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UISG ELECTIONS

In an effort to help you, the voter, familiarize yourself with the UI Student Government candidates this campaign season, The Daily Iowan has asked each ticket to articulate its platforms for a series of stories. This is the third in the five-part series.

Alcohol again front & center

BY LEE HERMISTON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Log on to *The Daily Iowan's* website and run a search on "alcohol" — 196 hits.

Now, search "bars" — 202 hits. Finally, search "underage drinking" — 200 hits.

Sensing a theme? Sure, there's some overlap among the three issues, but the fact remains: These are hot topics in Iowa City.

Needless to say, drinking is something students want to be addressed by the future UI Student Government Presidents. The four slates have their own proposals to regulate the alcohol situation in Iowa City, particularly as it pertains to the highly contested 21-ordinance.

UISG ISSUE SERIES

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Most are pretty realistic, Iowa City officials said. Others, not so much.

Flip Arkulry, the presidential hopeful for the King Kong Party, has an unconventional approach to the 21-ordinance issue. He intends to petition the city councilors to sign a pledge promising to never vote for or recommend such an age restriction.

"We're looking for a long-term solution," he said, adding he believes the councilors would be willing to sign.

Some of the councilors, however, aren't so enthusiastic.

"It's not an appropriate thing to ask a councilor to do," Councilor Dee Vanderhoef said.

Councilor Connie Champion agreed, saying, "You can't bind councilors to do that."

Arkulry believes that once the ordinance issue is "out of the way," UISG can focus on other issues. His party wants to offer alternatives to alcohol for students who feel their options are limited to drinking on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays — such as non-alcoholic rallies the nights before Hawkeye football games.

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Senators? The upcoming UISG vote is not just for president but members of the senate as well. Check out who is running and if the UISG senate actually does work or if the members just use their positions as a résumé builders. **3A**

TEACHING A BOY NEW TRICKS — HOW TO COOK



Aaron Hall Holmgren/The Daily Iowan

DI reporter Adam Greenberg gets ready to serve up pork chops with peaches in his apartment on Wednesday night. Greenberg's meal was prepared following a recipe in the book *Incredible Chef! A Guy's Introduction to Cooking*.

Facing down pork chops

BY ADAM GREENBERG
THE DAILY IOWAN

I once asked a roommate if the piece of cardboard should be put in the oven with the frozen pizza, so needless to say, my turn at playing chef was not going to be effortless.

So many things to figure out; so much preparation. I have cooked before: pasta, sandwiches, a few steaks, some grilled shrimp, but nothing that took time and any real effort. No fear — I had a new cookbook, *Incredible Chef! A Guy's Intro-*

duction to Cooking with 100 Super Recipes (Factor Press, \$15.95).

Written by über-male Rod Downey, the cookbook is designed for young men who don't have a clue about what goes on in the kitchen. Example: Chapter 2 is titled "Grocery Shopping — How to Buy and Store Stuff," and the chapter after goes on to explain the equipment in a typical kitchen and what it's used for.

I may not be an accomplished cook, but I'm no virgin, either. I know what an oven is, and I know how

to make pasta and rice, so I could skip chapters 4 and 5 about cooking pasta and rice and peeling fruits and vegetables.

I needed a main dish, something strong, tasty, different but not too difficult for my amateur skills; I needed something to hold the whole meal together.

Pork chops! I like red meat. Chef Downey has "never met a guy who didn't like beef, unless he was from India or a vegetarian." Men eat meat.

Pork chops are technically not beef but pig meat, or swine. Tasty? It doesn't turn

me off, especially with the recipe Downey puts together, which is not too hard (or expensive) and looks delicious: pork chops with peaches.

I admit, the fruit and pork combo sounds like it might clash, and indeed, the roommate for whom I was cooking thought the meal might have a bit too much contrast, but pork actually does go well with fruit. I've had pork chops garnished with fruit in *restaurants*. It's for real.

So, we went out and bought the food. The New Pioneer

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Haitians battle Midwestern clichés



BY MARGARET POE
THE DAILY IOWAN

Sitting cross-legged on the bed in her Mayflower dorm room, Caribbean rhythms throbbing in the background, the UI sophomore recounted the tired sentiment she hears so often.

"You're from Haiti?" Midwesterners inquire. "I'm so sorry. You must be so poor."

The misconceptions can be irritating, Doucette Alvarez said. But the gregarious 20-year-old doesn't let the comments bother her. For within the glaringly fluorescent room she shares with fellow Haitian and UI freshman Myrtha Pierre, the country is



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Freshman Myrtha Pierre (left) and sophomore Doucette Alvarez chat with friends at the Main Library on Thursday. Both students are originally from Port-au-Prince, Haiti, and say they miss the beaches and the vastly superior weather.

honored in all its glory.

Colorful Haitian currency, gourdes, and handwritten posters in Creole, French, and English are taped to the off-white walls, and even the screensaver on Alvarez's laptop — a bright Haitian flag — screams her loyalty.

"I love my country," she said.

"It doesn't matter what people say or how bad it is."

The 8-million person nation, which occupies the western third of the island of Hispaniola, has been embroiled in conflict for centuries. Though it is the second democratically

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AFRICAN-AMERICAN ISSUES | Black Student Union fights indifference

This week, The Daily Iowan will look at issues affecting black students, faculty, and staff on the UI campus and around Iowa City. This is the fifth in the five-part series.

Group strives to preserve '60s legacy

BY JASON PULLIAM
THE DAILY IOWAN

Student leaders of the group responsible for engendering widespread change on the UI campus during the civil-rights era are working hard to reinvent, revitalize, and preserve the legacy of the Black Student Union.

Founded in 1967 as the Afro-American Student



Parker

SOUL-FOOD DINNER

Mardi Gras Night: The Black Student Union will host a soul-food dinner on Feb. 28 from 6-8:30 p.m. at the Afro-American Cultural Center, 303 Melrose Ave.

Association, the group became one of the first social activist groups on the UI campus during a pivotal period in American history.

The organization served as a model for the advancement of other minority groups, such

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PUCK PLUCK

They might not get much attention, but the IceHawks have a passion for their game surpassed by none. **1B**

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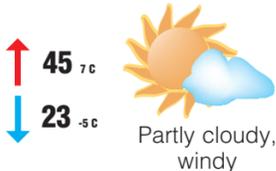
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Police chief backs officers in questioning of black prof

Vershawn Young says he was stopped and questioned by Iowa City police officers because he is black; Police Chief Samuel Hargadine contends that the officers were 'proper, courteous, and professional'

BY REBECCA MCKANNA
THE DAILY IOWAN

"I'm sad and appalled but not surprised at the results," Young said.

The Iowa City police daily activity log from Feb. 4 shows officers were looking for a heavyset black man in his late 20s, wearing a blue hooded jacket and leaving a bus. Young said he is not heavyset and complained the description was too vague. He has said he was wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt and a skull cap, adding he thought officers would have treated him with more respect had he been dressed more professionally.



Hargadine
IC police chief

Young told the police, UI administrators, the Iowa City City Council, and a state legislator about the incident.

It was for that reason Hargadine made the results public, the chief said. The department has had complaints before, and it has investigated each one, he said.

"This one was different, because it was a very public complaint," he said. "It challenged the integrity of the department."

Hargadine's report also shows the officers had audio-recorded part of the incident. On the tape, Young refers to the female officer as "baby," despite her requests, and calls the police racists. According to the report, witnesses told the police Young was making animated gestures and got into the officers' faces, threatening to make a complaint.

The report and Young both said he has complained to Cedar Rapids police about profiling and to people in the UI College of Dentistry about discrimination.

"I felt the public had a right

to know," Hargadine said. "I question his credibility."

However, Young said he questioned the police department's credibility in writing a report that paints him as a criminal — when in fact, he committed no crime.

"The officers were called 'courteous and professional,'" he said. "And I was made out to be in the wrong. This is an example of racism. They should feel ashamed."

Although Young said he is feeling emotional over the results, he hopes creating an open letter to the city with the UI's African-American Council will help get his story into the open. He also said he knew of others who have had similar experiences — but had never come forward — who might consider doing so now.

"This is just the beginning," he said.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Jacob Bales, 20, 1956 Broadway Apt. C1, was charged Wednesday with simple assault.

Jayna Blackwell, 19, address unknown, was charged Wednesday with possession of marijuana.

Kimyl Bryant, 19, 1215 Louise St., was charged Tuesday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Barbara Hoaglin, 24, 317 Mosswood Lane, was charged Monday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Paul Mcgee, 33, 1960 Broadway Apt. A1, was charged Wednesday with possession of marijuana and

driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Carrie Noble, 21, 2718 Wayne Ave. Apt. 10, was charged Wednesday with possession of marijuana and public intoxication.

Brianna Sinnott, 19, 941 Dewey St., was charged Wednesday with possession of an open container of alcohol in a vehicle and PAULA.

Anthony Wilson, 46, 2314 Lakeside Drive, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

Beatriz Zuniga, 26, 1956 Broadway Apt. C7, was charged Tuesday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

HOOPED UP



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

UI sophomore Brad Selken (middle) looks on as Dan Schenck shoots from the baseline at the outdoor basketball courts behind Burge on Thursday evening. The Currier roommates don't play every day, but they decided to "take advantage of the iceless courts," Schenck said.

METRO

Historical Society to get new digs

Two members of the Johnson County Historical Society spoke before the county Board of Supervisors on Thursday morning, announcing plans to move the group's office just south of its current location on Quarry Road in Coralville.

Dell Richard, the president of the society's board of directors, said the new location is a former warehouse, and it will be shared with the Antique Car Museum of Iowa. The 7,000 square feet will house a museum, showcasing the history of Johnson County.

The museum will be ready for visitors by late summer or early fall, right around the time the new Marriott Hotel opens across the street, Richard said.

The news pleased the supervisors. "I think it will be a plus for Johnson County as a whole," said Supervisor Pat Harney. "It will be good for the county to exhibit its historical items."

— by Brett Slezak

2 incumbents running in supervisor race

The chances of earning one of two open spots on the Johnson County Board of Supervisors just grew slimmer for hopefuls running in the June 6 primary.

Incumbents Michael Lehman and Sally Stutsman, along with newcom-

er Larry Myers, joined Alan Curry and John Schneider when they announced plans to run for the board's pair of open positions.

Myer said on Wednesday he was running largely over disgruntlement stemming from the supervisors' plan to improve roads in the North Corridor.

"I've been following the board's actions for years, and I am really unhappy with the direction it is pointing the county into," he said. "The majority on the board has chosen to forget that they are supposed to be representing the taxpayers and instead are dictating to them."

However, Lehman said, improving Prairie Du Chien and Newport Roads would make them safer for motorists new to the area. "We are concerned about safety for people that are unfamiliar with the roadway," he said.

Lehman and Stutsman both said their experience would be an asset to consider come election time.

"I have a good historical perspec-



Stutsman
incumbent



Lehman
incumbent

tive for the county and where we need to go," Stutsman said.

— by Brett Slezak

Prosecutor resists new trial for Bentley

Johnson County Attorney J. Patrick White filed a resistance statement Thursday, requesting the motion for a new trial filed by Roger Bentley's defense lawyers Feb. 13 be denied.

Bentley was found guilty late last month of first-degree kidnapping and first-degree murder in the abduction and killing of 10-year-old Jetseta Gage.

White argued criminal procedure deems consideration of new trial motions only when a verdict is contrary to evidence.

During the trial, White presented jurors with testimony that Jetseta's March 2005 disappearance from her home coincided with Bentley's departure. Officials testified they found a blood-stained Bentley at the abandoned trailer where Jetseta's body was in a bathroom vanity. Experts said seven identifiable DNA matches resulted from tests conducted on both Bentley and Jetseta.

Sixth District Judge Patrick Grady

will address the motion for a new trial today.

— by Amanda Masker

Medical prof gets cancer grant

The National Cancer Society has given the UI Carver College of Medicine a five year, \$1.3 million grant for breast-cancer research.

UI surgery Professor Ronald Weigel, the head investigator of the recently funded research study, said he was, "absolutely

thrilled."

"It's a huge weight off my shoulders," he said. Funding has become a critical issue, forcing him to reduce his aims, he said. These grants were once more common; now, funding only goes to the most competitive of grants, Weigel said.

With this \$1.3 million, he plans to look into why certain breast cancers don't respond to estrogen. Tumor cells that produce estrogen are treatable via hormonal therapies, while cells that fail to produce estrogen don't respond to the treatment, according to a press release.

— by Amanda Masker



Weigel
UI professor



Bentley
guilty of murder and kidnapping

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GOODBYE



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Sam Goody, 21 S. Dubuque St., will close after its parent company, Musicland Holding Corp., filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in January, saying it wanted to reorganize its business. Local store manager David Hansen said that in addition to the bankruptcy, music lovers are becoming more accustomed to buying their music at lower prices or getting it for free on the Internet. "As a store manager, it can be hard to keep up with that," he said. He does not know who will take over the storefront, but he expressed confidence that it wouldn't be a problem to find a taker. "This is prime property," Hansen said. "It shouldn't be too hard to fill."

Many bills, but not much hope for wage

BY BRYCE BAUER
 THE DAILY IOWAN

While some members of the Iowa Legislature feel increasing the minimum wage is important, only the most aggressive measure would directly affect many UI students.

Various bills introduced in both the Senate and the House are calling for new minimum wages, ranging from \$6 to \$7.25 an hour.

"It has been a very long time since Iowa raised the minimum wage," said Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City, who is co-sponsoring numerous bills. "Iowa has a lot of people struggling from paycheck to paycheck, and putting money in their pockets is a way to help this."

Iowa's minimum wage is pegged to the national figure, at \$5.15, last raised in September 1997.

According to a UI Office of Student Financial Aid part-time wage survey, only 161 — or 3.5 percent — of the 4,581 students surveyed earned less than \$6.15 an hour. An increase to \$7.25 would directly affect 1,395 students

— or 30.5 percent of the fall 2005 survey participants.

However, it appears many Iowa City businesses no longer pay minimum wage.

"In the last nine years, our average wage has probably gone up \$2.50 an hour," said John's Grocery store manager Doug Alberhasky.

He said the store, 401 E. Market St., employs 44 people with the lowest wage at \$6.50 an hour. He opposes a minimum-wage increase because it would raise prices, causing inflation.

"Instead of buying a pop for \$1, you are going to buy a pop for \$1.20," he said. "When the minimum wage goes up, it is basically inflation."

Alberhasky also said the increase would be more detrimental to smaller businesses than larger ones.

His aversion, however, wasn't shared by all Iowa City business people.

"I think it is long overdue, to raise the minimum wage," said Leah Cohen, the owner of Bo-James, 118 E. Washington St. "I think \$5.15 an hour is not much in this day and age."

Cohen said an increase

wouldn't affect how she pays her employees, who earn "well above minimum" wage, although she noted other businesses, which pay closer to \$5.15, may feel the crunch.

According to the Iowa Policy Project, an increase to \$6.65 would affect 75,000 Iowans directly; an increase to \$7.25 would affect 132,000 Iowans. Approximately 100,000 workers would be indirectly affected by an increase, estimates the Iowa Policy Project.

Any increase, however, would have to pass the Republican-controlled House, something lawmakers on both sides of the aisle agree is unlikely.

"I would say it is doubtful," said Sen. Stewart Iverson, R-Clarion. "A lot of people feel, like I do, that it needs to be uniform, across the nation."

Democratic Assistant Leader Joe Bolkcom also felt the legislation would have a hard time passing.

"Until we get new leadership in the general assembly, we are going to continue to have low-wage policy," he said.

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Hawkeye residents still waiting for Internet

BY DANNY VALENTINE
 THE DAILY IOWAN



UI graduate student Marcelo Mena can't use the Internet at his Hawkeye Court apartment, and he has to trek to his downtown office to scribe an e-mail.

The Internet at his home is slow. It disconnects. And the old dial-up technology lags behind virtually every other building on campus.

Seven months ago, the UI promised students living in Hawkeye Court and Hawkeye Drive apartments that they would receive a faster Internet service by January or February, Mena said, adding he finds it baffling a major Big Ten university in 2006 doesn't offer high-speed service.

University Apartments manager Helen Baker said the contract for the new broadband Internet will be signed "any day now." A Hawkeye apartment resident, Jianchuan Zhang, received an e-mail from the housing staff saying a new Internet will be installed sometime in March or April.

But Hawkeye Court resident Lisa Christensen said when she and her husband moved into the complex in October, they were told they would be hooked up to the campus Internet. But in December, the housing staff said "they would look into other options," she said.

UI freshman and Hawkeye Drive resident Brenna Trump describes the current dial-up system as "terribly slow, and it also disconnects."

The university raised tenants' rent by \$8 to cover the promised high-speed service. The school has since revoked the increase, and some residents were compensated.

Mena said the sluggish implementation showed a "lack of sensibility" on the part of the housing office. Many of the residents in the apartments are international students for whom Internet is a primary means for communicating with their families, he said.

The UI also offers a wireless networking system on designated hot spots around campus.

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A VOTE OUT OF THE SPOTLIGHT

BY ANNE WILMOTH
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With the focus on the UI Student Government presidential campaign in recent weeks, the 71 students running for seats on the student senate have gone largely unnoticed, leaving them to wage their campaigns in the face of students' lack of knowledge about the elections.

One such senate hopeful, UI junior Eric Lamp, is running for a seat on the Undergraduate Collegiate Senate from the

business constituency.

"I decided I wasn't involved enough on campus, and I just wanted to do something with my time the last few years on campus," he said. "I wanted to get my name out and do something useful."

Lamp is one of 38 UI undergrads vying for the 20 available seat on the Undergraduate Collegiate Senate, which represents the university's various academic divisions.

While he is affiliated with the King Kong ticket, the Army reserve veteran is not guaran-

teed a coattail victory; only senate hopefuls specifically listed on the prevailing presidential tickets are automatically awarded seats.

UI junior Sarah Danilson is also running for the first time, and she will be the lone candidate for the Undergraduate Collegiate Senate's two available nursing seats. The barren candidate pool has hardly impelled her to reach out — for now.

"I haven't done anything, yet," she said but added she plans to eventually put up

posters in the Nursing Building and hand out buttons.

Danilson, the captain of the UI women's Ultimate Frisbee team, said she is running because she has "always been interested in finding out what UISG does" and says she can bring fundraising experience to the Undergraduate Collegiate Senate.

A third UI junior, Jonathan Zanders, is competing against "approximately 11" others for an at-large seat in the Undergraduate Activities Senate, which handles student groups

on and off campus.

Zanders, an affiliate of the Does a Student Body Good party, kicked off his first campaign by handing out fliers and "talking to people."

"It's a new experience for me, but I feel like I can bring diversity to the student senate," the communications major said, adding the need for diversity and "different viewpoints" spurred his decision to run for a seat.

Voter turnout for the UISG elections has always faced

obstacles. Last year's elections, which boasted the highest ever voter turnout for a student-government election, saw 25 percent of the students casting online ballots.

The Graduate and Professional Student Senate, meanwhile, operates on a separate election schedule. The only available seats this term will be occupied by graduate students listed on one of the four presidential tickets.

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Haitians hope for peace

HAITIANS

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founded nation in the Western Hemisphere, Haiti has experienced none of the stability experienced by its vast northern neighbor.

Uprisings spiked again around Haiti's contentious Feb. 7 election, in which candidate René Préval prevailed — a victory announced Feb. 16.

Political strife marked Alvarez and Pierre's childhood. "There were times when there were coup d'états," Alvarez said. "That was bad."

Though she was witness to some of the political brouhahas, Alvarez watched most of the riots on TV. When the streets exploded too violently, school would be canceled, she said, but all the missed classes were made up on the weekend.

The first time she saw a corpse was scary, Alvarez said. But, after a while, she grew immune to the bloody reminders of the country's unrest.

Yet, for the most part, attending a Christian missionary school

was a similar experience to one had by many Americans, Alvarez said, complete with purple and gold class colors, an eagle mascot, and a baseball team.

"We even had a Sadie Hawkins dance," she said.

Out on the street, though, poverty was inescapable. "It's in your face," Alvarez said.

The CIA World Factbook estimates 80 percent of the Haitian population lives below the poverty line. The soft-spoken Pierre struggled to express the schism between the have and have-nots in the Western Hemisphere's poorest nation.

"It's huge," the pre-med student said, her graceful arms spreading wide in emphasis.

However, the roommates' families do not fit the stereotype held by many Americans, for whom the only images of Haiti are of its desperate poor. Pierre's missionary father owns a factory and clinic. Alvarez's father is a pastor, and he opened a clinic and school in Haiti before the family left the island for the windy streets of South

Side Chicago in 2001. Both Alvarez and Pierre moved to the United States to attend school.

Fritz Fougy, a minister counselor at the Haitian Embassy in Washington, D.C., said perceptions of Haiti often focus on the nation's economic woes.

"That may be true, but that doesn't mean everyone in Haiti's poor," he said.

Haitians are more diverse than just the rioters depicted on TV, he said. While many people are unemployed, there are hordes of peasants and laborers, a number of middle-class intellectuals, and a small, but influential, bourgeoisie.

After Haiti's recent election, hope bubbles anew for lasting peace. Fougy, who said he has been waiting for tensions to cool for the last 40 years, maintains optimism.

The crinkly haired Alvarez, who plans to return to her beloved beaches this summer, wouldn't offer a prediction.

"Hell, it's Haiti," she said, laughing. "It's just a big question mark."

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Organization seeks rebirth

BLACK STUDENT UNION

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as Latinos, American Indians, and women, said Phillip Jones, the UI vice president for Student Services.

"They were it. They were the catalysts," he said. "Unfortunately, several generations later, students don't realize the importance of involvement in promoting social change."

Nearly 40 years after its inception, the Black Student Union is trying to rebound from low membership and disappointing participation to restore its prominence on campus.

The group's four-member executive committee is stepping up its efforts to rebuild the organization's base and foster a stronger sense of community among black students.

"Last year, the Black Student Union was pretty much nonexistent," said Courtney Parker, a UI junior who serves as the group's treasurer.

Since joining the group, the 19-year-old English and religious-studies major from Old Saybrook, Conn., said, it has been hard for the organization to establish the kind of participation it needs to fulfill its goals.

Minority enrollment makes up 9 percent of the university's total enrollment, of which black students make up slightly more than 2 percent, according to fall 2005 statistics.

"It feels like the sense of brotherhood and sisterhood is kind of waning, with the lack of participation," she said.

At the Feb. 18 "Bigger, Blacker, Better" conference in the IMU, Parker said 80 to 100 people were projected to attend, but only a dozen or so showed, including the speakers.

"That was discouraging, but it didn't ruin the dynamic we had going on," she said. "I just wish more people could have



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Courtney Parker prepares in the Afro-American Cultural Center on Thursday afternoon for a presentation on Toni Morrison's *The Bluest Eye* for her African-American Literature class. Parker, the Black Student Union treasurer, came from Connecticut to study English and religious studies at the UI.

been a part of it. It was a really positive experience despite the low turnout."

The group has roughly 25 active members and meets two times monthly at the Afro-American Cultural Center, 303 Melrose Ave.

Jones would like black students to recognize the legacy they have inherited. He said

while it's a challenge to get involved and stay engaged, he knows it's worth it because of how instrumental groups such as the Black Student Union have been in bringing about social change.

"It's a lot of pain and a lot of work for everybody," he said.

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Writer takes on pork

COOKING

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Co-Op is fresh and organic but doesn't sell a lot. We got the chops and some fresh Parmesan cheese with olive oil and bread there (appetizers, everyone) but had to go to Hy-Vee for canned peaches, shake 'n' bake bread crumbs, and a cake, which my roommate said was necessary but it will be lying spoiled and half-eaten on our countertop until spring break.

We got home, breaded the chops, threw 'em in the oven for 40 minutes, and waited: drank a bottle of wine, ate the bread and cheese, watched "South Park." Bling!

The peach halves needed to be put on top of the chops and the syrup from the can dripped over them, then put back in the oven for 10 minutes.

Don't be too shy with the peaches. We were, and the pork could have used a little more fruit.

Finally ready to eat, we took the chops out of the oven (no side dish — an entire loaf of fresh bread and three pork chops for two of us was plenty) and tasted them.

Fantastic! Sweet and tender. We could have ditched the breading for some marinade but, still, an exciting meal. A slice of cake each and then only one task left: cleaning up.

Downey has an entire chapter devoted to cleaning, a good idea considering this is the part of cooking that turns most people off. It's the equivalent of not hating the doing of laundry but despising the folding.

Step 1: Visualize the process.

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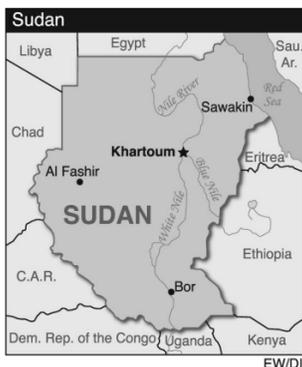
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Bill seeks Sudan divestiture

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— are considered “companies that do business with Sudan” by a Sudan Divestment Project website, though BP denies being involved in the region. Divestment advocates say the oil giants are fueling the slaughter in Sudan by keeping the country’s oligarchs rich. Government institutions are forbidden by federal law from investing in domestic companies with Sudanese ties. The bill in question seeks to include international companies.

Cynthia Bartels, the UI treasury operations director, who said her department is not responsible for investment strategies, did not say how much the university had tied up in the fund, which requires a \$5 million minimum initial investment. She guessed the GMO fund makes up “about 1 percent” of the university’s portfolio, saying the



effect of the legislation would probably be minimal.

The regents control investment strategy and policy at the UI. Regent Executive Director Gary Steinke said the board didn’t know, as of Thursday, the effect the proposed legislation would have.

Sudan-divestment campaigns, especially those aimed at domestic companies, have had success

in legislatures nationwide, as well as on college campuses. Yale recently barred investment of its endowment assets from Sudan-friendly companies, including Siemens, which was recently contracted by the Sudanese government to build a \$174 million power plant.

Still, divestment critics abound. Some believe complete divestment campaigns would hurt Sudan, because some companies in the region operate ethically and provide jobs. IPERS public-information officer Julie Economaki, who estimated that Siemens shares account for a portion of the system’s \$20 billion in state employee retirement assets, said the federal government should shoulder the blame for potentially unethical practices.

“Only the federal government really knows what these companies are doing,” she said, adding that her office has inquired about Sudanese-related companies and received no reply. “And

‘Only the federal government really knows what these companies are doing. And we can’t start taking money out if we don’t have the information.’

— Julie Economaki, IPERS public-information officer

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Pettengill said constituents’ ethical concerns regarding business in the war-torn African nation pushed her to propose the legislation; she intends to amend the bill to only pertain to investments in companies dealing directly with the Sudanese government.

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METRO

Four become liberal-arts fellows

Four UI professors became Collegiate Fellows in the UI College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, officials announced on Thursday.

Daniel Balderston, a professor of Spanish and Portuguese, Constance Berman, a professor of history, Jerry Suls, a professor of psychology, and Mark Weiger, a professor of music, were bestowed the honor, according to a UI press release.

The professors were chosen for their years of distinguished teaching, research, and service to the college.

Liberal-arts Dean Linda Maxson said the distinction allows professors who have demonstrated a



Balderston Weiger

strong dedication to the college to be recognized for their excellence in teaching and research.

Collegiate Fellows receive salary increases and discretionary funds to support their teaching and research, in addition to an invitation to meet with Maxson and associate deans to discuss improving faculty life and undergraduate education.

— by Catherine Gaa

UISG slates list alcohol stances

UISG

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Similar to its opponents, the Does a Student Body Good ticket wants to address the bar policy, though in a different, more orthodox way.

“We need to work on education,” said Peter McElligott, the party’s presidential candidate, specifically focusing on the dangers of binge drinking.

He said his party would work with the council to create alternatives to the 21-ordinance by concentrating on the root of the binge and underage drinking problems.

“We need to look at why everyone is going out drinking,” he said.

In addition, McElligott said, he wants to work with Iowa City antiviolence groups to



Arkulary McElligott Nakhasi Thomas

create a “sober presence” on the Pedestrian Mall in order to facilitate safety downtown and throughout campus.

Unlike her fellow candidates, IC Party presidential hopeful Shannon Thomas doesn’t see the 21-ordinance as an issue. As a second year resident assistant, she has had the unfortunate pleasure of dealing with the effects of alcohol hands-on — Specifically, cleaning up the mess left behind by some overly zealous drinkers.

“Alcohol is a problem here on

campus,” said Thomas, who believes an educational approach would help students “realize what their options and what their consequences are.”

The IC Party also hopes to deal with alcohol-related issues by facilitating student engagement through drinking alternatives — specifically, she would allocate more money to late-night campus programs using student fees.

Presidential candidate Atul Nakhasi for the Big Awesome Party is also opposed to the 21-

ordinance, and he argues changing the bar-entry age wouldn’t deter alcohol consumption — it would only increase the number of house parties.

“It’s shifting to where trouble would occur,” he said.

Nakhasi’s platform further comments on the downtown bar scene, calling for a decrease in underage drinking fines in favor of community service.

“Physical labor often has a greater impact,” he said, noting a similar program employed at Michigan State University.

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EDITORIAL

Divestment a responsible move

In the 1980s, the state of Iowa officially divested all monies from companies operating in South Africa. Archbishop Desmond Tutu declared such financial pressure the key element in ending apartheid. Now, in the face of genocide in the Darfur region of Sudan, Iowa legislators should adopt House File 2241, which would ban the state treasurer, the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System, or the state Board of Regents from investing in corporations doing business in Sudan.

Most state employees, including the UI staff, invest for retirement through IPERS, which has an estimated \$100 million invested in 12 companies working in Sudan. One such corporation is a France-based energy company called Total SA. It is one of the leading oil investors in such countries as Iran, Libya, Syria, and Sudan and was also one of the leading investors in Iraq during the Saddam Hussein era. (In 1997, Total SA was the first company to openly ignore the Iran-Libya Sanctions Act designed to punish states sponsoring terrorism.) The bill would require a report on any of these businesses, with a mandate to reallocate the funds by July 1, 2007, at the latest.

In the summer of 2004, the U.S. Congress passed a resolution urging the Bush administration to label the situation in Sudan as genocide. In October 2004, then-Secretary of State Colin Powell first used the word at a U.N. meeting. The debate stems from attacks, rapes, and other abuses

that have left an estimated 180,000 dead, in addition to 2 million homeless. Both Sudan and the United States are signatory members of the 1948 U.N. Convention on the Prevention and Punishment on the Crime of Genocide, which defines the crime and allows for any other country to request that the U.N. act to prevent and suppress genocide.

Of course, this treaty sounds great, until one tries to put it in practice. The Bush administration and the United Nations blame each other for inaction; meanwhile, many thousands of Sudanese continue to be harassed, displaced, and murdered.

The good news is that word is spreading about the violence, albeit largely through Christian and Jewish nongovernmental organizations. On Wednesday, the Save Darfur Coalition, a faith-based humanitarian group, kicked off a 22-city tour aimed at informing the public and pressuring the Bush administration to act, while keeping an eye toward the November midterm elections.

Iowa can and should do its own part. The \$100 million figure represents just a tiny fraction of the entire IPERS network, which carried a \$9.1 million operating budget in 2005; divestment would not even impose a serious burden. The South Africa divestment success has shown the tactic to be a key component in fighting injustice internationally. Iowa legislators should follow this example and pass the bill with all speed.

Regrettable candidacy

As I debated whether I was going to write about my experiences on the student-government campaign trail this week, I reread the collection of e-mails I kept from the campaign last year. I pored over some of what was exchanged and concluded that the two weeks I spent running for UISG president were the worst two weeks of my life.

That's saying something, too, because I have a long list — a really long list — of horrid life experiences. One e-mail, from my boss at my part-time job, called my candidacy regrettable. And, he was right. It was.

It wasn't regrettable that my ticket lost — or even that we placed third in a three-ticket contest. I'm not afraid of failure. What was regrettable, though, was how the campaign was run and how pointless it all was.



BARRY PUMP

In Chad Aldeman's piece on Monday, he said that candidates for UISG office should "enjoy" the two-week campaigning period. I laughed when I read that. Nothing about my experience was in the least bit enjoyable.

The worst part, by far, was seeing my friends maligned, either on this very page or by vicious rumors. My poor running mate, Bob Higgins, was called out by last year's Editorial Board for taking 30 seconds to compose his thoughts before answering the first question put to him at the *DI* debate. The Editorial Board used his first debate performance against him when it endorsed Mark Kresowik and Lauren McCarthy, despite obvious evidence (including a front-page photo sans shirt) that clearly demonstrated Bob does not suffer from stage fright.

Upsetting as that unfair portrayal was, the thing that will last in my mind was when a member of my ticket — looking wan and drawn — told me about some of the rumors spread about her and her involvement with the campaign. They had taken their toll on her — and my only thought: It's all my fault. I put an intelligent, beautiful, and kind person through social hell. I had never been so directly responsible for something like that before, and I still hate the memory of that feeling.

There were other things. Kowtowing to a plethora of student groups was bound to make me a panderer. For the conservative set, my vow of \$2,000 of platform money for a gay and lesbian community center was just too much to handle. For the gay and lesbian set, that same idea — part of a larger plan of university-community relations that appeared on page nine of my 15-page platform and only after I had talked to, and exchanged several e-mails with, the person responsible for the idea — seemed disingenuous. Irony, if not rationality, dictated I must have solely been after the all-important gay and lesbian vote.

And then there were the letters to the editor. Current presidential candidate Flip Arkulary wrote I was "unfit to lead the university's students" and was, by implication, either "against the academic security" of UI students or "lazy." George Pappas, an individual I had assisted in writing legislation with which I publicly disagreed, criticized me for not iterating my reasons when sent a blind e-mail all senators received after he lost the vote. Mike Musser, a person I've never met before, said a better name for my "House Party" would be the "Outhouse Party," because, then, "there would be no confusion about what [I'm] full of."

Surprising, isn't it, how I was unable to enjoy myself during the two-week campaign? What kills me is how seriously the campaigners take student government and the lengths they will go to attempt to win. For three years, I took it seriously, as well. But having been away from UISG for almost a year now, I have come to realize just how meaningless it all is — how I wasted too much time and emotion for a truly pointless enterprise. I don't even know what student government did this past year, which probably means it didn't affect me one bit. I wish I had had that perspective a lot earlier in my academic career. That's my only regret. ■

Columnist **Barry Pump's** run for UISG president wasn't a total loss. He scored the highest grade in his political theory class's midterm — 101 percent — while campaigning. If you think you have better criticisms of Pump than those shared above, please e-mail barry-pump@uiowa.edu.

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Issue balance

Congratulations to the *DI*! We black American students on campus are thankful that you took *one* week out of Black History Month to discuss and report about the issues affecting us. News flash: Issues and concerns about diversity are present throughout the year, and the *DI*, in particular, should dedicate more press coverage to them, not only because it's Black History Month but because the editors feel it is important.

Janine Brown
UI graduate student

Student foe

With Wednesday's announcement of Bob Vander Plaats as the running mate of Jim Nussle, it has become clear who will be the Republican running governor. This fact scares me, and it should scare all students.

Nussle doesn't care about your education; he doesn't want to see the youth, which is the future of this state, go to college. He was a key leader in the cutting of \$12.7 billion from higher education, which include the highest cuts ever to the student-loan program. Stafford loan rates and PLUS loan rates have all gone up drastically. With tuition going up every year and less federal aid available for students, this state needs a governor who cares about education, who will stand up and fight for the students, instead of just overlooking them. Nussle is not that man. Nussle does not plan for college students. Nussle doesn't have a quality plan for education, whatsoever. Quite frankly, Nussle-Vander Plaats



When the temperature dips, so do their IQs!

is a ticket to disaster. This state doesn't need a disaster; it needs another quality leader to step in after Gov. Tom Vilsack and keep this state great.

Andy Wilson
UI student

Policy, not politics

In the current UISG election, as in most elections past, I have heard much discussion of the larger ideological positions of the various presidential tickets. Generally, it seems that conservatives are inclined to disregard the McElligott-Stark ticket

because of the left-wing positions of its candidates.

While I, as a registered Republican, may not always agree with Peter, and Addison on issues of world politics, I strongly believe they are the two candidates with the best ability to lead and represent both UISG and the students. In my three years as a UISG senator, I've come to understand that the most important factor in choosing those to represent us as students is not whether they are Republicans or Democrats but the caliber of people and leaders they are.

Adam Large
UI student

COMMENTARY

A Big Man's election and Africa's future

Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni was once seen as an antidote to the corrupt, authoritarian "Big Men" who ruled his country — and much of the rest of Africa — in the first decades after independence. Now, he is becoming one himself. Museveni, who once said a president should serve no longer than 10 years, is favored to win election to a third term Thursday — meaning his 20 years in office would be extended for five more years. Discarding a final promise not to run again, he pressured Uganda's Congress for a constitutional amendment last year removing term limits. Since then, his principal opponent has been subjected to criminal charges, while his critics in the media have been persecuted. There is good reason to fear fraud in the counting of ballots.

The good news in this depressing picture is that Museveni's triumph is not entirely guaranteed. Under pressure from Western donors, who supply more than 40 percent of the government's budget, the president finally allowed the creation of opposition parties last year, after two decades of insisting that Uganda was somehow unsuited for multiparty democracy. The opposition leader, Kizza Besigye, has been drawing big crowds despite (and maybe because of) his persecution: Some pre-election polls show him preventing Museveni from obtaining the 50 percent of the vote necessary to avoid a runoff. Even if Besigye loses, his new Forum for Democratic Change party should pick up some seats in Congress.

Museveni's entrenchment in office, nevertheless, sets a bad example for the generation of African leaders who came to power in recent years and who raised hope for a renaissance of government in the region. Ethiopian Prime Minister Meles Zenawi and Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo also pledged to leave office after their present terms; if Museveni succeeds in staying on and retaining the support of international donors and investors, they may waver as well. Obasanjo's supporters are already seeking a constitutional change that would allow him to run for re-election next year, despite his denials of interest. All of these leaders are far superior to the Big Men they replaced, who were more inclined to genocide than to democracy. But, as Museveni's tenure has demonstrated, even relatively good rulers breed corruption and thuggishness if they remain in office too long.

Western governments have abetted the rise of the new African strongmen by focusing policy on rulers, such as Museveni, instead of encouraging the development of institutions and civil society. Both President Bush and President Clinton visited Uganda and heaped praise on Museveni. Belatedly, donors are turning against the Ugandan president, cutting back aid in protest of his budding presidency-for-life. It may be too late to stop this Big Man — but not to prevent his neighbors from imitating him.

This editorial appeared in Thursday's *Washington Post*.

ON THE SPOT

Is it unethical to invest in companies doing business in Sudan?



"I don't think so. I don't have a problem with it."

Matt Hora
UI senior



"It's probably not the best thing in the world to do."

Kyle Berg
UI sophomore



"I don't know. I really don't have any information on it."

Na Yeon Kang
UI freshman



"I don't know."

Kristin Breitbach
UI sophomore

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ARTS & CULTURE

Hectic as normalcy



Jessica Green/The Daily Iowan

UI dancer Lisa Kottemann performs a piece choreographed by Jennifer Kayle during dress rehearsal on Tuesday night for the Dancers in Company's concerts in Space/Place. The troupe will present a free program designed for families today at 3 p.m.; the regular performances will be today and Saturday at 8 p.m.

BY MAGGIE ANDERSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

'Pretty much, I go to the building, and I stay.'

— **Ellie Goudie-Averill, M.F.A. student**

"I'm basically cloned in two places tonight," Assistant Professor Deanna Carter said as she finished a bite of her hamburger, picked up her fountain drink, and walked down the dingy Halsey Hall corridor Tuesday. She said she had two rehearsals that evening: one for the Dancers in Company concert this weekend and another for the American College Dance Festival over spring break.

Carter said. "Ultimately, they have to be artistic and entertaining." The program presents styles ranging from the elegant to the sprightly to the hilarious.

"This concert is like the appetizer menu of a restaurant," Carter said, adding that the presentation shouldn't frighten off those new to dance.

Jennifer Kayle, an assistant professor and a co-director of the company, said the troupe is "very concerned with entertaining, as well with artistic integrity and pre-professional experience for students." Case in point: Carter's charming and energetic piece "Cowboy Blues" and Kayle's fanciful, feminine fairy tale, "... the theft I made of the flower of my mind."

Both pieces are engaging and lovely yet monumentally different. Carter's lighthearted piece juxtaposes mournful country oldies with an onstage cat-and-mouse game, as the women pursue the "lonely cowboy" played by Szuba-Schneider. And Kayle's piece is other-

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worldly, inspired by Stéphane Mallarmé's poem "The White Water-Lily," and set to composer Maurice Ravel's "Trois Poèmes."

With such an all-encompassing repertoire, Dancers in Company provides excellent experience for dancers, whether they want to be professional performers, teachers, or lawyers. Many of the dance majors, who already put in full days of dancing and academic work, return to Halsey Hall at night to rehearse. Some even come in on Saturday and Sunday.

"You want to hire dancers because they know how to work ... and how to manage their time," Carter said. "It's kind of a super-human effort. I guess the lesson to be learned is that when you study something, you should love it."

And these dancers love it. First-year dance performance

M.F.A. student Ellie Goudie-Averill said she auditioned for the company because "not only do you get to perform, you get to tour." Her typical schedule? Arrive at Halsey by 8:15, teach ballet at 8:30, ballet class at 10, modern dance at 12:30, and either kinesiology, improvisational dance, or more teaching in the afternoon. Then, from 5:30 till (at least) 8:30, Dancers in Company rehearsals.

"Pretty much, I go to the building, and I stay," she, brushing her eyes with silver eye shadow in the Space/Place locker room.

Jackie Stewart, a senior UI majoring in dance dressed in

a shimmering green tunic and pants, has a similar schedule.

"I usually pack food the night before. I plan to stay at the dance department all day," she said, adding she typically remains an extra hour after company rehearsals to practice her own piece. She also comes in for six hours on Saturday. And, sometime between classes or at night, she manages to squeeze in time for homework.

But what about a social life? "Ha, what social life?" said Meghan Osterman, a senior UI dance performance and perform-

ing-arts entrepreneurship double major. "I don't know the last time I went out," Stewart said, as she resumed stretching her quads while standing in Space/Place locker room, adding that her close friends are in the department and share similar lives.

Maybe the echoing voice at the end of Kayle's piece sums it up best: "We are always at one with the instrument of our magic spells."

"We are bound to the things that move us," Kayle said. "We embody them."

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Going sonic with G o G o G o combos

The post-punk group keeps its listeners guessing by varying styles



BY CHARLIE MORAN
THE DAILY IOWAN

The cover of GoGoGo Airheart's latest album, *Rats! Sing! Sing!*, bears four identical swimsuit-clad, cocaine-thin pixies arranged side-by-side in a hastily glued collage. Coolly examining their cocked arms, it looks as if Robert Palmer's "Addicted to Love" vamps had accidentally wandered onto the "Walk Like an Egyptian" video shoot and made the best of a bad situation.

For this San Diego post-punk quartet, the Warholian cover image is not just a dashed-off red herring for a half-hour of pretentious, deconstructed art-rock. In fact, on its fifth album, GoGoGo Airheart cuts away much of the ragged edges of its sonic mélange to reveal the same shambolic pop structures that early Liars, the Rapture, and Franz Ferdinand

canonized not long ago. And, yes, like GoGoGo Airheart's album-cover models who are frozen mid-shimmy, the songs shake as though MTV's "The Grind" had never been canceled.

GoGoGo Airheart will be bunny-hopping tonight at Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St., with Subtitle, Jai Lai Savant, and Iowa City's the Tanks.

With a revolving-door lineup and a lack of an obvious frontman since the band's formation 10 years ago, GoGoGo Airheart has a hard time committing to any specific concoction of sounds. With the echo-laden dub sound of King Tubby, the feathery high-hat boogie of Gang of Four, the exasperated vocals of Iggy Pop, and, above all, a keen ear for pop aesthetics, the band applies these influences in violently varying combinations from track to track.

Rats! Sing! Sing! [Gold Standard Labs] is the band's least experimental album — but hardly a repudiation of its fractured MO.

One of the most abrasive tracks, "Taxi Up," begins with strobing synthesizer stuttering over a rolling dance beat caught in eerie stasis. Chunks of distorted guitar punctuate every measure, as the group's blond co-founder, Michael Vermillion, shrieks over a shout-along chorus. *Rats!* comes without a lyric sheet, but a tissue to clean out spittle-flecked ears might have enhanced the listening experience.

Elsewhere, GoGoGo Airheart bounces back like its sun-tanned So-Cal brethren. The aptly titled "So Good" is unrelenting in its Fender-ripping rock 'n' roll excesses, such as solos and "shala-la" choruses. In "Lie With the Lamb," co-ordinator and bass player Ashish Vyas holds the

group together with perfectly punctuated plucking, while drummer Andy Robillard's slack, stomping percussion is as unbinged as the song's one-two Strokes guitar riff.

Like the Stooges' self-titled garage masterpiece, *Rats!* contains a few nuggets of transcendental stoner meditation. The opening track, "Rats," has tinkly piano and a swinging piano seachantey beat, as Vermillion flamboyantly repeats the chorus over handclaps and errant radio noise. Short interludes, such as "Tin Pie" and "Love Is ...," demonstrate the band's willingness to include castoffs and aborted fragments.

While New York and Los Angeles are obvious touch points, the Caribbean shares equally salient presence. On "Dub II" — a sequel to nothing

— the band presents four minutes of syncopated piano, whistly synthesizer, and vocal samples twisted into oblivion. "Turn Out the Lights" has a shuffling beat, with flaring steel drums clanging out lazy melodies, as Vermillion sings, "Those thoughts in your mind, they can be free."

The pop-art cover of *Rats! Sing! Sing!* becomes more and more appropriate as GoGoGo Airheart's songs unfold like legs on a dance floor. With rock, R&B, and even reggae strewn about their catalogue, the band's connection to Robert Palmer might even go beyond a highly-stylized music video.

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IN THE HEART OF IOWA CITY'S CULTURAL DISTRICT

Flu sweeps Iowa City elementary school

BY SUSAN ELGIN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Grace Luke woke up Wednesday night with abdominal cramps, and, shortly thereafter, she lost her lunch.

When her mother, UI recreation services clerk Jeanette Luke, called the fifth-grader in sick the next morning, she found her daughter wasn't the first. Grace was absence No. 27 at Longfellow Elementary, 1130 Seymour Ave.

the end of the school day.

"I've never seen anything like this in my 22 years' experience in education," said Longfellow Principal Mary Ellen Maske.

The illness appears to be the stomach flu, and symptoms include a sudden onset of vomiting, low-grade fever, and upset stomach, said Susie Poulton, the director of health services for the Iowa City School District.

Longfellow will remain open, on the recommendation of the Johnson County Public Health Department, she said.

Thirty-one of the 289 students who attend Longfellow Elementary went home sick from school Thursday, which kept the custodian very busy.

"Some of the little ones couldn't quite get to where they needed to," said Maske, who sent a note home to parents notifying them of the illness and encouraging them to keep their sick children at home.

Those who had been sick earlier in the week recovered in around 48 hours, she said, but added she isn't sure whether all the children

have the same flu strain.

Longfellow had normal attendance until today; the illness is not affecting any other schools, Poulton said.

Only five staff members were home sick today, but Maske said many classes only had eight or so students present.

County Public Health Director Ralph Wilmoth said the School District contacted the department to investigate the outbreak. The agency will wait for consultation from the state health department to decide its next step.

Wilmoth said ill students should stay home from school and recommended "general take-care-of-yourself" tips to keep students healthy, such as washing hands after using the bathroom, covering your mouth with a tissue when you cough, and making sure vaccinations are up to date.

After vomiting has ceased and the fever is under 100 degrees, students should wait an additional 24 hours before returning to school, Maske said. And that will keep some parents out of their offices.

FLU OUTBREAK

- Longfellow Elementary:**
- 289 total students
 - 122 absent Thursday
 - 31 went home from school sick
 - 42.2 percent of students sick
 - 5 staff members absent

"It's not the easiest time to take off, but, when you're a mother, that's what you have to do," Luke said.

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WAL-MART CASE

Judge to rule in May

BY MEGHAN V. MALLOY
THE DAILY IOWAN

Longtime Iowa City activist Gary Sanders and his attorney Wallace Taylor started Thursday morning in high spirits.

Sanders is a plaintiff in a lawsuit against the Iowa City Board of Adjustment and the Iowa City Council for their roles in rezoning and selling public land to retail giant Wal-Mart so it could construct a superstore.

"We are confident that we have the law and the facts on our side," Sanders said in a press release Wednesday night.

Judge Amanda Potterfield, however, did not share their confidence, deferring to rule at a later date after both the prosecution and defense presented her with briefs further explaining evidence and arguments. She will rule in May, after considering their submitted documents, Sanders said.

The battle between Sanders and the city started last year, when a proposed purchase agreement between Iowa City and Wal-Mart was presented to city councilors. They approved the agreement, selling the land for \$3.1 million, on March 1, 2005. In order to complete the building project, the Iowa City Board of Adjustment requested special permission to rezone 54 acres of public land to include a drive-through pharmacy and a gas station.

The City Council approved the decision to rezone on July 5, 2005, after granting permission to Wal-Mart.

Sanders said the decision doesn't reflect the best interest of Iowa Citizens, which is why he brought the city to court. He filed suit against the council with Richard Byers on Aug. 4, 2005.

The city, represented by first Assistant City Attorney Sarah Holecek, maintains it has done nothing illegal. The Board of Adjustment said that under Chapter 414 of Iowa Code and Section 14-4B of the Iowa City Code, it is permitted to grant special exceptions to land rezoning.

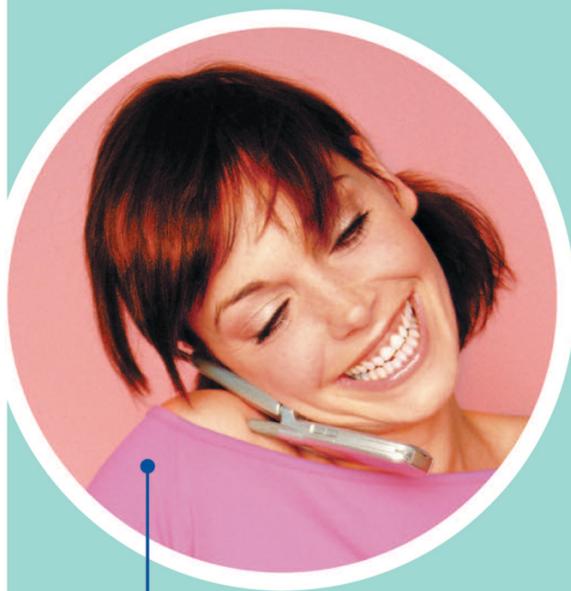
In closing arguments, Holecek iterated the land sold to Wal-Mart for \$3.1 million reflected the property's market value, and the City Council's split vote on the purchase agreement indicated "reasonable minds considered the issue" and "couldn't have been influenced" by the buyer's amount.

Peter Fisher, a UI urban and regional planning professor, Robert Miklo, a senior city planner, and City Manager Steve Atkins testified on Thursday.

Atkins told the court he discussed the purchase agreement and land rezoning with several city councilors and board members before they voted — conflicting with previous statements from the councilors, who said in their depositions they had not discussed the purchase agreement with anyone.

Miklo, the former Board of Adjustment secretary, said he did not discuss the report with other officials and simply passed it on to an associate planner.

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The D/ sports staff determined who was blazing hot and who was colder than ice during the past week of Hawkeye athletics.



The Iowa women's tennis team is going into Lincoln, Neb., this weekend on a bona fide winning streak, having won three dual matches in a row, including two last weekend against Minnesota and Dartmouth in Minneapolis.

The team's biggest strength, so far, has been in doubles play, winning doubles points in five of its six matches, including all four of its victories this spring.



The Iowa women's basketball team entered a critical road stretch, going to Ohio State and Michigan State and dropping both games. The Hawkeyes lost to the Buckeyes on Feb. 12, 88-77, and fell at Michigan State — a team the Hawkeyes beat by 11 in Iowa City. They did rebound with wins over a horrible Michigan team that hasn't won since before Christmas and Illinois.

For a team in search of an NCAA Tournament bid, dropping two of its last four will not help, especially when a win would have put Iowa into the top five of the conference and earned it a bye at the Big Ten Tournament.

MEN'S SWIMMING

Men 10th in Big Ten

The Iowa men's swimming and diving team fielded several competitors but no finalists in the first day of the Big Ten championships in Bloomington, Ind.

The Hawkeyes are in 10th place with 36 points. Host school Indiana leads the team standings with 187.5 points, while two-time defending Big Ten champion Minnesota is second at 177.

Freshman Nick Divan was the Hawkeyes' top individual finisher. The native of San Juan Capistrano, Calif., placed 21st overall in the 500-yard freestyle in a time of 4:30.29. Teammate Cameron Dye followed in 22nd place.

Senior Trevor Haley finished 23rd in the 200 individual medley (1:52.47). Freshman Drew DeLashmatt placed 23rd in 1-meter diving with a total of 248.05.

Iowa's 200-freestyle relay of sophomore Nathan Keeling, senior Seth Tweedy, junior Jeff Kubat, and Dye claimed ninth in a time of 1:23.88.

The Hawkeyes' 400-medley relay team of Andrej Lenert, Dragos Agache, Keeling, and Dye also placed ninth.

The meet's second day will be held today, with prelims at noon and finals at 7 p.m.

— by Michael Schmidt

NFL

Bush hopes to give Heisman winners new image

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Forget the hype or even the jinx. Reggie Bush intends to change the image of Heisman winners when he enters the NFL next fall.

Bush arrived Thursday at the annual scouting combine as the favorite to be the top pick in April's draft, thanks to an uncanny combination of blazing speed, deft moves, and his ability to turn nothing plays into touchdowns.

They are traits Bush believes will help him transform his college success into NFL stardom, a transition recent Heisman winners have struggled with.

"Hopefully, you'll see the same things you've seen from me in my college career," he said. "I look forward to it."

IOWA 70, ILLINOIS 61

Hawkeyes keep tourney hopes alive



Bluder
Iowa coach



C. Smith
guard

BY RYAN LONG
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa kept its hopes of a No. 5 seed at the Big Ten Tournament alive on Thursday night, as the Hawkeye women defeated Illinois, 71-61, in Champaign, and Indiana fell to No. 22 Minnesota, 65-58.

A bye in the first round of the

tourney will now be on the line when the Hoosiers and Iowa battle on Feb. 26 at 12:06 p.m., in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

"We're at that point of the season where it's just like we're playing in the NCAA Tournament," said Hawkeye assistant coach Michael Morgan on the Hawkeye Radio Network. "It's

almost like you have to have a one-and-done mentality. If that's the case, we're going to lace 'em up [Feb. 26]."

The Illini (13-13, 5-10) entered Thursday's Senior Night having lost eight of its last nine games, and it had not defeated Iowa (16-10, 9-6) since a 73-58 victory on Feb. 9, 2003,

in Assembly Hall.

"This was a great road win for us," said Hawkeye head coach Lisa Bluder on the Hawkeye Radio Network. "I thought we executed very, very well in this game. Every statistical category, we're high in."

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LOVE ON THE ICE



Aaron Hall Holmgren/The Daily Iowan

UI sophomore and IceHawks goalie Tim Strauch tends goal during shootout drills at practice in the Coral Ridge Mall on Wednesday night. The IceHawks will travel to Danville, Ill., Saturday to face McKendree College in the playoffs.

Assistant coach Simon Excoffon, a former international rugby player and hockey fanatic, now loves to coach the Iowa team

BY CHARLIE KAUTZ
THE DAILY IOWAN

Methodical as a grandfather clock, the face of Iowa hockey laced up his skates. Clutching his faded black gloves, the grizzly Canadian took a moment to breathe in the ice. To him, a hockey stick is like a ligament, an essential part of a passionate way of life.

Like the IceHawks he helps coach, Simon Excoffon is about pure sport. A former international rugby player turned hockey fanatic, the Ontario native couldn't resist the chance to join the team as an assistant coach after moving to Coralville over a year ago. Just a club sport at Iowa, the team draws students with hockey in their blood —

kids who play for the fire and genuine emotion they experience on the ice.

"It's because they love the sport; it's the same reason that coach [Kevin] Harter and me are out here," Excoffon said. "The game's a passion. I played in the [American Collegiate Hockey Association] in 1999 and 2000, and I was 32 years old.

"I just couldn't let the sport go."

Both volunteer coaches, Excoffon and head coach Harter, clearly don't do it for the extra cash. Harter, a former goalie for the

IceHawks, rejoined the team last season when it went searching for a new team leader. Since becoming an official UI club squad in 1974, the IceHawk alumni have continued to support the team to which they became attached in their years at Iowa. Like many before him, Harter's loyalty to the team has been vital to the continuance of the program.

"The people who are involved in it care about it, and that's why it continues to carry on, in spite of all the adversity we may meet," said assistant Excoffon.

And in their storied past as a strong Hawkeye club team, the IceHawks have been no stranger to adversity. When their former league,



Excoffon
Iowa assistant coach

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MEN'S BIG TEN TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS SATURDAY, AT RECREATION BUILDING, 10 A.M., DOORS OPEN AT 9 A.M. AND SUNDAY, 10:20 A.M., DOORS OPEN AT 9 A.M., \$7 GENERAL ADMISSION, \$5 FOR CHILDREN AND STUDENTS

Tracksters hope to end drought

'I think I am capable of doing a lot more than I have done so far this season.'

— Adam Hamilton, weight thrower



Nick Loomis/The Daily Iowan

Iowa thrower John Hickey winds up on Feb. 17 during the Iowa Invitational track and field meet in the Recreation Center.

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INDOOR TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS.

BY MICHAEL SCHMIDT
THE DAILY IOWAN

The drought of Big Ten track and field championships has been long and dry for the Iowa Hawkeyes.

Iowa coach Larry Wiczorek had it easy his first three seasons after taking over the program in 1997. The Hawkeyes made it into the upper division of the

SEE MEN'S TRACK, PAGE 3B

DID YOU KNOW?

- Many former and current NFL players were All-Big Ten selections in track and field. Some of the past selections include former Pittsburgh Steeler safety Rod Woodson (Purdue), ex-Oakland Raider halfback Tyrone Wheatley (Michigan), and Minnesota Viking halfback Michael Bennett (Wisconsin).
- Bennett was the Big Ten Indoor Athlete of the Championships in 2000 after winning the 60-meter and 200-meter titles.
- Michigan has the most conference indoor titles at 26, followed by Illinois with 21 and Wisconsin with 19 — Iowa has three.
- Iowa throws coach Scott Cappos was the Big Ten shot-put champion in 1990 and 1991, at Indiana.

2006 WINTER OLYMPICS

No medals for Iowa

Iowa did not have any participants in the 2006 Winter Olympics because of many factors

BY TYSON WIRTH
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Winter Olympics in Torino, Italy, will end Feb. 26, and Iowan athletes will have earned as many medals as they had participants.

Zero. In a competition that boasted more than 2,500 participants, including 211 from the United States, the Hawkeye State failed to produce a single one. Bud Legg, the information director at the Iowa High School Athletics Association, said several factors contributed.

"There aren't a lot of giant slaloms [in Iowa], are there?" he laughed. "The number of schools participating [in winter sports] is far below the 15 percent requirement to be sanctioned."

Once a sport becomes sanctioned, its top performers can receive what Legg calls "a bonafied state championship" and be elevated from club to varsity status. Varsity sports often receive more funding and attention than club sports.

But of the Winter Olympics' 15 sports, none are competed in frequently enough in Iowa to merit sanctioning. Almost 73 percent of state high schools enroll fewer than 300 students, according to the agency's data from the 2004-05 school year. Smaller schools generally have less money, which is part of the reason only a few offer such sports as hockey.

"But even they tend to be clubs sports, and they tend to be very expensive," Legg said. "So few schools are playing that they have to travel a lot to play teams, both instate and out-of-state."

That means the bills add up, and the cycle keeps feeding itself — few schools play winter sports because they're expensive, and the sports remain expensive because few schools play. Legg added limited coaching expertise and a winter tradition rooted in basketball, wrestling, and swimming also explain why so few Iowans compete in Winter Olympic sports.

SEE WINTER OLYMPICS, PAGE 3B

SPORTS

SPORTS 'N' STUFF

WOMEN'S BIG TEN BASKETBALL

Conference	W L PCT			All Games		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Ohio State	14	1	.933	24	2	.923
Purdue	12	3	.800	21	5	.808
Michigan State	11	5	.688	21	8	.724
Minnesota	10	5	.667	18	8	.692
Iowa	9	6	.600	16	10	.615
Indiana	9	6	.600	15	11	.577
Penn State	6	9	.400	12	14	.462
Illinois	5	10	.333	13	13	.500
Wisconsin	5	10	.333	11	16	.407
Northwestern	2	13	.133	6	20	.231
Regular season ends	0	15	.000	6	21	.222

Conference	W	L	Pct	GB
Southeast	34	20	.630	—
Miami	27	25	.519	6
Washington	19	34	.358	14½
Atlanta	16	36	.308	17
Charlotte	15	41	.268	20
Central	15	41	.268	20
Detroit	44	9	.830	—
Cleveland	32	22	.593	12½
Indiana	27	24	.529	16
Milwaukee	27	27	.500	17½
Chicago	24	29	.453	20

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	43	11	.796	—
San Antonio	41	12	.774	1½
Memphis	30	24	.556	13
New Orleans	29	25	.537	14
Houston	23	31	.426	20
Northwest	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	28	26	.527	—
Utah	26	28	.481	2½
Minnesota	23	30	.434	5
Seattle	21	34	.382	8
Portland	18	35	.340	10
Pacific	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	36	17	.679	—
L.A. Clippers	30	23	.566	6
L.A. Lakers	28	28	.519	8½
Sacramento	25	30	.455	12
Golden State	24	29	.453	12

MEN'S BIG TEN BASKETBALL

Conference	W L PCT			All Games		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Ohio St.	9	4	.692	20	4	.833
Iowa	9	4	.692	20	7	.741
Illinois	8	5	.615	22	5	.815
Wisconsin	8	5	.615	18	8	.692
Michigan	9	6	.571	18	7	.720
Michigan St.	7	6	.538	19	8	.704
Indiana	6	7	.462	14	10	.583
Minnesota	5	8	.385	14	10	.583
Northwestern	5	8	.385	13	12	.520
Penn St.	5	9	.357	13	12	.520
Purdue	3	11	.214	9	16	.360

THURSDAY'S OLYMPIC MEDALISTS

BIATHLON
Women's 4X6km Relay
 GOLD—Russia (Anna Bogalij, Svetlana Ishmouratova, Olga Zaitseva, Alina Akhatova)
 SILVER—Germany (Martina Glagow, Andrea Henkel, Katrin Apel, Kati Wilhelm)
 BRONZE—France (Delphine Peretto, Florence Baverel-Robert, Sylvie Becaert, Sandrine Bailly)

CURLING
Women
 GOLD—Sweden (Anette Norberg, Eva Lund, Cathrine Lindahl, Anna Svaerd, Ulrika Bergman)
 SILVER—Switzerland (Mirjam Ott, Binia Beeli, Valeria Spaetti, Michele Moser, Manuela Kormann)
 BRONZE—Canada (Shannon Kleibrink, Amy Nixon, Glennys Bakker, Christine Keshen, Sandra Jenkins)

FIGURE SKATING
Women
 GOLD—Shizuka Arakawa, Japan
 SILVER—Sasha Cohen, Corona del Mar, Calif.
 BRONZE—Irina Slutskaya, Russia

FREESTYLE SKIING
Men's Aerials
 GOLD—Han Xiaopeng, China
 SILVER—Dmitri Dashinski, Belarus
 BRONZE—Vladimir Lebedev, Russia

SNOWBOARDING
Women's Parallel Giant Slalom
 GOLD—Daniela Meuli, Switzerland
 SILVER—Amelie Kobler, Germany
 BRONZE—Rosey Fletcher, Girdwood, Alaska

HAWKEYE TRACK AND FIELD
Women hope to rise in meet



'I really hope to be standing on the podium. I'm third on the list, and I can go faster.'

— Meghan Armstrong, miler

BY DAN PARR
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa women's track and field coach James Grant does not flinch when the bright lights of a conference championship stare down at him. It would be great if every Hawk had his nerves of steel.

"For some reason, the name 'Big Ten championship' gets people all tensed up, like it's the Olympics," said the 10-year coach. "It's just another meet."

The ninth-place finish and nearly 100-point margin separating the Hawks from champion Michigan at the event in 2005 has him referring to the days when he strapped his spikes on. This weekend in Madison will be a shot at redemption.

"Oh, man," he said before a short pause. "I am expecting to do much, much better than last year. That can't happen again."

"You know, we, as coaches, aren't the ones out there running, but all of us were great competitors."

Grant has his eye on the No. 5 spot in the conference as the indoor season begins to wind down.

"We have to be realistic," he said. "This year, we don't see ourselves beating Michigan, Illinois, Penn State, or Minnesota, unless the kids really rise above expectations."

The Hawks walked away from the 2005 meet with just one gold medal. Peaches Roach did the honors, as a sophomore, in the high jump. In her

college career, she has failed to leave a Big Ten championship meet with a medal only once.

"I guess my body rises to the occasion," she said.

This time around, Iowa could come home with three or four individual event champs. Roach is likely to repeat in the jump, and sophomore Kineke Alexander is a favorite in the 400 meters after taking silver last year.

"I'm going for the gold," she said on her way into practice Thursday.

Tiffany Johnson is one of the conference's best in the hurdles, and sophomore Meghan Armstrong is one of the top-three milers in the Big Ten.

"I really hope to be standing on the podium," she said. "I'm third on the list, and I can go faster."

Grant has some advice to make sure Armstrong and company don't buckle under the big-meet pressure and make the medal-winning a reality.

"Maybe the night before, watch a nice movie," he said. "Every little thing helps."

"Hopefully, we'll have some people rise to the occasion."

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HAWKS TO WATCH

- Kineke Alexander — 200 and 400 meters
- Meghan Armstrong — Mile
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- Peaches Roach — High jump

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 Minnesota 65, Indiana 58

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 - **Softball** at Tennessee, Columbus, 4 p.m.
- Saturday**
- **Baseball** at Illinois State, Clarksville, 10 a.m.
 - **Women's tennis** at Missouri State, Lincoln, Neb., at 10 a.m.
 - **Softball** at Florida State, Columbus, 11:30 a.m.
 - **Men's basketball** at Illinois, Champaign, 5:05 p.m.
 - **Women's gymnastics** at Texas Woman's, Denton, Texas, 7 p.m.
 - **Men's gymnastics** at Pacific Coast Classic, Oakland, Calif., 9 p.m.
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BY NICK RICHARDS
 THE DAILY IOWAN

The Big Ten title appears to be heading to Columbus — but don't tell that to the members of the No. 20 Iowa basketball team.

And while the deck might be stacked in Ohio State's favor, after its 79-68 win at Michigan State on Wednesday — the Spartans' first home loss of the year — the Hawkeyes can reshuffle the conference with a win of their own at No. 8 Illinois Saturday at 5 p.m. With a 3-0 finish to the season, the Hawkeyes can take at least a share of the conference title and could take the title outright with a little help.

"You can't control anything everybody else does," forward Greg Brunner said. "You can only control yourself. You don't even look at those games, now. We control our own destiny."

While Iowa can still win the conference and claim the Big Ten Tournament's top-seed because of its 67-62 win over the Buckeyes on Jan. 28, the barrier in the Hawks' way has been set. Illinois owns a 55-14 record over the Hawkeyes in Champaign, and it has been ranked in the top 25 in 10 of the 11 times a Steve Alford's Hawkeyes have played it. A win in Assembly Hall for Iowa happens about as often as a sell-out crowd at Memorial Stadium. Iowa's last win in Champaign came in 1999, Tom Davis' last year. Before that,

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— forward Greg Brunner

the Hawkeyes hadn't won since 1987 — Davis' first year in Iowa City.

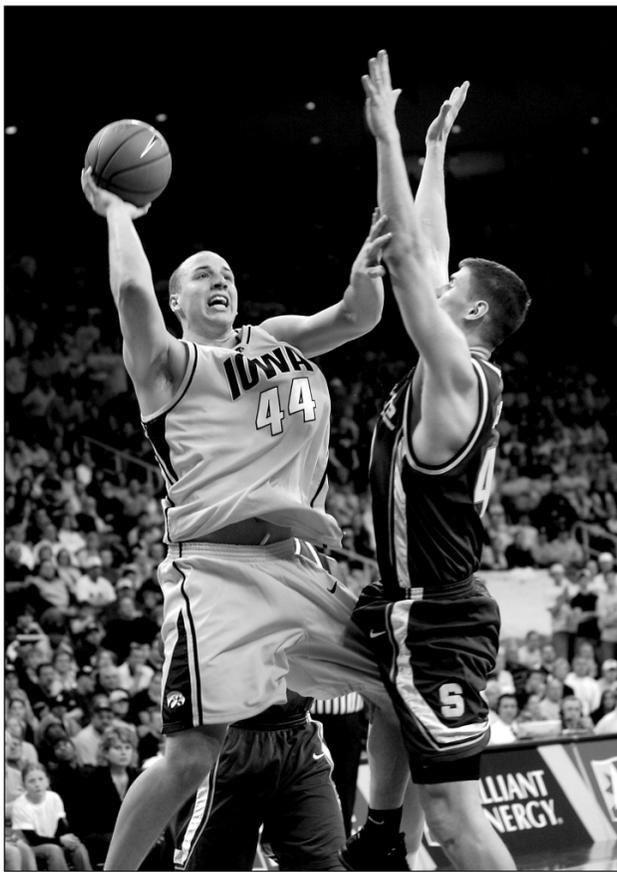
Complicating matters further: It will be Senior Night in Champaign for Dee Brown and James Augustine, two players who have won two regular-season Big Ten championships, two Big Ten Tournaments, and national runners-up in their four years at Illinois.

"We know what we've got ahead of us," Alford said. "It's a great team we're playing Saturday, with the two winningest players in the history of Illini basketball playing their senior night. That's not an easy game."

Iowa's remaining schedule also does it no favors. The Hawkeyes' remaining opponents have a combined record of 21-18 in Big Ten play, Ohio State's 15-25. The Buckeyes also won the game they had to win, ending Michigan State's 15-game winning streak in the Breslin Center. The Buckeyes will finish with Michigan, a trip to Evanston, and a final home game against Purdue.

But again, the Hawkeyes are not concerned with the title run being made in central Ohio.

"We were a little disappointed [with Ohio State's win], but we have to look at it as we were planning on winning three



Aaron Hall Holmgren/The Daily Iowan
Hawkeye forward Greg Brunner clears away Michigan State's Paul Davis to make room for a shot in Iowa's 66-54 victory over the then-16th-ranked Spartans on Feb. 14 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

anyway," guard Adam Haluska said. "We're still in a good spot."

The Hawkeyes can at least take solace in knowing they have practically locked up a spot in the NCAA Tournament. The Hawkeyes are now playing for seeding in March, a different kind of pressure than what they are accustomed to.

"Last year, we had our backs

up against the wall, and it was one of those things where if we didn't win games, we wouldn't be in the tournament," Haluska said. "It's a little different, being on top and having the target on your back, but we have to adapt to it and try to get the job done."

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Iowa jumped out to a 14-11 advantage with 14:31 remaining in the first half after connecting on seven of its first 10 field-goal attempts. The game then went back-and-forth for the majority of the first half.

Just after the Hawkeyes stretched its lead to 40-32 on a pair of Wendy Ausdemore free throws, Illinois made some noise before heading into the locker room on a running 3 pointer from freshman guard Lori Bjork.

With Iowa leading 40-35 heading into halftime, the Hawks needed a strong start in the second half. After the Illini opened things up with an inside basket from junior forward Erin Wigley and a pair of free throws from Bjork, the Hawkeyes responded.

Senior forward Tiffany Reedy knocked down a 3, senior guard Crystal Smith converted a 12-foot jumper and an inside bucket, and Ausdemore plunked a 3.

After Illinois guard Maggie Acuna tallied a free throw, Iowa continued its run by getting back to back inside baskets from Smith and extending its lead to 54-40. The Illini eventually cut the Hawkeye advantage to 60-55, but they could not get any closer.

Smith scored a game-high 23 points, while Megan Skouby contributed 18 points, six rebounds, and two blocks for Iowa. Ausdemore scored double-figures for the fifth time this season, netting 14 points. The Hawkeyes improved to 11-3 when Ausdemore records double figures.

Three Illinois players tallied double figures to lead the Fighting Illini. Bjork and Wigley each netted 15 points, while Janelle Hughes added 14. Danyel Crutcher pulled

IOWA 71, ILLINOIS 60

IOWA (16-10, 9-6)

	FG/FGAs	FT/FTAs	PTS
Reedy	1-7	0-0	3
VandeVenter	3-8	0-1	6
Skouby	7-13	4-5	18
Smith, C	9-14	4-4	23
Smith, K	2-4	0-0	5
Emmert	0-3	0-0	0
Ausdemore	5-9	2-2	14
Kasperek	1-2	0-0	2
Nyenhuis	0-0	0-0	0
TOTALS	28-60	10-12	71

ILLINOIS (13-13, 5-10)

	FG/FGAs	FT/FTAs	PTS
Crutcher	2-7	0-1	4
Wigley	6-12	2-2	15
Hughes	6-11	0-0	14
Bjork	5-14	2-2	15
Acuna	2-4	0-0	5
Tabon	2-8	1-3	5
Gordon	1-4	0-1	2
TOTALS	24-60	5-9	60

Points in the paint — IOWA 22, ILL 6
 Points off turnovers — IOWA 19, ILL 2
 2nd chance points — IOWA 4, ILL 5
 Fast break points — IOWA 4, ILL 2
 Bench points — IOWA 16, ILL 7
 Score tied — 2 times
 Lead changed — 2 times
 Last FG — IOWA 2nd — 01:25, ILL 2nd — 00:12
 Largest lead — IOWA by 14 2nd — 12:23, ILL by 1 1st-16:44

'Both of us [Iowa and Indiana] are playing for fifth. I'm glad we're at home. I think that's to our advantage.'

— Lisa Bluder, Iowa coach

down a game-high 11 rebounds.

A Smith free throw at the 3:49 mark of the first half marked her 1,000th combined point the last two years.

"Both of us [Iowa and Indiana] are playing for fifth," Bluder said on the Hawkeye Radio Network. "I'm glad we're at home. I think that's to our advantage."

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IceHawks show puck pluck

ICEHAWKS

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the Midwest Collegiate Hockey Association, came to an abrupt end, the team was forced to operate as an independent program and create its own schedule. Without a rink in Iowa City until the construction of Coral Ridge Mall, the team was forced to travel 30 minutes just to hold a practice.

But with the construction of the rink came new hope for the battling club team, which joined the Mid-America Collegiate Hockey Association, the largest Division II conference in the collegiate group. With a close place in which to play and a structured schedule, the team has progressed dramatically over the past few seasons. The IceHawks placed second in the silver division in the 2003-04 season and last year were

crowned division champions for the first time in team history.

With another season in the books, the Icehawks enter this weekend's playoffs as a two-seed ready to take on No. 3 McKendree on Saturday in Danville, Ill. Another silver division championship would help build the team's résumé, and the players hope that Iowa hockey has the essentials to one day grow into an NCAA program.

"There are a lot of freshmen and sophomores who really want to take it to the next level," said sophomore forward J.P. Cadorn. "First move up to the gold division and then, hopefully, D-1."

"We have to build our own tradition, because it's our own deal," said junior Jamie Elliott. "It's only going to go up from here."

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Men host Big Ten meet

MEN'S TRACK

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conference four times — twice indoor, twice outdoor.

"We know what it's like to be in that top three [in the conference]," he said. "That is a lot better feeling, for sure."

Iowa looks to break out of its slump in the Big Ten at the conference's indoor championships Saturday and Feb. 26 in the Recreation Building. The last time the Hawkeyes hosted the Big Ten indoor was 1997 — when they finished fourth.

Iowa has finished in eighth-place or lower at the Big Ten indoor and outdoor meets since 2002. During that span, only two Hawkeyes have earned individual conference titles.

But Wiczorek believes this team is different. He credits senior thrower and defending Big Ten discus champion Tim Brodersen for opening his eyes.

"[Tim] said this is the best ensemble of athletes he's ever been around at Iowa," Wiczorek said. "I feel the exact same way."

The field events are where it begins for the Hawkeyes. Iowa boasts two NCAA indoor

qualifiers — shot putter Shane Maier and weight thrower Adam Hamilton.

"Those two guys are key," Wiczorek said. "They're going to be right up near the top, in the Big Ten."

Maier already is. The sophomore from Storm Lake, Iowa, has thrown 61-2 in the shot put, which ranks second on the conference's performing list.

Hamilton, meanwhile, finished third in the weight throw at the 2005 Big Ten indoor and is looking to regain his old form after suffering a stress fracture in the fall. He is ranked third in the conference, with a best throw of 64-3/4.

"I think I am capable of doing a lot more than I have done so far this season," the Milford, N.H., native said.

Sophomore Lee Elbert will lead a group of young Hawkeye sprinters this weekend. Elbert's best time of 6.89 in the 60-meter dash this season would have been good enough for last year's indoor top seven. Freshman sprinter David Chaplin is ranked 10th in the 200.

If Iowa is going to elevate itself, the distance corps will need to erase its 2005 Big Ten

indoor performance. The Hawkeyes didn't have a top-eight finisher, which included the distance medley relay.

Jake Berns in the mile and the indoor 3,000 school-record holder Eric MacTaggart are Iowa's best bets. Berns is ranked seventh, white MacTaggart is eighth.

Iowa's 4 x 400 relay is ranked sixth.

The team race appears to be Wisconsin's to lose. The defending indoor champions are strong in the distance events, with several members, including

five-time All-American Chris Solinsky of the school's NCAA championship cross-country team leading the way.

"Until somebody knocks them off, they would probably be the favorites," Wiczorek said.

Two days, 11 teams, 35 events. An oxygen tank might be handy.

"You can hardly catch your breath while you're there," Wiczorek said. "It's just one great thing after another."

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WINTER OLYMPICS

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The explanation holds when examining other similarly located states. South Dakota, Nebraska, and Missouri all border Iowa and have populations of 771,000, 1.75 million, and 5.75 million respectively, according to the U.S. census. This trio of states, roughly similar in environment to Iowa, produced only one Olympian each in 2006.

Illinois did better, churning out nine participants, but it also boasts 12.71 million residents. Wisconsin produced seven Olympic-caliber athletes, and Minnesota, the sixth and final state that borders Iowa, sent a robust 17 citizens overseas. Its population is less than double that of Iowa's.

The reasons are many. Minnesota's winters last longer, obviously, and the state lends itself more to bumpy-terrain

sports, such as skiing, than the table-top flat Hawkeye State. But a Minnesota State High School League official says other factors contribute to the discrepancy, as well.

"We've been involved with them for decades," said Howard Voigt, the agency's director of information. "It has to do with the natural resources available, the lakes, the ponds, the snow. It's been part of our fabric for a long time."

It shows in the numbers. League data reported that 127 girls' and 159 boys' hockey teams exist in the Gopher State. By comparison, Legg estimated that just eight to 11 Iowan high schools offer hockey and as club sports.

"It's been pretty consistent, over the years," Legg said. "This isn't a phenomenon."

Neither are zero Iowa Olympians.

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NATIONAL HIGH-SCHOOL HOOPS

Autistic teen shines in sole hoops chance

Jason McElwain usually sits on the basketball team's bench, keeping statistics and handing out water bottles. When he put on a uniform for his team's division title game and scored 20 points in four minutes, the autistic high-school senior's dream came true.



Eric Sucar, the Daily Messenger/Associated Press

Athena team manager Jason McElwain is hoisted up by his teammates after his 20-point performance in the last four minutes of the last home game against Spencerport High on Wednesday in Greece, N.Y. McElwain, who has autism, has been the team manager for the past two seasons.

BY BEN DOBBIN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GREECE, N.Y. — Jason McElwain had done everything he was asked to do for the Greece Athena High School basketball team — keep the stats, run the clock, hand out water bottles.

That all changed last week for the team manager in the final home game of the season. The 17-year-old senior, who is autistic and usually sits on the bench in a white shirt and black tie, put on a uniform and entered the game with his team way ahead.

McElwain proceeded to hit six 3-point shots, finished with 20 points, and was carried off the court on his teammates' shoulders.

"I ended my career on the right note," he told the Associated Press by phone Thursday. "I was really hotter than a pistol!"

In recent days, McElwain's phone has hardly stopped ringing. When his family went out for a meal, he was mobbed by well-wishers. A neighborhood boy came by to get a basketball autographed.

McElwain, 5-6, was considered too small to make the junior varsity, so he signed on as team manager. He took up the same role with the varsity, doing anything to stay near the sport he loves. Coach Jim Johnson was impressed with his dedication and thought about suiting up McElwain for the home finale.

His performance was jaw-dropping: 20 points in four minutes, making 6-of-10

3-point shots. The crowd went wild.

"It was as touching as any moment I have ever had in sports," Johnson told the *Daily Messenger* of Canandaigua.

McElwain didn't begin speaking until he was 5. He lacked social skills, but things got easier as he got older. He found many friends and made his way through school in this Rochester suburb, although many of his classes were limited to a half-dozen students. And he found basketball.

On the varsity, he never misses practice and is a jack-of-all-trades.

"And he is happy to do it," Johnson said. "He is such a great help and is well-liked by everyone on the team."

Even though McElwain was in uniform for the Feb. 15 game, there was no guarantee he would play — Athena was battling for a division title.

The fans, however, came prepared. One section of students held up signs bearing his nickname, "J-MAC," and cutouts of his face placed on Popsicle sticks.

The Trojans opened a large lead against the team from the nearby Spencerport. With four minutes left, McElwain took the court to deafening cheers.

The ball came to him almost right away. His 3-point shot sailed completely off course, and the coach wondered if he made the wrong move. McElwain then missed a lay-up. Yet his father, David, was unruffled.

"The thing about Jason is he isn't afraid of anything," he told the newspaper. "He doesn't care

'It was as touching as any moment I have ever had in sports.'

— coach Jim Johnson

what people think about him. He is his own person."

On the next trip down the floor, McElwain got the ball again. This time he stroked a 3, all net.

He was just warming up. "As soon as the first shot went in, that's when I started to get going," he said.

On the next attempt, he got another 3-pointer. Then another, and another. In fact, he would have made one more 3, but his foot was on the line, so he had to settle for 2 points.

Greece Athena won 79-43, and pandemonium reigned. McElwain signed autographs, posed for pictures and was hoisted by his teammates.

The Trojans will begin sectional play Saturday, and McElwain will be on the bench again, wearing his usual shirt and tie.

It doesn't bother him. More important, he said, is "trying to win a sectional title for the team."

McElwain will soon be done with high-school basketball; then he will enroll in business management this fall at Monroe Community College.

"I'll go on to college, and I'll try to hoop there," he said. "I just love it; it's one of the greatest sports in the world."

HAWKEYE SPORTS

Women's tennis in Lincoln

After sweeping a pair of matches in the Twin Cities last weekend, the Iowa women's tennis team will head to Lincoln, Neb., this weekend for a pair of matches with Missouri State on Saturday and host Nebraska on Feb. 26. Both matches are scheduled to start at 10 a.m.

The Hawkeyes head into Cornhusker territory with a 4-2 record, and they are on a three-match winning streak dating back to Feb. 4, when Iowa won a match at Colorado State. Meanwhile, the Bears enter at 2-3 in dual play, and the Huskers come in at 6-1.

It will be Iowa's first ever meeting with Missouri State in women's tennis, while the meeting with Nebraska will be the 20th; the Hawkeyes hold a 14-5 edge in the series.

— by Brendan Stiles

Softball faces tough test in Georgia

The 25th-ranked Iowa softball team, seeking to brush off a 2-3 showing in Arizona, head into a bigger weekend at the NFCA Leadoff Classic in Columbus, Ga. Eleven of the 24 teams participating in the tournament are ranked in the top 25, including two of Iowa's first three opponents, second-ranked Tennessee and No. 15 Louisiana-Lafayette.

"It's a big test. It will probably be the best pitching we've faced," Hawkeye coach Gayle Blevins said. "The level keeps pushing up on us, and I want our kids to get comfortable with playing all types of teams. I don't want them to feel like they're not prepared when they move into the middle or latter parts of the season."

Iowa was largely unlucky in its weekend in Arizona, dropping all three games to host Arizona State. The Hawkeyes lost the first game of the series on a three-run home run and fell in the second in extra innings. Shortstop Stacy May had two home runs pulled back into play by Sun Devil outfielders. Iowa battled back in both games from early deficits, but it eventually fell in both games,

then was blown out in the third game, 8-1.

"That was exciting, because two of the games, they jumped on us early, and we battled back, and we were right in the game in the late innings," Blevins said. "You hope you don't get behind, but if you do, you have to learn how to battle back, and I feel we made very good strides, in terms of doing that, in those first two games."

"I felt like we kind of gave Sunday away. It's like we wrapped up our trip [on Feb. 18]."

But the road doesn't get any easier for the Hawkeyes. They face a group that is arguable the best in the Classic, with Tennessee a College World Series participant last year and Lafayette a regional finalist.

"It's going to be a challenge for us," Blevins said. "Louisiana-Lafayette was regional finalists last year. Tennessee, No. 2 team in the nation. Florida State, perennial top-20 team. It's going to be a big task for us."

— by Nick Richards

Men gymnasts off to California

The Iowa men's gymnastics team will escape the winter weather and head to Oakland, Calif., this weekend to compete in the third-annual Pacific Coast Classic.

The event is a benefit for intercollegiate gymnastics and scholarships. All proceeds go to the 19 squads around the nation.

"At any benefit meet, there is always a little excitement," said Hawkeye senior Michael Reavis. "It will be a memorable trip for our team."

The Hawks will enter the meet with a few nagging injuries. Sophomore Curtis Kleffman, who finished second in the all-around against Michigan and Illinois on Feb. 18, is not expected to participate in more than three of the six events. Reavis, who has finished first in the all-around in every meet thus far, is battling a sinus infection.

"We'll have some rough spots," Iowa coach Tom Dunn said. "We might not be 100 percent, but, hopefully, we'll have enough."

— by Dan Parr

GymHawks favored in Texas meet

This week, Iowa GymHawks head coach Larissa Libby had to remind her gymnasts about their darkest hour this season, at West Virginia on Feb. 5, because the Hawks head into a quite similar situation Saturday night.

Although Iowa isn't ranked in the Top 25, it heads to Denton, Texas, for this quadrangular meet as a clear favorite against the likes of host Texas Woman's University, Southeast Missouri State, and Wisconsin-LaCrosse.

With that said, Libby is hoping her gymnasts will learn from their previous blunders and not crumble when expectations get raised.

"These next four weeks are going to be the telltale for us," she said. "We've tried very hard to stress to the team that everything counts, and this weekend will be extremely important, mentally more than physically, to see whether they're capable."

"We're hoping that they're going to walk in there and be the team that we know they're capable of being."

— by Brendan Stiles

Play ball, Hawkeyes say in Tennessee

The Iowa baseball team will begin the 2006 season this weekend at the Austin Peay Tournament in Clarksville, Tenn. The Hawkeyes will start play against the host team today at 2:30 p.m. Iowa is also scheduled to take on Illinois State on Saturday at 11 a.m., and the Hawks will end the tournament with Dayton on Feb. 26 at 11 a.m.

Last year, the Hawkeyes had one of their more successful campaigns in recent years. Iowa went 28-29 in overall play and finished one game out of first place in the Big Ten standings.

The Hawkeyes went 19-13 in the league last season, the second highest number of victories Iowa has earned in the Big Ten. The Hawkeyes' best season in conference action was in 1990, when they went 22-6 and earned the regular-season championship.

— by Ryan Long

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Arakawa stuns skating world, takes gold

'Right now, I'm just so surprised about all of this that I'm speechless. I never expected that I would be the first one to win a medal for Japan, so I didn't feel that pressure.

But I'm very happy that I am the one who won it.'

— Shizuka Arakawa, first Japanese woman to win Olympic gold

BY NANCY ARMOUR
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TURIN, Italy — Shizuka Arakawa clutched the Olympic gold medal in her hand, refusing to let it go lest it all be a mistake. It was hers, all right. And Japan's.

A surprise winner from a surprise country.

"I still can't believe this," said Arakawa, whose gold in women's figure skating Thursday night gave Japan its first medal of these games.

For Sasha Cohen and Irina Slutskaya, gold was theirs to grab but got away.

Falls and mistakes pulled Cohen down to silver and left Slutskaya with a bronze. They knew they are lucky to have anything. Arakawa finished with 191.34 points, almost eight points ahead of Cohen. Slutskaya was third at 181.44.

"It's bittersweet," Cohen said. "I tried hard. I have no regrets."

Arakawa is the first Japanese woman to win Olympic gold, and she has lifted a burden for those who will come after her.

When Midori Ito finished second to Kristi Yamaguchi in 1992, Ito apologized, fearing she had disappointed her country. No one had come close since then, and pressure mounted with every passing games.

Arakawa dropped to ninth at worlds last year after having won the title in 2004. Worse, she had to watch while the next generation emerged: Miki Ando, the junior world champion and the first woman to do a quadruple jump; Grand Prix champion

Mao Asada, whose age, 15, was the only thing that kept her away from Turin.

In November, Arakawa called Nikolai Morozov and asked if he'd be her coach. She wanted a change — her coach, her costumes, her programs. It had to be drastic if she were to have any chance.

"Yes, of course I was surprised," Morozov said. "I thought she could medal. But I didn't think she would win gold."

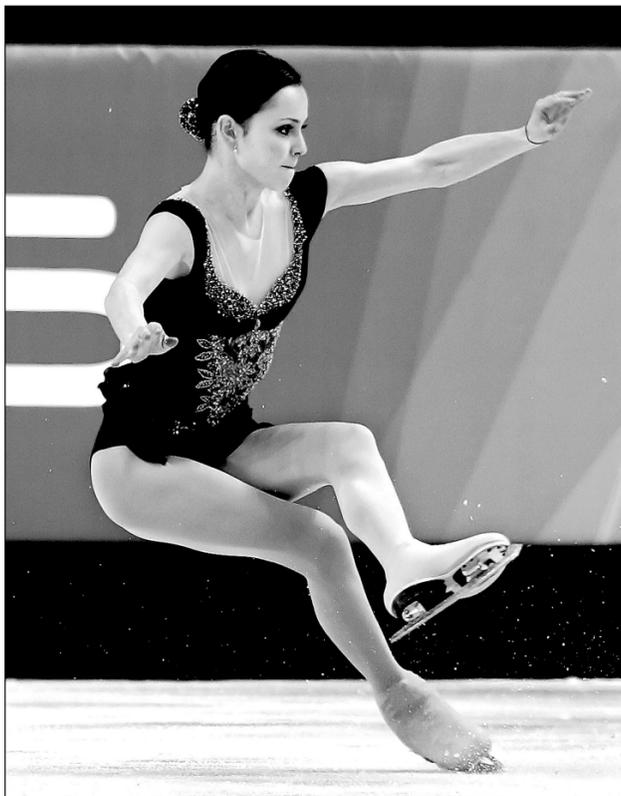
But Arakawa has the determination that turns contenders into champions.

She landed five triple jumps, three in combination, but it was her beauty, elegance, and unparalleled musicality that set her apart. She didn't show much emotion on her face, but she spoke it with every other part of her body, from her toes to the tips of her fingers.

Skating to Puccini's "Violin Fantasy of Turandot," her gracefulness was edged with power. Her spirals were breathtaking. And when she did an Ina Bauer, a variation of a spread-eagle that puts her in a full backbend while her toes point in opposite directions, the crowd gasped in delight.

Arakawa's face lit up when she finished. When she saw the marks that moved her into first place, she pumped her fists in a rare display of exuberance and flashed a "V" for victory sign.

"Right now, I'm just so surprised about all of this that I'm speechless," she said. "I never expected that I would be the first one to win a medal for Japan, so I didn't feel that pressure. But I'm very happy that I



Eric Gay/Associated Press

Sasha Cohen falls during the first jump of her routine in the women's figure-skating final at the Turin 2006 Winter Olympic Games on Thursday.

am the one who won it."

She sang the entire national anthem and stayed on the ice for more than a half-hour, clutching her medal. The only time she let it go was to grab a Japanese flag.

For her people, the medal was a celebration twice over. Through 14 days, in the mountains and on the ice, Japanese athletes had come up empty.

"It really took a long time," said Kenichi Chizuka, head of Japan's Olympic delegation. "I was very excited. When I saw her win, I cried. ... One gold is worth 10 bronzes."

For Cohen, her silver is another reminder of potential squandered.

The successor to Michelle Kwan as national champion has

WINTER OLYMPIC MEDALS TABLE

Through Thursday, Feb. 23
70 total medal events

Nation	G	S	B	Tot
Germany	9	10	5	24
United States	7	8	5	20
Austria	8	6	5	19
Canada	5	8	6	19
Russia	8	3	8	19
Norway	2	8	8	18
Switzerland	5	4	4	13
Sweden	5	2	4	11
Italy	4	0	6	10
France	3	2	4	9
China	2	3	4	9
South Korea	4	3	1	8
Netherlands	2	2	3	7
Finland	0	3	3	6
Estonia	3	0	0	3
Croatia	1	2	0	3
Australia	1	0	1	2
Czech Republic	0	2	0	2
Ukraine	0	0	2	2
Japan	1	0	0	1
Belarus	0	1	0	1
Britain	0	1	0	1
Bulgaria	0	1	0	1
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Latvia	0	0	1	1

all the makings of a superstar, but she can't break through when the stakes are highest: The 2003 and 2004 national

She went into the free skate with a chance to medal, if not win, and she faltered at all of them.

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Back home, friends support Davis

CHICAGO (AP) — Back home, Shani Davis' friends are tired of the talk.

They don't understand how someone they consider a "pied piper" can be seen as surly, aloof.

They shudder when they see headlines such as the one that graced the cover of Wednesday's *Chicago Sun-Times*: "Medal Whiners." They see a controversy between Davis and American Chad Hedrick that could have been squashed before it exploded.

"The negativity, it's hard to talk about that," said George Babicz, who manages the Evanston Speedskating Club that Davis joined as a 6-year-old. "I don't think he deserves all the criticism he's received this past week."

Davis is no stranger to the discomfort that comes with confrontation. Poor black kids from Chicago's South Side don't succeed in the white world of speedskating without enduring cruelties.

But the controversy is hanging around Davis' neck like the gold medal he won in the 1,000-meter speedskating event.

The drama has overshadowed his landmark achievement, the first individual victory by a black athlete in Winter Olympics history. Instead, Davis' Olympic story has played out like a soap opera on ice.

To recap: Davis declined to participate in the new team pursuit last week, and the U.S. lost to Italy in the quarterfinals.

Hedrick, who had his eyes on Eric Heiden's record of five gold medals, said Davis' decision cost the team a medal.

Hedrick did not shake Davis' hand after Davis won the gold in the 1,000.

Davis gave a series of short answers in an interview with NBC's Melissa Stark after his victory.

Davis' mother, Cherie, was criticized for being overbearing.

And Davis and Hedrick denied any friction, a thinly veiled cover-up that unraveled during a 30-minute news conference after Tuesday's 1,500. They traded insults and disagreed on just about every issue before Davis walked away, grumbling, "Shakes my hand when I lose. Typical Chad." That episode came after Davis took the silver and Hedrick the bronze.

"We don't like the media," said Sanders Hicks, the founder and president of the Evanston Speedskating Club. "They're portraying him as a selfish person."

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DUPLEX FOR RENT

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LARGE two bedroom, one bathroom. W/D, dishwasher, bus/ bike to UI. Pets okay. Available now. \$725/month. (319)631-0905.

TWO bedroom, two bathroom, 2-levels. Clean, quiet, W/D hook-ups. Busline. Large yard. Off-street parking. No pets. \$575. Available August 1. (319)330-4341.

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CONDO FOR RENT

55 Westside Dr. Very nice two bedroom with fireplace. Large two car garage, all appliances. \$775/ month. (515)277-4345.

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AVAILABLE August 1. Three bedroom, 1-1/2 bathroom, 2 car garage, fenced yard, pet? Four occupants maximum. \$1475/ month. (319)248-0554.

AVAILABLE AUGUST. 714 N. VanBuren. Five bedroom. \$1900. REMHOUSES.com (319)337-5022.

AVAILABLE AUGUST. 908 N. Dodge. Three bedroom. \$1125. REMHOUSES.com (319)337-5022.

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HOUSE FOR RENT

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FOUR bedroom house, two bathrooms, W/D, dishwasher, two living rooms, C/A, off-street parking, close to dental, law, hospitals. \$1300. (563)940-8012. hawkkeyhouses.com

FOUR bedroom, 1-1/2 bathroom. August 1. No pets. \$1250/ month. (319)936-3201.

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FOUR bedroom- 805 Bowery, close to downtown. Hardwood floors/ air/ washer/ dryer/ pets negotiable. RCPM (319)887-2187.

FOUR bedroom. Close-in, dishwasher, W/D, A/C, two car garage, off-street parking, available August 1. hawkkeyhouses.com (563)940-8012.

FOUR bedroom. Eastside. 1030 E. Jefferson. Dishwasher, W/D, two bathrooms, four parking spaces. Available August. \$1600/ month plus utilities. www.buxhouses.com (319)354-7262.

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HOUSE FOR RENT

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LARGE seven bedroom house, two bathrooms, parking, W/D, microwave. 115 S. Governor. Rent \$2750/ month plus utilities. Available August 1, 2006. www.buxhouses.com (319)354-7262.

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THREE and four bedroom houses. Walking distance to UIHC, dental and law. Dishwasher, W/D, A/C, available August 1. hawkkeyhouses.com (563)940-8012.

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TWO bedroom duplex. Available now. Close-in, pets negotiable. (319)338-7047.

TWO bedroom-

DAILY BREAK

“ There is more evidence of the validity of the tooth fairy than there is of this tax theory.”
— U.S. District Court Judge Kent Dawson, as he sentenced Cynthia Neun to five years in prison for advising people that there was no federal law requiring them to pay income tax. Prosecutors estimate that the fraud cost the government as much as \$57 million since 1999.

the ledge

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SCOTT WILSON How to defeat seasonal depression

• Bring the California surf to the Cambus. When riding the Cambus, stand in the aisle, and let go of the safety bars, then imagine you are riding a tsunami like a rock star. Yell cool surfer things, such as “Tubular” and “I’m stoked to hang-ten.”

• Winter is a good excuse for sitting next to the fire, cuddling, and caressing your lover all day. But if, like me, nobody loves you and the closest thing to a fireplace you have is the stove your head is currently inside, then perhaps you should take up knitting.

• There is a plethora of exciting new liquids under your sink just waiting to take your mind off the troubles of the weather. Does the orange stuff make you trip? Only one way to find out.

• Sledding is fun. Sledding while drinking is more fun. Sledding drunk and naked while being towed behind your buddy’s truck is the definition of a good Iowa winter morning.

• Ever blown soap bubbles when it’s freezing? The bubbles freeze and crinkle up like cellophane. It’s really cool, if you’re 6 years old. I suggest adding an element of excitement by mixing nitroglycerine into the bubble solution. Imagine the look of astonishment on your neighbor’s faces as little frozen bubbles come bounding over the hedge and blow up the mailman.

• Think of all the fun things you can do without leaving the house: read a book, take a nap, rearrange the slices in a loaf of bread, fight with your roommate for TV remote supremacy. Now repeat these things every day between the months of November and March for the rest of your life.

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horoscopes Friday, February 24, 2006 — by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A partnership is likely to end in disaster if you have been keeping secrets from one another. Get promises in writing before you decide to take action. Investigate people and situations thoroughly before making a commitment.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You will discover a whole new world if you travel. Your progressive thoughts will enable you to build on an idea you have been toying with. It’s a wonderful time to expand your professional and financial outlook.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don’t overspend or give too generously to others. This is a time for restraint and budgeting. Focus on accumulating even if it isn’t a top priority. Do not take what anyone tells you at face value.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Partnerships will be intense and exhilarating. Sudden romantic infatuations are apparent. Property and financial matters will bring about a new investment opportunity that you can’t turn down.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You won’t be given all the facts. Keep your eyes and ears open. Someone may be trying to put the blame on you. Uncertainty about your future should prompt you to look at your options.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take time to promote your ideas, and you will find yourself moving swiftly toward your dreams, hopes, and wishes. Taking advantage of others’ ideas may not be your thing, but today, it will pay off and help those around you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You will face opposition if you push your ideas on others. Don’t waste time with people who don’t get what you are trying to do. Give a job opportunity serious consideration. You are overdue for a change.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Catch up on correspondence. The information you discover will support your opinion of someone. Get into the swing of things, develop your own style, and create your future. Implement your ideas.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Help those less fortunate. Use your discretion, and offer your time and knowledge, not your cash. You may find yourself in the middle of someone else’s problem if you meddle. Diplomacy will be of the utmost importance.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your uncertainty at a personal level will be difficult for loved ones to comprehend. Your inability to speak about the way you really feel will work against you. Be honest about your concerns and your plans for the future.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Review your past — it will shed light on the present. You are at a turning point, and the decisions you make will be crucial to your future. Set your course in a positive direction by cultivating what you do best.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your clarity will help you make the right choice. Choose a direction that utilizes your talents rather than laboring over something you can’t change or do. Let go of the past.

today’s events

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- “Talk of Iowa Live at the Java House,” salute to Mardi Gras, with Spontaneous Combustion under the direction of David Evans, with John Rapson, 10 a.m., Java House, 211½ E. Washington, and WSUI
- Exploring Majors Fair, UI Academic Advising Center, noon-2 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- New Nationalisms: an East Asia Writers’ Symposium, International Writing Program reception, 4-6 p.m., Shambaugh House
- Catfish Haven, Someone Still Loves You Boris Yeltsin, and Caleb Engstrom, early all-ages show, 5 p.m., Gabe’s, 330 E. Washington
- Fighting for Justice in the Global Economy, “Garment Workers Speak Out,” Students Against Sweatshops, 5:30 p.m., W151 Pappajohn Business Building
- French Film Festival, Games of Love and Chance, 7 p.m., 101 Becker Communication Studies Building
- Masculin, Féminin, 7 p.m., Bijou
- Cirque Éloize, Rain, 7:30 p.m., Hancher
- A Flickering by Melissa Larson, 8 p.m., Theatre B, Theatre Building
- Target Community Concert, Dancers in Company, 8 p.m., North Hall Space/Place
- Little Mary Sunshine, Circle City Acting Company, 8 p.m., Oakdale Hall Auditorium
- Waiting for Godot, Dreamwell Theatre, 8 p.m., Old Capitol Town Center
- Jensen Connection, with Spare Parts, 9 p.m., Yacht Club
- GoGoGo Airheart, Subtitle, Jai Lai Savant, and the Tanks, 9 p.m., Gabe’s
- 2nd Hand Poets, with Down the Line Band, 9 p.m., Mill
- Throwback Fridays, 9 p.m., Martinis, 127 E. College
- The President’s Last Bang, 9:15 p.m., Bijou

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- Are you a student who pays for her or his tuition? We’d like to meet you, follow you to work, and run a photo-story on your life. We’re looking for people who understand/degrade/laborious jobs to photograph for this project.
- Please contact photographer Nick Loomis at nicholas-loomis@uiowa.edu or the photo desk at: (319)335.5852
- Like to eat? We’re looking for people who have a favorite place to eat on or near campus. We’re looking for those obsessed with a particular restaurant that serves you up right two or more times a week.
- If you think you’re one of those people, please e-mail daily-iowan.edu or call the news desk at: (319)335.6063

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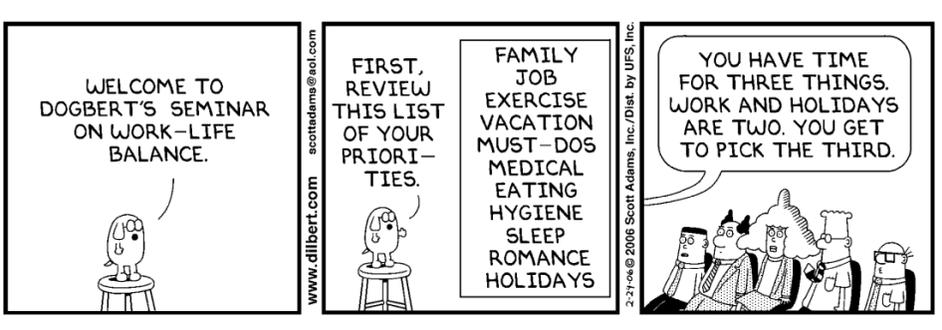
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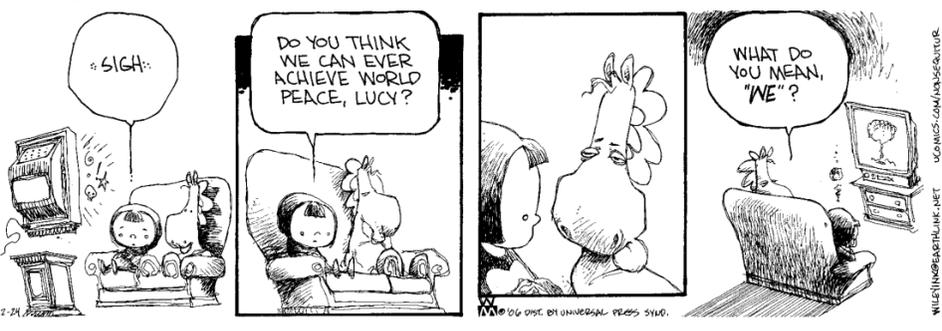
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- 4 Conversations
- 5 PATV Open Channel
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- 9 Wocidj Feb. 8
- 9:30 Undercover TV
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- Midnight Film Punk Productions
- 2:30 a.m. Iowa City Free Radio 88.7

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- 3 p.m. The War on Terror, Civil Liberties vs. National Security
- 4:30 Gospel Fest 2006, The Music of Martin
- 6:15 Human Rights Week, Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation
- 8 The War on Terror, Civil Liberties vs. National Security
- 9:30 Gospel Fest 2006, The Music of Martin
- 11:15 Two Boxes, Fifty Books, and a Dream, The History of the UI Libraries, Sesquicentennial Celebration
- 11:30 Student Video Productions, Dinosaurs Have Feathers, The Bakery

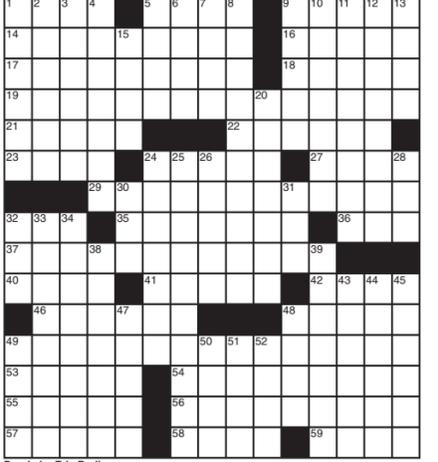
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 - 1 See
 - 5 Fries prefix
 - 9 Cries for attention
 - 14 Summoning
 - 16 With 13-Down, places for shooting stars
 - 17 Bit
 - 18 Take (break)
 - 19 They have African cousins
 - 21 An eagle is on its flag
 - 22 Pattern of scanning lines on a TV
 - 23 They can be choppy
 - 24 Bill for fine clothing?
 - 27 Argonaut who slew Castor
 - 29 “Bob & Carol & Ted & Alice” co-star
 - 32 Hard-rock center
 - 35 One in a shelter, maybe
 - 36 ___ particle
 - 37 Is in charge
 - 40 Beautiful people of literature
 - 41 “___ in the Park” (Rodgers and Hart song)
 - 42 He wrote a hit Broadway musical with Weill
 - 46 Parts of some joints
 - 48 ___ ready
 - 49 Rank last attained in 1950
 - 53 Imminent, old-style
 - 54 Harmless reptile with a dangerous-sounding name
 - 55 “Somebody’s Knockin’” singer ___ Gibbs
 - 56 Wannabe’s efforts
 - 57 Easy ___
 - 58 Auto performance factor, informally
 - 59 Start of Massachusetts’ motto
- DOWN**
 - 1 Beards
 - 2 Repay, in a way
 - 3 “See?!”
 - 4 Dwarf?
 - 5 Piles
 - 6 Entangle
 - 7 Not merely warm
 - 8 Like some commerce
 - 9 Far Eastern female servants
 - 10 “Good night, sweet prince” speaker
 - 11 Now level
 - 12 Cold northerly winds of southern France
 - 13 See 16-Across
 - 15 ___ lot (very little)
 - 20 Late
 - 24 Sans subtlety
 - 25 Jedi surfer
 - 26 Mady a performer
 - 28 Cold war abbr.



- 30 Abbr. in a birth announcement
- 31 Med. specialty
- 32 Whiz
- 33 Premium product
- 34 Mediterranean succulent
- 38 Early form of Greek
- 39 Understanding, of sorts
- 43 Transportation in a 1941 hit song
- 44 Military toppers
- 45 Amazon warrior killed by Achilles
- 47 One of Hamlet’s courtiers
- 48 Novelist Tina McElroy ___
- 49 ___ morgana (mirage)
- 50 Behind
- 51 Down
- 52 Some bent pipes

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