The Virginia Tech massacre, which ended the lives of Brian Bluhm and 32 others, provides an opportunity for officials to review emergency procedures, officials said.

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Local enrollment shooting up

Van Allen Elementary is among six schools expected to increase enrollment. The school will see 40 additional students in the 2007-08 school year, some of whom will be taught in portable classrooms.

School Overcrowding

The Iowa City School District is facing overcrowding, but it is projected to become even more of a problem. The district expects an increase of 200 students in the 2007-08 academic year and 1,000 more in the next 5 years.

BY KURT HIATT

Feeling an increasing strain on space, the Iowa City School District elementary school staff members are shuffling classes and employing portable classrooms to brace themselves for the 2008-09 academic year, when they expect an influx in enrollment across the district.

“We need to plan in order to make sure there is adequate space for the students,” Associate Superintendent Jim Behle said.

“The Iowa City Elementary Schools — the district expects 200 more students next year and 1,000 more in five years — district officials recently released a report detailing a targeted enrollment study with expected enrollment changes, recommendations for future enrollment, and future considerations for each school,” officials are preparing to build a new elementary school to ease the stress that increased enrollment can cause, so the report and any immediate actions put in place would make for a smooth transition, Behle said.

“I think we have tried to get the community involved,” said Kirkwood, Pleasant, Roseville, Weber, Wood, and Van Allen are all on the list, and each is expected to experience increases of between 10 to 40 students per year. Each will need additional space, and some will use portable classrooms — mobile home-like buildings that can be moved to the main structure.

Behle said that the growth is more than that of previous years, and the district has purchased extra portable classrooms that will be added to the district to give a “last resort” because of cost.

“We have portable classrooms that will be added to the district to give a last resort; however, they are a ‘last resort’ because of cost,” Behle said.

Kirkwood, Penn, and Roosevelt will shuffle the classes held in portable buildings that will open fall 2008 and 2009.

“The changes could lead to different strategies,” Behle said.

“I think any time you become a new community, you always sometimes get a little stretched,” Behle said, adding that officials are classroom enrollment for kindergarten, first, and second-graders at 25 students. From third grade on, the maximum is 30 students.

“Said Behle, that while student enrollments in elementary schools with more than 500 students may become crowded, it is possible for some to increase another classroom, so the increase can make for a smooth transition through the buildings.

“It’s a nice solution to the problem,” he said.
Local campaigns urge greater action to fight climate change

BY MATT NELSON

Carbon emissions in the world are rising rapidly, with the United States and China leading the way.

In a report from the U.S. Public Interest Research Group released Tuesday, titled “Carbon Warriors,” researchers detailed the growth of carbon emissions in the United States from 1990, when the Environmental Protection Agency first issued greenhouse gas emissions standards.

Iowa had nearly constant growth in carbon dioxide emissions over that period, showing a total increase of 28 percent — or 16.3 million metric tons more carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, according to the report.

The research group’s findings showed the greatest increase in contributors to carbon emissions in Iowa came from the transportation and power production sectors.

But the report was released, organizers at the UI chapter said, to show that college students are also able to play a role in fighting global warming.

“There’s so much that students aren’t aware about,” said IQE campaign coordinator Jennifer Robertsen. “And the only way is to learn about it.”

Focusing on global emissions, the PIRG campaigns urge efforts to work on campus and connect students with politicians, focusing on the “Safe Climate Act,” a landmark bill that would limit greenhouse gas emissions in the United States.

“Right now it’s not the political climate for it,” said Halie Pollack, the UI campus coordinator of Iowa PIRG. “The act is by no means perfect, but it’s better than not having anything at all.”

Tuesday, UI members of PIRG called the Rep. Looker, D-Iowa, to co-sponsor the Safe Climate Act, a bill that would put the US on a path to reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.

PIRG lauded the UI’s environmental rally. Today, Barack Obama, D-Ill., will be speaking or what the outcome was.

Press reports said that he had been referred to the university’s counseling service.

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Officials skeptical about take-home Pap tests

BY BRITTNEY BERGET
THE DAILY IOWAN

In this do-it-yourself age, one service that could become widespread is a do-it-yourself Pap-smear kit. But some individuals are skeptical about the safety and effectiveness of this kind of testing.

Researchers from the University of Iowa are skeptical about this form of cervical cancer screening. A physician who is friendly and makes you feel comfortable makes all the difference in the world, she said.

More at UI seeing pink

Pink eye cases are reaching a seasonal increase, says Student Health official.

The scoop about the eye goop

Pink eye, also referred to as conjunctivitis, is a fairly common condition that can cause no permanent damage. Some cases will go away within a few days, but others may require a doctor’s care.

The symptoms of pink eye are usually the appearance of redness in the eye or white part of the eye. More severe cases produce a discharge from the eye.

Pink eye can be caused by bacteria, viruses, allergies or even a foreign object get caught in the eye. It is considered high contagious and is most common in young children because of this.

The American Cancer Society says that pink eye is usually caused by a result of allergies, she said, and those have become more prominent with the advent of cooler weather.
I'm happy for that," Bush said, "but such a day will come," Bush said. "And when it does, you will always remember the friends and teachers who were lost yesterday." The tragedy fueled debate over gun control. White House spokeswoman Dana Perino deflected questions about Bush's view of the gun control policy saying the time for that discussion is not now. "We understand that there's going to be and there has been an ongoing national discussion, conversation and debate about gun control policy. Of course we are going to be participants in that conversation," she said. "Today, however, is a day that is time to focus on the families, the school, the community.

President and Laura Bush walk with Virginia Gov. Tim Kaine and wife Anne Holton on the Virginia Tech campus in Blacksburg, Va., on Tuesday.

Threats shake schools in seven states

ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN, Texas — Campus threats forced lockdowns and evacuations at universities and grade schools in seven states on Tuesday, a day after a Virginia Tech student's shooting rampage killed 33 people.

One threat in Louisiana directly mentioned the massacre in Virginia, while others were reports of suspicious activity in Texas, Oklahoma, Tennessee, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Michigan.

In Louisiana, parents picked up hundreds of students from Baton Rouge's high school and middle school amid reports that a man had been arrested Tuesday morning for threatening a mass killing in a note that alluded to the murders at Virginia Tech.

School spokesperson Jerry Payne said both schools were locked down, and police arrested a 53-year-old man who allegedly made the threat in a note he gave to a student headlocked to the private4tutat Green School in Franklin. Both towns are in southeastern Louisiana.

"The note referred to what happened at Virginia Tech," Payne said. "It said something like, 'If you think that was bad, then you haven't seen anything yet.'"

In Rapid City, S.D., schools were locked down after a duffel bag was dropped on the high-school campus. School spokesman Dave Wahlberg said the shooting in Virginia reinforced the need to "err on the side of safety."

In Bloomfield Hills, Mich., police attributed a 10-minute lockdown at the exclusive Cranbrook Schools campus in response to jittery nerves following the Virginia shootings.

School officials called police after parents and students reported spotting a 6-foot man in a school bus, a short, black male, blond with a blond wig near a school campus in southeast Cranbrook's Kingswood Upper School. Lt. Paul Miyazaki said Police were unable to find anyone matching the man's description.

Bush offers prayers at Va. Tech

BY DEB RIECHMANN
BLACKSBURG, Va. — Representing America's anguish, President Bush told Virginia Tech students and teachers at a somber, convocation Tuesday that the nation was praying for them and "themselves a prayer in these times."

"It's impossible to make sense of such violence and suffering," the president quoted a recent student. The president met with a GoHokies," the university mascot. Bush said at a memorial service on the campus where 33 people, including the suspected gunman, died in shootings the day before.

"Those whose lives were taken did nothing to deserve their fate," the president said. "They were simply in the wrong place at the wrong time. Now they're gone — and they leave behind grieving families, and grieving classrooms, and a grieving nation."

Before flying to the tragedy-stricken university in southwestern Virginia, Bush ordered flags at half-staff and issued a written proclamation in honor of those killed and wounded. Speaking to a somber crowd at a basketball arena, packed with students and others, many wearing orange to show support, the president quoted a recent graduate blogging about the students' ability to encourage those who prays to reach out for help.

"To all of you who are OK, I'm happy for that," Bush said, quoting the Internet posting. "For those who aren't, I want you to know: I'm sure you can call on any one of us and have help and aid from us in need."

The memorial service was scheduled but ended with a spontane- ous school chant of "Let's Go Hokies," the university's mascot. The president met with a wounded student and 50 relatives of the victims, hugging them and telling them to take comfort from one another.

Bush and his wife, Laura Bush, also stepped briefly in the middle of campus where students have set up a memorial of candles and flowers. The president and first lady added their signatures to a display of the latest V — a symbol of Virginia Tech.

In times of tragedy, Americans often turn to the president to be the nation's comforter. One of the most memorable images of Bush was standing atop a pile of rubble in New York, bullhorn in hand, as he rallied the nation after the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

In 1995, President Clinton went to Oklahoma City after the bombing of the federal building there, and his on-the-spot empathy was later viewed as the key factor in reviving his presidency and helping him win re-election. Bush urged those angered by the killings not to be over- come by evil.

"People who have never met you are praying for you," Bush said. "They're praying for your friends who have fallen and who are injured. There's power in these prayers, a real power. In times like this, we can find comfort in the grace and guidance of a loving God."

Before the service, Bush received a briefing on the shootings and their investiga- tion from Virginia Tech President Charles Steger.

On a day of raw emotion, Bush spoke to students who he said had just lived through the worst day of their lives. "On this terrible day of murdering, it's hard to imagine a time will come when life at Vir- ginia Tech will return to normal, but such a day will come," Bush said. "And when it does, you will always remember the friends and teachers who were lost yesterday."

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In Austin, authorities evacuated buildings at St. Edward's University after a threatening note was found, a school official said.

Police secured the campus perimeter and were searching the buildings. St. Edward's Univer- sity spokesman Michelle Amador said. She declined to say where the note was found and said its contents were "non- threatening."

"The university's reaction was not influenced by Monday's attack at Virginia Tech," she said. "No matter what day or when this would have happened, we will always take the necessary precautions to protect our students, our faculty, our staff, the entire university community," she said.

Seven North Dakota State University buildings were evacuated after a duffel bag was found outside a bus shelter in the main part of the campus. School spokesman Dave Wahlberg said the shoot- ings in Virginia reinforced the need to "err on the side of safety."

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Hotline Heating Up

The Rape Victim Advocacy Program does much to raise awareness of violence against women, such as its recent Clothesline Project. Another large part of its outreach is through telephone crisis lines: the RWAP Rape Crisis Line and the Iowa Sexual Abuse Hotline. Over the past few years, the hotline has been even more busy: in fact, this year, these lines have received 352 crisis calls.

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CLOTHESLINE AID TO VICTIMS

“Transportation to live.” Palreddy said, noting that last year’s location, the W. C. Davis Walkway, “This location really unites the community.”

The project, which displays shirts created by victims of violence, came to the UI and Iowa City community in 1995. A yellow shirt hanging on the line, representing a battered or assaulted woman, asked, “What did I do wrong?” while a blue T-shirt, intended to symbolize women survivors of incest or child sexual abuse, read, “I am not okay I never will be.”

A few shirts away, another message on a blue T-shirt stated, “We are free – Clothesline Project.”

Once a shirt is submitted, it becomes a permanent part of the growing exhibit. Palreddy said. Though a record is kept of contact information for participants, no data are available on the percentage of shirts submitted by UI students.

Participating in such activities as Clothesline is not essential, Palreddy said, because healing processes vary, but it does provide an outlet for those in a time of need.

“It’s important for people to know about the good and scary aspects of the community,” she said. In the case of an incident, she said, victims need to know they’re not alone and where to go for help. She said a large visual such as the Clothesline Project can inform people walking past the display about RWAP and other similar programs.

UI sophomore Mandy Cleary, who visited the exhibit Tuesday, said the prominent location affected the general public as well as students. She said she’s happy to see such a powerful message on campus.

“They’re all the shirts and knowing how many lives are affected really raises awareness,” she continued; “That’s important.”

CR native killed at Tech

“Immigration” game canceled

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“I made it clear in the book’s text… that the system of apartheid in Palestine is not based on racism but the desire of a minority of Israelis for Palestinian land.” Carter said in a statement.

Sorokin acknowledged that Jewish land settlements have been increasing, but added that most of them are suburbs of Jerusalem and the majority of Jewish settlers are simply looking for inexpensive land to live.

UI Lecture Committee Chairwoman Shannah Thomas said that Carter’s statements are always true and that the location of the exhibit is not of major consequence.

UI’s Office of the Vice President for Student Life.

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David Le Blanc, the chairman of the Iowa Civil Rights Commission, said it’s great to have so many students want to learn about the immigration issue. “It’s inspiring to see the growth” he said, “it’s like one’s first time out.”

“People are very passionate about this issue and they’re very much engaged in the debate over immigration,” he added. “It’s a national issue, but it’s also a local issue.”

Students attending the discussion forum to wear red as a symbolic unity and the bloodshed that takes place on the border. The location of the forum has yet to be determined.

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WASHINGTON — Monica Goodling, once Attorney General Alberto Gonzales’ White House counsel, would be granted immunity from prosecution and freed to testify under a plan being considered by a House panel probing the firings of federal prosecutors.

House Judiciary Committee Chairman John Conyers said Tuesday that Goodling, who has refused to testify, has much to contribute to the investigation.

“I hope we can approve a resolution so that we can schedule her to testify as soon as possible and begin the investigation,” Conyers said Tuesday.

“Shes at the nexus of the refs,” Conyers said, referring to Gonzales, the Justice Department and the White House.

Conyers had scheduled a committee vote on granting Goodling immunity but agreed to delay the vote and hold further hearings on the issue.

In addition to Goodling, the panel has been investigating whether the firings of eight U.S. attorneys could force her to testify.

The panel has 22 votes and will need three-quarters of its members for a majority vote on immunity for Goodling.

Conyers declined to comment on the offer.

Goodling quit her job as senior counsel to Gonzales and the Justice Department’s liaison with the White House amid the mushrooming furor over the firing of eight U.S. attorneys.

WASHINGTON — U.S. forces recently intercepted Iranian-made weapons intended for Taliban fighters in Afghanistan, the Pentagon’s top general said Tuesday.

Gen. Peter Pace, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said that unlike in Iraq, where U.S. officials say they are certain that arms are being supplied to insurgent groups from Iran’s secretive Quds Force, the Iranian link in Afghanistan is murky.

“It is not as clear in Afghanistan which Iranian entity is responsible, but we have intercepted weapons in Afghanistan and in Talishan that were made in Iran,” Pace told a group of reporters over breakfast.

He said several Iranian military installations, including mortars and C-4 plastic explosives, were intercepted in Kandahar province and elsewhere in the past month. He did not elaborate on the intercepted materials or say which military force in Afghanistan had found them.

About Pace’s remarks, a Pentagon spokesman, Lt. Col. Gary Keoh, said he had heard of previous instances of Iranian weapons being found in Afghanistan but he was not certain this was the first time.

Iran has anunchanged relationship with Afghanistan from the two decades — the 1979-89 Soviet occupation, the subsequent civil war, Taliban rule starting in 1996, and the 2001 U.S.-led invasion — millions of Afghans, particularly from the western provinces, took refuge in Iran.

In recent years Iran has contributed to numerous economic improvements in western Afghanistan, including roadways, schools, and several clinics.

Two Michael Rubin, an Iran expert at the American Enterprise Institute, said reason for concern about Iran’s efforts to increase influence in the region.

“Iran’s leadership often strikes pragmatic relationships to further its influence at our expense,” he said Tuesday.

“Every testaments about Iranian assistance in Afghanistan are based more on wishful thinking than reality,” he said.

In a statement issued in response to Pace’s comments, the Paris-based National Foundation for Iran’s Resistance said Iran’s Quds Force has been active in Afghanistan for several years.

Mahmoud Mokhtari, the chairman of Iran’s foreign-affairs commission, said “Expert of fundamentalism and terrorism and Islamic countries has been one of the pillars of the clerical regime’s foreign policy — something that the Iranian resistance has worried about for the past two decades.”

The United States has approximately 25,000 troops in Afghanistan, mostly in the eastern area. The main force of U.S. and Afghan government concerns are arms and training for the Taliban is the largely afgan region of the al-Taliban-based Quds Force, the Iranian link in Afghanistan is murky.

“The first time of a country armed for the Taliban is explained by Iran’s Quds Force, the Iranian link in Afghanistan is murky,” Pace told a group of reporters over breakfast.

“If we had the chance to test the question of whether there is an Iranian link in Afghanistan, it would be the first time,” Pace said.

We surmise from that one of two things. Either the lead- over the country knows what the armed forces are doing, or it doesn’t know. In neither case does it help.”

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BAGHDAD — In Ramadi on Monday, decaying corpses buried beneath two schoolyards were discovered, raising the death toll to at least 85, with the authorities saying it was unlikely the bodies were of schoolchildren.

Two sites were identified, one in Anbar province and the other in the province of Salahuddin. It was believed that the bodies belonged to members of Al Qaeda, a group that has been responsible for many attacks in Iraq.

The discovery was made during a search conducted by Iraqi security forces, who were initially called to the sites due to reports of unexploded ordnance. The bodies were found in a shallow grave, indicating that they had been buried recently.

The Iraqi government said it would launch an investigation into the case, and the United Nations condemned the attack.

Iraqi schoolchildren inspect holes where buried bodies were found in their schoolyard on Monday. (AP Photo)
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The attack on a three-vehicle U.N. convoy in Kandahar was the bloodiest in Afghanistan for the world body since the hard-line militia’s 2001 master and illustrated how violence continues to impede much-needed reconstruction.

The convoy was driving along the side of a canal in Kandahar when unidentified assailants detonated the charge. It struck a gray SUV, killing the four guards and their driver, police and the U.N. said.

An Associated Press reporter saw two charred bodies lying on the road near the damaged vehicle. The explosion blew off two of the car’s doors and gouged a crater in the road.

"Intentional attacks on civilians are a clear violation of international humanitarian law, and the U.N. will be pursuing full accountability for those who are behind this," a U.N. statement said.

While there was no immediate claim of responsibility, the attack came a day after a Human Rights Watch report accused Taliban militants of committing war crimes by targeting civilians.

BY SALISU RABIU

KANO, Nigeria — Gunmen attacked a police station on Tuesday in northern Nigeria, killing 12 officers and torching the building despite the government’s attempts to increase security for weekend presidential elections meant to cement civilian rule.

Nigeria’s electoral commission said it would comply with a Supreme Court ruling that Vice President Atiku Abubakar, who fell out with the president and his powerful party, run in the race ahead of Saturday’s election.

Abubakar told AP Television News in an interview that the development was “a victory for democracy.”

“It is a victory for the rule of law and the protection of the constitution in this country,” he said. “The judiciary has to be commended for its courage, for its defense of our young democracy.”

In the northern city of Kano, which has been swept by riots in past years and is under a nighttime curfew as unrest in recent days, gunmen killed 12 policemen and the wife of an officer, said the regional police spokesman, Baba Mohammed.

“I’ve made up my mind that I’ll never go to another polling station, because there’s no security. I don’t even know if I can reach home alive,” said Ibrahim Garba, a 46-year-old street vendor. “This is not a good development for democracy in the country.”

Residents said they believed the attackers were members of an outlawed Islamist movement that has clashed briefly with security forces in recent years. The attackers told people in the neighborhood that their quarrel was with the government only, but many residents fled, residents said.

Some of the attackers were apparently holed up in a building near the police station, with troops nearby. Security forces kept reporters back.

Tensions were high in the opposition stronghold city of 3 million after a delay in results from state governorship and legislature elections marred by fraud and violence.

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Panthers bite Hawks again

A marathon hit-parade that lasted just over four hours ended ugly for the Iowa baseball team, as the Hawkeyes roared back from an early 8-2 deficit but eventually fell to in-state rival UNI, 15-10.

Green led off the 14th with a two-run double, and with one out, Blum sent a single past a diving Travis Henkel and made it 15-7, a lead and put the game out of reach.

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Conference officials also considered temporary Taggart but the 'Eagles' coach stated he was not interested in leaving Oregon State. As a result, Taggart never scheduled her main ball-toting football team.

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Marcum talks short game

BY PAUL KAZMIERCKAZ

DI: You finished ninth overall individually at the Indians Invitational. Describe that meet for you. How were you able to be so successful?

Marcum: To tell you the truth, I really liked the course. It's a great course, it's challenging, but it's fair. I expected scores to be a lot better than that, so I was surprised to see what I'd achieve.

DI: What in particular were you able to take out of the meet?

Marcum: I'm still burned out, 78, wasn't great, but the second day, it was on old side, six bogies and five birdies. I think that's something I can work on. I think that's something I can work on.

DI: What's the one area you feel you've improved on most, especially during the spring season?

Marcum: I think my putting. I've really gotten better. It's hard to go from a fake green to a real green, so that's something I really need to work on.

DI: Speaking of the short game, that's something coach Kelly Crawford really barks on. Take me through the mental process you go through when you're lining up a putt. What's the last thing you think of before you hit it?

Marcum: The last thing I think of is my putting. I go through my routine of being balanced on the ball, trying to figure out what's going to happen, but I really read the ball. If I'm going over it, then I'll go below it. It's a little bit of the mental game.

DI: Definitely the short game, I think you're going to make up the difference. If my ball happened to hit every green, so if you can get up and down, then you're going to have a chance.

Marcum: What's the one area of your game that you'd like to improve?

Marcum: School. School definitely... I have to work at it pretty hard. In school, if you get out to Florida and put up a 3.8 GPA, it's great. But I'm definitely in school, I'm going to have to work at it pretty hard.

DI: Does anyone ever pull a Happy Gilmore and start chewing tobacco?

Marcum: Not on our team. I've seen some crazy things out there.

DI: What's one incident that's ever happened?

Marcum: Well, I've seen a lot of people throw their club at their team. I don't get that stuff. I'm really not that good at it. It's hard to get your hands around a club.

DI: Do you guys usually have a week or two between meets? How do you do that stuff? Do you get out to Florida or just do it here?

Marcum: We condition three days a week. If we can get outside to play, then yeah, we'll play a couple days a week or we'll have short game practice. Otherwise, we're made the left right now, where we've been the last couple weeks working on the short game.

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Marcum's secret weapon

Marcum is a top-three golfer for the Hawkeyes. He's a top-three golfer in the nation. He's a top-three golfer in the world. He's a top-three golfer in the universe.

Scott Elwell, the unsung senior of the Iowa men's tennis team, says goodbye to collegiate game.

BY BOB LOEBSCH

It wasn't the storybook end.

Scott Elwell, the lone senior on the low men's tennis team that didn't have a big story to tell, had his time with the Hawkeyes end on April 15. In fact, he didn't even remember the score of his team's match that day, his team lost to Northwestern.

But limelight never really was his style, anyway.

Head coach Steve Houghton said Elwell was more of a well-spoken senior, recognition seemed to be enough. For the Iowa-Wichita State game on April 16, Elwell got to know the university a little better.

"My junior and senior year, I was thinking about the future," Elwell said. "I'm definitely glad I chose to come to Iowa, but I'm also glad I chose to play tennis, because that's what I really love."

During his time at Iowa, Elwell essentially became the tennis team's resident psychology major. He'd talk to the squad about the overall development of players, the reasons he's here, the reasons he's here, the reasons he's here. But it was all for a good cause.

"The coach looks to you to keep a positive attitude and not to recognize the fact that you're not going to play," Elwell said. "You just have to keep working every day as though you're going to be playing in the lineup and getting ready to compete."

"I think what he means to the team is his attitude," said Bart Bedard, Iowa's No. 1 singles player, who doubles as Elwell's roommate. "He's an example to the freshman, the younger player, the leader, and a good student."

Elwell grew up a huge Kansas Jayhawk fan, and he started playing tennis at 10. Despite his lifelong Kansas fandom, Elwell found himself interested in Iowa as a high-schooler because of his older brother's decision to become a Hawkeyes tennis player.

Elwell ended up committing halfway through his senior year — the same year he took fifth in the Kansas State championship.

"My junior and senior year, I'd go up to visit my brother, and I got to know the university pretty well," Elwell said. "I had contact with Coach Houghton, and I really loved the campus."

Flash forward four years and one career, and he's already thinking about the future.

"I think I'll probably go pro for a few years, me and [Iowa's] Fedorov out there," Elwell joked.

With a 3.5 cumulative GPA, the academic All-American business major actually plans on making tennis part of his future. After graduation in May, he will move back to Kansas to help manage First Serve, a tennis club with former Hawkeys Stuart Waters.

"I'm interested in the business end of things. Hopefully, I'll use big 12 degrees some day," Elwell said.

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Chicago Cubs’ triumph over the Los Angeles Dodgers in 1981.

The Cubs’ rotation has been a real strength this year, with four starters posting ERAs of 3.00 or lower. Jon Lester (2.93), Kyle Hendricks (3.04), Cole Hamels (3.40), and Jake Arrieta (3.47) have all been solid contributors.

The Cubs’ bullpen has also been a strength, with the likes of Craig Kimbrel, Steve Cishek, and Hector Rondon providing reliable late-inning relief.

The Cubs’ defense has also been a key factor in their success, with the likes of Kris Bryant, Anthony Rizzo, and Javier Baez turning double plays at a high rate.

However, the Cubs have struggled against right-handed pitchers, posting a .268 batting average against them. This is something they will need to address in order to maintain their lead in the NL Central.

In summary, the Cubs’ strength lies in their pitching, defense, and bullpen. These factors have contributed to their success this season, and if they can continue to perform at a high level, they will be a tough team to beat come October.
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