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'THE OTHER RAs HELP ME OUT A LOT. I'M REALLY GRATEFUL FOR THE STAFF I HAVE HERE.' — TIM BRANDAU, SLATER RA



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan
Slater RA Tim Brandau signs as he speaks with another partially deaf student, Don Mueller, Thursday night at Slater.

Silence no handicap for 'high-energy' RA



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan
Slater RA Tim Brandau puts up fliers in his third-floor hall Thursday night.

Along with RA duties, the UI sophomore balances two majors and playing the saxophone

BY DAN SHEA
THE DAILY IOWAN

While Tim Brandau has been a UI student for nearly two years, his relationship with the university dates back to 1987, when doctors at the UI Hospitals and Clinics made him the first deaf-at-birth child in the nation to be fitted with a cochlear implant, which allows him to partially hear.

Today, the third-floor Slater resident assistant and UI sophomore uses the implant, which transmits

sound waves directly into the inner ear, to listen for unruly behavior coming from the halls of his dorm.

He said he has had to work harder than most RAs to establish a relationship of trust with the residents on his floor because he is completely deaf at night when he removes the implant. With no way to hear parties or problems in the evening, he needs to be able to trust the occupants of his floor to behave.

"The other RAs help me out a lot," he said. "I'm really grateful for the staff I have here."

Andy Borst, a Slater assistant hall coordinator, said the third floor hasn't had any more noise violations or problems than any other, save for a few broken ceiling tiles that led to the installation of a video camera.

A third-floor resident who requested not to be named said it's "definitely easier" to get away with things on Brandau's floor.

"He may know something is too loud, but I think it's harder for him to tell if it's a party or just loud," he said.

Kate Fitzgerald, an assistant director of Resident Life, said that when

Brandau was hired, a few additional accommodations needed to be fulfilled, including a special doorbell and fire alarm, both outfitted with flashing lights. But Fitzgerald was confident he would be able to do his job.

Borst noted Brandau's willingness to interact with the students on his floor.

"He has a lot of high energy that transfers over throughout the building," Borst said. "I think he gains a

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UI FORUM

Same-sex debate hits snag — columnist a no-show

BY ARNA WILKINSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

As the issue of same-sex marriage heats up across the nation, a debate at the UI Boyd Law Building intended to address the flaws and merits of the unions unexpectedly fizzled at the last moment Thursday afternoon.

Sponsors from the UI American Constitution Society and Federalist Society planned to juxtapose William Hohengarten, a same-sex-marriage advocate and Washington, D.C.-based lawyer, with nationally syndicated columnist and author Maggie Gallagher.

Even as UI law students and community members packed the Levitt Auditorium to witness the event, all did not go as planned.

"Unfortunately, Mrs. Gallagher's plane was late, and she couldn't make it," said UI law Professor Margaret

Brinig. "We were called at the last minute, but I was happy to serve on the panel."

Hohengarten argued that same-sex marriage was a constitutional right on the basis of equality and liberty.

"Gays and lesbians will not be complete citizens of the United States as long as they are denied the only legally recognized commitment for people who want to spend the rest of their lives together," he said.

Both Brinig and Eric Andersen, an associate law dean who aided her in preparing for the debate, agreed with Hohengarten that same-sex marriage was a constitutional right, but they expressed different opinions on its implementing it.

"I don't think that we've had enough experience with the



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan
William Hohengarten speaks to a large number of UI students about the possibility of same-sex marriage in the United States at the Boyd Law Building on Thursday afternoon.

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The Passion of Gibson permeates cinemas

BY PHIL DAVIDSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ*, the most talked-about film of the year, premiered to sold-out crowds across the country on Wednesday, including three capacity-filled shows in Coralville.

With box-office receipts reaching \$23.6 million, Gibson's opus, which is being criticized for its excessive violence and alleged anti-Semitism, set an opening-day record for a religious-themed movie.

A nearly filled theater Wednesday afternoon was silent during the 126-minute account of Jesus Christ's final 12 hours. As patrons filed out of the Coral Ridge 10, a palpable somberness filled the air.

"I've used the Lord's name in vain before," said Lone Tree resident Angela Hotz. "I won't again."

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Film review of Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ* and the DVD review of Martin Scorsese's epic, *The Last Temptation of Christ*
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UISG election

Candidates square off in second UISG debate

BY ANNIE SHUPPY
THE DAILY IOWAN

UI Student Government candidates again debated in a public forum Thursday, with the Sloth Party ticket touting its experience, while the opposition stressed reforming the organization.

Sponsored by the UI Honors Program, the intimate setting gave candidates a chance to clarify their positions and cool controversies surrounding their respective campaigns. Roughly 40 students packed the commons of the Blank Honors Center, but numbers dwindled during the two-hour event.

Sloth vice-presidential candidate Jason Shore contended that the ticket has connections throughout the university to help execute its platform, pointing to his two years of experience as a UISG senator.

"I feel like I have a strong understanding of the system," he said. "It's really important to elect leaders who have experience and can make sure their goals will be accomplished."

Asked how he plans to earn the \$7,800 presidential salary, candidate Chad Aldeman, who intends to audit spending, pledged to "make reforms in UISG that will last for years to come."

In response, Sloth Party presidential candidate Lindsay Schutte also vowed to be an effective leader but added that she cannot afford to donate \$5,000 of her salary to the Crisis Center as Aldeman recently announced he would do.

Schutte said education is the key to combating student drinking and that student leaders should make efforts to work with bar owners and local police.

Vice-presidential candidate Brittany Shoot said fighting city drinking ordinances can result in students losing sight of the underage drinking problem, but she echoed Aldeman's view that law-

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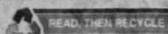
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The women tracksters are looking for unfamiliar territory on some, very familiar grounds.
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BEFORE THE MASSACRE

The Columbine killers had 15 contacts with police before their deadly shooting spree.
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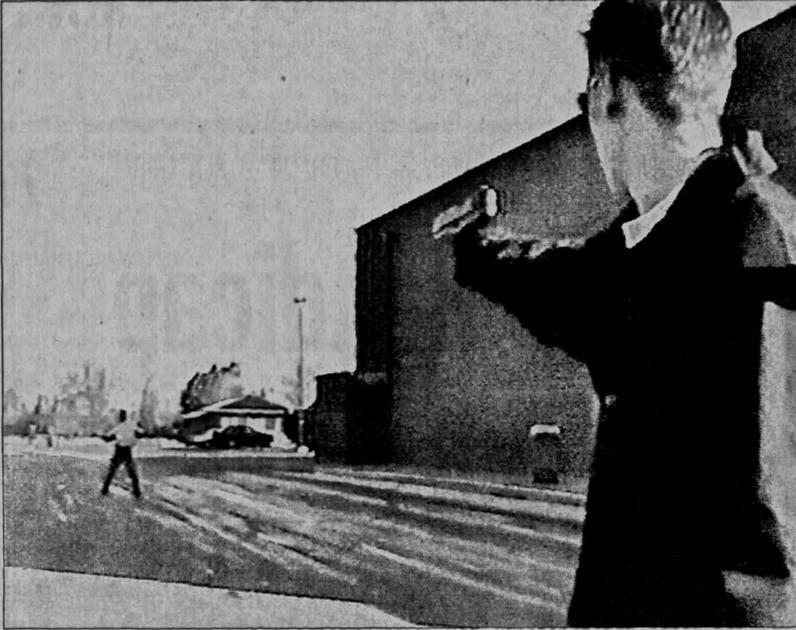
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NEWS

Columbine killers had run-ins with law



Top: Dylan Klebold yells into the camera.

Bottom: Eric Harris gestures for the camera. Images made from video released by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department on Thursday.

Eric Harris (right) is shown aiming a pistol at a schoolmate in this image made from a video released by the Jefferson County sheriff's department on Thursday. The video was made as part of a school project at Columbine High School, in Littleton, Colo., by Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold.

NEWLY RELEASED EVIDENCE RAISES QUESTIONS FOR VICTIMS' FAMILIES AND SPARKS INVESTIGATION OF SHERIFF'S OFFICE

BY T.R. REID
WASHINGTON POST

GOLDEN, Colo. — The local sheriff's office had at least 15 contacts with Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold before the mass murder at Columbine High School, a new report showed Thursday, but officials did nothing to restrict the pair in the months before the two heavily armed teenagers carried

out the worst high-school shooting in U.S. history. Jefferson County sheriff's deputies had questioned the pair about the break-in of a van and had received warnings from neighbors that the two were collecting guns and building bombs. Officers had studied Harris's website, full of angry threats. At one point, a pipe bomb traced to him prompted police to put together a file to justify a warrant to search the Harris home, but the search was never made, and the file has been lost, officials said.

The new report, by Colorado Attorney General Ken Salazar, does not draw any conclusions about the sheriff's office's procedures. Salazar said he undertook

the study of how the local sheriff dealt with the Columbine massacre because of repeated charges that the sheriff's office and the Jefferson County School Board did not keep track of two deadly threats in their community and then covered up their actions in the aftermath.

Salazar said his investigation is incomplete but he did not see signs of negligence in the failure to search or watch the two killers. Asked whether there was an official cover-up after the killings, he answered, "I do not know that today."

Also Thursday, the sheriff's office made public thousands of pieces of evidence from its investigation of the shooting, including the murder weapons, shotgun

shells, bullet-riddled chairs and tables from the school library, and a sign scrawled by students pleading for help.

The purpose of the report and evidence display, Salazar said, "is to let everybody make sure that the truth is being told about Columbine."

But the report and the three large rooms full of evidence clearly didn't satisfy relatives of the 13 shooting victims at Columbine or local citizens. "There are still missing files, lies, secret records, and cover-ups," said Randy Brown, a resident who had repeatedly warned the sheriff's office that Harris and Klebold could be dangerous.

CITY

Blaze causes \$100,000 in damages

Officials estimate a fire that broke out Thursday morning caused more than \$100,000 in damages.

Firefighters reported to 1566 Hemingway Lane at 9:27 a.m. to find heavy fire and smoke pouring from a garage, which extended into both floors of the two-story home.

Fire officials said Bill Welch, who owns the house with his wife, Tricia, was removing a gas tank from a motorcycle when the fire ignited. Bill Welch suffered a minor injury and drove himself to a hospital.

Officials pinpointed the cause as gasoline vapors, which had reached a small heating appliance in the garage and ignited the fumes.

Firefighters controlled the blaze in approximately 20 minutes and remained at the site for approximately two hours. Coralville and West Branch firefighters also reported to the scene while Solon, North Liberty, and Hills officials staffed the Iowa City fire stations during the fire.

— by Seung Min Kim

Coralville man charged with robbery

A conflict between lender and debtor turned rough for a Coralville man and an unnamed person.

Benjamin Dale Maulson, 19, was arrested and charged Thursday with second-degree robbery after allegedly stealing \$350. According to court

records, the accuser was giving Maulson a ride to Lot 56 of the Holiday Mobile Home Court in Coralville on Wednesday night when Maulson asked about the \$20 the person owed him.

The person did not have a \$20 bill but did have seven \$50 bills. Maulson saw the money and "forcefully" took the cash, according to court records.

According to court records, the person tried to retrieve the money by knocking on a door of a mobile home

Maulson had reportedly entered. A male subject opened the door and told the victim that Maulson was not there, according to the records.

Maulson was also charged with his third offense of possession of marijuana, interference with acts, and failure to appear for an arraignment for a driving-while-barred charge.

Maulson was initially taken to the Johnson County Jail and held on a \$20,000 bond; he has since been released on his own recognizance.

— by Seung Min Kim

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POLICE BLOTTER

Patricia Alexander, 41, North Liberty, was charged Thursday with fifth-degree theft.

Mark Blozis, 22, 319 S. Johnson St., was charged Thursday with public intoxication, criminal mischief, and obstruction.

Adam Cole, 19, 341C Mayflower Hall, was charged Wednesday with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Kyle Lovaglia, 15, 55 Arbury Drive, was charged Thursday with possession of burglar's tools, third-degree burglary, and possession of tobacco.

Marcel Mauck, 21, 730 E. Jefferson St., was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

Eric Miller, 21, 810 W. Benton St. Apt. 214, was charged Thursday with driving while revoked.

Erica O'Malley, 33, Lone Tree, was charged Thursday with forgery.

Sara Peterson, 20, 650 S. Johnson St. Apt. 2, was charged Wednesday with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Cory Pries, 25, Coralville, was charged Thursday with operating while intoxicated and possession of marijuana.

Jason Schumann, 24, 920 Hudson Ave. Apt. 2, was charged Thursday with trespassing.

Deondre Wilkins, 16, Coralville, was charged Wednesday with fifth-degree theft.

Joshua Wolfe, 23, 526 S. Johnson St. Apt. 9, was charged public intoxication and fifth-degree criminal mischief.

CORRECTION

In the Feb. 25 article "VP hopeful beats out winning rap," the *DI* reported that UI Student Government vice-presidential candidate Jason Shore is a former UISG senator. Shore currently serves as a senator. The *DI* regrets the error.

CERVICAL DYSPLASIA STUDY

Healthy, non-pregnant females age 18 to menopause with a mildly abnormal pap smear are invited to participate in a 2-3 month study. In this study we will be evaluating the safety of an intravaginal experimental gel in women with mild dysplasia. This study would require that participants come to the clinic a minimum of 8-10 times including some hospital stays. Participants must be currently using either Depo-Provera or an oral contraceptive pill.

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Kerry blasts Bush on gay rights

BY DAN BALZ
WASHINGTON POST

LOS ANGELES — Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts blasted President Bush for trying to "divide America" over cultural issues such as gay rights, as the four remaining Democratic presidential candidates criticized Republicans for pushing a federal constitutional amendment limiting marriage to one man and one woman.

"This is a president who always tries to start a cultural war and seek the lowest common denominator in American politics," Kerry said in the opening moments of Thursday night's debate here.

Al Sharpton accused Bush of "gay baiting."

Kerry, who opposes gay marriage, defended his vote against the Defense of Marriage Act in 1996 but refused to clearly state whether he would support it today. Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina, looking to slow Kerry's run for the White House, jumped in, gently chided Kerry for giving a fuzzy answer and said he would oppose the Defense of Marriage Act if it came up for a vote.

Edwards presented himself as the one candidate who can win everywhere, bring a fresh face and voice to the top of the Democratic ticket, and challenge Bush on cultural issues in the South. "Do you believe that change is more likely to be brought about by someone who spent 20 years in Washington or someone who is more of an outsider in this process?" Edwards asked. "I think that is a fundamental choice" in the Democratic race.



From left to right, Dennis Kucinich, Al Sharpton, John Edwards, and John Kerry answer questions from CNN's Larry King during a Democratic presidential candidates' debate at USC on Thursday.

Kerry has been a senator for 19 years.

The debate comes at critical juncture in the Democratic presidential race. With Kerry winning 18 out of first 20 contests, Edwards is hoping to slow the front-runner with a strong showing in debates here and Feb. 29 in New York and then break through with key wins March 2, when 10 states vote. Polls show Edwards trailing badly in California, New

York, and Ohio, the three biggest Super Tuesday prizes, but the North Carolina senator showed in Wisconsin that a strong debate performance and late surge can render early voters' surveys meaningless.

Edwards vowed Thursday to stay in regardless of what happens Tuesday.

Thursday's debate was the first of two among Kerry, Edwards, Rep. Dennis Kucinich

of Ohio, and Sharpton before next week's vote. A total of 1,151 delegates, or almost 33 percent of the total for all the primaries, will be at stake.

The debate also was the first encounter since former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean ended his candidacy, and it offered Edwards an opportunity for what he said he long has wanted — the equivalent of a head-to-head debate with the front-runner.

Dems' anger not agenda, Bush says

PRESIDENT BUSH
DEFENDS HIMSELF
AGAINST DEMOCRATS'
ATTACKS WHILE RAISING
FUNDS IN KENTUCKY

BY DEB RIECHMANN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — President Bush road-tested his new political stump speech here on Thursday, saying that Democratic anger at his policies "is not an agenda for the future of America."

Voters have a clear choice in November, Bush told 1,000 supporters at a fund-raiser that raised \$1.2 million for the Bush-Cheney '04 campaign.

"The man who sits in the Oval Office will set the course on the war on terror and the direction of our economy," Bush said in downtown hotel. "The security and prosperity of America are at stake."

He said his opponents have not offered alternate strategies to fight terrorism or expand the economy. "So far, all we hear is a lot of old bitterness and partisan anger," Bush said. "Anger is not an agenda for the future of America."

As Bush got his campaign in gear, it was only fitting that the midday fund-raiser was hosted by three-time NASCAR champ Darrell Waltrip, a Bush family friend. Outside the hotel ballroom, approximately 100 protesters demonstrated with pink signs that simply said "Jobs."

To rebut Bush's remarks, Rep. Harold Ford, D-Tenn., in a conference call arranged by the Democratic front-runner, John Kerry, criticized Bush for proposing the same economic solutions he did nearly four years ago when the country was experiencing a surplus.

"At that point, he was making the case for tax cuts because we were running a surplus," Ford said. "And here we are three years later, almost four years later now, and the country is facing its deepest fiscal challenge in its history, and he continues to

offer the same economic recipe he offered almost four years ago.

"I contend the country wants something different, the country needs something different, from an economic standpoint," he said, citing a string of Kerry's proposals that he said would lend a boost to the economy.

Earlier in the day, Bush visited a thriving plastic pipe factory to insist that Congress make tax cuts permanent to help keep the economy growing and create jobs.

"I'm calling on Congress to make the tax cuts set to expire permanent," Bush said at ISCO Industries, a family-owned company situated just east of downtown Louisville. "I would like Congress to make all tax cuts permanent, but the very minimum, the very minimum, they need to ... make those set to expire in 2005 permanent."

Tax cuts set to expire at the end of this year include most of the increase in the child tax credit to \$1,000, an expansion of the bottom 10 percent tax bracket that lowered taxes for virtually every worker, and some changes lessening the marriage penalty.

Bush said his political opponents who say "Let's get rid of Bush's tax plan" really want to raise taxes on Americans. "That's code word for 'I'm going to raise your taxes.' That's what that is," he said.

Boston report: 162 priests abused 815 kids

BY ELIZABETH MEHREN
LOS ANGELES TIMES

BOSTON —The Roman Catholic archdiocese here on Thursday released a report showing that 162 of its priests have been accused of sexually abusing 815 children since 1950.

But while Archbishop Sean Patrick O'Malley welcomed the study as proof that "the church is finally and unflinchingly committed to facing this scandal head-on," some clerical-abuse victims and members of Boston's Catholic community remained skeptical.

"It is terribly misleading, and dangerous, to imply that the problems are behind us," said Bill Gately, the New England co-coordinator for Survivors Network of Those Abused by Priests. "These numbers come from an authority that, by its own admission, had terrible record-keeping. We have no accurate way to measure the number of victims who have yet to come forward."

The report was commissioned by a review board created by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in response to

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— Bill Gately,

the New England co-coordinator for the Survivors Network of Those Abused by Priests

the clerical-abuse crisis that erupted here in January 2002.

The scandal spread worldwide, implicating hundreds of priests in the abuse of thousands of children. The crisis led to the resignation in December 2002 of Boston's Cardinal Bernard Law, who oversaw the nation's fourth-largest archdiocese for close to two decades as the scandal raged.

The Boston archdiocese had paid \$120.6 million to settle sexual-abuse claims through December 2003, according to the report released Thursday.

To finance the settlement costs, the archdiocese has relied heavily on insurance. But after assuming office last year, O'Malley made

plans to sell major parcels of church property, including the mansion in which Law lived during his tenure. O'Malley will also announced that he will consolidate some parishes — closing little-used churches — to save money.

The 162 priests cited in the new report represent approximately 7 percent of the 2,324 ordained priests who served in the Boston archdiocese from 1950 to 2003.

The figures were compiled by the John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York as part of a nationwide examination of clerical sexual abuse.

O'Malley used the report as an occasion to "apologize once

again to all who have been hurt so grievously by priests and the bishops who were responsible for supervising them."

He called the clerical-abuse figures "truly horrific."

But Gately, who was abused by a Boston archdiocese priest from 1965 to 1967, dismissed the report as "a self-selected survey," adding: "It is not so much a report, but a survey of different dioceses, some of which did not participate."

Jim Post, the president of Voice of the Faithful, a Catholic lay organization formed here in the wake of the scandal, said on Thursday that the report raises almost as many questions as it answers.

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Residents, co-workers laud Slater RA

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lot of respect from his residents, just by trying to get to know them."

RAs are hired based on responsibility, organization, and the ability to work with staff and residents, said Mickey Trussell, the Slater and Hillcrest coordinator. Third-floor resident and UI freshman Chad Weigel said Brandau hasn't had

any problem getting along with the Slater occupants.

"I consider him a friend. He likes to hang out with us," he said. "He's a good man."

Beyond his RA duties, Brandau is a double major in biomedical and computer engineering and also plays the saxophone in the UI Marching Band. As an avid Hawkeye football fan, he attended every home game this season and traveled with the band to the Outback Bowl in January.

Brandau appreciates the large deaf community at the university, and although he doesn't have much of a need for unspoken language outside the hearing-impaired community, he is involved in the UI American Sign Language Club.

"I have pretty good understanding of both speaking and hearing ... I was raised in a hearing world, and I live in a hearing world," he said.

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UISG candidates debate again

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enforcement priorities can be skewed.

"While targeting underage drinking, police are not taking care of safety," she said.

Aldeman said to establish a

professional relationship with Phillip Jones, the vice president for Student Services — whom he dubbed to be the UI's best-dressed administrator — he would avoid attacking Jones' administrative decisions as past UISG tickets have done.

Schutte said she realizes Jones has to make "a lot of

tough decisions" and noted that preparation is the key to working with him.

"You need to be informed, know exactly what you're talking about, type out what you want, and hand it to him," she said.

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STATE

Vilsack asks group to lobby for smoke tax

DES MOINES (AP) — Gov. Tom Vilsack on Thursday asked American Cancer Society volunteers to lobby lawmakers to increase Iowa's cigarette tax.

Vilsack told a group of approximately 50 volunteers that they could

make a difference in keeping Iowans from smoking or in helping them to stop by urging legislators to support a 60-cent hike in the tax, which the governor has included in his budget proposal this year.

"Lives are depending on us ... you can save a life today," said Vilsack, who talked about how his father, mother and sister, were each

affected by smoking-related illnesses before their deaths.

"It's really important that you continue this effort."

Vilsack's proposal would hike the tax to 96 cents per pack and would raise an additional \$108 million, which he said could be used for health care for children and smoking prevention and treatment programs.

Law school sees marriage debate

DEBATE

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community-based same-sex relationship," said Brinig, who added that more information on the cultural and social effects of same-sex marriage is needed before they can be constitutionally recognized.

Anderson said a democratic process must be used to determine whether gays and lesbians should have the right to be legally married.

Despite the absence of Gallagher's "feistiness," American Constitution Society co-founder Angela Johnson said the event served its purpose.

"Right now, the law is changing so rapidly, [and] we wanted to have an insightful and intelligent discussion," she said.

UI law student Ryan Carey said he was glad to hear a debate on a controversial topic.

"While I personally believe in a more traditional idea of marriage, I think that the arguments against same-sex marriage are weak in a sense of justice — of what is right and wrong," he said.

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Passion sells out in Coralville

PASSION

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Hotz, also a member of the Living Word Christian Fellowship, said she wasn't bothered by the film's violence, but she wouldn't recommend it for children.

One of the film's more violent scenes involved the exposure of one of Christ's ribs after Roman soldiers flayed him with a whip.

Hillel director Jerry Sorokin said he hasn't yet decided if he wants to see the movie. Aside from reading reviews calling the film's violence borderline pornographic, Sorokin said he's concerned about Gibson's depiction of the Jewish high priests' responsibility in Christ's death.

"It's not much of a stretch for the poorly educated to try to take revenge," he said.

Despite his concerns, he said the film, told in Latin and

Aramaic with English subtitles, could bring about some positive discussion.

"If we're smart, we'll take this as a challenge to bring these opinions into the open," he said.

Father John Stecher, a campus minister at the Newman Catholic Student Center, also has reservations about seeing the film, particularly because of its brutality.

"I've seen enough violence in my generation," Stecher, 59, said.

"To me, life's too short." He said he sympathizes with Jews who are offended by the film, pointing out Pope John Paul II's 1997 condemnation of anti-Semitism.

For his part, Stecher said Gibson's decision to release the film on Ash Wednesday was an effective public-relations move.

"It sure made Lent start like crazy," he said.

The Christian group 24/7 met Thursday at Old Capitol Town Center to discuss the

'If we're smart, we'll take this as a challenge to bring these opinions into the open.'

— **Jerry Sorokin**, Hillel director

implications of *Passion*. UI sophomore Mike Miller, one of approximately 700 at the meeting, saw the movie on Wednesday. He said the film was remarkably accurate, albeit the most intense he has ever seen.

"That was the most emotionally involved that I've ever been in a movie," he said. "It was draining."

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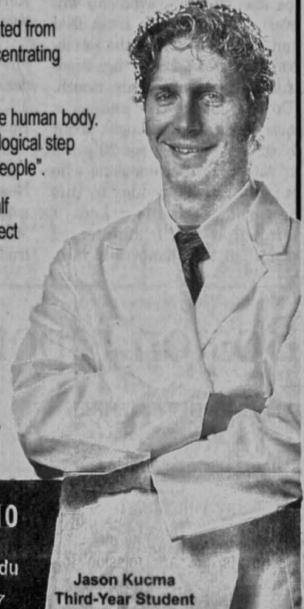
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Jason Kucma is a Third-Year student from Medford, NJ. He graduated from Ithaca College with a Bachelor's Degree in Exercise Physiology concentrating in Cardiac Rehabilitation.

"The only thing that has ever captured my attention was studying the human body. The more I learned in school, the more I needed to know. The most logical step for me was to become a Doctor of Chiropractic so I could truly help people."

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Rebels preparing to attack Haitian capital

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Haiti's rebel leader said his fighters were advancing on the capital Thursday and awaited an order to attack unless President Jean-Bertrand Aristide resigns. The United States questioned whether Aristide could "effectively continue" in office.

With Haiti's ill-equipped police force not expected to put up much resistance against a rebel assault, government loyalists threatening death and torching began building defenses in front of the National Palace in Port-au-Prince.

At a U.N. Security Council meeting on Haiti, Caribbean nations urged the immediate authorization of a multinational force to end the violence and restore law and order. But key council members the United States and France said they want a political settlement first.

In Washington, Secretary of State Colin Powell openly questioned whether Aristide can continue to serve effectively as Haiti's leader — the closest Powell has come to suggesting that Aristide bow out as president before his elected term ends in February 2006.

"Whether or not he is able to effectively continue as president is something he will have to examine carefully in the interests of the Haitian people," Powell told reporters.

Powell's comments came a day after French Foreign Minister Dominique de Villepin condemned Aristide for Haiti's crisis and called for him to resign.

Cleric edges toward accepting Iraq plan

BAGHDAD (AP) — Iraq's most prominent Shiite cleric signaled on Thursday that he would accept the installation of an unelected government after June 30 if elections are set — possibly at the end of the year — and the United Nations guarantees the date.

Although the timetable for the ballot is shorter than suggested by the United States, the statement by Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani indicated an agreement was taking shape to end the U.S. occupation on schedule.

Such an agreement would probably involve a weak Iraqi administration assuming sovereignty on June 30 with its primary mission to organize an election in concert with U.N. and U.S. experts.

It is now up to the United Nations, the U.S.-run occupation authority, and the Iraqi leadership to decide how to constitute such a government, one not only acceptable to the country's majority Shiites but to the Sunni Arabs, Kurds, Turkomen, and Christians as well.

The United States has said it would prefer expanding the 25-member Iraqi Governing Council to include more Sunnis and other groups to enhance the body's legitimacy among Iraq's 25 million people.

N. Korea offers disarmament, then rebukes U.S.

BEIJING (AP) — North Korea put an offer of nuclear disarmament on the bargaining table Thursday, then struck a characteristically tough stance by accusing the United States of blocking progress in six-nation talks on its weapons program.

North Korea's terse statement, read outside its Beijing embassy in the dark before a hastily assembled press corps, came after a day of apparent advances in which South Korea, China, and Russia agreed to provide impoverished North Korea with crucial energy aid if it would agree to disarm.

In Washington, Secretary of State Colin Powell said the first two days of multilateral talks were positive. "There's a promising attitude that's emerging from those meetings, and hopefully we can move in the right direction there," he told the U.S. Senate Budget Committee.

However, a U.S. official familiar with the talks said North Korea showed no interest in meeting the American insistence on a complete and verifiable dismantling of its nuclear-weapons programs before North Korea can receive any concessions.

North Korea insists it needs a nuclear "deterrent" against a possible U.S. attack, but it would freeze its efforts in return for aid and formal security assurances.

"We will abandon our nuclear-weapons program when the United States drops its hostile policy toward North Korea," said a statement read by an unidentified North Korean official. "The United States should take all the responsibility for the meeting not making progress."

Macedonian leader missing in plane crash

BY AMEL EMRIC
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BITONJA, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Macedonia state radio switched to classical music, and the government declared a day of mourning after President Boris Trajkovski was missing and presumed dead in a plane crash Thursday in southern Bosnia.

Mourners lit candles in front of Trajkovski's office in the capital, Skopje, and condolences poured in from world leaders. Secretary of State Colin Powell called the

moderate Trajkovski "a great friend of the United States" who helped put his ethnically divided nation on "a stable footing."

The president's party initially said he died in the crash, which happened in a remote, rocky area of mountainous southern Bosnia — treacherous in the bad weather and heavily mined from Bosnia's 1992-95 war.

However, NATO peacekeepers said the wreckage was not found, contrary to a report by Bosnian police, and Macedonia's government said the 47-year-old president

was officially considered missing and presumed dead.

An air search was called off at nightfall, but foot patrols continued into the evening, said Capt. Dave Sullivan, a spokesman for NATO-led peacekeepers aiding the search. Reconnaissance aircraft aiding the effort were to resume efforts at daybreak today.

"We still don't have official information from Bosnian officials that there are any survivors ... but they are saying that the chances of anyone surviving are minimal," Macedonia Prime

Minister Branko Crvenkovski said in a nationally televised address.

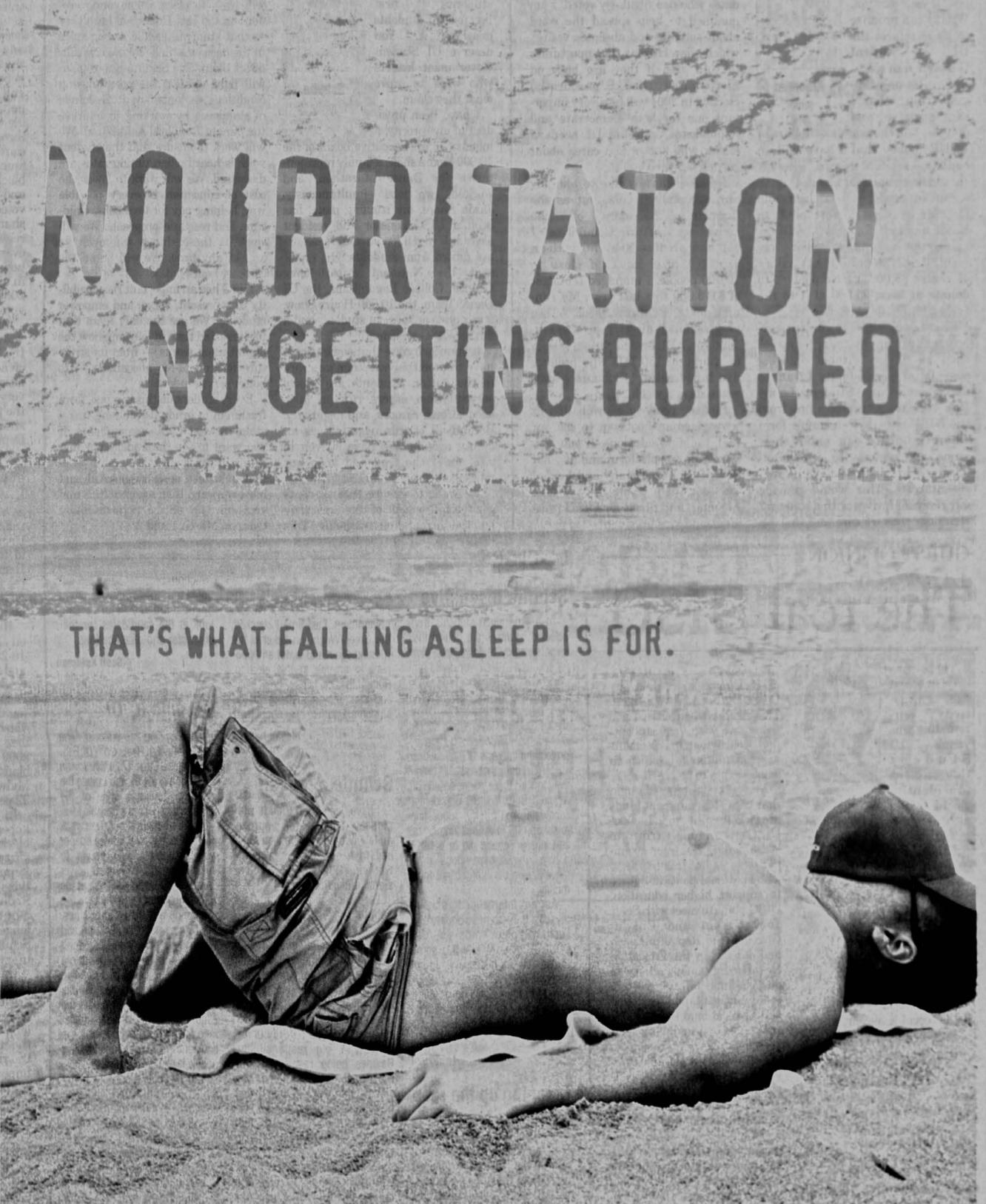
"The loss is huge. We should mourn, but we shouldn't be afraid. Macedonia is a strong and stable country."

Macedonia's government met in emergency session Thursday evening and said Parliament speaker Ljubco Jordanovski was the acting president. The Defense Ministry said security was tightened along the former Yugoslav republic's borders and at key state and army institutions.

"All institutions are functioning normally, and the security of the state is not in question," government spokesman Saso Colakovski said.

Today was declared a day of mourning in both Macedonia and Bosnia.

Trajkovski's presumed death comes at a critical time for Macedonia, a tiny Balkan republic still tense after six months of ethnic conflict in 2001. Trajkovski was hailed widely for his efforts to get Macedonians and rival ethnic Albanians to live together peacefully.



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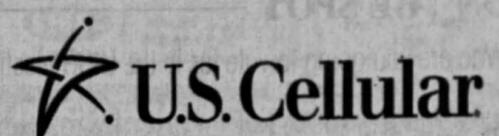
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The UISG candidates, in their own words

THE *DI* ASKED BOTH UISG PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES TO WRITE A GUEST OPINION EXPLAINING WHY THEY SHOULD BE ELECTED

I am not a politician. I am not going to promise to lower your tuition. What I can promise to do is reform the UI Student Government. Reform is one tangible thing that I can promise and deliver. The thousands of dollars of YOUR money that I save will go back into student groups, where it should have been all along. During a budget crisis, it is inexcusable for our student government to waste money.

I've put my money where my mouth is. Of the president's salary of almost \$8,000, I have pledged to donate at least \$5,000 of it to the Iowa City Crisis Center.

There is no way our student government can approach larger issues such as tuition without showing some fiscal responsibility. I want to make every day Student Lobby Day. My plan is to have a link from the UISG website to a simple form where students can enter their name and address to send standardized e-mails to their state representatives. This would provide our representatives with a constant reminder that we care and that we



Aldeman junior

have serious budgetary issues. I am the only one of the four presidential or vice-presidential candidates who has regularly voted. I am qualified to help spread the word about satellite and absentee voting, which allow citizens the opportunity to vote even if they are busy on Election Day. The U.S. presidential election in 2004 will be a very important one for both Democrats and Republicans, and the UI needs a leader who knows and cares about getting out the vote.

I don't generally like to tout my own accomplishments, but as the financial chairman of the University Lecture Committee, I will help produce 10 events with an expected attendance of close to 10,000 people. I managed a budget of \$110,000 this last year. My running mate, Brittany Shoot, is the programming director at the student-run KRUI radio station. She is in charge of 130 DJs who produce live broadcasting 18 hours a day, seven days a week.

Please read our website at www.aldemanshoot.com to see our real, tangible solutions. If you look closely at our platform and at what type of people Brittany and I are, I am confident you will mark Aldeman and Shoot for UISG president and vice president.

The Schutte-Shore team has promoted a platform that puts students first because UI students deserve it. You deserve UI Student Government leaders who want to prove what they claim.

I have been president of my sorority, a member of the executive board of the 10,000 Hours show, a family representative for Dance Marathon, and worked two jobs simultaneously. Jason Shore, my running mate, has been a UISG senator and resident assistant in Hillcrest. Our senators are drawn from students who represent the National Pan-Hellenic Council, College Republicans, the UI Dance Team, the 10,000 Hours Show, a second-year medical student, and a former UISG president.

It is unfortunate that some people have treated this campaign as a race to the gutter. Students are poorly served when others run on false accusations, rumors, and negativity. Behind all of this negativity is an empty agenda. We have striven to rise above the fray and keep our message positive.

We want to ensure that students get the full benefit of this university and the surrounding community. This



Schutte junior

means that the Schutte-Shore team will work diligently every day, however long it takes, to get things done. We will work to place a non-voting student on the City Council of Iowa City so that students have a strong voice in the decisions made by the city that affect them. The Schutte-Shore team will fight against the poor housing conditions students face at the hands of slumlords by working to improve the Tenant-Landlord Association. We will work to ensure that the student voice is heard when tuition rates are discussed. We will work to lower the cost of education in every possible way, helping pay for textbooks, child-care, and research proposals. We will work at these things wherever we are, at any time. We will be on the clock 24 hours a day.

UISG has an important responsibility to represent, serve, and empower students. We are the only team that has invested time in learning how the organization works — from its structure to student-fee allocations — to better serve students.

Every student on this campus, from freshman to graduate student, has a stake in what UISG accomplishes. If you want to see these ideas put into action, if you want a leadership team that is honest, open, researched, and hard-working, then log onto ISIS and vote for the entire Schutte-Shore team on March 1 and 2.

Bloc party

HAVE BLACKS SOLD out to the Democratic Party? On July 14, 2003, the NAACP held a debate among the Democratic candidates seeking nomination for the White House. On the podium were six candidates and four empty chairs representing no-shows President Bush and three Democrats. The no-shows infuriated black leaders at the convention. Every Democratic candidate showed up for a later debate organized by a Latino group.

There are similarities in the percent of registration as well as actual voting between whites and blacks. On the average, between 1972 and 1996, 67 percent of eligible whites registered, and 56 percent voted. Sixty-four percent of blacks registered, and 51 percent voted. This is in sharp contrast to Latinos; 36 percent registered, 27 percent voted. Unlike every other ethnic group in America, however, blacks voted as a single bloc in all elections. Between 1992 and 2000, more than 90 percent of blacks voted Democratic.

It is understandable that blacks overwhelmingly voted for Democrats. From the New Deal to the war on poverty, civil-rights and affirmative action legislation, the Democratic Party has been very vocal about programs that uplifted the poor in the nation, although the strongest opponents were also Democrats. Because most blacks were poor, it was logical for them to support those politicians who subscribed to the government's social programs that seemed to benefit the poor. But blacks, as a group, are unique. While more than 90 percent of blacks voted for Democrats in the two most recent presidential elections, whites voted for Democrats a little over 40 percent of the time. Around 70 percent of Latinos voted Democratic, as did approximately 50 percent of Asian Americans.

Bloc voting among blacks transcended age, sex, and geography. Those ages 18-29 voted Democratic by 83 percent and 91 percent in 1996 and 2000 respectively; voters 60 and over voted Democratic by 82 and 87 percent during the same period. Black women voted 89 and 94 percent, and black men voted 78 and 85 percent. In the 2000 presidential election, Eastern blacks voted Democratic by 89 percent, Midwestern by 89 percent, Southern by 92 percent and Western by 86 percent.

In years past the Democratic Party appeared to appreciate the support of blacks as bloc votes in helping the party overcome challenges by Republican candidates. From the elections of Bill Clinton and Hillary Rodham Clinton as president and senator to the successful senatorial challenge of Alfonse D'Amato by Charles Schumer, our bloc votes were contributory to Democratic successes.

But the campaign for the Democratic nomination for the 2004 presidential election has exposed that blacks have voted the same way for so long that the Democrats have taken them for granted. It is evident from the rhetoric of the candidates. Of importance to blacks are issues of ethnic profiling, affirmative action, poverty, single-parent households, and teenage pregnancy. Whereas the candidates addressed immigration issue (Latinos and Asian concerns), no one except Al Shapton talked about important black issues. When they talked about education, it is almost always in the context of college education in an attempt to reach young whites. When they talk about jobs, it was to satisfy the labor unions.

Through all this, the Congressional Black Caucus remains mute. The effect of bloc political allegiance by blacks is obvious. Sometimes, black congress members quickly reject apparent solutions to black issues simply because they are proposed by non-Democrats. The faith-based initiative was directed toward black communities in which the church is the center. It would have supported the rehabilitation of former prisoners as well as treatment of drug addicts. Black ministers who are closest to the people endorsed it. The Congressional Black Caucus, all Democrats, rejected it. The same was true of school vouchers. It would have given poor inner-city parents the chance to enroll their children in good schools, an opportunity most of our black leaders have. Instead of celebrating the ascent of some blacks with alternative learning, blacks leaders sometime provide the greatest opposition. Our black leaders are too eager to discriminate against other blacks outside the Democratic Party — for example, Clarence Thomas, Colin Powell, and Condoleezza Rice.

The consequence of bloc voting is that the Democrats will always take us for granted and the Republicans will neglect us. Unfortunately, that is already happening. ■



BODE OLAKANMI

GUEST OPINION

The real UISG

There has been a great deal of negativity surrounding this year's UI Student Government presidential election, and although this is sadly what politics has become, it is imperative that the truth about UISG be told.

Amid the barrage of false accusations and misrepresentations of UISG's structure and accomplishments, it is easy to overlook what UISG and the Giant Sloth Party have brought to student government. Consider the following list of recent achievements:

1. Stopping the 21-ordinance
2. Establishing the Newspaper Readership Program
3. Securing week-long Thanksgiving Break
4. Ensuring single-digit tuition increase
5. Creating a pharmacy in Student Health
6. Extending Cambus hours to 1 a.m.
7. Putting professor/course evaluations on ISIS
8. Founding Free Finals Childcare Program
9. Creating a student-run recycling program
10. Establishing student presence at local, state, and national levels

These are 10 immediate examples of what UISG and the Sloth Party have brought students within the last year. Are there things we wished could have been better? Certainly.



Green UISG president

UISG put great effort into campus cleanup and the City Council get-out-the-vote effort. These were well-advised, and though we wish more students had participated, students make the ultimate decision on whether they're involved.

The accusations, though, that UISG has mispent funds are wholly unfounded. Take UISG's annual trip to Washington, D.C., for example. The goal of this trip is to lobby national political figures to support higher education. UISG plans to meet with Sens. Tom Harkin and Charles Grassley and Rep. Jim Leach and officials in the Education Department (among others) to discuss financial aid, the federal Pell Grant, and increased state educational support. We will also accompany UI President David Skorton to the annual Iowa national delegation meeting. The trip is essential for the student voice and is certainly not frivolous.

To increase financial support for student groups, UISG has recently eliminated the wasteful, under-used Safewalk program, decreased executive salaries by more than \$800, and eliminated more than \$10,000 in leadership training and lobbying trips. Student fee money is well-spent and used very efficiently.

The negativity and false accusations that have permeated these elections are troubling. It is part of the process, but I hope students see past the rhetoric and recognize the amazing job UISG has done in advocating the student voice.

Nate Green UISG president

LETTERS

Schutte insensitive

In a time when students from selected countries are denied their visas to study at Iowa, at a time when race-related incidents are being denounced, at a time when the amount of university student housing is slated to decrease, I think the UI Student Government should make a "special concerted effort" to protect the interests of international students. I think that a special sensitivity toward these issues should be required from a UISG presidential candidate. And frankly, suggesting to set up ISIS in various languages, as Lindsay Schutte did in a UISG debate, shows tremendous ignorance toward the international community.

As an international student myself, I have come to understand such complex words as ADD COURSE, or VIEW UI BILL, so no translation is necessary. I just think we need somebody in touch with the international community. And by international community, I don't mean just the Greeks.

Marcelo Mena graduate student

Cleaning up the race

I have a quick question for all of the people criticizing Campus Cleanup: Why didn't you come? It was on the master calendar, we passed out flyers, had a table in the IMU, and sent a mass e-mail to all of the students. Considering these factors, I do not accept the excuse that there was not adequate publicity.

Before UISG or the Campus Cleanup is criticized one more time, I urge everyone involved in this to think about their own history of involvement. While doing this, do research as to what can and cannot be done in Student Government. Find out what is in the realm of the possible and pursue that. As a student paying close attention to the UISG elections, and as a current executive, I fail to

see the logic in running a campaign against the current student government. Last time I checked, the Green/Wegmann ticket is not running again and is not an opponent to anyone in this election. Both of the tickets have great ideas and can offer something to the students. I want to hear about that!

Megan Hencke UI student

Schutte a leader

I have been good friends with Lindsay Schutte for approximately two years. I've also been her manager. She is a hard-working, honest, and professional individual.

Let's look at the facts about Schutte.

Schutte is a very responsible and has had plenty of leadership experience, including being the president of her sorority. In response to a letter writer's attack that Schutte is "a sorority president looking to pad her résumé," being a sorority president is a big responsibility. Besides being responsible for the day-to-day operations, she was in charge of a budget that is hundreds of thousands of dollars of her peers' money. That sounds like a great qualification to me.

I have also seen Schutte at work. Whether she is setting up special events for the Summit or bartending at Jakes, she is always professional and honest. Last semester, Schutte was the Gamma Phi Beta president, worked two to three nights a week at Jakes, worked 20-plus hours a week at the Summit, and maintained a full class workload. To manage a schedule like this takes a lot of organizational skills and work ethic.

Schutte is a student leader who doesn't deserve this smear campaign. She has the ideal characteristics and character to be the next UISG president. It's

time to stop worrying about unsubstantiated stories and look at the candidates for their character and qualifications.

Scott Kuhlman UI student

Get with it, *DI*

After reading the editorial "The UISG Campaign Heats Up" (*DI*, Feb. 23), I realized that *The Daily Iowan* is trying to grow up and imitate the campaign-coverage style of the mass media. This is a horrible idea.

At the UI, there is only one weak political party, and a newspaper with a much greater power to influence voters. With great power comes great responsibility, but the *DI* has not been up to the task.

Starting with the sub-headlines, the *DI* gets negative. Schutte and Shore have experience but don't vote. Aldeman is a hypocrite because he wants positive change, but his campaign has been negative. To their credit, the editors ended on a fairly upbeat tone for both candidates. But the back-and-forth tone only makes people less trusting of candidates.

The *DI* could also do a better job of probing issues and their solutions in their interview and explaining these to the reader. Instead, readers are distracted by excessive coverage of local voting records. One learns little of Schutte's positions except that clocking in is "a load of crap."

Greg Weber UI student

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ON THE SPOT

Who are you going to vote for in the UISG election?



"I'm going to vote for Jason."

Peaches Roach UI freshman



"Nobody."

Buddy Walker UI senior



"Schutte/Shore. I have the most faith in [Schutte] as a leader."

Catherine Zimmer UI junior



"I'm gonna vote for Aldeman."

Jessie Aull UI junior

ARTS

CALENDAR-WORTHY

Writers' Workshop graduate James Sullivan will read from his nonfiction book *Over the Moat*, which details the tribulation of his courtship and eventual marriage to a beautiful girl from Vietnam, today at Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque. The free event begins at 8 p.m.



Simon of Cyrene (Jarrett Merz) helps Jesus (James Caviezel) carry his cross in Mel Gibson's controversial film *The Passion of the Christ*. Publicity photo

Full of passion (& blood)



FILM REVIEW

by Will Scheibel

The Passion of the Christ

When:
12:40, 1:40, 3:40, 4:40, 6:40, 7:40,
and 9:40 p.m.

Where:
Coral Ridge 10
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

So much has been made about Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ* that it's nearly impossible to review the film without touching on the extreme controversy surrounding it. As a film critic, it is my duty to concentrate on the movie from a cinematic standpoint; I'm really not the one to be arguing about the sociopolitical and religious issues too deeply. Nevertheless, there are a few things I must make clear.

For months, certain circles were very vocal about the film conveying an "anti-Semitic sentiment" by allegedly blaming the Jews for the death of Christ. This is simply not true. Film critic Roger Ebert nailed it on the head when he wrote, "Gibson's film ... reflects a range of behavior on the part of its Jewish characters, on balance favorably." His review also pointed out that "... in this story set in a Jewish land, there are many characters with many

motives, some good, some not, each one representing himself, none representing his religion." I couldn't have said it better.

No other film in recent memory has caused a more polarized reaction from audiences and critics or created such overblown misapprehensions. Many of the negative opinions seem to be a result of the graphic and unflinching violence shown on screen. I cannot be more adamant about the fact that the violence is entirely necessary. It is not gratuitous, it is merely a frank depiction of the barbaric forms of torture and executions used during this time period. Gibson is staying true to the classic passion-play narrative, which focuses on the suffering and death of Christ. It would be offensive for him to sanitize it.

James Caviezel will not be forgotten next year when the Oscar nominations are announced. His bravura performance as Christ is an amazing feat, immensely rich in emotion and physicality. Gibson recreates the 12 Stations of the Cross with impressive accuracy and authenticity, beginning with Christ's agony in the Garden of Gethsemane. We then witness His violent capture and torture and follow Him to the bloody crucifixion and resurrection. There are various flashbacks throughout, in which we see glimpses of the Last Supper and the Sermon on the Mount, among various other familiar events in the New Testament. Satan (Rosalinda Celentano) also

appears briefly during key scenes, which can only be described as intensely creepy.

I spent eight years in Catholic school, so I've seen my share of bloated Biblical melodramas and cheesy, holy-card movies about Jesus. Finally, we have a film about the passion of Christ that feels as real, visceral, and life-affirming as it should be. As a Catholic, I can also say that the heartfelt themes of love, redemption, and forgiveness never get lost amid the essential scenes of brutality. This is a great film of overwhelming power and genuinely moving storytelling. Though it is too gory for young children, Gibson has given us the most complete and fully realized

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film about the crucifixion yet.

Passion is clearly an epic labor of love for the director; he didn't make this film for the sake of commercial success. If he had, the dialogue would have been in English, not Latin, Hebrew, and Aramaic with English subtitles. He probably would have also spared a

great deal of the bloodshed. The high production values are nothing short of perfect, from the cinematography and art direction right down to the smallest detail on the actors' costumes. Gibson, who was also the co-writer and financier, put his whole heart and soul into this effort and obviously didn't settle for anything less than his grand vision dictated. All I can say is this: It has been accomplished.

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Before passion, there was temptation

Believe it or not, *The Passion of the Christ* is not the most controversial movie ever made about the life of Jesus Christ. In 1988, director Martin Scorsese was the subject of equally heated debate for his daring and provocative epic, *The Last Temptation of Christ* (which, incidentally, was originally titled *Passion*).

This "what if" drama is based on the novel by Nikos Kazantzakis and written for the screen by Paul Schrader. Willem Dafoe gives an earnest performance as Christ, who is facing severe doubts about accepting His role as the son of God and going through with the prophesied crucifixion. While suffering on the cross, Satan presents a tempting alternative to the execution. If Christ rejects His divinity, He

will be free to live the serene life of a fully human man married to Mary Magdalene. The mystery of Christ's dual nature lies at the core of this powerful piece of cinema, which brilliantly weaves New Testament speculation and revisionism with Schrader's gift for compelling story and character detail.

A lot of fundamentalist Christians, most of whom hadn't even seen the film, vehemently criticized its deviation from the Bible, especially during the temptation sequence, in which Christ hallucinates on the cross. However, the filmmakers make it



DVD REVIEW

The Last Temptation of Christ

clear in an opening disclaimer that this is a work not to be taken as scripture. It's in fact a reverent and misunderstood depiction of Christ, which is infinitely more sympathetic and original than what we usually see in films.

Scorsese is a directorial genius, and this ambitious project is a testament to his fervent passion for filmmaking. With memorable visuals, strong acting, and an excellent Peter Gabriel score, *The Last Temptation of Christ* is easily one of the best films of the '80s.

— by Will Scheibel

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- Lecture, Mel Haught, president and CEO of Pella Corp., 10 a.m., S401 Pappajohn Business Building.
- Special Colloquium, "Analytical and Numerical Studies of the Complex Interaction of a Fast Ion Beam Pulse with a Background Plasma for Heavy Ion Inertial Fusion," Igor Kaganovich, Princeton University, 3:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen Hall.
- Biological Sciences Seminar, "Mice with Targeted Gain of Function Mutations in Nicotinic Receptors," Henry Lester, California Institute of Technology, 4 p.m., 101 Biology Building East.
- Cultural Frameworks for Civil Liberties Lecture Series, "Lyric Protest: Robert Hayden's 'Peacock Room,'" James Hall, University of Alabama, 4 p.m., 704 Jefferson Building.
- "Know the Score Live," "Pop Art" featuring Terry Riley, Mark Stewart, David Lang, and Thom Swiss, 5-7 p.m., Museum of Art and KSUI.
- Third Annual Black Student Union Conference, "Bigger, Blacker, Better," 6-8 p.m., IMU Wheelroom.
- Dental Health Puppet Show, 6-7:30 p.m., Iowa Children's Museum, Coral Ridge Mall.
- Third Annual Black Student Union Conference, "Involvement Means Improvement," 7 p.m., IMU.
- Coffee House, 7-10 p.m., Wild Bill's Coffeeshop, North Hall.
- "Live from Prairie Lights," James Sullivan, nonfiction, 8 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., and WSUI.
- Kantorei, Timothy Stalter, conductor, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall.

Little University

- 1 What epic race thrilled to Jan Ulrich and Joseba Beloki's second- and third-place finishes in both 2000 and 2001?
- 2 What Haley Joel Osman movie did *Newsweek* sum up with the line: "I see dead robots"?
- 3 How many weeks should a realistic male mosquito expect to grace the Earth?
- 4 Whose footsteps do Peggy Post and Peter Post follow in *The Etiquette Advantage in Business*?
- 5 What state sent Larry Craig and Mike Crapo to the U.S. Senate?

1. The Tour de France
2. A.I.
3. One
4. Emily Post's 5. Idaho

Black History Month Facts

Today the UI Black Student Union will host its third-annual conference, "Bigger, Blacker, Better," in the IMU.

— provided by the Black Student Union

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horoscopes

Friday, February 27, 2004 by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): The more diverse you are, the better. Personal matters may appear to be holding you back, but if you are strong, you won't let anything stand in your way.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Changes may take place regarding what you are doing for a living. Your resourceful nature will help you get past this bump and on to better opportunities.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Open your mind to whatever is going on around you today. The more adaptable and willing you are to proceed, the further you will go.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Be prepared to take advantage of information you receive. Investments and moneymaking deals should come into play. Don't hold back, or you will miss an opportunity.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You will have some stupendous ideas and, given your entertaining nature, you should be able to persuade others to believe in your plan. A partnership could lead to some interesting opportunities.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Someone you have to deal with will not be in your corner. Prepare to counteract anything that this person may do. Promote yourself and your work, and don't rely on anyone to finish what you start.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You'll be in the spotlight, so sell yourself and your ideas to anyone who will listen. Learning and sharing information should be your intent. You are on your way to something good.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Take a fresh look at some of your personal papers, and you can cut some expenses. Gambling will not pan out, but being resourceful and smart with your money will.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Problems will arise if you continue to want everything to be your way. Someone you have partnered with will not be willing to bend to your whims.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You can make headway where business, work, and money are concerned. Take time to visit clients or people you feel can contribute to something you are working on. Exhaustion will set in if you don't allow time for yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can convince anyone of anything — even yourself. Love interests may be in the picture. Make sure this person is moving in the same direction you are.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Changes at a personal level may take you by surprise. Problems at home must be taken care of before you can get on with your day. Take a creative approach.

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- 12:40 15 Minute Musical/Prey or Pray for Prey
- 1 The Geneva Lecture Series: John Calvin & the Problem of American History
- 2:30 Lessons from the Ancient Forest
- 3:25 Captured by Fear
- 4 Conversations

- 5 U.N. Report
- 5:30 The Grandmaster Kim Show, Show 5
- 6 Gospel Explosion Ministry
- 7 Country Time Country
- 8 Eden
- 8:30 Professor Noodle
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by Scott Adams

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

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 WHO CAN SAY? IF YOU WERE THERE, MAYBE YOU JUST DIDN'T NOTICE THE YOUNG PILOT FROM TEXAS.
 FORTUNATELY, THE WHITE HOUSE HAS BEGUN TO RE-LEASE SELECTED DOCUMENTS FROM WHICH A PORTRAIT IS BEGINNING TO EMERGE.
 TO JOG YOUR MEMORY, BUSH WAS 5'11" AND GROUNDPEP.
 AND GOOD TEETH, RIGHT?

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 0116

- ACROSS**
- 1 Isn't nice to
 - 8 Reception amenity
 - 15 Rummish daiquiri
 - 16 Author of "Miracle Mergers and Their Methods"
 - 17 Cooler
 - 18 Take the blame for
 - 19 It's seen offshore in France
 - 20 One of the family
 - 22 Kit and caboodle
 - 23 Make one
 - 25 Opposite of sluggish
 - 26 Tennis star
 - 27 Middle ear bone
 - 29 Bob and shag
 - 30 Photo finish?
 - 31 Butcher's hanger
 - 33 Shoot
 - 34 Lulu in "Lulu," e.g.
 - 36 Not one-track
 - 39 When to get revenge, proverbially
 - 43 Many an e-mailer
 - 44 Army E-3
 - 45 Proctor— (small appliance maker)
 - 46 Santa Maria Maggiore locale
 - 47 Nesters
 - 49 End notes
 - 50 Big Ten powerhouse, for short
 - 51 Portion of an editor's mail
 - 53 London's Old
 - 54 Like some trials
 - 56 "Soup's on!"
 - 58 Superhuman
 - 59 Learned
 - 60 Dropped off
 - 61 Charged
- DOWN**
- 1 Lock-picking tool
 - 2 "Attaboy!"
 - 3 Song with the lyric "My heart with rapture thrills"
 - 4 Wrestler's rippler
 - 5 _____ Centre, Minn. (Sinclair Lewis's birthplace)
 - 6 Mad Ave. profession
 - 7 YM cover subject
 - 8 Kayos
 - 9 Rodgers & Hammerstein's "All I Owe _____"
 - 10 Ex-Senator from Georgia
 - 11 Internet address ender
 - 12 Red Baron's transport
 - 13 Willa Cather heroine
 - 14 What gets read to rabble-rousers

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- 21 Reserved
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- 26 Doctrine doubter
- 28 Less forward
- 30 Fancy embellishments
- 32 Ear. Prefix
- 33 Henhouse threat
- 35 Opposite of charged
- 36 Some beachwear
- 37 Prematurely
- 38 Madrid daily
- 40 "Wonderful"
- 41 Help settle
- 42 Took by force
- 44 Victimized, with "upon"
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BIG TEN WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior catalyst looks to ignite team in Big Ten tourney

For the first time since 1991, Iowa will host the Big Ten women's indoor track championships. With the power of two-time All-American Shellene Williams, the Hawkeyes, ranked 13th nationally, are set to do well in the championship they've never won.



Latoya Stiffend runs sprints under the watchful eye of women's track coach James Grant at the Recreation Center on Monday afternoon.

BY NICK RICHARDS
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Shellene Williams carries more than just her weight on her legs. Williams, a senior from Old Harbour, Jamaica, will carry the weight of the entire women's track team as Iowa hosts the 2004 Big Ten women's indoor track championships on Saturday and Feb. 29 in the Rec Building. Leading the way for the Hawkeyes will be Williams, who looks to help give the team a spark into the upper division after finishing the last two years in ninth place.

"She's very important," said coach James Grant. "When her teammates saw how serious and committed she was, that brought everyone up to another level." Williams has been the catalyst for the surprising Hawkeyes, who go into the meet ranked 13th in the country by the United States Track Coaches Association Team Power Rankings. Williams is ranked ninth nationally in the 400 meters, her best event. She tops the Big Ten in the event, running a 52.83 at the Iowa State Classic — which broke the school record and automatically qualified her for the NCAA indoor championships March 12-13.

Williams has also excelled in the 200 meters and the 60 meters, where she ranks second in both events in the Big Ten. She has provisionally qualified in the 200 meters and the distance medley relay team. Williams came to the United States after a stellar prep career in Jamaica. She was a four-time member of the Jamaican National Junior Team, which competed at the World Junior Athletic Championships and Chrifta Games. As a senior at the Jamaica girl's national high-school championships,

SEE TRACK, PAGE 6B



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan
 Iowa men's basketball coach Steve Alford talks to a discouraged Glen Worley during a tough 78-59 defeat against Illinois on Wednesday in Carver-Hawkeye.

A last attempt to stay on tourney bubble

BY DONOVAN BURBA
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Like a battered boxer who won't throw in the towel, the Iowa men's basketball team answers the bell once again Saturday against Minnesota, looking for the knockout punch that could send them to the NCAA Tournament. After suffering through a 78-59 thrashing at the hands of Illinois, the Hawkeyes (14-10, 7-6) desperately need to beat the Golden Gophers (10-16, 2-12) to stay on the tournament bubble. Iowa hosts Minnesota Saturday at 3:30 p.m. Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Televised on KGAN.

As if that weren't enough, Saturday marks the final regular-season game at Carver-Hawkeye Arena for Iowa seniors Brody Boyd, Glen Worley, Kurt Spurgeon, and the injured Jared Reiner. The healthy seniors struggled against Illinois; Boyd was just 1-5 from 3-point range, and neither Worley nor Spurgeon scored at all. Sophomore Pierre Pierce doesn't expect the emotion of the team's last home game to negatively affect the seniors' play. "We know from here on out that every game we play is a

SEE MEN'S HOOPS, PAGE 6B

OLYMPICS 2004

Anti-Olympic activists strike

ATHENS, Greece — As Greek organizers sought to reassure the world the Athens Games will be safe, anti-Olympic activists fire-bombed two government vehicles Thursday to coincide with a major meeting of IOC officials. Two environment ministry trucks were set ablaze by cooking gas canisters soaked in gasoline, causing an estimated \$37,000 in damages, fire officials said. A group calling itself "Phevos and Athena" — the names of the Olympic mascots — said in a call to an Athens newspaper the attack was tied to the meetings of the IOC and the Association of National Olympic Committees. "This is a welcome message to the members of the International Olympic Committee," the caller told the Athens newspaper. The attack was in the western suburb of Iliou, approximately 6 miles from the central Athens hotel where the Olympic meetings are taking place.

NFL

Owens may miss out on free agency

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Receiver Terrell Owens could miss out on free agency because he failed to file papers voiding the final two years of his contract with the San Francisco 49ers. Owens was supposed to be one of the top players available this off-season. In other NFL news, 1987 No. 1 overall draft pick Vinny Testaverde appears on the verge of retiring at age 40. Also, the agent for Washington Redskins cornerback Champ Bailey said he had discussions on a new contract that would send Bailey to the Denver Broncos. The agent said he is waiting for a written proposal from the team. And in Atlanta, Baltimore Ravens running back Jamal Lewis pleaded not guilty to federal drug charges. Lewis is accused of trying to help a childhood friend buy cocaine in the summer of 2000. He was released on \$500,000 bond after a short court hearing.



Owens

MLB

Yankees release Aaron Boone

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The New York Yankees released Aaron Boone on Thursday, six weeks after the third baseman hurt his knee in a pickup basketball game. The injury, which could sideline Boone the entire season, helped to set the stage for the Yankees to acquire Alex Rodriguez from the Texas Rangers. Boone, an National League All-Star last year for the Cincinnati Reds before he was traded to New York late in the season, is now a free agent. General manager Brian Cashman said the team will discuss the possibility of Boone playing for the Yankees next year. Boone, 30, had surgery last week to repair the anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee. His recovery is expected to take five to nine months.

BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS: COMPETITORS TO WATCH

Illinois
 2003 Big Ten finish: 6th
 Number of Big Ten titles: 5
 Top performers: Yvonne Mensah, 1st in 60 meters, 60 meter hurdles

Indiana
 2003 Big Ten finish: 2nd
 Number of Big Ten titles: 3
 Top performers: Courtney Johnson, 2nd 60 meter hurdles; Stacey Clausing, 3rd in 400 meters; Charlene Maddox, 4th in 400 meters

Iowa
 2003 Big Ten finish: 9th
 Number of Big Ten titles: 0
 Top performers: Shellene Williams, 1st in 400 meters, 2nd in 200 meters; Peaches Roach, 1st in high jump; Nikki Chapple, 2nd in 3,000 meters

Michigan
 2003 Big Ten finish: 1st
 Number of Big Ten titles: 6
 Top performers: Katie Erdman, 1st in 60 meters, 800 meters; Sherita Williams, 3rd in long jump, triple jump; Cynethia Rooks, 2nd in 400 meters

Michigan State
 2003 Big Ten finish: 10th
 Number of Big Ten titles: 0
 Top performers: Jamie Kryzinski, 1st in 5,000 meters; Sherita Williams, 3rd in long jump, triple jump; Cynethia Rooks, 2nd in 400 meters

Minnesota
 2003 Big Ten finish: 7th
 Number of Big Ten titles: 0
 Top performers: Monica Stearns, 2nd on pole vault; Lindsey Gallo, 3rd in 600 meters

Ohio State
 2003 Big Ten finish: 4th
 Number of Big Ten titles: 0
 Top performers: Rosalind Goodwin, 1st in triple jump, long jump; Amarachi Ukebam, 1st in shot put, 2nd in 20 lb. throw; Keturah Lofton, 1st in 20 lb. throw

Penn State
 2003 Big Ten finish: 3rd
 Number of Big Ten titles: 0
 Top performers: Consuelia Moore, 1st in 60 meters, 200 meters; Sara Dougherty, 1st in pole vault; Kate Johnston, 4th in 20 lb. throw

Purdue
 2003 Big Ten finish: 8th
 Number of Big Ten titles: 1
 Top performers: Jocelyn Lindsay, 3rd on pole vault; Tiffany Britten, 5th in shot put

Wisconsin
 2003 Big Ten finish: 5th
 Number of Big Ten titles: 7
 Top performers: Hilary Edmondson, 1st in mile; Danielle Ohman, 5th on high jump

Seniors set in poetic motion

BY NICK RICHARDS
 THE DAILY IOWAN

For GymHawks head coach Mike Lorenzen, Senior Day 2004 is something he has dreaded for four years. "I can remember, even during their freshman year, thinking, 'I don't know how I'm going to deal with it when I have to say goodbye to these guys four years from now,' and now it's here," he said. The No. 12 GymHawks will have to say goodbye to their senior core of Brandy Killian, Alexis Maday, Stephanie Gran, and Nicole Wong as the team battles

Minnesota today at 7 p.m. on the Field House main deck. The seniors have left such an indelible mark on the program, it's hard for many to put it into words what they have meant. Sophomore Liz Grajewski, a team captain along with Wong, wrote a poem with the rest of the team to commemorate their accomplishments in their time at Iowa. "As an underclassman, I have always admired and respected this group of seniors," Grajewski said. "It is their undying belief

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Rachel Mummey/The Daily Iowan
 Hawkeye gymnast Alexis Maday works in practice on her balance-beam routine on Feb. 21.

PURDUE 84, IOWA 55

Hawkeyes take a beating from No. 4 Boilermakers

BY JON KRAWCZYNSKI
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Shereka Wright had 21 points to lead fourth-ranked Purdue to its 15th-straight victory, 84-55, over Iowa on Thursday night. Katie Gearlds added 15 points for the Boilermakers (24-2, 14-1 Big Ten), who play No. 6 Penn State on Sunday for the conference championship. Penn State also won, beating Michigan State, 63-51. Wright and Gearlds didn't take Iowa (15-11, 9-6) by

surprise. The two stars scorched the Hawkeyes in their last meeting, combining for 64 points in Purdue's 90-79 win at Iowa on Feb. 10. Wright dominated the opening of Thursday's game, scoring 14 points on 6-11 shooting in the first half. She also finished with six rebounds. Freshman Gearlds took over in the second half, scoring 12 points. Her 3-pointer with 15:54 to play gave the Boilermakers a 51-34 lead.

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SPORTS

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Big Ten to use instant replay for football

DETROIT (AP) — Instant replays will be a part of Big Ten football games this season.

The NCAA championships and competition cabinet has approved the Big Ten's proposal to use instant replay — on an experimental basis — for conference games in 2004.

"It's about time instant replay found its way into college football," Michigan State coach John L. Smith said Wednesday. "I hope the Big Ten puts someone in the press box that isn't afraid to say what's right or what's wrong."

Nonconference opponents who play televised games in Big Ten stadiums would have the option to play with replay. The experimental system would use only those replays provided by the league's broadcast partners. Not all Big Ten games are televised.

A technical adviser assigned to each game by the Big Ten's officiating department would be the only person able to request a replay and render a judgment.

Football ticket prices on the rise in 2004

The Iowa Board in Control of Athletics approved increases on all season and single-game 2004 home game football tickets.

Even with one fewer home game than the 2003 season, general public season-ticket prices will jump from \$246 to \$250. University of Iowa faculty and staff season ticket prices will also rise from \$186 to \$206.

UI students' season tickets will stay at \$105, but with only six home games, the price represents a 17 percent increase over last season.

Single-game tickets will be \$44 in 2004 from \$40 in 2003. The Sept. 11 Iowa-Iowa State home game tickets will cost \$55.

The Athletics Department hopes to raise its net income by \$500,000. In addition to other expenses, the income will be used for the department's operating budget and student-athlete scholarships.

— by Jess Zosky

Swim team ends first day in eighth place

The Iowa men's swimming team is in eighth-place after the first day of competition in the Big Ten championships Thursday at the Boilermaker Aquatic Center and Doris Z. Holloway Pool.

Junior Timo Klamki finished third in the 1-meter diving competition, posting a score of 329.10 in the finals. Junior Pete Ranstead finished 16th in the 50 freestyle with a swim of 20.71.

Iowa's 200 freestyle relay team of Ranstead, Tomasz Dziedzic, Andrei Prada, and Kevin Velleca placed seventh with a time of 1:21.00.

The Hawkeyes' 400 medley relay team of Andrei Ciurca, Prada, and Dziedzic, and Ranstead finished in ninth-place with a time of 3:17.30.

Defending champion Minnesota is leading the field with a team score of 207.5, with Michigan (187),

Northwestern (150), and Indiana (132.5) trailing. Iowa has 59 points. The Hawkeyes will swim in their stronger individual events in today's and tomorrow's competition, and should make a surge to increase their place in the standings.

— by Jason Brummond

Iowa baseball's Dahm era begins today

There's no "pitchers and catchers report" in college baseball.

There's no 30-game exhibition schedule to help players to prepare for the rigors of the season by grooving their swings off guys who'll be bagging groceries in a week.

So when the Iowa baseball team takes the field at Centenary in Shreveport, La., at 7 p.m. today for a three-game series, it will be playing for real.

The Gents (3-4) will have the advantage of having seven games under their belts, but not much else against the Hawkeyes. The tiny school has already endured losses to schools as obscure as Prairie View A&M and Friends College.

The first-ever meetings between the schools will mark the first games in Hawkeye uniforms for as many seven players. Four transfers should start, including catcher Kris Welker, third basemen Kevin Sunderman, and outfielders L.J. Mims and Jesse Brownell. Nathan Johnson, Iowa's 2003 Team MVP, is expected to be tonight's starting pitcher for the Hawkeyes. The senior went 6-2 with a 3.38 ERA last season.

Iowa's opening series also kicks off the Jack Dahm era. The first-year Hawkeye leader was the winningest coach in school history at his last stop, Creighton.

— by Kelly Beaton

Hawkeye football player charged

A scholarship member of the Iowa Hawkeye football team was charged with three simple misdemeanors on Wednesday afternoon. Twenty-year-old George Eshareturi, N257 Hillcrest Hall, was charged with simple assault, public intoxication, and disorderly conduct at his dormitory.

The 6-3, 290-pound defensive tackle did not see action during the 2003 season, which he redshirted. Eshareturi, a New York City native, tallied 18 sacks and 126 tackles during his three-year varsity high-school career.

— by Jason Brummond

Men's track looks to improve Big Ten finish

The Iowa men's track team will head to Ann Arbor, Mich., for the Big Ten men's indoor track championships, Saturday and Feb. 29 at the Michigan Indoor Track Building.

The Hawkeyes, led by thrower Ken Kemeny, hope to improve on last year's ninth-place finish. Wisconsin is the defending Big Ten champion; it has won three of the last four conference titles.

— by Nick Richards

IOWA SPORTS

- Today**
- **MEN'S SWIMMING** at Big Ten championships in West Lafayette, Ind., noon.
 - **BASEBALL** at Centenary College, Noon and 3 p.m.
 - **MEN'S BASKETBALL** hosts Minnesota at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, 3:30 p.m. Game televised on KGAN.
 - **MEN'S GYMNASTICS** at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
 - **MEN'S TRACK** at Big Ten indoor championships in Ann Arbor, Mich.
 - **WOMEN'S TRACK** hosts Big Ten indoor championships at Recreation Building.

- Feb. 29**
- **WOMEN'S TENNIS** at Minnesota w/Montana, 11 a.m.
 - **SOFTBALL** at the Louisville Tournament vs. Louisville, Noon.
 - **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** at Illinois, 12:05 p.m.
 - **MEN'S TRACK** at Big Ten indoor championships in Ann Arbor, Mich.
 - **WOMEN'S TRACK** hosts Big Ten indoor championships at Recreation Building.

- Today**
- **NBA** Toronto Raptors at Boston Celtics, 6 p.m. on ESPN.
 - **NBA** Phoenix Suns at Seattle Sonics, 8:30 p.m. on ESPN.
- Saturday**
- **SOFTBALL** at the Louisville Tournament vs. Toledo, 11 a.m.; vs. Western Kentucky, 1 p.m.
 - **WOMEN'S TENNIS** at Minnesota, 11 a.m.

TV SCHEDULE

- Today**
- **NBA** Toronto Raptors at Boston Celtics, 6 p.m. on ESPN.
 - **NBA** Phoenix Suns at Seattle Sonics, 8:30 p.m. on ESPN.
- Saturday**
- **CBB** Michigan State at Penn State, 11 a.m. on KGAN.
 - **CBB** St. Joseph's at Rhode Island, 11 a.m. on ESPN2.
 - **CBB** Southern Mississippi at DePaul, 1 p.m. on ESPN.
 - **CBB** East Tennessee State

- at College of Charleston, 1 p.m. on ESPN2.
- **CBB** UConn at Villanova, 1:30 p.m. on ESPN.
 - **CBB** Northwestern at Illinois, 1:30 p.m. on KGAN.
 - **CBB** Minnesota at Iowa, 3:30 p.m. on KGAN.
 - **CBB** Cincinnati at UNC-Charlotte, 4 p.m. on ESPN.
 - **CBB** Creighton at Southwest Missouri State, 4 p.m. on FSU.
 - **CBB** Butler at Illinois-Chicago, 6 p.m. on FSU.
 - **CBB** Santa Clara at Gonzaga, 8 p.m. on ESPN2.

- Feb. 29**
- **CBB** Ohio State at Michigan, 11 a.m. on KGAN.
 - **WCBB** Purdue at Penn State, 12:30 p.m. on ESPN2.
 - **CBB** Oklahoma at Kansas, 11 a.m. on KGAN.
 - **WCBB** DePaul at Marquette, 2 p.m. on FSU.
 - **CBB** Kentucky at LSU, 3 p.m. on KGAN.
 - **CBB** North Carolina at North Carolina State, 4:30 p.m. on FSU.
 - **NBA** Minnesota Timberwolves at Philadelphia 76ers, 6:30 p.m. on ESPN.
 - **CBB** Duke at Florida State, 7 p.m. on FSU.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	35	21	.625	—
New York	26	33	.441	10 1/2
Miami	25	33	.431	11
Philadelphia	23	35	.397	13
Boston	23	36	.390	13 1/2
Washington	18	38	.321	17
Orlando	16	43	.271	20 1/2

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Indiana	42	15	.737	—
Detroit	36	24	.600	7 1/2
New Orleans	31	26	.544	11
Milwaukee	30	27	.526	12
Toronto	25	33	.431	17
Cleveland	23	35	.397	19 1/2
Atlanta	19	38	.333	23
Chicago	16	42	.276	26 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Minnesota	42	16	.724	—
San Antonio	38	20	.655	4
Dallas	37	20	.649	4 1/2
Memphis	34	23	.596	7 1/2
Houston	33	24	.579	8 1/2
Denver	32	27	.542	10 1/2
Utah	29	30	.492	13 1/2

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Sacramento	42	14	.750	—
L.A. Lakers	36	20	.643	6
Portland	29	28	.509	13
Seattle	26	31	.456	16 1/2
Golden State	25	31	.446	16 1/2
L.A. Clippers	24	32	.429	17 1/2
Phoenix	19	40	.322	24

Thursday's Games

Washington 95, Chicago 87
Dallas 115, San Antonio 81
Sacramento 103, L.A. Lakers 101

Today's Games

Toronto at Boston, 6 p.m.
Cleveland at Orlando, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Indiana at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Golden State at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Seattle, 8:30 p.m.
Utah at Sacramento, 9 p.m.
New York at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Miami at New Jersey, Noon
L.A. Lakers at Washington, 2:30 p.m.
Orlando at Atlanta, 5 p.m.
New Orleans at Memphis, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Denver at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.

NHL

All Times CST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF
Philadelphia	33	15	12	5	83	186
New Jersey	33	17	11	1	78	155
N.Y. Islanders	29	23	9	2	69	177
N.Y. Rangers	23	29	7	4	57	166
Pittsburgh	12	42	5	4	33	129

Northwest

W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	
Ottawa	34	16	9	5	82	209
Toronto	34	19	9	3	80	185
Boston	30	15	13	7	80	165
Montreal	32	25	6	2	72	165
Buffalo	28	28	6	1	63	163

Southwest

W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	
Tampa Bay	34	17	7	5	80	184
Florida	23	25	13	3	62	143
Atlanta	24	32	6	2	56	172
Carolina	20	27	12	3	55	120
Washington	19	34	8	2	48	148

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	
Detroit	36	17	9	2	83	204
Nashville	31	23	7	2	71	163
St. Louis	29	23	8	2	68	146
Chicago	18	32	7	5	48	143
Columbus	17	34	8	4	46	132

Northwest

W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	
Colorado	33	15	11	4	81	184
Vancouver	34	19	7	4	79	185
Calgary	31	24	5	3	70	150
Edmonton	25	27	10	1	61	161
Minnesota	21	24	16	2	60	139

Pacific

W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	
San Jose	30	16	11	6	77	163
Dallas	30	22	11	0	71	139
Los Angeles	24	17	15	7	70	167
Anaheim	22	25	9	8	61	140
Phoenix	20	24	15	4	59	157

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.

Thursday's Games

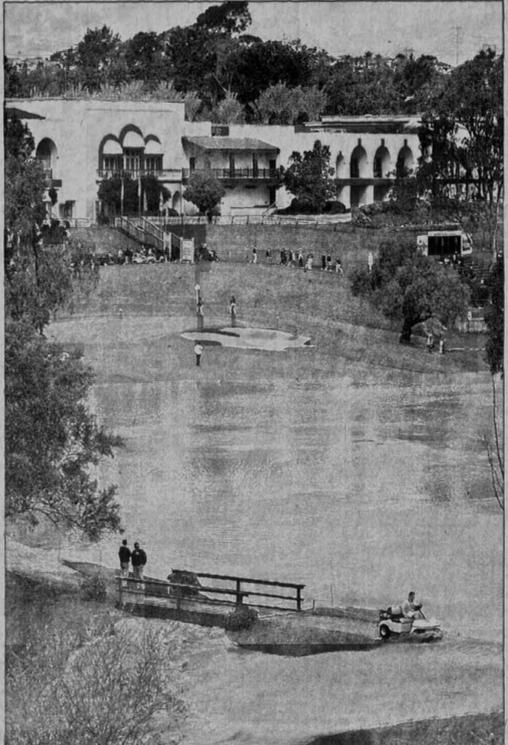
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St. Louis 2, Colorado 2, tie
Nashville 4, Minnesota 0
Detroit 2, Calgary 1
Vancouver 3, San Jose 2, OT
Washington at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Columbus at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Pittsburgh at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.
Buffalo at Ottawa, 6 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Philadelphia at Boston, Noon
N.Y. Rangers at Nashville, 2 p.m.
Anaheim at Los Angeles, 3 p.m.
Buffalo at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Carolina at Montreal, 6 p.m.
New Jersey at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Colorado at Columbus, 6 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Florida at Chicago, 2 p.m.
Edmonton at Dallas, 2 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Atlanta, 2 p.m.
Pittsburgh at N.Y. Islanders, 3 p.m.
Los Angeles at Anaheim, 3 p.m.
Philadelphia at Detroit, 6 p.m.
St. Louis at San Jose, 7 p.m.
Phoenix at Calgary, 7 p.m.
Carolina at Minnesota, 7 p.m.



Denis Poroy/Associated Press

Water from the flooded fairways at La Costa Country Club delays the start of the second round at the World Golf Championships Accenture Match Play Championship on Thursday in Carlsbad, Calif.

Flooded fairways delay Match Play

BY DOUG FERGUSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS GOLF WRITER

CARLSBAD, Calif. — Blue skies, warm sunshine. Except for La Costa Resort being partially submerged by overnight rain, it would have been a perfect day for golf at the Match Play Championship.

Instead, tournament officials had no choice but to postpone the second round Thursday, setting up a marathon finish of 36 holes a day for the guy eventually holding the \$1.2 million check.

"It was pretty comical to look out across the golf course and see what it looks like right now," David Toms said.

He wasn't sure he was looking at La Costa. Creeks turned into raging streams.

Lakes covered the fairways, making it impossible to even walk to the green.

The lay-up area on the par-5 18th, where Tiger Woods survived his scare from John Rollins, was under water.

"The main concern is the casual water in the fairway," said Mike Shea, senior rules director for the PGA Tour.

The nearest point of relief appeared to be Palm Springs.

The golf course received 1 1/2 inches of rain Sunday night, and La Costa does not drain very well. Add the 1 1/2 inches of rain that fell overnight, and it was unplayable.

"We just couldn't play the game properly," Shea said.

The forecast is considerably brighter, and Shea said he expected the tournament to be back on schedule by the end of play Today.

The 16 second-round matches are scheduled to begin at 7 a.m. Today from the 1st and 10th tees, followed by eight third-round matches in the afternoon.

The quarterfinals and semifinals will be played Saturday, as usual.

Shaun Micheel was glad that officials did not start the second-round matches without being certain they could finish.

"That would be such a momentum-killer," Micheel said. "And momentum plays a big role in match play."

The only difference could be conditioning — by the players, not just the course.

Most of the 32 players remaining are in good enough shape to walk 36 holes in one day — especially since they're not carrying their own bags — but Micheel said it could become a mental test late Friday afternoon.

"I think you'll start to see some loose shots by the end of the day," he said.

Woods, the defending champion, birdied his final two holes for a 1-up victory Thursday. Next up is Trevor Immelman of South Africa.

"I'm relaxed," Immelman said. "I have a lot of respect for Tiger and for everything he has achieved in the game. I'm just going to go out there and give it my best shot and see what happens."

"I don't think it's going to make or break my career. I'm 24 years old. Hopefully, I'm going to be around for a long time competing in tournaments like this."

Woods got an extra day of practice, and headed to the range Thursday afternoon.

Toms is coming off surgery to remove bone spurs from his left wrist, and this is only his second tournament of the year. He would prefer to play instead of practice, but he had no choice.

"I want to stay sharp. I needed to play golf today," he said. "I don't need to be out beating a bunch of balls."

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'Bartman ball' blown to bits

BY ANNA JOHNSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — In a flash, the ball that came to symbolize the cursed history of the Chicago Cubs was blown up Thursday night, reduced to a pile of thread by a Hollywood special effects expert.

Hundreds of fans sang "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" before the ball — the foul fly touched by Steve Bartman in a crucial game during the National League Championship Series last October — was destroyed.

Bartman had not been expected to attend the event, held in a tent outside Harry Caray's Restaurant. Some fans were decked out in Cubs gear, others wore replicas of the famous broadcaster's signature glasses, and one man was covered in ivy similar to the green plants that cover the outfield walls of Wrigley Field.

The stunt was designed by Oscar winner Michael Lantieri, who worked on *Jurassic Park* and *Back to the Future*.

"We're using a combination of pressure, heat, and explosives in this bulletproof tank to destroy that ball so it will not resemble a ball at all when we're finished," Lantieri said.

Whether or not the ball was possessed by the curse that legend says afflicts the Cubs, fans were happy to see it go. To some, the destruction is a sign of the good things to come this season.

"I think it's very appropriate; it's symbolic of a new beginning," said Rachel Cannon of Chicago. Claudette Dockery agreed.

"They can cremate the ball for all I care or send it over Lake Michigan, the best I believe is yet to come," she said.

Chicago fans are ready to move on from the infamous moment.

With the Cubs leading the Florida Marlins, 3-0, in Game 6 of the championship series and



Jeff Roberson/Associated Press
Dutchie Caray, the widow of the legendary Cubs broadcaster Harry Caray, lets out a laugh as she stands next to the obliterated remains of the Bartman baseball after it was blown up Thursday in Chicago.

"We're using a combination of pressure, heat, and explosives in this bulletproof tank to destroy that ball so it will not resemble a ball at all when we're finished."

— Michael Lantieri, stunt designer

just five outs from their first World Series appearance since 1945, Bartman reached for the ball hit by Luis Castillo.

From his front-row seat at Wrigley Field, Bartman deflected the ball away from left fielder Moises Alou. The Cubs gave up eight runs to the Marlins, then squandered another lead in Game 7 the next night.

In its final hours, the ball was put on display, given a massage and treated to a "last meal" of steak and lobster, or at least the aroma.

Grant DePorter, who helped buy the ball at an auction for \$113,824 on behalf of Harry Caray's Restaurant Group, lined up hours of music, comedy, and celebrity appearances.

"It's like the ring from *The Lord of the Rings*, and we're kind of like Frodo, trying to get it over with," DePorter said.

Bartman, who has made no public statements since issuing an apology in October, did not plan to attend, a family friend said.

So much has been made of the ball's fate that even German Chancellor Gerhard Schröder, speaking to the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations, was aware that something was happening involving the Cubs, if perhaps a bit confused about what.

"I very much hope that thing about the National League championship is going to play out the way you want it to," he said.

Sports jinxes require serious time & money

From the curse of the Bambino to the recently destroyed "bartman ball," people go to great efforts to get rid of jinxes

BY JIM LITKE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Sports jinxes are like opinions. Just about everybody has one.

We're not talking about run-of-the-mill superstitions, such as ballplayers turning their caps inside-out to conjure up late-inning rallies or wearing the same underwear day after day to extend a hot streak at the plate.

No, to qualify as a real jinx, somebody has to invest serious time and money to get out from under it and invite serious clucking from the rest of a skeptical world, the way Thursday night's ballyhooed obliteration of the "Bartman ball" has.

Such curses aren't limited to Chicago or baseball, of course.

The so-called "Sports Illustrated cover jinx" — which the magazine claimed two years ago had resulted in "a demonstrable misfortune or decline in performance following a cover appearance roughly 37.2 percent of the time" — has felled more golfers and tennis players by far than any other group of athletes. However, Nomar Garciaparra of the Red Sox appeared on the cover before the 2001 season — and then missed almost the entire season after undergoing wrist surgery. And though the consequences are much less serious, appearing on the front of a Campbell's Chunky Soup in recent years has become the NFL equivalent of turning up on the side of a milk carton.

Still, nobody does curses better than baseball.

When he was running the Philadelphia Athletics at the turn of the last century, Hall of Fame baseball manager Connie Mack hoped to ward off a spell of bad luck by employing a hunchback named Louis Van Zelst as a mascot. For three years running,

And sometime this spring, in a bid to reverse the Curse of the Bambino, world-renowned salvage expert John Fish will troll the mile-long Willis Pond in Sudbury, Mass., in hopes of dredging up a piano that legend has it was put there by Babe Ruth in a fit of pique the year before he was traded to the Yankees.

"And this time," said Eloise Newell, whose group has been behind two previous attempts, "we'll either find the piano or run out of lake trying."

Newell is the director of the Restoration Project, a rehabilitation program for adults with mental illness based in Sudbury, who hopes to use the publicity to shed some of the stigma attached to her cause. She may be a firm believer in science, but she is also a Red Sox fan.

"They've had some spectacular 11th-hour losses," she said. "We believe a major component of success is to be able to visualize yourself crossing the finish line. And getting that piano out of the lake would remove one very big obstacle."

Whether the destruction of the baseball that marked the beginning of the end for the Cubs in last season's National League playoffs has the desired effect remains to be seen. But there's no denying that the people behind it invested some serious time and expense.

Grant DePorter, who paid \$113,824.16 for the ball at a December auction on behalf of Harry Caray's Restaurant Group, has lined up three hours of music, comedy, and celebrity appearances leading up to the climactic event. Its end will be choreographed by Michael Lantieri, a die-hard Cubs fan and Oscar winner who wrecks things for a living and has worked on such movies as *Jurassic Park*.

Last anybody feel too sorry for the baseball, know that it spent Wednesday touring the city and Wrigley Field one last time, then retired to a hotel suite where a last supper of steak, lobster, and an ice-cold Bud was set out. But there was no chance of a last-second reprieve.

Tyson avoids jail by pleading guilty

NEW YORK (AP) — Mike Tyson avoided a return to jail Thursday by agreeing to plead guilty to disorderly conduct in a brawl with two men outside a Brooklyn hotel last year.

A lawyer for the former heavyweight boxing champion called the agreement a fair and equitable resolution.

Tyson was at the Brooklyn courthouse during the negotiations, appearing relaxed as he flipped through a catalogue of boxing memorabilia and read the newspaper.

Under the agreement, Tyson will perform 100 hours of community service, teaching and instructing children in boxing.

Once that is completed, other charges against Tyson will be dropped, and he will plead guilty to disorderly conduct. No court date was immediately set.

Tyson's lawyer described the violation as equivalent to a traffic ticket, although prosecutors pointed out that in some cases it can carry a 15-day jail sentence.

Tyson initially was charged with assault, harassment, and disorderly conduct. He had faced up to a year in jail if convicted.

The 37-year-old Tyson was arrested after an early morning brawl with Samuel Velez and Nestor Alvarez-Ramos, who allegedly threatened him in June 2003 while the boxer waited for a ride to the airport.



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SPORTS

Williams may tie record with former Hawk great

TRACK

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Williams placed third in both the 200 and the 400 meters. Williams was originally a sprinter but failed to stand out like she did in the 400.

"I was trying to run the sprint, but that didn't work out, so I switched to the 400," she said.

The switch paid immediate dividends for her. She came to Iowa in the fall of 2003 after a stellar career at Barton Community College in Great Bend, Kan., where she was a two-time All-American in the 400 and a member of back-to-back junior-college national champions. While running just a half-season with the team last year, Williams helped the distance medley relay team provisionally qualify for the NCAA championships.

Williams made her big splash in

the outdoor season, which she prefers. She won the 400, then ran the anchor leg of the 1,600-meter relay team. Williams' two titles marked the second time in school history an individual had won two events in the Big Ten meet.

Williams also made a big splash on the International circuit, placing sixth in the 400 at the Jamaican national championships, which qualified her for the 2003 Pan American Games and the world championships. Williams ran a leg for the 400-meter relay team at the Pan American Games, and ran a leg for the 1,600-meter relay team at the world championships, placing third in both events.

"Both the senior and junior Pan American Games were interesting," Williams said. "I got to meet a lot of different people from different cultures and compete against the best athletes all over."

Should Williams win two events at this year's Big Ten meet, she would become the second Hawkeye, along with Vivien McKenzie, to win four career Big Ten titles and the first Hawkeye to win an indoor title since Yolanda Hobbs won the 55 meters in 1995.

"It's an honor," Williams said. "I'm just trying to take each race in different stages, and what comes, comes."

She might eventually carry more than the Iowa women's track team on her shoulders. She has high aspirations when she finishes her career at Iowa. One of them is making this summer's Olympic games in Athens, where she hopes to run for the Jamaican national team.

"Hopefully, by the will of God, I will try for the Olympic team," Williams said.

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Seniors will 'come out with a lot of fire,' Pierce says

MEN'S HOOPS

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huge game at this point. We can't dwell on it [the Illinois loss] too much; we've got to look forward to Saturday, the last home game," Pierce said. "The seniors, I know they're going to come out with a lot of fire and want to go out on top in their last game at Carver-Hawkeye."

Iowa has yet to lose consecutive Big Ten games, and on paper at least, Minnesota doesn't seem like the kind of team to break that trend. The Gophers lost their first nine conference games, including a 83-68 setback to Iowa on Jan. 13, but they recovered with surprising wins over

Michigan and Indiana in Bloomington.

About the only bright spot for Minnesota has been the play of freshman Kris Humphries. The 6-8 forward leads the conference in both scoring (22.0 ppg) and rebounding (10.1 rpg), a feat never before accomplished by a Big Ten freshman.

Not surprisingly, Humphries is Iowa's biggest concern, particularly because the Hawkeyes lack a big man to take some of the pressure off inside man Greg Brunner.

"That is an incredibly talented individual, and somebody that obviously we have problems matching up to," said Iowa coach Steve Alford. "That's a power forward that presents problems for us,

because we're not deep there anyway, so staying out of foul trouble against [Humphries] is going to be paramount for us to be successful against Minnesota."

And while the Hawkeyes haven't given up their Big Dance hopes, they know that to make those dreams happen, there's little margin for error with three games left before the Big Ten Tournament.

"I think we have a very good chance," Brunner said after Wednesday's loss to Illinois. "We've just got to win out the rest of the year, play hard, take it one game at a time, and if we can do that, we have a great chance, in my opinion."

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Killian has anchored the team, despite her injuries

GYMHAWKS

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and love for this program that sets them apart."

First we have BK, who lives each day with an open heart,

Aside from all her talents, her ability to calm and comfort,

Is what truly sets her apart.

Killian came to Iowa as a highly touted recruit out of Owosso, Mich. She was a member of the 2000 Junior Olympic National Team member, where she was the all-around and floor champion. She stepped in as a freshman and immediately contributed, winning the floor exercise at the Michigan State Invitational. But a series of injuries, the most recent being a dislocated shoulder sustained in the intrasquad meet prior to the start of the year, forced her to the sidelines, where she became a role player and wore the emotions of the team on her sleeve.

While Killian hasn't been able to contribute because injuries, she has been a terrific leader and an anchor for the rest of the team, especially for Maday.

"Brandy is my safe person every meet," Maday said. "She's right there talking to me before every event. If she's not there, I get all flustered."

And then there is Alexis, pure poetry in motion,

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Of all the gymnasts to walk through the doors of the Field House, Maday might be the best. After a solid prep career in Upper Marlboro, Md., she burst onto the national scene, winning the 2001 Big Ten Freshman of

'Brandy is my safe person every meet. She's right there talking to me before every event. If she's not there, I get all flustered.'

— Alexis Maday on Brandy Killian

the Year award. Since then, she has won four Big Ten championships, has been named Big Ten Gymnast of the Week seven times, has been named a two-time All-American, and is a three-time All-Big Ten recipient.

She is the one that fixes the situation when things go wrong with a sensational performance.

"She is our tough competitor, like your go-to person," said assistant coach Larissa Libby. "Alexis is a little more to herself and introspective."

Next there is Steph, who reminds us that anything is possible,

With love for the sport and those around her

She has a knack for achieving the improbable.

Like Maday, Gran has also had a star-studded career. While at Iowa, she has received a perfect 10 three times on the vault. Gran, a multi-sport athlete during high school in her hometown of Wauconda, Ill., has won the Big Ten Gymnast of the Week honor twice this season and four times overall in her career. She has won two Big Ten championships during her career, sharing the floor championship last year and winning the vault her freshman season.

She has the deep, competitive fire necessary for every team, bringing a will to win that most at her level don't contain.

"Stephanie is very much the same [as Alexis], but they do it in different ways," Libby said.

"Stephanie would die before she couldn't compete."

And finally there's Nic, who never ceases to teach us something new,

She leads by example, and when it comes to this team,

There isn't anything Nic wouldn't do.

Nicole Wong, a team captain since her sophomore year, is the silent assassin for the team. She has never won an event in her career, but she frequently scores the points for the team that don't show up in the box scores. She has given Iowa the depth necessary for their run the last four years.

Unlike the rest of the seniors, her most memorable moment since coming to Iowa does not involve gymnastics. As a native of Virginia Beach, Va., she was not used to Iowa's climate.

"The winter my freshman year was a big shock to me," she said. "That winter was so cold, my face hurt, and my eyes watered every time I walked outside. I've never seen snow stay on the ground for five months straight."

Beyond the numerous accomplishments of the Fab Four is the aspect of a team, a concept that is lost in much of today's sports world.

"I think the four of us know what it's like to be a team," said Maday.

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Cavey leads Iowa with 12

WOMEN'S HOOPS

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Purdue ended all doubt with an 11-0 run that gave to a 62-36 lead with 11:15 to play. The Hawkeyes went almost six minutes without a basket during the run.

Jamie Cavey led Iowa with 12 points, but the Hawkeyes shot 32 percent in the second half and were outrebounded 41-24 for the game.

Iowa came into the game leading the Big Ten in scoring offense with 74.4 points a game but committed 19 turnovers and couldn't match Purdue's intensity on both ends of the court.

The Hawkeyes also were last in scoring defense, and it showed over the game's final 30 minutes when Purdue carved up Iowa with easy lay-ups and wide open jumpers.

Purdue struggled to keep up with Iowa's high-scoring, quick-shooting style in the first 10 minutes. The Hawkeyes were shooting 50 percent to start the game and took an 11-9 lead on Crystal Smith's driving lay-up.

The Boilermakers responded 7-2 run, all on points by Wright. Her burst got Purdue going, and Gearlds knocked down a 3-pointer with eight seconds left in the half to give the Boilermakers a 38-30 half-time lead.

Hicks had 11 points and nine rebounds for Purdue.

Iowa will finish off the regular

season against Illinois in Champaign on Feb. 29, with the tipoff at 12:06 p.m.

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