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Suspects in London bombing names released

By Patrick Quinn/
The Associated Press

LONDON (AP) - Police on Monday released the names of two of the four men suspected of taking part in the failed July 21 bombings and said a fifth device similar to

others used in the botched attacks was found in a west London park.

Peter Clarke, head of the Metropolitan Police anti-terrorist branch, released new images of some of the men who tried to bomb three subway cars and a bus. He identified two of the suspects as

Muktar Said Ibraihim, also known as Muktar Mohammed Said, 27, and Yasin Hassan Omar, 24.

Prime Minister Tony Blair apologized for the police killing of a Brazilian electrician mistaken for a terrorist.

"We are all desperately sorry

for the death of an innocent person and I understand entirely the feelings of the young man's family, but we also have to understand the police are doing their job in very, very difficult circumstances," Blair said.

"Had the circumstances been

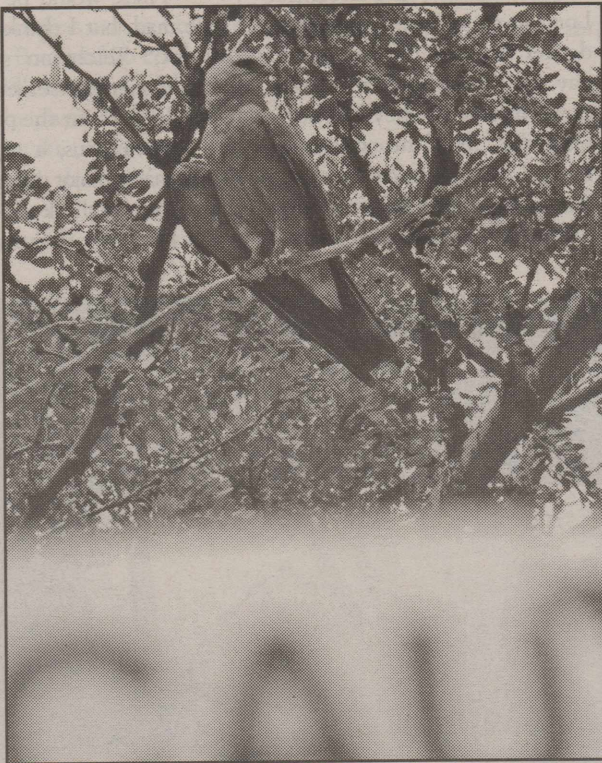
different and had this turned out to be a terrorist, and they had failed to take that action, they would have been criticized the other way."

The British Broadcasting Corp.

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Students are warned of the Mississippi Kite protecting its nest near the library. Some students have been hit by the bird as he dives at people he believes are too close. The bird is endangered and cannot be removed.

Photo by Steve Lewis



Rare bird causing mayhem

By Andrew Wood/
The Daily Toreador

Last week, a few Tech students and employees were attacked by the bird, *Ictinia mississippiensis*, better known as a Mississippi Kite.

Justin Johnson, specialist in the library, said that the problem began earlier in the week, when employees voiced complaints. Johnson, along with his other colleagues knew that action needed to be taken. Their options became limited whenever they found the bird is an endangered species.

"We found out it was an endangered bird, and we really can't do anything about it," he said.

The kites are migratory birds, and are expected to remain on campus from two to four weeks, Johnson said. He advised for anyone concerned about an attack to use the east entrance to the library.

Diego Zuniga, senior industrial engineering major from Honduras, holds a part time job on the first floor of the library, and he said that he has seen the bird attack other people.

"The guy was walking down to the library. It was a hawk, and it smacked him on the head and went off again," Zuniga said.

The dilemma has happened to several people, some of whom are close to Zuniga.

"It's happened to more than

eight other people, who came and reported it to the library," Zuniga said. "It even happened to a couple that I know of."

Clint Boal, an assistant professor of range, wildlife and fisheries said that a reasonable comparison would be that if humans were raising children, and other people suddenly began walking on their yard. Boal said that their behavior results from the common instinct to protect their young.

The kites show up around the end of the spring semester to find places to nest, and the birds become defensive whenever people deviate from their normal routes.

"They are used to formal

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Police dogs used in many cases

By Jeremy Reynolds/
The Daily Toreador

Using dogs to track narcotics or find explosives is not a new wave of brilliance for law enforcements, and it is not something foreign to Sergeant Dennis Kelley of the Lubbock Police Department.

Kelley has worked with the K-9 unit of the police department for 12 years, but has been with the force for 30 years. He supervises the K-9 unit, which consists of two other men: Jim Holmes and Michael Jordan, as well as three dogs.

"The dogs are trained for detection and criminal apprehension," Kelley said. "If someone broke into a building, then the dogs would go

in first and search the building for the criminal."

Kelley said the police department does not send the dogs in first because they are expendable, but because they can search the building better and faster than a police would be able to do.

The two narcotic dogs are named Onzo and Thor, and the explosives dog is named Nitro. The three dogs live with the members of the team, and Kelley said that the animals become part of the family.

"My children play with our dog," Kelley said. "They become an extension of us."

The dogs are used to sniff out drugs and bombs, but also for spe-

cial events. If the team goes and talks with an elementary school, then the dogs will come as well.

Kelley said the team is busy every night with three or four calls, and sometimes their work takes them to the Texas Tech campus.

"We gets calls to search rooms or vehicles," Kelley said.

Kelley and his team adopted the dogs many years ago and tried to train them once adopted. But, Kelley said that doing it that way is time consuming, and sometimes pointless, if a dog turns out not to be able to perform the task they want it to do.

"We now go through an agency to get our dogs," Kelley said. "We get the dogs fully trained and all



Photo by Steve Lewis

they need is some fine tuning."

Dogs do not live forever and Kelley said there comes a point when some dogs have to be retired

from the police force.

"I just retired a dog who'd been here 10 and a half years," Kelley

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Corporal Michael Jordan (left) and Corporal Jim Holmes, of the Lubbock Police Department, conduct a weekly training exercise with Thor, a 9-year-old German Shepherd, at Weeks Hall July 19, on the Tech campus.

London

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reported that the visa of electrician Jean Charles de Menezes, 27, had expired, suggesting this may have been why he ran from police Friday before being shot. Menezes' cousin said the visa was still valid.

Menezes' family on Monday threatened to take legal action.

"They have to pay for that in many ways, because if they do not, they are going to kill many people," his cousin, Alex Pereira, told BBC television. "They killed my cousin; they could kill anyone."

Menezes was followed by plainclothes officers after he left an apartment bloc in Tulse Hill that was under surveillance. Wearing a padded jacket, he boarded a bus and traveled to the nearby Stockwell subway station. According to officials, his clothing and behavior aroused the suspicions of the police who ordered him to stop.

Witnesses said Menezes ran into a subway car, where officers shot him. It was unclear why Menezes,

who spoke English, did not stop.

Police also raided a north London apartment Monday in their investigation - the latest in a series that so far has netted three suspects, but there were no arrests in the latest action, a police spokeswoman said on customary condition of anonymity.

Police say they are looking for more suspects because investigators believe a wide network of al-Qaida-linked operatives staged the attacks. The network could include bomb-makers and those who coached the young suicide attackers before their mission, according to police.

Investigators are pursuing leads that seemed to indicate a link between the unsuccessful attacks on July 21 and the suicide bombings two weeks earlier that killed the four bombers and 52 other people.

Metropolitan Police Commissioner Sir Ian Blair said he believed al-Qaida terrorists were involved in both attacks.

"The way in which al-Qaida operates is not a sort of classic cell structure," Ian Blair told Britain's

Sky News television on Sunday. "It has facilitators, so we're looking for the bomb makers, we're looking for the chemists, we're looking for the financiers, we're looking for the people who groomed these young people, so it will be a wide network that we're trying to penetrate."

Asked if the two attacks were connected, Ian Blair said "we have no proof that they are linked, but clearly there is a pattern here."

Two men were arrested in London's southern Stockwell neighborhood Friday under Britain's anti-terrorism laws. A third man was arrested under the same legislation in nearby Tulse Hill on Saturday. All three are being held "on suspicion of the commission, instigation or preparation of acts of terrorism" for the July 21 attacks.

Ian Blair said police were "still anxious for any sighting of the four individuals" whose images were released after being spotted on surveillance camera footage fleeing the scenes of the failed bombings, suggesting that none of the

four are among the men now in custody.

Police were reportedly investigating whether some of the July 21 suspects may have visited the same Welsh white-water rafting center as two of the July 7 suicide bombers: Mohammed Sidique Khan and Shahzad Tanweer.

The two bombers went whitewater rafting there July 4, according to the National Whitewater Center. Police have refused to comment on reports that a brochure for the rafting center was found in an explosives-laden knapsack that failed to detonate on a bus July 21.

In emotionally charged visits, relatives and friends of people killed July 7 visited three subway stations, and a central London street where a double-decker bus was blown up, to pay their respects. Many broke down in tears as they laid flowers at the sites of the explosions. Earlier, more than 230 relatives and friends attended a briefing on the investigation by police.

Dogs

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said. "A dog working that long is almost unheard of. We had to retire him because he could no longer see in the dark."

Jordon Teichman, a senior computer science major from Windthorst, said he felt that it is pretty important for any police department to have a K-9 division to help with drugs and explosives.

"A lot of people would not allow the police to search their cars," Teichman said.

Kelley said that he does not know if the calls he gets from Tech are random, but Teichman said he thought randomly searching dorms and cars was a good idea.

"There would be a lot of people mad, but I think it could help a lot," Teichman said. "Parents could see that something was being done about the problem."

Jessica Pous, a sophomore pre-pharmacy major from Austin, said she does not think a K-9 division in a city like Lubbock is that important.

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Kite

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routes," he said. "It's when people cut across and make shortcuts."

Boal said that there are 15 nests on campus, and people are unaware of most of them.

"There are numerous nests that people don't know of, and they walk around them everyday," he said.

The birds' attempts at protecting nestlings, or finding secadas and locusts can sometimes be misinterpreted as aggressive behavior.

Although, the birds are expected to remain on campus until the middle of September, Boal said their aggressive behavior should only last through the middle of the summer.

If anyone has any trouble with the birds, Boal said to contact the range, wildlife and fisheries department or the physical plant. He said they will take necessary action, and look into the birds' aggression level.

Boal advised people to stay on

the sidewalks and, he said, if they stay at least thirty meters away from the birds, people should be safe.

Kenneth Schmidt, an assistant professor of biological sciences, said the problem expands whenever the birds breed on campus, and as many as four pairs could be flying around the vicinity.

"We found out it was an endangered bird, and we really can't do anything about it."

— JUSTIN JOHNSON

Specialist, Texas Tech Library

Due to their nesting, the kites are nervous about human disruption, Schmidt said.

"They're nesting, and this is their one chance. If the nest is

killed, there goes the chance for them," he said.

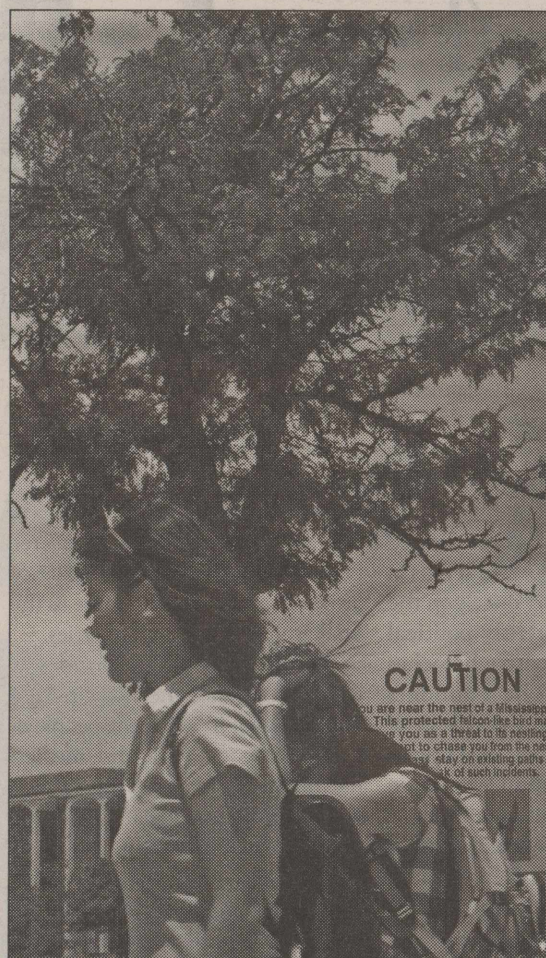
The kite remains alert, and if the presence of a human being can be sensed, the bird will attack, or "dive bomb" people who appear as a threat to the nest. Although their defensive behavior remains a concern, Schmidt noted that their actions result from their mutual fear of humans.

Despite their aggressive actions, kites are not as able to harm people. Schmidt said that they usually "dive-bomb" or clip people's hair.

Kites are slightly larger than other raptors. The birds are usually found between buildings, and there is more possibility for human interaction.

Schmidt said that most of his studies of kites have begun since he came to Texas Tech in 2002.

Mississippi kites are neotropical migrants who spend summer breeding in North America, but they spend most of their other time in South America. Boal said that their wingspan is as long as three feet, but they weigh around half of a pound, and are grey birds.



ESTHER KIM AND Seon Choi, Intensive English Program students from South Korea, walk past a warning sign for the Mississippi Kite near the library on Friday. The kites, an endangered species, have been known to attack people walking past the nesting areas on campus. The birds are expected to remain at Tech until the middle of September.

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Supreme Court controversy affects everyone

If your knowledge of America's legal system is limited to what you picked up from reruns of Janet Reno's Dance Party on "Saturday Night Live," you might wonder what the controversy is over President Bush's new Supreme Court nominee John Roberts.

The Founding Fathers viewed an independent judiciary as a crucial and necessary check on the power of the inherently political legislative and executive branches of government. The Founders believed strongly in the theory of natural rights — that, as Thomas Jefferson put it in the Declaration of Independence, all men "are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights." A 51 percent majority in Congress cannot just ar-

bitrarily vote to eliminate freedom of speech. Our rights and liberties are not subject to temporary political whim.

One constitutional protection of our natural rights is independent judicial review of the law by the Supreme Court. While the Court was originally the weakest of the three branches of government, it has since grown in scope to often serve as the final arbiter of our civil liberties.

Take the case of Gonzales v. Raich concerning the medicinal use of marijuana. In 1996, the people of California voted to legalize medicinal marijuana. In 2002 Angel Raich and three other medical users of the drug sued the federal government after agents of the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) destroyed their supply. Raich was allergic to lifesaving medications and she needed to control her orthopedic and neurological conditions and depended on medicinal marijuana to control her reaction to those medications.

Raich's attorney argued, cor-

rectly in my opinion, that as Raich's marijuana was homegrown and for personal use, the federal government had no power to regulate it - the Constitution only grants Congress the power to regulate commerce between "the several states."

The Supreme Court ruled against Raich by 6-3, with the more conservative members dissenting. Justice Clarence Thomas spoke for the original intent of the Constitution, writing in his dissent, "In the early days of the Republic, it would have been unthinkable that Congress could prohibit the local cultivation, possession, and consumption of marijuana."

Another interesting case is *Kelo v. New London*, commonly known as the eminent domain case. The Court ruled on June 23 in another 6-3 decision that communities can use the doctrine of eminent domain to take a private citizen's property for use by private business (previously eminent domain could only be used for "public use" projects

like city parks). One can only imagine what an ambitious mayor, alderman or council member could do with this new power to benefit the business interests that bankroll their campaigns.

Dissenting were original intent conservatives Thomas, Antonin Scalia and William Rehnquist.

Last year the Court overturned the death penalty for juvenile defendants in *Roper v. Simmons*. Whatever one thinks of the particulars, most would agree that some of the reasoning employed by the 5-4 majority, which relied on foreign courts for precedent, was flawed. In his dissent, Justice Scalia attacked the relevance of foreign law to American courts. In his words, the Court has begun "invok(ing) alien law when it agrees with one's own thinking, and



Joe Biles

ignor(ing) it otherwise."

John Roberts' judicial philosophy is presently unclear - he has, after all, only served two years on the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals. However, Roberts is a member of the conservative Federalist Society and President Bush has said he intended to nominate justices in the mold of Thomas and Scalia. Roberts' views will become more clear during his confirmation hearings later this year.

Whatever becomes of Roberts, I think the Court's recent behavior shows why a steadier hand is desirable. Any change in the Court is important and worth following, because the next case that comes before the Court may very well affect you. Don't make the mistake of waiting until your home has been demolished to build a hotel before you start caring.

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Ole Miss Rebel says PETA takes animal rights fight too far

By Terry League/
Daily Mississippian

(U-WIRE) OXFORD, Miss. —The People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, which should not be confused with People Eating Tasty Animals, is having its 25th Anniversary Gala and Humanitarian Awards Show on Sept. 10 at Paramount Pictures in Hollywood. The gala is primarily a fundraiser and individual tickets start at \$500 and will attract a number of celebrities. The Rev. Al Sharpton, John McEnroe and Pamela Anderson, who has posed nude in support of the anti-fur campaign, are on the "honorary committee" for the Gala.

PETA is well-funded with a

reported income of over \$29 million last year. Most of the money is spent on investigations, organizing boycotts of companies/organizations that they believe are being cruel to animals, and publicizing incidents of cruelty. The boycotts and publicity campaigns have been effective, but the elimination of cruelty is only an intermediate step in the long-term goals of PETA.

PETA has been waging a campaign since 1996 to get Fishkill, N.Y., to change its name. Fishkill is from Dutch (Vis, for fish, and Kill, for stream or creek), and PETA acknowledges the origin but feels that the name could imply cruelty to animals and should be changed.

Maybe they should try to rename

the Catskill Mountains also. PETA has also conducted protests against the "Got Milk" promotions in schools, attempting to get children to not drink milk and a short-lived "Got Beer" campaign to get college students to choose beer over milk. None of these campaigns appear to be directly related to animal welfare but are related to animal rights, which is the main focus of PETA.

PETA is militaristic in its approach to achieving its goals. Alex Pacheco, a co-founder, has stated: "Arson, property destruction, burglary and theft are 'acceptable crimes' when used for the animal cause."

While PETA promotes itself as a friend of animals, many of their goals indicate that they really do

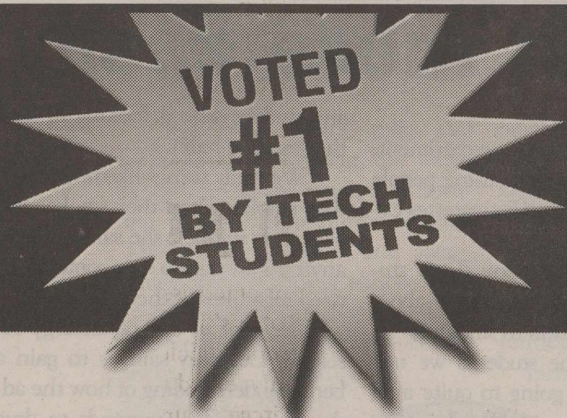
not like animals. They are not concerned with the preservation of species, only with the elimination of human use of the animals. PETA wants everyone to be a vegan, eliminating all use of meat, eggs, dairy products, wool, silk and leather. I have to wonder if PETA has given any thought to what would happen to the cattle, sheep, pigs, horses, chickens, dogs, cats, etc. that are currently "used" by humans. I seriously doubt if humans will grow food or provide shelter for vast numbers of animals that they do not own or that provide no economic benefit. Public land available would not support the vast numbers of animals and since most are domesticated, they would not survive.

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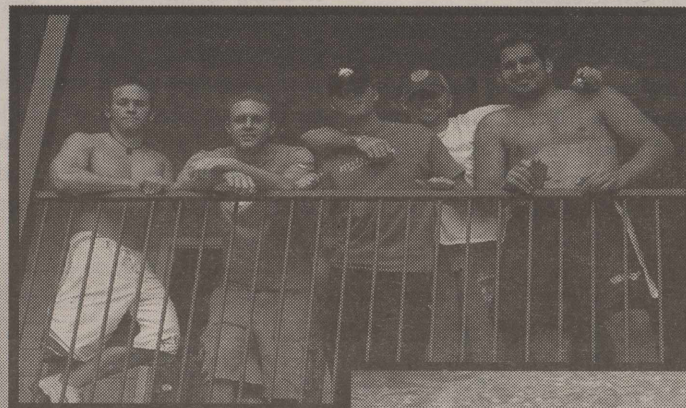
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Research may help smokers quit more easily

By Jay Langley/
The Daily Toreador

Thousands of Tech students suffer from nicotine addiction. Instead of telling students they must stand 12 feet away from buildings to smoke, the Tech psychology department is taking steps toward helping students kick the habit.

The Texas Tech psychology department is currently studying motivational responses in nicotine-addicted individuals, to smoking-cue images.

"We're trying to learn about what will help people quit when people want to quit," Lee Cohen, assistant professor of psychology.

In an addicted individual, drug-cues are known to increase motivation to consume the addictive substance. These cues include images of, or related to, the addicted substance.

Motivation to consume the substance is at the center of an ongoing

psychological debate. The motivation could be due to the result of negative reinforcement.

The facilitating process could be a desire to eliminate a withdrawal-like state brought on by drug-cues. In contrast, motivation to consume could be a result of positive reinforcement; the positive state induced by the substance is primed through conditioned cues.

The Tech psychology department is studying these cues through physiological means. Jared Dempsey is a doctoral candidate in clinical psychology at Tech and heading up this new research.

"We compare emotional responses of those who say they want to quite smoking, versus those who do not want to quite," Dempsey said.

The study, Dempsey said, is done using electromyographic measurement of the eyelid muscles during a startle response while viewing smoking-cue images.

"In the most basic terms, we

watch how the brain responds to smoking cigarettes," he said.

The startle response is a reflex resulting from an abrupt and intense sensory stimulus such as a loud noise. The startle response can be changed by the presence of emotional stimuli such as something a person likes, versus what they dislike. Increases in startle occur for unpleasant stimuli and decreases in startle occur for pleasant stimuli.

"We can access a person's emotions through their blinking patterns," Dempsey said.

Startle research has ranged from neurological disorders, to race bias, to sexual orientation differences, to schizophrenia.

According to the National Center for Disease Control and Prevention, 22 percent of American adults smoke cigarettes. Dempsey said it is hard to say if that number reflects nicotine addiction among Tech students.

"The major issue is people say they smoke more when they drink,"

Dempsey said.

The psychology experiment, Dempsey said, is done using people who smoke at least 15 cigarettes every day.

Dempsey said many Tech students have misconceptions about their own addiction to smoking.

"Many of the students we talk to say they are going to quite after graduation," he said. "By that time they're hooked for life and it's too late."

Bobbi Britton-Stroud is the unit manager of the Raider Assistance Program. She said compared to other addictions, the Raider Assistance Program does not get many nicotine addicts.

"We get mainly referrals of women who need to quite because of certain birth control pills that there on, or people who have respiratory problems," she said.

Britton-Stroud said the Raider Assistance Program works with the American Cancer Society to help

any student who is looking to kick the smoking habit.

"We study things like how much they smoke, when they smoke, and why they smoke," she said. "We do anything we can to help someone in need regardless of their addiction."

The goal of the psychology research, Dempsey said, is to gain a better understanding of how the addicted individual responds to drug cues could lead to better treatment. If a person is presented a certain treatment and their startle data shows the person views the substance as very pleasant, that treatment might be preferred over another form of treatment.

Each person, Dempsey said, could potentially have a different response to a different treatment. The goal is to find out which treatment works for each person. Instead of going "cold turkey," resources could be spent increasing a person's motivation to quit or helping them prepare to quit.

NASA may launch shuttle despite sensor trouble

By Mike Schneider/
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) - Still perplexed by a fuel

gauge problem, NASA officials said Monday they are prepared to bend their own safety rules to launch Discovery on Tuesday on

the first shuttle flight since the Columbia tragedy 2 1/2 years ago.

They said they may approve a waiver if the problem crops up

again during fueling.

Pete Nickolenko, a NASA test director, said such waivers have been rare in the past. At the same time, he expressed confidence the sensor would work properly.

"Personally, I think that we've done an extensive degree of troubleshooting and analysis ... to best understand what we've got," he said. "We fully expect that it should work as designed."

Engineers still do not fully understand why one of the four hydrogen sensors in the big external fuel tank gave a faulty reading July 13, forcing NASA to scrub the first flight as the astronauts were boarding Discovery. The rescheduled launch is set for 10:39 a.m. Tuesday.

The space agency's own launch rule requires that all four sensors be working properly, though only two are actually needed.

The fuel sensors are needed to prevent the main engines from shutting down too soon or too late during liftoff. The first scenario could result in a risky, never-attempted emergency landing; the second could cause the engine turbines to rupture and destroy the spacecraft.

Although the focus of NASA's attention has been on the sensor, rain and clouds may end up causing more concern around launch

time. Forecasters put the odds of good launch weather Tuesday at 60 percent. The weather forecast at some of the emergency landing sites also is spotty.

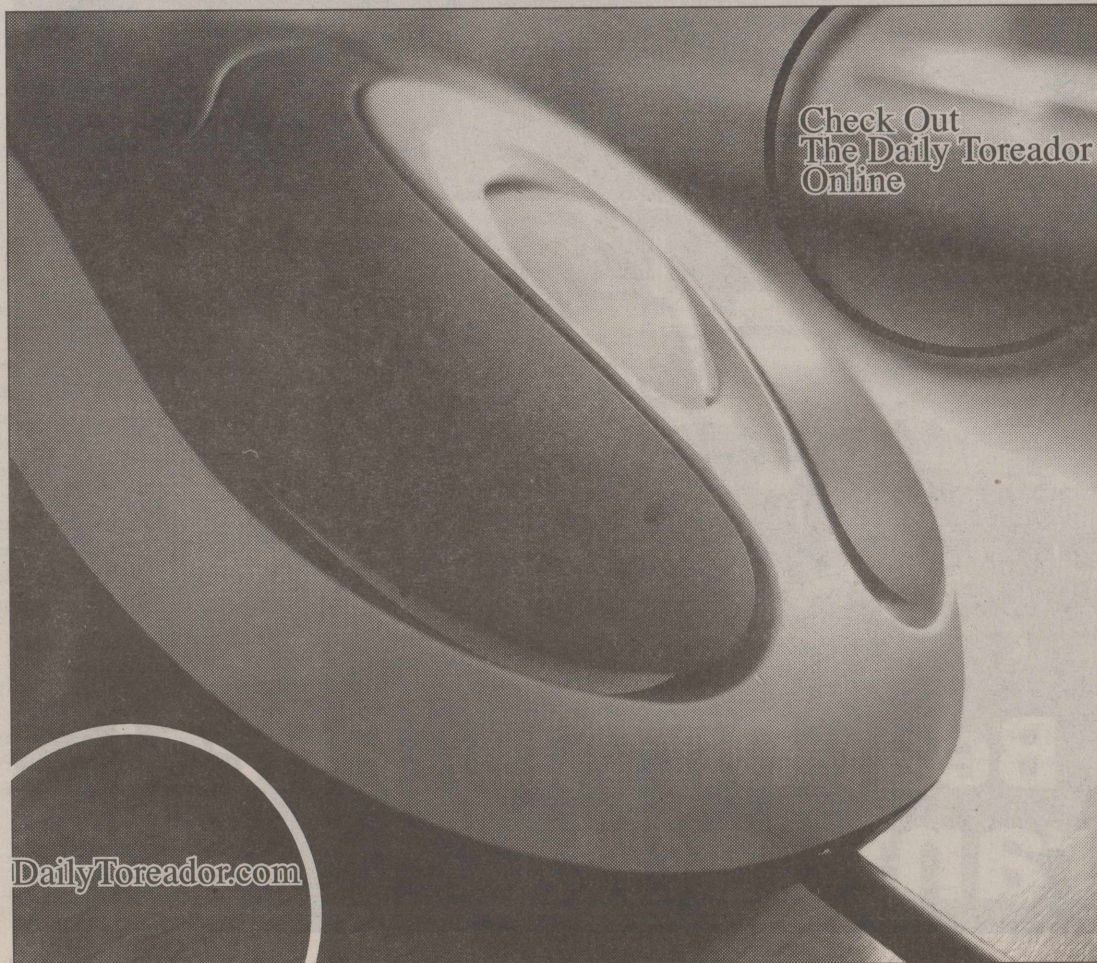
"In general, we'll be watching the weather closely," said Kathy Winters, a shuttle weather officer.

NASA has just one week to launch Discovery and its crew of seven to the international space station before putting off the mission until September. Thousands of spectators and dozens of dignitaries, including Laura Bush, were expected to come to the Kennedy Space Center to watch the launch.

The space agency is insisting on a daylight liftoff in order to photograph any signs of the type of launch damage that crippled Columbia.

Columbia and its seven astronauts were brought down by a broken section of fuel-tank foam insulation that struck just over a minute after liftoff and proved lethal during descent two weeks later, on Feb. 1, 2003.

Workers last week repaired faulty electrical grounding inside Discovery in hopes that would solve the fuel gauge problem that cropped up during the previous launch attempt. The same problem occurred back in April during a fueling test and was written off as an "unexplained anomaly."



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'Bears' bad news for movie-goers

"Bad News Bears" talks and walks like a playmaker, but when it steps up to the plate, it is nothing more than a minor leaguer. The laughs are solid and sometimes creative, but it tries so hard to hit the ball out of the park on the emotional, heart-to-heart moments that it eventually becomes a 1980s elementary school physical education video about the importance of playing fair and giving everybody a chance.

Bill Lancaster, who wrote the script for the 1976 original movie "Bad News Bears," also penned this updated version. This explains why the remake is almost word-for-word from the original. There is some minor tweaking here and there to make the film more appealing for a younger generation, such as two characters who go to a skate park in the remake instead of playing air hockey as they did in the original.

There is no question that the lead character was tailor-made for Billy Bob Thornton ("Slingblade"). He brings his trademark raunchy character to the film,

much like he did with "Bad Santa," although, then, Thornton had a rated-R script to maneuver within. "Bears" is a diluted version of "Bad Santa" and, sadly, it shows.

Despite what you would think, Thornton is not the center of attention when it comes to cursing.

Tanner Boyle, played by Timmy Deters ("Kicking and Screaming"), delivers most of the films crude dialogue. He symbolizes the



player anyone who has played little league sports knows. He is the feisty little one who will take on anyone at anytime. He criticizes all the players on the team, leaving no one spared, and his glove spends more time flying through the air at opposing players than it does on his hand.

Much like the plot of the original movie, Thornton, an ex-professional baseball player, agrees to coach a team made of the bottom-of-the-barrel players. These are the players who were not chosen to play on any of the other teams.

When he discovers just how bad they are, he brings in a ringer, his daughter.

Sammi Kraft makes her film debut as Amanda Whurlitzer, daughter of Thornton's character Morris Buttermaker.

Casting was right on for the part because she has a lingering similarity to Tatum O'Neal, the original Whurlitzer.

Anyone who feels the original film is a priceless piece of cinematic history can rest assured, the new film keeps all the same characters such as Kelly Leak, the bad boy who happens to know how to throw a baseball and hit a home-run in key moments.

Greg Kinnear ("As Good As



Jeremy Reynolds

it Gets") plays Ray Bullock, the coach of the league-winning Yankees. At first his character is much softer and less tense than the original Bullock, but the scenes once again pop up such as the partial child abuse on the pitching mound.

Director Richard Linklater ("School of Rock") did a good job of keeping the film from becoming the Billy Bob show. All the kids on the team are different and their characteristics show this. No one over powers the film, and there is not just one scene-stealer.

Where "Bears" falls short is on dialogue, plot and execution. It feels like you are watching a movie that knows what it wants to be but is somehow distracted with adding as many curse words in as they can get away with.

I understand the director and writer wanted to make this a crude film about an alcoholic, but that

film lends itself to being a rated-R flick. A PG-13 baseball movie is fine and can often be great, but when the director and writer want to push the envelope, they forget that they have a plot develop and characters to tend to.

The dialogue, at times, is taken directly from the original movie. What the writer failed to remember is the original came out in 1976. Audiences are different nowadays, so instead and smiling and saying, "That's nice" when one player tells a player on another team that they now have respect for them, the audience rolls their eyes.

If you liked the original you will probably enjoy this film, but if you never saw the original you might feel this film is too outdated.

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Stevens, M.I.A. superb examples of music

M.I.A. - Arular

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I know I'm a bit late on this one, but the fact still remains that M.I.A. is an amazing talent. English dancehall with a sprinkle of Bollywood, "Arular" has that new sound you've been

looking for. She's even gotten recent exposure on MTV's Ten Spot.

Yeah, I watch "Real World Austin." And "The 70s House." Anyway, if taken twice daily with alcohol, it'll make you dance like a moron while thinking you look cool.

That's what I've been doing. Trust me, this is some of the best electronica coming out right now and, honestly, that's what certain types of electronica makes you want to do.

The lyrics can be a little annoying sometimes, but the in-

strumentation more than makes up for it. I haven't heard beats this original and heavy in a very long time, but that's just what the English do. They've always got to be a little bit ahead of us, don't they? Here's proof that they've done it once again.

Sufjan Stevens - Illinois

This album makes me want to simultaneously burn my guitar and play it for hours. Or maybe play it while it's burning. I don't really know at this point.

Still, this is the best album of the year so far. Stevens' last album, "Seven Swans," was in

most critics and fans top ten lists last year, as was his album before. It looks like three in a row for Sufjan, who continues his quest to write a concept record for each of the fifty states. So far he's got Michigan and Illinois out of the way. At the rate he's going, I hope to see the last one in the retirement home.



Marcus Parks

I expect lush instrumentation and amazingly well done arrangements with anything Stevens' does, and "Illinois" is no exception. Listen to the Charlie Brown/Cure freak-out of "Come On! Feel the Illinois!" for shining examples of both.

All you need to like Sufjan Stevens is a taste for good songs. And when I say good, I mean good. You know what I mean.

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'Game of year' gets 'Adults Only' rating for content

By Jeremy Reynolds/
The Daily Toreador

As of Wednesday, video gamers in stores such as Best Buy, Circuit City and Wal-Mart stared

at an empty self where the 2004 Game of the Year used to be.

The Entertainment Software Rating Board (ESRB) announced Wednesday a change in the rating for Rockstar Games' "Grand

Theft Auto: San Andreas." The game, which was formerly given a Mature rating, has now been elevated to Adults Only.

The change came about because of a hidden sex scene within the game. After the announcement was made, the major entertainment stores, such as Best Buy and Circuit City, agreed to pull the game from the shelves indefinitely.

Bachar Al-Alam, a junior game design major from Cali, Columbia, said he felt the Adults Only rating was unnecessary because the target age for the game is 17 and older.

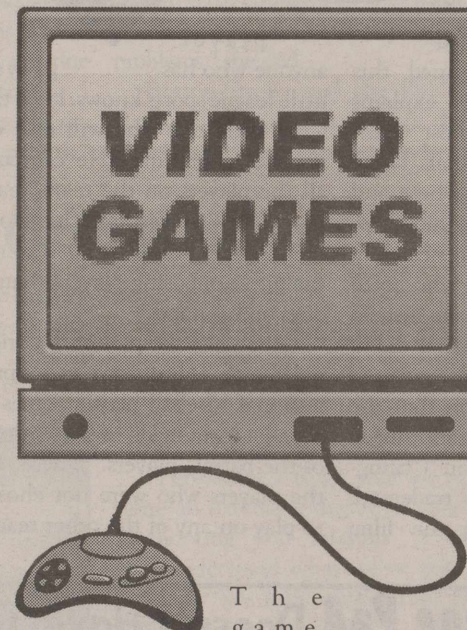
"You have to do a lot of requirements such as take the girl on a date and type in an eight-line code before you can get to the hidden scene," Al-Alam said. "You really have to be looking for it."

The lines of code needed to unlock the hidden scene are only found on the Internet.

"If a parent isn't watching what their kids are looking at on the Internet, then there's a bigger problem here," Al-Alam said.

There are other portions of the game that have always been under criticism from politicians. There is adult language, which is not sporadic, throughout the game, as well as hookers and side missions that involve pimping, Al-Alam said.

There is a four-person drive by shooting of a police station, and other scenes of extreme violence.



there. It's like a deleted scene."

Retailers are required to card anyone buying a Mature rated game, but Kaudy said the only place he saw carding done was Wal-Mart.

"It's incredibly easy for children to get a hold of the game," Kaudy said.

Jason Crawley, a senior civil engineering major from Amarillo, said he saw a difference between an

R-rated movie and a video game like "Grand Theft Auto."

"With the R-rated movie, the parents know what they're allowing their kids to see," Crawley said. "A parent might be okay with the violence in the video game, but not the sexual part of it."

An edited version of "Grand Theft Auto" is due out in the fall, without the hidden scene, but retailers such as Best Buy and Circuit City, have said they may not restock the edited game.

The creators of the game added the hidden scene, but the modification program needed to unlock the scene was made by a hacker who is not associated with the company who produces the game.

The game, which has sold over 21 million copies, has lost more than half of its sellers since the announcement.

Glen Kaudy, an employee for the Hi-Tech store, said there are other games on the market that contain language and nudity. The "Dead or Alive 3" game has a hidden nudity code, there is a Playboy Mansion game with all the playmates running around in bikinis, and a game called "Narc" where the player can take drugs to get super strength and speed.

"The only reason they're doing this is because "Grand Theft Auto" was game of the year," Kaudy said. "The video game rating system is wrong, because it is rating something that is not

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Second Shift

Students work 2 jobs to pay bills, school

By Clara Cobb/
The Daily Toreador

Jacob Bisenhauer has encountered drugs, prostitutes and almost been robbed.

"I had a guy have me chase down his stolen car once," he said. "We caught (the car) I let him out and I took off."

For Bisenhauer, a junior physics and philosophy major from San Antonio, this is all in a day's - or night's - work. He drives a taxicab and works as a cook. After he gets up to go to work, he goes to school before going back to his second job. He usually works until 3 a.m. driving for the taxicab company and for Safe Ride.

Several students at Texas Tech work two jobs to pay bills, gain vocational experience or to make up for not getting enough hours at their first job.

"I used to manage restaurants in San Antonio before I went back to school," Bisenhauer said. "The higher you get in management in a corporate restaurant ladder, the more hours you work and the more responsibility you have."

He said he went back to school due to the fact he found managing a restaurant unfulfilling as a career.

"I love to learn," he said. "I'll probably be in school the rest of my life."

Laurie Schilling, a senior human development and family studies major and a student at Covenant Nursing School from Dallas, also works two jobs. For Schilling, work and school is a balance of time management.

"I'm scared I'm going to show up for the wrong job at the wrong time," she said. "I've done that before - but it's nice when you show up and don't have to work."

Schilling works on-call as a nurse technician, and also as a waitress and hostess. She said she wants to be a nurse, so her hospital job is important for her future career.

"My hospital job is by far more interesting than Cricket's (Bar and Grill), but Cricket's is more fun," she said. "I guess they are different types of fun. Yesterday, for instance, an old woman bit me (at the hospital)."

Schilling said she did not work her first year of nursing school,

which helped to have time to study. Working two jobs, she said, made it much harder to balance school.

"I was really stressed out," she said. "I studied a lot, and it stressed me out but I needed the money. My parents help me out, but only bare minimum. I really needed the money."

Bisenhauer also finds that he does not manage his time very well.

"You've got to be willing to choose your sleep, when you sleep, on the days you can get it," he said. "Luckily, cab driving is something I can just do when I have time. If I have a busy week, then I just don't drive."

Tom Casey, assistant director of the career center, said employers do look at what kind of work experience a student has.

"When you work somewhere, you build work habits. Even a job working at a hotdog stand can show character and how you work," he said. "Those skills you learn (working) can be transferred to a job later on. If you can be a good lifeguard, you can be a good engineer. It's a start just having a job."

Casey said Tech has a reputation for producing students with work experience. He said time management and prioritizing are important to getting good college work experience.

"I tell students to try to get the job that will work with you along the way," he said. "You want to get a school-friendly job."

Vanessa Vela, a junior French and photo communications major from McAllen, keeps her jobs school-friendly by working one job on campus. She works for the campus radio station and at the Science Spectrum museum.

"Usually I just come in here (the station) in like my pajamas," she said. "I didn't even sleep last night. I'm always stressed out and running around, but I need the money, so I endure the torture."

Vela said she enjoys interacting with people when they call into the station and talking to people at the museum.

"I like variety," she said. "We always have people come in who speak foreign languages and stuff and have to translate to them somehow. I like doing things that produce different

environments and challenges."

Robin Milstead, a senior English major from Houston, does volunteer work but does not work.

"I house sit, and that's enough," she said. "I can't imagine having a real job, much less two."

Bisenhauer said working can also be a productive way to spend time and make friends. He enjoys working as a cook, which he says is more of a hobby than a job.

"Bash's is the job I do for fun," he said. "The reason I love working here is the owner gives us the liberty to make really good food and be creative instead of just flipping burgers, so it is fun. We get to put a little care into it. I love cooking."

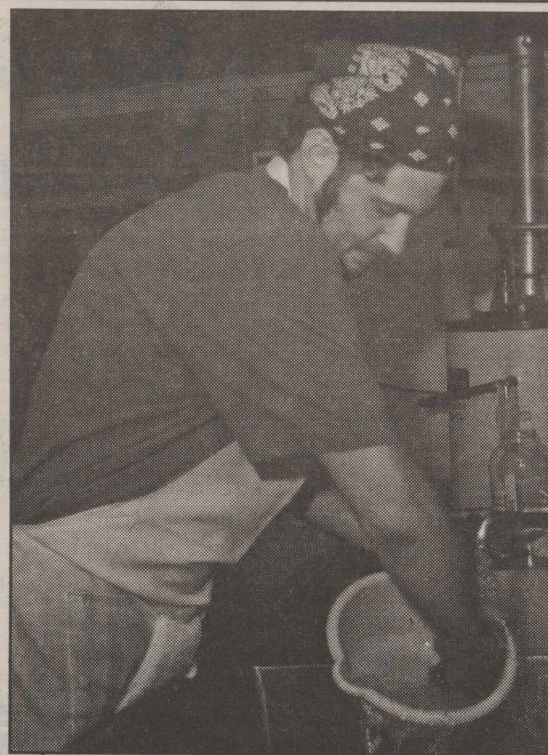


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JACOB BISENHAUER, A junior physics and philosophy double major from San Antonio, washes dishes at Bash Riprock's Thursday afternoon. Bisenhauer manages two jobs while attending school. He also works for a taxi company.

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Tour de France faces future races without Armstrong

By Jerome Pugmire/
Associated Press

PARIS (AP) — Lance Armstrong is gone. What now for the Tour de France?

For one, it should be a more closely contested race next year, with former champion Jan Ullrich and emerging new rivals battling for the yellow jersey.

"Without Armstrong here, everyone's going to think they've got the Holy Grail," American rider

Chris Horner said. "I think it might be more nervous in the beginning. There'll be all the speculation. Instead of talking about Armstrong's next victory, they'll be talking about the next guy to win."

The 33-year-old Texan retired Sunday after his record seventh consecutive victory in cycling's showcase event.

"He contributed to the myth of the Tour," deputy race director Christian Prudhomme said. "Next year the suspense will be far higher,

there will no longer be a huge favorite. The boss who ruled the Tour de France will be gone."

His departure offers hope to Ullrich, the 1997 champion from Germany who has been a five-time runner-up — three times to Armstrong. He finished third this month, but will be 32 next year and knows it could be his last chance to win another title.

Italian rider Ivan Basso, who finished third in 2004 and second this year, is another potential champion.

"With Ivan, we have a rider who can win," said Basso's Team CSC director Bjarne Riis. "He is the one to become Armstrong's successor."

Also in contention should be Alexandre Vinokourov of Kazakhstan, the third-place finisher in 2003 and winner of Sunday's final stage. He has left Ullrich's T-Mobile team because he wants a team built around him next year.

And there's Alejandro Valverde, a talented young Spaniard who beat Armstrong in a sprint finish on an

Alpine climb to the ski resort of Courchevel on stage 10.

"A guy like him — I'm not blowing smoke — could be the future of cycling," Armstrong said.

Italian rider Damiano Cunego, 23, missed the race with an illness but will be expected to challenge soon.

Then there's Armstrong's Discovery Channel teammate Yaroslav Popovych. He won the white jersey awarded to this year's best young rider.

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Phelps advances to World Swimming Championships semi-finals

By Paul Newberry/
The Associated Press

MONTREAL (AP) — Michael Phelps didn't wash out this time.

One day after flopping in the preliminaries of the 400-meter freestyle, Phelps breezed into the semifinals of the 200 free at the World Swimming Championships on Monday.

Australian star Grant Hackett, who already won gold in the 400 free, was top qualifier at 1 minute, 47.88 seconds — keeping himself on track for a delayed showdown with the world's best swimmer.

Phelps won his heat and was second fastest overall at 1:48.53.

Hackett and Phelps were supposed to face off in the 400 free Sunday night, but the 20-year-old American stunningly failed to escape the morning preliminaries.

With Phelps out of the way and Ian Thorpe skipping the championships, Hackett finally won the 400 title that eluded him at the last

three world championships, as well as the Athens Olympics.

Each time, Hackett finished second to Thorpe.

If Hackett and Phelps get through the 200 semifinals Monday night, they'll face each other in Tuesday's final.

"I feel better than I did yesterday morning," Phelps said, managing a smile. "I just wanted to come into today and win my heat. That was the big goal."

Phelps did win a gold on the first day of swimming as part of the U.S. 400 free relay team, giving him a chance to match his seven-medal haul from the 2003 championships in Barcelona.

But his pursuit of eight medals — the total he piled up at the Athens Olympics, including six golds — ended with a dismal performance in the 400 free.

"I'm starting to get back on track," said Phelps, who only managed the 18th-fastest time in the 400 prelims. "What happened

yesterday, that's behind us."

Hackett is eager to go head-to-head with Phelps, adding the 200 to an already grueling program for a chance to swim twice against the American. Now, it will be their only meeting in an individual event.

"Coming out after last night, which was a big day, I was a little tired but I needed to back it up," Hackett said. "I felt comfortable in that heat. I didn't put out too much emotion and energy. It was great."

American Natalie Coughlin, who won five medals in Athens, was top qualifier in the 100 backstroke at 1:01.25, though far off her world record from three years ago. She was followed by Japan's Reiko Nakamura, while American Jeri Moss also advanced to the semifinals with the 13th-best time.

"It was exactly what I needed to do," Coughlin said. "I wanted a good swim and good turns. That's all I was focusing on."

Australian world record holder Leisel Jones led qualifying for the

100 breaststroke, posting a time of 1:07.26. The next two spots went to Jessica Hardy and Tara Kirk of the U.S.

"I would have liked to have gone slower than that," Jones said. "A 1:08 would have been good enough."

But she was pushed by Hardy, swimming in the next lane. The 18-year-old American was just behind at 1:07.34.

"The Australians and Americans love racing each other," Jones said, "so it's always good to have an American next to you."

Aaron Peirsol, who swept the men's backstroke events in Athens, coasted into the semifinals of the 100 back with the top time, 54.41. Aristeidis Grigoriadis of Greece was second and American Randall Bal third.

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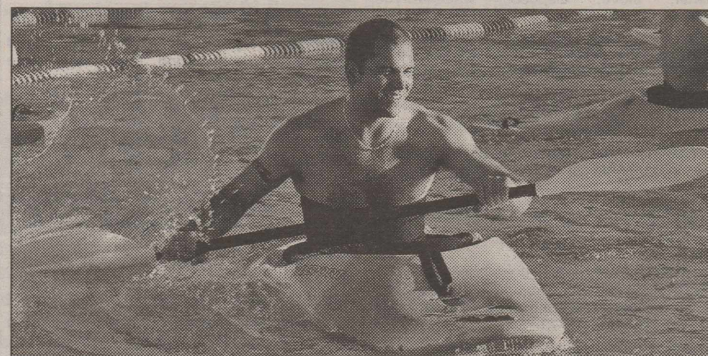


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