UI tops $100 million in gifts

UI FOUNDATION MONEY
Where the gifts from 2004 went:
• 40 percent went toward academic programs and research
• 30 percent went toward student support including scholarships
• 15 percent went toward facilities improvements
• 10 percent was given for faculty support

Who gave the money?
Out of the $77.5 million in outside gifts:
• $20.1 million from 33,444 alumni
• $19 million from 26,557 non-alumni
• $7.2 million from 2,372 businesses and foundations

BY ALEX LANG
THE DAILY IOWAN
For the first time ever, private gifts to the UI and the UI Foundation in one year passed the $100 million mark, a number the university needs to exceed by 50 percent to reach its $2 billion goal set last year.

This year the foundation received $77.5 million, a 24 percent increase from 2003, and $52.8 million was given directly to the university to push the total over $185 million.

"If you're not careful, you will not take all the credits," UI Foundation President Michael New said. "There were a lot of people involved." Officers and staff members who market the program were given a $100 million goal, he said.

Despite the progress over the past year, the foundation must raise $613 million this year to complete the "Good, Better, Best, Iowa." $1 billion goal President David Sketcher set in 1998, which he upped from the $850 million set in 1996. As an end of the year, the campaign raised $840 million.

"If we are another good year like we did last year, we'll make it," New said. "You added the foundation will not do anything different or new in an effort to raise the funds.

Sylvia Venuto, the owner of Venuto's World Bistro, works behind the counter of her new restaurant on Monday evening. The establishment, which has been open for a week, will feature three nights, such as African-Caribbean, German, and Italian.

VENUTO'S WORLD BISTRO features a different cuisine every night

BY HEATHER LOEB
THE DAILY IOWAN
The West African menu on Monday at Venuto, a Sahara after walls have been cleared, is dominantly Senegalese and Malian, reflecting Venuto's recent trip to Senegal. The menu features rice, corn, and beans, and contains different ethnic delicacies.

On Thursday evenings, chef Sofi Balandi wipes up some of his favorite African-Caribbean dishes, including Jamaican jerk chicken, spicy honey chicken wings, and avocado salad. In between courses, he plays the drums and entertains dinner with stories from the Congo.

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Activists greet UI officials with valentines

BY DANIELLE STRATTON-COULTER
THE DAILY IOWAN
In the spirit of Valentine's Day, members of the Students Against Sweatshops rewrote their dreamscapes last week by delivering oversized valentines to UI President David Skelton and the newly formed UI Purchasing Award Council, a panel developed to help the university purchase environmentally friendly products.

Group members distributed paper hearts decorated with words and paper dollars.

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UI officials: Pell plan falls short

Thousands of dollars in UI grant money are in jeopardy under President Bush's new Pell Grant plan

BY CHERY BARNET
THE DAILY IOWAN
President Bush calls for the increase the maximum Pell Grant to $4,500 over the next five years. The increase would bring the benefits for students, who would receive Pell Grants based on their family income. University of Iowa students need not worry, though, as they benefit from the U.S. government's Pell Grant program.

Under the president's proposal, now facing the congressional debate, students receiving the maximum Pell Grant would see an increase of $100 per year for the next five years.

ADDITIONAL PELL GRANT PROPOSALS
• Pell Grants could be used for any year in college instead of being limited to the freshman year.
• Students would only be allowed to receive Pell Grant-eligible students who agree to study math and science in college with an additional $5,000 annually.
• Creation of a new program that would provide an additional $100 in Pell Grants for the first year of college for Pell eligible students who take specific college prep courses.

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WAR FUNDING
President Bush wants another
$82 billion to cover costs in Iraq
and Afghanistan

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Study: No link between tax policy, migration

by Mike Glover

DeS M ODES - A new study found no link between the tax policy in the Upper Midwest and the movement of Texas and Arizona, warning lawmakers on both sides of the border to keep expectations in check.

The study, conducted by the Minnesota Legislative Finance Board and obtained by the Associated Press, found that migration rates from both states to the three states in the region are not significantly different. The study suggests that there is no clear pattern linking tax policy changes in the Upper Midwest to migration rates.

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Bush wants $82 billion more for wars

The president requests funding that will mainly pay for the day-to-day costs of war as well as tsunami relief

BY MARK MAZZETTI and RICHARD SIMON

WASHINGTON, D.C. - White House sources say Bush asked Congress for an additional $82.5 billion that would go mainly to fund the war in Iraq and Afghanistan, bringing the estimated cost of U.S. military operations stemming from the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks to approximately $355 billion.


Bush requests

The budget seeks roughly $31 billion to support the war in Iraq and Afghanistan, $33 billion for homeland security and other expenses, $20 billion for federal agency programs, and $10 billion for other needs.

The budget also includes roughly $7 billion to cover the cost of the federal government's continuing fight against terrorism.


The White House requests roughly $75 billion of the budget request, the remainder would be spent in various federal departments and agencies.

The proposal $90 billion and is in line with the request for more than the $15 billion offered shortly after the Dec. 26 tsunami, White House estimates that the federal budget deficit would total $417 billion this year.

Although the $91.1 billion emergency funding request was not included in the budget package that Bush submitted to Congress last week, the figure was taken into account in a recent White House estimate that the federal budget deficit would total $417 billion.

Congress is expected to authorize the emergency funding bill, as lawmakers from both parties are eager to show support for U.S. troops in harm's way. Still, the budget request is expected to meet some opposition from White House officials for an "anti-war" or Iraq-centric review panel.

Passage of the measure also could be complicated by the prospect that House Republican leaders will propose to hold a vote on whether a "benign" or "anti-war" mission for the military.

Bush called for quick passage of the spending request, saying it would "ensure that our troops receive the proper equipment and care they need to protect themselves and complete their mission.

The supplemental budget also would give the Army's "transformation" efforts to create more combat brigades the necessary $2.5 billion.

This provision has drawn fire from lawmakers, who say that funds for the transformation initiatives should be included in the main Pentagon budget, rather than as an "emergency" bill. A group of conservative and moderate House Democrats plan to hold a news conference Tuesday to vote on this complaint and to call for "more accountable spending on the war in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Combined with $25 billion already approved by Congress, Monday's budget request would bring the authorized funding for military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan to $180 billion.

The State Department would receive $4 billion, the largest chunk of the funding bill, with most of the money likely to be spent on programs and projects in Iraq and Afghanistan aimed at building up the country and promoting stability.

NATION

Verizon's takeover transforms phone business

Regulatory changes in Washington have led to the phone industry's being transformed by four companies

BY BRUCE MEYERSON

New York - Verizon Communications Inc. owner of the largest landline business in the U.S., has won the government's approval of its $7.4 billion acquisition of MCI Communications Corp., a deal that will add 20 million customers and $1.2 billion in annual revenue.

The proposed deal, which was announced in late October, was approved on a 3-0 vote by the Federal Communications Commission.

The approval came after the commission rejected three successive challenges to the deal, the last of which was filed by MCI last month as the FCC was about to issue its decision.

The FCC also rejected a challenge by the Justice Department, which had asked the commission to order a hearing on the deal. The Justice Department has a week to decide whether to appeal the FCC's decision.

The FCC, however, ruled that the merger is consistent with the public interest.

The deal is expected to close as early as this week, and it is likely to be allowed to proceed without any conditions.

Antitrust experts, who had said they expected the deal to face a hearing, said they were pleased with the FCC's decision.

"It's a great decision," said one analyst. "It's a win-win for the industry, and it's a great decision for consumers."
With the UI's six-year graduation rate at a mediocre 46.2 percent, ranking 31st among Big Ten universities, it's about time to start asking if that problem needs to be addressed. That's why a proposal to tighten up admission requirements in this last public university, a model school, has been getting consideration.

For one, Sen. Maggie Tinsman, R-Davenport, wants the state Board of Regents to study potential effects of raising admission requirements at all three state universities, which have maintained a six-year graduation rate of 60 percent. Admissions criteria could change in a way that would set the university's graduation rate because, in theory, that could make fewer students who are not prepared for college eligible for admission. And fewer applicants are qualified to handle the academic demands of the university's high-school class, and Iowa students graduating in the top half of their class will have a 76.4 percent chance of graduating in six years; but that university admitted just 1,941 of 14,357 who applied in 2004, just under 14 percent. By no means was everything going well. The university recommended that tightens how admission requirements will have a positive effect on efficiency, the university's performance at its expected level.

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Bringing the middle finger back to the world of punk rock

Powerful punk band STREET DOGS isn’t afraid to ask tough questions

BY SCOTT McCALLUM

The power of punk lies in its ability to raise a giant middle finger to mainstream America by questioning the so-called moral terms of the country or any other society. Punk is not a solution. It never was. Nowadays, it seems as though the middle finger has changed punk rock into a band of angry hands screaming about how it is going to save the world. But some hands refuse to be used by the corporate machines and will ask the tough questions.

Street Dogs is one of those bands. Back to the World, their album released Jan. 25, is an album filled with raw, hard-hitting, and solid punks that make one think twice. The band’s political frustration, it’s only right that we start the New Year out with a band that questions everything.

Street Dogs’ sophomore album has the standard punk concepts — such as the post apocaliptic, doomsday themes, anti-corporate commodities, anti-establishment attitudes, and a dedication to making positive change in the world. The majority of songs deal with political and social/cultural issues such as death and personal identity. This is the only thing you can find in this genre. The only complaint one can find is that at about 30 minutes in length, you do lose interest because of monotonous discourses.

The song reminds us that the soldiers in 2003 were dying only because of someone else’s decision. The band’s ability to change punk rock into a bunch of angry hands screaming about how it is going to save the world is only there because of someone else’s decision.

I think that thinking as a way to explain the world, especially to establish one’s ideas and objectives that we are not supposed to act, that we are supposed to do the things that we thought.”

Poet Marvin the Martian sang, “Street Rats, Earthlings, and the World.” The world is not what it used to be.

This event is sponsored by the Iowa City Alcohol Advisory Board in conjunction with the University of Iowa Student Government and the University of Iowa Greek Community.
quote of the day

“We have a sense that we’re all going to die if we don’t get the flu shot. Maybe that’s a little much.”

— Lore Stumman, the lead author of a study based on more than three decades of U.S. data that suggests giving flu shots to the elderly has not saved any lives.

DAILY BREAK

calendar


Fifty-second Annual Session of the Iowa Dental Research Day, 9:45 a.m., College of Dentistry.

Materials Physics/Child Health Physics Seminar: Special Seminar, Faculty Candidate: "Fourier Transformed Scanning Tunnelling Profilometry in the Living World Phases,” Victor M. Christiansen, University of California, 10:10 a.m., 246 Van Hall Hall.

Stringendo musicale, 12:30 p.m., Medical Education and Biomedical Research Faculty Autumn.

Joint Astrophysics/Space Physics Seminar: "Numerical Astrophysics Using MatLab,” Robert Maid, 1:00 p.m., 309 Van Allen Hall.

Operator Theory Seminar, "Winter Haven Opfation," Trout Johanssen, 1:30 p.m., 208 Chemistry.

Math/Physics Seminar, "Involutional Differential Operators," Tao Tuan, 2:30 p.m., 315 Van Hall Hall.

Fitness Assessments, Health Iowa/Student Health Services, 6:7 p.m.

Field House Main Deck

Pilates Club Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Bell Hall Lab 1

* Live from Prairie Lights, Stephen Hesley and William Wooten, poetry, 7:00 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., and WIXL.

* Natalya Antinova, piano, 8:00 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall.

the ledge

FAMOUS LAST WORDS

— Nick Navin

I promise, I will never do it again.

— One more won't hurt.

— Just five more minutes.

It's just a sprain.

What would Ozy do?

She said it would only cost $20.

Where am I gonna?

What does this button do?

Shut up, I know what I'm doing.

I think we are about to embark on a most excellent adventure.

Why do we need to wear masks?

Let's race.

That wasn't supposed to happen.
UI gifts pass $100M

UI FOUNDATION CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Steve Parrett, the director of University of Iowa Foundation, said raising the $100 million will be a "fundamental step forward," and noted the university will be able to continue to grow as a result. "We haven't had the resources that we need to match the figures that we've been seeing," Parrett said.

The foundation also contributed to the university in 2006, a 4 percent increase. More than 99 percent of the gifts were given directly to specific areas the donors wished to support. The UI said the foundation had received more money than that not destined for specific names, so the UI would need to give money more to areas in need, and the university has to continue doing its general fundraising efforts. The UI has not been able to offset the costs with revenues because most of the gifts are unrestricted. "Most people are interested in giving to a specific area, not just going to mean with that," Parrett said.

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The foundation's plan is to inform its donors that although the "Great Britain Best. Iowa," program is almost over, the UI still needs money. "It's important," he said. "We want people to know that large drop-off after the year."
Fowler agrees to buy Vikings

Iowa Sports

**IOWA SPORTS**

Wednesday
- Women's swimming, Big Ten championship, 10 a.m.
- Men's basketball at Purdue, 7:05 p.m. (ESPN)

Thursday
- Women's swimming, Big Ten championship, 9 a.m.
- Women's basketball hosts Illinois, 7 p.m. (Carver-Hawkeye Arena)
- Men's tennis at Marquette, 4:30 p.m.
- Men's tennis hosts Marquette, 4:30 p.m.
- Men's track hosts Iowa Open, 11 a.m., TBA, Rec Building
- Wrestling hosts Indiana, 2 p.m., Carver-Hawkeye
- Softball, Arizona State Tourney, Thursday
- Men's track hosts Iowa Invitational, TBA, Rec Building

Saturday
- Women's swimming at Big Ten championship, 10 a.m.
- Men's basketball hosts Illinois, 7 p.m. (Carver-Hawkeye Arena)
- Men's tennis hosts Western Michigan, 11:30 a.m., Rec Building
- Women's tennis at Bowling Green, noon
- Women's basketball at Michigan, 2 p.m.
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**NFL LOCKOUT**

By IRA POODLE

NEW YORK — With its do-or-die deadline now and gone and no deal in sight, the NFL celebrated Wednesday as the day it said would mark the end of a decimated season, the Associated Press learned Monday.

Despite a last-gasp meeting Monday between the league and the players' union, Commissioner Paul Tagliabue and Dean Johnson of the league's management committee remained committed to the result of negotiations now that the new at an on-paper by talks had failed to produce an agreement.

The NFL announced that Bonomo would not speak at a news conference Wednesday in New York but declined to give details.

It would become the first major professional league in North America to lose an entire season because of a labor dispute. The NHL has canceled the entire season.

"It's been a disaster," NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue said Monday. "There has been some dialogue, but it's been largely insincere on a very, very crucial issue." The league said the sides needed to start putting a deal on paper by last weekend if the NFL was going to hold a full 28-week season and a full 15-game schedule. The regular season normally runs 16 games.

"It is clear to us that if we're not working on a written document by tonight, the season is likely to be canceled," Tagliabue said last week.

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In a press conference on Thursday, the commissioner and the league's management committee released the news of an agreement.

Tagliabue announced that the NFL would start the season on the first Monday in December and the players' side, the NFLPA, had agreed to the proposal. The league is proposing to start its season in first grade," Johnson said before later adding: "Of course, we've given the sides an opportunity to work on this deal. We're not going to force anything."

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"This is an extraordinary step," Tagliabue said Monday. "But we're not going to work on a written document by tonight, the season is likely to be canceled." Tagliabue said last week.

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Canseco advocates enhancement drugs in released book

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Once and for all, I did not use steroids or any other illegal substances. McGwire was not available for interviews.

In the book, Canseco is an unabashed advocate of performance-enhancing drugs.

"By the time any 18-year-old daughter, Joie, has graduated from high school, a majority of our fellow citizens will be taking steroids. And believe me, I have good news," he writes. "I have no doubt whatsoever whether intelligent, informed use of steroids combined with Human Growth Hormone, will ever be accepted so that everybody will be doing it. Steroid use will be more common than Jesus is now.

Baseball player and pro athlete back at least low levels of steroids. As a result, baseball and other sports will be moving even more and more.

Canseco calls himself the "founding father of steroids," saying "I single-handedly changed the rules of the game by introducing them into the game."

It was a very bold statement, and as the Boggs scandal shows, the union tried to deny it.

"Are players only coming to blame when Donald Fehr and the other bosses of the Major League Baseball Players Association fought for years to make sure they wouldn't be in the game at all," he said, adding "I'm here to tell you the truth."

Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig closed the door on performance-enhancement before the hearing processes started. The commissioner had promised the union that at the way he was treated by management is ridiculous.

"There was a huge double standard, and yesterday's white athletes like Mr. McGwire, Mr. Bonds and Mr. Anderson were protect ed and excused in a way that was often both heartrending and often excused in a way that was

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Thompson (rear) battled his way to run on offense and defense for a rebound Feb. 9 against Wisconsin. Thompson will take Erek Hansen’s starting position against Purdue on Wednesday.

Brunner takes top Big Ten spot

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Junior forward Greg Brunner has been named Big Ten Player of the Week for last week’s games. Iowa 72-69 lost to No. 21 Wisconsin and its 64- win over Northwestern.

Brunner averaged 21.5 points and 5.5 rebounds in the two games. He scored 27 points, one below his career-high, and added seven rebounds in Iowa’s loss to the Badgers.

Brunner then dropped 18 points, collected four rebounds, had three steals, and blocked two shots in Iowa’s win over the Wildcats.

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DAYTONA 500
FLY, 21, AT DAYTONA BEACH, FLA.

BY JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Above in his seat in the African desert, Robby Gordon realized he had a lot of growing up to do.

"Sometimes I make dumb decisions because I still have that preadolescent mentality," he said. "I've realized that's something I internalize and work on.

The time is now for him to stop acting like a child, because he's launching a risky venture this season — to be his own team.

The driver-owner combination has not been very successful in NASCAR's highest level. Robby Bud left it quite in 1998. Bill Elliott closed his operation in 2000, and Bert Reif found it the same in 2001.

Since then, no driver has been bold enough to pull his engine against the heavily funded superstars with as many as four Nascar Cup entries as Gordon. He is one of the stars of the emerging engine of engineers, accountants, and sponsorships.

But Gordon has always been the one to take the lead. When someone tells him he can't do it, he always tries to prove them wrong. Only this decision is a dramatic showing signs of backfiring. He is in danger of not making it to next season, for NASCAR's biggest race of the year.

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His No. 2 Chevrolet showed up at Daytona last weekend with an illegal engine part that NASCAR quickly confirmed and will penalize him for. It put Gordon behind to qualify qualifying preparations, and for what?

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Robby Gordon is all smiles as he signs a document qualifying for the NASCAR Pepsi 400 at Michigan International Speedway, MI, on Sat, Feb. 20. But the Earnhardt engine from Dale Earnhardt, Sr., saw no better.

Robby Gordon ended up 38th on the starting grid.

Jeff Gordon's new Coralville office.

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BY NICK RICHARDS

The NCAA Tournament is in sight for the Iowa men's basketball team.

Iowa State's 2005-06 football season was tempered by the unexpected loss of star wide receiver Pedro Martinez due to a charge of domestic violence.

Steve Alford matches up star against Purdue's legendary coach, Jerry Sloan.

Iowa sophomore guard Adam Haluska, coach Steve Alford agree that the Hawkeyes' season is far from dead.

"I think the emotion of not playing well and everything he's had to go through has built up on him." - Coach Steve Alford, on first Hammons scoring slump

Adam Haluska drives a lay-up against Indiana on Jan. 29 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

"From a guest's standpoint, we've got to help everyone enjoy some of the landmarks. I think the emotion of not playing well and everything he's had to go through has built up on him."

A few guest stars, four people of note, five of note, six of note, and seven of note.

"If I'm looking forward to the upcoming season."