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The "Bradman" Labrador show, which airs on Thursday nights, will be open to discussion of his candidacy on Monday with callers who can learn about special events.

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Women's SENATE option: 2nd-grade girls stabbed to death

WASHINGTON - Two second-grade girls who disappeared while riding bikes together were found dead Monday, less than 15 minutes after they left the school and walked 100 yards to a trailer park where their bodies were discovered, authorities said.

A resident walking through a wooded nature area in the park discovered the bodies of Bryan-Dez Laney Huddle and Taylor-Michelle Jones, both 6-year-olds, around 7:30 a.m., according to a news release.

The parents of one of the girls said the child had reported being missing about 8:30 p.m. Sunday, about two hours after she was expected home, police Chief Doug Malcolm said. The parents of the other girl called shortly afterward, and authorities with rescue dogs began searching.

Malcolm said no weapons were found and there was no evidence of sexual assault. A girl's bicycle was found nearby.

"This is a horrific crime. It was a crime not only against those kids but against all of us," the police chief said.

Malcolm said police had not identified any suspects, and there were "no solid leads that we're focusing on." The killings stunned this town approximately 45 miles north of Chicago, prompting police and fire officials to begin setting up a command center.

The two girls arrived alone directly onto buses at the end of the school day. Classmates of unknown parents waited until their children emerged from the front doors of the school, then put their arms around their kids in clasped hands as they walked to their cars.

Malcolm, did not know if the girls were in the same second-grade class at the elementary school. "They were best friends," said Laura Loren, who lives near the park. "When one left, the other left. They were always together."

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The Di Editorial Board is taking each of the year-in-review questions we posed to our readers and offering our thoughts on them. The last two months, March and April, will appear on Wednesday.

Cops needed downtown for safety

I am a civil libertarian. I suppose the 21st century is a different world and key legislation. I am a card-carrying member of the American Civil Liberties Union. I am a frequent and unabashed critic of law enforcement. Nevertheless, I found myself wishing for City Police to step up their game last month or earlier to the editor while seeing beer-gogs.

Worried regarding the Iowa City Police, saying that their actions on Friday night were excessive and that they definitely should not have activated these enforcement activities. I am concerned that these cops could make mistakes. As a 3-year veteran Cambus driver, I have had more experiences than the annual position of downtown through everything. Something goes wrong, I am not prepared to put my own family and friends in danger and I would definitely not allow my children to follow suit. In May 30, it is rumored that some pretty serious crime is going on in the city center.

Let's review the evidence:

In his May 30 columns, Anthony Harris writes that if he becomes a firing line for some agents meaningful progress in the fight against愚蠢 physical violence, it will be difficult for him to make up our minds. This is especially true in this case. George Stephanopoulos on May 5, '91: "I don't think that there are anybody there that I would challenge in order to prove that..." While there is no question that the remarks were taken out of context. It might be possible that some people believe that George Stephanopoulos was being dishonest but there is no way to prove this for sure.

In the world around us, it is easy to see that some people are not as good as others. Some people are lazy, some people are dishonest, some people are rude, some people are mean. It is important to remember that everyone has the right to be treated fairly and with respect. It is not fair to hold someone responsible for something that they did not do.

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Wheeling away in the same old tired grind

**BY BRYAN SWOTKE**

Weezer has released another album, and it's a doozy.

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It seems that Weezer has finally found its own style and sound, and it is a welcome change from their previous albums. The band has matured and grown over the years, and it shows in their music. The album is filled with catchy hooks and memorable melodies, and it is a pleasure to listen to.

Unfortunately, the album is not without its faults. The production is sometimes flat, and the lyrics are not always as strong as they could be. However, these are minor complaints, and overall, the album is a fantastic representation of Weezer's skill and talent.

The album will definitely appeal to fans of the band, and it is a must-listen for anyone who enjoys pop rock music. It is highly recommended, and it is sure to be a hit with fans of Weezer all over the world.

**FILM REVIEW**

Kingdom of Heaven

**By Will Schabel**

The reading is free andCalendar-Worthy.

The film follows the path of a young blacksmith, Bloom, as he meets his destined love, a blacksmith who is a knight in medieval times, who plays the same role as Guy of Burgundy. They are the first to be cast in the movie, and it is apparent from the beginning that they are destined to be together.

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**CD REVIEW**

Weezer

**Mario Roffol**

Their new release, "Make Believe," is just another trip with Cuomo-piano, which every good band is doing these days. It may be something that we might be doing today, but it is a new way of doing things and it is something to be appreciated.

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Grad-tobe's plans still up in the air

Some UI workers move to unionize

U.S. troops mount assault in Iraq

Legislature still snarled
**quote of the day**

"It is one more piece of evidence... that is showing that sexual orientation is not all learned."

— Sandra Wisdon, an expert on brain anatomy and sexual orientation at McMaster University in Ontario, Canada, talking about data that show homosexsual men's brains responded more like those of women when the men sniffed a chemical from the male hormone testosterone.

**DAILY BREAK**

**horoscopes**

**Tuesday, May 10, 2005** — By Eugenia Last

**Residence halls close, 5 p.m.**

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**Doonesbury**

Free Food for Thought, United Campus Ministries, 9:30 p.m.-midnight.

**DILBERT**

by Scott Adams

**news you need to know**

Friday — End of finals, 9 p.m.

Residence halls closing contract ends, dinner

Saturday — Residence halls close, 5 p.m.

**happy birthday to...**

May 10 — Adam Goldman, 21; Hilary Cuthbertson, 19; Jimmy Brin, 19

**UVTV schedule**

3 p.m. — Iowa Writers' Workshop, In Honor of Frank Conroy

6:30 — Student Video Productions — Short Plays

7 — Iowa Writers' Workshop, In Honor of Frank Conroy

9 — Migration: Minnesota, Iowa

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**THE BEST PART ABOUT FINALS WEEK**

— by Nick Marquis

Your friends and relatives take pity on you.

The weather.

The Red Bull highs.

Finally learning what Shakespeare really meant when he wrote the St. Crispin's Day speech.

And if the semester is over, who cares about your report card or grades.

Shakespeare was a fraud.

The cramp you get between your thumb and forefinger when writing with your dominant hand.

The more outrageous your professor's finals when you know you can just put off studying until the last minute and still do well.

You feel like you actually deserve a break.

Everybody is equal during finals week.

The fact that it doesn't matter how well you do, as long as you show up and turn something in, you will still graduate.
Softball players mention the fear of Birocci

**BIOCCI**

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Without question, Brown is one of the best pitchers the Hoosiers have ever had in their softball program. Her 896 career strikeouts is second only to Kriste Hinze of 857. As of today, she has 301 career wins against 85 losses, with what little hope there will be a lot more. She owns the single-season Iowa record with 29 victories, but Birocci will now have a legitimate shot to be the second all time if she passes Debbie Bilihas with 36.

Best of all, perhaps, is how humble and generally likable Birocci is. Earlier this year in an interview the week after she broke Jones's strikeout record, she was as modest as ever.

"I was kind of happy when it was over," she said.

"The strikeout record was the last thing on my mind when I was going," Iowa coach Dave Loevinsohn had a similar measured attitude toward the record and isn't surprised with how successfully Birocci has become.

"Anybody could have watched Lisa throughout her high-school career and realized that there was not a ceiling on this young woman," Rhoads said.

"I guess I don't really dwell on three types of things very much," she said about the record.

"But it's great; I'm real happy for her.Indiana senior Ashley Griffiths has been one of the best pitchers in the Big Ten in her tenure at Iowa, and she described what makes Iowa so special.

"When you hear the name 'Birocci', a lot of players already think about what they've done before they even get there," she said.

"You really have to concentrate on the ball and make sure you see it done," Birocci, "because she's quick. Most teams just have to catch up to her pitch." At the bottom of the last column of records page in the Iowa softball media guide, it says "Bold denotes current player." This year, "Lisa Birocci" is inserted, bolded, in 13 of 14 pitching categories. Next year the same will no longer be the case, but it will still be clear, making sure the IU 2003 Female Athlete of the Year won't be forgotten any time soon.

I can't reach her at 310-758-2248

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**Hamilton, Wallace lead Pistons past Pacers**

**NBA**

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**QUARTERFINALS**

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**Day-3 (G1-7)**

**Thursday, May 9**

Miami 105, Washington 88, Miami leads series 2-1.

Detroit 96, San Antonio 83, San Antonio leads series 2-1.

**Monday, May 9**

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Dallas 119, Phoenix, 103:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, May 10**

Washington 95, Miami, 7:30 p.m.

San Antonio 110, Miami 93:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 11**

San Antonio 100, Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.

Miami 113, Washington, 8:00 p.m.

San Antonio 110, Dallas 10:30 p.m.

The Pacers are scheduled to Hamilton, Indiana, and defeated by 5-7 during the regular season. In the first round against Philadelphia, he scored a career-high 29 points and nearly scored a career-high 29 points during the season. And a better right fielder obviously had the notoriety your four-time Cy Young would've missed 48 at the box, But, being a starter for six years for his role in the brawl and one of his brothers was encouraged to be a threat to offense instead of just being a supporter and defender like he once was under Colter.

Wallace averaged 9.5 points last year, then a career-high, and improved to 11.7, scoring 34 of his 113 in those 31 points. The series.

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New York — Randy Al­
doni hit a two-run home run in the third inning, and the Yankees beat the Boston Red Sox for their third three-game win­
ing streak of the season.

Tori Marlowe homered in her third consecutive game for the Yankees (14-10), who were win­ning off consecutive shoots of Oakland.

Johnson (9-2) gave up seven hits and two runs in his seventh start in 2004. He improved to 15-4 with a 2.27 ERA, and the Yankees won in his 24th start.

Drakes, Twins 0

Aaron Rowand was the hero for the San Francisco Giants, driving in the tying run in the eighth inning to send the game to extra innings, and the Giants won in 10 innings on a solo home run by Mark Sweeney.

Rowland had two hits and drove in two runs to help the Giants end the White Sox's eight-game winning streak.

Carson (1-1) pitched for three scoreless innings in relief of Video Neely, who left because of cramps

in his left hamstring in the sixth. Bryan Hensley worked the rubber for his third save in four outings.

Baltimore Orioles

The Orioles beat the Toronto Blue Jays 2-1, with John Mayberry getting three hits in seven innings but was hurt by a sacrifice fly in the third inning. The Orioles have 24 homers this season, the fewest for a team in the majors in 2004. The Blue Jays had 43.

The Yankees (23-4) are leading the AL East by four games and have won 11 of 15.

New York Yankee pitcher Randy Johnson delivers a pitch against the Seattle Mariners on Monday at Yankee Stadium.

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BY RONALD BLUM

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**LEAVING HERE**

Iowa junior wide receiver leaves team

James Townsend was the Iowa football team, the Denver Broncos named announced Monday.

"I will be leaving the university and the Iowa football program for personal reasons," said Townsend in a press conference on Monday. "I made a decision to rejoin the team in time for the 2006 season and to carry my degree.

Townsend played in 10 games last season, had four catches for 62 yards, an average of 15.5 yards per reception.

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**TO BE HONORED?**

Mike D'Anton

D'Antoni may be Coach of the Year

PITTSBURGH (AP) - After an unusual season, in which Pittsburgh went on a frenetic pace and guiding the Panthers to a league-best 62-2 record and Ed Hinkel.

Mike D'Antoni is the NBA Coach of the Year, a source confirmed by a source speaking on the condition of anonymity.

The selection will be announced publicly Monday, two days after Pittsburgh point guard Steve Nash was reported by the East Valley Tribune as the Pacific-10 Conference semifinals.

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**Iowa's paisano, picker with punch**

She broke the all-time Iowa softball strikeout record and consistently makes it harder and harder for hitters to breathe. With 896 career strikeouts, K.C. Birocci leads the Big Ten in Big Ten pitcher.

Earlier this season, Birocci broke the Iowa softball strikeout record earlier last week. The Daily Iowan sports editor attempted to crown some other Hawkeyes as the Female Athlete of the Year. But like the nearly 900 hitters who she has struck out, Birocci gave the western little chance in the matter.

This spring, she's been in more top five than Maroon 5. Her accomplishments, however, are listed in the Big Ten statistical categories - evidence that she consistently makes it harder and harder for hitters to breathe. Thus far, she's pitched the second-most innings of any Big Ten pitcher. She's one of three hurlers who've pitched more than 160 innings this season, and she still averages more than one strikeout per inning.

Biromet leads the Big Ten in saves, is second in wins, and third in appearances. And if you point out that she's third in the conference with a 1.67 ERA, then you'd be completely overlooking that she's fifth in batting average against and fourth in innings started.

Furthermore, concentrating only on her impact from the mound wouldn't be fair, either, because she's helped six home runs (tied for third among Hawkeyes) and has committed only two errors all season long (271 fielding percentage).

BY TED MCCARTAN

THE DAILY IOWAN

It has got to end.

To be another one of the hundreds of Iowa softball batters who have stepped up to face Iowa Biromet over the last few years, only to get humiliated.

Strike one, strike two, strike three, thanks for coming. Despite her amazing wind-up and intimidating stature, her role on the mound is to establish that of a restaurant hostess. A player steps up to the plate, the announcer calls her name, and Birocci promptly sites her face, allowing the fee to cool with complimentary all-you-can-drink free from a sand one - with a view - in the dugout.

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**PISTONS 96, PACERS 81**

*WEDNESDAY, INDIANA AT DETROIT, 8 P.M., TNT*

*By Larry Lage* RESEARCH ASSISTANT

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — No lessons on defense seem to have been lost.

Richard Hamilton scored 32 points, and Ben Wallace had 21 points, 12 rebounds, and four steals to lead Detroit to a 90-81 victory over Indiana on Monday night in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference semifinals series.

The Pistons' two previous road games against the Pacers were marked by turnovers in which the Pistons were called for 18. The Pacers turned the ball over six times, and Detroit went 6-for-9 on the fast break.

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**Pistons cruise in opener**

No braid ball this time, but Detroit wins again

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THE DI SPORTS DEPARTMENT WELCOMES GUESTS, COMMENTATORS, & GUESTS TO THE PISTONS CRUISE IN OPENER.

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**LEAVEN IN THE AIR**

Iowa bomb from Drew Townsend

Today, two days after Townsend was visiting his family in Philadelphia.

Townsend was reported by Ted McCurtis to be among a group of five or six receivers competing for playing time.

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**Iowa quarterback Lisa Birinci was upset on May 5 at Pearl Field. Birinci has been named The Daily Iowan's Female Athlete of the Year for her brilliance on the mound and the strikeouts of 896 opponents.**

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**Di Sports Awards**

**FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR: LISA BIROCCI**

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**AWARDS SERIES SCHELULE**

The Daily Iowan sports staff selects the year's top players, coaches, and moments from the year's top prep and major college athletics.

- **Monday**
  - Male Athlete
  - Female Athlete

- **Tuesday**
  - Daily Iowan Male Athlete
  - Daily Iowan Female Athlete

- **Wednesday**
  - Coach
  - Student

- **Thursday**
  - Freshman
  - Sophomore

- **Friday**
  - Senior

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**SPORTS**

SCOREBOARD

MLB

Boston 5, New York 2

New York 9, Los Angeles 2

Chicago White Sox 5, Texas 4

San Francisco 7, Philadelphia 4

New York 7, Chicago Cubs 4

NBA

Indiana 97, Indiana 81

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BACK TO ONE WITH: STREAK OVER, ANNIKA SORENSTAM REFOCUSES, 10

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