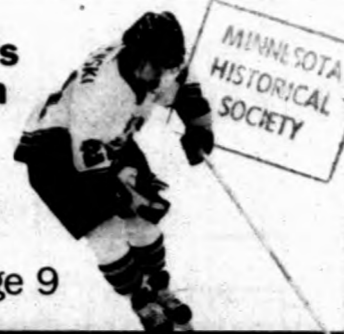


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Ad-ing up



Jason Bigger, left, and Steve Vahlgren of Indigo Signworks change the billboard near the intersection of University and Huron Avenues on Wednesday afternoon. According to Bigger, it takes about 30 minutes to switch the billboard covers.

Fees-committed faculty lose vote

The three faculty members on the fees committee lost their voting privileges because they entered the selection process late.

V. Paul Virtucio
STAFF REPORTER

Because of late faculty appointments to the student-run committee charged with doling out funds to University student groups, its three faculty members lost their voting privileges.

However, the fact that the Student Services Fees Committee has faculty members this year is a change for the better; no faculty members have served on the committee for the last six years, said Sabeen Altaf, a member of the fees committee.

"I think (having faculty members) was important this year because certain student groups wanted faculty members and were not comfortable with the makeup of the committee," said Jesse Berglund, the committee's chairman.

Each year, student groups submit budget requests for the following year's funding, which are first debated by three fees subcommittees. These

groups send their recommendations to the full committee, which then makes its own recommendations and opens up the process to public hearings. This year, the final funding allocations will be decided March 4.

Professors Rose Brewer, Timothy Brennan and Jennifer Pierce became ex officio, nonvoting members in late February as part of a compromise between a faculty committee and Berglund.

Berglund barred the professors from full membership to the committee because their late appointments caused them to violate a number of guidelines for member behavior.

"All voting members should be held to the same criteria," Berglund said. "We shouldn't let people exit and enter the process when they choose. It would be setting an awful precedent here to allow new voting members into the process."

The three professors missed the orientation and training sessions held in December and January — two requirements for membership.

Because of their late appointments, Brewer and Pierce did not attend any student budget presentations to the subcommittees, and Brennan missed all but one, Altaf said.

"The budget presentations are the bulk of the fees committee," Altaf said. "That's the opportunity that groups and the fees committee can interact."

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Online publications draw print journalists

Peter Frost
STAFF REPORTER

Journalists across the nation are abandoning print publications for the burgeoning — and highly prosperous — possibilities of online information sources.

So far, lucrative, high-paying Web sites have lured countless journalism school graduates, as well as veteran journalists from major publications across the nation.

Recently, the two major Twin Cities newspapers have experienced varying degrees of departures to Internet-based companies.

"Newspapers are feeling tremendous pressure as a result of online enterprises hiring away reporters and people that are proficient in design," said Pam Fine, managing editor of the Star Tribune.

Fine said although the Star Tribune's newsroom has not experienced an exodus for online services, the paper's online department recently lost a number of employees to larger Web-based news sources.

"I don't think it's been particularly acute for the Star Tribune, but there have been cases in which people have left the company to pursue online jobs," Fine said.

Many of the new positions attracting journalists are in Internet start-up companies.

E-companies like CNN.com, Business.com and Beautyscene.com lure seasoned journalists from respected publications such as The New York Times, the Wall Street Journal and Elle magazine with big bucks and stock options.

Although Internet-exclusive businesses attract a large number of journalists, print publications also attempt to draw employees into the online sector for their respective Web sites.

The necessity of keeping skilled online employees is a top priority for

most large-circulation newspapers.

"It's important to keep in mind that we want our own people to be Web and online savvy," Fine said.

To do this, traditional newspapers with online counterparts must offer similar opportunities and high pay for online expertise.

"Generally speaking, for a young editor in publishing, I definitely wouldn't be doing as well (in print) as I am on the Internet," said Aaron Osterby, an MSP Communications online producer.

Osterby, a University alumnus,

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Higher-education committee prioritizes art building

Megan Boldt
STAFF REPORTER

Straying from Gov. Jesse Ventura's recommendations, the state House Higher Education Finance Committee ranked the University's proposed art building a top priority for the higher-education finance bill.

The committee unanimously passed its recommendations Wednesday. The recommendations will now go to the House Capital Investment Committee, which will decide how much funding to give each University initiative. The higher-education bill will eventually be voted on by the full House in April.

Rep. Peggy Leppik, R-Golden Valley, higher-education committee chairwoman, said committee members who toured the Art Building saw it needed to be a high priority.

"That building is the bottom of the barrel," Leppik said. "It's a safety hazard for all in it."

Committee member Rep. Betty Folliard, DFL-Hopkins, said she thinks the House and Senate will both promote the art building. Folliard and others have

contacted the governor's office to ask for their support. "I think the governor's office is receptive," she said. "Nothing is written in stone yet."

Ventura proposed funding \$54 million of the \$134.3 million the University requested. The governor did not fund the art building in his proposal.

Leppik said the committee did take Ventura's proposal into consideration when deciding the recommendations.

"Ventura made his list different than the University, and we made our list a little different than both," Leppik said.

The committee ranked each proposal by what it saw as important but did not recommend funding allocations. Members sent the list fully funded, leaving the funding decisions to the investment committee.

Richard Pfitzenreuter, University chief financial officer, said things have gone great so far, but it's too

early to judge at this point.

"I think it's going to be a tough road from here on," Pfitzenreuter said.

University officials will keep themselves readily available for any questions the legislators might have, he said. In addition, he said, students, faculty and staff members need to keep the pressure on.

Pfitzenreuter said overall the University should do OK, even with the size of Ventura's bonding bill. He also said it will help with Leppik being on the investment committee, since she has always been supportive of higher education.

"Her presence on the committee will make a difference," Pfitzenreuter said.

Sarah Anderson, investment-committee administrator, said the committee held an informational meeting Thursday and members will draft a bill around mid-March. She added that committee chairman Rep. Jim Knobloch, R-St. Cloud, is supportive of the initiatives.

"Knobloch has said in the past that he is committed to higher education, and he is disappointed in the governor's proposal," Anderson said.

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South America

RIGHT-WING COLOMBIAN PARAMILITARY CHIEF PRESENTS NEW IMAGE

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — The fugitive chief of Colombia's feared right-wing paramilitary militias has revealed his face in a television interview, admitting his forces had committed atrocities against civilians and had close ties to drug trafficking.

However, Carlos Castano dismissed as "fiction" recent accusations in Washington of close collaboration between his forces and the Colombian military.

The interview, filmed on the porch of an elegant country ranch, seemed an attempt at respectability by the militia boss whose forces have committed massacres in the South American nation's decades-old guerrilla conflict.

Living in hiding, he faces arrest warrants for several assassinations — though the government has been criticized for making little attempt to capture him — and would be prime target for the rebels.

He has in the past recognized killings by his forces and drug profits, but never discussed them so openly. He spoke with chilling frankness about the actions that have drawn condemnation from human rights organizations, the United Nations and the U.S. government.

Executing unarmed villagers suspected of clandestine rebel membership is a "despicable method," but a necessary one, said Castano.

"Given the conditions of an irregular conflict, it is almost inevitable that people die and are counted as civilians, even if they were subversives," he added.

Castano said he has no qualms about ordering executions, but is too squeamish personally to carry them out. "Perhaps that's cowardice on my part," he said.

Founded during the 1980s by wealthy

landowners and drug traffickers seeking protection from rebels, Colombia's paramilitary groups have become a national force with an estimated 5,000 fighters. Castano got involved as a teen-ager, he says, after rebels kidnapped and killed his father.

While denying a direct role in producing or exporting drugs, Castano said taxes on drug traffickers and peasant coca growers comprise 70 percent of his groups' income. The rest comes largely from extortion, he said.

Castano said any links that exist are with the military "isolated cases" involving renegade low-ranking army officers.

Castano said he wants to be included in peace talks begun last year to end the conflict that has claimed 35,000 lives. Pastrana is negotiating only with the rebels, who oppose giving the paramilitary groups a seat at the table.



Africa

AID WORKERS: FLOOD REFUGEES NEGLECTED IN CENTRAL MOZAMBIQUE

MAPUTO, Mozambique (AP) — More than 15,000 people have gone without food or clean water for more than a week as international relief efforts concentrate on other flood victims hundreds of miles to the south, aid workers said Thursday.

By late in the day, governments, aid agencies and private donors had 37 aircraft in Mozambique — almost double the number available Wednesday, U.N. World Food Program spokesman Francis Mwanza said in Rome.

Even so, the plight of the marooned people in central Mozambique, about 600 miles north of the capital Maputo, appears to be increasingly dire, aid workers said. Water levels in the Save River area were reported to have risen by 1 1/2 feet over the past 24 hours, said Ian Macleod of UNICEF.

The government estimates about a million

people have been displaced by the floods, which have devastated large parts of this impoverished southeast African country since the beginning of February. There is no reliable figure for the death toll from the flooding, but aid officials say it already numbers in the thousands.

Officials say the global response to the Mozambique disaster has been relatively slow, mainly because the crisis evolved slowly at first and it was not clear at first how much aid was needed.



Middle East

POLISH AMBASSADOR KIDNAPPED IN YEMEN

SAN'A, Yemen (AP) — Yemeni tribesmen kidnapped the Polish ambassador and took him to a remote area north of the capital, security officials said today.

The ambassador, Krzysztof Suprowicz, was grabbed from his car in the suburbs of San'a, according to tribal sources who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Suprowicz was seized Wednesday by members of the Yamneyatayn tribe and taken to an area 30 miles north of San'a, the security officials said, also speaking on condition of anonymity.

In a separate incident, a Dutch aid worker and his Yemeni assistant were shot dead by unknown assailants this morning in San'a, Dutch Embassy officials said. They said they had no details.

In Warsaw, Polish Foreign Ministry spokesman Pawel Dobrowolski confirmed that the ambassador had been kidnapped.

The kidnapers are demanding the release of a fellow tribesman arrested last week, according to the Yemeni security officials. They did not say why he was arrested.

Yemeni tribesmen often kidnap foreigners, including diplomats, to pressure the government into providing money or better services, such as new roads, for their impoverished areas.

TWO PALESTINIAN GUERRILLAS KILLED IN ISRAELI ARAB CITY

TAIBEH, Israel (AP) — Israeli security forces swooped down on an explosive-laden hide-out before dawn today in the Arab town of Taibeh in northern Israel, killing two Palestinian militants in a shoot-out.

Prime Minister Ehud Barak said the commandos squelched a major terrorist attack aimed at sabotaging the peace process, and his police minister called it the latest incident in a resurgence of Palestinian terrorist activity.

Deputy Defense Minister Ephraim Sneh said the attackers belonged to Hamas, the largest Palestinian militant Islamic group. "They intended to lay explosives in the center of one of the Israeli towns and to inflict very heavy casualties," Sneh told foreign reporters.

In Gaza, Hamas leader Sheik Ahmed Yassin said he remained unaware of what his organization's military wing was planning — a standard statement for him — but said that recent reports that Hamas had suspended violent activity were wrong.

"The military wing operations continue until we reach our goal," he said. Hamas has carried out a series of terror attacks to disrupt Israeli-Palestinian peacemaking.

Police Minister Shlomo Ben-Ami suggested that Israeli police were alerted by Palestinian security forces.

The police commandos surrounded the run-down two-story house on a street not far from the town square not long after midnight. At about 4 a.m., they used megaphones to order the gunmen out, police spokeswoman Sivan Kedmi said.

One emerged, and was taken into police custody, she said; then another two came out, one carrying a pistol, the other a suitcase packed with explosives.

The pistol-wielding guerrilla opened fire and the commandos returned fire. In the exchange, the suitcase blew up, killing both Palestinians.



Europe

Former Chilean dictator Gen. Pinochet heads for home

LONDON (AP) — Former Chilean dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet departed Britain a free man Thursday, ending a 16-month legal saga heralded for establishing that former leaders accused of human rights abuses are not immune from prosecution abroad.

"This has been an unprecedented case. Both I and the courts have had to navigate in uncharted territory," Home Secretary Jack Straw told the House of Commons after ruling that the 84-year-old general was mentally unfit to be extradited to Spain for trial on torture charges.

Straw also dismissed extradition requests from three other nations that contended their citizens were victims of Pinochet's regime — Belgium, France and Switzerland.

Pinochet, who doctors say suffered brain damage when he experienced two small strokes last fall, left Britain on Thursday

afternoon and was expected to arrive in Santiago on Friday after an undisclosed stopover en route.

The former dictator issued no comment as his detention in Britain came to an end, but his eldest son, Augusto Marco Antonio, said in the Chilean capital that his father received the news of his freedom "very calmly, the way he usually is, without showing his feelings and emotions."

While human rights groups expressed dismay at Straw's ruling, they also applauded the British and Spanish courts for decisions that strengthened the reach of an international law against torture that had been little known despite ratification by dozens of countries.

Under the law, which Britain adopted in 1988, torture became an international crime that any nation may prosecute and from which no one enjoys immunity.

Britain's top court of appeals, the House of Lords, cited the law in issuing its precedent-setting decision to strip Pinochet of his immunity.

Others took note: Indonesia's former

President Suharto, for example, decided last year not to seek medical care abroad for fear of being arrested.

"It has been a major victory for human rights," said Reed Brody, of the New York-based group Human Rights Watch. "The very fact that Pinochet was arrested, that his claim of immunity was rejected has made the world a smaller place for people who commit atrocities."

Pinochet was arrested under a Spanish warrant Oct. 16, 1998, while recuperating from back surgery in a London hospital. A Spanish judge accused him of orchestrating a systematic campaign of torture against political opponents throughout his 17-year dictatorship.

An official Chilean government report says 3,197 people died or disappeared at the hands of Pinochet's secret police after he toppled the country's elected Marxist president in a 1973 coup.

Straw freed Pinochet, who for most of his detention stayed in a rented mansion outside

London under 24-hour guard, after an independent medical examination found the former dictator's diminished mental capacity would make it impossible for him to participate in his own trial.

The European nations that pursued Pinochet through the British courts expressed disappointment at Straw's ruling, but none launched a last-minute appeal in an attempt to prevent the general's departure.

Belgium pledged to pursue Pinochet through the Chilean courts.

Straw acknowledged that he was "all too well aware" that his decision — capping a case that will cost British taxpayers millions of dollars — means Pinochet is unlikely to be tried anywhere in the world.

But Pinochet's opponents held out hope the self-appointed senator for life still might stand trial in Chile, where he helped pass a law granting himself immunity.

He already must contend with 59 private lawsuits.

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Campus Briefs

Lecture: Dr. Karen Klomparens, dean of the graduate school at Michigan State University, will present "Conflict Resolution in Higher Education" from noon to 1:30 p.m. at 140 Nolte Hall as part of the WISE Strategies for Success series.

Comedy: Stand-up comedian Daren Streblov will perform from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Christian Student Fellowship Comedy Cafe stage at Southeast Christian Church, located at 960 15th Ave. S.E. Admission is free.

Check out more campus events online at <http://events.tc.umn.edu>

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Como business project raises concerns

Max Rust
STAFF REPORTER

A development plan in the works for a nearby industrial area has raised concerns among residents living in the Como neighborhood, a community full of University students, faculty and staff members.

The project involves transforming a group of old warehouses into Stinson Technology Campus, a center for high-tech businesses. Developers say the project could bring up to 8,000 jobs to the area. Minneapolis officials see the project as an opportunity to improve the area, and city council subcommittees recently voted to help fund the project.

But while local residents welcome the restoration of blighted buildings, concerns have been voiced about increased traffic and decreased green space. Some neighbors said the process of approving the project has been too fast and the neighborhood has been given little chance to offer input.

Residents are not the only ones concerned. Several artists and small businesses in the warehouses will soon be told to find alternative places to work. And for many, this isn't the first time.

Increasing traffic, decreasing green

Perhaps the biggest concern of residents is how to deal with increased traffic from workers commuting to the new offices. Some think the neighborhood will be prone to office-bound traffic meandering through the neighborhood from Highway 280.

Two City Council subcommittees voted last month to offer \$16.6 million in tax increment financing for the project. To receive the money, project developer Hillcrest

Development conducted an environmental-impact study in cooperation with the city. While the study stated traffic on major roads near the project site will increase, many neighbors said options to diffuse traffic were not adequately addressed.

Among other ways to deal with traffic, the study mentioned adding turning lanes at the intersection of Stinson and Hennepin avenues and encouraging the use of transportation alternatives such as busing and biking.

Minneapolis City Councilman Paul Ostrow, whose ward includes the project site, said the council is conversing with Metro Transit about extending bus lines to the area. He also said part of the plan includes encouraging commuters to use the Metropass bus program.

"That's all fluff talk; that's all wishful thinking," said Charlotte Wild, a Como resident who lives near Hennepin Avenue. "The reality is there are still going to be cars. Who's going to give up their cars?"

Wild is especially wary of a plan to extend her street, 14th Avenue, under a railroad bridge to the proposed development area.

In addition to traffic concerns, residents point to information in the environmental study indicating an overall loss of pervious, or "green" space in the project area. In a letter to the Minneapolis Planning department, the Southeast Como Improvement Association, or SECIA, stated that such a decrease would compromise the ability of the land to retain and treat pollutants in the storm water. The letter also stated that an increase in impervious surfaces, such as concrete, aids in the creation of urban heat islands, which can raise temperatures in warmer months.

Hillcrest president Scott Tankenoff said the study's figures

on green space are inaccurate, and he will present a clarified version of the data at an upcoming neighborhood meeting.

Wild and others are further concerned that city and Minneapolis Community Development Agency officials have placed the project on a fast track by inadequately informing the neighborhood about the project. The official time period for public comment ended Monday. Leading up to the deadline, Wild and other residents asked neighbors what they thought of the project and to write letters if they had concerns.

Ostrow said he received several comments from concerned residents about the parking and environmental issues. Together with the SECIA, he set up a March 20 meeting to get more input from the community.

"I think the sense some people may have had was that this environmental process and getting these formal comments into the (environmental report) might be their only opportunity to discuss issues like traffic, and that is not the case," Ostrow said.

Bill Dane, the director of SECIA and an attorney at the University's Student Legal Services, said the neighborhood has not been shut out of the process, but that they were hurried to act on some issues because the project information was not distributed in a timely fashion. He also said the project plan does not adequately address all the options for dealing with traffic.

The Minneapolis artist migration

If the project goes through as expected, the neighborhood will not be affected until next fall, when the first phase of the project is expected to be completed. But some current area occupants could be affected in



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as little as 90 days.

The buildings slated for renovation include work spaces for about 30 artists and more than 10 small businesses, according to the Northeast Minneapolis Arts Association.

Joel Sheagren, a photographer whose studio is one of the first buildings slated for renovation, said he expects to receive his 90-day notification to leave soon. Sheagren said the project has affected his business because his concentration is now on an impending move rather than his work.

He said the process of moving Minneapolis artists has been going on for some time. Years ago, artists moved out of Uptown as business development, and consequently rental rates, increased in that neighborhood. The same effect later happened to the downtown warehouse district. Now northeast-area artists are being forced out.

A team of relocation specialists are helping people like Sheagren find a new space. He will receive

funding for the relocation process, but the photographer — whose studio boasts ample sunlight needed for his work and roaming space for his dogs — said it will be hard for anyone to try and find an affordable studio with similar features.

A new artist group has formed from the Stinson relocation circumstances that will act as a liaison between the artists and the city on matters of studio relocations, said Tom Rine, an artist who worked to remove his building from the Hillcrest project.

Ostrow is enthusiastic about the group's potential to move artists into the role of studio owners, instead of renters, where they are vulnerable to eviction.

"We need to find ways to get these properties in the hands of the artists," he said.

Max Rust covers community and agriculture and welcomes comments at rust@daily.umn.edu.

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Presidential candidate speaks to small U crowd

The Democratic candidate struck out on her own with little support from her party.

Nathan Whalen
STAFF REPORTER

When Democratic presidential hopeful Heather Harder stopped at Ford Hall on Thursday, only three students were there to hear her plan for the future of the country.

Harder, a former professor from Indiana, is conducting a grass-roots campaign against popular candidates Vice President Al Gore and former New Jersey Sen. Bill Bradley, with little support from the Democratic Party.

"My campaign is run on the \$5 and \$10 contributions of people," Harder said.

Harder is targeting nonvoters and is campaigning on three main issues:

- Restoring the Constitution to the American people is of great concern to Harder. She said there has been a loss of due process of law in the United States, where law enforcement can seize any property if it is connected with drugs and drug trafficking.

- Harder supports a national referendum allowing people to circumvent the legislative process and decide on major issues — such as campaign finance reform

— themselves through a vote.

- Harder wants legislative bills to be written in common English and understandable to anyone who reads them.

Even though the bulk of Harder's campaign centers around these three issues, she does have position statements about most issues, including her position on the government's involvement with UFOs.

For example, in a written statement, she said the Democratic presidential hopeful said, "The federal government does not belong in the business of education." She argues the dangers of out-

come-based education and advocates local control of schools.

She did not mention her stance on education to those who attended her University appearance.

"It's too bad that she doesn't have the money or national recognition to be heard," said attendee Bryan Donaldson, a University public relations junior.

Harder began her political career in 1990 when she set a goal of running

for president in the 1996 election.

Since then, one of the most commonly asked questions she gets is about being a female running for president. Harder said she always replies that the issues she is running on are more important than her gender.

One of the biggest hurdles she has had to overcome is recognition by the Democratic Party.

"I haven't gone up through the party and have to earn their respect," Harder said.

Harder owns several day-care centers in Indiana and is the mother of two grown daughters.

Stopping by the event was U.S. Senate hopeful Rebecca Yanisch. Yanisch was not connected to Harder but stopped by for a brief chat with the three attendees. After introducing herself, she told the students why she is running for Senate and talked about her interest in farm issues and increasing student aid.

“It’s too bad that she doesn’t have the money or national recognition to be heard.”

Bryan Donaldson,
University public relations
junior

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“ The resolution was intended as a reconciliatory measure. ”

Virginians would appreciate flag more than Minnesotans

Demonstrating his unmatched skill of substance-minimal retorts, Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura told citizens of Virginia to basically go to hell in regard to requests that Minnesota return a captured Civil War symbol, a Confederate flag. Although Ventura's flippant responses to a reporter's query in Washington, D.C., on Monday have little to do with the actual arguments of the Minnesota Historical Society — that currently holds the flag — they represent a common misunderstanding of a contentious issue. Of course, it would be nice for Minnesotans to possess such a historic relic; however, the flag should be returned.

Pvt. Marshall Sherman, one of the few who survived the First Minnesota Regiment's attack on Gettysburg on July 3, 1863, seized the flag as a spoil of the Northern army's victory. The souvenir helped make up for the incredible casualties suffered by his regiment during the three-day battle that cost about 50,000 American lives. In December of the following year, he received a Congressional Medal of Honor for the bravery he displayed in snatching the flag while shoeless and in the midst of battle. But where the flag traveled next and the state of its current condition is the subject of some dispute.

After the battle, Sherman gave the flag to the War Department, which subsequently returned it to him. The Washington Post incorrectly reported that the War Department lent Sherman the flag in 1903 for a commemorative ceremony. Sherman, however, had died in 1896. Nonetheless, the 28th Virginia Infantry's Stars and Bars found its way to the Minnesota Historical Society, which has repeatedly refused to return it despite numerous entreaties from Virginian senators.

Tommy Denton, the editorial page editor for the Roanoke Times in Roanoke, Va. — and most media outlets reporting the dispute — have depicted the flag as tattered from bullet holes and soaked with blood. Barbara Averill, a Minnesota Historical Society spokeswoman, maintains that the flag is not riddled with bullet holes nor dried blood. She said the 28th Virginia Infantry Regiment Civil War reenactors who want the flag returned have described it as soaked with the blood of their ancestors to raise the emotional impact of their demands.

Whatever the condition of the flag, a 1905 Congressional resolution required the War Department to return all property taken from its native state, including flags. The Virginian reenactment group cite this resolution to support their claims to the flag. Although the Minnesota attorney general's office has said the flag in question is not included in the resolution's grasp because it was Sherman's private property, the resolution was intended as a reconciliatory measure.

Ventura's obstinate retorts — as well as those of the historical society — are distressing reminders of the uncompromising actions that led to the bloodiest war ever endured by the United States. In citing the flag as an important piece of Minnesota's heritage and a symbol of the sacrifices the state made, the historical society seems to only honor its dead in light of a vanquished and humiliated foe. Although Minnesota might not be legally required to return the flag, Minnesotans should understand that it is more important to Virginia's heritage than our own. If the Virginia Legislature ultimately agrees, the flag should be returned.

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Letters

Honor codes improve values

While I agree with the Daily's support of an honor-code system at the University, I'd like to broaden the discussion by adding that honor codes can be much more than a mere anti-cheating method. If effectively developed, implemented and maintained, honor codes make visible a core set of values and ideals that form the basis of an academic (or any) community: fairness, individual responsibility to the whole, clear expectations, honesty, integrity and mutual trust.

If done right, honor-code systems "feel" like they are built around the vast majority of students who play by the rules as opposed to alternative "policing" systems that seem to fundamentally assume that everyone is a cheater. As a means of heightening awareness of community values and ideals, promoting student-faculty trust and challenging all to make sound ethical decisions, effective honor-code systems are hard to top.

Our experience with an honor-code system in the College of Pharmacy suggests that students must be intimately included and involved at every stage of development, implementation and maintenance. Such a system seems much more likely to have an impact on students of the present and future than one that emanates solely from faculty or administration. To be effective in the end, students, faculty, staff and administrators must understand and support the system, so a consensus-building method of development and maintenance is a must.

Finally, I would challenge those who might look upon the signing of an honor code as some sort of condescending mandate to instead think about it as an opportunity to publicly take pride in one's personal integrity and to take part in a new, potentially powerful, University of Minnesota tradition. The potential development of an honor-code system at the University provides a real opportunity to turn the negative of academic scandal into a long-lasting positive statement of what we are about and what we believe in as a community. I hope that is the road we are on.

Terry Hietpas,
research fellow,
College of Pharmacy

Let's debate with civility

I felt discouraged after reading the Feb. 28 letter, "Arm yourself for safety." Although I disagree with the opinions expressed, I believe that they need to be presented so there can be an open dialogue on effective violence-prevention strategies. My discouragement came from the tone of the letter, which is diametrically opposed to the value of respect for differences that we are trying to foster within our organization and on this campus. The mockery of an individual's ethics and values suggests a lack of tolerance and respect for divergent opinions and does nothing to foster the dialogue that is needed to help us find ways to effectively address the problem of violence in our society.

Violence is a problem that affects everyone in our society. It is a problem for which we have not found the perfect solution. To make progress toward that solution, we need to have a respectful and honest dialogue among people holding markedly different perspectives on the problem. To me, the letter did not foster that dialogue, and I'm concerned that it might actually stifle constructive discussion and impede efforts to find effective ways to prevent violence on our campus.

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Edward P. Ehlinger,
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Attack on Travel Center not justified

I would like to address the letter printed by members of Students Against Fees Excess on Tuesday titled, "Fees cuts too modest." They called for more scrutiny of the International Study and Travel Center. They made a number of allegations about the center, obviously without having ever stepped foot in the office. First, they said all the resources that ISTC provides are "redundant" and can be found on the Internet or in other offices at the University. The reason many of

our resources can be found on the Internet is because we have one of the top Web pages in the nation for international work-study and travel opportunities. If they would have looked at the Web site, they would have noticed our name across the top of it. It also gives links to other helpful resources. Also, our office is one of the few on campus that has resources on working and volunteering abroad.

Second, SAFE members alleged that we cater to students who have money. This is the most untrue statement that these people could have possibly made. Our office is designed for students who don't have the funds that normal travel centers often require. Many people come to our office looking for cheaper alternatives. Eighty percent of our staff members are students, many of them on financial aid, and we have all been to different areas of the world. Our office also offers an extensive scholarship and grant database and other resources. On top of that, we sponsor grant programs for students wanting to do research and volunteer programs abroad. Lastly, we hold on- and off-campus programs to educate others about different cultures. The International Opportunities Fair and the Spring Travel Series are just a couple of examples. We sponsor cheap international trips, such as those in Peru, Belize and our upcoming one in Sweden.

ISTC is a student-run organization working for the students. We all believe wholeheartedly in our cause: We want others to see the world and experience it for themselves. I have never worked with a more dedicated group of people before in my life. We don't get paid much, and we don't ask for much, either. So, SAFE members, before you go around scrutinizing others, get your facts straight!

Mary Ptacin,
peer adviser,
International Study and
Travel Center

Don't trade knowledge for easy ride

I had the pleasure of spending last Thursday in a room full of people who I did not know. They were wearing buttons of various types, sporting names of people who are running for elected office. Campaign speeches filled the air, questions were asked and positions sought. When the time came to endorse one of the fine tickets, the ballots were passed around with utmost care. I looked around the small room and noticed that people marked their ballots with relish, some wearing smirks that almost went too far. When I left, I was as disgusted with our student government as always, dismayed that it is time once again to vote for do-nothings.

Yes, it is time to elect our representatives to the Minnesota Student Association. This meaningless exercise has occupied our time for years, becoming less important as candidates race to the bottom to see who can promise the most and deliver the least. The usual litany of promises were bandied about that night, such as "Free parking in classrooms!" and "Beer taps in the Res Halls!" The one that bothered me the most,

however, was the promise to do away with the Graduate Proficiency Test for foreign languages. I was shocked that students would take such a shallow and selfish position on an issue relating to their own education. It made me wonder where they would draw the line — why not do away with finals if they are a bother?

A long time ago in a dorm far, far away, I was a part of this mess. I was one of those people who put my own convenience before learning, vowing to use MSA to do something about the GPT. However, I was a responsible representative, and I first decided to go and visit the language department to hear their justifications for the test. After the meeting, I had changed my mind 100



NATHAN HUNSTAD
COLUMNIST

percent. What was once my position based on ignorance had been replaced by a position based on knowledge. It was one of the rare instances where the system worked.

The GPT is modeled after the tests given to people entering the Foreign Service, thus guaranteeing a high level of quality. Many other schools across the country are using the University's test as the standard for their own tests. The effectiveness of the test has been proven time and again. Students definitely come out ahead using this standard.

Some people argue that the University doesn't test students for anything else here. First of all, that is not entirely true. But more importantly, those people obviously do not understand what a university is supposed to do. There are two types of knowledge taught here: skill-based and analytical-based. Learning to speak a foreign language is a skill, whereas learning about the philosophy of space and time deals with analysis.

Skills can be done right or wrong. Rotating tires is a skill. Turning on a computer is a skill. Speaking Russian is a skill. These skills can all be tested, basically by determining if a person is doing it correctly or not. You don't rotate tires by tossing them into the river. You don't turn on a computer by smashing a monitor. There is only one correct way of conjugating a verb. These things need to be done correctly.

Most of our learning, on the other hand, deals with analysis. There is more than one way to interpret a set of sociological data, or to criticize a philosophical argument. True, there are certain guidelines and minimal skills required to do those as well — you don't criticize an argument by tossing it into the

river — but by and large, there is no objective standard of right and wrong. I've used this fact to a great extent, turning in wild and fanciful interpretations and ideas that got me A's because they were logically consistent.

The reason the University doesn't test many things is that it would make no sense to do so. How would you have a final, objective test in marketing? Would the final for women's studies be "True or False: Women have been oppressed throughout history?" These are not fields of skill; these are fields of thought. You might be able to say a thought is wrong, but rarely can you say an abstract thought is right.

Besides, are there students here at the University who don't want to get as much of an education as possible? I am disappointed that the language requirement does not exist in the Institute of Technology or the Carlson School of Management. Personally, I think every student should be able to speak two languages fairly well in addition to English, but I know that my desires would be roundly rejected by most people. Thus, I wouldn't have much problem if the University simply required that all students speak only one extra language. Perhaps then the international perception of Americans as terribly ignorant of world affairs would start to change.

Once you leave the University, it will become increasingly difficult to learn new things. If I had the time, I wouldn't leave here until I learned about five or six languages and had a few majors in addition. Learning is a wonderful thing. Who couldn't use an extra language? Unfortunately, some people's ambitions stop at owning a trailer and enough beer to be able to watch a "Jerry Springer" marathon without getting up to go to the fridge. If so, what are you even doing in college?

High standards and the GPT are good ideas. I won't even take the patronizing position by saying, "Do it because it's good for you." Everybody who has made it this far should have the mental capabilities to see that "being tested so you do something correctly" is better than "faking your way through it." And everybody knows that if the GPT was eliminated, that is what would happen in our language classes. It's what has happened before. But if you are one of the people who doesn't think that is a bad thing, well, maybe you could start working on setting up that free parking in our classrooms.

Nathan Hunstad's column appears on alternate Fridays. He welcomes comments at nhunstad@daily.umn.edu.



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Kashmir's problems deserve our concern

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. (U-WIRE) — Once called "Paradise on Earth" for its natural beauty, today Kashmir is dubbed the "Valley of Death." It is already the longest-standing conflict in United Nations history, and one of the bloodiest and most prolonged disputes witnessed by the world. Fifty years after the conflict began, Kashmir is no longer just a problem halfway across the world; it has now become our problem.

What makes the Kashmir situation our problem is the nuclear threat it poses. Both India and Pakistan sit with nuclear missiles pointed at each other. If a nuclear war erupts, it would have devastating consequences for the whole world. The nuclear threat, combined with the incalculable human tragedy already afflicted on the people of South Asia, demands that we change our policy toward Kashmir.

Instead of ignoring the issue and sitting idly, American attention and involvement have become crucial. Currently, the United States just expresses its wish that the conflict be resolved peacefully. What is necessary is an aggressive push on the part of the United States to make Pakistan and India start negotiations that include international moderation.

Last summer, India and Pakistan came dangerously close to starting a third war over Kashmir. Tensions are on the rise again. In fact, last week Pakistan accused India of killing 14 civilians and warned that it was "ready for any eventuality."

So what exactly is the problem in

Kashmir? The current conflict can be traced back to 1947 when the British were partitioning the Indian subcontinent into Muslim Pakistan and Hindu India. It is important to understand the historical background that was established at this time to be able to understand the contemporary conflict.

As the British were liquidating their empire, 562 "princely states" that the British had created to consolidate their rule had to decide which country to join based on geographical considerations and the "mandate of their people." Before the partition deadline, all the princely states had joined either India or Pakistan, except Junagadh, Hyderabad and Kashmir.

In both Junagadh and Hyderabad, a Muslim king ruling over a Hindu majority initially opted to join Pakistan, but was then forced by the Indian military to grant a plebiscite — basically a referendum — so that the inhabitants could determine their own future. As a result, these states joined India.

The same but reciprocal problem existed in Kashmir — the ruler, the Maharaja (feudal lord), was Hindu and the majority of people, about 80 percent, were Muslim. The people of Kashmir wanted to join Pakistan, but the Maharaja, according to his son, "was too

much of a Hindu" to agree to that. Going against the wishes of his people and after much delay, the Maharaja opted to join India.

This time, the Indian military did not act as it did in Junagadh and Hyderabad. So the Kashmiri citizens, aided by Pakistani irregulars crossing the border, resorted to armed revolt against the Maharaja. The Indian military then intervened by occupying Kashmir to restore order.

Within days of the fighting, a written and explicit understanding developed between all the parties involved that said as soon as the situation returned to normal, the Indian military would withdraw and a plebiscite would be held to determine the ultimate status of Kashmir.

More than 50 years later, the world is still waiting for the plebiscite, and the Indian military is still occupying Kashmir.

In fact, the United Nations has passed numerous resolutions calling for both sides to hold an internationally monitored plebiscite in Kashmir. But India, despite its original promises, has refused. It says that Kashmir became an inseparable part of India with the Maharaja's decision, and any promises it made at the time are no longer applicable in the post-Cold War era.

To compound the problem is the deteriorat-

ing human rights as well as law and order situation in Kashmir. In its just-released 1999 human rights report, the United States decried the human rights abuses in Kashmir carried out by the Indian military. Major human rights organizations confirm that during the past 10 years, the Indian military has allegedly killed 30,000 Kashmiris — two-thirds of whom are civilians. Furthermore, India has reportedly resorted to torture methods and a scorched-earth policy.

During the past 10 years, the Kashmiris have responded with armed insurgency against Indian occupation. Many believe that this movement is supported by Pakistan. Yet Pakistan claims that it only offers moral support to what it calls an "indigenous freedom struggle."

The situation is truly dire in Kashmir, and we can only expect the worst. As a result, the United States needs to take a proactive approach by pushing toward the resolution of the conflict through the implementation of a plebiscite as called for by the United Nations resolutions. President Clinton's upcoming visit to South Asia is a good place to start.

Ultimately, Kashmir is no longer a regional conflict. As the world's major nuclear trigger, it is the ultimate international problem, because the possibility of nuclear war threatens our very existence. We need to act before it is too late.

Imtiaz Chaudhry's column originally appeared in Wednesday's Pennsylvania State University paper, the Daily Collegian.

Hands up for Dania



PHOTO — V. PAUL VIRTUCIO

Residents of the Cedar-Riverside community gathered at a memorial service for Dania Hall, which was destroyed in a Feb. 28 fire. Residents raise their hands to show support for reconstructing the building as Dat Dao, center, speaks about his memories of the 19th-century building at 427 Cedar Ave. S. The four-alarm fire that brought down Dania Hall and damaged nearby apartment buildings destroyed a \$2.7 million community renovation project. The Cedar-Riverside neighborhood had invested nearly \$1.5 million of its Neighborhood Revitalization Program funds in restoring Dania Hall to its former role as a community center and entertainment venue. The service was organized by the West Bank Community Development Corporation, the Cedar-Riverside Business Association and the West Bank Community Coalition.

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It's a time to communicate." Although the University Board of Regents approved a policy stipulating committee members have voting privileges, the committee also has rules of procedure that regulate its operation, said Vicky Larson, the committee's adviser. "We do operate under regents' policy, but we have to have leeway to address the anomalies in this committee. (The faculty members' late entry) was an anomaly." The faculty members were appointed by a subcommittee of the Faculty Consultative Committee after the budget presentations process had already started. Although late in the process, Berglund wanted to include the professors' opinions, Larson said. The faculty members will have voting privileges after the budget process during committee meetings, Berglund said.

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Osterby said there is a wealth of

opportunity in the Internet industry for young journalists, with a large demand for experienced editors and designers.

Niles Randolph, a senior journalism major at the University of St. Thomas and part-time online night editor at Pioneer Planet, the Pioneer Press' online newspaper, also sees opportunity in the online sector.

"It improves the chance for me to quicken my career and work for a big paper," Randolph said.

Randolph said the excitement of breaking news and the minute-to-minute deadlines of the Internet are appealing.

He also said higher salaries played into his career choice.

"You look at print publications, and reporters make next to nothing, but in online, there's much more opportunity as far as money is concerned," Randolph said.

He estimates that the average

starting online editor makes \$5,000 to \$10,000 more than a beginning reporter.

But Andy Wallmeyer, a University of Wisconsin-Madison senior and managing editor of The Daily Cardinal, said it's more than just money that lures him to the occupation.

"If I was really into the money, I would go somewhere else," Wallmeyer said, referring to a career in online journalism.

"For me, it's pretty simple. Journalism is primarily a way to tell stories," Wallmeyer said. "You

want to inform as many people as possible, and if you see that as a primary goal, the Internet is the answer. And that's all that should matter."

Peter Frost covers business and welcomes comments at pfrost@daily.umn.edu.

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Andy Wallmeyer,
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Gophers drop out of Big Ten tourney 56-49

Jason J. Iacovino
STAFF REPORTER

INDIANAPOLIS — There must be something funny about the air in Conoco Fieldhouse, or maybe it was the arena staff mysteriously switching to smaller rims as they adjusted the three-point line for the women's Big Ten basketball tournament.

In either case, for much of Thursday's first round game between the 11th-seeded Gophers and sixth-seeded Wisconsin, a shot by either team from beyond 10 feet didn't have a prayer.

Luckily for the Badgers, they have two key weapons that Minnesota lacked — depth and size.

It didn't matter for Wisconsin that they had no outside shooting, they still outlasted Minnesota 56-49 in a true Big Ten-style game. It was physical and it was ugly.

Matters were close at half — Minnesota was only down 26-24. But the difference-maker for Wisconsin had already entered the game.

The Badgers deployed a weapon Minnesota didn't see in its previous two border battle losses: 6-foot-4 freshman Nina Smith, who put the Gophers in foul trouble early and scored nine points inside.

Minnesota native Jessie Stomski

and LaTonya Sims added 10 points for Wisconsin.

Minnesota had its worst three-point output of the season. When Cassie VanderHeyden knocked down a trey in the second half, it cut the Badgers lead to 12 points with 7:33 remaining. It was also Minnesota's first and only three of the ball game.

The leading three-point shooting team in the conference finished 1-for-15 from behind the arc.

The Badgers finished 3-21 from downtown, but the one that counted was Tamara Moore's trey with 5:04 left in the game, putting Wisconsin up 46-36, ending a five-point Minnesota run.

Moore, who scored 22 points in both previous contests against the Gophers, was held in check for most of the night, using some mop-up buckets late in the game to muster ten points.

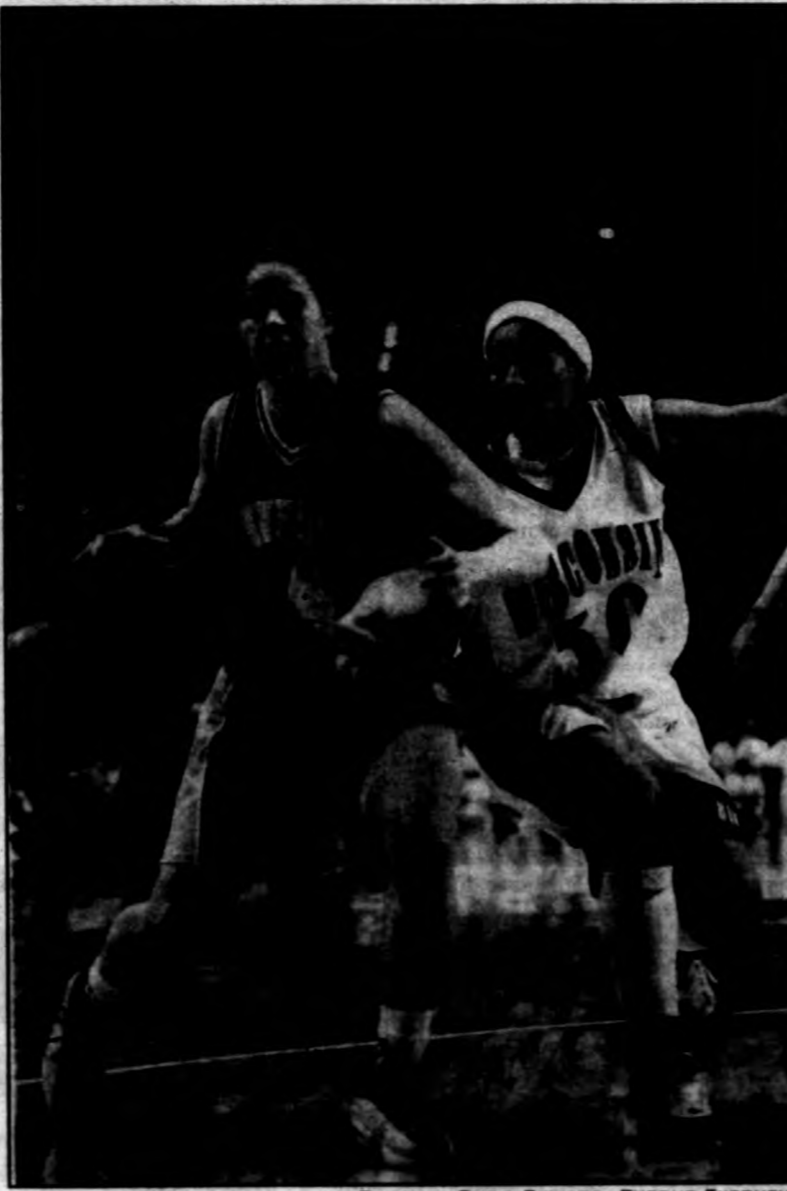
It was the arrival of Smith that had the Gophers overpowered early.

"The big difference was (Smith)," Minnesota coach Cheryl Littlejohn said. "She did a great job and Lindsay (Lieser) and Cassie (VanderHeyden) didn't hit shots like they usually do."

Brandy Pickens, one of three post players who picked up four fouls before the nine minute mark of the second half, said battling with Smith was tough.

“There was no quit in us. It was a fun game, it was an ugly game. I'm proud to be a Gopher.”

Erin Olson,
Women's basketball player



Minnesota guard Erin Olson tries to drive during Thursday night's game against Iowa. Olson finished with 18 points in the Gophers' 56-49 loss.

"It takes a lot of energy and strength going up against her," she said.

"(Smith) added a new element we didn't have."

Though trailing by double-digits in the last four minutes, senior Erin Olson didn't quit for Minnesota. She scored 12 of Minnesota's last 14 points, including a 4-foot hook shot with 49.7 seconds to go, finally cutting Wisconsin's lead to nine.

Olson finished with a game-leading 18 points for the Gophers. The

effort was too late and afterwards the senior got emotional.

"It's a tough game; I'm proud of our team," she said in tears. "There was no quit in us. It was a fun game, it was an ugly game. I'm proud to be a Gopher."

Wisconsin will face third-seeded Michigan in the last game of the night Friday.

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Gophers roll to second round

Monica Wright
STAFF REPORTER

If Minnesota goalie Crystal Nicholas looked bored in the first game of the WCHA tournament, no one could blame her.

Nicholas faced only six shots on

goal in the entire game while Minnesota State goalie Jennie Padgett scrambled to stop the barrage of 60 shots by the Gophers, which netted a 10-0 shutout for Minnesota.

With the win, the Gophers easily advance to the semifinals tomorrow

at 3:30 in which they face either third-seeded Wisconsin or sixth-seeded Bemidji State.

But for Minnesota State senior Katie Ingram, the shutout was a painful way to end her career and the season.

"A loss is a loss regardless of the score," Ingram said. "It's not the way I wanted to end my career, but it's a young program and I think there is a lot for our team to look forward to."

Gophers junior Winny Brodt — who scored two goals and one assist just a day after being named WCHA defensive player of the year — is looking forward to a repeat performance tomorrow from her teammates.

"Our goal for the tournament is to play the three games as if they are three periods," Brodt said. "We want to play each period well and finish them off one by one."

Since Minnesota State didn't offer up much of a challenge for the Gophers, the team focused on becoming acclimated to the smaller ice surface of the Bloomington Ice Gardens.

"The rink was a lot different, but we adjusted quickly," Hallderson said. "It was a good initial game to get used to a different environment.

I like the small sheet in terms of the quickness of the game."

Junior Nadine Muzerall — who added three goals to her nation-leading total of 46 — found the smaller surface added humor to the tournament.

"At Mariucci you can't get your own rebounds off the boards like you can here," Muzerall said with a laugh.

The game was also a chance for the Gophers to use all of their lines in preparation for upcoming games — six different players scored during the game.

With such a seemingly easy win, Hallderson couldn't find much fault with her team.

"We did what we needed to do," Hallderson said. "Each person helped and prepared in their own way."

In other WCHA action, the winner of the St. Cloud State vs. Ohio State game faces Minnesota-Duluth today at 7:00.

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Era over: out-of-state recruit commits to U

Josh Linehan
STAFF REPORTER

The end of an era was signaled Wednesday when Grant Potulny, a 19-year-old forward for the Lincoln Stars of the USHL and a native of Grand Forks, N.D., verbally committed to play hockey for Minnesota.

Potulny will be the first non-native Minnesotan to play since Doug Woog took over the program. Woog inherited two out-of-state recruits, forward Steve McSwain of Alaska and goaltender John Blue of California. Both finished their careers in 1987 and Woog never recruited out of state.

The 6-foot-2, 190-pound Potulny chose Minnesota over Minnesota-Duluth, Wisconsin, Michigan State and Lake Superior State. He currently is second for the Stars in scoring with 19 goals and 23 assists.

Minnesota coach Don Lucia can't comment on recruits until they've actually signed tenders during the first week of April. The issue of out-of-state recruits was one he tackled immediately upon taking the Minnesota job.

Lucia is quoted on the issue in this season's Gophers media guide.

"The one thing I know is that I will not be able to please everyone with my answer," Lucia said. "I envision the majority of our recruits will always come from the state of Minnesota ... eventually, there will be a recruit from out of state."

True to his word, Lucia ended the all-Minnesota legacy of Woog's after one season. Gophers hockey backers seemed happy with the idea of a recruit coming from out of state.

Jack Hanson, a member of the Blue Line hockey booster club and longtime season ticket holder, said the time has come for players from outside Minnesota to play for the Gophers.

"I don't see any problem with it," Hanson said. "Coach Lucia has to do whatever it takes to turn the program around. And I don't see any problems with the fans, as long as the team wins."

Years ago, the Gophers survived on in-state talent without having to recruit against Minnesota rivals St. Cloud, Minnesota State and Duluth.

In addition, neighboring schools like North Dakota, Wisconsin and Colorado College rose to prominence with countless Minnesota players on their roster.

Blue Liner and long time Gophers fan Norm Dixon said the challenges of recruiting in state exclusively ultimately became too great.

"It's pretty hard to compete with a lot of top-quality Minnesota players going to Wisconsin, St. Cloud and North Dakota," Dixon said.

"In years past, a top Minnesota kid was willing to come to Minnesota and sit or maybe play sparingly his freshman year. Now they can go to another school and start," Dixon said.

Hanson also added the problem didn't necessarily exist with where players are born but in how old they are.

"Ultimately, we can't afford to take six high school seniors. It locks up scholarships, and doesn't leave room for the 20-year-old kid. I'd still like to see the top two or three high school kids but there has to be room for the older kids coming out of juniors."

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Minnesota's Jessica Slominski works for the puck during the Gophers' 10-0 win over Minnesota State on Thursday. The Gophers outshot the Mavericks 60-6.

Thrashing Michigan State pounded Minnesota 79-43 on Thursday.

Mark Heller
STAFF REPORTER

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Even just one visit was more than enough.

Last season the Minnesota men's basketball team played Michigan State twice, losing 71-55 at the Breslin Center in early January.

The Gophers responded the second time around at Williams Arena. They blew a 10-point lead in the last eight minutes, tied it on a Terrance Simmons three-pointer, then lost on a layup by a fellow named Mateen Cleaves with one second left.

A drastically new Minnesota team caught a break when the Big Ten schedule-makers only made the Gophers play Michigan State once this season. But that became once-too-many right out of the gate, as the Spartans walked their way through a 79-43 romp at the Breslin Center.

The two-time Big Ten champion Spartans (22-7, 12-3 Big Ten) are jockeying with Ohio State — Minnesota's final game of the season on Saturday — for a shot at three-peating the conference title.

The two teams are tied heading into the final game of the season.

So it was supposed to be the Gophers' job to play spoiler. Instead they spoiled the Spartans, shooting a decrepit 30 percent while allowing Cleaves and associates to hit 51 percent of their own shots.

"I'd like to start by saying they're better than we are," Gophers coach Dan Monson said. "They're one of the great teams in America trying to win a national championship."

Like Purdue and Wisconsin

before, this contest was over almost as soon as it began. In national championship contender-like fashion, Michigan State cruised to leads of 15-4, 29-8 and 44-15 by halftime.

The Gophers (12-14, 4-11), like most of the rest of the Big Ten, couldn't get around or stop the Spartans, thanks to a now-healthy Cleaves and Morris Peterson.

"They definitely have a chance to win it all with Cleaves back," junior forward Kyle Sanden said. "It looked like he was never injured. He picked us apart."

But while Cleaves (12 points, nine assists, one turnover) and Peterson (13 points, seven rebounds) enjoyed typical performances, the backups gave reason to hope for a Final Four appearance.

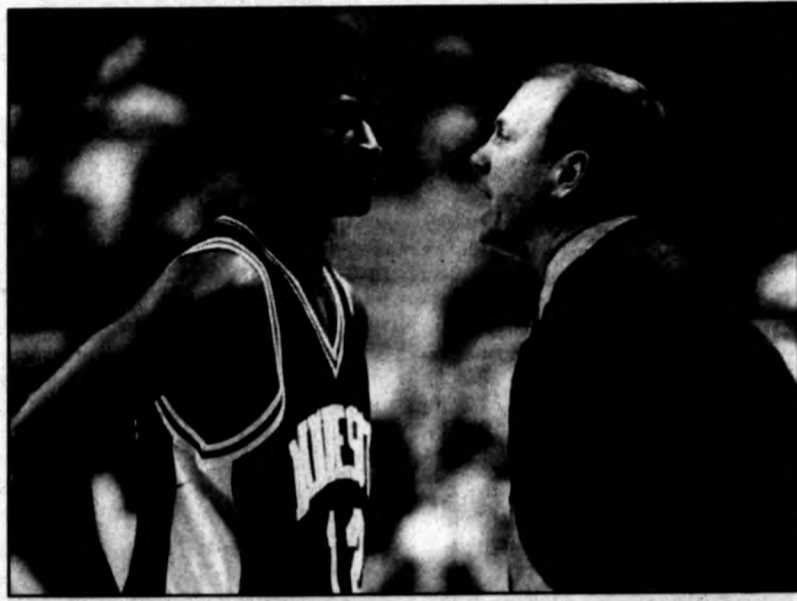
Guys like A.J. Granger, Andre Hutson, Mike Chappell and Charlie Bell paved the way to the Michigan State route.

Chappell led all scorers with 18 points off the bench. Granger and Bell combined for 20 points, 11 rebounds and one turnover and Jason Richardson had a career-high 12 rebounds.

"Those guys are huge for us," Cleaves said. "We don't choose who gets all the attention around here, but if you want any chance of winning, then get those guys going early."

"(Cleaves and Peterson) get the spotlight, but we all know we're just as much a part of this team as they are," Bell said. "It doesn't bother us. Winning is the only things that matters."

Let there be no doubt that Cleaves and Peterson will dictate just how far the Spartans make it during the rest of March. Let it also be known that those not wearing the numbers 12 or



TOP: Kevin Burleson listens to stern instructions from coach Dan Monson. BOTTOM: Mitch Ohnstad and Kyle Sanden look at the loss.

42 for the green and white will have a helping hand in Michigan State's run through March Madness.

"At the beginning of the year I picked them to win the whole thing," Gophers junior guard Terrance Simmons said. "They have

two great players, but Jordan and Pippen didn't win it all until they had guys around them."

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Assistant volleyball coach dies at 36

John R. Carter
STAFF REPORTER

Minnesota assistant volleyball coach Maurice Batie died of cardiac arrest Wednesday night while playing basketball at the University Rec Center. He was 36.

An athlete his whole life, Batie was an assistant for the Gophers the past four seasons. He followed head coach Mike Hebert to Minnesota from Illinois in 1996.

The news shocked the players, who saw Batie at a volleyball practice just a few hours before he died.

"He was an incredible, incredible person," said Minnesota's Nicole Branagh. "He radiated joy and happiness and you could see it through his smile."

"He really cared a lot about the game, and a lot about the players. He had an instinct for volleyball and life."

If it were not for Batie, the All-American Branagh might have never joined the Gophers. Batie was Minnesota's recruiting coordinator — Branagh was one of his prize recruits.

But his importance as a coach didn't stop there.

During the Gophers' run towards the NCAA sweet 16 this past season, Hebert credited Batie with taking the Gophers' blockers under his

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Gophers hope to stick it to Hawkeyes at Big Tens

John R. Carter
STAFF REPORTER

It's been nearly two weeks since the second-ranked Gophers wrestling team lost a heartbreaker to No. 1 Iowa at Williams Arena.

Think they're over it?

Think again.

"I don't know what everybody else is thinking, but I'm pretty pissed off about the Iowa match," Gophers freshman Luke Becker said. "I want to go in there and stick it to them."

Minnesota will get its chance to "stick it to" Iowa — and every other conference foe — this weekend at the Big Ten championships down in West Lafayette, Ind.

The Gophers won last year's conference tournament, ending Iowa's run of 25-straight Big Ten titles.

But the philosophy for the Gophers heading into this weekend is a different one than most might assume of a defending champion.

"We're going out not to defend a Big Ten title, but to win another one," Becker said. "That is basically the attitude."

That attitude has been stressed by Minnesota coach J Robinson at every practice for the past two weeks.

"We have to go there to win," Robinson said. "You wrestle different when you're defending something as opposed to trying to win something. A win means you're

trying to get something. When you're defending, you're trying to keep everybody away from it."

"It's the old adage, the best defense is an offense. We have to go get it, we can't stand around and expect it to come to us."

But if the Gophers want to leave the mats at Purdue with their second straight Big Ten trophy, they'll need big performances from all 10 weight classes.

That's something that didn't happen in Minnesota's loss to Iowa at The Barn. The Hawkeyes beat the Gophers 20-13 two weeks ago.

"It was a step back, but we readjust and go back at it," Robinson said. "We still haven't got to where all of us have wrestled great at one meet yet. We've been building, building and building."

Two of the guys Minnesota will rely heavily on this weekend are sophomore Leroy Vega at 125 pounds and senior Brock Lesnar at heavyweight.

The two returning All-Americans didn't wrestle their best in the meet against Iowa. They'll have to change their styles if they want to become Big Ten champs.

Robinson said Vega has to wrestle the entire match, something he didn't do against the Hawkeyes' Jody Strittmatter.

"I've got to attack (the whole match)," Vega said. "I've got to let him know I can take him down at will."

Lesnar, who lost to the Hawkeyes' Wes Hand, will have to attack early and often on the heavy-weight — something Hand doesn't like to do.

"Brock is going to have to realize Hand is going to wrestle a different kind of match," Robinson said. "He's not going to do a whole lot."

"Hand doesn't want to get in there and fight with him. He'll hang back and wait for Brock to make a mistake."

With last year's stars Tim Hartung and Chad Kraft now assistant coaches, the Gophers are going to need big things from Lesnar, Vega and everyone else if they expect to win another title.

But if Minnesota has one thing going for them mentally, it's the realization it can't rely on last year, and each wrestler will need to step up this time around.

"Last year we were the Big Ten champions, but that was last year," Vega said. "Last year we had a different team. We have something to win, and that's the 2000 Big Ten championships."

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Baseball hopes to get hot at Hormel Classic this weekend

Brian Stensaas
STAFF REPORTER

Through the past 15 years, Major League Baseball's J.T. Snow, Mike Mussina and Jeff Conine have graced the Metrodome field as college athletes in the Minnesota spring tournament.

Now in its sixth year as the Hormel Foods Baseball Classic, four teams will compete this weekend with players who could be added to the list of major leaguers to compete in the Classic.

For Minnesota, the weekend will be a chance to rebound after last weekend's three-game sweep at the hands of McNeese State.

Gophers coach John Anderson was quick to cite two factors in the losses.

"The outdoor elements we had last weekend, we are not used to," he said. "That gave us a challenge, but our offensive effort wasn't there. I felt we took a step backwards."

On paper, it would seem the road gets smoother for Minnesota in the first game of the Classic. The Gophers take on Georgia tonight — the Bulldogs are under first-year coach Ron Polk.

Though Georgia has started the 2000 campaign undefeated at 7-0, all of its games have been at home.

Maybe the new coach will bring new things for the Bulldogs.

"Georgia, with a new coach, has

renewed enthusiasm," Anderson said. "We're playing teams with winning programs. These teams know how to win."

Notre Dame comes into the Dome off of a first-place Big East finish in 1999 and faces Minnesota on Saturday. The tournament will wrap up Sunday with the Gophers taking on No. 24 Wake Forest, which was second last season in the ACC.

Of the four teams, only Minnesota has the luxury of spending its spring practicing in a domed stadium, something that could be to the Gophers' advantage this weekend.

"We'll have to see how these teams play on AstroTurf in the Dome," Anderson said. "Picking the balls out from the ceiling, and hopefully the crowd will help us too."

After last year's Classic, the Gophers went on a tear, winning 18 of their next 19 games. But this is a different year. Most of those 19 games were in the friendly confines of the Metrodome against less-than-high-quality teams.

And what can happen this year is way up in the air.

"There are no easy pickings in this tournament," Anderson said. "We have the home-field advantage, but pitching and defense will be a big factor. It's wide open for anyone to win this thing."

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Gymnastics teams face critical weekend meets

Both teams are looking to solidify NCAA tournament bids.

Jill Shirley
FOR THE DAILY

The Gophers men's gymnastics team has suddenly become a little young.

With every senior hurt, the Gophers are centered around their freshmen and sophomores. Coach Fred Roethlisberger still believes the team has a good chance at Saturday's meet against Illinois-Chicago.

"Our chances are good, our team's gotten a lot better," Roethlisberger said. "(The freshmen and sophomores) are doing a real good job right now. Even though they lack depth, I feel they've made a lot of improvements."

The season has been a little eclectic for the team. It doesn't seem to matter whether they're at home or on the road — the Gophers have been consistently inconsistent no matter where they are.

There hasn't been any one event that has given Minnesota problems, either; the missed routines have come from every event, with no indication of where they'll come from next.

"There's always one event that falls apart," Roethlisberger said. "You never really seem to know exactly where it's coming from, but most often it has been parallel bars."

The Gophers are ranked 11th in the nation, which puts them right on the edge of consideration for the NCAA championships. A win Saturday against Illinois-Chicago could be very good for Minnesota, as Illinois-Chicago is ranked 12th. Illinois-Chicago, Michigan and Minnesota are all vying for the last two spots.

Roethlisberger would like his team to score around 226, which would not only help secure a spot in the nationals, but would also give them confidence for the Big Ten championships.

"We stand a really good chance of winning this one," freshman Clay Strother said. "We're ranked ahead of UIC right now, and if we just put it all together, we'll have it."

Women's gymnastics

The Minnesota women's gymnastics team is hoping it learned something from the last meet.

After a mediocre showing against Iowa last week, the Gophers have been working on building their confidence for the home meet

Saturday against Boise State.

"The bottom line is that they need to be confident and know that they're good," co-coach Meg Stephenson said, "and get out there and do it."

The Gophers have been working on putting themselves in pressure situations in an effort to wipe away jitters and increase consistency.

One strategy the coaches use is going through "team events." On one day of practice, they each do a routine on the chosen event and keep doing it until every single person gets it right.

"We've been working hard on being consistent," senior Melissa Chang said. "We've been doing pre-meet meets, putting ourselves in the scenario. We've been looking really strong, and we have a good attitude going in."

Minnesota hopes that the balance beam will let go of its hex on the team, so the Gophers can get the 195 score the coaches are hoping for.

"Boise State is a very good team, much better than Iowa, so it won't be a cakewalk," Stephenson said. "(But) they're having the opposite problem we're having — they're hitting at home and not away."

"We just hope they learned from last weekend and will go in and make changes where necessary."

Track teams look forward to NCAA indoor qualifiers

Both teams head out of town today in a last-ditch effort to qualify athletes for next weekend's NCAA indoor championships.

Jeff Colaiay
FOR THE DAILY

The Minnesota women's track and field team heads into the outdoor season coming off of a school-best third-place finish at the Big Ten indoor championships.

While the majority of the team rests and mentally prepares for the outdoor season, a few individuals are traveling to an NCAA qualifying meet in Ames, Iowa, today.

Coach Gary Wilson said his team is taking the next few days to rest, gather its thoughts and start thinking about the outdoor season. "Some of our throwers have been going since August ... we will take this time to evaluate the indoor season and look towards the outdoor season," Wilson said.

Wilson says his team has a shot at winning the Big Ten outdoor title, with Indiana, the indoor champs, leading the way. He adds his team is better built for the outdoor season, with its strength in the throwers.

But today the focus is on NCAA qualifying for a few athletes. Corinne Nimtz, a junior distance runner, will be attempting to qualify in the 5000-meter run. Other distance runners will be at Iowa State to try and earn an NCAA berth.

Nimtz believes a time of 16:54 in

the 5000 meters should be good enough for a provisional qualification.

"I just want to have another solid race to end the indoor season," Nimtz said.

Junior Aubrey Schmitt has already qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championships in Indianapolis on March 10-11. She also had two second-place finishes in the shot put and weight throw at the Big Ten indoor meet.

Beth Howard also qualified for the NCAA meet with her Big Ten championship in the weight throw. Senior Christine Gulbrandsen is a provisional qualifier in the triple-jump.

Men's track and field

The Gophers are taking a few days off to prepare to defend their Big Ten outdoor title this spring. Last weekend the team traveled to Indiana for the Big Ten indoor championships and came out with a fourth-place finish.

Today, coach Phil Lundin will take his top athletes down to Ames for the NCAA qualifying meet.

Big Ten champion in the 600 meters, junior Tom Gerding will be one of the Gophers making the trip. Gerding was a provisional qualifier last year and has a solid chance of qualifying again this year.

Another NCAA hopeful is distance runner Andrew McKessock. The Big Ten indoor mile champ holds a strong provisional position in the NCAAAs.

The Gophers will also send junior Mark Johannsen to compete in the high jump. Johannsen was a NCAA championship qualifier last year in the outdoor meet.



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Home-at-home series to decide Gophers' fate

Josh Linehan
STAFF REPORTER

A home-at-home series will decide where the Minnesota men's hockey team spends next weekend — at home or on the road.

To guarantee home ice for the first round of the WCHA playoffs, the Gophers must sweep in-state rival St. Cloud State this weekend. The WCHA Final Five will be held at the Target Center the following weekend.

"It's time for us to get off the fence," junior defenseman Dylan Mills said. "We've put ourselves in a bad position, but we still control what happens. It starts with a win Friday."

Minnesota leads off the weekend at home Friday before traveling to St. Cloud on Saturday. Coach Don Lucia has said he will start both his freshmen goaltenders this weekend,

so whoever starts at Mariucci will watch at the National Hockey Center.

It will also be senior night for both teams.

Earlier in the year, Minnesota dropped a game at St. Cloud in overtime and followed up by allowing two goals in the last minute to tie the Huskies.

"We have to play better percentage hockey this time around," sophomore forward John Pohl said. "I guess we'll see what we've learned."

The Huskies skate into the weekend ahead of Minnesota not only in the WCHA, but also in the Pairwise rankings, used to determine the 12-team NCAA tournament field.

St. Cloud also boasts a huge edge in goaltending, with All-WCHA candidate Scott Meyer backstopping the Huskies.

"We have to get to Meyer," Lucia

said. "He's been such a tremendous part of their success, and we have to try to get as many shots on him as possible."

The Gophers will almost undoubtedly face Colorado College in the first round of the playoffs. It has yet to be determined where the series will be.

The question is, where would the Gophers prefer the series? Minnesota has won their last five games on the road, while dropping their last three at home.

"I still think it's much easier to win that first playoff series at home," Lucia said. "We can still accomplish all of our goals this year, but we must have success this weekend, against another good team."

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Batie keyed in volleyball's success

BATIE from 10

wings.

The improved blocking game was one of the main reasons the Gophers finished with 15 wins in the Big Ten, the most in school history.

A native of Chicago, Batie is a graduate of Central College in Iowa. He was the first in his family to attend college. Batie also lettered three seasons as a wide receiver on Central's football team.

He joined Hebert at Illinois before the 1994 season. The two have shown more than just a work relationship, becoming good friends over the years.

"Quite simply he's one of the finest human beings I've ever met," Hebert said. "He impacted so many people in such a positive way."

"What struck me most was his incredible integrity."

Batie is survived by his wife Melissa, and their child Madison, who was born last December. Batie

didn't make the trip with the team to Penn State in the NCAA tourney so he could be with his family.

A memorial and celebration of Batie's life has been set for the Sports Pavilion, Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. It's open to all volleyball fans.

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Network

WELCOME BACK - WHAT WAS YOUR NAME AGAIN?

From *Obi*: Well, Net, I'm finally back from my long hiatus. Of course, what should happen when I get back? Net: Umm ... we should be reminded that you were gone in the first place? A most grievous sin has been committed against me! It happened while speaking with a friend and her lady friends at one of the dorms (I will not say which so as not to give away my secret location). The sin to which I am referring is the misuse of my name. Net: *Kobe Bryant is some kinda bastard, eh?* You see, despite giving them my "real life" moniker, Net: Translation: "Numb Nuts" one inquisitive young lady asked if I had a nickname. To this I replied, "Yes, it's *Obi*." This caused a cascade of laughter and red faces the likes of which I have never seen! Net: Perhaps if you hadn't been wearing that "Keyes 2000" shirt at the time ... OK, so maybe I exaggerate a little. The reason for such a response? They had mistaken my name, *Obi*, as being the feminine hygiene product with a similar sounding name, "O.B." Net: A fine feminine product if ever there was one. Oh, wait ... umm ... never mind. As you might have guessed, I was most thoroughly disheartened by this connection. Oh, Net, whatever shall I do? Net: Try using one ... something tells us "disheartened" will seem like paradise. I have endured much in my time here at the University, but this, this is unforgivable. If you need me, Net: uh-huh I will be back on my desert planet living out the remainder of my life as a hermit. Net: Bye, now. Well, at least until some young punk kid comes along to give me my droid back. Net: Oh, sorry ... were you still babbling?

From *Loretta*: I am supposed to be at work right now, but this is just so big that I have to pass it on. Net: What have you got, a kidney stone? I finished reading Dr. Date's column where the letter writer claimed that the average person can only figure out two of the clues to the crossword puzzle. Net: That same letter writer called us a "ridiculous half-page of nonsense," so you must take associated comments with a grain of salt. And a shot of tequila. And a squeeze of lime. I figure that, on average, there are about 120 clues to the entire puzzle. I'll be generous and say that I usually miss about 20 of them. This means that I can figure out roughly 50 TIMES as many clues as the average person, which translates to 50 TIMES the intelligence of the average person. Net: With your demonstrated capacity to perform high-level math and make it look easy, we can do nothing other than put down our Cliffs Notes and give you the applause you so richly deserve. Needless to say, I was a bit overwhelmed to find out that I might be the smartest human ever. And just to be scientifically accurate, I double-checked the figures using standardized online IQ tests. Net: Our favorite is the one on *mulletsgalore.com*. The first page I tried froze up when I tried to enter the first answer, presumably under the immense burden of my knowledge. Slowly, however, the results trickled in and, unanimously (I really like adverbs), Net: Lolly, Lolly, Lolly, get your adverbs here! I was hailed by automated result tabulators as an "obscenely intelligent individual". My next step was to send a letter to MENSA

Net: Making Extraordinary Nerds Socially Acceptable demanding inclusion to their silly little club. I can't wait to turn that place on its ear! This realization has its consequences, though. Net: If you feel like your head is about to explode, do us all a favor and put a Hefty bag over it first. For instance, I now feel angry and cheated that everyone whom I meet in even the mildest social interactions, e.g. the Campus Connector, is basking in MY glow. Dammit, people, get your own brain! Net: Now on sale at *mulletsgalore.com*! You are like moths buzzing around a lamp-light and, much like moths, I hate you all. Net: Why would moths hate us? Does anyone have any idea what it is like to be THIS smart? Well, DO YOU?!? NO! because you are all a bunch of f&@king idiots! OK, that was laying it on a little thick, but it felt good to get it off my chest. If it makes you guys feel any better, I will say that I am not perfect. Net: Oh, thank heavens. We can now remove this noose from around our throat ... I really am just another pencil-neck who will run away should anyone come after me. But I will yell insults, some of them exceedingly nasty, as I run. Oh, Net, what should I do — do you have some advice for a mental juggernaut such as myself? Net: Call up ABC, get on "Millionaire" and find out for us where Regis gets his ties.

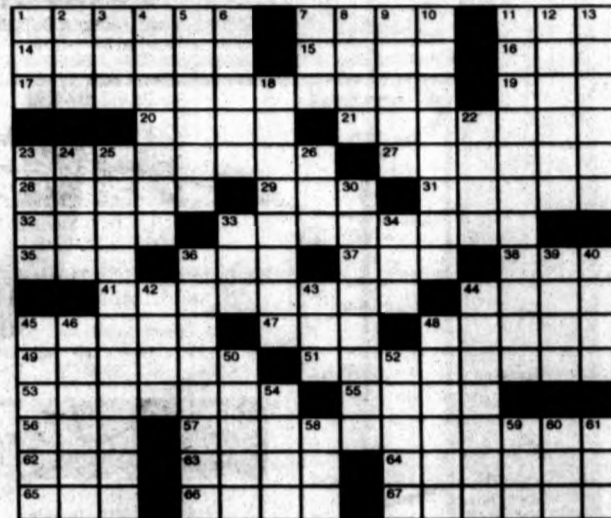
MYER WAA WAA WAA OUT

From *Enough is Enough*: ENTRY STARTS HERE: Net: The question is, where's here? I just thought I would write in immediately and beat the idiots to the punch. Net: Beware: It's spiked. I am talking about the Rooster ad in the Daily on Thursday. In the past, there was inevitably an entry reading something like this: Waa waa, the University Net: which has absolutely no say whatsoever into what goes into the paper. If it did, do you think you'd be reading this? should not be advertising tobacco, waa waa, the Playboy models would not want to talk to some guy with chew and cancer in his mouth, waa waa. Boycott chew and boycott Playboy, waa waa. The University Net: you're giving us a headache should not promote objectification of women like Playboy does, waa fricking waa. So to all the people who would write in on this topic and the rest of the stale topics (i.e. locker rooms, boring cartoons, stupid or smart basketball players, or whatever else) shut the f&@k up and bring in some intelligent topics. Net: Hear, hear. We'll begin with a dissertation on macroeconomic theory, highlighted by a riveting discussion on Alan Greenspan's control of the Federal Reserve. Then we shall move on to the wicked buzz that results when you mix strawberry Boone's and Sauga Commemorative. (That good enough for ya, Einstein?) I will start one now, how about explaining the fluctuations of climate we are experiencing now. Net: There's nothing to get the ol' mental juices flowing like a hearty discussion about the weather. Let's hear the both sides — for and against global warming theory. Or, nature vs. nurture in humans. Net: Or, we could stab ourselves in the temple with a shrimp fork. Or which is the better way to hang the toilet paper, over or under. It does not matter, just bring in some other topics. Net: Backslide just called. It's looking for a readership, and we think you might be the one. Run along, now!

Help! Send your entry, name & phone to:

The Daily Crossword

- ACROSS**
- Ocean bottom
 - ADC
 - Get-up-and-go
 - Lake near Rome
 - bene
 - Tankard filler
 - Sleep restlessly
 - Actor Silver
 - Needle case
 - Football
 - Sinkerball
 - Satisfy
 - Relating to a pelvic bone
 - Pekoe, e.g.
 - City or circle preceder
 - Madcap
 - Scrawny
 - Maria*
 - Vager
 - Grove in to
 - Caustic friction
 - Mother-of-pearl sources
 - Shine's partner?
 - Sitcom pioneer
 - Desi
 - Operated
 - Artist's subject
 - Gridiron blitz
 - And so forth
 - Endure, as a storm
 - Inner Hebrides island
 - Sailors' admin.
 - Spill details of private affairs
 - Strong desire
 - Yodeler's stage
 - Mashed Potato Time*
 - Singer Sharp
 - Mine find
 - Hr. with a shrink
 - More likely than others to win
- DOWN**
- Took chairs
 - "Evil Woman" grp.
 - 6-pack muscles?
 - Standard salary
 - Related on mother's side
 - Coffee-break snack
 - Hill worker?
 - Thick fog
 - Landing area
 - Getting snarled
 - Commuter's option
 - Plaza Hotel girl
 - Writer
 - Despot
 - Samoan currency
 - Judy's daughter
 - Norwegian king
 - Treat lavishly
 - Give the ax?
 - Vote in (use a proxy)
 - Sis, bro or cuz
 - NATO cousin
 - Rocket launchers
 - Manipulator
 - Contemporary of Boris and Lon
 - Commanded, old-style
 - Housing unit
 - Dundee denial
 - Took turns
 - Water-carved gulch
 - "Stand by Me" director
 - Fixed
 - Artful deception
 - Draft letters
 - Wynn and Begley
 - August birth, usually
 - Ex-OB Dawson



By Patrick McConville
Manassas Park, VA

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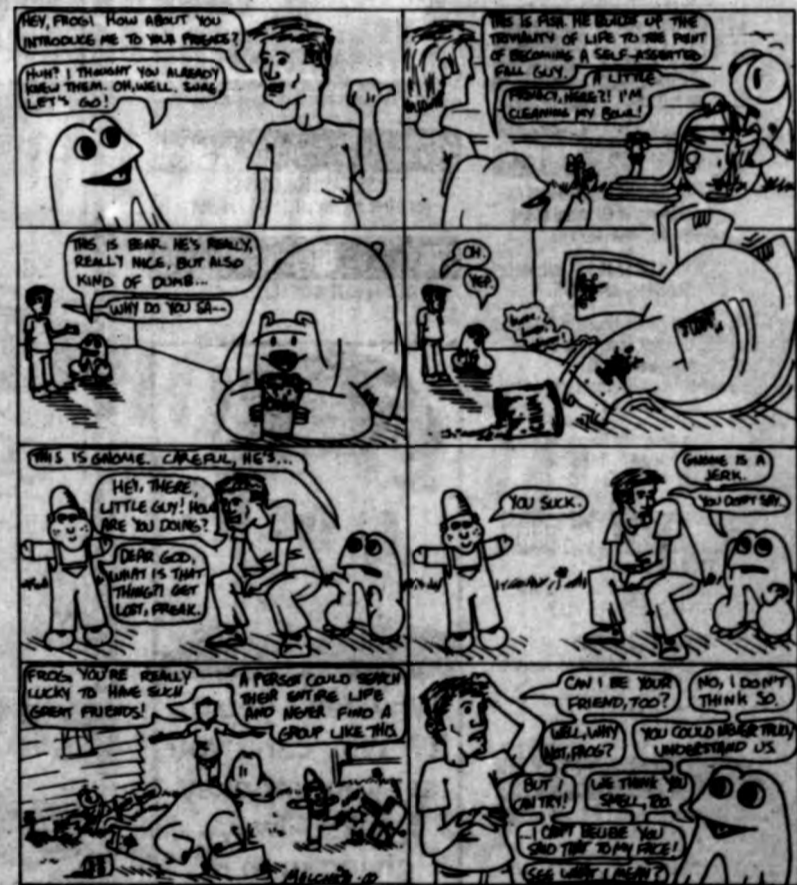


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Caseous

by Nate Melcher



The Duplex



by Glenn McCoy



Drdate

Dear Dr. Date,
I have recently begun seeing an older woman. We met in Uptown at a coffee shop, and we hit it off. After a few dates, we finally consummated the relationship. The problem is that a few weeks later, she confessed to me that she hasn't always been a she! A few years ago, she decided to change. At first I didn't believe it, but after remembering my experience, I've come to believe it. I don't know what to do. While I'm angry at her for what

she did, I can't stop how I've begun to feel about this person. At the same time, I can't imagine "being" with her again. I've always thought of myself as a very heterosexual person. What do I do? I'm so lost. Please help me.
— Confused

Among my favorite episodes of daytime talk are the ones in which the host brings out hot women that gyrate in tight sexy clothes and flirt heavily with the guys in the audience.

The kicker comes when the host tells everyone that these hot women weren't always women. My favorite part is when the guys in the audience freak out and get really mad. They usually look like they want to hit someone really hard. While I'm not surprised at their anger, I still think it's puzzling. If a person acts like a woman, looks like a woman, and has at least a semblance of the genitals of a woman, isn't the person close enough to a woman not to care?

The person you are dating is a woman now, and I guess that's all you need to think about. Don't you have secrets from your past that you'd rather your partners didn't know? Look, this is a personal decision. You aren't going to be a heel if you don't

want to fool around with her anymore — people end relationships for a lot more trivial reasons than this. If you do want to fool around, though, I'm sure you'll have a great time.

This might be the perfect opportunity for you to shed the strict notions of sexual preferences. Just because you are attracted to a woman that was once a man doesn't mean that you are gay or even bisexual. Lose the labels. They'll just confuse you unnecessarily.

Well, my good friends, we've finally arrived at the day of the much bally-hooded Mixer. I hope you all have a wonderful time tonight at the Weisman Art Museum. As with any mingling situation, don't think about it too much. Smile, be yourself, and take a few risks. It doesn't matter if you don't find

anyone to date tonight. That's not really the point. The important thing is that you show up and you meet some new people. These people might turn out to be your soul mate, your best friend or a brief conversation partner that gave you something new to think about. Go well, young lovers, wherever you are.

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