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The dish didn't run away with the spoon — they were plundered. Stacks of dishes are missing from the Burge Marketplace as a result of student "borrowing."



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A group of Burge residents stands in a dorm room on Monday evening looking at the booty they have pilfered from the Burge Market Place. The reasons for taking the items ranged from compensation for pricey meal plans to the pure sport of it.

Cost of Burge pilfering hits \$20,000

BY JANE SLUSARK
THE DAILY IOWAN

Residence-hall officials are attempting to reclaim up to \$20,000 worth of new dishware and flatware that students have pilfered from the newly renovated Burge Marketplace since November.

More than 1,000 glasses and several hundred coffee mugs are missing, said Burge food service manager Anne Harkins. Officials have not counted the missing plates, bowls, and silverware, she said.

"The mugs and glasses missing were more evident earlier," she said. "We couldn't get the ones we had washed fast enough. It's just gotten worse and worse."

Campus Food Service Director Greg Black said each mug is worth \$2, and the plates run around \$3. They were purchased as part of the \$14.4 million renovation of Burge Marketplace.

Typically, Black said, Food Service replaces approximately \$10,000 worth of utensils and dishes yearly because of wear and tear and petty thievery.

"This isn't a new phenomenon that students borrow trays, and silverware, and other utensils, but it appears to have accelerated with the new dinnerware that has been brought in," Black said.

The new, multi-colored Burge ware features sturdy plastic plates and bowls, as well as crystalline-colored plastic glasses. Dishware for the Asian food line are themed to match the food.

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Lawmakers still split on budget

BY DREW KERR
THE DAILY IOWAN



Mark Braun
the UI's chief lobbyist

DES MOINES — Mark Braun, the UI's chief lobbyist, had a running bet with his counterparts from Iowa State University and the University of Northern Iowa that Iowa lawmakers would come to terms by the middle of last week.

He lost the bet. And, odds are, Iowa lawmakers won't let Braun off the hook for this week or next.

The extended session indicates major disagreements that continue to divide the Republican-controlled House and the evenly split Senate.

Nearly \$25 million divides the two chambers' budgets, and feisty House Republican leaders said they will continue to fight for what they describe as a more controlled budget.

Part of the problem stems from the state Board of Regents requested \$40 million supplemental funding increase. The Senate's budget would give the regents \$22 million — \$7 million more than the House approved.

"Everybody feels he or she has a funding shortfall," said House Speaker Christopher Rants, R-Sioux City. "I don't feel bound to the \$40 million number, because the regents failed to ask us what we could actually afford. I just kind of laughed when I heard that number."

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— House Speaker Christopher Rants, R-Sioux City

Graduating Seniors | CAROLYN NOON



Laura Schmitt/The Daily Iowan

Carolyn Noon sits on the deck, her favorite place to be at the Alpha Chi Omega sorority house. Noon, a journalism and communication studies major, will graduate in a few days; her plans are still up in the air.

Unlikely sorority woman looks to do some good

BY HEATHER LOEB
THE DAILY IOWAN

In high school, Carolyn Noon was "probably the least likely person you would ever think would be in a sorority." So it seemed improbable that this soon-to-be UI graduate would ever become president of Alpha Chi Omega and win the President of the Year award in April — an honor given to one president of the UI's 14 sororities.

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UI's lagging salaries spur union move

BY PATRICK DAVIS
THE DAILY IOWAN

Two years of salary increases below the rate of inflation caused a local union to file a petition to unionize the UI's estimated 3,600 professional and scientific employees last week, organizers said on Monday.

Union activists held an open forum at Service Employee International Union Local 199's Coralville headquarters, 102 Second Ave., to discuss what they hope to achieve by unionization. The papers were filed with the state May 5 after the union obtained the consent of at least 30 percent of the employees.

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VIOLENCE IN IRAQ

U.S. troops attack in Iraqi desert

The operation is believed to have killed 100 insurgents in a remote area along the border with Syria

BY ALEXANDRA ZAVIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD — Hundreds of American troops backed by helicopter gunships and warplanes swept into remote desert villages near the Syrian border Monday, hunting for followers of Iraq's most wanted terrorist and reportedly killing as many as 100 militants since the weekend operation began.

The U.S. military said some foreign fighters were believed among the insurgents killed in the first 48 hours of the assault, which began late on May 7 in the border town of

Qaim, approximately 200 miles west of Baghdad. At least three Marines were killed in the region, it said.

U.S. officials described the area as a known smuggling route and a haven for foreign fighters involved in Iraq's insurgency. The assault was the biggest U.S. offensives since the insurgent stronghold of Fallujah fell last fall.

Meanwhile, militants claimed in an Internet posting to have captured a Japanese man after ambushing an international British security company's convoy in western Iraq. A spokesman

for the company confirmed the employee was missing.

It wasn't clear whether Sunday's attack was related to the U.S. operation, which was approximately 80 miles away.

The offensive was being conducted by Regimental Combat Team 2, a joint force of approximately 1,000 Marines, sailors, and soldiers commanded by the 2nd Marine Division, and it was expected to last several days in an area along the Euphrates River in the al-Jazirah Desert, said Capt. Jeffrey Pool, a Marine spokesman.

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'Bradman' to vie for council seat



BY ELAINE FABIAN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Workman known on air as 'Bradley 'Bradman' Laborman,' the local TV and radio personality is running for an at-large seat on the Iowa City City Council

Local TV and radio personality Brad Workman, known on air as "Bradley 'Bradman' Laborman," announced that he will run for an at-large seat in the Iowa City City Council elections in November.

Workman is a disk jockey for KCJJ radio weekdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and he hosts his own show, "Tonight with Bradman," on Public Access Television on Thursday nights. He said his media access will not give him an added advantage. He will be treated just as any other candidate on his radio show, he said, and his candidacy will only be mentioned in news reports. He will, however, be open to discussion of his candidacy on his PATV show.

The 30-year-old moved to Iowa City in 2000, although he had visited the city throughout his childhood. He said that he would like to see the city return to what it once was: "One of growth and community."

"When I was a kid, we would come to Iowa City because it was the place

to go," he said, adding that because former councils turned down an offer to bring the Coral Ridge Mall and Adventureland to Iowa City, it allowed the communities around the city to "grow so much there is no more 'wow' about Iowa City."

Workman, who tried to run for council two years ago but lived outside the city limits, said if elected he will represent the citizens better than the business people already on the council.

"The community needs to decide what they want," he said. "I will support them, even if I'm against it. I have to go with what the majority wants."

He also plans to get students to vote in the election by hiring interns who could receive credit hours for their work. He said he also hopes to reach students with his "Bradman for Iowa City" Facebook group where students can learn about special events.

Workman does not support the 21-ordinance, which would, if passed, prevent people under the age of 21 from entering local bars after 10 p.m., saying that enforcement is the answer, not banishment.

"It's like putting up a wall in front of the mall and telling people that they could potentially shoplift," he said.

The Mount Pleasant, Iowa, native said he would like to see downtown Iowa City become more competitive with Coralville and the Sycamore Mall area by providing more parking, free parking on the weekends, and more convenient bus routes.

Workman is a divorced father of two boys, 5-year-old Carver and 3-year-old Campbell. He graduated with degrees in theater, mass communication, and English from Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, Iowa.

There are three seats up for re-election this year: the District B seat and two at-large positions. Councilor Connie Champion will seek re-election in District B. Franklin "Flip" Arkulary, former Councilor Larry Baker, Amy Correia, Richard Dobyns, and Chuck Goldberg, are running for an at-large seat. Candidate Garry Klein has not yet decided if he will run in District B or for an at-large seat.

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House Republicans push Medicaid measure

BY MIKE GLOVER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — Republican leaders in the House said Monday they have come up with a stopgap measure providing \$70 million to carry the Medicaid program through the remainder of this year.

Lawmakers had hoped to include money for this year's shortfall in the bill that covers next year's appropriation, but there's little chance of that agreement coming quickly, said Rep. Bill Dix, R-Shell Rock.

"It's unclear how that's going to be resolved," he said.

Dix is the head of the House Appropriations Committee, which approved the bill Monday. House approval was expected to follow quickly.

The Senate last week approved a fiscal 2006 budget of \$5.1 billion, but House Republicans have said they will reject the plan as too large.

The Senate plan includes a doubling of the state's cigarette tax of 36 cents per pack, which House Republicans oppose. Overall, the plan spends about \$25 million more than the version approved by the House.

If House Republicans block the Senate budget plan, "we don't want Medicaid funding to fall vic-



Charlie Neibergall/Associated Press

Iowa Speaker of House Christopher Rants, R-Sioux City, holds the gavel prior to floor debate on Monday at the Statehouse in Des Moines.

tim," Dix said. "It's important that we stand fast for the taxpayer."

There was little progress Monday as the Legislature opened its second week of an overtime session that had been

scheduled to end April 29.

The House approved the Senate's plan for a pilot project that would extend a limited form of Medicaid coverage to as many as 30,000 patients now receiving

charity care at two state hospitals.

Federal officials gave the state a waiver from Medicaid rules to set up the program at Broadlawn Medical Center in Des Moines and UI Hospitals and Clinics.

CITY

Mother charged with assault

An Iowa City mother was arrested last weekend for allegedly assaulting her daughter during an argument.

Pamela Marie Sinnott, 48, and her daughter were reportedly fighting at Sinnott's residence, 941

Dewey St. on May 7. Her daughter attempted to push past her mother into her room, but Sinnott allegedly "snapped."

She attacked her daughter, according to police records, causing numerous scratches and bruises on several areas of her daughter's body, including the back, legs, arms, shoulders, ear, and chest. Sinnott

also attempted to "rip out the victim's nipple ring."

Her daughter sustained a scrape on her face and red marks on her neck but told police that she fell.

Online court records show no criminal record for Sinnott in Iowa but list her as the mother of two juveniles with lengthy charges, including fifth-degree theft, criminal

mischief, third-degree harassment, disorderly conduct, possession of controlled substance and alcohol under age, and operating while intoxicated.

Sinnott was charged with assault causing injury, a serious misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in prison.

— by Traci Finch

POLICE BLOTTER

Isaac Berrios, 23, 1958 Broadway Apt. 4A, was charged May 7 with driving while license was suspended/canceled.

David Cabrera, 25, Muscatine, was charged May 7 with operating while intoxicated.

Brandon Campbell, 26, Oxford, Iowa, was charged May 6 with public intoxication.

Thomas Fay, 45, 102 Shrader Road, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.

Ryan Fitzpatrick, 26, 2714 Wayne Ave. Apt. 3, was charged Sunday with assault causing injury.

David Fults, 35, address

unknown, was charged Sunday with obstructing an officer.

David Gonzalez, 32, 818 E. Market St., was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Brittany Guzman-Fults, was charged Sunday with obstructing an officer.

Ryan Kennelly, 23, 312 E. Burlington St. Apt. 17, was charged Sunday with second-degree burglary.

Elatia Smith, 18, Coralville, was charged May 6 with disorderly conduct.

Bradley Stroud, 24, Tiffin, was charged May 7 with OWI.

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Morning commuters inch toward the Tobin Bridge and into Boston on May 2, 1996.

Report: Traffic jams spreading

BY LESLIE MILLER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Sitting in traffic, an annoying part of life in many big cities, is becoming a major headache in places not usually lumped in with New York, Washington, and Los Angeles.

Take Omaha, Neb. Each year, motorists in one of the country's most wide-open states spend the equivalent of nearly a full day in highway gridlock, according to the annual Urban Mobility Report released Monday by the Texas Transportation Institute.

Omaha is among a growing list of metropolitan areas where drivers are delayed at least 20

hours a year. There are 51 such places now, compared with just five in 1982. Among some of the newer entries: Colorado Springs, Colo.; Virginia Beach, Va.; Charleston, S.C.; New Haven, Conn.; Raleigh-Durham, N.C.; Salt Lake City; and Cincinnati.

"That's where the growth is," said Tim Lomax, one of the report's co-authors. "The medium cities are about 10-15 years behind the big cities."

And 10-15 years is about how long it takes to complete transportation projects that reduce congestion, he said.

The numbers, from 2003 data, reflect a long-established trend of people moving to the suburbs for more affordable

housing and space. The report concluded that urban areas aren't adding enough roads, improving traffic operations, or managing demand well enough to keep pace with the societal changes.

The result is clogged highways, and the king of that road nightmare is Los Angeles, where motorists are delayed an average of 93 hours a year. San Francisco was next with 72 hours, followed by Washington (69 hours), Atlanta (67 hours), and Houston (63 hours).

In the 85 urban areas studied, rush-hour drivers spent three times as much time stuck in traffic in 2003 — 47 hours — than they did in 1982, the study found.

Washington-area commuter Reynold Walbrook spent more than an hour Monday traveling eight miles through the Maryland suburbs. Walbrook, a pharmaceutical salesman from Glenn Dale, Md., said the reason was an accident, an all-too-frequent rush-hour occurrence on the roads around the nation's capital.

"Everyone was on the cell phone, and whoever was on the other end was getting the rage," he said.

Alan Pisarski, the author of *Commuting in America* and a transportation consultant, said many major traffic problems these days are out in the suburbs and along the edges of metropolitan regions.

Dems, Republicans seek judges compromise

BY MAURA REYNOLDS
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON — With a showdown building over President Bush's federal-court nominees, Democrats and Republicans on Monday discussed compromise offers and counteroffers — some in public, some in private — that many lawmakers hope might defuse the conflict.

Two leading senators — one Democrat and one Republican — urged their colleagues from the chamber's floor to lower tensions over blocked

judicial confirmations by moving ahead on nominees that Democrats oppose but have pledged not to filibuster.

A third senator, Democrat Ben Nelson of Nebraska, said he was working privately to round up six of his Democratic colleagues to join in a deal with six Republicans that would force both sides to stand down.

"I think that most of us feel that we've got to do something, and we ought to be able to put our minds together and come up with something," Nelson said on CNN's "Inside Politics."

Nelson said that under the compromise, the six Republicans would agree not to support the "nuclear option" — preventing the use of the filibuster to block judicial nominees. Democrats would agree to allow floor votes on some or all of seven Bush nominees who were previously blocked but who earlier this year Bush re-submitted for confirmation.

However, neither side offered to change positions on use of the filibuster for future nominations, especially to the Supreme Court. Both sides

describe that as the sticking point in any deal.

NATION

Two 2nd-grade girls stabbed to death

ZION, Ill. (AP) — Two second-grade girls who disappeared while riding bikes together were found dead Monday, both stabbed numerous times and left to die off a bicycle path in a park, authorities said.

A resident walking through a wooded nature area in the park discovered the bodies of 8-year-old Laura Hobbs and 9-year-old Krystal Tobias at about 6 a.m.

The parents of one of the girls had reported her missing about 8:50 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 heinous 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 school officials to escort children directly onto buses at the end of the school day. Dozens of anxious parents waited until their children emerged from the front doors of the school, then put their arms around their kids or clutched their hands as they walked to their cars.

Constance Collins, the superintendent of the Zion Elementary School District 6, said the girls were in the same second-grade class at Beulah Park Elementary School.

"They were best friends," said Laura Unrein, who lives near the park. "When one left, the other left. They were always together."

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STAFF EDITORIALS

Moving right along — the third round

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

• FOR JANUARY

Are the UI's campus renovations and building constructions worth the money? Was the no-income-tax idea enough to entice young people to stay in Iowa after completing their education?

To the first question, yes and no. The quality of a learning space does affect the quality of learning that takes place within it, and many of the UI's older facilities are in need of an upgrade. However, the university does not have the budget it ought to have. A stingy Legislature is likely to underfund the regents' budget request, and they're planning mid-year tuition hikes to fill the gap. In this environment, costly building projects — especially those that seem unlikely to directly benefit academics, such as the \$30 million planned overhaul of the IMU — seem questionable. Unless the UI can finance these projects without resorting to state appropriations, tuition hikes, or student fees, it should take a very critical look at which projects it truly needs.

Tax cuts by themselves certainly are not enough to retain young people. The amount of money involved would have meant much more in lost revenue for the state than in savings for young people, because Iowa's income tax is not especially high in any case. The Legislature is nonetheless right to be considering ways for Iowa to keep more of its young people, and any idea that may accomplish this is worth entertaining. We feel that lawmakers have taken the proper course in the months since January by focusing on development schemes such as Gov. Tom Vilsack's "Great Places" initiative. Iowa is already cheaper than many of the places that graduates immigrate to; the trick is convincing them that they have something to stay for.

• FOR FEBRUARY

Were the Iraqi elections successful? Was the UI right to expel Pierre Pierce from the men's basketball team?

President Bush had declared the elections successful almost before they occurred, saying that simply having them was a success. To some degree, he had a point: The elections took place under incredibly trying circumstances, demonstrated clearly that Iraqis had an interest in deciding their future, and they were an inspiring sight. But three months later, we know little more about the elections' effect on Iraq than we did in their immediate aftermath. The Iraqi Parliament could not assemble a government until last weekend, the vast majority of the Sunni Muslims who make up one Iraqi in five have yet to be brought into the political process, and violence continues.

One thing the elections seem to have accomplished is to cause news about Iraq to begin receding from headlines, as Afghanistan's did three years ago. It would be a tragedy for Iraq's people, and all Americans and allies still serving there, to be victims of our collective short-term memories.

It was problematic that Pierce was still on the team when the second set of criminal charges emerged. The UI's prompt dismissal of Pierce, soon after the story broke yet before charges were filed, could be seen as a public-relations move by an institution nervous about its image. But Pierce, and the university's lax treatment of him in the past, had already done considerable damage to the image of our basketball program; the damage would have been compounded if the UI hadn't acted swiftly. For that reason, expelling him was the proper choice when no good options existed.

LETTERS



"... THERE'S OUR BIG COLLEGE GRAD IN HIS CAP AND GOWN!!!"

Cops needed downtown for safety

I am a civil libertarian. I oppose the 21-ordnance, the drinking age, the couch ordinance, and keg registration. I am a card-carrying member of the American Civil Liberties Union. I am a frequent and unashamed critic of law enforcement. Nevertheless, I am forced to wonder if Chip Wandling dreamed up his May 6 letter to the editor while wearing beer goggles.

Wandling criticized the Iowa City police, saying that their patrols of downtown on Friday nights are excessive and that perhaps if they discontinued these enforcement activities, they could better afford to monitor sex offenders. Hogwash.

As a three-year veteran Cambus driver, I have on many occasions been in the unusual position of driving through downtown, completely sober, for hours at a time on Friday or Saturday nights. The amount of drunken and reckless driving that I have observed during these times is ridiculous, and I can only imagine how much worse it would be if our officers were not there.

Do the police make mistakes? Do they ticket and arrest people who would have done no harm had the police left well enough alone?

Yes, I, too, have committed errors at work, as I am sure have all of the readers of this paper, but that does not invalidate the work that we do. We need our officers downtown on party nights, for everyone's safety.

Andy Cowan
UI student

What men should be doing

In his May 9 column, Anthony Harris writes that if he becomes a "lightning rod that sparks meaningful progress in the fight against sexual violence," he will have "won." Given that Harris took it upon himself to offer "advice" to what "feminists" should be doing, I'd like to return the favor to him: www.mencanstoprape.org

Allison Page
Iowa City Antiviolence Project

Come again?

Is it my imagination or did the following just happen in this country?

George W. Bush ran around saying that we have a Social Security crisis because we will eventually have to reduce benefits by approximately 20 percent. So to fix it, he's proposing a new, much more expensive plan that will cut benefits by approximately that same amount. Is that what happened?

William Stosine
Iowa City resident

A YEAR IN REVIEW ... 3-PEAT

OK, we have room today for just two responses. Sorry if yours isn't one of them. Here they are:

IN JANUARY:

• Are the UI's campus renovations and building constructions worth the money?

The Burge Market Place renovation was a required project. Appearance is the basis of first impressions, whether it is the appearance of a person or the appearance of a university campus. Burge used to look pretty bad, and whatever amount of money it took to make it look like it does now was well-spent. Any feeling of inconvenience from construction blockades became null and void when I didn't have to truck it all the way to Hillcrest to have a good meal during the day. I think that Burge's appearance will make a big difference in how prospective students view the UI. Because freshmen live there, I think that the renovation simply upped Iowa's face value by making Burge a desirable destination rather than "Dirty Burge." In the end, the money that is spent on renovations helps everyone.

Nicole Stickel, UI student

IN FEBRUARY:

• Were the Iraqi elections successful?

Of the 25 million people who live in Iraq, only 14 million were considered "eligible voters." Of that amount, only 60 percent voted. In the five days leading up to the May inaugurations, more than 140 people were killed in Iraq (the "unofficial" Iraqi civilian death toll is between 15,000-100,000, depending on what report you read). The *New York Times* recently reported that basic civic infrastructure is currently barely equal to what it was during Saddam Hussein's rule, and some alternative media outlets have recently reported that 85 percent of

Iraqis want an immediate withdrawal of foreign military forces.

As for Pierre Pierce? He shouldn't have been readmitted after his first sexual-assault charges. Our community should use this unfortunate incident as an opportunity to address all aspects of gender violence in Iowa City, crimes that are overwhelmingly committed by white males who are not college athletes.

David Goodner, UI student

A YEAR IN REVIEW ... THE LAST DANCE

These will be posted through the end of the week. We'll print responses to them on May 13, the last day of finals.

IN MARCH:

The UI Student Government presidential candidates capitalized on the Facebook fad to advance their campaigns. Mark Kresowik and Lauren McCarthy won a decisive victory, with 48 percent of the votes and a record turnout of nearly 25 percent.

- How has the Facebook trend changed the UI student community?
- What can account for the high turnout of votes in this year's UISG elections?

IN APRIL:

The world mourned the passing of Pope John Paul II, while Iowa Citizens paid last respects to Frank Conroy, former director of the Iowa Writers' Workshop. The kidnapping, rape, and homicide of Jetseta Gage sparked talk of repealing Iowa's 40-year ban on the death penalty.

- How should Pope John Paul II and Frank Conroy be remembered?
- Should Iowa reinstate capital punishment?

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(UN) REALITY BITES

Some of you, it is rumored, will be paroled from the university after this week. Good behavior or something.

Which means you will be going out into what we euphemistically call the real world. And it's traditional at this time of year for those of us who have been paroled to offer some advice about the real world to those who are about to be paroled. Don't ask why. If you start questioning traditions, pretty soon you'll stop believing in Mother and Apple Pie, and that will lead you down the perfidious road to discovering the Iraqi WMD were a sham concocted in part by a Shiite Iraqi with questionable ties to Iran. Next thing you'll know, you'll stop believing in the tooth fairy.

Hmm. Well, anyway, about the advice: I don't have any.

Oh, I suppose I could say, Don't trust anyone over 30. But that was said a long time ago, and the people who said it are comfortably (or uncomfortably) past 30 now. (Or, if you want to look at the real world through a geological time frame, they're a nanosecond past 30. One thing about using a geological time frame is, you never get old.)

(That chuckling you hear is Mother Nature.)

I go along with James Simon Kunen on not trusting people over 30. In *The Strawberry Statement*, he wrote something to the effect that he agreed with the sentiment but thought that you ought to remove the zero.

If you did the arithmetic and came up with, Don't trust anyone over 3, you're probably ready for the real world.

Or at least as ready as most of the world's population. Because there's one true thing about the real world: It's unreal.

Don't believe me? Well, for instance, let's take this reality bite. Recently, the Rev. Pat Robertson, the well-known conservative Christian, said the "out-of-control judiciary" is a larger threat to the United States than Al Qaeda.

No, really. And no, I don't know why. Maybe he was off his meds. So many conservatives seem to be these days.

Some conservatives have rushed to the good reverend's defense, contending that his remarks were taken out of context.

Well, let's see. Here's Robertson "This Week" being interviewed by George Stephanopolous on May 1:

Stephanopolous: "But sir, let me just stop you there. How can you say that these judges are a more serious threat than Islamic terrorists who slammed into the World Trade Center?"

Robertson: "It depends on how you look at culture. If you look over the course of a hundred years, I think the gradual erosion of the consensus that's held our country together is probably more serious than a few bearded terrorists who fly into buildings."

I think it's quite clear that Robertson is saying judges are more dangerous than Osama bin Laden.

Which is, of course, blithering nonsense. It's, well, unreal.

But it's indicative of the real world. Because in the real world, the reasons for invading Iraq have changed so many times and grown so convoluted that the president is reduced to saying it was part of the war on terror, even though there were no terrorists in Iraq before the invasion. (OK, there was a small group up in the north protected by the U.S./British no-fly zone. I think that's called irony.) In the real world, to ward off Social Security benefit cuts some decades down the road, the president proposes to cut Social Security benefits some decades down the road. In the real world, the president proclaims that "most of the tax cuts went to low-and-middle-income Americans," when, in fact, most went to the top 10 percent of the population.

Those are just a few highlights of the real world. You can see why it's hard to give anyone any advice. Read Kafka. T.C. Boyle. Kurt Vonnegut. Keep a copy of *Catch-22* handy at all times.

Because unreality bites.

And leaves you with some pretty good teeth marks. ■



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ON THE SPOT

How will you be affected by next year's planned tuition increase?



"It's already expensive as it is."

Lindsay Gaskell
UI sophomore



"Just more money out of my student loans, I guess."

Jake Schreder
UI sophomore



"I'm a senior, but it's not fair for the other kids."

Jim McCarron
UI senior



"I'm graduating, but it has affected me for the last three years."

Jean Mattes
UI senior

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Orlando Bloom stars as Balian, a blacksmith who becomes a knight in *Kingdom of Heaven*.

Wheezing away in the same old tired grind

BY **BRYAN SWOTEK**
THE DAILY IOWAN

Weezer has released another unimpressive album.

Well, it sounds like Weezer, but it is really nothing new, being predictable and unadventurous. Perhaps this means that Weezer's style is recognizable, but for as much hype as this album had, it leaves the listener with a case of music blue balls.

Make Believe follows the path that *Pinkerton* paved, and unfortunately, that road leads nowhere. It's sad, really, but Weezer has been the long running king of nerd rock, and it is apparently time for a new crowning.

It almost seemed as if after *Pinkerton*'s lack of success, the band would gracefully bow out, but alas, it's back with 45 minutes of Weezer milking everything it hasn't already and shoving it onto a CD.

The album starts on a bad note with the basic stomp-clap "Beverly Hills," which sounds like "I Love Rock 'n' Roll" without the respect.

"This Is Such A Pity" would have made a more accurate title track. If the Cure and Bananarama had a love child, this would be it.

Further listening reveals the true answer to this album: "We Are All On Drugs" — Rivers Cuomo gracing listeners with his whiny voice singing about drug addiction — and his stylistic intonation is an unfortunate turn off.

It is hard to believe that the same band that has released so many great albums in its



CD REVIEW

Weezer
Make Believe

career released this.

"My Best Friend" is just another tune with Cuomo pinning over a lost homie — his way of pouring whatever is in his bottle on the ground.

"Haunt You Everyday" seems to be the power ballad on the album minus the sympathy. It essentially carries the message, "Thanks for breaking up with me; I hope it kills you someday."

It is not the easiest thing to give a band such as Weezer a bad review. A band with this much experience should know how to win the world over, but whatever Weezer had, it lost it.

Don't buy this album right away; wait until it goes on sale. For the diehards who probably already have it, the unfortunate thing about anything you *Make Believe* is that it all ends sometime — and this album can't end soon enough.

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KINGDOM OF BOREDOM



FILM REVIEW

by Will Scheibel

Kingdom of Heaven

When: 1:15, 1:45, 4:30, 5, 7:45, and 8:15 p.m.

Where: Coral Ridge 10
★★½ out of ★★★★★

It's good to see Orlando Bloom branching out. In Ridley Scott's *Kingdom of Heaven*, he plays — surprise — a young blacksmith in medieval times, who gets looped into a perilous quest involving lots of swashbuckling. And, by the end, the pretty boy becomes a hero. God forbid teenage girls go home disappointed after seeing a film about the Crusades.

Bloom (*The Lord of the Rings* [2001, 2002, 2003], *Pirates of the Caribbean* [2003], *Troy* [2004]) isn't a bad action star per se. He's just a little underwhelming. I fail to understand why girls find this bland British wimp so attractive, but I bought him anyway here in his one-dimensional role. However, resting a two-and-a-half hour epic on the lad's shoulders is a huge mistake; he collapses from the weight halfway through the film.

As Balian, the 12th-century blacksmith, Bloom meets his



Publicity photo

estranged father, Sir Godfrey of Ibelin (Liam Neeson), when the man returns to France after fighting in Jerusalem. Godfrey teaches Balian the ways of knighthood and manages to recruit him for the holy wars. When Godfrey dies, Balian heads to Jerusalem, where its leper king (an unrecognizable Edward Norton) is near death and the Christian Templar Knights battle Saladin (Ghassan Massoud), and his Muslim army for control.

There's also heated conflict among the Christians — Balian becomes romantically involved with the king's sister, Sibylla (Eva Green), which sparks friction with Sibylla's husband, Guy de Lusignan (Marton Csokas). Jeremy Irons even turns up in a rather thankless role as Tiberias, the troubled adviser to the king. The distinguished presence of Irons, Neeson, David Thewlis (as a monk), and Brendan Gleeson (as Guy's buddy) can't make up for the fact that Bloom is just not yet cut out to be a leading man.

Scott certainly knows how to direct action (the spectacle did a decent job of replacing the soul in *Gladiator* [2000] and *Black Hawk Down* [2001]). Unfortu-

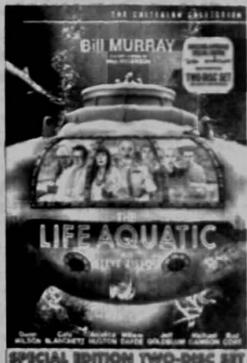
nately, he can't get away with these shenanigans in *Kingdom of Heaven*. Sure, the film is great to look at and full of splendid battle sequences. Thanks to Bloom's second-rate chops and William Monahan's truly boring, uninteresting script, the action doesn't satiate our cinematic appetites for substance. By the time the dust settles and the ringing in our ears finally stops, the film seems ultimately hollow.

The whole affair drags on too long, the characters never develop, and the romantic subplot is about as believable as those Living Dead pirates we saw in another Bloom flick. Scott wisely chooses not to take sides and makes none-too-subtle allusions to current world events. Still, you're not likely to walk out of the theater moved or mentally stimulated.

If *Troy*, *The Alamo*, *King Arthur*, *Alexander* (all from last year), and now *Kingdom of Heaven* are any indication, Hollywood history is bound to repeat itself. Unless some fresh blood enters Tinsel Town, trying to revive the period epic is no better than whipping a dead horse.

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IN THEATRES THIS JULY

NEWS

Israel delays Gaza evacuation

BY MARK LAVIE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JERUSALEM — Israel on Monday delayed the evacuation of 21 Jewish settlements from the Gaza Strip until mid-August — a month later than planned — raising doubts about the country's readiness for the pullout and even its resolve to carry it out.

Prime Minister Ariel Sharon told television interviewers he was taking into account a request from Israel's chief rabbis to put off the withdrawal until after a three-week period in which Jews mourn the destruction of the biblical Temples in Jerusalem, ending with a one-day fast that falls this year on Aug. 14. The pullout had been expected to start around July 20.

However, many Jewish authorities say there is no religious prohibition from evacuating during the three-week period, and at most it would be a gesture to the settlers, most of whom are Orthodox Jews.

Israeli Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom, who opposes the withdrawal, indicated it could not take place if the militant Hamas wins Palestinian parliamentary elections set for July 17. The Islamic group, which is fielding candidates for the first time, is expected to make a strong showing.

Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat complained that the Israelis are going it alone.

"We want to coordinate, but we find ourselves waiting for the next Israeli dictate, the next unilateral decision," he told the



Tsafir Abayov/Associated Press

An unidentified Israeli worker cleans the graffiti off a military steamroller near the Neve Dekalim beach in the Gaza Strip on Sunday. Anti-evacuation activists vandalized military vehicles that were being used to widen highways in the area, in part to facilitate the planned withdrawal from Gaza. Graffiti at the bottom reads "Sharon — Dictator."

Associated Press.

In an interview with Israel television in advance of the Israeli Independence Day holiday this week, Sharon said the pullout would start between Aug. 15 and 17.

"The evacuation will be carried out, giving consideration to the mourning period," he said.

Many have noted that the Jewish calendar was well-known

when the original timetable was set. That has led some to question whether the government is prepared to forcibly evacuate many of the 8,500 Gaza settlers and another 500 from the West Bank. Alternate housing has not been arranged.

The government insists it is ready.

Skeptics warn any delay could scuttle the withdrawal altogether,

giving opponents more time to organize and allowing time for developments that could interfere — such as a renewal of Palestinian-Israeli violence.

Even Vice Premier Shimon Peres, one of the strongest supporters of the pullout, said in an interview published Monday that the dispute over whether to leave Gaza houses standing could torpedo the exit.

Afghan insurgents, U.S. Marines battle

Five-hour fight leaves two U.S. Marines and 23 rebels dead

BY STEPHEN GRAHAM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KABUL, Afghanistan — Insurgents trying to escape U.S. Marines took refuge in a cave and killed two Americans during a five-hour battle in eastern Afghanistan that left an estimated 23 rebels dead, the U.S. military said Monday.

The clash, which also involved American attack planes, was the latest in a string of battles that the military says has inflicted heavy losses on militants who have intensified attacks since winter snows melted.

A U.S. statement said Sunday's battle began when a Marine unit checked on a tip about insurgents operating in Laghman, an opium-producing area 60 miles east of the capital, Kabul.

Insurgents opened fire with small arms and rocket-propelled grenades and then split into two groups, one of which fled to a village and the other to a cave on a nearby ridge, the statement said.

"U.S. Air Force A-10 aircraft engaged the insurgents in the cave and a squad of Marines went afterwards to assess the situation," it said.

"The two Marines were killed while clearing the cave area."

The statement said two insurgents were confirmed dead and 21 more were thought to have been killed. There was no word on any wounded from either side.

The names of the two Marines were withheld pending notification of families.

Their deaths brought to 143 the number of American troops killed in and around Afghanistan since the start of Operation Enduring Freedom in late 2001, according to U.S. Defense Department statistics.

After a winter lull, loyalists to the ousted Taliban regime and other militants opposed to the U.S.-backed government of Afghan President Hamid Karzai have ramped up their insurgency with a string of attacks and bombings.

But the rebels have suffered severe casualties when U.S. warplanes have caught large groups on open ground.

Last week, battles in two southern provinces reportedly killed 64 rebels, nine Afghan soldiers, and an Afghan policeman.

American commanders insist they are grinding the insurgents down and

persuading villagers along the Pakistani border to stop sheltering them.

They also suggest an 18,000-member U.S.-led international force could be trimmed after Sept. 18 parliamentary elections if a government reconciliation plan does well.

Karzai and U.S. officials have said the reconciliation process is open to all "non-criminal" Taliban and members of other groups. Officials say several dozen former fighters already have come forward.

The head of a peace commission supposed to oversee the process said Monday that the offer covered even Taliban leader Mullah Mohammed Omar and renegade former Premier Gulbuddin Hekmatyar, both wanted as terrorists by the United States.

Sibghatullah Mujaddedi, a former Afghan president, said he would negotiate with any Afghan ready to lay down arms and recognize Karzai and Afghanistan's new democratic constitution.

"Our commission is independent and we want to deal with all individuals," he told reporters.

Mujaddedi said he had cleared his approach with the Afghan government, but officials in Karzai's office declined to comment.

A U.S. spokesman, Col. James Yonts, said the military was studying Mujaddedi's remarks but suggested he had gone too far.

"Our position all along has been that those guilty of serious crimes must be responsible for their actions," Yonts told the Associated Press.

"We believe the government of Afghanistan understands and supports that."

Mujaddedi said he didn't know where Omar and Hekmatyar are, but insisted they are growing tired of being fugitives.

"If they come and join the peace process, we will see what their conditions are," he said.

"If they are acceptable for us and the government, we will accept them."

Separately, the U.S. military said it had found no trace of a radio station that a purported Taliban spokesman claimed last month was broadcasting near the southern city of Kandahar.

"To date, we don't have any actionable intelligence that this radio station exists," a spokeswoman, Lt. Cindy Moore, said.

'Today we pay tribute to the courage of all Europeans who countered Nazism.'

— Vladimir Putin, Russian president

Leaders mark 60th anniversary of Nazi defeat

BY STEVE GUTTERMAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOSCOW — Leaders of the victors and the vanquished united Monday to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Allied victory over Nazi Germany, with Russian President Vladimir Putin hosting President Bush and dozens of others in a Red Square celebration replete with goose-stepping soldiers, a hammer-and-sickle flag, and other symbols of the Soviet era.

At a lavish military parade, Putin evoked the alliance that brought victory, but he also stressed the Soviets' huge sacrifice in defeating Adolf Hitler's Germany.

"I bow low before all veterans of the Great Patriotic War," he said, using Russia's name for World War II, which killed an estimated 27 million Soviets during nearly four years of bitter fighting after the Nazi invasion of 1941.

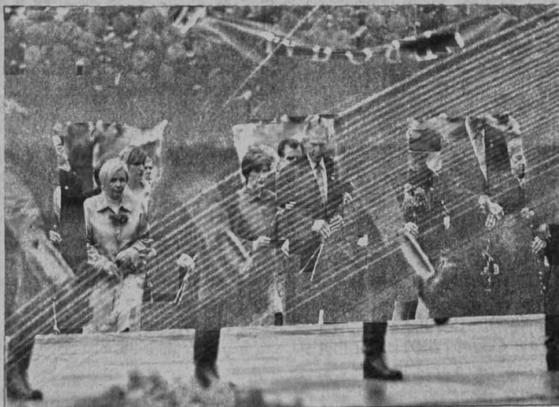
Amid strict security that closed the heart of Moscow to ordinary citizens, Putin watched the parade from a podium in front of Lenin's tomb flanked by Bush, French President Jacques Chirac, and German Chancellor Gerhard Schröder. On the Kremlin wall, the word "victory" was emblazoned in several languages, including those of the war's losers.

Putin described May 9, 1945 — commemorated in Russia as Victory Day — as "a day of victory of good over evil, freedom over tyranny."

Beneath overcast skies, the parade began with four goose-stepping soldiers in ceremonial gold-embroidered uniforms carrying a replica of the red hammer-and-cycle banner unfurled atop the Reichstag in Berlin after the building was seized by Soviet troops a week before the Nazi surrender. Veterans adorned with gleaming medals rode by in green trucks.

Soldiers in modern and World War II-era uniforms — infantrymen with red flags topped by Soviet insignia, tank troopers with black padded helmets — marched in tight formation, the slap of their boots echoing across the cobblestones. Jets streamed smoke in the Russian flag's white, blue, and red colors above the square after Putin's speech.

While Russians have often complained that the Soviets' wartime role is underrated in the West, Putin said that "we have never divided the victory between ours and theirs, and we will always remember the help of the Allies," listing the United



Eric Draper, White House/Associated Press

President Bush, first lady Laura Bush (center left), and others walk behind a line of soldiers in a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at the Kremlin Wall in Moscow on Monday. The ceremony commemorated the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II in Europe.

States, Britain, France, and those who fought fascism in Germany and Italy.

"Today, we pay tribute to the courage of all Europeans who countered Nazism," Putin said.

However, he added, "the most cruel and decisive events unfolded on the territory of the Soviet Union." Listing battles such as Stalingrad, Kursk, and the siege of Leningrad — where he was born in 1952 — Putin said that "the Red Army put a victorious end to the war with the liberation of Europe and the battle for Berlin."

Recent public bickering over the Soviets' postwar domination of Eastern Europe and Western allegations of democratic backsliding in Russia was put aside for the celebration.

Putin and Bush smiled when the American president arrived for the parade. When Bush lowered his umbrella, despite the rain, to allow photographs, Putin laughed and did the same. The Russian leader reserved the seat next to him for Bush, calling him a guest of "special importance."

After the parade, Bush walked next to Putin as the international leaders strolled to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and laid red carnations alongside a carpet of red roses spread in honor of those killed in World War II. They stood silently before an eternal flame at the tomb close to the red brick Kremlin wall before heading inside for a reception.

Speaking at the reception, Putin drew a parallel between World War II and today's threats from extremism and terrorism. "We must strengthen our cooperation in the fight against this

evil," he said.

He also said victory over the Nazis brought "the right to freedom, to life itself, to an independent choice of a path of

development" — the kind of remark bitterly disputed in the Baltic states, which were annexed by the Soviet Union and gained independence only with its breakup in 1991.

The leaders of two Baltic nations, Estonia and Lithuania, stayed away, angered by Putin's portrayal of the Soviet Union as a liberator despite decades of occupation. Bush balanced his Moscow visit with a trip to Latvia, another Baltic nation, and flew Monday to Georgia, a former Soviet state where a new pro-Western leadership is seeking to shed Russian influence.

After the reception, Putin and other VIPs gathered in Red Square for a concert that started with the tolling of the Kremlin bells and a moment of silence.

Security has been a concern in the capital because of attacks by Chechen separatists over the past three years, so central Moscow was closed to the public. Russians were urged to gather in homes or parks to mark the holiday.



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Burge dinnerware disappearing

BURGE

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The Food Service has set up cardboard boxes in the Burge lobby, as well as in neighboring dormitories, to encourage students to return the items without risk of confrontation, Black said.

"We realize kids are going to borrow things over the year, but we hate to see it go in the trash at the end of the year," he said.

A Burge Food Service worker told Black about a Facebook.com group, "Burge Dish Stealers," that boasts 33 members and a description that reads "Ever taken a plate or a fork from Burge? How about those new cups? You know you're guilty! Join and be a fellow klepto!"

Members of the Facebook.com group received a warning e-mail to return stolen items.

Member Alyssa Otterness said the group is mostly a joke, and she only has a plate from the Asian food line because she thought it was "cute."

"They said you can return them, and then they said your RA will be notified about this," she said. "If you don't return them and we notice them during



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan

An anonymous Daum resident returns stolen dishes to the Burge Marketplace on Monday evening. Officials estimate that the value of items stolen from the cafeteria and not returned has reached \$20,000.

'move out,' the UI police would be called. It was ridiculous."

Otterness said she knows many students who have given back the dishware since the e-mail and many that just borrow the flatware to use in their room during the school year.

Black said Hillcrest Marketplace is seeing some of the similar plastic dishware taken from the dining hall, such as the salad bowls. However, most of

those dishes are ceramic and not often stolen.

All students were warned in a mass e-mail to residents that if the trend continues, meal prices could increase.

"If your cost of business goes up, then you have to raise prices," Black said. "Our board rates are set for upcoming fiscal year, but it's for future consideration down the road."

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Aaron Holmgren/The Daily Iowan

UI Student Government President Mark Kresowik, seen in the reflection on a tabletop, listens to Iowa House Speaker Chris Rants address a question on raising the cigarette tax on Monday afternoon in Rants' office in Des Moines.

Legislature still snarled

LEGISLATURE

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But when regents announced last week that they would need to raise tuition if they don't receive the supplemental funding, not everyone was laughing.

UI Student Government President Mark Kresowik, Faculty Council President Katherine Tachau, and Staff Council President Michelle Wichman visited the Capitol on Monday to air their grievances.

They were told, essentially, better luck next year.

"It's kind of sad but, at some point, you just have to accept it," Kresowik said.

The state appropriations shortfall led regents to consider

a mid-year tuition hike of another 3 percent to be added to the already approved 4 percent increase. The idea drew criticism from both sides of the Legislature and Gov. Tom Vilsack.

Kris Bell, the Democratic governor's senior policy adviser, said that while Vilsack has no specific idea as to how the schools could make up the funding shortfall, he wants to make sure all options are exhausted before turning to tuition increases.

One such option emerged on the 116th day of session.

Mike Gronstal, the Democratic floor leader in the Senate, said there could be as much as \$100 million in surplus found in state revenue estimates due out in July.

If extra money were found, the Legislature would consider giving

some of it to the regents — a move that might make additional tuition increases unnecessary.

"Of course, there are going to be a lot of people laying claim to that money if that's the case," Gronstal said on a day in which senators could do little more than let the House debate the budget.

Now that the House has received the Senate version of the state budget, it will offer amendments and send them back across the hall. If senators fail to make any concessions, chances are leaders from the two chambers will meet in a conference committee to hash out a compromise that would likely lean toward the House's version.

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Grad-to-be's plans still up in the air

NOON

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"I wasn't that woman that you could just associate with a certain group," the 23-year-old from Hawthorn Woods, Ill., said, as she lounged on a couch in the house that has been her home since the fall of 2002. "Four years later, I've pretty much majored in sorority life."

Her time at the UI has been scattered over a variety of activities besides her work with her sorority — volunteering with grade-school children, dancing in Dance Marathon, and jobs as a newscaster on KRUI her freshman year and as a Hancher usher — as well as juggling communication studies and journalism majors.

No matter what she's doing, her friends say she approaches it with dedication.

"What sticks out about Carolyn is her passion," said Kira

Pasquesi, a UI senior who has known Noon for four years. "She goes above and beyond and has always been there for everyone."

When Noon leaves Iowa City on Saturday to head back to the Chicago area, looking for work in broadcast journalism, she will leave behind 2 a.m. trips to Wal-Mart with friends, a tradition of tailgating, and of course, a slew of embarrassing memories.

One in particular has become legendary in her sorority, serving as a warning for women everywhere. Her sophomore year, she casually mentioned to her mother that she found a particular man in a certain fraternity quite attractive — and her mother decided to help out as only a mother would.

"The long and short of it is that she ended up taking that information, and went and bought flowers, and sent them to his house," Noon remembered. "I just flipped out."

It's memories such as those

that she'll remember the most — "just fun memories, as embarrassing as they were, that you can just enjoy with your friends and just laugh about now," she said.

While she hasn't quite pinpointed her next career move after graduation, no matter where she ends up, Noon has one goal in mind.

"I just want to do some good in this world," she said. "I don't want to sound like Miss America, but it's just kind of a nice dream that whatever you do, other people are benefiting from it in some way."

Her friends have no doubt whether Noon will accomplish her goals.

"She definitely has her life together. You can tell," said Kay Knudsen, a friend of Noon's for four years. "She's always going to be a person who will bend over backward to help everybody."

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Some UI workers move to unionize

UNION

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"It's not that we don't like our jobs. If we didn't, we'd just quit," said Heather Wernette, a public-health microbiologist. "But after a couple of years of e-mails saying, 'Great job, but sorry, no funds,' there has really been a push for change."

Kevin Ward, the UI senior associate Human Resources director, said he could not predict what the effect unionization would have on the UI and that it was hard to speculate on the outcome.

"My issue is wage increases," said Eric Fisher, the supervising attorney for the UI Student Legal Services. "We've been in

the range of 1 to 2 percent, while inflation has been 3 percent. Our salaries have been essentially declining."

He also complained about the UI's recall rate — the conditions under which the university will rehire employees after they have been laid off.

The current policy is to rehire employees in order of seniority if their position reopens, but the policy is not mandatory. Union organizers hope to have a contract that will require the UI to follow the policy.

Wernette said that unionization will not be a quick fix, though it will ensure future promotions and salary increases.

The state Public Employee Relation Board usually sends

out ballots to eligible employees within 45 to 60 days from the time of filing. If more than 50 percent of respondents vote yes, a contract will be negotiated with the state Board of Regents. After the first contract cycle, only employees who join the union will have a say in contract negotiations.

Because Iowa is a "right to work" state, workers are not required to join a union, even if the union has sole bargaining power over contract negotiations.

Fisher said the UI has been behaving ethically and legally in regards to the union's efforts.

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U.S. troops mount attack in Iraq

IRAQ

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A senior military official in Washington said the offensive was targeting followers of Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the leader of Al Qaeda in Iraq, who are believed operating in the remote region.

"This is an area which we believe has been pretty heavy with foreign insurgents from many different areas — Syria, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Palestine," said Lt. Col. Steven Boylan, a spokesman for U.S. forces in Iraq. "That's a fairly porous area of the border because of the terrain. It is very difficult."

Iraqi Foreign Minister Hoshyar Zebari, speaking on the sidelines of a summit between Arab and South American nations in Brasilia, Brazil, said the Iraqis are getting closer to capturing al-Zarqawi.

"He's hiding himself," Zebari said. "But there have been a number of successes against his organization. It's

just a matter of time."

Acting on information from a captured al-Zarqawi associate, U.S. forces moved into Qaim overnight on May 7, killing six insurgents and detaining 54

suspects, the military said in a statement. Local residents were providing a "wealth of information" about the insurgency and foreign fighters in their area, Pool said.

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DAILY BREAK

calendar

- **UI Veterans Association Election of Officers**, 6 p.m., IMU. First Baptist Church, 500 N. Clinton St.
- **"Live from Prairie Lights," Adam Mansbach, fiction**, 8 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., and WSUI.
- **Massage Chairs**, 9 p.m.-midnight, front of bookstore, IMU.
- **Free Food for Thought, United Campus Ministries**, 9:30 p.m.-midnight.

quote of the day

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

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

horoscopes

Tuesday, May 10, 2005
— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Being receptive and open-minded will turn this day into a winner for you. Discuss your options with someone of experience whom you respect. Romantic connections can be made.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Past memories will help you find a solution to a problem that has been bothering you. Once you get past all the little aggravations, you will feel like thinking about making your future better. A minor change to one of your personal documents will benefit you down the road.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You will be restless and eager to get things going. Don't let yourself get all worked up over something you can do nothing about. Make the best of whatever situation you find yourself in, and you will make progress.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will discover that once everything has taken place and settled down, all your upset was over nothing. Move forward — let go of the past. Trying to keep things the same is futile.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): A community function or seminar that will teach you something new will result in making some worthwhile connections. Someone you least expect will offer to help you with something you have to complete.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): When in doubt, don't do anything. You have time, so slow down, and let others make a move first. If you start something today, you will have trouble finishing it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A creative idea you have will take off if you give it your all today. Both business and personal partnerships are looking very favorable, so don't be afraid to form a union with someone. You will have success entertaining others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You should be more interested in making deals today. The more you can do to drum up business or sign contracts, the better. A change to your residence will turn out in the short term but may lead to further changes in the future.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You have more control than you realize. Follow through with whatever it is you want to do, and don't let someone second-guess what you are trying to do. Romance is in a high cycle.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You will be able to work well with your peers today. The little extra you give will put you in a leadership position. Advancement is looking good. An unusual idea will be well-received.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Everything can go your way today as long as you aren't stubborn or feisty. Enthusiasm coupled with innovative ideas will draw the kind of attention you need to get your ideas off the ground. A serious partnership is probable.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't expect too much, and you won't be disappointed. Someone will let you down or set you up, so be careful. A practical and honest approach to whatever you do is your best bet.

news you need to know

Friday — End of finals, 9 p.m.
— Residence halls dining contract ends, dinner

Saturday — Residence halls close, 5 p.m.

May 15 — (3-week session) Withdrawal of entire three-week summer-session registration through 5/20, students held to 10% of tuition and mandatory fees

May 16 — (3-week session) Late registration fee for Day 1-5 effective through May 20 — (3-week session) Opening of 3-week summer-session classes, 7 a.m.
— (3-week session) Preliminary class rosters available

May 18 Second-semester grades must be submitted to the Registrar, 5 p.m.

happy birthday to ...

May 10 — Adam Goldman, 21; Hilary Cuthbertson, 20; Liza Rafael, 19; Jimmy Rhim, 19

PATV

7 a.m. Democracy Now
11 SCTV Calendar
11:30 SCTV Mature Focus
Noon "Live from Prairie Lights"
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1:35 Invasion Iowa
2 St. Mary's Liturgy

3 Demolishing Hope
4 Gospel Explosion Ministry
5 Animal House
5:30 Education Nebraska
6 Tom's Guitar Show Live
7 U.N. Report
7:30 The Zendik Perspective
8 PATV Reserved: Local Music
9 Medium

UITV schedule

3 p.m. Iowa Writers' Workshop, In Honor of Frank Conroy
4:45 College of Education Presents Creation Tales
5:45 "Talk of Iowa Live from the Java House," Mount Everest & Andrew Landers
6:50 Student Video Productions —

Short Films
7 Iowa Writers' Workshop, In Honor of Frank Conroy
8:45 Pitfalls of Narrative and Discourse Analysis in Social Science: A Public Discussion
10:15 Iowa Writers' Workshop, In Honor of Frank Conroy

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the ledge

THE BEST PART ABOUT FINALS WEEK

— by Nick Narigon

- 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 the answer is, we don't know who St. Crispin is or if that is his real name.

• Shakespeare was a fraud.

• The cramp you get between your thumb and forefinger when writing four page essays.

• The smug expression on your professor's face when you turn in your exam and he asks, "How was it?"

• It is a great excuse to get time off from work.

• You feel like you actually deserve a beer.

• 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.

Little University

1 What former D.C. mayor managed to get re-elected four years after FBI video of him smoking crack earned him six months in jail?

2 What three-digit HTTP error code indicates a webpage that no longer exists?

3 What PBS series did Dick Cheney send to Iraq to inspire Norman Schwarzkopf to be more aggressive?

4 What plastic-bodied car started production in Spring Hill, Tenn., in 1990?

5 What convenience-store chain began playing elevator music outside its stores to discourage teenagers from loitering?

Answers: 1. George W. Bush, 2. 404, 3. Vietnam, 4. Plymouth, 5. 7-Eleven

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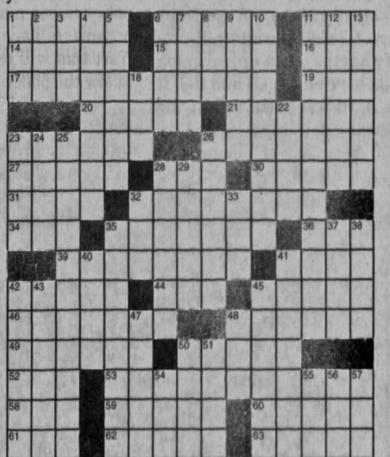
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Stared stupidly
 - 6 Light bulb units
 - 11 Sweetums
 - 14 Simple counters
 - 15 Potato growers' home
 - 16 Big galoot
 - 17 Convince a G.I.?
 - 19 Cause to fret
 - 20 Peruvian range
 - 21 Not naked
 - 23 Was dependent
 - 26 Bunt result, maybe
 - 27 Like the Wolfman
 - 28 It goes under a top
 - 30 "The Republic" philosopher
 - 31 Work units
 - 32 Secure position
 - 34 Baseball bat wood
 - 35 Random attack
 - 36 Evidence in a paternity suit
 - 38 No pieces of cake
 - 41 Masterstroke
 - 42 Water balloon sound
 - 44 Wind up or down
 - 45 Tropical lizard
 - 46 "As Good As It Gets" film studio
 - 48 Hit on the noggin
 - 49 Gymnast Mary Lou
 - 50 Go-between
 - 52 Frequently, in verse
 - 53 Refuse to work on the weekend?
 - 58 Actor Billy Williams
 - 59 Gies off
 - 60 Hosiery shade
 - 61 Blunder
 - 62 "Belling the Cat" author
 - 63 Casino array
- DOWN**
- 1 Burner fuel
 - 2 Justice Fortas
 - 3 Chum
 - 4 Elongated pastries
 - 5 Mickey Mouse operation?
 - 6 Sly trick
 - 7 Tacks on
 - 8 Mai
 - 9 Bara of old films
 - 10 Touchy subject
 - 11 Dine on some fish?
 - 12 Gift-giver's urging
 - 13 Abutting
 - 18 Uneven?
 - 22 Unit in a terrorist organization
 - 23 Perlman of "Cheers"
 - 24 Corn units
 - 25 Burn trash?
 - 26 Washed
 - 28 Irritate
 - 29 Violinist's application
 - 32 London forecast
 - 33 Sounds from Santa
 - 35 Set sail
 - 37 Microwave, slangily
 - 38 Like two peas in
 - 40 Hops-drying oven
 - 41 Like some air-conditioning
 - 42 Walked briskly
 - 43 Like better
 - 45 Rant and rave
 - 47 Japanese cartoon art
 - 48 Track action
 - 50 Concerning
 - 51 [You don't mean ...!]
 - 54 Rejoinder to "tain't!"
 - 55 Dynamic
 - 56 Quick to learn
 - 57 Thumbs-up response

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DI Sports Awards | FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR: LISA BIROCCI

'When you hear the name "Birocci," a lot of players already psyche themselves out before they even get up there. You really have to concentrate on the ball and make sure you see it done, because she's quick. Most teams just have to catch up to her pitch.'

— Indiana Hoosier Ashley Griffiths

Softball players fear the mention of Birocci

BIROCCI

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Without question, she is one of the best pitchers the history of the heralded Iowa softball program. Her 896 career K's best runner-up Kristi Hanks by 81. As of today, she sits at 26 wins this season with what Iowa hopes will be a long postseason left. Hanks owns the single-season Iowa

record with 39 victories, but Birocci will at least have a legitimate shot to be second all-time if she passes Debbie Bilbao with 30.

But, best of all, perhaps, is how humble and generally likable Birocci is. Earlier this year in an interview the week after she broke Iowa's strike-out 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 playing."

Iowa coach Gayle Blevins had a similar nonchalant attitude toward the record and isn't surprised with how successful 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," Blevins said.

"I guess I don't really dwell on those 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 seen most of the best pitchers in the Big Ten in her tenure as a Hoosier, and she described what makes Iowa's

ace so special.

"When you hear the name 'Birocci,' a lot of players already psyche themselves out before they even get up there," she said.

"You really have to concentrate on the ball and make sure you see it done, because she's quick. Most teams just have to catch up to her pitch."

At the bottom of the all-time records page in the Iowa

softball media guide, it says "Bold denotes current player." This year, "Lisa Birocci" is inscribed, bold-faced, in 13 of 14 pitching categories. Next year the name will no longer be bold, but it will still be there, making sure the DI's 2005 Female Athlete of the Year won't be forgotten any time soon.

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Hamilton, Wallace lead Pistons past Pacers

NBA

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O'Neal had a great start, then cooled down, finishing with 22 points.

Jackson didn't score until early in the second quarter and finished with 15 points. Both players signed autographs for fans before the game.

The Pacers' Ron Artest, suspended for the rest of the season for his part in the brawl, is expected to practice with his teammates when they return to Indianapolis.

Reggie Miller, who plans to retire after the season, scored just six points — nearly 10 below his playoff average — and struggled to stay with Hamilton. Jamaal Tinsley added 13 points for the Pacers.

Detroit's Chauncey Billups and Rasheed Wallace each scored 11 points.

When the Pistons fired Rick Carlisle two years ago and hired Larry Brown, Ben Wallace was encouraged to be a threat on offense instead of just being a rebounder and defender like he was under Carlisle.

Wallace averaged 9.5 points last year, then a career high, and improved to 9.7 during this regular season. In the first round against Philadelphia, he scored a career-high 29 points and averaged 12.8 points during the series.

He would've had a better night offensively had the notoriously poor free throw shooter not missed 10 of 15 at the line.

He was suspended for six games for his role in the brawl and one of his brothers was among the spectators charged. In total, five Pacers and eight fans were charged.

The players are scheduled to be tried for misdemeanor assault and battery this summer. Unlike the second meeting at The Palace, the game started on time — barely.

Housekeepers, ballboys and the officials made sure there wasn't an embarrassing delay by picking up red, white and blue confetti that fluttered onto the court.

Detroit started aggressively, driving for shots in the lane instead of settling for jumpers. O'Neal prevented the Pacers from falling behind earlier by scoring 12 of their first 16 points. Detroit led 23-20 after the first quarter.

The Pistons built a cushion by outscoring Indiana 11-4 to open the second quarter and led by as much as 16 before taking a 52-38 lead at half-time. The Pistons started the fourth quarter with a 72-57 lead.

Notes:

Detroit eliminated the Pacers 4-2 in the conference finals last year. ... Brown led the Pacers for four seasons, from 1993-94 through 1996-97. ... The Pacers have used 31 starting lineups — and 17 starters — due to suspensions and injuries. ... With his 16th point, Hamilton became the fifth Pis-



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Indiana Pacer forward Jeff Foster (10) reaches for a loose ball as Detroit Piston Antonio McDyess closes in during the Eastern Conference semifinal game in Auburn Hills, Mich., on Monday.

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Florida	17	12	.586	1 1/2
Washington	18	14	.563	2
New York	17	15	.531	3
Philadelphia	15	18	.455	5 1/2

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	20	11	.645	—
Milwaukee	15	16	.484	5
Chicago	13	17	.433	6 1/2
Pittsburgh	13	18	.419	7
Houston	12	19	.387	8
Cincinnati	11	20	.355	9

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	19	12	.613	—
Arizona	16	15	.545	2
San Diego	18	15	.545	2
San Francisco	16	15	.516	3
Colorado	8	21	.276	10

Monday's Games
Houston 2, Florida 1
Philadelphia 4, Milwaukee 2
San Diego 6, Cincinnati 5
N.Y. Mets at Chicago Cubs, 8:05 p.m.
St. Louis 4, L.A. Dodgers 2
Colorado 7, Atlanta 6
Washington 4, Arizona 3
San Francisco 2, Pittsburgh 1

Today's Games
Houston (Backe 2-2) at Florida (Moehler 1-1), 6:05 p.m.
San Diego (Lawrence 2-3) at Cincinnati (Clausen 1-3), 6:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Benson 0-0) at Chicago Cubs (Maddux 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Padilla 0-4) at Milwaukee (Glover 2-1), 7:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Erickson 1-3) at St. Louis (Morris 2-0), 7:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Thomson 3-2) at Colorado (Jennings 1-3), 7:35 p.m.
Washington (Armas 0-0) at Arizona (Estes 2-3), 8:40 p.m.
Pittsburgh (D. Williams 2-3) at San Francisco (J. Williams 0-2 or Fassero 0-0), 9:15 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
San Diego at Cincinnati, 11:35 a.m.
Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 12:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Chicago Cubs, 1:20 p.m.
Atlanta at Colorado, 2:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at San Francisco, 2:35 p.m.
Washington at Arizona, 5:10 p.m.
Houston at Florida, 6:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at St. Louis, 7:10 p.m.

Texas	17	16	.515	1 1/2
Oakland	14	18	.438	4
Seattle	13	19	.406	5

Monday's Games
Boston 13, Oakland 5
N.Y. Yankees 4, Seattle 3
Baltimore 3, Minnesota 0
Toronto 6, Kansas City 1
Tampa Bay 4, Chicago White Sox 2
Detroit 2, Texas 0
Cleveland 3, L.A. Angels 0

Today's Games
Oakland (Saariola 1-2) at Boston (Arroyo 4-0), 6:05 p.m.
Seattle (Sele 2-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Wang 0-1), 6:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 3-3) at Baltimore (Bedard 3-1), 6:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Greinke 0-3) at Toronto (Halladay 4-2), 6:07 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Contreras 1-0) at Tampa Bay (Hendrickson 1-1), 6:15 p.m.
Detroit (J. Johnson 2-2) at Texas (Park 3-1), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Sabathia 2-1) at L.A. Angels (Byrd 2-3), 9:05 p.m.

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LPGA

With streak over, Sorenstam refocuses

BY NANCY ARMOUR
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. — When Annika Sorenstam walked off the course, her chances of extending her winning streak firmly intact again, a fan leaned over the railing of the grandstands and yelled, "We're pulling for six!"



Sorenstam golfer

Not anymore. Now it's back to pulling for one. Sorenstam's bid for a record sixth-consecutive win fell apart in one hole Sunday afternoon. But there's another tournament this week, and her game is so strong she could start another streak any time she plays.

"I was ready to play. It just didn't happen unfortunately," she said after ending her streak with a tie for 12th at the Michelob Ultra Open on Sunday. "I am a little sad about that. But I will dig deep, and come back next week, and play well."

The rest of the LPGA Tour should consider itself warned.

Sorenstam has long dominated the tour, winning 59 tournaments and seven player of the year awards in 11-plus seasons. But her run over the last six months has been particularly spectacular. She arrived at the Michelob Ultra Open having won five-straight tournaments, matching Nancy Lopez's record that had stood since 1978. She'd won running away and coming from behind. One of the victories was at a major championship.

She had played 43-straight rounds at par or better and hadn't finished a tournament above par in almost two years.

But she was stymied by the rebuilt greens on Kingsmill's River Course. She finished 10

shots behind winner Cristie Kerr, giving up at least a dozen strokes on missed putts, most only a few inches off. She averaged 30 putts per round.

"I'm not going to find any excuses for it. It was totally me," said Sorenstam, who took a longer-than-normal five-week break after winning the Kraft Nabisco Championship. "I just didn't putt very well."

If she had, the talk this week might be about making a run at Byron Nelson's record of 11-straight victories, not starting over.

"I am disappointed, there is no doubt about it," she said. "I just have to start over, and maybe I can do another streak."

She certainly has the game for one. She leads the tour in greens in regulation and is second in driving distance. At Kingsmill, her tee shots were routinely 10 or 15 yards ahead of her playing partners, and she had one that carried 300 yards.

Nothing rattles her, either. While other players struggled with winds that gusted up to 25 mph Sunday morning, Sorenstam was one of 11 players to shoot under par (69). That put her in a tie for fifth place — a pretty good leap for someone who was in danger of missing the cut after the first round.

"There is a lot of good things out there," she said of her game. "It's just that I couldn't really put it together. I thought I drove it well at times. I am hitting it further. I always play aggressive."

"It's gonna work. I know it will," she added. "It's just a matter of patience and hanging in there."

Especially since, no offense to the rest of the tour, no one's presented much of a challenge. Old foes Karrie Webb, Grace Park, and Se Ri Pak haven't been much of a factor lately. Youngsters such as Natalie Gulbis are improving but have yet to show they can stand up to Sorenstam week after week.

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- Rowing at central regionals, Oakridge, Tenn., All Day
 - Women's track at Big Ten championships
 - Softball at Big Ten Tournament, TBA
- MAY 15
- Men's track at Big Ten championships
 - Rowing at central regionals
 - Women's track at Big Ten championships

MLB

Yankees overpower Mariners 4-3

NEW YORK — Randy Johnson pitched eight gritty innings, Tony Womack hit a go-ahead single off Jeff Nelson (0-1), and the Yankees beat the Mariners for their first three-game winning streak of the season.

Tino Martinez homered in his third-consecutive game for the Yankees (14-19), who were coming off consecutive shutouts of Oakland.

Johnson (3-2) gave up seven hits and two walks, striking out seven in his 249th win.

Mariano Rivera worked a perfect ninth for his fourth save in six chances, giving the Yankees three wins in a row for the first time since their historic collapse in last year's ALCS, when they took a 3-0 lead against Boston only to lose the next four.

Orioles 3, Twins 0

BALTIMORE — Daniel Cabrera outpitched Carlos Silva, Miguel Tejada homered and drove in two runs, and the Baltimore Orioles ended the Minnesota Twins' four-game winning streak with a victory Monday night.

Cabrera (2-2) allowed three hits, had a career-high 11 strikeouts, and walked two in eight innings. He permitted only two runners past first base and had at least one strikeout in every inning but the fourth.

B.J. Ryan worked a perfect ninth to complete the three-hitter and earn his eighth save in eight chances.

Minnesota had scored 33 runs during its four-game streak and reached double-figures in hits in six straight games, but Cabrera and Ryan combined to hand the Twins their first shutout since July 11.

Silva (2-1) had won six straight decisions since Aug. 13.

Devil Rays 4, White Sox 2

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Chris Singleton had two hits and drove in two runs to help the Devil Rays end the White Sox's eight-game winning streak.

Lance Carter (1-0) pitched three scoreless innings in relief of Hideo Nomo, who left because of cramps

in his left hamstring in the sixth. Danys Baez worked the ninth for his third save in four opportunities.

Singleton had two run-scoring singles off Freddy Garcia (3-2), the second snapping a 2-2 tie in the sixth. Garcia allowed four runs and

He has allowed two runs in his last 22 2/3 innings, dropping his ERA to 3.12, and has given up two runs or fewer in five of seven starts.

Joe McEwing drove in the only run for Kansas City, which has lost six of seven and is an AL-worst 8-

seven starts by Clemens (2-1). The Astros, 2-14 on the road, had lost 16-0 Sunday at Atlanta, their sixth consecutive defeat overall.

Clemens moved ahead of Steve Carlton into sole possession of ninth place with his 330th win.

Miguel Cabrera drove in an unearned run for Florida with a sacrifice fly off Chad Qualls in the eighth. Brad Lidge pitched the ninth for his sixth save.

A.J. Burnett (3-3) struck out nine in seven innings but was hurt by a wild pitch and the only walk he allowed.

Phillies 4, Brewers 2

MILWAUKEE — Chase Utley homered twice, and Jason Michaels and Bobby Abreu also went deep.

Randy Wolf (2-4) allowed two runs and five hits in seven innings, snapping his three-game losing streak and winning on the road for the first time since July 17 at Shea Stadium.

Philadelphia had just 24 homers coming in, tied for 13th in the NL and 27th in the majors.

Victor Santos (1-2) gave up a 423-foot shot to Michaels, a 435-foot homer to Utley, and a 422-footer to Abreu.

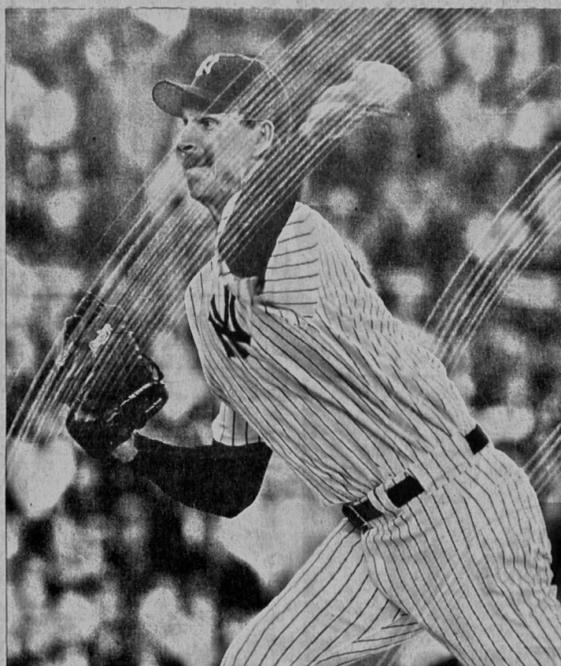
Red Sox 13, Mariners 5

BOSTON — Trot Nixon drove in four runs, and Kevin Millar hit his first homer of the season to power the Red Sox.

Oakland's fielding may have been worse than its pitching. Nine of Boston's runs were unearned — all five in the fourth inning and four in a seven-run seventh.

Manny Ramirez left after he was hit by a pitch from Dan Haren (1-5) in the left side of his batting helmet.

Tim Wakefield (4-1) got his 118th win with the Red Sox, moving into sole possession of fifth place in team history, one ahead of Pedro Martinez and Smokey Joe Wood. Boston's starters are 8-0 in 10 games since Curt Schilling and David Wells went on the disabled list.



Kathy Willens/Associated Press

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

eight hits in 6 1/3 innings.

The Devil Rays snapped a three-game losing streak, winning for just the fourth time in their last 15 games.

Blue Jays 6, Royals 1

TORONTO — Josh Towers won his third-straight start by pitching eight strong innings, and the Blue Jays ended a four-game losing streak.

Russ Adams hit a two-run triple for the Blue Jays, swept in three of their previous four home series.

Towers (4-1), Toronto's fifth starter, allowed one run and seven hits, struck out five, and walked one.

24. Royals starter Runelvys Hernandez (1-5) left with a bruised right upper arm after the fifth.

Astros 2, Marlins 1

MIAMI — Roger Clemens allowed four hits in seven shutout innings to win for the first time since April 8, and the Houston Astros broke an 11-game road losing streak by beating the Florida Marlins, 2-1, Monday night.

Orlando Palmeiro, who entered with one RBI, drove in both runs with a scratch single and sacrifice fly.

Houston has scored 11 runs in

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MLB

Baseball power outage:

Home runs down 8.3 percent

BY RONALD BLUM
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NEW YORK — In the first year of toughened steroid testing, home runs are down in the major leagues for the first time since 2002.

Florida Marlins pitcher Todd Jones doesn't think it's a coincidence. He's convinced there's a connection. "Unfortunately, I do. I hate it, but there has been a correction made in the system, and the numbers are going to suffer for a couple of years," he said Monday.

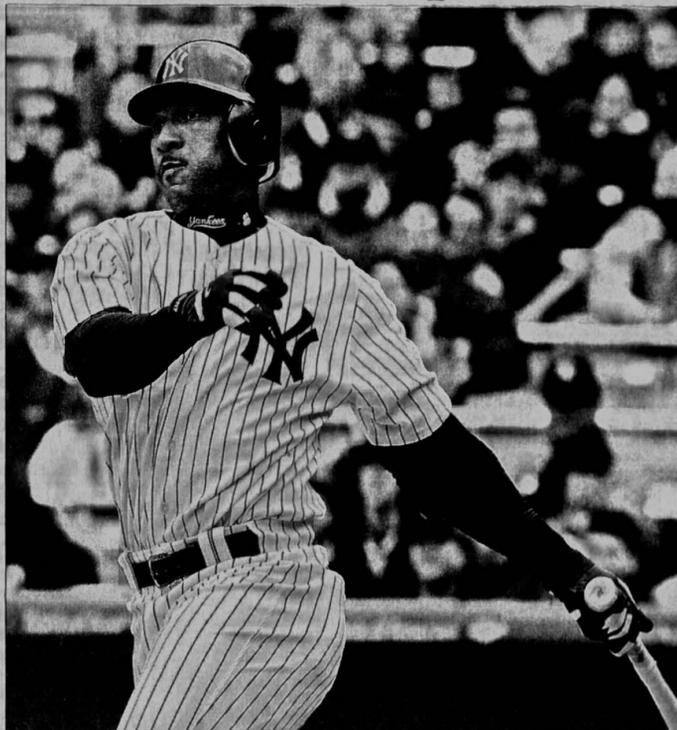
"I hate to admit it because I didn't want to. I'm as disappointed as any fan would be that it's going to end up showing to be the truth. But it's got to be good for the game to get back to an even playing field. I just didn't realize how deep it was."

A total of 908 home runs were hit in games through Sunday, down 8.3 percent from the 990 in the first five weeks of last season, according to the Elias Sports Bureau. It's the lowest level for the first five weeks since 2002.

"I think five weeks is too short a statistical sample to draw any conclusions," said Bob DuPuy, baseball's chief operating officer. "There are a myriad of factors that could influence that, including the cold and wet spring training we had in Florida, the weather in the first few weeks of the season."

But Los Angeles Angels bench coach Joe Maddon, who has been in professional baseball since 1975, thinks testing "could be tied to it somehow."

"I don't know exactly to what extent, but you see people maybe not as big as they had been in the past or don't look as strong as maybe they had been in the past," he said. "Some balls are hit pretty well, but they're not



Gregory Bull/Associated Press
New York Yankee outfielder Gary Sheffield hits a double against the Oakland Athletics at Yankee Stadium in New York on May 7.

Home runs down
Since tougher testing for steroids began this season, home runs hitting have dropped 8.3 percent from this time last year.

HR	HOME RUNS/GAME
1996 989	2.34
1997 742	1.86
1998 862	1.97
1999 1,016	2.22
2000 1,183	2.59
2001 1,047	2.31
2002 878	1.93
2003 953	2.07
2004 990	2.36
2005 908	1.97

NOTE: Through fifth week of the season
SOURCE: Elias Sports Bureau AP

carrying like maybe they had in the past couple of years. So, just being a thinking person, and you know what's been going on, you have to tie them

together a little bit." Runs per game are down 5 percent, from 9.72 to 9.23, and hits declined 3.1 percent, from 18.37 per game to 17.80. The major-league batting average dropped from .265 to .261. "I don't think that's necessarily the cause," Tigers closer Troy Percival said of steroids. "And I only say that because being in Detroit, I've never seen weather being this cold day in and day out all the way through the central part of the country and the East Coast."

There have been exceptions. Pitchers on the Cincinnati Reds gave up a major league-high 49 homers in their first 30 games. They are on pace to break the team record of 236 they set last year,

which was three short of the NL record.

"I don't know how much steroids had to do with it," Reds reliever Kent Mercker said. "Maybe the pitching got better."

Several players and managers cited the absence of San Francisco's Barry Bonds.

"I think if Barry were playing, you'd probably have that 9 percent," Minnesota manager Ron Gardenhire said.

"The best hitter in baseball is on the DL," added Florida Marlins third baseman Mike Lowell. "I can't say it's steroids or the pitching. It might be a combination. If it was down 30 percent, I would say, 'Whoa, we've got to look at something.' Nine percent is a minimal variation."

Five UConn football players charged in vehicle shooting

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. (AP) — Five Connecticut football players were charged in a case in which the window of a vehicle was shot out by a pellet gun as two cars passed in a parking lot.

The players were suspended from the team Monday, coach Randy Edsall said.

They were arrested Sunday following a complaint at a convenience store, police said. All are to appear in court May 23.

The driver's side window was knocked out of a car driven by a 55-year-old Willimantic woman. The suspects fled in an SUV and were located a few minutes later, police said. The woman, whose name was not released, was treated at a hospital for minor injuries, police added.

Tyvon Branch, Daniel Davis, Daniel Lansanah, and Marvin Taylor were charged with possession of a weapon in a motor vehicle and released after posting \$750 bond.

Donta Moore was charged with possession of a weapon in a motor vehicle, second-degree reckless endangerment, third-degree criminal mischief, third-degree assault, and unlawful discharge of a firearm.

He was released after posting \$1,000 bail.

Branch is a sophomore safety, Davis is a sophomore defensive end, Lansanah is a sophomore linebacker, Moore is a junior safety, and Taylor is a sophomore safety.

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Commentary

For some, the NBA is too fan-tastic

BY JIM LITKE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

The possibilities for the series between the Pacers and Pistons that began Monday night in Detroit are so delicious, you might think somebody dreamed this stuff up.

Oops. My bad. Plenty of you already think the NBA does.

It's a shame to cover the same ground over and over, especially this late in an already eventful season. But way too many people are still wasting too much time arguing about referees, trying to decipher their calls, and fantasizing about who is in whose pocket.

At every moment, it seems somebody in the NBA is getting preferential treatment. Shaq gets away with murder. Yao can't get away with anything. Tim Duncan travels. Allen Iverson palms the ball.

The other night, Boston's Paul Pierce walked into a postgame news conference with an elastic bandage wrapped around his head. He was mocking the official who slapped him with a second technical foul (and an ejection) for throwing a retaliatory forearm at Jamaal Tinsley that dropped the Indiana guard, suspiciously, like a sack of French fries.

The names of the teams, coaches, and players change, but everybody has her or his own pet conspiracy theory. According to most, the

trail of evidence winds back to league headquarters, where Commissioner David Stern is secreted behind a curtain wearing a cape and funny hat, pushing and pulling levers like some Fifth Avenue-version of the Wizard of Oz. It's nonsense.

Not because the officiating isn't maddeningly inconsistent; it is. Stars get the calls in every sport, and the NBA is the most star-driven sport going. But it might also be the toughest to officiate.

It's faster, and it's the only one where the players have outgrown the playing surface. I don't know whether the guys in the NBA are, on average, taller than they've ever been, but I can guarantee they've never been bulkier. Between disgruntled veterans and an influx of youngsters, there's an abundance of bad attitude and a lack of fundamental skills. It adds up to confusion but hardly dishonesty.

So in the interests of public sanity, we're going to provide the following disclaimer in capital letters to make it easy to print out and tape to the wall above a TV set:

THERE IS NO CONSPIRACY IN THE NBA.

Stern is so tired of hearing the word that he whacked Houston coach Jeff Van Gundy with a \$100,000 fine — and that might just be his opening move — for breathing life into the issue.

And contrary to prevailing opinion, the commissioner does have a sense of humor. But you only had to hear him speak privately about such talk — "We'd be felons," Stern has said with scorn more than once — to remember that he began his career a lawyer.

Besides, if Stern was half as powerful as some people think, Team USA would have brought back gold from the Olympics last summer. And even if his clout didn't extend beyond North America, the Pacers still never would have made it back to the scene of the crime for the playoffs.

Instead, that's the No. 1 story line as Detroit and Indiana square off at the Palace of Auburn Hills almost six months after a basketbrawl and Stern's frontier justice was supposed to cost the Pacers any chance.

"I think it's in everyone's minds, with guys going into the stands and guys fighting on the floor," Antonio McDyess of the Pistons said.

"I just hope that the players and fans realize that's over. Let's learn from it and move on," added Larry Brown, his coach. "But the way people are, I don't think that's going to be the case. People are going to show that ugly stuff on TV."

And therein lies Stern's genuine concern. The debacle in Athens aside, several rule changes and stylistic improvements in recent

years have definitely made the product more appealing this season. There is more movement and less standing around. There are still plenty of highlight-reel dunks, but more and more, they're the exclamation point on incisive passes or clever steals. In that sense, the Pistons were already ahead of the curve.

Under Brown's tutelage, they've learned to share the ball, spread the floor, knock down mid-range jumpers, and play tough, disciplined defense. Above all, they've learned to play together. They made that point against the Lakers in last year's finals and have only improved since.

The Pacers aren't quite there yet, in part because of the lengthy suspensions handed to Jermaine O'Neal and Stephen Jackson, and because Ron Artest remains in Stern's doghouse. But Indiana has regrouped admirably and rallied around Reggie Miller, trying to make his farewell tour half as memorable as the rest of his career.

The revenge factor is what will draw all the extra eyeballs into the best-of-seven series. But anybody who sticks around and remembers that the guys with whistles will be lucky just to control the game — let alone script it — might be rewarded with some very entertaining basketball.

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SUMMER SUBLET

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632 S.VanBuren. One bedroom in three bedroom apartment. \$300/ month, g/w paid. Parking. Available immediately- August 1. Enicka (563)543-1607.

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DOWNTOWN summer sublets available. \$380- \$695. Call Bobbie at (319)430-8386.

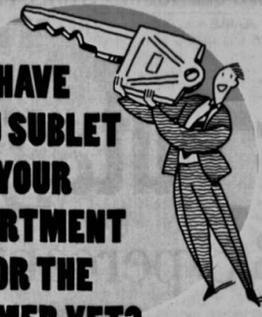
FEMALE for furnished room in house 1124 Melrose. Wireless internet, W/D, dishwasher, parking, storage. Dates flexible. Shelley (319)354-3913.

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EASTSIDE, two bedroom, basement, carport. W/D hook-ups. \$600. No pets/ smoking. (319)351-1563.
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IMMEDIATE/ summer sublet with full year lease available. Two bedroom, quiet, modern, clean, on-site laundry, dishwasher, deck, off-street parking, pool. Convenient law/ UIHC, Hy-Vee. (319)363-0000, (319)364-6076 evenings and weekends.
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LARGE two bedroom apartment. Clean, quiet building, 9th St. Coralville. Available August 1. \$585. (319)351-7415.
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AVAILABLE August 1. Two bedroom, walk to campus. 860 sq. ft., four closets, dishwasher, parking. No pets. \$750, H/W paid. (319)358-9486.
AVAILABLE August 1. Two bedroom, walk to campus. Parking. \$700, H/W paid. No pets. (319)358-9486.
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AVAILABLE immediately. Two bedroom. Lucas St. \$400. (319)545-2075.
AVAILABLE June 1. Two bedroom, two car garage, all appliances. \$750 plus utilities. Westside Dr. Iowa City. Available June 1. (319)627-4101.

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LEAVING HERE

Iowa junior wide receiver leaves team

James Townsend will leave the Iowa football team, the Delran, N.J., native announced Monday.

"I will be leaving the university and the Iowa football program next year due to personal reasons," said Townsend in a press release. "My hopes are to rejoin the team in time for the 2006 season and to earn my degree at Iowa."



Townsend played in 10 games last season. He had three catches for 82 yards with a lone touchdown

Townsend hopes to return in 2006 season

— a 60-yard bomb from Drew Tate in Iowa's win at Minnesota.

Townsend was expected to be among a group of five or six receivers competing for playing time behind Clinton Solomon and Ed Hinkel.

— by Ted McCartan

TO BE HONORED?



Mike D'Antoni

D'Antoni may be Coach of the Year

PHOENIX (AP) — After unleashing the Phoenix Suns to a frenetic pace and guiding them to a league-best 62 wins, Mike D'Antoni is the NBA's Coach of the Year, a league source said on Monday.

The outcome of the vote first was reported by the *East Valley Tribune* in Mesa and was confirmed by a source speaking on the condition of anonymity.

The selection will be announced at a news conference today, two days after Suns point guard Steve Nash was named the league's MVP.

"Mike's been unbelievable this year," Nash said at the morning shootaround prior to Monday night's Game 1 against Dallas in the Western Conference semifinals.

PLAYER DEATH

W. Kentucky guard dies in pickup game

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. (AP) — Western Kentucky basketball player Danny Rumph collapsed and died during a pickup game in his hometown of Philadelphia.

The 21-year-old junior guard was visiting his family when he died Sunday. The school had no other information about his death.

Western Kentucky coach Darrin Horn received a call from the family early Monday and flew to Philadelphia.

"Danny was loved and respected by not only everyone in the basketball program but by many people in the Western community," Horn said.

The 6-2 Rumph started 29 of 31 games last season, averaging nine points and three assists.

"Danny wasn't going to take over a room. He was not overly gregarious, but he was very engaging," Athletics Director Wood Selig said. "He was a solid, grounded young man."

DI Sports Awards | FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR: LISA BIROCCI



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan

Iowa pitcher Lisa Birocci winds up against Drake on May 5 at Pearl Field. Birocci has been named *The Daily Iowan's* Female Athlete of the Year for her brilliance on the mound and the strikeouts of 896 opponents.

Iowa's paisano, pitcher 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 K's, Lisa Birocci is loved — and feared.

BY TED MCCARTAN
 THE DAILY IOWAN

It has to get old. To be another one of the faceless 896 unlucky batters who have stepped in to face Lisa Birocci over the last four years, only to get humiliated.

Strike one, strike two, strike three, thanks for coming. Despite her menacing wind-up and intimidating stature, her role on the mound is similar to that of a restaurant hostess. A player steps up to the plate, the announcer calls her name, and Birocci promptly sits her down, allowing the foe to cool off with complimentary all-you-can-drink ice water from a seat for one — with a view — in the dugout.

Earlier this season, Birocci broke the all-time Iowa softball strikeout record. Earlier last week, *The Daily Iowan* sports staff attempted to crown some other Hawkeye as the Female Athlete of the Year. But like the nearly 900 hitters who she has struck out, Birocci gave the writers little choice in the matter.

This spring, she's been in more top fives 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.

Birocci 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 1.15 ERA, then you'd be completely overlooking that she's also fifth in batting average against and fourth in games started. Furthermore, concentrating only on her impact from the mound wouldn't be fair, either, because she's belted six home runs (tied for third among Hawkeyes) and has committed only two errors all season long (.971 fielding percentage).

SEE BIROCCI, PAGE 9

ALSO CONSIDERED



Peaches Roach, track
 Won her second Big Ten indoor high-jump title and earned All-American status.



Crystal Smith, basketball
 Junior ranked fifth in the Big Ten in scoring (16.8) and fourth in steals (80).



Sara Dawson, field hockey
 Senior All-American scored a career-high 34 points off 12 goals and 10 assists.



Liz Bennet, golf
 Senior finished 14th at the Big Ten meet to lead the Hawks.

AWARDS SERIES SCHEDULE

The Daily Iowan sports staff selects the year's top athletes, coaches, and moments from the year in Hawkeye athletics.

- Monday Male Athlete — Drew Tate
- Today Female Athlete
- Wednesday Coach
- Thursday Freshmen
- Friday Story



Paul Sancya/Associated Press
 Detroit Piston center Ben Wallace (right) drives by Indiana Pacer Stephen Jackson during the Eastern Conference semifinal game.

PISTONS 96, PACERS 81

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

Pistons cruise in opener

No brawl ball this time, but Detroit wins again

BY LARRY LAGE
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — No brawls or bomb scares. Just basketball.

Richard Hamilton scored 28 points, and Ben Wallace had 21 points, 15 rebounds, and four steals to lead Detroit to a 96-81 victory over Indiana on Monday

night in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference semifinal series.

The Pacers' two previous road games against the Pistons were marred by the infamous melee — which started on the court, spilled into the stands and went back onto the court — and a phone threat of a bomb in Indiana's locker room, delaying the second game at The Palace by almost 90 minutes.

Game 2 in the best-of-seven series is Wednesday night. Just like both teams predicted, they were able to play without unusual distractions.

Indiana's Stephen Jackson and Jermaine O'Neal, suspended for 30 and 15 games, respectively, for their roles in the brawl, were booed louder than the rest of their teammates during pregame introductions and sometimes when they had the ball.

That seemed to be the only carry-over from the regular-season matchups in suburban Detroit.

Indiana scored the first basket, then fell behind and couldn't do much about it.

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