

**Working the vote**

Political campaigns involve a lot more than saying, over and over, your opponent is fit for the loony bin. The *DI* takes a look at the youthful backbone of many campaigns, the use of Facebook, and the dicey world of electronic voting. **7A**

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## Money flows in campaign for governor

BY DANNY VALENTINE  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Gubernatorial candidates Chet Culver and Jim Nussle likely shattered campaign-contribution records this election, experts say. Culver has generated roughly \$6.5 million, and Nussle has raised \$5.6 million since January. But getting there proved to be

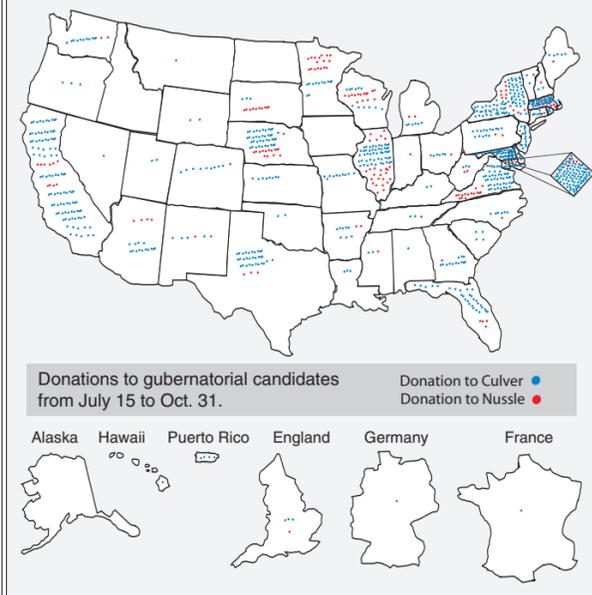
much different for the two.

In the last campaign-contribution disclosure period, which ran between Oct. 15 and Oct. 31, Culver took in 12 percent of his contributions from out-of-state donors, while Nussle brought in 10 percent from current non-Iowans.

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### Political Moola

In addition to local donations, politicians depend on national and international contributions to run campaigns. This year's race for governor was no different; both Culver and Nussle received numerous out-of-state contributions.



## Poll: Certainty about God slips

BY BEN FORNELL  
THE DAILY IOWAN

In God We ... Trust?  
According to a recent online Harris Poll, 73 percent of Americans believe in God, but only 58 percent are "absolutely certain."  
In an identical poll conducted by Harris in 2003, 79 percent of respondents said they believed in God, and 66 percent were absolutely certain. In this year's poll, women, blacks, Republicans, and those older than 40 were more likely to report they were "absolutely certain" of God's existence.  
Born-again Christians were the most certain, at 93 percent. The numbers decrease from there, with 76 percent of Protestants, 64 percent of Catholics, and only 30 percent of Jews saying they were absolutely certain of God's existence.  
"Meaningless" and "temporary" are the words Dwight Bozeman, a UI professor of religious studies,

'I think belief in God, in general, is declining.'

— Raymond Mentzer, UI professor of religious studies

used to describe the poll; he also said things that breed concern, such as wars and elections, are also more likely to increase interest in "redemptive concepts."

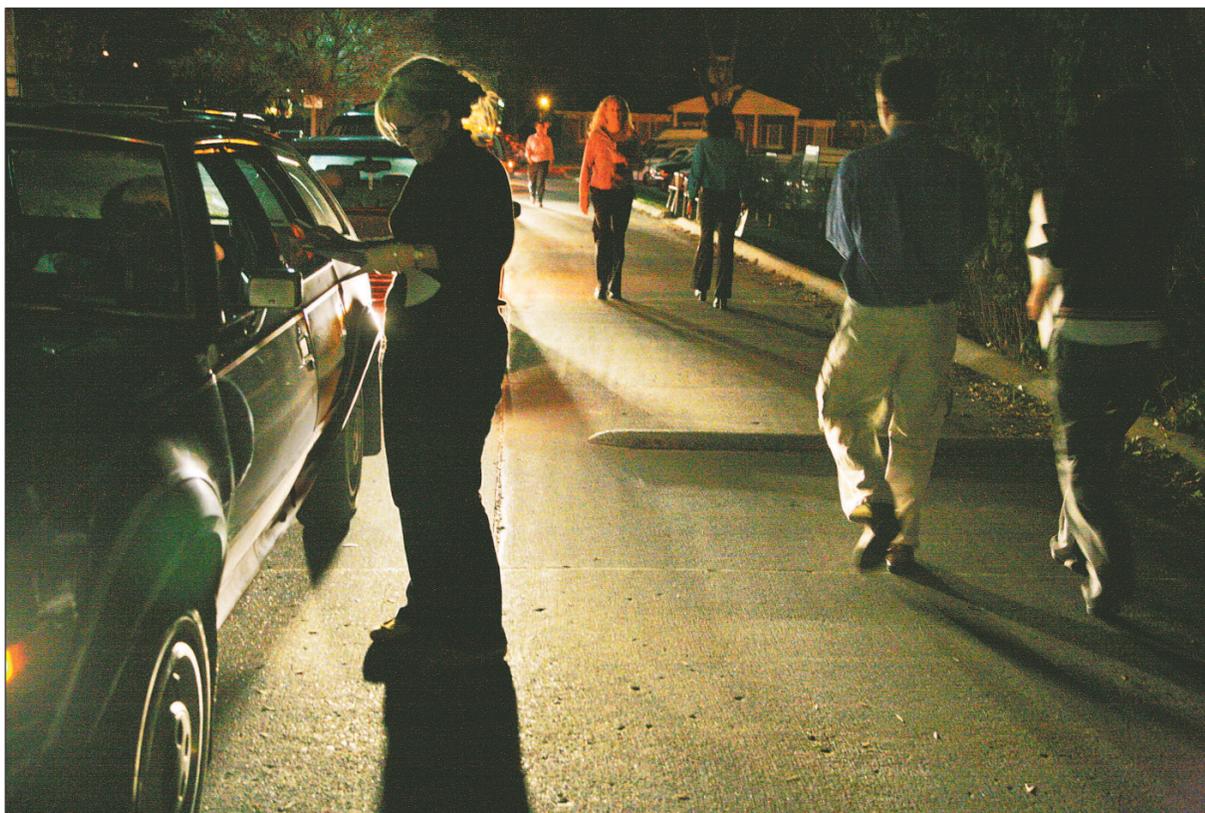
"It's almost impossible to know what the words would mean," said Bozeman, adding that almost everyone has a different definition and description of God. "We're living in a very postmodern world, and the meaning of everything has shifted."



Bozeman  
UI professor

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## Day of decision finally arrives



Rachel Mummy/The Daily Iowan

Casie Kadlec and other members of the election staff pass out polling materials to volunteers for today's election at the Johnson County Administration Building on Monday.

*Today's election could set a county record for voter turnout in a non-presidential election because control of state Legislature and Congress is at stake in a particularly politicized election year.*

BY MATT SNYDERS  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Today's midterm elections set a new Johnson County record for the number of absentee-ballot requests in a non-presidential election — a development indicative of a highly politicized election year.

As of Monday night, 15,967 requests were filed in the county, trumping the previous

mark set in 2002.

"This is quite remarkable," Johnson County Auditor Tom Slockett said. "Unlike this year, 2002 featured a senatorial race."

In that year, final voter turnout in the county totaled 38,900, or 52 percent of all registered voters. If absentee requests are any indication, this year's turnout may exceed that.

So what gives?

A lot is riding on this year's midterm elections. The two major parties are looking to grab — or maintain — control of the state Legislature and Congress. And not surprisingly, both Democrats and Republicans have made concerted efforts to ensure their respective supporters turn out in high numbers.

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### ELECTION PREVIEW

Political attitudes among young people (ages 18-24)

- 32 percent will "definitely vote."
- Of these respondents, 52 percent favor a Democratic-controlled Congress, while 29 percent favored a Republican-controlled Congress.
- President Bush earned an average of C-minus on seven key issues, including the war on terror, education, the environment, jobs/economy, health care, illegal immigration, and the war in Iraq.
- 70 percent feel that "politics is relevant" in their lives.

Source: Harvard University's Institute of Politics

## VOTE 2006 POLITICAL ISSUES IN THE DAILY IOWAN

Today: Health Care

# Health care a top concern

*As part of The Daily Iowan's 2006 county election coverage, DI reporters have explored key issues on voters' minds. We conclude with a report on the issue of health care.*

BY TERRY MCCOY  
THE DAILY IOWAN

More than 9 percent of Iowa's population is uninsured; proficient physicians are becoming difficult to retain and acquire; and no other state in America is reimbursed less for Medicare than the Hawkeye State.

With today's elections, health care has become a prominent issue for candidates and voters, as Iowa hospitals and medical specialists struggle to service one of the oldest populations in the nation with meager funds.

Health-care concerns, such as insurance coverage, government-sponsored health-care programs, such as Medicare and Medicaid, and a pending

cigarette tax are among issues that have emerged in local races.

### How covered is Iowa?

Insurance — like the coat Mom told you to bring along in case of rain — always seems pointless until it becomes an undeniable need.

But almost 10 percent of Iowans — 300,000 people — are without this coverage.

A substantial percentage of Iowa's uninsured are falling between the gaps in coverage plans. Often, the least likely demographic to have health insurance is those who retired before turning 65 — the age at which Medicare becomes available — and recently graduated college students.

The population between 19 and 29 is the fastest growing group of uninsured people in America, which composes 30 percent of the uninsured, non-elderly public, according to a Commonwealth Fund report.

Although some states have enacted laws that allow young adults to retain coverage through their parents' plans — even up until the age of 30 — Iowa has not yet implemented any such measure.

And some are paying for it. Several Iowa City residents said they sometimes worry about their lack of insurance but say little can remedy their asperity.

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Partly cloudy, breezy

### NO LAUGHING MATTER

The Hawkeyes run into a scrappy D-II team that takes all the humor out of a game that was supposed to be a laugh. **1B**

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# Experts dispute politics/genes link

*While some scientists strive to find out whether political views are genetic, local experts and UI students note the influential roles parents play*

BY OLIVIA MORAN  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Scientists are studying whether characteristics of liberalism or conservatism — aside from being cultivated by parents, peers, and the media — are result from one's genetic makeup.

But most local experts aren't buying the argument, at least to the extent that a certain set of genes will result in decisions on a ballot.

The theory is based on studies by Lindon Eaves, professor of human genetics and psychiatry at Virginia Commonwealth University. Eaves has specifically studied twins through the Mid-Atlantic Twin Registry, which is located at the university. Studying twins is essential, because "they help scientists to understand the relationship between the environment and heredity," according to the registry's website.

But the notion that political views can be handed down through genes, as of now, hasn't come close to attaining a consensus among scientists.

UI Professor Tom Casavant, the director of the university's Center for Bioinformatics, said he doesn't think any political-party affiliation would be genetic.

"Maybe some indirect traits could relate to that, but I think that there's definitely no data to support anything like this," he said.

Peverill Squire, a UI political-science professor, said the political-genetic theory is interesting but agrees that it is far from being true.

"There has to be a lot more development on the notion of political views and whether or not they're constant over time," he said.

Squire said the biggest influence on development of political views is undoubtedly parents: "The people who raise you set the context in which you view the world."

UI freshman Travis Jargo admitted that what he believes mirrors his parents' views.

"Kids always watch their parents' actions and expressions and copy them," he said. "Politics is no different; my views were generally shaped through what my parents believe."

Travis Jargo's father, Charles Jargo, an active Republican, said he and his wife do not make it a point to influence their children. It just happens, the Clinton native said, that their kids pick up their opinions over time.

The Jargo family is especially tightly knit, and Charles Jargo said that if an authority figure favors a candidate, the entire household is likely to follow. But he insists that all views are taken into consideration.

"When they ask what I think, I'll tell them what I think, but, hopefully, they make their own minds up," he said. "We tell them,

## DNA of Politics

As of fall of 2004, 29% of students were Republicans and 34% were Democrats. But where do these beliefs come from? A team of political scientists is studying a theory that political ideology is genetic. **What do UI students think?**

"Kids always watch their parents' actions and expressions and copy them. Politics is no different, as my views were generally shaped through what my parents believe."  
Travis Jargo

"I shaped my views from mostly my parents, because I don't take the initiative to shape my own political views."  
Brian Farris

"The majority of my family are Republicans, but I'm the complete opposite. I definitely don't follow my parents' views."  
Erin Fey

Around 75 percent of students turn to their peers for political information.

More than 80 percent of students also turn to their parents for political information.



SOURCE: Harvard's Institute of Politics

Nelle Dunlap/The Daily Iowan

"Vote for a candidate you like."

UI freshman Erin Fey, on the other hand, is a whole-hearted Democrat who stares at her family from the other side of the aisle.

"The majority of my family are Republican, but I'm the complete opposite," she said. "I definitely don't follow my parents' views."

Unlike Fey, some UI students fall directly in line with family members — but not exactly like Jargo. Freshman Brian Farris follows his elders because he lacks interest in politics, which is indicative of another down-

side of American elections — a lack of student participation as a whole. Farris said he has simply never taken the initiative to develop views that contradict his family's.

Squire added that taking an interest in politics is one of the most important things students can do.

"Whether [student] views are consistent with their parents' or not, the best way to have young people represented is to vote," he said.

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## METRO

### 3 attempted robberies reported

Police responded to three reported robberies in the early morning hours on Monday, two of which they said involved victims being held at gunpoint.

Only one of the three incidents resulted in any monetary losses, authorities said.

In the first incident, at 1:06 a.m., officers said a man with a handgun-type BB gun demanded money from the clerk at Delimart. When the clerk refused, the perpetrator fled on foot from the 525 Highway 1 W. establishment, authorities reported. The attacker was described as a man wearing a light-colored fleece and a red scarf over his face.

In the next incident, which

occurred around 45 minutes later, police said a man with a handgun accosted another man who was walking his dog in the 900 block of Hudson Ave. When the attacker, who was described as wearing a red Santa hat pulled over his face, learned the man didn't have his wallet, he fled on foot.

At 3:09 a.m., two men demanded cash from a female employee behind the counter of Kum & Go, 955 Mormon Trek Blvd., police said. She said she saw no weapon, and the two men fled the store on foot after taking cash from the register, authorities reported. The woman said the men were wearing black jumpsuits and bandanas, officers reported.

No injuries were filed in any of the incidents.

— by Emileigh Barnes

## COMING DOWN



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan

A backhoe owned by Iowa City Excavation scrapes up the remains of the old Liquor House building on Clinton Street on Monday, which was damaged by the tornado in April. Wayne Siems, part owner of the company, thought the debris should be cleaned up by today.

## POLICE BLOTTER

**Randal Ambrozic**, 52, West Des Moines, 52, was charged Nov. 4 with interference with official acts and criminal trespassing.

**Clark Anderson**, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Kenneth Baker**, 44, Marion, was charged Nov. 4 with second-offense OWI.

**Mitchell Bracker**, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Nov. 4 with PAULA.

**Travis Corlis**, 18, Des Moines, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Shane Cozzolino**, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Nov. 4 with PAULA.

Brian Crooks, 21, 420 S. Van Buren St. Apt. 2, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Peter Eckhart**, 28, 2502 Mossy Glen Court, was charged Nov. 4 with second-offense OWI.

**Nathan Evers**, 22, 218 Red Hill Lane, was charged Nov. 2 with fourth-degree criminal mischief and simple assault.

**Tyler Farber**, 19, 203A Mayflower, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Quinton Frazier**, 42, 1104 First Ave., was charged Feb. 26 with possession of cocaine.

**Dustin Gallagher**, 22, Cedar Rapids, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Zachary Gulick**, 20, 406 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 915, was charged Nov. 4 with PAULA.

**Mary Healy**, 20, Evanston, Ill., was

charged Nov. 4 with PAULA.

**Kaleb Hupp**, 18, 646 Hillcrest, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Daniel Jason**, 22, 653 Hawkeye Drive, was charged Nov. 3 with third-degree harassment and simple assault.

**Matthew Jason**, 20, 646 S. Dodge St., was charged Nov. 4 with PAULA. Bradley Johnson, 26, Indianola, Iowa, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Jamie Klein**, 23, 101 Woodside Drive Apt. A3, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Richardson Long**, 22, Polk City, Iowa, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Mitchell McMahon**, 21, Cedar Falls,

was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Michael O'Brien**, 18, 510 Rienow, was charged Nov. 3 with public intoxication.

**Rian Rasmussen**, 28, Davenport, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Kailey Shafer**, 20, Carbondale, Ill., was charged Nov. 3 with public intoxication.

**Philip Steik**, 21, Plainfield, Ill., was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

**Cody Thompson**, 20, Grimes, Iowa, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication.

**Gregory Witt**, 19, 115 N. Dubuque Apt. H, was charged Nov. 4 with public intoxication and PAULA.

## CORRECTIONS

In the Monday graphic "Finding the polling place in your precinct," the *DI* incorrectly stated that Precinct 5's polling place was at Currier Residence Hall.

Precinct 5's polling station is at the UI Main Library. The *DI* regrets this error.

In the Nov. 5 article, "UI looking

at 6.1, 7.2% tuition hikes," *The Daily Iowan* incorrectly reported that instate residents would pay \$358 more, and out-of-state students would pay \$1,306 more, per

semester. However, these tuition increases are for the entire 2007-08 academic year, not for each semester. The *DI* regrets the error.

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ELECTION DAY

# Decision day at hand

'We're not only making phone calls around the clock but also knocking on doors.'

— Irene Chalmers-Neubauer, a volunteer for the Johnson County Republican Party.



Rachel Mummy/The Daily Iowan

Election staff members take polling supplies out to volunteers at the Johnson County Administration Building on Monday.

POLL PREVIEW

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"We're not only making phone calls around the clock but also knocking on doors," said Irene Chalmers-Neubauer, a volunteer for the Johnson County Republican Party. "Johnson County is a tough county for Republicans, but we're doing everything we can."

As for the local Democrats, they have pulled out the big guns in the home stretch. On Nov. 5, current Gov. Tom Vilsack, Sen. Tom Harkin, and Illinois Sen. Barack Obama drew a large crowd on the Pedestrian Mall to stump for gubernatorial candidate Chet Culver.

"Culver's ahead in the polls, and we're still excited about that," said Jennifer Hemmingsen, the head of the Johnson County Democrats. "But we need a high turnout in Johnson County to give us the cushion needed [for Culver] to win."



Slockett  
county auditor

Turnout in Johnson County — with its substantial college-age population — will depend, in large part, on participation among students. And a recent poll suggests that student involvement may be particularly sizable this year.

The poll, conducted between Oct. 4 and Oct. 16 by Harvard University's Institute of Politics, found 32 percent of 18- to 24-year-olds said they will "definitely vote" today, exceeding the previous record of 26 percent for 18- to 24-year-old midterm voters in 1982.

The survey also found that young adults feel the country "is on the wrong track" by more than a 3-to-1 margin.

"The majority of the things I care about are things I'd like to see change," said UI graduate student Brian Kinnaird said. Among his concerns are environmental issues and campaign-finance reform.

Meanwhile, an Iowa City restaurant has concluded that Democrats will beat Republicans by no small margin — in a far less scientific survey.

Since October, the Hamburg Inn has conducted an unique poll. Diners have cast ballots in the form of coffee beans in four

designated jars — one each for gubernatorial candidates Chet Culver and Jim Nussle and one each for 2nd District congressional candidates James Leach and Dave Loebsack.

When the "votes" were tallied at 3 p.m. Monday, Democrats proved victorious in the bean poll, with Loebsack trouncing Leach to the tune of 1,123 to 446 and Culver dominating Nussle at 1,475 to 260.

Johnson County Republican Chairman Todd Versteegh, who attended the bean count, seemed unfazed by the lopsided results.

"Obviously, this is an informal poll," he said. "The only poll that matters is the one [today]. And we're confident Jim Nussle and Leach will do well."

Voters can cast their ballots starting at 7 a.m.; polls will close at 9 p.m. For information on precincts, voting guidelines, and polling places, go to: [http://www.johnson-county.com/auditor/1st\\_precinctPublicEntry.cfm](http://www.johnson-county.com/auditor/1st_precinctPublicEntry.cfm).

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## VOTE IOWA 2006

# Health care a top issue

HEALTH CARE

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Melissa Holland, who is a smoker, said her thin wallet can't handle expenditures that are not essential, and she supplants any health risks by eating healthy and exercising.

"As it is, I can barely make it right now, just paying my bills," the 24-year-old said.

Medicare and Medicaid concerns

No other state is reimbursed less for Medicare expenses than Iowa, and this disparity may severely cripple capabilities of medical professionals, officials say.

And this state may be less competitive for the world's top physicians because of a lack of funding, said Proctor Lureman, communications director of the Iowa Health System.

"We are always losing medical professionals to the bigger cities, because they can make more money there," said Kevin Teale, the communications officer for the state Department of Public Health.

Medicare reimbursement is the money paid to hospitals for expenses accumulated while caring for elderly patients. Iowa's Medicare reimbursement is lower than any state, due to a misconception that because the cost of living is cheaper in Iowa, medical practices should also be less expensive, Teale said.

The cost of medicine and various equipment is the same, regardless of state, he added.

"The company that charges us that fancy X-ray machine does not give us a cheaper price because we are in Iowa," Teale said.

But some Iowans said Medicare only mildly fails to cover them, and they are not bothered by it.

"We can't really expect our government to pay for everything," said Marie Matthes, a 91-year-old Medicare recipient.

Meanwhile, Medicaid — a government-funded program that helps defray health-care expenses for the poor — has

### CANDIDATES' PERSPECTIVES ON HEALTH CARE

- Culver: wants to insure all Iowans and make health care affordable while maintaining quality.
- Nussle: wants to retain proficient doctors and control the cost of health care.
- Loebsack: wants universal insurance coverage as well as national health care.
- Leach: supports expanding prescription-drug coverage under Medicare.
- Bolkom: wants to increase the number of nurses in Iowa's hospitals.
- Christensen-Szalanski: wants to increase the tobacco tax from 36 cents.

in their pockets to buy a pack of cigarettes, but some lawmakers have wanted to change that for years.

Increasing Iowa's 36-cent tobacco tax would decrease the likelihood of people picking up the habit while possibly increasing additional revenue for the state, said George Weiner, director of the UI Holden Comprehensive Cancer Center.

"I can honestly say that most people are for this legislation," he said. "I have never run into someone with lung cancer who is in favor of tobacco being cheap."

Bills that would boost the tax have been proposed frequently at the Iowa Statehouse before but repeatedly failed. The most recent proposal from this spring's legislative session would have increased the tax by 64 cents, bringing the overall price-per-pack to \$1.

At the time, only eight states had lower tax on cigarettes than Iowa.

But some smokers said an increased tax would not affect whether they continued to smoke. Instead, Iowa City resident Chad Anxiaux said if such a measure passed, people would likely craft handmade cigarettes.

"You are always going to have people smoking," he said.

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# Belief in God may be slipping

*A recent poll shows a decline in the number of believers, with 59 percent 'absolutely certain' God exists, down from 66 percent in 2003. But one UI professor calls the findings 'temporary' and 'meaningless.'*

## GOD

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Not only are the meanings of words such as "God" and "believe" different for everyone, the level of certainty described as "absolute" is an almost impossibly high barrier to accurately survey, as well, said religious studies Professor Raymond Mentzer.

"We may be absolutely certain in a scientific experiment, but short of that, we have our beliefs. But that's far from absolute certainty," said Mentzer, adding, "I think belief in God, in general, is declining." Eleven per-



Mentzer  
UI professor

cent of the 2,010 adult respondents (and 12 percent who identified themselves as Jews) said they "believe there is no God." Only 4 percent of Jews and 6 percent of overall respondents were "absolutely certain that there is no God."

"If you have 10-15 Jews, you may have 10-15 different concepts of God," said Rabbi Jeff Portman of the Achim Agudas Congregation, 602 E. Washington St. "Myself, if I go through 10 days, I may have 10 different concepts of God."

Portman added that, around 25 years ago, a graduate student came to the synagogue and asked a class of kindergartners to draw pictures of God. None of them could. This is evidence, Portman said, of how many individuals do not have specific, preconceived notions of God.

One finding of the Harris Poll

'I feel that being raised within a religion gives you a sense of another. It's not a higher power — that's so cliché. Maybe it's just nature, but there's this sense of this thing that is more powerful than you.'

— Mary Lynch-Dungy, UI graduate

was that the older the respondent, the more likely he or she was to believe in God. This may be due to the arrival of parenthood, Mentzer said.

"Some people go back to religion because they think structure is good for kids, and reli-

gion provides that structure, even if the parents don't believe in the deity," he said.

One UI graduate said her childhood basis in religion is a major part of her current faith.

"I grew up technically Lutheran," said Mary Lynch-Dungy, a former religious-studies major and an AmeriCorps VISTA volunteer with the Southeastern Iowa Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Churches of America. "I feel that being raised within a religion gives you a sense of another. It's not a higher power — that's so cliché. Maybe it's just nature, but there's this sense of this thing that is more powerful than you."

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The pews inside St. Mary's church are vacated after the conclusion of Monday afternoon's liturgy. According to a recent poll, 58 percent of people who believe in God are not absolutely certain about their faith.

# Governor race may set record

## FINANCE

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The sums came from 138 non-resident donors from 30 states and the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and Germany for Culver and 45 out-of-state donors from 16 states and Washington, D.C., for Nussle.

The Democrat Culver, currently Iowa's secretary of State, also collected donations from a broader national base than his Republican opponent.

Between July 15 and Oct. 14, 671 nonresidents from 46 states, Washington, two countries, and Puerto Rico donated to Culver's campaign. This compares with 128 people from 28 states, Washington, and England who donated to Nussle's campaign in the same period.

"In this campaign, Democrats have been anxious to hold on to the seats they already have," UI

political-science Professor Peverill Squire said. "But I wouldn't say it is a hard-set rule. It really depends on the candidate."

Squire said campaign contributions to the neck-in-neck gubernatorial race likely broke campaign fundraising records.

Brian Namey, spokesman for the Democratic Governors Association, said Iowa's strategic political position and Culver's national appeal account for much of the out-of-state donations.

"Iowa is a state with national political importance, and Chet Culver's momentum and positive message extend beyond Iowa," he said.

Meanwhile, Sarah Sauber, the communications director for the Republican Party of Iowa, said Nussle "is running for governor of Iowa, so it would make sense that his donations would come from Iowa."

Although Culver had a higher number of out-of-state donations, more people, overall, donated to Nussle's campaign.

The 16-year federal lawmaker had a total of almost 16,000 donations — about 11,200 more than his opponent — between Jan. 1 and the final filing period on Oct. 31.

Donations to Culver tended to be higher, however. For example, in the July 15 to Oct. 14 filing period, contributions to Culver's campaign averaged about four times larger than those to Nussle's.

And a review of campaign-finance records paints a bizarre picture for the political future of Iowa, regardless of whether voters are blue, red, or in between. In the world of campaign donations, contributions are often anything but logical.

Duane Griggs of New London, Iowa, donated the peculiar

amount of \$7.44 to Jim Nussle's campaign for governor.

But he doesn't really know why.

"I'll be darned if I know," he chuckled. "Whatever comes out of the pen, I guess."

Griggs, an 86-year-old retired newspaperman with "a little newspaper blood" still coursing through his veins, said, jokingly, that the business must have taken his mind.

A Napa, Calif., man donated \$7.15 to the Culver campaign. Alan Schenck of Clarinda, Iowa, donated \$1 on Aug. 28 to Nussle, and Andrew Kreg of Washington coughed up \$8.57 for Culver.

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# Local land use a top concern

*As part of The Daily Iowan 2006 county election coverage this week, DI reporters will explore key issues on voters' minds. Today's story breaks down various topics involved in county development.*

**BY MARK MAGOON**  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Today, as Johnson County voters go to the polls to elect two new supervisors, they may not know that the county is one of fastest growing areas in Iowa — and as the population rises, so do land-use issues.

To deal with county growth, the Board of Supervisors, along with the county's Planning and Zoning Department, set up the land-use plan.

The plan, currently under a comprehensive review, was adopted in 1998 to identify general economic-development policies for rural Johnson County. It was also designed to help the county grow appropriately in accordance with its population.

"The current plan needs to be updated," said Richard Benn, a candidate for supervisor.

The Republican, one of four candidates seeking two open slots on the board, said the current blueprint is out of date and that it needs to be updated on a more frequent basis. He said that growth should spur more changes, adding that the plan should be used more as a set of guidelines than rules set in stone.

The current land-use plan was designed to provide analysis and to outline growth policies and goals in seven different areas: the approval of subdivisions, the approval of farmland splits and construction overlay, the approval of

'Obviously, we're a little behind [in reviewing the land-use plan].'

— Rod Sullivan, supervisor

rezonings, new construction, vacant and platted lots, build-out scenarios, and census data.

Supervisor Rod Sullivan, who is not up for re-election, said the board had hoped to review the land use plan every five years.

"Obviously, we're a little behind," he said.

Democratic Supervisor Sally Stutsman, the incumbent in today's vote, said that dealing with growth and development in Johnson County can be a complicated issue, but she stressed that the supervisors have done an admirable job thus far.

"We've never had a problem developing land outside of what has been targeted for development," she said.

The area targeted for development is that north of Highway 1 — the North Corridor — which was zoned residential in the 1960s.

Stutsman said that with the growth in population, the supervisors have continued to do a better and better job developing county land.

Johnson County has 116,097 residents, a figure expected to

## THE CONTENDERS



**Meyers**  
candidate

• **Larry Meyers, Democrat:** Wants to concentrate county growth.

• **Sally Stutsman, Democrat:** Thinks the board has done a great job dealing with county developments.



**Stutsman**  
candidate



**Curry**  
candidate

• **Alan Curry, Republican:** Favors the idea of clustering homes.

• **Richard Benn, Republican:** Wants land-use plan to be used as guidelines.



**Benn**  
candidate

grow to 121,902 by the year 2010.

"The county has grown so much in the last 10 years," said Larry Meyers, a Democratic candidate for supervisor.

Meyers said Johnson County needs to grow along its edges — and in a contained manner — but also said he's also mindful of the residents and farmers who live in the county's rural areas. He said there are dangers in building indiscriminately in all areas of the county and warned against urban sprawl.

"We need to concentrate the growth," he said.

Republican hopeful Alan Curry also said he's mindful of county land. Preserving rural farmland is of high importance, he said.

"Once we get rid of that farmland, it's gone," he said.

Curry said he's also conscious of urban sprawl but favors the idea of clustering houses together, so large areas of land can remain untouched.

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# Slick trial to begin

*The Charles City man charged with lying to authorities who were investigating the murder of 5-year-old Evelyn Miller will face trial next month*

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IOWA CITY — Danny Slick, the man accused of lying to federal agents investigating the 2005 slaying of a 5-year-old Floyd girl, is scheduled to go on trial in Sioux City later this month, a federal judge has ruled.

Slick, 27, of Charles City, is charged in two federal indictments that he made false statements to FBI agents about the whereabouts of former roommate Randy Patrie in the hours after Evelyn Miller disappeared. Slick is believed to be one of the last people to see the girl alive.

His trial is scheduled to begin Nov. 20, according to a scheduling order signed last week by U.S. District Judge Paul Zoss.

Slick has been in federal custody since his arrest in August for violating the terms of his release. He has pleaded not guilty and has not yet waived his right to a speedy trial.

Under a joint request by prosecutors and defense attorneys, Slick has also recently

undergone a mental-health exam; he was determined competent by federal Bureau of Prisons experts, according to assistant U.S. Attorney C.J. Williams.

Slick's attorney has the option of challenging those findings by hiring an independent doctor to perform a separate exam.

According to authorities, Slick and Patrie, 33, also of Charles City, told investigators they saw the child alive when they stopped at her apartment about 2 a.m. to visit Casey Frederiksen, at the time the live-in boyfriend of Miller's mother.

Frederiksen, who was sentenced this summer to 14 years on unrelated child pornography charges, said he was asleep at home when Miller disappeared. Both Slick and Patrie have stated they left Evelyn at her apartment unharmed.

Miller disappeared from her family's apartment on July 1, 2005. Her body was found five days later in the Cedar River, approximately two miles from her home. No charges have been filed in her death.

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# U.S. after-hours health care lags behind others'

*The United States is lagging behind other countries in certain areas of health care, a recent study reports. A UI doctor says the low ranking is due to a lack of primary care.*

BY BRITTNEY BERGET  
THE DAILY IOWAN

market need for it here, we would make the necessary changes."

The study, released on Nov. 2 by the journal *Health Affairs*, questioned more than 6,000 primary-care physicians in seven different countries: the Netherlands, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, Canada, Germany, Australia, and the United States.

Researchers said 40 percent of American doctors have arrangements for after-hours care. But the results may not be totally telling because of differences in the respective nations' health-care systems. All countries surveyed have universal health-care programs, except for the United States.

Paul James blamed America's poor ratings to a lack of adequate primary care.

"The U.S. devotes dollars to intensive care and hospital care," he said. "We don't focus on prevention; we don't have a coordinated health system."

Because so many people who need primary care are not insured, those who are sick wait until the condition is so bad that it needs emergency-room treatment — which ultimately costs much more money.

Americans spend an average of \$5,635 annually on health care. Citizens of Canada, where health-care costs the second highest of countries surveyed, spend \$3,000; the Dutch spend the least, at \$1,886.

Meanwhile, the United States ranks 37th in overall health care out of 191 countries,

## APPOINTMENTS BY THE NUMBERS

Percentage of doctors who offer arrangements for after-hour appointments:

- 95 percent of doctors in the Netherlands
- 90 percent of doctors in New Zealand
- 87 percent of doctors in the United Kingdom
- 76 percent of doctors in Germany
- 47 percent of doctors in Canada
- 40 percent of doctors in the United States

according to the World Health Organization. Paul James said the United States would need to start developing primary care — and in turn, start funding more programs — in order to boost its rankings.

The study also found that only 28 percent of U.S. primary-care doctors use electronic medical records. At the UIHC, officials have made the technological switch, and experts say hospitals that haven't adapted to electronic records appear primed to do so.

"The state immunization registry has gone electronic," said Kevin Teale, the communication director for the Iowa Public Health System. Children often jump from doctor to doctor, and electronic records help eliminate clutter and confusion, he said.

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# Council may require sprinklers

BY SUSAN ELGIN  
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It could take up to five years to install sprinklers in all downtown eating and drinking establishments, City Manager Steve Atkins said. Councilor Dee Vanderhoef suggested that the construction order be phased in, depending on occupancy levels at the businesses.

When discussing occupancy rates earlier this fall, Rocca said officials passed out information to bar and restaurant owners about putting in sprinkler systems.

"This suggestion won't be a surprise. They know something's coming," he said. "The Sports Column is an example where it put in a sprinkler system, and it's a good idea for clients."

Atkins will present the council's stance to the Board of Appeals in December, and the council will receive a draft of an ordinance by January. If passed, the code could take effect in July, officials said.

In other business, the

councilors discussed expanding the Farmers' Market to allow the 34 vendors on the waiting list to sell their goods at the weekly Wednesday and Saturday event.

Terry Trueblood, the city's director of parks and recreation, does not want the Wednesday market expanded, because it would exacerbate parking problems in the Chauncey Swan parking ramp, the location of the market.

"Farmers' Market vendors like the location, and I think the customers do, too," he said. "If it rains, they still stay dry. There really isn't another location to move to that would be under cover."

Because parking is not a concern on Saturdays, councilors said, they wanted to expand the market into Washington Street, closing the street for the morning event.

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# Many campaigns fueled by young blood



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(From left) Erin Morris and Carolyn Bartlett work the phones at the Johnson County Republican Party office on Sunday. Both are UI sophomores and are members of the UI College Republicans.



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(Left to right) sisters and UI seniors Ashley and Abigail Hott sit in front of the stage where Barack Obama and Iowa Democrats spoke on the Pedestrian Mall on Nov. 5.

BY **BYRCE BAUER**  
THE DAILY IOWAN

During the precious few hours before the polls close, campaign staffers will work phone lines and hit the pavement to solicit support for their candidates.

The efficacy of their efforts could decide which party controls both the Iowa and the federal legislative bodies, which is why those volunteers have often worked long nights and stressful days.

"I've relied a lot on a little sleep and a lot of caffeine," said Robert Kaufmann, the head of the Iowa Federation of College Republicans. His position takes him across the state to organize various events for GOP candidates.

At 21 and a full-time student, he is exemplary of the

many young persons behind today's political campaigns.

"To some degree, much of the work on any campaign is done by relatively young people," said David Redlawsk, a UI political-science associate professor who periodically teaches a class on political campaigning. In that class, students are required to participate in a campaign.

Redlawsk, who himself is volunteering for Dave Loebsack, the Democratic challenger to current 2nd District Republican Rep. James Leach, said factors such as long hours and little-to-no pay are some reasons campaigns attract a younger crowd — a demographic often unrestrained by familial and financial responsibilities.

The work, he said, often serves as a good starting point

for those who want to become more involved in politics.

"If they are good, they can move up fairly fast," he said, noting Loebsack currently employs a campaign manager and a field director who are both in their mid-20s.

At any given point, dozens of volunteers are staffing phone banks and canvassing the streets, in addition to the six interns currently working for the campaign, Redlawsk said.

Two of those interns are Abigail and Ashley Hott.

The 22-year-old twins and UI students from Strawberry Point, Iowa, said the experience was enjoyable.

"I wanted to get involved and learn how everything works," Ashley Hott said. "It's been really fun. I've learned a lot."

The psychology major said she wasn't really attuned to politics before volunteering for Loebsack.

Ashley Hott joined the campaign through Abigail Hott, a political-science major who became involved simply by talking with one of Loebsack's staffers at an event featuring failed-Democratic presidential candidate and current Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry.

In addition to joining the campaign, Abigail Hott also created the UI student group Dave Loebsack for Congress, through which she has tried to engage other students.

"I think it is important to teach students, to tell them things that are happening now are going to affect them," she said.

But involving students, Abigail Hott admitted, can

sometimes be a struggle.

"You know, they are still in school, so they don't think the outside world affects them or listens to them," she said.

Throughout the campaigns, all three burgeoning politicians said the process has provided them with invaluable schooling in the finer aspects of the political game.

Even phone banking could be an intimate experience, Abigail Hott said.

"I really learned to listen to people and put myself in their shoes," she said. "Really, you are reaching into people's homes and bringing the candidates to them."

"I've met some of the nicest people you will ever meet," said Kaufmann, the Republican chairman. "Then I've met people who say, if you don't get the bleep off my property, I'm

going to physically remove you."

The three also noted the amount of work the job entails — especially when balancing other jobs and their roles as students.

Kaufmann, who runs his own farming operation, in addition to his campaign and schoolwork, said the job entails three things: long nights, early mornings, and extreme organization.

Despite that, they all say they plan to stay in politics.

"I don't know what, yet," said Ashley Hott about what she'll do in her future political career.

Kaufmann added, "I love it. Politics and farming are my life."

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## Web politics thriving

Online politics have a little bit of everything: platforms and beef jerky with a dash of grass-roots activism, all with the hope of garnering the younger generation's votes

BY **KELSEY BELTRAMEA**  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Not Enough Pirates Teaching in Public Schools? Vote Shake and Bake? Robots on Every Street Corner? Get Me Some God Damn Beef Jerky?

These 2006 midterm "campaign issues" that Facebookers have chosen to support make light of today's elections, but for supporters of "real" candidates, using last-ditch efforts to reach peer voters in any way possible represents a worthwhile venture.

Today, supporters hope online and face-to-face efforts, in conjunction with previous online voter-education initiatives, not only get the 18-24 age group to the polls but also get them to fill in circles for their candidates.

UI sophomore Anne Marfisi, who is responsible for Democratic congressional candidate Dave Loebsack's Facebook page, updated his status and issued a note last night encouraging his supporters to get to the polls.

During the past month, she said, she helped the Democrat use his Facebook profile as a way to reach out to a younger generation.

Loebsack, vying for the 2nd District U.S. House of Representatives seat held by Republican James Leach, used to have only a minimal amount of data in his Facebook profile, Marfisi said. When she contacted his campaign office in October and volunteered to help update it, she said staffers were enthusiastic about the idea.

"I think it's important, because you learn more about the person, and it's more real," she said. "I think young people like to see that their politicians are in touch with the things they care about."

Such things as pirates, robots, and beef jerky?

"I'm sure that's just part of the fun of all of it," UI communications studies Professor Bruce Gronbeck said, laughing.

He noted that the spoof campaigns coincide with a growing prominence of political satire and comedy in the media, along with a growing number of people logging onto the web.

"It's a part of the whole move we're seeing in American politics of using the great, free media of the World Wide Web as a free political tool," he said.

Approximately 15 million more Americans used the Internet for political news and information this midterm campaign than in 2002, according to the Pew Internet & American Life Project, a nonprofit, Washington, D.C.-based research center that studies the social effects of the Internet.

The challenge for all web-minded political groups has been transforming those people surfing the web into receivers of specific information by adding them to list-serve databases, Gronbeck said.

"That way, they can be bombarded with your messages just by turning their computers on," he said.

UI senior Josh Murphy, who has been active online with the Chet Culver gubernatorial campaign, said he believes the Internet plays an important role in the process of educating voters, and he was inspired to take advantage of it.

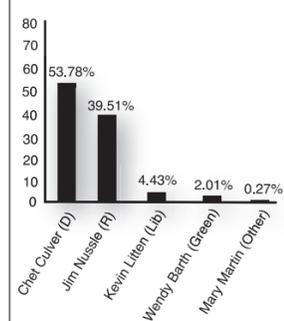
Murphy created the website studentsforculver.com in September, in addition to a Facebook group and MySpace page under the same name.

"I'm looking to get as many people as possible to look at what we have going on in the governor race," he said. "It's not your typical race, because we have no incumbent, and it basically seemed deadlocked from

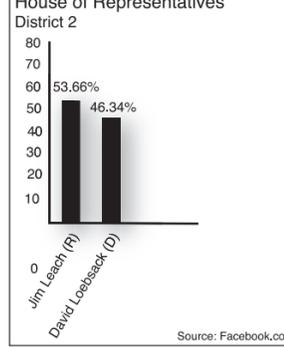
### Facebook election pulse

These percentages are based on the Facebook election pulse at 5 p.m. Monday.

Governor



House of Representatives District 2



Source: Facebook.com  
Brittany Volk/The Daily Iowan

the beginning. We wanted to get people to know as much as possible."

Now that the voter education portion of elections is complete, Murphy's focus will turn away from the computer as he goes door-to-door, reminding people to vote.

"The vast majority of people have already made up their minds, one way or another, so a lot of the Internet stuff is a moot point, right now," he said. "Now, it may just be a matter of getting people out to vote. A nonpartisan effort."

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## Electronic voting has some people worried

BY **BYRCE BAUER**  
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There is a controversy brewing behind the devices voters use to carry out the all-important democratic right to vote.

The integration of electronic balloting into the voting world was supposed to make elections more accurate and efficient, but some worry that digitized machines may fail voters hoping to add their two cents' worth to today's midterm election.

"[The electronic voting systems] have been designed to be easy-to-update," said Iowans for Voting Integrity head Carole Simmons. "But they're not designed for security."

Simmons' Fairfield-based organization has been encouraging voters, at least those in Iowa's 19 counties that use the electronic systems exclusively, to vote absentee. Additionally, she recommends voters in the other counties opt for the paper method over the electronic.

The implementation of the electronic devices was mandated by Congress's passing, in 2002, the Help America Vote Act.

In Iowa, two types of machines are used to fulfill the accessibility requirement: ballot-marking devices and direct recording equipment, the latter being the most used — and the most contentious.

Iowans for Voting Integrity and others charge that Iowa's direct recording machines — manufactured by Diebold Inc. and Electronic Systems and Software Inc. — are vulnerable to everything from simple human error to malicious "vote flipping" viruses.

Earlier this year, three Princeton University researchers managed to

introduce an undetectable virus into the Diebold AccuVote-TS, the predecessor to the AccuVote-TSX used by some counties in Iowa, which skewed votes and switched the loser in the researcher's mock-election — a hypothetical Benedict Arnold — into the winner over "George Washington."

Johnson County uses an alternative and less-studied direct recording machine, known as the iVotronic, made by Electronic Systems and Software. The county has purchased a printer to create a "Voter Verified Paper Ballot," but the device has not yet been approved by Iowa's secretary of State, said Tom Slockett, the Johnson County auditor.

He said voters at the county's 57 polling places can choose between the electronic systems and a traditional paper ballot, which is fed through an optical scanner.

On the night of the June 6 primary election, 75 percent of Johnson County's 9,362 election-day voters used the paper ballots. That percentage closely mirrors statewide data from Iowans for Voting Integrity. For Iowa City, alone, the numbers were slightly higher, with 80 percent of voters opting to use a paper form.

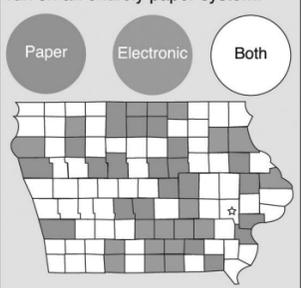
"It makes you wonder if people who know more about computers are more cynical," Slockett said.

However, even with concerns about electronic voting machines, Douglas Jones, a UI associate professor of computer science who consults foreign governments on voting methods and security, said absentee voting may be even less accurate than either electronic or paper balloting.

"Every time someone handles a ballot, that is an

### Iowa Voting Methods

In an effort to comply with the 2002 Help America Vote Act, all Iowa counties had to implement "accessible" voting machines. Some counties implemented an all-electronic system that provides no paper record. Others use a combination of both paper and electronic systems, while still others run on an entirely paper system.



Source: Iowa Secretary of State office  
Nelle Dunlap/The Daily Iowan

opportunity [for the ballot] to develop a smudge," he said.

While he felt the machines were not as secure as they need to be, he said, human error could be a larger issue, especially with the devices' relative newness.

"What one person can do intentionally, 2 million poll workers can hit on by accident," he said. "It really is a demonstration of the fact that lots and lots of honest people making lots and lots of honest errors can create chaos."

Notwithstanding those security concerns, officials involved with election security iterated the importance of voting.

"To refuse to vote because someone might steal your vote amounts to giving away your vote," Jones said.

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# OPINIONS

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## EDITORIAL

# Higher out-of-state tuition increases would negatively affect university

The state Board of Regents will meet Wednesday and Thursday in Ames to discuss possible tuition increases at the three state universities: the UI, Iowa State University, and the University of Northern Iowa. The proposed increases at the UI are of particular importance.

Percentage increases for Iowa residents and nonresidents are higher than those of the other two regent universities, and the UI is the only one with an increase for nonresident tuition that is greater than the increase in in-state tuition. Raising out-of-state tuition in such a manner will make increasing or even maintaining a diverse student population at Iowa more difficult.

The proposed tuition increases are 6.1 percent for residents at Iowa and 7.2 percent for nonresidents, with yearly tuition costs of \$6,273 and \$19,445 respectively. In contrast are Iowa State's increases of 5.1 and 3.5 percent and UNI's at 4.7 and 3.3 percent. Both schools also have significantly lower tuition for nonresidents. Nonresident rates are understandably lower at ISU and UNI, because both have a higher in-state student composition. For example, UNI is made up of 91 percent Iowa residents, and there just isn't enough of a demand to allow for much higher out-of-state tuition.

The rationale behind the proposed increase on the UI's out-of-state tuition is the makeup of the students; approximately 63 percent of UI students are from Iowa. Given the high percentage of out-of-state students at Iowa, officials reason that there is a greater tolerance for

increases in out-of-state tuition without negatively affecting enrollment — unlike the other state universities, which have a larger percentage of Iowa residents.

Though it may be true that the number of out-of-state students will remain high, the problem comes in the effect this will have on diversity at the university. Currently 5,144 undergraduates hail from Illinois, vastly outstripping all other states not named Iowa. With nonresident students primarily coming from Illinois, the presence of varying backgrounds on campus is limited.

Part of the difficulty in attracting students from neighboring states is the inability of Iowa to compete in terms of tuition. Minnesota, Wisconsin, and both Dakotas all have reciprocity with one another, charging lower tuition to nonresidents from those states.

The increases also bring back questions regarding future funding from the state. The "zero funding" controversy that occurred earlier this fall with the regents has made financial issues concerning the universities questionable. How much financial security does the university have from the state, and how much will be shifted onto resident and nonresident students?

The financial problems of the state shouldn't be shifted onto prospective UI students. It will be a detriment to expanding diversity in students at Iowa, and it is unfair to unload funding difficulties because of state stinginess.

## LETTERS

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### Nussle's conflicting platform

While reading the voter guide in the Nov. 6 *DI*, I was struck by the incongruity of Jim Nussle's platform. He is in favor of reinstating the death penalty in Iowa yet opposes stem-cell research because of his belief that "all life is sacred." I wish someone could explain to me how state-sponsored killing through a death penalty is acceptable, but embryonic stem-cell research is a gross violation of the sanctity of life.

It is fine for Nussle, and most Republicans, to campaign around a central theme of the sacredness of life. What is unacceptable is selectively deciding which life is valuable and which is not. While it may be politically expedient to fight for the unborn and fry all the criminals, it is morally and logically bankrupt.

**Steve Cooper**  
Iowa City resident



**Vote Democratic ticket**  
In life, you deserve the reputation of the company you keep. Both Iowa Reps. James

Leach and Jim Nussle keep bad company. They have remained silent, even though the Republican Party is rampant with abuse and

**Mike Carberry**  
Iowa City resident

scandal, from Jack Abramoff to Mark Foley, from secret searches to warrantless wiretapping, from the incompetence of Donald Rumsfeld to the arrogance of Condoleezza Rice, from nine congressional pay raises to a stagnant minimum wage, from borrow-and-spend policies to China buying U.S. debt, from Dubai port security to no port security, from secret prisons to torture, from the invasion and occupation of Iraq to proposed regime change in Iran, from privatization of prescription drugs to 46 million Americans without health insurance, from the catastrophe of FEMA cronyism to Hurricane Katrina.

The U.S. Constitution is in shambles from secret signing statements to the Patriot Act, voters are being disenfranchised, and every child is being left behind. Under the Bush administration and Republican-controlled Congress, it's called an "ownership" society. In other words, the American people are on their own. Worldwide, our reputation has been destroyed.

Enough is enough. Today, join me in voting to change the direction of our country. Vote the straight Democratic ticket.

## GUEST OPINION

# Until new UI president in place, suspend strategic change process

As members of the two or three of the most recent UI presidential-search committees and head of the Mary Sue Coleman search, we write to express our grave concern that the strategic-change process initiated this summer by Board of Regents President Michael Gartner will make it difficult not only to attract the best candidates in the search for a new UI president but also to create conditions in which a new president can provide strong and effective leadership.

In his July 20 e-mail to Regent Teresa Wahlert and the presidents of Iowa's three universities, Gartner initiated a "process of strategic change" by asking this group to answer a set of fundamental questions, including: Do the three state institutions have a rational management structure, financial structure, academic structure, and cultural atmosphere? How should each campus be organized academically and administratively? Should areas in which a campus is academically weak be eliminated? And, finally, if the universities compete against each other in academic and nonacademic areas, is this overlap necessary?

Gartner predicts that "bold steps" will be required to streamline the universities to operate in the "most efficient ways possible." Unlike Iowa State and UNI, whose sitting presidents are part of Gartner's small group, the UI is in the midst of a search for a new president who will lead it through any future restructuring. The most experienced and capable academic leaders will insist on being included in the key stages of any agenda they must execute. Few will

wish to sign on to execute a blueprint drawn up by a small group constituted without the approval of the full board and operating without consultation with faculty, staff, and student leaders.

Because a blueprint for change to which the university's new president has contributed her or his expertise is essential to productive change, we believe the integrity of the UI presidential search and the perceived legitimacy of the next presidency are at stake. The success of any strategic-change process is best served by waiting the few months it will take to persuade the best candidate to take the job.

For these reasons, we support the Faculty Senate's request that the regents suspend the strategic-change process until a new president is in place, and we urge regents to face this issue squarely at their meeting Thursday. The regents owe it to the citizens of Iowa to vote on this important matter. It is in the best interests of the presidential search, and of the university as a whole, to vote to suspend the strategic-change process now in progress until the new UI president arrives.

Adalaide Morris, the John C. Gerber distinguished professor of English and a member of 1995 & 2002 UI presidential-search committees.

Donald Heistad, Zahn professor of cardiology, former Faculty Senate president, and member of 1988, 1995, & 2002 UI presidential-search committees.

Steve M. Collins, professor of electrical & computer engineering, former Faculty Senate president and head of 1995 UI presidential-search committee.

## ON THE SPOT

What sorts of changes do you think would occur if the Democrats took control of Congress?



"I think tuition would go down, the minimum wage would go up, and they'd get the troops out of Iraq."

**Blake Berry**  
UI junior



"Maybe a better economy. Hopefully, a better economy."

**Scott Cordis**  
UI junior



"I think we'd definitely pull out of Iraq faster than the Republicans. There'd be more social reforms, and our foreign policy would improve."

**Elizabeth Cotey**  
UI freshman



"Maybe they'd try to solve our problems in Iraq. Bring the troops home — at least a bigger push for it."

**Brian Gabriel**  
UI senior

# Guilty, guilty, guilty

So Saddam is guilty. And sentenced to death. Man, I am, like, so surprised. I can hardly contain my astonishment. You know how it is when a dictator finally gets his deserved comeuppance.

I mean, it's just like when the United States overthrew the Greek neo-fascists generals back in the day, with their death squads. Or the Brazilian generals, with their death squads. Or the Argentine colonels, with their death squads. Or the Guatemalan generals, with their death squads. Or the Chilean generals, with their death squads. Or the South Vietnamese generals, with their death squads. Or the Taiwanese generals. Or the South Korean generals. Or the Burmese generals.

Thank god for the United States, protecting freedom and promoting democracy everywhere.

Just one little question: Why was Saddam's verdict and sentencing delayed for three weeks?

The verdict and sentencing for the Great Dictator were originally scheduled for Oct. 16, but that date was inexplicably changed to Nov. 5 — which is, as it turns out, wholly coincidentally of course, a mere two days before the American elections.

Republicans couldn't have been hoping for a "Saddam bounce" immediately before the vote, could they?

U.S. government officials deny that they had any hand in delaying the verdict and sentencing. And I believe them. Sure. I mean, just because the United States financed the trial, and just because American lawyers helped to write the laws under which Saddam was tried, and just because Americans provided the security and ran the day-to-day operations of the trial, and just because U.S. Justice Department attorneys advised the court from the beginning to the end — none of that is any reason to think that the Americans had any part in delaying the verdict from a nondescript day in the middle of October to two days before the elections.

Oh, no, of course not. Karl Rove would never think of something like that.

And, of course, there's no history of this administration ever trying to manipulate the news for political gain.

You could almost — almost — believe that the administration had nothing to do with shocking the Saddam verdict, given the shocking and awing incompetence it has demonstrated pretty much everywhere, from the occupation of Iraq to the response to Hurricane Katrina. Another example surfaced last week, when it turned out that the U.S. government had been posting the recipe for making a nuclear weapon on a website.

No, really. The website had been set up, according to the *New York Times* and other reports, because of pressure from congressional Republicans who wanted the government to release the vast trove of Iraqi documents the United States had snatched during the war. Those Republicans wanted to "leverage the Internet" in order to discover evidence of those pesky Iraqi WMD, which simply refuse to show up. Personally, I think Saddam hid the WMD in a "Donesbury" cartoon. But then, I am also the person who wonders why, if dictators are bad and should be taken out by the U.S. military, the United States doesn't invade Burma.

No oil there? In any case, recently on the website, the U.S. government has posted Iraqi documents from pre-1991 that, according to the *Times*, "weapons experts say are a danger themselves: detailed accounts of Iraq's secret nuclear research ... The documents, experts say, constitute a basic guide to building an atomic bomb."

After the International Atomic Energy Agency complained to the U.S. government — an anonymous diplomat told the *Times* that the agency's weapons experts were "shocked" that the information was being made public — the United States shut down the website.

But still. What were those people thinking? Yeah, we're against nuclear proliferation, and oh, by the way, here's how you do it.

Geniuses. We've got geniuses on our team. No wonder the Cowboy in Chief thought that FEMA was doing a "heckuva job" immediately after Katrina.

And then there's this note on Iraqi reconstruction from Paul Krugman of the *Times*. Parsons Corp. got \$1 billion for reconstruction efforts, and it spent around \$75 million on building an Iraqi police academy.

But the facility was so rottenly constructed that it leaks urine and feces from the ceilings in the barracks.

Now, there's a symbol of American know-how in Iraq for you.

Heckuva job, fellas. ■  
Beau Elliot doesn't really believe that Saddam hit any WMD in a "Donesbury" cartoon. We think



**BEAU ELLIOT**

D/RECOMMENDS

The D/recommends **skipping class**. We're sorry, we're so sorry. We're very, very sorry. We will do better.

# ARTS & CULTURE

## Singing the past into now



**JOHN SCHLOTTEFLT**

What's with the rhyme in the title?

*Hallways of Always* sounds really trite. And it doesn't really conjure the sentiments of any of William Elliott Whitmore's three solo discs or tap into the angular, electronic grooves of Jenny Hoysten's band, Erase Errata. However, the echoes and reverberations of history implied on the album jacket are extremely apt.

*Hallways of Always* is history, the history of two friends, Whitmore and Hoysten, and the history of the music they love — country and punk (less punk) — and in many odd respects a continuation of Whitmore's career.

*Hallways* seems to stem from Whitmore's last record, *Song of the Blackbird*. The September release from the Iowa-born banjo strummer saw his first foray into instrumental music with the eerily beautiful "Lee County Flood." Much of that restrained beauty resonates through *Hallways*.

The analog buzz that opens the album feels like the flood of Whitmore's last record receding. "Feast of a Thousand Beasts" is fleshed out by a singing saw (yes, the toolshed object) and sharp, punctuated banjo strums, laying the groundwork for the vocals and also establishing a mood for the rest of the album. Amid reverberation like most of the vocals on the

record — from a familiar but unidentified past, Hoysten calls out, "Send me letters when you can."

Hoysten's plaintive wail establishes the odd boundaries of the album. The vocal production — a touch of reverb and double tracking — harks back to early pop recordings of the '50s and '60s (think Phil Spector). However, the lyrics smack of lost generations and lost songs, in the tradition of Johnny Cash and Hank Williams.

With such time-tested tendencies, *Hallways of Always* doesn't really serve to bridge the gap between two disparate musical tastes in Whitmore and Hoysten. The record plays a little more like an experiment in Whitmore's world.

The fourth track, "We Miss You," puts the spotlight on the Erase Errata singer. Hoysten offers up a touching, innocent eulogy to her departed father. "We Miss You" features the most boisterous guitar part on the record, a lighthearted country-blues shuffle backed by a drum machine, and maintains a lively and hopeful feel.

However, the highlight of the album occurs when these two channel Johnny and June Carter Cash on "Marrow." Sounding strikingly like the Man in Black's playful classic, "Jackson," Whitmore and Hoysten narrate the story of their "real shotgun wedding," one in which he brought the rifle and she brought the shells.

Beyond the deliciously delirious lyrics — including an armed father on the front porch — and the amount of joy put into the performance, one of most noteworthy aspects of this collection confirms the sneaking suspicion I've had ever since Whitmore's first record in 2003: He would sound great with the right kind of vocalist



**CD REVIEW**

William Whitmore and Jenny Hoysten  
*Hallways of Always*

★★★★ out of ★★★★★

singing alongside him. Whitmore's coarse and lived-in vocals paired with Hoysten's versatile, adaptable style is a winning combination. The duo's success makes the comparison with country music's favorite couple a very relevant one.

But *Hallways of Always*, in its classic feel, posits itself in an interesting limbo. On top of using a tried-and-true format, the duo uses age-old instrumentation — banjos and acoustic guitars — and lines them up side by side with keyboards and analog synthesizers. *Hallways of Always* should be one giant anachronism, except it doesn't position itself in a distinct time to deviate from.

Weighted by the timeless laments of the first two tracks and the strong vocal interplay of two wonderfully distinct voices throughout, the album works — steeped in the words and instruments of its past alongside the influences and production techniques of its present — quite effortlessly.

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## Ecstasy & bungees



**ZACH SPITTLER**

The Sacramento, Calif., ensemble makes it difficult for anyone to label it — some call it nu metal or rap metal; others say the group exudes a more alternative/pop-rock sound.



**CD REVIEW**

Deftones  
*Saturday Night Wrist*

★★★★½ out of ★★★★★

I'm pretty sure listening to the Deftones is the aural equivalent of something like this: doing Ecstasy, hopping into a swimming pool after an hour in the Jacuzzi, and then bungee jumping off of a tall building in Times Square during that time of night when the city is bustling and the colors of advertisements permeate the landscape.

And that's why drugs are bad. But that's also why *Saturday Night Wrist* is great. The Deftones throw so many elements into the album, the listener's ears are barely able to take it.

The Sacramento, Calif., ensemble makes it difficult for anyone to label it — some call it nu metal or rap metal; others say the group exudes a more alternative/pop-rock sound. One thing that stays constant, however, is the transcendental, floaty, electronic ambiance that dominates the group's choruses, anchored only by the heavy-metal riffs that succeed them.

Take the fourth track on the album, "Cherry Waves," for instance. The song opens with an A Perfect Circle-esque guitar riff that accompanies a lumbering, heavily amplified drum beat. Then the chorus

hits, bringing along what the Deftones has defined as its characteristic flowing, yet whiny, melodic tones, peppered with soaring electronics. The song slides back and forth between goth and emo.

One label that seems to fit them well is "experimental rock." I kind of like this label. While not secluding the band in the snooty progressive-rock realm, it does bring out the group's willingness to try just about anything on its records.

You have the video game influences, as in "Xerxes," which sounds more akin to a Nintendo theme than its preceding track, "U,U,D,D,L,R,L,R,A,B,Select, Start."

Then there's the industrial influence, with such songs as "Rapture," in which the band sounds closer to the metal act Static-X than in others, such as the "Minerva" reprise "Hole in the Earth," which leaves one thinking the group is a post-modern disciple of the now-defunct Filter.

The Deftones even makes sure it's not too "accessible" with track eight on the CD, "Pink Cellophane." Let's just say this one will never make the radio. Highlights from the consummately corrupt five minutes include phrases such

as, "Hot carling. I turned that into a verb. I hope you appreciate it." Then come classy lines such as, "England. They don't have blowjobs there." I laughed. You might not. Either way, it's out there.

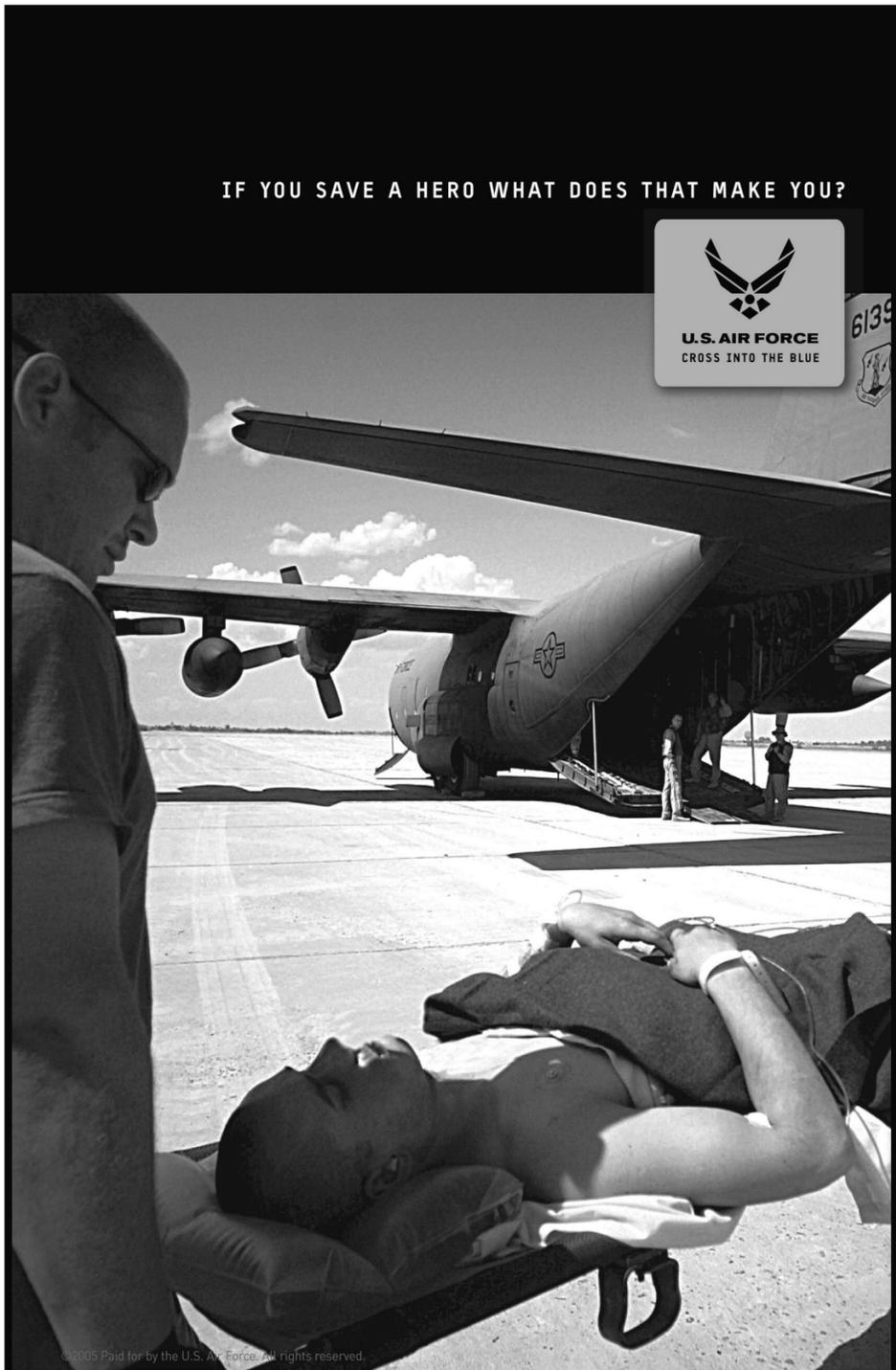
I should probably be annoyed with the Deftones — or at least perplexed. But I'm not. No one this side of Beck has been able to stump critics so easily, and I'm totally OK with that.

On *Saturday Night Wrist*, lyrics seem to be an afterthought, as numerous tonal elements relentlessly pummel your mind. The band's fifth LP does just what all its previous works have done: confuse the hell out of you, while presenting music like nothing you've ever heard before.

So, I say screw it. Just sit back, and let the wave of electronic hysteria wash over you. Just don't jump off of any buildings or anything.

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# Hawkeyes extravagantly banding together

The UI's beloved Hawkeye Marching Band takes things indoors tonight and tomorrow night for the 38th-Annual Band Extravaganza. Joining forces with the Iowa Dance Team, cheerleaders, Golden Girl, and drum major, the band will bring football madness indoors for a night of Hawkeye instrumentals.

BY BRIGID MARSHALL  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Ten games into the Iowa football season, the Hawkeye Marching Band hasn't skipped a beat, on or off the field.

Tonight and Wednesday night, another breed of Hawkeye fans will push their way into Hancher Auditorium for the 38th-Annual Band Extravaganza to cheer on the football team's largest and loudest fan section, the Marching Band.

Nixing line formations, pumped-up knees, and freezing fingers in exchange for stage lights and audience seating, the Marching Band will move indoors to take part in the annual Band Extravaganza, alongside other top bands from the UI School of Music.

Squishing 240 marchers with the Symphony Band and the Johnson County Landmark Band before swapping the latter for the Jazz Repertory Ensemble for Wednesday's performance, the concert will combine tunes from every facet of UI instrumentals.

"It's a good way to see all the bands," said UI sophomore and Marching Band member Christine Slattery. "Plus, it's inside, so you don't have to deal with the weather."

While the show exists mainly for those music lovers without season football tickets, the audience members won't miss out on any music from the Saturday-afternoon sessions. From Broadway hits, such as *Phantom of the Opera* to *Wicked*, along with UI golden girl Diana Reed's



File Photo/The Daily Iowan

UI Golden Girl Diana Reed dances at the front of the Hancher Auditorium stage while the Hawkeye Marching Band performs behind her on Nov. 14, 2005.

signature "Big Spender," the Marching Band promises to bring forth the best of its 2006 selection.

Marching Band Director Kevin Kastens said, "We're basically just moving what we do in Kinnick into Hancher, Tuesday

and Wednesday night." That includes Reed, drum major Jason Hillenbrand, the drum line, the cheerleaders, and the Iowa Dance Team.

Even though the show is inside, "you're still part of the tradition that is Iowa football,"

said tenor saxophone player and UI junior Braedan Garrett.

The stress that arises with the band members' regular productions, however, won't accompany their performances at Hancher. Because the music is

primarily pieces from half-time shows, cleaning up the tunes slightly is all that's needed. That doesn't stop the band from practicing nearly 20 hours per game week.

Kastens will lead the Marching Band both nights with a mixture of selections from the season along with many of Iowa's well-known fan favorites, such as "On Iowa," "Hey Jude," and, of course, the "Iowa Fight Song." Joining the Marching Band are three other UI bands, including two jazz groups and the UI's top concert ensemble, the Symphony Band, which will give just a taste of what their fall semester entails.

The popular UI musical event has been a regular feature during the fall season for the past 37 years, and it continues to be a best-bet, as each year more seats fill up quickly, Kastens said. Audiences, mainly made up of community members, high-school marching bands, UI students, and past Marching Band members, turn up to see the music behind the Iowa Hawkeye spirit.

Kastens said, "I can't see it ever ending."

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# Keys: Celebs key for Africa

BY NEKESA MUMBI MOODY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — As more celebrities get involved in helping African nations overcome debt, AIDS, and poverty, some cynics have questioned whether their motives are spurred by good intentions or publicity — most notably, with Madonna's recent trip to Malawi to adopt a child.

Alicia Keys, who is hosting her annual Black Ball charity concert in New York City on Thursday, says such criticism is unfair and a disservice to those in Africa who need help.

"I think that's horrible, and I think that really degrades and tries to discourage people who do have a voice, who do have power, who do have money, who do have the ability to reach out to people and get involved in situations," the 25-year-old R&B singer told the Associated Press in a recent interview.

"I think if you make a choice to do something positive, that shouldn't be diminished. I think that takes away from what's actually going on."

Keys, who has been involved in African causes for years, said

celebrities have been in the forefront of charitable and political causes, and that's how it should be. She also said celebrities have helped direct attention to the problems in many African nations.

"I do think that it has become more on people's radars, whereas before, it kind of came across as, 'Oh, it's so far away,'" she said. "It's really positive to know that it is a global community."

Keys is hosting the Black Ball concert with supermodel Iman to benefit Keep a Child Alive, which provides drugs for AIDS and HIV patients. The event will include performances by Keys, Iman's husband, David Bowie, Damian Marley, and Angelique Kidjo.

Keys, who visited Africa earlier this year, said the problems that beset some countries can seem insurmountable, but she's seen how charity can save lives.

"That's why when I speak and I use my voice, I like to emphasize the way that everyday people like you and me ... can really be a huge hero," she said. "If you don't do anything else in your life, if you can save one life — one life? It's amazing. Imagine saving 10 or 20 or 50 or 100."

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Sometimes called the "conscience of Congress," Leach, 63, reinforced that image with Iowa's only House votes this year against the military commissions bill and the warrantless domestic eavesdropping. Despite some opponents' claims to the contrary, the Iowa City Republican is absolutely one of the most independent voices in Congress. He takes progressive positions on a host of social issues, from stem-cell research to combating world poverty.

He's conservative on tax policy and business regulation. And he's incredibly insightful on world affairs. His speeches on foreign policy should be required reading for political science students, not to mention his fellow members of Congress."

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San Antonio 105, New York 93	Atlanta 5, Boston 3
Chicago 110, Milwaukee 85	Tampa Bay 5, N.Y. Islanders 1
Golden State 107, Dallas 104	Toronto 4, Philadelphia 1
Utah 103, Detroit 101	Anaheim 3, Pittsburgh 2, OT
Sacramento 93, Minnesota 81	Vancouver 2, Dallas 1

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**Q:** What current NBA coach was cut as a player, on separate occasions, on Christmas Eve and on the day of a teammate's wedding?  
**Answer on page 2B**

## FOOTBALL

## Recruit orally commits to Hawks

The Iowa football team endured a disappointing weekend, to say the least, but a speck of good news cropped up on the horizon Monday.

Broderick Binns, a linebacker from St. Paul, Minn., orally committed to the Hawkeyes, according to a late report by [www.hawkeyereport.com](http://www.hawkeyereport.com). Rated a three-star prospect by Rivals' recruiting service, Binns listed offers from Arizona State, Minnesota, Missouri, and Iowa State, among others.

Iowa recruited Binns as a defensive end.

"It was a big selling point for me, because I wanted to play end, and the other schools were looking at me as more of an outside linebacker," he told the website.

Iowa's roster includes one other player, center Rafael Eubanks, from Binns' Cretin-Derham Hall High School.

Binns is believed to be the 11th commitment of the Hawkeyes' 2007 class and the seventh on the defensive side of the ball.

— by Tyson Wirth

## Paterno has surgery

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — Penn State coach Joe Paterno had surgery on his broken left leg and two torn knee ligaments and plans to coach next weekend — possibly from a box above the field.

The 79-year-old coach underwent surgery Sunday and was resting comfortably the next day at Mount Nittany Medical Center.



Paterno

"He's expected to make a full recovery," assistant athletic director Jeff Nelson said.

Paterno's son and quarterbacks coach, Jay, said that the 80-minute procedure went well and that his father was working from his hospital bed, getting ready for Saturday's game against Temple.

## Brother of Michigan's Sims fatally shot

DETROIT (AP) — A high-school basketball player and brother of University of Michigan freshman forward DeShawn Sims was shot to death as he walked in an alley with two friends, police and his coach say.

Marcus Pruitt, a 6-11 junior at Detroit Pershing, died of a gunshot to the head on Nov. 3.

"Details are kind of sketchy," Pershing coach A.W. Canada said. "All we know is he was walking in the neighborhood. ... This was senseless."

Pruitt and his friends were returning from a visit to the store, police spokeswoman Yvette Walker said on Monday. She said there were no suspects.

"Marcus was the funniest kid — everybody loved him," said Sims, who was the Associated Press 2006 Class A player of the year at Pershing.

The 6-8 Sims scored four points and grabbed two rebounds in 15 minutes in Michigan's 85-50 exhibition victory over Michigan Tech on Sunday. He said playing "was a tough decision."

## Hawks tested in exhibition

BY BRENDAN STILES  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Even though the Iowa women's basketball team defeated Division-II Concordia-St. Paul on Monday night, the 70-50 score proved deceiving.

The Hawkeyes received all they could handle. In the first half alone, the Golden Bears led 10-5 seven minutes in, and were able to create a slew of Hawkeye turnovers. At the end of the half, the Bears cut Iowa's lead to 33-29 after nailing a shot from halfcourt.

However, the slipper was not meant to fit this version of Cinderella, and the Hawkeyes managed to escape Carver-Hawkeye Arena with their second exhibition victory.

Despite turning the ball over as many times in the first half as they did in their 88-55 win over Northern State on Nov. 1, coach Lisa Bluder was pleased her team cut down on the miscues as the game progressed and credited a majority of the first-half turnovers to nerves.

"For some reason, we were running our offense a little herky-jerky," she said. "We were just a little bit out of sync on offense, and I think we were surprised at how physical they were."

"It was good to go up against a team that was a little more physical than the team we played last week."

This contest had plenty of intriguing story lines, with the biggest coming courtesy of forward Jeneé Graham. The junior finished the game with a career-high 21 rebounds — nine on offense. The total tripled her previous career high of seven, if exhibition stats counted. She snared eight boards against Northern State.

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Linsley Walters/The Daily Iowan

Junior Abby Emmert drives to the hoop during an exhibition game against Concordia-St. Paul in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Monday evening. Emmert scored 12 points, helping the Hawkeyes win, 70-50.

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL

## Seniors ready to step it up



WATCH DITV, ON CAMPUS 4, CABLE 17, OR [DAILYIOWAN.COM](http://DAILYIOWAN.COM), TO SEE WHERE THE HAWKEYES MUST GO FROM HERE.

BY JASON BRUMMOND  
THE DAILY IOWAN

A week after appearing lost and feeble in a 21-7 loss to Northwestern, Iowa's upperclassmen don't want a repeat performance on Senior Day against No. 16 Wisconsin.

The Hawkeyes have lost three out of four, and their five Division-I wins are against opponents with a combined 19-29 record. When Iowa takes the field Saturday against the Badgers, the 18 seniors want to take responsibility for the team's performance.

"It comes back on the seniors, including myself," safety Miguel Merrick said. "It's something we have to address as seniors. We have to lead the team."

The Hawkeyes will be without defensive end Kenny Iwebema, who was scheduled to undergo shoulder surgery on Monday, coach Kirk Ferentz said. Iwebema has missed the last three games but could return for a

## D/BOWL PREDICTIONS

- BCS Championship: Ohio State
- Rose: Michigan
- Capital One: Wisconsin
- Outback: Penn State
- Alamo: Iowa
- Champs Sports: Purdue
- Insight: Indiana
- Motor City: Likely no qualifier

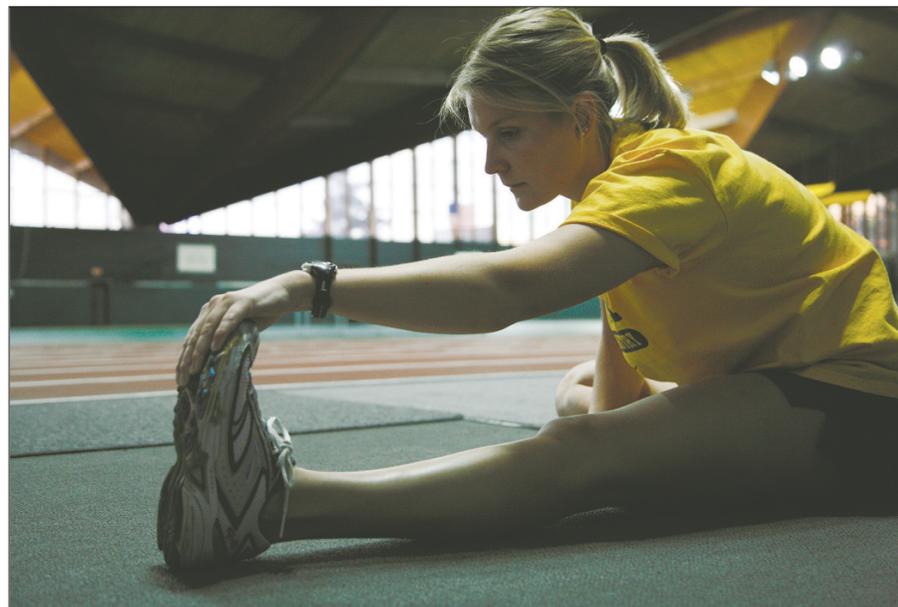
bowl game. Sophomore Ryan Bain is listed as the starter.

The status of cornerback Adam Shada (ankle) and Shonn Greene (knee) isn't known, although Ferentz projected last week they'd have a chance to play against the Badgers. Neither was listed on Monday's depth chart.

Wisconsin starting quarterback John Stocco's status is uncertain, took after he suffered a shoulder injury in the fourth quarter during the Badger's 13-3 victory over Penn State. Stocco, second in the Big Ten in passing efficiency, has started 35-straight games for the Badgers.

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## Running through it all



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan

Christine Kotarba stretches before running in the Recreation Building on Oct. 31. Kotarba, a Hawkeye cross-country runner, suffers from a herniated disc but hopes to be healthy in time for the indoor track season.

BY CATHERINE GAA  
SPECIAL TO THE DAILY IOWAN



WATCH A VIDEO INTERVIEW WITH KOTARBA ON [DAILYIOWAN.COM](http://DAILYIOWAN.COM), AND SEE HER FULL STORY WEDNESDAY ON DITV — CAMPUS CHANNEL 4, CABLE 17

Christine Kotarba might as well have been living a nightmare. Coming off the best running season of her collegiate career, the Hawkeye then-sophomore was racing in the Big Ten women's cross-country championships. Undiagnosed anemia had drained Kotarba's immune system, forcing her withdrawal from several

races. But nothing was going to stop her this time, even if she was dead last.

"I kept thinking, 'Oh my God, the truck is right behind me,'" she said. "But I was bound and determined to finish the race."

She did just that. Two years later, though, she's still combating poor health. A pesky herniated disc is the latest on her list of

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## COMMENTARY

## Somber days in Hawk Nation



CHARLIE KAUTZ

The airless scene at the southwest corner of Kinnick Stadium seemed a defining image of the week that was in Hawkeye sports — maybe one of the worst in school history.

A few remaining fans leaning somberly over the diagonal tunnel watched in disappointment, glancing at the grimacing faces smeared in sweat and black eye paint and wondering how in the world what they just witnessed was real.

Among the others that stayed for the heavy saunter back into the home locker room, I stared down as players shamefully tore off helmets, untucked jerseys, and ripped the gloves from their fed-up fists. The early season aura appeared long gone after the loss to Northwestern, much like the support for once Heisman hopeful Drew Tate, as evidenced in one student placing a strip of tape across his No. 5 jersey to create a 6 for backup Jake Christensen.

It's hard to believe that just five weeks ago, the excitement and atmosphere surrounding the Ohio State game virtually took over Iowa City, complete with the "GameDay" crew at Hubbard Park and the national media zeroing in on the overall

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IOWA HIGH SCHOOL PLAYOFFS

**Class 4A**  
**Quarterfinals**  
 Bettendorf 22, Iowa City High 12  
 Cedar Rapids Xavier 28, Cedar Falls 7  
 Runnells SE Polk 23, Ankeny 20, OT  
 West Des Moines Valley 31, Sioux City East 3  
**Class 1A**  
**Quarterfinals**  
 Council Bluffs St. Albert 35, Mount Ayr 0  
 Lake City Southern Cal 14, Inwood West Lyon 13  
 Montezuma 28, Dike-New Hartford 14  
 St. Ansgar 43, Edgewood-Colesburg 14  
**Class 2A**  
**Quarterfinals**  
 Britt West Hancock 21, Newell-Fonda 14  
 Fairbank Wapsie Valley 19, Postville 14  
 Manilla IKM 28, Manning 26  
 Victor HLV 14, Liberty Center SE Warren 0  
**Eight Player**  
**Quarterfinals**  
 Blairsburg NE Hamilton 37, Janesville 36  
 Essex 32, Adair-Casey 10  
 Remsen Saint Mary's 40, Glidden-Ralston 16  
 Thornburg Tri-County 20, Lenox 18

Chicago	2	2	.500	
Detroit	2	2	.500	
Milwaukee	2	2	.500	
<b>WESTERN CONFERENCE</b>				
<b>Southwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
New Orleans	3	1	1.000	—
San Antonio	3	1	.750	—
Houston	1	2	.333	2 1/2
Memphis	1	2	.333	2 1/2
Dallas	0	3	.000	3
<b>Northwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Utah	4	0	1.000	—
Minnesota	4	2	.500	—
Portland	2	2	.500	—
Seattle	1	2	.333	2 1/2
Denver	0	2	.000	3
<b>Pacific</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
L.A. Clippers	3	1	.750	—
L.A. Lakers	3	1	.750	—
Golden State	2	2	.500	—
Sacramento	2	2	.500	—
Phoenix	1	3	.250	2

**Monday's Games**  
 Orlando 106, Washington 103  
 San Antonio 105, New York 93  
 Chicago 110, Milwaukee 85  
 Golden State 107, Dallas 84  
 Utah 103, Detroit 101  
 Sacramento 93, Minnesota 81  
 L.A. Clippers 102, Portland 89

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

**NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

**AMERICAN CONFERENCE**

<b>East</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>PF</b>	<b>PA</b>
New England	6	1	0	.857	167	87
N.Y. Jets	4	4	0	.500	160	193
Buffalo	3	5	0	.375	124	163
Miami	2	6	0	.250	133	158
<b>South</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>PF</b>	<b>PA</b>
Indianapolis	7	0	0	1.000	205	153
Jacksonville	5	3	0	.625	175	114
Tennessee	2	6	0	.250	120	216
Houston	2	6	0	.250	131	196
<b>North</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>PF</b>	<b>PA</b>
Baltimore	6	2	0	.750	171	111
Cincinnati	4	4	0	.500	175	168
Cleveland	6	2	0	.750	139	159
Pittsburgh	2	6	0	.250	177	176
<b>West</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>PF</b>	<b>PA</b>
Denver	6	2	0	.750	141	98
San Diego	6	2	0	.750	248	134
Kansas City	5	3	0	.625	183	169
Oakland	2	6	0	.250	92	164

**NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE**

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

<b>Atlantic</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Pts</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>
Pittsburgh	7	4	1	15	41	33
New Jersey	7	5	1	15	32	38
N.Y. Rangers	7	6	1	15	50	51
N.Y. Islanders	6	6	2	14	38	45
Philadelphia	3	10	1	7	29	57
<b>Northwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Pts</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>
Buffalo	12	1	1	25	63	39
Toronto	9	5	3	21	58	57
Montreal	7	3	3	17	43	37
Ottawa	5	7	1	11	40	34
Boston	4	6	2	19	32	48
<b>Southeast</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Pts</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>
Atlanta	11	3	3	25	62	47
Carolina	7	6	2	16	48	53
Washington	6	4	4	16	47	48
Tampa Bay	7	7	1	15	50	44
Florida	7	7	2	14	41	49

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

<b>Central</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Pts</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>
Nashville	9	3	1	19	47	39
Detroit	9	4	1	19	38	31
St. Louis	4	6	3	11	38	44
Columbus	4	7	1	9	28	39
Chicago	4	7	1	9	35	47
<b>Northwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Pts</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>
Minnesota	10	3	0	20	41	27
Vancouver	8	7	1	17	40	38
Colorado	7	5	2	16	46	43
Edmonton	7	6	0	14	38	36
Calgary	4	7	2	10	34	39
<b>Pacific</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Pts</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>
Anaheim	11	0	4	26	53	35
Dallas	11	3	0	22	43	26
San Jose	10	5	0	20	46	34
Los Angeles	4	9	3	11	36	48
Phoenix	4	10	0	8	36	63

Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss.  
**Monday's Games**  
 Atlanta 5, Boston 3  
 Washington 4, Ottawa 3, OT  
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Cyclones frustrated, confused

'We all wanted a much better record than we have right now. But we also knew that the schedule was daunting this year. I just want to do everything we can to finish things up for these kids.'

— Dan McCarney, Iowa State football coach

BY LUKE MEREDITH  
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

AMES — Iowa State coach Dan McCarney is confused and frustrated by how the season has gone, and his players, he said, are "emotionally spent" by all the rumors concerning his job status.

Not exactly comforting words to hear from a team with two games left to play.

But losing has taken a toll on the Cyclones — and fueled speculation about McCarney's future. The Nov. 4 dismal 41-10 loss to Kansas, which knocked the Cyclones out of postseason contention, only made the buzz surrounding McCarney's job status louder.

Athletics Director Jamie Polard said last week that he won't talk about McCarney until after the season. On Monday, McCarney took a somewhat unusual step of asking reporters not to ask his players about his future, calling it a burden they don't need to bear.

"It's a complete distraction, right now," he said. "I think it's way too much for these kids."

Despite what many people considered the nation's toughest schedule, nobody thought Iowa State (3-7, 0-6 Big 12) would struggle as much as it has. The Cyclones have lost all six of their conference games by an average of 22 points, rank 11th in the Big 12 in scoring offense, and are last in scoring defense.

It was clear early on that the Cyclones would have a tough time living up to their billing as the second-best team in the Big 12 North, which is where the conference's coaches slotted them in the preseason poll. Iowa State started 2-0, but in victory, the Cyclones looked more like the Iowa State of McCarney's earlier years than the team that had reached a bowl in five of the

past six seasons. The Cyclones needed triple overtime to survive a Toledo team that is currently 3-6 and barely survived against UNLV, which is now 1-8. They haven't beaten a 1-A opponent since, joining Stanford as the only BCS-conference school to start 0-6 in league play.

Wide receiver Austin Flynn said the most frustrating thing for the players has been that the focus and effort has been there in practice.

"We're practicing hard, and I couldn't ask for anything more from the younger guys," Flynn said.

But the Cyclones played their worst game of the season against Kansas — a team that entered the game 1-4 in the Big 12 — and McCarney labeled their performance "embarrassing." For a team that enters its last two games playing for little more than pride, it wasn't a good sign.

Iowa State will face Colorado (1-9, 1-5) in Boulder on Saturday in what appears to be their best chance to pick up a Big 12 win. It's uncertain what affect the Cyclones' performance in the season's final two games will have on McCarney's future, but their embattled coach made it clear Monday that he wants them thinking about getting that first conference win, not his future.

"We all wanted a much better record than we have right now. But we also knew that the schedule was daunting this year. I just want to do everything we can to finish things up for these kids," McCarney said. "I want their memories these last couple weeks to be about hopefully winning a couple of games we're not supposed to win, rather than whether I'm going to be here or not."



Steve Pope/Associated Press  
 Iowa State coach Dan McCarney scowls at the scoreboard during the second half of his team's 41-10 loss to Kansas on Nov. 4 in Ames.

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Bielema mum on QB Stocco

BY COLIN FLY  
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

MADISON, Wis. — Wisconsin coach Bret Bielema shed little light Monday on whether the injury that senior quarterback John Stocco suffered against Penn State will sideline him against Iowa.

Bielema said the initial signs were encouraging that Stocco, 28-7 as a starter at No. 16 Wisconsin, would be able to play against the Hawkeyes on Saturday.

Stocco, who has not been made available to the media since Nov. 4, initially injured his right, throwing shoulder in the third quarter when he was chased and tackled by Nittany Lions linebacker Paul Posluszny.

"We made an evaluation on the sideline at the time of his ability to function as a quarterback," Bielema said Monday. "John felt comfortable, and everybody did. Otherwise, we wouldn't have put him back on the field."

But Stocco was hit hard again in the fourth quarter. Bielema has been mum on exactly what is wrong but said Stocco "jarred it loose again," to make the injury worse.

The Badgers practice today, the first chance for Stocco to return.

Backup Tyler Donovan replaced Stocco in Saturday's game and completed a pass for two yards and a bootleg run for 20 to help seal the Badgers' 13-3 victory. Bielema said Donovan handled the immediate pressure well.



Morry Gash/Associated Press  
 Wisconsin quarterback John Stocco fumbles the ball as he is hit by Penn State's Dan Conner on Nov. 4 in Madison, Wis.

Chryst ever had and every film session we have as coaches and players," Bielema said. "He's been able to experience that, week in and week out."

Donovan, a junior, is more mobile than Stocco and adds a different dimension to the Badgers offense, but he can't match Stocco's track record of leadership.

Stocco, who has thrown for 7,021 yards and 45 touchdowns in his career, has the fourth longest active starting streak in Division I-A. Only Boise State's Jared Zabransky has more wins (29) than Stocco among active quarterbacks.

But Bielema said he was prepared if any of his starters went down.

"I made a reference three weeks ago ... at some point

during the course of our season, our [backups] are going to be called into action," Bielema said.

Donovan also spent two weeks before the season on top of the depth chart when Stocco needed knee surgery. His status was uncertain before the Badgers played Bowling Green, but Stocco ended up making that start, going 9-of-15 for 124 yards and a touchdown, en route to starting the Badgers on one of their greatest seasons.

With just one more victory, Wisconsin (9-1, 6-1 Big Ten) would be the second team in school history to have a 10-win regular season. A recent rule change allows teams to schedule at least 12 games instead of 11.

Still, the Badgers have virtually no chance of making a Bowl

Championship Series game, because No. 1 Ohio State (10-0, 6-0) and No. 2 Michigan (10-0, 6-0) are so far ahead of Wisconsin in the BCS standings. Wisconsin needs either team to lose its final two games.

But Bielema could become the first Big Ten coach to win 10 games in his first season with a win against Iowa, his alma mater and the team that ruined Barry Alvarez's going away party with a 20-10 win last season.

The Hawkeyes (6-4, 2-4) hold a four-game winning streak in the series, and Stocco may not get a chance to erase his previous three performances, going a combined 44-of-85 for 486 yards with a touchdown and two interceptions.

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# Bad week for Hawks

## COMMENTARY

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success of the Iowa program. And, now, we have this? I mean, could last week have possibly been any worse for Hawkeye sports? First, news of a hand injury suffered by Iowa guard Mike Henderson came on Oct. 31, likely keeping him out three to six weeks to start the season. One of only two seniors, he will be unable to compete when the team begins its 12-day road stretch in late November, a period that fellow senior Adam Haluska said he viewed as a crucial part of the schedule. Henderson will have to delay the opportunity to gain in-game experience with a lot of new players, a situation that could only bode negatively for a youthful team. Along came Nov. 1, and with it, another key injury to a Hawkeye hoopster. Junior

Krista VandeVenter, a starting forward and the second-leading rebounder in the Big Ten last season, separated her shoulder in an exhibition game; she is expected to be out more than a month. One of five upperclassmen on the team, her leadership and experience will be sorely missed during the nonconference schedule. Adding insult to injuries, the NCAA announced on Nov. 2 it was placing the Hawkeye athletics department on probation for the first time in 20 years because of major infractions in the men's swimming program from 2002-04. Iowa swimming coach Marc Long will also lose one full scholarship each of the next three years. While already hindered by an aging facility, the removal of a scholarship from the program promises to drastically affect recruiting in the coming years. Not only that, but the two-year probation could result in

much more severe penalties if any infractions are reported in that time frame. And who could forget Nov. 4, the ultimate icing on the cake to an unforgettably awful six days. The mortifying loss to the lowly Kitties brought the boo birds out and left dreams of another January bowl game crushed. Regardless of the excuses, injuries, and inability to defend the spread offense, the Hawks are 6-4 and might as well start packing for San Antonio. The lone bright spot of the week, the Big Ten championship captured Sunday by the Iowa field-hockey team, couldn't help but be overshadowed by the gloom of the pigskin defeat. A sign in the "GameDay" crowd earlier this season read, "On the seventh day, God made Iowa." With the way things happened in Hawkeye country last week, I'm not even sure the man upstairs would've been able to take the first six. E-mail [//columnist@uiowa.edu](mailto://columnist@uiowa.edu) **Charlie Kautz** at: [charles-kautz@uiowa.edu](mailto://charles-kautz@uiowa.edu)

# Hawk fights obstacles

## KOTARBA

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injuries, an ailment that has sidelined her in her final season. Sixty miles of pavement pounding a week have been replaced with an endless cycle of elliptical workouts and ice packs, something all too familiar. "I've cried about running so [little] this year and last year," she said. A story such as Kotarba's is not uncommon among college athletes, but setbacks have dogged her since childhood. The lean blonde's first show of willpower came when she was only 2 years old. Richard and Maryann Kotarba noticed their daughter wouldn't respond when called. Doctors discovered Kotarba had significant hearing loss that may have been present since birth. Learning to use hearing aids and how to communicate replaced normal curricula. When she began school, the Kotarbas knew their youngest daughter would have to fight to learn. Enrolling her in public kindergarten, she fell behind quickly because of her disability. "I had a tutor who made me cry, because she told me I would never learn," she said. A private instructor changed her outlook, and Kotarba said she began to flourish academically. This, she adds, fueled her decision to study early childhood education in college. "I want to give my students a first positive impression about learning," she said. Kotarba's disability isn't entirely corrected by her hearing aids, but she can hear fairly well with them in. She provides this analogy: Imagine a car going by and being able to hear the bass and the melody, but the words are a bit fuzzy. It's like a 24-hour Doppler effect inside her head. That is, until she turns off her devices, but that's only when she's running by herself and blasting her iPod. After shining in every high-school subject but Spanish, she enrolled at Iowa, a school both her older siblings attended. The disability hasn't hurt her schoolwork. Many of her professors wear a microphone around their necks, which feeds directly into her hearing aids, while another student takes notes. She can't sign and doesn't know anyone with the same disability. Her hearing loss, which she admits amplifies her shyness, hasn't affected much else in her personal life. Her friends and teammates say she's so many other things, they don't even notice she has hearing problems. "She doesn't use it as a crutch for extra sympathy or extra support," said women's cross-country coach Layne Anderson. "She's still a great communicator." This skill is evident from her phone bills and hours spent logged onto instant messenger, both of which she calls addictions. Kotarba said she's been living with her disability long enough to know her limitations — and what she can conquer. "There are just some things I

can't overcome," she said. "But I don't think of it as something that can hold me back, either." She eased smoothly into college life and a new team, and her and Anderson's relationship soon fell into stride. Former teammate Jill Seelbach said the team used to joke around that she was the coach's daughter. "My relationship with Christine is as good as I've ever had with an athlete," Anderson said. "We have an open line of communication, and we respect each other." Kotarba testifies he's the kind of coach she could call at any time. In fact, Anderson phoned her immediately after he proposed to his wife, while Kotarba called her coach, traveling with the team at the time, after learning she'd made the 2006 Homecoming Court. Thanks to a work ethic which prompts her to get up at 7 a.m. every day, her running improved. Though she wasn't contributing scores to the team standings, she ran a personal-best 5,000-meters her first season, clocking in at 18:32. She continued to perform sophomore year. In addition to being the consistent fifth runner on the squad, she shaved more than two minutes off her 5K time and competed in the NCAA Pre-National meet, placing 44th overall. Both athlete and coach thought she was on her way to a distinguished collegiate career. "Then, one day, it was like the rug had been yanked out from underneath her," Anderson said. After dropping out of several races, she discovered she was anemic, and she was forced to red-shirt her indoor track season in the spring of 2005. Things didn't get any better the following summer, as she suffered torn hip tendons. She still earned a cross-country co-captaincy in the fall, but a "pop" at an early morning weights workout in the spring of 2006 sidetracked her again — a herniated disc was the diagnosis, keeping her from running this season. It isn't easy for her to sit on the sidelines, cheering on her teammates instead of running in the pack with them her senior year, her coach said. "It's unfair," Anderson said. "She's probably absorbed injuries for every team member." Roommate and teammate Allison Billhardt said Kotarba is always in the training room, diligently completing her physical therapy and sending the team well wishes when it travels. Anderson hopes to have her in uniform and racing when the indoor track season starts next spring. "There are times she's been on the verge of throwing in the towel," he said. "But because of her spirit, I've told her she's got to see this through." He's confident she will get through this round the same as she has before. Kotarba is training with the hopes of donning the gold and black for Iowa before she graduates. The latest injury, the herniated disc, is just another obstacle for her to hurdle.

"You can always bounce back," she said. "It's all about how you set things up for yourself."

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# Sizing up the bowls

## BOWL

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If Stocco can't go, junior Tyler Donovan would get the nod. Regardless of who plays under center for Wisconsin, the Hawkeyes will be busy fixing their own problems. Northwestern tallied 225 rushing yards against Iowa, which will face P.J. Hill — the Big Ten's leading rusher — on Saturday. Quarterback Drew Tate threw two interceptions and lost a fumble, halting two scoring opportunities. Iowa ranks 10th in the conference in turnover margin. "I think just about every mistake that we made can be corrected," senior Mike Elgin said. "It's something that at this point in the season, we shouldn't be correcting this many mistakes." Even with the loss to Northwestern, Iowa's bowl standing didn't suffer too much, although an unprecedented fifth-straight New Year's Day trip appears unlikely. The most likely scenario places the Hawkeyes in the Alamo Bowl, although they could slip to the Champs Sports Bowl.

Assuming Ohio State and Michigan play in the BCS, Wisconsin (9-1, 6-1 Big Ten) probably locked up a second-straight Capital One Bowl berth with its victory over Joe Paterno's bunch. The Nittany Lions (6-4, 4-3) will host Temple and Michigan State and will likely land in the Outback Bowl. They haven't played in Tampa since 1998. Iowa and Purdue are left fighting for the conference's top December bowls — Alamo and Champs Sports. The Boilermakers (6-4, 3-3) still play Illinois, Indiana, and Hawaii. If Iowa (6-4, 2-4) wins just one of its remaining two games, the Alamo Bowl could have a difficult time passing on the Hawkeyes. "We still have two games left in the season, with a big one coming up," linebacker Mike Klinkenberg said. "If we can get a win then, we'll be able to forget about this one a little better." Ferentz's team last went to San Antonio in 2001. Last year, Alamo representatives were excited about drawing Iowa and Texas native Drew Tate — an aspect they believe would sell

tickets locally. Iowa could face Nebraska, Texas A&M, Missouri, or Texas Tech of the Big 12. If Iowa drops to the Champs Sports Bowl in Orlando, a number of foes from the Atlantic Coast Conference are possible, including Virginia Tech, Maryland, Boston College, and Clemson. Three more teams in the conference could become bowl eligible during the last two weeks of the season, although the likelihood of either squad jumping Iowa in the pecking order is slim. Indiana, which will host Michigan on Saturday and then visit Purdue next week, needs one more win to earn its first bowl berth since 1993. The Hoosiers upset the Hawkeyes, 31-28, Oct. 14, but aren't an attractive pick because of weak fan support. Michigan State and Minnesota play each other Saturday. The loser will be eliminated from bowl contention, while the victor must also win next weekend to earn the requisite sixth victory. E-mail [//pregame@uiowa.edu](mailto://pregame@uiowa.edu) **Jason Brummond** at: [jason-brummond@uiowa.edu](mailto://jason-brummond@uiowa.edu)

# Hawkeyes stave off scrappy D-II foe

*Iowa won its second exhibition contest, beating Concordia-St. Paul, 70-50, but it was an ugly game.*

## BASKETBALL

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"I couldn't be prouder of Jenee's effort on the rebounding side of things," Bluder said. Graham said it felt good to be as effective crashing the boards at both ends. "Coach Bluder keeps stressing how important rebounding is," she said. "I just get after it, because she says it's all about heart."

Iowa sophomore Megan Skouby led all scorers with 21 points and added three blocks, but the biggest surprise was junior Abby Emmert, who scored 12 points for the Hawkeyes off the bench. "I think Abby had a really solid game," Bluder said. "She's been playing a number of positions for us. It's confusing when you play a lot of different positions, and that's a hard thing to ask of somebody." Iowa junior Krista VandeVenter did not suit up after suffering a shoulder injury against Northern State. Bluder said she hasn't seen the full report but that the best-case scenario is VandeVenter being out at least one month before returning. Until then, the Hawkeyes will play with only eight

"For some reason, we were running our offense a little herky-jerky. We were just a little bit out of sync on offense, and I think we were surprised at how physical they were."

**Lisa Bluder, coach**

available players. The total could have been seven, but Iowa received a major boost with junior Stacy Schlapkohl back in the lineup for the first time since Dec. 23, 2005, when she suffered a season-ending ACL injury against Creighton. "I hate to swap Stacy for Krista, but, thankfully, she's back," Bluder said. "It was a great relief to have her back on the floor, and I thought she played nice on defense. She did a good job there." Iowa will officially begin the 2006-07 season Saturday in the WBCA Classic at Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City. The Hawkeyes will face the Missouri State Bears at 4:30 p.m., and will be matched against either Kansas or Seton Hall the following day. E-mail [//reporter@uiowa.edu](mailto://reporter@uiowa.edu) **Brendan Stiles** at: [brendan-stiles@uiowa.edu](mailto://brendan-stiles@uiowa.edu)

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SPORTS

# Once again, Colts only unbeaten team

BY MICHAEL MAROT  
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INDIANAPOLIS — Tony Dungy hoped to avoid all those perfect-record questions this year. Not a chance, now.

Sunday's win at New England, coupled with the Chicago Bears' shocking loss to Miami, has Dungy shaking his head as the Colts enter the second half of the season as the NFL's last unbeaten team — again.

Sure, Dungy is thrilled with an 8-0 record, just not the prospect of facing the weekly scrutiny or circus-like environment that are certain to shift from Chicago to Indianapolis this week, as the Colts chase perfection for the second straight year.

"I'm really mad at [Chicago coach] Lovie Smith, because he was supposed to keep all that talk in Chicago," Dungy joked Monday. "I haven't talked to him yet, but I will. I guess it's on us, now."

If the Colts have one advantage, it's experience with these situations.

In 2004, the Colts dealt with the all-consuming media blitz, as Peyton Manning chased the touchdown passes record. Last year, it was their 13-0 start,

'We're not playing as well as we did last year, but I like where we are, and we've found a resiliency and ways to win games. That's a good quality to have.'

— Tony Dungy, Colts head coach

and when that ended, the Colts again were thrust into the spotlight for a different reason — the suicide of Dungy's oldest son.

This week's chapter: a shot at NFL history. A win over Buffalo (3-5) would make Indy the first NFL team to ever go 9-0 in back-to-back seasons, and Dungy believes this team may be better suited to handling the pressure.

"Maturity is such an important thing, because you go through so many ups and downs during a season, and you have to be steady," he said. "This is one of the most mature teams I've been around."

The reality is there are

enough flaws to make few believe the Colts can seriously challenge the 1972 Miami Dolphins as the league's only perfect team. They're allowing a league-worst 165.7 yards rushing per game and haven't been blowing out opponents like they did a year ago.

In some ways, though, that may make the Colts more dangerous.

Instead of receiving adulation, doubters are explaining why they can't go 16-0, and, of course, Colts players learned last year that nothing matters if they don't reach the Super Bowl.

But amid the obvious problems are signs Indy may have what it takes.

It ranks second in the NFL, behind Baltimore, with a turnover margin of plus-10, and two-time MVP Peyton Manning is on pace for a career-low six interceptions. The ground game has become more effective, and the defense proved it was good enough to beat two top AFC contenders, in New England and Denver — both on the road.

More important, they've found a variety of ways to win. When the defense struggled,

Manning worked his late-game magic. When the offense struggled, kick returner Terrence Wilkins provided a boost, and the Colts have done most of their damage with two key players — Pro Bowl safety Bob Sanders and receiver Brandon Stokley — out because of injuries.

"We're not playing as well as we did last year, but I like where we are, and we've found a resiliency and ways to win games," Dungy said. "That's a good quality to have. We're

still playing winning football, and we haven't played our best game, yet."

The Colts also have survived their most difficult stretch.

Their own road wins over nearly half of the league's division leaders — New England in the AFC East, Denver in the AFC West, and the New York Giants in the NFC East — and they're 5-0 against last year's playoff teams. That kind of schedule doesn't lend itself to blowouts.

A win over division rival

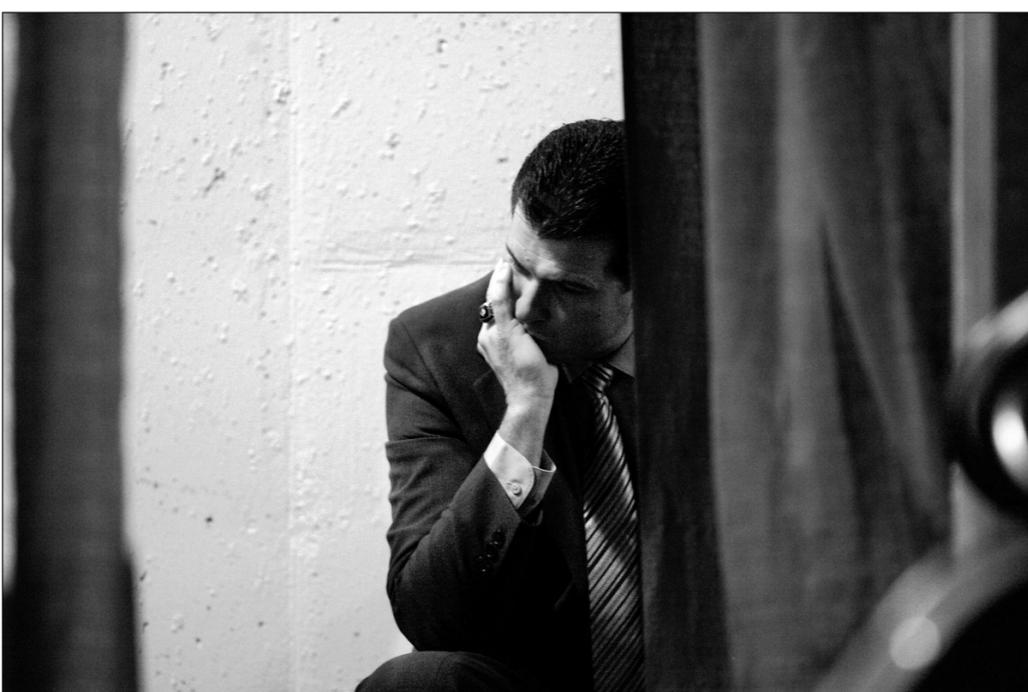
Jacksonville and the Jags' improbable loss to Houston has also given the Colts a three-game lead in the AFC South.

Indy also has a two-game lead over its nearest contenders for home-field advantage in the AFC playoffs, and with the wins over Denver and New England, the road to the Super Bowl is likely to go through Indy — again.

The question is: How many more wins can the Colts string together?

## POINT/COUNTERPOINT

# Which loss to a Northwestern is Iowa's worst?



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye men's basketball coach Steve Alford sits behind the press-conference stage after a shocking 64-63 loss to Northwestern State in the first round of the NCAA Tournament on March 17.

### 2006 FOOTBALL — NORTHWESTERN 21, IOWA 7

From the late-1960s into the 1970s, the Minnesota Vikings' defensive linemen were famously titled the "Purple People Eaters."

Since the 2003-04 men's basketball season, Northwestern — and for that matter, any team bearing "Northwestern" on a violet jersey — have become the "Purple Hawkeye Eaters," going 7-1 against the Hawkeye basketball and football teams.

The Nov. 4 loss was the ultimate stinger. From 2003-2005, Steve Alford's record was 1-3 against Northwestern, but his squad wasn't exactly stellar. In '05, the football team fell apart in the final minutes against the Wildcats. But Iowa's seven wins were only equal to Northwestern's total — making what seemed like an upset a standard defeat.

Last year, in the teams' only meeting, Northwestern shocked an Iowa basketball team battling for the conference championship, deflating any chance for a regular-season title. In the NCAA Tournament, Iowa was capsized by another purple wearing Northwestern (State) team, killing what appeared to be a Sweet-16 bound Alford squad.

And then Nov. 4 happened. Losing to No. 1 at home is one thing, but losing, in Kinnick, to a team with zero conference wins through five games, whose head coach passed away (regrettably) only weeks before the season, that blew a 35-point lead at home two weeks prior, that lost by three scores to a Division I-AA school at home — is utterly pathetic.

Football is Iowa's pride and joy, but now it's about as sunny as winters in Seattle.

The fans' sails were already windless, but now, Kinnick faithful are packing it up and heading home. The Hawkeyes were absolutely dominated on both sides of the ball, looking as hapless as ants in a magnifying lens.

Forget the NCAA Tournament, forget last season's loss, forget all the basketball, and now, forget Jan. 1, 'cause this loss just plain stunk.

— by Alex Johnson

### 2006 BASKETBALL — NORTHWESTERN STATE 64, IOWA 63

The Hawkeyes have lost to Northwestern in basketball and football four times in the past two years, yet it is not the Wildcats who were responsible for Iowa's most disappointing loss to a team with Northwestern in its title. That prestigious honor belongs to none other than the Northwestern State Demons.

Steve Alford's team entered the NCAA Tournament on the high of a Big Ten Tournament championship, in which it had defeated perennial power Michigan State and regular-season Big Ten champion Ohio State.

Iowa was to face a lowly Southland Conference team, which was an afterthought to most bracket prognosticators. It appeared senior leaders Jeff Horner and Greg Brunner weren't going to be denied a successful run in their farewell seasons.

The Hawkeyes had another offensive force in Adam Haluska, who could shoot from the outside or drive to the hoop and score in the lane. Scoring in the lane was not supposed to be an option for Northwestern State — Erik Hansen would erase any such ideas on the part of the Demons.

Yet, just as it had the previous two times against the other Northwestern, the seemingly secure second-half lead turned into a last-minute, stress-filled, one-possession ball game.

Hawkeye fans collectively exhaled after Northwestern State missed what seemed to be the Demons' last shot of the game. All turned blue and then red in the face as they watched the rebound go to the team in purple.

We all know what happened from here. We have seen the replay over and over and are certain to again when the Hawkeyes resume play — or if Alford's crew makes it back to the tournament.

The loss was more than just a tick in the wrong side of the column for the Hawkeyes.

Fans' hearts were ripped out. They felt especially bad for Horner and Brunner, who grew up just like them, Hawkeye fans. The two Hawkeye State natives, who gave so much to the fans that adored them, went out in embarrassment.

— by Sean Monahan

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## the ledge

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ANDREW R. JUHL

### Some helpful advice from your friendly administrative assistant

• When the copier breaks, jovially saying, “So you broke it, huh?” is not nearly as funny as you think it is.

• When the copier breaks again, right after the repair guy leaves, it’s even less funny to say, “So you broke it again, huh?”

• The LCD screen on the copier will show you which access door to open in order to remove the paper jam. That’s just one of the many features making this copier such a great resource during those odd milliseconds when it’s not broken.

• If you are unable to use this feature, perhaps because of an inability to follow simple visual instructions, I would be happy to do it for you.

• No, seriously. You cannot facilitate the process by staring blankly at the screen.

• ... and frankly, slamming the copier doors makes me want to stab you in the face slightly less.

• Christ on a crutch! I’ve already told you that spraying compressed air into the copier will not have any positive effect on its tendency to jam.

• Especially if you drop the can’s nozzle inside the copier and leave it there, causing it to jam even more frequently.

• Look. How ’bout you just stop touching things, and we wait for the repair guy? Please?

• Don’t make me break your fingers.

— Andrew R. Juhl acknowledges that the real author of this Ledge wishes to remain anonymous for vocational reasons, so he’ll take all the credit. E-mail him at: [andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu](mailto:andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu).

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## horoscopes

Tuesday, November 7, 2006  
— by Eugenia Last

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Get your idea out there. Travel, communication, and pushing to get ahead are all in the stars, so don’t waste time thinking about what you want to do. Get busy, and make it happen.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** You are running in circles and getting very little done. Slow down, and decide what’s really important. A partnership may be causing you some concern or an older or younger relative may be a burden.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Keep your feet on the ground and your head out of the clouds, and you should be able to get things done. Finish what you start. Someone may try to sabotage what you are doing.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Keep things out in the open, and you will do so much better in the long run. Someone from your past will help you make a decision. Emotional connections may be enticing, but it’s best to move slowly.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Do what you can for organizations you believe in. However, you have to take care of personal matters before they escalate into something that will not be easy to rectify. Property can be bought and sold, and money deals taken care of.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Someone you work with or are partnered with may cause emotional trauma for you today. Stick close to the people you know you can trust, and keep the lines of communication open so you can stay in the loop.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** You may feel like taking off or doing something different, but you should be focusing on how you earn your living and what you can do to advance. A lot will depend on how you get along with the people you are working with or for.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** A deal can be put on the table or completed today. Changes to your home can be positive if you make your decisions based on facts. Don’t take chances if you feel a cold coming on. Health problems may deter you.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Someone is probably keeping something from you today. You will have to find out if you want to get things done properly. An emotional matter concerning a partner will leave you feeling uncertain about your future.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Take a totally different approach to whatever you need to do today, and you will surprise the people who may want to hold you back or sabotage your plans. A minor problem with health or a pet is likely.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** The less contact you have with the outside world, the better. Concentrate on what needs to be done in your own back yard. An idea you have will help the people you live with feel better about the changes that occur.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** You won’t be able to trust everyone but, when acting on your own instincts, you will do extremely well. Don’t let anyone talk you out of doing something you feel strongly about. Money matters, contracts, and legal deals will pan out.

## today's events

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- **Jules Kirschenbaum: The Need to Dream of Some Transcendent Meaning**, all day, UI Museum of Art
- **Art Book Sale, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences**, 10 a.m., Art Building West Atrium
- **Story Time, Emily’s Art**, 10 a.m., Barnes & Noble, Coral Ridge Mall
- **Preschool Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth
- **“Close Reading-Reading like a Writer,” Francise Prose**, 11 a.m., Dey House Frank Conroy Reading Room
- **“A Celebration of Music, Medicine, and Community,”** cellist Evan Drachman and pianist Mary Au, noon, UIHC Colleton Pavilion Atrium
- **Campus Activities Board event, Coffeehouse Music**, noon, IMU Wheelroom
- **Free Fitness Assessments, Health Iowa/Student Health**, 5 p.m., Field House Main Deck
- **The Chariot, with August Burns Red, Destroy the Runner, 12 Gauge Valentine, Inhale Exhale**, 5 p.m., Picador
- **This Film is Not Yet Rated**, 6:15 p.m., Bijou
- **“Embrace Life,”** presentation series,

- 6:30 p.m., Brown Deer Golf Course, 1900 Country Club Drive, Coralville
- **Student Leadership Roundtables, Office of Student Life**, 6:30 p.m., 335 IMU
- **UISG-Student Assembly**, 6:30 p.m., Old Capitol Senate Chamber
- **“Using Your Skills to Address Public Need,” UI Student Leadership Development Program**, 6:30 p.m., Women’s Resource and Action Center
- **Israeli Film Series, Minotaur**, 7 p.m., Hillel, 122 E. Market
- **Movie Night, The Bridges at Tokori**, 7 p.m., Alexis Park Inn, 1165 S. Riverside Drive
- **Relay for Life, information and registration meeting, American Cancer Society Colleges**, 7 p.m., 337 IMU
- **Band Extravaganza, Symphony Band, Johnson County Landmark, Hawkeye Marching Band**, 7:30 p.m., Hancher
- **This Film is Not Yet Rated**, panel discussion, 8:15 p.m., Bijou
- **Going to TromaDance**, documentary, 9 p.m., PATV, 206 Lafayette
- **Shortbus**, 9:30 p.m., Bijou
- **Throwdown Free Dance Party**, 10 p.m., Yacht Club

## UITV schedule

Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

**3 p.m.** What’s the Economy for, Anyway?, John de Graaf  
**4:30** *New York Times* Columnist Nicholas Kristof Lecture  
**6:30** Iowa Head Football Coach Kirk Ferentz’s Weekly Meeting with the News Media  
**7** Iowa Head Wrestling Coach

Tom Brands Meets with the News Media  
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**8:45** Grabbing the Globe Seminar: Ahmet Selcuk Uzuner  
**9:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update

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	1					7		
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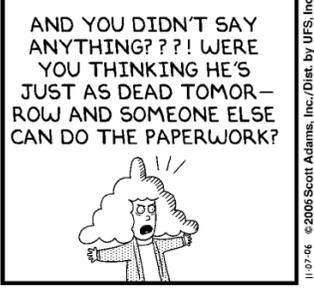
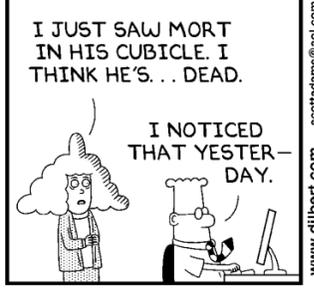
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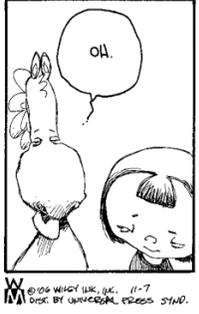
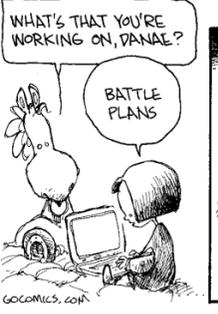
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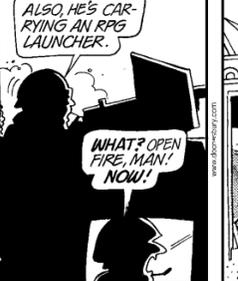
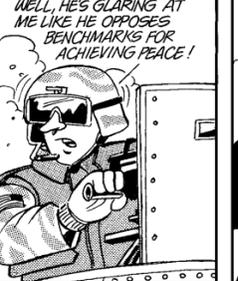
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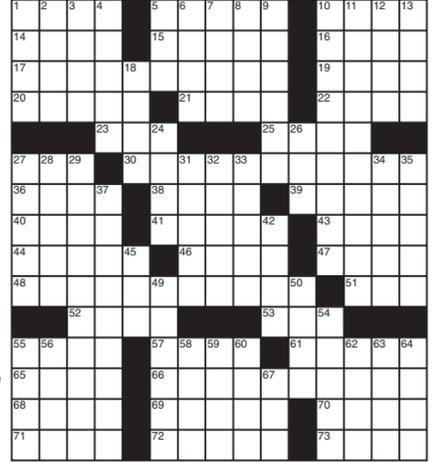
## The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 0926

- ACROSS**
- 1 Old-fashioned phono
  - 5 “No problemo”
  - 10 Smoky European peak
  - 14 Islands of Galway Bay
  - 15 More like a wallflower
  - 16 After that ...
  - 17 The art of masonry, in Boston?
  - 19 Pucker-producing
  - 20 Adams who photographed Yosemite
  - 21 Electronic music pioneer Robert
  - 22 Comprehensive
  - 23 Bar total
  - 25 “My bad!”
  - 27 Recipe amt.
  - 30 Most revered person in the land, in Boston?
  - 36 Computer woe
  - 38 Pendulum paths
  - 39 Hang around
  - 40 La Scala highlight
  - 41 Cubs’ homes
  - 43 Fuel that’s shoveled
  - 44 Less desirable turkey parts
  - 46 Signature part: Abbr.
  - 47 “Cómo \_\_\_?”
  - 48 Saying hi to some food fish, in Boston?
  - 51 D.C. V.I.P.
  - 52 F.B.I. agent
  - 53 Director Craven
  - 55 Skipper’s cry
  - 57 Skipper’s direction
  - 61 Calculus calculation
  - 65 Eardrum-busting
  - 66 Finishing school for models, in Boston?
  - 68 “Animal House” party attire
  - 69 For crying out loud, e.g.
  - 70 Andy’s sidekick, in old radio
  - 71 “-dokey
  - 72 Most driver’s ed students
  - 73 Database command

- DOWN**
- 1 LOL, spoken
  - 2 Unwrinkle
  - 3 The twist, once, and others
  - 4 Miniature map
  - 5 TV drama with multiple spinoffs
  - 6 “Um, pardon me ...”
  - 7 Spanish boy
  - 8 Like Erte’s style
  - 9 Salem’s home
  - 10 Sundance Kid’s girlfriend
  - 11 “Yuck!”
  - 12 Detective Wolfe of fiction
  - 13 Animated bug movie of 1998
  - 14 Extended family
  - 24 Jezebel’s idol
  - 26 Feedbag morsel
  - 27 Country singer’s sound
  - 28 More ticked off
  - 29 Earn windfall profits, perhaps
  - 31 Wabash Cannonball, e.g.
  - 32 Cake topper
  - 33 “Hamlet” courtier



Puzzle by Randall J. Hartman

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

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