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Provost position links U, MnSCU

Nancy Ngo
Staff Reporter

ROCHESTER, Minn. — Along with a recent pact between the University and its funding competitor, a newly created moderator post will help join the state's two largest higher education systems.

As the first provost for the University Center Rochester, Dale E. Bower will serve as the liaison between the University and the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system, which both offer academic programs in the city.

Bower's new appointment requires her to report directly to University President Mark Yudof and MnSCU Chancellor Morris Anderson.

Reporting to the leaders of both systems marks a unique responsibility for the higher education position.

University officials held a reception Friday in recognition of Bower, a day after the Minnesota Public Higher Education Compact between the two systems was signed by Yudof and Anderson.

The pact outlines a plan to streamline University and MnSCU resources for greater efficiency.

Bower's reception also showed that academically partnering the two systems was received with cooperation by the schools' officials.

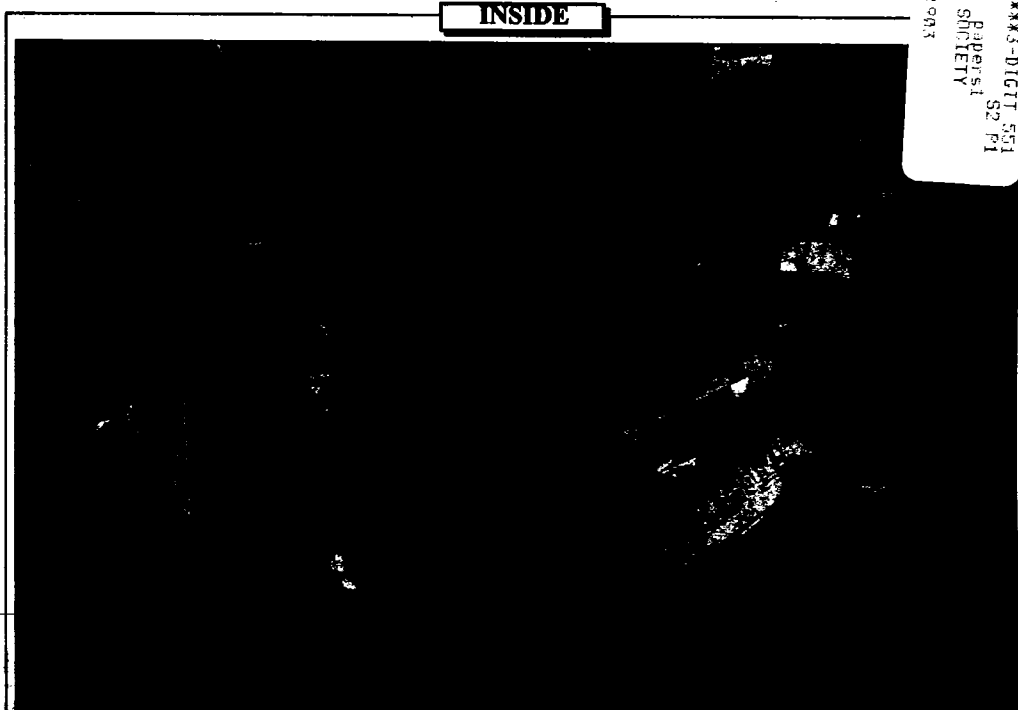
But the day also revealed potential problems in future campus issues, such as co-development planning between the school organizations and the city of Rochester.

Bower said such partnerships are the future to higher education. Her task will be to bring together and strengthen some of the 150 academic programs.

The University, Winona State University and Rochester Community and Technical College offer the main programs at the Rochester center.

"The provost will bring us to the community

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Taking part in a protest against police brutality, Keith Ellison, right, leads more than 200 people in a march from the Hennepin County Government Center in downtown Minneapolis to St. Michael's Church in south Minneapolis Monday afternoon. Ellison is representing 15-year-old Lawrence Miles Jr., who was shot in the back by a police officer last August in south Minneapolis.

Photo/Jayne Rabinowitz

Yudof: State aid should fund more bio and technical fields

Chris Hamilton
Staff Reporter

AUSTIN, Texas — Last year, while investigating his future post, University President Mark Yudof took the school's pulse, and then quickly laid it on the operating table. The prognosis — multiple transplants needed.

He hoisted two ideas from the University of Texas-Austin, where he was executive vice president and provost from 1994 to 1997. Programs in molecular, cellular biology and digital technology could be inserted into the limping patient with the help of \$138 million in state aid.

The legislative session kicks off today. Over the last two decades, high-ranking, major universities have been investing heavily in the biological and technological fields.

According to academic officials, the University of Illinois has a model program in digital technology. Three California schools are considered the best in molecular, cellular biology.

Although 68 percent of the University's research money is directed to biological sciences, the University ranks 34th nationally in this science category, according to the National Research Council.

"Make 12 random calls to public universities and you'll find them putting their money in the same things," Yudof said.

The University president has repeatedly made the ubiquitous pledge to elevate the school into the overall top five for public research universities. The University is 9th right now. His Austin experience with high-tech and health-orientated sciences was a critical factor in his hiring, said some University

regents.

"He spoke about them right from the get-go," said Regent H. Bryan Neel III, who is a doctor at the Rochester Mayo Clinic and has conducted research in genetics. "That caught my attention."

He added that, for the University, the programs could generate financially beneficial relationships with private businesses.

Some state officials have said they also anticipate dividends for Minnesota's economy through investing in these programs.

"Yudof's focus on technology and the sciences is going to define a large part of our future," said Gov. Arne Carlson. "We're going to be spinning off so many jobs. It's going to be very pleasant."

But some legislators are still on the fence

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Rec Center to charge fee for cycling program

□ U will offer the use of new aerobic equipment, but only to students willing to pay user fees.

Kate Daly
For The Daily

The Recreation Center will implement another program next

month that requires a quarterly payment beyond the student services fee.

The Kaiser Power Pacing cycling program, which the center will offer as a class for \$35 per quarter starting in February, includes 20 new stationary bikes, which the Recreation Center purchased for almost \$700 each.

Recreation Center officials justified the expense by saying the new machines give the user a more comprehensive workout than the center's

Lifecycle stationary bikes, which only work the leg and gluteal muscles.

"It offers a great overall workout between leg, arm and cardio segments," said Kate Keiger, one of the Kaiser program coordinators.

"We wanted to implement a fitness program that could offer a high aerobic workout to both the male and female sectors of the U community."

Nationally renowned aerobics expert Kristopher Kory introduced the Kaiser Power

Pacing cycling program to 20 fitness enthusiasts Saturday at the Recreation Center.

The group spent five hours training to learn how to teach classes on the bikes.

The Kaiser program will be one of several programs offered by the Recreation Center that requires a payment beyond the student services fee.

However, some students said the

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Asia

TWO SOUTH KOREAN CONGLOMERATES PROMISE TO DOWNSIZE

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Heading an international plan to bolster South Korea's economy, two of the country's biggest conglomerates promised Monday to delay major projects or halt them altogether.

But the cost-cutting plans by the Hyundai and LG groups weren't specific on how they will meet a key government demand to shed subsidiaries.

Taming South Korea's unbridled conglomerates, or chaebol, is a major condition of the International Monetary Fund's record \$57 billion bailout package announced in December.

South Korean conglomerates maintain a flock of subsidiaries under their wings. For example, Hyundai, the nation's largest conglomerate, has 58 subsidiaries, and LG, the No. 3 conglomerate, has 54.

The conglomerates are widely blamed for the country's current economic crisis. They have been accused of siphoning off most bank loans, smothering small businesses.

At least eight of the nation's 30 largest conglomerates collapsed under heavy debts last year, saddling banks with billions of dollars in bad loans and fueling the crisis.

Hyundai said it will halt or delay billions of dollars in new investment projects, focus on key industries and improve the financial information it provides to the public.

It said it will suspend indefinitely a \$3 billion steel plant and sell its stake in Munhwa Ilbo, a money-losing national newspaper. The group also said it has stopped building a car

factory in Indonesia and will delay by one year a \$1.4 billion semiconductor plant in Scotland.

Hyundai also promised to dispose of weak subsidiaries, but did not name them. Hyundai's businesses include cars, ships, semiconductors, furniture and financial services.

LG's restructuring program was broader and contained few details. It said it will streamline its business and reaudit or scrap by 1999 as many as 90 weak or unprofitable projects.



Middle East

SECULAR TURKISH GOVERNMENT TO INCREASE CLOUT ON ISLAMIC FINANCE

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Turkey's secular government not only wants political restrictions on the Islamic movement — it wants financial ones, too.

The country's only Islamic party was banned last week, and the government has drafted a law ending privileges for Islamic financial institutions and tightening control on Muslim-owned businesses.

The staunchly secular military says those businesses channel about \$250 million to Islamic political groups each year. While the transfers are legal, the generals see them as a threat to Turkey's secular system and want them curbed.

They also want strict Muslims to diversify their investments, instead of limiting them to Muslim-owned firms.

The military has led a harsh campaign against the movement, forcing the country's first Islamic-led government to resign last June and prodding the Constitutional Court to ban the Welfare Party — Turkey's largest — last Friday for violating the constitution's secular principles.

On Monday, a group of former Welfare officials was on the verge of forming a possible replacement party, Welfare leader and former Prime Minister Necmettin Erbakan said. Turkey's chief prosecutor has vowed to push for closure of any party that looks like a successor to Welfare.

Erbakan also assured ambassadors from several Muslim countries Monday that the Islamic movement in Turkey will continue to grow.

That is just what the government fears. Its draft finance law ends tax breaks and federal insurance exemptions for six Islamic financial institutions. Those perks have allowed them to lend cheaply to Islamic firms.

Islam forbids interest earnings, but Turkey's Islamic financial institutions offer profit-sharing deals to skirt the ban.

The law, which is expected to be approved by Parliament in the next few months, would allow regular banks to offer no-interest accounts as well, opening up the market for strict believers' savings.

"The officials finally saw the dimensions of threat posed by Islamic banking and businesses to our national security," wrote Oktay Ekici, chief columnist for the daily Hurriyet. Islamic companies insist they pose no such threat.

"We don't select our customers based on their religions. That would not be trade," Hikmet Gulser, general manager of Faisla Finance, an Islamic firm, told The Associated Press.

Customers of such companies are devout Muslims seeking increased religious influence in their daily life.

"I bought all my household appliances from Islamic traders," said Nevzat Yasar, pointing at an electric heater, a blender and a water-purifier in his kitchen. "I want my money to go to Muslims."

Islamic companies have \$2.5 billion in investments in Turkey in textiles, media, chemicals, automotive, food, tourism and transportation.

The six Islamic finance houses targeted by the draft law have estimated total bank deposits of \$2.2 billion, roughly 4 percent of deposits in all banks in Turkey. That is up 1

percent from the year before. Last summer, the military ordered its units to stop purchasing goods or accepting bids from companies known for their Islamic politics.



Africa

EUROPEANS LAUNCH CRUCIAL DIPLOMATIC MISSION IN ALGERIA

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — European envoys launched a diplomatic mission to Algeria on Monday, seeking to discuss ways to end six years of violence that has claimed tens of thousands of lives.

The two-day mission by delegates from Britain, Austria and Luxembourg is not expected to halt the massacres blamed on Islamic insurgents trying to impose strict religious rule in the North African nation.

But it signals a new activism by the West in a crisis that has left an estimated 75,000 people dead. The insurgency was triggered by the army's cancellation of January 1992 legislative elections that Islamic militants appeared on the verge of winning.

A new wave of massacres since the Dec. 30 start of the Muslim holy month of Ramadan sparked the latest diplomatic effort.

Algeria has long rejected foreign intercession in its affairs, refusing even humanitarian assistance. That severely limits the scope of the current mission, but Europe and the West still consider it a crucial opening of dialogue in a relationship long characterized by mistrust.

The European envoys made no statement when they arrived in Algiers late Monday.

Campus Briefs

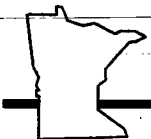
Lecture: The Muslim Student Association is sponsoring a free lecture titled "Jesus in the Quran and Mohammed in the Bible" at 6 p.m. today in rooms 307, 308 and 309 Coffman Union.

Film: "All God's Children" examines the effects of homophobia on African Americans. It includes first-person versions of what the African American struggle for civil rights means within the context of fighting discrimination against lesbian and gay men of all races. The movie and discussion will be held at noon today in Coffman Memorial Union Theatre.

Rally: The Progressive Student Organization is sponsoring an abortion-rights rally at 11:15 a.m. Wednesday outside Coffman Union.

March: The Maranatha Christian Fellowship is sponsoring a Roe v. Wade Memorial Campus March at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday outside Coffman Union.

On this date in 1977: University officials discussed a recommendation from the governor to institute a four day work and school week at the University to help deal with the state-wide energy crisis. The recommendation eventually failed.



More than 1,000 people rally in support of logging in Superior National Forest

ORR, Minn. (AP) — The battle in the forest moved to the highway that runs through it.

Loggers lined U.S. Highway 53 here Saturday with about 175 trucks in support of the harvesting of century-old red pines at the Little Alfie site in the Superior National Forest.

U.S. District Judge John Tunheim is scheduled to hear arguments Wednesday in Minneapolis on whether to temporarily halt loggers from cutting some of the 6,000 red pines at the site pending the outcome of a lawsuit filed by the environmental group Earth Protector.

The group contends that the U.S. Forest Service illegally sold the trees to sawmill owner Tony Vukelich without doing an environmental-impact study. The U.S. Forest Service, Vukelich and the Minnesota Timber Producers Association want the suit dismissed.

More than 1,000 people jammed into and around the Orr Legion Hall on Saturday to hear speeches by local offi-

cials, legislators and loggers. "This is a mass show of how many people depend on the logging industry for work," said Ivan Lokken, an Angora logger. "The main thing is to show how many people are involved in logging."

About 57,600 people work in Minnesota's \$6.4 billion forest industry. In northern Minnesota, about 15,000 people are employed in the industry, making it the largest with about three times the workers employed in the taconite industry.

Some say a decision that favors environmentalists could lead to further limitations on use of public lands.

State Rep. Tom Bakk of Cook, who represents the Orr area, said "land worshiper" environmentalists and some state and federal legislators are taking aim at north-eastern Minnesota.

Bakk said a federal bill is expected to be introduced in the next congressional session that would place a moratorium on building new forest roads. And on the opening day of the Minnesota Legislature Tuesday, a state bill is likely to be intro-

duced that would ban snowmobiling on public lands.

"The real agenda is to remove you from this area of the state," Bakk told the Legion Hall crowd. "Because they would like to turn this area into a little private, non-motorized playground. That's the real agenda — to get us out of here."

On Wednesday, Earth Protector, Earth First! and Superior Wilderness Action Network hosted a "Save Little Alfie" rally that attracted several dozen people to the Minneapolis federal courthouse.

"Unlike the timber industry, we don't have bosses telling people to get down to our rally," said Ray Fenner of SWAN. "We're coming from the heart and what people want; we're not being ordered to line the highway."

The activists say their battle over Little Alfie is part of a larger fight to stop commercial logging in federal forests. They contend the federal timber sale program loses large amounts of money, destroys natural beauty and produces less than 5 percent of the nation's wood supply.

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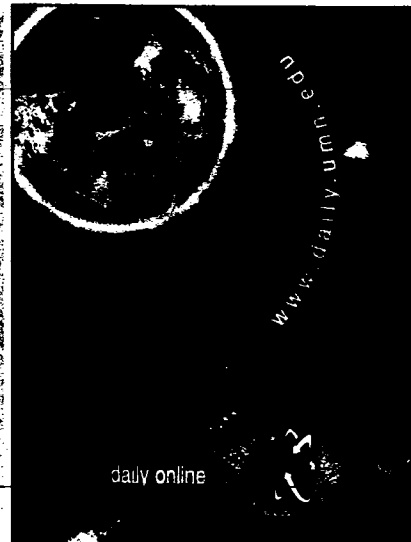
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Dream of racial parity celebrated

Matthew A. Johnson
For The Daily

Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream of racial equality may not be a reality yet, but that doesn't stop people from celebrating it.

More than 500 people gathered at the Ted Mann Concert Hall, Sunday for the University's annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Concert.

Lorraine Johnson-Coleman, a nationally renowned folklorist, headlined the program. Johnson-Coleman presented her original stories and poetry Sunday from her recent book "Just Plain Folks: Wisdom from the Front Porch," published in October 1997.

"(I like) bringing a new perspective to Black History Month beyond the often celebrated and talked about (people)," said Johnson-Coleman. She added that she also likes to incorporate "the ordinary folks" into Black History Month, which is February.

Some concert-goers said they liked Johnson-Coleman because they could relate to her message through her storytelling.

"I loved it; she took me way back home," said Diane Howard, a St. Paul insurance agent and Alabama native. "I could relate to (the performance). It was really good."

Johnson-Coleman's performance included two blues artists, "Little Pink" Anderson and Freddy Vanderford, who accompanied her storytelling as background music.

"(I liked) hearing the blues," said Marcus Campbell, a Minneapolis attorney and recent University graduate. "The way that she had the blues as the undertones of her lyrics



Lorraine Johnson-Coleman, a nationally known storyteller, shares some tales from her book "Just Plain Folks: Wisdom from the Front Porch" Sunday afternoon at the 17th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Concert in the Ted Mann Concert Hall. Johnson-Coleman's anecdotes were accompanied by a blues duo.

Photo/Melissa Jansson

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U budget being reviewed at Capitol

Coralie Carlson
Staff Reporter

The bustle returns to the state Capitol today as lawmakers enter the 1998 legislative session facing an agenda packed with items affecting the University.

Over the course of the three-month session, legislators will debate how financial aid should be administered, Board of Regents members should be selected, and the University should upgrade its physical appearance.

University constituencies will be eyeing the following agenda items in the upcoming weeks.

Budget requests

University President Mark Yudof put forward \$290.5 million in capital and supplemental budget requests, much of it for building renovations and faculty member raises. The first-year president will be looking to cash in on the support he's received from heads of both parties.

The lion's share of the University's request — \$249 million — is devoted to enhancing technology and improving the school's aging buildings. But it faces fierce competition from other groups hoping to snatch up bonding money for their own projects.

Every other year, the Legislature approves a bonding bill, with money coming from the sale of state bonds. Such spending requires three-fifths approval instead of the standard

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TUESDAY
JAN. 27

NANCY HAUSER DANCE COMPANY

The Nancy Hauser Dance Company provides a link to the ageless roots of modern dance when the elements of time, space, and energy were first combined to give dance its life. A delightful show.

Coffman Fireplace Lounge. Noon. Free.



WEDNESDAY
JAN. 28

FUTURAS SEXTET

The Whole Jazz Series presents, Futuras Sextet, featuring saxophone legend, Tom Zosel. This group mixes funk, R&B, blues and jazz.

Two shows. Noon in the Coffman Fireplace Lounge. 7:30pm in The Whole Music Club. Both shows free.



COMMUNITY SERVICE FAIR

Learn more about involvement opportunities with local community service agencies. Students can register to win a computer!

10am-2pm. 1st floor Coffman. Free.

THURSDAY
JAN. 29

GRADUATING STUDENT'S CHOREOGRAPHIC GUILD

This program will introduce you to some of the best modern dancers and choreographers the U of M has to offer.

Coffman Fireplace Lounge. Noon.

U-SWING DANCE WORKSHOP

The Whole Music Club wants to teach you how to swing. Featuring the U of M School of Music's Jazz Repertory Ensemble and U-Swing, the U's newest student organization. These lessons are free to all students, just bring your dancing shoes.

The Whole Music Club, basement of Coffman. 7pm. Free.

FRIDAY
JAN. 30

STAR-GAZING AT THE U OF M OBSERVATORY

If it's a good clear night, hang out in the Observatory perched high on top of the Physics Building. Use their monster telescopes, learn everything you've ever dreamed about the winter skies.

Call 626-0034 to see if the weather is cooperating. Meet at the Physics Building Observatory, top floor. 8pm-9:30pm. Free.

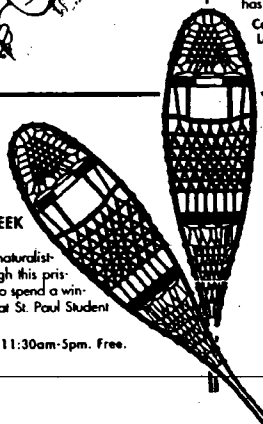


SATURDAY
JAN. 31

SNOWSHOE AT CEDAR CREEK NATURAL HISTORY AREA

Participate in a fun, educational, naturalist-guided walk on snowshoes through this pristine preserve! What a great way to spend a wintry Saturday afternoon! Register at St. Paul Student Center's Outdoor Store.

Meet at St. Paul Student Center. 11:30am-5pm. Free.



INFO

Call Coffman's Program Council at 625-6984 for more information on any of these events, or to find out how to help plan upcoming activities.

To request disability accommodations call 626-0186.

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Demonstrators rally against police brutality

Josh L. Dickey
Staff Reporter

More than 200 people of all ages, races and backgrounds marched almost two miles in the streets of downtown Minneapolis Monday afternoon to protest police brutality.

The rally began just after 2 p.m. on the mall in front of the Hennepin County Government Center. After a brief statement from organizers, the procession set out for St. Michael's Church in South Minneapolis.

More than 15 people from the University, including members of the Progressive Student Organization, the University Young Women and University faculty joined the protest.

Onlookers honked and waved as protesters' cries of "If we don't get no justice, they don't get no peace," and "The people, united, will never be defeated," echoed off the downtown buildings.

The protesters were calling for terrorist threat charges against 15-year-old Lawrence Miles Jr. and assault charges against 37-year-old Andre Madison to be dropped.

The People for Justice for Lawrence Miles Jr. and Andre Madison, the event sponsor, claim that the two black males are victims of racially motivated police brutality.

Professor of Political Science August Nimtz Jr., who participated in the rally, said a victory for Miles would be an important step toward healing the problem of police brutality.

"Everything we know about this indicates that it was indeed a cover-up,"

Nimtz said of the case against Miles.

Miles sustained injuries from a shotgun blast in August when Minneapolis Police officer Charles Storlie saw the youth run away with a toy pistol. Storlie then shot him in the back.

Police claim Miles pointed the gun at officers; some witnesses say Miles never pointed the toy gun at anyone.

The Minneapolis Police Department and Hennepin County District Attorney's office found no wrongdoing on the part of Storlie. Miles was charged with making terroristic threats. He will stand trial Jan. 26.

Madison was visiting at a friend's apartment in north Minneapolis last July when police raided the building looking for drugs. No drugs were found, but more than 500 shots were fired in the botched campaign, two of which hit Madison in the neck and arm.

Police claim Madison threatened them with a shotgun, an assertion Madison disputes. He is currently serving a 36-month sentence for assaulting a police officer.

Protesters claim these incidents are not isolated, but are indicative of an atmosphere of racism and police brutality plaguing not only Minneapolis, but the entire nation.

Nimtz said the group marched on Martin Luther King Jr. Day not to celebrate the gains of the struggle, but to continue it.

"We consciously decided to use the day itself to press forward the way Dr. King would have — to make it real," he said.

Yudof invites Chinese educators to Minnesota

Nancy Ngo
Staff Reporter

Top education officials from the University and China could soon reunite.

Although no contracts resulted from Mark Yudof's China trip, the University president rolled out the red carpet for the country's educators to visit Minnesota in coming months. He also paved the way for future University delegations to travel to Asia.

"In 72 hours you don't negotiate brand new agreements. So many of these things are based on relationships," Yudof said after his return from China late last week.

Yudof said Friday he might return to China for a similar mission. But by then, more contractual agreements should be in place, he said.

Among the first Chinese visitors

to the University could be Wei Yu, the Chinese vice-minister for education. Such a visit could come at the end of February.

Wei is interested in possible adoptions of the University's medical technology and molecular and cellular biology research models, Yudof said.

Wei would also like to evaluate the University's model of extension of technology into rural areas to aid farmers.

David Pui, the director of the University's China Center who accompanied Yudof on his trip, said such a tie could prove to be significant because 50 percent of those living in China are involved in the agricultural business.

A team from the Carlson School of Management will travel to the country in February to plan an executive training program for Chinese nationals who would work for

American markets. So far, 3M has expressed interest in participating in such a venture.

David Kidwell, dean of the Carlson school, said the team will go there to establish a letter of intent for the potential program.

The program would add to an already tight bond between the University and China. Students from China make up the highest number of international enrollees at the University.

About 1,200 Chinese students attend the University and several faculty members work on collaborative projects with 160 Chinese schools.

School officials will also help plan a conference in China where the country will look at models for creating stockholder corporations. U.S. models of ownership, distribution of stocks and equity planning would be explored, Yudof said.

Rec Center invests in 20 Kaiser Power Pacing bikes

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better workout they might get from the bikes wouldn't convince them to pay more money for a class on the new machines, which some said were intimidating.

"It looks too hard," said College of Liberal Arts senior Allison Roegner.

But program coordinator Lisa Carlson said the machines are versatile enough to give out-of-shape participants an appropriate workout.

"The program is so well-designed that someone who is under-conditioned can sit next to someone who is well-conditioned and they'll both benefit from it," she said.

Some die-hard enthusiasts are willing to shell out the extra money for the class. In order to use the bikes, participants must purchase the class pass.

"I think it looks like fun," said CLA senior Christy DeSmith. "I want to take the class because I've

heard it's a great workout."

Kory emphasized the fact that a participant doesn't have to be an expert cyclist or aerobics buff to participate.

"I feel it's an easy program to learn and teach," said Kory, adding that people like the program because they tend to get bored on stair stepers or they don't want to wait in lines for machines.

Yudof seeks to bolster research at the University

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about giving the University more than \$290 million through capital and supplemental budget requests to help finance these and other advancements.

"I want to know how the state financial outlook stands before I'll commit," said Rep. Henry Kalis, DFL-Walters, and chair of the House capital investment committee.

In Austin, Texas, far away from the legislative fight over how to spend Minnesota's \$1.3 billion state surplus, relatively new programs in biology and technology are taking shape.

A white limestone with fossil inlay building glares in the Texas sun. The \$26-million Molecular, Cellular Biology Institute is new. From this branch of science, more durable and plentiful crops will grow. Experts even say a cure for cancer might come from this building.

Inside, researchers map out the basic building blocks of life — genes and cells — discovering how they function. Basic research is conducted to expand the world's knowledge and attract government-sponsored research.

Allan Lambowitz, director of the Texas institute, said he is proud that he focuses on expanding knowledge rather than developing products for the corporate world.

Although there are about 30 biology-based companies in the Austin area, without a medical or veterinary school on campus, the institute can only form limited bonds with private businesses.

The biologically related sciences annually generate \$160 million in National Institutes of Health research grants. Victor Bloomfield, Faculty Council chair at the University and a biochemistry professor, said he

believes this emphasis will continue.

Expanding private-public partnerships at the University's proposed institute is an important goal, Neel said.

With Minnesota ranked second in the nation in agri-business, strengthening this relationship means strengthening plant microbiology. And \$14 million of the budget request is dedicated to renovating the agricultural labs on the St. Paul campus. "We wouldn't have pushed that at Austin because, in Texas, agriculture is done by Texas A&M," Yudof said.

Having an appreciation for the geographical relationship of participants in the program is as important as understanding similar relationships with cells. Putting experts in close enough proximity to share findings produces results, said Hank Bose, chairman of the Austin Microbiology Department.

More than 60 faculty members, 60 graduate students and 40 undergraduates work in the building. Annual funding of \$3 million and 30 labs help coordinate a wide range of expertise from throughout the Austin campus. Under the umbrella of the institute, disciplines such as botany and biochemistry leave the parameters of their current departments.

Most University officials share their Austin counterparts' enthusiasm for proximity and the results it may incur. And that's why the jewel of the capital budget is the proposed \$70-million Molecular, Cellular Biology Building, said Frank Cerra, senior vice president for University Health Sciences.

The building would replace the hodgepodge collection of Lyon Lab, and Millard, Owre and Jackson halls on the East Bank.

There is a plan still in the works to

merge duplicating — and often competing — biology-related programs in varying colleges and departments. For instance, there are two biochemistry departments, two biomedical engineering institutes and three different entities involving genetics, molecular and cellular biology.

"Welcome to the world of an institution that began in the 1800s," Neel said.

While details are sketchy, everyone agrees Yudof's plans — and the money — are impetuses to get the ball rolling.

And one way to jump start his plans is to provide funds to attract 17 superstar faculty members and junior support personnel. Administrators will ask the Legislature for \$9 million a year for salaries and a one-time \$15 million for lab set-up costs.

Four of these blue-chip faculty members could be set up in a newly renovated Walter Library. The fix up — which could cost \$53.6 million

— would support the digital technology initiative. The gutted and computerized library would be the hub for an interdisciplinary research center. Faculty from computer science and engineering to chemistry would be involved in the project.

Defining the program is in the preliminary stages. But an October summit of local computer business and faculty leaders proved that the focus is narrowing, said H. Ted Davis, dean of the Institute of Technology.

High-performance computing, graphic simulation, networking and analyzing massive amounts of data are expectations for the initiative. Researchers could model the structure of proteins or costumes for the theatre. Again, close ties to private business would be a University ambition, Davis said.

In Austin, a similar, 4-year-old program is establishing itself. Within the next year, a \$12 million

digital technology center will be erected on the campus.

An institute of computer science and applied mathematics faculty work with students to design and simulate computer models. The center will house them and other digital technology groups, said Christine Maziar, an Austin vice provost and the University's new research vice president and graduate school dean.

The center is growing and private outreach is a priority in the Austin area. Partnerships with businesses such as IBM and Motorola are in the mill.

"Austin's been called the silicon prairie," Maziar said. "In fact, there are so many flights to San Jose (Calif.) the plane's called the nerd bird because of all of the engineers on board."

She added that there's an akin flight taking 3M workers from Austin to Minneapolis.

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■ Concert-goers enjoy stories, blues

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was something that I could identify with."

Special Events Coordinator Mike Tracy said he invited Johnson-Coleman to speak at Sunday's concert to get a new perspective on the holiday celebration, which is in its 17th year.

"We were killing one more bird with this stone because not only is she a great entertainer, but she's a folklorist who's saving black culture," Tracy said.

One of the ways Johnson-Coleman said she is trying to preserve African-American culture is through her book, which includes original stories and essays about

African-American folk culture.

"I work with rural African-American communities in a variety of ways," said Johnson-Coleman. "This book is just an extension of the kinds of work that I want to do, which is really (to) help folks recognize that rural African-Americans have made incredible contributions."

Johnson-Coleman said Martin Luther King Jr. was very inspirational in her life.

"I think Martin Luther King has influenced everybody to keep striving to actually make America what it's supposed to be," said Johnson-Coleman. "That stuff they wrote in the Constitution, we're all waiting for it to come true."

■ Rochester striving for more cooperation

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and also the Twin Cities and MnSCU board together," said Carol Lund, director of the University's component of the program.

Lund oversees those taking University credits, a number equivalent to 113 full-time University students.

Although the center mainly focuses in areas of technology and health sciences education, the University also offers teaching licenses and mechanical engineering certificates among its 24 degree programs.

These offerings differ from MnSCU's academic focuses, which emphasize areas such as counseling and management.

Many hope bringing in a new provost will make taking classes from the different schools a smoother process, including credit transfer.

School officials also want to see the new provost expand the programs offered.

"I think it's the first step of full

academic programs here," said Michael Vekich, MnSCU Board of Trustees chairman.

But adding academic programs requires an expansion of the center in the form of new road systems and buildings, posing issues in how to fund co-development.

Sen. Sheila Kiscaden, R-Rochester, leads a panel Friday joining school leaders and city officials to discuss what role the school systems should have in co-development with the city.

"There isn't a clear action plan," she said. "But we need the cooperation of the city, MnSCU and the University," she said.

Some school officials expressed concern about contributing too much to the center, where the bulk of its users are Rochester citizens and not students from their schools. But city officials also hope that some revenue from a proposed sales tax will help weigh down the costs of such future projects.

■ Students could see more grants

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majority.

Richard Pfutzenreuter, assistant vice president for the Office of Budget and Finance, said the capital request is unique because it closely incorporates Yudof's initiatives for molecular and cellular biology, digital science, new media, agriculture research and outreach and design. The budget first outlines what University officials want to do and then what building renovations are needed to meet the goals.

"There has been some real concern with the deterioration of the buildings at the University," said Rep. Henry Kalis, DFL-Walters. But Kalis has reserved overall judgment on the University's request.

Instead, the Capital Investment Committee chairman said he wants the money spread geographically and across state agencies.

Several legislators are skeptical whether this is the best time to undertake large construction projects. With the strong economy, construction costs will be at a premium, said Sen. Leroy Stumpf, DFL-Thief River Falls. Many construction companies are rebuilding flood damaged property in the state,

driving up competition and cost.

Regent selection

Legislators could shake up the composition of the University's main governing body by altering its election process.

Last session, eight bills were submitted to revise the regent selection process. Several proposed eliminating the student regent position.

Under existing laws, the University has 12 regents — one from each of eight districts and four elected at-large. One seat is reserved for a student. Unofficially, one at-large seat represents labor and one agriculture.

The alumni association noticed a decrease in the number of applicants for regent positions, from 150 in 1989 to about 90 in 1996. One potential reason for the decline is the lengthy lobbying process, said Les Heen, a legislative coordinator for the alumni association.

In order to boost applicant numbers, the association recommends eliminating all constituency-based seats. Therefore, candidates for each position could be drawn from a state-wide pool.

However, removing constituency seats would also eliminate student,

labor and agriculture seats.

Although student representatives would still have an advisory role, some argue the student regent position is essential.

"Who has a more invested interest in the University than the students?" asked Jessica Phillips, who currently holds the student regent position.

Pell/state grants

Lawmakers could ease the financial burden on students by freeing up more federally approved aid money.

Congress appropriated more money to Pell Grants, totalling a \$13.5 million increase for Minnesota. Legislators will decide if students see any of that money in the 1998 fiscal year.

The Federal Pell Grant and State Grant funds are linked, so if the Pell Grant money remains stable, spending on the State Grant increases. This design ensures that grant money increases with education costs, even when federal grant money stays stagnant.


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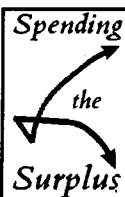
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Editorials

“Legislators must remember that the boom economy that gave them the surplus will end.”

Short-term spending squanders surplus

Editor's note: this is the second in a series of Monday editorials that will examine the state budget surplus.



Lawmakers face hundreds of proposals for spending the state's \$1.3 billion surplus — assuming that they resist the popular urge to simply return the money to taxpayers. Legislators need to establish unsentimental priorities for their spending in the upcoming session. Otherwise, Minnesota risks a repeat of the late 1980s, when several unwisely spent surpluses left the state without the resources needed to weather the 1991 recession.

That year the state faced a \$1 billion shortfall. Until mid-1992, demand for state services continued to grow while the tax base contracted. During a recession, the state needs to rely on past investments and limited borrowing to provide more services with fewer tax dollars. Today, like a decade ago, lawmakers risk making short-term spending decisions without considering the long-term inevitability of economic downturns. Legislators must remember that the boom economy that gave them a surplus will end, and probably sooner than later.

The press is full of alarmist reports of the immanent collapse of the world economy. Domino theories that amount to “today Korea, tomorrow Japan and the day after Europe and the United States,” are overstated and simplistic. But the collapse of currencies and the contraction of economies on the far side of the Pacific hint at future weakness here. Already, the state's 1997 growth figures have been revised down to 2.0 percent — a 0.3 percent drop. The surplus itself is unaffected by the revision, but the changed estimate prompted Gov. Arne Carlson to call for saving about \$200 million of the windfall.

That proposal and similar ones are well-intentioned, but show a simplistic view of the recessionary threat. Banking money against future shortfalls focuses on meeting cash receipts rather than restoring growth. According to figures from the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Asia buys 32.8 percent of the state's manufactured exports. Upwards of half, much more by some counts, of the state's imports are made in Asia. That means that Minnesota is particularly exposed to Asian risk and any effects of currency collapses there will be magnified here. Price deflation and layoffs could follow further Asian decline.

If that sort of recession hits — whether this year or four years from now — covering accounts payable will be the least of the state's worries. If the state invests wisely today, lawmakers in the next recession will have the tools to respond effectively. Or, in macroeconomic terms, if capital declines, the state will need to improve labor and land. That means spending on workers and infrastructure. Wise spending today in areas such as education, research and transit will enable the state to retrain workers, build new industries and support development when the good times end.

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Melodie Bohan

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Campus events planned for King's birthday

The University is closed Monday for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.



Letters

Editor's note: Because of technical difficulties, some letters to the editor sent by e-mail last week have been lost. We encourage all readers who e-mailed letters after Wednesday to resubmit their comments to letters@daily.umn.edu.

U cop was skilled and courteous

The Jan. 7 article, “U cop files complaint alleging discrimination,” contained a description of Officer Jeffrey Gilchrist by University General Counsel Mark Rotenberg. Rotenberg's description was so radically different from what I witnessed on a civilian ride along that I

feel compelled to respond.

In Officer Gilchrist I saw a professional, cordial and skilled man at ease with people encompassing a wide variety of ages, personality types and cultures. He showed the same courteous professionalism to all, including people he was questioning, and in one case, arresting.

I watched a driver in a traffic stop attempt to goad him to anger, a tearful driver who was stopped for running a red light after drinking, two students caught in the act of theft and a dorm full of upset students following the appearance of an intruder.

Throughout these events, Officer Gilchrist maintained his own composure while maintaining control of the situation. His handling of an arrest drew respect even from the individual being cuffed and led away.

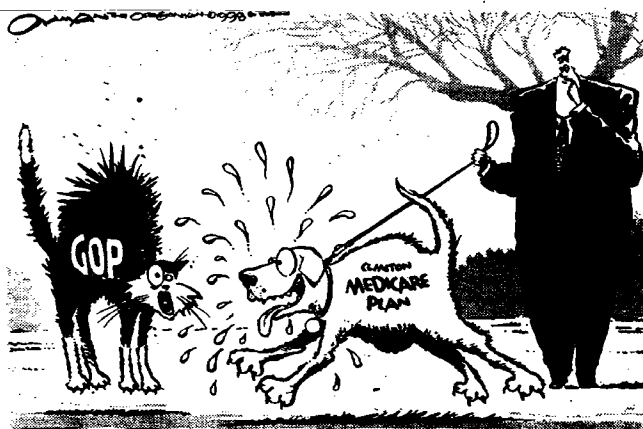
Given the disparity between the

man I saw in action and the man described by Rotenberg, I can only surmise that he has never met Officer Gilchrist, who is undoubtedly nothing more than a badge number and a file full of conjecture to Rotenberg.

Further, for an institution purportedly dedicated to expansion of diversity and opportunities, the University's response toward Officer Gilchrist is at best unfairly lacking foundation, and at worst, defaming and damaging.

Since the University Police welcome civilian ride-alongs, I encourage anyone interested to contact the department and become involved in the ride-along program.

Lori R. Peterson,
Minneapolis



Opinions

Carts would handicap pro golf

Last year almost couldn't have been better for the world of golf. A new surge in the popularity of the sport delivered record-setting attendance numbers at tournaments as legions of fans showed up to cheer for a new, younger generation of professional golfers. These fans took their passion away from the professional arena and onto the public links, playing more golf in greater numbers than ever before. The PGA could not help but be happy with the way things were going until a splash of cold water brought them back down to earth in December.

Every December the PGA holds the final round of the Tour Qualifying School. The top 35 competitors receive their tour cards, advancing to the PGA Tour, while the remainder of the field receives permission to play on the Nike Tour, the minor leagues of professional golf. This year a 25-year-old named Casey Martin entered the tournament and advanced to the finals, where the trouble began.

Martin, a former teammate of Tiger Woods on the NCAA championship Stanford Team, suffers from Klippel-Trenaunay-Weber Syndrome, a rare circulatory birth defect. Spending extended periods of time on his feet causes blood to pool in his right leg, resulting in swelling and extreme discomfort, perhaps someday leading to the need for an amputation above the knee.

Walking with a noticeable limp, Martin petitioned the PGA to allow him to use a cart for the tournament. However the PGA has always maintained a policy prohibiting carts in professional tournament play. Since he

believed that he would be unable to walk the golf course during the tournament, Martin feared that his dreams of becoming a professional golfer, something at least his golf swing seems to qualify him for, would come to an end. Therefore he took the matter to court.

Suing under the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act, Martin sought a court order forcing the PGA to allow him to use a cart. The law requires that "reasonable accommodations" be made for handicapped individuals so they may compete on an equal level with non-handicapped persons.

The court issued a preliminary injunction against the PGA, and Martin was allowed to take a cart. Since an advantage was perceived in cart riding, all competitors in the tournament were given the option of riding. Twenty of the 168 chose to do so on the first day. When Martin failed to earn his tour card by two strokes, a further agreement was reached between lawyers for both parties, allowing Martin to use a cart during the first two Nike events of 1998. He won the first, the Nike Lakeland Classic, and did not make the cut in the second.

A final decision will be made in the case during a trial beginning Feb. 2 in the federal court of Eugene, Ore., Martin's hometown.

It is difficult not to sympathize with Martin's predicament. He represents the highest character of the physically challenged, striving to overcome his handicap and fighting against the establishment for equal opportunities. Who is the PGA to stand in the way of his dream? Of course the court should rule in his favor. Or should it?

There are two very distinct issues on the table in this debate. Before we can even ask whether Martin should be allowed to ride, we must first ask whether the courts



Chris Trejbal
Columnist

should be permitted to rule in his favor at all. Quite simply, issue one is whether a federal court has the authority to dictate the rules of a professional sport and issue two is whether the PGA should allow Martin to take a cart.

Golf, like most sports, is full of odd and seemingly arbitrary rules. You can't wear shorts in the PGA. You can only carry 14 clubs. You can't ride a cart. If the court decides to change one of these, what is to prevent it from changing any of the others?

Nothing. The governing body of a sport, comprised of individuals who have devoted their lives to the game, should have the final say in what the rules are.

The United States Golf Association, the Royal and Ancient of St. Andrews and the PGA together establish the rules governing play. If the courts alter the rules, a Pandora's box will be opened.

Congress will be able to legislate a constitutional amendment outlawing the designated hitter in baseball. An executive order from the president could force official instant replay review in the NFL. The rules would no longer exist to give structure and provide an even playing field in sports, but to satisfy public sympathies and political pressures.

The more difficult issue is whether the governing body of golf should alter its rules allowing Martin to ride a cart rather than walk to the 72 holes of a PGA tournament. The golfing public, according to most polls, is about evenly split on the matter. The foremost point of contention is whether walking is, as PGA Commissioner Tim Finchem has argued, "an integral part of the competition."

At the amateur level, walkers are a dying breed. Fewer and fewer courses offer caddies to their customers, and many new courses require that a cart be taken. A decision by the PGA to allow carts would encourage even more people to use them, moving away from over 500 years of tradition. But tradition isn't everything, and this argument offered by golf "purists" is far from convincing. Besides, we aren't talking about amateurs here, but professionals.

The real problem is that Martin will receive an unfair advantage by being allowed to take a cart. While walking 18 holes a day (roughly 4.5 miles) over four days may not sound par-

ticularly taxing, the pressure of tournament play changes the "good walk spoiled" into a physical and mental challenge. In the final holes of a tournament, it is common to see fatigue setting in on the leaders. When a tournament is hosted on a hot, humid, Midwest weekend, the necessity for fortitude increases. Having ridden in a cart for four days, Martin would be much fresher down the stretch.

To nullify this problem, the PGA might offer carts to all players, as it did at Q-School. This, however, would be a terrible solution. Aside from the logistical problems of having so many carts attempting to weave through crowds of fans, if professionals start riding carts, it detracts from the legitimacy of championship golf as a competition among the best.

We fans watch golf to see the best in the world competing at a championship level. The highest level involves more than just shot making. It requires a degree of physical stamina above the average golfer. Remove this chal-

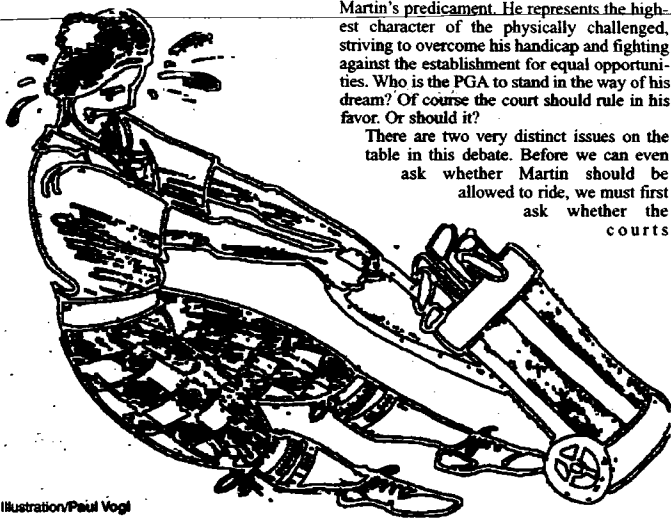
lenge and golf's elite will be diluted. As in any spectator sport, the fans want to be entertained by the best, those like whom we aspire to be. There is no room for mediocrity at the top, and part of what separates the average from the best is going the distance on foot.

With my heart I wish Martin could take a cart on tour. That one with so

much talent should be denied a dream is a tragedy. But with my mind I cannot support such a change to the rules of golf. Removing the requirement to walk takes away from the physical aspect of the sport, moving it closer to being only an event, a game, not a test of physical aptitude and strength.

The real triumph for Casey Martin would not be to change the rules of golf to accommodate himself, but to step forward and succeed despite his handicap. In the 1940s when Pete Gary, a one-armed outfielder, played for the St. Louis Browns (later the Baltimore Orioles), he excelled within the context of baseball. No special dispensation was made for him. He batted with one hand, fielded with one hand and showed us that he could compete among the best with one hand. I hope that Casey Martin goes out and does the same.

Chris Trejbal's column appears every Tuesday. He welcomes comments at trejbal@daily.ama.edu.



Illustration/Paul Vogt

Media must not let light on Chiapas die

Christmas day is memorable for the vast majority of Americans. It's a time generally reserved for relaxation, celebration and goodwill.

This year my Christmas was exceptionally memorable, as I spent the day in the mountains of Chiapas, Mexico attending the funeral of 45 murdered indigenous Mayans. I will never forget the sights and sounds of the aftermath of the most brutal event that I have ever personally witnessed.

The day etched a picture in my mind that I cannot, and will not, ever escape. Life would be a lot easier if I could black this entire event out of my mind and forget that innocent people were murdered 12 miles away from that uncomfortable hotel bed where I was sleeping.

I would like to forget the dirty face and huge brown eyes of that bedraggled little boy with the muddy rubber boots who I saw at the funeral. I would like to forget the way he sat alone and leaned on a tree with a stare of utter bewilderment as his parents' coffins were carried down and placed among 43 others. I would like to forget the way that wrinkled old man painstakingly knelt next to the coffins of family members for so long he had to be helped to his feet.

And I've never smelled 45 corpses after they've gone without refrigeration for three

days; God knows my life would be easier if I could erase memory. And I wish I hadn't seen that journalist's photo of a tiny infant with his head chopped in half by a machete.

The fact is, I cannot, nor will not, ever forget. I experienced it. I saw it. I smelled it. I felt it. I feared it.

Christmas 1997 completely turned my frame of reference upside down. My ideas about the decency of humankind, the way I took for granted the peace of mind and safety I feel as a North American and my attitude about world governments have all been changed.

Sure, I knew before I traveled to Mexico that its politics and government, just like many countries of the world, are corrupt. But not until I saw it first hand did I truly understand the magnitude of that corruption. Honestly, I am a young idealist. The world, and all of its opportunities, is at my front door just waiting for me to take advantage. Now I realize more than ever that with these opportunities come many horrible and frightening possibilities. However ugly they may be, we must not ignore them.

I applauded the prompt arrival of the media in San Cristobal de Las Casas after the massacre in Acteal on Dec. 22. I felt some sense of justice would be realized as dozens of journal-

ists attended the funeral, and thousands of photographs were taken.

This event, I thought to myself, is going to shift the world's attention to the grave problems that have plagued this area of the world for so very long. I was partially right in my assumptions. The world's attention did shift to Chiapas, but only for the immediate aftermath of the massacre that tore apart an entire village.

These 45 individuals are not the first nor the last casualties of the economic, social and political struggles in the area. The violence and bloodshed in Chiapas has continued since the massacre on Dec. 22, but press coverage has been basically nonexistent.

More than a month after the murder of one American businessman in Mexico City, it is still possible to find information about the investigation and prosecution of his killers — common street thugs. However, less than one month after the massacre of 45 Mexican people, there is very little in our media about the investigation of a massacre for which the government of one of our largest trading partners may or may not be partially responsible.

I have had to look to online Mexican newspapers to find information. Before I left Mexico, I repeatedly heard villagers in Chenalhó complaining that the same people

who were investigating this massacre were the people who planned it. I feel as though a legitimate investigation will not be carried out, nor will blame be placed on those truly responsible — unless we, the people and media of the United States, continue to focus on this region.

Adequate media coverage is our best weapon against corruption. We need to let the Mexican government know that the violent death of 15 children, 20 women and 10 men will not be forgotten.

As readers and followers of this event, you need not understand the specifics of the complex and long-standing political situation in Mexico to want to see that justice is carried out. Imagine the people and their faces, the violence they experienced and the hellish fear they must have felt as they tried to outrun their killers.

Our continued attention is the only way that all those responsible — the ones who organized this massacre, the people who carried out the task and those who funded the weapons — will be brought to justice.

Eileen Mackey is a graduate student in the Program in Teaching English as a Second Language. She will give a presentation on her experience in Chiapas at 10:30 a.m., Feb. 7, at the Resource Center of the Americas.

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3. Governor Candidate Debate -April 8
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5. Working with White House on race relations project

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Sports TUESDAY

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U, Benjamin pin loss on Hawkeyes

Allison Young
Staff Reporter

IOWA CITY, Iowa — After a moment of hesitation Sunday, Gophers senior heavy-weight wrestler Shelton Benjamin came to the conclusion that pinning Iowa's Wes Hand to clinch the National Duals title was the most important match victory of his career.

"Ah, yeah," Benjamin said. "I would say at this point it is."

No drama was lost in the answer after the Gophers' 18-17 win over Iowa at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Minnesota trailed 17-12 going into the final match, meaning a pin from Benjamin was the only way second-ranked Minnesota could down the third-ranked Hawkeyes. With nearly every voice in the arena against him, Benjamin caught Iowa's Wes Hand in an inescapable hold and pinned him to the mat two minutes into the match.

"We got into a scramble and he was coming at me like a bull and just walked into a lateral drop," said Benjamin, who recorded the only pin of the meet. "It was just reaction on my part. I didn't have much set up. He just walked right into it."

The win marks the first time Minnesota has ever defeated the Hawkeyes at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, and only the Gophers second win over Iowa since J Robinson has been coach at Minnesota. The Gophers downed the Hawkeyes at Williams Arena in 1994.

The match pressure was placed on Benjamin after Gophers' No. 2-ranked Tim Hartung was defeated 7-6 in double overtime by Iowa's No. 3 ranked Lee Fullhart. Hartung took a 4-1 lead after two periods. Both wrestlers remained on their feet for most of the match battling in and out of bounds. Hartung went up 6-2 in the third, before Fullhart scored an escape, was awarded a point for stalling, and scored a takedown to tie



Photo/Sato

Gophers junior Josh Holiday puts a hold on Iowa's Ben Uker during the 158 pound match Sunday at Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Minnesota claimed an 18-17 victory over the Hawkeyes to win the 1998 National Duals title.

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Jacobson's return for naught as Gophers lose fifth straight

Men's hockey still in last place after split

Gophers

Basketball Recap

Score:
Iowa 82, Gophers 69

Recap:
Sam Jacobson returned after a three-game absence to score 24 points, but the Hawkeyes' interior strength proved to be too much. Ryan Bowen led Iowa with 19 points, and the Gophers fell 0-5 in the Big Ten, matching the worst start in Clem Haskins' 12 years at Minnesota.

Key plays:
After beginning the game with a 17-2 run, the Gophers went cold. They went just 5-for-23 from the three-point line. Conversely, Iowa was 7-for-11 from beyond the arc and shot 58 percent from the field for the game.

Up next:
Gophers (7-9, 0-5 Big Ten) at No. 18 Michigan (14-4, 4-1).
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Daily Sports Graphic

Tim Klobuchar
Staff Reporter

During the opening minutes of Sunday's game at Williams Arena, the return of Sam Jacobson looked like it might be a panacea for the ills that have plagued the Gophers men's basketball team all season.

Minnesota had lost four straight Big Ten games, the last three without Jacobson. Then the Gophers jumped out to a 17-2 lead over No. 13 Iowa in front of a sell-out crowd that greeted Jacobson's announcement in the starting line-up with a loud ovation, and it appeared the Gophers' slump might be ending.

"They pressured all the passing lanes and got a lot of loose balls early on," Hawkeyes forward Daryl Moore said. "It seemed like they were really feeding off emotion. We had prepared for (Jacobson) and we knew the crowd was going to be emotional."

The rest of the game proved, however, that Jacobson can plug only one or two holes in Minnesota's leaky dam. The senior scored a game-high 24 points in his first game since a sprained back

sidelined him two weeks ago, but could not prevent other holes, mostly on defense, from gushing unattended. The Gophers fell to 0-5 in the Big Ten for the first time since 1988. The last three losses have come after they led at halftime.

Stabilizing after the shaky start, the taller Hawkeyes continually got easy baskets and layups, many on alley-oop passes. The proximity of the shots contributed to Iowa's 58 percent shooting for the game. Iowa also put the game away in the second half with a few key 3-pointers. The Hawkeyes were 7-for-11 for the game from beyond the arc.

"We had a nice run to start," Gophers coach Clem Haskins said. "I think the problem is that conditioning and fatigue become a factor late in the ballgame. When you don't have the bench to play, you have to go with your starters, and finally depth and size win out, and that's what happened."

The Gophers actually held their own with Iowa on the boards, getting outrebounded just 34-30, and

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Aaron Kirscht
Staff Reporter

Few things are as satisfying as spending a nippy January evening in an easy chair, immersed in a good book and the warmth of a nearby fire.

Just make sure the broadcast of the Gophers men's hockey game isn't playing in the background. It has a way of bringing the shivers.

With their feet to the fire against Denver over the weekend, Minnesota again looked out of sorts — earning a series split against their fellow bottom-feeders, the final score in both games 5-2 — and continues to search for answers to its season so far gone awry.

The Gophers have been ice cold for the better part of the season, and the only thing worth reading is the WCHA standings, which have Minnesota in last place.

"I'm not going to criticize my players," Gophers coach Doug Woog said. "I'll stay with them. But I was not happy with the effort we gave. The performance we put on (Friday) was not one I could stand behind, and that hasn't been the case all season."

Denver pounced on a lazy effort by Minnesota in the opening period on Friday, a start Woog said he neither "anticipated, desired or expected."

Things turned for the better on Saturday. The Gophers — minus captains Casey Hankinson, who suffered a hip pointer the night before, and Ryan Kraft, his broken hand still not healed — played with pride and rode the play of back-up goaltender Erik Day to a much needed, good-to-see-you-again win.

But with one weekend down and seven to go in Minnesota's drive for five (a fifth place or higher finish in the league will earn a home game in the first round of the playoffs), the Gophers weren't able to make up any ground in what Woog described last week as the "big climb."

Minnesota-Duluth, which swept then-WCHA-leading St. Cloud State over the weekend, is up next. With a sweep of Michigan Tech, North Dakota took over sole possession of first place.

"We've been talking about getting ready for the second half," said

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Gophers regress with pair of losses in winnable contests

Ryan Schuster
Staff Reporter

After the Gophers women's basketball team's 81-73 upset win at Michigan State on Jan. 11, it looked as if Minnesota and new coach Cheryl Littlejohn were about to turn the corner and erase the memory of the team's dreadful 3-11 start.

This weekend's home and away series against Ohio State and Northwestern, two teams near the bottom of the conference standings, seemed to offer further opportunity.

But, it was not to be, as the Gophers trailed by as many as 21 points in Friday's 73-60 home loss to Ohio State (11-5, 4-3) and fell flat again in an 84-65 loss at Northwestern on Sunday.

"Before (Friday's) game we were all in a good mood," freshman forward Theresa LeCuyer said. "We thought, 'This is a game we can win for sure. We're at home; we just got

over a big win at Michigan State.' We were all confident. The bottom line is we didn't execute the game plan. There's no excuse. We just didn't execute our game plan."

The Gophers (4-13, 1-6) built an early 7-3 lead in the first two and a half minutes Friday, but the rest of the game and the weekend steadily went downhill from there.

Ohio State responded by going on a 23-9 run in the next 11 minutes to take a 33-26 halftime lead and rolled to a 13-point victory in front of 1,291 people at the Sports Pavilion.

"It was very painful to sit and watch on the sideline," Littlejohn said. "We didn't handle Ohio State's defense. They came out and executed their game plan, but our players were not ready to play. Not at all."

Minnesota has not won back-to-back games since January 1995, when the Gophers beat Indiana, Michigan and Iowa consecutively.

While Minnesota played a complete 40-minute game against Michigan State in the team's biggest win of the season, it fell apart at various points during Friday and Sunday's losses.

"I had an opportunity to see their Michigan State win and they did just about everything right and played very hard," Ohio State coach Beth Burns said. "We thought going in that containing (guard Kiauna) Burns' penetration was going to be critical."

Burns scored only two points and committed six turnovers, four of them in a two minute span in only 10 minutes of play Friday and did not play Sunday at Northwestern.

The Buckeyes had a season-high 14 steals and Minnesota made a mere six shots in 17 attempts from the field in the first half.

"At halftime I told my staff that I

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Photo/Jayne Halbritter

Junior Gophers women's basketball guard Mindy Hansen (12) sets up the team's offense during Minnesota's 73-60 loss Friday night at the Sports Pavilion. The Gophers (4-13, 1-6 Big Ten) dropped two conference games over the weekend to fall into the cellar of the Big Ten.

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Women's swimming team wins at PennState

Jim Schortemeyer
Staff Reporter

It was back to business for the Gophers women's swimming and diving team over the weekend. Minnesota, which hasn't faced a Division I opponent in two months, won its dual meet at Penn State on Saturday, 168-131.

Despite losing the first four events, Minnesota came back strong, winning nine of the next 10. Of particular concern to Minnesota was the performance of the two

relay teams. The 200-yard freestyle team, ordinarily a solid part of the Gophers' lineup, managed a second-place finish, a full second behind the Lions.

Senior captain Gretchen Hegener showed signs of progress over the weekend, win-



HEGENER

ning both the 100 and 200 breaststroke. Her time of 1:03:53 in the 100 is among her best of the season, and is three seconds off of her former American record of 1:00:32.

The divers continued to be a source of strength for the Gophers over the weekend. Junior T.D. Rowe won both the 1- and 3-meter diving competitions, while freshman Tracy LaVoi took third and second, respectively.

Jenny Hennen provided points for the Gophers, in winning the 100 free. Hennen, a three-time winner at

last weekend's Gold Country Invitational, also placed second in the 200 free.

Other victories for Minnesota were provided by Emily Deppe (200 back), Olga Spichalova (500 free), and Andrea Simakova (200 butterfly).

Next on the Gophers' schedule is an important meet with Nebraska and Texas A&M. The Gophers are ranked No. 10 in the nation, while the other two teams are also in the top 10.

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turned the ball over just 10 times against the Hawkeyes' famed full-court press, tying a season low.

"If you had told me we'd only turn the ball over 10 times against the press and stay with them in rebounds, I'd say we win," Haskins said.

They didn't, partly because of their aforementioned interior defense and fatigue, and partly because no one other than Jacobson helped with the scoring load in the second half. Kevin Clark scored 12 points, but none after halftime. Quincy Lewis scored just 10 on 4-for-12 shooting. Kyle Sanden, who had been shooting well in Jacobson's absence, scored three points.

"(Jacobson's) got a cast around him this year that's not the cast of last year," Iowa coach Tom Davis said.

But one of the countless differences between last season and this is that no particular player was expected to put up 20 points every game last year. Even coming off an injury, Jacobson is, and he did it for the sixth consecutive game. Any chance for Minnesota's success seems to mandate that total from Jacobson, even if it comes at the expense of many missed shots. He was 10-for-24 on Sunday, 2-for-8 from 3-point range.

"I missed way too many shots," Jacobson said. "But I guess that's to be expected. I wasn't 100 percent. Even if your body isn't 100 percent, your mind tells you it is, but your body doesn't give it to you."

Jacobson said he still experiences some stiffness and soreness in his back, but the sharp pain that sidelined him is gone. He played 29 minutes, getting regular rests on the bench.

"He was a big boost to us early," Minnesota forward Miles Tarver said. "It's definitely different with him out there because he brings so much attention from the defense."

Even so, Jacobson's presence wasn't enough to make a difference in the outcome, nor does it signal a complete healing of the injured Gophers. Lewis is playing on two sprained ankles and has a soft cast on his sprained left thumb, and Russ Archambault has an injured tendon in his foot.

"It always seems like we're starting over," Haskins said. "What hurts us isn't so much the games, but the problem you run into when you



Photo/Burton Hawn

The Gophers' Kyle Sanden and Miles Tarver rough up Iowa's Ryan Bowen during Sunday's game at Williams Arena. Bowen led the Hawkeyes with 19 points on 9-of-13 shooting from the field. Most of those shots came from within three feet of the basket.

don't have your 10 guys, seven guys, five guys for practice every day. We've been without that for three weeks."

SUNDAY'S SUMMARY

Iowa 35 47 — 82

Gophers 36 33 — 69

IOWA (15-2, 4-1)

Davis 3-6 3-4 9, Bowen 9-13 1-1 19, Rucker 0-2 0-0 0, Oliver 2-6 8-10 13, Moore 5-6 2-3 12, Bauer 0-0 2-0 2, Luehrsman 1-3 0-0 3, Galloway 0-0 2-2 2, McCausland 3-5 0-0 9, Koch 3-4 5-6 13. Totals 26-45 23-28 82.

GOPHERS (7-9, 0-5)

Lewis 4-12 1-1 10, Tarver 2-4 0-0 4, Sanden 1-3 1-2 3, Jacobson 10-24 2-2 24, Harris 2-7 6-6 10, Archambault 0-1 2-2 2, Clark 5-9 0-0 12, Nathaniel 0-2 0-0 0, Schoenrock 1-2 2-3 4. Totals 25-64 14-16 69.

Halftime — Minnesota 36, Iowa 35. 3-point goals — Iowa 7-11 (Davis 0-1, Bowen 0-1, Oliver 1-2, Luehrsman 1-1, McCausland 3-4, Koch 2-2), Minnesota 5-23 (Lewis 1-6, Jacobson 2-8, Harris 0-3, Archambault 0-1, Clark 2-5). Fouled out — Jacobson. Rebounds — Iowa 34 (Moore 10), Minnesota 30 (Lewis 7). Assists — Iowa 20 (Oliver 8), Minnesota 15 (Harris 4). Total fouls — Iowa 16, Minnesota 27. A — 14,843.

BIG TEN STANDINGS - MEN'S BASKETBALL

Last Week's Results		This Week's Schedule	
<p> SA 17 Michigan State 68, Illinois 64 Michigan 79, Ohio State 61 Wisconsin 56, Northwestern 33 </p>	<p> SU 18 Iowa 82, Gophers 69 </p>	<p> Tonight: Gophers at Michigan </p>	<p> Saturday: Penn St. at Michigan St. Iowa at Missouri Ohio St. at Gophers Northwestern at Purdue </p>
<p> Wednesday: Wisconsin at Illinois Michigan at Iowa Ohio State at Purdue </p>	<p> Thursday: Northwestern at Penn St. </p>	<p> Sunday: Michigan at Illinois Indiana at Wisconsin </p>	

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average double figures in points. Minnesota coach Clem Haskins was asked who would take the pressure off the Gophers' perimeter players.

"We don't have anyone that can do that right now," he said. "Kyle (Sanden) is the closest thing to it. There's no substitute for experience. With Miles (Tarver), we can throw it inside, but we don't have a threat that we need inside. So we're going to have to throw it inside, then kick it to someone else."

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In the past, Haskins has been criticized by fans and members of the media for spreading floor time among too many players.

Prior to last season's Final Four run — when Haskins' deep rotation was finally accepted by the Williams Arena faithful — the sight of a starter heading to the bench before the first TV timeout drew loud groans.

This season, the Gophers' crowd

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Michigan up next for Minnesota

Michael Rand and
Tim Klobuchar
Staff Reporters

The task of going into the Michigan Wolverines' home arena in the midst of a five-game losing streak is daunting enough for the Gophers, what with Michigan's intimidating front line led by 300-pounder Robert "Tractor" Traylor.

Then factor in that the Wolverines will most likely be bent on revenge, and Minnesota's job becomes that much tougher. The Gophers cut down the nets at Crisler Arena after their 55-54 win clinched the Big Ten championship last year.

But, said Gophers senior Sam Jacobson, teams desiring payback for last season's success is nothing new this year, which might be another reason for Minnesota's struggles.

"Just about every game there's a revenge factor," he said. "We only had two Big Ten losses last year, so they all get pumped up to play us."

The Gophers don't match up inside with the Wolverines, who also have 6-9 forwards Maceo Baston and Jerod Ward to go along with the 6-8 Traylor. Those three, along with shooting guard Louis Bullock, all

Pin surprises all Gophers, including Benjamin

Allison Youngs
Staff Reporter

IOWA CITY, Iowa — These were the obstacles standing in the way of a victory for the Gophers wrestling team Sunday against Iowa: Going into this season, Iowa had won 99 percent of its matches in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

In the past 25 years, the Gophers had beaten Iowa only once — a 23-11 victory at Williams Arena in 1994.

In addition, Minnesota's regular clutch-man Tim Hartung had just lost by one point in overtime at 190 pounds, giving the Hawkeyes a five-point advantage going into the final bout.

The odds, the crowd and the match momentum gave the win to the Hawkeyes. A pin from Gophers heavyweight Shelton Benjamin was the only possible way Minnesota could defeat Iowa and clinch the National Dual Meet title — and even Benjamin was doubtful.

"Going into the match, I didn't really think that I could pin him, because in the past he's been so strong," Benjamin said. "I didn't think that I was going to pin him, but I was looking for a pin."

The wrestler fittingly called "Primetime" by his teammates and fans did just that. Benjamin flat-

tened Iowa's Wes Hand in 2:16, seizing a win for himself and six points for the Gophers. An 18-17 Minnesota victory was secured.

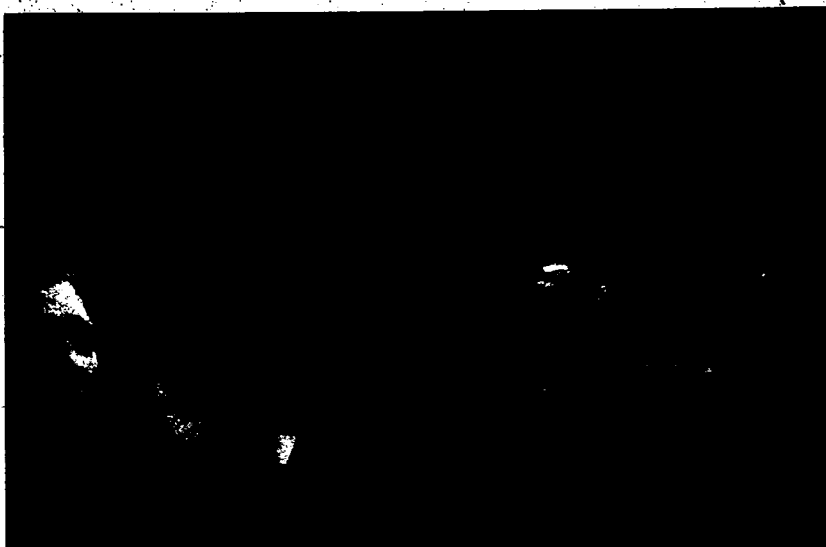
"I think Hartung's match was a stunner to us because he's our big dog," Benjamin said. "I just had to pick up the slack."

Frustrated on the sideline before the final match, Gophers coach J Robinson didn't offer any advice to Benjamin. He knew that Minnesota's heavyweight understood the Gophers' circumstances. But Robinson, a wrestling veteran, admitted the situation looked bleak.

"It's like you're sitting there and you're saying your prayers hoping that it happens," Robinson said. "But how many times does it really happen?"

The skeptical attitude before the heavyweight match rang true throughout the team. Minnesota's 150-pounder Chad Kraft described the emotional rollercoaster.

"Going into Benjamin's match, I was heartbroken," Kraft said. "I was about ready to sit down in the corner and start crying because I was so devastated. The next thing I know the crowd erupts and I look up and Benjamin's got him on his back ready to pin him and ends up nailing



Photo/Sato

Gophers heavyweight Shelton Benjamin celebrates after pinning Iowa's Wes Hand to clinch the National Duals title for Minnesota. The Gophers downed the Hawkeyes 18-17 on Sunday, winning for the first time ever at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

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Win especially sweet for Gophers coach Robinson

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the match.

Intensity heightened as the two-minute overtime clock ran out, sending the match into a 30-second surprise overtime. Fullhart won the toss and opted to start down. Hartung was penalized for locking his hands, and Fullhart was awarded a point and the win.

While the call was questioned by the Gophers' bench, last year's national champion Fullhart spoke confidently about his performance in the match.

"I didn't feel like he was riding me very well," Fullhart said. "He was more just hanging on. He gave me that last point by locking his hands because he couldn't hang on."

Relied on by his teammates to come through during pressure situations, Hartung was disappointed with his efforts.

"I just lost focus out there," Hartung said. "I got ahead and I stopped attacking. I guess whenever you do that you're going to get beat, and that's what happened."

Iowa took control from the beginning, scoring a decision and two major decisions for an 11-0 lead after the first three matches. Minnesota's top-ranked senior Jason Davids battled fourth-ranked Jeff McGinness into overtime at 142 pounds. Davids quickly scored a

takedown, earning a 3-1 decision win and securing his 23rd victory this season.

"I wasn't nervous in my match," Davids said. "I knew he was going to want to take it into overtime. He's been doing that all year."

Davids' victory was key for the Gophers even though the score remained a lopsided 11-3. Springing off the match momentum, the Gophers middle weights went to work.

No sooner had Davids' arm been raised in victory, when Gophers No. 1 ranked Chad Kraft exploded onto the mat. Minnesota's top-ranked 150-pounder earned the Gophers' largest margin win before Benjamin's, downing Kasey Gilliss 8-3.

Gophers 158-pounder Josh Holiday and 177-pounder Brandon Eggum used different approaches to down their Hawkeye opponents. Holiday left Iowa's Ben Uker spinning with his quick acrobatic stunts. One minute the Hawkeye fans would applaud Uker for being on top, and suddenly Holiday would change directions and land a quick takedown. Up by two with a minute to go, Holiday held on to claim a 9-7 victory.

Eggum put the clamps on Iowa's Paul Jenn at 177 pounds. A grudge-match from the start, Eggum scored a takedown with seven seconds

Gophers results from National Duals Championship Meet in Iowa City, Iowa

Gophers vs. Missouri Valley College

118 -- #15 Brett Lawrence (Minn) pinned Chad Hopkins (MVC), 4:16
126 -- Bert Golyer (Minn) maj. dec. Beau Vest (MVC), 22-8
134 -- #7 Troy Marr (Minn) dec. TJ Slay (MVC), 7-0
142 -- #1 Jason Davids (Minn) pinned Mike Ridings (MVC), 1:50
150 -- #1 Chad Kraft (Minn) dec. Aaron Elmore (MVC), 16-5
158 -- #5 Josh Holiday (Minn) maj. dec. Marcus Mainz (MVC), 17-4
167 -- #5 Zach Taylor (Minn) pinned Caleb Hickman (MVC), :58
177 -- #5 Brandon Eggum (Minn) pinned Caleb Hickman (MVC), 2:34
190 -- #2 Tim Hartung (Minn) pinned Jervon Walton (MVC), 2:34
HWT -- #7 Shelton Benjamin (Minn) tech. fall Livingston Merritt (MVC), 22-7

Gophers vs. West Virginia

118 -- #15 Brett Lawrence (Minn) dec. Angelo Zagarrelli (WVU), 9-8
126 -- #7 Pat Connors (Minn) dec. Bob Putensky (WVU), 6-5
134 -- #7 Troy Marr (Minn) dec. #12 Whitney Chabova (WVU), 3-1
142 -- #1 Jason Davids (Minn) dec. #7 Dorian Hager (WVU), 8-4
150 -- #1 Chad Kraft (Minn) dec. #3 Mike Mason (WVU), 6-4
158 -- #13 Sam Kline (WVU) dec. #7 Josh Holiday (Minn), 4-3
167 -- #5 Zach Taylor (Minn) won by default
177 -- #5 Brandon Eggum (Minn) dec. #11 Vortus Jones (WVU), 8-3
190 -- #2 Tim Hartung (Minn) dec. Sean Hoge (WVU), 7-2
HWT -- #7 Shelton Benjamin (Minn) won by forfeit

Gophers vs. Michigan State

118 -- #1 David Morgan (MSU) maj. dec. Brett Lawrence (Minn), 15-1
126 -- #18 Pat McGinness (MSU) dec. #7 Pat Connors (Minn), 5-0
134 -- #7 Troy Marr (Minn) tech. fall Isaac Miller (MSU), 20-3
142 -- #1 Jason Davids (Minn) tech. fall Hick Curry (MSU), 20-3
150 -- #1 Chad Kraft (Minn) tech. fall Cory Passy (MSU), 22-7
158 -- #7 Josh Holiday (Minn) dec. Greg DeGrand (MSU), 9-5
167 -- #5 Zach Taylor (Minn) dec. James Brimen (MSU), 9-4
177 -- #5 Brandon Eggum (Minn) maj. dec. James Brimen (MSU), 11-2
190 -- #2 Tim Hartung (Minn) dec. Nick Muzzasvili (MSU), 14-2
HWT -- #7 Shelton Benjamin (Minn) maj. dec. Matt Lamb (MSU), 15-3

Gophers vs. Iowa

118 -- #20 Eric Juergens (Iowa) maj. dec. #15 Brett Lawrence (Minn), 12-6
126 -- #12 Doug Schwab (Iowa) dec. #7 Pat Connors (Minn), 9-5
134 -- #1 Mark Ironside (Iowa) maj. dec. #7 Troy Marr (Minn), 20-7
142 -- #1 Jason Davids (Minn) dec. #4 Jeff McGinness (Iowa), 3-1 (OT)
150 -- #1 Chad Kraft (Minn) dec. #17 Kasey McGillis (Iowa), 8-3
158 -- #7 Josh Holiday (Minn) dec. Ben Uker (Iowa), 9-7
167 -- #1 Joe Williams (Iowa) dec. #5 Zach Taylor (Minn), 5-3
177 -- #5 Brandon Eggum (Minn) dec. Paul Jenn (Iowa), 7-3
190 -- #3 Lee Fullhart (Iowa) dec. #2 Tim Hartung (Minn), 7-6 (2OT)
HWT -- #7 Shelton Benjamin (Minn) pinned #8 Wes Hand (Iowa), 2:16

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remaining to capture a 7-3 decision, lifting the Gophers' team score to 12 — just two points shy of the Hawkeyes' 14.

Along with the Gophers' first three weights and Hartung, senior Zac Taylor lost a close match to Iowa's No. 1-ranked Joe Williams by a score of 5-3.

The Gophers, who also defeated Missouri Valley, West Virginia and Michigan State over the weekend, only have four days before they meet Iowa again at center circle. On Friday, competitive personalities are sure to be flaring as the Hawkeyes come to Williams Arena for a rematch.

Immediately after being thrown to the mat by Benjamin, Iowa's Hand offered Minnesota's match-winning heavyweight a warning.

"He said I better be ready for him next weekend," Benjamin said. "I was like, 'OK.' We're looking forward to beating them again."

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Minnesota still searching to find consistency

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didn't think that we could play any worse, but obviously in the second half I don't think we picked it up," Littlejohn said. "So, I guess I shouldn't have said that."

Minnesota was outshot 50 percent to 40 percent from the field on Friday and committed 27 turnovers.

"Something wasn't there," Gophers center Angie Iverson said. "It wasn't the fact that we weren't prepared because we knew all the offenses we were running and we knew what we had to do. Something just wasn't there. I

don't know if it was enthusiasm or what."

Iverson led the Gophers with 15 points on 4 of 7 shooting. LeCuyer scored 11 and junior forward Lynda Hass chipped in 10 points, all in the second half.

Ohio State's forward combo of Marrita Porter (26 points) and Larecha Jones (23 points) outscored the Gopher starters 49-29 in the blowout.

"We let two players beat us," Iverson said.

As bad as they were on Friday, the Gophers actually played worse on Sunday in a 19-point loss at Northwestern. The Wildcats entered the game as the only team in the Big Ten without

a conference victory.

Minnesota hung close throughout most of the first half and held a 19-18 lead with 6:48 left in the first period. But as they have for most of the season, the Gophers again failed to play a complete game. The Wildcats went on a 17-4 run over the next four minutes and took a 39-30 halftime lead.

In the second half, Northwestern's lead swelled to as many as 28 points before the Wildcats emptied their bench with seven minutes left in the game.

Northwestern's Kristina Divjak led all players with 26 points and nine rebounds and

Amber DeWall had a career-high 12 assists, as many as the entire Gophers team tallied in the game. LeCuyer led Minnesota in scoring for the second time in the last three games with 17 in 22 minutes, and Hass added 13.

The Gophers, who were 2-15 overall and 0-7 in the Big Ten after 17 games last year, have made some progress under Littlejohn this season, but have yet to play consistently.

"We had a letdown," LeCuyer said. "Coach has been saying that we have to play a full 40 minutes. The only game that we've really done that has probably been at Michigan State."



Photo/Chip Pearson

The Gophers' Mike Anderson (10) led Minnesota with two goals and two assists in a split with Denver. The team ended the weekend where it began, in a tie with the Pioneers for last place in the WCHA.

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junior Mike Anderson, who had two goals and two assists over the weekend, "and then we come out with a lackluster effort in the first period on Friday. We're not supposed to make guarantees, but I guarantee you we'll come out ready to play next Friday."

The Gophers — especially Day in goal — did look more prepared on Saturday. The Pioneers peppered Day with shots in the opening minutes, all of which were turned back. He held Denver to one goal in more than 59 minutes and earned his second win in three starts.

"I felt good," Day said. "I was ready for it. The couple of games I got in over break helped me out a little bit. Now it's not so much trying to get my confidence in there as it is getting the chance to play a little more."

He may get that opportunity. Senior stalwart Steve DeBus was unimpressive on Friday, allowing a pair of relatively soft goals early in the game — including one on Denver's first shot — and putting

the Gophers in a hole from which they couldn't escape. Minnesota did tie the game at 2-2, but the Pioneers responded with the eventual game-winner less than a minute later.

On Saturday, Day put together arguably the best performance by a Gophers goaltender so far this season, stopping 22 of 24 shots, under must-win circumstances. The score would have been much closer if not for a pair of empty-net goals by Minnesota in the final minute.

"If I had to project," Woog said, trying to downplay any goalie controversy, "I'd say DeBus would play one night and Day — or another goalie — would play another night. But that can change, too."

Hankinson and Kraft should be ready to play, as well. During his first shift on Friday, Hankinson was checked awkwardly into the boards, causing the hip pointer and forcing him out for the rest of the game. The injury is more irritating than debilitating, Hankinson said, and just needs some rest.

Woog expected Kraft to play this weekend, but the range of motion in his left hand was still limited,

enough so that he couldn't grip a stick. And the screws that were in place to help the broken bone heal were removed on Friday because they were causing irritation under the skin.

SCORING SUMMARIES

FRIDAY'S GAME

Denver 2 0 3 — 5
Gophers 1 0 1 — 2
FIRST PERIOD:
DU — Murphy (Popadynetz, Rycroft), 4:23.
DU — Bjork (Veres, Kidd), 6:26. Minn — Smith (Spehar, Abrahamson), 8:31.

SECOND PERIOD:

No scoring.
THIRD PERIOD:
Minn — Berg (Kohn, Anderson), PPG 3:20.
DU — Rycroft (Popadynetz), 4:01. DU — Ritson (unassisted), 16:03. DU — Bjork (unassisted), ENG 18:38.

SATURDAY'S GAME

Denver 0 1 1 — 2
Gophers 1 1 3 — 5
FIRST PERIOD:
Minn — Anderson (Trebil), 17:33.
SECOND PERIOD:
DU — Morgan (Patterson, Popadynetz), 4:35. Minn — Sinden (unassisted), 17:59.

THIRD PERIOD:

Minn — Smith (Anderson, Westrum), 2:20.
DU — Bjork (Comrie, Stauss), 19:18. Minn — Berg (Trebil), ENG 19:25. Minn — Anderson (Berg, Lyons), ENG 19:52.

Redshirt freshman saves the Day in goal for Gophers vs. Pioneers

Aaron Kirscht
Staff Reporter

On first glance, it just looks ... strange.

Gophers goaltender Erik Day's make-like-a-statue habit when the puck is out of play brings to mind the royal guards at Buckingham Palace in London — staring straight ahead, unfazed by the surroundings.

But when Day is on duty, he stands guard over the Gophers' net, and he has done so with pleasantly surprising success recently. In his last two starts, on consecutive Saturdays, Day is 2-0.

"I just try to keep my mind off the game, but on the game," Day said of his dead-still stance in goal. "It's kind of an in-between thing, thinking

but not thinking. I'm not really staring at anything, just looking around and trying to stay focused."

Day got the start on Saturday after senior Steve DeBus struggled on Friday, giving up two goals in the first six minutes and two in the last four.

DeBus is in the thick of the worst stretch of his career. He is 6-13 overall, with a goals-against average well over three. If Day continues to play well, he could steal DeBus' spot in the crease out from under him.

But Gophers coach Doug Woog said any talk of a pending "quarterback controversy" is premature. Giving the redshirt freshman more time in goal is based on only two things: trying to win some games and getting Day ready for next year. "He deserves to play right now,"

Woog said. "But if he can dominate, he'll be the guy. If he plays like that, the other guy will have to play better or we'll have to make some decisions."

Woog was non-committal on the subject, and Day didn't say he expected to start on Friday against Minnesota-Duluth. But both left the door open for the possibility.

"It's hard to say," Day said. "I usually don't know what's going to happen until maybe a day or two before the game. We'll see how the week goes."

Woog said the Gophers are badly in need of something to rally around, and if that something happens to be a new guy in goal, so be it. Day's performances of late are

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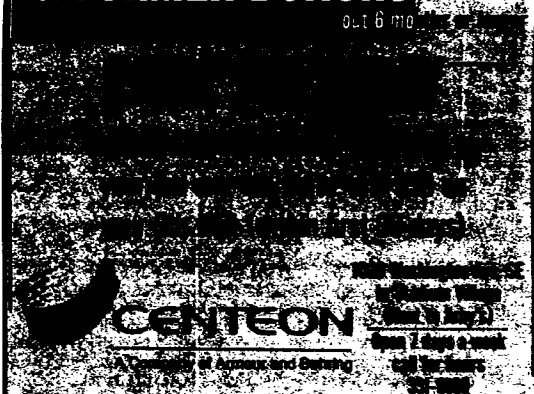
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seems to have increased its affection for the team's subs — particularly walk-ons Rob Schoenrock and Jason Stanford and freshman octopus Antoine Broxsie.

But as is the case during a trip to the dentist, there was very little love for the fill-ins Sunday against Iowa. It wasn't because the bench players made a bad impression — they just didn't have their usual opportunity to make an impact.

Guard Kevin Clark was the only back-up who played more than 10 minutes. He and the Gophers' five starters all played at least 26 minutes, while three other reserves — Russ Archambault, Kevin Nathaniel

and Schoenrock — combined for only 19 minutes. Broxsie and Stanford did not play at all.

It was a rare departure for the Gophers, who came into the game with eight players averaging at least 12.8 minutes during Big Ten games.

"It was coach's decision," Tarver said. "I don't even know what he's doing sometimes, but there's a method to everything."

Alley-oops!

It's been called a jump pass, a lob pass, an alley-oop and, by unknowing fans, an air ball. Whatever it's name, the Hawkeyes called it two points on several occasions against the Gophers, many times during crucial moments.

The play, in which a perimeter player hoists up what looks like an errant shot but is really a pass to a post player on the opposite side of the basket, has been in Iowa's playbook for the past couple of seasons.

But forward Ryan Bowen, who was on the receiving end of a majority of the lobbs, couldn't recall it working much better than it did Sunday.

"I don't know why it worked so well this game, but it did," Bowen said.

One of the early lobbs didn't work so well. Iowa point guard Dean Oliver's attempt was picked off, and Minnesota fans spent the rest of the game chanting "air ball" every time Oliver had possession.

"They fooled us, and they fooled 14,000 fans, too," Tarver said.

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earning him the trust of his teammates, something Woog said helps generate some chemistry.

"If you're in a losing streak like we are," Woog said, "you need to find something that's consistent, that you can get going on. A lot of guys haven't played with Erik and they don't know what he can do, but if he can keep playing well, he can generate some things for us."

Rare, but well done

Freshman Stuart Senden got the

first goal of his career in Saturday's game.

Well, sort of.

Actually, that goal should be credited to Denver's Mike Dairon, who, while apparently trying to clear the puck behind the net late in the second period, made what looked like a great move on Pioneers goalie Steve Wagner and put the Gophers up 2-1.

"I turned around to Coach Woog and told him, 'I've never seen anything like that in my life,'" the Gophers' Mike Anderson said. "That guy deked out his own goalie."

He really did. I haven't seen it on TV, but it looked blatant. This wasn't a rebound or something — he went forehand; backhand and into the net."

Because Senden was the last Gophers player to touch the puck, he was credited with the goal. The Alexandria, Minn., native didn't even know the goal was his until he heard it announced over the public address system.

"They always say the first one is the hardest one," Senden said, laughing. "So maybe this will get things rolling."

Gophers control field events at Classic

During Saturday's meet at the Badger Classic in Madison, Wisc., one thing was clear — the field events continue to be the strengths of both the men's and women's track and field teams early in the season.

Gopher's freshman Aubrey Schmitt, having already provisionally qualified for the NCAA championships, won the shot put for the second weekend in a row with a throw of 49 feet, 6 1/4 inches. Her mark of 53-3 3/4 also was good enough to win the 20-pound weight throw.

Minnesota also took second in both events, with sophomore Nicole Chimko putting the shot 45-2 1/2, and freshman Brenda Meyer heaving the 20-pound weight 48-7 1/4.

On the men's side, Gophers junior

Marcus Westberry won the triple jump by turning in a jump of 49-0 1/4. He also took fourth place in the long jump with a leap of 22-7 1/4.

Meanwhile, senior Chad Yenchsky led a group of five Gophers who placed in the shot put, by finishing third with a throw of 55-7 3/4.

In the pole vault, redshirt freshman Mike Brockwell took third by clearing 15-3. No team scores were kept at the meet.

— Michael Dougherty

Tennis

The Gophers men's tennis team (2-1) opened its spring season this weekend by splitting a pair of non-conference matches and defeating Big Ten rival Ohio State. Against the

Buckeyes, Minnesota lost the doubles point but won every singles match except at No. 4.

The women's tennis team, meanwhile, opened its season with a 6-1 win over Florida State on Friday.

Women's hockey

The Gophers women's hockey team went 2-1 over the weekend, including a 2-1 victory over Yale on Sunday.

Minnesota was led by goalie Erica Killewald, who held Yale scoreless until the final minute of the game.

Men's gymnastics

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THAN

From *U!* **Snow Monkey:** I would just like to take this opportunity to say "thank you" to all the wonderful Campus Connector bus drivers. **Net:** Note to readers — you are probably expecting this letter to turn cynical. It doesn't. Put that in your pipe and smoke it. You see, I have an 8 o'clock class over on the St. Paul campus, and getting my little tush out of my warm bed to stand out in the cold isn't always in my best interest. **Net:** Sure it is. It builds Minnesota street cred. However, when I step into the warm, toasty atmosphere of the Campus Connector, I am more often than not greeted with a big-hearted smile from the bus driver.

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ON'S BEST FRIE

From *Filmboy:* Did you guys see Dr. Date's article about bestiality and zoophilia in last Wednesday's Daily? **Net:** We don't know. Where's Dr. Date in the Daily? SEVENTEEN freaking percent of "farm boys" admit to having sex with some sort of domesticated animal! First off, that's a large number. **Net:** In fact, it's about the

same percentage as the number of left-handed people in the general population. Hmmm... Secondly, they ADMIT to it! Aaaaaahhhhhhhhh! **Net:** What — you'd rather keep them in a closet of sexual repression? What kind of sicko are you?

Kind of makes you wonder about initiation ceremonies at the Farmhouse Fraternity on the St. Paul campus, eh? **Net:** We all know about them. They all ransack garbage cans, pull out their 18-inch scabbards and...

HUHI

From *Bummed:* I was wondering if you could help me solve a pet peeve. **Net:** We never help with pet peeves. But we often print them. Why is it that when you show up for the first day of class, some (most) professors have already assigned you to read something like 3 chapters? **Net:** It's called the quarter system. Even if you have the books before classes begin, you don't have a syllabus, so you don't know what to read! **Net:** The introduction and first chapter are safe choices. It's really irritating and frustrating to show up for class only to learn that you have 2 weeks worth of homework for the second class meeting.

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From *Soulcrusher:* I used to be a student there but am no longer — but I read you guys over the Net. **Net:** We try to be a lifeline for students suffering from U withdrawal. Hey — we're cheaper than Methadone. While I was there I learned many things but I also did not learn many things. (Like the proper use of commas.) **Net:** We assume you didn't learn spelling either, but if that's not the case, the proper use of a comma is to keep administrators quiet. Anyway, I was reading *Net: Ah-hai No wonder you're no longer at the U* and in this book there was a phrase written in Latin, which unfortunately was another thing I did not learn at the "U." (I do know how to use the " " thingles. Well, on my keyboard anyway.) So as I was saying I am lookin' for someone who is much smarter than I. **Net:** Socrates did the same thing, and he couldn't do it. Of course, that upset the Athenians, and he ended up dying a painful, drug-induced death, much like Jimi Hendrix. We hope you have better luck. The phrase is "UVA UVA VIVENDO VARIA FIT." I think it is supposed to be funny, at least when you consider it was hung outside a lively business in the old West (Texas).

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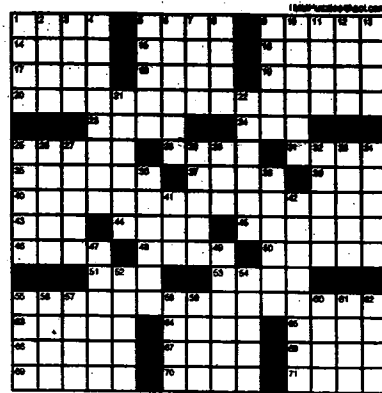
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- 9 Pac. nation's pact
- 14 Arizona Indians
- 15 Ireland
- 16 Whipperer
- 17 Actor Baldwin
- 18 Peaky bug
- 19 Florida city
- 20 Wake-up location of song
- 23 Writer Wiesel
- 24 Always, in poems
- 25 Entanglement
- 26 Pel
- 31 News
- 35 Colorful houseplant
- 37 Inter-campus sports grp.
- 39 Coach
- 40 Bocho show
- 43 Cable network
- 44 Let up
- 45 Mistress
- 46 Singer Home
- 48 Operatic voice
- 50 Wiggy
- 51 Magle of baseball
- 53 Twain character
- 55 Where Fats found his thrill
- 63 Navigational system
- 64 Environments
- 65 Singer Brickell
- 66 Man in the field
- 67 Painful cry
- 68 Galactic time period
- 69 Typefaces
- 70 Makes a lawn
- 71 Duryee and Rafter

DOWN

- 1 Deceptive appearance
- 2 Gram starter?
- 3 Fuel cartel, briefly
- 4 Freshwater fish
- 5 Musical signs
- 6 Slight traces
- 7 Part of U.A.E.
- 8 Abominable snowman
- 9 Josiah's porcelain
- 10 32-card game
- 11 Jai
- 12 Archer of note
- 13 Evangelist
- 21 Threat badly
- 22 Soprano
- 25 Synagogue
- 26 Static
- 27 Comic Sherman
- 29 Housemaid's achy joints
- 30 Cool down
- 32 Devil's man
- 33 Elders and alders
- 34 Part
- 36 Well-grounded
- 38 Rights of a monastery's leader
- 41 N. Mandela's nation
- 42 Dodo



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Friday's Puzzle solved.

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LIEN	NIGHT	COLLAR
DAH	STUART	OLDE
ECU	ENYA	ARES
LARS	MST	AMI
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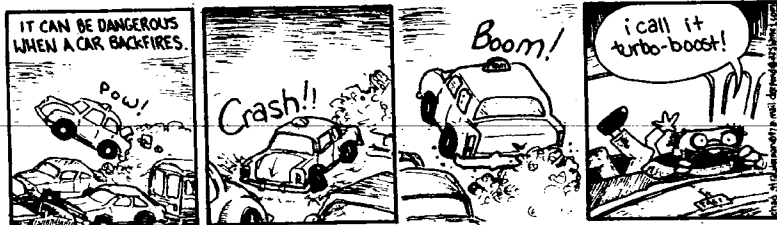
- 47 Obliquely
- 49 Crafty
- 52 Bee and Em, e.g.
- 54 Russian mountain range
- 55 Scandinavian saint
- 56 Astronaut's negative
- 57 British gun
- 58 Bengal and Biscay
- 59 Least of switch?
- 60 Notion
- 61 Big cat
- 62 Eye element

Bizarro by Dan Piraro



The Deep End

By Chad Strawderman



AE'S Dr. Date



Dear Dr. Date,
I'm a small town guy that really knows how to party. I am looking for a girl to share my thoughts and feelings with. I have never had a girlfriend and I think that I need someone who is caring and compassionate to be with because I am having trouble dealing with the college environment.

I'm outgoing, funny and have some great friends, but I'm really missing female companionship. I am a 6'4" 210 pound sophomore chemical engineering major. I am

interested in finding a girl to study with and watch movies and just go out to eat and talk. I'm looking for someone just to be friends with and maybe more if we hit it off.

— Small Town Romeo

I put your profile in front of four different college women (not girls) and asked them if they were interested or not. Here's what they said.

"That's cute," said the first, a 23-year-old sassy brunette. She was not intrigued however,

explaining that your letter sounded too desperate. She looks for someone she doesn't have to spend too

much time with but still likes to do the same things.

The second response, from a smart and saucy 21-year-old writer, was that you were too needy. "They must have their own life," she stated. She was also decidedly put off by the fact that you come from a small town. Ouch!

Things got better, my friend, when the next woman, a seductive 19-year-old graphic artist said yes, she would go out with you on a date. Since this is *not* an introduction

service that won't happen, but you should be encouraged that she found your honesty and enthusiasm charming.

Unfortunately, she balked at the small town/party connection.

You went 2-2 in this survey, as the last respondent, an alluring 20-year-old strawberry blond, indicated she also wouldn't mind going out on a date. She was keen on your honesty, saying concisely, "He's nice." But, oh! the daggers! She too wrinkled her nose at your inclination to party.

Just remember: First impressions are important. Being a small town guy doesn't blow it nearly as badly as the fact that you really know how to party. When starting out, emphasize not that you can chug beer like a machine, but that you are nice, honest and outgoing. Good luck!

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