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Organic farmer Janette Ryan Busch holds a 6-day-old lamb at her farm on Monday evening. Ryan Busch grew up on a farm in Henry County, Iowa, and she has been farming all of her adult life. She spins sheep, goat, and Angora rabbit fibers into wool and weaves it into textiles for the gift shop located on the farm.

Woman spins a farmer's life

Janette Ryan Busch is one of the growing number of women farmers in Iowa. She owns and operates an organic farm outside of Iowa City.

BY REBECCA MCKANNA
THE DAILY IOWAN

In the winter, Janette Ryan Busch's day begins around 4 a.m., when she walks through the brisk morning air to check on her newborn lambs and Angora goats.

In the summer, she starts at dawn, taking advantage of the "tranquility of the morning" to harvest tomatoes or basil on her 14-acre organic farm.

"Farming is in me on a cellular level," said Ryan Busch, a farmer for almost 30 years. "I didn't have a choice."

Owner of Fae Ridge Farms near

Iowa City, she is one of a growing number of women involved in agricultural. Her acreage is representative of a number of alternative farms run by women in Iowa, according to the film *Voices of Iowa Farm Women*, which begins by showing Ryan Busch on her farm delivering a kid goat.

An audience watched the footage at a Monday program "Voices of Women in Agriculture: A Celebration of International Women's month" organized by the Iowa United Nations Association, Emma Goldman Clinic, Women's Resource and

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Sarah Mercier/The Daily Iowan

Organic farmer Janette Ryan Busch holds textiles that she wove from yarn spun of her sheep's wool at the gift shop on her farm on Monday evening. She said her dedication to raising these animals and spinning and weaving their fibers comes from a love for all animals.

THE HUNT FOR THE NEXT UI PRESIDENT

Interim leader likely

BY SAM EDSILL
THE DAILY IOWAN

With only four months remaining before UI President David Skorton leaves for Cornell University, some regents and campus leaders said the UI will likely need an interim president.

Regent Robert Downer said the state Board of Regents, which would be responsible for choosing an interim leader, could decide to select one at its March 20 meeting, when the board will also vote on the composition of a presidential search committee.

"I just don't think there's enough time to select a new president and to have that person in place," he said. "We can't act on this before the meeting

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Downer
regent

INTERIM PRESIDENTS AT THE UI

- 1981-82: Duane Priestersbach
- 1987-88: Richard Remington
- 1995: Peter Nathan
- 2002-03: Willard "Sandy" Boyd



Boyd

UIHC watching search carefully

BY SUSAN ELGIN
THE DAILY IOWAN

For more than a quarter century, President David Skorton has literally and figuratively fixed broken hearts at the UI Hospitals and Clinics.

Which is one reason that his departure from the UI this summer will result in a great loss for UIHC, said Donna Katen-Bahensky, the director of the UIHC.

"As an organization, people feel the loss, because President Skorton was so supportive of the hospital," she said. "Personally, his departure represents the loss of a boss and a great mentor who understands the business we're in."



Skorton
UI president

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Sims picked as new *DI* editor

BY BRYCE BAUER
THE DAILY IOWAN

The board of Student Publications Inc., which oversees *The Daily Iowan*, on Monday night chose UI junior Meghan Sims to replace graduating senior Jennifer Sturm as editor in chief of the newspaper.

The selection, one could say, was "by the stars," because both Sturm and Sims are Aries.

"I am feeling about 4 billion different emotions," Sims said shortly after the announcement.

Sims started at the *DI* in 2003 after leaving the UI's varsity volleyball team following a knee injury. She worked as a Metro reporter for two years covering the Johnson County Board of Supervisors, the Coralville City Council, the UI Hospitals and Clinics, and local business



Sims
DI editor 2006-07

and development.

Looking ahead, Sims hopes to expand the *DI*'s media coverage, increase story depth, and making writing quality a priority.

"I think the biggest thing is expanding on what we are already doing," she said.

To prepare for the job, she will take advantage of the resources available in the newsroom, such as the writing and photo coaches and, of course, Sturm.

"I am going to pick Sturm's brain for all of the advice," she said.

Sims was one of two candidates for the job — the other being Managing Editor Alex Lang — and SPI board members

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UConn dean to head Tippie

BY BRYCE BAUER
AND MEGHAN V. MALLOY
THE DAILY IOWAN

The UI Tippie College of Business announced Monday its next dean will be William C. Hunter, the current dean of the University of Connecticut School of Business.

Selected by a committee late last week, Hunter will replace Gary Fethke, who will retire July 1.

Hunter, who taught at Chicago State University before moving to several Southern schools, said he won't mind the move back to the Midwest.

"I've been in the state of Iowa many times," he said during a phone interview



Hunter
Next dean of UI Tippie College of Business

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HUNTER'S QUALIFICATIONS:

- Undergraduate B.S. Business and Economics, Hampton Institute
- Assistant Professor of Finance, Chicago State University.
- Faculty Member, University of Georgia, Atlanta University, and Emory University
- Senior Vice President & Director of Research, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
- Dean & Professor of Finance, University of Connecticut School of Business

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2 Dems face off for prosecutor

BY MASON KERNS
THE DAILY IOWAN

As the June 6 Johnson County primary elections approach, the race to succeed retiring County Attorney J. Patrick White has two Democratic candidates pitted against each other.

Monday marked the first day for prospective county officials to file affidavits of candidacy in the Democratic and Republican primaries, which will determine who will vie for seats in the November general election. Because no Republican is expected to run for county attorney, the Democratic primary will likely decide who will become the county's top prosecutor.

In a race for the Democratic nod that pits a county veteran against a youthful upstart, Assistant Johnson County Attorney Janet Lyness will face off against Assistant Linn County Attorney Nick Maybanks. Lyness has thus far emphasized



Lyness
Johnson County
assistant Attorney



Maybanks
Linn County
assistant Attorney

her experience as a 15-year criminal and civil lawyer for the county, while the 31-year-old Maybanks has stressed his energy and political activism.

Lyness wants to increase the efficiency of the office by changing the way certain crimes are prosecuted. She said Monday she would seek to assign assistant attorneys to prosecute all crimes committed by a particular defendant, rather than splitting cases up by type.

"Right now, a person could have a domestic abuse, a drug

charge, and an OWI, and we maybe don't have the same prosecutor," she said. "To coordinate, that would help a lot."

Despite their age differences, the platforms of Lyness and Maybanks center on several similar issues. Both said they'll focus on prosecuting victim-based crimes, such as domestic and sexual abuse and crimes against children and dependent adults, which they agree require "special attention."

Both also want to clear up clutter in the courts and the overflowing Johnson County Jail. Lyness proposes a court devoted solely to drug offenses and the release of non-dangerous offenders from custody.

Maybanks wants to establish a program to divert cases involving alcohol and low-level drug offenses from the courts. If community service and treatment requirements are met, charges would be erased from an offender's record after six arrest-free

months — a plan he feels UI students would receive warmly.

"My policies would lessen the number of students who leave school with these things on their record and would give them an opportunity to invest in the community by earning off criminal offenses," said Maybanks, who, as a minor, was cited twice for possessing alcohol illegally.

Lyness said her experience with various department heads and the Board of Supervisors, as well as her work in civil law, give her an essential advantage over Maybanks, who lacks significant noncriminal litigation experience.

"Civil issues are a large part of the county attorney's job," Lyness said. "And I think my experience there really shines."

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Donnie Bandy skates away the afternoon at the park on Dubuque Street on Monday afternoon. Bandy and his younger brother, Erik, shoveled "NO THANKS" in the snow on the park's hillside to promote their video about skateboarding. The video hype also appears on stickers they have made for their boards.

Council to approve budget

BY COLIN BURKE
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa City City Council will formally approve the fiscal 2007-09 proposed budget and 2006-10 capital-improvement plan this evening, but one city official feels one more change needs to be made.

City Councilor Bob Elliott will bring an amendment before the council tonight to set aside funding for both a fire station in

northern Iowa City and the three additional firefighters needed per year for the next three years requested by the Iowa City Fire Department.

Elliott said for the past three years, the issues have been discussed over and over but no action has resulted.

His amendment calls for the City Council to receive a preliminary progress report on the funding by August 2007 and a

full plan by August 2008.

In other action, City Manager Steve Atkins notified the council of a significant change to the city's fire ordinance that would allow homeless shelters to house more of the city's neediest people.

The change would let buildings allot 120 feet per person, compared with the current mandate of 200 feet.

The council also touched on the issue of eminent domain and

legislation currently in the Iowa Senate. In light of a Supreme Court decision that said helping the economy qualifies as public use for land, the state Legislature is trying to balance the rights of property owners and local governments, said Sen. Joe Bolkom, D-Iowa City. The current Senate bill passed the House on an 83-15 vote.

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Providing indigents with lawyers getting tougher

BY BRYCE BAUER
THE DAILY IOWAN

As everyone has heard from countless prime-time cop shows, those arrested have a "right to an attorney," and if they can't afford one, lawyers will be provided.

But, according to the Iowa State Bar Association, it's becoming tougher to provide that right.

The attorneys' group is calling for a \$10 per hour increase in the \$50 per hour rate Iowa pays lawyers representing indigents — people who can't afford their own attorneys. The rate has not increased in 30 years, the organization said.

"It is more and more difficult for a private attorney to take on an indigent defense case," said Steve Boeckman, the communications director for the bar association.

That difficulty hasn't upset the system heavily, yet, but court delays could become increasingly common if lawyers continue to find the practice less profitable, he said.

Iowa City has a public defender's office, but lawyers in areas without that state agency say finding help can be difficult.

Unes Booth, a Clarke County lawyer who handles "quite a few" cases for indigent clients, said there is no local public defender

where he lives, leaving indigents to rely on private attorneys, who can be reluctant to take them on.

"Working for \$5 or \$10 an hour is not a good thing," he said, describing his overhead as \$40 an hour. "For me, personally, I can't make ends meet with what they pay us without working weekends."

Booth said approximately 40 percent of his income comes from such cases, but they demand as much as 60 percent of his time.

With private attorney fees of up to \$200 an hour and the federal government doling out up to \$90 an hour for the same type of indigent cases, some say the

state will be hard-pressed to find more experienced lawyers.

"What you are having happen is more experienced attorneys are not taking these cases because of inadequate pay," said Paul Miller, an Iowa City lawyer.

Philip Mears, an Iowa City attorney and legal counsel for *The Daily Iowan*, shared that view.

"Getting paid \$50 an hour probably pays your overhead but not much more than that," he said.

However, he said, he was concerned about how the state could finance the pay raise saying, "lots of other places need an increase, too."

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POLICE BLOTTER

Vega Aguilar, 23, Coralville, was charged March 3 with possession of a forged document.
Scott Anderson Jr., 20, Madison, Wis., was charged March 3 with criminal trespass and public intoxication.
Christine Burch, 96 Oberlin St., was charged March 4 with simple assault.
David Burke, 21, 222 E. Market St. Apt. 2, was charged Sunday with fourth-degree criminal mischief, public intoxication, and disorderly conduct.
Andrew Buscher, 21, 415 Mormon Trek Blvd., was charged Sunday with OWI.
Danielle Davis, 20, address unknown, was charged March 4 with fifth-degree theft.
Megan Engler, 21, 4431 Sand Road S.E., was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Jovani Galvan, 19, 813 Dover St., was charged Monday with OWI.
Jacob Gilroy, 18, 719 Rienow, was charged March 4 with public intoxication and PAULA.
Logan Ginn, 19, 2122 Quad, was charged March 3 with public intoxication.
Ellen Goerss, 19, Northfield, Minn., was charged March 4 with OWI.
Nathaniel Hayes, 19, 100 Mayflower, was charged March 4 with public intoxication.
Jacob Heninger, 19, N242 Hillcrest, was charged March 2 with PAULA.
Ian Jacobson, 22, 321 S. Linn St. Apt. 325, was charged March 4 with third-degree domestic abuse, tampering with witness or juror, and conspiracy to deliver schedule I controlled substance.

Amy Krush, 19, 4435 Burge, was charged March 3 with public intoxication.
Matthew Lodge, 23, 385 Hawkeye Court, was charged Sunday with OWI.
Kyle Miller, 21, 409 S. Dodge St. Apt. 10, was charged Feb. 19 with driving with a revoked license.
Jason Northam, 1325 Yewell St., was charged Monday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Tanning Nyman, 18, N271 Hillcrest, was charged March 2 with unlawful use of driver's license/ID.
John O'Donnell Jr., 21, Hoffman Estates, Ill., was charged March 3 with disorderly conduct.
Douglas Onstot, 24, 307 E. College St. Apt.

1831, was charged Sunday with possession of marijuana with intent to deliver and violation of the drug tax-stamp law.
Brandy Ruano, 24, Riverside, was charged Sunday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Benjamin Ruffcorn, 19, 1332 Burge, was charged March 2 with PAULA.
Brian Schmelzer, 25, Cedar Rapids, was charged March 5 with public intoxication.
Nicholas Steckelberg, 25, 924 Oakcrest Apt. C, was charged Sunday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Sarah Treimer, 19, 410 Slater, was charged March 4 with PAULA.
Jonathan Wakeland, 20, 308 Slater, was charged March 2 with PAULA.

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Farming drawing women

AG WOMEN

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Action Center, Iowa City Human Rights Commission, and the UI Center for Human Rights.

Many of the farms featured in the film focus on organic food, soil conservation, and sustainability, and many of the products are sold at local farmer's markets and to local restaurants.

Ryan Busch sells to the New Pioneer Co-op and other local businesses to contribute to Iowa City, she said.

"I feel like I'm helping to feed my community, on a microscopic level," she said.

Wendy Wintersteen, the Iowa State University dean of agriculture, said 40 percent of the students in the College of Agriculture are female — as

opposed to 20 years ago, when roughly 25 percent were women.

She credits a change in culture to increasing the number of women who have become involved in agriculture since the 1980s.

"The college understood the need to recruit not only the farmer's son but also the farmer's daughter," Wintersteen said.

Ryan Busch said she has also noticed a change in attitude toward women involved in agriculture. Ten years ago, she said, bankers and sellers of farming equipment always assumed she was inquiring for her husband.

"I would tell them, 'Yes, I am married, but he's a contractor. The farm is all mine,'" she said with a laugh.

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UIHC officials watch search

UIHC

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However, Katen-Bahensky is confident the hospital will adjust to a new president, regardless of her or his background. She believes it would be advantageous if the person were a physician but believes anyone could understand the importance of the hospital to the university.

"[Skorton] was committed to quality improvement," said Katen-Bahensky, adding that it's unusual to see a university president with a medical background. "Clinical research was a priority, and we jelled well when looking at the future."

Joseph Buckwalter, the head of the orthopaedics department, agreed, saying while the eventual president should have an understanding of how the hospital evolves, a variety of backgrounds could fulfill the role.

"Each president brings certain skills and approaches, and all have their own ways of developing relationships," he said. "People with a lot of different backgrounds understand what challenges the hospital faces."

Regent Amir Arbiser agreed saying a physician's background is "not a prerequisite for being president of the University of Iowa."

"There are many ways to come by that knowledge," he said. "It's important but not critical."

When there is instability at a school, other universities have a tendency to attempt to "raid



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Drs. James Nepola (left) and Joseph Buckwalter pose for a portrait in the UIHC Orthopaedics Clinic on Monday afternoon. Buckwalter said he appreciated President David Skorton's accessibility and willingness to talk to faculty, but he does not think that UIHC will suffer if the new president does not have a medical background.

the faculty through aggressive recruiting," said François Abboud, the UI director of Cardiovascular Research and former chairman of internal medicine, who recruited Skorton to the UI in 1980.

"We have to move quickly to find the best person to stabilize things," he said.

While opinions within the UIHC abounded, the exact role that hospital officials would have in the search has yet to be determined.

Katen-Bahensky questioned all the final candidates during

the search that yielded Skorton but says she is not yet sure what role the hospital will play in the latest hunt.

Members of the state Board of Regents, who have the final vote on the president, say they must be careful to select someone with a hospital-oriented side.

"The hospital definitely has a role and is a critical constituency that has to be included in the process," Regent Teresa Wahlert said. "Anyone who runs the [president's] job needs to have skills as a leader, on the

health side and hospital-administration side."

Skorton fit that description as vice president for Research and as the co-founder and co-director of the UI Adolescent and Adult Congenital Heart Disease Clinic, colleagues said.

"He understands medical care from the perspective of a physician and patients," Abboud said. "He understands the motivations of physicians and faculty and the expected excellence in patient care."

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UConn dean nabs UI job

HUNTER

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with reporters. "I know the area fairly well."

Hunter worked for the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago as senior vice president and director of research beginning in 1995, before moving on to Connecticut in 2003.

There, Hunter said, the *U.S. News & World Report* ranking of the business school rose from 76 to 51 in his three years at the helm.

Hunter said he hopes to see a variety of groups represented at the UI in the future.

"One of the challenges at Iowa is to improve on the diversity," said Hunter, who celebrated his 58th birthday Monday. "I'd like to improve on that."

P. Barry Butler, the dean of the UI College of Engineering, who headed the committee that selected Hunter, said he was the

best candidate based on strong leadership and distinguished academic accomplishments.

"He's an outstanding leader," Butler said. "He brings a lot of good experience, both in his days at the Fed and in academia."

Beth Ingram, a UI professor of economics who also served on the search committee, shared Butler's enthusiasm for the pick.

"I thought he was a terrific candidate, and I am happy he accepted our offer," she said. "He has a lot of energy and vision for the college."

Fethke, a UI graduate, added to the accolades, saying, "the fine staff, faculty, students, and supporters associated with the college believe that everything is in place for [Hunter] to enjoy real successes at Iowa."

"I wish him the best," Fethke said.

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UI may get interim leader

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two weeks from today, and March is practically gone at that point."

Regent Teresa Wahlert also said she supports appointing an interim president because, without one, selection for a long-term successor would be rushed.

"In order to do the search process carefully and for all constituencies to be represented, we are probably better suited with an interim president," she said.

Faculty Senate Vice President Sheldon Kurtz said it is common to have interim presidents and agreed there is not enough time to find a replacement by the time Skorton leaves.

"We've never had a search process that found a president in two and a half months," Kurtz said.

Interim leaders have served between each of the past four presidents, since President Willard "Sandy" Boyd stepped down in 1981.

Boyd served as the interim head in 2002, between Presidents Mary Sue Coleman and

Skorton. In 1995, then-UI Provost Peter Nathan served as acting president between Coleman and Hunter Rawlings.

Nathan, now a professor in occupational and behavioral health, said the provost is traditionally selected to serve as interim, because the position has similar responsibilities.

"Often, in situations such as this, the provost, the No. 2 person is asked to be the interim president," he said. "I presume that the current provost is under consideration."

UI Provost Michael Hogan was out of town Monday and unavailable for comment.

Nathan said as the substitute, he tried to continue the previous president's initiatives and not "lose any momentum."

Regents agreed the interim president should be someone well acquainted with the UI and the demands of the position and should try to maintain forward progress set in motion by Skorton.

"Anything done by way of new programs should be likely to be continued by the next president," Downer said.

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Sims named new *DI* editor

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said they considered both to be quite qualified.

David Redlawsk, a UI associate professor of political science and the board's head, said the decision was a "tough choice."

"Both [candidates] have done tremendous work for the *DI*," he said. "Our sense is Meghan will show tremendous leadership."

The announcement comes after numerous changes at the *DI*, including the transition to a new facilities in the Adler Building and the launch of a daily television broadcast, DITV.

Sims praised Sturm for being bold in taking on the challenges of being editor in chief during the transition process.

"Working here as editor is vastly different than working in the former facility as editor," Sims said.

Sturm, who hopes to work as a page designer at a newspaper after graduation this May, had a few suggestions for the incoming Sims.

"Be organized," she said. "Know what is happening in

every section, every day, and double check what is going on between sections."

Like Sims, the 23-year-old Sturm started at the *DI* as a Metro reporter. She switched to page design before rising to the top student position. Sturm said she feels Sims will do a good job.

"I think Meghan is a person who will work hard to produce the best product to show the community," Sturm said.

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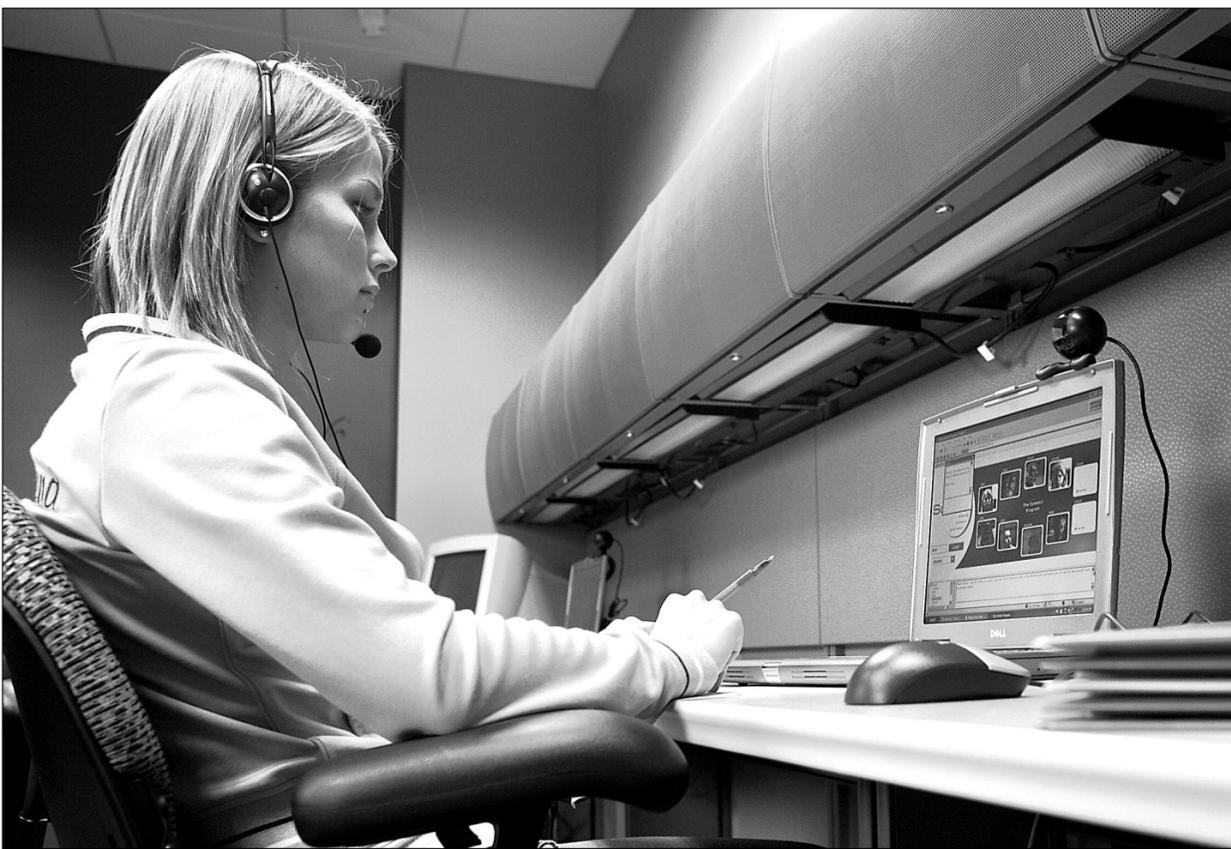
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Linking U.S., Mideast students



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UI student Beth Boal participates in a live global video conference in the Adler Building on Monday afternoon. The Soliya program facilitates weekly two-hour discussions among students in the United States and in the Middle East. Boal is participating as part of Associate Professor Dan Berkowitz's Globalization in the Media class.

BY JENNIFER LICKTEIG
THE DAILY IOWAN

UI junior Beth Boal spent a two-hour class period on Monday instant messaging and vocally chatting over a laptop. But she wasn't slacking off.

Boal was in a video conference with six other university students from across the world in a program called Soliya, which brings together collegians from the United States and Middle Eastern countries to discuss the relationship among the countries, especially as portrayed in the media.

"We're probably more like them than we think we are," Boal said after the dialogue, adding that she was surprised they all spoke English.

This week's meeting, the first of nine, was dominated by introductions and discussions on the guidelines for future conversations, but students say they hope to get more substantive in the future.

"I know I can sometimes be intimidated, because I don't know everything that's going on in the Middle East," Boal said. "But hopefully, the students will be patient with me."

Included in the first

GOING GLOBAL

Hawkeye students aren't the only ones going global. These universities also participate in the Soliya conferences:

- Al Akhawayn University, Morocco
- American University of Cairo, Egypt
- American University of Kuwait, Kuwait
- Dar al Hekma College, Saudi Arabia
- Qatar University, Qatar
- South Valley University, Egypt
- Bryn Mawr College, Pennsylvania, Pa.
- Centre College, Danville, Ky.
- The University of Maine-Machias, Machias, Maine
- The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C.
- Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, Va.

conversation were Fahad Mohammad of Kuwait, Latifa Lamrani Hassani of Morocco, and Hassany Assoghair of Egypt.

Dan Berkowitz, the local contact for Soliya and a UI associate professor who uses the program in class, said he believes students are waking up to global issues related to the Middle East.

"It's starting to hit students with friends in the military," he said.

With 15 students this year, the UI ranks as the largest Soliya program of any U.S.

university. Last year, the program had nine UI students involved.

"As the Middle East continues to be an important region that affects the [United States] every day, it will continue to grow," Berkowitz said.

Along with talking to students with a microphone and webcam, Boal was able to send text messages to the whole group or create a private dialogue box with any member of the assemblage.

Along with having conversations with students worldwide, participants will create their

own video segments, including a piece of news from one of the many national media sources. Students will create their own five-minute program summarizing the issue or looking at it in-depth.

Another project participants can take part in is writing a joint opinion piece or action plan for enhancing U.S.-Middle East relations.

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WORLD

Iraqi government hits another snag

BAGHDAD (AP) — Iraq's president failed in a bid Monday to order Parliament into session by March 12, further delaying formation of a government and raising questions whether the political process can withstand the unrelenting violence or disintegrate into civil war.

The deadlock came as snipers assassinated Maj. Gen. Mibder Hatim al-Dulaimi, the Sunni Arab in charge of Iraqi forces protecting the capital. A torrent of bombings and shootings killed 25 more Iraqis on Monday,

ending a relative lull in violence. Officials also found four bodies.

At the heart of the dispute is a controversy over the second-term candidacy of the Shiite prime minister, Ibrahim al-Jaafari, whose most powerful supporter is the anti-American cleric Muqtada al-Sadr.

The Sunni Arab minority blames al-Jaafari for failing to control the Shiite militiamen who attacked Sunni mosques and clerics after the Feb. 22 shrine bombing in Samarra. Kurds are angry because they believe al-Jaafari is holding up resolution of their claims to control the oil-rich city of Kirkuk.

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Court backs military on recruiting

BY EMILEIGH BARNES
THE DAILY IOWAN

Colleges and universities limiting on-campus military recruitment can be denied federal funding, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled unanimously Monday.

Several law schools nationwide have opposed the practice, saying the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy toward homosexuals was not in line with many colleges' equal-opportunity stances.

The court rejected arguments asserting colleges' First Amendment right to limit on-campus

recruitment, upholding the Solomon amendment, which allows the withholding of federal funds to the colleges in question.

"The Solomon amendment gives universities a choice: Either allow military recruiters the same access to students afforded any other recruiter, or forgo certain federal funds," Chief Justice John Roberts Jr. wrote in a 21-page opinion on the subject. "Congress' decision to proceed indirectly does not reduce the deference given to Congress in the area of military affairs."

UI political-science professor



'I don't think it's terribly pathbreaking. It just suggests that universities that take federal money are going to be required to follow certain sets of rules, even if they don't want to.'

—Peverill Squire, UI political-science professor

Peverill Squire said he did not see the decision as a trailblazer.

"I don't think it's terribly pathbreaking," he said. "It just suggests that universities that take federal money are going to be required to follow certain sets of rules, even if they

don't want to."

Because the court decided unanimously, Squire said, he did not believe the ruling implied a more conservative judicial shift. The court decided the burden was not too great for schools to bear, he added.

"I'm fine with [the decision]," said veteran and UI student McKinley Bailey. "I think that the military is different from your average organization. It has to be."

The military must use discrimination in some forms to function, he said. For example, he said, overweight members and women may not be as capable of carrying out certain military duties. Also, homosexual members could cause group discomfort and lead to morale problems, the Iraq and Afghanistan veteran said.

"[Homosexual military members] have the potential to have

negative effects on morale, simply because our society isn't to a point where it can accept them," he said. "I think that maybe in 20 or 25 years, this 'don't ask, don't tell' policy will go away."

The Western Region, U.S. Army Cadet Command, which facilitates Army ROTC programs, doesn't have a detailed response to the matter because it is a federal issue, said Jeremy O'Bryan, a deputy public-affairs officer.

"We just continue doing business as usual," he said.

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OBITUARY

Anne Braden

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Anne Braden, a longtime civil-rights activist best known for trying to dismantle segregation by purchasing a home for a black family in an all-white Kentucky neighborhood in the 1950s, died Monday. She was 81.

She died at Jewish Hospital, where spokesman Jeff Polson refused to disclose the cause of death, citing privacy laws. Braden's biographer, Catherine Fosl, said she was admitted to the hospital over the weekend suffering from pneumonia and dehydration.

Braden, who was white, also was active in anti-war and women's liberation movements,

but it was her efforts in civil-rights campaigns that brought her the most attention.

In 1954, Braden and her husband, Carl, bought a home in southwestern Jefferson County for a black World War II veteran and his family. The black family had been spurned when attempting to purchase the home themselves. The Bradens used the family's money to purchase the house, then deeded it over to them, said Catherine Fosl, Braden's biographer.

A few weeks later, the house was bombed; no one was injured.

The Bradens later were charged with sedition, and Carl Braden was convicted and given a 15-year prison sentence, Fosl said. He served seven months before his conviction was overturned.

Anne Braden was never tried on the state sedition charge.

The Bradens worked with Martin Luther King Jr. and other notable civil-rights leaders.



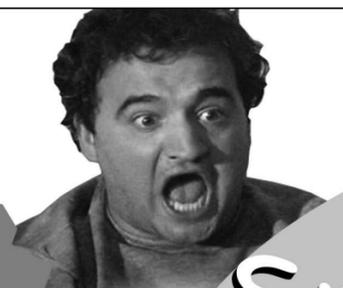
Braden
civil-rights activist

WATER WORLD



Noah Berger/Associated Press

A house in Sonoma County, Calif., is surrounded by water on Monday. A levee in Sonoma County broke early Monday, flooding part of a highway and threatening a half-dozen homes and a winery, the California Highway Patrol said. Heavy weekend rains weakened the banks along Sonoma Creek, according to the National Weather Service, which issued a flash flood warning.

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ARTS & CULTURE

A puzzle wrapped in an enigma

BY LOUIS VIRTEL
THE DAILY IOWAN

I've done some thinking, and I still don't know what *The Puzzle Locker* is about. The most recent UI Main Stage theater event, written by Obie-award winner W. David Hancock, springs oodles of circus-style theatrics and vulgarities on its confused audience. Lots of lights, sounds, and "statements." Curtains, scrim, and weirdo characters race back and forth, while the audience sits uncomfortably still. Fortunately, I picked up some jumbled jigsaw pieces of *The Puzzle Locker*, and I figured you could try to put them together.

Piece 1: The play is led by a petite lil' genius named "Puzzle Girl" (Joniece Abbott-Pratt), who explains she has an IQ of 194. Test after test proves Puzzle Girl is not the average teenager, and, soon enough, a military jeep whisks her off to a bizarre campground for prodigies. There she meets eccentric, nameless kids identified by their personas. Among them are "Campfire Girl" (Alisa Rosenthal), "Rock Star Boy" (Stephen Ptacek), and "Army Deserter" (Morgan Sheehan-Bubla). Campfire Girl claims to be an elf, while Army Deserter wears grungy fatigues and resents the gritty world around her. Think a carrot-topped GI Jane — but more gruff.

Piece 2: These wunderkinder aren't just smart. Many of the students possess abnormal, sometimes paranormal characteristics. Rock Star Boy can guess how much change is in your pocket just from how it jingles, while "Vampire Boy" (Lucas Salazar) catalogues his



Ed Bornstein/The Daily Iowan

Cast members of *The Puzzle Locker* run through the play in Thayer Theatre on March 2. The setting is an unnatural campground and school for the talented where the cast goes in and out of another dimension, and the dead and living coexist.

stool samples. Nice.
Piece 3: The play is run by harrumphing headmistress Mrs. Chumley (W. David Hancock, the playwright, in a powerhouse drag role). The stomping sumo of a woman, with curly reddish locks, wears a floral green housedress and militantly enforces the camp's ambiguous rules. When students have questions, Chumley sometimes responds quaintly, while at other times yells, "Shut the fuck up."
Piece 4: The kids routinely rebel from their authority figure and the rest of the camp with

madcap mauling of other students and even Chumley. When Chumley enters the play, Puzzle Girl's story swells into a larger meditation on authority, family, government, and the puzzle locker of life and death in all of its nasty morbidity.
Piece 5: Then "Dead Cheerleader" (Elizabeth Steele) begins appearing, casting an either vindicating or ominous glow on the characters. Things spiral from there. After two hours and 45 minutes of mayhem, suicide scenes, and Puzzle Girl waxing about life in boring

platitudes, I wasn't really in the mood for puzzles anymore. If there is a stunning allegory somewhere in this mix, I haven't read the correct Aldous Huxley novel to match it all up.
The seemingly sincere backbone and story line to *The Puzzle Locker*, wherever they were, eclipsed by the play's spectacle. The audience can hardly glean the backstory of each of the play's personas (read: not characters) if projectors, stage doors, performance-art ostentation, and wham-bam sound effects keep blowing up. For a play that

THEATER

The Puzzle Locker
When: March 8-11, 8 p.m.
Where: Theatre Building Thayer Theatre
Admission: \$17 general, \$8 for UI students, senior citizens, and youth

insists on so much visual pizzazz, there's far too much nuance in the play's intention and plot. The relationships among the characters become a chore to remember, and the reality of their actions becomes nebulous and tiring. I was reminded of Riverside Theatre's *Prosperity*, which meant to be funny but played as spastic.

The Puzzle Locker is meant to be assembled piece by piece by the audience, but too many of pieces seem mismatched or from entirely different boxes. Bigfoot sightings next to suicide scenes? Sunny rock songs next to uncomfortable, desperate sex scenes? Really? Though I love imagination and active attention on the part of the audience, I also think audiences deserve a glimpse of the big picture. We're blindly fitting pieces to create a final product we don't understand.

As audience members to my left and right both exited early on the March 3 performance, I remembered a fun kind of puzzle in which the audience understands the answer. Unfortunately, *Puzzle Locker* is no "Wheel of Fortune." Oddly enough, as Dead Cheerleader announced near play's end that she was born thousands of years ago, all I wanted to do was buy a vowel.

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ON THE SPOT Whatcha listening to?



• Kyle Egland
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'I like the messages about life, about being misunderstood.'



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"Bad Country"

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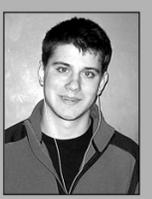
• Alex Kim
Senior
Jay-Z
Blueprint
"Izzo (H.O.V.A.)"

'Jay-Z is a great rapper, one of the best.'



• Christopher Kim
Senior
Rilo Kiley
Takeoffs & Landings
"Salute My Shorts!"

'It's fun. I like the lyrics; they're innocent and touching.'



• Mike Stevenson
Sophomore
Brown Couch
Curious
"I Would"

'It's chill and has really great harmony.'

Want in on this? Look for the *DI* arts reporter roaming on Monday afternoons by the Main Library north doors.

Coming down the folk highway

BY ANNA WIEGENSTEIN
THE DAILY IOWAN

In the press review section of Chris & Aurore's website, there are 14 references to other artists — 13 of which enjoyed the most fruitful phases or their career before the 1980s. A quick glance of those listed includes such names as Dylan, Guthrie, and Baez.

Legendary characters, true, but ones that Chris Keene is tired of hearing of in conjunction with his band. Sort of.
"It's tiring to be continually compared with one person all the time," Keene said from Chicago, nervously clearing his throat. His partner, Aurore Ounjian, audibly shifted in the background of the call. "But I mean, it's always an honor to hear the Dylan comparisons. "I just don't want people to think we're a novelty act."
Later, the 24-year-old confessed to describing the

Boston-based duo's sound as not only that of the *Highway 61 Revisited* songsmith but also equitable to the newer sounds of such artists as Bright Eyes and Elliott Smith.
Chris & Aurore will roll into Iowa City for the first time today at 9 p.m., opening for 56 Hope Road at the Mill, 120 E. Burlington St., following two previous U.S. tours during which they never stopped in the Hawkeye State.

Though their current softer sound may belie this, Keene's first inspiration to pick up a guitar came from seeing the videos for pop-punkers Green Day's early singles "Longview" and "Basket Case," and during his high-school years, while Ounjian was busy painting, Keene played in a number of punk-rock bands. Before long, though, he tired not only of playing rock music but also listening to it at all.
"I got disillusioned with

playing rock 'n' roll; I just feel it's at a really shifty point," he lamented. "Everything meaningful is gone from rock music ... it's all about the way you look, like fashion or whatever, now, and it's turned into this parody of itself."

Upon drifting away from the harder-edged punk scene in 2003, Keene teamed up with the now-21 Ounjian, whom he had grown up with, and began listening to music varying from Woodie Guthrie to Death Cab for Cutie to Ryan Adams — several more groups Keene also grocery-listed as influential.
Listening to the pair's 2006 EP, *Blessing In Disguise*, the sound Keene mentions is definitely present, both in the decidedly spare instrumentation (two acoustic guitars, a harmonica, and a tambourine encompass their entire repertoire) and in their socially conscious lyrics. With such lines as "Send me a politician / I'll slap

him in the face / it's crowded up in heaven / We're not running out of space," it's hard not to think of '60s-era protest songs.

Urban Folk Magazine, based in New York City, praised *Blessing In Disguise*, saying "Thoughtful and artistic lyrics combined with strong acoustic melodies are what warrant these songs as true folk, organic music with a strong message that could ring true in any time or place." I suppose I'll trust the magazine with "folk" right in its name to tell me the truth.

This mobile sense of Chris & Aurore's music has fueled the pair's enthusiasm for tours — this being their third since recording their first 2005 EP *To Never Again*.

"It's nice to get away and play in places where no one knows who you are," Keene said.

"Plus, your friends kind of have to like you, you know?"

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UI apartments' rent to rise to cover Internet

BY DANNY VALENTINE
THE DAILY IOWAN

Rent will increase by \$18 a month this summer for UI apartment residents to fund broadband Internet connections promised seven months ago.

But some residents say the price increase doesn't match the increase in services.

Jennifer Ruppert, a UI Hospitals and Clinics staff member, said the university is "making more and more profit and not giving the tenants very much."

Ruppert's rent has increased by more than \$100 since the

fall of 1999, and she said basic cable and the new Internet connection are the only changes in service.

Despite this complaint, she said the apartments were a very good deal.

Hawkeye Court resident Oscar Kpota said the proposed increase was too much.

"I'm not sure if we are going to stay, because the price is too expensive," he said, adding the quality of the apartments were not the problem.

The UI raised tenants' rent by \$8 in July 2005 to provide the Ethernet services used in the dorms. It retracted the increase when the project

'I'm not sure if we are going to stay, because the price is too expensive.'

—Oscar Kpota, Hawkeye Court resident

became too expensive and credited the extra money in the residents' accounts.

Hawkeye Court and Hawkeye Drive apartment residents were told they would receive a faster Internet service by January or February.

Von Stange, the UI director of Residence Services, said the process of getting broadband has taken "an exceedingly long time."

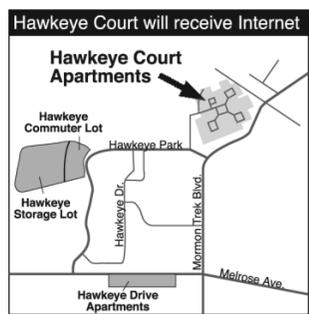
reported that the Internet services would be made available sometime in March or April.

Until then, the current dial-up service is the source of much contempt for housing residents.

Ruppert said her connection constantly breaks and is very slow, adding she "usually chooses not to dial up at home."

The dorms have had the high speed Internet service since the late-90s, Stange said.

Housing ranges from \$400 to \$535 per month for the one- and two-bedroom apartments. Student housing at Iowa State University ranges from \$457 to \$542 and from \$220 to \$625 at the University of Northern



Iowa. Both schools offer high speed Internet to their residents.

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Group pushes UI on Coke contract

UI Students Against Sweatshops threat protests if UI officials do not accept their ultimatum

BY LEE HERMISTON
THE DAILY IOWAN

For two years, UI Students Against Sweatshops has been waging a "long-standing campaign" to persuade UI officials to accept a purchasing code of conduct — mostly stemming from the university's exclusive contract with Coca-Cola.

This week, the student organization is presenting the university with an ultimatum — if a code is not adopted, protests will follow.

"If we meet outright resistance, escalation is our only recourse," said group member Ned Bertz.

The proposed code ensures that the university only does business with companies supporting human rights and fair labor practices, he said.

Coca-Cola is facing "very serious charges" regarding its use and pollution of Indian groundwater, he said. According to KillerCoke.org, an anti-Coca-Cola website, several union leaders at a facility were kidnapped or gunned down by right-wing paramilitary groups in Colombia.

For these reasons, Bertz and his fellow members of the anti-

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- Carleton College

sweatshop group will push for the code's adoption. The UI has a similar policy, the Code of Conduct for Licensees, to ensure that university-licensed material, such as apparel, comes from companies with fair labor or wage practices.

"[The university] shouldn't just be about profits," Bertz said.

Doug True, the UI senior vice president for Finance and Operations, appointed university faculty and staff members to a Purchasing Advisory Committee to discuss a possible code. Students Against Sweatshops set a March 2005 deadline for the UI to draft such a document, but True and other UI officials said it was not possible to meet that date.

However, Steve Parrott, the

director of University Relations, said on Monday that the UI is considering a new vendor code. The university will wait to see the results of a University of Michigan boycott against Coca-Cola and an independent assessment of the corporation before proceeding, he said.

Pablo Largacha, the public-affairs and communication director for Coca-Cola, said he believes allegations against the soft-drink manufacturer are unfounded. A native Colombian, he said that out of the 12 trade unions in the Colombian bottling industry, only one has made allegations that Coca-Cola "colluded" with the killers.

"The allegations are not true," Largacha said on Monday.

In 2005, Cal Safety and Compliance Corp. conducted an independent assessment of bottling-plant conditions in Colombia and concluded Coca-Cola offered the freedom to join unions. But since Coca-Cola paid for the assessment, a new investigation was requested, Largacha said.

Coca-Cola also defended its product-quality standards, including water standards, used in production.

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EDITORIAL

Lessen the city's art expenses

You probably know and love the unique artwork in downtown Iowa City, but how much are you willing to pay for it? \$1,000 a year? Of course, that's pocket change. \$10,000? Well, maybe. How about \$50,000 each year? Since 1999, \$370,000 has been spent on procuring public art, and the city plans to spend \$200,000 more by 2011. Such spending is both inappropriate and unnecessary, because the city could accomplish the same artistic and creative goals by spending much less money.

It is certainly nice to live in a city that values art, but there is a limit to art's value. The City Council has yet to provide for the three new firefighters — or two of the four new police-officer positions — that had been requested, much less the new fire station that we have been waiting on for years. The amount budgeted for artwork in one year could pay the salary of another police officer or firefighter, which should probably be a higher priority. Admiring the artwork will provide little satisfaction if one's residence is burning down because the Fire Department can't respond quickly enough.

Proponents of public art rightly point to the community-enhancing value of sculptures and markers; but it is questionable whether that value is worth the thousands of dollars paid for it; but we should all bear in mind that quality art and expensive art are not one and the same. The UI, after all, paid \$65,000 to have a giant swirly line and ambiguous phrase affixed to the windows of the Swirls Center.

And even if a community decided that expensive artwork is crucial to its civic well-being, a handout from the City Council is not the only

means to finance it. Not only could money be raised from community members interested in promoting public art, there are plenty of student artists in Iowa City who jockey for space in university buildings to display their work. They would not demand the exorbitant prices that we're paying outside artists, and the city would be promoting new, local artists, instead of lining the pockets of established ones.

Certainly, having art downtown and in the communities enhances the quality of life in this town. That's why we have it already. Do we really need more and more each year? Besides the cost of buying and installing additional artworks, each piece of art will require a certain amount of money each year for cleaning and maintenance. Although public art may not seem to require a "huge amount of money," in the words of City Manager Steve Atkins, the costs will certainly add up over the years.

A community member told *The Daily Iowan* that "everybody deserves something out of the budget." While that is a charming thought — and we certainly wish that Iowa City were wealthy enough that this were so — the harsh reality is that needs have to come before wants. If the city cannot afford to fully fund the fire and safety departments, then it cannot afford to accommodate all requests for city beautification, either.

It is refreshing that the council is interested in more than the nuts and bolts of city management — Iowa City's creative spirit is why people come here instead of Ames. But they have a responsibility to balance artistic endeavors against the more boring matters that keep a city running from day to day.

Pluto living

So I see that in a recent CBS poll, the Cowboy in Chief's approval rating has dropped to 34 percent.

And that scientists have discovered some new moons around Pluto. I'm pretty sure the two aren't connected.

But you never know with this wacky administration. Next thing you know, the White House will contend that the domestic-spying program without warrants was set up to prevent a terrorist attack from Pluto.

Those poll numbers represent something of a breakthrough for George W.; no second-term president has fallen so low since the good old days of Richard Nixon, who, as the Watergate conspiracy unraveled, fell to 27 percent (and then to 24 percent right before he resigned).

The good news, I suppose, is that the Cowboy's numbers aren't so bad as Nixon's. On the other



BEAU ELLIOT

hand (that pesky other hand), the bad news is he's living in Nixon's neighborhood. (I wonder what the rents are like.)

And yes, I know, you have to be careful about reading too much into polls — they're merely a snapshot of a moment. But then you can look at some other polls — for instance, a new Elon University poll finds that Bush's approval rating in five Southeastern states (that would be solid Republican country) stands at only 43 percent, while 52 percent "disapprove or strongly disapprove of the job Bush is doing."

And the Cowboy's approval rating in Indiana (more Republican country) sits at 37 percent.

Say what you want about polls, when your own people start deserting you, you're in a heap of mire. Kind of like Iraq.

Just for a bit of context, Bill Clinton's numbers in his second term, when Republicans in Congress were trying to impeach him for the Monica dalliance, hung close to 60 percent. And Ronald Reagan's numbers in his second term, when Iran-Contra was unfolding, did roughly the same.

Now, some conservatives have attacked the CBS poll by noting that more Democrats were surveyed than Republicans. And they're right — the poll was made up of 37 percent Democrats and 28 percent Republicans, the rest independents or other — numbers, as Republican strategist Richard Galen points out, that mirror the proportion of Democrats and Republicans in the population (at least as they self-identify themselves).

Moreover, when pollster Mark Blumenthal re-weighted the CBS numbers, lowering the percentage of Democrats to 33 percent, Bush's approval rating remained at 34 percent (because the Cowboy fares so dismally among independents).

So it's next to impossible to escape the conclusion that what we have here is a widely unpopular resident of the West Wing. I mean, his numbers are barely better than half of Clinton's and Reagan's when they were mired in scandal.

And why would that be? Oh, I don't know. The quagmire in Iraq, perhaps. The extraordinary response to Katrina, maybe. The overwhelming sense that this guy is living on Pluto.

Take Katrina, for instance. Thanks to the Associated Press, we now know that a day before the hurricane struck, Bush was briefed by a roomful of experts and told that a catastrophe was about to happen, that the New Orleans levees probably would not hold, and there would be massive flooding. Yet, a few days later, the Cowboy blithely says nobody could have predicted that the levees would be breached.

Living on Pluto. Or take Iraq. The administration has long defended its misstatements about the threat posed by Iraq and its WMD, saying they were due to faulty intelligence. But as Murray Waas points out in the *National Journal*, two classified reports that Bush received before the invasion contradict this assertion.

In October 2002, according to Waas, the Cowboy was told that the State Department's intelligence bureau and Energy Department nuclear experts had concluded that the infamous aluminum tubes the administration was pointing to as evidence of Saddam's ongoing WMD program were in fact "intended for conventional weapons."

Of course, all that fall and winter, no administration official mentioned that at all.

And in January 2003, according to Waas, Bush was told that Iraq posed no imminent threat to the United States.

Of course, the administration was making exactly the opposite argument. So no wonder his poll numbers are dismal. Some local conservatives should take heed; you dissemble enough, it comes back to bite you in the butt.

Living on Pluto, indeed. ■ Rumors that **Beau Elliot** is actually one of the newly discovered moons of Pluto are greatly exaggerated, he assures us. However, we have noticed recently that he does seem to have that faraway look in his eyes.

LETTERS

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Flip flop

As a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, I feel that some of the portrayals of Franklin Doane-Arkulary and my fraternity's association with him have been misconstrued.

First of all, Lambda Chi Alpha in no way supports the King Kong Party or Flip's campaign. Members are encouraged to hold their own viewpoints and support whomever they deem worthy; however, the colony, as a whole, does not support any specific candidate or party. I myself choose not to support Flip for many reasons, most of which have come from Flip's leadership experience through the fraternity.

Flip has been a poor leader, member, and brother of Lambda Chi Alpha. As vice president external, Flip failed to organize the members to conduct our annual community fundraiser, the North American Food Drive. If Flip can't even organize a simple food drive, how am I supposed to believe that he will be able to lead the entire student body? Flip also fails to attend regular meetings at the fraternity, not just this year during his campaign, but also during the last couple of semesters. If Flip cannot attend a weekly fraternity meeting, do you really believe that he will attend all of the necessary events expected of a president of the student body?

A key part of his résumé has been a philanthropy known as Chocolate Twister. While this event held a great deal of success, many of the funds were never collected, putting the colony in an unfair situation. It is also my belief that the event would not have been nearly as successful had it not been for the direct support and planning of a multi-member committee, members of which had mentioned to me that their portion of the planning was relentless.

A president is a person who can lead with strength and ease in all situations, a person whom everyone can rely on to continue to make strides in the right direction. Flip Arkulary does not hold these values, and, while I encourage all people to make their own decisions, I hope my thoughts will help point you all in a more educated direction.

Aaron Harthan
UI student

Bug off, Big Awesome

Today, UI students have a chance to exercise a right that we hold dearly in this country, a right that many people in this world still do not have: the right to vote. Your vote is



your political muscle, and it's every student's responsibility to flex it, but flex it wisely.

The Big Awesome Party boasts itself on being the most diverse party running. On its Facebook page, it seems to take pride in being the only party representative of underclassmen, the only party sharing love with the West Side (which means what?), the only party with Drew Tate on its fliers, led by a science major, and the only cool party — do those qualities somehow qualify it to run student government?

Then again, according to a statement Atul Nakhasi made at the *DI* debate, "Facebook isn't meant to be taken seriously." Maybe the Big Awesome Party isn't meant to be taken seriously, either.

I will admit I carry some amount of personal bias: Not only have I filed complaints against them, resulting in \$40 in fines, but there are also two pending because of an incident in which I informed them that the campaigning they were doing was questionable, and I would report them for it (to which football player/candidate Vernon Jackson responded, "I'll report your mom").

I will give the party members some credit, though: They do truly represent freshmen — being concerned about meal plans and dorm issues that primarily affect first-year students. The Big Awesome Party truly does speak for freshmen.

When you cast your vote on ISIS, I do not want to tell you whom to vote for. Ideally, students would read up on the issues and make their own personal, informed decisions. What I do want to tell

you is to consider who will speak for the whole university and not just freshmen, who will have the experience needed to run student government, and most importantly, who should be an elected official and who should stick to playing football.

Jake White
UI student

Conservatives' tactics

Is anyone really surprised that student-government presidential candidate Shannon Thomas and her junior Brown Shirts in the IC party are lying, cheating, and shirking responsibility for their actions in the matter of illegal fundraising? After all, Karl Rove (Bush's brain) and Jack Abramoff (Mr. Corruption) got their start as dirty tricksters as conservative College Republicans.

Thomas and her accomplices see their heroes lying: Iraq has weapons of mass destruction, says George W.; who's Valerie Plame? laughs Cheney. Avoiding service in a war that they champion — Dick "I'm the real President" Cheney had "other things to do" rather than go to Vietnam, and our commander in chief deserted the Alabama Air National Guard. In that fine tradition, our current crop of neofascists on campus are happy to "Support the Troops," as long as they, themselves, can stay home and play dirty politics, while the children of the poor schlep off to Iraq.

And, no matter what lies they tell, crimes they commit, or damage they do, these poor victimized conservatives are

not responsible! The university community is just biased against conservative "values." Conservatives have to break the rules and run as stealth candidates to win office in the hope of furthering their cynical and morally bankrupt agenda. It's all part of the Republican culture of corruption. In 15 years, Thomas will be running for Congress on a God, Guns, and Morality platform. I can't wait.

Duncan Stewart
UI employee

Students' service

"Conservative" is a political party in Canada and a political ideology in the United States. "Conservative values" are not synonymous with Republican values, as strongly implied by the *DI* ("Board to hear election charges," March 2) and editorial-page contributors.

It is an unwritten principle of student government to advance the interests of students in a nonpartisan fashion, a principle flaunted annually by aspiring presidential candidates who form electoral alliances with cutesy names and ridiculous mascots. It is amazing to consider all the effort spent to attract the support of students who have better uses for their time than UISG politics. Although it is unfortunate that Zach Johnson contributed to this local variety of partisan politics by forming the "IC party," never once did his "conservative values" interfere with his duty to represent students while he and I served together in UISG.

I am not affiliated with any candidate or campaign and only submit this letter to address the issues of character and integrity that have regrettably defined this election season. Over the past few years, I have witnessed Shannon Thomas demonstrate capable, effective leadership through the 10,000 Hours Show, a Student Organization without parallel among Big Ten schools, and serve others with a dignity and grace essential to the very frustrating, very public position of student-government president. In short, her character is impeccable.

Student government demands the type of leader who can withstand the inevitable moments when representing the student interests becomes the most unpopular thing a president can do. Vote Shannon Thomas for UISG president to elect that kind of leader.

Tom Niblock
UI student

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ON THE SPOT

How much should the city spend on public art?



"\$20,000 a year."

Amanda Beck
UI junior



"\$50,000 a year. Whatever it needs to put up a couple nice sculptures."

James Myers
UI junior



"\$50,000 sounds reasonable. It adds creativity to the city, so I think it's an important investment."

Stephanie Colgan
UI junior



"Not as much as it is."

Katie McCabe
UI junior

OPINIONS

UISG ELECTION TIME

If you haven't voted yet, you should — just go to "My Voting" on ISIS. And all the *D*'s election coverage can still be found online at: daily-iowan@uiowa.edu

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Absent recruiters

What if they gave a war and nobody came? That's what happened Feb. 28 at the UI Career Fair. As a member of the UI Antiwar Committee, I have waited in restless anticipation for the Career Fair so I could protest the presence of military recruiters on campus. I guess we won this battle, because the recruiters did not even bother to show up. Besides my personal beliefs of trained salespeople duping high-school and college students to lay down their lives for American imperialism, the presence of military recruiters at an event sponsored by the university is plain and simple against university policy. The military discriminates against gays and lesbians, a well-published fact, but as a 52-year-old disabled Navy veteran, I was toying with the idea of trying to enlist and have them turn me down, proving the military also violates the Americans with Disabilities Act and engages in age discrimination. Do not blame the university for the presence of the military on campus. The No Child Left Behind Act forces schools to allow the military to recruit on campus, or essential government funding will

be cut off. I prefer to call this the No Child Left Unrecruited Act. Now, for you people thinking about responding to this letter, stick to the issues, and I will be glad to debate you. I am a veteran. I am not a gay hippie. I am not even a (shudder) liberal. I am an educated, thinking patriotic individual who is tired of all the current administration's lies. Being as this is a democracy, my allegiance belongs to my country, not to individuals elected by an ill-informed public. If allegiance were claimed unquestionably to the president, then this would be a monarchy, not a democracy.

William Klahn
Iowa City resident

Drug-policy abuse

As the executive director of the world's largest organization of police, judges, and other criminal-justice professionals who oppose the policy of drug Prohibition, I'd like to echo Lia Anthony ("Commendable stand," Feb. 28). Regardless of how we choose to assess the potential health benefits and/or risk attached to marijuana use, having the criminal-justice system as the primary arm of public response is bad policy. Using police and the criminal courts to punish marijuana users leaves cops short on needed manpower and resources needed to

deal with street level crimes against persons and/or property.

The cited motivation of those insisting on continued marijuana prohibition is its potential risk to health and well-being. But cops are not health-care professionals. Prison cells are not places where health care and treatment take place. And a lifetime criminal record will most certainly hamper the health of one's long-term future.

By all means, increase accurate education about marijuana to all citizens and make any needed medical care more accessible to all citizens. But don't shackle the police with a job that should be reserved for health-care professionals and educators.

More important — based on our combined decades of experience fighting the so-called "drug war" — it's time to legalize marijuana and move production and distribution into a licensed and regulated setting. This need is even more urgent if one views pot as a dangerous drug. It is our opinion that risky and dangerous substances are best distributed in controlled and regulated settings. Such regulation is impossible under a system of criminal prohibition.

Jack A. Cole
Law Enforcement Against Prohibition
executive director

Cultural success

March 4 was the culmination of nine months of planning for the Indian Cultural Association's fourth-annual dance competition, *Nachte Rahon*.

There were many people involved in the preparation of this event. I would like to thank the members of the executive board for all their hard work. They invited the teams, were in charge of publicity, and searched for sponsorships, all while pursuing other activities for our members throughout the year. Richa Pokhrel, Niraj Patel, Sri Akella, Deepa Kunapuli, Eishita Manjrekar, Anand Bhatia, Sapna Sondhi, Karan Gadhok, Gautam Reddy, Tara Olds, Shruthi Bhatt, and Asmita — thank you. Sri and Deepa, you fulfilled your board duties, while taking on the task of MC'ing the show: Great job! I would also like to thank our volunteers for helping out in the days leading to and day of the show.

A special mention to Tejal Patel and Neena Stephen, who were in charge of decorations; Radhika Bedi, Aparna Mandiga, and Neena for singing the national anthems; as well as everyone who helped us set up, serve food, and tear down. Also thank you to our sponsors, without whom *Nachte Rahon* would not be possible, and

our guests of honor Marcella David and Swati Dandekar.

Finally, I am very grateful to my vice president, Manish Aggarwal. He has been instrumental in the success of the show, taking on countless duties during the course of the year, being more of a co-president than a second in command. Thank you all for a great time.

Monica Verma
UI student
Indian Cultural Association president

Don't be hating

The Hate Acts Rapid Response Team of Johnson County is alarmed by the recent increase in the Iowa City area of hate acts and hate crimes targeting people because of a perception that they are Muslim and/or of Middle Eastern descent. Our Muslim and Middle Eastern citizens and visitors may be very vulnerable at this time. In general, they are reluctant to talk about their and their children's negative experiences for fear of further backlash. I am sure many of us understand that fear.

The majority of people in our community share values of inclusion, tolerance, and acceptance, as evidenced by the outpouring of support for efforts by the Hate Acts Rapid Response Team. Rallies, town-hall meetings, advertisements, and seminars certainly have a place in

countering discrimination and hate. However, recent events have convinced us that a much greater communitywide response is needed to successfully stem the tide of hate building towards Muslims and people of Middle Eastern or perceived Middle Eastern descent.

We are asking Johnson County citizens to join a communitywide campaign to Stop the Hate. Here are a few ways to start: Remind adults and children why it is important to accept, respect, and celebrate the wonderful diversity of our community; write a letter to the editor to express your commitment to community inclusion; reach out to people you meet who may be Muslim or from the Middle East; speak up against jokes and behaviors that are based on prejudice and discrimination.

This Stop the Hate campaign can be very powerful, but its success depends on you and people like you. Let's make a real difference and create a truly welcoming, progressive community. If you are moved to do more, support our efforts by becoming a member and/or volunteering. For more information, call (319) 337-2548 or visit www.tolerance.org.

Faith Wilmut
Hate Acts Rapid Response Team co-head

COMMENTARY

Your iPod and your health

Music lovers who enjoy listening to their favorite tunes may want to think twice before putting two shiny white buds into their ears. Along with playing tunes from your favorite artists, Apple's iPod could be a risk to your health. The issue has already led to a lawsuit against the company. Yet consumers continue to buy the product. Who is to blame for this problem: The company or the consumer?

Much research has been done regarding the effects of headphones on hearing. According to the U.S. Occupational Safety & Health Administration, listening to noise at around 80 decibels for eight hours can cause hearing damage. Your favorite downtown dance club puts out noise levels of 100 decibels, causing hearing loss within one or two hours. With the iPods reaching levels of more than 115 decibels, users often experience rock-concert-level music blaring from their headphones. The Food and Drug Administration consumer magazine states that hearing loss occurs when the tiny hairs in the inner ear are damaged. These hair cells do not regenerate, resulting in irreversible hearing loss.

The Apple company has always warned consumers through the iPod owner's manual: "Warning: Permanent hearing loss may occur if earphones are used at high volume." The company does have the ability to sell its product with a lower volume capacity. The French government forbids music players that exceed 100 decibels. The U.S.

government can easily follow France's lead and make the same regulation, thus limiting hearing loss candidates. However, the U.S. iPods remain the same.

Despite the risks of hearing loss, the Apple company still continues to sell its volume-pumped iPod. Consumers continue to buy the product at amazing numbers; the Apple website reported that more than 30 million iPods were sold in 2005 — the equivalent to the entire population of California. While some owners of the iPod disregard the volume risks, others have taken action. In February, John Kiel Patterson filed a lawsuit against Apple for its failure to produce hearing-risk-free iPods. He wanted the company to lower the standard volume to a safe decibel level.

Damage caused from the high volumes of the iPod can be prevented by the consumer. Hearing specialists suggest that music enjoyment be minimized to around an hour a day at a volume of less than seventy decibels.

iPod listeners are responsible for their own ears; after all, they are the ones who purchase the product. People today seem to place the blame on everyone but themselves. Outrageous reasons to sue seem to overwhelm courts all too often. Sometimes, the only ones to blame are the people, themselves. So iPod owners, the solution is simple; ease your ears by taking the matter into your own hands. Turn the iPod down.

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GUEST OPINION

Pricey presidents' added cost

Our university's departing president, David Skorton, concedes, "When the median family income in Iowa is around \$45,000 and I make over \$300,000, it's hard to argue that is not a lot of money. It's very generous."

When I ran for Congress, I pledged my personal pay would be set by my constituents' median income. Any additional would go to district projects.

Some of the wealthy beneficiaries of President George W. Bush's tax cuts say they neither need nor want them.

Admittedly, Skorton's observation, my offer, and the satisfied wealthy are pretty rare in this "I've got mine, Jack" economic environment.

We're going to have to pay our next university president significantly more. I'm not saying we shouldn't.

But this is a "teachable moment," a time to reflect on compensation in America.

In 1982, the average CEO made 42 times what she paid average workers. By 2001, the ratio reached 525 to one. The cumulative pay of the top 10 over the past 15 years? Try \$11.7 billion. Had the minimum wage risen as fast, it would be \$23.03 an hour — not \$5.15.

An entrepreneur such as Bill Gates who builds his own firm has a legitimate claim to riches. For some, income increases even as profits decline. Increased sales are as likely the result of economic growth as executive genius.

Nor are disparities limited to the for-profit sector. The gap between school superintendents' and teachers' pay keeps growing. So does the gap between university presidents and faculty. If you're a CEO, and a board sets your pay, you're probably sharing in similar largess.

Nobody ever said personal income would be either rational or fair. You get what you negotiate.

And what you can negotiate with collective bargaining will be substantially more than without it.

As advertising manipulates us to know the price of everything and the value of nothing, it's worth reflecting on what values we do have, other than income."

How much is enough? Clearly, it's more than the share of our bounty provided the homeless, unemployed, and working poor.

But for those not in the bottom quartile, those in the top 10 percent, what is their "need" to be in the top one-tenth of one percent?

Those salaries aren't about money or acquiring more "stuff." They're about egos feeding on a comparative prestige, measured only in dollars.

Is it not possible to live fairly well on \$300,000 a year in Iowa City, especially with a free house, car, and other expenses? Is there no one of quality in America who would love to assume the challenges, opportunities, and prestige of leading this great university for compensation Skorton deems "generous"?

Can we find longevity and institutional devotion in people who come here because we pay them more? Isn't that like trying to find fidelity in marriage with a potential spouse you met through an adulterous affair? Like the spouse looking for the high of the next affair, why will those whose self-esteem demands ever-higher pay stay with us any longer than their next better offer?

But I suppose I dream. We don't make the rules; we just play the game. And, from the winner comes the spoils. So, we'll pony up as much money as it takes and hope for the best.

But the stability we'll gain and the example we'll set for our young students should cause us to pause and reflect. For the price we'll pay may end up being much more than the hundreds of thousands of dollars Iowans put on the table.

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Hall of Famer
Kirby Puckett dies

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Kirby Puckett died Monday, a day after the Hall of Fame outfielder had a stroke at his Arizona home, a hospital spokeswoman said. He was 44.

Puckett died at St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center in Phoenix, Kimberly Lodge said. He had been in intensive care since having surgery at another hospital following his stroke Sunday morning.

Puckett carried the Twins to World Series titles in 1987 and 1991 before his career was cut short by glaucoma. His family, friends, and former teammates gathered at the hospital throughout Monday.

The hospital said Puckett was given last rites and died in the afternoon.

"On behalf of Major League Baseball, I am terribly saddened by the sudden passing of Kirby Puckett," baseball Commissioner Bud Selig said. "He was a Hall of Famer in every sense of the term."

"He played his entire career with the Twins and was an icon in Minnesota. But he was revered throughout the country and will be remembered wherever the game is played. Kirby was taken from us much too soon — and too quickly."

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Big support expected for Mexico

PHOENIX (AP) — Shouts of "Viva Mexico" might drown out chants of "U-S-A, U-S-A" when the United States takes the field for its World Baseball Classic opener today.

At least a quarter of Arizona's 5 million residents are Latino, so there should be a strong show of support for the "visiting" Mexican team among the 30,000 or so expected for the game at Chase Field.

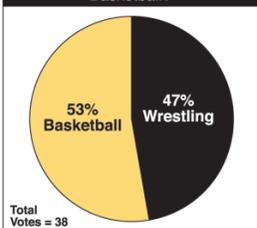
A hint came March 4, when a festive crowd packed Tucson Electric Park to cheer on Mexico's 6-1 exhibition victory over the Arizona Diamondbacks.

"I expect them to be very supportive, and I think that will fuel the USA fans, once they get into this atmosphere," U.S. manager Buck Martinez said Monday.

D/ POLL RESULTS

FROM LAST WEEK'S POINT/COUNTERPOINT QUESTION:

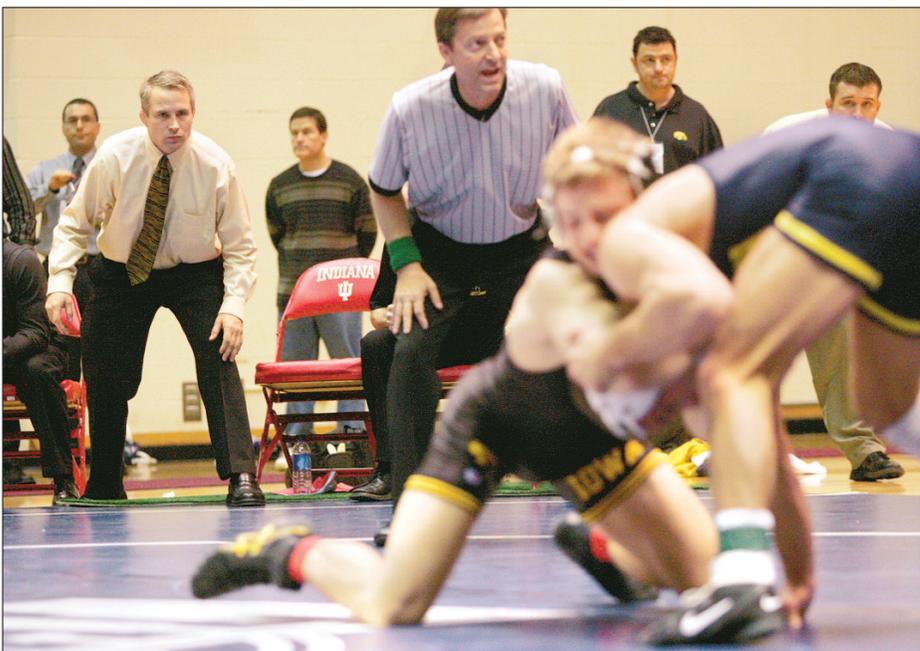
Who will finish higher at the Big Tens: Wrestling or Women's Basketball?



WRESTLING

Iowa's recent Big Ten Tournament performance doesn't necessarily reflect a program in dire straits

Better than it looks



Rachel Mummy/The Daily Iowan

Iowa coach Jim Zalesky watches intensely during Hawkeye Alex Tsirtsis' match against Michigan's Josh Churella in the finals of the Big Ten wrestling meet in Bloomington, Ind. Tsirtsis won and took third place at 141 pounds.

BY BRYAN BAMONTE
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa was without a champion and a chance when it left last weekend's Big Ten meet.

The Hawkeyes floated through the meet, the vanilla version of a former dynasty. An entire program on vibrate.

Their latest performance raises one question.

If a once-proud program falls to sixth in the Big Ten Tournament and no one is around to hear it, does it make a sound?

Well, the obvious answer is: yes. Usually the thudding sound of Iowa hitting rock bottom would be resonant.

However, this weekend was a whimper. Iowa didn't actually wrestle as badly as sixth place would suggest. Sure, the Hawkeyes didn't have a Big Ten champion. And they lost winnable matches. But they did have eight national qualifiers, one more than the seven they sent a season ago. And Iowa did grind it out in garbage time. With nothing more than a third-place finish possible, several Hawkeyes knocked off higher seeded opponents Sunday.

And, so, Iowa left Bloomington the same way it came. Muddled and muted.

"I thought, overall, we had a pretty good effort," Iowa coach Jim Zalesky said. "Guys came back and wrestled hard; last year, we just didn't see the effort."

The problem wasn't effort. As Zalesky said, most of the Hawkeyes were exhaustive in their effort. The problem is that effort doesn't medal.

"Whenever you have young guys making progress, you can look at it as a positive," Zalesky said. "But we still have guys doing things that you can't do if you want to win at these types of tournaments."

Of the Hawkeyes' eight seeded wrestlers, only 165-pounder Eric Luedke finished higher than his seeding. Three Hawkeyes matched their seedings, while the other four wrestled below theirs. Neither of Iowa's unseeded wrestlers won a match, although 133-pounder Daniel Dennis did everything but win his opener.

So, while sixth sounds bad, it was simply suitable.

Had Iowa wrestled to its seedings, the team would have

finished fifth. Had Iowa's Ryan Fuller or Matt Fields still have been healthy, they would have finished fourth. Had they have done both of the above and had more than one of five semifinalists reach the finals, they might have finished third or higher.

"You always want to do better, but without heavyweight, we're down to a third-place guy there, and, still, we could have done better," Zalesky said.

"I don't really look at team scorings too much, until the end of the tournament, but we had some frustrating matches where we're in the match and even outwrestling our opponent, and we still get beat."

When Mark Perry was pinned in the second period of the 174-pound championship match, it was illustrative. It wasn't Iowa's weekend. And it hasn't been in some time.

"It's just depressing, in general," Perry said. "I'm confused about the future. Things aren't going my way or the team's way, and it's depressing."

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Pressure off Hawks

'We have experience ... I think we'll carry a lot of momentum and a lot of confidence into this game.'



— Steve Alford, Iowa men's coach

BY JASON BRUMMOND
THE DAILY IOWAN

The consensus around the Iowa basketball team's locker room is clear — no preference.

The No. 20 Hawkeyes will play either Michigan or Minnesota in the Big Ten Tournament on Friday. They collected wins against both squads this season, and no one on the team favors one squad over the other, at least publicly.

"We have experience," Iowa coach Steve Alford said Monday. "I think we'll carry a lot of momentum and a lot of confidence into this game."

"We know, regardless of whom we play, that it's going to be an extremely difficult game."

The conference tournament will start Thursday, with three games in Indianapolis' Conseco Field House. This year's field, which could produce seven NCAA Tournament teams and possibly a trio of NIT contenders, could be the deepest pool in the tourney's nine-year history.

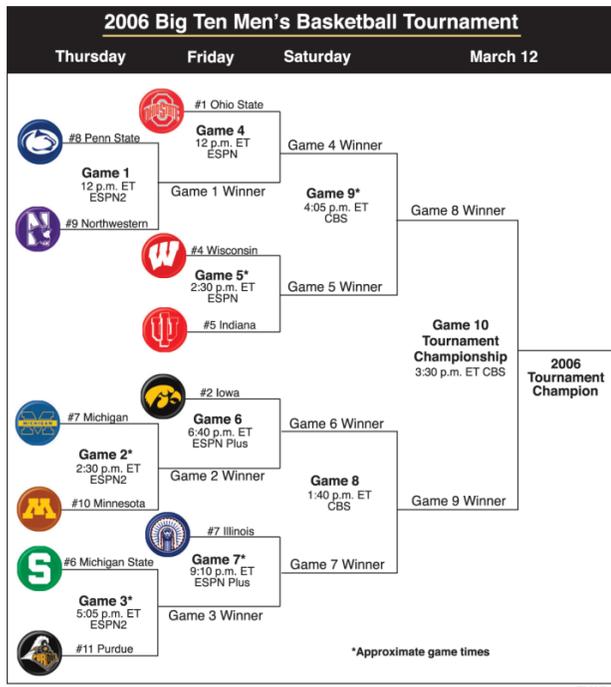
And, for the first time, Iowa (22-8, 11-5 Big Ten) has already secured an at-large NCAA bid before the conference tournament. The Hawkeyes won the tournament in 2001 to earn an NCAA berth and were on the bubble last season before collecting two wins.

"There's going to be a lot of pressure off us," guard Jeff Horner said. "We can just go in and play."

BIG TEN ACCOLADES ON THE WAY?

Senior Greg Brunner, who averages 14.2 points and a Big Ten-leading 9.7 rebounds a contest, is garnering consideration from coaches around the league as a MVP candidate. Alford said Brunner has his vote, considering everything he's meant to this year's team, but he doesn't see the power forward falling off the first-team all-conference squad.

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POINT/COUNTERPOINT

IS THIS THE BEST IOWA TOURNAMENT TEAM EVER?

YES — CHARLIE KAUTZ

When filling out your tournament bracket in early March, what are the things you look for when picking a team that is "sweet" or even "elite"?

Do you look for toughness? Athleticism? Maybe you look for a team with years of experience that plays outstanding defense.

Oh, you want a team that is battle-tested from a conference schedule loaded with ranked opponents? And that has a top 15 RPI?

Sounds like a lot to ask, but this year's Iowa basketball team has it all.

Anchored by the play of four seniors, the Hawkeyes have done more than enough this season to prove they belong in the discussion of the greatest Iowa teams of all-time. For starters, let's begin with reminding everyone this is the only team to go undefeated at Carver, making it feel more like Cameron Indoor.

Defense is clearly the team's strength — the Hawkeyes allow just 59.1 points per game and lead the Big Ten with 149 blocks this season — 42 more than No. 2 Michigan.

Not to mention the Hawks hit the glass, also leading the conference in defensive rebounding.

You want offense? Three players — Greg Brunner, Adam Haluska, and Jeff Horner — all average double figures in points. Horner leads the conference in assists at 5.6 a game, and Brunner holds top spot in rebounding at 9.7 per 40.

But I guess, it's not that impressive, because the Big Ten will only send seven teams to the dance this year. Unlike the 1979-80 team that lost in the Final Four with Ronnie Lester hurt, Iowa proved it could fight through an injury when Horner went down this season.

And for my money, I'll take Erik Hansen over the cat that Bill Russell worked 50 years ago. Because in 1956, blocked shots weren't even a recorded statistic.

— by Charlie Kautz

NO — TYSON WIRTH

Let's make one thing clear — I like this ball club. A lot. The players are tough, smart, and athletic. But to say they could be the best Iowa tournament team ever is one part lunacy, one part wishful thinking, and two parts ignorance.

They're probably not even the best of the last decade. Did we already forget the Sweet 16 run of Dean Oliver, Jess Settles, and the rest of the Hawkeyes in 1998-99? That squad barely lost to eventual national champion UConn.

But forget the Sweet 16. How much would you bet this year's team is going to the Final Four? Because that's exactly what they would have to do to match the Ronnie Lester-led squad of 1979-80.

So, if Iowa somehow makes it to the Final Four, it theoretically could have a claim to being one of the best tournament teams of all-time. Right?

Wrong. The 1955-56 Hawkeyes stormed all the way to the national championship game before finally losing. And that was to San Francisco and some guy named Bill Russell.

Plus, the NCAA Tournament won't be played in Iowa City. The Hawkeyes have dominated at home, to be sure, but they're a paltry 5-8 away from Carver-Hawkeye Arena. And this is essentially the same team that got pounded against Cincinnati in the first round of last year's tournament.

This year's Hawkeyes are tough-nosed and fun to watch. But they're not even in the discussion of the best Iowa tournament team ever. To say so would not only place unrealistic expectations on the squad, it would be disrespectful to all the great teams of year's past.

Besides, you really think Mantis could handle Bill Russell in the post? Me neither.

— by Tyson Wirth



Horner
senior guard



Brunner
senior forward

SPORTS

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WOMEN'S BIG TEN TOURNAMENT

At Consco Fieldhouse
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First Round
Thursday, March 2
 Penn State 80, Wisconsin 73
 Illinois 60, Northwestern 49
 Indiana 68, Michigan 52
Quarterfinals
Friday, March 3
 Ohio State 64, Penn State 46
 Michigan State 79, Iowa 58
 Purdue 68, Illinois 57
 Indiana 61, Minnesota 46
Semifinals
Sunday, March 5
 Ohio State 68, Michigan State 64
 Purdue 67, Indiana 41
Championship
 Ohio State 63, Purdue 60

Portland at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
 San Antonio at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
 Cleveland at Toronto, 6 p.m.
 Chicago at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
 Washington at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
 Golden State at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.
 Sacramento at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
 L.A. Lakers at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
 Indiana at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
 Minnesota at Utah, 8 p.m.
 Memphis at Seattle, 9 p.m.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE		W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Atlantic							
N.Y. Rangers	36	17	8	80	197	147	
Philadelphia	34	18	10	78	204	202	
New Jersey	32	22	7	71	176	171	
N.Y. Islanders	27	29	4	58	177	214	
Pittsburgh	14	36	11	39	173	246	
Northeast							
Ottawa	41	14	5	87	242	143	
Buffalo	38	16	5	81	197	166	
Montreal	29	22	9	67	176	190	
Boston	25	20	10	60	176	189	
Toronto	27	28	5	59	185	206	
Southeast							
Carolina	43	14	4	90	233	187	
Tampa Bay	32	25	4	68	184	186	
Atlanta	29	27	6	64	207	213	
Florida	23	29	9	55	167	190	
Washington	21	33	6	48	169	232	
WESTERN CONFERENCE							
Central							
Detroit	41	14	5	87	218	150	
Nashville	35	19	7	77	188	176	
Columbus	24	26	6	72	202	215	
Chicago	19	32	9	47	154	211	
St. Louis	18	32	9	45	162	216	
Northwest							
Calgary	35	18	7	77	159	147	
Vancouver	35	23	5	75	207	192	
Colorado	34	23	6	74	224	199	
Edmonton	32	21	6	72	201	194	
Minnesota	30	28	5	65	187	167	
Pacific							
Dallas	40	18	3	83	206	167	
Los Angeles	34	23	5	73	209	204	
Anaheim	28	20	12	68	174	166	
San Jose	28	23	8	64	181	178	
Phoenix	28	29	4	60	180	201	
Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss.							
Monday's Games							
Atlanta 4, Florida 3, SO							
Washington 5, N.Y. Islanders 2							
Carolina 2, N.Y. Rangers 1							
Philadelphia 5, Montreal 4, SO							
Ottawa 4, Tampa Bay 0							
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Chicago at Columbus, 6 p.m.							
New Jersey at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.							
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Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.							
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Carolina at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.							

NATIONAL BASKETBALL LEAGUE

By The Associated Press
 All Times EDT
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic		W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	32	27	542	—	
Philadelphia	30	29	508	2	
Boston	24	35	407	8	
Toronto	21	38	356	11	
New York	16	43	271	16	
Southeast					
Detroit	48	11	814	—	
Cleveland	34	26	567	14%	
Indiana	30	26	536	16%	
Milwaukee	29	30	492	19	
Chicago	26	33	441	22	
WESTERN CONFERENCE					
Southwest					
San Antonio	47	12	797	—	
Dallas	46	13	780	1	
Memphis	33	27	550	14%	
New Orleans	31	28	525	16	
Houston	27	33	450	20%	
Northwest					
Denver	33	28	541	—	
Utah	29	31	483	3%	
Minnesota	26	32	448	5%	
Seattle	23	37	383	9%	
Portland	19	40	322	13	
Pacific					
Phoenix	42	17	712	—	
L.A. Clippers	33	25	569	8%	
L.A. Lakers	31	30	508	12	
Sacramento	29	31	483	13%	
Golden State	25	34	424	17	

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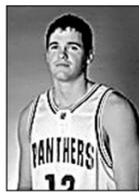
Valley wants 5 in tourney

BY R.B. FALLSTROM
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. LOUIS — The Missouri Valley Tournament unfolded perfectly for the league's hopes of sending as many as five teams to the NCAAs.

The two teams most in need of wins reached the finals.

"The outcome of the championship game puts us in a position where I believe, in my heart, that we deserve and will get five," MVC Commissioner Doug Elgin said. "If there are a lot of at-large bids gobbled up by upsets, potentially, we could get fewer, but I don't think there's any question that we have six teams, right now, that I think are NCAA tournament-caliber."



Jacobson
 UNI guard

That talk may sound a tad optimistic, considering the conference has never received more than three bids, but Elgin should know. He was a member of the selection committee from 1999-2002.

"It gives me perspective," he said. "I'm not as educated as I was when I was on the committee, by far, but I do know our teams are worthy."

The RPI rankings display the Valley's unprecedented power, with six teams in the top 42 and an overall sixth-place conference ranking. Missouri State leads the way at 21st, and the Bears finished third in the conference. Northern Iowa is 26th, regular-season champion Wichita State is 28th, Southern Illinois 30th, Bradley 34th, and Creighton 42nd.

The first three likely were locks for bids on selection Sunday, entering the tournament. Northern Iowa had the strongest nonconference showing in the league, beating Iowa at home and winning at LSU.

"It's going to be a long week,

but, as far as we're concerned, we're in," Northern Iowa guard Ben Jacobson said. "This is a tough, tough conference, and I hope the selection committee takes note of that."

Losing in the semifinals shouldn't hurt Wichita State too much. The Shockers have won 13 of 17 and have history on their side. The regular-season MVC champion has received an NCAA bid every year since 1994, even though only two top seeds won the league tournament during that period.

"I think if everyone in this room had a gun to his head, you'd say, 'Shockers are in the tournament,'" Wichita State coach Mark Turgeon told reporters at his postgame news conference. "We're going to prepare like we're in the tournament, and I think we've earned it."

Southern Illinois was the No. 2 seed in the tournament, but the Salukis still needed to bolster their résumé. Then they beat Northern Iowa in the semifinals and Bradley in the championship game to earn an automatic bid.

Bradley, the fifth seed, built its case with a seven-game winning streak before fizzling in the second half of the title game. That includes a victory over Wichita State in the semifinals.

"We made a pretty good run, until this game came around," forward Lawrence Wright said. "I think the NCAA, they just see who's playing the best at the end of the season. I think with 20 wins, we should be able to make it in."

The Valley could make a case for a sixth team, Creighton, although it's a stretch. The Bluejays finished fourth in the regular season and then lost in the opening round of the tournament.

"So, the dilemma the basketball committee has is this: If you don't take five, whom do you leave out?" Elgin said.

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HAWKEYE SPORTS SCHEDULE

Thursday
 Swimming & Diving at NCAA Diving Qualifying Meet in Columbus, Ohio, TBA
Friday
 Men's basketball vs. TBD in Big Ten Tournament, Indianapolis
 Baseball at UTSA Tournament, San Antonio, vs. Texas-San Antonio, 3 p.m.
 Softball at NIST, San Jose, Calif., vs. North Dakota State, 3 p.m.; vs. San Jose State, 9 p.m.
 Men's gymnastics at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
 Men's track at NCAA Indoor Championships, Fayetteville, Ark., all day
 Swimming & Diving at NCAA Diving Qualifying Meet in Columbus, Ohio, TBA
Saturday
 Men's basketball vs. TBD in Big Ten Tournament, Indianapolis
 Baseball at UTSA Tournament, San Antonio, vs. Notre Dame, 11 a.m.
 Women's tennis at Kansas, 11 a.m.
 Women's gymnastics hosts Missouri, 7 p.m. at Carver-Hawkeye Arena
 Men's track at NCAA Indoor Championships, Fayetteville, Ark., all day
 Swimming & Diving at NCAA Diving Qualifying Meet in Columbus, Ohio, TBA

Rowers pile up the meters

BY TYSON WIRTH
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa sophomore Jamie Siers rowed more this winter than ever before. For 16 weeks, she and her teammates executed a new conditioning program coach Mandi Kowal implemented. The squad members didn't run or swim, as they had in the past. Instead, they channeled their time and energy exclusively into rowing.

"It was really hard. I won't be dishonest; it wasn't, 'I love it, this is great.' The sentiment was more like, 'I hate life,'" Siers laughed. "It was a huge amount; it was very, very difficult. But a team atmosphere really helped us finish out the program."

Kowal estimates Iowa racked up more than 1.8 million meters this winter — three times what the Hawkeyes had in the past — and more than 80,000 meters per team member.

But the program didn't just change the team's type of exercise, it improved the efficiency of the training as well. Previously, rowers exercised in unison, sweating at ergometer machines for a predetermined amount of time. Now, each Hawkeye adheres to a personalized system that takes into account past performance and individual goals. Every athlete has her own time to strive for.

"As an athlete, I find it motivating," said Kowal, who runs triathlons in addition to coaching. "I love the fact that whether you're the fastest or the slowest in the boathouse, you can get a score that you can achieve."

It depends on honesty by the rowers to report accurate times. And, at least in practice, the theory has worked. The athlete's times dipped almost without exception,



Rachel Mummey/The Daily Iowan

Members of the Iowa rowing team make their way down the Iowa River on Oct. 30, 2005.

'I love the fact that whether you're the fastest or the slowest in the boathouse, you can get a score that you can achieve.'

— rowing coach Mandi Kowal

which wasn't always the case in past years, because some women have been rowing so long. But Siers says in the 6,000 meters, for example, some Hawkeyes' splits shrunk by more than a minute.

"That's a huge amount of time," she said. "Last year, I know endurance wasn't there. We weren't as fit. But we pounded the meters, meter after meter after meter, and now, because we've been doing really long pieces so much, when we do a 2K, it's like we've done it 1,000 times

already, literally." It shows, Kowal said the team's improvement on water is noticeable in the form of bigger puddle sizes from oars and faster boat speeds. Indoors on the stationary rowing machine, the team's 500-meter low intensity split was 2:09 in week 10 of training. Now, just seven weeks afterwards, the same split has been pared to 1:54.

The system doesn't just shrink away seconds, either. Inconsistent rowers have always been at a higher risk for injury when they compete. Now

Kowal is able to show each Hawkeye where they need to speed up or downshift to remain most consistent and least at risk for injuries.

There are disadvantages of the system, however. The 12th-year-Iowa coach spends up to three hours each week entering individual data to create a personalized and updated program for each team member. But she says it's worth it. With the team's first competition looming March 12 against Wisconsin in Austin, Texas, her team is hoping to prove it.

"It will definitely be interesting to see how the rowing has been affected," Kowal said. "It will be fun to see if it carries over."

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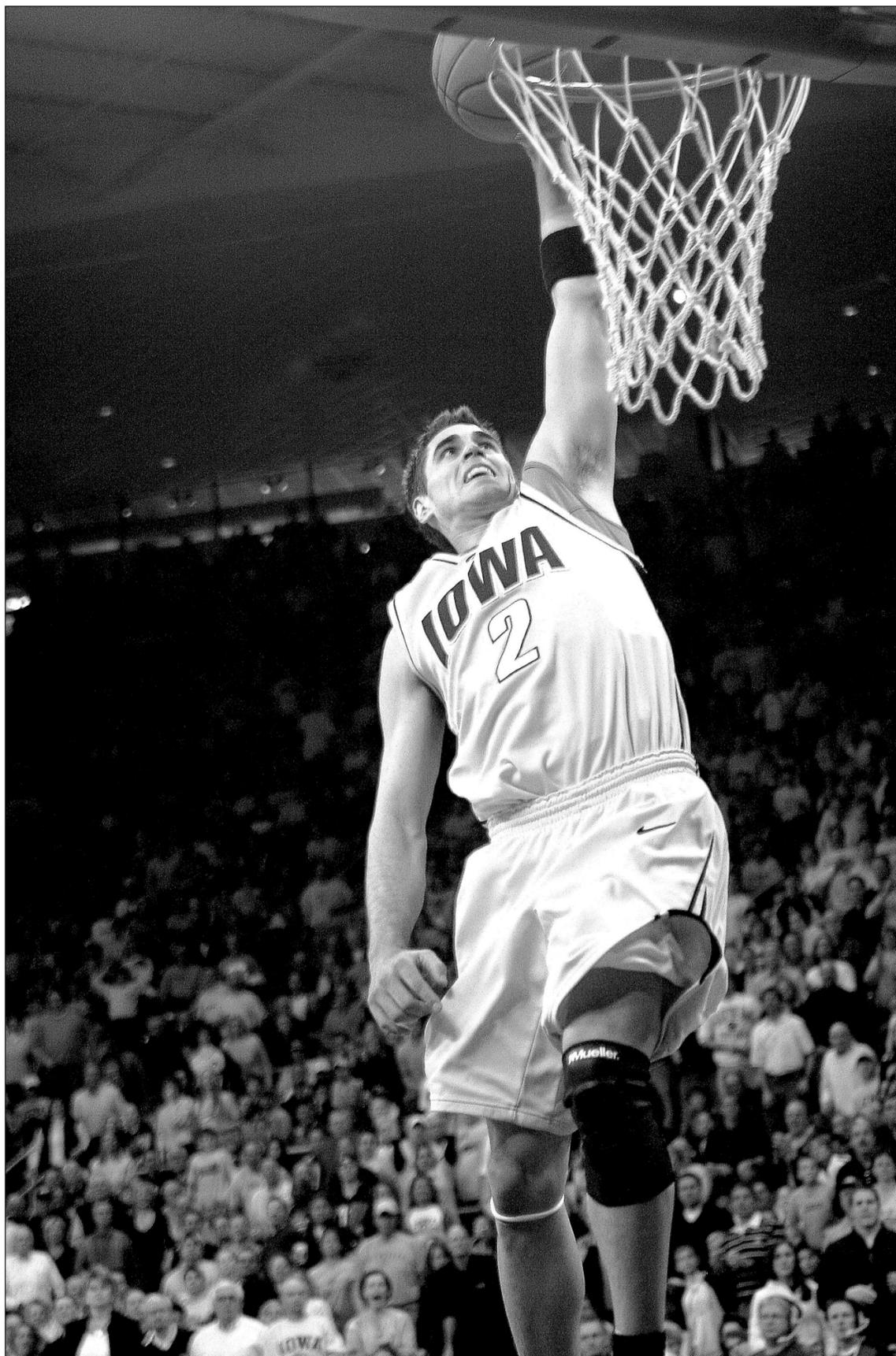
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Hawkeye guard Jeff Horner dunks during the first half of the 23rd-ranked Iowa's 59-44 win over Wisconsin on March 4 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. The victory gave Iowa its first undefeated home season in Carver history and a school-record 18-consecutive wins at home.

BASKETBALL

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Ohio State's Terence Dials, ninth in the league in scoring and fourth in rebounding, is considered the favorite.

Alford also pegged Iowa center Erik Hansen as the conference's top defensive player. The 6-11 Texas native averages a league-best 2.6 blocks a game — one more than anyone else in the Big Ten. Hansen's 3.8 rebounds a contest is sixth on the team.

"In my mind, he's the defensive player of the year," Alford said. "I don't think there's a more disruptive player in our league than Erik."

ONE MORE THANK-YOU

Despite grasping a list of names to thank during his senior speech last weekend at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, the worst happened

for Brunner — he left someone off. The power forward failed to mention his coach at Charles City High School, Todd Forsyth.

He added him Monday afternoon. "I didn't forget him," Brunner said. "I overlooked him."

HAWKEYE HUDDLE IN INDY

Hawkeye fans attending the Big Ten men's basketball tourney can attend the Hawkeye Huddle in Indianapolis at Jillian's, 141 S. Meridian St.

The first huddle will be held on Friday from 4:30-6:30 p.m. As, or if, Iowa progresses through the tournament, the Huddles will be held on Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and March 12 from 1:30-3 p.m.

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finished with back-to-back games at Michigan State and Iowa within a three-day span, no easy task for anyone in the Big Ten.

He also pointed out the Badgers won four in a row to open the Big Ten season. Had they finished with those four games, people would be talking about the Badgers' momentum heading into the postseason, he said.

"You've got to take the 16 games. Don't underreact. Don't overreact," Ryan said at his weekly news conference.

The Badgers had lost five of six before they hosted Indiana a month ago and turned in a dominating performance, winning 72-54. Still, Ryan said Wisconsin is likely to see a different team Friday in Indianapolis.

Alexander inks record contract

KIRKLAND, Wash. (AP) — Shaun Alexander wanted market value. The Seattle Seahawks responded with the richest contract for a running back in NFL history.

Alexander signed an eight-year, \$62 million contract on Monday, keeping the NFL MVP with the NFC champions.

Alexander's agent, Jim Steiner, told the Associated Press on Sunday night that the contract includes over \$15.1 million in guaranteed cash, through signing and other bonuses and 2006 base salary. The \$62 million total exceeds the eight-year, \$60 million contract LaDainian Tomlinson signed with the San Diego Chargers in 2004.

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YANKEES 11, BLUE JAYS 8

At Tampa, Fla., Robinson Cano hit a two-run homer during a six-run second for the Yankees, and starter Chien-Ming Wang allowed three runs and six hits in two innings. Troy Glaus went 2-for-3 with a home run and four RBIs for Toronto.

DODGERS (SS) 0, NATIONALS (SS) 0

At Vero Beach, Fla., Los Angeles' Brad Penny pitched three hitless innings, and Japanese right-hander Takashi Saito struck out three in two innings.

Nationals' starter John Patterson allowed one hit and struck out three in three innings.

PIRATES 5, TWINS 4

At Bradenton, Fla., Jeremy Burnitz homered and doubled twice, and Jose Castillo hit a three-run homer to lead Pittsburgh.

ASTROS 11, NATIONALS (SS) 1

At Kissimmee, Fla., Preston Wilson was 2-for-2 with an RBI to lead Houston. Jason Lane had a three-run home run in the fourth inning, his second of the spring for Houston.

ORIOLES 12, CARDINALS 8

At Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Kevin Millar doubled in two runs and scored during a four-run third inning, and Jeff Conine was 3-for-3 for Baltimore.

DODGERS (SS) 1, MARLINS 1, 10 INNINGS

At Jupiter, Fla., Jason Vargas pitched three scoreless innings to help his bid for a spot in Florida's rotation. Dodgers starter Aaron Sele pitched 2 2/3 scoreless innings.

TIGERS 8, BRAVES 2

At Kissimmee, Fla., Nate Robertson gave up two hits and an unearned run in three innings for Detroit.

REDS 5, PHILLIES 2

At Sarasota, Fla., Cincinnati closer David Weathers, recovering from a torn tendon in the middle finger of his pitching hand, gave up a solo homer to Sal Fasano before retiring three-straight batters.

METS 6, INDIANS 3

At Port St. Lucie, Fla., Cliff Floyd hit a solo homer, and Tom Glavine allowed one run in three innings for New York.

PADRES 8, ROYALS 3

At Surprise, Ariz., David Ross hit two home runs and drove in four runs, and Shawn Estes pitched three scoreless innings for San Diego.

CUBS 12, ATHLETICS 3

At Phoenix, Dan Haren had his second-straight shaky start



Pittsburgh

against the Chicago Cubs, allowing four runs and four hits in three innings.

RANGERS 13, DIAMONDBACKS 11

At Tucson, Ariz., Kevin Mench had five RBIs, including a grand slam off Russ Ortiz in Texas' seven-run second inning.

MARINERS 8, BREWERS 7

At Peoria, Ariz., Kevin Appier pitched three hitless innings, boosting his chances to make the Mariners.

WHITE SOX 4, ROCKIES 2

At Tucson, Ariz., Pablo Ozuna had a two-run single in the first inning, and Ryan Sweeney hit a solo homer in the seventh, leading the World Series champion White Sox to their first spring win.

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Ryan prepares Badgers to face Indiana

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Beating Indiana a month ago got Wisconsin's season back on track.

The Badgers would like to see a repeat with Friday's matchup against the Hoosiers in the Big Ten Tournament.

Wisconsin (19-10, 9-7 Big Ten) lost three of four to finish the Big Ten regular season on a down note. But the Badgers have a chance to shore up its resume for the NCAA Tournament, beginning with Friday's game against the Hoosiers (17-10, 9-7).

Wisconsin coach Bo Ryan said things aren't as bad as some may think. He said Wisconsin

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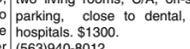
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CAM MICHELS

‘For One Whole Day ...’

- Bombard your TA with irrelevant questions.
- Take the next available Cambus ... even if it is one of those pointless Pentacrest routes.
- Scan the back wall of the front desk of your dorm diligently and place an order to go.
- Don't walk ... creep.
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horoscopes Tuesday, March 7, 2006 — by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Look to friends for advice. You will have an inside view of what can happen if you aren't careful with your money. A chance to get involved in something helpful to others will lead to a better emotional comfort zone.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't even think about making changes to your personal life. Focus on business. You can create an opportunity for yourself, enabling you to make more money and do something you find more interesting.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You can talk a good talk today and even get people to do things for you. However, if you aren't willing to give back, you may find your good times are cut short by disgruntled associates. Do your share.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't be so reluctant to make changes. You will do better than you think, and your fears will seem silly once you have moved on. Your loyalty to your colleagues will allow you to get the lowdown and stay in the loop.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): A partnership you are in may be questionable, especially if you are feeling that he or she may be withholding information. Take charge, and move forward swiftly, but don't lose sight of what this person is doing or how he or she is reacting.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): There will be plenty happening around you today. Everyone will have a different problem for you to solve. Don't meddle in someone else's feud. Being a good listener will keep you out of trouble.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Charm will work wonders for your today. You will be in demand, influential, and successful in persuading people you plan is a good one. Focus on work, money, and getting all the support you can muster.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Today is all about being the best you can be. You need a lift, and, by getting into a physical fitness program, you will feel better about yourself. You could meet someone you find inspirational.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Be very careful with matters that pertain to your home and family. You are likely to make a mistake that will be hard to live down. Someone may cause you emotional grief if you aren't willing to compromise.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You will have to be more open to what the people around you want. That doesn't mean you have to follow the crowd, but it does mean you must respect others' decisions. Recognizing a good opportunity that others don't see may help you get ahead.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Make some physical changes to your home, and you will feel good and impress the people who know and love you. Incorporate things into your life that will lead to improvement. It's not that hard once you take the initial steps.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your mind may be on a host of different thoughts, but that doesn't mean that you can neglect the ones you love. You can expect to run into people from your past, giving you an opportunity to say you're sorry for something you regret.

today's events

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- **Real World Solutions for Dealing with Attitude Problems and Unacceptable Behavior**, 8:30 a.m., IMU
- **"Who Says Latin is Dead? How to Speak Like a Roman in One Easy Lesson,"** 10:30 a.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **Career Education Series, "Creating and Improving Your Résumé,"** 12:10 p.m., C310 Pomerantz Center
- **"The Travels of a T-Shirt in the Global Economy,"** Pietra Rivoli, Georgetown University, 12:15 p.m., 435 Pomerantz Center
- **An Asian-American Perspective on Immigration, National Security, and Politics,** Jan Ting, Harvard Law School, 3 p.m., 225 Boyd Law Building
- **Career Services Expo Activation Session, info session on UI Employment Expo, an online recruiting system,** 3 p.m., C310 Pomerantz Center
- **Faculty Senate Meeting,** 3:30-5:15 p.m., IMU Terrace Room
- **"Lost Boys of Sudan,"** Iowa City Human Right Commission, 6 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Meeting Room A, 123 S. Linn
- **UI Student Government Student Assembly Meeting,** 6:30 p.m., IMU Ballroom
- **"Live from Prairie,"** Mark Yakich, poetry, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Paradise Now,** 7 p.m., Bijou
- **Renée Fleming,** 7:30 p.m., Hancher Auditorium
- **UI Chamber Orchestra, William LaRue Jones, conductor,** 8 p.m., Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington
- **56 Hope Road, with Chris & Aureo,** 9 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Breakfast, and Reclining Buddha,** 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- **The World's Fastest Indian,** 9 p.m., Bijou

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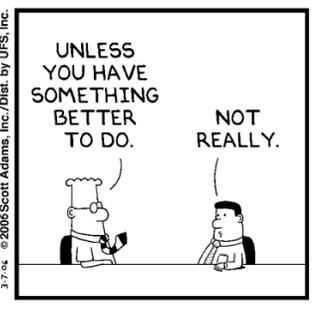
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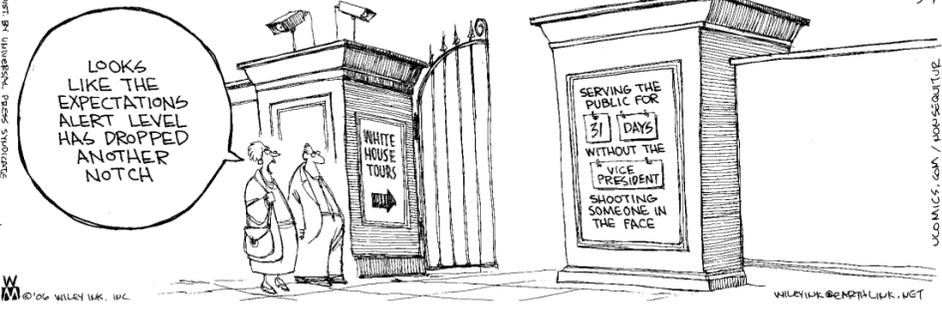
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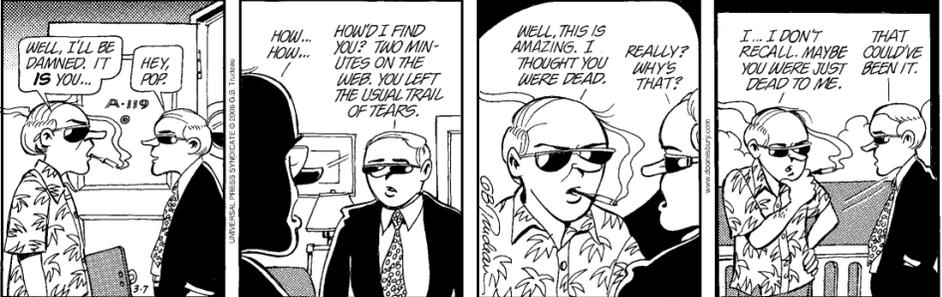
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- 7 a.m. Democracy Now
- 11 Democracy Now
- Noon SCTV Calendar
- 12:30 p.m. SCTV Mature Focus
- 1 So There You Go Hardware
- 1:30 Deadly Embrace
- 2 St. Mary's Liturgy
- 3 Uncovered: The Whole Truth About the Iraq War
- 4 Gospel Explosion Ministry
- 5 Faith Holiness Apostolic Church of God
- 5:30 Christ Apostolic Temple
- 6 Tom's Guitar Show Live
- 7 Wocidj Feb. 8
- 7:30 ... qm ...
- 8 The Sports Stop: Early Edition Live
- 8:30 Prelude to Spring
- 9 Medium
- 9:30 Sxxy Challenge
- 10 Sxxy Mxxx
- 10:30 RBO TV
- 11 Radio
- Midnight Film Punk Productions

UITV schedule

Campus location 4, cable channel 17

- 3 p.m. How Man-made Activities are Competing with Natural Effects on Climate
- 4:30 The Best of "Know the Score"
- 5 A Hip-Hop Theory of Justice
- 6 Iowa Basketball with Steve Alford
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- 8:30 The Best of "Know the Score"
- 9 A Hip-Hop Theory of Justice
- 10 Iowa Basketball with Steve Alford
- 10:30 DITV News, The Daily Iowan Daily News Update
- 10:40 Ueye No. 9
- 11 The Best Care Possible: The Role of Health Services

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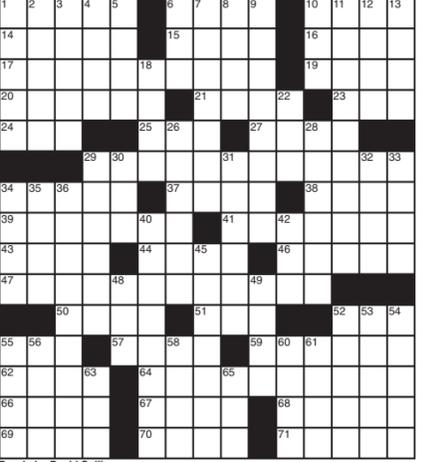
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- ACROSS**
- 1 It may be played in elevators
 - 6 MGM co-founder
 - 10 Soldier who's nowhere to be found
 - 14 Entree served with a ladle
 - 15 Pro's opposite
 - 16 Waiter's offering
 - 17 Psychologist sweetheart?
 - 19 Sea dog
 - 20 These can be vital
 - 21 "___ #1" (1960 Angli hit)
 - 23 Deli loaf
 - 24 Manila ___
 - 25 Ring of fratigiani blossoms
 - 27 Lender terms: Abbr.
 - 29 How a psychologist might start over?
 - 34 Mustard city
 - 37 Sleigh pullers
 - 38 10 C-notes
 - 39 Anthem with both English and French lyrics
 - 41 Preordain
 - 43 Manage without assistance
 - 44 Jacob's twin
 - 46 Hosiery brand
 - 47 Psychologist's fast-food order?
 - 50 Grope
 - 52 Actor Stephen
 - 51 "Now I see!"
 - 55 ___, amas, amat ...
 - 57 The Tower of London was one
 - 59 "Laughing" animals
 - 62 Atticful
 - 64 What a psychologist does at midnight in a motel pool?
 - 66 Helper
 - 67 Compos mentis
 - 68 Struck forcefully
 - 69 Kind of vision
 - 70 Spotted
 - 71 San Rafael's county
- DOWN**
- 1 Not the most rewarding work
 - 2 Communications officer on "Star Trek"
 - 3 Sharply piquant
 - 4 Pond organism
 - 5 Glazier's oven
 - 6 W.C.
 - 7 Erstwhile
 - 8 "To be," in Tours
 - 9 Smart aleck
 - 10 Wake-up times, for short
 - 11 Gets tiresome
 - 12 Sole
 - 13 Accompaniment for a madrigal
 - 18 1952 Olympics site
 - 22 "Morning Edition" ailer
 - 26 Punctuation used for stress
 - 28 Wicker material
 - 29 Melted-cheese dish
 - 30 Genetic strand
 - 31 Win over
 - 32 New Year's Eve party hat, essentially
 - 33 Shades
 - 34 Remove, as a hat
 - 35 Cake decorator
 - 36 Best-selling "Workout" video maker



- Puzzle by David Sullivan
- 40 Far from elite
 - 42 H. Rider Haggard novel
 - 45 American or Swiss
 - 48 M.D., e.g.
 - 49 E. J. ___ Jr., longtime writer for The New Yorker
 - 52 Choice words
 - 53 Half of Hispaniola
 - 54 Poplar tree
 - 55 "Cleans like a white tornado" brand
 - 56 1960's TV's "The Ghost and Mrs. ___"
 - 58 "Fine by me"
 - 60 Polite response from a ranch hand
 - 61 Humorist
 - 63 Critical
 - 65 Composer Rorem

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