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Honoring the memory of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.



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Michael Shaw listens to the music of Kol Shira during a Consultation of Religious Communities Martin Luther King Celebration at the First Christian Church in Coralville on Sunday evening. The service included prayer, music, and readings from various texts to honor the civil-rights leader.

Gathering in King's legacy

BY LEE HERMISTON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Men, women, and children representing a living spectrum of religious and cultural diversity in the Iowa City area came together Sunday evening to pray, sing, and honor the memory and the ministry of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

The event marked the beginning of a week's worth of activities aimed at celebrating King's birthday and his legacy. The UI will also sponsor a variety of daily events to commemorate UI Human Rights Week, which will conclude Jan. 27.

King will again be the subject when the UI kicks off its weeks worth of festivities with a 4:30 convocation in the IMU's second floor ballroom today, but future events will touch on a wide range of human rights issues including human trafficking and compulsory homosexuality.

Sunday's event, held at the warmly lit, cream-colored First Christian Church of Coralville, featured members from Christian, Jewish, and Muslim religious institutions in the area.

'Those who would be great. Would help others.'

— Richard Pleva, keynote speaker at Sunday's event at the First Christian Church in Coralville, drawing on King's words of wisdom

Music played throughout the services included gospel, hymns and traditional Hebrew music.

Keynote speaker Richard Pleva, an Iowa conference minister from the United Church of Christ, said he knew little of the now-iconic King until he began researching religious leaders in preparation for his career. Since then, King's message has permeated the direction of his ministry, he said.

"Those who would be great," Pleva said, drawing on King's words for wisdom, "would help others."

Pleva iterated that message in his speech to the congregation, emphasizing that "it doesn't take a college degree to serve."

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PROPOSED ADDED TAX Soaking the suds

Gov. Tom Vilsack proposes a 10-cent-per-gallon tax increase on beer that would raise an estimated \$7 million for the state

BY ANNE WILMOTH
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa City beer drinkers could see an increase in the price of their favorite beverage if state lawmakers pass a measure that Gov. Tom Vilsack proposed last week, but local suppliers and their customers aren't concerned the change would affect consumption.

The proposal, which the governor announced on Jan. 10, would increase the current 19-cent-per-gallon tax on beer to 29 cents, raising an estimated \$7 million for the state's general fund.



Vilsack
governor

The tax is levied on retailers who purchase beer from wholesalers — such as grocery stores and restaurants. They would then include the tax in their prices and pass those revenues to the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division, the state agency that regulates Iowa's alcoholic-beverages industry. Officials estimate that a 12-ounce beer would cost retailers approximately a penny more under the governor's proposal.

Ed Evans, the owner of Evans Distributing, 3750 Liberty Drive, warns that prices may increase for the consumer. The price on a case of beer would go up "at least 40 cents" as retailers compensate for the increase, he said.

But Evans, who distributes Pabst Blue Ribbon to 300 area retailers, said business probably wouldn't be affected.

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AREA LEGISLATORS ARE ONCE AGAIN MOUNTING ARGUMENTS FOR FULL SUPPORT OF THE STATE BOARD OF REGENTS' \$40 MILLION TRANSFORMATION PLAN, 3A



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THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Human Rights Week and Martin Luther King Jr. commemorative events

TODAY
• Shelter House Donation Drive, through Jan. 20, 310 Calvin Hall, 145 IMU, or Women's Resource and Action

• Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week 2006 Convocation, 4:30 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom

TUESDAY
• Multi-Ethnic Engineering and Science Association poster competition, 6 p.m., Seaman's Center fourth floor

• The Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Step Show Presentation, A History of the Black Greek Organizations and the Art of Stepping, 7 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom

• Film, *The Untold Story of Emmet Louis Till*, 7 p.m., Bijou

WEDNESDAY
• Presentation, "Looking for YOU," 10 a.m., Pomerantz Center first-floor conference room

• Presentation, "Straight from the Heart: A Parent's Journey to Understanding and Love," noon, UIHC East Room

• Presentation, "Cultural Diversity, Limited English Proficiency," 3 p.m., UIHC East Room

• Presentation, "Put Your Language to Work at UIHC" 4 p.m., UIHC East Room

• Presentation, "Celebrating 30 Years of Interpreting and Translation Services," 5 p.m., UIHC Department of Social Services

• Presentation, "I Had an Abortion: Real Stories, Real Choices," 6 p.m., Emma Goldman Clinic, 227 N. Dubuque St.

• Native American Food Night, 6 p.m., Latino Native American Cultural Center

• Film, *Crash*, 6:30 p.m., W151 Pappajohn Business Building

• Film, *The Untold Story of Emmet Louis Till*, 7 p.m., Bijou

• Presentation, "Breaking the Silence: Human Trafficking Around the World and At Home," 7 p.m., 346 IMU

• Musical performance, *Gospel Fest 2006 Film*, — The Music of Martin, featuring Charism and other local gospel groups, 7 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom

• Presentation, "Compulsory Homosexuality," 7 p.m., 335 IMU

THURSDAY
• Presentation, "Judge Us by the Content of Our Character: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Families Today," 11:30 a.m., 347 IMU

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1 MORE DAY OF FREEDOM

Think about it students: it's your last day of freedom. How do you plan to spend it? Don't know? The *DI* suggests the following fun-filled activities:

- Waste the day away in bed. It's your last chance before reality bites Tuesday, so make it count. You won't have the luxury for much longer, especially given the busy semester ahead of you: Yacht Club on Sunday, 3rd Base on Monday, Summit on Tuesday ...
- Revamp your dingy apartment with a piece of art rented from the Iowa City Public Library. For eight weeks, a pretty print can grace your wall
- Go to the Martin Luther King J. Day Convocation. Read the story and event preview above to get inspired about the legend behind the holiday.

- Mosh your heart out at Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St., with the Actual. There's no better way to jump-start the semester than flailing about in a sweaty mob of bodies.
- Experience the beauty of democracy in action at Iowa's precinct caucuses. Stand aside and watch as Iowa City's political future is shaped before your eyes, or step into the whirlwind yourself. Check out jcdems.org and jcrepublicans.org for times and locations.
- Spend a leisurely day updating all your friend details on Facebook. Try this one: You hooked up with Chuck Norris in 1992. It was hot.

COMMENTARY

THE 'REAL' COLLEGE LIFE



TED MCCARTAN

I know classes start Tuesday, but my college schedule starts today, and it has nothing to do with class or studying. I, like many of my peers, have a strict schedule that revolves around television shows and bar specials.

Sure, I'll hit up class in between, but, if my memories of college are going to be of the cultural and historical foundations of

communications, I'm going to be pretty disappointed in myself. I told a friend of mine how excited I was to be back in college after 20 weeks of internships, and she thought I was crazy. "Don't you get stressed with tests and papers and class?" she asked. And the answer is no. Classes don't make up college for me. Classes don't even make up my schedule.

College, to me, and I think a

lot of us, is a term for a lifestyle, not a curriculum. And a huge part of that lifestyle is TV shows, and our weeks are structured around them. Case in point: You show me an apartment full of college girls, and I'll show you at least a couple seasons of "Sex and the City" on DVD — guaranteed.

For me, Monday nights are

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↑ 45 °F
↓ 28 °F



Partly cloudy to cloudy, windy



BOWLED OVER

Sure, it's been a couple of weeks. But still, that wasn't the way the Hawkeyes play in January. **1B**

FROM MUNICH TO BROKEBACK

In the stories of Olympic tragedy and revenge and a different sort of cowboy movie, the *DI*'s David Frank finds two cinematic gems. **9A**

HIZ HONOR

Ross Wilburn steps up his pace as he takes over the City Council reins. **7A**

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UNIVERSITY

2 professor emeriti pass away

In their long UI careers, Lyle Shannon and Stow Persons helped to improve the university, and each left a legacy

BY MEGHAN V. MALLOY
THE DAILY IOWAN

Social Context.

John Stratton, a UI associate professor emeritus, described Shannon as a “good solid Democrat” who was politically engaged and stayed in contact with several politicians, including former President Clinton. Stratton said Shannon, whom he met in 1965, was “devoted his life to his profession.”

“He was a very enthusiastic individual,” Stratton said on Sunday. “Lyle was dedicated to research and writing, even after he retired 15 years ago.”



Lyle Shannon
Professor Emeritus

Shannon is survived by four children; he was preceded in death by wife Magdeline.

Persons, who had been at the UI for 30 years, passed away on Jan. 6 from Parkinson's disease at Oaknoll Retirement Residence. He was 92.

Persons, who was credited with helping rebuild the UI history department, also brought fame to other university departments with his thorough history of the UI, *The University of Iowa in the Twentieth Century: An Institutional History*.

Linda Kerber, the history-department chairwoman, said Persons' character was reflected in his work.

“He was a man of great wisdom and generosity of spirit,” she said on Sunday.

Persons came to the UI in 1950 and assisted in recruiting scholars to the university to teach history at the school.

“He was part of the generation change the department saw over the next 20 years,” said Malcolm Rohrbough, A UI history professor and colleague of Persons' since the 1960s.

The Stow Persons Prize is awarded annually to an undergraduate in honor of the professor.

In accordance to Persons' wishes, a memorial service was not held.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Dorothy, and his daughter, Catherine Persons, of Nome, Alaska.

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BURGING IN



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UI freshman Courtney Pennel carts a load of belongings to her room in Burge Residence Hall on Sunday evening. The three-day weekend before the start of spring classes marks the return of many UI undergraduates as they migrate back to school.

POLICE BLOTTER

Tonnie Alexander, 46, 1960 Broadway Apt. 1C, was charged Jan. 13 with violating a no-contact order.

Lucas Austin, 19, 508A Mayflower, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Edison Ayala-Canchignia, 27, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 2210, was charged Jan. 13 with driving while barred and possession of marijuana.

Mark Baler, 20, 943 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 204, was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA and public intoxication.

Leteah Barikor, 19, Des Moines, was charged Jan. 14 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Nicholas Bates, 20, 2017 Keokuk St. Apt. 1, was charged Jan. 14 with PAULA.

Mathew Beuning, 20, 613 S. Dubuque St. Apt. 13, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Pedro Bolanos, 33, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 4204, was charged Jan. 14 with OWI.

Mary Bubb, 20, 130 E. Jefferson St. Apt. 9, was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Mason Bucklin, 19, Solon, was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Cary Burmeister, 20, 36 Valley Ave. Apt. 1, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Brett Campbell, 20, Palatine, Ill., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Brook Carsen, 24, Des Moines, was charged Jan. 14 with disorderly conduct.

Zane Christensen, 25, Des Moines, was charged Jan. 14 with public intoxication.

Alan Cosby, 18, Glenview, Ill., was charged Jan. 14 with public intoxication and presence on premise after hours.

Isaiah Dominguez, 18, West Liberty, was charged Sunday with PAULA and presence in a bar after hours.

Wyatt Dowling, 20, 308 E. Church St., was charged Jan. 14 with PAULA.

Maxwell Fanning, 20, 216 1/2 E. Bloomington St., was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Ryan Fitch, 19, 2 Audrey Court N.E., was charged Jan. 14 with PAULA.

Daryl Goolsby, 27, address unknown, was charged Jan. 6 with domestic assault.

Lametry Hall, 24, 2010 Davis St., was charged Jan. 14 with keeping a disorderly house.

Emily Havry, 20, Walton Beach, Fla., was charged Dec. 23 with unlawful use of authentic driver's license/ID of another.

Kevin Hodge, 19, 4548 Hazelwood Ave. SW, was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Heather Jenkins, 26, 1221 Rochester Ave., was charged Jan. 14 with public intoxication.

Kevin Jenney, 21, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct, interference with official acts, and public intoxication.

Jason Johnson, 20, Northwood, Iowa, was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Salina Kay, 20, Mount Pleasant, was charged Jan. 14 with PAULA.

Michele Kelly, 20, 1136 N. Dubuque St. Apt. 3, was charged Jan. 11 with PAULA.

Trenton Kleppe, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Jan. 14 with PAULA.

Matthew Kowal, 20, St. Charles, Ill., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Andrew Kwak, 22, 1625 Quincent St., was charged Jan. 14 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Cole Marlow, 34, Burt, Iowa, was charged Jan. 13 with OWI.

Ryan Mattson, 20, Davenport, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Patrick McDowell, 19, Orland Park, Ill., was charged Jan. 14 with PAULA.

Milton Mejia Jr., 33, West Liberty, was charged Jan. 13 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Michael Meyers, 22, 620 S. Gilbert St., was charged Jan. 14 with possession of a controlled substance.

Amanda Miller, 18, Cedar Rapids was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Nathan Miller, 19, 621 N. Lucas St., was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Ryan Miller, 20, 332 S. Linn St. Apt. 210, was charged Jan. 13 with disorderly house.

Jonathan Mitchell, 19, 332 N. Van Buren St., was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Jacob Moore, 19, Buffalo, Iowa, was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Alyssa Moore, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Alexander Morel, 20, N334 Currier, was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Christopher O'Brien, 20, 527 N. Dubuque St. Apt. 9, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

David Parson, 20, 630 S. Lucas St. Apt. 5, was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Dwana Porter, 27, Coralville, was charged Dec. 16 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Bryan Poteracki, 21, 918 Iowa Ave. Apt. 1, was charged Jan. 14 with possession of a controlled substance.

Matthew Riggenberg, 20, Oskaloosa, Iowa, was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Carolyn Shiner, 20, Platte City, Mo., was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Courtney Sinnard, 20, 182 West Side Drive Apt. 2, was charged Jan. 13 with PAULA.

Amanda Springer, 20, 527 E. Ronalds St. Apt. 8, was charged Jan. 12 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Kory Stiffler, 25, 703 Iowa Ave., was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Maldon Tiempo, 47, Crawfordsville, Iowa, was charged Jan. 13 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Joseph Townsend, 25, 1003 Cambria Court, was charged Jan. 14 with public intoxication.

Eric Voigt, 25, Hiawatha, Iowa, was charged Jan. 14 with obstructing an officer.

Andrew Wahl, 19, 946 Rienow, was charged Sunday with unlawful use of authentic driver's license/ID of another and public intoxication.

Colin Watson, 21, 620 S. Gilbert St., was charged Jan. 14 with possession of marijuana.

Wesley Weber, 22, Cedar Rapids, was charged Jan. 13 with OWI.

Dana Weir, 20, 427 S. Van Buren St. Apt. 5, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Kyle Wick, 20, Mayflower, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Myocha Wilkus, 29, 2531 Wayne Ave., was charged Dec. 23 with disorderly conduct.

Timothy Yaguchi, 21, 327 E. College St. Apt. 1735, was charged Sunday with assault on peace personnel and public intoxication.

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Dance Marathon raises goal

Lawmakers hunt for funds



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Wyatt Kruse (left), 3, and brother Garret, 6, reach with wide arms for moral captian Brian Ruger during the 2005 Dance Marathon. Over break, Dance Marathon officials changed the amount of money that they hope to raise, their goal being to beat Indiana's fundraising total.

BY ERIKA BINEGAR
THE DAILY IOWAN

In the name of "friendly competition," UI Dance Marathon participants are working to raise more money for the Children's Miracle Network than did fellow Big Ten school Indiana University.

In 2005, the UI Dance Marathon team raised slightly more than \$576,000 for the network and the Children's Hospital of Iowa, said Michael Hubbard, the Dance Marathon marketing director. Last fall, Indiana's marathon raised \$677,000, prompting the UI team to set a goal of \$700,000, Hubbard said.

money that we raise, no matter what, will go to help the kids, so we want to raise as much as we can," said Erin Northway, the Dance Marathon chief executive director.

To help meet its goal, Dance Marathon has joined with the Children's Miracle Network to add a radiothon to its list of fundraisers. Northway said the event will be broadcast across the state — from stations in Des Moines to stations in western Illinois.

"No matter what — if it gets us \$50 or a \$1,000, it's going to be helpful," she said. The event will be broadcast Feb. 2-3 from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Other upcoming events include a fundraiser to be held during the Iowa-Indiana basketball game on

Jan. 24 and a dinner at Thai Flavors, 340 E. Burlington St., the same day — the restaurant will donate a percentage of its proceeds to Dance Marathon, Hubbard said.

If marathon organizers are to meet their goal, they will have to do so with less space than they are accustomed to, Northway said. Because of construction in the IMU, the 24-hour dance will be held in the smaller second-floor ballroom instead of in the IMU Main Lounge.

"We have to work with the capacity of the IMU," Northway said. "We have a smaller space this year, so our goal is to fill up the IMU."

The second-floor ballroom can house 1,000 dancers, but, she said, the event usually brings in more than 1,000 participants.

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GET INVOLVED

Dance Marathon organizers are still accepting applications for volunteer positions for the Feb. 3-4 event.

Applications can be found at www.uiowa.edu/~dancemar/

BY SAM EDSILL
THE DAILY IOWAN

As the politically divided Iowa Legislature begins its second week of action today, area legislators are once again mounting arguments for full support of the state Board of Regents' \$40 million transformation plan — a proposal that received only partial funds in 2005.

Full funding of the plan — which requires budget reallocations by the regents and holding tuition increases to the rate of inflation — also tops the wish list of UI officials.

"We're still eager to see if the Legislature will support the transformation plan," said Steve Parrott, the UI director of University Relations.

The additional money would be used to boost faculty salaries to a more competitive level, rehire faculty lost during the recent budget crunch, and keep tuition increases stable, he said.

Last year, the Legislature, split 25-25 between Republicans and Democrats in the Senate, with Republicans holding a 51-49 majority in the House, gave the regents \$24 million for the plan. Gov. Tom Vilsack later dropped \$14.9 million into the kitty, though most of that money is nonrenewable.

Despite the extra money, undergraduates at Iowa's three public universities saw a tuition increase of 4 percent this academic year. The regents approved a 4.5 percent tuition increase for UI

resident undergraduates in this upcoming academic year, but the marginal increase is contingent on a full \$40 million offering from the state. Rep. David Jacoby, D-Coralville, and Vicki Lensing, D-Iowa City, as well as Sen. Robert Dvorsky, D-Coralville, and Iowa City Democratic counterpart Joe Bolkcom, all voiced support for the plan in recent interviews but also acknowledged the already slim state budget could mean only marginal increases in funding support.

"I think what we can honestly do is increments," said Jacoby, who was recently named to the House Appropriations Committee, which oversees the annual state budget.

Bolkcom, the newly elected assistant democratic Senate leader, said his priorities included not just Iowa's universities but salary increases for K-12 teachers and more money for community colleges, as well.

"When we look at the issue of Iowans making a good living at good wages, the most important ingredient is making sure Iowans have access to a good education," said Bolkcom.

The second-term legislator said he would also try to find support for a \$19.6 million initiative that would pay for the construction of a new UI Hygienic Laboratory. The lab, now located on the UI Oakdale Campus, works to prevent outbreaks of infection, illnesses caused by chemical contamination, and bioterrorism.

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SINCE YOU'VE BEEN GONE: TOP LOCAL NEWS MISSED OVER WINTER BREAK

Opening of new art building delayed

UI art students and faculty will again have to wait before they can move into their new building.

For the second time in the past year, Dorothy Johnson, the director of the School of Art and Art History, said the building's opening would be delayed to allow minor construction on the interior and exterior of the building, including the bridge over the pond, to be completed.

She hopes that construction will be finished in the next couple weeks, but she could not give an exact date. After the building's completion, several more weeks would be allotted for inspection.

"In cases such as this, the university prefers to have the building fully completed and inspected before we move in," Johnson said.

She is planning on the relocation to begin over spring break.

After the 2002 groundbreaking, UI officials cited a nationwide steel shortage and an unanticipated excess of rock and water found during excavation of the foundation as the two main causes for delay.

The art-school staff anticipated the delay, and classes will continue to be held in the current art facilities, Johnson said.

The new building, yet to be named, was originally projected to cost \$21.5 million, but project manager Michael Thomas said the cost should easily stay below that mark.

— by Lee Hermiston

2 UI students finally take N. Liberty seats

The recount and dispute over North Liberty's election results delayed two UI law students from taking their seats on the town's City Council for almost two months, but the results are now official — the Board of Supervisors has declared Dave Franker the mayor and James Wozniak a city councilor.

"I don't have any qualms at all," said Franker, adding that it's all part of the legal process.

On Nov. 8, 2005, Franker, a write-in candidate for mayor, was elected with 36 percent of the votes. Wozniak, one of two candidates elected to the council, received 41 percent of the votes.

A recount in the mayoral election, completed on Nov. 18 at the request of mayoral candidate Thomas Salm, confirmed that the UI law student received a majority of the votes for mayor.

But before Franker and Wozniak could take up their positions on the council, the election results were contested. Matthew Bahl filed a contest for the position of mayor on Nov. 17, and Robert Gardiner filed a contest for a council seat on the same day.

Johnson County Auditor Tom Slockett said the results were contested because of "the contention that North Liberty should be holding runoff elections."

In a runoff election, the winner must win 50 percent of the vote.

In a 2-1 decision handed down on Jan. 6, the contest court decided to stick with the current procedure — the candidates with the most votes win, whether they receive 50 percent of the votes or not, Slockett said.

Though Franker acknowledges the wait has been frustrating, he said it was important to honor people's rights.

"In the big picture, a few weeks is a small price to pay to set the table for



Laura Schmitt/The Daily Iowan

Construction workers work on the future TA offices in the new art building on Jan. 17, 2005. The facility's opening has been delayed again.

some years of good work," he said.

— by Erika Binegar

P&G may receive city funds

Procter & Gamble is scheduled to receive \$70,000 from Iowa City, contingent on the company receiving Community and Economic Betterment Account Funding from the state.

The company is applying to receive \$200,000 in state funding, said Steve Nasby, the Iowa City Community and Economic Development coordinator.

The money would not only maintain jobs at the plant but also add new positions, he said. The money would be considered a three-year forgivable loan, which stipulates that the money must be repaid if jobs aren't maintained or created.

Procter & Gamble has been an asset to the Iowa City area because of its high wages and benefits, Nasby said.

"You can't go wrong with good jobs and benefits," he said.

Nasby expects the state to decide on whether to approve the loan in mid-February, he said.

— by Rebecca McKanna

Housing restrictions to get tougher

Poor families may soon benefit from federal housing rules that would more tightly monitor accessibility to low-income housing — which means that university students, however,

may be out of luck.

Thousands of single college students statewide who have been living in low-income housing units will be forced to find other arrangements after new rules close a loophole that allowed students to live there. The rules, including a thorough screening of potential tenants, will go into effect Jan. 30.

Controversy sprang up over the situation in Iowa City last year when *Des Moines Register* reporters discovered that several Hawkeye athletes were living in the Pheasant Ridge Apartments — a low-income housing facility — without paying rent.

Steve Rackis, the director of the city housing authority, said UI students who are supporting themselves may still potentially qualify for low-income housing; however, the majority do not fall into the preferred categories.

"At the top of our lists are the elderly, disabled, and those with children," he said on Sunday. "The rules shouldn't affect the [Iowa City Housing Authority] too much."

Rackis added that when the new federal rules go into effect, Pheasant Ridge will be among the facilities under new scrutiny.

— by Meghan V. Malloy

Supervisors reach compromise on roads

Attempting to assuage all interests in a hotly contested debate over expansion and preservation,

the Johnson County Board of Supervisors reached a compromise on the North Corridor Roads Project on Jan. 12.

The approved design will widen Prairie Du Chien and Newport Roads, but it does not include plans to construct a connecting road between the two.

The issue had attracted outcry from more than 100 residents who live on or near Newport Road — they felt the plan would ruin their rural environment.

Supervisor Rod Sullivan had the only dissenting vote against the design.

Recently appointed board Chairman Mike Lehman oversaw the decision.

The father of two is looking forward to working on overcrowding problems at the Johnson County Jail, a new building for the Health and Human Services departments, and writing a county human-rights ordinance.

"We've got a lot of challenges," he said. "It's never a dull moment; there's always something."

Both Iowa City and Coralville have human-rights officials, but Lehman said he felt citizens would benefit from more direct county involvement in human rights.

He also said he felt that having a county building for health and human services will interest citizens because of its central location.

— by Colin Burke

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Pols race to hug reform

BY PETER WALLSTEN AND TOM HAMBURGER
LOS ANGELES TIMES

With the taint of scandal hanging over the capital and threatening Republican candidates in upcoming elections, both parties are in a race to seize the mantle of reform and to win credit from voters for cleaning up government.



Mehlman
Republican National Committee Chairman

Leading Democrats are scheduled to roll out major policy proposals Wednesday aimed at accusing the GOP majority of cultivating a "culture of corruption," while Republican strategists are working behind the scenes to shield their party from the charge — and even outdo the Democrats' call for change.

Last week, Republican National Committee Chairman Ken Mehlman told a weekly gathering of conservative activists and lobbyists in Washington that reform would be a key chapter in the party's playbook leading up to November congressional elections.

Among the ideas being considered by GOP strategists: Giving Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a possible 2008 presidential contender and onetime rival of President Bush, a central role in persuading the public that Republicans can be trusted to clean up the political system they control. McCain, who has been leading a Senate investigation into the work of lobbyist Jack Abramoff, has written proposals to enhance lobbyist disclosures and crack down on special-interest spending.

Democrats, meanwhile, huddled through the weekend to polish dramatic proposals targeting Republicans' so-called K Street Project, the program developed by former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas, and other conservatives to make corporate lobbyists an integral part of the Republican political machine and to increase donations to GOP candidates.

The dueling approaches illustrate each party's belief that the Abramoff scandal could be pivotal in midterm elections.

Republicans hope to prevent any erosion of the governing majority that was decades in

the making. Democrats hope to undo Republicans' lock on Washington by emphasizing ethics complaints against the Bush administration and congressional Republicans — piled atop voter concerns over the Iraq war and the administration's response to Hurricane Katrina.

The ethics-focused strategy contains perils for both sides. For example, the so-called Wednesday Meeting that the GOP's Mehlman addressed last week is a gathering of conservative movement leaders, K Street lobbyists, and Capitol Hill leaders, many of whom have been associated at least tangentially with Abramoff and DeLay.

That group, headed by anti-tax activist Grover Norquist, is soon to be a target of Democrats, who seek to focus public attention on Washington's Republican-dominated lobbying system in which Abramoff thrived.

Democrats, for their part, risk calling attention to money that some of their top officials, including Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada, received from Abramoff's clients — though Reid has responded to critics by noting he has never met Abramoff. Moreover, the issue will test the party's ability to convey a coherent message — something that has eluded Democrats on the Iraq war and other major issues.

Democrats have been hammering at Republicans' ethical problems for months, pointing to the Abramoff scandal as well as the CIA leak case that involved White House strategist Karl Rove and led to charges against I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby, Vice President Dick Cheney's former chief of staff. Democratic aides have been working for months to draft reform legislation.

The new — and, to some, surprising — theme expected to emerge this week will be the GOP as the "party of reform." That campaign is expected to include legislation likely to be passed by the Republican-led Congress and embraced by President Bush, perhaps as early as his State of the Union address this month.

"You're going to hear from this president and see the Congress consider an agenda of real change and real reform in 2006," Mehlman said in an interview.

NASA sings Stardust melody

Spacecraft carrying comet dust makes a triumphant return to Earth

BY GUY GUGLIOTTA
WASHINGTON POST

After flying for 2.9 billion miles and seven years, NASA's Stardust space capsule parachuted gently to the floor of Utah's high desert Sunday, carrying dust collected nearly two years ago from a comet orbiting the sun beyond Mars.

The Stardust return capsule, shaped like a land mine and only 32 inches across, bounced five times and came to rest in the chill, early morning darkness at the U.S. Army's Dugway Proving Ground.

Its arrival at 5:10 a.m. Eastern time elicited a round of cheers from the Dugway recovery team and from mission controllers hundreds of miles away at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.

"All stations, the main chute is open, and we're coming down slowly," project manager Tom Duxbury said over the mission's audio loop and minutes later delivered the news that "OK, we're on the ground."

Helicopter crews collected the capsule and flew it to a small, makeshift "clean room," where handlers unscrewed the capsule's back-shell to remove a canister holding thousands of tiny particles of comet dust trapped in a spun-glass-like material called aerogel.

After purging the canister with nitrogen to prevent



Phil McCarten/Associated Press

As the Stardust capsule lands under parachute in Utah on Sunday, scientists and engineers in Mission Control at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., react to the successful return of the space vehicle.

contamination from Earth's atmosphere, the Dugway team prepared it for transfer to NASA's Johnson Space Center and a special laboratory set up to examine the samples.

While the aerogel probably holds less than a teaspoon of dust from comet Wild 2, it will be enough to keep platoons of scientists busy for years. Comets, migrants from the chill reaches of deep space beyond Neptune, are composed of ice, dust, and debris virtually unchanged since the birth of the solar system 4.5 billion years ago.

"It's hard to describe what it feels like," said Stardust lead scientist Don Brownlee, from the University of Washington at Seattle. "It's an incredible thrill. We have [completed] a mission to collect the most primitive materials in the solar system."

Stardust's picture-perfect landing concluded the first-ever mission to bring comet material back from outer space. It was also the latest in a series of innovative and inexpensive — Stardust cost \$168.4 million — missions to smaller targets in the solar system.

In July 2005, NASA's Deep Impact dropped a projectile in the path of a comet in order to analyze the debris plume triggered by the explosion, and in November, the Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency landed a spacecraft on the surface of a tiny asteroid.

Stardust launched from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station on Feb. 7, 1999, and rendezvoused with Wild 2 on Jan. 2, 2004, when the comet was 242 million miles from Earth in orbit beyond Mars.

The spacecraft carried a tennis-racket-shaped particle collector fitted with about 100 aerogel-filled compartments to trap particles from Wild 2's "coma," the cloud of dust and debris that surrounds a comet as it is heated by the sun. Brownlee said the biggest particles his team expected to harvest are about 0.04 inches in diameter, while most will be between 10 percent and 20 percent as wide as a human hair.

The return trip took a little over two years, punctuated by some unease after parachutes failed to deploy on another spacecraft with a re-entry configuration similar to Stardust's. Careful analysis of the Stardust blue prints and pre-flight tests, however, showed that the parachute devices were properly installed.

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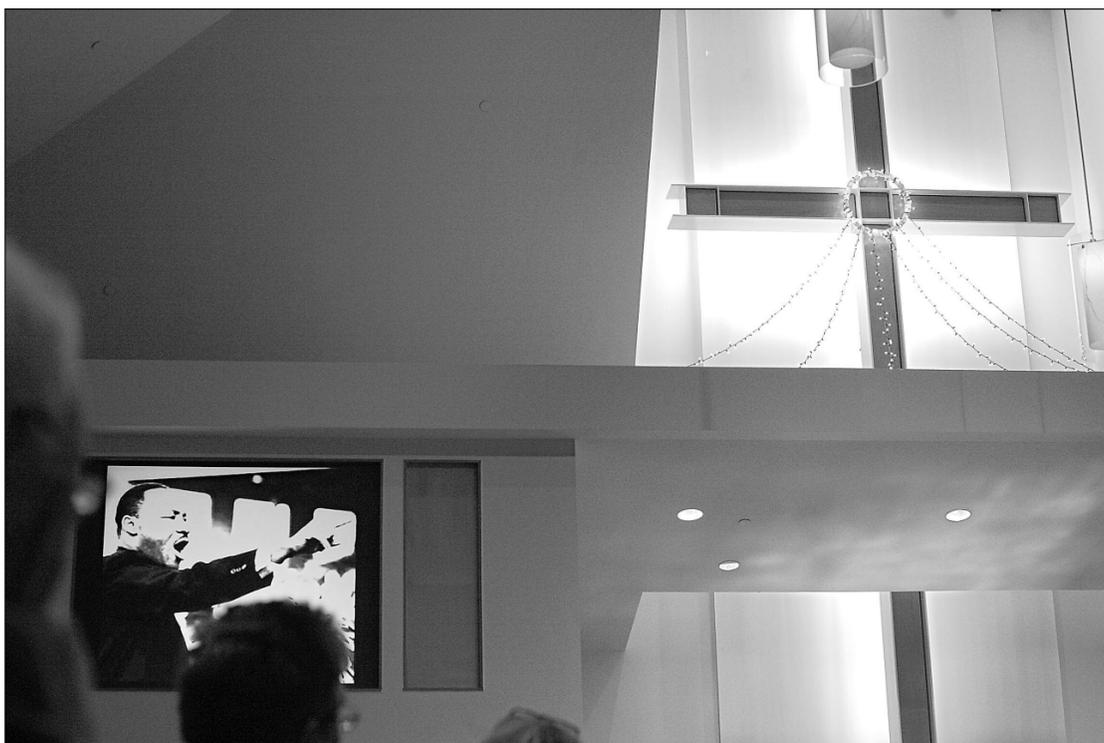
reserved for Jack Bauer defending freedom and saving the world from evil terrorists in the Emmy award-winning series "24." The guy will take down eight terrorists with seven shots, and he never eats, sleeps, or goes to the bathroom. I started watching the show last winter, and I've been addicted ever since. If you watch, you know exactly what I'm talking about. I'm sure 40 days in the desert felt like a long time for Moses, but the seven days in between episodes of "24" has got to be comparable.

The next highlight of my week comes on Wednesday nights. No, I'm not a "Lost" fan — though I've heard good things — I'm a wing connoisseur. And I haven't seen a better deal than 10-cent wings at Brothers Bar & Grill. Patrons line up a half hour before they go on sale like they're giving them away. Add in a dollar beer, and it's my favorite meal not made by my mom.

And I don't know which genius came up with the weekend starting Thursday night, but whoever it was deserves to have a street named after her or him. I mean, starting the weekend one night early ... it's brilliant. I'd lobby to waive classes altogether on Fridays, but then where would it end? Besides, without class on Friday, FAC would just be called happy hour, and anybody can go to happy hour. You have to be in college to go to FAC.

As I write this, the Bears game is on Fox, followed by the season premiere of "24" directly after. That's six and a half hours of Fox programming, and I'm setting the over/under for "American Idol" promos at 15. God, it's good to be back in college; now I feel like my life finally has some continuity.

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Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan

People attending the Consultation of Religious Communities Martin Luther King Celebration listen to a reading of King's "Where Do We Go From Here?" sermon on Sunday evening at the First Christian Church of Coralville. The ecumenical celebration included contributions from Christian, Jewish, Muslim and Unitarian admirers of the civil-rights leader.

COMMEMORATING KING

KING

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'We must learn to live together as brothers. Or die as fools.'

— Michael Shaw, quoting King

The Illinois-based minister also noted that despite the progress since King's death, "divisions in humanity" persisted and would trouble the former civil-rights leader if he were alive today.

Throughout the event, representatives from local religious institutions read scripture as photographs of King and the civil-rights movement glowed from a background projection screen.

Pulling insight from an array of sacred texts, including the Bible and the Koran, speakers revolved around a common sentiment — unity.

"We must learn to live together as brothers," read Michael Shaw of the local spiritual assembly of the Baha'i, quoting King, "or die as fools."

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THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

CALENDAR

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- **Musical performance, Putumayo World Music**, noon, UIHC East Room
- **Presentation, "The Pan African Movement and Cultural Affirmation,"** 5 p.m., 347 IMU
- **Play, The Meeting — A Story of Martin and Malcolm**, by Jeff Stetson, 7 p.m., Theatre Building Theatre B
- **Video and discussion, The Shadow of Hate**, 7 p.m., Asian Pacific American Cultural Center

FRIDAY

- **Human Rights Week Day of Action**, 10 a.m., IMU Richey Ballroom
- **Presentation, "The Words and Meaning of One Man's Dream,"** noon, UIHC East Room
- **Presentation, "Access and Disparities in Oral Health in Iowa,"** with Bob Russell, dental director of the Iowa Department of Public Health Oral Health Bureau, noon, N212 Dental Science Building

- **"A Hip-Hop Theory of Justice,"** with Paul Butler, professor of law, George Washington University College of Law, 3 p.m., 295 Boyd Law Building

- **Musical performances and dramatic readings, "The Other Side of AGEF,"** by Calvin Mackie, professor of

mechanical engineering at Tulane University, 3 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom

- **Presentation, "The History of Hip-Hop,"** 7 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market St.

- **Presentation, "Being Other in Iowa,"** 7 p.m., 346 IMU

SATURDAY

- **Hip-Hop Dance Workshop**, 2 p.m., Field House North Gym

- **Read-In Day**, 2 p.m., Afro-American Cultural Center

- **Performance, "Movement Demonstration,"** 6:45 p.m., Hancher Auditorium lobby

- **Performance: Rennie Harris, Puremovement**, 7:30 p.m., Hancher Auditorium (tickets required for this event)

Jan. 22

- **International Potluck**, 5 p.m., International Center Lounge

Jan. 27

- **College of Education Diversity Research Symposium**, noon, College of Education Jones Commons

VILSACK PROPOSAL

Taxing beer

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"No one's going to quit drinking [because of the tax increase]," he said.

Evans is a member of the Iowa Wholesale Beer Distributors Association, which has spoken out against the proposal. Sheila Douglas, the group's executive director, feels that an increase is bad for an industry that is, in her words, "highly regulated and highly taxed." People who live near Iowa's borders could cross state lines to purchase beer if the price in Iowa increased, she said, resulting in lost revenue for Iowa businesses.

Leah Cohen, the owner of Bo-James, 118 E. Washington St., said she wasn't concerned about the tax increase.

"As low as it is, it isn't probably going to make a difference," she said. "I don't think it will affect business or pricing."

Doug Alberhasky, the owner of John's Grocery, 401 E. Market St., predicted that the backlash from such a change would be severe. He called the tax "quite unfair" and said he might have to increase his prices to make up for it.

"They say, 'Oh, it's just a few cents,' but they don't understand that once you add the wholesalers' markup and my markup, it's quite a bit more," he said.

UI junior Stephenie Panther supports raising the beer tax.

"We as citizens of Iowa are responsible to help with our state's ability to raise money, and this is a small way we can help," she said.

UI graduate Scott Dragoo, drinking beer at the Deadwood, said he understands the need for a tax.

"It's hard for them to generate money these days," he said. "It's better than if they raised it somewhere else."

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IOWA CITY GOVERNMENT

Wilburn takes over the City Council's reins

New Mayor Ross Wilburn, while somewhat surprised about the amount of media coverage, stays focused on the council's initial task: the Iowa City budget

BY COLIN BURKE
THE DAILY IOWAN

NEW MAYOR IN ACTION

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Ross Wilburn is a busy man. On a recent Friday afternoon, the bespectacled 41-year-old, dressed in a black sweater, purple button-down shirt, and black jeans, conducted his "management by walking around" at his position in the Johnson County Crisis Center, and he walked fast.

This reporter had to step up the pace as the center's executive director installed computer software in the crisis-line call center, then strode to the food-bank reception area, where he oversaw food requests from the area's neediest people, and then ended up in a massive food-storage unit, where workers filled grocery bags one after another.

His style works well in the small office building, but whether it is effective for an entire city remains to be seen.

Unanimously elected mayor by fellow city councilors in a Jan. 4 organizational meeting, the six-year Iowa City City Council veteran expressed gratitude toward his colleagues for their votes but said he was a little surprised by the media attention he has received since his election.

"I hadn't quite expected the level of interest," he said. Both he and newly chosen Mayor Pro Tem Regenia Bailey will serve

two-year terms in their positions. Bailey, the District C representative, has high praises and high hopes for her fellow councilor.

"He's respectful to colleagues and respectful to citizens," she said. "I think he'll do a great job."

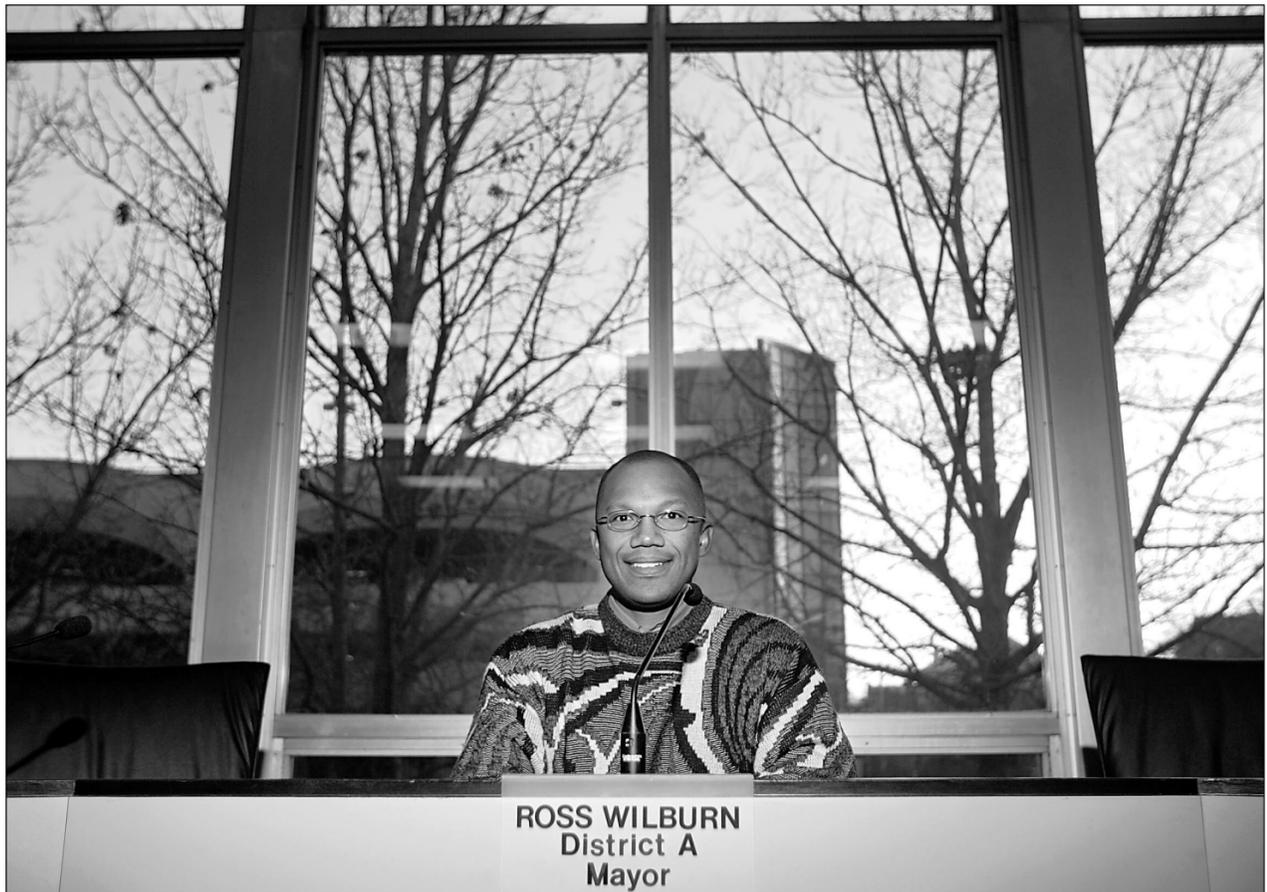
In a city in which only 3.7 percent of the population is black, Wilburn is the first to attain the City Council's highest office. He follows eight-year Mayor Ernie Lehman, who announced his retirement from the council last year.

But Wilburn's postelection glow may dwindle and sobering reality may return as the council addresses the city's needs.

This week the council will evaluate the proposed fiscal 2007 budget.

"[The budget is] always the first challenge for any city council," Wilburn said.

Once that's completed, councilors said they will look at key issues, such as the possible creation of a countywide



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan

New Iowa City Mayor Ross Wilburn sits in the center seat in the City Council chambers on Jan. 13. Fellow city councilors selected Ross, Iowa City's first black mayor, unanimously on Jan. 4 as Ernie Lehman's successor.

emergency-response system, and they will evaluate the now disbanded Scattered Site Housing Taskforce's recommendations. The group's purpose was to discover if any link existed between academic performance of elementary-school students living in affordable housing. Jerry Anthony, a former

member of the task force, strongly favors inclusionary zoning, in which developers are required to set aside low-income housing units in their construction projects — one of many possible remedies provided by the investigators.

"I think that's the one recommendation they should look at

and address," said the Housing and Community Development Commission member.

As council leadership transfers from Lehman to Wilburn, UI Student Government City Council liaison Jeremy Schreiber said he feels Wilburn will exude the same professionalism as his predecessor.

The new mayor felt that in order to see the difference between he and Lehman, firsthand observation is necessary.

"It's just something different," Wilburn said.

"It takes a little time to get a certain rhythm."

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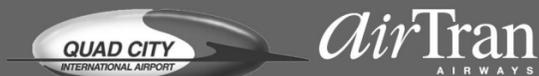
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Polluting Washington

I was watching CNN on Jan. 7 at O'Hare International Airport when Tom DeLay announced he was relinquishing his seat as majority leader in the U.S. House of Representatives. During the breaking-news bulletin, an American Airlines employee approached me and asked what the big deal was. As I told him about DeLay's decision to step down, the employee slightly grinned, turned, and scoffed, "It was never his seat to give up in the first place."

Welcome to American politics, where corporate fat cats, overpaid lobbyists, and giant moneymakers grease members of America's Congress with lavish dinners, posh golf outings, and luxury vacations in hopes of swindling their way into better access and desired policy implementation. While the lobbyist's dollar reigns supreme in Washington, D.C., individual citizens are left in the cold, struggling to make their voices heard.



BRENDAN FITZGIBBONS

The Jack Abramoff case is an extravagant instance of a lobbyist breaking every rule of the book, and his transgressions prompted *Time* magazine to put the embattled lobbyist on the cover next to the words, "The Man Who Bought Washington."

Abramoff worked on two fronts. The first was allegedly scamming millions of dollars from American Indian tribes by recommending the tribes pay \$53 million in lobbying fees to his partner, Michael Scanlon. The second was reportedly just good old-fashioned bribery to any politician with an appetite for unsolicited endowments. According to court papers, the gifts included entertainment, foreign and domestic travel, golf fees, and so on.

The Abramoff scandal is just the tip of the iceberg. Lobbying in Washington has become somewhat of a sport, with both Democrats and Republicans as the targets. However, these are our politicians. Any elected official answers to their constituency, not to some corporate high roller with a bottomless bank account and countless lobbyists at their disposal.

Many political systems have lobbying to a certain extent, and including special interests in the legislative process can be generally benign, if regulated properly. However, Washington lobbying isn't a minute and insignificant aspect of American political life. The "For Sale" sign on Capitol Hill is bigger and brighter than ever.

American judicial and legislative attempts to regulate lobbyists and campaign contributions have been deficient at best. The Federal Election Commission, which is the primary regulatory mechanism for the administration of federal election laws, is rendered toothless and ineffective because of the equal representation of Democrats and Republicans.

The landmark 1976 Supreme Court case, *Buckley v. Valeo*, in which the court held that speech equals money, and the most recent 2002 campaign-finance-reform act have opened the floodgates even more for an orgy of special-interest money in politics. In the 2004 election cycle, 527 organizations, such as MoveOn.org, contributed almost \$400 million collectively.

Rapper Notorious B.I.G. warned us of the dangers of having too much money in his smash hit single, "Mo' Money, Mo' Problems." The constant flow of lobby money into Washington has corrupted the core values of our democratic society. Abraham Lincoln stated in his Gettysburg Address that "government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the Earth."

Organizations such as Common Cause, Public Campaign, and Democracy Matters are fighting against the colossal influence of private money in politics by pushing for an election system built on full public financing, known as Clean Elections. Clean Elections fared well in statewide elections in Maine and Arizona; it features a campaign system in which individuals are afforded the opportunity to run for office without the threat of private money overpowering them. Full public financing levels the playing field, eliminates the influence of private money, and serves as the most viable solution to the culture of corruption menacing Washington.

Until substantial changes are made in our electoral system, the some 35,000 overzealous lobbyists in Washington will continue to line up like pigs at the trough at the chance to buy their favorite politician. If Honest Abe were alive today, his Gettysburg Address would have a more haunting conclusion: that "government of the lobbyists, by the lobbyists, for the lobbyists, shall perish from the Earth." ■

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EDITORIAL

Thoughts on human rights today

In the memory of Martin Luther King Jr., the UI will kick off a week commemorating human rights starting today. We are hardly unique; Iowa State University, the University of Michigan, and the University of Nebraska all use King's name to do the same.

Historically, the UI has done an excellent job on diversity and human rights. Ours was the first public university to admit applicants regardless of sex or ethnicity, which it has done since its founding in 1847. In 1970, the UI became the first university to officially recognize a gay-lesbian student group.

We've had outstanding individuals, too. Mary Hickey Wilkinson graduated from the College of Law in 1873 as one of the first female law graduates in the country. A black man named Alexander Griffin Clark Jr. accomplished the same feat in 1879. The first black basketball player in the Big Ten, Richard Culberson, suited up for the Black and Gold in 1944. Each spring, the Human Rights Committee gives out the Philip G. Hubbard award in honor of the first black vice president at a Big Ten university.

King certainly deserves to be honored and remembered for his contributions to society, but a human-rights week at the UI named after him might be overkill. After all, a federal holiday, elementary and secondary schools, and history textbooks won't let him be forgotten. Wilkinson, Clark, Culberson, and Hubbard, on the other hand, did something special at our university, deserving the recognition and remembrance befitting national icons of diversity. Besides, a week named in honor of one of these heroes or heroines would be unique to the university.

We applaud a picture on the Human Rights Committee's website of the Old Capitol dome with the caption "Human Rights Every Day." In our eyes, that means we should continue to recruit and support minorities, focus curriculum on understanding and appreciating our common humanity, and ensure that our campus is safe and accepting of people who might differ in their sex, ethnicity, religion, or sexual orientation. We ought to implement the suggested redevelopment plan for the African American World Studies Program outlined in the May 2005 African American Studies Advisory Committee Report, which would include a stronger focus on African-American culture here in the Midwest. University administrators should continue collaborating with such groups as Students Against Sweatshops to establish ways in which we can enforce our human-rights policies beyond the borders of our local community.

The plethora of events to attend this week shows how broad and all-encompassing human rights can be. Along with the more traditional discourse on relations among the ethnicities in the United States, this week features several hip-hop events, two events focused on sexuality, a step show sponsored by the African American Council, a discussion questioning whether health care is a human right, a discussion on the death penalty headlined by Janet Reno, several themed plays and music, and an American Indian food night. When partaking in these events, people should remember to honor the local leaders who came before us while keeping an eye on things we can do in the present.

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Good eggs

I would like to commend the Farm Animal Welfare Network and UI Food Services for implementing the pilot program of cage-free eggs on campus. Considering the cruelty and environmental effect of animal production, it is a responsibility of the UI to lead by example, and our leadership has responded well.

The state's animal production has caused our waterways to be deeply affected by nutrients from confined animal feeding operations, which cause our water supply to be very close to noncompliance. Unacceptable odor from confined animal feeding operations is becoming an all too common feature in Iowa. By buying cage-free eggs, we are supporting the local economy, and we are supporting a more humane way of doing business. Finally, we are making our lives more pleasant. The bottom line: Cage-free eggs taste better.

Marcelo Mena
UI research assistant

Union mine

The tragic deaths at the Sago Mine in West Virginia is a stark reminder of why labor unions are good for workers.



United Mine Workers leader John L. Lewis brought hope to miners and industrial workers in the 1930s and 1940s. Thanks to Lewis and countless others, workers were given a voice, and efforts were made to improve an industry with a dreadful history.

The Sago mine had 273 safety violations in the last two years, a third of them

classified as "significant and substantial" by the federal Mine Safety Administration. The Sago workers were NOT represented by a union.

How can a union make a difference? Accidents happen in both union and nonunion workplaces. However, union workers, particularly apprenticeship graduates, are trained in safety procedures.

More importantly, union workers are taught to stand up for their rights. If union workers see unsafe situations, usually, they can refuse to work in them. They can call their union representatives to complain. Most union workplaces have joint labor-management safety committees to help ensure that everyone goes home at the workday's end. In a nonunion workplace, the boss can say, "If you don't like it, you can quit." When faced with an unsafe situation, union workers have a voice.

We all mourn the West Virginia miners. Their deaths remind us of the thousands that die in this country annually in work-related accidents, not only in the mines but also in meatpacking plants, factories, and construction sites. Workers need training, workers need vigilance, and, most importantly, they need a voice on the job that can speak as an equal to management. That's where having a union makes a difference.

As mine worker's advocate *Mother Jones* told us, we must "pray for the dead and fight like hell for the living" to see that this type of tragedy does not happen again.

Alan Bernard
executive director
Hawkeye Labor Council, AFL-CIO

GUEST OPINION

Remember, and share the dream

Even before the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday became a national holiday, I remember my elementary-school music teacher, Mrs. Harley, preparing students at Mary Ford Elementary for an assembly program honoring King and other leaders.

"Martin Luther King was a great, great, man; he wanted peace and love all over this land," is the one line of the song that has never left me. By the time I was 8, Harley had taught us "Lift Every Voice and Sing," the black national anthem. One year, I remember the chorus rocking to the tune of "Ebony and Ivory," a racial-unity tune recorded by Paul McCartney and Stevie Wonder.

For the students at this underfunded, predominantly black school located in North Charleston, S.C., black history was something it seemed we celebrated every day. While I sometimes can't remember things I learned last year, the words of the song honoring King and others taught by Harley have stayed with me. In addition to teaching the origins of the song, she got us excited about our reason for singing it. It was just something about how she reminded us of who we were and who we could become.

As we celebrate the life and legacy of King, I believe this is also a time to reflect on the many individuals who have allowed us to dream and grow as Americans, local citizens, and individuals. This time of year has always prompted me to remember people who will never get a holiday in their

honor, a PBS documentary, or a page in the history books. While the media would suggest that the civil-rights movement began in the 1960s, freed blacks and former slaves actually ignited the movement generations earlier. Before there were sound bites or video clips to show the marches, sit-ins, and arrests, there were sacrifices made by unknown martyrs of every age and hue.

During his November 2005 visit to the UI, Julian Bond reminded us that, while much was accomplished during the movement of the 1960s, there is still work to be done. He suggested, "If there is more to be done, we have more to do it with." I'm thinking Facebook alone could ignite a revolution. With limited resources and a few fliers and posters, Bond and students in the South founded the Southern Nonviolent Coordinating Committee in 1960 in an effort to overturn the segregated laws of the land. The interracial group organized Freedom Rides and voter registration.

At Mary Ford Elementary, we were also taught freedom songs sung during the movement and the words of King's "I Have a Dream" speech. But, more importantly, we were encouraged to dream. Today, we all have to dream, and vote, and work, and teach our children the truth of our nation's history so that future generations may never know the hate and pain experienced and inflicted by our ancestors.

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ON THE SPOT

Did you do anything fun during your break?



"I read, watched a lot of movies, and worked a lot."

Bret Szymoniak
UI graduate



"I went hiking at Lake Macbride Recreation Area."

Evan Herrstadt
UI senior



"I saw Spinalot. Hilarious."

MaryGrace Weber
UI sophomore



"I went to Barbados."

Caitlin Cook
UI sophomore

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Jack (Jake Gyllenhaal, right) confronts Ennis (Heath Ledger) about their romance in *Brokeback Mountain*. Publicity photo

Heartbreak on the range



FILM REVIEW

by David Frank

Brokeback Mountain

When:

Noon, 3:10, 6:20, 9:30 p.m.

Where:

Sycamore 12

★★★★ out of ★★★★★

Brokeback Mountain (a.k.a. "The Gay Cowboy Movie," as dubbed by the cultural elite) is the feel-bad movie of the year. And I loved it. Director God Ang Lee has crafted a meticulous drama of low-key, heartbreaking cinematic perfection.

There's one mesmerizing shot in the film in which the lone cowboy figure stands gigantic against the red, white, and blue fireworks illuminating the sky on the Fourth of July. The image captures red-blooded Americana in spectacular glory. Yet, it works within a film that recontextualizes the most

mythic element of our national culture — the Cowboy — to subversively point out America's uneasy disposition toward homosexuality.

Subtle and quiet on the surface, yet potent and epic in its scope, the film opens in 1960s Wyoming and follows the 20-year love affair between ranch hand Ennis Del Mar (Heath Ledger in a devastating performance of tight-lipped stoicism that clashes with terrifying rage) and rodeo cowboy Jack Twist (the always engaging Jake Gyllenhaal).

In a setting in which gay love is an absolute no-no, the two men keep their passionate relationship concealed. They try to bury, ignore, and fix it by getting hitched to beautiful women and spawning offspring. Of course, these merely aesthetic efforts fix nothing, and, ultimately, heartache and misery ensnare both the men and their wives, who are unknowingly involved in sham marriages.

Ennis and Jack's love is honest and true, and, to paraphrase Jack after their first sexual encounter, it's nobody's business but their own.

How true. How true.

Lee does such a masterful job in delicately and intelligently discussing homophobia without overwhelming heavy-handedness, and the filmmakers

compose a universal message that invites the audience to consider our culture's unhealthy fixation with who's diddling whom.

You see it on every tabloid magazine cover. You see it in the recent flood of bans against gay marriage. And for some lurid reason, you see it most prevalently in religious institutions, such as the Catholic church and the Bible-thumping of such hate mongers as Jerry Falwell, Pat Robertson, and the certainly hell-bound Fred Phelps; out of curiosity, why don't those basing their prejudices on silly religious arguments also start damning folks wearing garments of two different materials (Leviticus 19:19)?

The film clearly argues that homosexuality isn't a choice and reproaches a culture that implicitly restricts the open acknowledgment of gay relationships and shames homosexuals into fraudulent straight relationships despite whatever unhappiness it may cause.

And hopefully, a film as strong and raw (and as well-publicized) as *Brokeback Mountain* will help our culture explore the absurdity of aiming so much negative concern toward adults in a loving relationship — who also happen to be of the same sex.

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An eye for an eye

Munich, Stephen Spielberg's compelling tale about the dark side of the 1972 Olympic games, proves to be complex and thoroughly intriguing



Mathieu Kassovitz and Eric Bana star in the dramatic thriller about an attack on 11 Israeli athletes by a Palestinian terrorist group during the 1972 Summer Olympics. Publicity photo

FILM REVIEW

by David Frank

Munich

When:

12:30, 4:30, 8:30 p.m.

Where:

Sycamore 12

★★★★ out of ★★★★★

Munich is the type of movie I love: simple and unpretentious on the surface, complex as hell in its subtext. Yes, friends, Steven Spielberg has delivered another masterpiece.

The movie opens during the 1972 Olympics as members of a Palestinian terrorist group known as Black September take 11 Israeli athletes hostage. And, as we know, Black September members killed all 11 athletes while the terrorists attempted their escape.

The events at Munich haunt the film's perimeter, but the real story line details the chilling true story of how the Israeli government spearheaded an off-the-books operation to assassinate those

involved with the planning of the Munich tragedy.

The group of assassins is a five-man pack led by Eric Bana (the dude who turns green in *Hulk*), son of a military hero and the Prime Minister's favorite bodyguard. The others include a document forger, a bomb expert, a soldier, and a guy who worries about cleaning up the details after the executions.

These characters don't fit the Hollywood, Vin Diesel-esque makeup of an assassin. Their ages range from mid-30s to late-50s, and they've never worked as hired killers before. By eschewing the grizzled, hardened, badass archetypes of the cinematic assassins who always hit their targets square-on, these honest characterizations amp up the film's suspense, because they're human and liable to make mistakes — the bomb-maker has trouble with creating bombs that actually explode, for example.

As a thriller, *Munich* blazes as tough, crackerjack entertainment. But the real

goal of Spielberg and company is to propose difficult questions regarding the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Yet, of all of the questions, there are two which spark the most interest. When violence begets more violence, as the assassinations carried out against the Munich planners did do in the form of numerous bombings against Israel and its allies, is the eye-for-an-eye method ever just?

And, even more importantly — yet undeniably linked to the previous question — should a nation ever compromise its moral values? It's a question not only pertinent to those living in Israel and Palestine but also to citizens of a country in which the government considers such un-American ideas of torture and secret wiretaps a necessity in the war against terrorism.

Munich doesn't provide the answers to such inquiries. Instead, it does one better by provoking thought on the subject matter and encouraging audiences to reassess their own moral compasses.

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REBUILDING IRAQ
U.S. plan
nears end

BY DOUG SMITH
AND BORZOU DARAGAH
 LOS ANGELES TIMES

BAGHDAD — After more than 2½ years of sputtering reconstruction work, the United States' "Marshall Plan" to rebuild this war-torn country is drawing to a close this year, with much of its promise unmet and no plans to extend its funding.

The \$18.6 billion approved by Congress in 2003 will be spent by the end of this year, officials here say. Foreign governments have given only a fraction of the billions they pledged two years ago.

With the country still a shambles, U.S. officials are promoting a tough-love vision of reconstruction that puts the burden on the Iraqi people.

"The world is a competitive place," Tom Delare, an economics counselor at the U.S. Embassy, said this month during a news briefing. "You have to convince the investor that it is worth his while to put his money in your community."

An embassy spokeswoman later said that the Bush administration was not abandoning the Iraqi reconstruction effort. It "remains committed to helping build Iraq and continues to assess needs on the ground," she said. No decisions on future funding requests have been made, she said.

But embassy and reconstruction officials outlined a program of private investment and fiscal belt-tightening by the new Iraqi government as the long-term solution to the country's woes, even if that causes short-term suffering for Iraq's people.

"No pain, no gain," Andy Wylegala, whose job at the embassy is to help Americans do business in Iraq, said at the same briefing. "It's very difficult procedure to pass through. But, when I look from my side, I see it as a long-term, very favorable development."

After touring Baghdad early this month, Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I., questioned the new direction.

"I think we're fooling ourselves if we think we can simply just pass this on to the Iraqi people immediately or to the international community," he said. "We've got to continue our efforts. That requires money."

Iraq's new government will embrace market policies, but it still needs more help with reconstruction, said Movad Ubaidi, the deputy chief of the newly elected National Assembly's economics committee.

"If these donations were spent, the American government is asked to give more so that Iraq can recover from the damage it suffered," he said.

But the commander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Iraq, Brig. Gen. William McCoy, said at a recent briefing that the last of 3,100 reconstruction projects would soon be awarded, and almost all would be completed before the year ends.

"We were never intending to rebuild Iraq," he said. "We were providing enough funds to jump-start the reconstruction effort in this country."

Although U.S. officials say the projects have given a needed jolt to the economy, most Iraqis have seen little effect in their lives.

"If they say they have spent money, where is it?" asked Salah Qaragholi, 30, a barber in Zafraniya, a poor neighborhood. "Where are the projects? The electricity is only four hours a day."

Baghdad's roads are an obstacle course of barriers, potholes, and debris. Many government and office buildings are either still gutted or strung with webs of electrical wire connecting to generators that run 12 hours on good days. A brown haze fouls the air, and pools of sewage overflow dot the streets.

The U.S. Embassy credits the reconstruction effort with restoring sewage treatment to more than 7.7 million Iraqis, opening 21 berths at the Umm Qasr port, building nearly 600 miles of freeways and primary roads, and developing three new international airports: at Basra in the south and Irbil and Sulaymaniya in the north.

It says 124,000 Iraqis are employed under reconstruction and military contracts.

Pakistanis denounce U.S. attack

BY KAMRAN KHAN
AND GRIFF WITTE
 WASHINGTON POST

KARACHI, Pakistan — Thousands of Pakistanis took to the streets in cities across the country Sunday to protest a U.S. missile attack two days earlier that killed more than a dozen people but apparently missed target Ayman Zawahiri, Al Qaeda's deputy leader.

In Karachi, Pakistan's most populous city, around 8,000 people attended a rally outside the main Binori mosque, listening to fiery speeches condemning the United States and the Pakistani president, Gen. Pervez Musharraf.

"There has been a protest in every big city, and the government understands why so many people are angry," said Sheikh Rashid Ahmad, Pakistan's Information minister. "When it comes to image-building in Muslim countries, particularly Pakistan, the U.S. is



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Angry protesters chant anti-U.S. slogans during a rally in Islamabad, Pakistan, on Sunday.

moving one foot forward and two backwards."

U.S. senators defended the strike on television talk shows Sunday.

"We apologize, but I can't tell you that we wouldn't do the

same thing again," Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said on CBS's "Face the Nation." "We have to do what we think is necessary to take out Al Qaeda, particularly the top operatives. This guy has been more

visible than Osama bin Laden lately."

Sen. Evan Bayh, D-Ind., also defended the action. "It's a regrettable situation, but what else are we supposed to do?" he said on CNN's "Late Edition." "It's like the Wild, Wild West out there. The Pakistani border is a real problem."

Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., said the strike was "clearly justified by the intelligence."

The Jan. 13 rocket attack in the village of Damadola, just over the border from Afghanistan, was carried out by the CIA with an unmanned Predator drone firing missiles at houses in which Zawahiri was thought to have been, according to U.S. military and intelligence sources. The CIA has declined to comment.

Pakistani officials initially said 17 people were killed in the strike, but a senior intelligence official in Islamabad said Sunday there was

evidence of 13 deaths, including three children and five women. Local officials said the victims were all local residents; no militants were killed.

U.S. intelligence sources are uncertain about the identities of those killed, including whether Zawahiri was among them. A second Pakistani intelligence official discounted reports that the FBI was considering conducting DNA tests of the remains of the dead to determine whether any were known terrorists.

"What do you think, that the families of the victims would let us or the Americans dig the graves of their loved ones for FBI tests?" the official said, speaking on the condition of anonymity. "An absolutely crazy idea."

U.S. officials said the Pakistani intelligence service had taken an active role in helping to coordinate the strike. But on Jan. 14, Pakistan formally protested the incident.



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D-back picks
Badgers over Hawks

Jay Valai, formerly an Iowa football recruit, committed to the Wisconsin Badgers after officially visiting last weekend.

The 5-9, 195-pound Valai, rated a two-star prospect by Rivals recruiting service, said Badger defensive-back coach Kerry Cooks influenced his decision. Cooks, a former strong safety with the Hawkeyes, recruited Valai as an assistant at Minnesota. After the Gophers didn't retain Cooks, however, Wisconsin hired him and eventually landed Valai.

"Basically, when I told him I wasn't going to Minnesota, he still helped me out," Valai said. "He still talked to me and helped, even when he knew I wasn't going there."

Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz visited Valai last week, but when the high-school senior told the Iowa staff about his plans to visit Madison, Wis., he said it wasn't clear whether the Hawkeyes pulled his scholarship offer or not.

Valai said another key in his decision was that the Hawkeyes recruited him as a corner, "no matter what," while the Badgers plan to give him a shot at both corner and safety. The Colleyville, Texas, native said he probably wouldn't redshirt at Wisconsin and that he might room with Maurice Moore, who also visited the Badgers last weekend and who was also a target of the Hawkeyes' recruiting efforts.

Additionally, Anthony Bowman, a 5-10, 157-pound Rivals' three-star athlete, visited Ohio State last weekend. Bowman initially committed to the Hawkeyes in July but will probably announce a decision between the two schools this week.

— by Tyson Wirth



Ohio State vs. Michigan State

BIG TEN HOOPS

Michigan St. 62, Ohio St. 59, 2 OT

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Michigan State had been here before — overtime, away from home, with a game teetering on the brink.

Just like before, the Spartans reached down for a little extra.

Drew Neitzel hit a runner and two free throws in the final 44 seconds of the second overtime to lead No. 14 Michigan State to a 62-59 victory over No. 19 Ohio State on Sunday night.

"I told them in the huddle that we played Gonzaga and Arizona — we played all those overtime games, and we've earned the right to win the game," coach Tom Izzo said, referring to his team's games against ranked teams in the Maui Invitational last November. "They looked back at me and said, 'Damn right we did.'"

FOOTBALL

Badgers name Hankwitz defensive coordinator

MADISON, Wis. — The Wisconsin Badgers hired Colorado defensive coordinator Mike Hankwitz as an assistant coach.

He also will serve as defensive coordinator at Wisconsin, new coach Bret Bielema announced on Sunday.

2006 BOWL GAME

Mistakes break Outback hopes



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

Florida's Jamelle Cornelius blocks Hawkeye punter Andy Fenstermaker's kick during Iowa's first possession in the Outback Bowl on Jan. 2 in Tampa, Fla. Florida's Tremaine McCollum returned the ball for a touchdown, giving the Gators a lead they would not relinquish.



CHECK OUT WWW.DAILYIOWAN.COM FOR A PHOTO SLIDE SHOW AND VIDEO OF THE HAWKEYES' PERFORMANCE DURING THE OUTBACK BOWL.

BY JASON BRUMMOND
 THE DAILY IOWAN

TAMPA, Fla. — Iowa couldn't match the heroics of last season's bowl finale, and the Outback Bowl was the most telling exhibit of the team's roller-coaster season.

A poor start, as in the September routs at Iowa State and Ohio State, along with inconsistent play and uncharacteristic

errors, similar to those in losses against Michigan and Northwestern, were fatal for the Hawkeyes in a 31-24 loss to Florida on Jan. 2.

All told, a blocked punt and interception returned for touchdowns in the first half, along with a handful of tough penalties, were too much for Iowa, which lost five games for the first time in four years.

"We had things go our way

last year in the Capital One game, and, this year, at times, things have not gone our way," senior Clinton Solomon said. "In this game in particular, we had penalties that did not go our way, turnovers, the punt — you can go on and on."

"You can look at a lot of things, but you have to fight through those sorts of things as a team, and that is what we did, and that is why we still can hold our heads high."

Despite the first half collapse, the Hawkeyes nearly

SEE FOOTBALL, PAGE 5B



Laura Schmitt/The Daily Iowan

Florida's Clint McMillan and Bryan Royal celebrate with the Gators and their fans by singing their school song after a 31-24 win in the Outback Bowl over Iowa.

HAWKEYE WOMEN'S HOOPS

Hoopsters maul Cats

BY RYAN LONG
 THE DAILY IOWAN

A 21-point first-half lead played an instrumental role in the Iowa women's basketball team's 80-48 win over Northwestern on Sunday.

The victory in Evanston extended the Hawkeyes' win streak over the Wildcats to 10 games. "I'm proud of how our team played today," said senior guard Crystal Smith. "We played with a lot of emotion."

Freshman center Megan Skouby and Smith sparked the offense of Iowa (11-6, 4-2). Skouby posted double figures in points for the 11th time this year, tallying a game-high 18 points.

"I'm proud of how our team played today. We played with a lot of emotion."

— Senior Crystal Smith



The Big Ten's leading freshman scorer has compiled double digits in fourth-straight games and in five of Iowa's six league games. Smith added 13 points in only 18 minutes of action.

"We shot the ball really well," said Iowa coach Lisa Bluder. "This is a great conference road win, with us having another Big Ten road game Thursday at Wisconsin."

The Hawkeyes jumped out to a 16-4 advantage in

the first six minutes of the contest. Iowa made seven of its first nine field-goal attempts, with Skouby scoring 10 of their first 16 points. The Wildcats (4-12, 0-6) only made two of their first 12.

Leading 16-7, the Hawkeyes went on a 12-0 run to increase their advantage to 28-7. But the Hawkeyes made only two field goals in the last nine minutes of the first half.

"We played together and came away with

Skouby
 freshman

Bluder
 coach

a great road win," said senior forward Tiffany Reed.

Iowa went 4-2 in conference over winter break, with a 75-64 upset win of then-No. 9 Michigan State. The Hawkeyes earned victories over Illinois and Michigan, while suffering losses to Indiana and No. 8 Ohio State.

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COMMENTARY

Get Over It Bowl

TAMPA, Fla. — It has been two weeks now. Get over it.

You can take off the black-and-gold glasses. Fans on message boards can settle down. Facebook groups can disappear now.

Conference USA officials held Iowa at gunpoint, Bonnie and Clyde-style. They robbed Iowa the chance of tying a game that the Hawkeyes had no business being in with a minute left.

They hit the Hawks with a stickup late in the second quarter on a bogus late hit



NICK RICHARDS

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SPORTS

SPORTS 'N' STUFF

MEYNS BIG TEN

By The Associated Press						
All Times CST						
	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Wisconsin	4	0	1.000	14	2	.875
Illinois	2	1	.667	10	3	.941
Indiana	2	1	.667	10	3	.769
Iowa	2	1	.667	13	4	.765
Michigan St.	2	2	.500	14	4	.778
Ohio St.	2	2	.500	12	2	.857
Northwestern	2	2	.500	9	6	.600
Michigan	1	2	.333	11	3	.786
Penn St.	1	2	.333	9	5	.643
Purdue	1	3	.250	7	8	.467
Minnesota	0	3	.000	9	5	.643

Saturday's Games

Iowa 80, Penn St. 76
Wisconsin 68, Northwestern 52
Illinois 79, Michigan 74
Purdue 72, Minnesota 55

Sunday's Games

Michigan St. 62, Ohio St. 59, 2OT
Illinois at Indiana
Northwestern at Michigan
Purdue at Penn State
Wisconsin at Ohio State
Iowa at Michigan State
Ohio State at Penn State
Purdue at Indiana
North Dakota State at Wisconsin

Wednesday's Games

Minnesota at Iowa
Northwestern at Michigan
Purdue at Penn State
Wisconsin at Ohio State
Iowa at Michigan State
Ohio State at Penn State
Purdue at Indiana
North Dakota State at Wisconsin

Thursday's Games

Iowa at Wisconsin, 7:05 p.m.
Illinois at Michigan State
Minnesota at Michigan
Indiana at Ohio State
Penn State at Purdue

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

By The Associated Press						
All Times CST						
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Atlanta	28	10	7	63	161	139
Philadelphia	25	13	7	57	141	116
N.Y. Rangers	22	18	5	49	132	135
New Jersey	19	23	2	40	132	161
N.Y. Islanders	11	25	9	31	126	180
Northeast	30	10	3	63	179	104
Ottawa	28	13	3	59	147	127
Buffalo	24	17	3	51	143	138
Toronto	20	16	6	46	124	135
Montreal	16	21	7	39	124	145
Boston	12	21	7	39	124	145
Scouteast	22	18	4	64	163	157
Carolina	22	18	6	50	164	159
Atlanta	22	19	3	47	131	137
Tampa Bay	18	22	7	43	127	148
Florida	14	24	5	33	119	168
Washington	30	12	3	63	168	120
Central	28	12	5	61	144	131
Detroit	15	25	5	35	118	159
Chicago	15	28	2	32	105	159
Columbus						

HAWKEYE SPORTS



Iowa's Ty Eustice (top) defeats Nebraska's Ryan Davis in a 149-pound match during the National Duals competition on Jan. 14 in Cedar Falls.

Wrestlers have dissatisfying weekend

The Iowa wrestling team capped off a disappointing weekend with a sixth-place finish at the 2006 National Duals in Cedar Falls on Sunday. Coach Jim Zalesky's squad was defeated, 19-15, by Michigan.

The Wolverines and Hawkeyes each won five weight classes; however, Michigan's Josh Churella pinned Iowa's Eric Luedke at 165 pounds, giving the Wolverines six points and the victory.

The Hawkeyes were delegated to the fifth-place match because of an opening round 24-13 upset loss to Nebraska. The Cornhuskers opened the match with back-to-back pins over Lucas Magnani at 125 and Daniel Dennis at 133 to take a decisive 12-0 lead. Iowa rebounded with wins by Alex Tsirtsis at 141, Ty Eustice at 149, and Joe Johnston at 157 to get within two points at 12-10, only to lose four of the last five matches.

Iowa bounced back from that defeat to record victories over Northern Illinois, Oklahoma, and Missouri before falling to the Wolverines.

Not all of the Hawk wrestlers had disappointing holiday breaks, however. Eustice exorcised a personal demon in Iowa's 18-14 home-loss over top-

ranked Oklahoma State on Jan. 7. With Iowa trailing 15-7 and having only three matches remaining, then-No.2 Eustice won a gutsy 4-2 decision over reigning national champion and then-No.1 ranked Zach Esposito, giving the Hawkeyes a fighter's chance in the meet. Johnston then won a 25-11 major decision over Kevin Ward to pull the Hawkeyes within one point, at 15-14.

— by Andrew Shanks

Windy opening for Iowa men

The Iowa men's gymnastics team started the 2006 season in Chicago on Jan. 14 at the Windy City Invite. The Hawkeyes finished fourth among the six competing squads with 205.9 points. Ohio State led with 211.65 points.

Iowa senior Michael Reavis placed first in the all-around with a score of 53.05. The Nissen-Emerly award candidate finished second in the floor exercise, fourth on the vault, and sixth on the parallel bars.

Sophomores Tom Buese and Curtis Kleffman finished fifth and ninth in the all-around respectively. Team captain and ring specialist Jacques Bouchard finished sixth in his event.

"We didn't do our best, and we finished fairly close to the teams in

front, so we're very optimistic," he said. "There were no surprises. "There are some events that we need more practice on, such as pommel horse and high bar."

— by Dan Parr

GymHawks open in Oregon

The GymHawks competed in their first meet of the 2006 season on Jan. 13 in Corvallis, Ore., where they faced off with three of the country's elite teams. Iowa finished fourth, putting up a score of 188.050, but it only finished slightly more than five points behind No. 1 Florida, who won the meet at 193.575.

No. 15 Oregon State, the meet's host, finished second at 192.200, and Brigham Young was third at 190.075.

Among the top performers for the GymHawks were seniors Kortny Williamson and Liz Grajewski. Williamson had team highs in the vault and beam, while Grajewski held led the Hawks in the bars and floor exercises. She also finished second all-around at 38.375, and freshman Brandi Loffer had a 36.500 all-around score.

"The energy was there the entire meet," coach Larissa Libby said. "They stayed together as a

team, and we're happy about how things went."

— by Brendan Stiles

Tracksters shine in Iowa Open

The Hawkeye women's track team won eight events in the Iowa Open last weekend, while their male counterparts took three.

The women shone in the distance events; Jordan Laney won the 800 meters in a time of 2:20.33, and Jennifer Docherty finished second, just 0.01 of a second later. Allison Billhardt grabbed third for Iowa, a one-two-three sweep that Meghan Armstrong, Krista Anderson, and Shannon Stanley duplicated in the mile.

The women also dominated several field events, with Renee White jumping 19-1¼ in the long jump, Becca Franklin covering 49-3½ in the weight throw, Peaches Roach clearing 5-8¾ in the high jump, and Mandy Chandler tossing the shot put 41-6 — all winning performances.

For the men, Adam Hamilton won the weight throw with a toss of 62-1¼, Matt Gorman took first in the long jump with a leap of 23-3¼, and Eric MacTaggart outpaced the field in the 3,200 meters in a time of 9:02.90.

— by Tyson Wirth

MEN'S HOOPS

Iowa holds off Penn St.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — In his last road game, the basket was looking pretty small to Adam Haluska.

Iowa's junior guard was just 3-for-11 from the floor, including a 1-of-7 showing from 3-point range, in a 14-point loss to Wisconsin earlier this month.

Jan. 14, however, was a different story. Haluska scored a career-high 29 points, 21 coming in the first half, as Iowa held off Penn State, 80-76.

Haluska shot 9-of-17 from the floor, including 6-of-10 from behind the arc, as the Hawkeyes (13-4, 2-1 Big Ten) withstood a late charge from the Nittany Lions (9-5, 1-2) and went on to their second-straight win.

"Coaches have been doing a great job keeping my confidence level up," Haluska said. "We've been coming in a lot at night putting extra shots in. That's been the turnaround in my game, in my shooting touch."

Greg Brunner drew a foul off an offensive rebound with 48 seconds remaining and hit both free throws to put the Hawkeyes up 74-73. On the ensuing possession, Jamelle Cornley's pass intended for Geary Claxton was off target. Iowa then hit 6-of-8 free throws after the turnover to put the game away.

After trailing for much of the second half, the Lions turned the tables with a 9-0 run that gave them a 68-66 lead after Mike Walker hit his fourth 3-pointer of the half with 3:57 to go.

"We expected to see zone today — we hadn't seen zone in two weeks."

— Iowa coach Steve Alford

From there, it was a back-and-forth affair, with both sides trading baskets, until Brunner put the Hawkeyes up for good.

Trailing by three, Penn State had a chance to tie with 30 seconds to go, but Ben Lubert's drive into the lane was rejected by Erek Hansen, who also had a key 3-point play down the stretch to keep the Hawkeyes alive.

Iowa shot 48 percent from the field on the game — while getting 17 points from Jeff Horner and 13 from Brunner.

Haluska's hot shooting in the first half was partly the result of Penn State's passive zone defense.

"We expected to see zone today — we hadn't seen zone in two weeks," Iowa coach Steve Alford said.

After Penn State pulled on top 20-15 midway through the first frame, Iowa went on a 14-0 run that was fueled by three Haluska 3-pointers.

"We didn't do a good job of finding him," Penn State coach Ed DeChellis said. "He's a good player, and there are good players in this league, and sometimes they get going."

After relying heavily on 3-point shots in the first half, Iowa switched gears after the break, frequently working the ball inside with success.

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NFL PLAYOFFS

Panthers de-Monster Midway

BY JENNA FRYER
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CHICAGO — It took Steve Smith and the Carolina Panthers less than a minute to prove the Monsters of the Midway aren't so scary after all.

By the time the Chicago Bears regained their swagger, it was too late to save their season.

Smith had 12 catches for a career-high 218 yards and two long touchdowns, including a 58-yard scoring reception on the second play from scrimmage, to lead Carolina to a 29-21 victory over the Chicago Bears on Sunday. It sends the Panthers into the NFC championship game for the second time in three years next week at Seattle.

Carolina, just the third No. 5 seed since 1990 to advance to the championship game, did it by striking early before letting its defense challenge Chicago quarterback Rex Grossman, who was starting his second game of the season.

Grossman, who missed most the season with a broken ankle and had attempted just 39 passes heading into the playoffs, was decent once he settled down. He led the Bears on two second-half scoring drives to rally them out of a 16-7 halftime deficit.

Grossman was driving the Bears again late in the fourth quarter when they trailed 29-21, but he was intercepted by Ken Lucas — Carolina's big-money off-season acquisition — with 2:27 to play, then was incomplete to former Panthers receiver Muhsin Muhammad on fourth-and-one to seal the win.

It spoiled a resurgent season for the storied Bears, who used outstanding defense to return to the playoffs for the first time in four years. Their run included a 13-3 dominating victory over the Panthers in November, when the Bears had eight sacks and two interceptions against Jake Delhomme.

Smith had a career-best 14 catches for 169 yards in that first meeting.

"Last time we played them, I had 14 [catches], but we didn't score," Smith said. "All I heard all week long was what I didn't do. We were ready for whatever they threw at us."

In the rematch, the Panthers used Smith to prove this Chicago team is still a ways away from its glory days.

Smith beat Charles Tillman on the Panthers' second snap, leaving him face down on the ground as he reeled in a long pass from Delhomme. With Mike Brown in front of him waiting to make the tackle, Smith stopped in mid-stride, tiptoed around Brown and into the end zone for a lightning fast 7-0 lead.

"Defensively, we talked about not giving up the big play, trying to keep Steve Smith contained, and we weren't able to do that starting early," coach Lovie Smith said.

The Bears never caught up.

Steelers 21, Colts 18

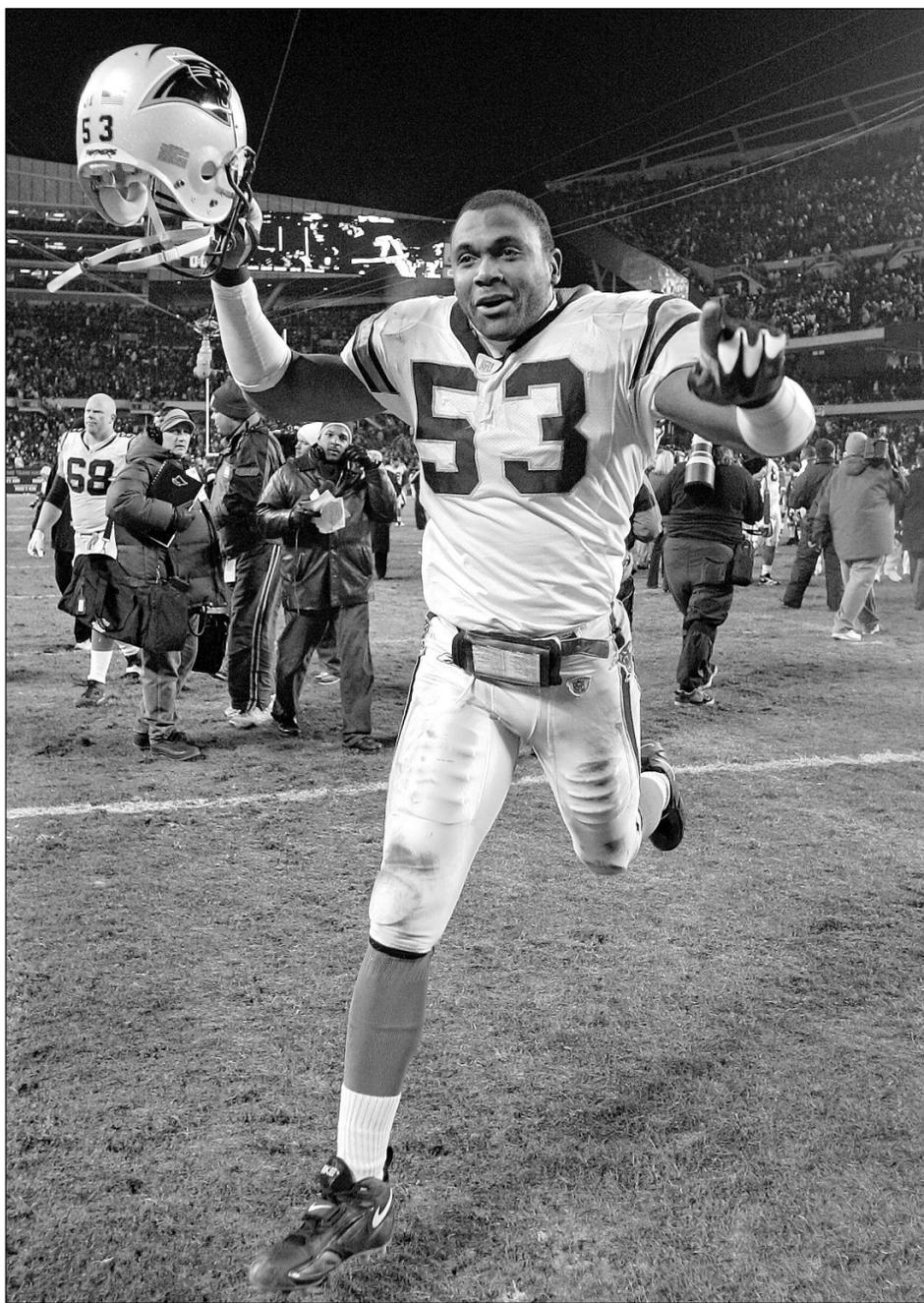
INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers gave the Colts every opportunity to steal their playoff game Sunday.

In the final moments of one of the most thrilling playoff games anyone can remember, Indy couldn't figure out how to take it.

So, the Steelers survived a goal-line fumble by Jerome Bettis and one of the most mysterious replay reversals in NFL history to shatter the Colts' dream season with a 21-18 win. Pittsburgh (13-5) became the first sixth seed to make a conference championship game; it will journey to Denver on Jan. 22 for a shot at the Super Bowl.

They will do so breathlessly. This victory should have been so much easier. The Steelers dominated the Colts (14-3) until a fourth quarter with almost unimaginable twists and turns that ended when Mike Vanderjagt missed his first field goal at home, wide right from 46 yards. Vanderjagt then slammed his helmet to the turf, obviously forgetting how fortunate he was to have the chance.

After Pittsburgh's ferocious defense sacked a befuddled Peyton Manning twice, taking the ball on downs at the Colts 2 with just more than a minute left, Bettis fumbled when hit by Gary Brackett. Nick Harper, whose knee was cut with a knife on Jan. 14 in an



Morry Gash/Associated Press

Carolina Panther linebacker Brandon Short celebrates after the Panthers' 29-21 victory over the Chicago Bears in a NFC divisional playoff football game in Chicago on Sunday. The Panthers will play the Seattle Seahawks for the NFC championship.

apparent domestic dispute with his wife, grabbed the ball and headed toward a highly improbable winning touchdown.

But Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger, brilliant all game with

his arm and head, tumbled, reached out a hand, and made a saving tackle at the Indy 42.

"I was frustrated," Bettis said. "That shouldn't happen. I'm supposed to take care of the football. I

was upset that it happened. My defense bailed me out. I can leave here with my head up high."

Given life, Manning passed the Colts into field-goal range, but Vanderjagt missed.

PLAYOFF OUTLOOK

Road warriors look for wins

BY DAVE GOLDBERG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Denver Broncos celebrated Sunday for the second time in as many days.

Less than 24 hours after Denver ended New England's quest for its third-straight Super Bowl victory, Pittsburgh held on to beat Indianapolis, 21-18. That ensured that not only will the Broncos will be home for the AFC title game on Jan. 22, they won't have to visit the RCA Dome, where they allowed 90 points in playoff losses to the Colts the past two seasons.

Carolina, which was in the Super Bowl two years ago, will go to Seattle to play for the NFC title after winning 29-21 in Chicago. Both the Steelers and Panthers will be trying to get to the Super Bowl by winning three road games, something accomplished only by New England after the 1985 season.

Pittsburgh (13-5) at Denver (14-3)

This will be Pittsburgh's sixth AFC title game in 12 seasons.

But this also will be its first of those on the road, not necessarily a bad thing, considering that the Steelers are 1-4 at home in those previous championships. They are the first sixth-seeded team to reach a championship game since the NFL went to the current lineup of six playoff teams from each conference in 1990.

But they are no ordinary sixth seed.

Remember that they were 15-1 last season and lost to New England in the championship game at Heinz Field, no disgrace given what the Patriots have been doing this century. And remember that they started 7-2 and seemed headed for a division title and no worse than a second or third seed when Ben Roethlisberger hurt a knee and then a thumb, and they lost three straight.

"Everybody was ready to put Denver and Indianapolis in the championship game," wide receiver Hines Ward said. "We're the same team that went 15-1 last year and made it to the championship

game. We're coming from a different perspective now, being on the road playing two tough road games. We all believed in one another, even if no one else did."

Roethlisberger was a hero Sunday on both offense AND defense, making what was probably a game-saving tackle when Nick Harper seemed headed for a touchdown after picking up Jerome Bettis' fumble in the wacky final minutes of the win in Indy.

Carolina (13-5) at Seattle (14-3)

In the very even NFC, these could very well be the two best teams. Seattle had the conference's best record, but Carolina was probably the preseason favorite.

One problem: Both lost key players to injury in their wins this weekend. Seattle lost Shaun Alexander, the league's leading rusher and MVP this season, when he left the Seahawks' 20-10 victory over Washington on Jan. 14 with a concussion. Indications are he will play.

Panthers Pro Bowl defensive end Julius Pepper said he will play next week despite injuring his shoulder in the fourth quarter against the Bears. Running back DeShaun Foster will miss the game against the Seahawks after breaking his ankle in the third quarter against the Bears.

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Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan
Florida quarterback Chris Leak tries to dodge Iowa linebacker Edmond Miles during the first half. Leak, whom Iowa recruited, threw for 278 yards and rushed for 31.



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan
Iowa linebacker Abdul Hodge takes out Florida quarterback Chris Leak in the second half. In his last game as a Hawkeye, Hodge recorded an Outback bowl-record 19 tackles.

Florida won the rematch of the 2003 Outback Bowl, 31-24 on Jan. 2. The Hawkeyes struggled with a blocked punt, missed tackles, and penalties.



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Iowa wide receiver Clinton Solomon catches a 20-yard touchdown pass from Drew Tate with a minute and 10 seconds left in the second quarter. Solomon ended his Hawkeye career with seven catches for 96 yards and one touchdown.

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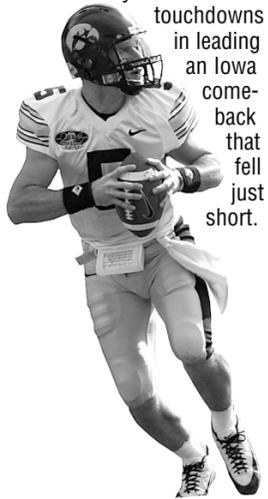


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Hawkeye and Gator fans play flippy cup together at the north end of Raymond James Stadium before the Outback Bowl on Jan. 2 in Tampa, Fla. The Iowa fans won that contest, but their football team didn't fair as well against Florida.

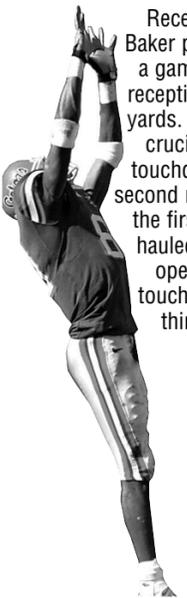
IOWA GAME BALL DREW TATE



A second-quarter interception return for a touchdown aside, Drew Tate played his best game of the year, going 32-55 for 346 yards and three touchdowns in leading an Iowa comeback that fell just short.



FLORIDA GAME BALL DALLAS BAKER



Receiver Dallas Baker pulled down a game-high 10 receptions for 147 yards. He caught a crucial 24-yard touchdown with a second remaining in the first half and hauled in a wide-open 38-yard touchdown in the third quarter.

PRIME PLAYS

Dallas Baker's 24-yard touchdown reception over Jovon Johnson with one second remaining in the first half to extend Florida's lead to 24-7 at half-time.

— Jason Brummond

Tremaine McCollum's 6-yard return on a blocked punt, giving Florida a 7-0 lead just 95 seconds into the game.

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BY THE NUMBERS

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Penalties and yardage against the Hawkeyes, compared with just 30 yards against Florida.

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Tackles by linebacker Abdul Hodge, a season-high for the departing senior and an Outback Bowl record.

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2006 BOWL GAME

Disappointing loss for Hawks

FOOTBALL

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completed a remarkable comeback.

Trailing 31-7 entering the fourth quarter, Iowa scored 17 unanswered points and appeared to recover a perfect-looking onside kick from Kyle Schlicher with 1:24 remaining. However, Chad Greenway was flagged for being offside, Schlicher's second onside attempt failed, and Florida ran out the clock.

"If that penalty is taken back on that onside kick and we get the ball, there's a chance we score there, because we were playing well at the end, but that's not how the ball bounced," Greenway said.

Florida jumped out to a 17-0 lead after touchdowns on a blocked punt return from Tremaine McCollum and 60-yard interception return by Vernell Brown. Following a

Solomon touchdown, which made the score 17-7 with 1:10 left in the half, the Gators went into attack mode.

The Hawkeye defense made a stand, but a running-into-the-kicker penalty kept the Florida drive alive. On the next play, Kenny Iwebema was flagged for a personal foul for helmet-to-helmet contact that handed the Gators great field position.

Quarterback Chris Leak hit Dallas Baker on a 24-yard backbreaking touchdown pass one second before halftime for a 24-7 lead at the break.

"There were so many plays where we really made it tough on ourselves," Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said. "We're the kind of outfit that can't make a costly error — or too many of them. When you have several of them, it kind of compounds the problem."

No play was bigger in the second half for Florida than a gutsy fake punt call by coach Urban Meyer.

With a fourth-and-one on their own 19, the Gators executed a direct snap to Billy Latsko. The fullback gained five yards on the run, allowing Florida to burn the clock down to 2:35.

If the fake had failed, Iowa would have had the ball in the red zone with a 10-point deficit and more than four minutes left.

"It takes a lot of courage and confidence in your defense to make that call, and, most importantly, they executed," Ferentz said. "It was a huge play in the game."

Still, after a defensive stop, Iowa marched from its own 30 to the Florida 28 in about a minute, but Drew Tate misfired on three passes, and the Hawkeyes were forced to settle for Schlicher's 45-yard field goal.

The Hawkeyes caught a break early in the fourth quarter when Chad Jackson muffed a punt return. It was recovered

by Iowa's Miguel Merrick at the Gator 5. Tate then connected with Ed Hinkel on a 4-yard touchdown pass, cutting the deficit to 31-14.

Iowa's defense stopped Florida on fourth down on the ensuing drive at the Hawkeye 28. Tate completed four passes, including two on third down, scrambled for a 24-yard gain, and then found Hinkel, who notched nine receptions for 87 yards, for a 14-yard score.

In the end, the early turnovers and mental blunders were too much to overcome.

"When you shoot yourself in the foot as much as we did, you should not expect to win," Greenway said. "For us to have a chance in the end was just a credit to the way our guys played in the second half."

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What's not to understand?

COLUMN

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on Kenny Iwebema. Two bad calls, one of which prevented a possible tying touchdown, another of which extended a Florida drive by 15 yards and led to Dallas Baker's first touchdown. Iowa was genuinely robbed of a chance to tie the game.

But to say with a straight face that Iowa lost the 2006 Outback Bowl because of officiating is like throwing up an air ball. Nothing but air.

What's so hard to understand about it? Just 95 seconds into the game, Iowa had already given up a blocked punt for a touchdown. Remember the Hawkeyes' previous two January bowls? The Hawks scored 14 points off two blocked kicks. Florida scored when Iowa couldn't allow it to do so, and that bit the Hawkeyes.

Add in seven more Florida points on an interception, and Iowa was lucky to even have a chance late. All week, Kirk Ferentz stressed the importance of not allowing such scores. Turns out those 14 points blew a hole the size of the state in the Hawkeyes hull.

Baker's first touchdown summed up Iowa's year. So close to the big stop — yet so far. The Gators were aided by the bad call, but they capitalized on it. For those scoring at home, that's 21 points on three swing plays

for Mr. Balls of Steel Urban Meyer and zero for Ferentz.

What feeds the fire of the uproar even more were comments from the players after the game. There were sour grapes, such as Abdul Hodge ["It was a tough call. I don't know how you can make a call like that, but it's out of my hands."], but Chad Greenway, who was wrongly called for the now-famous offside that wasn't, summed up the game. Pay close attention to his first sentence.

"For us to have a chance at the end was a credit to the way our guys played in the second half. We just gave great effort," Greenway said. "If that penalty is taken back on that onside kick and we get the ball, there's a chance we score there, because we were playing well at the end, but that's not how the ball bounced."

You make mistakes like giving up a blocked punt and an interception for a touchdown and giving up a touchdown with one second left in the first half, and you're chances of winning go from slim to nil. Iowa showed fight by coming back — sometimes against 12 men on the field for Florida — but big plays were made by the Gators, and they weren't by the Hawkeyes. 21 points off swing plays won the game.

Is that so hard to understand?

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BASEBALL

Fantasy league company says stats should be free

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A company that runs sports fantasy leagues is asking a federal court to decide whether major leaguers' batting averages and home-run counts are historical facts that can be used freely or property that can be sold.

In a lawsuit that could affect the pastime of an estimated 16 million people, CBC Distribution and Marketing wants the judge to stop Major League Baseball from requir-

ing a license to use the statistics.

The company claims baseball statistics become historical facts as soon as the game is over, so it shouldn't have to pay for the right to use them.

Working mostly over the Internet, CBC and its hundreds of competitors provide player profiles and process reams of daily data for fans who pretend to be team owners, drafting players for imaginary squads and using statistics to determine a winner at the season's end.

While some leagues are just for fun, others award large cash prizes, and operating them has become a

multimillion industry.

CBC, which has run the CDM Fantasy Sports leagues since 1992, sued baseball last year after it took over the rights to the statistics and profiles from the Major League Baseball Players Association and declined to grant the company a new license.

Before the shift, CBC had been paying the players' association 9 percent of gross royalties. But, in January 2005, Major League Baseball announced a \$50 million agreement with the players' association, giving baseball exclusive rights to license statistics.

Despite being turned down for the new license, CBC has continued to operate leagues during the legal dispute.

Major League Baseball has claimed that intellectual property law makes it illegal for fantasy league operators to "commercially exploit the identities and statistical profiles" of big league players.

Jim Gallagher, a spokesman for Major League Baseball Advanced Media, baseball's Internet arm, declined comment on the lawsuit, scheduled for a hearing this summer in U.S. District Court in St. Louis.

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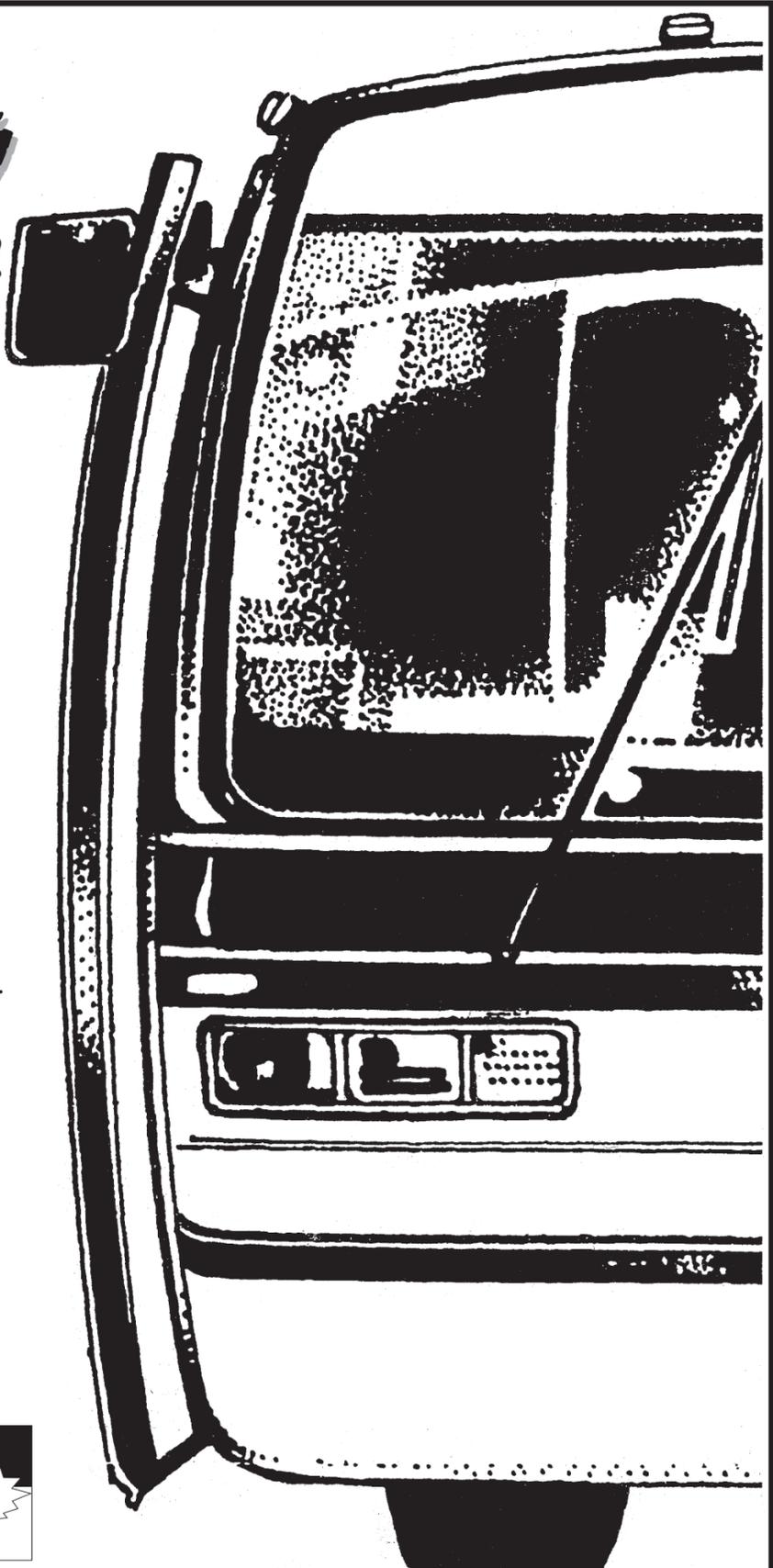
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SPORTS

Super halftime, not half-baked, for Super Bowl

BY DAVID BAUDER ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — With any luck, the National Football League has gotten this year's Super Bowl halftime show controversy out of the way early.

Faced with an embarrassing story that the dancers it was seeking as extras for the Rolling Stones' performance couldn't be older than 45, the NFL reversed field and opened it up to everyone. Mick Jagger, 62, may now be able to see wrinkles as he looks out over his audience.

It may seem incidental to the main event, but the halftime show has caused plenty of headaches for the NFL, from Janet Jackson's infamous breast-baring to some grumbling from host city Detroit that its musical legacy is being snubbed this year. The booking of rock royalty such as the Stones — who turned down the gig several times before agreeing this year — is an indication of its importance.

The Feb. 5 show on ABC is being overseen by NFL executive Charles

Coplin. He's a former ABC Sports producer who joined the league's front office in 2001 and took over the entertainment staff immediately after the 2004 unexpected exposure of Jackson's nipple jewelry.

That incident, after the NFL had largely handed over production of the show to MTV, persuaded the league to take a tighter grip on the plans, Coplin said.

"The guiding philosophy is to be unique, entertaining, and appropriate, to cast entertainment that serves as wide a group as possible — from grandparents to grandkids," he said.

For several years, halftime entertainment was an afterthought: the Florida A&M University Marching Band has not one, but two, Super Bowl performances on its resumé. The shows gradually expanded, although acts such as Up with People defined white bread.

Key years in making it more of an event were Michael Jackson performing with 3,500 children (1993) and U2's Bono opening his jacket to reveal

an American flag stitched in a few months after the terrorist attacks.

"There was a point in the early 1990s where [the NFL] thought, 'How can we make something this great even better,'" Coplin said. "There was a decision internally to look at all aspects of the Super Bowl presentation."

It was another opportunity to make money, too. Sprint paid the NFL a record \$12 million to be sponsor of this year's halftime show, and it is running a contest to fly the winners to Detroit to see the Stones up close.

Each year's TV audience generally approaches 90 million people. Usually only the Academy Awards comes anywhere close in pulling that many people.

Along with the Oscars — where the world's best actors read forced patter from cue cards — the Super Bowl halftime show is such a cheesy anachronism that it's a wonder it made it intact into the 21st century, said Robert Thompson, a professor of popular culture at Syracuse University.



Ryan Remiorz/Associated Press Ron Wood (left), Mick Jagger, and Keith Richards of the Rolling Stones perform during a concert at the Bell Centre in Montréal on Jan. 10. The group will perform during the halftime show at the Super Bowl on Feb. 5.

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DAILY BREAK

“There have always been questions about whether Congress can police itself. The situation in the House removes all doubt. The House is not policing itself.”
— Kathleen Clark, a law professor at Washington University who specializes in ethics. The leaders of Congress' Ethics Committees are not committing to any investigation of misconduct despite growing revelations about the largesse lobbyist Jack Abramoff arranged for lawmakers.

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SCOTT WILSON

How to become cool on campus

- Put nitrous oxide and/or chopper bars on your moped.
- Have the most diverse collection of North Face fleece.
- Wear a collared coat, over a collared jacket, over a dress shirt, over a polo. Pop all four collars.
- Create you own on campus magazine. Name it something college-sounding, such as *Campus Excess*. If you can't come up with any ideas, just steal some from another magazine.
- Get a Hawkeye tattoo on your thigh, and run around campus in short-shorts (sorry track team, somebody has to say something).

- Two words: Handlebar mustache
- Two words for the girls: Handlebar pigtails.
- Get an iPod. If you still use a CD player or (God forbid) a tape player, you're poor. And poor people in college are usually liberal-arts majors, which means gay.
- Pole dance on the campus radio. Don't dance on the public bus, though; people will think you're poor (see above).
- Write "The Ledge."

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today's events

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- **Toddler Story Time with Nancy**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week 2006 Convocation**, 4:30 p.m., Ballroom IMU
- **Monday Night Stories**, 7 p.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth St.
- **Introduction to Meditation**, 7:30 p.m., Lamrim Buddhist Center, 10 S. Gilbert
- **Open Mike, with host Jay Knight**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Actual, and Life Before This**, 9 p.m., Gabe's, 330 E. Washington
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, Third-Annual Shelter House Donation Drive**, time TBA; drop-off sites: 310 Calvin Hall, 145 IMU, 130 N. Madison St.

horoscopes Monday, January 16, 2006 — by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You'll be in a bit of a push-pull situation, and the more you try to sort things out, the worse they will become. Today is best suited to having fun and refusing to become too serious about anything.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You can expect to have some problems with loved ones or something that needs fixing at home. Where work, money, and getting ahead are concerned, you should have clear sailing. Don't overreact to personal issues.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Today is all about talk and getting to the bottom of things. The more you do to learn about a situation or a project you want to get involved in, the better. An older relative will probably need your assistance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Complete a contract or settlement. Take care of financial concerns and whatever you can to make your money grow. A medical condition should be taken care of properly. A partnership may be based on false pretense.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Home repairs may be necessary. Get more than one opinion or estimate before you proceed. Spend a little on yourself, and update your wardrobe. Problems with someone you live with are likely.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Love and romance are looking good today. Make time for that special someone, and, if you are single, make a move on someone who interests you. A chance to learn something new will lead you in a new direction.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may feel like helping others, but you will probably face some discontent with loved ones who feel that charity starts at home. Don't venture too far if you haven't lived up to your personal responsibilities.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Someone you live with or are close to will have a problem. Do not overindulge or take a chance today. An unusual approach to something you do well will turn out to be in demand. Getting something you want to pursue off the ground looks positive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Talk a little about what you want to do, but don't be undecided. Someone will take interest in what you have to say and help you get what you want. Professional changes will bring in additional funds.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Get your home in order. Working from home will allow you to make cash. An investment that interests you may not be found. An opportunity to put one of your talents to better use will result in additional profits.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): There will be plenty going with personal relationships. Someone you thought you could trust may let you down. Exaggeration will lead to trouble; don't make a rash decision. Bide your time.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Someone may be withholding information. Be very direct with your questions to discover exactly what's going on. A chance to travel or visit someone will result in helpful information.

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- 7 a.m. Democracy Now
- 11 Democracy Now
- Noon Bassoon Recital
- 1:05 p.m. Al Zappala's Gold Star Families for Peace
- 1:50 Myths & Realities of Immigration
- 2:30 From Dreams to Action: What Would King Do?
- 3:30 C.H.I.L.D.
- 3:55 February Snow Removal
- 4 Seed of Faith
- 5 U.N. Report
- 5:30 Islam: Dispelling the Myths
- 6:30 SCTV Calendar
- 7 Education Exchange
- 7:30 Live & Local
- 8 Access Update
- 8:30 Nancy Cree Keyboard Highlights
- 9 30 Minutes
- 9:30 Bread of Life
- 10 Modes Episode 1
- 10:30 Veg Video
- 11:30 a.m. Episode 2
- 12:30 a.m. Vampire Zombies

UITV schedule

- 3 p.m. "Live from Prairie Lights," Margot Livesy
- 4 UI Lecture Committee presents Howard Zinn
- 5:30 Import and the Risk to Agriculture, Public Health Grand Rounds
- 6:30 "Dinosaurs Have Feathers," Kinnick Stadium Staff
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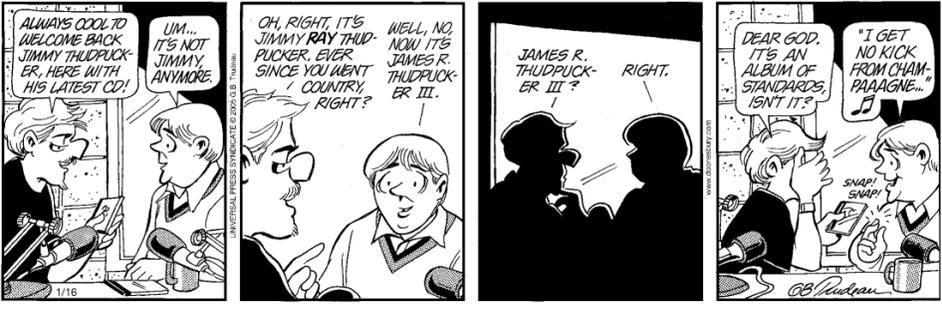
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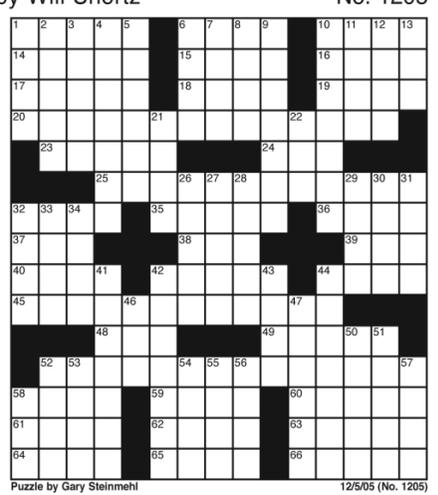
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 - 58 Crèche figures
 - 59 Brilliant star
 - 60 Play much too broadly on stage
 - 61 Stewpot
 - 62 26- or 55-Down
 - 63 Joe of the Yankees
 - 64 Hammer's end
 - 65 "Auld Lang ___"
 - 66 Underhanded sort

- DOWN**
- 1 Send to the gallows
 - 2 Morning waker-upper
 - 3 "___ cock-horse to Banbury Cross"
 - 4 Biology or chemistry
 - 5 Rupture
 - 6 Old Peruvian
 - 7 Actor Grant
 - 8 Perched on
 - 9 Diet food catch phrase
 - 10 Connection
 - 11 Penetrating wind
 - 12 Fibber
 - 13 Close-grained wood
 - 21 One of TV's Simpsons
 - 22 Undercover org.
 - 26 Russia's ___ the Great
 - 27 Bedroom community
 - 28 Activity for which "it takes two"
 - 29 "___ or ___" (threat)
 - 31 Paper purchase



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32 Small plateau

33 Any thing

34 Holy man of Tibet

41 From Tuscany, e.g.

42 Sci-fi creatures

43 Company bigwig

44 "Yeah, sure!"

46 List ending

47 Wandering birds

50 Workplace for the person named at the end of 20-, 25-, 45- or 52-Across

51 Half of octa-

52 Place between hills

53 Look at long ... and with longing

54 Prying

55 ___ the Terrible

56 Org. helping people in need

57 Smell

58 Implement in a bucket

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