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Union not quite reopened

When inspectors visited the Union to review the renewal of its building and liquor licenses, they found some facilities in the bar were not quite up to snuff

BY MASON KERNS
THE DAILY IOWAN

Damage from the April 13 storms and some enterprising remodeling projects have resulted in two failed building and liquor license inspections at the Union Bar over the course of a week, a city official confirmed Wednesday.

Jann Ream, the code-enforcement assistant for Iowa City Housing and Inspection Services, said that when inspectors visited the Union, 121 E. College St., late last week to review the renewal of the establishment's liquor license, they discovered some glaring inadequacies — including a lack of functional fixtures in its restrooms — which needed to be remedied before the “Biggest Bar in the Big Ten” could once again cater to the thirsts of the Iowa City's crowds.

“They thought they had everything done,” Ream said. “But we can't pass a place that doesn't have a working toilet.”

An additional building examination Monday also failed to yield a permit for the bar, Ream and Union co-owner George Witgraff said on Wednesday, citing water-sprinkler heads that had yet to be installed by construction crews.

Had the establishment concentrated solely on fixing its damage from the tornado — the front two-thirds of the structure's roof blew off, and the bar suffered extensive water damage, among other problems — the building probably would have been cleared for occupancy by now, Ream and Witgraff agreed. But projects undertaken to upgrade the Pedestrian Mall mainstay — including the installation of new tile floors in the establishment's entrance and bathrooms and a new hardwood floor for much of the bar — have necessitated the need for further inspections, thus delaying the sliding of Jäger bombs and draft beers across the Union's six bartops.

And disrupting the flow of alcohol, as the volume-dependent Iowa City downtown bars know, is sure to upset the flow of cash. Failing to adequately prepare for inspectors equated to a significant loss in the Union's profits, Witgraff said.

MTV's “The Real World” television-show participants and a crew from “Girls Gone Wild,” the infomercial-famed college party-girl video producers, were expected to grace the Union's

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RAGBRAI 2006



Laura Schmitt/The Daily Iowan

Mike Seager of Team Roadshow whips up the crowd before unicycle jousting, in which two unicyclists try to knock the other off his or her cycle, armed with duct-tape- and foam-covered plastic poles and garbage-can-lid shields. The team performs a show once or twice a day on the RAGBRAI route, using the money it collects in a hat for gas and food money.

Proving Iowa is not flat (or dull)

RAGBRAI is much more than the Annual Great Beer Ride Across Iowa

BY MATT SNYDERS
THE DAILY IOWAN

On Friday, thousands of bike-riding refugees will descend upon Coralville as part of the *Register's* Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa.

While it is tempting to conceptualize RAGBRAI XXXIV as an exemplar of the kind of maniacal drunken debauchery that can only be found when 10,000 fun-loving cyclists voyage 400-plus miles across a rural state in search of a messianic cancer-trouncing national hero, such generalizations would not be entirely accurate.

That is because, as is the case with any large group, it is a folly to assume every member involved in this odyssey is the same with regard to personal

goals, interests, backgrounds, experience, or ability to down a liter of Scoresby Scotch while singing the Doors' “Roadhouse Blues” in tune.

After all, riders enduring this year's RAGBRAI include families with children under 10, as well as retired couples still chasing that almost-sacred feeling of “Go.” College-aged people, with a penchant for self-powered travel and a desire to get their proper kicks along the way, are also prominent. Die-hard cyclists abound at the event, as do fresh newbies, experienced veterans, fitness fanatics, party animals — and every kind of road-riddled adventure-addict in between.

But who are these cyclists, specifically? What to make of these asphalt-surfers who strain daily in the late-

July humidity almost palpable with the raw smell of ripening corn?

For some, RAGBRAI provides an outlet for creative impulses. The aptly named Team Roadshow, founded in Ames, is a group of juggling, biking, and unicycling enthusiasts who have dedicated their passions to a good cause.

“It started as a cross-country bike trip from Oregon to Boston in the summer of 2003,” Mike Seager, 25, said as he relaxed at Team Roadshow's campsite in Ida Grove. “There were about six of us. We put on shows the entire way, slept in parks and in churches, and ended up raising about \$5,000 for the Shriners [Hospitals for Children].”

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MORE ON RAGBRAI IN TOMORROW'S DI

On Friday, check out *DI* photographer Laura Schmitt's slide show and *DI* videographer Aaron Pruesch's video coverage of the rip-roaring ride through rural Iowa at www.dailyiowan.com

UI Foundation names new head

Lynette Marshall will become the third UI Foundation president



Marshall
UI Foundation president

BY WESLEY CROPP
THE DAILY IOWAN

The UI's chief fundraising body named a new president Wednesday, making Lynette Marshall the foundation's third leader in its 50-year history. Lynette follows former UI

Foundation President Michael New, who resigned in 2005. Since 1956, The UI Foundation has been the private support arm for the university, raising money and promoting education as an entity separate from state influences.

“Private support is one of the

few ways to raise money for our institution, because state support is declining,” said interim foundation head Charles Kierscht.

New's death in April left the organization in a pivotal position — it had just completed a \$1 billion campaign.

The search committee landed on Marshall after sorting through at least 100 candidates, said Doug True, the UI senior vice president for Finance, who was a member of the panel.

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Partly sunny, 20% chance of late T-storms

FREEMAN EXPRESS
First Tony Freeman wins the Prime Time MVP. Then he starts a monsoon of 3's. **10A**

MOUSE RESIDENTIAL
If you build a better mouse house, the world will beat a path to your door. **2A**

FAIR-WEATHER FRIENDS
The Johnson County Fair continues, with its various smells and its calf-catching. **3A**

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Building a better mouse house

BY **BYRCE BAUER**
THE DAILY IOWAN

The houses are 1,000 square feet apiece and hold between 5,000 and 7,500 occupants, all furry and squirmy and capable of lifting scientific research to new heights.

Sure, the residential housing boom may be starting to wane. But one Iowa company wants to capitalize on a new segment of an industry integral to UI scientists: modular mouse houses.

Michael Anderson, who uses mice to study human eye diseases, is the main recipient of a \$500,000 contract from the Iowa Department of Economic Development to delve into such ailments as glaucoma.



Anderson
assistant professor

The UI assistant physiology professor will work with Monona, Iowa-based Techspace Inc. to help build the rodent abodes. With the recent completion of the human genome project, he said, researchers have a wealth of information about the body's inner workings to study. Such exploration requires a lot of mouse space, which isn't always available.

"It is an issue I think every institution needs to look at," Anderson said. "If you are going to put up a new building on the university campus, you are going to have to think about that years and years in advance."

And the structures, which are roughly the size of a small office, are not simple. Temperatures must be accurate within a 2-degree margin of error. Storage facilities require around-the-clock security monitoring, infrared cameras, and frequent air changes.

Efficiency — given high energy costs and ease of maintenance — is a must, said Techspace Vice President Meg Wilson.

"What we hope to do with this is engineer a building so it meets all of the requirements but does that without all of the ... high-cost materials," she said. "If we could radically reduce the cost, I could guarantee you there would be lots of interest."

Because mice — like dogs — can come in myriad varieties, they are sometimes expensive. Anderson said in-demand mice "models" can run a few hundred dollars apiece. Upwards of 25 million mice are used worldwide in research every year, Anderson said, because they share many characteristics of humans.

"Mice, for instance, have an anatomy similar to humans," he said. "And they often get many of the same disease."

But mice aren't the only species

used in research, so Wilson said Techspace planned to develop facilities capable of accommodating other animals, as well.

"We hope to make the buildings compatible with zebra fish, which is the next big research animal," she said.

Diane Slusarski, a UI associate professor of biology who uses zebra fish while researching eye diseases, said the aquatic residents have become more popular since the '90s, partly because their clear eggs allow research to monitor the embryo while it develops.

"[Another] advantage is that they have very rapid growth," she said. "Once the embryos are laid, you have a beating heart in one day."

Slusarski said zebra fish can often be cheaper to purchase than mice, but the UI raises its own.

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NORTH ENGLISH BLUEGRASS



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Bob and Kristie Black of North English, Iowa, play bluegrass in Chauncey Swan Park on Wednesday. With Farmers' Market vendors plying their trade in the adjacent parking ramp, visitors could enjoy both music and some of the area's fresh produce.

UI TO PROBE TRAUMA TRANSIT

BY **WESLEY CROPP**
THE DAILY IOWAN

This fall, the UI will begin an investigation into a treatment to save victims' lives before they reach the emergency room — but not before going through a rigorous process of gathering public opinion.

The research, which has already begun in Seattle and Toronto, was funded by the National Institutes of Health and other U.S. and Canadian agencies — but has not yet been approved for implementation. To obtain public support for the initiative, researchers will hold a public forum today at City High, 1600 Morningside Drive.

Part of the Resuscitation Outcomes Consortium, the researchers are studying dispensing a highly concentrated form of saline on trauma patients before they arrive at the hospital. The fluid is used to expand blood volume to prevent further blood loss. The liquids, which would be intravenously

PUBLIC FORUM ON EMERGENCY TREATMENT RESEARCH

Today:
7 p.m., City High, 1600 Morningside Drive, Rooms 1001 and 1005.
• The forum will also be broadcast live over the Iowa Communications Network.
7 p.m., Solon Middle School, 313 S. Iowa St., Room 112
7 p.m., Iowa National Guard Armory, 925 S. Dubuque St.
• The presentation will detail the study's purpose and its possible risks and benefits. Attendees will fill out surveys and have the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback.

injected in the ambulance, are hybrids of other older, highly diluted volumes.

Victims eligible for the study would have to be in an altered level of consciousness, have severely low blood pressure, be involved in blunt trauma, such as car accidents, and be at least 15 years of age, said study coordinator Linda Moss, a research assistant in the UI internal-medicine department.

However, victims in such circumstances are often unable to give consent for testing. The FDA helped the researchers cir-

cumvent the issue, Moss said, by allowing "conformed" consent. This allows physicians to administer the study first and get consent after the fact. If people are uncomfortable with being studied, they can opt out with arm bands or wallet cards.

In a largely rural state, Moss said doctors are witnessing a considerable death rate for patients in transit to hospitals, warranting a need for new techniques.

"Fewer than 12 percent of trauma victims live on the way to the hospital," she said. "That is a very low survival rate in

current methods of trauma. We are trying to increase that rate from the field to the hospital."

John Hata, the director of the surgical and intensive care unit at UI Hospitals and Clinics, said the fluids are more beneficial for patients experiencing a hemorrhage than past treatments.

"Hypertonic saline may offer a greater advantage than normal saline, in relevant clinical outcomes," he said.

The U.S. Department of Defense is also curious about the study, because it might lessen the burden on military medics carrying heavy fluids. The new method employs packages of smaller volume and lighter weight. Many agree it's a needed change.

"Essentially, the approach to replacing lost blood volume has not changed in 40 years," UIHC spokesman Tom Moore said. "This represents an opportunity to enhance emergency care."

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Jeanne Snyder received the money for work related — directly and indirectly — to genetic disorders.

Cornell, a UI assistant professor of anatomy and cell biology, will use the money to investigate new ways to use zebra fish — a commonly used lab animal — for research.

Harper, a UI research investigator in internal medicine, will develop

ways to control the amount of RNA interference in diseased tissue.

McCaffrey, a UI assistant professor of internal medicine, will study new ways to study hepatitis B, the ninth leading cause of death worldwide.

Rice, a UI professor of medicinal and natural products chemistry, will develop a new way to inject genes into cell nuclei.

Snyder, a UI professor of anatomy and cell biology, will investigate whether a lung protein called surfactant protein D plays an important role in the lung disease cystic fibrosis.

The program awarding the grants is funded through a subgroup of the National Institutes of Health.

— by Grant Schulte

METRO

5 UI researchers win grants

Five UI scientists have each won \$32,000 grants to study "new but untested" ideas in the field of genetic therapy, the university announced on Wednesday.

Robert Cornell, Scott Harper, Anton McCaffrey, Kevin Rice, and

POLICE BLOTTER

Jamie Comiskey, 19, 527 N. Dubuque St. Apt. 3, was charged Wednesday with public intoxication and unlawful use of another's driver's license/ID.

April Compton, 31, Louisville, Ky., was charged Tuesday with possession of marijuana.

Alicia Cretin, 19, 1928 F St., was charged Wednesday with PAULA.

Sarah Cretin, 19, 1928 F St., was charged Tuesday with PAULA.

Jonathan Dargitz, 16, 1303 De

Forest Ave., was charged Tuesday with assault with a dangerous weapon and obstructing emergency communication.

Ammy Dennison, 24, Ottumwa, was charged April 20 with forgery.

Meghan Grogan, 20, 1846 N. Dubuque St., was charged Wednesday with PAULA.

Grace Horvat, 19, 421 N. Gilbert St., was charged Wednesday with PAULA.

Pauline Lopez, 24, Coralville, was charged Wednesday with OWI.

Trever Lutz, 29, Champaign, Ill., was charged Wednesday with urinating in public.

Lori Nodel, 24, North Liberty, was charged July 24 with child endangerment.

Ryan Osby, 18, 1836 N. Dubuque St., was charged July 23 with malicious prosecution, tampering with records, and public intoxication.

Sayer Peterson, 20, 927 E. College St. Apt. 2, was charged Wednesday with PAULA.

Nick Ridgeway, 30, 1113 Spruce St., was charged June 4 with forgery identity theft.

Michael Ryan, 29, Louisville, Ky., was charged Tuesday with possession of marijuana.

Katie Schuller, 19, Grundy Center, Iowa, was charged Wednesday with PAULA.

Lance Williams, 25, address unknown, was charged Tuesday with possession of marijuana with intent to deliver.

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Catch-a-Calf a fair tradition



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Natalie Fernau, 5, of Showlow, Ariz., checks out the Grand Champion Market Pair Hogs at the Johnson County Fair on Wednesday. It was Natalie's first time at the fair; she is in town visiting her great-grandmother.

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TO SEE *DI* VIDEOGRAPHER **DANA O'SHEA'S** TOUR OF THE EVENTS TAKING PLACE AT THIS YEAR'S JOHNSON COUNTY FAIR.

BY **ASHTON SHURSON**
THE DAILY IOWAN

Sweaty foreheads could be seen, distant cattle moans could be heard, and the smell of manure and wood chips lingered in the north arena of the Johnson County Fairgrounds on Wednesday afternoon and evening.

Although audience members' senses might have been a bit overwhelmed by the pungent odor, the emotions were intense during the Mike Bayliss Memorial Catch-A-Calf event at the county fair.

"It's just farm kids having fun," said Tom Bayliss, the creator of the event and a 4-H member for 47 years.

This year, five teenage members entered the event, trying to catch three calves. Austin Ronan, Nathan Volk, and Alex Wisnousky, all eighth-graders, reigned victorious.

The event — which debuted at the 1997 Johnson County Fair — is in memory of Bayliss' late son, Mike Bayliss, who died in a car accident at the age of 16 in March of that year.

"It started as a memorial fund," Tom Bayliss said, adding that the funds eventually ran out. "We decided to continue on."

From the fund, calves were purchased for the original event, which is open only to 4-H and Future Farmers of America members who have completed seventh or eighth grade.

The event is an ongoing project, with the Catch-A-Calf portion constituting merely the first part of the program.

"The first part is the fun part," Bayliss said. "But then the responsibility takes over."

The winners of the event will not receive the heifer they caught until after she has been weaned from her mother, sometime in September. Before next year's fair, they will attend meetings to learn about breeding qualities and how to select the bull to inseminate the heifer, Bayliss said.

"We keep a well-rounded genetic pool," he said. "It's a

local thing. All members are in Johnson County."

After a heifer is a year old, the winner will show the animal in the fair's Beef Herd Show. The following year — after the cow has had its own calf — the two will enter the Cow/Calf Pair show. Coming full circle, the original heifer's offspring will be entered into that year's Catch-A-Calf.

Finally, after it has been four years since the original calf-catcher won, he or she can apply to win one of two \$250 scholarships.

Alex Wisnousky, a winner at this year's event, entered the contest so he could participate in the Cow/Calf Pair show. However, the 13-year-old said this year's event isn't anything that can be predicted.

"You can't train for it," he said.

Bayliss said a third of the participants in the event over the years had no experience with animals, but the event helps their involvement with livestock.

"It gives them a new outlook on agriculture," he said.

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Speling chainjuz mite not werk

BY **VALERIE BRAYTON**
THE DAILY IOWAN

From the same — yet altogether different — school of thought as those who want the United States to adopt the metric system comes a small-yet-loud group of English critics who want to simplify the way America spells its words, to the point where "through" would officially become "thru," "knife" would be "nife," and "school" might attain the juvenile spelling of "skool."

Phonetic-spelling advocates, the forerunner of which is the Simplified Spelling Society, feel it would make more sense to spell words they way they sound. That presence in America was felt on May 31 at the National Spelling Bee, when BeeMan highlighted his distaste for English spelling by way of some fun picketing.

But UI professors said Wednesday that such a move would be unrealistic, largely because of Americans' resistance to change.

"I think a significant factor is that they've become comfortable with one system and want to stick with it," said Jerry Moon, a UI associate professor of speech pathology and audiology.

Robert Wachal, a UI professor emeritus of linguistics, said no matter how helpful simplified spelling systems claim to be, they won't catch on.

"There is a whole army of editors, proofreaders, printers, and so on who won't allow something like this to happen," he said.

Rosemary Plapp, an assistant professor in the UI linguistics department, said it is very important to retain the

SPELING FONETIKLY

Traditional spelling

- student
- write
- English
- immediately
- always
- imagination
- American
- celebrate
- who
- table
- language

Fonetik spelling

- stoodent
- riet
- Ingglish
- imeedeeyatle
- aulwaez
- imajinaeshun
- Amairikan
- selebraet
- hu
- taebool
- laanggwaj

etymology of words, because spellings show words' relation to things, as well as words' historical origins and meanings.

While she feels phonics is a marvelous tool to have and is wonderful to teach children, she said, our system would be difficult to change.

Jack Bovill, the chairman of Simplified Spelling Society, said a phonetic spelling system would prove to be essential in England and the United States, as both countries appropriate a hefty sum of resources toward English spelling classes. He said sensible spelling saves about three years of teaching time, noting that language education in such countries as Spain, Italy, and Korea does not necessitate spelling books, because of the nations' adopted system of spelling.

As mentioned by Moon and Plapp, instant and text messaging, as well as spellings on license plates, have "liberated" more Americans to spell phonetically.

Moon said that while those who use instant messaging have developed a unique vocabulary, it is still considered slang.

Unless an immense social

change brings about an unforeseen shift in Americans' attitudes, such "unbecoming" language likely won't grace textbooks and government documents soon, the UI faculty members said.

"One of the reasons why [phonetics] hasn't happened is because, in the short term at least, the magnitude of the change would create a lot of difficulty," Moon said.

Plapp agreed, saying a change in spelling would require a cataclysmic event in which "libraries were destroyed, and people wouldn't be able to read."

Plapp also said spelling is difficult, and, no matter what happens, there will always be the problem of translation.

Bovill said he doesn't feel the implementation of phonetic spelling has become a lost cause, as a rising interest in spelling has sparked innovative thought. He added the benefits are simply enormous for English as a language and for children.

"No one word has a meaning; it has a use individually," Bovill said. "Words have no significance until you read them in context."

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Nazi records to be opened

BY STEPHEN GRAHAM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BERLIN — Millions of Nazi files detailing the suffering and deaths of inmates at labor and concentration camps during the Holocaust will be opened to researchers under an agreement signed Wednesday by Germany and seven other countries.

Historians campaigned for years to overcome privacy concerns that restricted access to the more than 30 million documents in the vast war-era archive to Holocaust victims and their relatives.

The accord was reached in April by the 11-nation governing body of the International Tracing Service, the arm of the International Committee of the Red Cross that oversees the archive in the western German town of Bad Arolsen.

Israel, the United States, and Britain were among the nations that signed Wednesday, and three others are expected to do so by Nov. 1.

"There are many questions where we don't have the answers, and I hope researchers will be able to clear things up with the aid of this material," Israeli Ambassador Shimon Stein said.

The protocol still needs to be ratified by most of the 11 signatory states before the archives can be opened. German Justice Minister Brigitte Zypries has said researchers would have access by Dec. 31.

German Deputy Foreign Minister Günter Gloser called the process "long and sometimes cumbersome" but said the result represented a "big success for researchers."

"For Germany, the signing



Bernd Kammerer/Associated Press

Archive manager Udo Jost views papers at the International Tracing Service in Bad Arolsen, Germany, on April 19. Germany and seven other nations signed an agreement Wednesday that will open an archive of millions of Nazi files to researchers.

underlines the importance it attaches to dealing with the past," he said.

The Nazis were meticulous, documenting everything from the mundane, such as how many meals a forced laborer received, to the horrific — describing a concentration-camp prisoner's death in painstaking detail.

Much of the information is simple, solemn fact, such as a name on a concentration camp death list. Other pages discuss mental illness, homosexuality, medical treatment, and even head lice.

The April accord lets each of the 11 countries house a digital copy of the documents in their own archive. Access will be granted according to privacy laws in each country, though the records will not be made available online, the German Foreign Ministry said.

Germany and Italy resisted the opening, citing concerns that sensitive information about people who are still alive needed protection. Under the provisions of a 1955 treaty, third parties can access the files only with the written consent of a victim.

But aging Holocaust survivors and victims' families pressed for the change, arguing that histories of their loved ones might never be told otherwise.

"Those who suffered from the Holocaust will welcome access to these archives, as they hope to answer long-standing and agonizing questions about the fate of family members and family property," U.S. Ambassador William Timken Jr. said.

The International Tracing Service was founded after World War II to trace missing persons. Later, survivors eligible for compensation applied to the archive for documentary evidence of their mistreatment.

machines, officials announced Wednesday.

The imaging of "interactions between two magnetic atoms" — hailed as a first-of-its-kind discovery — could spark the creation of computers that require much less power, said UI physics Professor Michael Flatté, a leader of the research group.

The findings, to be published today in the scientific journal *Nature*, inches scientists closer to creating a "very advanced" computer chip that would work at the atomic level, according to a UI statement.

The UI research was part of a joint effort with the University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign and Princeton University.

— by Grant Schulte

Some sex offenders to get GPS bracelets

A new 'real-time' technology will keep track of offenders better than the current system, officials say

BY LEAH DORZWEILER
THE DAILY IOWAN

TRACKING OFFENDERS

More than 500 electronic bracelets equipped with "real-time" global positioning systems will be used to help track convicted sex offenders across the state, under legislation passed earlier this year.

Iowa lawmakers approved \$2.4 million to fund the monitoring bracelets as part of the \$449 million justice-system appropriation bill, Senate Republican Leader Mary Lundby said in a recent press release.



Lundby
Republican Senate leader

The "real-time" GPS technology will provide nearly instantaneous information on a sex offender's exact location, as opposed to the older "radio frequency" bracelets, which could only alert the Iowa Department of Corrections when an offender was more than about 100 feet from her or his residence, said Rep. Lance Horbach, R-Tama.

- \$2.4 million in state funding will be spent to track sex offenders with GPS electronic bracelets.
- The "real-time" GPS technology will track an offender's whereabouts nearly instantaneously.
- The funding is part of the \$449 million justice-system appropriations bill, which includes funding for the Iowa State Patrol and the Department of Corrections.

The difference, he said, is the "real-time" bracelets can more effectively prevent future attacks.

"The 'real-time' bracelets can be used as preventative tools, as well as prosecutorial tools," Horbach said. "The radio frequency bracelets can help prosecute an offender but not prevent something from happening."

The House and Senate have pledged to increase supervision of sex offenders after the kidnapping, assault, and murder of 10-year-old Jetseta Gage of Cedar Rapids last

year. Roger Bentley, a convicted sex offender, was convicted of the crime.

Ben Stone, the executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Iowa, warned there are limits to what GPS tracking can accomplish.

"With any type of invasive technology, there is a great potential for good, but it's important it is closely restricted to only those situations where extremely useful," he said.

Horbach estimated the technology would cost between \$7-\$9 per day, and it would only be used on those considered to be higher-risk offenders.

Lundby, who is from Marion, stressed the importance of keeping sex offenders in prison, and she said in the release the Senate would continue to look at strengthening sex-offender laws.

"The more predators we put behind bars for a longer period of time, the less we have to worry about where they are spending their days," she stated.

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METRO

Researchers closer to atomic-level computer chip

Research conducted at the UI and two other universities might advance computer technology well beyond its current capabilities, facilitating the future creation of smaller and more energy-efficient

STATE

Wichhart gets life for killing drug-center worker

BURLINGTON (AP) — A North Liberty man was sentenced to life in prison Wednesday for killing a worker in a Burlington drug-treatment center.

Ryan Wichhart, 19, was convicted last month of strangling Kathi Mertens, 44, at the Alcohol and Drug Dependency Services center in November. The life sentence was mandatory.

Wichhart's mother, Robin Wichhart, said after the sentencing that drug addiction consumed her son's life. She also apologized to Mertens' husband and sang "Jesus Loves Me" to her son as he was taken from the courtroom.

Police arrested Wichhart at a grocery store Nov. 16 shortly after Mertens was found unresponsive in a locked room at the center. He had the victim's car and personal keys.

Wichhart was charged with first-degree murder; his attorneys used an insanity/diminished-capacity defense.

D.J. Arbabha said his client wanted to feed his drug addiction and did not intend to kill Mertens. The attorney also said Wichhart had a history of drug and mental problems and that the Burlington center was not equipped to deal with him.

A Des Moines County jury convicted him June 16 after deliberating three hours.

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Fighting rages around Hezbollah stronghold

With Hezbollah fighters digging in, Israeli forces are dealt their heaviest losses in the Lebanon campaign yet

BY SAM F. GHATTAS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Hezbollah's fighters are heavily outnumbered by Israeli troops, with only approximately 100 militants in their stronghold of Bint Jbail in southern Lebanon and several hundred more in surrounding fields, bunkers, and caves.

But they use classic guerrilla tactics, choosing when to strike in the hilly territory they know well. They are dug in with extensive tunnel networks and stockpiles of rockets and other weapons.

On Wednesday, Hezbollah dealt Israel its heaviest losses in the Lebanon campaign so far, killing nine soldiers in fierce firefights. With key Mideast players failing to agree on a formula for a cease-fire, an Israeli general said, the operation could last weeks.

Israel said it intends to damage Hezbollah and establish a "security zone" that would be free of the guerrillas and extend 1.2 miles into Lebanon from the Israeli border. Such a zone would prevent Hezbollah from carrying out cross-border raids, such as the one two weeks ago that triggered the Israeli military response.

Israel said it would maintain such a zone, with firepower or other means, until the arrival of an international force with muscle to be deployed in a wider swath of southern Lebanon — as opposed to the U.N. force already there that has failed to prevent the violence.

In Rome, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said participants at a daylong conference on the Mideast crisis agreed Wednesday on the need for a strong international force under a U.N. mandate. Italy, Turkey, and Spain all said they might send troops.

Rice said more work was needed to define the force and its mission. U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, Lebanese Prime Minister Fuad Siniora, and diplomats from European and moderate Arab countries also attended the meeting; Israel, Iran, and Syria did not.

The Israeli bombardment has failed to stop guerrilla rocket fire, even while killing hundreds, driving up to 750,000 people from their homes, and causing billions of dollars in damage. Hezbollah fired another large barrage into northern Israel on Wednesday — 151 rockets that wounded at least 31 people and damaged property from the suburbs of the port on Haifa on the Mediterranean Sea to the Hula Valley above the Sea of Galilee. Over the past two weeks, the guerrillas have fired 1,436 rockets into Israel.

Pushing Hezbollah back with ground troops was proving to be bloody. Several thousand troops are in Lebanon, Israeli military officials said — mainly in a roughly 6-square-mile pocket around the town of Bint Jbail, a Hezbollah stronghold a little more than two miles from the border.

Violence was also increasing on the other front of Israel's fight on Islamic militants: Gaza, where Hamas-linked militants are holding an Israeli soldier seized a month ago. A force of 50 tanks and bulldozers entered the northern Gaza Strip to battle Hamas gunmen. Israeli air and artillery attacks killed 23 Palestinians, including at least 16 militants and three young girls.

Israel was feeling pressure on the international front — and anger over a bombing Tuesday night that directly hit a U.N. observation post on the border, killing four U.N. observers.

At the Rome talks, Rice resisted pressure from allies for Washington to change its stance and call for an immediate halt to the violence.

Rice insisted any cease-fire must be "sustainable" and that there could be "no return to the status quo" — a reference to the U.S. and Israeli position that Hezbollah must first be pushed back from the border and the Lebanese army backed by international forces deployed in the south.

The chief of Israel's northern command warned that the fight would drag on.

"I assume it will continue for several more weeks, and in a number of weeks, we will be able to [declare] a victory," Maj. Gen. Udi Adam told a news conference.

While the ground battle was intensifying, the bombardment in rest of Lebanon appeared to be easing. Israeli jets were heard repeatedly over Beirut in the evening, but the capital saw no strikes.

Approximately 24 air strikes were reported outside the immediate border region Wednesday, down from nearly 30 a day recently. One strike in the center of the southern port of Tyre collapsed the top floor and ripped the façade off an empty seven-story building where Hezbollah's top commander in the south has offices. The strike wounded 13 people, including six children, nearby.

Warplanes continued to target trucks at a time when aid groups are worried about moving aid to the south by truck. Three trucks carrying vegetables were hit in the Bekaa Valley and another on a road between Syria and Beirut.



David Guttenfelder/Associated Press

Israeli soldiers gather along a border road before crossing in the night into southern Lebanon on Wednesday. Israel on Wednesday suffered its heaviest losses in Lebanon in its offensive against Hezbollah, with militants killing eight soldiers in a battle for a key town.

The eight deaths in Bint Jbail, which Israel has been trying to take for four days, were the heaviest Israeli casualties in a single battle during the Lebanon campaign.

Israeli troops had thought they'd secured the area around the town, but the guerrillas ambushed a patrol before dawn, said Capt. Jacob Dallal, an Israeli army spokesman. A rescue force went in, and fighting escalated. Hezbollah said its guerrillas ambushed an Israeli unit from three sides as it tried to advance from a ridge on the outskirts of the town.

Eight soldiers were killed and 22 wounded in the fighting, the army said. It later reported a ninth soldier killed and several other casualties in the nearby village of Maroun al-Ras.

At least 30 guerrillas were killed Wednesday, an Israeli military official said, speaking on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to release the information. Hezbollah announced no casualties; it has acknowledged 19 dead in four days of fighting around Bint Jbail.

The area features dense growth of underbrush and trees, with hills and narrow, winding roads — ideal for guerrilla emplacements and ambushes. Israeli media reported that some of the casualties resulted from direct hits by antitank rockets and others from roadside bombs.

So far, Israeli troops have gone house to house taking positions on the outskirts of the town, without going far inside Bint Jbail, the Israeli official said.

Bint Jbail has great symbolic importance for the Hezbollah guerrillas, who are Shiite Muslims. It has the largest Shiite community in the border area and was known as the "capital of the resistance" during Israel's 1982-90 occupation because of its vehement support for Hezbollah.

An Israeli seizure of the town would rob Hezbollah of a significant refuge overlooking northern Israel and force its fighters to operate from smaller, more vulnerable villages in the south.

Wednesday's deaths brought to 51 the number of Israelis

killed in the campaign, including 32 members of the military, according to the military.

In Lebanon, at least 423 people have been killed — including 376 civilians reported by the Health Ministry and security officials, 20 Lebanese soldiers, and 27 fighters Hezbollah has acknowledged were killed. Israel says more than 100 guerrillas have been killed.

About 100 foreigners who had been visiting family homes in Yaroun — a few miles from Bint Jbail — fled to Tyre and said their village had been ravaged by bombardment. Most of the

foreigners were Americans of Lebanese descent.

"It was worse than a nightmare. I saw dogs and cats on bodies that couldn't be taken from bombed-out houses. We ran from one building to another trying to escape the bombing," said Ali Abbas Tehfi of Los Angeles.

"It didn't stop. It didn't stop even for a day. Everything is finished," he said. He said an unknown number of Americans were still trapped in Yaroun.

AP writers Kathy Gannon, Hamza Hendawi, Shehrezade Faramarzi, Katherine Shrader, and Victor Simpson contributed to this story.

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EDITORIAL

UI doing its part; now it's the regents' turn

The UI is locked in a long, brutal struggle over its direction with both the state Legislature and the state Board of Regents. Primary to the conflict is focus on the university as primarily an economic institution — a position supported by both the regents and lawmakers in Des Moines. While the Legislature and the regents have refused to fulfill their side of the bargain — as laid out in the Transformation Plan — the university has come up with a number of ways to reallocate funds. This is noticeable, and damning — the university is willing to adapt and compromise, and state authorities are not.

A UI generic prescription-drug plan has netted \$1.4 million since its inception at the beginning of this year. With prescription-drug costs rising sharply, the university has allowed its faculty and staff to obtain generic versions of drugs as part of their health plans UISelect, UICare, CHIP 2, and CHIP 3. Instead of demanding more money from the Legislature, the university has taken it upon itself to lower costs — in an elastic expense market, no less. Besides, it's plainly obvious that the money would not have been forthcoming from lawmakers: Money spent on ensuring the health of university employees could damage investment incentives, after all.

Earlier this summer, the regents approved a \$100-per-semester surcharge for every regent university student. It is expected to raise close to \$11 million. The money is expected to be used to "beef up facility maintenance and operation and increase library acquisitions" — and help cover rising energy costs. While the surcharge will be "re-evaluated"

after this school year, it is highly doubtful whether it will be discarded. This Editorial Board rightly noted the reasons for the surcharge — specifically energy costs — will not evaporate in a year's time ("Tuition increase in disguise," June 22). If anything, it appears more likely energy costs will increase.

But as the regents extract another \$200 out of students' — or parents' — pockets, the university is finding ways to reduce energy costs. If or the Legislature — had followed the work of Daniel Diaz Saez, they would have recognized the university was not merely throwing money away but rather, actively seeking to innovatively and positively cut costs. Saez, a 23-year-old Chilean mechanical-engineering student, while interning under the direction of the UI chapter of Engineers for a Sustainable World, produced measures potentially saving the university \$250,000 in energy costs in the Bowen Science Building alone. But Saez's work has even greater benefits — his plan could cut carbon-dioxide emissions from Bowen by one-eighth, denting (though only slightly) a huge negative externality: Global climate change.

But the Legislature and regents seem to ignore the work put into the university. Rather, they are too busy focusing on their economic models to recognize that the university not only will live up to its part of the Transformation Plan, it is already working to do so. The UI, with more funding, could perhaps find ways to cut even more costs innovatively — sadly, both the Legislature and regents seem completely incapable of doing so.

Off to Israel

I've been waiting to write this column for a long, long time.

I'll leave the United States on Saturday for only the third time — and this time, not to Canada. My Continental Airlines flight takes me from Chicago nonstop to Tel Aviv, Israel. I've been looking forward to this trip for the last four months, more now that the Middle East has engulfed itself in ever more chaos.

I'm not offering a political, military, cultural, or social analysis — too many writers have already taken that task upon themselves. I am not offering policy proposals, even though I desperately want to — the work in me gets off on it. Likewise, I am wary of trying to equate violence, tragedy, and death between warring partners — an all but impossible task — and even attempting to do so would endear none. In war, all suffer — even those on the other side.



ANDREW SWIFT

Besides, my opinions and beliefs are constantly in flux. This column is merely a show of solidarity for every grieving Israeli, Lebanese, and Palestinian — and I'm left to wonder the state of humanity when I'm not sure this premise is supported by a plurality.

Perhaps as a pluralist observer like myself can recognize the all-too-important truth, as spoken by Reinhard Niebuhr: "Open-mindedness is not a virtue of people who don't believe anything. It is a virtue of people who know that their beliefs are not absolutely true." Every individual following the conflict has inherent biases — I am certainly no exception to the rule. But too many are locked into rigid belief patterns, completely unwilling to even try to understand the other side.

As each day passes, more and more tragedy befalls the region. Lebanese refugees, to the tune of 600,000, have been displaced by a horrific Israeli air campaign. The Gaza Strip, home to 1.4 million Palestinians, is an open-air prison. And, yes, although many on the left refuse to admit it — myself included, until only recently — northern Israelis live in terror of Hezbollah's Katyusha rockets. Israelis most certainly have reasons to grieve — but it is undoubtedly true that exponentially more Arabs have suffered than Israelis.

The jewel of the Middle East, the cosmopolitan city of Beirut, lies in ruins, perhaps irreparably leveled. Meanwhile, not a single Israeli city is in any real danger — no matter how many Katyusha rockets Hezbollah fires. Tellingly, the BBC's "World News," on the first night of renewed violence, started its program with a reporter in Beirut and continuously switched its coverage from Lebanon to northern Israel. Both sides were covered fairly and accurately.

Yet, while watching CNN coverage, I wondered why only the Israeli side of the border was covered. Anderson Cooper expounded for nearly an entire hour of the horrors of Katyusha rockets, even though the Israeli death toll was no greater than four at the time — while the entire sovereign state of Lebanon was smashed into oblivion by the second most powerful air force in the world. This is not "fair and balanced."

Quite obviously, I tend to side pro-Arab — although I proclaim myself pro-peace. Yet it must not be forgotten that Hezbollah brought this onslaught of death. The capture — soldiers are captured, not kidnapped — of two Israeli soldiers was sure to bring about massive retaliation, which Hezbollah undoubtedly knew. Israel, since its withdrawal from southern Lebanon in 2000, had shown surprising restraint — even if its newest assault had "all the spontaneity of the Schlieffen Plan," as Pat Buchanan put it.

Israel is at least partly justified for its targeting of Hezbollah — although its tactics of collective punishment and disproportionate force are not. However, Israel is hypocritical when it demands the right to defend itself yet ignores the same right for Palestinians. The Palestinian Popular Resistance Committee's capture of Israeli Cpl. Gilad Shalit is legitimate — resistance to occupation is inevitable and legal under international law. Acts of terror, directed at indiscriminate Israeli civilians, are not.

It is difficult to make judgments on constantly changing events. Indeed, not a single person knows where or when the conflict will end. Individuals on both sides will likely criticize this column — depressingly proving my point. Only when Israelis and Arabs are ready to grieve together will they stop grieving alone.

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Save it for 'The Daily Show'

Juvenile mockery has no place on an editorial page. The sham "point-counterpoint" that appeared in the *DI*'s July 24 issue ("Is 'The Daily Show' good for news?") gives the impression there is no legitimate debate about the "new media" outlets.

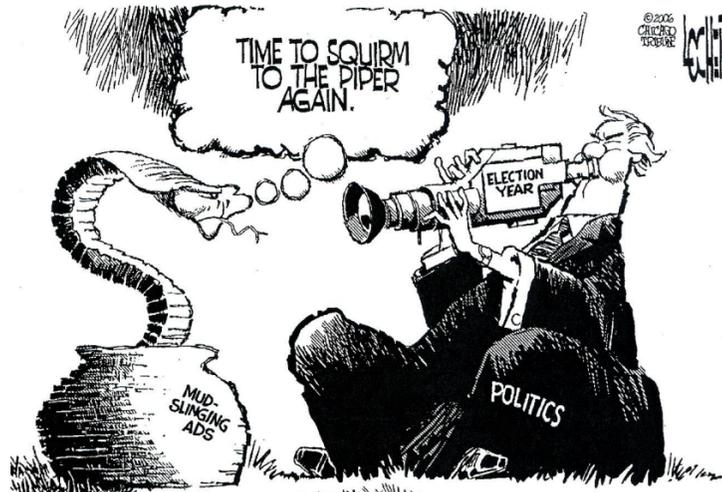
Though the initial argument for the legitimacy of "The Daily Show" was well-articulated, the counterpoint was no more than a poorly concealed mockery of a crudely constructed caricature of what the writer must believe is, a typical conservative Republican. It is a rather bold assumption to label an entire political party with such eccentric zeal. It is also rather bold, in a publication rooted in honesty, to fabricate an opposing argument in order to discredit it. I found such satire inappropriate in a place in your newspaper usually reserved for the expression of serious editorial positions.

In the future, please leave the satire to your opinion columns and to the always entertaining "Daily Show."

Wm. Lars Headington
Iowa City resident

An alternative energy state

I appreciate the attention paid by the *Daily Iowan* to environmental issues recently. I would like to offer the readers of the *DI*, and all of websites, a challenge of sorts. Visit the website



www.climatecrisis.net and find easy, convenient ways to reduce your impact on our environment.

Just a few suggestions to keep in mind: recycle, turn off lights, lower your thermostat, and get energy-efficient bulbs in your house. Buy post-consumer products, and if you are getting a new vehicle, choose one that is hybrid or fuel-efficient. Choose appliances with the "Energy Star" logo. Your energy company, and request your energy come from green resources (MidAmerican and Alliant both offer this service, I believe).

I challenge area businesses to recycle their office paper. I urge the UI to establish a stronger recycling program. I urge the

university to begin a conversion to become totally dependent on green energy.

Why doesn't Iowa become the "Alternative Energy State" by making wind not only ethanol but by providing and solar energies more accessible and commonplace? Let us foster new academic projects and programs to sustain these new goals and bring people to our state for its cutting-edge energy innovation.

Jennifer Hunold
UI graduate

Coverage kudos

I would like to thank *The Daily Iowan* for its coverage of our successful 17-

month fight against the city of Iowa City for its rezoning and sale of 23 acres of public land to Wal-Mart.

From your first article, March 2, 2005, to your last, July 24, the *DI* has distinguished itself as the only newspaper of our three local daily papers to cover all aspects of this lengthy battle. Last September, you were the only paper to cover the entrance into the case of a statewide land-use advocacy group, 1,000 Friends of Iowa (a group started by Ed Fallon). Later, in the fall, you were the only paper to report on the depositions my lawyer took from the City Council and the Zoning Board of Adjustment members. In December, you were the only paper to attend the City Council meeting in which the council voted for a second extension of the purchase agreement.

And, most critically, you were the only paper that sent a reporter to the Board of Adjustment meeting July 12, where the fatal dagger was plunged into Wal-Mart's evil heart, as the board voted 4-0 to deny Wal-Mart the special exception that its corporate attorneys thought necessary to build on a flood plain.

For many years, I have been a paid subscriber to the *DI*. The past 17 months have again proven your value to not only the university community and all of Iowa City but also people everywhere who care about the issues this case raised.

Gary Sanders
chairman, Iowa City Stop Wal-Mart

GUEST OPINION

Organic food and Humvees: equally eco-wasteful

Organic-food consumers are no different from the environment as the drivers piloting massive Hummers around our city streets. Both are wasting money and natural resources to gain snob appeal — with no other benefits.

Most people realize the \$100,000 Hummers that get nine miles per gallon exist to impress the waitresses at the local sports bar. Few of those vehicles ever take to the off-road environment for which the Army designed them. If the Hummers did get driven over rocks and stumps in the wilderness, the resulting dents and scratches would offend the parking valets at the fancy restaurants.

Organic food is also a snob-appeal ploy. Organic food is a politically acceptable way to brag to your neighbors that you can afford to pay double for your food — and smile about it. You can claim to care more deeply about your children and the environment.

Unfortunately for the organic customers, no consistent, significant nutritional advantages have ever been documented in organic food, during the more than 75 years since a Austrian racial purist named Rudolf Steiner first dreamed up the organic concept in the 1920s. Instead, plant researchers tell us the variety of carrot plant makes more nutritional difference than if it is grown organically. So long as the carrots and broccoli have nitrogen, phosphorus, and 26 trace minerals in their soil, they will produce the nutrition dictated by their DNA.

The environmental impact of organic food is dreadful. It takes organic farmers roughly twice as much land to produce a ton of food, primarily because they refuse to use nitrogen fertilizer to replace the nitrogen taken from the soil by the crops. That means huge tracts of land must be used to "grow nitrogen," either as cattle

pasture or planted to non-food legumes, such as clover and hairy vetch.

Humans already use 37 percent of the Earth's land area for farming, and we'll need at least double today's farm output to feed a peak human population of 8 billion or 9 billion in 2050. Thus, an all-organic farming mandate for the planet would mean clearing all 16 million square miles of remaining forest to plant more low-yield crops.

Most of that newly cleared forest is rough land that would erode swiftly once there were no tree roots to hold the steep slopes. Farming steeper slopes to get half the yield per acre would at least triple the world's soil erosion. The latest half-till farming, which uses herbicides to control weeds instead of plowing, has one-tenth the soil erosion of an organic farm. Thus, all-organic farming would be more environmentally destructive than replacing the planet's whole current fleet of 500 million cars with Hummers.

Even Cornell University, which tends to support the trendy and politically correct, says organic farming is somewhat worse for the environment than conventional farming because of the fertilizer problem and because it relies more heavily on pest-killing compounds that permanently poison soils, such as copper and sulfur.

We doubt whether many organic consumers will ever trade their high-mileage cars for bulky and expensive Hummers. So why in the world are they buying the organic foods?

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ON THE SPOT

Would you go to Israel right now?



"No, for safety reasons."

David Hingstman
UI faculty



"No, I don't want to die."

Ted Wendt
UI graduate student



"No, there's a war going on there."

Hans Engelbrecht
UI senior



"Not a chance in hell."

Danny Huber
UI senior

THE FOLLOWING STORIES REPRESENT THE BEST FROM THE UI'S SUMMER JOURNALISM WORKSHOP FOR HIGH-SCHOOL STUDENTS

TEEN LEARNS WAITING GAME

Each day, teenager Nick Wagner waits patiently for a new heart at the UI Hospitals and Clinics

BY STEPHANIE YODER
SPECIAL TO THE DAILY IOWAN

Life can easily go unappreciated, but teenager Nick Wagner does anything but as he waits day by day for one important thing — a new heart.

Bright posters, photos of longtime friends, and IV poles fill the 17-year-old's hospital room, the place he calls home and others call the UI Hospi-

tals and Clinics. Tucked into his hospital bed, he is only a short distance from his actual Iowa City residence.

For Wagner, the health challenges are merely a lesson in living.

"It taught me not to take life for granted," he said, with a look on his face that conveys a lifetime of battles.

Nick has fought heart problems since birth. After having his first heart transplant at

age 6, he has undergone five additional surgeries. But when he started experiencing unusual symptoms earlier this year, he returned to UIHC only to discover yet another concern: heart failure.

"It can be stressful and scary," said his mother, Phillis Wagner, as she sat by her son's bed Wednesday afternoon. "The doctors say we might be here waiting for another six months to a year."

Wagner is unemployed so she can devote her days to her son.

"It's important for me to be here and help him through this difficult time," she said.

Although they have to struggle with their son's situation, the family finds comfort in the UIHC staff — whom they have considered like family for the past 17 years, the Wagners said.

Between watching movies

and playing on his PlayStation 2, the teenager catches up on his school work with a personal tutor. He'd like to study business in college, he said.

Yet, being "normal" has never been on his agenda, he said.

"I can't really do what I want, because I have to be here in the hospital," he said. "I feel like I miss out on normal teen stuff. It's pretty much changed my whole life."

This year, Nick participated in the American Heart Association Walk, helping his team raise \$3,500 and place first.

His wait for a heart may not be over tomorrow, and it may not be over in a year. But he has refused to lose hope, and he wants to send a message to other kids in his situation.

"It may be hard," he said, "But you'll get through it. For sure, don't give up."

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TORCH SONG



Special to the Daily Iowan/Ariana McLaughlin, Kennedy High School

Maja Freeman of Iowa City sings into the fan while beating the heat at the Johnson County Fair on Wednesday.

Happy (& not so) campers

BY SARAH ARP
SPECIAL TO THE DAILY IOWAN

It's a few days after registration for the young members attending the UI high-school summer journalism workshop, and the tension is high as the future reporters attempt to complete their stories. The near-frenzy in the Adler Building computer room is palpable as the minutes tick down to the deadline. Some seem to be on the right track; others seem to have missed the train.

Every year, workshop students compete to come up with the best feature story. The best of the stories, which can be on any topic, are published in *The Daily Iowan*.

"I think it's a great opportunity to get work published," said Megan McCoy, a senior at Washington, Iowa, High School.

It's not so easy, though, for some students, such as McCoy, who has yet to find a topic a few hours before deadline. The assignments aren't graded, leading some to contemplate apathy.

"I might as well not even try," McCoy said.

However, many students seem to be putting their heart into composing their pieces. And some have a lot of confidence in themselves.

"I think it's amazing," said Missouri native and high-school sophomore Luke Christisen. "Because I'm going to win."

The teachers in the workshop have also worked very hard with the students. One such instructor, Donna Lee Olson of the News II class, said the young journalists should remain optimistic.

"No one should feel as if

he or she doesn't have a chance," she said. "Because they all do."

Olson said she has taught at the summer camp for seven years, adding that the annual workshop gives her a chance to get prepared for going back to advise her students' newspaper in Mason City, Iowa.

"I like it that it's a month before school starts again," she said. "It gets me galvanized for the new year."

The teachers and students aren't the only ones poking their heads into the world of journalism at the camp. Counselors living on the floors with the students seem to notice more than they're telling.

"To make a good journalist, they have to be wise about things," said Julie Siedler, one of the girls' counselors. "I hope students get as much as they can out of the workshop. It's a really good opportunity."

Seidler has been working as a counselor for approximately 10 years, and her philosophy seems to be, "Students will be students." However, she also had a few stories to tell of her own.

"A couple of years ago, there was a student with piercings and chains who wore all-black clothing," she said. "I immediately expected trouble from her. And she actually ended up being one of the ones to win an award for her writing."

The devotion many of the students have for writing is evident in the distance some traveled to attend the workshop — at least one student hailed from Texas.

"I'm like a famous foreigner," high-school senior Courtney Cambell said, laughing, as she talked

about arriving all the way from Austin. "I travel a lot, so it's not that bad."

On Wednesday, campers were asked to show their skills at a karaoke and talent-show gathering. It proved to be a popular event, and many of the students came out of their shells, basking in their last chance to have a little fun before the workshop's end.

"I'm pumped. I think it's cool," said Sara Johnson, a junior at Chicago's Dundee-Crown High School. "It's definitely a good idea for the last night."

However, all good things must come to an end. Today around noon, the students and their family members will attend the award ceremony — a time to recognize the students and their work. All seniors at the camp are eligible to win the \$500 scholarship the UI awards. As the students are winding down their stay at the university, some seem excited about the chance to be awarded on their writing skills, while some are a little sour on the subject.

"I don't feel I need public recognition for my work," said Jessica Vetter, a senior at Wilton (Iowa) High School. "And I don't think other people need two hours of public recognition for their work. It's just the sitting and listening I don't like."

While some campers play down the ceremony, Christisen stands to argue the point.

"I don't think it's necessarily about getting recognition for your work," he says. "It's about trying your best and hoping you'll win."

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WORLD

Castro touts Cuban achievements on Revolution Day

BAYAMO, Cuba (AP) — Fidel Castro led tens of thousands of Communist Party faithful Wednesday in a celebration of the nearly suicidal

barracks assault that launched the Cuban Revolution 53 years ago.

Returning to his roots in eastern Cuba, Castro told a large Revolution Day crowd in this provincial capital that his government's social achievements exceed anything a U.S.-backed replacement could accomplish.

Organizers estimated that more than

100,000 people showed up for the early morning event. Virtually all wore bright red commemorative T-shirts and waved small red, white, and blue Cuban flags, distributed by local party officials.

Castro appeared onstage in his trademark olive-green uniform, drawing a huge cheer from the crowd. He spoke for more than two hours.

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"She is very articulate, she was born and raised in the Midwest, and she has all the characteristics we are looking for," Kierscht said.

Marshall spent her professional career fundraising at the University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign; most recently, she served as the vice president of its foundation and associate chancellor for development.

"She has an extraordinary amount of experience doing this work," True said.

During her tenure at the Big Ten school, Marshall led the University of Illinois to raise more than \$1 billion and spearheaded a campaign to construct a library, information, and alumni center.

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— Lynette Marshall,
new UI Foundation president

said. "I am hoping to build on the previous success at the UI and move forward on the strategic plan put forth by Provost Michael Hogan."

Upon moving to Iowa City with her family on Aug. 14, Marshall hopes to learn as much as she can about the UI so she can accurately represent the university. Upon taking office on Aug. 22, she will strive to grasp the priorities and programs of this institution, she said.

"She will be here to help work through the post-campaign fundraising," Provost Hogan said. "We'll have to continue that momentum."

True expressed his satisfaction with the committee's decision.

"It's not a position to make a mistake on; we put a lot of time into the selection, and, in the end, we are glad we did," he said.

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Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan
The second-floor restroom at the Union Bar awaits finishing touches. The establishment's remodeling projects have contributed to the bar's failing two inspections in the last week.

Union still closed

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opening Tuesday. Because of that, Witgraff said, he stayed up nearly all night to ready to the venue for night of general rowdiness. The city's refusal to OK the bar for occupancy cost the business a "five-figure night," he estimated.

Witgraff, who planned on opening just a portion of the multi-faceted bar for the "Girls Gone Wild"/"The Real World" event, said a few protective coats need to be applied to the bar's new hardwood floors before the Union can reopen. He said he hopes to be operating at full capacity by Aug. 3.

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Controlled insanity on wheels



Laura Schmitt/The Daily Iowan

Team Roadshow members relax at their campsite after a long day of biking over the hills from Ida Grove to Audubon. The team usually puts on a juggling and unicycle show along the way or at the evening camp.

RAGBRAI

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This year's RAGBRAI show follows a similar formula. It is a jovial blend of torch-and-knife juggling, unicycle-riding, and devil-stick tossing. And often, such antics are performed simultaneously.

"Why RAGBRAI?" mused Rock Rapids native Paul Jennings, whose repertoire includes juggling five objects at a time. "Biking and juggling. And food. And beer. And, well, why not?"

Why not, indeed. But to anyone who has witnessed a clan of 40-year-old sud-soaked boozehounds stumble back to the campsite late at night, only to arise six hours later to cycle 70 miles in the blistering sun, the real question is, "How?"

Perhaps it is the underlying nature and accompanying mindset of RAGBRAI that accounts for these near-superhuman feats. RAGBRAI, in a strange and unintentional way, manages to fuse individualist ideas of self-reliance and personal accomplishment with collective ideas of camaraderie and group responsibility.

Any rider who has trouble rising early in the wee hours will inevitably be coaxed into alertness by more ambitious teammates. This is, after all, a team effort. And there is no I-am-going-today's-ride-due-to-a-feverish-hangover-stemming-from-last-night's-cruel-combination-of-cheap-rum-and-Afghani-

"The main draw is the people. The people from Iowa are homespun people with strong values. People from New York or California can't fathom that people along the way say, 'Here, you can have this for nothing,' or 'My house is two blocks down that way, go grab shower. There's beer in the fridge.'"

— Cheryl Butler, biker

hashish in team.

"It's kind of like what you Iowa students do for tailgating," observed rider Dan Keough, the 37-year-old president of West Des Moines insurance firm Innovative Captive Strategies. "You party the night before, but somehow, you still manage to make it in the morning."

As for dealing with the aching muscles that inevitably follow such prolonged physical strain:

"That's where these come in handy," Keough said, raising his can of beer. "It's our version of Advil."

The prevalence of brew on the RAGBRAI circuit should not be surprising. The amount of calories it takes to sustain seven hours of continued pedaling is absurd, and if a few hundred requisite calories are derived from a few expertly shotgunned Pabst Blue Rib-

bons, well, so be it.

This is not to say that the availability of intoxicants is without significant downfalls. You may inexplicably find yourself in a packed karaoke bar in Audubon, Iowa, staring into your drink to avoid the sight of a half-dozen stout, middle-aged white women gyrating in a drunken trance to "Baby Got Back" and motioning vaguely to their buttocks.

Although, truth be told, RAGBRAI is much more than just a week spent reveling in intemperance. It is an opportunity for friends to gather and for families to bond. Take the Pfohl family, for example.

Hailing from Dubuque, Paul and Sue Pfohl — a banker and elementary-school teacher respectively — have decided to make RAGBRAI an extended family outing. Their group includes three sons — Jacob,

16; Tyler, 15; and Eric, 8 — and a 12-year-old daughter named Christina. Then there's Sue's father, Dave Hunt.

"[Dave] is actually our strongest rider," Paul said about his 67-year-old father-in-law. "He just eats it up. No one rides like he does."

The children remain silent as they eat their hamburgers in Arcadia. They are minorities in this adult-dominated journey.

"I don't think I've seen anyone as young as him on the route," Sue said, referring to her 8-year-old son. "At least, not riding their own bike."

Ultimately, RAGBRAI is seen by its participants as more than just the sum of its grueling miles. It is an affirmation of everything righteous and good in the Iowa character.

"I'm from Ohio," said Roger Wilcox, a RAGBRAI veteran of 20 years. "And even compared with Ohio, people here are less suspicious of each other. They are very friendly and hospitable."

"The main draw is the people," iterated Cheryl Butler, one of Wilcox's road mates. "The people from Iowa are homespun people with strong values. People from New York or California can't fathom that people along the way say, 'Here, you can have this for nothing,' or 'My house is two blocks down that way, go grab shower. There's beer in the fridge.'"

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Kids hit championship links

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Marc Hall, Fayetteville Observer/Associated Press

Frank Frisbee, 10, celebrates after sinking a long putt on the practice green on Tuesday in Pinehurst, N.C. He and his friends were seeing who could make the most putts. The U.S. Kids Golf World Championship started Wednesday; it will run throughout the week.

children are playing on three courses at the famed Pinehurst golf resort but not on the course that hosted the men's U.S. Open in 1999 and 2005.

"When the world thinks of championship golf, if Pinehurst

minally ill mother. And the winner of the girls' 10-and-under division in 2000 was Cheyenne Woods — Tiger's niece.

Her uncle is the inspiration for countless numbers of young players. Tiger Woods famously appeared on "The Mike Douglas Show" when he was 2, began playing at 3, and as an 8-year-old, won the 9-10 age group at the junior world championships.

Padung someday would like to reach the level of his idol, Woods. But for now, he just wants to prove that his golf career didn't peak at the age of 8. That's when he won his age group at the junior worlds, plus "a bunch of other tournaments."

"That was the year I was very dominating," he said.

Padung, whose family eventually settled in North Augusta, S.C., said he couldn't help but laugh when a Thailand newspaper anointed him "the next Tiger."

He learned the sport from his four older brothers and his father, Suradej, who has helped mold his son's golf game.

PINEHURST, N.C. — Every-body is searching for the next Tiger Woods.

Could golf's next big thing be Meechai Padung, a sweet-swinging 12-year-old boy from Thailand who spent Wednesday afternoon on the range crushing 240-yard drives?

"There is the next Tiger Woods in this field," said John Bryan, the vice president of marketing for U.S. Kids Golf. "You just don't know who they are — because they're so young, and they don't have that stage."

Well, they do now. The three-day stroke play tournament for kids ages 4-12 is about four times larger than it was when it debuted in 2000, with 225 players. This is the tournament's first year in Pinehurst.

The courses, themselves, have been shortened by roughly one-third, to make things easier for young players, Bryan said. The

Skiing the heights

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Manning turns off his microphone and says to the reporter standing next to him, "If we can do that next week, we'll be in great shape."

Next week is the regional championship for show skiing in Albert Lea, Minn., and the Waterhawk members — who belong to one of three Iowa competitive show-ski teams — are looking to win it all and advance to nationals in Janesville, Wis., Aug. 11-12. The Waterhawks has finished in the top 10 in the country out of 94 teams nationally over the past two years and are hoping to improve on its seventh-place finish last year.

The group, whose 150 members range from age 5 to ready for retirement, is based in Waterloo but includes members from as far as 40 miles away, Manning said. Every Sunday (save tournament evenings) from now until Labor Day, at 6 p.m. on Eagle Lake, the members put on a show that combines gymnastics, skiing, acting, and skillful boat piloting — a bargain deal for the ticket price of \$5. Even those who are not amazed by water tricks can count on a well-stocked concession stand and a beer tent ready to handle a thirsty crowd on any hot Iowa summer day.

This year's show, "Nightmare Inn," carries a theme of eradicating ghosts from a haunted hotel. Skiers look more like Ghostbusters, mad scientists, and wizards in their variety of costumes, and they perform skits as others prepare for subsequent tricks. The show features front flips off a ramp, barefoot skiing (frontwards and backwards), 360-degree rota-

tions on one foot, and other challenging stunts.

"The front flips and barefooting take the most talent, but the pyramids take the most practice," Manning said.

The group begins practice each season in January in an indoor pool and add motion during the summer, when the members often train from 5:30 p.m. until dusk on the lake. That's when they're joined by the 35th and most important member of the pyramid.

"The driver is at least 50 percent of it," said Bill Dunkelberger, a Waterhawks administrator.

The pyramid's motorist is Mark Kintzle, whom Manning describes as a "premier" driver. Some other skiers even went as far as to say the boat's operator deserves 90 percent of the credit for a pyramid.

In addition to its show-ski team, the Waterhawks also boasts a "three-event" team, which performs jump, trick, and slalom skiing, similar to the UI squad, which competes in fall and spring tournaments.

At least four members of the Waterhawks have UI connections. Three are members of the UI club — President Christy Kingsmill, Leah Timmerman, and Melanie Kintzle, while Rykert Toledano is a former Hawkeye who maintains a membership to the UI club.

The difficulty of the water-ski moves is not generally lost on the audience. "I've been up on skis, but I don't know how they are getting on each other's shoulders like that," said audience member Vicki Johnson.

Going off the ramp might appear easy from the beach, but landings can be tough. The ski-jump record, held by professional skier Freddie

Krueger, is 233 feet — or nearly the length of eight school buses. When Toledano leaves the ramp, he flies through the air 144 feet, and Timmerman will bring her distance of 103 feet to the national meet in Bakersfield, Calif., Aug. 14-19.

"The best part about jumping is knowing that you are cutting into the ramp at speeds around 50 mph and feeling the rush of flying through the air," Timmerman said. "There is no other feeling like it, and you can't explain it, unless you've done it."

The Waterhawks is always looking for new members, Manning says, and the group accepts skiers of all skill levels. College students are some of the favorites, he said — because, in part, of their enthusiasm.

But for those who choose to stay within the confines of the UI, it's pretty easy to get involved, says longtime UI club member Toledano. "[The group has] weekly meetings throughout the school year," he said. And for those who lack the essentials, he said not to worry. "The club has some equipment that can be used for newcomers."

During the Waterhawks' show, a barefoot skier jumps off a tower and lands on his back, disappearing into the water as the boat speeds away. Within seconds, he reappears in the center of a water tunnel created by his feet, while the boat speeds past the crowd. The audience cheers and claps.

A spectator turns to his friend after the bare-footer lets go:

"These guys are pretty unreal."

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New league unveiled

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who enjoy the game, enjoy playing, and would like to play a little while as they're beginning to start their careers," said board member Charles Young, a former chancellor at UCLA and president at Florida.

Dempsey said the league has received financing from a small group of investors but declined to specify an amount. Another source of money could be a television deal, but only preliminary talks have been held. Tickets to games will cost \$30.

"We're going to have to generate the money to make it work," Dempsey said. "That's obviously the next step. We've had a lot of discussions with potential franchise holders, and, obviously, one issue has been is this really going to happen? This will take it another step."

Among the others committed to the league: James Bailey, former executive vice president of the Browns and Ravens; former ACC Commissioner Gene Corrigan; former UCLA Athletics Director Peter Dalis; former Tennessee defensive back Charles Davis; and former Tennessee and Florida coach Doug Dickey.

The idea for the league started two years ago, and organizers plan a kickoff in the second week of April, with the first season running around 10 weeks. The group is committed to make it a success — and forming a different niche for football fans.

"We don't see ourselves as a competitor to the NFL," Bailey said. "They're going to get the best players, but we think there are plenty of good players who don't make the NFL that can play good quality football and have connections to their local areas."

NATIONAL LEAGUE

By The Associated Press

Times CDT	W	L	Pct	GB
East Division				
New York	60	41	.594	—
Atlanta	48	52	.480	11½
Florida	46	53	.465	13
Philadelphia	45	53	.459	13½
Washington	45	56	.446	15
Central Division				
St. Louis	58	42	.580	—
Cincinnati	53	48	.525	5½
Houston	48	53	.475	10½
Milwaukee	48	54	.471	11
Chicago	39	61	.390	19
Pittsburgh	37	66	.359	22½
West Division				
San Diego	54	47	.535	—
Arizona	51	49	.510	2½
San Francisco	51	50	.505	3
Colorado	47	53	.470	6½
Los Angeles	47	55	.461	7½

Wednesday's Games
N.Y. Mets 1, Chicago Cubs 0, 10 innings
Pittsburgh 8, Milwaukee 4
St. Louis 6, Colorado 1
San Diego 10, L.A. Dodgers 3
Philadelphia 6, Arizona 4
Washington 4, San Francisco 3
Atlanta 6, Florida 5
Houston 9, Cincinnati 5

Today's Games
Florida (Olsen 8-4) at Atlanta (Shiell 0-1), 12:05 p.m.
Arizona (Vargas 8-6) at Philadelphia (Lidle 7-7), 12:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Cain 7-6) at Washington (Hernandez 7-8), 12:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Weaver 1-1) at Chicago Cubs (Hill 0-4), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Ramirez 3-6) at Houston (Buchholz 6-8), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Williams 4-2) at Colorado (Fogg 7-5), 8:05 p.m.

Friday's Games
St. Louis at Chicago Cubs, 1:20 p.m.
San Francisco at Pittsburgh, 6:05 p.m.
Florida at Philadelphia, 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Atlanta, 6:35 p.m.
Arizona at Houston, 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Milwaukee, 7:05 p.m.
San Diego at Colorado, 8:05 p.m.
Washington at L.A. Dodgers, 9:40 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	61	39	.610	—
New York	59	40	.596	1½
Toronto	56	45	.554	5½
Baltimore	46	56	.451	16
Tampa Bay	42	60	.412	20
Central Division				
Detroit	68	33	.673	—
Chicago	59	41	.590	8½
Minnesota	59	41	.590	8½
Cleveland	44	56	.440	23½
Kansas City	35	65	.350	32½
West Division				
Los Angeles	52	49	.515	—
Oakland	52	49	.515	—
Texas	51	51	.500	1½
Seattle	49	52	.485	3

Wednesday's Games
Detroit 4, Cleveland 1
L.A. Angels 15, Tampa Bay 6
Minnesota 7, Chicago White Sox 4
Oakland 5, Boston 1
N.Y. Yankees 8, Texas 7
Baltimore 4, Kansas City 3
Seattle 7, Toronto 4

Today's Games
Baltimore (R.Lopez 6-11) at Kansas City (Gobble 3-3), 10:10 p.m.
Toronto (Lilly 9-8) at Oakland (Blanton 10-8), 9:05 p.m.

Friday's Games
L.A. Angels at Boston, 6:05 p.m.
Seattle at Cleveland, 8:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Yankees, 6:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Baltimore, 6:05 p.m.
Detroit at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m.

Kansas City at Texas, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Oakland, 9:05 p.m.

NBA

Eastern Conference	W	L	Pct	GB
Connecticut	19	6	.760	—
Detroit	17	7	.708	1½
Indiana	16	9	.640	3
Washington	12	13	.480	7
Charlotte	7	18	.280	12
New York	5	20	.200	14
Chicago	3	21	.125	15½
Western Conference				
Los Angeles	22	6	.786	—
Sacramento	16	10	.615	5
Houston	14	12	.538	7
Seattle	14	12	.538	7
Phoenix	11	13	.458	9
San Antonio	11	14	.440	9½
Minnesota	9	15	.375	11

Wednesday's Games
Detroit 91, Sacramento 71
Los Angeles 81, San Antonio 67

Today's Games
Chicago at Washington, 6 p.m.
Charlotte at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Phoenix at Houston, 7:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Optioned LHP Kason Gabbard to Pawtucket of the IL.
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Traded 1B Ben Broussard and cash to the Seattle Mariners for OF Shin-Soo Choo and a player to be named.
DETROIT TIGERS—Called up RHP Colby Lewis from Toledo of the IL.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Recalled INF Andres Blanco from Omaha of the PCL.
NEW YORK YANKEES—Designated C Kelly Stinnett for assignment.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Recalled LHP Randy Keister from Sacramento of the PCL. Optioned RHP Jason Windsor to Sacramento.
SEATTLE MARINERS—Designated OF Carl Everett for assignment. Recalled OF Chris Snelling from Tacoma of the PCL.
TEXAS RANGERS—Signed SS Marcus Lemon.

National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Agreed to terms with 1B Scott Hatteberg on a one-year contract extension. Activated C David Ross from the 15-day DL. Designated RHP Joe Mays for assignment.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Traded C Sal Fasano to the New York Yankees for 2B Hector Made.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
BOSTON CELTICS—Signed C Kevin Pittsnogle to a two-year contract.
DENVER NUGGETS—Signed F Yakhouba Diawara.
HOUSTON ROCKETS—Signed F Steve Novak to a multiyear contract.
NEW ORLEANS HORNETS—Signed G Bobby Jackson. Re-signed G-F Rasual Butler.
TORONTO RAFTORS—Waived G Alvin Williams. Signed G Fred Jones.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
NFL—Suspended Cincinnati LB Odell Thurman for the first four games of the season for violating the league's substance abuse policy.
CAROLINA PANTHERS—Agreed to terms with CB Richard Marshall on a four-year contract.
DENVER BRONCOS—Signed WR Brandon Marshall, DL Elvis Dumervil and C Greg Eslinger.
GREEN BAY PACKERS—Agreed to terms with OL Jason Spitz. Released QB Tom Arth and RB Chaz Williams.
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Agreed to terms with S Jarron Page on a three-year contract.
MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed DT Frederick Evans to a four-year contract.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Signed QB Tarvaris Jackson to a four-year contract. Agreed to terms with FB Brandon Jones. Waived WR Kelvin Knight, CB Uke Dozier and RB Taurean Henderson.

Freeman leads charge

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son around.

"When we first came out, we were terrible," Freeman said. "Now, it's like, 'Wow, is this the same team?'"

Prime Time director Randy Larson commended Freeman before the game for his selfless attitude and devotion to his teammates.

"Freeman is one of the most exciting players we've ever had at the Prime Time League, and he is also one of the best team players," Larson said. "He told me he didn't want his name on the back of his jersey, because all he cares about is the team."

McKowen received the Chris Street award before the game, which goes to the player who best exemplifies the late Hawkeyes' hard-nosed demeanor. McKowen led Community Pontiac/Hodge with 28 points in the loss, while grabbing three rebounds and dishing out three assists.

Two days after tallying a double-double in the semifinal, Hawkeye sophomore Kurt Looby was limited to only seven points. Averaging 13 rebounds per game for the Prime Time season, he decided to stay on the glass-cleaning job by snaring 15 rebounds.

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Fantasy runs wild

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to score the touchdowns, now that Jerome Bettis is gone — it won't be speedy Willie Parker. Edgerrin James will finally be appreciated on his new team, Arizona. Coach Dennis Green said the team passed too muh in 2005.

The ultimate sleeper this year comes from Dallas. Marion Barber III will step in at the goal line and steal touchdowns from Julius Jones. Both players had five scores last year, with Jones having more than 100 more carries than Barber. Also, with the spotty play and injury-proneness of Jones, Barber could be shouldering more of the rushing load for Dallas in 2006.

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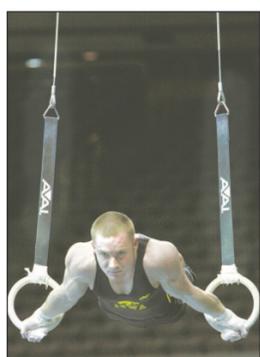
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Jacques Bouchard

GYMNASTICS

9 Hawk mens gymnasts honored

Three Hawkeye men's gymnasts received recognition as first-team All-America Scholar Athletes from the College Gymnastics Association, and six others were awarded second-team honors.

Senior Jacques Bouchard, junior Reid Vancelette, and freshman Benjamin Gonsoulin took home first-team honors for achieving better than a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale, while second-team awards went to senior Bryan Bourland, junior Drew Ignoto, sophomores Jacob Becker and Tom Beuse, and freshmen Geoff Reins and Diego Mercado-Austin for GPAs of at least 3.20.

Bouchard will enter his final season as the top returning scorer on rings, while Vancelette looks to build on last year's season-best mark of 9.125 on the vault against Illinois-Chicago.

— by Joe Winn

BASKETBALL

Skouby, Big Ten team finish undefeated

Iowa's Megan Skouby and the Big Ten women's basketball All-Star team wrapped another undefeated foreign tour Wednesday, beating Oslo/Akerhus, 97-55.

The four-game tour's final victory marked the 23rd consecutive win for the team over the past five years.

Skouby scored four points, pulled three rebounds, and had a block in Wednesday's win. She finished as the team's tournament leader in blocks.

In other women's basketball news, the Iowa athletics department announced that the Hawkeyes averaged 3,920 fans at 14 home games last season. That tally earned the 25th spot among Division I teams in attendance.

"This ranking is a credit to our great fan support," Coach Lisa Bluder said in a statement. "Hawkeye fans are among the most loyal in the country."

— by Dan Parr

OLYMPICS

LA, San Francisco, Chicago in running for 2016 Games

DENVER (AP) — The backdrop of America's bid for the 2016 Olympic Games might be the Golden Gate Bridge, the Sears Tower, or the Los Angeles Coliseum — or none of these at all.

The U.S. Olympic Committee eliminated Houston and Philadelphia as candidate cities for the 2016 Olympics on Wednesday, leaving San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Chicago in the running for what many consider to be America's best shot in years at landing a Summer Games.

The three finalists, however, will have to make significant enhancements in their plans for the USOC even to bid on the 2016 Games, said Peter Ueberroth, the USOC chairman and the architect of the profit-making 1984 Games in Los Angeles.

Tony Freeman leads champs

BY JOE WINN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Tony Freeman put on a 3-point shooting clinic in the second half to lead Beisser Lumber to a 109-85 victory over Community Pontiac GMC/Hodge Construction for the Prime Time League championship on Wednesday.

After being named league MVP at halftime, Freeman proceeded to connect on five consecutive 3-point attempts on his way to a 36-point performance.

Community Pontiac/Hodge tried several defensive ploys to disrupt Freeman's flow, but none could stop the sophomore point guard. The lone way to halt Freeman's shooting frenzy was to foul him; he was fouled twice during 3-point shots.

"We tried everything tonight," Community Pontiac/Hodge coach Marcus Leloux said. "We tried double-teaming him, but the basket was as big as an ocean for him tonight, and when he's coming off the dribble, there just aren't many people who can guard him."

With Beisser trailing 45-43 at halftime, Freeman opted to take matters into his own hands. After hitting the third of five-straight 3-point shots, he looked up at the scoreboard displaying his team's 67-59 advantage and flashed his tongue in his best Michael Jordan imitation.

Freeman attributed the newfound confidence in his jumper to strenuous off-season shooting drills, which were inspired by the Hawkeyes' NCAA Tournament first-round loss last season and his desire to persevere in the clutch.

"After we lost that game, I came back the next day and worked on becoming a better shooter," said Freeman, who also had three rebounds and six assists. "Building confidence is definitely my main goal right now. I've been confident my whole career, but last year, [Iowa] was a senior-laden team, so I just tried to fill my role as a backup."

Freeman not only filled the MVP role in the Prime Time championship — he flooded it. When he wasn't damaging Community Pontiac/Hodge guard Brooks McKowen's will with crisp cross-overs and pull up jumpers, Freeman was the vocal leader for his squad, something he said was necessary to turn Beisser's sea-

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Aaron Hall Holmgren/The Daily Iowan

Luis Garcia of Beisser Lumber soars toward the hoop during the Prime Time league championship game on Wednesday evening at the North Liberty Community Center. Beisser won the championship, 109-85, over Community Pontiac/Hodge.

FANTASY FOOTBALL

Running wild

BY TYSON BRAUN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Many fantasy football leagues award more points to receiving and rushing touchdowns than to passing touchdowns, making the running back the most valuable position on your roster.

Injuries to big stars occur every year — they're every fantasy owner's nightmare — so check to see if prospective

running backs have a history of injuries. They may have great upsides, but they can't help your team from the sidelines. New England's Corey Dillon, Jacksonville's Fred Taylor, New Orleans' Deuce McAllister, and Detroit's Kevin Jones should be looked at with a critical eye on draft day.

Be especially wary of Dillon and McAllister, whose teams drafted running backs in the first round of the NFL draft as insurance to the oft-injured stars. If their own teams don't trust them, why should you?

The big three — Kansas City's Larry Johnson, San Diego's LaDainian Tomlinson, and Seattle's Shaun Alexander — will be the first three picks in almost every league. Beyond them, look for running backs who are stepping into new roles in which they may thrive.

Look for Deuce Staley to reach pay dirt in Pittsburgh more this year; somebody has

Larry Johnson
running back

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New football league unveiled

Former NCAA president Cedric Dempsey is part of an effort to begin new football league

BY ANDREA ADELSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Former NCAA President Cedric Dempsey is ready to give a new pro football league that ol' college try.

Dempsey and 12 other people from the worlds of sports, education, and business have teamed up to form the All American Football League, which is scheduled to start play next spring. The league plans to field eight teams based in college towns, playing in stadiums on campus or nearby.

Though Dempsey declined to say where the teams will play, he said the cities will feature colleges from the ACC, Southeastern Conference, and Big Ten. The league already has stadium-use agreements in place, he said, and now needs to find investors willing to spend between \$2 million to \$3 million to buy franchise rights.

Perhaps the most interesting part of the league: A player must have graduated to participate.

That diploma will guarantee a healthy paycheck. League players will earn approximately \$100,000 a season, Dempsey said, better than minimums offered in the Arena Football League — roughly \$30,000 —

and NFL Europe, for example. The league, not teams, will pay the players and coaches in order to control spending.

Dempsey and the board of directors view the league as a continuation of the college game, hoping fervent fans will support a pro team in their town.

"It was an intriguing idea from the beginning, and I wouldn't have had an interest in this if it was just another football league," Dempsey said at a news conference Wednesday. "But it had such a close tie back to higher education ... and it gives an incentive to finish school."

Unlike the XFL, a spring pro league that failed, the new league has no plans to compete with the NFL.

Instead, the league, which will play under college rules, is aiming for a regional audience.

To that end, teams will feature players who have starred in that college town and from surrounding areas and conferences. The league hopes to sign players who haven't latched onto an NFL team.

"I don't think these are going to be people who think of themselves as great football stars, but I think they're going to be people

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DAY TRIPPIN'



Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

The Waterhawk members form a pyramid of 25 skiers during their weekly ski show on Sunday at Eagle Lake in Waterloo. Later in the show, the club formed a pyramid using 34 people. The ski club will compete at the regionals in Albert Lee, Minn., next week.

REALLY SHOWING UP

BY TYSON BRAUN
THE DAILY IOWAN

WATERLOO — The rope is pulled taut, and the group on the dock gets yanked into the water. The boat needs all of its 700 horsepower to haul the 34 skiers as they focus intently on their goal of twisting, shoving, pulling, and jerking their bodies en masse to form a human pyramid. They begin in front of the beach crowd. All 34

skiers are at water level. The boat goes into the first turn, and the action begins. Hands push waists upward. Feet meet shoulders. And fingers reach out for other fingers, as the skiers head for the second turn. The boat is now halfway through its course, and the showmen and -women are almost in position.

By the time the boat makes the third turn, the skiers have done it. They

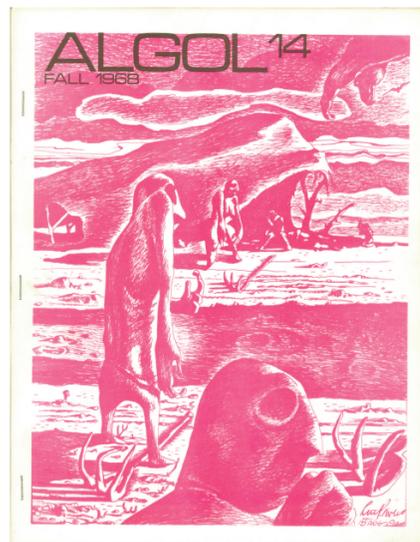
hold together in the form of a remarkable human pyramid as the boat cruises through the final stretch in front of the cheering crowd. The skiers smile, proud and elated at their accomplishment. Nobody is more excited than announcer Archie Manning, who screams into his microphone, "Ladies and Gentleman, they did it! The 2006 Waterhawks!"

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BY RAY MATTSON

THE DAILY IOWAN

Outside the loading dock of an old woolen mill on a winter Oregon day, a driver has backed a semitrailer into place. Inside the frigid mill — photos illustrate how the majority of the walls had been left unfinished, studs in plain view, electrical wiring dangling obsolete from the ceiling — were hundreds of crumpled boxes stacked 6 feet high, waiting to be moved. In a few days, the mill would be used by the local Fire Department for a test burn. A handful of people, bundled up against the cold, began loading the boxes marked “Iowa” onto the trailer.

Since 1967, Mike Horvat had read, collected, and preserved hundreds of thousands of science-fiction fanzines. He was a fan among fans. Now, in 2005, his collection had been acquired by the UI Special Collections for \$75,000.

The aged boxes were placed on top of one another and dollyed up a ramp, over a small bump, and down into the truck. Then the group started loading 20 fanzine-heavy, pink-ish filing cabinets, purchased from a local fire sale, into the trailer. Mike had originally set out to restore them: He had wire-brushed the cabinets down to their bare metal and then applied two coats of salmon-colored primer. He never got a chance to apply the final coat of paint.

The building’s contents half-filled the large truck. The semi’s engine rattled and started up with a diesel cough before, leaving for Iowa. A few days later, while the Stayton Fire Department burned the woolen mill, the UI Libraries’ Special Collections began safely unloading Mike’s rare cache of science-fiction fanzines.

This 1,900-plus mile journey from Stayton, Ore., to Iowa City occurred a year and a half ago, yet Special Collection’s work with the material still continues.

Sid Huttner, the head of the department, said, “When it arrived at the loading dock at the end of December 2005, it looked to me like we were going to be spending the next decade getting some control on this. And, in fact, it’s fallen into pretty good shape pretty quickly, with the help of a lot of people.”

After the contents were itemized and ordered, Huttner turned the collection over to the UI Libraries’ newly created Digital Collections Department.

This new division is now fashioning

Mike’s lifelong passion for science-fiction fanzines into a digital research tool for both UI scholars and those from across the globe. The department’s work with the fanzines is its pilot project, said UI metadata librarian Jen Wolfe.

Gary Westfahl, the coordinator of English programs at the University of California-Riverside and the author and editor of 15 books of science-fiction criticism, said, “The literature of science fiction is now considered worth examining by a broad range of literary scholars, in fields such as feminism, postmodernism, and postcolonialism, as well as experts in other disciplines, such as history and political science.”

And having online access to the Horvat Collection would provide these diverse researchers with an arena in which they could supplement and deepen their research.

The Horvat Collection represents science-fiction fanzines from the 1930s to the 1990s, but why are they important, and, moreover, what are they?

A science-fiction fanzine is simply a fan magazine. It can be simply black-and-white sheets of paper stapled together, or it can have a semi-glossy color cover. Typically, these zines were created by small groups of people who had common interests and meager budgets.

The contents of any science-fiction fanzine can differ wildly, but most contain book reviews, an editorial or two, a letters section, and fan fiction. What’s interesting to scholars, such as UI Associate Professor Rob Latham, who works closely with Wolfe and Digital Collections, are both the letters and early fan writings of some of the field’s most-respected authors. Latham said, “A lot of writers started as fans,” and, subsequently, these works of fan fiction have gone overlooked.

Although the digitization is still in the experimental phase, Wolfe, digital-initiatives librarian Mark Anderson, and student assistant Sarah Remington have come a long way in the process of scanning the covers and table of contents pages of the 10 most-important fanzines, as chosen by Latham.

The second area, the one of most interest to researchers, is the letters sections found in many of the fanzines. The science-fiction community that grew up with the fanzines was closely knit; there was, and still is, a high level of author/fan interaction in the field.

Mike Horvat, the original owner of the UI’s Horvat Collection, describes his beginnings as a science-fiction fan for the *DI*:

“When I was 12 years old, my friend Robert Kirkpatrick and I would hitch a ride with the *San Francisco Chronicle* truck at 6 a.m. The truck would take us the 45 miles to San Francisco, then bring us back at 6 p.m. There is a lot of a couple of 12-year old boys can get into in the city for half a day; nothing that we did affected my life as much as the trip one blustery day in April of 1958. We were standing around waiting for the Holmes Book Store to open when a clerk wheeled out a sidewalk rack of specials — books they couldn’t get rid of anyway else. My eye was caught by a copy of *Science Fiction Stories* for November 1957, with a cover illustrating Eric Frank Russell’s ‘Early Bird.’

“I bought it for a nickel, took it home, and read it the next day. Wow! This was no *Miss Pickerill Goes to Mars!* This was real science fiction; I had arrived.

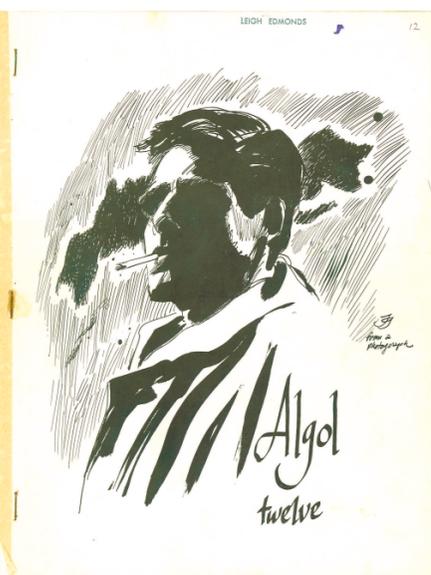
“I spent the next 10 years gobbling up all the science fiction I could find.

“In 1967, thanks to a little ad in the back of *The Magazine of Fantasy and Science Fiction*, I ordered 12 fanzines for a dollar. Heck; I didn’t even know what a fanzine was, but it sounded cool. When they arrived, I discovered Fandom. Fans were people who read science fiction, thought about it, wrote about it, and published amateur magazines about it. I knew right away that I had found Family.

“Those 12 were carefully preserved, as were all the others I received over the years, and they formed the collection that now resides at the UI. [...]”

“In 2002, we sold the house and had to move the collection to storage in an old woolen mill. I refurbished the area, and it made a good home, plenty of room. Unfortunately, I had to sell the mill, and the new owner didn’t want my stuff in it any longer; he was going to have the fire department do a ‘practice burn’ to clear the buildings off the land prior to development. That’s when I panicked. I didn’t have time to find a good, fannish home for the fanzines. I used the Internet to reach fandom and wrote a lot of personal letters. No one came forth. One of my desperate ploys to spread the word was to put the fanzines on eBay for sale. This netted me one of Rob Latham’s ex-grad students, who put the two of us together. The rest is, as they say, history.”

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THAT SINKING FEELING

Go ahead; take the plunge. But *The Lady in the Water* never quite makes it to high tide. **3B**

PAINTING MEASURE FOR MEASURE

For artist Mark Hoffman, painting and music have a passionate intersection. **2B**

PYRAMID DREAMS

In his 50 years of dancing and choreographing, Egyptian Mahmoud Reda has learned a thing or two about hoofing it. **3B**

PAINTINGS THAT SING

'There was a time when I almost quit painting. It was frustrating, because it was something I really wanted to do, but it didn't seem to be coming together.'

— Mark Hoffman, 51-year-old artist



Contributed Photo/Hudson River Gallery
Zeus Apollo and Freddie, by Mark John Hoffman.



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Tales of Brave Johnson, by Mark John Hoffman.

BY MAGGIE ANDERSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Mark Hoffman began art school with plans of moving to California and animating movies.

But art school meant student loans. And loan payments, particularly when coupled with family obligations, often lead to artistic inspiration's ultimate nemesis: a full-time job. Hoffman became a UPS truck driver.

"There was a time when I almost quit painting," the 51-year-old said. "It was frustrating, because it was something I really wanted to do, but it didn't seem to be coming together." But with encouragement from friends, particularly his pastor, he persevered.

"[My pastor] opened my eyes to the fact that painting is really something I have to do," the Rockford, Ill., native said. "Art and music are expressions of your spirituality. This is really soul work. I have to paint. It's like paint or die."

Hoffman's current exhibition, *The Musicians*, will run through Aug. 15 at the Hudson River Gallery, 538 S. Gilbert St. The space is an apt location for the artist's first solo show since 1999 — brother-in-law Nick Hotek, another of Hoffman's pillars of support, owns the Victorian mansion.

Though the exhibit opened in June, Hoffman didn't start seriously working until early spring, partially because of a shift in his overlying theme. With limited time, the artist turned to a familiar topic: the intersection of his two passions, art and music.

"It's something that really touches my soul," the guitarist said. "If I had my choice, I'd paint by day and play music by night."

The show marks the third time Hoffman has devoted a series to *The Musicians*. But a viewer would not mistake this show for his first, a 1989 graduate exhibition at Northern Illinois University.

"They were very atmospheric back then," he said.

Choosing large, vague color shapes over defined figures, Hoffman's early *Musicians* were largely abstract — he even did Jackson Pollock-like paint

ART EXHIBIT

Mark Hoffman, *The Musicians*
When: Now through Aug. 15
Where: Hudson River Gallery, 538 S. Gilbert St.
Admission: Free

splattering and action painting.

But in returning to the topic, Hoffman chose to take a more representational approach, producing 11 works with more solid figures. Still, the paintings retain their nearly palpable energy, perhaps because they were completed in only a matter of months. Housed in the mansion's upper story, the collection engenders an all but audible musical vigor reminiscent of a New Orleans jazz joint. Whether they are wailing on a sax or strumming a guitar, Hoffman's lively characters inhabit the canvas with a barely constrained exuberance derived from the artist's energetic brushstrokes and bright, lively color patterns.

For the most part, the figures, actively engaging the viewer by crowding the canvas's boundaries, do not recall specific people or events. Rather, Hoffman drew inspiration from online images, his own concert photographs, and imagined scenes, selectively choosing and re-arranging aspects he found appealing. His message is not personal but general, intended to convey the basic emotions involved in instrumentation.

One painting, in particular, provides a glimpse into the music's more guttural aspects. In *Reptilian Soul Food*, two guitar-playing rock-gods jam, while another, mouth jutting forward, wails in the background. Hoffman, whose dirty-blond, shoulder-sweeping hair resembles Jon Bon Jovi's, said the painting was inspired by a part of the human brain called the amygdala. This almond-shaped nerve bundle produces reactions to emotions, such as fear and anger, including the most elemental human behavior — the "fight-or-flight" response.

"It's like [rock 'n' roll is] appealing to those base emotions," Hoffman said. "And, sometimes, it gets a little mindless."

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UI lands science-fiction coup

HORVAT

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Additionally, "writers would say things in zines that they would never say anywhere else" about their publishers and editors, Latham said. And the Horvat zines contain these rare moments of honesty or outright bitterness by some of the century's most prominent figures, such as Harlan Ellison, Philip K. Dick, and Norman Spinrad.

But the printed fanzine era has all but ended; the majority of them now have migrated to the Internet. What's left are thousands of yellow, brittle pages, lovingly stapled and still bearing their outrageously low-cost postage stamps.

These fanzines are now in the hands of individuals such as Remington, who meticulously scans them. She said it takes about 30 to 40 minutes to finish the cover and table of contents; in between, she digitally corrects any blemishes that might obscure the digital reproduction.

But working away in the zine trenches isn't all that dull; there are a number of interesting things Remington has noticed. She joked that in almost every one, there is a

phallic image. And who wouldn't agree when the symbology of science fiction includes space ships, laser guns, rockets, and pointy alien antennae?

Yet, all joking aside, the future of science-fiction research is not only important for libraries and scholars but to the writers themselves. It is, after all, their material that is of the most importance, and how those writings are presented affects an author's stature.

So, I wanted to get right at the source. I attempted to get a hold of prominent authors with the hopes of getting their take on academia's involvement in science fiction. And it wouldn't be a science-fiction article if there weren't some otherworldly experiences.

Spinrad, author of *Bug Jack Barron* and *The Iron Dream* and the recent guest of honor at a Science Fiction Research Association conference, explained in an e-mail interview that he was in favor of the scholarly community's involvement with science fiction.

However, when asked about the fan community, Spinrad was slightly less reserved: "The [conventions], the costumes, the cults, the crap in so

many of the fanzines, has been not only detrimental to the public image of [science fiction] but to the writers who try to pander to this 'fan base' [...]" Spinrad's heated response is indicative of the types of things authors might say in the fanzines, honest and usually biting.

Now, having one of the most respected authors return an e-mail is a thrilling occasion, one in which anyone would be overjoyed.

But it gets even more eerie from here.

I e-mailed Ellison's official website. He had recently been anointed Damon Knight Memorial Grand Master and is one of the field's most important writers. If he would talk about the Horvat Collection, it would have struck intergalactic gold.

I finished my e-mail at about 6 p.m. and went out with my parents to eat. A little over an hour later, back in my cramped room, obsessively checking my e-mail and rifling through notes, my phone rang. "No ID available," a cryptic number if ever there were one. It had to be a friend playing a joke, and I answered

it like any unwanted, interruptive phone call: "Yeah?"

A booming voice declared, "This is Harlan Ellison. You e-mailed my site?" It was 7:30 p.m. the same day.

Ellison explained that he had called back because he wanted to be respectful, and, although he declined to comment, this inestimable author had personally returned an e-mail with a phone call. Again, like Spinrad's inflammatory comments, Ellison's quick response represents the type of interactions fans have been sharing with authors through the fanzines and now through the Internet.

The work the Digital Collections Department is performing with the fanzines affects this worldwide community, one that includes not only scholars, such as Latham and Westfahl, but fans such as Mike Horvat and myself. The printed fanzine has become a thing of the past, yet, by having this material online, the UI can ensure its stature within this community, and both will be able to move into ... the Future.

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Arts Summer dances on

BY MAGGIE ANDERSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Prints made using a 19th-century French imaging technique. A 2,000-pound free-hanging sculpture. African tribal art. These works are just a few of the many on display during the all-too-brief three-week interim before classes resume Aug. 21 — proving that, while the UI summer session ends July 28, the Summer of the Arts marches on.

Beginning Aug. 5, the UI Museum of Art will display UI Professor Emeritus Peter Feldstein's work in an exhibition titled *Drawings, 2000-2006*.

"He has works that bridge drawing and photography," said Dale Fisher, the director of education for the museum.

The photography and digital-imaging teacher's 19th-century technique, *cliché-verre* (literally "glass picture"), essentially creates a hand-drawn negative on a transparent material, such as glass or film, that can then be printed on a light-sensitive paper or scanned and printed digitally.

Across the street, the UI School of Art and Art history is preparing for the dedication of the new Art Building and the school's centennial celebration, slated for Sept. 8. Among other events, the school will hold a digital alumni art exhibition, and Aug. 1 marks the deadline for UI art-school graduates to submit slides of their work for display. The school will also hold an online faculty art auction Aug. 20.

In Coralville, work continues on the new

Marriott Hotel, due to open in August with a formal ribbon cutting ceremony on Aug. 24. The hotel will feature work by Iowa artists in its rooms and lobbies, and several local artists will create the hotel's signature pieces. UI Professor Emeritus Hung-Shu Hu is creating a 2,000-pound free-hanging sculpture for the \$60 million lobby, Dale Merrill is designing the grand staircase, and Nora Cross is contributing foil imaging.

Galleries around town will also contribute to the visual-arts scene. At the Mythos Gallery, 9 S. Linn St., a new show, titled *Tribal Arts of Africa*, will open Aug. 1. Owner Steve Johnson said he has been working to purchase enough authentic African pieces for the exhibit at sales nationwide over the past year. Works on display will date from pre-World War II.

The Iowa Artisans Gallery, 207 E. Washington St., will host a new exhibition featuring work by Japan-native Akiko Koiso, beginning July 27. The Quad Cities resident works in the traditional Japanese Raku style, a firing technique that emphasizes the traditional Japanese values of spontaneity, asymmetry, and respect for nature.

And at Akar Gallery, 257 Iowa Ave., another ceramics show will open Aug. 4. The exhibit will feature work by Randy Johnston, Wayne Branum, and Sandy Simon, all students of celebrated functional ceramicist Warren Mackenzie.

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Beat goes on

All right, kiddies, here's the scoop. Friday marks the end of the publishing season at *The Daily Iowan*. That being the case, we'll be out of the newsroom, so to speak, when it comes to letting you know about local music events. So, please get out your calendars and your favorite pen. We've got a few dates for you to mark down.

On Aug. 3, former Slobberbone frontman Brent Bests rolls into the Mill, 120 E. Burlington St., with his new crew, The Drums. Touring in support of his newest record, Jubilee Drive, the group will pump out pop-infused alt-country, expanding on territory Bests' previous band has already mapped. Doors open at 9 p.m. Bring \$7 to get in, and come early to catch opener Matthew Grimm and the Red Smear.

On Aug. 8 at 8 p.m. the Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington St., will host an all-out hipster fest. Get your Converse out of the closet, put on your dad's old blazer, and grab \$13, because Georgia's own Of Montréal will bring its psychedelic indie-pop to the stage. The Minders, from Portland, will accompany the euphoric-popsters with its own brand of Kinks-inspired indie-pop.

The real feather in Iowa City's musical cap comes Aug. 13. The Record Collector, 125 E. Washington St., has scored one of indie-music's most elusive performers, Bonnie "Prince" Billy, a.k.a. Will Oldham. A man as hard to book as he is to classify, Oldham will perform a free set in the record store.

The excessively eccentric musician has been a collaborating machine the last couple years, hooking up with Chavez guitarist Matt Sweeney (on 2005's *Supervolf*) and this year reworking a set of covers alongside post-rock purveyors Tortoise (*The Brave and the Bold*). With the combined talents of these musicians, Oldham has been making waves in the press like never before. This time, however, he will set up his guitar in the corner of the store by himself. The show will start at 4 p.m., but come early because it's first-come, first-served. No saving seats.

We'll be back on Aug. 17, so never fear.

by **John C. Schlotfeldt**

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DANCING A TASTE OF EGYPT

BY NICOLE SCHNITZLER
THE DAILY IOWAN

With so much bumping and grinding happening every weekend in Iowa City's bars, it may be refreshing to know that there will be a change in the dance rotation starting today: the steps of Northern Africa.

Cairo native Mahmoud Reda, 76, has been performing and choreographing Egyptian folkloric dance for 50 years. When asked what this style of dance entails, he politely yet assertively told the *DI*: "You cannot explain dancing on the phone. It's impossible. I can demonstrate [it] but not speak about it."

Fortunately, he will be able to present the indescribable this weekend in the Mahmoud Reda Workshop/Symposium and Concert, hosted by Kahraman Near East Dance Ensemble. Through July 30, he will teach his techniques in performance and choreography and lead discussions in which he will further explain the art form that he has helped recreate in many parts of the world.

Reda's career began during his final year at Cairo University, when an Argentinian dance troupe visited. The 24-year-old attended the show



Cairo native Mahmoud Reda demonstrates a dance step to members of the Kahraman Near East Dance Ensemble on Wednesday during a piece called *Saideh*. Today begins a four-day extravaganza in which Reda will teach his techniques in performing and choreographing Egyptian folkloric dance.

and was so amazed by what he saw that afterwards he approached the head of the company to compliment its work. The focus was shifted quickly to Reda, though, for the ensemble happened to be looking for a new dancer. The

search was over. After traveling with the group to Rome and Paris, Reda was hit with the thought that, if Argentina could spread its version of folkloric dance across the world, he should be able to do

the same for Egypt. He left the company and returned to Cairo in 1956, where he began to choreograph professionally for the city's theater.

"I had the gift for choreography. I don't know from where," Reda said. "But my

big inspirations were from the movies: Fred Astaire and Gene Kelly. I used to go to the same movie, like, 30 times."

Watching such films as *Funny Face* and *On the Town* on repeat must have given Reda the spins — those restricted to the dance floor, of course. For at the young age of 29, he possessed enough motivation to form his own dance company, The Reda Troupe, which focused primarily on Egyptian folkloric dance. Because his company was the first to tie Egypt's forms of traditional dance into theatrical pieces, Reda first had to journey throughout his homeland to observe and assess the dances.

The group began quite small, with around 14 dancers and 13 musicians. However, at certain points, it was able to draw up to 80 dancers, composed equally of men and women, and 100 musicians. Known as the "pioneer of folk dance in the Middle

The Mahmoud Reda Workshop/Symposium and Concert, hosted by Kahraman Near East Dance Ensemble, runs today through July 30. For more information, visit www.kahramandance.org or call (319) 354-9638.

East," Reda devoted a significant amount of his time and energy into his ensemble, saying, "We've been four times around the world. We started in Cairo — and then other parts in Egypt — and then traveled abroad in Germany, France, [and] America."

In these countries and others, the troupe left its mark on figures such as North Korean leader Kim Jong-il and King Hassan II of Morocco.

At 60, Reda left his group, which currently belongs to the Ministry of Culture and still carries his name. Although he phrased his departure from the troupe as "retiring," it is a term that may be used loosely.

"Maybe I'm not with my own group now, but I'm with hundreds of groups around the world doing my own work," he said. Lately, he has been touring the United States, hitting such cities as Dallas, Austin, San Diego, and today, Iowa City.

Whether one has been dancing for years or just practicing jazz hands in front of her or his bathroom mirror, an experience with Mahmoud Reda is bound to be one to remember. It may even beat *Singing in the* (intermittent July) *Rain*.

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LADY IN THE WATER NOT ALL WET, BUT CLOSE



FILM REVIEW

by Soheil Rezayazdi

The Lady in the Water

When:

1, 4, 7, and 9:40 p.m.

Where:

Coral Ridge 10

★ ★ ½ out of ★ ★ ★ ★

The success of M. Night Shyamalan began with his ability to both scare and move audiences in equal measures. The writer/director's breakthrough film, *The Sixth Sense*, for example, is as much an effective family melodrama as it is a masterpiece of twist-ending horror.

Shyamalan's recent films — barring the solemn yet dramatically dry *The Village* — have abandoned his self-proclaimed "Exorcist-meets-*Ordinary People*" model for a more lighthearted tone.

With works such as *Signs* and his latest, *Lady in the Water*, the 35-year-old filmmaker now balances comedy and suspense unlike any filmmaker in Hollywood.

Featuring a superb cast of character actors and arguably the greatest cine-

matographer in the world (*In the Mood for Love's* Christopher Doyle), *Lady in the Water* is Shyamalan's funniest film to date but far from his most engaging. Rather than crafting an engrossing story with complex characters, the commercial auteur now resorts to incessant wisecracking throughout his works, having lost his dramatic chops, post-*Unbreakable*.

Lady in the Water tells the story of a lifeless apartment superintendent (a perfect Paul Giamatti, much in the vein of *Sideways*) who finds a sea nymph (Bryce Dallas Howard) in the communal pool. From there, Shyamalan pokes fun at the implausibility and silliness of his own narrative, all while asking us to empathize with his burned-out protagonist and jump at the film's handful of scares.

The combination is quite muddled. A mix of *Scream-*

style self-parody, fuzzy bedtime fable, and apocalyptic horror, Shyamalan's meandering story line sounds like the work of a rambling writer with a gun pointed at his head. The film's greatest weakness is the inescapable feeling that Shyamalan simply invented the plot as he went along. That it still manages to stay afloat, however, is a testament to the director's comedic sensibilities and his fine casting — including, as usual, himself.

The film's zigzaggy plot would be too tedious to describe here. Let's just say there are a lot of make-believe magical figures (tardisks, narfs, madame narfs) and wacky characters (a bodybuilder who only works one side of his body, a boy genius who can decode elaborate meanings from cereal boxes, a group of idle stoners), and these elements create the primary narrative thrust: to usher the sea

nymph back into "the blue world" without getting attacked by a rabid CGI wolf-beast (a "scrunt" in Shyamalan-speak).

After a somber first act, *Lady in the Water* hits its stride in the middle section, when Shyamalan drops his self-important tone and starts to have fun with the story. It's here where the director takes the contrived and inept aspects of his narrative and subverts them to further the film in ways both amusing and exhilarating (a scene involving actor Jeffrey Wright's crossword-puzzle skills is a particular highlight).

There are several moments in which Shyamalan nearly veers *Lady in the Water* into *Dungeons and Dragons* wizardry mode but avoids this with self-aware comedy. This tactic (while taken way too far with a film-critic character meant to symbolize those

wily reviewers who blasted *The Village*) propels the film out of its frequent lethargy.

If it sounds a little easy to make a film and then satirize it, that's because it is. At a basic level, one can say *Lady in the Water* is successful at fulfilling its unambitious goals. That's not very high praise. According to reviews and opening weekend sales, *Lady in the Water* is the filmmaker's biggest dud yet. Though all his films have merit (yes, even the wildly hated *The Village* holds up as a political allegory), Shyamalan just can't seem to regain the understated magic that made him a director-celebrity in the first place. His humor — while charming enough to entertain for an evening — won't sustain the filmmaker's waning career much longer.

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Microsoft to stream 'Arrested Development'

BY ELIZABETH M. GILLESPIE
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SEATTLE — Microsoft Corp. will run free episodes of the quirky TV comedy "Arrested Development" through its MSN Video service later this year, making the show available online for the first time.

MSN, the software maker's Internet unit, said on Wednesday that it will run display and video ads instead of charging viewers to watch the critically lauded show, which was a hit with a relatively small but fiercely loyal audience.

"On TV, 'Arrested Development' created an incredibly passionate and dedicated fan base, and we're thrilled to bring this series to the global MSN audience," Rob Bennett, MSN's general manager of entertainment and video services, said in a statement announcing the deal.

MSN will have exclusive portal rights to syndicate the show's 53 episodes for three years.

Making recent TV shows available online for free is rare.

Shows have generally gone on sale through Apple Computer Inc.'s iTunes and other services for \$1.99 an episode, though those are for full downloads. MSN will stream "Arrested Development," meaning users will have to stay online while watching and possibly encounter pauses resulting from network congestion.

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ABC experimented recently with making "Lost" and other programs free through its website. Time Warner Inc.'s AOL has a deal with sister company Warner Bros. to show older programs, such as "Welcome Back Kotter" and "Growing Pains."

"Arrested Development" was canceled this year after three seasons.

Beside the MSN showing, HDNet will begin airing "Arrested Development" episodes in September on its high-definition network, which is offered on some cable and satellite systems. It will have exclusive HD television access to the series for three years.

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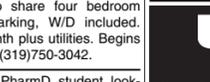
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TWO BEDROOMS. 804 BENTON DRIVE. \$625/ month, water included. Parking, busline, A/C, W/D hook-ups and laundry on-site. (319)337-8544.

WESTSIDE DRIVE CONDO (one left)
2 bedroom, 1 bathroom, W/D, dishwasher, microwave, gas fireplace, C/A, deck/ patio, 2 car garage, nentry door system. \$795. SouthGate, (319)339-9320, s-gate.com

HOUSE FOR RENT

2+ bedroom house. Close to busline. Large yard. (319)679-2404.

2008 13th St. Coralville. Four bedroom, three bathroom, two car garage, fireplace, balcony. (319)338-4774.

3 and 4 bedroom house. S. Johnson. E. Burlington. Hardwood floors, porch, parking, C/A, W/D, microwave, dishwasher. No smoking or pets. Available August. \$1295- \$1775. After 6:30p.m. call (319)354-2221.

3 extra large bedrooms in house. Unusual place, quiet area, close, no pets, no smoking, references. \$950. (319)331-5071.

3-4 bedroom, W/D, C/A, available August 1. Garage. \$1000 plus utilities. (319)688-0679.

4 bedroom, 2 kitchens, 2 bathrooms. Downtown. 5 S. Johnson. \$1400. (319)354-2734.

535 S. Johnson. Four bedroom, two car garage. Fireplace, W/D hook-ups. Large yard. (319)338-4774.

5 bedrooms, three kitchens, three bathrooms. Wood floors. \$1800. 529 Iowa Ave. (319)354-2734.

620 CHURCH STREET
4 bedroom, close to campus, C/A, \$1620. SouthGate (319)339-9320 s-gate.com

918 N. Governor. Wet bar in basement. Three bedrooms, two bathrooms. Parking. (319)338-4774.

AD#27A. 6-7 bedroom house near downtown, two bathrooms, two kitchens, W/D hook-ups, KEYSTONEPROPERTY.NET (319)338-6288.

AD#32. Two bedroom on Olive Court. Near UIHC. W/D hook-ups. Spacious, garage, no garage. Call M-F, 9-5. (319)351-2178.

AD#37. Five bedroom house DOWNTOWN, call for details. KEYSTONEPROPERTY.NET (319)338-6288.

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

BRICK HOUSE
Three bedroom, three bathroom, Muscatine Ave. Wood floors, laundry, fireplace. C/A. Buslines, off-street parking. Pet deposit. \$1200/ month plus utilities. (319)338-3071.

CHARMING CARRIAGE HOUSE APARTMENT
One bedroom, garage. No pets, smoking. No deposit. Quiet downtown neighborhood. Prefer couple. \$850, utilities paid. (319)688-9722

CLOSE, westside, three bedroom, \$600, dishwasher, W/D, microwave, C/A. (319)339-8069.

CLOSE-IN houses for fall 2006. uofihouserentals.com

CLOSE-IN, newer, very spacious, energy efficient. 4-5 bedroom, parking, bus, fireplace, W/D, C/A, microwave, appliances. No pets. Reasonable priced. Renting 8/1/06. (319)683-2324.

CLOSE-IN three bedroom house. No pets. Free parking. Available August 1. 208 E. Daventport (yellow house behind 210 E. Daventport) \$1000/ month. (319)338-4306.

DOWNTOWN, walk to school, 5-6 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms. Parking. Negotiable. Pets. (319)338-4774.

FIVE bedroom, 2-1/2 bathroom, garages, near UofI. \$1195. (319)331-8995.

FOR RENT: Three bedroom, two bathroom, near college. \$1200/ month plus utilities. Newly updated. (319)325-1787.

FOUR bedroom house for rent with sun porch. 656 S. Lucas. (712)683-5545.

THREE bedroom Dubuque St., \$1200. One and two bedrooms in Oxford. (319)545-2075.

FOUR bedroom house for rent. W/D, C/A. Available August 1. (319)631-5152.

FOUR bedroom- 805 Bowery, close to downtown. Hardwood floors/ air/ washer/ dryer/ pets negotiable. \$1400. RCMP (319)887-2187.

HOUSE FOR RENT

FOUR large bedrooms, off-street parking, large yard, no pets. Available August 1. \$1200/ month. (319)351-9126.

GREAT three bedroom house. Garage, fenced yard. Available 7/31/06. (319)331-8995.

LARGE four bedroom, 1710 E. College by City High. Two car garage, two gas fireplaces, C/A, W/D, D/W. Available 8/1/06. \$1500/ month plus utilities. (319)354-7262. www.buxhouses.com

LOOKING for price? Location? Quality? Very spacious 4-5 bedroom, energy efficient, appliances, no pets. Make a reasonable offer. (319)621-6213.

MEDICAL/ dental students, this four bedroom, two bath home across from dental college. Available now. Mod Pod Inc., (319)351-0102.

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NEWLY up-dated through out. Four bedroom house. Walking distance to downtown and campus. \$1400/ month. August 1 lease. (319)431-9414.

NICE five bedrooms, two kitchens, two bathrooms. Quiet, Rundle St. Appliances, W/D, dishwasher, large yard, garage. 2160 sq.ft. Available 8/1. No smoking/ pets. \$1800 or less plus utilities. (319)354-1890.

NO MONEY DOWN!
Fabulous Victorian. Must sell. Five bedrooms, three bathrooms plus duplex. 300K+. (319)331-8995.

ONE block to U of I. Three+ bedrooms, \$1200/ month includes utilities and parking. (319)358-6913.

QUAINT four bedroom older Manville Heights home, 204 McLean St. close to west campus.

DAILY BREAK

We [in California] are seeing some relief coming, if you can call 105 relief. We're inching away from this super hot-air mass we've had over us, though it's tricky. ... It's hard to get those things to move.

— National Weather Service forecaster Jim Dudley. California has suffered through 11-consecutive days of 100-degree temperatures, and at least 63 people have died.

the ledge

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ANDREW R. JUHL

20 "dirty" words you can use in everyday conversation

- sooty
- sullied
- polluted
- unsanitary
- stained
- bedraggled
- dingy
- mucky
- grungy
- messy
- contaminated
- filthy
- grimy
- soiled
- muddy
- squalid
- besmirched
- unwashed
- tainted
- vegetarian

— Andrew R. Juhl doesn't really think "vegetarian" is a dirty word, just "vegan." E-mail him at: andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu

Andrew Juhl has Hulk-Hogan-style leg-dropped The Ledge. Hulkamania's running wild now, brother!

horoscopes Thursday, July 27, 2006 — by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Try something new and exciting. Getting in shape or making some personal changes to enhance your looks will make you feel good about you and your future. Travel plans should be in the works.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Idle time will be the enemy today. Take care of your responsibilities at home. You may want to spend the day away from the people who are most likely to give you grief.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Take a look at what needs to be done around home, and start doing your part. You will impress someone who will reward you later. A new way of doing things and a set budget will help you run a tighter ship.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You need to get out and interact with people from different backgrounds. Travel or getting involved in community events will give you inspiration about projects that interest you. You can prove yourself to others with your informative way of expressing yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The greatest challenge you face you will create yourself. Let go of anything that isn't working for you, and allow yourself to focus on what's important. Overspending, overdoing, and overindulging will all work against you today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may want to be a little secretive today, especially if you are making some personal changes. A change will do you good and give you the strength to follow your own plan. Believe in yourself, and you will attract the right kind of people into your life.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't let others know what you're up to. Someone in your life is not on your side. The sooner you are available, the sooner new proposals will come your way. A career change will be to your benefit.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may feel defeated today if you haven't made plans. Don't let someone decide what you can and can't do. You have to start calling the shots if you want to feel good about yourself and your future.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Money will be on your mind, but if you aren't careful, you will lose it as fast as you make it. A frugal approach will pay off. If you try to push someone else to spend her or his money, you will probably lose the connection.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may be torn in two different directions. Your personal and professional life will clash, making it difficult for you to satisfy either. The choices you are given may appear impossible, but the outcome will be surprisingly good.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A move or finding a way to make a little extra income will change your life drastically. Take the initiative if you want things to transform. Someone you love will show her or his support.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Do things that are creative or unusual. Money is likely to come your way through a gift, inheritance, or a past investment. Love is hot, so put time aside to be with someone you desire.

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VIDEO

- Videographer Aaron Pruesch's video coverage of the rip-roaring ride through rural Iowa
- Johnson County Fair events taking place Tuesday
- Local hot-air balloon pilots make their launch
- Refurbished computers go to kids in need
- Zombies drag corpses through the streets of IC
- Locals rally on Ped Mall for peace in Middle East
- Iowa City celebrates first Child Appreciation Fest
- July is National Hot Dog month
- DI managing editor travels to Wilton for some ice cream
- Elvis impersonator Ron Semler shakes it and sings it
- Locals belt out the hits at karaoke
- New Hawkeye Tyler Smith has a Prime Time playoff debut to remember
- Like prancing about architecture on the UI campus

- See reporter Ian Smith tackle an Iowa cross-country workout — or is it the other way around?
- Sen. John McCain speaks to a group of reporters and donors about domestic politics, ethanol, and the current conflict between Israel and Hezbollah
- Van Allen Elementary and North Central Junior High go green

PHOTO

- RAGBRAI
- Sen. John McCain
- 2006 Aerohawks air show
- Fireworks show from River Junction-based aficionados
- MP3s
- Goran Ivanovic Group
- Shame Train
- CSS
- Matt Bar
- The Tanks
- P.O.S.
- Jason Forrest
- Neko Case

DI POLL

Log on to answer this week's poll question: **With vast spattering trans fats, fair season is finally upon us, and just about everything is submersible in the deep fryer these days. Which of these should be legally forbidden?**

- Watermelon
- Chicken nuggets
- Family pets
- Noisy children
- Car keys
- Birth-control pills
- Patriotism
- Grandma
- Cheetos
- Walt Disney's cryogenically frozen head

Last week's fall: Our new website will feature an opportunity for readers to submit photos they have taken. What categories would you most like us to include?

- Tailgating (39%)
- Nightlife (19%)
- Nature (11%)
- Pets (11%)
- Vacations (5%)
- Weather (5%)
- Intramurals (5%)
- Holidays (5%)

today's events

To submit events e-mail daily-iowan@uiowa.edu, please put date of event in the subject and follow the format in the paper.

- Club Noggins, 9:30 a.m., Iowa Children's Museum, Coral Ridge Mall
- Johnson County Fair, 10 a.m., Johnson County Fairgrounds, 3149 Old Highway 218 S.
- Cedar Valley Humane Society Animal Program, 10:30 a.m., Cedar Rapids Public Library, 500 First St. S.E.
- Needlework of the Amana Villages, 10:30 a.m., Amana Arts Guild
- Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- Lazyboy and The Recliners, noon, UIHC eighth-floor terrace
- She's the Man, 1 p.m., North Liberty Recreation Center, 520 W. Cherry
- Summer Undergraduate College Research Conference, 1 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom
- K-6 Summer Reading Program: Pet Jamboree, 3 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- Preschool Play, 3 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- Sidewalk Art, 4 p.m., 1506 Eighth St., Coralville
- Farmers' Market, 5 p.m., S.T. Morrison Park, 1512 Fifth St., Coralville
- Cinderella, 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Brucemore Mansion, 2160 Linden Drive S.E., Cedar Rapids
- Nick Stika, 5:30 p.m., Old Capitol Brew

- Works and Public House, 525 S. Gilbert
- Auditions for *Oliver*, 6:30 p.m., Robert A. Lee Recreation Center, 220 S. Gilbert
- Beginning Pottery for Adults, 7 p.m., Cedar Rapids Recreation Department, 2000 Mount Vernon Road S.E.
- Cedar Rapids Kernels vs. Kane County, 7 p.m., Veterans Memorial Stadium, 950 Rockford Road S.W., Cedar Rapids
- Dance in Egyptian Cinema, 7 p.m., Riverside Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert
- Iowa City AM Rotary Club's Benefit Concert, 7 p.m., City High Opstad Auditorium, City High, 1900 Morningside Drive
- "Live from Prairie Lights," Robin Hemley, nonfiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque, and WSUI
- Story Time, 7 p.m., Hiawatha Public Library, 150 W. Willman
- Country dance lessons, 7:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 225 Highway 1 W.
- Urinetown, 7:30 p.m., Theatre Cedar Rapids, 102 Third St. S.E.
- Big Sandy and His Fly Rite Boys, 9 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- Karaoke, 9 p.m., Charlie's, 450 First Ave., Coralville
- New Beat Society, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

UITV schedule

Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

3 p.m. "Talk of Iowa Java House" & Matthew Maybanks
4 Human Rights Week, The Martin Luther King Unity Step Show Presentation

6 Human Rights Week, A Hip-Hop Theory of Justice
7 "Talk of Iowa Java House," Writing from Experience & Matthew Maybanks
8 Human Rights Week, The

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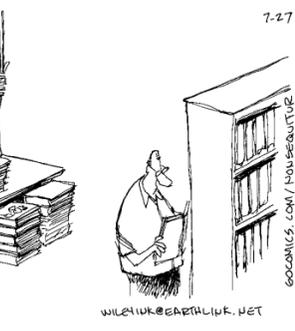
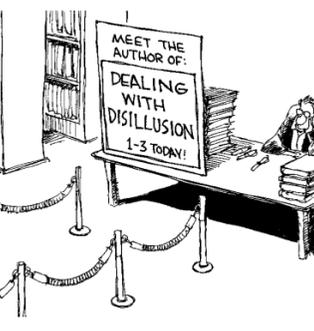
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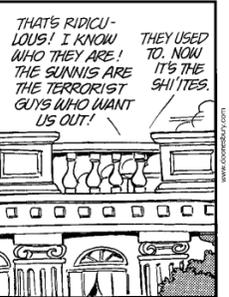
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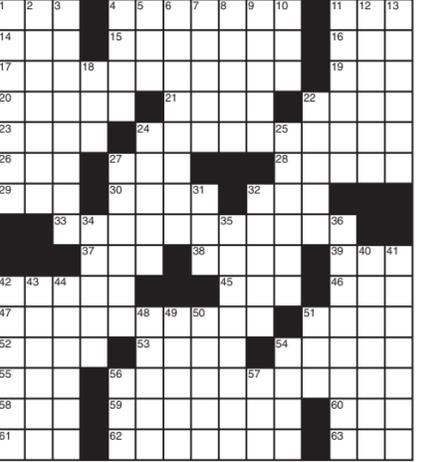


The New York Times Crossword

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No. 0615

- ACROSS**
- Much of "Deck the Halls"
 - Wears well
 - Old Massachusetts literary family
 - Part that's not eaten
 - Creature on Australia's coat of arms
 - Washington's I-495
 - "Madeline" (1946 spy film)
 - Start of a quote by 56-Across
 - Hagen of the stage
 - Doctor
 - On ___ with
 - They cover all the bases
 - Kind of stick
 - Quote, part 2
 - ___ said before ...
 - "The Bourne Supremacy" org.
 - Wears well
 - Encumbered, with "down"
 - Deuce follower
 - Identify
 - Quote, part 3
 - Frequent word after yes or no
 - Year in Nero's reign
 - Something that may be rolled over, for short
 - Flashy dance
 - Deaf
 - Slam
 - End of the quote
 - "May I ___ favor?"
 - Large lawn
 - Like some Keatsian works
 - Apocrypha angel
 - On the other hand, briefly
 - Speaker of the quote
 - Debtor's letters
 - Amoeba size
 - Ray Bradbury's ___ for "Space"
 - Crew leader
 - Former U.S. poet laureate Howard ___
 - Amatol ingredient



Puzzle by Adam Cohen

- DOWN**
- Southpaw's hit
 - Spanish sherry
 - Unambiguous indication
 - Slightly
 - Book after Exod.
 - Environmentalists' cause
 - Common blood bank shortage
 - Graveyard shift time
 - Alpha ___ (the brightest star in the Bull constellation)
 - Onetime U.A.R. member: Abbr.
 - Trail for Hansel and Gretel
 - Production
 - Zoo contents
 - Laughing matter?
 - Lexicographer's concern
 - Writ of execution
 - Expensive spread
 - Patriot's org.
 - Jimmies
 - Bird that feeds on parasitic ticks
 - Earned copiously
 - Shrink
 - Storm production
 - Reaction to an allergen
 - "The Phantom of the Opera" writer Gaston
 - Who is above the law, theoretically
 - Leigh Hunt's "Abou Ben ___"
 - Chop finely
 - Son of Prince Valiant
 - New Jersey politician Corzine
 - "Illusions in G Major" rock grp.

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