure air travelers a sense of security.

Rep. Mike Thompson, D-Calif., proposed the bill, which would require airlines to regularly inform their passengers about delays and refund tickets if the plane is not used for more than 12 hours.

The legislation also includes provisions to hold passengers for more than three hours on a plane, among other requirements.

In the most recent case, beginning on Feb. 14, Jeblilie passengers were held on airplanes for more than three hours after the airline decided to rework its flight schedule.

And more than 1,000 Jeblilie delays happened in 11 airports across the United States during a five-day ice storm, according to the New York Times.

Group: Issues most important
UI members of the Black Student Union gather to discuss Sens. Barack Obama's and Hillary Rodham Clinton's chances at running our nation

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"I want a candidate I can put faith in and be proud that he is representing America as a whole," Pierce said. "And they need to listen. Listening is key!"

Michael Hill, a UI assistant professor of English who presided over the discussion, agreed with Pierce; he said a candidate's background will not necessarily help the coun-
try's economy or global rela-
tions. "In a range of issues, we need to ask ourselves how will cultural identity be a determining factor," he said.

Those in attendance agreed that where candidates stand on issues should be the determining factor. Hill emphasized that when selecting future leaders, students need to think about their priorities. Find the candidate that supports them, and vote accordingly.

"When it comes to voting, I think it's no use to say, "I'm going to vote for him,"" said Chris Aygeman, a UI junior. "You have to see how they've run their campaigns and see how they fit into my lifestyle."

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"It's mostly been tabled," he said. "There hasn't been any traction on it since we went across the student leadership. This is the first step."

During Wednesday's meeting, A.J. Cannon, the chairman of the Student Health Advisory Committee, and Phillip Sloan, the UI vice president for Stu-
dent Services, presented a sur-
vey conducted in summer 2005 that showed 95 percent of UI students were covered, though not exactly, a comparison with
Cranen said. "If we have (mandatory health insurance), it would bring everyone closer to, not exactly a comparison, but
more from lower-income back-
grounds, Jones said."

Vigmostad also said she want-
ed clarification before senators vote — especially whether the university wanted to ensure that all students were covered, or just undergraduate students.

Mandatory health insurance is in place at the University of Michigan, University of Washing-
ton-Madison, and University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign, among others, Cannon said.

The Graduate Student Sen-
ate will meet on March 26 and
February 22, 2007

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the court concludes, even though Pierce is only on probation for the third-degree burglary charge, Hulse wrote that Pierce's crime and history have determined his rehabilita-
tion. Pierce completed sex-offender treatment programs while he was in prison in 2003 when a female Hawk-

The judge also wrote that it would not be realistic to expect he would be able to fulfill part of his dream to be a professional basketball player, "Hulse" wrote.

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The 2008 presidential election features a couple of candidates who can change history with their religion

A question of faith

BY NEAL SAUERBERG

After 218 years and 43 presidents, only one U.S. president has been of member of a non-Protestant church — John F. Kennedy, a Catholic.

And now, both Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., — a member of the United Church of Christ — and Mitt Romney, a Mormon, who meet all qualifications as a Republican nomination, may face a barriers that the two face as at-large council member at the end of 2007.

In a statement, he said he has not interference with their faith, as equally as unacceptable fundamentalist, evangelical Christians, were regarded as equally as unacceptable as Mormonism is today,” he said. “I just don’t want any similar element of your early on in your religion and create development opportunities and promote affordable housing to low-income families — by Kelsey Beltrame

Man guilty of theft


USA Today/Gallup poll released on Thursday, February 22, 2007.
Bush pitches health plan

The President’s proposal would provide for tax deductions for health-care coverage

BY BEN FELLER

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — President Bush on Wednesday promoted a plan that would expand health-care coverage to millions of people by shifting decisions — and responsibility — to individuals.

Bush’s proposal is one of the major initiatives from his scaled-back State of the Union address last month. It assumes market forces and tax-law changes will expand affordable coverage to millions of people by shifting decisions and responsibility to individuals.

Under Bush’s proposal, the tax bill would go down for $7,500 for individual coverage, $15,000 for family coverage, who buy health insurance — the standard tax deduction for people who buy health insurance effectively. But the official cautioned that chlorine bombs are just one threat on a long list of possible attacks thatARP fighters may try to carry out.

It was unclear whether the confluence of new insurgent tactics — attacking isolated combat posts, targeting helicopters more intensely, and using chlorine bombs — was coincidental or in response to the U.S. troop increase.

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Staffers said they were not aware of any special arrangements or terms on the 50-year-old’s tax bill. Bush said.

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NEWS

U.S. Cellular and Motorola will collectively make a $17 contribution on the sale of each red MOTOAZR phone to the Global Fund To Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

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In Baghdad, a pickup truck carrying chlorine-gas cylinders was blown apart, killing at least five people and sending more than 55 to hospitals gasping for breath and rubbing stinging eyes, police said.

On Tuesday, a bomb planted on a chlorine tanker left more than 150 villagers stricken north of the capital. More than 80 were still under medical care Wednesday.

Chlorine causes respiratory trouble and skin irritation in low levels and possible death with heavy exposure.

In Washington, two Pentagon officials said the tactic has been used at least three times since Jan. 28, when a truck carrying explosives and a chlorine tank blew up in Anbar province.

More than a dozen people were reported killed.

A third Pentagon official said the United States has been concerned about Iraqi militants’ ability to get such weapons as chlorine bombs and use them effectively. But the official cautioned that chlorine bombs are just one threat on a long list of possible attacks thatARP fighters may try to carry out.
immigration, now at the forefront of contemporary American political debate, has sparked. There has been a turn on this issue by some, and it is time to make it a defining issue for the Republican Party. It is not an issue that will be ignored or swept under the rug. If we fail to address it, we will lose the support of the American people.

GUEST OPINION

Crisis in right in lottery

The lottery is a huge boondoggle, and I believe that it should be abolished. This would mean that the state of Iowa would have to come up with a new way to fund education. I suggest that we start a new lottery system, one that is not based on chance. Instead, it could be based on merit, such as academic achievement or community service.

I also applaud NCAA representative Betsy Morgan for her efforts in advancing the education of athletes. She is doing a great job in representing the interests of college athletes.

This week, the University of Iowa hosted a conference on the topic of college sports and its relationship to education. The event was well-attended, and it was a great opportunity for the university community to come together and discuss this important issue.

I urge the public to support this cause, and I believe that we can make a difference. Let's work together to make sure that our schools are providing the best possible education to all students.

JESSE TANGKYPANIGODE

stem-cell legislation not black and white

On Feb. 3, a guest opinion titled "Stem-cell legislation is a tricky point to land" was presented in The Daily Iowan. I found the essay to be thought-provoking, and I believe that it is important to discuss this issue.

Stem cells are a type of cells that have the potential to develop into many different types of cells in the body. They are important for the development of new tissues and organs, and they can be used to treat a variety of diseases.

However, stem cells are also controversial because of the ethical issues surrounding their use. Some people believe that stem cells should be used to help those in need, while others believe that they should not be used at all.

I believe that stem-cell research is a vital part of medical advancement, and I support efforts to fund this research. However, I also believe that we must respect the rights of those who oppose the use of stem cells.

We must continue to have open and honest discussions about stem-cell research, and we must work towards finding a solution that is acceptable to all.

J.P. Kupstas

ON THE SPOT

What do you think about government documents being produced only in English or Primary Language?

I don’t think it’s necessary to have all government documents produced only in English because some Americans can’t read, write, or understand English. We, the American people, are entitled to everyone.

I think it’s important to learn different languages, and I believe that the primary language on government documents should be English.

I think it’s important to have government documents produced only in English because it is the language spoken by the majority of Americans.

I think it’s important to have government documents produced only in English because it will make it easier for people to read and understand them.

I think it’s important to have government documents produced only in English because it will help to preserve our national heritage.

I think it’s important to have government documents produced only in English because it will help to ensure that all Americans have access to important information.

I think it’s important to have government documents produced only in English because it will help to protect our country from foreign interference.

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Faith-based music, with God and post-punk

What role do God and religion play in faith, hope, and music?

A celebration of Tet

By Tessa Ruddy

Honest, generous, and generous — the band’s third album, religion doesn’t factor into faith. Based post-punk quartet Sparta, tied inextricably with religion, depression — and where does we make sense of our place in a

Ward’s life — his decision to quit

“Writing is my therapy. So a lot

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Weiss through the sounds of

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“Erase It Again”

• “Atlas”

“Taking Control.”

in 2006, with being in

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While Sparta’s lyrics are secular, and chronicle a dark period in

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Clips...
Iowa coaches see little bias

BY ERIC MANDEL

Discrimination is nothing new to the world of sports. For Iowa, though, it has been an issue seemingly absent in the athlete光电.

However, the discrimination lawsuit filed Feb. 11 by a former cross-country assistant Patrick Ryan against University of Iowa Director of Athletics Gary Barta and coach Larry Wieczorek, as well as the still-pending sexual-harassment case involving former rowing coach Shaun Tobin and head coach Mandi Kessler, places the question squarely in Iowa City. And while it’s nice to lambaste Tim Hardaway for his insensitive comments about homosexual athletes, as most coaches would agree, the question is whether there are lines of variance or lurid practices.

Some Hawkeye coaches view the recent news as isolated incidents, and they believe the universe as a whole is not a center for intolerance, either by teammates or the coaches themselves.

Soccer coach Ron Rainey is one of them.

“I don’t really see that,” he said. “I think we have a lot of coaches who want to do well and will support athletes who want to do well in the classroom and on the field. I think they want the best athletes who make Iowa better.”

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“I can only speak for myself,” he said. “I haven’t really experienced any blatant issues like that.”

Still, Rainey points to several recent instances when people didn’t do things that needed a little bit more thoughtfulness, like the recent news as isolated incidents.

“My experience is that there are some people who are still more careful thought at how things are said,” he said.

Iowa coach Preps for Nationals

Fresh off slaying two Iowa swimming records at the Big Ten championships, junior Dragos Agache is ready for the NCAA meet

BY PAUL KAZMIERCZAK

When Iowa’s best swimmers return from a weekend at the campus of Ohio State, they are likely to bring back a hearty resiliency and perhaps a front-row seat for possible prejucice. They’ve already been bashed a few times. But if they think they’ve been the best athletes who make Iowa better...

One of the few black Hawkeye coaches, Rainey acknowledges his isolation from the white coaching ranks. He says he hasn’t really experienced any blatant issues like that, and he hasn’t been the center of intolerance either. He sees the universe as a whole as a center for intolerance, both in the classroom and on the field. He thinks they want the best athletes who make Iowa better.

“Of anything in the world, athletes are probably the greatest teachers of nondiscrimination,” Rydze said. "If you treat human beings as equals, it’s a certain sport, you have to have a certain connection with your teammates to be successful. If you treat human beings like you’d want to be treated and treat your athletes like you’d want your daughter or son to be treated, then that’s how a good coach should handle that situation.”

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That’s our offense. When we get to the free-throw line, our offense clicks. When we don’t, it’s stagnant.”

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that means Kristi Smith and Ausdemore need to take as many looks as they can find. I think Smith is firing at 53.2 per cent and Ausdemore at 47.

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“I think Wendy and Kristi Smith have been playing pretty con- fidently for most of the year,” Bluder said.

But if you asked the duo for the game plan, taking 1-2, Teague 1-5, Lutz 0-1, Ricket 1-2, Cram 1-3, Green 0-1, Grant 0-5, Watt 4-6, 1-1        10

Iowa Hawkeyes (23-5, 12-2)

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Bailiff 0-1 0-0 0
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Gorney 4-5 0-0         8
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Women set for Big Tens
BY DIANE HENDRICKSON
THE COLUMBIAN

The Iowa women’s track team heads this week to Champaign, Ill., the weekend for the Big Ten indoor championships. Last season, the Hawkeyes finished seventh, led by silver medalist Kristin Alexander’s first-place finishes in the 200 and 400.

As the indoor season nears its end, the Hawkeyes are faced with the transition to the NFL.

The seventh-place finish last season for the Hawkeyes and the last place conference finishes over the past 10 years — only the Hawkeyes’ third place mark broke the string of underachievement.

More prepared to make the jump to the NFL

The results have been just as daunting. In 2004, Pittsburgh Panthers rookie quarterback Ben Roethlisberger went from the Mid-American Conference to within one win of the Super Bowl. He eventually won it in 2005.

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“Granted, they’re bigger, faster, stronger, more prepared to make the transition to the NFL,” Grant said. “They’re more knowledgeable in better shape, and more prepared to make the transition to the NFL.”

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‘I have a dream’

Though few could deny the UI’s commitment to diversity, many have a harder time seeing past the rhetoric and into the perspective of Iowa City’s growing black community.

‘I don’t feel unwelcome here. It’s very white, whiter than I’m used to — takes some getting used to.’

‘I don’t feel any different; I don’t see color, I just see myself as a person. The change coming to Iowa City doesn’t have anything to do with racial bias.’

‘It’s Iowa, so we’re still on the cusp of actually being equal opportunity. A lot of people think we are more than we actually are.’

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‘I feel at peace and it’s clean here in Iowa City, but the downside is that ethnicities are still in pockets. There’s a variety, but it’s separated.’

‘I have mixed emotions. It’s beneficial, because...’

‘I’m from Iowa, so I know there are some things you have to do to get along, if you’re yourself, regardless of anything else, Iowa will form around you.’
Searching for diversity at Iowa

When I first moved here, the hospitality was great. People were friendly. On campus, graduate-student culture is detached and even more detached because of my studies. I am comfortable, however, I’m still myself.

I get treated fairly, like everyone else – there’s not a big race battle going on in Iowa.

DIVERSITY CONTINUED

I feel like I should be a role model, because most under-graduates don’t have a strong figure here who’s African-American,” Washington said. “Dis- placed from their population and put into a vastly white majority, they either assimilate or shun everything — you need a balance.”

Miss Diversity performs at a poetry slam in the IMU on Friday, Feb. 16, in a showcase of poetry by her. Miss Diversity was the first of many performers at the slam.

Saturday, February 24

Dancing, 7:30 p.m., Old Brick, Lawrence Market

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The Audible Picture Book

Saturday, February 25

Kevin Campbell, 3:30 p.m., Latitude Market

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Monday, February 26

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What is and What Should Be

Monday, June 19

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Simsz, 9 p.m., Yacht Club

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Sunday, June 21

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JANE SMILEY
Where: 2:45 p.m. Feb. 25
When: English Theatre, 221 E. Washington Ave.
Award: Pulitzer Prize winner

More Info: Pulitzer Prize winner and Writers’ Workshop alumna Jane Smiley will read from her latest novel, The Days in the House, at the Englert Theatre. Director latino Fanshawe Chapin will introduce the author, and a discussion with Marvin Bell, a workshop emeritus faculty member and the former Iowa poet laureate, and workshop students Jason England and Kecia Lynn will follow.

The 57-year-old author, who lived in Iowa for 24 years while attending school at the University and later teaching at Iowa State University, will return to Iowa on Feb. 22 to give a reading at the Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington St.

The event, sponsored by the UI Lecture Committee, the UI Alumni Association, Prairie Lights Books, the Englert Theatre, and Iowa Public Radio, will be hosted by Jane spacer and featured on KUET radio program “Know the Score Live.” Writers’ Workshop emeritus faculty member and former Iowa poet laureate Marvin Bell and Workshop students Jason England and Kecia Lynn will participate in post-reading discussions with Smiley following her presentation.

“We basically go to have a conversation about writing,” Smiley said. “I think it’s really interesting to have the opportunity to talk to someone of Jane Smiley’s caliber.”

A hero is breaking up on his Jane Smiley in advance of the book’s release – she is reading from 13 Ways of Looking at the Novel and the author is discussing her writing strategies.

Smiley wants to explore “what Ten Days in the Hills” are like in part from her research for 13 Ways. She has based the format for the novel on that of Giovanni Boccaccio’s Decameron, a 14th-century collection of tales based on the sexually themed stories of Boccaccio.

By using interconnected stories in a longer work, Smiley hopes to present many different possible points of view.

“I know that I can’t just put every different kind of story in there,” she said. “I thought that might open [the book] up and make it more engaging. It would be about lots of different stories rather than my story about this one couple.”

This couple – Max, an aging movie director, and Elena, an aging self-help author – form the nucleus for a larger investigation of different types of love, from young to old and illicit to permissible. The novel sets a frame for a collection of tales best known for its stories about sex, and its 13 Ways of Looking at the Novel, Smiley had to work to make sure to make sure her characters’ understanding of the book blended with the book’s time frame.

“I don’t interpret the current knowledge,” she said. “I read the archive of the Los Angeles Times every day for these three, I was aware of what the views on the war were.”

For further research, Smiley spent time in Hollywood and watched old movies on DVD, particularly the-commentaries, to absorb an insider’s uncanny ability to relate absolutely everything in life to a movie.

Smiley chose to explore relationships because they are undoubtedly interesting to nearly everyone. But she added that she doesn’t approach sex and fulfilling sexual relationships in terms of a straightforward narrative, or so they might.

“Because Hollywood has such a tradition of war movies and sort of the war is seen as a war movie, I thought if I start there and look at the war through Hollywood,” she said in a telephone interview from her home in Carmel, Calif. "The history of war is seen through Hollywood, is the sort of reflecting who we are back to ourselves, I thought it'd be better to go to the war because it's a tradition of war movies and they allowed me to make it more interesting. It might open [the book] up and make it more engaging. It would be about lots of different stories rather than my story about this one couple.”

The Days in the House is a set of conversations, characters’ minds.

It’s the morning after the Oscars. But the lounging lovers of Hollywood, celebrity speeches, and the red carpet have already gone. Yet the lounging lovers of Hollywood, celebrity speeches, and the red carpet are talking about war. Because it’s the Oscars. Ten Days in the Hills, Smiley’s latest work, is not about talking about red carpet fluff, celebrity speeches, and the great party they went to after the show.

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Red Reporter Anna Wiegenstein’s review of Sassy on air, as seen on the show. The report features the Becker Communication

Studios

80 HOURS A WEEK

One year ago, Jennifer Fleeger and Claudia Pummer decided to learn a host of academic and creative disciplines. While they have no plans to give up their day jobs, they say their soundtrack suffices - or its images? Are we drawn in our own ears, or its world? Is sound a second-class citizen to what happens on a regular basis?

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The UI is a beloved for studies in film sound. Today through Saturday, students, artists, and professors will converse to discuss sound. Take out your iPod earbuds, and read carefully.

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Paper presentation: Jennifer Fleeger’s "Politics of Volume Control"


Cinema graduate students Jennifer Fleeger (left) and Claudia Pummer are the founders of “Studies in Sound: Listening in the Age of Visual Culture.” The conference will take place today through Saturday and will feature both academic and creative presentations.

"Studies in Sound" is a monthlong series of events that features both researchers and first-time presenters, and is geared toward non-specialists.

"We hope you think "culture." Fleeger herself plans to present a paper on film-makers and the female body in the films Chicago, Moulin Rouge, and Ludo. Although classical Hollywood commercialism offers set for sound to seem "irrelevant," to the viewer — Shit. But, the sound shouldn’t stray from the image — because people can still hear the words."

"Part of it has to do with advertising," the 25-year-old said. "We’re just deluged by so much visual advertising, from posters to billboards to television commercials, and so we think of that as being very stimulating. That tends to drive a lot of things."
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**Horoscopes**

**Aries (March 21–April 19):** And when you think you have everything under control, someone will dis- cover your secret and it will be spread throughout the land. Some trans- lations will be garbled.

**Taurus (April 20–May 20):** Keep your emotions at bay. In case you haven’t noticed, you will need to curb your enthusiasm today. Don’t let any organization- al issues that are brewing along with you will help the war.

**Gemini (May 21–June 20):** You will have to work hard to get what you want out of this situation. Perhaps you will be called upon to help another.

**Cancer (June 21–July 22):** You are going to make a decision that will affect your career. Your intuition as a guide for your path will be invaluable to you.

**Leo (July 23–August 22):** Don’t be too sure of yourself or the outcome of something you are working on. This might be a fortunate thing for you.

**Virgo (August 23–September 22):** A change of plans upset you. Instead, work with what you have, and prepare to make the most of it.

**Libra (September 23–October 22):** Money can be earned, offers put into play, and progress made. Focus on what it is you want instead of what everyone else wants. Play your position straightforward, honestly, and with vision, and you will get what you support you require.

**Scorpio (October 23–November 21):** You need to keep an eye on your finances. Stick to the goods, please.

**Sagittarius (November 22–December 21):** Getting Value: Ideas to IPO,” Matthew Chapman, product manager at DITV News, said.

**Capricorn (December 22–January 19):** As long as you are not changing your position, you are doing all right. You might not have to change it. You might not be the type of person who can change.

**Aquarius (January 20–February 18):** You may be more fiscally feasible than you or others think you are. You will have to be careful not to lose any of the resources you have.

**PISCES (February 19–March 20):** Don’t be too sure of yourself or the outcome of something you are working on.

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