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Area high-school students have begun an effort to give ex-convicts the right to vote

## Students push for ex-felons' rights

BY SEUNG MIN KIM  
THE DAILY IOWAN

When area high-school students trekked door-to-door last fall to register voters, they didn't expect to meet a large contingent of adults who wouldn't be making the trip to the polls on Election Day.

Antonio Chalmers, a student at Cedar Rapids Metro High School, remembers one ex-felon, convicted of theft when he was younger, who was "very hurt" about not regaining voter status.

"After they do their terms, it becomes a lifetime sentence if they can't vote," Chalmers said. "It's like they're still being punished for something."

After learning that Rep. Jeff Elgin, R-Cedar Rapids, was backing a bill that would restore some felons' rights, the Metro students decided to help the lawmaker push the proposal.

Social-studies teacher Mike Cervantes then called Carrie Watson, a social-studies teacher at the Iowa City Senior High Alternative Center, whose students joined the effort. The 11 Cedar Rapids and five Iowa City students have written letters, contacted legislators, and lobbied in the Statehouse.

Iowa ranks among the most stringent states in not restoring former felons' voting rights after they complete their sentences.

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UISG ELECTIONS 2005

# UISG hopefuls square off



photos by Rachel Mummey/The Daily Iowan

BY TARA FLOCKHART  
THE DAILY IOWAN

The three tickets vying for the UI Student Government's top office sparred over a broad swath of issues in their first public debate Wednesday, promising to address the city's 21-ordinance, UI tuition, and student representation in local government if elected.

Facing a crowd of more than 50 people, the candidates took center stage in Shambaugh Auditorium to tout their tickets as the best choice for UI students.

The first — and most discussed — issue at the *Daily Iowan's* annual UISG election debate was the best strategy for

combating the university's rising tuition.

"It's an unfortunate reality that tuition will increase over time," said presidential hopeful Barry Pump, adding that UISG could take more control over the student fees added to tuition. The veteran UISG officer detailed a grass-roots effort for state funding that included a letter-writing campaign.

Presidential candidates Mark Kresowik and Ryan Thompto agreed that establishing effective student representation at the state level was crucial.

"Our executive team will develop relationships with legislators, regents, and other universities in addition to working

with students to storm the Capitol," said Thompto, a candidate for the Bull Moose Party.

The candidates debated city issues as well. Natalie Wicklund, Thompto's running mate, deflected a suggestion from Pump that Iowa City city councilors might not take her seriously because of her involvement with Students for a Sensible Drug Policy.

Kresowik and running mate Lauren McCarthy suggested relationships with city councilors could improve with a "bar identity card," which would allow UI students 18 and older to enter bars after completing a course on alcohol's effects.

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UISG presidential and vice-presidential candidates sit in front of a crowd of students in Shambaugh Auditorium on Wednesday evening for a debate that covered topics ranging from tuition costs to the 21-ordinance. UISG elections will be held March 7 and 8.



MARK KRESOWIK



RYAN THOMPTO



BARRY PUMP

## Once again, UI recruiters take aim at Chicagoland students

BY KATIE TROTSKY  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Chicago is the third-largest city in the world's richest nation, boasting amazing architecture, fattening and famous foods, and — thanks to the UI's recruiting — more than one-fourth of the UI's undergraduate population.

As the admission season heats up, UI Admissions officials are expecting suburbanite applications to gorge their office yet again. To ensure it, and the extra \$10,600 each out-of-state student pays in tuition yearly, university recruiters are trolling Chicago high schools and community colleges to woo guidance counselors and prospective students.

"It is an expectation and a tradition to recruit in Chicago," said Kathryn Bassett, the senior associate director of UI Admissions. "Chicago is everybody's market. It is a great population center with great schools, and the students are well-prepared and thrive in this environment."

Not all Illinois students come from the Chicago area,

### THE TOP FIVE

Top five out-of-state feeder schools in fall 2004

- Stevenson (Lincolnshire, Ill.) 36 students
- Buffalo Grove (Buffalo Grove, Ill.) 23 students
- Lyons Township (LaGrange, Ill.) 20 students
- Benet Academy (Lisle, Ill.) 19 students
- Barrington (Barrington, Ill.) 18 students

source: UI Office of Admissions

but they definitely make up the majority, Bassett said.

In the fall of 2004, 1,069 first-year students, nearly 27 percent of the class, came from Illinois. Minnesota was the closest out-of-state competition, with 97 first-year students. The total number of Illinois kids on campus averages approximately 5,000 each year.

Bassett said the UI directs a majority of its out-of-state recruiting efforts to the suburbs, adding that many of her colleagues are there on a

recruiting trip right now.

Chicagoland students cite University of Illinois' tough admissions standards, the UI's location — a comfortable distance from home — and Iowa City's downtown scene as factors that pull them to the UI.

Jim Keating, a UI senior from LaGrange, Ill., was sold on the UI after his first trip to Iowa City.

"I visited in high school, and it was a wild time," he said. "I knew it would be the same when I came here for good."

Carly Perminas, a UI junior from Chicago, said Iowa is worth the extra \$10,600 out-of-state students pay.

"I am paying for the quality," she said. "It's a good investment, and I am thinking toward the future rather than the money issue up-front."

The approximately four-hour trip home was appealing, too, she said.

"It's not too close, it's not too far," Perminas said. "It's part of the college experience to go out and live on your own."

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UISG ELECTIONS 2005 | MARK KRESOWIK

## Sustainability key for UISG, says Kresowik/McCarthy slate

BY TARA FLOCKHART  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Dressed in his brand-new "Vote Krez for Prez" T-shirt, modeled after the hit movie *Napoleon Dynamite*, UI Student Government presidential hopeful Mark Kresowik summed up his ticket's campaign platform in one word — sustainability.

In an attempt to feed off the popular movie, the slogan "all of your wildest dreams will come true" was printed in red lettering on the back of the white shirt.

Despite a seemingly zany slogan, the ticket's platform released on Monday takes up serious issues aiming to "give students experience while making the university money."

"The distinction between us and other candidates is that they list everything they'd do if they had money," said Kresowik, a sustainable-systems major. "We're doing things to make money in the long run."

The UI junior's plans include the possible renovation of the



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan

UISG presidential candidate Mark Kresowik speaks with students attending the Progressive Career Fair on Wednesday afternoon in the IMU. Kresowik, who is not affiliated with a party, is running with vice-presidential candidate Lauren McCarthy.

Canoe House, an athletics-equipment storage room located between the Art and Music Buildings, to turn it into a performing-arts venue and coffeehouse. With the assistance of Student Services and Food Service, Kresowik said

the venue should be self-sustaining by its third year of operation.

The ticket said vice-presidential candidate Lauren McCarthy's experience as the executive director of the Bijou will push

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# Group targets rights awareness

*Amnesty International, a 20-member UI group, wants to raise awareness about the tsunami disaster in Asia*

BY DANIELLE STRATTON-COULTER  
THE DAILY IOWAN

UI sophomore Claire Miller couldn't believe it when she encountered students who didn't know about the Asian tsunami after she returned to campus from winter break.

"It's been all over the news," she exclaimed to fellow UI Amnesty International members at this week's meeting.

Group members are seeking to raise awareness this spring about the tsunami aftermath, war crimes in Sudan, and other global human-rights issues.

The once three-person group has grown to approximately 20 members. Maria Hope, a group member and adviser in the UI Office for Study Abroad, has been attending meetings for 12 years. She said the group has seen sparse attendance in the past, but it is now experiencing some revitalization.

"They know that there's some things in the world that are not right," she said. "They want to be educated and take action."

Members write letters urging world leaders to action and are planning a benefit concert to raise funds for the international Amnesty International organization.



Maria Hope (center), a longtime member of Amnesty International and an adviser in the Study Abroad Office, listens to sophomore Doug Long during a meeting of the local Amnesty members in the IMU on Tuesday night.

*"It's nice to have somewhere to go every Tuesday night where, hopefully, you're doing something to help other people."*

— UI student Ambar de Kok-Mercado

"When they are needing to pressure or call attention to particular issue in a country, the letter writing is to call attention to that case and say, 'Please do the right thing,'" Hope said.

Increased participation has allowed the group to become more active in the community.

"Basically, last year there were three people that came, and now there are all these other people," said Doug Long, a UI sophomore. "It's awesome."

The members are excited about their upcoming fund-raising concert, scheduled for April 30 at Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St. The musical lineup is still unconfirmed, but UI senior Mamie Carlson said the group expects to know who the performers will be soon.

The members gather every Tuesday night to discuss human-rights violations, write "urgent action" letters, and talk about their feelings.

"We're very informal and welcoming," said Hope, who generally

directs the meeting and encourages people to share their emotions with the rest of the group.

At this week's meeting, she often interjected "so you're energized," or "you're engaged," as students talked about the joys and frustrations of senioritis, the movie *Hotel Rwanda*, and all-time high bowling scores. Members said the friendly atmosphere and sense of community keep them coming to meetings.

"It's nice to have somewhere to go every Tuesday night where, hopefully, you're doing something to help other people," said UI student Ambar de Kok-Mercado.

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CITY

## Man reportedly attacks female jogger

Iowa City police are searching for a man who allegedly struck a female jogger early Wednesday morning, leaving her with minor bruises on her face.

The suspect, described as a white male dressed in hooded sweats, grabbed the woman on Wednesday at roughly 5 a.m. near the intersection of Iowa Avenue and Johnson Street, police said.

When the woman tried to flee, the 5-9, 130-pound suspect allegedly struck her in the face. The woman was able to break free and escape, police said.

Police said the suspect was 20 to 25 years old.

Iowa City police Sgt. Doug Hart said the woman suffered minor injuries. If arrested, the suspect would face an assault-causing-injury charge, a serious misdemeanor punishable by up to a year behind bars and \$1,500 in fines.

Police issued a statement because they wanted to locate witnesses who may have seen the incident and also to inform others who may be out jogging early in the mornings, Hart said.

— by Seung Min Kim

## Skorton gets athlete code of conduct

The Presidential Committee on Athletics passed its final draft of the Student-Athlete Code of Conduct to UI President David Skorton on Wednesday, roughly two years after the panel began drafting the document.

The policy details the rights and responsibilities of UI athletes and outlines the punishments for misconduct. The athletics committee was charged with composing the code following the first criminal accusations against former Hawkeye basketball star Pierre Pierce in 2002.

At its meeting on Feb. 17, the committee asked Skorton to review the code for readability and the UI's general counsel to look over its legality.

Skorton thanked the committee members for their effort and time on the document.

"The committee put a great deal of wisdom, care, and consideration into the writing of this code, and I'm confident it will benefit and protect not only our student-athletes but the entire community," Skorton said in a UI news release.

If approved, the code will go into

effect next fall and will be read to athletes during their summer orientation.

Officials will also re-evaluate it next fall to ensure that it coincides with any new university policy and is clear to athletes. The committee will review the policy every three years.

— by Jane Slusark

## Defendant in shooting to use insanity defense

Months after he was declared mentally competent to stand trial, an Iowa City man accused of shooting an adult-bookstore clerk said in court records that he would use an insanity defense in his March criminal trial.

In papers filed Wednesday, Wayne Saterfiel, 49 Samuel Drive, said he would use a defense of insanity, irresistible impulse, and diminished responsibility when he goes on trial, charged with attempted murder in the shooting of Jacob Broadrick, a clerk at the Adult Marketplace, 440 Kirkwood Ave.

Police contend that Saterfiel, 25, shot Broadrick three times at close range with a 12-gauge shotgun on

July 13, 2004.

Court records list two expert witnesses who will testify on Saterfiel's behalf during his March 14 trial — William Logan, a doctor from Kansas City, Mo., and Frank Gersh, the director of Gersh, Hartson, and Associates, Psychologists and Counselors, 1027 Rochester Drive.

A district judge ordered Saterfiel, who suffers from an unspecified mental illness, to be treated by the UI Hospitals and Clinics during his stay at the Johnson County Jail in order to maintain his ability to understand court proceedings and to adequately defend himself in court.

If convicted, Saterfiel could face up to 25 years in prison.

— by Seung Min Kim

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POLICE BLOTTER

Yusuf Cleaster, 37, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 3602, was charged Tuesday with third-degree theft.  
Adam Greenberg, 20, 327 E. College St. Apt. 1732, was charged Feb. 18 with keeping a disorderly house and Wednesday with possession of marijuana.  
Robert Kreis, 37, Cedar Rapids, was charged Tuesday with assault causing injury.  
Justin Peyrot, 19, 327 E. College St. Apt. 1732, was charged Feb. 18 with keeping a disorderly house.  
Tina Stroud, 35, 1522 California Ave., was charged Jan. 10 with fourth-degree theft.  
Lawrence Taylor, 44, 1960 Broadway Apt. 1C, was charged Tuesday with fourth-degree theft/joint criminal conduct.  
Ryan Tumor, 26, Muscatine, was charged Monday with fifth-degree theft and driving while barred.

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# Bush, Schröder stress friendship

BY EDWIN CHEN  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

MAINZ, Germany — President Bush and German Chancellor Gerhard Schröder on Wednesday played down their differences over an array of international problems and instead stressed their common objectives in preventing Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons, helping to rebuild Iraq, and developing technologies to combat global warming.

"We have agreed that we are not going to constantly emphasize where we're not agreeing. But we want to focus on where we do agree," Schröder announced after an hour-long meeting with Bush, their first in a year. The leaders held what the chancellor described as "a very, very intense discussion" that "basically covered each and every subject that is a high-ranking one on the international political agenda today."

Bush was equally determined to dwell on the positive. During their joint news conference, he called Germany "a partner in peace, and a partner in freedom, and a partner of doing our duty."

Still, it was far from clear that tangible progress would flow from the Bush-Schröder meeting, their warmest since a rift in 2002 over the Iraq war. Both men professed that those days were gone.

On Iran, Bush softened his tone, saying that he now appreciates efforts by Germany, France, and Britain to negotiate with Iran in hopes of reaching an agreement that would allow Tehran to have a civilian nuclear-energy program and other economic benefits in exchange for a pledge to renounce its purported quest for atomic weapons. Previously, the Bush administration was lukewarm, at best, toward those talks, saying that it opposed dangling carrots before Tehran.

"I think there's a convergence on the importance of us being clear on the goals



Charles Dharapak/Associated Press  
President Bush pauses as he speaks to U.S. troops at the Wiesbaden Army Airfield in Wiesbaden, Germany, on Wednesday.

and wanting to make sure that the three countries, in discussion with Iran and the United States, really have a clear understanding of what the goals are and share them," said Stephen Hadley, the president's national-security adviser. "And I think that's an accomplishment here."

Another senior administration official acknowledged Bush's shift in tone. "Last fall, we were yelling at each other," he said.

"We've just started the diplomatic efforts," Bush said here. "We will work with [the Europeans] to convince the mul-lahs that they need to give up their

nuclear ambitions." But Bush did not specify how the United States would do so.

"There was a lot of discussion about where we go from here," Hadley said. "And the president has really got to go back and think about it, quite frankly."

Referring to his discussions with Schröder — and with French President Jacques Chirac and British Prime Minister Tony Blair in Belgium — Bush added: "What we discussed with our German friends, and French and British friends as well, is a series of negotiating tactics: how to make sure the process moves forward without yielding [on] our universal demand."

# Germans still don't like Bush, but they're calmer

BY JEFFREY FLEISHMAN  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

BERLIN — A cold wind blew through Andreas Lüdecke's beard as he conceded that, although he had plenty of complaints about Washington, the outrage against President Bush had softened from the days when Germany tried to stop the Iraq war.

"Bush is an aggressor, and we must push him back or we're all doomed," he said, standing in a light snow in Alexanderplatz, a few blocks from where the Berlin Wall once stood. "But people forget fast. Images that once stuck in our minds fade away. Bush doesn't stir up intense passion in most people anymore."

Bush's visit Wednesday to the city of Mainz in southern Germany provoked a range of emotions across the country. But the one most evident was a sense of resignation. Germans turned out by the hundreds of thousands to protest the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq in 2003. They stewed in anger as the war was fought and were bewildered at Bush's re-election in November.

Now, they say, bitterness must give way to pragmatism, much as one navigates around an overbearing in-law.

"U.S. and the European businesses are intertwined," said Lüdecke, an economist. "International concerns are forcing us to work together. Relations will improve because, ultimately, Germany and Washington have shared interests."

Talk of Bush is often imbued with suspicion. But compared with the mood of two years ago, German critics are less likely to compare him to Adolf Hitler.

"I hope Bush has recognized that he needs to cooperate with this 'Old' Europe," said Ralf

Skutnik, a tram supervisor. "But I don't believe him. What can we do? People have contemplated that maybe Bush has learned something so, OK, he should get a chance to repair things."

Petra Falkenberg and Christian Retzlaff contributed to this report.

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# UIHC may get notice of asbestos violation

BY ELAINE FABIAN  
THE DAILY IOWAN

The UI Hospitals and Clinics may receive a notice of violation from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources because it neglected to test for asbestos when initiating a construction project last year.

Although the UIHC is required to do preliminary testing for asbestos before beginning construction, it neglected to do so when it started a renovation project in the pediatrics department nine months ago.

Recently, one of the construction workers began to suspect there was asbestos on the back of the room's vinyl flooring. The UI Environmental Compliance Office tested the area, got positive results, and notified the environmental agency.

"[Workers] are cleaning the area," said Michael Valde, the manager of the Environmental Compliance Office.

Natural Resources is still assessing the situation to determine whether a notice of violation will be served, and if so, whether the UIHC will be fined.

Agency spokesman Brian Button said fines are reserved for groups sporting a history of

noncompliance, adding that the UI has a good history of compliance.

This time, however, the university neglected to test the area, a common mistake, Button said.

"It was built in 1982; so the university assumed that there wouldn't be any asbestos," said Steve Parrott, the director of University Relations. "Fortunately, every time the hospital does a construction project, the air is contained and under negative pressure to keep the dust from spreading into the hospital."

With the air contained, the only people exposed to the asbestos were the construction workers and some hospital workers. Valde said he didn't think the asbestos would be harmful because testing only found a low level of asbestos.

The UI is offering hospital staff who entered the site the opportunity to document the incident and go to the University Employee Health Clinic.

The UIHC has created a new protocol to address the issue that will require renovation projects involving the removal or modification of more than 160 square feet of surface or 200 linear feet of piping to be surveyed for materials containing asbestos.

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NEWS

# Candidates face off Death toll rising in Iran quake

**UISG DEBATE**

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"I see this as a creative alternative to the ordinances that promotes responsibility," Kresowik said.

Student apathy and involvement also slipped into the debate, as Pump questioned Kresowik's lack of UISG experience. Pump's running mate, Bob Higgins, appeared to freeze when asked how his House Party would encourage student involvement.

Another distinct split between parties was the ability to fund the various proposals. Kresowik, contending that his plans would make money for the UI over time, openly questioned how the Bull Moose ticket would be able to pay for its "ambitious platform."

Wicklund, in turn, emphasized that some of the needed resources are already in place. She called for audits to ensure student fees do not go to administrative costs.

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**BY NASSER KARIMI**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

**HOTKAN, Iran** — An 18-year-old earthquake survivor pulled Wednesday from the ruins of this shattered Iranian hamlet stared at the piles of rubble and burst into tears.

"This is not my village," cried Zehra Mirzaei. "I wish I had died with the others."

Nearby crushed, mud brick houses yielded only lifeless bodies, raising the death toll from Tuesday's magnitude-6.4 quake to 500.

Officials expected it to rise as rescue teams with dogs and heavy equipment cleared away debris.

After a miserable night and day spent homeless in the cold and rain of the mountainous region, survivors in Hotkan and other devastated villages got a morale boost: two truckloads of dates sent from Bam, a nearby city flattened by a December 2003 earthquake that killed 26,000 people.

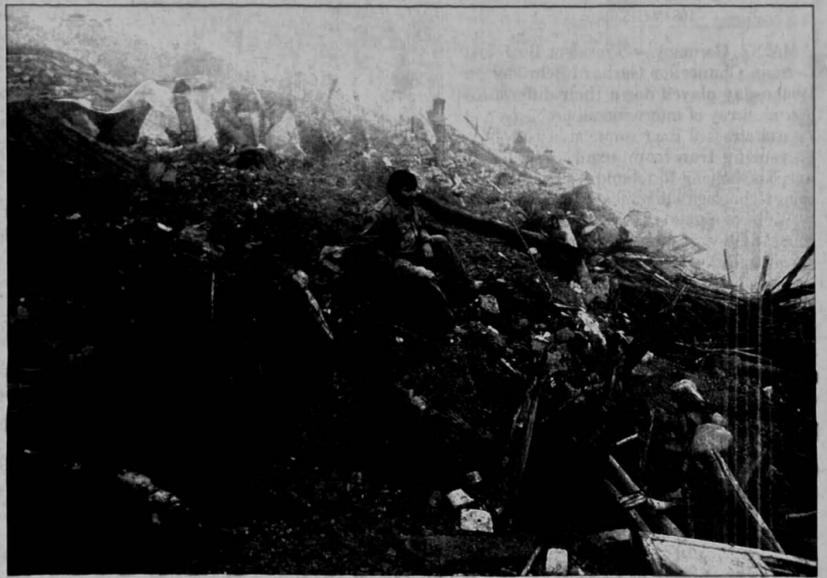
"Our people know what a catastrophe an earthquake is because they tasted it themselves more than a year ago," said Abbas Esmaili, head of Bam's municipal council.

Rain and snow continued to fall in the region, approximately 600 miles southeast of the capital, Tehran.

In the drizzle and mist, workers in Hotkan carried blanket-wrapped corpses across a landscape of mud littered with belongings and wood shards.

"Even the sky is crying for Hotkan," said Rokhsareh Sefatzadeh, beating her chest in grief.

She lost her husband and her four children in the quake. At



Vahid Salemi/Associated Press

**A rescue worker on Wednesday sits atop ruins caused by Tuesday's earthquake in Hotkan, Iran. The 6.4-magnitude quake killed at least 500 people, destroyed villages, and left tens of thousands homeless.**

least 150 of the central Iranian village's 1,800 residents were killed.

The death toll was likely to increase, said Mohammad Javad Fadaei, the deputy governor of Kerman province, who added that at least 900 people were injured.

Still, some survivors were found buried under the ruins of their homes more than a day after the quake struck.

Hours after Mirzaei's rescue, shouts of "God is great" echoed as a team pulled another girl from the rubble elsewhere in Hotkan.

Looking confused, 14-year-old Zehra Hosseini broke into tears after she emerged.

"Where are my father, mother,

brother, and sister? They must be alive," she shouted.

The rescuers told her they did not find any other survivors in the same area, but she did not appear to hear them.

Some 40 villages were affected by the quake, and many of the area's population of 30,000 were left homeless.

So far, the Iranian government has not asked directly for

international help. Still, the Japanese government said it would send blankets, tents, and other aid worth \$191,400 to aid quake victims.

"It has been raining and gotten cold there and many houses collapsed," Chief Cabinet Secretary Hiroyuki Hosoda said. "We would like to monitor the situation and talk further with the Iranian government."

## Kresowik promises sustainable programs

**KRESOWIK**

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forward a proposal aimed at increasing student-organization funding.

The main focus of the plan is to obtain money from outside sources through grants and scholarships.

"Getting grants from the community and state can be really helpful," McCarthy said.

"It's the responsibility of UISG to take initiative and help organizations get more money."

Kresowik and McCarthy are also working on an alternative plan to the 21-only alcohol ordinance.

With the help of economics Associate Professor John Solow, the two would like to instigate a bar identity card that would allow students 18 and older into the bars after passing an

informational course about alcohol abuse.

"The best way for change is not to ban it but rather to teach responsibility," said Kresowik, adding that this would also give the community an opportunity to voice concerns at the mandatory class.

If elected, Kresowik said his first objective will be to make an organized and effective plan for UISG that allows for more involvement of student organizations.

The strategic plan would result in more continuity and structure for UISG, he said.

"The advantage of building a strategic plan is that any future candidates could add to it to further their own goals," Kresowik said.

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## Area students work on rights for ex-convicts

**EX-FELONS**

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According to a study conducted at the University of Minnesota, Iowa is one of 14 states that bars some or all convicted felons from voting.

Though an ex-con's ability to vote abilities aren't entirely revoked in Iowa, only a governor's clemency will revive those rights — a process alternative-school student Ashley Konchalski criticizes.

"How do you decide whether people are eligible to get their voting rights back or their civil rights back in a letter?" she said. "They're educated and would like to make an educated vote."

With numerous convicted felons struggling to return to normalcy after completing their sentences, Elgin proposed a similar bill last year, which did not make it out of committee.

Gary Hinzman, the director of the 6th Judicial District Department of Correctional Services, said the inability to vote is one of many barriers that make it difficult for ex-felons to integrate into society.

Voting "does start them on a path on being a constructive citizen," he said. "Certainly, we can all find bad examples of people, but if you address barriers that offenders face in re-entering society, ultimately, public safety triumphs."



Lawmakers will continue to battle both sides of the proposal in subcommittee meetings later this week, Elgin said.

In a trip to Des Moines last week, the students strove to talk to lawmakers on State Government Committees.

"They got to see that they can be a participant in the political process," Watson said. "Not all of the senators and representatives agreed with them, but they were willing to listen, and that empowered the students."

The students said their efforts drive home a lot of the lessons they learn in class, offering a close look into how laws are formed and how governments operate.

Students are facing opposition from some lawmakers, radio hosts, and letters to the editor criticizing the proposal.

Rep. Sandy Greiner, R-Keota, who met with the students, commended their efforts but said she disagrees with their stance.

"People's voting rights are far more precious to them if they go through this process and have to work through the process, fill out the information, and get it rather than carte blanche, everyone gets it back," she said.

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# Official halts efforts to identify 9/11 victims

BY MICHAEL POWELL  
WASHINGTON POST

NEW YORK — They are the unknown lost, the 1,161 victims of the World Trade Center attacks whose bodies could remain forever unidentified.

New York's medical examiner said Wednesday that it was halting the painstaking job of trying to identify more remains of those who died in the 9/11 attacks on the Twin Towers in Lower Manhattan. Forty-two percent of the 2,749 victims remain unidentified.

For more than three years, forensic experts labored over bone and tissue fragments, trying to extract strands of DNA to divine the identities of lost fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, and friends.

"This is a pause — we've exhausted the limits of the technology as it exists today," said Ellen Borakove, the New York medical examiner's spokeswoman. "But the doctors have promised — promised — that we will never say 'case closed.'"

Staffers at the medical examiner's office had been calling and notifying families for three weeks when the news broke this week of the pause. Few of the families expressed much surprise, and



Mark Lennihan/Associated Press

A tennis shoe and debris, photographed one block from the World Trade Center, are coated with dust after the collapse of the twin towers in New York on Sept. 11, 2001. The New York City medical examiner's office has largely ended its effort to identify the remains of those killed at the World Trade Center on 9/11, leaving more than 1,000 victims unidentified, it announced Wednesday.

fewer still faulted the efforts of the doctors and technicians who worked so long.

Sally Regenhard lost her son, Christian, in the collapse of the towers. He was a strapping 28-year-old firefighter with a love of painting and books, and he was at his station house in Red Hook, Brooklyn, when the emergency call came on 9/11. Sally

has no idea which tower Christian ran into.

"Oh God, it puts an end to hope that we might get some sort of answer," Regenhard said. "For me, the chance to find out what exactly happened to my son is over. For so many families of firefighters, our sons and husbands have disappeared into death."

# Court nixes segregation in prisons

BY CHARLES LANE  
WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that California must abandon its policy of assigning prisoners to ethnically segregated cells for up to 60 days when they arrive at new prisons — unless the state can prove it has no ethnicity-neutral way to achieve its purpose of preventing inter-ethnic violence.

A five-justice majority rejected the state's contention that the court should defer to the judgment of the corrections officials who deemed the unwritten policy necessary to prevent members of ethnicity-based gangs from turning on each other in two-man cells. The state also argued that its policy affects members of

all groups equally. The court said California's policy must meet and withstand the same "strict scrutiny" as all other ethnic classifications.

"We rejected the notion that separate can ever be equal ... 50 years ago in *Brown v. Board of Education*, and we refuse to resurrect it today," Justice Sandra Day O'Connor wrote in an opinion that was joined by Justices Anthony Kennedy, David Souter, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and Stephen Breyer.

"When government officers are permitted to use race as a proxy for gang membership and violence without demonstrating a compelling government interest and proving that their means are narrowly tailored, society as a whole suffers," O'Connor added.

The court sent *Johnson v. California* back to the lower federal courts, ordering them to reconsider it under the tough standard endorsed in Wednesday's ruling. Previously, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit, based in San Francisco, had upheld the California policy, citing a 1987 Supreme Court case that permitted prison authorities to limit constitutional rights for the sake of sound prison administration.

O'Connor wrote Wednesday that the court did not intend to rule out victory for California. But it also voiced skepticism about the rationales the state has offered so far, noting that the Bush administration argued in a friend-of-the-court brief that ethnic integration has reduced violence in federal prisons.

# Thompson had planned suicide, family spokesman believes

BY DAN ELLIOTT  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER — Journalist Hunter S. Thompson did not take his life "in a moment of haste, or anger, or despondency" and probably planned his suicide well in advance because of his declining health, the family's spokesman said Wednesday.

Douglas Brinkley, a historian and author who edited some of Thompson's work, said the founder of "gonzo" journalism shot himself Sunday night after weeks of pain from a host of physical problems that included a broken leg and a hip replacement.

"I think he made a conscious decision that he had an incredible run of 67 years, lived the way he wanted to, and wasn't going to suffer the indignities of old age," Brinkley said in a telephone interview from Aspen. "He was not going to let anybody dictate how he was going to die."

Thompson, famous for the book *Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas* and other works of New Journalism, spent an intimate weekend with his family, the spokesman said. His son, Juan, daughter-in-law, Jennifer, and young grandson, William, were visiting from Denver.

"He was trying to really bond and be close to the family"

before his suicide, Brinkley said. "This was not just an act of irrationality. It was a very planned act."

Family members had no hint that Thompson planned to take his own life, Brinkley said, and he did not leave a note. "There was no farewell salutation," he said.

Brinkley said Thompson's son and grandson were the only other people in the home at the time of the shooting. Juan Thompson said he heard a noise that sounded like a book hitting the floor, ran to the kitchen, and found his father dead, Brinkley said.

Thompson's wife of two years, Anita, was at a health club.

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## STAFF EDITORIAL

### UISG debate sets tone for upcoming campaign

On Wednesday night, the *Daily Iowan* Editorial Board hosted a UISG presidential debate between the three tickets contending for leadership of student government next year — Mark Kresowik and Lauren McCarthy, Barry Pump and Bob Higgins, and Ryan Thompto and Natalie Wicklund. This offered us and the audience a first glimpse of the candidates' positions and how they stacked up against each other.

In a public debate, the strongest impressions can be based on the confidence and delivery of speech almost as much as the content itself. That certainly played a role on Wednesday. The Bull Moose and House Party tickets were both carried by one of the two running mates: Pump was poised and prepared, but his vice-presidential hopeful Higgins was visibly nervous, stumbling over words and sometimes suffering through awkward patches of silence. He even passed on a question at the beginning because of this. And Wicklund seemed able to articulate points better than Thompto, making her seem almost more presidential than he was as a Bull Moose contender. We were impressed by the delivery of both Kresowik and McCarthy; they both appeared focused and comfortable with their positions.

All three slates promised good ideas that they would pursue if elected, though some more than others. We were pleased with some of Thompto's and Wicklund's proposals, most notably an effort to control textbook costs and improve safety at busy and dangerous intersections where students often cross — they specifically mentioned the intersection of Burlington and Linn Streets, where fatalities have occurred recently. But we were troubled by the likelihood that the quantity of their proposals could interfere with implementing them; indeed, this question was posed to them more than once, and on neither occasion was



Rachel Mummy/The Daily Iowan  
UI junior Andrew Thomas takes a moment to write a question for the presidential candidates prior to the start of the UISG debate in Shambaugh Auditorium on Wednesday night. The question pertained to Ryan Thompto's funding proposal.

such an idea is dubious at best.

What wasn't dubious was Pump's experience and command of the inner-workings of UISG, a point on which he capitalized during the debate. When asked a question by an audience member about how to improve connections between the student government and graduate students, he was conscientious enough to remember all of the graduate and professional programs, not just those mentioned in the question. We questioned his willingness, or lack thereof, to pursue potentially risky but innovative ideas. His practicality may be the one aspect that restrains him and the scope of changes he would make as a UISG president.

Our general impression was that Thompto and Wicklund were hit by tougher questions from their opponents than their opponents gave each other, suggesting that the Pump-Higgins and Kresowik-McCarthy tickets felt most threatened by the Bull Moose.

their answer satisfactory. Thompto asserted that his ticket could accomplish all of its goals through "management style" — but that doesn't change that Thompto and Wicklund appear too optimistic for a one-year term nor that money doesn't grow on management trees.

That's what we liked about the Kresowik and McCarthy; they seemed cognizant that they will be faced with a limited budget, and their ideas (for the most part) seem to reflect this. It was their "bar identity card" proposal that prompted our concern. Kresowik's plan to allow 18-year-olds into Iowa City bars on the condition that they remain free of alcohol violations is simply unrealistic and burdensome. Separate identification cards would have to be issued (on the state level) to certify that the individual could enter a bar. This, of course, would cost money. And the notion that both municipal and state leaders would accept

# Month isn't over yet

Black History Month: Celebrating history, activism, and people; defined by more than Martin Luther King Jr., Frederick Douglass, or Jackie Robinson; meant to educate.

Black History Month 2005 is dedicated to the Niagara Movement, the forerunner of the NAACP. W.E.B. DuBois, a prominent 19th-century scholar and activist who was fed up with politics of the late 1800s, which pacified white people and kept blacks oppressed, held the first Niagara meeting in 1905 on the Canadian side of Niagara Falls because the group was not allowed lodging on the prejudicial American side. Though the group disbanded only a few years later to form the NAACP, its legacy is an important one that continues to shine today through its derivative organization.



BRITTANY SHOOT

We often think about the 1960s civil-rights movement when we imagine battles for equality, and that decade was certainly an important time. While King was preaching a message of peace, Malcolm X, possibly one of the most misunderstood men in recent history, was speaking out publicly against white people. Denying that integration would set them free, Malcolm argued that black people must fully separate themselves from white society according to the teachings of Marcus Garvey. While I don't personally believe his theories were entirely misguided, Malcolm did soften his ways after further contemplation and learned that white people can help the cause too. I suppose I only feel comfortable writing this because people such as him help me know that just because it isn't personally my issue, I can still contribute.

We can also find inspiration in such people as Bayard Rustin, King's right-hand man from whom King learned about and accepted Gandhian nonviolent protest ideals. Rustin organized the 1963 March on Washington, but despite his achievements, for being an openly gay black man, he was persecuted and silenced. A. Philip Randolph, a fellow march organizer and friend, worked in a variety of capacities including for labor unions such as the AFL-CIO, trying to end poverty and discrimination against all minorities. Rustin and Randolph both showed that all causes are intertwined, no one fighting alone against injustice.

But important as this time period was, we should not ignore the leaders who came before and the leaders of today. Leaders do not just come in the form of protest organizers or activists. Jazz music changed the frontier of American music thanks to the contributions of Bessie Smith, Count Basie, and Duke Ellington, who showed everyone that blacks have something to contribute. Black American poets such as Nikki Giovanni and Gwendolyn Brooks helped give weight to the black identity. Famous Black Panthers Huey P. Newton and Angela Davis, an activist associated with the group, inspired a generation that did not take bigotry lying down. Some people helped define black space in white politics and ideology, such as Carter Woodson, the founder of Negro History Week, the precursor to Black History Month, and bell hooks, feminist author and critic who has helped define black women's identities in modern culture. Because all of these people dealt (and deal) with racism regularly, their excellence is all the more notable.

Listening to a recent interview with Minnie Jean Brown Trickey, one of the Little Rock Nine, a group of black students who took part in controversially integrating Arkansas public schools in 1957, I took one thing she said to heart. We are socialized to feel best with groups of like individuals, and our comfort in those situations is not necessarily natural. If we would go outside of our supposed comfort zones, we might find we all have more in common than we think. I've studied various forms of separatist politics from radical feminist to African American. So I do understand the thought behind total self-imposed exclusion, but I also think while that can be temporarily beneficial, maybe as a way to truly comprehend identity, equal (if that were somehow possible) integration would still serve to teach us the most about one another, which is fundamental for human existence.

To cover such a large topic in a single column is impossible. But it should be important to all of us to think more about our diverse human heritage. There is still a week left, but there is also a lifetime left to learn more than your textbooks tell you about abolition and radical 1960s politics.

## LETTERS

### Facts show Iraq war illegal

The U.N. Charter forbids the threat or use of force with two exceptions: 1) explicit Security Council authorization, and 2) self-defense against "armed attack." I think No. 2 can be passed on the grounds that an Iraq crippled by a decade of sanctions and bombing was obviously not a threat to the United States.

Since Peter Grandgeorge (letters, *DI*, Feb. 22) didn't mention any resolutions by name, I can only guess which one he is referring to: Perhaps he means Resolution 1441, which calls for Iraq to surrender its weapons of mass destruction or face "serious consequences." Although I would argue it was common knowledge that Iraq was disarmed before we attacked, none will dispute that we now know Iraq had no such weapons. Even allowing that it had weapons, "serious consequences" is typically vague for the United Nations and doesn't imply invasion.

However, other resolutions with more straightforward language about regime change were put forward by the United States and not passed.

Brian Gryziak (letters, *DI*, Feb. 21) and indeed U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan are right in stating that this is an illegal war. But don't take our words for it — research it yourselves, and I am confident you will come to the same conclusion.

Robert Ehl  
Iowa City resident

### Extra housing inspector a bad idea

If the Iowa City City Council thinks that creating a position for another housing inspector is a good idea, I could give it several reasons why it's not. I speak for myself; however, I'm sure there are thousands of other students who feel the same way. The majority of the rental housing is occupied by UI students. I don't know if Iowa City has checked lately or not, but the students don't pay cheap tuition.

Creating this new position means that the landlords will have to pay more money, and in turn this cost will be passed down to the tenants. This is just another added fee that digs into the budgets of students living off-campus. This fee, nearly a 10 percent increase, will hit Iowa City's economy hard.

As you can imagine, the university generates a large portion of Iowa City's revenue. Students shell out a lot of money just to come to the school as it is now. The university is already talking of raising the tuition for next year. This is a detriment to many students who plan to

attend Iowa next year. After looking at an increase in tuition along with increases in off-campus rental fees, the odds of Iowa City's revenue increasing are slim to none. If students are not able to pay to attend the university, they will not come.

With all the increased fees that incoming students will have to fret over, they will probably reconsider their options and look around for another education. The UI is already overcharging its students in tuition. If Iowa City decides to increase off-campus rental rates, fewer students will attend, therefore doing the city more harm than good.

Greg Guinter  
UI student

### Scandals beyond Oil-for-Food

*Daily Iowan* columnist Robert Schneider writes that the United Nations' Oil-for-Food scandal is "the largest monetary scandal in human history" (Feb. 18). The estimated \$9.7 billion that Saddam Hussein made smuggling oil is quite a scandal. But Schneider omits a few pertinent facts.

The Oil-for-Food program was enforced by the United States, involving almost 100 U.S. Navy ships and satellite surveillance. Many experts wondered how large-scale smuggling could have occurred without U.S. knowledge, with some suggesting that the United States may have turned a blind eye to such smuggling to benefit regional allies.

These suspicions were confirmed last week, when U.S. Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., released e-mails showing that the United States had assured Turkish and Jordanian companies that we would not obstruct their plans to illegally import oil from Iraq. It is now evident that the United Nations is being attacked for allowing oil smuggling that happened while the enforcer of the sanctions, the United States, looked the other way.

An even more remarkable and less-reported scandal is that after the United States took over full control of Iraqi oil following the 2003 invasion, we "lost" \$8.8 billion using cash transactions with no audit trail. Thus, in only 18 months under U.S. control, almost as much oil revenue disappeared as Saddam pilfered in seven years.

Schneider refers to the Oil-for-Food scandal as the "largest monetary scandal," but the savings-and-loans scandal in the 1980s cost \$100 billion, and the Enron scandal has cost investors and utility customers more than \$50 billion. Schneider may not want to discuss these scandals because Bush's family and friends were involved in both.

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## ON THE SPOT

Did you watch the UISG debates last night?



"No, I didn't even know they were going on."

Charlie Bartlett  
UI sophomore



"No, but I would have if there was extra credit involved."

Dan Elsborg  
UI sophomore



"No, I don't watch television."

Jonas Pool  
UI alumnus



"No, I had a test this morning, but I'm voting."

Frank DelMundo  
UI sophomore

# Allawi moves to maintain power

BY PATRICK QUINN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD — Ayad Allawi, the secular interim prime minister, said on Wednesday he's putting together a coalition to try to hold onto the job in the next government and block the candidate of the dominant Shiite political alliance. Kurdish parties also weighed in with demands for top posts, setting up a possible showdown over the role of religion in a new Iraq.

Allawi's call for an inclusive coalition that would attract minority Sunni Arabs, who form the core of the insurgency, came as support for Ibrahim al-Jaafari, the leading Shiite candidate, began slipping in his United Iraq Alliance.

One day after al-Jaafari, 58, was nominated for the post of prime minister by the clergy-backed alliance, a Shiite political group that supports his one-time challenger, Ahmad Chalabi, threatened to withdraw its support.

The Shiite Political Council demanded that the alliance make amends after forcing Chalabi to end his pursuit of the prime minister's post by nominating one of the council's members for the largely ceremonial post of Iraqi president.

But the Kurdish coalition controlling 75 of the 275 seats in the National Assembly has long taken for granted that the alliance, which has 140 seats, will give the presidency to one of their leaders — Jalal Talabani.

"Regarding the nomination for the presidential post, no names were presented officially, and we are running nonofficial discussions with all parties,



Hadi Mizban/Associated Press

Interim Iraqi Prime Minister Ayad Allawi is interviewed by the Associated Press in his office in Baghdad on Feb. 17.

especially with the Kurdish officials here in Baghdad," said al-Jaafari spokesman Abdul Razaq Al-Kadhimi.

The Kurds also issued a separate list of demands that include reinforcing autonomy in their northern provinces.

A two-thirds majority of the assembly is required for approval of the presidency — the first step in a complicated process of filling the top positions.

Allawi, whose ticket won 40 seats in the assembly, said he considered al-Jaafari to be an "honorable man." But when asked if he feared that the alliance could impose Islamic

supporters, and an additional 44 legislators.

Much is at stake.

The next prime minister will oversee the drafting of a new Constitution, and some fear al-Jaafari could lead Iraq toward an Islamic theocracy or even a strictly sectarian Shiite one. Allawi, Chalabi, and the Kurds oppose efforts to codify or legislate religion.

Allawi said he opposed the creation of any form of Islamic government. "We are liberal powers, and we believe in a liberal Iraq and not an Iraq governed by political Islamists. But as a person he is an honorable man, fighter, and a good brother," Allawi said.

Al-Jaafari is one of the interim government's two vice presidents and heads Dawa, a conservative Islamic religious party. He fought Saddam Hussein and took refuge in Iran for a decade in the 1980s, when Shiite clergy solidified their rule in Iran.

# Iraqis show tape of militant's confession

A 20-year-old Saudi man who survived his own suicide bombing is captured and debriefed

BY PATRICK J. MCDONNELL  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

BAGHDAD — "Please, please," the young Saudi appeals in a whisper, "don't turn me over to the Americans." His face is charred and blistered. His head and arms are enveloped in gauze.

Each word seems to beget pain. His haunted eyes dart about, his only noticeable movements.

He is here to repent, under the stern guidance of an Iraqi intelligence agent. The setting is an anonymous office in the heavily barricaded Iraqi Interior Ministry.

So what does he think now of "Sheik" Osama bin Laden, the interrogator asks?

"He kills Muslims," the Saudi murmurs, his lips barely moving.

And Abu Musab al-Zarqawi? "If they are all like this," he says of the Jordanian militant, "I want to take revenge on all of them."

So proceeds the extraordinary televised confession of Ahmed Abdullah Abdul-Rahman Alshai, a 20-year-old high-school dropout from Saudi Arabia and one of many young volunteers from across the Arab world who have come to Iraq to wage jihad, or holy war.

Some fight alongside Iraqi insurgents in Ramadi, Fallujah, and Mosul, ambushing U.S. patrols, setting off roadside bombs, and targeting Iraqi forces working with the Americans.

But the most committed are reserved for suicide missions, a crucial weapon in the insurgents' arsenal.

The bombers are recruited in Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, and in some cases, the back streets of Muslim immigrant enclaves in Paris and other European cities. They are typically blown to bits.

Sometimes, their voices and grainy images emerge posthumously,

boasting of their coming attacks on videotaped proclamations that are hawked on black-market CDs. Each proclaims a desire to become a shaheed, or martyr.

But Alshai, though gravely injured, survived the thunderous Christmas Eve explosion he set off in Baghdad's upscale Mansour district. His rigged gas tanker erupted into a massive fireball at the concrete barriers of a fortified compound housing three embassies, lighting up the night sky. It was a substantial blast even by the standards of this violence-plagued capital.

A dozen people lost their lives that night, including a family of seven Iraqis in one house and a Sudanese guard posted outside the Libyan Embassy down the street. The target may have been the nearby Jordanian Embassy, but it escaped serious damage.

Nor were any U.S. troops in the vicinity, though the oft-stated goal of jihadis like Alshai is to kill Americans.

He is not the first would-be suicide bomber to be captured and debriefed, but seldom has so much detail been made public. The Saudi is among several insurgents whose interrogations are being aired on Iraqi television.

They make similar assertions: They were misled and manipulated, and they regret their homicidal actions.

Alshai contends that he didn't know the tanker was going to blow up — an unlikely story considering that he came to Iraq to fight a jihad against the United States and, authorities say, was trained here to drive the difficult-to-handle tanker truck.

Indeed, it is easy to question the sincerity of the confessions and remorse expressed in the government propaganda videos, which began airing on state and private TV outlets in the weeks before the national election on Jan. 30.

# Activated reservists, Guard troops hit with pay gap

BY TOM BOWMAN  
WASHINGTON POST

Several weeks ago, Mark LaRose changed from his mechanic's work shirt to a soldier's desert fatigues, though he was determined that his Vermont service station remain open while he patrolled in Iraq. LaRose Texaco will be staffed by two mechanics and a bookkeeper who pumps gas in her spare time until LaRose's expected return to Enosburg Falls in the summer of 2006.

"What we're hoping is that with the business we can get enough to pay the bills and stay afloat," said LaRose's wife, Elise, a third-grade teacher who is caring for the couple's two children. "It's just hard. Some small businesses are folding."

As America enters the third year of the Iraq conflict, the deployment is taking a financial toll on part-time soldiers who make up around half of the 150,000 troops there. Forty-one percent of National Guard and Reserve soldiers are losing thousands of dollars through a "pay gap" between their civilian salary and military pay, officials said.

While part-time soldiers assume some risk of being called to active duty when they

sign up, today they are serving tours far longer and more frequently than their counterparts in past wars.

"We've gone way over the top in the frequency and duration of deployments," said Robert Norton, a retired Army colonel and the deputy director of government relations for the Military Officers Association of America. "Some of these units are on their second or third rotation."

Now, members of Congress are stepping forward with a number of proposals to ease the financial pinch, including tax credits, loans, and other benefits to close the income gap and reduce soldiers' personal economic risk.

"It's an enormous problem," said Rep. Tom Lantos, D-Calif., who said he was prodded into action by the story of a part-time soldier in his district who had to move from a house into an apartment when he couldn't make ends meet. "When a country's at war, it should make an attempt to have the sacrifices shared. Most Americans are not affected."

There is some hope for limited relief this year, Norton said. Among proposals given some chance of congressional passage: tax credits for small businesses and penalty-free withdrawals

from individual retirement accounts by soldiers.

Some companies, large and small, voluntarily make up the difference for their employees, as do some states.

But there has been little help from the federal government for reservists facing income loss,

and there are only limited prospects of relief in the foreseeable future.

The Pentagon set up a mobilization income-insurance program in 1996, but Congress killed the program after only two years, citing low enrollments and high costs.

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AFMA is a mainstream science-based research institute that opposes animal-modeled research based on overwhelming scientific evidence that findings from animal models cannot be reliably extrapolated to humans and that reliance on animal-modeled research harms humans and prolongs suffering by inhibiting medical progress.

Dr. Greek is a physician who is board certified in anesthesiology, sub-specialty certified in pain management and has co-authored several books on the subject of animal research.

Reasonable people disagree on the use of nonhuman animals in biomedical research. This debate is designed to help us better understand why we disagree. Dr. Greek has agreed to debate any individual on the scientific merits of animal research on March 24, 2005, from 7-9 pm on the UI campus.

In recent months many people have vigorously defended animal research. We hope you will consider adding your voice to this debate. This debate is undertaken in the spirit of respect and tolerance, as both are necessary to facilitate legitimate discussion.

If you would like to participate in this debate to oppose the resolution, or want additional information, please contact [UIDebate@aol.com](mailto:UIDebate@aol.com).

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## calendar

- **Careers for Change Spring 2005 Brown Bag Lunch Series, "Immigrants' Rights as Human Rights,"** Sandra Sanchez, noon, 256 IMU.
- **Lael Stander, piano,** noon, UIHC Colloton Atrium.
- **Caterpillar Colloquium Series Lecture, "Magnetic Resonance Elastography by Direct Visualization of Propagating Acoustic Shear Waves,"** Richard Ehman, 12:30 p.m., 3505 Seamans Center.
- **Graduate Student Workshop, "The Effects**

- of **Altered CaMKII Binding to the NMDA Receptor,"** Amy Halt, 12:30 p.m., 2-501 Bowen Science Building.
- **Colloquium (Special), "Optical Quantum Computation with Electron Spins in Semiconductor Nanodots,"** Renbao Lui, University of California, 3:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen Hall.
- **Employment Series for International Students, "Résumé Writing & Cover Letters,"** 3:30 p.m., S401 Pappajohn Business Building.
- **Mechanical Engineering Joint Graduate**

- Seminar, "Prognosis,"** Jeffrey Calcaterra, Air Force Research Laboratory, 3:30 p.m., 2217 Seamans Center.
- **Caribbean, Diaspora, and Atlantic Studies Lecture Series, "Modernity, Transnationalism, and the Haitian Revolution,"** Michael Dash, New York University, 4:30 p.m., Main Library Shambaugh Auditorium.
- **"Art history's new frontier II: art geography,"** Jofin Onians, 5:30 p.m., 2189 Medical Education and Biomedical Research Facility.

- **Remember the Titans,** 6:30 p.m., Afro-American Cultural Center.
- **Israeli Film Series, Desperado Square,** 7 p.m., Hillel Jewish Student Center, 122 E. Market St.
- **"Peace, Propaganda, and the Promised Land,"** People for Justice in Palestine, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Room A, 123 S. Linn St.
- **Proseminar on Arab Cinema, Alexandria, Why?,** 7 p.m., 101 Becker Communication Studies Building.

## quote of the day

“Where have you gone? I had a lot of plans for you.”

— Hossein Golestani of central Iran as he held his dead 7-year-old daughter, Fatima, one of hundreds of victims of the 6.4-magnitude earthquake that hit Iran on Tuesday.

## horoscopes

Thursday, February 24, 2005

— by Eugenia Last

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Be careful not to make decisions based only on what you can see when there will be so much that is yet to be revealed. It may not be easy, but you will have to be patient in order to avoid making a mistake.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** This is not the day to be uncertain about your abilities. Give it your best shot, and you will get what you want. Love is in a high cycle, so take advantage of it, and enjoy the one you care most about.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Just when you think you have everything done, something else will come up that sends you off on another whirlwind. Don't get so involved in whatever you are doing that you miss out on an opportunity that could change your future.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** If you overreact to things that don't really matter, you will miss out on the eventual happenings going on in your own back yard. Change may not be something you like, but it will be to your advantage.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** You would rather be giving the orders than taking them, but today is all about hard work and achievement. A financial change will come as a surprise. Don't leave anything to chance.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Not everyone will understand what you are trying to do, but as long as you have a handle on the situation, you will be successful. Emotional matters may lead you astray if you aren't grounded. A strong will and endurance will pay off.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** You may have to deal with institutions or government agencies today. Expect the unexpected, and be prepared to deal with whatever comes up. This can be a turning point if you are willing to give and take.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** A new creative direction is in the picture. Combine your talents to come up with an angle that will put you on top of any competition you face. You have to realize your potential in order to take advantage of it.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Don't start something new or make changes, especially if it requires dealing with other people. Emotional matters will escalate, and unforeseen problems will crop up. A low profile is in order.

**CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19):** You have everything in place and everyone willing to do what you want, but if you are too sure of yourself, you will probably make a costly mistake. Don't think too big. Stay within your boundaries, and you will gain ground.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Everything will come back to ownership, legalities, and money. Prepare to give up a few things in order to rid yourself of a responsibility you don't want or need. It's a new day, and your future looks bright.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** You may feel a little weepy today if you haven't taken care of personal matters as you should have. Letting bad situations hang over your head will hold you back. Keep making changes until you find yourself in a more suitable situation.

## news you need to know

- March 4** — Degree applications due for May graduates, 4:30 p.m.
- March 7** — Late degree application fee in effect
- March 11** — Residence halls dining contract ends, dinner
- March 12** — Beginning of spring break, 5 p.m.

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- 7 a.m.** Democracy Now
- 11 a.m.** Joy of Guitar Looping
- 1:30 p.m.** Joy of Guitar Looping
- 2 p.m.** Glory 2 Glory
- 2:30 p.m.** Give Me An Answer
- 3 p.m.** 24-7
- 4 p.m.** The Unity Center
- 5 p.m.** Tabernacle Baptist Church
- 6 p.m.** Compassion & Trust
- 6:45 p.m.** Jamming on a Starry Night
- 7 p.m.** Grace Community Church
- 8 p.m.** Revival in Oxford
- 9 p.m.** Tonight with Bradman Live
- 10 p.m.** Radio
- 11 p.m.** Whatever No. 4

## UITV schedule

- 3 p.m.** "Talk of Iowa Live from the Java House," Marvin Bell & Rachael Davis
- 8 p.m.** "Live from Prairie Lights," Marvin Bell
- 9 p.m.** "Live from Prairie Lights," Marvin Bell
- 10 p.m.** Dark Matter and Sticky Stuff: A Poet's Thoughts, Poems, & Confessions
- 10:45 p.m.** The Best of "Know the Score"
- 11 p.m.** "Talk of Iowa Live from the Java House," Marvin Bell & Rachael Davis

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### Little University

1. What former presidential candidate was Monica Lewinsky's next-door neighbor at the Watergate?
2. What website, founded in 1995, did Thrift Score Editor Al Hoff worry would put an end to flea markets and thrift shops?
3. What reminder of *Dead Man Walking* is on display in Susan Sarandon's guest bathroom?
4. What Seinfeld holiday "for the rest of us" ultimately inspired a Ben and Jerry's ice cream flavor?
5. What English-speaking country overturned its ban on divorce by a slim 0.56 percent margin?

Answers: 1. Bob Dole, 2. eBay.com, 3. Her Academy Award, 4. Festivus, 5. Ireland

— by Nick Narigon

• Trying to remember why the alarm clock is going off.

• Finding the water pitcher empty.

• Finding that the only medicine in the cabinet is Kaopectate.

• Leaning against the wall while taking a shower.

• Making coffee and forgetting to put the grounds in the filter.

• Attempting to walk in a straight line on the way to class.

• Realizing you left your assignment at home.

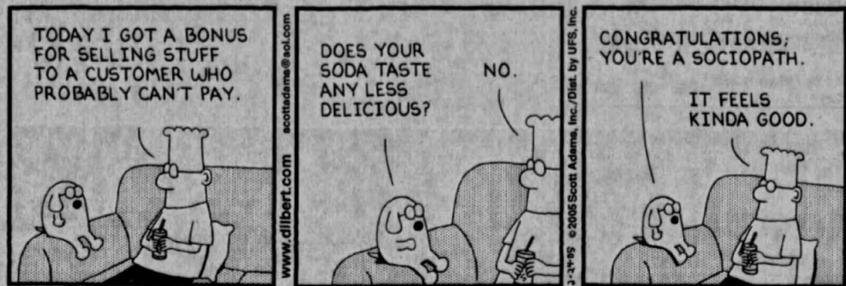
• Trying to keep your head off your desk.

• Once back at home, you can't take a nap because your head won't stop pounding.

• And the phone won't stop ringing.

• And then once recovered, going out and doing it all over again.

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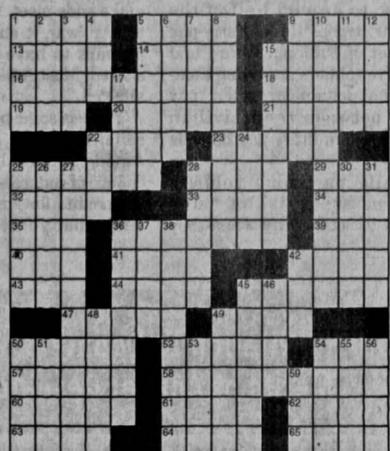
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Visibly wowed
  - 5 Hindu noble
  - 9 Interest of Fermi
  - 13 Teed off
  - 14 \_\_\_ Bator
  - 15 Big brand of office labels
  - 16 Setting for a romantic dinner
  - 18 Roman household deities
  - 19 Plugs
  - 20 Cushion site
  - 21 Guinness adjective
  - 22 It may be made by a falling rock
  - 23 Microscopic menace
  - 25 Sunning spots
  - 28 Seamstress' cry upon making a mistake?
  - 29 5 Series or 6 Series
  - 32 Hick
  - 33 Top-notch
  - 34 Manfred B. \_\_\_ half of Ellery Queen
  - 35 Urns hero
  - 36 Key to answering 16- and 58-Across and 10- and 27-Down
  - 39 Bygone polit. cause
  - 40 Bowler
  - 41 Unwonted
  - 42 Move a little
  - 43 Smith and Gore
  - 44 Vicious
  - 45 "Look, ma, no cavities!" and others
  - 47 Spill
  - 49 Sidekick
- DOWN**
- 1 1934 film canine
  - 2 Provoke
  - 3 Christmas bulbs, e.g.
  - 4 Salon supply
  - 5 Red-haired capital, to natives
  - 6 Not sotto voce
  - 7 Pusher's foe
  - 8 Red-handed
  - 9 Be useful
  - 10 Difficult stage
  - 11 Some rocks
  - 12 Classic computer game
  - 15 Royal grandfather of Spain's Juan Carlos
  - 17 She loved Narcissus
  - 22 Secure
  - 24 Pilot with flight attendants
  - 50 What water in a pail may do
  - 52 Uncle's heir, perhaps
  - 54 Evil, to Yvonne
  - 57 Not wandering
  - 58 Start of an appeal for privacy
  - 60 Chips in
  - 61 English actor Bates
  - 62 \_\_\_ Fein
  - 63 Thai money
  - 64 Lorgnette part
  - 65 It puts on a really big show

### ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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Puzzle by Robert Zimmerman

- 25 European capital, to natives
- 26 Of sound
- 27 Quarter's value
- 28 Adventured
- 30 Kind of raise
- 31 Has on
- 36 Bad-mouths
- 37 Datum
- 38 Rug choice
- 42 Elegiac
- 45 Kevin and Francis
- 46 Provo neighbor
- 48 It's a plus
- 49 Pie choice
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- 51 Olin of "Chocolat"
- 53 Skye, for one
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- Top 25 Men
- No. 1 Illinois 84, No. 3 Villanova 76, No. 3 No. 5 Kentucky 81, No. 6 Wake Forest 80, No. 7 Duke 60, Georgia 59, No. 15 Syracuse 83, 5

## THURSDAY



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## Agent: Vi agree to to Raider

MINNEAPOLIS — Randy Moss' was no longer Minnesota Viking his distracting Dante DiTrapano agent, told the on Wednesday and the Oakland "come to an Randy playing year." Neither the Raiders would which was first St. Paul Pioneer "We have with the Oakland there's nothing Rob Brzezinski, president of told AP. Raiders sp Taylor said, "I on the deal spe this organization tremendously Randy Moss ran players of all time want to play for DiTrapano sa the terms of t Pioneer Press Vikings would Napoleon Harris seventh overall round pick in the The deal canial until March NFL's fiscal year "It's just like tract. There's a minds between negotiate for the people who n Raiders," DiTra "It just hasn' writing, and it March 2."

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Randy Moss

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**Agent: Vikings agree to deal Moss to Raiders**

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Randy Moss' electrifying talent was no longer enough for the Minnesota Vikings to put up with his distracting antics.

Dante DiTrapano, Moss' agent, told the Associated Press on Wednesday that the Vikings and the Oakland Raiders had "come to an agreement on Randy playing for Oakland next year."

Neither the Vikings nor the Raiders would confirm the deal, which was first reported by the *St. Paul Pioneer Press*.

"We have had discussions with the Oakland Raiders, but there's nothing to announce," Rob Brzezinski, Minnesota's vice president of football operations, told AP.

Raiders spokesman Mike Taylor said, "I cannot comment on the deal specifically; however, this organization has always been tremendously aggressive, and Randy Moss rates with the great players of all time. Great players want to play for the Raiders."

DiTrapano said he didn't know the terms of the deal, but the *Pioneer Press* reported that the Vikings would get linebacker Napoleon Harris along with the seventh overall pick and a late-round pick in the upcoming draft.

The deal cannot become official until March 2, the start of the NFL's fiscal year.

"It's just like any other contract. There's a meeting of the minds between the people who negotiate for the Vikings and the people who negotiate for the Raiders," DiTrapano said.

"It just hasn't been reduced to writing, and it won't be until March 2."

**APPOINTED**

**Meyer put on D1 committee**

Iowa Senior Associate Athletics Director Jane Meyer has been appointed by the NCAA Championships/Competition Cabinet to the 10-member Division I Women's Basketball Committee. Her term will begin in September and continue through September 2010. Meyer joins Jacki Silar of Duke and Tina Cheatham of the Southland Conference as new additions to the committee.

The basketball committee is responsible for the administration of the NCAA Basketball Tournament. One of its primary functions is the selection of teams and creation of the brackets for the annual event. The committee also selects sites for future tournaments and assigns crews of officials.

"It is a great honor to represent the University of Iowa and Big Ten conference as a member of this committee," Meyer said.

"I look forward to the professional opportunities and challenges this type of appointment brings. It will be a great learning experience."

Meyer's appointment marks the first time an Iowa athletics director has been named to the Women's Basketball Committee.

Bob Bowlsby has been on the Men's Basketball Committee the past five seasons, serving as the chairman the last two.

— by Ryan Long

**MINNESOTA 65, IOWA 57**

NEXT UP: SATURDAY, AT PENN STATE, 11:17 A.M. (KGAN)

## BUCKLING UNDER PRESSURE



Ann Heisenfelt/Associated Press

Iowa coach Steve Alford looks up at the bad news on the scoreboard during the final minutes of his team's 65-57 loss to Minnesota in Minneapolis on Wednesday.

*The Hawkeyes' once-promising season is looking more and more like a train wreck*

ASSOCIATED PRESS

MINNEAPOLIS — Jeff Hagen and Aaron Robinson might never play at Williams Arena again, and that's just fine with them.

Hagen scored 14 points and grabbed 17 rebounds, and Robinson keyed a second-half comeback that carried Minnesota to a 65-57 victory over Iowa on Wednesday.

Vincent Grier scored 17 points, and Robinson added 14 points, all in the second half, to lead the Gophers (18-9, 8-6) a step closer to their first NCAA Tournament berth in head coach Dan Monson's six years at Minnesota.

"It's not about the tournament right now," said Monson, clearly taking nothing for granted. "What do we have, eight wins?

8-8 is not going to get you in."

The Gophers will close the regular season with games at Purdue and Penn State. A strong showing down the stretch and in the Big Ten Tournament should put Minnesota in the NCAA Tournament, but a loss to Iowa would have all but ensured a spot in the NIT. While that would have meant more home games for the Gophers, seniors

Hagen, Robinson, and Brent Lawson would be happy never to see their home crowd again.

"Any time you can end [your career] by making your chances better to get to the NCAAs — where we haven't been since I got here — I'll take it," said Robinson, who hit four 3-pointers as the Gophers outscored Iowa 26-7 over a 10-minute

SEE MEN'S HOOPS, 3B

**IOWA SOFTBALL MEDIA DAY**



Melanie Patterson/The Daily Iowan

## LOOKING TO MAKE TRACKS

BY NICK RICHARDS  
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Youth rules.

The 2005 edition of Iowa softball features just two seniors, pitcher extraordinaire Lisa Birocci and team gold-glove winner Abby Ruff, but despite the inexperience, the Hawkeyes sit at 5-1 after two tournaments in Arizona and Florida.

"I think gaining experience is a good thing for us this year," Birocci, who is already 3-0 on the season with two complete-game shutouts and 17 strikeouts. "I think this team has been learning pretty fast. We've got people in a lot of positions

who haven't played before, but everyone is buying into playing new positions."

The Hawkeyes look to return to their 2003 form, when they went 44-15 and won both the regular-season and conference-tournament titles. That team advanced to the regional final, a game before the World Series, where it lost to Washington. The Hawks hope to rebound from last year's 39-24 record, which saw them finish tied for second in the Big Ten with Illinois and fall in the first round of the conference tournament. The Hawks also failed to make the World Series, losing in the first round of regionals.

SEE SOFTBALL, PAGE 3B

**Hawkeye softball players gather around coach Gayle Blevins for instructions at practice Wednesday. The team is 5-1 after tournament play.**

**BIG TEN TOURNAMENT | Men's swimming**

## Team begins competition today

*The men's swimming team has had quite the season — getting a new coach in December, losing players to injuries and transfers — but the remaining swimmers are ready for some fun*



Long  
 coach



Ciurca  
 swimmer

BY BRYAN BAMONTE  
 THE DAILY IOWAN

At the time, most Iowa men's swimmers were packing for warm weather, the beach, and some pool-side fodder.

It was before their trip — a winter training session in Hawaii — that the spinning carousel saw former men's head coach John Davey out the door. His resignation, tendered Dec. 20, forced Iowa to recruit from within and choose women's coach Marc Long to coach the men also.

A month later, the team is packing again. This time, the destination is not friendly coastlines but the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center in Minneapolis for the Big Ten championships.

Alex Boyce summed up the season best. "It's been interesting," he said. "Definitely the most interesting season of my four years at Iowa."

**BIG TENS**

start today at University of Minnesota Aquatic center in Minneapolis. The Aquatic center is deemed as the best in the nation.

SEE BIG TENS, PAGE 3B

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MINNESOTA 65, IOWA 57

IOWA (16-10)  
 Brunner 3-10 1-2 7, Hansen 3-4 3-4 9, Haluska 6-14 2-3 19, Horner 4-13 2-2 11, Henderson 4-8 0-0 8, Brownlee 0-1 0-0 0, Thomas 0-0 0-0 0, Reed 0-2 0-0 0, Thompson 1-4 1-2 3, Gorney 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-56 9-13 57.  
 MINNESOTA (18-9)  
 Coleman 3-9 0-0 7, Lawson 1-4 1-3 3, Hagen 5-14 4-6 14, Grier 7-17 2-2 17, Robinson 4-9 2-2 14, Stamps 2-8 4-5 8, Tucker 0-2 0-0 0, Tollockson 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 23-65 13-18 65.  
 Halftime—Iowa 25-25, 3-Point Goals—Iowa 2-16 (Haluska 1-5, Horner 1-8, Brownlee 0-1, Reed 0-2), Minnesota 6-18 (Robinson 4-9, Grier 1-2, Coleman 1-3, Lawson 0-2, Tucker 0-2), Fouled Out—None, Rebounds—Iowa 39 (Brunner 10), Minnesota 44 (Hagen 17), Assists—Iowa 11 (Horner 7), Minnesota 14 (Grier 6), Total Fouls—Iowa 20, Minnesota 16. A—12, 659.

BIG TEN MEN

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Iowa	14-0 28-0
Michigan St.	10-2 19-4
Wisconsin	8-4 17-6
Indiana	8-5 13-11
Minnesota	8-6 18-9
Ohio State	7-6 18-9
Northwestern	5-8 13-13
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Tuesday's Game  
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 Wednesday's Games  
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 Illinois 84, Northwestern 48  
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 #1 Illinois 84, Northwestern 48  
 #23 Villanova 76, #3 Boston College 70  
 #5 Kentucky 81, Auburn 73  
 #6 Wake Forest 88, Longwood 47  
 #7 Duke 60, Georgia Tech 56  
 #15 Syracuse 83, St. John's 69  
 West Virginia 70, #18 Pittsburgh 66  
 #21 Charlotte 80, Memphis 77  
 Women's Scores  
 #6 Michigan State 77, Michigan 34  
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Indiana	27	28	.509 6 1/2
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New Orleans	11	43	.204 31
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Phoenix	17	36	.321 20 1/2
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Seniors to be honored before Illini matchup

BY RYAN LONG  
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Senior night — a time for reflection and a time to take care of business.

These will be the obligations of the Iowa women's basketball team when it takes on Illinois today at 7:05 p.m. in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Seniors Jenna Armstrong, Jamie Cavey, and Lindsay Geoffroy will make their final regular-season appearances on the Carver hardwood.

Hawkeye coach Lisa Bluder realizes the importance of the game for Cavey and Armstrong.

"It's significant in the fact that we're losing two great players from our program," Bluder said. "Two players who have had a lot of experience in their four years here. Two seniors who have seen a lot of success and have played in a lot of different situations. I think it's significant because we need to celebrate what they've accomplished in their careers."

Cavey hopes the team's emotions won't get in the way of the job that must be done on the court.

"I hope that it's not a distraction. I'm not going to go into the game playing the game any differently," she said.

Besides the accolades that will occur after the game for the seniors, Iowa still has NCAA Tournament aspirations. The Hawkeyes (17-8, 6-8) are ranked No. 37 in RPI and are coming off a 78-59 win over Michigan in Ann Arbor on Feb. 19. The Illini (14-10, 6-8) sit at No. 81 in RPI but are coming off an impressive 68-33 win against Northwestern on Feb. 16.

The Illini feature forward Angelina Williams and guard Tiffanie Guthrie. Williams averages 19 points, which ranks No. 3 in scoring in the Big Ten, while the versatile Guthrie averages 15.2 points a game and 5.3 rebounds. "Their strengths, I think,

it's significant in the fact that we're losing two great players from our program. Two players who have had a lot of experience in their four years here. Two seniors who have seen a lot of success and have played in a lot of different situations. I think it's significant because we need to celebrate what they've accomplished in their careers."

— head coach Lisa Bluder

are in transition," Bluder said. "They push the ball well. I feel like they would rather be playing in a full-court game than a half-court game."

The last time Iowa and Illinois tangled, the Hawkeyes won, 72-58, in Champaign. Cavey scored seven of her 19 points during a 14-7 second-half run, while Crystal Smith chipped in 12 points, and Tiffany Reedy posted 10 of her own. The Illini shot 0-of-12 from 3-point land and were led by Guthrie, who scored 18 points. Williams contributed 12 points, and forward Erin Wigley put up 14.

"As far as senior night, Jamie and I are really emotional people, so I think that we're definitely going to be putting all our heart into this game," Armstrong said. "We really want to end on a good note, this being our last game and everything. Plus, it's a game that we have to win, so I'm sure it's going to be a real emotional night, and hopefully, we'll have a really good crowd here for it."

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SPRING TRAINING

Sosa starts anew with Orioles

BY DAVID GINSBURG  
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — As a way of introducing himself to his new teammates, Sammy Sosa slammed about two dozen baseballs far over the center-field wall during his first workout with the Baltimore Orioles.

Before he was done, nearly half the squad interrupted their drills to watch the show. "Sammy, we're going to run out of balls," joked outfielder Larry Bigbie, who watched in awe as one shot after another soared onto an airfield behind the practice field.

"They'll be parking the planes in the hangars from now on," Bigbie said later.

The Chicago Cubs were relieved to get rid of Sosa after his troubled 2004 season, and the Orioles are delighted to have him.

"I'm in a new house with a young team that I can help," he said. "I'm very happy to be here, no question. And I can see in their faces that they're really happy for me to be here."

Sosa came to the Orioles earlier this month in a trade that sent Jerry Hairston Jr. and two prospects to Chicago. Sosa once was a hero in the Windy City, but his 13-year stay soured after a series he was caught using a corked bat, had a rift with Cubs manager Dusty Baker, and left early during the 2004 season finale.

"That page is closed, and I don't want to touch that page no more," he said. "We're here to move on and go forward."

During his stay in Chicago, Sosa battled with Mark McGwire in a memorable home-run duel in 1998, went



Rick Bowmer/Associated Press  
 New Baltimore Oriole Sammy Sosa walks to the dugout following practice Wednesday at spring training in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

to the All-Star game seven times, and was the 1998 NL MVP. But he contends that the corked bat and his early departure from the ballpark ruined an otherwise wonderful relationship.

"For the 13 years I was in Chicago, I only made two mistakes. That's pretty good," he said. "If I had known that leaving early last year would have caused such a controversy, I would have never done it. My manager told me I had a day off. But what can I say?"

When the Cubs fell out of playoff contention last season, Sosa received much the

blame. He spent a month on the disabled list with a bad back and finished with a .253 batting average, 35 homers, and 80 RBIs — his fewest since 1994.

Still, 35 homers is more than anyone on Baltimore hit last season, so the Orioles think he'll be a perfect fit in their tiny ballpark at Camden Yards.

Upon arriving in Baltimore three weeks ago, Sosa requested that the Orioles send him a stretch limo at the airport. On Wednesday, he found his way to camp without the aid of a limousine. He emerged from his white

Range Rover at 9:38 a.m., slipped into the clubhouse and had a quick chat with manager Lee Mazzilli before joining his new teammates on the back fields of Fort Lauderdale Stadium.

"I told him, 'I don't want you to just fit in. Be Sammy. I don't want you to change,'" Mazzilli said.

Sosa created a stir in Chicago with a boom-box that ultimately was destroyed by a teammate. That won't be a problem in Baltimore; Mazzilli does not allow the players to listen to music before games, except through headphones.

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# Thud. Iowa fall to Gophers

## MEN'S HOOPS

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span in the second half to pull away.

"It ended the way we wanted," Hagen said. "The three of us were diving on the floor, doing the dirty work."

The Gophers shot only 35 percent from the floor but 20 offensive rebounds, including 11 by Hagen, led to numerous second-chance baskets.

"We had no answer for Hagen down low," Iowa coach Steve Alford said. "He was a nightmare for our guys. ... All their seniors stepped up big — Lawson defensively and Hagen and

Robinson on offense."

Adam Haluska led Iowa (16-10, 4-9) with 19 points, and Jeff Horner added 11 for the Hawkeyes, who have lost five of six since leading scorer Pierre Pierce was kicked off the team because of ongoing legal problems.

Trailing by a point at the break, Minnesota opened the second half with two-straight put-back baskets by Hagen, but Iowa got four straight baskets by Mike Henderson and Haluska to take a five-point lead.

That's when Robinson went to work. He broke the streak with a 3-pointer, then fed Vincent Grier for an alley-oop dunk to tie the game at 36. Robinson

then hit Lawson for a fast-break lay-up, and, after a timeout, Robinson and Grier hit back-to-back threes for a 13-0 run.

"We just had to get the energy and momentum headed to our side," Robinson said. "The first half was kind of ugly but Coach [Monson] said to just hang in there because we were only down one. Once we got the crowd into it we changed the whole momentum."

Jeff Horner ended Minnesota's run with a 3-pointer, but Robinson answered with another 3 on the next possession, giving Minnesota an eight-point lead with 10 minutes to play. The Gophers pushed the lead

to 10 with a possession indicative of their dominance on the boards. Lawson tracked down two missed shots by his teammates, and on Minnesota's third chance, Grier drained a 17-foot jumper.

"It seemed like they wanted it more," Iowa center Erik Hanson said. "That's usually what rebounding is, want and aggression."

Minnesota's lead grew to as much as 14 before Iowa cut it to six in the final minute, thanks to the Gophers missing the front ends of three straight one-and-ones. But J'son Stamper and Robinson combined to go 6-for-6 from the line to help the Gophers hang onto the victory.

# Iowa swimmers compete in Big Tens

## BIG TENS

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Juggling two teams which short-staffed was a tough act for Long — but not his toughest.

Iowa lost four swimmers to injuries and other circumstances midway through the season — one that had begun with some exits, as two former Hawkeyes transferred over the summer.

"It has been a tough season for the Iowa swimming program," said Andrei Ciurca. "Losing a coach and some of the guys, but it is still going to be a

fun trip for the rest of us."

In October, the men's team started training — 1,600-yard warm-ups, practice, and a relaxing 1,000-yard cooldown in swimming's version of two-a-days.

"We've all put in the work," junior Cameron Dye said. "At the beginning of the season, our goal was to all swim lifetime bests at Big Tens, and if we did that, then the season would be a success."

A season ago, the Hawkeyes finished ninth in the tournament, accumulating 204 points. This season, seven top-25 teams float into Minneapolis, where

the Gophers will look to defend their title.

According to Collegesswimming.com, the Hawkeyes are the underdog with a 26-to-1,543 long shot to take home the title. But the men's swimming team accepts this.

"We are going into this meet as underdogs," Boyce said. "And if we don't think of ourselves as the toughest team in the Big Ten, then no one will."

For a team that has dealt with circumstantial difficulties throughout the season, its 1.7 percent chance to win doesn't

hold much weight.

"We have a large senior class," Boyce said. "The seven men have really provided stability and leadership."

The nation's top facility awaits Iowa. Along with two top-five teams and a stacked conference, whose seventh-worst team, Ohio State, is ranked 24th nationally.

They await an Iowa team which has faced more distractions than it had hoped. It'll be interesting.

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# Canadian player to sign with Iowa

ASSOCIATED PRESS

IOWA CITY — The thousands of Illinois fans who helped fill Carver-Hawkeye Arena last Saturday weren't a turnoff for Canadian high-school player Nathan Skinner.

He was still impressed and said he'll sign with Iowa in April. Skinner, a 6-4 guard from Toronto, visited Iowa last week and saw the Hawkeyes' 75-65 loss to No. 1 Illinois. The sellout crowd of 15,500 included approximately 3,500 orange-clad Illini fans.

"The crowd was great," Skinner said. "That crowd showed a lot of support within the community."

Iowa coach Steve Alford had hinted about a week ago

that he might be able to fill the scholarship that became available when Pierre Pierce was kicked off the team.

Skinner turned out to be that player.

"The teammates were very welcoming," Skinner said.

"A great group of guys. And Coach Alford, his credentials speak for themselves. I was coming into a great situation."

Skinner said he averages 22 points, 10 rebounds, and six assists at Toronto's West Hill Collegiate High School. He said he also looked at Wisconsin, Indiana, and Washington State.

Alford signed two recruits last fall — high-school guard Tony Freeman and junior-college center Kurt Looby.

## MLB

### Cardinals hold first full-squad workout

JUPITER, Fla. (AP) — Shortstop David Eckstein and second baseman Mark Grudzielanek started their workouts.

Pitchers Matt Morris and Jason Isringhausen, rehabbing from operations, threw on the side.

The St. Louis Cardinals held their first full-squad workout Wednesday, a much different group from the one that won the team's first NL pennant

in 17 years.

"You really want to get on the field and start playing with the guys," said Eckstein, signed to replace Edgar Renteria. "It's great to see everybody."

Well, almost everybody. Outfielder Larry Walker missed the opening workout because of muscle spasms in his back. Walker, among many of the position players who arrived early, said he hurt the back on Sunday and aggravated the condition with a full workout on Monday.

# Goal: Advancing back to World Series

## SOFTBALL

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In addition to looking for another Big Ten title, they are looking to advance back to the World Series for the first time since 2001.

"You have to have a little bit of luck," head coach Gayle Blevins said.

"You have to stay healthy. That's a big part of the formula, too. And then it's coming out every day ready to play. What's been good is, I think, we had a good fall training. The attitude has been good, and our approach has been good for preseason training."

Giving a solid, concerted effort in every game will be a priority for the Hawkeyes.



**Birocci**  
pitcher

**Ruff**  
infielder

**Nichols**  
freshman

**Blevins**  
head coach

Last season, Iowa had a knack of playing up or down to its competition, something it cannot afford to do this season with such a young roster.

"Last year, I think we tended to be a team that played to the level of the opponent every game, so some games we just didn't play hard," Blevins said. "We had a lot of growing up to do. I think that is a big

difference in our team this year. There's a different kind of maturity in our returning players, and our freshmen are just real good solid players."

The freshman class has already produced for Blevins. Emily Nichols, a freshman from Portland, Ore., leads the team in total bases (11), slugging percentage (.786), on-base percentage (.500), and on-base

plus slugging (1.286). She also has one of the team's three home runs. Stephanie Ackerson of Des Moines, another freshman, has provided strong arm to add to the pitching corps of Birocci and junior Ali Arnold. She has pitched 6.1 innings, notching four strikeouts without giving up a run.

"We have a lot of talent," Nichols said.

"A lot of people can play numerous positions, and our lineup is awesome."

Along with the new blood in the lineup is new enthusiasm and a new goal.

"We're focusing on the whole enchilada. We want to go to the World Series," Nichols said.

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# No. 3 Boston College upset by Villanova

BY DAN GELSTON  
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VILLANOVA, Pa. (AP) — Wins over ranked teams are becoming routine for Villanova.

Randy Foye scored 23 points, and the 23rd-ranked Wildcats

survived a nine-minute stretch without a field goal to beat No. 3 Boston College 76-70 on Wednesday night.

The fans stormed the court just as they have for two other home wins over ranked teams, chanted "Tournament," and shook hands with coach

Jay Wright.

The Wildcats (18-6, 8-5 Big East) beat their fourth Top 25 team of the year, including a win over then-No. 2 Kansas last month, and bolstered their chances of making their first NCAA Tournament appearance since 1999.

Curtis Sumpter scored 18 of his 20 points for Villanova in the first half, and Kyle Lowry added 11.

Craig Smith led a second-half rally for Boston College (22-2, 11-2) and finished with 18 points, while Jared Dudley had 15.

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SPORTS

# Cowboys reunite Bledsoe, Parcels

BY JAIME ARON  
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IRVING, Texas — Drew Bledsoe set passing records and reached the Super Bowl as a young quarterback playing for Bill Parcels in New England. Nearly a decade later, the duo will try doing it again with the Dallas Cowboys.

Bledsoe was given a three-year contract with the Cowboys. Financial terms were not immediately available.

"Bill wants me here and being the starter. I anticipate that being the case and not for one year," said Bledsoe during a Wednesday news conference, one day after he was released by the Buffalo Bills.

The Bills told Bledsoe he would be cut last week, and he said then that "Dallas is intriguing for obvious reasons." Once Parcels was interested, too, the 33-year-old apparently chose not to seriously pursue other starting jobs.

"It's an offense, that, when I looked at it, it was very enticing," Bledsoe said. "I can't wait to go home and dress my kids in little stars and get rid of the other team's stuff."

Parcels was running the Patriots when he made Bledsoe the No. 1 overall pick in 1993. They reached the Super Bowl following the 1996 season, losing to Green Bay, then Parcels left for the New York Jets.

Over their four seasons together, Bledsoe set several NFL records for attempts and completions and threw for more than 4,000 yards twice.

Bledsoe's career has risen and fallen several times since then.

An injury cost him his starting job in New England in 2001, and



Drew Bledsoe, the new quarterback for the Dallas Cowboys, smiles at a news conference in Irving, Texas, on Wednesday. The Cowboys signed the veteran after he was released by the Buffalo Bills.

the emergence of Tom Brady prevented him from getting it back. He was traded to Buffalo, where he made the Pro Bowl with another 4,000-yard season but failed to reach the playoffs all three seasons with the Bills, going 23-25 overall.

Last season, Bledsoe helped Buffalo go from 0-4 to 9-6 going into the finale with a chance to make the postseason. However, the emergence of running back Willis McGahee also was a big part of the team's turnaround.

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Bonds will have to answer the questions **SOONER OR LATER**

BY JIM LITKE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Barry Bonds talks a game every bit as good as the one he plays, and that's really saying something.

For 37 minutes during a televised news conference Tuesday, the San Francisco slugger talked about truth, justice, ethnicity, threats to the public health, the working man, jealousy, envy, and fairness, pausing at one point to insist, "Don't edit this, make it live."

He was, by turns, articulate, engaging, funny, informative, smooth, slippery, calculating, and — because context is so important — very, very angry. He was also in denial.

"I don't know," Bonds said, "what cheating is."

Here's hoping the federal prosecutors in the BALCO investigation do, because the next time Bonds sits still for that many questions about steroids will take place only after he's been served with a subpoena. He won't set the ground rules then, won't dare dismiss the people questioning him as "liars," and he won't be able to punctuate every answer with a lecture about it being "time to move on."

During the grand-jury phase of the BALCO investigation, those same prosecutors confronted Bonds with documents alleging he used a cocktail of performance-enhancers — steroids, human growth hormone, insulin, and more — dating to his record-setting season of 2001. According to testimony leaked to a newspaper, he told them he didn't know what was in any of the concoctions his long-time pal, personal trainer, and BALCO bagman Greg Anderson handed him and that he never checked out any of the ingredients with the Giants trainers or medical staff because he didn't trust them.

If that sounds hard to believe, consider this: When Bonds was asked Tuesday whether anybody else in baseball knowingly used steroids over the past 15 years, he replied, "You know



John Storey, San Francisco Chronicle/Associated Press

San Francisco Giant Barry Bonds signs autographs for fans after departing Scottsdale Stadium in Scottsdale, Ariz., on Tuesday.

what? I never — truthfully — I never really paid any attention to it, nor did I really care, because I worried about me."

Apparently, Bonds just assumed all those teammates and opponents whose physiques blew up until they resembled inflatable dolls were spending just as much time in the weight room as he was. And further, that all of them had pals like Anderson always at the ready, with a remedy for whatever ailed them. Viewed that way, the supersizing of baseball looks no more suspicious than what happens in a class at Jenny Craig, only in reverse.

Except almost nobody is buying it. Even those fans Bonds said have finally warmed up to him.

"I have probably gotten the best relationship with fans through all of this," he recalled, "that I ever have in my entire career ... coming over to me — the things that I've always wanted, to come over to me and just shake my hand and say,

'You know what? Who cares. You're a good ballplayer. You proved it. You know, you've done this, you've done that. We're all supporting you.'

"I've never heard that before," Bonds said.

Funny he'd say that, since just about every other disgraced ballplayer has heard it at one time or another.

Keith Hernandez was cheered when he returned to the ballpark after being involved in a cocaine scandal that plagued the game in the 1970s. Pete Rose got the loudest ovation at the All-Star game a few years back, despite being drummed out of baseball for gambling on his own team. Wil Cordero was accused of beating his first wife, pleaded guilty to assaulting his second, and, because he knows how to hit a baseball, too, had little trouble finding jobs in several towns with "supportive" fans. As recently as Monday, Jason Giambi was warmly received at the Yankees complex in Tampa,

Red Sox will get World Series rings in April

ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT MYERS, Fla. — The Boston Red Sox will get their World Series rings at their home opener April 11 before a full house of 35,000 fans — and the New York Yankees.

The jewelry symbolizing the team's first championship in 86 years will be handed out in a pregame ceremony at Fenway Park.

"I'm sure I'm not going to help them hand them out," Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter said to laughter at New York's camp in Tampa. "But they deserve it. I'm sure they've been looking forward to this for a long time. So let them do it."

Boston became the first major-league team to overcome a 3-0 deficit in a postseason series, doing it against their biggest rival in the AL Championship Series last October. The Red Sox then swept St. Louis in the World Series.

"This is the kind of quality

problem I hope we're going to be able to have with some frequency," Red Sox President Larry Lucchino said, "sit around at spring training and decide just when, oh when, do we give out the World Series championship rings."

Yankees owner George Steinbrenner had no complaints about the ceremony being held while New York is at Fenway Park.

"The Red Sox won their rings. They earned them," he said in a statement. "They have the right to pick the date at which they present them, and it's not a personal affront to our players."

To accommodate fans who didn't get tickets to opening day, the rings will be displayed at a welcome-home dinner attended by players that same night and at a display on the Fenway Park field along with the World Series trophy and the ball Doug Mientkiewicz caught for the last out of the Series.

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**Gonzalez denies Canseco allegations**

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. (AP) — Juan Gonzalez hasn't read Jose Canseco's book and doesn't want to.

The Cleveland slugger became the latest player to refute allegations made by his former teammate, saying Wednesday he has never used performance-enhancing drugs and that Canseco lied about introducing the two-time AL MVP to steroids in the early 1990s.

"It's not true. ... I never saw needles. I never saw pills. I never saw anything. ... The only guys who have put needles in my body are doctors," Gonzalez said.

In his new book, Canseco claims he educated Gonzalez, Ivan Rodriguez, and Rafael Palmeiro about steroids after being traded to Texas in 1992. Rodriguez and Palmeiro also have denied using performance-enhancing drugs.

Gonzalez, joined at a news conference by agent Alan Nero, said his comments following a workout at Chain of Lakes Park would be his last about Canseco, who said injected Gonzalez and others with steroids.

"I feel sorry for Canseco. ... His comments hurt my feelings," Gonzalez said, adding that he's willing to take a test to prove he's clean. "People who know me a long time in this game [know] I've never had problems with anybody. ... I have a clear mind and clear heart."

Gonzalez said he is not angry with Canseco, and he has no plans to pursue legal action.

"If you are going to consider legal action, you really have to determine how you've been harmed, and I think that's a difficult thing to do," Nero said. "Juan's attitude the whole time is he feels bad for Jose and just hopes that he's going to be OK. ... There's no anger or retaliation in this man's mind."

Asked if he feels there are a significant number of baseball players who have used steroids, Gonzalez replied: "I don't know about the rest of the people. I know about myself."

One of baseball's most feared hitters before injuries limited his production the past three years, Gonzalez has played a total of 185 games the past three seasons. He appeared in just 33 in 2004, when he batted .276 with five homers and 17 RBIs.

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Will the academy pan *Finding Neverland*?

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### THE AVIATOR

Nominations: 11

- Best Picture
- Actor in a Leading Role — Leonardo DiCaprio
- Actor in a Supporting Role — Alan Alda
- Actress in a Supporting Role — Cate Blanchett
- Cinematography
- Directing
- Art Direction
- Costume Design
- Film Editing
- Sound Mixing
- Writing (Original Screenplay)

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Nominations: 7

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Nominations: 7

- Best Picture
- Actor in a Leading Role — Clint Eastwood
- Actor in a Supporting Role — Morgan Freeman
- Actress in a Leading Role — Hilary Swank
- Directing
- Film Editing
- Writing (Adapted Screenplay)

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Nominations: 6

- Best Picture
- Actor in a Leading Role — Jamie Foxx
- Directing
- Costume Design
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Nominations: 5

- Best Picture
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- Actress in a Supporting Role — Virginia Madsen
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# ROBBED!

*Outraged by the Snubbery?  
In a year of astounding cinema, there were oversights galore.  
DI film critic David Frank gives credit to all the performances and films that would  
have been nominated if he ran the universe.*

BY DAVID FRANK  
THE DAILY IOWAN

**GREAT PERFORMANCES,  
LESSER MOVIES:**

Robbed! — That's the only proper response to *The Aviator's* Alan Alda supplanting *Kill Bill's* David Carradine in his rightful supporting-actor nomination. Even as the spokesman for the Carradine Kicks Alda's Ass Social Club, I admit Alda serves his film well. But that's it.

Meanwhile, Carradine's complex mixture of menace and warm charisma secures *Kill Bill Volume 2* as the best film of 2004.

Okay, I'll drop a shot of bourbon and chill because that's all the whining about specific Oscar nominees I have in me. Apart from Alda (and Annette Bening because I haven't seen *Being Julia*), this is the rare Academy Awards in which all nominees for motion picture, actor/actress, supporting actor/actress, and director, are fine choices (safe and predictable ones, but commendable nonetheless).

That's not surprising, given that 2004 was cinema's best orbit around the sun in the last five years. As a result, a legion of movies and performances were left by the wayside when it came to the 77th Academy Awards nominations. So in lieu of ranting about how the chosen Oscar nominees usually force me to drink grain alcohol straight up, here are some gems left behind to cough up the *The Aviator*, *Million Dollar Baby*, and et cetera's dust.

**SNUB ME, WELL, SNUB YOU!**

There's no denying Paul "I am not drinking any fucking Merlot" Giamatti's poignant work for *Sideways* should have been a shoo-in for a best-actor nomination; maybe closeted Merlot drinkers make up the academy's majority. Regardless, this marks two snubs in as many years for Giamatti, who delivered 2003's best performance in *American Splendor*.

Peter Sarsgaard — one of the best character actors working — can relate to Giamatti. After the Oscars ignored his subtle yet potent performance in 2003's *Shattered Glass*, he offered two more naturalistic performances in *Garden State* and *Kinsey* for consideration. "Thank you, try again" was the academy's reaction. Maybe Sarsgaard is too subtle for the academy and needs to play a retard in order to get lovin'.

Then there's Jim Carrey, who could give the supreme performance of thespian history and still receive no Oscar attention. *The Truman Show*, *Man on the Moon*, and now Carrey's introspective turn in the masterpiece *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* completes the snub trifecta. No wonder he's depressed.

In *A Door in the Floor*, Jeff Bridges portrays a writer whose marriage and life are collapsing because he's a real scalawag. Bridges inhabits his character with an utmost authenticity that pulls an otherwise middling film up a few pegs.

Bill Pullman achieves a similar feat and delivers the performance of his career in *Rick*, a low-key satire of middle-management executives. Pullman's Rick is misogynist, racist, and an outright ass-hat who knows he's all those things and loathes himself for it. Like Bridges' character, Pullman forces us to pity Rick despite his immorality.

"Nefarious" is not a description often attached to Neve Campbell. But in *When Will I Be Loved*, she plays a femme fatale who takes vengeance upon two men solely to learn if she's capable. Campbell peels off her character's apparent naïveté and proves the audience has underestimated her intelligence along with the film's characters.

As for a character who contains a moral center, there's Jim Caviezel's performance as the original hippie in *The Passion of The Christ*. The half-baked flashbacks hinder the movie's power, but he still deserved a nomination for shrieking in a dead language while getting his liver stomped for two hours.

**WE DEEM YOUR GENRE  
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*Kill Bill Vol. 2* hemorrhages its spaghetti Western, kung fu, and grind-house influences while depicting a complex and

heart-rending revenge/love story. *Spider-Man 2* is a masterfully crafted comic-book spectacle that's just as character-driven as *Sideways*. *Shaun of the Dead*, a romantic comedy with zombies, cleverly satirizes the horror genre.

Sure, these films reaped endless critical praise by transcending their respective genres and deserved nominations across the board. But the academy wouldn't dare sully its stodgy reputation by recognizing these movies with origins in perceived lesser genres. Pass out the black-rimmed glasses and turtle-necks, because that's the narrow-minded foundation of film snobbery. But who knows, maybe things would be different if *Shaun of the Dead* starred Jack Nicholson and Meryl Streep.

**WE AIN'T READING  
NO PICTURE SHOW**

*The Sea Inside* earned a foreign-picture nomination, but it warrants more. Javier Bardem plays a quadriplegic who petitions the Spanish government in the cause of euthanasia. Bardem owns every moment he's on screen in a brave and graceful performance that only allowed him the use of his head. And in an underrated performance, Mabel Rivera anchors the film with her sturdy depiction of Bardem's nonjudgmental caretaker/sister-in-law.

However, Bardem and Jamie Foxx aren't the only actors who cornered the handi-capable market last year. *House of Flying Daggers* contains one of the best

female performances of 2004 — Zhang Ziyi plays a cunning blind dancer in ancient China who gets caught up in love triangle ... plus it's a martial-arts film that's more exhilarating than *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* — unfortunately, it hasn't found the same mainstream appeal as *Crouching Tiger*.

And speaking of a masterpiece that never found an audience — because Samuel Goldwyn Films bungled its American distribution — *The Guk Gi: The Brotherhood of War* tells the story of two brothers forced to fight in the Korean War. The film is as visceral and epic as *Saving Private Ryan*, with the same heart-rending emotion, and if I controlled the universe (which someday I will), *The Guk Gi* would be sitting pretty with a nomination in every category and a hundred mil in its purse.

**BARELY SEEN, HARDLY NOTICED**

Writer/director/profanity-lover David Mamet jettisons exposition in *Spartan* and drops us right into his ferocious kidnap thriller that contains Val Kilmer's finest performance in years. *Spartan* is the type of gritty, no-nonsense flick (akin to the tone of *The French Connection*) rarely made anymore.

However, it's a miracle that *The Saddest Music in the World* was ever made at all. A legless beer baroness creates a contest to find the world's saddest music during the Great Depression. Take a surrealistic 1920s silent German film and toss it into a blender with Isabella Rossellini, Canadian peculiarity, and everything else, and presto: You have a humorous masterpiece brimming with quirk and raw emotion.

Another film emblazoned with honest emotion is *Mean Creek*. A group of adolescents invite the school bully on a canoe trip to secretly perform an embarrassing prank upon him. You guessed it — events turn tragic. A group of young actors have never given such natural performances before, and Josh Peck's lonely, vicious, and realistic portrayal of the bully (comparable with Carradine's Bill) deserves an Oscar nomination more so than, hmmm, Alan Alda perhaps.

Side note: I'd give 10 pounds of flesh and a kneecap to see "America, Fuck Yeah!" from Team America: World Police nominated for best song and performed at the ceremony by Enya and Phil Collins.

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BY WILL SCHEIBEL  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Christmas 2004. I had been looking forward to this day for months, not only because of the traditional giving and receiving of gifts but more so because Martin Scorsese's long-awaited biography of Howard Hughes, *The Aviator*, was finally opening nationwide. The film is now nominated for 11 Academy Awards, including best picture, but not every Oscar contender made its way to Iowa City until the last few weeks. Some nominees, in fact, never played here at all.

Though the film gets my vote for best picture of 2004 (and Scorsese will hopefully take home his overdue statuette for best director), the televised Oscar ceremony on Feb. 27 should be full of uncertainties and potential surprises.

Now that prints of Clint Eastwood's boxing drama, *Million Dollar Baby*, have trickled into smaller cities, *The Aviator* no longer seems to be the clear-cut best-picture favorite among viewers. Alexander Payne's bittersweet dramedy, *Sideways*, continues as the critics' darling of last year. And the Ray Charles craze sweeping the country climaxed with the DVD release of *Ray* Feb. 1.

"We had a pretty good year [at the box-office]," said Kim Davis, the general manager of Coral Ridge 10. "It always could be better, but it wasn't bad." He

also said that, with a few exceptions, there were no big blockbusters, such as *The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King* (2003) or *Chicago* (2002) — which each won the best-picture Oscar in their respective years.

Once the nominations were announced, Davis said, business went up only slightly. Several of the nominees (such as *Sideways* and *Hotel Rwanda*), didn't open until the Friday after the announcement. Others, such as *Ray* and *Finding Neverland*, were playing at least a month before they were nominated.

Coral Ridge 10, along with Cinema 6 and Campus 3, are all part of Cinema Entertainment, and their screening selections are determined by the corporate office in St. Cloud, Minn.

"We played all the major releases, but we were lucky enough to get some of the smaller ones," Davis said. He added that he wished the company could have obtained a few more films, but it is still trying to get a hold of yet-unavailable movies. Availability, he said, is one of the major determiners as to which films will be shown and when.

*Million Dollar Baby*, for example, received a limited release just before Christmas in order to be considered for the Oscars. The film didn't play widely until over a month later so that it didn't get lost in the Christmas shuffle, Davis said.

The Bijou, Iowa City's source for foreign, classic, and



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Director Martin Scorsese (left) directs actor Leonardo DiCaprio during filming of *The Aviator*. The film is one of five candidates for the best-picture Oscar, which have managed respectable ticket sales but collectively have been seen by fewer moviegoers than any batch of best-picture nominees in 20 years. Edging toward \$90 million, *The Aviator* leads this year's roster.

independent films, showed several of last year's art-house nominees: *Maria Full of Grace* (best actress), *Before Sunset* (best original screenplay), *Super Size Me* (best documentary), and *The Story of the Weeping Camel* (best documentary). *Vera Drake*, which is nominated for best actress and best original screenplay, opens today.

Andy Brodie, a member of the Bijou board of directors, said the theater does not necessarily take a film's Oscar potential into consideration when organizing its lineup.

"We try to bring in praised films that won't go to other theater chains," he said, adding that the Bijou also hopes to at least break even on each film.

The Bijou has a 15-member board that pitches two to three new releases via e-mail, Brodie said. The picks are then discussed and voted on, before the programming director calls the distributors to have the films booked and shipped.

Based on what is available, Brodie said, the cinema plans about two calendars per semester. "We want to show stuff that people want to see but can't see anywhere else," he said. "If the Bijou weren't here, this town would have a pretty unspectacular lineup."

Because the Bijou is nonprofit and university-affiliated, it isn't considered a priority theater for a lot of distributors, Brodie said. It tries to get its films as soon as it can, but, like the mainstream theaters in town, booking is entirely subject to availability and how well the films are doing elsewhere.

Regardless of the timing and the number of movies the theater can show, he said, the Oscars are not a major concern for the Bijou. "The Oscars are a marketing tool ... a PR thing," he said. "They make the industry look good; they're not about awarding great material."

Despite the Bijou's offerings, Matt Gaventa, a TA in the UI cinema/comperative literature department, said he always feels let down in terms of what movies he has to pick from in town.

"The Bijou has a huge burden ... too big for the resources it

has," he said. "And the Campus 3 is great, but the turnover is very slow; it gets good things but not enough of them."

Nevertheless, Gaventa said, Iowa City residents shouldn't have a hard time keeping up with films nominated for the big categories. "It's pretty rare that the Oscars nominate alternative stuff," he said. Even *Sideways* shouldn't be considered independent, he added, because of its heavy promotion in trade journals and the word-of-mouth spread by major corporations.

The film selection in Gaventa's home town in New Jersey is the same as Iowa City, he said, only it usually gets its movies three months earlier. "2004 seemed run-of-the-mill. I'm not surprised by any of the nominations," said Gaventa, who saw most of the films in local theaters.

In spite of the late arrivals in theaters, the absence of certain nominees, and the number of non-blockbusters up for awards, the question remains whether local residents will care to tune in for the Oscar results.

Davis said there are die-hard Oscar viewers and people who just love watching awards shows. If nothing else, he said, movie buffs will be curious to see if Scorsese finally brings home the academy's honor for best director.

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## DVD capules reviewed by David Frank

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Movie: ★★★★★ out of ★★★★★  
Extras: ★★★½ out of ★★★★★

### now on DVD **HEAT**

Hollering Al Pacino battles grumpy Robert De Niro in a

character-driven cops-and-robbers tale that's a pinnacle of its genre. Director Michael Mann envelops every scene of *Heat* with a gritty authenticity. Both the cops and crooks feel like real human beings, and you end up rooting for both sides despite their antithetical professions and inevitable clash.

Movie: ★★★★★ out of ★★★★★  
Extras: ★★★½ out of ★★★★★

### classic **FEAR AND LOATHING IN LAS VEGAS**

To say I'm a Hunter S. Thompson fanatic would be a gross understatement. Thompson's brilliant prose compelled me toward writing and journalism. Sadly, the bullet he drilled through his brainpan forces me to pay tribute this week. Terry Gilliam's

profound and visually rich *Fear and Loathing* captures the legendary book's sensory overload, acerbic hilarity, cynicism, scorching view of the American dream, and Thompson's unique voice to the fullest extent attainable. And Johnny Depp delivers a pitch-perfect portrayal of the Emperor of Gonzo. Simply, it's a masterpiece. Drink Wild Turkey and honor the good doctor with a loud-decibel viewing. Mahalo, Hunter.

Movie: ★★★★★ out of ★★★★★  
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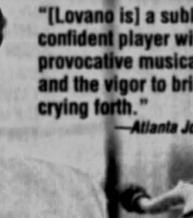
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**Metamorphoses**, by Mary Zimmerman, a University Theaters Mainstage production, focuses on 10 myths from Ovid. Pictured is the story of Myrrha, who lusts after her father, King Cinyras, and arranges to make love with him as long as he is blindfolded.

# weekly calendar of events

## CHANGE IS GOOD

*Metamorphosis*, adapted from Ovid, opens today in the David Thayer Theatre at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8-\$13.

### Today

#### Music

- **Jacqueline Krain and the Ringers**, Siren, 124 S. Dubuque, 8 p.m., price TBA
- **Modest Mouse**, Mason Jennings, Cass McCombs, IMU Main Lounge, 8 p.m. — sold out
- **Piano Festival**, David Kosevaar, piano, Clapp Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
- **Nikki Lunden Band**, Pet Chloe, Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn, 9 p.m., \$4
- **Shametrain**, Noah Earle, Mill, 120 E. Burlington, 9 p.m., \$5
- **Spacklebury**, Bent Wookiee Breakdown, Green Room, 509 S. Gilbert, 9 p.m., \$4
- **Special Jazz Event**, Matt Wilson's Arts & Crafts, Sanctuary, 405 S. Gilbert, 9 p.m., price TBA
- **The Cardinal Sin**, Passions, Gabe's, 330 E. Washington, 10 p.m., \$3

#### Words

- **Lan Samantha Chang**, fiction, 304 English-Philosophy Building, 8 p.m.

#### Theater

- **Metamorphoses**, by Mary Zimmerman, David Thayer Theatre, Theatre Building, 8 p.m., \$8-\$17
- **1964 The Tribute**, Englert Theatre, 212 E. Washington, 8 p.m., \$30

#### Misc.

- **Dinner Dance**, Iowa City/Johnson County Senior Center, 28 S. Linn, 5 p.m., \$3-\$12
- **Art History's New Frontier**, John Onians, 2189 Medical Education Building, 5:30 p.m.
- **Leslie Wayne**, lecture, E109 Art Building, 8 p.m.

### Friday

#### Music

- **Kantorei**, Anne Lyman conductor, Clapp, 8 p.m.
- **A+9**, Humankind, Imperfekt & Colorless, the Yellow Vs, Marshal Law, Gabe's, 9 p.m., donations accepted
- **Public Property**, Franky Malloon, Green Room, 9 p.m., \$5
- **Stuart Davis**, Mill, 9 p.m., \$5
- **Future Rock**, Yacht Club, 10 p.m., \$5
- **John Resh and the Detroit Blues**, Siren, time and price TBA

### Words

- **Lecture, On Safari in Eastern Africa**, Senior Center, 10 a.m., free
- **James Grace**, fiction, 321 Chemistry Building, 8 p.m.

#### Theater

- **Diamonds or Denim**, Riverside Theatre's Annual Fund-raiser, Sheraton Hotel, 210 S. Dubuque, 6 p.m., \$45
- **Metamorphoses**, by Mary Zimmerman, Thayer Theatre, 8 p.m., \$8-\$17
- **No Shame Theatre**, Theatre Building, 11 p.m., \$1

#### Misc.

- **Art History New Frontier**, John Onians, International Center, 1 p.m.
- **Swing Night**, Old Brick, 26 E. Market, 8 p.m., \$3-\$5.

### Saturday

#### Music

- **Double Bass Day Concert**, Clapp, 6:30 p.m.
- **Wylde Nept** (Irish Mayhem), Mill, 8 p.m., \$6
- **Jeff Coffin Mu'TET**, the Diplomats of Solid Sound, Green Room, \$10-\$12, 9 p.m.
- **Cozy Dope**, Yacht Club, 9 p.m., \$5
- **The Drivers**, Siren, 9 p.m., price TBA
- **Five Star Sequel**, Felix Culpa, the Frogs, A is Jump, Gabe's, all-ages show, 9:30 p.m., price TBA

#### Theater

- **Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo**, Hancher, 8 p.m., \$15-\$35
- **Metamorphoses**, by Mary Zimmerman, Thayer Theatre, 8 p.m., \$8-\$17

#### Misc.

- **Collage Film Festival**, Pappajohn Business Building, time TBA

### Sunday

#### Music

- **Philharmonic Orchestra**, Clapp, 3 p.m.
- **Piano Festival**, John Ellis, piano, Clapp, 8 p.m.
- **Kanser**, Interlock, Guilty by Association, Gabe's, time and price TBA

#### Theater

- **Metamorphoses**, by Mary Zimmerman, Thayer Theatre, 8 p.m., \$8-\$17

#### Misc.

- **Pub Quiz**, Mill, 8 p.m., price TBA

### Monday

#### Music

- **Open Mike with Jay Knight**, Mill, 8 p.m., free
- **Joe Lovano Nonet** and Brad Mehldau, Siren, 9 p.m., price TBA

#### Words

- **Jim Shepard**, fiction, 304 EPB, 6:30 p.m.
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Nick Arvin, fiction, Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque, and WSUI, 15 S. Dubuque, 8 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Music

- **Brad Mehldau Trio** and Joe Lovano Nonet, Hancher, 8 p.m., \$15-\$35
- **Matisse Trio**: Katie Wolf, violin, Anthony Arnone, cello, Ksenia Nosikova, piano, Clapp, 8 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Music

- **Chris Mertz's X-TET**, Siren, 7 p.m., price TBA
- **Keller Williams**, IMU Ballroom, 7:30 p.m., \$17-\$19

#### Words

- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Eleni Sikelianos, poetry, Prairie Lights and WSUI, 8 p.m.

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"Desperado" and Israel may not have much in common, but Hillel will bring the two together in its Israeli film series, which runs on Thursday nights throughout the semester.

*Desperado Square* will be screened today at 7 p.m. The film centers on Nissim, who, after the death of his father, has a dream to reopen the neighborhood theater. When his brother returns after a long absence, the two work together to screen the Indian film *Sangam*.

Series co-coordinator Joseph Steinitz, who was born in Israel and now resides in Iowa City, wanted to bring images of Israel that showed more than the violence featured in the news media.

"The idea [for the series] started from my experiences in Chicago with encountering a lot of anti-Semitism," he said. "How to approach it is to bring Israeli culture to the campus and to show that a better understanding can be achieved through film."

Steinitz and Tali Ariav, the co-coordinators of the film series, began to work with Hillel to show the films. Steinitz traveled to Israel to bring back some of the films for the series, and the funding partially came from donations and the UI Student Government.

"Many people have this picture of the [current] conflict," Steinitz said. "We have a rich culture that deals with day-to-day problems. There are so many points of view that CNN would not be able to cover."

*Bonjour Monsieur Sholomi*, one of the series' previous films, is an intimate story about a boy and his dysfunctional family, and Steinitz said Israeli cinema has evolved to focus around themes of personal stories and experiences.

Hillel's interest in film extends beyond the Israeli film series — the group also works in conjunction with other organizations, such as the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, and Allied Walk, in an April showing of *Walk on Water*, a film involving the Mossad (Israeli secret service), the Holocaust, and a gay relationship.

The group has also worked with the India Student Association in showing *Turn Left at the End of the World*, a movie about the cultural encounters between North African and Indian Jews. Hillel also has plans to show movies about the Holocaust from all over the world on May 5 and 6.

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