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'WE MAY ALL DIFFER CULTURALLY, BUT WE ARE ALL HUMANS AND INDIVIDUALS,' SAID AMINA MAHMOOD, UI GRAD STUDENT.



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Taha Tawil, the director of the Mother Mosque of America in Cedar Rapids, speaks about tolerance and diversity among Muslims in America on Sunday afternoon.

## Muslim conference stresses open-mindedness

BY LESLIE SHAFER  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Dressed in everything from sweat-suits to multicolored cultural attire with head scarves, nearly 600 people attended the fourth-annual Iowa Conference on Islam last weekend. Hosted by the Iowa Muslim Student Association, "Islam: Unity in Diversity" included a field trip to the Mother Mosque of North America in Cedar Rapids and a variety of speakers, workshops, and prayers that

were held in the IMU and the Pappajohn Business Building. "The conference went really well, and it was great to hear really intelligent speakers with progressive ideas encourage people to be open-minded," said Ahmir Khan, UI medical student and the vice president of the UI Association of Muslims in America. "I really liked getting to see Muslims from all over Iowa and all backgrounds come together." Asma Haidri, a member of Iowa Muslim Student Association, said the

event exceeded the expected turnout of 300-500. Almost everyone registered for the conference attended Siraj Wahhaj's March 26 lecture at Pappajohn on "Unity of Muslims, Diversity of Thought." Wahhaj has served as vice president of the Islamic Society of North America since 1997, and he leads prayers at a New York mosque. He emphasized that Muslims need to accept that they are a diverse group of people.

His lecture was one of Association of Muslims in America member Amina Mahmood's favorite aspects of the conference. "If he walked into a mosque and everyone was dressed the same, that would freak him out," she said. "We may all differ culturally, but we are all humans and individuals." "Being a [UI] grad student, I don't get to hang out with my Muslim

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## 9/11 panel Republicans push for Rice's testimony

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LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON — Top Republicans on the 9/11 commission joined Democrats on Sunday in calling for National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice to testify publicly under oath about a former subordinate's claims that the White House did not take seriously Al Qaeda's threat to the United States. One commissioner called her failure to appear in an open session "a political blunder of the first order." But Rice again refused to do so, saying such an appearance would violate the "long-standing principle" of executive privilege. Thomas Kean, the Republican chairman of the 10-member bipartisan panel investigating the 9/11 attacks, said the commission had decided "unanimously" that Rice should offer public testimony in response to the allegations aired last week by Richard Clarke, who headed the National Security Council's counterterrorism efforts in both the Bush and Clinton

administrations. Kean said the commission would not subpoena her, however. White House lawyers have so far agreed only to allow Rice to meet with the commission in private and not under oath, arguing that to do otherwise would violate the executive privilege allowing presidents to avoid congressional questioning of their personal advisers. "We feel it's important to get her case out there," Kean, a former New Jersey governor, said on "Fox News Sunday." "We recognize there are arguments having to do with separation of powers. We think in a tragedy of this magnitude that those kind of legal arguments are probably overridden." Bush administration officials, however, dug in their heels, saying they would not change their position. Rice, in an interview Sunday on CBS' "60 Minutes," said she did not want to set a precedent. "Nothing would be better, from my point of view, than to be able to testify. I would really like to do that," she said. But she said the commission "derives its authority from the Congress" and added: "There is a long-standing principle that sitting national-security advisers do not testify before the Congress." Rice acknowledged that some of her predecessors had appeared before congressional committees but said those



'Dozens of people on the taxpayers' rolls are engaged in the campaign to destroy me, personally and professionally, because I had the temerity to suggest that the American people should consider whether or not the president had done a good job on the war on terrorism. The issue is not me. The issue is the president's job on the war on terrorism.'

— Richard Clarke, who worked on terrorism issues for both Republican and Democrat administrations

involved issues of "criminal intent or criminal allegations or impropriety." Jamie Gorelick, a Democratic commission member who served as a deputy attorney general in the Clinton administration, said the separation-of-powers argument was not relevant, noting that Bush, and not Congress, had appointed Kean as chairman. "We are distinguishable from Congress," she said on ABC's "This Week." "And if that's what they are worried about, they ought to put it aside." The pressure for Rice's testimony was the latest exchange in a political storm that erupted after Clarke first made his claims March 21 on "60 Minutes." He followed up his remarks with the publication of his book, *Against All Enemies*, on

March 22 and with his dramatic testimony before the commission on March 24. The White House struck back with intense force. Rice, Vice President Dick Cheney, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, and Secretary of State Colin Powell all have taken to the airwaves over the past week to question Clarke's motives and his credibility. On Sunday, appearing on both NBC's "Meet the Press" and CNN's "Late Edition," Clarke urged a cease-fire from "character assassination," saying the focus should instead be on his two main charges: that the administration did not make Al Qaeda an "urgent" matter prior to the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon and that Bush's decision to invade Iraq hurt the war on terrorism by divert-

ing resources from the hunt for Osama bin Laden, the leader of Al Qaeda. As he has previously, Clarke said Bush's advisers did not formally adopt a plan to confront Al Qaeda until Sept. 4, 2001, just days before the attacks. He also said the war in Iraq removed Special Forces operatives from the search for bin Laden in Afghanistan. Administration officials denied both of Clarke's charges. Rumsfeld, on "This Week," called it "simplistic" to say that Special Forces troops had been diverted. Rice, on "60 Minutes," said the Bush team simply followed Clinton's antiterrorism plan while developing the more "robust" version in September. Clarke also urged the

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## MEASLES OUTBREAK

# Officials warn of measles exposure

BY LAUREN KAMM  
THE DAILY IOWAN

The UI Hospitals and Clinics began warning its patients and health-care workers about potential exposure to a man with measles last week as state health officials confirmed a second case. Reacting to news that a person flying from Detroit to Cedar Rapids on March 12 was infected by another, previously diagnosed passenger, the UIHC has maintained contact with the Johnson County Department of Public Health, said UIHC spokesman

### Measles Facts

- Measles, a highly contagious viral infection, is transmitted through respiratory particles released by coughs and sneezes.
- UI students should be protected because the university requires two vaccinations.

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## GOP budget frustrates lawmakers from area

AREA LAWMAKERS HASH OUT STATE BUDGET CONCERNS AT A LOCAL FORUM AMID A LOOMING OMNIBUS BILL VOTE

BY ANNIE SHUPPY  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Refining next year's budget is the most pressing task for state lawmakers this session, local representatives said last weekend at a forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters. As legislators wrap up their session within the next two weeks, they will likely approve the omnibus budget bill, a combination of budgets for all state institutions. Yet local Democratic leaders who attended the March 27 forum — Reps. Mary Mascher, D-Iowa City, Dave Jacoby, D-Coralville, and Vicki Lensing, D-Iowa City, and Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City — expressed frustration with the majority Republicans for quickly presenting crucial decisions without allowing them to seek input from their constituents. "In shutting down debate and dialogue, it's breaking down our process, and I think we need to hold people accountable for that," Mascher said. Within the omnibus budget bill, lawmakers have predicted level funding for the state Board of Regents' universities for the next fiscal year. The budget has appropriated some money for construction projects, but the \$30 million needed for



Rep. Mascher  
D-Iowa City



Rep. Lensing  
D-Iowa City

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### WEATHER



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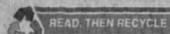
### DANCE MUSIC

Usual suspects Duke and UConn will be joined by Georgia Tech and Okie State in tripping the light fantastic. See story, Page 1B



### MARRIAGE COUNSELING

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Laura Schmitt/The Daily Iowan  
The friends and family of Miss Iowa, Brooke Hansen, hold a going-away dinner for her on March 26 at Mondo's Tomato Pie.

LA Times watchdogs share experiences

BY ALEX LANG  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Los Angeles Times reporters Matt Lait and Scott Glover ventured to the UI Sunday as part of a four-day visit to share their experience of writing controversial stories and to inspire future journalists.

The Pulitzer Prize-winning duo will meet with journalism students and lecture in half a dozen classes this week, as they have while heading an investigative-writing course at the University of Southern California. Glover and Lait will speak about the legal issues of their series on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Levitt Auditorium in the Boyd Law Building.

"They can share with students real life experience involving a serious issue," said Stephen Berry, a UI associate professor of journalism.

Lait said the lectures will focus on individual classes, such as beat reporting for entry-level journalism courses, and touch on legal concerns with ethics classes.

"A hallmark of their classes is getting students involved," said Berry, who was instrumental in bringing the two speakers because of his connection to them as a former LA Times reporter.

Berry said students who meet Lait and Glover will hear a firsthand account of their investigation of corruption in the Los Angeles Police Department.



Lait  
Los Angeles Times reporter

LECTURE  
Matt Lait and  
Scott Glover

What: The Rampart Police Scandal  
When: 7 p.m. Tuesday  
Where: Levitt Auditorium, Boyd Law Building  
Admission: Free

"I hope a handful of students will feel inspired to be daily newspaper writers," Glover said. "Some people have seen it as a corporate environment, but it's still possible to go out and have fun reporting."

Lait and Glover earned national recognition for their series of stories on corruption in the Los Angeles Police Department, in which they uncovered such illegal activities as evidence planting and perjury. They have written more than 150 stories on the subject since 1999.

"We're both adrenaline junkies," Glover said. "At one part of it, there is the rush, but sometimes you get overwhelmed in the negativity."

Lait said working on the stories was draining at times, but the desire to act as a police watchdog kept him going.

Glover also noted a number of "odd" similarities between his and Lait's personal lives and the lives of the corrupt officers. They spent time with their families, held barbecues, went to Dodger games, and had a few beers.

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Official stresses U.S.-U.N. linkage

BY MARY BETH LARUE  
THE DAILY IOWAN

A senior adviser to the United Nations Foundation criticized the United States for taking pre-emptive action in Iraq in an Iowa City speech late last week, calling for the nation to join forces with the world.

"The marriage between the United States and the United Nations must be saved," Gillian Sorensen told a group of 50 at the Congregational Church, 30 N. Clinton St., on March 26. "The U.S. has a large stake in the survival of the U.N."

Sponsored by the Iowa City Foreign Relations Council, the 45-minute luncheon provided Sorensen a chance to dispel myths about the United Nations' war-time ideology. She has recently addressed a number of groups, including Rotary International, the Air Force Academy, and staff and members of Congress, on the strained relationship between the United States and the United Nations.

"It's so easy to be unaware of what is going on in the rest of the world," said Colin Peterson, the president of the UI Student United Nations. "It's one thing to read the newspaper, but it's not like we're in Europe, where we can take a two-hour train ride and be in a completely different country. Hearing a speaker is a valuable and added dynamic to understanding the rest of the world."

Sorensen has served as special adviser for public policy for former U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, then as assistant secretary-general and head of the Office of External Relations for Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

"This speaker has a sense of importance of the United Nations in the world and of the United Nations in the U.S.," said Wayne Osborn, the president of the United Nations Association. "Americans don't know much about the United Nations except what's filtered through our leaders."

One of the greatest myths plaguing the United Nations today is the belief that the 52-year-old organization is a world government, Sorensen said.

"Some say the U.N. is a threat to our sovereignty," she said. "The U.N. is an exercise in respect to other countries' sovereignty."

Citing eight major treaties that remain unsigned by the United States as a major cause of tension, she said she believes the relationship is repairable.

"It's many times difficult to be friends with the U.S.," Sorensen said. "Words and actions don't always match."

She hopes the United States will channel its power positively. "The U.S. can be the bully of the block if we wish, but it would help so much if we could just join forces," she said. "We need to think of ourselves not only as Americans but as members of the human race."

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POLICE BLOTTER

Trey Abel, 21, North Liberty, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and assault on a peace officer.

Ashley Aldeman, 13, 4494 Taft Ave. Apt. M31, was charged March 26 with possession of tobacco products under the legal age.

Jenna Armstrong, 20, 20 Lincoln Ave. Apt. 10, was charged March 27 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Luke Ball, 23, Storm Lake, Iowa, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Bryan Barajas, 19, Aurora, Ill., was charged March 27 with public intoxication.

Monica Bedenbender, 41, Olin, Iowa, was charged March 25 with operating while intoxicated.

Abigail Bolkom-Smith, 19, 431 Emerald St. Apt. E22, was charged March 27 with operating while intoxicated.

Scott Brugh, 26, Bettendorf, was charged Sunday with operating while intoxicated.

Jennifer Burgh, 19, 640 Rlenow, was charged March 27 with unlawful use of a non-operator identification and possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Stephanie Burke, 18, Cedar Falls, was charged March 27 with public intoxication.

Ryan Cavanaugh, 20, Champaign, Ill., was charged March 27 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Michelle Carr, 20, 307 E. College St. Apt. 1813, was charged March 26 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Katherine Cole, 19, 5136 Currier Hall, was charged March 27 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Megan Cushman, 22, 320 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 1033, was charged March 26 with public intoxication.

April Darling, 19, 511 S. Johnson St. Apt. 10, was charged Sunday with possession of alcohol under the legal age and unlawful use of another's driver's license.

Elise Davis, 18, Wheaton, Ill., was charged March 27 with possession of alcohol under the legal age and unlawful presence in a bar after 10 p.m.

Eric Dean, 19, C239 Hillcrest, was charged March 27 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Samuel Durkin, 21, Palos Heights, Ill., was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Joshua Entman, 20, 308 S. Gilbert St., was charged March 27 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Ashlie Ewe, 20, Nashville, Ill., was charged March 27 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Crystal Fuller, 20, 406 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 914, was charged March 26 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Hiram Gomez, 21, 2430 Muscatine Ave. Apt. 9, was charged Sunday with operating while intoxicated and driving with a suspended license.

Joseph Grady, 20, 597 Linder Road, was charged March 27 with operating while intoxicated.

Zachary Griffin, 14, 524 Mineral Point, was charged March 25 with possession of a schedule I controlled substance.

Amanda Hagist, 18, 414 E. Jefferson St., was charged March 27 with possession of alcohol under the legal age and unlawful use of a non-operator identification.

Kim Haurly, 25, Muscatine, was charged Sunday with possession of marijuana with intent to deliver.

Kimberly Hemmer, 20, 325 E. College St. Apt. 1631, was charged March 27 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Andam Henderson, 19, 708B Mayflower Hall, was charged March 27 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Steven Hinsley, 27, Amana, was charged March 26 with operating while intoxicated.

Kevin Hugon, 19, Coralville, was charged March 26 with operating while intoxicated.

Uwem Iniaya, 33, address unknown, was charged Sunday with fourth-degree criminal mischief.

Lonney Ingram, 21, 806 Benton Dr. Apt. 22, was charged March 26 with operating while intoxicated.

Kevin Laemmrich, 18, 1104 Slater, was charged March 26 with possession of alcohol under the legal age.

Joseph Jennings, 19, 5614 Daum, was charged March 25 with possession of marijuana.

John Jurca, 19, Coralville, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Kayla Kling, 18, Washington, was charged March 27 with possession of alcohol under

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# Harkin pushes 'wellness'

BY NICK BERGIN  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, floated the idea of a statewide wellness initiative at the UI on March 26 during a roundtable discussion with students, program directors, and university President David Skorton.

Accompanied by Dr. Julie Gerberding, the director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Iowa Democrat listened as program directors, residents, and a UI graduate student shared tales of their efforts to try to make the community healthier.

"We need to pull together as a society and really start focusing on this issue of wellness — everything from early childhood, through school, work place, university-based, community-based, church-based," Harkin told the group of 20. "Everybody folding in together to promote healthy lifestyles."

The senator's visit also provided him the chance to plug his "Wellness and Disease Prevention" initiative, part of which will include a package of bills designed to help Iowans take charge of their health.

One such bill he plans to introduce, which is likely to face resistance from the fast-food industry, would require chain restaurants to provide nutritional information about their regular menu items. Such initiatives, he said, focus on preventive care to fight rising health-care costs.



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan  
Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, and Dr. Julie Gerberding, the director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, listen to a faculty member at a meeting concerning health and wellness programs in the UI president's office on March 26.

Among the conference participants was Matthew McCullough, a UI engineering graduate student who told Harkin he has always struggled with weight and healthy eating. But once he began working with a dietitian and fitness specialist at Health Iowa, a student-oriented health service, he started a healthier routine, he said.

"It's the first time I've had someone talk to me and not at me," he told Harkin. "I've visited doctors, and they said 'OK, you have a weight problem,' but the means to actually do something about it were not provided."

According to the CDC, poor diet and physical inactivity are the second-leading "actual cause of death" in the United States — rising from 14 percent in 1990 to 16.6 percent in 2000.

Health Iowa offers a variety of fitness and health-oriented services for students, said coordinator Sarah Hansen. The anonymous question-and-answer section on UI Student Health Service's website, [www.uiowa.edu/~shs](http://www.uiowa.edu/~shs), allows students to post questions they might not feel comfortable asking a parent, doctor, or educator, she said. Last year, the site received approximately half a million hits.

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# Report: Friendly fire killed 10 Marines in 2003 firefight

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As many as 10 Marines may have been killed by friendly fire in the midst of the deadliest battle of the Iraq war when a Marine air controller mistakenly cleared Air Force A-10 jets to shoot on U.S. positions, according to a long-awaited military investigation.

The report, portions of which were obtained by the *Los Angeles Times* on March 27, paints a chaotic picture of the March 23, 2003, battle in the southern Iraqi city of Nasiriyah, as Marines fought to seize two bridges crucial to the American advance on Baghdad.

When Marine units around the city lost communication, commanders became confused about the location of U.S. troops. Two tank-busting jets were given permission by a controller

to attack what turned out to be a forward Marine company. The documents describe 15 minutes of air attacks on the friendly forces using 30-mm Gatling guns, Maverick missiles, and bombs, ending in the destruction of two amphibious assault vehicles that were trying to evacuate wounded Marines.

The full report, running hundreds of pages, is scheduled to be released this week.

In contrast to the descriptions of precision bombing that have come to define the U.S. military, Marine and Air Force investigators documented a chain of faulty battlefield assumptions by the Marine forward air controller and other commanders who did not know where their troops were arrayed on the battlefield and had scant means of communicating during the fight.

In all, 18 Marines were killed and 17 were wounded during

three hours of intense fighting with Iraqi army troops and militiamen.

"The A-10s targeted what turned out to be" U.S. Marines, the report states, "making numerous passes against them."

"Eventually, the A-10s were told to cease fire, which they did."

Of the 18 killed, the investigation found that eight had died "solely" as the result of enemy fire. But it added, "the intensity of the enemy fire, combined with friendly fire, makes it impossible to conclusively determine the exact sequence and source of fires that killed the other 10 Marines." The Marines who might have been killed by friendly fire were not identified in the documents obtained by the *Times*. Of the 17 Marines wounded in the battle, four were hit by a combination of enemy and friendly fire, the investigation found.

## CITY

### Small trash fire empties Hillcrest

An early morning fire on March 26 in a Hillcrest Residence Hall trash room forced an hour-long evacuation of all of the building's 820 residents.

The fire, which set off an automatic alarm system at 2:16 a.m., was contained to the trash room in the 300 north section of the building.

Damage estimates for the fire, which was contained to a trash can, totaled approximately \$100.

There were no injuries in the fire and no smoke or water damage to nearby residences. Damage was limited to two trash cans and a smoke detector in the trash room.

The 15 Iowa City fire fighters who arrived at the dorm quickly extinguished the fire, said Iowa City Battalion Chief Jim Humston.

The cause of the fire has yet to be determined, he said.

"There was no ignition source in [the trash can] and nothing in the debris," he said.

Hillcrest coordinator Shelby Van Egdorn said the unlocked room is used by approximately 100 students on the third floor.

— by Sarah Franklin

### Man charged in motel robbery

James John Eggers, 44, was arrested on March 27 in connection with a March 26 robbery at the Hampton Inn in Coralville.

Eggers, who allegedly robbed the motel, 1220 First Ave., at 1:58 a.m., was charged with second-degree robbery. Details about the alleged robbery, including the

items taken, were unavailable Sunday.

Managers at the Hampton Inn were also unavailable for comment.

Coralville police officers were assisted by the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, Iowa City police, and the state Department of Corrections.

Court records show that Eggers has a prior criminal record, including one charge for trespassing, one for public intoxication, one for third-degree harassment, three for interference with official acts, two for operating while intoxicated, and two for parole violations.

Eggers was in the Johnson County Jail on Sunday on a \$10,000 cash-only bond.

Second-degree robbery is a Class C felony punishable by a maximum prison term of 10 years and a maximum fine of \$10,000.

— by Sarah Franklin

# Bush campaign struggles to regain momentum after Clarke's charges



BY MIKE ALLEN  
WASHINGTON POST

CRAWFORD, Texas — President Bush's intense efforts to neutralize the revelations of former national-security official Richard Clarke have yet to succeed, leaving White House officials struggling to regain political momentum after a tumultuous week, according to interviews with Republicans both inside and outside the administration.

One Bush aide, who refused to be identified because the administration limits who may speak on the record, acknowledged that the White House had underestimated

the political and media firestorm that Clarke would ignite. Beginning with interviews in connection with his new book and continuing with Capitol Hill testimony, Clarke said he had watched Bush repeatedly ignore warnings about Al Qaeda before 9/11, then diverted resources from the broader war on terrorism for an attack on Iraq.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who rode in Bush's limousine during a presidential visit to Phoenix on March 26, said the Clarke counterattack was "the most vigorous offensive I've ever seen from the administration on any issue."

"These attacks go to the heart of the strength of the president, and they felt it had to be put down and put down quickly," McCain said. "Whether they'll succeed or not is unclear."

Bush officials said they had hoped to use his public events

during these weeks to overhaul his economic message and raise public awareness about indications of a burgeoning recovery. Instead, the White House has been consumed by defending Bush's handling of the war on terrorism, the bedrock on which he planned to build his case for re-election.

Polling has shown that Clarke's assertions have resonated as more than mere Beltway sniping and that voters are beginning to question the president's handling of terrorism.

A *Newsweek* poll released March 27 found that public approval of Bush's handling of terrorism and homeland security had eroded, with his approval rating on those issues dropping to 57 percent from 65 percent just over a month ago. It was 70 percent two months ago. However, 65 percent said Clarke's testimony had not affected their opinion of Bush.

## CITY

### Man charged with burglary

An Iowa City man was arrested Sunday and charged with first-degree burglary after allegedly entering a 807 E. Fairchild St. house and beating a person about 9 p.m. on March 27.

Russell Weston, 44, allegedly banged on the front and side doors and later kicked in a door to gain access to the house, said Iowa City

police Sgt. Bill Campbell. Weston then allegedly found a woman in the home and called her a "snitch" before throwing her to the ground and choking her.

The woman called police 90 minutes later after having a hard time escaping the alleged assailant, Campbell said, adding that the parties knew each other from a previous incident.

The woman was treated at Mercy hospital for several bruises and scratches, Campbell said.

Weston was apprehended in what Campbell deemed an "odd set of circumstances." Police were called at 1:53 p.m. on Sunday to respond to a call of a homeless person passed out in the Iowa City Recreation Center.

Police determined that the homeless man was Weston, who was "certainly intoxicated." He was then taken to Mercy Hospital and arrested, being released at 4:51 p.m.

— by Alex Lang

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NEWS

# Official: Indict Sharon

BY LAURA KING  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

JERUSALEM — The dramatic recommendation by Israel's state prosecutor that Prime Minister Ariel Sharon be indicted in a bribery case could usher in a prolonged period of political uncertainty and throw into question whether the Israeli leader will be able to move ahead with an initiative to withdraw from the Gaza Strip.

The prosecutor, Edna Arbel, formally submitted her non-binding opinion Sunday, a day after it was widely reported in the Israeli media that she would call for Sharon's indictment over financial dealings with an Israeli land developer during the late 1990s.

It could be weeks or even months before Attorney General Menachem Mazuz, with whom the final decision rests, chooses whether to put Sharon on trial. Mazuz, a veteran civil servant who was appointed to his post in January, has a reputation for being independent-minded, and he has indicated that political factors will not play a part in his legal deliberation. Already, Sharon is facing calls to voluntarily recuse himself from his duties pending Mazuz's decision.

The prime minister ought to suspend himself until the attorney general's final decision is made, lawmaker Ophir Pines-Paz of the opposition Labor Party told army radio.

Israeli law is ambiguous on whether a leader must step down if indicted. In the wake of the prosecutor's recommendation, the emerging consensus in Israeli political circles was that it would be impossible for Sharon to continue to serve as prime minister if an indictment follows. "The moment there is an indictment, the prime minister



Oded Balilty/Associated Press

A bodyguard stands behind Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon during a meeting in Jerusalem on March 23. Israel's state attorney recommended on Sunday that Sharon be indicted for taking bribes.

must resign," said Cabinet member Yosef Paritzky of the Shinui Party. "The prime minister will be doing a good deed if he declares right now, 'If I am indicted, I will step down, and fight to prove my innocence.'"

Shinui, which is led by Justice Minister Yosef "Tommy" Lapid, said it would quit the

governing coalition if the prime minister were indicted but refused to resign.

Earlier this year, after being questioned by police in connection with the case, Sharon voiced determination to serve out his full term in office. On Sunday, however, he and senior aides were publicly silent.

# As deaths continue in Iraq, U.S. shuts down Shiite paper

U.S.-led coalition charges newspaper with 'intent to disrupt general security and incite violence'

BY KARL VICK  
WASHINGTON POST

BAGHDAD — Two foreign civilians and two bodyguards assigned to an Iraqi official were killed in separate attacks Sunday in the northern city of Mosul.

In Baghdad, meanwhile, the country's U.S.-led coalition closed a newspaper, charging the Shiite weekly with "intent to disrupt general security and incite violence" against occupation forces.

The newspaper is controlled by Moqtada Sadr, a young cleric who has invoked a revered family name to organize a volatile following among the young and dispossessed in the Shiite slums of the capital. Hours after U.S. military officers shut down the newspaper, minibuses had ferried in enough protesters to fill the square opposite its padlocked offices.

"We don't want another Saddam," the crowds chanted, alluding to U.S. administrator Paul Bremer. The order to shutter the newspaper for 60 days was delivered by the troops, who offered apologies as they led writers and editors out of the building, staff members said.

"That chain you see on the door is one of the American symbols of freedom," said Ali Alyassari, the editor, in a park across the street from the offices. "Do you think this is political freedom?"

Coalition officials say Sadr has skirted arrest for preaching

resistance to the occupation and maintaining a militia that U.S. officers blame for a lethal attack in October on a U.S. patrol. Bremer's letter charged the newspaper with fomenting attacks by falsely reporting that an Apache helicopter was responsible for damage that was caused by a car bomb and carrying a headline in the same issue that read: "Bremer follows in the footsteps of Saddam."

The attacks in Mosul capped a violent weekend in the third-largest Iraqi city, which for much of the past year was regarded as a pocket of relative calm.

The charred bodies of a Briton and his Canadian colleague were found splayed on the asphalt beside their burning, bullet-riddled SUV on a highway on the east side of the city. The men, who wore blue bullet-proof vests, were part of a security detail assigned to protect foreign engineers operating a nearby power plant for General Electric, U.S. officials said.

A vehicle carrying the engineers arrived safely at the power station after the two-car convoy came under attack. The destroyed SUV appeared to have been hit by a rocket-propelled grenade.

The second attack targeted a convoy carrying Nasreen Barwari, a Kurd appointed by U.S. officials as head of the Ministry of Public Works. The vehicles came under fire in the city while en route from a town meeting in Dohuk, a Kurdish city north of Mosul. A driver and a bodyguard were killed, and two other people in the entourage were wounded, coalition officials said.

Insurgents launched attacks throughout the day in the city

of 2 million, and it was not known whether the 11 a.m. attack on Barwari's convoy was an attempt to assassinate her.

In other incidents in the city, four assailants were killed after an armored Stryker military vehicle was struck twice by RPGs, military officials said, and a grenade wounded a police officer in the center of the city.

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# Left wing hammers Chirac's party in regional elections

Chirac's 2-year-old government suffered defeat in Sunday's regional elections

BY JOHN LEICESTER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PARIS — President Jacques Chirac's government flunked its first electoral test since taking power two years ago, suffering stinging defeats on Sunday in regional elections seen as a vote of censure against painful economic reforms.

The stunning rebuke, which breathed life back into France's left-wing opposition, will increase pressure on Chirac to reshuffle his conservative government and perhaps even ditch his prime minister, the unpopular Jean-Pierre Raffarin.

One of the few silver linings for the government was the moderate showing by the far-right, anti-immigration National Front. It polled just 13-14 percent of the vote — and less for its star candidate in the Paris region.

But the day belonged to the left. It polled between 49-50 percent of the vote and claimed 12 new regions, taking the total number under its leadership to at least 21 out of a possible 26. They include overseas territories in the Caribbean, where results were expected later.

Chirac's right, in contrast, polled between 37-38 percent and clung on to just the Alsace region in northeast France and possibly the island of Corsica. Government ministers who hoped to lead regional councils were all defeated.

The hammering left Chirac's government in a bind. On the one hand, European Union partners are pressuring France to rein in its budget deficit to within EU limits. But at the polls, voters showed their reluctance to swallow the bitter pill of cuts to France's treasured public services and welfare protections.

Turnout was high, with around two-thirds of the country's nearly 42 million voters casting ballots.

A somber-looking Raffarin acknowledged the defeat but defended his government's record, saying it has stemmed crime, reformed the creaking state pension system, and stabilized unemployment — still running at close to 10 percent.

"It's not enough, I know. The French told us clearly so today," he said. But "reforms must continue simply because they are necessary," he insisted.

The defeat marked a dramatic turnaround from a year ago,

"I feel like France's public sector is being sabotaged. What the government is doing is so serious, I just had to speak out." — **Elsa Quinette**, theater worker

when Chirac was winning praise within France for his staunch opposition to the U.S.-led war in Iraq. His government's reforms have deeply divided France, chipped away at his popularity, and sparked protests and strikes by everyone from theater workers to doctors and transport employees to state-funded scientists.

For the government, making it harder for state workers to get expensive full pensions and trimming the indebted health system's budget are part of keeping France competitive.

But the midterm election bruising, Chirac's first national test since he and his party swept presidential and legislative polls in 2002, led to immediate pressure from the opposition for a change in tack.

The leader of the triumphant Socialists, François Hollande, said a mere ministerial shuffle would not be enough, "no matter how big it is." Instead, he said the government must keep its hands off the public sector.

"The disastrous projects on pensions, health, and schools must be abandoned," said Socialist Jack Lang, a former minister.

Chirac is not the only European leader in difficulty. Spanish voters shocked by train bombings that killed 190 people in Madrid on March 11 unseated the conservative government of Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar in general elections three days later.

In Germany, Europe's biggest economy, mired in three-straight years of near-zero growth, Chancellor Gerhard Schröder has faced stiff resistance to plans to cut retirement and welfare benefits and reform health care.

Although French voters on Sunday were choosing regional councils that handle transport, school-building, and other local issues, many used their ballots to shout disapproval with the government.

"I feel like France's public sector is being sabotaged," said Elsa Quinette, a theater worker who voted for the left at a

polling station in Paris' Montmartre district. "What the government is doing is so serious, I just had to speak out."

For the prime minister, defeat was personal. One of the regions lost by the government included Poitou-Charentes in western France, once Raffarin's fiefdom. The right suffered another high-profile defeat in the central Auvergne region, where former President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing was washed away by the wave of wins for the left.

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# Officials: Measles carrier came to IC

## MEASLES

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Tom Moore.

The precautionary measure came in response to the infected person's UIHC visit on March 24, four days after he started feeling ill. The unidentified person was suffering from high fever, a cough, and a red rash — typical indicators of the disease, according to the Iowa Department of Public Health.

Measles is transmitted through respiratory particles carried by coughs or sneezes and is extremely contagious, said UI Student Health Service physician Eric Evans. The vaccination shot for the disease is permanent and does not need to be re-administered, he added.

People born in and after 1957 who have not had two shots of the measles vaccine or have not had the disease are more susceptible to the disease than others, according to state public-health officials.

Though measles is a serious illness, Student Health Director Mary Khawassah said she is not worried about students contracting the disease.

"We have a university requirement to have students document two measles, mumps, and rubella vaccines by second semester of their freshman year," she said, adding there is only a "slim possibility" that the vaccine would fail.

## Measles treatment

• Symptoms include sore throat, runny nose, cough, muscle pain, fever, blood-shot eyes, tiny white spots inside the mouth, photophobia (light sensitivity), and a itchy rash.

• Those who believe they were exposed to this latest case could develop symptoms as late as April 17, and they should continue heightened awareness until May 8. According to the Iowa Department of Public Health, anyone who may have been exposed to this person in the following areas should get preventative treatment.

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 • 4-4:45 p.m., Dental Clinic  
 • 4:45-5:15 p.m., Court Street bus from Pedestrian Mall to Court Street  
 March 23: 10 a.m.-noon, Dental Clinic  
 March 24: 1-4:30 p.m., UI Pediatric Clinic  
 • 2:30-3 p.m., Jimmy John's Restaurant, 130 E. Washington St.  
 • 9 p.m.-midnight, UIHC emergency room

Those potentially exposed to the latest case could develop symptoms as late as April 17, and they should continue heightened awareness until May 8, the state's health department reported.

Measles can cause pneumonia, deafness, and brain inflammation. Prevention is critical because the disease has no specific treatment — for every 1,000 people infected, two to three will die, according to the health department.

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## HULA HELLO



Scott Morgan, the Hawk Eye/Associated Press

Courtney Augustine, 10 (left), Mickenzie Larpenner, 7 (back center), and Ashley Gray, 11, get their hula-hoop groove on during the 16th annual "Day of the Child" at Westland Mall in West Burlington on Sunday. The event, sponsored by Community Action of Southeast Iowa, features crafts and games for kids in an effort to help prevent child abuse.

# Clarke: Issue is Bush's job on terrorism

## CLARKE

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declassification of testimony that he gave two years ago before a joint House-Senate intelligence panel and challenged Rice to declassify their e-mail exchanges to prove that he had been consistent in characterizing the Bush administration's response to terrorism.

In his appearance on "Meet the Press," Clarke dramatically flourished a handwritten letter, which he said Bush had written after Clarke's retirement last year, in which the president praised him for serving with "distinction and honor."

"Dozens of people on the taxpayers' rolls are engaged in the campaign to destroy me, personally and professionally, because I had the temerity to suggest that the American people should consider whether or not the president had done a good job on

the war on terrorism," said Clarke, who worked on terrorism issues for both Republican and Democratic administrations. "The issue is not me. The issue is the president's job on the war on terrorism."

The focus on Sunday, however, remained on Rice's appearance before the commission.

In a letter last week seeking a second private meeting with the panel so that Rice could clear up Clarke's "mischaracterizations" of her position, White House Counsel Alberto Gonzales cited the need to preserve the separation of powers between the legislative and executive branches of government.

Rice met with commissioners in private, and not under oath, for four hours in February.

At least two presidents have allowed their national-security advisers to testify in public, but in both cases the issue at hand involved political scandal.

President Carter allowed Zbigniew Brzezinski to testify

before the Senate Judiciary Committee concerning allegations that Carter's brother, Billy, had tried to lobby the government on behalf of Libya. And President Clinton allowed Sandy Berger to appear in public before the House Governmental Affairs Committee on allegations of wrongdoing in campaign fund raising during the 1996 elections.

Several White House allies and Republicans on Sunday called for Bush to make Rice available to the commission.

Commissioner John Lehman, a Republican and former Navy secretary under President Reagan, called the decision to keep Rice behind closed doors a "huge mistake."

Rice "has nothing to hide, and yet this is creating the impression for honest Americans all over the country and people all over the world that the White House has something to hide, that Condi Rice has something to hide," he said

on "This Week."

Richard Perle, a former chairman of the Defense Policy Board and a member of the neoconservative Republican circle within the administration that was most supportive of the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, also said he thought Rice should testify.

"She would be wise to testify. ... I think she would acquit herself well," Perle said on "Late Edition." "She has nothing to conceal, nothing to hide. There's a procedural, and legal, and presidential, and constitutional issue here."

Powell said he believed that Rice should not testify before Congress and said he would have refused to do so if asked when he served as Reagan's national-security adviser.

"The president has to have a unique, and confidential, and private relationship with his immediate staff," Powell said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

## NATION

### Bush adviser Karen Hughes launches favorable memoir

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Presidential adviser Karen Hughes kicked off a six-week national book tour Sunday with unblinking support for President Bush and the war in Iraq.

Speaking about her memoir, *Ten Minutes from Normal*, Hughes said she was upset by recent claims from former White House counterterrorism chief Richard Clarke that

the administration didn't take the threat from Al Qaeda seriously enough before the 9/11 attacks.

Hughes called Clarke's criticism the "Washington blame game."

# Muslim event pushes diversity

## CONFERENCE

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community very much, and the conference helped me to meet Muslims from all over and learn more about my faith."

"How to Find Your Soulmate the Islamic Way," led by Lisa Killinger on March 27, was also a crowd favorite.

The workshop focused on a topic most people rarely think about, but Muslims do because they do not go on dates to find their partners, Haidri said.

Mahmood said Killinger introduced creative ways to meet partners, such as searching Muslim websites or having

parents find good matches.

The conference was open to non-Muslims, and Helen Jameson, the UI international students programming coordinator, attended a lecture and took the trip to the Mother Mosque. With many of her students being Muslim, she said, the more she is informed about the Islamic faith, the more she can help them.

"I felt very welcomed at the conference, and it was interesting to learn that only 18 percent of Muslims are Arabs," she said. "I liked hearing about the history of Muslims in Cedar Rapids and learning that the oldest mosque in America is just down the road."

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# Local lawmakers discuss budget

## LAWMAKERS

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university salaries has not been included, Bolkcom said.

"At this point, it will be a status-quo budget," he said, adding that he plans to offer an amendment next week to include salary money.

State revenue estimates for the next fiscal year have increased from the original projection, \$50 million to \$52 million. Jacoby said that, although the extra revenue gives lawmakers more time to pay debts and make investments, "it is not quite where we need to be."

Lensing echoed Jacoby's concerns about the state's long-term financial situation. A state tax increase may loom next year regardless of which party is in charge, she said.

"Even though they've found or projected to have a lot more money, it's not going to make a difference," she said.

"In the Legislature, we tend to do everything on a year-to-year basis."

Part of the local Democratic leaders' plan for next year's ses-

sion includes winning back legislative dominance from the Republicans, who hold the majority in both chambers.

"I think our goal is to get in control," Mascher said.

"Right now, we're in a position of being able to react to their budget and their plans."

One attendee expressed concerns that majority party leaders are fraying the political process in light of the important legislation being pushed through at the session's end. Jacoby, who is in his first year as a representative, responded that "it's part of the learning process for me" and that he has not had time to digest the budget bill.

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## The council doth exempt unfairly

Why does the Bard earn a 19-only exemption when bands don't?

On March 16, the City Council approved an exemption to the 19-ordinance that allows alcohol to be served this year at the annual Riverside Theatre Shakespeare Festival. While making this exception means those under the age of 19 will not be fined and booted from the festival if they are there after 10 p.m., the exemption raises serious doubts about the intent of the 19-ordinance. This tinkering reveals the inherent shortsightedness of the hastily written substitute for the 21-only ordinance.

The new provision is seen by some not as a means to keep the arts open to all but as a measure to continue to close off certain arts to minors — specifically live music. Area music enthusiasts and employees at Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St., took the Shakespeare Festival's exemption as exalting one form of art over another. While city councilors hemmed and hawed over the semantic differences of live music and dramatic performance, they did little to establish a clear reason why a Shakespeare performance deserves different treatment under the law from a Guided By Voices show.

The term "family oriented," used by the council to describe the Shakespeare Festival, is vague. The excuse that alcohol would only be available during intermissions is easily countered that concert-goers spill most of their drinks while dancing and sweat out the alcohol anyway. That makes as much sense as the criteria councilors used to justify their exception to their 8-month-old experiment while steadfastly holding Gabe's to the law.

The city's reluctance to offer an exemption to Gabe's is understandable. If the council were to extend an exemption to Gabe's, every bar in Iowa City will cry foul and clamor for one. Drinking establishments will have some sort of "musician" each night of the week to extend their patronage. The Summit will demand to know why its empty-headed "Real World" celebrities have no city-recognized artistic value, and some watering hole could bring in a chicken to peck keys on a piano keyboard and call that live music.

The 19-ordinance prohibits minors under 19 years of age from entering establishments after 10 p.m. if the establishments make more than 50 percent of their revenue from alcohol sales. This

was informally referred to as the "bowling alley" clause. Although the festival will of course likely make more money from ticket sales than from booze, the ordinance was written to exclude such revenue from the 50 percent threshold, thus preventing bars from using cover charges to exempt themselves. Cover at Gabe's, however, isn't like cover at the Union, Malone's, the Summit, Vito's, or Brothers. It's more like buying a ticket to the Shakespeare Festival — it's still art, even if the audience members are wearing sweaters two sizes too small.

A month after the 19-ordinance went into effect, Iowa City saw a record number of alcohol-related arrests and citations. Underage drinking continues, much of it having moved away from downtown to house parties, which are harder for police to patrol compared with downtown Iowa City. The 19-ordinance should be re-examined. Not only does it need to be retooled to be effective, it should allow for implementation that is fair and well-reasoned with community input, rather than based on a governing body's opinion of what is legitimate art and entertainment and what isn't.

## The value of being contrary

ONE YEAR AGO today, Michael Kelly was shadowing the soldiers of the 3rd Infantry Division as an embedded reporter for the *Atlantic Monthly*. Six days later, as American forces charged toward Baghdad, Kelly's Humvee came under Iraqi fire, swerved over an embankment, and rolled over, killing him and the driver, Staff Sgt. Wilbert Davis.

Kelly's death hit the journalistic community hard. Columnists from across the political spectrum loved his wit, tenacity, and distinctive writing voice. A recently published collection of Kelly's writing called *Things Worth Fighting For* commemorates his life and career. In reading it, I have been struck by how well Kelly exemplified the true mission of a journalist. As the title implies, he believed certain things were worth fighting for.



**SHAWN SLAVEN**

Pictures of Kelly in Iraq shortly before his death reveal a man who looks like someone's favorite uncle. His round, bespectacled face was punctuated by an infectious smile. He just looks like a great guy, the kind who would be more comfortable at a backyard barbecue or the local bar rather than in the middle of a war zone. Behind this easy-going, soft-spoken image, Kelly's passion and contrarian thinking lit up the pages of his magazines and newspapers with a subversive distrust of power and an eloquent, accessible writing style.

Like me, he was that kid in high school who refused to accept the rules. He wanted to know "why." And if the reason was anything less than benevolent, look out. He carried that attitude into his career, writing numerous pieces about the corruption and dishonesty of the powerful. As one columnist wrote the day he died, "He knew what he thought and why, and he announced it in his columns and articles with wit and anger."

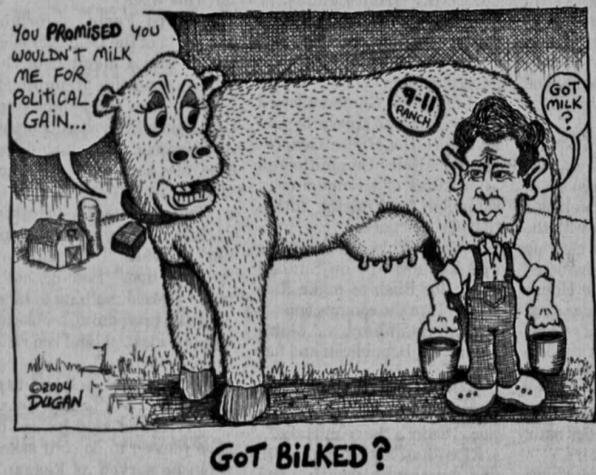
The best journalists enable the reader to gain a greater understanding of a subject by the end of the piece. That is how I felt when I finished reading Kelly's article on the issue of "cool." In the '30s and '40s, American culture honored such values as courage, bravery, strength, honesty, love of country, and sense of duty. The prototypical sophisticated American was "contemptuous of dishonesty in all its forms ... honorable and virtuous, although probably suspicious of men who talk about honor and virtue." Today, the "cool" American is "looking out for No. 1, a cad and boastful hipster. Before cool, being good was still hip; after cool, only being bad was." If this point needs proof, look no further than any college campus for the implicit acceptance and occasional reverence of academic dishonesty, binge drinking, and sloppy, drunken sexual trysts.

Kelly also spent considerable time reporting on the horror of the wars in Kuwait and Bosnia. The genocidal brutality of the Saddam Hussein and Slobodan Milosevic regimes led him to believe that there can be a moral imperative for war. The alternative — murder, torture, "ethnic cleansing," oppression — proves to be even more disturbing. Indeed, some things are worth fighting for.

Everyone in idyllic Iowa City will agree that some things are worth fighting for. But what is worth dying for? How brave are we as individuals or as a country? Kelly told his young sons that bravery is doing the right thing in spite of your fears. In Iraq, our soldiers, the living embodiment of bravery, have staked their lives to dislodge a murderous tyrant and bring peace and freedom to Iraqis. That's bravery. History will decide if President Bush's pre-emptive war in Iraq made America safer, but there is no doubt Iraqis will be far better off without Saddam. Coalition soldiers are responsible for that. Every day in Iraq, these soldiers demonstrate a type of bravery I am unlikely ever to know if I possess. I salute them for that, and I am glad Kelly's vivid war reporting opened my eyes to it.

I close with a quote that brilliantly displays Kelly's ability to render a complicated issue down to one sentence: "The mullet is to a decent haircut as the leisure suit is to the suit; it renders the bearer not only ugly but somehow stupid."

God's speed, Michael. Sorry I did not get to know you sooner. ■



**GOT BILKED?**



### LETTERS

#### The morals of agnosticism

You would think that for all of the intellectual reading that the writer claims in the letter "God Rocks" (*DI*, March 25) to have done, he would be able to frame more intellectually sound arguments. Instead, he perpetrates some common misconceptions regarding the basis of morality for those of us who do not necessarily believe in a higher power. As a former fundamentalist Christian, and now an agnostic scientist, I have lived both sides of this belief system and, quite frankly, am much happier to be free of myth and fantasy.

The writer's statement that "if you believe in any kind of rights, you have to believe that they descend from a higher power" is patently absurd. From an evolutionary perspective, those behaviors that threatened the survival of the species or the community as a whole could not be tolerated. It is the secular version of the Golden Rule — treat others the way you would like to be treated, because it benefits us all. Nazism, nuclear war, and eugenics could not be tolerated under this way of thinking.

The writer admits "that God is in many ways incomprehensible and beyond our reasoning

ability." If this is true, how do we know the true God and how to worship him/her/it? It is a fruitless pursuit to understand God in this way because the misapplication of "faith" allows one to believe in anything despite all evidence to the contrary.

Finally, contrary to the assertion that atheism and agnosticism are "cold" belief systems, my personal experience has been that they encourage one to value family, friends, and living this life to the fullest, because we likely don't get a second chance at life, in this world or any other.

Jeremy M. Yarwood  
UI Department of Microbiology

#### Accountability instead of empty thanks

One year ago, we rushed to war to yank a "mushroom cloud" smoking gun from an old despot in a failed state. Saddam Hussein now sits in a jail. His two sons are gone. And the current administration celebrates a job well done. But I ask myself, Was this misadventure worth more than 560 American sons and daughters (with more dying each day)?

We all feel better with a tyrant in jail, but more than 500 service members died to give us that warm fuzzy feeling, and (let's face it) there wasn't any smoking gun. There was no imminent threat.

There was no link to the 9/11 terrorists. And sitting in our homes warm and comfortable, we are not any safer, because we were never in any real danger from Saddam.

Now think about a young Marine standing watch on a street corner in Iraq. That American in uniform is not safe; he is the choice prize for any terrorist wanting a transformation (from civilian murderer) to resistance hero in the eyes of his tribe. Are Americans safer providing targets that create enemy heroes? Are we safer when our secretary of State degrades American integrity by claiming, "These are not assertions — they are facts"? Are we safer when headless chicken hawks (Bush, Cheney, and Rummy) rush America to war based on fabricated intelligence, oblivious to the human and economic costs?

The American troops have lost arms, legs, and friends. Congress can thank them for making America safer, but the troops are Americans and they know they are not safer! The president dishonored their sacrifice by misleading Congress and the American people about the reasons for going to war. Instead of empty thanks, Congress should hold the president accountable.

Eric Foresman  
North Liberty resident

#### Yeah, Israel!

Kudos to Israel and Ariel Sharon in proactively targeting strikes against the Hamas leadership. For years on numerous occasions, Israel has offered the Palestinian Authority a two-state solution in which Israel would give up nearly all of the Gaza Strip and even more territory. It has been willing to compromise boundaries to the nth degree for securing a small state in which Jews can unite and share the land in peace with its neighbors.

However, the Palestinian Authority has turned down every offer. How is one to deal with a neighbor that is solely committed to Israel's extinction?

Israel has been devoted to negotiations with the Palestinian Authority, taking into account Palestinians' needs and complaints. Amid the controversy of the security fence, voiced not only by Palestinians but by Israelis as well, Israel's judicial courts heard all perspectives and even ruled in specific cases in favor of Palestinians.

As a result, the fence was reconfigured in those areas. So who is to say that targeting Sheik Ahmed Yassin is immoral? Yassin was a hegemonic leader of a hate-based terrorist network, Hamas.

Wading through the innumerable accusations made by the media, a significant number of Palestinians are and will continue to be targeted (no one is perfect). Throughout the unsavory offers of land and attempts at compromise where everyone wins, Israel has taken on itself to combat the purveyors of suicide bombings.

It should be to no one's chagrin that these villains hide behind their own people. As recently reported, Abdel Aziz al-Rantisi, Hamas' interim leader, is setting up tent in Gaza City's Yarmouk Stadium, where thousands of Palestinians flock.

Israel will continue to mediate peace arrangements all the while targeting terrorists and being mindful of the Palestinian people.

Tyler Mackie  
UI freshman

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### ON THE SPOT

Should the bars be exempt from the 19-only ordinance when hosting live musical performances?



"Yes. It's problematic to say that the Shakespeare Festival is more important."

Allison Page  
UI sophomore



"Yes. Kids need to see music too."

Ollie Graham  
UI junior



"No, because it's too easy for the bars to abuse."

Christy Bipes  
UI senior



"No. They shouldn't be exempt."

Alan Mayer  
UI freshman

# ARTS

## Chasing aimless schlock in Jersey



### FILM REVIEW

by David Fulco

#### Jersey Girl

When: 12, 2:20, 4:40, 7, and 9:20 p.m.  
Where: Cinema 6  
★★★ out of ★★★★★



Left: Ben Affleck and Liv Tyler try to take themselves seriously in Kevin Smith's *Jersey Girl*.  
Right: Smith shows his best "I honestly believe this is the best movie of my career" face.



Production photos

When women outnumber teenage boys in a theater playing a Kevin Smith movie, it may be a sign that something is amiss.

Smith's previous films, *Clerks* and *Chasing Amy* among others, have relied largely on a scholarly vulgarity and *societal commentary* and have appealed most emphatically to teenage boys who seem to lap up the bathroom humor and the characters' excessive cursing.

Perhaps his new film, *Jersey Girl*, is a reaction to the excessiveness that has come to mark his films. By his own admission, *Jersey Girl* is his most personal film, and it also marks Smith's departure from the world of New Jersey stoners and lost intellectuals. For the first time in his career, Smith highlights successful characters trying to overcome difficulties in order to become successful again and, in doing so, loses the aptitude and independent

feeling that made his earlier films so enjoyable. He is intent to sell his soul to the world of corporate cinema.

Along for the ride is Smith alum Ben Affleck as Ollie Trinke, a highly successful New York music publicist who falls head over heels for Gertrude Steiney (played by Jennifer Lopez, the second half of the doomed *Gigli* tandem). He soon finds himself married with a child on the way, but during the delivery, problems ensue, and Gertrude dies from a brain aneurysm just after her baby has been born. Coping with the death of a wife and the newfound responsibilities of single fatherhood, Ollie turns to his father, Bart (George Carlin), a New Jersey municipal worker who wears his alcoholism like a badge of honor. During a work-related press conference, all the problems of Ollie's life come to a boil, and when he loses his temper he finds himself unemployed and out of New York.

Without any other options, Ollie decides to move home and take a job working with his father in New Jersey. Daughter Gertie's obsession with renting videos brings Ollie in contact with clerk Maya (Liv Tyler), a grad student researching the American male's obsession with pornography. But life in New Jersey is not everything that Ollie is looking for, so when his friend Arthur Brickman (Jason Biggs) gives him the chance to get back to the big time, Ollie must make a decision between new love and old love — himself and his family.

If the plot to *Jersey Girl* sounds like any other here-today, gone-tomorrow romantic comedy that Hollywood seemingly throws at audiences once a week, that's because, for the most part, it is. Smith, who has been so good in the past at elevating the genres in which he works, is content to allow

*Jersey Girl* to fit into a brainless genre-type. For the first time in his career, he allows his characters to take a back seat to the plot of the story, and the results are, at times, painfully clichéd. In fact, not one character in the entire movie is distinguishable and, even more surprising in a Smith film, not one line can be quoted.

Artists should always be applauded for trying to stretch themselves creatively, but in the case of *Jersey Girl*, Smith has lost the edge and the inventiveness that made him famous. This may be Smith's most personal film yet, but the power and the passion that should have exuded under this heading is nowhere to be found. Somewhere outside a convenience store in New Jersey, a tall, skinny drug dealer and his portly pal are weeping.

Paid: \$5  
Worth: \$2.25  
E-mail *D*/film critic David Fulco at: david-fulco@uiowa.edu

## Stunning propaganda

The camera in *I Am Cuba* never seems to obey the laws of physics or conceivable logic. Cinematographer Sergei Urusevsky manages to capture some astonishing scenes by weaving and winding through a dizzying maze of images and beautifully choreographed sequences without the aid of today's fancy Steadicams. Helicopters and cranes were undoubtedly employed for some portions, but others are inexplicably filmed.

It's easy to see how this movie must have influenced those lengthy, fluid tracking shots in the works of Martin Scorsese and Paul Thomas Anderson. The camera appears to practically have a mind of its own as it glides its way through one complex shot after another, constantly reinventing the detailed vision of director Mikheil Kalatozishvili.

*I Am Cuba* (a.k.a., *Yo Soy Cuba* or *Ya Kuba*) was a 1964 joint project between Cuba and the Soviet Union, and it's the latest entry in the Bijou's classic series. This subtitled, black-and-white drama may be a technical achievement, but at its core, it's nothing more than a stylized, heavy-handed propaganda film. And a rather silly one at that.

The plot is constructed out of four loosely connected vignettes, all involving down-on-their-luck Cubans realizing that a Communist revolution may be their only salvation. There's a young prostitute forced to entertain hedonistic American tourists. We then meet a humble sugarcane farmer whose land is sold to the United Fruit Co. The third focus is on a radical college student whose movement leads to a violent police shoot-out. Finally, this epic cross section concludes when a series of

bombings destroys the home of a peasant family.

I suppose Kalatozishvili's intent was simply to glorify Fidel Castro and condemn Fulgencio Batista's dictatorship. He also evokes a blatant anti-American sentiment by stereotyping the U.S. characters as money-hungry, misogynistic drunks who embody the idea of "Yankee" imperialism. Though the social commentary is dated, Kalatozishvili makes it watchable by creating an array of artful, stunning visuals to carry us through the events.



*I Am Cuba*

Film Review by Will Scheibel (plays at the Bijou through Wednesday)  
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

As a result of the episodic narrative, investing any real emotion in the characters becomes

difficult. Yes, we feel sorry for them, but they're all essentially one-dimensional puppets for the film's political agenda. Before they can be fleshed out into actual people, Kalatozishvili is already moving on to tell someone else's story. He should have focused on one main character and allowed us to develop a natural sympathy for him rather than dragging the film out to tackle an additional three chapters — one of the most frustrating things about *I Am Cuba* is that it's unnecessarily long.

I don't want to sound, however, as though I'm not recommending this movie. Anyone interested in foreign films, Marxist politics, or Cuban history should definitely see it, if nothing more than as a curiosity piece. Cinema students, especially, should use this film's impressive cinematography as a textbook for just how far you can test the limits of a camera. All in all, *I Am Cuba* is a mix of the masterful and the maddening.

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Lait, a 1987 graduate of the University of California at San Diego, has been a reporter with the *Los Angeles Times* for 14 years. He has won numerous local, state and national awards for his reporting. He was part of a team of reporters who helped *The Times* win a Pulitzer Prize for coverage of the 1997 North Hollywood bank shootout.

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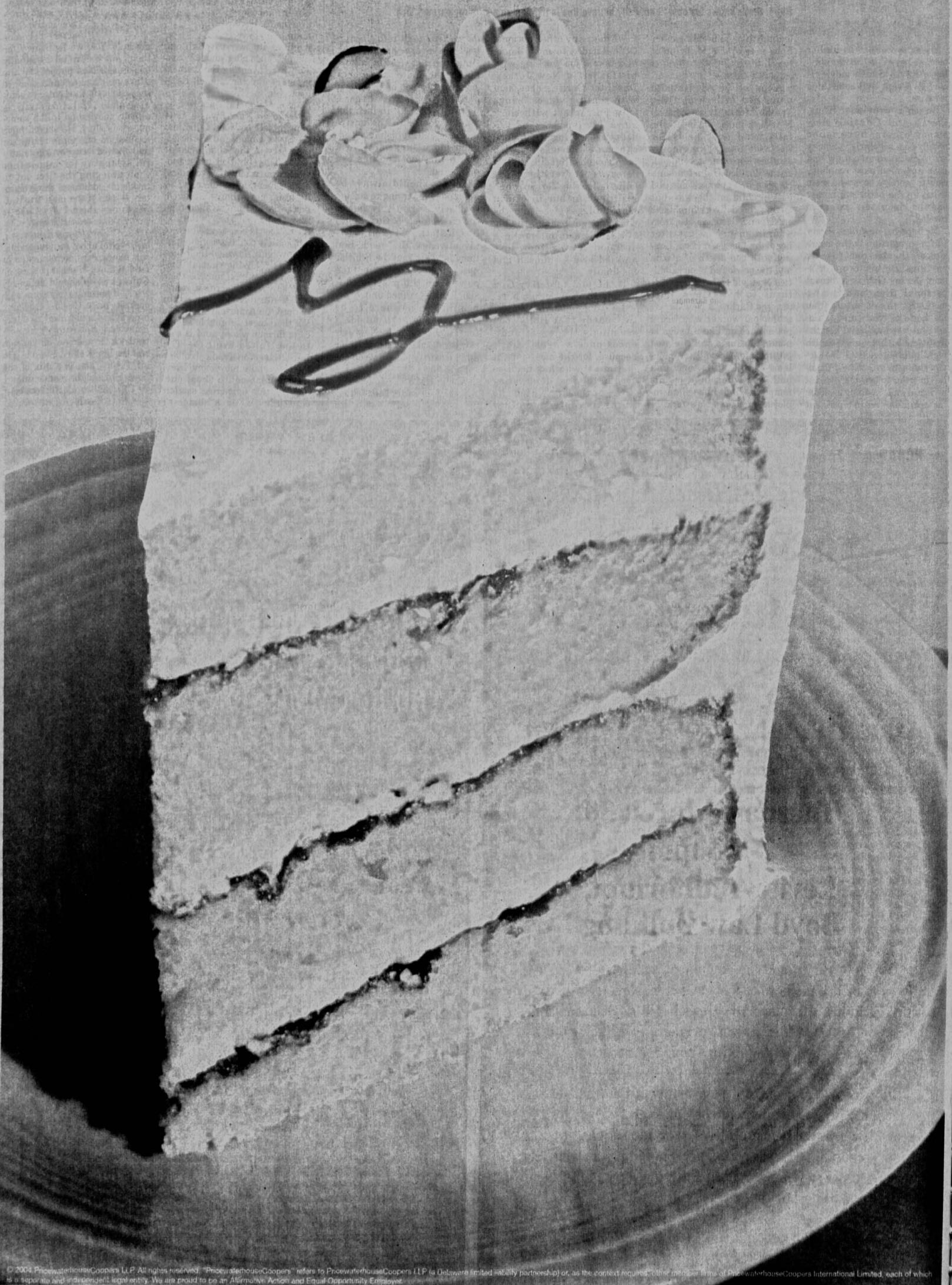
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### College hoops' best cruise into Final Four



Adam Scott

PGA

Scott escapes with Players title

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The guy who swings like Tiger Woods nearly finished like Greg Norman.

Ultimately, all that mattered to Adam Scott on Sunday was making a 10-foot bogey putt on the final hole to win the Players Championship, making the 23-year-old Australian the youngest champion of golf's richest tournament.

Scott turned a command performance into a comedy on the treacherous 18th hole at Sawgrass. From the middle of the fairway, with a two-shot lead, he pulled his approach into the water and looked as if he had thrown it all away.

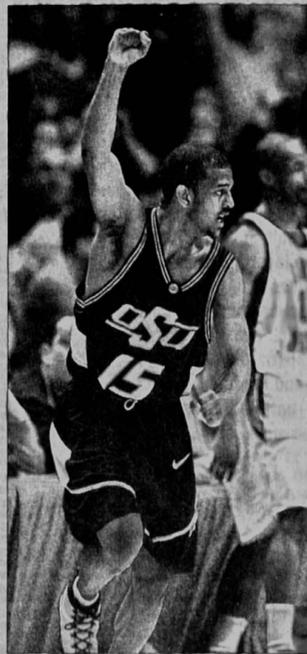
Needing to make bogey to avoid a playoff with Padraig Harrington, Scott finished with a putt that was true from the time it left his blade. Scott thrust his fist into the air twice and threw his cap down in relief.



John Bazemore/Associated Press  
Duke's Chris Duhon hugs teammate Luol Deng as Daniel Ewing looks on after Duke defeated Xavier, 66-63, in the NCAA Atlanta Regional final on Sunday.



Chris Lee/Associated Press  
Georgia Tech's Isma'il Muhammad celebrates his team's 79-71 overtime win over Kansas in the St. Louis Regional championship on Sunday.



Al Behrman/Associated Press  
Oklahoma State's John Lucas reacts to scoring the winning 3-point shot as the Sooners defeat Saint Joe's, 64-62, in the East Rutherford Regional final on March 27.



Matt York/Associated Press  
Connecticut's Rashad Anderson reacts after hitting a 3-point shot during the Huskies' 87-71 win over Alabama in the Phoenix Regional final.

IOWA DIVING

Klami finishes 7th at NCAA meet

Iowa junior diver Timo Klami completed his season by recording a seventh-place finish at the NCAA championships on March 26 at the Nassau County Aquatic Center in East Meadow, N.Y.



Klami

only Iowa qualifier

He posted a 585.80 score in the final. He was the top Big Ten competitor in the event.

"In the 3-meter contest, he was just very consistent," Iowa diving coach Bob Rydzek said. "He did an excellent job in the finals. He met all the expectations."

Arizona State's Joona Puhakka won the individual title by scoring a 647.30 in the finals. Klami recorded a 15th-place finish in the 1-meter on March 25. He earned All-American status in both the 1- and 3-meters, and he was the Hawkeyes' lone qualifier for the NCAA meet. As a sophomore, Klami placed 15th in the 3-meter and 33rd in the 1-meter at the NAAs.

— by Jason Brummond

DUKE

BY PAUL NEWBERRY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — Too much history. Too much Duke.

The Blue Devils ended Xavier's remarkable run in the NCAA Tournament and headed to their 14th Final Four, holding off the Musketeers, 66-63, Sunday to win the Atlanta Regional.

Xavier had already chopped down the second- and third-seeded teams in the region, but it couldn't make it 1-2-3 against Duke. The Blue Devils will be the only No. 1 seed in San Antonio, advancing to meet Connecticut on Saturday in the national semifinals.

The seventh-seeded Musketeers had never been this far in the tourney, and it showed in the closing minutes against postseason-hardened Duke.

With the score tied at 56, Chris Duhon drove to the basket and missed, but Luol Deng grabbed the offensive rebound and passed out to J.J. Redick, who swished the 3-pointer that put the Blue Devils ahead for good with 2:55 remaining.

Xavier couldn't overcome the loss of Anthony Myles, its best inside player, who fouled out with 12½ minutes remaining after scoring 16 points and grabbing 10 rebounds.

GEORGIA TECH

BY NANCY ARMOUR  
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ST. LOUIS — Even if it takes a little something extra, Georgia Tech finds a way to get it done.

And the Yellow Jackets got a sweet reward for their perseverance: their second trip to the Final Four and their first since 1990.

With leading scorer B.J. Elder hobbled by a badly sprained ankle, Jarrett Jack scored a career-high 29 points to lift the Yellow Jackets to a 79-71 victory over Kansas in overtime of the St. Louis Regional championship Sunday.

No team has had more tight games on its road to the Final Four than the third-seeded Yellow Jackets. Georgia Tech's first three games were decided by a total of 13 points.

Solid all day, Jack was unstoppable in overtime. After little Will Bynum hit a 3 to break a 71-all tie, Jack went 4-for-4 from the line in the last 47 seconds to seal the win.

Jack finished 8-of-12 from the floor and also had nine rebounds and six assists. Luke Schenscher added 15 points, and Clarence Moore had 14 for the Yellow Jackets (27-9).

OKLAHOMA STATE

BY BEN WALKER  
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EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The joyride is over for Jameer Nelson and Saint Joseph's — John Lucas and his Oklahoma State teammates are the ones going to the Final Four.

In an NCAA Tournament marked by late misses, Nelson's fadeaway jumper ticked off the rim right before the buzzer, and Oklahoma State held on in a 64-62 thriller on March 27 to win the East Rutherford Regional.

With his former NBA star father watching, Lucas lofted home a 3-pointer with 6.9 seconds left to put the Cowboys ahead. The Hawks did not call time-out and instead rushed up the court, putting the ball in the hands of their unanimous All-American.

But Nelson's final college game came to a close when he missed. He sat on the court, above the top of the key, while Oklahoma State ran off the bench to celebrate.

Coach Eddie Sutton and Oklahoma State (31-3) thought they deserved to be a top seed more than Saint Joseph's (30-2) — a view held by many people and given voice by CBS analyst Billy Packer.

CONNECTICUT

BY BOB BAUM  
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PHOENIX — That powerhouse Connecticut team everyone talked about six months ago is two wins from living up to expectations.

A flurry of blocked shots, a dazzling display of long shots, and upstart Alabama had no shot against an assemblage of UConn talent coming together when it matters most.

Ben Gordon scored 36 points — one shy of his career high — and Rashad Anderson added a career-best 28 in the Huskies' 87-71 victory over the Crimson Tide on March 27 in the Phoenix Regional final.

Anderson made 6-of-9 3-pointers, and Gordon was 4-for-7. Gordon, the regional's MVP, was also 10-11 at the foul line.

Connecticut plays the winner of Sunday's Duke-Xavier game in the Final Four on Saturday in San Antonio.

Second-seeded UConn (31-6) used a 17-4 outburst over the final five minutes of the first half to go up 53-29, and 'Bama never got closer than 14 after that.

IOWA 4, NORTHERN ILLINOIS 2

### Hawks sneak past Northern Illinois

BY KELLY BEATON  
THE DAILY IOWAN

DES MOINES — Tyler Dahm is but a toddler. It'll be awhile yet before he's stealing bases.

Despite the fact it wasn't too long ago that the 2-year-old took his first steps, he had no problem helping his brother and sister cheer and sing so loud they threatened to turn the load-bearing wall separating their family's suite from the press box into a pile of rubble in the midst of their dad's game on Sunday.

It was only the fourth inning, and Jack Dahm's Hawkeyes had only gone up a couple of runs over Northern Illinois after a Nate Yoho double



Yoho

2-for-3, 2 RBIs

cleared the base paths.

But considering the two-out blast came on the heels of a pair of demoralizing losses in the first two games of the Iowa baseball team's I-Cubs/Hawkeye Classic in Des Moines, the outburst of youthful exuberance was fitting. The Hawkeyes (6-12) didn't magically turn into world beaters with the blast — much less with their 4-2 win over Northern Illinois (12-10) — but, hey, you've got to learn to walk before you can run.

Or break down any walls. Dahm said Yoho's at-bat could be a turning point for the Hawkeyes in the coming weeks.

"He fouls off about six, seven pitches, hits that double — you could just feel our guys kind of let their breath out a little bit," he said. "That was a big at-bat."

SEE BASEBALL, PAGE 3B

GAME ONE: 4-0; GAME TWO: 6-0

### Iowa sweeps Ball State

BY DONOVAN BURBA  
THE DAILY IOWAN

The familiar confines of Pearl Field proved friendly for the Iowa softball team's first appearance in Iowa City in 2004, as the Hawkeyes (18-14) swept Ball State and split two games with Wisconsin in the Hawkeye Classic.

Hurlers Lisa Birocci and Ali Arnold started the weekend off right, giving both opponents a goose egg in the March 27 contests. Birocci started the first, against Wisconsin, and pitched 3½ innings before Arnold came in to shut the door for a 4-0 win. Against Ball State later in the day, Birocci returned the favor, taking over for Arnold after two frames and closing out a 6-0 victory.

"You always want to finish the game you start, but sometimes you do need relief, and that's where I and Lisa work well together, helping each other out," Arnold said on March 27.



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Natalie Johnson looks to steal in the Hawkeyes' game with Ball State on Sunday. Iowa won the game to improve to 18-14 on the season.

The wins snapped the Hawkeyes' five-game losing streak, and coach Gayle Blevins attributed the change in fortune to a resurgent offense, which hadn't put more than two runs on the board in any game during the slump.

Iowa pounded out eight hits in both games on March 27, led by Amanda Hentges' 3-3 showing against Ball State. Birocci helped her cause with a mammoth two-run home run over

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IOWA HOOPS

Tickets available for men's banquet

Tickets are available for fans wishing to attend the Hawkeye men's basketball annual awards banquet, to be held April 18 at the Sheraton Hotel, 210 S. Dubuque St.

The event will feature a social hour beginning at 2 p.m., a dinner at 3 p.m., and an awards ceremony. Gary Dolphin, the radio play-by-play voice of the Hawkeyes, will emcee the banquet. Among the awards doled out will be Most Valuable Player and the Chris Street Award.

Tickets are \$25 each, and may be ordered through the men's basketball office, (800) 424-6677, or (319) 335-9444.

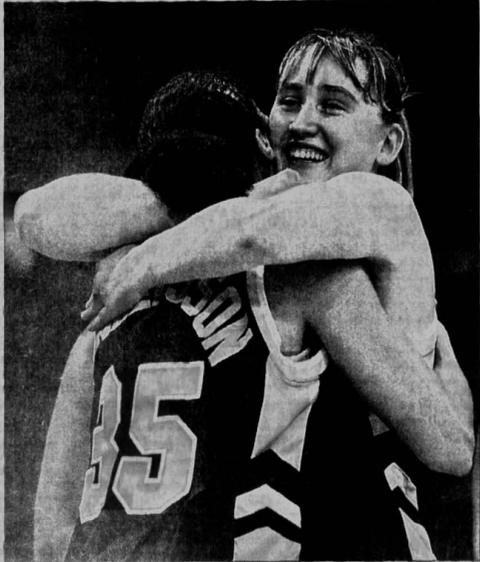
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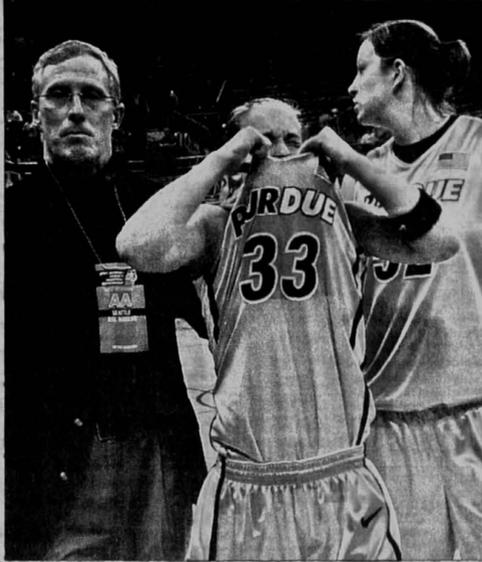
# WINNERS & LOSERS

Minnesota, Penn State still alive in NCAA Tournament; Purdue bows out



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Minnesota's Jamie Broback hugs teammate Kadidja Andersson during the second half of the NCAA women's Midwest Regional semifinals on Sunday at the Constant Convocation Center in Norfolk, Va. Minnesota won, 76-63.



Elaine Thompson/Associated Press

Purdue guard Erika Valek pulls her jersey over her face as she leaves the court after Purdue lost, 66-64, to Georgia in an NCAA West Regional semifinal on March 27. Valek missed a layup at the buzzer that would have sent the game into overtime.

**Stanford 57, Vanderbilt 55**

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Kelley Suminski hit a 3-pointer with 0.3 left on the clock to give Stanford a 57-55 victory over Vanderbilt and advance to the Midwest regional finals.

All-American Nicole Powell had 16 points, 17 rebounds and nine assists, including a drive and dish that set up Suminski's game-winner.

Powell took the inbounds pass with 11.2 seconds left, dribbled up the court and into the lane before turning around and passing to Suminski, whose open shot rattled in.

Suminski finished with 11 points, and T'Nae Thiel added 10 for Stanford (27-6).

Hillary Hager had 13 points to lead Vanderbilt. Ashley Earley added 12, Jenni Benningfield scored 11 and Dee Davis had 10.

**Duke 63, Louisiana Tech 49**

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — Duke shut down Louisiana Tech's offense and ended the Lady Techster's 21-game winning streak Sunday to earn a berth in the Midwest Regional final.

With 18 points from Monique Currie and 17 from All-American Alana Beard, the Blue Devils beat Louisiana Tech, 63-49.

That gave Duke (30-3) its 13th-straight victory — now the longest run in women's basketball.

The Blue Devils will face either Boston College or Minnesota on Tuesday night for a berth in the Final Four.

Louisiana Tech (29-3) shot just 30 percent and missed numerous chances from close range in losing for the first time since Jan. 5. It was the nation's longest streak.

**Minnesota 76, Boston College 63**

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — Minnesota made Boston College the latest victim of its surprising run in the Midwest Regional, and gave coach Pam Borton a win over her longtime mentor.

The seventh-seeded Golden Gophers scored 12 straight points early in the second half to build a big lead, then held off Boston College to reach their first regional final.

Borton spent five seasons as an assistant to B.C. coach Cathy Ingrassia at Vermont and five more at Boston College before moving to Minnesota last year.

To reach the regional semifinals, the Gophers (24-8) beat UCLA 92-81 and then stunned second-seeded Kansas State 80-61 last weekend in Minneapolis.

On Sunday, it was third-seeded Boston College (27-7) to get bounced by the Gophers.

**Penn State 55, Notre Dame 49**

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Kelly Mazzante hit a floating jumper with 46 seconds left and made a key steal in top-seeded Penn State's 55-49 win over Notre Dame on March 27 in the East Regional semifinals.

Jessica Brungo led Penn State (28-5) with 20 points, and Mazzante added 17. The Lady Lions advanced to play second-seeded Connecticut for a trip to the Final Four.

Jacqueline Batteast led the fifth-seeded Fighting Irish (21-11) with 22 points and 12 rebounds.

**Connecticut 63, UC-Santa Barbara 55**

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Diana Taurasi scored 21 points, and Connecticut survived a sloppy game offensively.

UConn (28-4), the winner of the last two national championships and three of the last four, is just one victory from a record fifth-straight trip to the Final Four.

Barbara Turner added 13 points for UConn, while Jessica Moore had 10 points and 10 rebounds.

April McDivitt, who played her first three seasons at Tennessee, led 11th-seeded Santa Barbara (27-7) with 20 points.

**LSU 71, Texas 55**

SEATTLE (AP) — Seimone Augustus scored 29 points on 14-of-19 shooting, leading fourth-seeded LSU past top-seeded Texas in the West Regional semifinals.

Tameka Johnson added 12 points and 13 assists to help the Lady Tigers (26-7) advance to face third-seeded Georgia in an all-Southeastern Conference regional final Monday night.

Jamie Carey scored 17 points for the Longhorns (30-5), who beat LSU 78-60 last year to reach the Final Four.

**Georgia 66, Purdue 64**

SEATTLE (AP) — Alexis Kendrick swished a jumper with 5.4 seconds to play, lifting Georgia past Purdue.

Kendrick's shot capped a dramatic second half, but it wasn't over until Purdue's Erika Valek drove and missed an open lay-up at the buzzer that would have forced overtime.

Janese Hardrick led Georgia (25-9) with 17 points. Second-seeded Purdue finished the season 29-4.

**IOWA TRACK**

**Hawkeyes qualify four for NCAA regional**

The Iowa men's track team started the outdoor season with a bang, qualifying four individuals at the Stanford Invitational for the NCAA regionals May 28-29 in College Station, Texas. The event, which featured more than 4,200 performers from the high-school, college, and pro ranks, saw four of the nine Hawkeye competitors qualify for regionals: seniors Brad Daufeldt and Ken Kemeny, junior Matt Esche, and sophomore Adam Hamilton.

"It went well this weekend," said Hawkeye coach Larry Wiczorek. "This will benefit us down the road." Iowa was led by Daufeldt and Kemeny. Daufeldt qualified the first day of the competition, finishing second in the hammer throw with a toss of 198-1, which broke his personal record by 10 feet. On the second day, Kemeny placed seventh in the shot put with a throw of 59-11, which a personal best in outdoor competition. He barely missed his lifetime best of 60-1½, which he set indoors.

Esche qualified in the 5,000 meters with a personal best of 14:15.73, while Brian Rae just missed the regional mark in the same event with a time of 14:22.83, which would have qualified last year. Hamilton finished ninth in the hammer throw with a mark of 195-10, just centimeters off his personal best.

"It was a great meet, at a great site at Stanford with a bunch of top athletes," Wiczorek said. "Nine guys got a chance to compete outdoors with some good competition, so everyone got some things to work on against some good people."

The Hawkeyes will return to action next weekend in Columbia, Mo., at the Missouri Relays.

— by Nick Richards

## Hawkeyes travel to Drake this week

**SOFTBALL**

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the left field fence in the third.

"It was nice just to get on board in the first innings," said Blevins, whose squad scored in the first frame of both March 27 games. "We haven't done that for a long time. That's really helpful, because it makes a team play differently when it's playing from behind, which has been the case against us lots."

On Sunday, Ball State gave its hosts all the help they needed, committing two first-inning errors and walking two batters before recording an out. Iowa capitalized, plating two on a throwing error by third baseman Kelli Jeziorski. Arnold followed that up with a soaring single off the top of the left-field wall, just missing a grand slam but still scoring another pair. Emily Gerlick followed two batters later with a triple, and Arnold and Stacy May came home.

Seven of Iowa's runs in the 9-0 win were unearned, and the Hawkeyes won in five innings when the run-rule was invoked.

"That first game we played today was awesome, everyone was hitting," said Kylie Murray, who had four hits, including two doubles, on the weekend. "We were basically going back-to-back, and that's the biggest thing, having back-to-back hits, and moving your runners, and stuff like that."

The weekend ended on a sour note, however, as Wisconsin got its revenge with a 2-1 victory, just the third time the Badgers has ever beaten Iowa. Athena Vasquez provided all of the visitors' offense with a two-run round-tripper to straightaway center off of Birocci in the fifth. The Hawkeyes threatened in the seventh, putting runners on first and second with one

out, but Natalie Johnson and Hentges both grounded out to pitcher Eden Brock, who picked up the win.

Birocci picked up the loss, dropping her record to 8-8.

Iowa will travel to Drake on Wednesday before kicking off the Big Ten season against Northwestern Friday in Iowa City, and Blevins emphasized that even though her team took three of four in the classic, those one-run losses add up, particularly once conference play begins.

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— Gayle Blevins, Iowa softball coach

"Honestly, to put yourself in a real favorable position in the conference, you learn how to win one-run games," said Blevins as darkness descended on Pearl Field Sunday evening.

"The difference is coming up with the right mindset in that last inning there. We had two runners on, and we just need a quality at-bat."

"We're still struggling with the approach in that situation, which is the biggest thing I talked to the team about: coming up with a good mindset and confident and relaxed and getting a good quality at-bat ... because that is the difference between a great season and an average season, winning one-run ball games."

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## Newcomers make first appearance as Hawkeyes

**BASEBALL**

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"Personally, that felt great," said Yoho, who went 2-for-3 with a pair of RBIs on the day. "When we hit, we win," he said, pointing to the recent futility at the plate for the Hawkeyes, who entered the day hitting just .250 as a team. "When we hit, everybody's happy, especially when we get good pitching behind it, too."

Many fledgling Hawkeyes took their first strides in Iowa uniforms Sunday. Cole Grandfield and Matt Wooldrik earned the first base hits of their careers. Ryan Dupic, a redshirt freshman hurler from Emmetsburg, notched his first win at Iowa.

"Dupic continues to make progress for us," Dahm said. "To be able to get that first win under Ryan's belt was a big step for him."

The 6-2 righty scattered nine hits in 6.0 innings of work to improve to 1-2 on the season.

"It's definitely nice to get that first win," he said with a broad smile.

Northern Illinois' Josh Owens brought home a run when Iowa third baseman Andy Cox bobbled a throw to first with the bases loaded and one out in the top of the second, putting the Huskies on the board first at 1-0.

The Huskies added a run in the third to make it 2-0 when designated hitter Scott Simon brought home teammate Rob Marconi with a base hit to make it 2-0.

The Hawkeyes chased Northern Illinois starter Joe Piekarz in the bottom of the third, loading the bases with one out. Cox then put the Hawkeyes on the board with a sac fly to left field, scoring Jesse Brownell to draw the Hawkeyes to within 2-1.

The Hawkeyes did the majority of their damage against the Huskies in the fourth, where they scored three runs, starting when catcher Kris Welker ripped a shot to the gap in right-center

field to score L.J. Mims and knot the game at 2-2, setting up Yoho's blast.

The day began for Iowa with a completion of a tussle with their rivals to the north, Minnesota. The game originally began on March 27 but was suspended because of rain with the Gophers leading 11-7 after five innings.

Reliever Chris Maliszewski toed the rubber as the Hawkeyes and Gophers returned to action and promptly loaded the bases. Minnesota's Mike Mee cleared the bases with a two out double, and when the dust settled, the Gophers had a commanding 14-7 lead.

Gophers slugger Matt Fornasiere, who was named I-Cub/Hawkeye Classic MVP after hitting .778 with seven RBIs on the weekend, clinched a tournament championship for Minnesota in the top of the seventh. The sophomore shortstop wiped the bases clean when he launched a shot over the fence in right field all the way to the banks of the Des Moines River, providing the final scoring of the game and handing Minnesota (10-8) a 19-7 victory.

Iowa dropped game one of the round-robin tourney March 26, when Northern Colorado starter Craig Ayers handcuffed the Hawkeyes, allowing just two hits, as Northern Colorado rolled, 5-0. While the Hawkeyes failed to get a runner past second base the entire game, the Bears tallied 13 hits, paced by Patrick Perry, who went 3-for-5 with three RBIs.

Although the Hawkeyes dropped two of three games over the weekend, Sunday's tournament finale gave the squad a shot in the arm heading into the start of Big Ten play at Michigan State next weekend.

"We're much more prepared for Big Ten play now than we were a few weeks ago," Dahm said. Somewhere, Tyler Dahm and his brother and sister were smiling.

"They've seen enough losses," their dad said, with a laugh. "They want to see some wins."

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Child care needed in my home Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. Need own car. Call Jennifer (319)354-0662.

NANNY - housekeeper needed to assist at home mom with special needs toddler. Busy musical family requires 35 hours/week help. Must be non-smoker with car. Call Carol (319)339-0337.

RESTAURANT  
A.M. and P.M. wait-staff needed. Apply in person at Midtown Family Restaurant, 200 Scott Ct., Iowa City.

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Now hiring prep/line cooks. Apply in person, 10 S. Clinton.

GO TO CAMP THIS SUMMER!  
Get great experience, touch a child's life forever, work outside, and have fun at YMCA Camp Kitaki. Visit our web site www.ymcaincoln.org for descriptions of available positions or an application. It's the best thing you'll ever get paid to do! Call (402)434-9225 or e-mail campkitaki@ymcaincoln.org for additional information.

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# Rise and shine with The Daily Break

## calendar

- Kol Shira, noon, UIHC Colloton Pavilion Atrium.
- International Mondays, "The UI International Engineering Service Program," Craig Just, noon, International Center Lounge.
- Business Tax Seminar, "Business Expenses and Deductions," 6 p.m., 210 S. Dubuque St.; for information, 335-4418 or [www.ehsr.uowa.edu/CAFOconference/index.html](http://www.ehsr.uowa.edu/CAFOconference/index.html).
- UI Lecture Committee Distinguished Lecturer, "Step Across This Line: An Evening with Salman Rushdie," 7:30 p.m., IMU Main Lounge.
- "Environmental Health Impacts of CAFOs: Anticipating Hazards — Searching for Solutions," time TBA, Sheraton Hotel, 210 S. Dubuque St.; for information, 335-4418 or [www.ehsr.uowa.edu/CAFOconference/index.html](http://www.ehsr.uowa.edu/CAFOconference/index.html).



## THE LEDGE

### THINGS YOU DON'T WANT TO HEAR WHILE RIDING IN SOMEONE'S CAR

- By Jesse Ammerman
- This is the most realistic-looking license I've ever downloaded from the Internet.
  - Let's see if this car will respond to some voice commands.
  - Well, I figured oil is oil, and what harm can a little Crisco really do to the engine?
  - Here's something I saw Dale Earnhardt Jr. do last week ...
  - If that cop thinks he can keep up, he's simply underestimating the power of the Ford Escort.
  - I've just gotta rest my eyes for a second ...
  - Uh, were we supposed to go toward Des Moines or Chicago?
  - Now, who are you going to believe? Me or the "Check Engine" light?
  - The speed limit's really more of a recommendation than a rule, you know.
  - So what if it's a one-way street? You think I'm gonna keep letting the Man tell me which way I should drive?
  - I don't know how I can still be thirsty after all those rum & cokes ...

## Quote of the Day

As far as the laws of mathematics refer to reality, they are not certain; and as far as they are certain, they do not refer to reality.

— Albert Einstein

## happy birthday to ...

March 29 — Kristen Shaffer, 21

Wish your friends a happy birthday. E-mail their date of birth, name, and age three days in advance to [daily-iowan@uiowa.edu](mailto:daily-iowan@uiowa.edu).

## news you need to know

- April 5 — Undergraduates: Last day to drop individual semester-length courses, 4:30 p.m.
- April 8 — Graduate students: First deposit of theses due in Graduate College
- April 13 — Graduate students: Last day to withdraw entire registration or drop individual-length courses, 4:30 p.m.
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- April 19 — SUMMER AND FALL 2004 EARLY REGISTRATION, APRIL 19-30
- April 19 — Undergraduates: Last day to withdraw entire spring semester registration, 4:30 p.m.

## horoscopes

Monday, March 29, 2004 by Eugenia Last

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): An older family member may need your help. Do what you can to make her or his life easier. Your emotions will be on edge, but you will have to be patient.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): You'll be quite willing to help a friend find a solution to any problem that he or she may be facing. Your genuine interest in what everyone is up to will bring you added popularity.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): You should be goal-oriented today, taking a serious approach to your work. Past projects should be looked at again. Your resources are far greater than you realize.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): You may find yourself a little emotional today. Focus on children or a creative hobby — idle time will be your enemy.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): You can make some financial gains today if you are creative in handling your money. Not everything will be out in the open. Allow yourself a little leeway to change your mind.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Volunteering your time and effort for something that can help your community or a group you believe in will bring you greater respect and a position in the organization. Follow your heart.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't take chances or share your secrets today. Someone you think you can trust will probably let you down. Don't rely on anyone but yourself, and you won't be disappointed.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): This is a perfect day to start something new. Get together with people who are moving in the same direction you are. Plan activities that will open your mind to new concepts.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can make a financial gain today. Be ready to take on the burden of someone you care about. Your ability to troubleshoot will enable this person to get back on track.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your emotions are likely to be close to the surface, making it difficult for you to hold back the way you feel. If you are communicative, you can clear up any misunderstanding.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You may have to help someone you work with. Your kind offer will lead to an enhanced relationship with your peers as well as a better handle on whatever needs to be done to make things more efficient.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): This is a perfect day to make some improvements that will make you feel better about yourself. Love is in the air, and you will rediscover the way you feel about your current partner. If single, you can meet someone new.

## Little University

- 1 What 1995 Michael Douglas movie let Aaron Sorkin practice writing White House dialogue in a prelude to "The West Wing"?
- 2 What appropriately named Latin American president did *People* tab as "Sexiest World Leader" in 2001?
- 3 Who kept silent about the mob during 12 years in jail, only to spill his guts in a thinly veiled autobiography called *The Honored Society*?
- 4 How many of every 100 80-year-olds are left-handed, according to a Dr. Stanley Coren and Clare Porac study?
- 5 What men's hoops team won the most NCAA Tournament games in the 20th century?

Answers: 1. *The American President*; 2. Michael Gambino; 3. One; 4. 11; 5. Kentucky.

## PATV

- 2 p.m. Uncovered: the Whole Truth About the Iraq War
- 3 snake pro '02, men's/ic crit '03, women's
- 3:30 ic crit '03, men's
- 4 Country Time Country
- 5 Kumina
- 6 Our Bodies, Ourselves
- 6:30 SCTV Calendar
- 6:50 Green Chester
- 7 Education Exchange
- 7:30 Live & Local
- 8 Access Update
- 8:30 Nancy Cree Keyboard Highlights
- 9 30 Minutes
- 9:30 The Forrest Barnhill Show Live
- 10:30 Video Games 4
- 10:55 Vendetta

## UITV

- 6:30 p.m. Turkey: Internal Politics, External Negotiations
- 7 p.m. Student Video Productions
- 9 p.m. Charisma & Art

## DILBERT®

by Scott Adams



## 'NON SEQUITUR

BY VILEV



## Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



## The New York Times Crossword

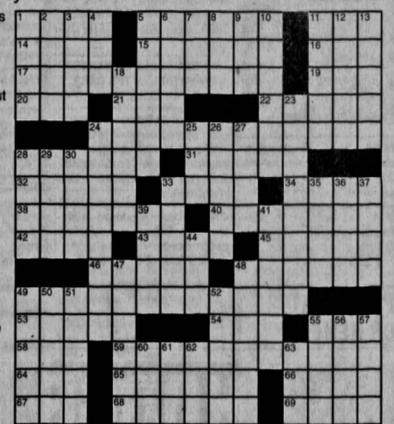
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Chances
  - 5 Wires on a bicycle wheel
  - 11 Tavern
  - 14 In \_\_\_ of (substituting for)
  - 15 One of Jerry's pals on "Seinfeld"
  - 16 Down Under bird
  - 17 Bejeweled president?
  - 19 Mo. of Presidents' Day
  - 20 "Much \_\_\_ About Nothing"
  - 21 Dine
  - 22 Planet
  - 24 Pale, aging president?
  - 28 Most elderly
  - 31 Hang around for
  - 32 Place to store valuables
  - 33 Hair colorer
  - 34 \_\_\_ and hearty
  - 38 Devoted follower
  - 40 Demolisher
  - 42 More's opposite
  - 43 Opening for a tab
  - 45 Zeal
  - 46 Burning up
  - 48 Disinfects
  - 49 Comic president?
  - 53 Wheel turners
  - 54 Tint
  - 55 Historic period
  - 58 Compete (for)
  - 59 Hirsute president?
  - 64 Mont Blanc, e.g.
  - 65 Money earned
  - 66 Communicate by hand
  - 67 Tennis court divider
  - 68 Check receivers
  - 69 Neighborhood
- DOWN**
- 1 Gymnast Korburt
  - 2 Stopped working, as an engine
  - 3 Showroom model
  - 4 Total
  - 5 Trigonometric ratio
  - 6 Ancient Greek thinker
  - 7 Paddle
  - 8 Set of tools
  - 9 WSW's reverse
  - 10 Composer Rachmaninoff
  - 11 Obscure
  - 12 Tiny creature
  - 13 "American Idol" winner Studdard
  - 18 Frothy
  - 23 One using lots of soap
  - 24 Object of a dowser's search
  - 25 Reclined
  - 26 Lived
  - 27 Like hen's teeth
  - 28 The White House's \_\_\_ Office
  - 29 Delicate fabric
  - 30 Performing twosomes
  - 33 "We love to fly, and it shows" airline

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

SCAMARTIST GIFT  
NOTACHANCE ASIA  
ACTTHEPART FUNK  
ROI EASIER FREE  
LOCH DEAR ETA  
SNAILED NSA CUB  
GEARS PIANO  
SOWHATELSEISNEW  
CROCK RAVEL  
HAR ESP SERIESE  
ELK DART PLED  
MESS DOODAD PAW  
EXIT INDELICACY  
RATE STONEMASON  
SMEW TOSSSESDOWN



- Puzzle by Charles Beresach
- 35 Alan of "M\*A\*S\*H"
  - 36 Ponce de \_\_\_
  - 37 Goofs
  - 39 Nicholas I or II
  - 41 Appraiser
  - 44 "\_\_\_ the land of the free ..."
  - 47 Send again
  - 48 Slides
  - 49 From Jakarta, e.g.
  - 50 Kick out of the country
  - 51 Snoozed
  - 52 Lemon \_\_\_ (herb)
  - 55 Kuwait ruler
  - 56 Fury
  - 57 "\_\_\_ and the King of Siam"
  - 60 Santa \_\_\_ winds
  - 61 Wintry
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