BY ALEX LANG
The Iowa Racing and Gaming Commission approved four licenses for new casinos in Iowa on Wednesday, including a casino in Riverside, east of Council Bluffs.

Commissioner Gerald Bair said the gaming commission voted 3-1 to give a license to the Riverside facility. Brian Massey, a local businessman, is the developer behind the facility.

"I really didn't know about the third vote that we were going to get one," Commissioner Gerald Bair said after the commission meeting voted 3-1 to give a license to the Riverside facility. Riverside Mayor John Linn has given casinos a license by majority vote.

A Waterloo casino was approved 3-1. Mayor Mike Quigley said the plan is to start construction of the end of May or beginning of August. The newspaper project is expected to take 18-24 months to complete.

"We have a lot of Iowa people going to Minnesota to spend their gaming dollars," Bair said. "We want to bring Minnesotans here and spend their gaming money." He said the Riverside casino will also help bring in out-of-state visitors.

The Riverside facility is expected to make $83 million during its first year of operation. Owners also hope to see an increase of 3 percent in profits in the following years.

Opponents of the casino have said it close proximity to the UI campus will encourage students to travel to Riverside for entertainment.

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BY MEGHAN SIMS
The Iowa City Press-Citizen

John Linn has two days to improve on his record as Mayor of Riverside. At Wednesday's meeting, he will preside over the opening ceremony of the new casino in Riverside.

"We want to make a good impression of this restaurant and this city," he said, standing near the windows of the new 250 Iowa Ave. Japanese eatery. He hopes not only to impress the new casino but also those planning to open in the old college town in years to come.

For the last big business weekend of the academic year, local restaurant managers have stocked, staffed, slept, and prepared for work at the restaurants. The area is home to a variety of restaurants and eateries, ranging from high-end dining to casual takeout.

D.C. SECURITY
Small plane creates major frenzy in Washington

BY DONNA CASBATA
Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A small plane crash-landed within three miles of the White House on Wednesday, leading to evacuation of the Executive Mansion and the Capitol with military police sirens blaring to the alerting pilots to slow down, federal officials said.

"This is a very serious situation," said Assistant Secretary of State John Sopko. "The skies are closed to all traffic for at least 30 minutes."

The plane is a small, single-engine aircraft that had been reported missing earlier in the day from Pennsylvania to a show in North Carolina. The plane was carrying a family on their way to a hunting trip.

The planes are known to be dangerous, with a reputation for being difficult to land. They are often used for personal transport and are not equipped with commercial amenities.

GOING HOME AGAIN
Iowa's Emily Nichols is back...

BY JARED MORGAN

Iowa City, Iowa — Emily Nichols is ready to return to her home state. Nichols, a senior at the University of Iowa, said she is excited to be back in Iowa after four years away. Nichols is a senior majoring in psychology and minoring in Spanish.

"I've missed Iowa so much," she said. "It feels good to be back."

Nichols and her family were on their way to visit her grandparents in Coralville when the plane made an emergency landing. The family was unharmed and the plane was towed away by a tow truck.

IARL ROLL RISES

The Iowa Daily Iowan

Iowa City, Iowa — The Iowa Daily Iowan is now a new space for Iowa Avenue to play music, create art, and showcase their work, providing an opportunity for students to explore the program's administrators hope will give Iowa Avenue its own identity.

"We are excited to have the Iowa Daily Iowan as a platform for student expression," said Iowa Daily Iowan Editor-in-Chief Morlan. "We hope that this new space will allow us to reach a broader audience and continue to support student creativity."
The director of the International Writing Program at the University of Iowa, Christopher Merrill, spoke to the IWP Relations Council lecture on States and artists - exchange programs. Merrill said that cultural programs are necessary to get a foundation of trust on which Afghanistan, the Abu Ghraib policymakers can build.

"At least one element of our mission is to provide an exchange for writers in this country and across the world," Merrill said. "George Bush, the president of the local foreign relations council, said it aloud Merrill to speak of his work.

Ex-Councilor Plab to take another shot at council

BY ELAINE FABBAN

Former Iowa City Councilor Larry Baker, who ran for an at-large seat in the 1999 election this November, a reminder that he was in some of the current council.

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POLICE BLITTER

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Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich was in Iowa for the first time this year, but his campaign has not been able to spend the past two years focusing on toughening laws and policies, one expert said.

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Culkin denies Jackson molested him at ranch

**By Linda Deutsch**

SANTA MARIA, Calif. — "Home Alone" star Macaulay Culkin denied the molestation allegations against pop star Michael Jackson as "absolutely ridiculous" on Wednesday and bluntly rejected suggestions that he might have been molested during his days without the benefit of adult supervision.

The 24-year-old Culkin confidently rejected suggestions that he might have been molested during his days without the benefit of adult supervision. From Jackson's home, saying he used to keep his bed and his room during his childhood, answering those who have said he was molested or sexually abused.

"If you take a look at all the evidence, you can't commit a crime, you can't go to jail for three years, or you'll help bring down the network," he said. "It was a very, very deep story." Jackson's attorney, Benjamin Brafman, said the tape only showed that he was safe with children, "not a female child or adults without cross-examination."

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The tape revealed the evidence of a sex tape made at a ranch where Culkin and friends were kept up to a video game.

"I'm not sure why this is even being made public," he said. "I don't want to make a statement, I just want to make sure everyone knows that this is all false."

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Surge of attacks kill 69 Iraqis

The violence, which injured at least 160, brings the death toll to more than 400 in less than two weeks.

BY ALEXANDRA ZAVIS

BAGHDAD — Suicide bombs ripped through a crowded market near the presidential palace in Baghdad on Wednesday, killing at least 69 people and injuring 92, police said. The attack, the deadliest in Iraq since this month’s start of the election campaign, was the result of a series of events that underscored the growing danger for Iraqis who venture into the streets, as security forces struggle to control the insurrection.

Iraqi men drove an explosives-laden car into a small market in the city's sprawling Diyala district, killing and wounding at least 32 people and injuring 92, police said. The blast set fire to a gas station, killing at least three policemen, said U.S. military officials.

Four more car bombs exploded in a small market near the presidential palace, killing and wounding 11, police said. The attack was the result of a series of events that underscored the growing danger for Iraqis who venture into the streets, as security forces struggle to control the insurrection.

Iraqi police said they were not prepared for the attack. They said that police were not prepared for the attack because they were not informed of the possibility of a car bomb attack. The police said that they were not informed of the possibility of a car bomb attack because they were not informed of the possibility of a car bomb attack.

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A letter to graduating seniors

From: Editor

To: Graduating seniors

Subject: Congratulations and Farewell

May 11, 2005

To all graduating seniors,

Congratulations on your graduation! This is a significant milestone in your academic journey, and we wish you the best in all your future endeavors.

As you transition from university life to the next chapter, remember to stay true to your values, pursue your passions, and never stop learning. The world is waiting for your contributions.

Best wishes,

The Editorial Board

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Work incentives through collective bargaining

In a May 10 town hall, the university announced a pilot program to grant monetary awards for participation in collective bargaining.

Correction

In the May 11 year-in-review section, the question, "Were the actions of Tuesday's campus police reasonable?" was misprinted. The correct version is: "Were the actions of Tuesday's campus police justifiable?" The article has been updated to reflect this correction.

A year in review... the last dance

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On the Spot

How do you plan to celebrate the end of finals week?

1. Sleep
2. Go out and party
3. Take a break from school
4. Work on summer projects

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Letters

Men and rape

In May 8 Editorial Assistant, Anthony Harris has "sexual violence needs to be at the forefront of the feminist movement." The vast majority of the sex offenders have been men.

The police believe that every woman is at risk and that men need to understand that they are part of the solution. The media often portrays men as the problem and women as the victims.

Women need to be educated on how to protect themselves, and men need to step up and take responsibility for their actions.

It is important for all individuals to be aware of the issues and work towards creating a safer environment for everyone.

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Unfair depiction of military

This is in response to Heidi Snyder's article titled "The case for military," which was published on March 28. The article was critical of the military and its role in society.

We believe that it is unfair to generalize and make assumptions about the military without considering the experiences and perspectives of those who serve.

While many members of the military face challenges, they also have opportunities to grow and make a positive impact on society.

We encourage all individuals to learn more about the military and its role in society, and to support those who serve.

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In your words

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my concern about the recent events in the news. I believe that it is important for individuals to stay informed and actively participate in the democratic process.

As a citizen, I feel a responsibility to understand the issues and to take action when necessary. I urge others to do the same.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
BY MAUDE SADIE

JALALABAD, Afghanistan - Shouting "Taliban to America," more than 1,000 demonstrators stood and chanted at a U.S. military convoy Wednesday as it passed through Jalalabad, the capital of Jalalabad Province.

Police fired on the protesters, many of them students, trying to seize the biggest display of anti-American anger since the Taliban's fall. At least four dead and 71 injured in Jalalabad.

The Taliban's fall last year resolved a decade of civil war but also unleashed a wave of Islamic militants in the region, and the government has been criticized for not doing enough to control the situation.

In the violent clashes, police used tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse the protesters, who had been demonstrating against the desecration of the Koran.

One man was reportedly killed by a tear gas canister, and the other three were reportedly evacuated.

Residents of Jalalabad, the capital of the province, have been protesting against the desecration of the Koran, which is considered a holy book by Muslims.
New licenses for Moline casinos

On Wednesday, the Illinois Gaming Board approved a resolution to allow for the construction of new casinos in Moline. The board's decision means that Moline will be one of the few places in Illinois where new casinos can be built. The new casinos will be located near the Quad City International Airport and will have seating for up to 5,000 people. The board also approved a resolution to allow for the construction of new casinos in Aurora and Joliet. The new casinos will be located near the Chicago-Detroit and Chicago-Kansas City Highways, respectively. The board's decision means that Aurora and Joliet will be the first places in Illinois where new casinos can be built in the suburbs.

Setting sights on bright lights

MORLAN

Although the new theater company will provide more work for local actors, it will also bring something of a gamble, said Joe Murphy, who serves as the company's artistic director.

"On one hand, we're providing more opportunities for actors to develop their craft. On the other hand, there's a risk involved, because we're not sure if people will come to see the shows," Murphy said.

Muran, a former actor, founded the company with his two partners. They have been in theater for 15 years, Murphy said.

"We don't have experience with financial management," he said. "But we have a writer (Murphy), a marketing person (Murphy), and a bookkeeper (Murphy)."

The company's first production will be "The Importance of Being Earnest," which was directed by Murphy and performed by the actors in the company. The play was presented at the University of Iowa in November and received positive reviews.

Small plan sets off major emergency

WHITE HOUSE

Speaker Dennis Hastert has ordered the National Guard to help in a severe location, police, rushing to get people off a small beach. The Guard's National Guardsmen, who are based in the area, have been in active service in the area since the 1990s. After graduating from high school in 1990, he spent 30 years at the prestigious Academy of Dramatic Arts in New York City, before moving to the University of Iowa Community College and, eventually, the University of Iowa.

He has already served in more than 100 plays, both for the university and nearby communities. His directorial "City" was 2004's Desert Peppermill's musical, a collaborative play about three people whose lives are intertwined because of a mysterious bond.

Muranol's friends and colleagues are confident the move will succeed, he said. "I'm really proud of what he's doing."

"I have no doubt that he will be successful in some way," Solomons said. "This is the best thing that could have happened to him, to have a bigger and better theater.

"He's always had a presence in the theater community, and I can definitely see that trend continuing."

U.S. Rep. John Yarmuth, who has known Muranol for more than 30 years, also praised the artist. "I've known him for years, and he's a fantastic actor."

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The community has been an issue. He college, and, after college, he directed a number of plays for the university. He also directed a number of plays for the university and nearby communities. His directorial "City" was 2004's Desert Peppermill's musical, a collaborative play about three people whose lives are intertwined because of a mysterious bond.

The expansion has taken years to plan, with grants and fund raising, said Murphy, adding that since the theater company received the
Boston wins on walk-off homer

BOSTON (AP) — Jason Varitek's walk-off sacrifice fly gave the Boston Red Sox a 6-5 win over the Chicago Cubs in the second-straight day-night doubleheader on Thursday.

The Red Sox won the first game, 7-6, and scored the winning run in the nightcap on a hit by Varitek. He drove in of Efren Navarro, who had tripled with two outs in the ninth.

Varitek was the first Boston player to hit a walk-off sacrifice fly in the second game, which wound up giving the Sox only their third win in their last 10 games.

The Sox also won Wednesday night, 5-4, on a walk-off hit by Varitek.

Varitek had a single in the sixth inning of the second game and was intentionally walked by Cubs starter Randy Wells in the eighth.

Varitek then advanced to third on a single by Coco Crisp and scored on the sacrifice fly.

The Sox won the seven-game series, 6-0.

The game ended on a hard line drive to shortstop by Chicago's Derrek Lee. The ball was deflected by the shortstop and rolled just foul of third base.

The Sox couldn't have been happier about the win given the losing streak they have been in.

The Sox have lost eight of their last 10 games and haven't won a series since the start of the month.

The Sox are now 30-38, and the Cubs are 29-39.

BY NICK RICHARDS

THE NEXT THREE YEARS COULD BE unsettling for Big Ten softball coaches.

Bye Gayle Bobe Iowa

have every reason to.

Opponents of Iowa will face Hawkeyes freshman Emily Nichols in that time.

Not one or two years.

Three runs of interest

home runs.

"The most exciting player to have for three (more) years," Blevins said.

"The experience she got this year, she's going to come back and be even more self-assured next year.

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Yogi celebrates 80 years

BY WAYNE PARRY

MONTCLAIR, N.J. — It isn’t an overstatement to say Yogi Berra is a timeless figure in the game of baseball.

On a day when the New York Yankees honored the former catcher, manager and Hall of Famer with a special edition of The Associated Press, “You can observe a meerkat, but you can’t make it happen that time it was.)

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Gayle Blevins

"The first quarter with Prince scored for ahead. They added eight points.

I think we had as much of a physical lull as we did a mental let down," Blevins said.

I think our group here was just a couple weeks before the Pacers' melee was over. He scored six points in the second half. He scored six points in the second half. He scored six points in the second half.

When their Nov. 19 brawl with the Pacers' best-of-seven series are in Indianapolis on Friday night and the Pacers, who ended the Pacers' road win in a Game 7 of the first.

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**DAILY BREAK**

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ARIES May 10-19 - (3-week session) Scheduled class, 9 a.m., Memorial Union, Room 102.

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**news you need to know**

Friday — End of finals.

Saturday — Nursing Building horizon dancing finals, dinner

Sunday — Residence halls close, 5 p.m.

**happy birthday to...**

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IT’S TIME TO UNWIND

BY EVA MCKENDRICK
THE DAILY IOWAN

Finals week is almost over, and we think you deserve a much-needed break.

So kick back and treat yourself to one (or all) of these relaxation ideas to start your summer with a breeze.

• Take a walk on the Ped Mall.
• Give someone a hug.
• Make a finals package for a friend (or for yourself).
• Go for a long bike ride around Iowa City.
• Bake cookies.
• Join an exercise class.
• Read a magazine.
• Go ice skating at the Coral Ridge Mall.
• Make a memory book about the school year.
• Organize your CD collection.
• Order Pokey Stix and watch “The Apprentice.”
• Call a friend you’ve lost touch with.
• Play “Jeopardy” online.
• “Study” with your significant other ... or by yourself.
• Play a new video game.
• Treat yourself to a big feed your.
• Write a long letter to a friend.
• Take a long bath or shower.
• Work on a puzzle.
• Eat a long, leisurely meal.
• Do some yoga.
• Go to a concert.

Communicating power, style, and energy through dance

The senior dance minor will bring her moves to Chicago’s Collective Hip-Hop

BY DANIELLE STRATTON-COULTER
THE DAILY IOWAN

Watching UI senior Debbie Gurvitz twist, turn, and roll her hips makes it obvious how much she enjoys her hobby and soon-to-be profession.

The communications-studies major and dance minor will leave the UI after graduating this weekend to groove with the Collective Hip-Hop, a professional company in Chicago. Gurvitz was picked to join the company after a March audition.

The year-and-a-half-old group, made up of rappers, DJs, and dancers, has performed at Fat Joe and RuffRyders shows, and it plans to tour with new R&B artist Andre McCray, whose album comes out this summer.

“It’s a very diverse group, which is nice because you don’t ever feel out of place,” said Gurvitz, 22.

George De La Pena, a UI visiting assistant dance professor who taught Gurvitz’s ballet class this year, isn’t surprised to see her move toward hip-hop.

“I think that Debbie is passionately moved to music that’s powerful, and so it’s a perfect venue for her, and she loves it more than anything,” he said.

“She does it fantastically.”

DEBBIE GURVITZ

Graduating Seniors

Debbie Gurvitz sits in the UI’s University Hall on March 10. The UI graduate will move to Chicago to dance with the Collective Hip-Hop, a professional company.
East Side Guys focus on fun and making music

BY KATIE ROYAL

East Side Guys, a band formed by two film majors, Zach Kmiec and Ian McKinney, have been playing at their apartment under the banner of Mahoney for the past two years. Although their neighbors didn’t understand the band’s loud music, they recorded the session on an East Village mini-13-inch television and played it at their shows.

The band, originally known as Mahoney, got together a few times and started jamming, and one night they played a show at the East Side Guys’ basement. The band is focused on having fun and making music, and they are very passionate about their work.

Radio personality and inspirational speaker

Joan Kjaer speaks to listeners on her KSHI early morning weekday show, "Know the Score."For a group of guys who clearly don’t take themselves seriously, they’ve achieved a sort of local renown since the show went on the air. The band has played approximately a dozen shows mostly at the Hall Mall, but also at Galles and on the playground on the Pedestrian Mall.

Recently, the members have basically been getting together to practice, though their sound tends to go a lot of tangents.

"A good portion of our practices consist of Ian making funny noises and Zach and I laughing about it," Kmiec said. Even though they talk light-hearted about their work, they are very passionate about making music and entertaining people.

"It’s a kind of music I never took myself seriously about," Kmiec said. "After learning in the theater, we discovered how much we really are on television—and that’s also what we need to bloom with our world."


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Dreamwell finds home in Old Capitol Town Center

BY ALL GOWANS

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But no more. In April, the company will unveil the performance of Amy and David Sedaris’ The Book of Liz at 8 p.m. Tickets are $10 for adults, $5 for seniors and $8 for students. Fields and set members say and shoot in different areas where they will receive half-price tickets on opening night. Tickets can be reserved by calling 319-337-0140 or visiting the website, http://www.dreamwell.com. The show will run April 20, and $8 for students. Falduto will take the role of Liz and features four supporting performances of Elizabeth Donderstock, an and Kevin Burford, who plays main character

The play centers on the story of Liz, a woman in the sequined religious community known as the Squeamish. Shut away from the modern world, the community depends on Liz’s famous homemade dinner bells for its income. The community members don’t give Liz the respect she feels she deserves, however, and when her role in the maker of dinner bells is taken from her, she runs away.

What follows is a sequence of continual searching and as the play goes, the play was written by the community members in a quest to find Liz. The show was commissioned by the Wesley Foundation, to put on its annual spring production. The Book of Liz is directed by Jeff Shields and features four actors who each take on numerous characters, using wigs, costumes, and varying accents and mannerisms so they move back and forth between person. After all, it takes a group of actors to create a show like this.

The better-than-three Brothers Nathaniel Brightbee to lead the show and the space would come together for opening night. "That’s the magic of theater," he said.

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But no more. In April, the company will unveil the performance of Amy and David Sedaris’ The Book of Liz at 8 p.m. Tickets are $10 for adults, $5 for seniors and $8 for students. Falduto will take the role of Liz and features four supporting performances of Elizabeth Donderstock, an and Kevin Burford, who plays main character

The play centers on the story of Liz, a woman in the sequined religious community known as the Squeamish. Shut away from the modern world, the community depends on Liz’s famous homemade dinner bells for its income. The community members don’t give Liz the respect she feels she deserves, however, and when her role in the maker of dinner bells is taken from her, she runs away.

What follows is a sequence of continual searching and as the play goes, the play was written by the community members in a quest to find Liz. The show was commissioned by the Wesley Foundation, to put on its annual spring production. The Book of Liz is directed by Jeff Shields and features four actors who each take on numerous characters, using wigs, costumes, and varying accents and mannerisms so they move back and forth between person. After all, it takes a group of actors to create a show like this.

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May the sequel be with you

BY DAVID FRANK

A day after Star Wars fans in central Iowa were unable to see the opening midnight show of Star Wars: The Phantom Menace at the Coral Ridge 10 in Coralville, Iowa, the opening of the second installment in the prequel trilogy of films is less than a month away. Geneva Beach's days as the official home of Star Wars may be numbered, as the prequel trilogy are

only three months away, and the word on the street is that the opening talk has been canned at beach. At the time of this writing, it is unknown whether the opening night event will be canceled or if the opening will be held at beach. If the opening is held at beach, it is unknown what time the opening will be held at. If the opening is not held at beach, it is unknown what time the opening will be held at.