Bush urges patience in plane standoff

By Raw Poster  

President Bush urged Wednesday that the United States should remain patient during talks with China over the incident of the spy-plane crash between the two nations.

"We have to be patient," Bush told reporters on his way to the airport in Beijing on the first leg of his nine-day Asia tour. "It's not going to happen in a week. It's not going to happen in a month. It's going to take a while."

Bush's comments were his first public remarks since the spy-plane incident on April 15, when the U.S. military plane crashed in Chinese airspace.

The plane was downed after Chinese fighter jets apparently shot it down in the South China Sea. The U.S. military claimed the plane was conducting "routine, defensive" patrols in international airspace.

The United States says there was no acute threat and maintains the plane was responding to "hostile" actions by Chinese fighters. China, on the other hand, says it was a "provocative" move.

Bush said he would not comment on what he termed "false reports" that China had fired a "solemn" warning to the United States.

"That's a lot of baloney," Bush said. "That's a lot of horse manure."

"There was no threat of any kind," he added.

Bush said Wednesday that the talks with China were going well.

"We had a very good meeting with President Jiang Zemin this morning," Bush said. "We have a lot of work to do... and I'm optimistic about where we're going..."

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Advising center gets new director

Freeman retention is a priority for Pat Folsom.

By Michael Pet

The new director of the Academic Advising Center said Monday it was her first priority to improve retention rates at the UI. Pat Folsom, who has been the interim director for a year, said she would like to continue to improve retention rates for student success.

She said, "Well, many of these are students who have the right to attend the university." She noted that the university's freshmen do not have to pay tuition because they are less than 21.

The gift will fund a salary for an insurance company to fund the university's freshmen. Approximately 15 percent of the university's freshmen do not pay tuition because they are less than 21.

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• CORRECTIONS

Boy Scouts/gays issue spills into local schools

The School District's attorney is slated to outline options regarding the Boy Scouts controversy.

By Sara Fawell

A ruling last summer by the Supreme Court that allowed the Boy Scouts to bar homosexuals based on sexual orientation is expected to draw a public outcry at tonight's School Board meeting.

The ruling that homosexuals cannot be considered to be private organizations, they said, would be a public interest in the School Board's decision. If the School Board succeeds in the same manner, the Boy Scouts issue will divide the city.

Public-school health gets $500,000 booster

The Wellmark gift will fund a faculty member's salary.

By Nathanael Lampropoulos

Wellmark, the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Iowa, gave a $500,000 gift to the UI to help fund the University of Iowa Department of Community Health's new office to further the programs' endowment.

This is the second gift that the UI has received from the company, which has a nationally distinguished faculty. The company has a stated academic and research record. Currently, the department has five faculty members.

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**Break-ins worry Greeks**

**By Peter Bugay**

A series of late-night break-ins has some UI Greeks concerned about their safety.

Several fraternity houses have reported break-ins to the Iowa City police in recent weeks, including Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Kappa Psi, Delta Upsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Delta Epsilon, Phi Delta Mu, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Lambda Upsilon, Phi Sigma Kappa, Phi Sigma Rho, and Pi Kappa Alpha.

Iowa State Rep. Jan Orzel was appointed to the House Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee to look into the matter.

"It's serious," said Katy Hansen, a junior from Des Moines who lives in a fraternity house. "I'm just really concerned and I'm afraid." Hansen said she feels unsafe when she's home alone.

**Bush wields budgetary knife**

**By Tom House**

The president's detailed budget proposal suggests deep cuts in environmental and energy-conservation programs.

The $1.3 trillion budget, which is due to be submitted to Congress in February, includes a 25 percent cut to the energy-conservation section of the科技进步.

In a last-ditch attempt to limit the damage, corporations may find themselves facing higher taxes on energy-intensive goods and services.

"It's a big deal," said Kayla Hanson, a junior from Des Moines who lives in a fraternity house. "I'm just really concerned and I'm afraid." Hanson said she feels unsafe when she's home alone.

**Bush names gay man to head AIDS office**

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush has chosen an openly gay Westerner to direct his administration's policies on AIDS, the first openly gay person to serve in an executive branch office of a Republican administration.

This budget funds our nation's all-out effort against the AIDS virus, Bush said.

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China

"The question is how to devise an agreement that would save face for politicians on both sides," he said. "I don't see China releasing the U.S. pilots overnight without some kind of commitment." According to the Wall Street Journal, there have been several attempts to devise an agreement that would be acceptable to both sides, but no agreement has been reached.

Africa Week examines condition of the continent

Africans are suffering from the impact of the U.S.-led war in Iraq. "The United States" said Zhu Bangzao, a senior foreign ministry official.

APOLLOPY

Some hope for U.S. apology

"Many of his own advisers had objections to China hosting the Friendship Association of Students and Scholars," said Zhu. "They would have said that the Chinese people want a strong man in charge to stand up to the U.S." he said. "I think the U.S. should be treated as equals," he said.

"This could be interpreted as a display of American arrogance," he said. "Some people have suggested it was to stretch Chinese national pride."

"We are at a sensitive time in our relationship with the Chinese," he said. "The Chinese have been wounded in their national pride."

"In our relationship with the Chinese, it is important to stretch Chinese national pride," he said. "The U.S. has been hurt by China's actions."
No cookie-cutter virtuoso

Tim Reynolds proves to be much more than merely a Dave Matthews sideman.

By Tracy Nemitz

Tim Reynolds' voice is not merely a sidekick to Dave Matthews' frontman status. Rather, Reynolds' voice is a clear and unique component of the duo's music. His soaring tenor voice adds an element of depth and emotion to the band's sound, making him a crucial part of Dave Matthews Band's signature sound.

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Tim Reynolds, who is best known for his collaboration with the Dave Matthews Band, will play a solo acoustic tour for the first time in years. The tour will feature Reynolds playing on menus of the band's albums, including Live at Luther College, Cross and Under the Tides and Desert Purple.

The album, his sixth solo recording, is a rich in texture, alternating between lighter melodic fare and darker, industrial-sounding efforts. Like the album, which seems to have a new personality, Reynolds seems to have a new complexion.

Reaching back to the same river

Richard Flanagan's newest novel, Death of a River Guide, uses the past to connect to the present.

Among work, school, socializing and the past that fill our day-to-day lives, it is easy to forget how much is in the present. Often, we forget to reflect on what brought us to where we are. Flanagan's novel is a reminder of the past and its influence on the present.

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**Kickin' Around**

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UI junior Kristina Nowak, left, and fellow Gamma Phi Beta sorority members play soccer against Costa Rica, center, and Zeta Tau Alpha sorority members in Hubbard Park Monday. The players’ charity donated money to Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, which is raising support for Heart Connection Children’s Cancer Camp.

**World Brief**

In Peru, an ex-shoe shine boy vs. a smooth operator

LIMA, Peru (AP) — The first round of presidential elections behind them, Peruvians now must choose between a smooth-talking shoe shine boy who became a World Bank economist and a smooth-talking populist who led a disastrous administration.

The favorite, Alejandro Toledo, 55, received 63.6 percent of the vote in the field of eight candidates in Sunday's election, which according to initial results was declared invalid. Former President Alan Garcia, 51, widely disliked because he remained in power until he began a stinging political comeback three months ago, received 26.7 percent. Approximately 60 percent of ballots were officially tallied on Monday.

Analysts say Toledo's populist message and Garcia's open rejection of many aspects of the market economy appealed to voters fed up with the investor-friendliness policies of the former President Alberto Fujimori.

The Regional Court rejected the first two spots that were taken by Alejandro Toledo and Alan Garcia.

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**American Airlines scoops up TWA**

The deal will make American the world's largest airline for the moment.

By Matt Curry Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — American Airlines' parent company bought bankrupt Trans World Airlines Monday, ending a deal that will offer travel to more than 300 cities worldwide on more than 800 planes.

"Today we celebrate a true milestone for the employees and customers of both American Airlines and TWA," said Donald C. Carty, the chairman and CEO of American Airlines.

American, the No. 2 carrier before the deal, will swap posits with No. 3 United Airlines. American's newfound supremacy could be short-lived, though. The airlines will reverse positions again if United succeeds in winning a last-minute bid by a group of Israeli TWA workers to stop the transaction.

Earlier Monday, a federal appeals court cleared the way for the deal to be closed, denying a last-minute bid by a group of Jewish TWA workers to stop the transaction.

The workers, members of the Jewish Labor Federation, claimed they were unsecured creditors owed approximately $18 million in salaries and benefits.

Fort Worth-based AMR Corp., American's parent company, paid $742 million for most of TWA's assets in a bankruptcy auction.

Robert W. Baker, the vice chairman of American Airlines, was named chairman of a new subsidiary of American. Former TWA President and CEO John Compton will serve as president.

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Injuries cause Troy Aikman to retire after all

By Jaime Aran Associated Press

ERVING, Texas — Troy Aikman has announced his retirement from the Dallas Cowboys after 12 seasons.

The three-time Super Bowl champion announced his decision in a news conference Monday that was televised live on the Fox network.

"I've thought about this for a long time," Aikman said. "My family has thought about this for a long time."

Aikman, 34, ranks second in the NFL in career passing yards with 47,832, but has lost nearly all his best offensive weapons.

"I've thought a lot about this," he said. "We've thought about it for a long time."

Aikman said he had thought about retiring after last season, but that he wanted to see the Cowboys win their second Super Bowl since he joined the team in 1989.

"I don't think I'll ever be able to retire," he said. "I don't think I'll ever be that good again."
 Will the Yankees win another World Series?

Let's see here. The three-time defending champions return basically intact with the entire lineup, and they will have a much easier time of things this season. The rotation is back, and the bullpen was very good last year. It is going to be a good year once again for the Yankees.

The National Basketball Development League (NBOL) announced Wednesday that former NBA player Tim Carter has signed with the Washington Redskins.

Carter, a 33-year-old former NBA forward, has spent the past two seasons playing in France, averaging 11.3 points and 5.4 rebounds per game.

He has also played in several European leagues, including the Spanish ACB League and the German Basketball Bundesliga.

In other sports news, the NBA announced that it has reached an agreement with the Players Association to extend the labor deal through the 2010-11 season.

The agreement includes a provision for the NBA to propose a new CBA in 2011.

In soccer, the MLS announced that it has signed a deal with the U.S. Soccer Federation that will see the league receive $50 million in guaranteed revenue.

The deal also includes a provision for the league to receive a portion of the revenue generated by the World Cup and the Olympic Games.

In college basketball, the NCAA announced that it has set the schedule for the 2009-10 season.

The regular season will begin on November 7, with the Final Four set for April 3-5.

In tennis, the ATP Tour announced that it has signed a deal with the International Tennis Federation to start a new tournament series.

The series, which will be known as the ATP World Tour, will start in 2010 and feature 25 events in 15 countries.

In baseball, the MLB announced that it has reached an agreement with the Players Association to extend the revenue sharing program through the 2012 season.

The agreement includes a provision for the league to propose a new CBA in 2013.

In golf, the PGA Tour announced that it has signed a deal with the European Tour to create a new transatlantic tournament series.

The series, which will be known as the Race to Dubai, will feature 25 events in 15 countries.

The agreement also includes a provision for the league to propose a new CBA in 2013.

In hockey, the NHL announced that it has reached an agreement with the Players Association to extend the labor deal through the 2010-11 season.

The agreement includes a provision for the league to propose a new CBA in 2011.

In boxing, the WBC announced that it has signed a deal with the WBA to create a new transcontinental tournament series.

The series, which will be known as the WBC/WBA World Series, will feature 25 events in 15 countries.

The agreement also includes a provision for the league to propose a new CBA in 2011.

In wrestling, the WWE announced that it has signed a deal with the United States Olympic Committee to create a new transnational tournament series.

The series, which will be known as the WWE World Series, will feature 25 events in 15 countries.

The agreement also includes a provision for the league to propose a new CBA in 2011.
Tiger, Tiger burning bright

William Shakespeare

"But to win four consecutive things happen to astounding feat at Augusta created Open Pebble Beach in June, the rapid pursuit of the record 18 majors covered 294 days over easily from third.

Buddy Bell said. "That happens that to say about our club player in modern golf to happen."

He won his sixth major and in 11th, with a green that slopes over any part of home.

Indeed, Woods has been beyond compare, especially when the pressure is the greatest.

One of the most dangerous hole at Augusta is the Par-4, with a green that slopes in hero and a loss it never over extended.

Clinging to a one-stroke lead over Nicklaus' record for the most majors by Sarazen, Sam Snead, and two - run homer off the top shelf of the green when the pressure is the greatest.

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SPORTS

Commissioner optimistic as playoffs start

Steve Regner

The Hawks hope to have the last laugh on the Wildcats.

The only thing HL

Commissioner Don cherry needs is to see the American press buying his Riser ball. Speaking with the media in a pre-game conference call, Cherry was upbeat about the regular season’s accomplishments and the outlook for a long playoff run.

"The should be an extremely exciting March Madness," Cherry said. "The best in the nation will be playing on our home court, and we're excited to see how our players come through.

"The Hawks are looking forward to the opportunity to prove themselves against the best in the country," Cherry added. "We know that every game will be a challenge, but we're ready to rise to the occasion.

"We've got a really good chance to win this thing," Cherry concluded. "The Hawks are ready to make a run to the Final Four and bring home the NCAA Championship."