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UI DEATH

Crash kills UI student

Elizabeth Maria Black, 20, is remembered for being "selfless" and "beautiful in all ways" by family and friends

BY ASHTON SHURSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Even in the face of tragedy, UI junior Elizabeth Maria Black was constantly raising awareness of the horrible disease that had prematurely taken her mother's life.

Whether it was through fundraising with the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation or speaking at events, Black kept working to educate others about breast cancer, which took her mother's life at the age of 40 in January 2001.



Black
died Nov. 17

"She was absolutely positive and had wonderful attitude," said Bob Black, whose daughter's life was cut short when she died in a car crash on Interstate 80 in Coralville on Nov. 17.

While on her way to work at Stuff Etc., Elizabeth Black was driving westbound on I-80 near Coralville at roughly 9 a.m. when she tried to let traffic from the First Avenue on-ramp merge onto the highway traffic, according to the Iowa State Patrol.

Black tried to maneuver her 2002 Jeep Wrangler to the left lane but then noticed a car in the inside lane and tried to move back to the right, officials said. She eventually rolled and flipped the car into the median, officials said.

The airbag in Black's car did not deploy, but it is unknown whether the airbag switch was turned on, the State Patrol said. She was wearing a seatbelt.

The Plainfield, Ill., native came to the UI to study psychology and human relations — areas Bob Black said she would use to benefit others.

"I believe she wanted to help people who have encountered personal tragedies in their lives," he said.

Rebecca Leilani Warne, Elizabeth Black's roommate during their freshman and sophomore years, emphasized her friend's selflessness. After her mother passed away, Elizabeth Black assumed the mother figure role for her younger siblings — Margaret, now 14, and Jacob, now 11.

"She always put people before herself," Warne said.

Joanna Kagey, who had been friends with Elizabeth Black their whole lives, echoed the sentiment, saying Black remained positive after her mother's death.

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RELATIONS WITH REGENTS GROW ICY

Plan might be stalled

BY MATT NELSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

In disbanding the UI presidential-search committee on Nov. 17, the state Board of Regents inadvertently hindered the much-debated strategic-change process and delayed its progress for months, faculty members said.

"The regents have already completely bungled the timeline and goals laid out for the strategic-change process," said Steve McGuire, a member of the disbanded panel and a UI professor of curriculum and instruction.

Under the strategic-change process, an effort headed by Regent President Michael Gartner and Regent Teresa Wahlert, the state university presidents and the regents have been working on a plan that could change the structure of the UI, Iowa State University, and the University of Northern Iowa.

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Three UI groups are considering votes of no confidence in the regents' leadership after the board's controversial Nov. 17 decision eliminating the presidential-search panel

BY DANNY VALENTINE
THE DAILY IOWAN

The UI Faculty Senate and Student Government plan to pass "no-confidence" votes Tuesday that would call for a leadership overhaul in the state Board of Regents and the end of communication between the groups, officials said Sunday.

The decision comes after a 6-2 Nov. 17 vote by the regents to dissolve the UI presidential-search committee and reject the four proposed finalists. The move devastated UI faculty, staff, and student leaders and incited cries for the removal of Regent President Michael Gartner.

Sheldon Kurtz, a UI law professor and the president of the UI Faculty Senate, said he has every reason to believe the no-confidence measure will pass.

"It sends a very powerful message to the other members of the regents" for a change in regent leadership, he said.

UI Professor Steve McGuire, a member of the disbanded search

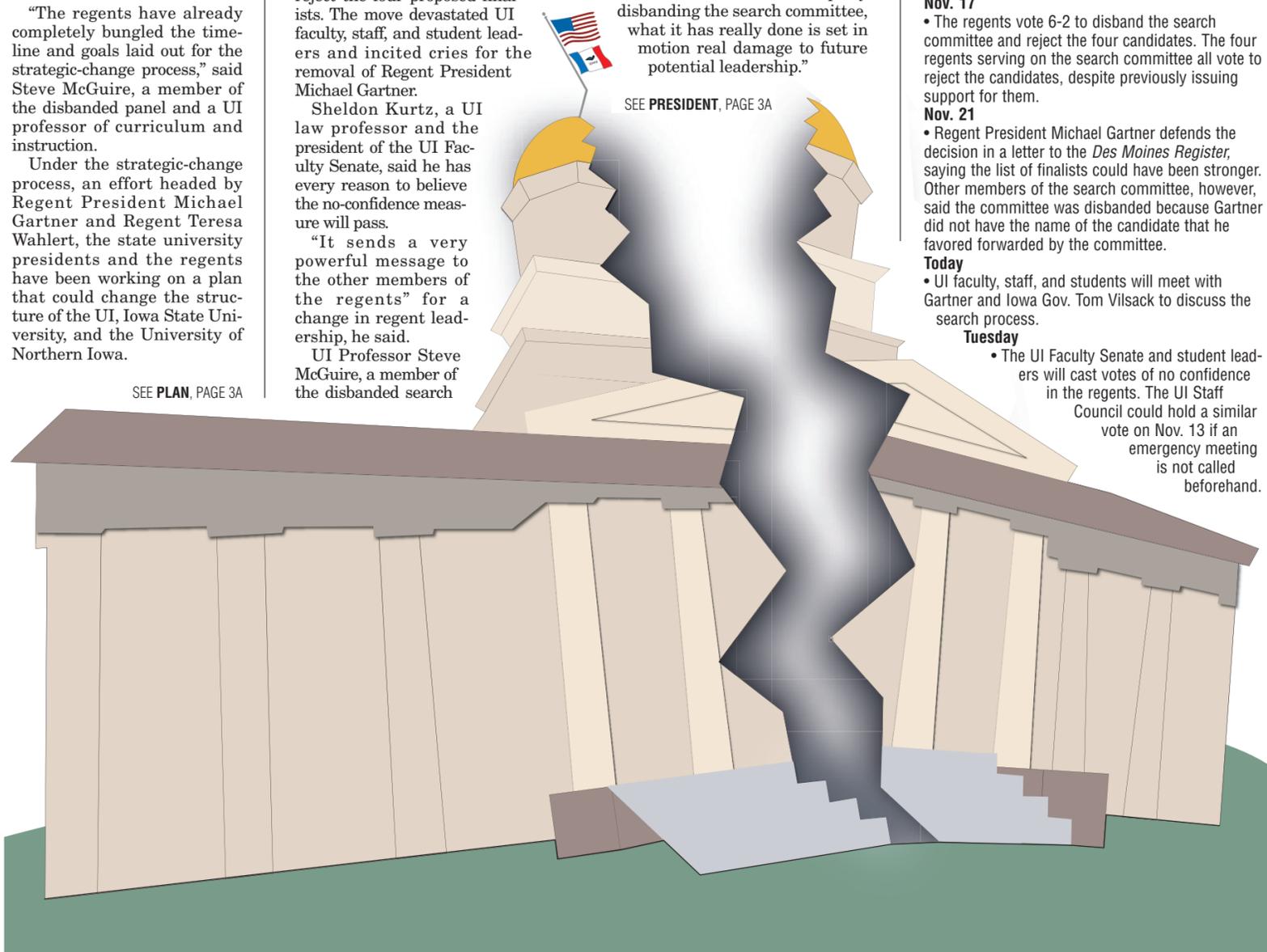
panel, said the vote is quite significant despite its lack of legislative power because the university works through the principle of shared governance.

"My thought about this whole thing is that a vote of no-confidence is a very drastic measure," he said. "Right now, we have no confidence in the board leadership. By disbanding the search committee, what it has really done is set in motion real damage to future potential leadership."



Gartner
regent president

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COUNTING ON A PED MALL SHOOTOUT



Ashley Guffey was part of a "shootout" on the Pedestrian Mall for UI senior Josh Guffey's film *Count On Me* on Sunday.

As the end of the semester looms, students are feverishly wrapping up (or starting) final class projects, with their requisite dose of research, studying, and general academia. On Sunday, one UI senior ditched his textbooks for something that packs a little more heat.

BY MARGARET POE
THE DAILY IOWAN

The gunman, crouched underneath a fire escape in an alley near the Pedestrian Mall, lunged forward, his black Beretta blazing. The target of his rapid fire, a man in a white "Hard Knocks" jersey standing just feet from

the Buzz, 115 S. Dubuque St., ran for cover behind a Dumpster. A young blonde girl passing by, hands clasped tightly over her ears, stopped and stared.

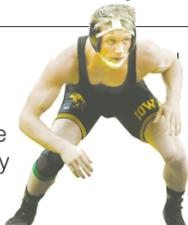
"Cut!" yelled director Josh Guffey, prompting a round of applause from cast and crew surrounding the "shootout."

Guffey, a UI senior cinema and economics major, presided over the six-hour effort on the Ped Mall Sunday, which caught the attention of passersby nursing ice-cream cones or fountain drinks on the unseasonably warm afternoon.

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GRAPPLING WITH VICTORY

After a so-so win over UNI, the Hawkeye wrestlers respond by bedeviling the Sun Devils. **1B**



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The new 007 is more like the original — Ian Fleming's tough, blunt-instrument kind of a guy. **7A**

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Riverside soldier killed in Iraq

Sgt. James Musack, 23, is remembered fondly by those who knew him

BY EMILY DOOLITTLE
THE DAILY IOWAN

Mark Gross recalled a shy 7-year-old boy whose eyes lit up when he played pinball at a Sycamore Mall arcade, who dragged Gross to Disney movies, asking for popcorn and candy, and who played sports.

That little boy would later become a U.S. Army noncom — 6-4, 240-pound Sgt. James Musack.



Musack
soldier

Gross, who participated in the Big Brother Big Sister program for more than 10 years with his late "little brother," had a front-row seat in Musack's transformation from a shy young boy to a proud military man.

'James would certainly put your needs and interests before his own. He was very strong, very giving.'

— Mark Gross, Musack's 'big brother'

Musack died in Samarra, Iraq, on Nov. 21 from injuries sustained during a non-combat incident, the U.S. Department of Defense has reported. The incident is still under investigation, according to a Nov. 23 statement from the Defense Department.

"When we first met, he ran away," Gross recalled. "But in about a year, we were comfortable with each other. I saw him make the right choices and grow into a fine young man."

He described Musack as a selfless individual.

"James would certainly put your needs and interests

before his own," he said. "He was very strong, very giving."

Gross received a phone call from Musack's mother at 1 a.m. on Nov. 22 and knew something bad had happened.

"When you are awakened at that time in the morning, you just know something is wrong," he said. "I knew [Musack] had either been hurt or killed."

Gross said Musack's mother was told her son had been shot and killed instantly. Musack's brother, Reggie Grandstaff, also said Musack was shot and killed, according to the Associated Press.

Musack served as part of the

7th Squadron, 10th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

He had planned to return to the Riverside area and become a firefighter. Musack, who was engaged, had also planned to start a family.

His funeral service will be held in Riverside at Highland High School, where he played basketball and football before graduating in 2002.

As of Sunday, at least 2,876 members of the U.S. military had died since the U.S. invasion of Iraq in March 2003, including seven military civilians, according to the Associated Press.

Meanwhile, the Defense Department tally shows 2,884 deaths in that time period. At least 2,303 died as a result of hostile action, according to the Defense Department numbers.

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TREE TIME



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Laura Cohen and Christmas-tree worker Doug Alberhasky find the right size trunk for her family's Fraser fir on Sunday. The Christmas-tree sale is put on by the Optimist Club of Iowa City

METRO

Man charged with robbery

Police have arrested an Iowa City man and charged him with second-degree robbery, accusing him of stealing a bottle of alcohol from Hy-Vee and hurling a block of concrete at employees who pursued him.

David Johnson, 51, allegedly took a bottle of alcohol from an Iowa City Hy-Vee and threatened the employees who confronted him, police reported.

The employees followed him to the residence of one of Johnson's friends on Friendship Street, where he reportedly threw a block of concrete at the store employees.

Johnson now faces felony

charges of second-degree robbery, a Class C felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison and \$10,000 in fines.

In a separate incident, Iowa City police arrested a Cedar Rapids man after they said he snatched a bottle of Kessler whiskey from Cub Foods, 855 Highway 1 W., on Nov. 25.

Police said Richard Brimeyer, 45, grabbed a 750-ml bottle from the shelf and concealed it in a pocket on the inside of his winter coat at about 5:45 p.m. After he allegedly "quickly exited" the store without paying, he was stopped and asked to return to the store, officers said.

Brimeyer now faces an aggravated misdemeanor charge of third-degree theft. Authorities reported he

has three previous convictions for fifth-degree theft from December 1995, February 2005, and March 2005.

— by Emileigh Barnes

Two men charged with terrorism

Iowa City police have charged two 19-year-olds with terrorism after they said the two threatened to shoot a man with a .38-caliber revolver on Nov. 24.

Police reported that they responded to reports of a fight at 2515 Bartelt Road at 11:57 p.m. Officers reported that Iowa City resident D-Anthony Money and Robbie

Taylor, address unknown, had allegedly threatened a man with a firearm, officers said. An area search uncovered a Smith & Wesson .38 caliber revolver, authorities said.

Money and Taylor were both charged with terrorism, a Class C felony, and carrying a concealed weapon, an aggravated misdemeanor.

Taylor also faces a charge of public intoxication and a felon in possession of a firearm, a Class D felony. Money was also charged with prohibited acquisition of a pistol, an aggravated misdemeanor.

On Sunday, Money was being held in Johnson County Jail on \$26,000 bail, and Taylor was being held in the jail on \$29,000 bail.

— by Emileigh Barnes

STATE

Family of missing student calls off Iowa search

DES MOINES (AP) — The parents of a missing Grinnell College student have called off their search in Iowa but say they're clinging to hope their son is safe somewhere else.

Paul Shuman-Moore, 19, of Chicago was last seen early Sept. 25

heading toward his dormitory at Grinnell. His roommate said he later found a suicide note.

Last week Shuman-Moore's parents returned to Iowa for the first time since their son's disappearance. After meeting with Grinnell police to review the investigation, the parents say they are convinced Shuman-Moore did not kill himself in the Grinnell area.

"There have been hunters going

through every stream or gully and farmers going through every field," said Steve Moore, the student's father.

"As time went on, we started hoping he hadn't done anything to himself. That feeling has increased every single day."

The parents said they believe their son is not in Iowa or Chicago, where friends and family have posted thousands of fliers without any response.

Moore acknowledges his search-

es are "long shots" but will continue to search for his son.

"It's possible he has decided he's embarrassed at all the ruckus he has caused and is afraid to come back," Moore said. "We want to get the message to him that he shouldn't be."

Efforts to find Shuman-Moore initially centered on the Grinnell area in central Iowa. The search at one time included hundreds of volunteers and authorities, three airplanes and three search-and-rescue dog teams.

POLICE BLOTTER

Leonard Alachan-Ventura, 24, Coralville, was charged Sunday with public intoxication, interference with official acts, and simple assault.

Torrence Ball, 23, address unknown, was charged Nov. 23 with third-degree theft.

Anthony Berger, 19, 3712 Forest Gate Drive N.E., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

was charged Sunday with PAULA. **Harold Garcia**, 20, 1956 Broadway Apt. A, was charged Nov. 21 with obstructing an officer.

Brandon Hambricht, 21, 713½ E. Washington St., was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Herbert Lauer, 19, Cedar Falls, was charged Sunday with PAULA. **David Leeney**, 19, 720 Fourth Ave. Apt. 19, was charged Nov. 23 with

disorderly conduct. **Alan London**, 35, 331 N. Gilbert St., was charged Nov. 8 with fifth-degree theft.

Brandon Mauer, 19, 4310 Burge, was charged Sunday with PAULA. **Brian Orr**, 26, Muscatine, was charged Nov. 25 with public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Scott Pickering, 28, 1313 Keokuk St., was charged Nov. 24 with driving

while barred. **Cody Pump**, 19, 625 S. Clinton St. Apt. 9, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Wayne Robinson, 58, 239 Amhurst St., was charged Nov. 21 with OWI. **Riley Sachsenmaier**, 20, 646 S. Dodge St. Apt. 2, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Marcus Walker, 37, Cedar Rapids, was charged Nov. 24 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

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Chill grips UI, regents

PRESIDENT

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The UI Staff Council will hold a similar no-confidence vote at its regularly scheduled meeting on Dec. 13 unless an emergency meeting is called before that time.

Aside from ending interaction between student government and the regents, UISG President Peter McElligott said, students' lobbying efforts would focus on changing the regents' leadership.

Although the no-confidence vote would be mostly symbolic, the threat is a valuable bargaining chip, he said.

"I am sure without the no-confidence vote, the governor wouldn't be meeting with us on Monday," McElligott said.

Today, UI representatives and Gartner will meet with Gov. Tom Vilsack in Cedar Rapids to discuss recent conflicts.

Regent Robert Downer of Iowa City, one of two regents

who voted against disbanding the search committee, said he hopes today's meeting will pre-empt the need for votes of no-confidence by UI faculty, staff, and students.

"My strong hope would be that there are sufficient actions [to come out of the meeting] that they will not have to pursue a vote of no-confidence," he said.

Downer has been a frequent critic of the regents' decision to terminate the search committee, defending the search process and saying that the four finalists were all of high quality.

Since the Nov. 17 decision, a large amount of information about the process has come to light.

Here is an overview of what occurred over the Thanksgiving holiday:

- *The Des Moines Register* reported on Nov. 22 that Deborah Freund, a former vice chancellor and provost at Syracuse University, was

favored by Gartner but not included among the final four finalists. UI Provost Michael Hogan was among the four candidates forwarded by the search committee.

- Members of the search committee reported that they were asked to sign confidentiality agreements that essentially tried to silence them. The confidentiality agreements, which have never been used before in a presidential search, would have prevented them from disclosing information about where they were going or from getting reimbursed for their travel expenses. Members refused to sign the new agreement. **To read the two different confidentiality agreements, see dailyiowan.com.**

- Plans concerning future presidential-search committees are still unknown.

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Plan may be delayed

PLAN

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Previously, the process was slated to be completed by November 2007, but faculty members now expect the process to take much longer and require further attention on their part.

"As a consequence [of the committee's being disbanded], I am sure the Faculty Council/Senate will revisit this issue," UI psychology Professor Michael O'Hara, a member of the UI Faculty Council, said in an e-mail.

The faculty government had passed numerous resolutions responding to the regents' initiative, but members had been ultimately pleased with the timeline for strategic change because the end date would leave ample time for the new UI president to contribute.

Meanwhile, the search committee's disbanding highlights a separate problem: weak levels of communication between the faculty and the regents, faculty members said.

"At this point, it's the regents' ability to determine the speed of the strategic-change process," McGuire said. "We can influence; we can present advice. But at this point, our advice is not considered at all."

Faculty Senate President

'We had every reason to believe that there



would be a president in place by November. Obviously, that's not going to happen.'

— **Sheldon Kurtz, Faculty Senate President and Law Professor**

and law Professor Sheldon Kurtz had previously spearheaded efforts to slow down or halt the proposed process, citing lack of input from stakeholders involved. With this recent delay in choosing a UI president, the issue will likely be revisited.

Kurtz also stressed the importance of collaboration between regents and the UI community, in lieu of a permanent president, as officials now move forward with the strategic planning.

"We had every reason to believe that there would be a president in place by November," Kurtz said. "Obviously, that's not going to happen."

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THE 'STRATEGIC-CHANGE PROCESS': FACULTY RESPONSES

- **Oct. 4:** UI Professor Steve Collins presents the Faculty Council with the first resolution that would ask the Board of Regents to stop the planning processes. The resolution is never formally acted upon.

- **Oct. 17:** The UI Faculty Senate passes a motion stating support for the strategic-change process but only if all stakeholders were involved in the process.

- **Oct. 25:** The Faculty Senate sends an official resolution to the regents asking that the process be made open to the public and stakeholder input.

- **Nov. 1:** The Faculty Council, acting on behalf of the Faculty Senate, and, with the Staff Council and UI Student Government, sends a second resolution to the regents asking that all planning processes be halted until a UI president is selected.

- **Nov. 14:** After Faculty President Sheldon Kurtz is briefed about the process, the Faculty Council concludes that enough time will be allotted for the new UI president to have input on the process.

Film enlivens Ped Mall

FILM

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The excitement surrounded Guffey's final project in his advanced video class — a trilogy titled *Count on Me*, which is based on the true story of a retired narcotics agent in the Quad Cities.

"I thought, what is the craziest thing I can do?" Guffey said. "How about having a shootout on the Ped Mall?"

The director obtained a permit for public assembly, in which he explicitly detailed the shoot's length and equipment — including details about the guns, which were built from authentic parts but could not fire real bullets. The stipulations required that Guffey hire a private security guard to monitor the scene, he said.

The half-dozen actors on the set donated their talents, but 22-year-old Guffey said he paid his two head crew members' salaries out-of-pocket. The semester-long project was "kind of foolish" in its ambition, he admitted, and it will take another day of filming to wrap. Ever since the Bettendorf native took an introductory film class as a freshman, he's been sold on the collaborative process, and his enjoyment was evident on set.

Throughout the filming, cast and crew bustled about, wheeling carts overflowing with orange extension cords and bulky camera cases, consulting scripts, and calling out warnings that gunfire would soon ensue. Sunday's filming was for the last part of the trilogy,



Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

Craig Jones, a Kirkwood student, holds up a gun on the Pedestrian Mall on Sunday. He is part of UI senior Josh Guffey's film *Count on Me*, which is inspired by the career of a Quad Cities undercover narcotics cop.

which will total 17 minutes in length.

The story line delves into the agent's struggles with his conflicting loyalties to his job and family life, his philosophy, and — in the end — the dangers of becoming too personally invested in his work, said Matt Brewbaker, who plays the agent.

Brewbaker, who has worked extensively in local theater, learned firsthand from the real-life officer how to wield the weapon like an authentic agent of justice. He was a little frightened, because he had never shot a gun before, Brewbaker said. But as for the real sacrifice of the role, it was more in his inability to get a haircut.

"I don't generally look this scruffy in public," he said.

Guffey's mother, Dar Guffey, was a welcome presence on set, replenishing the cast and crew with some 60 sandwiches, logging the camera work, and serving as a wardrobe consultant.

"Anything to help my son's budding film career. Tell me when and where and what time, and I'll be there," she said, flashing a thumbs-up before rushing off to her duties.

The work is Guffey's seventh short film, and it uses the most advanced technology to date.

"I'm gonna be on [high-definition TV]," said actor Craig Jones, a childhood friend of Guffey's. "Can you believe that? I hope I got all my best features on."

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UI student is remembered

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"Instead of going into depression, she lived life even further," Kagey said.

Elizabeth Black also showed her appreciation for her friends and family by covering their apartment with pictures of her loved ones, Warne said.

"It was really important to her to put up pictures of people she cared about," Warne said.

Another one of Elizabeth Black's interests was sports.

'She was relentless in her devotion to her family and relentless in her devotion to her friends.'

— **Bob Black, father**

Bob Black called her his "sports-event buddy," and the two attended almost every home Chicago Bear game this season, along with Game 2 of the 2005 World Series to watch the Chicago White Sox.

Her love of home teams extended to the Hawkeye teams — Bob Black said his

daughter went to every Iowa home football game and loved being a Hawkeye.

But the people in her life always came first.

"She was relentless in her devotion to her family and relentless in her devotion to her friends," Bob Black said.

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Energy Dept. to set appliance standards

BY BRYCE BAUER
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From in-room air conditioners to water heaters and fluorescent lights, the federal government will soon be required to set energy-efficiency standards for a slew of residential appliances.

The move stems from a lawsuit brought by 15 states — including Iowa — against the U.S. Department of Energy, charging that the agency was nearly 15 years late in setting standards consumer products. The states' legal victory set deadlines — ranging from 2007 and 2011 — for new standards to be implemented on various products.

Craig Stevens, Energy Department's press secretary, said officials are considering many factors as they work to set the new guidelines.

"We are a big country, so we want to make sure the standards do, in fact, increase energy efficiency but don't harm the market," he said, noting that the agency plans to consult with industry groups and other entities.

The action comes amid growing concern over global energy issues, including the nation's dependence on foreign oil and concerns over global climate change caused by greenhouse gasses emitted from the burning of fossil fuels, such as gasoline and coal.

With the United States releasing nearly 25 percent of the world's greenhouse gasses but making up just more than 4.5 percent of the global population, large strides can be made in the country, scientists say.

"Global warming is here. It is a reality, and a majority of it is caused by humans," said Jerald Schnoor, a UI professor of environmental engineering, noting that new research is showing an even

stronger connection. "Scientists all around the world agree."

One key way to curb the negative effects is by reducing emissions from polluting gasses, he said. Federal efficiency standards have historically been "quite stringent," he said, but building and fleet efficiency has been lacking.

The lawsuit is not the first time state and local governments have asked Washington for tougher controls. In 2005, the U.S. Conference of Mayors signed a resolution urging the federal government to ratify the Kyoto Protocol — a sweeping, worldwide accord seeking to reduce greenhouse emissions that was signed and ratified by all industrialized countries except Australia and the United States.

The organization also created the U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement, in which signatories pledged to meet Kyoto standards on their own. As of Nov. 15, 330 mayors had signed the agreement, including Frank Cownie of Des Moines and Roy Buol of Dubuque.

Still, Schnoor noted that despite an increased focus on efficiency, energy consumption continues to rise.

"I think [the increase is due] to the number of electronic gadgets we have, from computers to plugging in our phones to PlayStations," he said.

Both Stevens and Schnoor outlined many initiatives people could take to decrease energy use, from turning off computers and printers when not in use to installing energy-saving compact-fluorescent light bulbs instead of the traditional and more energy-intensive, incandescent bulbs.

Stevens also noted that, as part of the 2005 Energy Policy Act, people could receive tax credits for implementing energy-saving measures, such as upgrading thermostats, caulking air leaks, and

installing solar-powered hot-water systems in their home.

"We have to do something," Schnoor said. "The threat is very real."

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1 Dem ready for probes

BY KEVIN FREKING
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WASHINGTON — The incoming chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee is promising an array of oversight investigations that could provoke sharp disagreement with Republicans and the White House.

Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., pledged that Democrats, swept to power in the Nov. 7 elections, would govern "in the middle" next year. But the veteran lawmaker has a reputation as one who has never avoided a fight, and he did not back away from that reputation on Sunday.

Among the investigations he said he wants the committee to undertake:

- The new Medicare drug benefit. "There are lots and lots and lots of scandals," he said, without citing specifics.
- Spending on government contractors in Iraq, including Halliburton Co., the Texas-based oil-services conglomer-

ate once led by Vice President Dick Cheney.

• An energy task force overseen by Cheney. It "was carefully cooked to provide only participation by oil companies and energy companies," Dingell said.

• A review of food and drug safety, particularly in the area of nutritional supplements.

Meanwhile, the incoming chairman of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee said his committee would not take on contentious issues, such as extending expiring tax cuts or overhauling Social Security, at the beginning of the year. Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., said Democrats do not want a fight with President Bush and want to prove they can govern.

"The first thing we're going to do is try to work together on things we know we can accomplish," Rangel said. "Rather than have the committee against the president, it's not going to happen."

Rep. Barney Frank, set to

lead the House Financial Services Committee, said issues such as raising the minimum wage will be popular, even though the idea has been identified with liberals.

"In my own committee, the biggest difference you're going to see is we're going to return to try to help deal with the housing crisis that blights so many parts of our country socially and economically," said Frank, D-Mass.

Frank, who in 1987 became the first member of Congress to voluntarily make his homosexuality public, also said he wants to modify the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy. The current policy prohibits officials from inquiring about the sex lives of service members and requires discharges of those who openly acknowledge being gay.

"One of things I do want to address, yes, is discrimination based on sexual orientation," he said.

"In fact, what we have is a shortfall in the military. I

think when you have people being fired who can read Arabic and understand Arabic, because of what they do when they're off duty, that that's a grave error. But that's not what we're going to begin with."

A report in 2005 by the investigative arm of Congress estimated it cost the Pentagon nearly \$200 million to recruit and train replacements for the nearly 9,500 troops that had to leave the military because of the policy. The losses included hundreds of highly skilled troops, including translators, between 1994 through 2003.

Mississippi Sen. Trent Lott, who will become the Senate's second-ranking GOP leader, said Republicans still have enough clout to block legislation "if it's really bad, not in the country's best interest." But he also said he wanted to find areas where the two sides can compromise.

"The people, I think, sent us a message. I think we've got it," Lott said. "We're going to be working hard together."

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Activist's suicide raises numerous questions



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Malachi Ritscher holds up a sign during an antiwar protest in Chicago on April 2003. On Nov. 3, Ritscher set up a video camera, doused himself with gasoline, and lit himself on fire on expressway off-ramp in downtown Chicago. War protesters are hailing him as a martyr.

BY ASHLEY M. HEHER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Malachi Ritscher envisioned his death as one full of purpose.

He carefully planned the details, mailed a copy of his apartment key to a friend, created to-do lists for his family. On his website, the 52-year-old experimental musician who'd fought with depression even penned his obituary.

At 6:30 a.m. on Nov. 3 — four days before an election caused a seismic shift in Washington politics — Ritscher, a frequent antiwar protester, stood by an off-ramp in downtown Chicago near a statue of a giant flame, set up a video camera, doused himself with gasoline, and lit himself on fire.

Aglow for the crush of morning commuters, his flaming body was supposed to be a call to the nation, a symbol of his rage and discontent with the U.S. war in Iraq.

"Here is the statement I want to make: If I am required to pay for your barbaric war, I choose not to live in your world. I refuse to finance the mass murder of innocent civilians who did nothing to threaten our country," he wrote in his suicide note. "... If one death can atone for anything, in any small way, to say to the world: I apologize for what we have done to you; I am ashamed for the mayhem and turmoil caused by my country."

There was only one problem: No one was listening. It took five days for the Cook

County medical examiner to identify the charred-beyond-recognition corpse. Meanwhile, Ritscher's suicide went largely unnoticed. It wasn't until a reporter for an alternative weekly, the *Chicago Reader*, pieced the facts together that word began to spread.

Soon, tributes — and questions — poured in to the paper's blogs. Was this a man consumed by mental illness? Or was Ritscher a martyr driven by rage over what he saw as an unjust war? Was he a convenient symbol for an antiwar movement, or was there more to his message?

"This man killed himself in such a painful way, specifically to get our attention on these things," said Jennifer Diaz, a 28-year-old graduate student who never met him but has been researching his life. Now, she is organizing protests and vigils in his name. "I'm not going to sit by, and I can't sit by and let this go unheard."

Mental-health experts say virtually no suicides occur without some kind of a diagnosable mental illness. But Ritscher's family disagrees about whether he had severe mental problems.

In a statement, Ritscher's parents and siblings called him an intellectually gifted man who suffered from bouts of depression. They stopped short of saying he'd ever received a clinical diagnosis of mental illness.

"He believed in his actions, however extreme they were," his younger brother, Paul Ritscher, wrote online. "He believed they could help to open eyes, ears, and hearts and to show every-

one that a single man's actions, by taking such extreme personal responsibility, can perhaps affect change in the world."

His son, who shares the same name as his father, said his father was trying to cope with mental illness. Suicide seemed to be the next step, and the war was a way to give his death meaning.

"He was different people at different instances and so, so erratic. I loved him, no doubt, but he was a very lonely and tragic man," said Ritscher, 35, who is estranged from the rest of the family. "The idea of being a martyr I'm sure was attractive. He could literally go out in a blaze of glory."

Born in Dickinson, N.D., with the name Mark David, Ritscher dropped out of high school, married at 17, and divorced 10 years later. Eventually, he would change his name to match his son's and, coincidentally, a world-famous prophet. At the end, he worked in building maintenance and was a fixture in Chicago's experimental music scene.

He described himself as a renaissance man who'd amassed a collection of more than 2,000 musical recordings from clubs in Chicago. He was a writer, philosopher, and photographer. He was an alcoholic who collected fossils, glass eyes, light bulbs, and snare drums. He paid \$25 to become an ordained minister with the Missionaries of the New Truth and operated a handful of websites protesting the Iraq war.

Supreme Court to hear greenhouse-gas case

BY H. JOSEF HEBERT
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WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court will hear arguments this week in a case that could determine whether the Bush administration must change course in how it deals with the threat of global warming.

A dozen states, as well as environmental groups and large cities, are trying to persuade the court that the Environmental Protection Agency must regulate, as a matter of public health, the amount of carbon dioxide that comes from vehicles.

Carbon dioxide is produced when fossil fuels, such as oil and natural gas, are burned. It is the principal greenhouse gas that the majority of scientists believe is flowing into the atmosphere at an unprecedented rate, leading to a warming of the Earth and widespread ecological changes. One way to reduce those emissions is to have cleaner-burning cars.

The Bush administration intends to argue before the court on Wednesday that the EPA lacks the power under the Clean Air Act to regulate carbon dioxide as a pollutant. The agency contends that even if it did have such authority, it would have discretion under the law on how to address the problem without imposing emissions controls.

The states, led by Massachu-

setts, and more than a dozen environmental groups insist that the 1970 law makes it clear that carbon dioxide is a pollutant — similar to lead and smog-causing chemicals — that is subject to regulation because it poses a threat to public health.

A sharply divided federal appeals court ruled in favor of the government in 2005. But in June, the Supreme Court decided to take up the case, plunging for the first time into the politically charged debate over global warming. The ruling next year is expected to be one of the court's most important ever involving the environment.

"Global warming is the most pressing environmental issue of our time, and the decision by the court on this case will make a deep and lasting impact for generations to come," says Massachusetts Attorney General Thomas Reilly.

David Bookbinder, a lawyer for the Sierra Club, says a legal clarification of the EPA's authority could determine whether the current administration must regulate carbon dioxide emissions and whether a future one will be able to demand such limits.

At issue for now is pollution from automobiles. But the ruling indirectly may affect how the agency deals with carbon dioxide that comes from electric-power plants.

In a separate lawsuit, the

EPA says the Clean Air Act also prevents it from regulating such emissions from those plants. That claim would be undercut, Bookbinder says, if the high court rules in the states' favor in the auto emissions case.

President Bush has rejected calls to regulate carbon dioxide. He favors voluntary steps by industry and development of new technologies to reduce the amount of greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere.

"We still have very strong reservations about an overarching, one-size-fits-all mandate about carbon," James Connaughton, the chairman of the White House Council on Environmental Quality, recently told a group of reporters.

The administration says in court papers the EPA should not be required to "embark on the extraordinarily complex and scientifically uncertain task of addressing the global issue of greenhouse gas emissions" when other ways are available to tackle climate change.

The United States accounts for about one-quarter of the world's greenhouse gas emissions. The amount of carbon dioxide from U.S. motor vehicles, power plants, and other industry has increased on average by about 1 percent a year since 1990.

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Break's tradition

How did you spend your Thanksgiving break? If you spent it finding new ways to put off writing a column, then we should start a club. But I'm guessing most of you had other activities to occupy your brief reprieve from academics.

Some of you no doubt spent the entire week at your parents' house, catching up with friends and sharing stories of your post-high-school activities. Others might have only left Iowa City for a few days and returned mid-break, perhaps to work or perhaps because home is no longer a place you can be for an extended period of time.



ERIC KOCHNEFF

Whatever your activities were during break, I hope you took the time to appreciate the sheer perfection that is Thanksgiving break.

This is my sixth year to have the privilege of completely ceasing work-related activities for a week in the middle of November. I'm also looking forward to next month, when, also for the sixth time, I have an entire month off in December and January. Because of my experience, I'd like to think that I am a bit of an expert on the time in college known as break.

The mid-college holiday break is special for numerous reasons.

First, you can walk away from what you normally do — in this case, being a student — for days on end. At our illustrious university, that length is nine days, but other colleges often have less time, perhaps only four or five days. Harvard's last day was Nov. 22; obviously the students were all wishing that they had gone to a state school in Iowa when the morning of Nov. 20 rolled around and they had to get up to go to class.

You are also not penalized or obligated to lose anything by not going to class during this time. If you had a real job and decided to take five working days off, most likely you would either lose valuable vacation days, be docked pay for your time away from the office, maybe even get fired — well, unless you are a college professor at Iowa, or, come to think of it, a TA.

So, maybe I didn't lose anything by not going to work last week. I was told to get lost, just like the rest of you. But I'm guessing most of you out there don't plan on working in academia (neither do I), so I'll admit that my situation is in the minority.

My favorite holiday break, like many still in school, is what I'll call the Hanukkah/Christmas/Kwanzaa/Boxing Day break. This year at Iowa, our break commences at the end of the day on Dec. 15, and we go back to school on Jan. 16.

A whole month off is a very good thing — much better than the paltry two-weeks-at-the-most break most of us were afforded throughout our early education. It always seemed to me that you were just getting used to not going to school right around the time that you had to get up early and go back.

High-school winter break was a vile and dirty temptress compared with the polite and innocent month-long maiden we are afforded in college.

The best thing, though, about any time that we can spend at home away from college is catching up with our in-town friends. I always looked forward to that the most, and some of the best times I had with my high-school friends occurred after high school, just hanging out at home with each other during winter break. It's a great time to catch up with each other about what has happened in your time away from home.

When you're in college, it's easy to make new friends and momentarily forget about the people and places with whom you really grew up. Everyone does this at some point or another, so it's nothing to feel bad about nor is it anything that one can stop from happening.

The mid-year holiday breaks afford people the opportunity to re-establish themselves with their roots, whether it be our parents, hometowns, old jobs for extra spending money, or, of course, high-school friends.

Hopefully everyone enjoyed the winter-break preview this past week — the end of the semester is only three weeks away. ■

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EDITORIAL

Open presidential search a must to repair UI, regent relations

The oft-contentious relationship between the state Board of Regents and the UI community has reached new heights. After the regents' inexplicable and indefensible decisions both to reject all four semifinalists the UI presidential-search committee proffered and to dissolve the panel, the university community rightly reacted with outrage. This Editorial Board has expressed suspicion about the regents in part related to this search. Unfortunately, our fears have been proven correct. When a new search process resumes, we sincerely hope the regents will respect the wishes of the UI community and proceed openly.

It seemed we were at the end of this tumultuous process. All indications were that the regents were preparing to name a new university president in the near future. But the surprise moves by the regents have reset the process. The regents' "betrayal," as UI history Professor Katherine Tachau called their actions, has ensured that the UI will not inaugurate a new president anytime soon.

The regents' actions are an embarrassment to all interested parties, but the defense of their actions may be more troubling. Regent President Michael Gartner said in a statement that the university "needed candidates who had more experience as leaders who oversaw complex health-sciences operations as well as the myriad of other academic and nonacademic operations of a large university." His explanation is troubling for numerous reasons. Tachau told the *Des Moines Register* that "it was the committee [that] added the experience with academic hospitals and medicine" onto the scoring sheet. Additionally, the *Register* reported that only 10 of 180 points on the search committee's evaluation sheet were related to health care and hospital management.

It gets worse. Regent Robert Downer of Iowa City — who voted against

rejecting the candidates and dissolving the committee — wrote in a letter to the *Register* that the regents were considering creating a UI vice presidential position to oversee the hospital and College of Medicine. In that letter, he also argued that the commotion surrounding contract negotiations between the UI and Wellmark in part led to former President David Skorton's decision to leave. Downer also asserts that Skorton "possessed the qualifications that the board majority now says it needs in a UI president."

Further countering the regents' insistence the candidates did not have "health-science" qualifications is the report by the *Iowa City Press-Citizen* that UI Provost Michael Hogan was a semifinalist for the job. All five health-science deans at the UI report directly to Hogan. He is clearly a qualified candidate, though the regents apparently feel otherwise.

Incoming Gov. Chet Culver has promised to step into the issue upon taking office. He issued a statement saying he is "confident that we can move quickly to find a qualified president using a process that is inclusive, open, and respectful of the privacy of all the applicants." Culver is now facing his first major test, and how he handles it will set a course for how he handles higher-education issues throughout his term. He must act intelligently in favor of the UI community.

While all efforts must be made to move forward in a responsible and respectful manner, the regents' absurd actions have halted all progress in the hunt for a new UI president. Moving on will not be easy — the regents have shown minimal interest in working with the university community. However, it is imperative for both entities to move forward, starting with an open and inclusive continuation of the presidential search.

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Know your adoption information

While I respect the personal decisions of the people you profiled in the Nov. 15 article ("Looking overseas for adoptions") to adopt (any way they choose, I must comment on some aspects in the article that may cause readers to misunderstand foster care and adoption.

The licensed foster family profiled in the article said they waited three months without a foster placement. Unless families put strict qualifiers on the types of children they will accept into their home, most

foster families receive placements upon receiving their license. Unfortunately, the number of children exceeds the number of foster families in most areas of the state.

The article also states that Children's Home Society and Family Services placed 700 international children in adoptive homes in the United States, compared with 50 U.S. foster children and 70 domestic infants, implying that international adoption is more popular than domestic or foster adoption across the board. However, the Children's Home Society is primarily an international adoption agency. More than 19,000 children were adopted internationally in 2001, and

more than 50,000 children were adopted from foster care in 2000. While no nationwide statistics are kept for domestic infant adoptions, the National Council for Adoption in Virginia estimates that 20,000 or more U.S.-born infants are placed for adoption every year.

Finally, the article states that families who adopt domestically face "obstacles" that those who adopt internationally do not face, including navigating an open adoption. I am an adoptive parent of two children, and we have an open relationship with their birth parents. I don't see this as an obstacle but rather as a gift. Open

adoptions are becoming more commonplace; most adoption professionals — and adoptive parents — agree that some sort of contact with the birth family is healthiest for everyone involved. People who adopt internationally are also beginning to explore ongoing relationships with birth families, when possible.

How people choose to make a family is a very personal decision. And they need correct and honest information to make an informed decision.

Erica Zito
adoption-information specialist
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GUEST OPINION

Climate in the court: justices take up global warming

On Wednesday, the Supreme Court will hear oral arguments in what could prove to be one of the most fateful environmental cases in a generation — or not — or anyone else, for that matter — have standing to bring the case. To establish standing, one has to show both that an actual injury has occurred and that winning the case would redress that injury. The problem of climate change is so huge that it creates a paradoxical barrier to litigation: Regulating one relatively small component of the problem — emissions by new vehicles in the United States — probably wouldn't do much, overall, to stop global warming. Depending on how the justices treat this question, the case could peter out.

The EPA goes on to argue that even if it has the power to regulate carbon emissions, it doesn't have to — and it doesn't want to. The government cites "scientific uncertainty as to the mechanisms of global climate change." But the law on this point is clear as well: The EPA, it says, "shall" regulate any pollutant from new motor vehicles that it expects to do harm. And while all

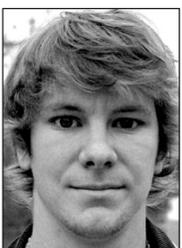
the mechanisms of climate change are not understood, greenhouse gases certainly can be expected to do harm.

That would be frustrating and unfortunate. Nowhere is this administration's resistance to action on global climate change more aggravating than in its persistent refusal to use the legal powers already at hand. What an irony it would be if its lawless inaction survived judicial review because the problem is too big.

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

ON THE SPOT

What did you do over Thanksgiving break?



"Caught up with old friends and family."

Jack Brooks
UI senior



"Procrastinated."

Alex Buzzell
UI senior



"Study, relaxed, and felt thankful."

Jacob Lipnick
UI senior



"Went back home to Dubuque to hang out with family."

Laura Beth Morrow
UI junior

WORD OF THE WEEK

PERORATE (v): to conclude or summarize a long discussion; also, to speak at great length
 Sentence: "Yes, turducken was a bad idea," my grandfather said, perorating our family's Thanksgiving dinner discussion."

ARTS & CULTURE

A harder, tougher Bond dons the tux



FILM REVIEW

by John Schlotfeldt

Casino Royale

When:

12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30 p.m.

Where:

Coral Ridge 10

★★★★ out of ★★★★★

Whenever a new actor dons the tux and slides behind the wheel of an Aston Martin, it's — to quote a great American — "kind of a big deal."

And with Daniel Craig replacing Pierce Brosnan as James Bond, this might be the biggest deal since the first changing of the guard, in 1969 (George Lazenby replaced Sean Connery for *On Her Majesty's Secret Service*).

The newly released *Casino Royale*, more than any other Bond film before it, brings the most historical baggage. On top of the usual pressure to produce at the level of its predecessors (namely, the Connery classics), *Casino Royale* is also the adaptation of the first James Bond novel, written by Ian Fleming.

The reason the book sat on the shelf for so long is simple: Someone else got to it first. In 1967,



Publicity photo

Daniel Craig represents a strange mix of the past and future as James Bond. His character is more in line with author Ian Fleming's original intentions, but his golden hair revamp the most famous spy in film history.

only five years and five films into the 007 franchise, Bond was already ripe for parody. David Niven and Peter Sellers took it upon themselves to put the MI6 agent in his place in their spoof, also called *Casino Royale*.

But the new film doesn't only exist in the looming shadow of Sir Connery and a well-known farce — it serves as a backstory for the mysterious superspy and survives splendidly.

And on top of all of this, *gasp*, Bond is blond. However, Craig might have very well been saved by those golden tresses.

Not only does Craig distinguish himself with his coif — but after 38 years (yes, since Connery left), he shows that Bond has been far too dashing and debonair and not nearly rugged enough. The latest 007 is the hard "blunt-instrument" that Ian Fleming wanted him to be, a

tool in the service of Queen and country. Craig's crafted pectorals and hard features also make him the first Bond who looks physically capable of performing the expected arduous stunts.

The opening stunt — the one every Bond film *must* contain — is one of the most elaborate, gymnastically challenging, yet somehow realistic feats seen since Jackie Chan started making *Rush Hour* movies. A chase through a

construction site that borders on Warner Brothers-style absurdity — complete with races across interwoven steel beams and falling hardware from cranes — careens back and forth between astounding acrobatics and bludgeoning, calculated attacks. Yet, even when the two men battle on the arm of a crane and manage not only to maintain balance but stay on the damn thing, it seems perfectly feasible.

Because this is a prequel, Craig is also responsible for establishing Bond's icy demeanor — which could be just as difficult a stunt. But there needs to be a reason for this premeditated indifference. Thus, *Casino Royale* introduces one more Double-O mainstay: the Bond Girl. Eva Green's turn as Vesper Lynd provides a formidable opponent and foil — as every Bond Girl should.

When MI6 gets Bond into a high-stakes game of Texas Hold 'em, Lynd, an agent for the Treasury, is sent along to make sure 007 is responsible with the government's money. And of course, whenever a woman gets close to Bond, a romance must ensue, and ensue it does.

This entanglement, while essential, results in the film's major flaw: It's too long. At nearly two and a half hours, it continues a trend of popcorn flicks getting too big for their tuxedos (see: *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest* and both *Spider-Man* movies). But in this case, the biggest problem is that nothing

can be cut. In order to establish this new direction — one more in line with the creator's vision — everything that happens to Bond and Lynd remains key.

A possible contributor to the overlong adventure is that Bond actually has something to say. *Casino Royale* has some of the most enjoyable dialogue of any 007 yarn. One explanation for this involves the addition of Paul Haggis (the pen behind *Million Dollar Baby* and *Flags of Our Fathers*) to the team of Neal Purvis and Robert Wade, who wrote the two previous films. The refined language helps to heighten a level of espionage and intrigue not seen in a Bond movie since Connery's second film, *From Russia With Love*.

Based on his own strength and the overall strength of his first 007 project, Craig easily overtakes some of the lesser Bonds (Timothy Dalton, Lazenby, and Roger Moore) in this redefining installment. If the blond Bond continues his success, Brosnan will be left behind, and Connery's daunting visage will be the only one left to tackle.

Casino Royale is the best Bond film since 1967's *You Only Live Twice*, which was conveniently released during the same year as the original *Royale*. Craig's performance turns every Bond since Connery into a place holder and makes it hard to imagine sitting down to *Octopussy* anytime soon.

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A thrilling taste of 'hindsight'



Publicity photo

Denzel Washington scopes out post-hurricane New Orleans in *Déjà Vu*.



FILM REVIEW

by Anna Wiegenstein

Déjà Vu

When:

12:45, 3:45, 6:45, 9:40 p.m.

Where:

Coral Ridge 10

★★★ out of ★★★★★

I must confess, I felt a bit out of my depth sitting in the theater Thanksgiving night. I was waiting to think semi-scholarly thoughts on *Déjà Vu*, the latest entry from Jerry Bruckheimer productions and the team that brought you *Enemy of the State*. I'm not a huge attendee of action thrillers — how would I know what to look out for?

Thankfully, after suffering through a trailer for this Christmas' *Rocky Balboa* and five minutes into the actual feature, I found my voice, thanks to a huge explosion. It was beautiful and terrifying, all at the same time, and the

first note made in my handy-dandy notebook reads: "There's something to be said for doing catastrophe well."

The pyrotechnics may have been dazzling to begin with, but *Déjà Vu* manages to keep itself interesting without overly relying on its high-quality guns and calamitous car-chase scenes, though there are indeed many.

Set in a post-Hurricane Katrina New Orleans, the introductory disaster is one of terrorism — a ferry boat with some 500 passengers aboard is blown up, in a scene set to The Beach Boys' "Don't Worry, Baby." In the aftermath, Agent Doug Carlin, played by Denzel Washington, strides confidently onto the scene. Within hours, he's determined not only the type of explosive device used but made a connection to a unique murder victim also pulled from the river — a beautiful woman, of course.

Such talent (we're given oblique references to previous work Carlin has done in no less than the Oklahoma City bombing case) is quickly recognized and utilized by Val Kilmer, the FBI agent who wants Denzel on his super-elite team. Here's where things start getting rather fantastic. The team in

question works using some vague technology (satellites, I think? Does it matter?) and, oh yeah, a hole in the space-time continuum. The members can look backward in time — four days to be precise — see through walls, rotate to any angle imaginable, and, they hope, solve the murder and the terrorism plot simultaneously.

Well, at least it can't be said that the writers didn't dream big. Though this section of the story requires, as you may have guessed, a rather enormous suspension of disbelief, let your mind be set adrift on the sea of computer jargon and metaphysical jabber, and you'll wind up much happier. What *Déjà Vu* cannot quite overcome is the somewhat odd reading viewers take on Washington's character, who is presented in a confusingly kaleidoscopic way. That he's a

good agent/pseudo-detective, we're sure of. But gaining sympathy for him is difficult when the mind is already overrun with the inverse-*Minority Report* premise.

The entire midsection of the film, based upon characters watching a gigantic screen, is the stuff ripe for film-theory papers. But that's obviously beside the point. Despite its somewhat hokey conceit, the action moves swiftly and is choreographed well. The best acting is turned in by the dead woman, which ordinarily would sound like a slam, but not so here, thanks to the whole "wrinkle in time" bit. Although the plot hook remains implausible throughout the film, *Déjà Vu* has enough ingenuity to pull the whole thing off quite well — even for an often-proclaimed "movie snob."

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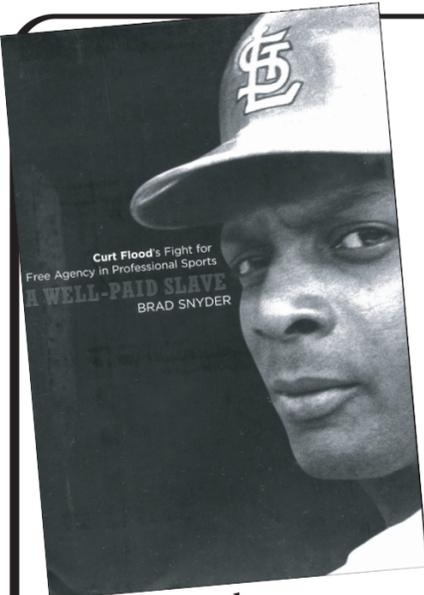
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Rally protests shooting

BY DEEPTI HAJELA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — An angry crowd demanded Sunday to know why police officers killed an unarmed man on the day of his wedding, firing dozens of shots that also wounded two of the man's friends. Some called for the ouster of the city's police commissioner.

At a vigil and rally the day after 23-year-old Sean Bell was supposed to have married the mother of his two young children, a crowd led by the Rev. Al Sharpton shouted "No justice, no peace."

At one point, the crowd of a few hundred counted off to 50, the number of rounds fired.

"We cannot allow this to continue to happen," Sharpton said at the gathering outside Mary Immaculate Hospital, where one of the wounded men was in critical condition. "We've got to understand that all of us were in that car."

Some in the crowd called for the ouster of Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly, yelling, "Kelly must go."

The police officers group 100 Blacks in Law Enforcement Who Care said it was issuing a vote of no confidence in Kelly over the shooting.

Paul Browne, the chief spokesman for the NYPD, said Sunday: "We are continuing to look for additional witnesses to shed light on the incident and assisting the district attorney's office with its investigation."

The five officers were placed on paid administrative leave, pending the investigation, Browne said.

Community leaders planned a rally Dec. 6 at police headquarters.

The shootings occurred at about 4 a.m. Nov. 25 outside the Kalua Cabaret, a strip club where Bell's bachelor party was held. The survivors were Joseph Guzman, 31, who was



Adam Rountree/Associated Press

People gather outside May Immaculate Hospital in the Queens Borough of New York City during a rally on Sunday. Trent Benefield, 23, Joseph Guzman, 31, and Sean Bell, 23, who were attending a bachelor party at a Queens strip club, were shot by police officers just after leaving early on Nov. 25. Benefield and Guzman were hospitalized; Bell, the groom, died from his gunshot wounds.

shot at least 11 times, and Trent Benefield, 23, who was hit three times. Guzman was in critical condition Sunday, and Benefield was stable.

Relatives of all three men — many of them stoic and some crying — attended Sunday's vigil, but none spoke publicly.

At a news conference Nov. 25, Kelly said the department was still piecing together what happened and that it was too early to say whether the shooting was justified.

The car, driven by Bell, was struck by 21 of the police bullets after the vehicle rammied an undercover officer and hit an unmarked NYPD minivan. Other shots hit nearby homes and shattered windows at a train station, though no one else was injured.

Police thought one of the men in the car might have had a gun, but investigators found no weapons. It was unclear what prompted police to open fire, Kelly said.

It was also not clear whether

the shooters had identified themselves as police, Kelly said.

Kelly said the confrontation stemmed from an undercover operation inside the strip club in the Jamaica section of Queens. Seven officers in plain clothes were investigating the Kalua Cabaret; five of them were involved in the shooting.

According to Kelly, the groom was involved in a verbal dispute outside the club, and one of his friends made a reference to a gun.

An undercover officer walked closely behind Bell and his friends as they headed for their car. As he walked toward the front of the vehicle, the car drove forward — striking the officer and a nearby undercover police vehicle, Kelly said.

The officer who had followed the group on foot was apparently the first to open fire, Kelly said. That officer had served on the force for five years. One 12-year veteran fired his weapon 31 times, emptying two full magazines, Kelly said.

Planned Parenthood to give out Plan B

BY NAFEESA SYED
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — Planned Parenthood of Greater Iowa will get in the holiday spirit next month, distributing free morning-after pills throughout the state.

It's an effort to spread the word about recent over-the-counter access to the pills, known as Plan B, but some question the organization's plans.

"We're very excited to be able to do this kind of mission work — to let women in Iowa know that this important method of birth control is available to them and that it's safe and effective," said Kathi Di Nicola, Planned Parenthood of Greater Iowa's director of marketing and communications.

The organization will give away the pills to 2,000 people at its 16 Iowa health centers and offer rain checks if supplies run out.

The morning-after pill is a concentrated dose of the most common ingredient in regular

birth-control pills. When taken within 72 hours after intercourse, the two-pill dose can lower the risk of pregnancy by up to 89 percent.

The drug has been available from Barr Pharmaceuticals as a prescription-only drug since 1999. In August, the Food and Drug Administration gave it over-the-counter status — but only for those over age 18. Those 17 and younger still need a prescription.

Earlier this month, Barr made shipments of its newly packaged pills to pharmacies nationwide. The Plan B pills available without a prescription are still kept behind the counter so pharmacists can check IDs before making a sale.

Walgreens is among many pharmacies that began stocking Plan B last week. Carol Hively, a Walgreens spokeswoman, said three of the chain's high traffic 24-hour pharmacies in Des Moines reported numerous inquiries about the drug but few sales. Each two-pill dose costs \$41.99.

Iowa Right to Life Committee has opposed the availability of Plan B because the drug will prevent an embryo from implanting if a woman has conceived, said Kim Lehman, the group's executive director.

Her group also has concerns about the safety of the morning after pill, she said.

"They're giving out a pill that's dangerous to woman as though it's candy," she said.

Even though Planned Parenthood offers health services, it is not on par with hospitals in responding to medical emergencies that may result from complications with the pill, Lehman asserted.

According to the drug's guidelines, complications could include abdominal pain, menstrual changes, and breast tenderness.

Di Nicola said Planned Parenthood would offer counseling for woman who seek the drug at the Dec. 6 distribution.

Each individual will receive only one dose, which contains two pills.

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Q: What is the only year the Rose Bowl wasn't played in Pasadena, Calif.?
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MEN'S GOLF

Men's golf signs two

The Iowa men's golf team signed two high-school seniors to national letters of intent, assistant coach Adam Kaufman announced on Nov. 22. Alex Moen of Wheaton, Ill., and Dusty Koth of Bloomington, Ind., are the Hawkeyes' first commitments this winter.

The captain of the Wheaton Warrenville South golf team, Moen earned three-time all-conference honors during his career, and he was awarded league MVP his senior season. Recording four top-five finishes in six events this season, Moen also garnered medalist honors at the Illinois state sectionals.

Koth, a four-year member of University High School's Indiana state championship team, earned all-state recognition three times by placing third, eighth, and ninth at the event. As a junior, Koth was the 2005 Indiana Junior Golf Association Player of the Year and won the 2005 Chick Evans Open in Chicago.

Moen and Koth mark the first high-school seniors to sign with the program in two seasons, as well as the first out-of-state recruits in three years. The only new players on this year's roster, Scot Glasford and Adam Miller, were junior-college transfers.

— by Charlie Kautz

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Iowa State hires football coach

AMES (AP) — Iowa State hired a head football coach Sunday and scheduled a news conference for today to announce its choice.

School officials would not say who was hired to replace Dan McCarney, who resigned this month after 12 seasons.

In a letter to Iowa State fans, Iowa State Athletics Director Jamie Pollard wrote that the new coach was "our No. 1 choice from the first day of the search."

Iowa State, which finished 4-8 this season, has expressed interest in at least three candidates: Central Michigan head coach Brian Kelly, Nebraska offensive coordinator Jay Norvell, and San Diego head coach Jim Harbaugh.

Harbaugh appears out of the running for the job. Jack Bechta, Harbaugh's agent, told the *San Diego Union-Tribune* on Nov. 22 that Harbaugh is not a candidate.

Kelly's team faces Ohio for the Mid-American Conference title on Thursday. Central Michigan is 8-4 this season, 18-16 in three years under Kelly.

Norvell played for the Iowa Hawkeyes from 1982-85 and was assistant head coach in charge of quarterbacks and receivers at Iowa State from 1995-97.

He also has made coaching stops at Iowa, Northern Iowa, Wisconsin, the Indianapolis Colts, and Oklahoma.

Iowa State was 56-84 overall under McCarney and snapped a 22-year postseason drought with five bowl appearances in his final seven seasons.

Arizona State fires Koetter

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Arizona State fired football coach Dirk Koetter on Sunday after he led his team to a bowl the last three seasons but rarely beat the best in the Pac-10.

Athletics Director Lisa Love made the announcement Sunday night following the team's annual awards banquet.

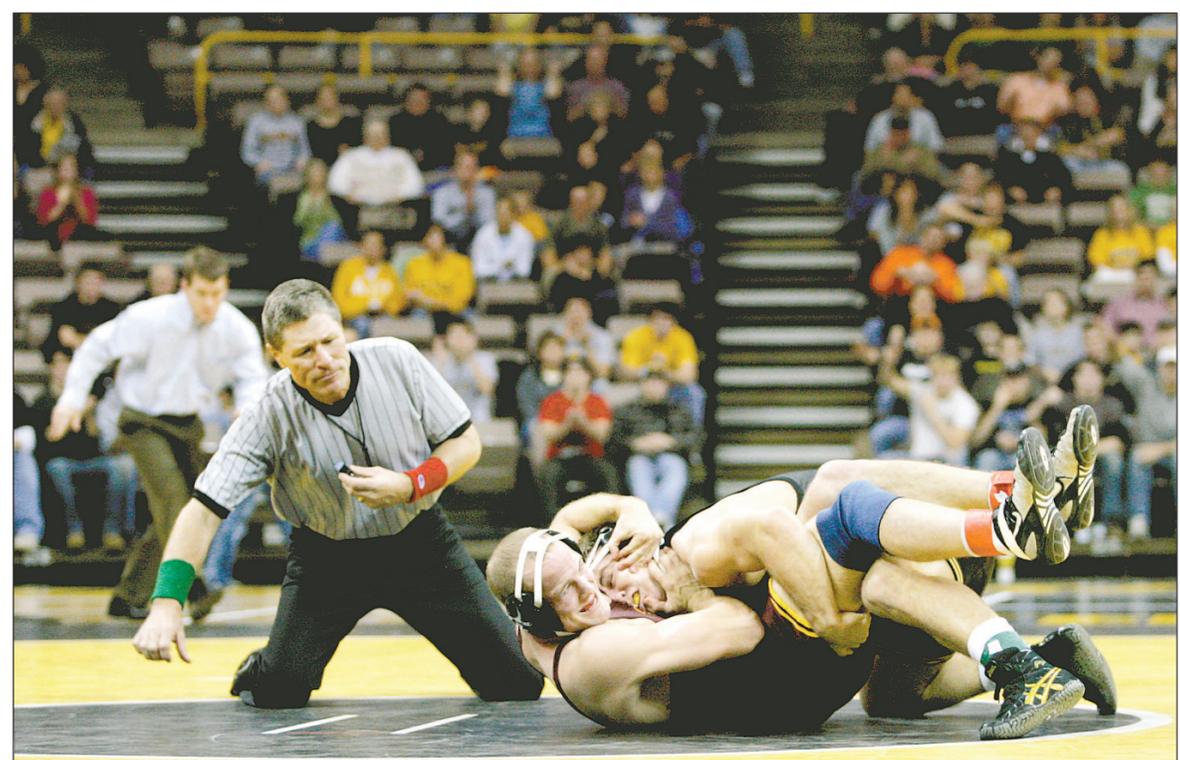
Koetter went 40-33 in six seasons at Arizona State. There was no word on whether he would coach the team in a bowl game.

The Sun Devils completed a 7-5 regular season with a 28-14 victory over archrival Arizona in Tucson on Nov. 25, clinching their third-consecutive postseason berth. Koetter went 4-2 against the Wildcats.

IOWA 39, ARIZONA STATE 3

Wrestlers thump Sun Devils

The Iowa wrestling team (2-0) opened the **TOM BRANDS ERA** in style over Thanksgiving break, winning meets over Northern Iowa and Arizona State. **NEARLY 5,000 FANS** were on hand to watch a **39-3 BLOWOUT** of the Sun Devils in the first home dual of the season.



Rachel Mummey/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye Phillip Keddy pins Arizona State's Greg Gifford 48 seconds into the 184-pound bout in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Nov. 25. The Hawks won, 39-3.

BY CHARLIE KAUTZ
 THE DAILY IOWAN

An inconsistent week ended with authority for the fifth-ranked Iowa wrestling team (2-0), as the Hawkeyes dominated No. 23 Arizona State top-to-bottom, 39-3, in the first home dual of the Tom Brands era.

After Hawkeye senior Eric Luedke (174) opened the meet with an impressive 12-1 major decision, redshirt freshman Phillip Keddy (184) brought the nearly 5,000 fans in attendance to their feet with a pummeling 0:48 pin over Arizona State senior Greg Gifford. One of nine

Iowa victories on the afternoon, the early pin propelled the Hawkeyes to a 10-0 lead and set the tone for what would become a runaway performance.

"I just wanted to go out there and start off wrestling hard, wrestling aggressively, and stay on him the whole time," Keddy said. "Whether it was going to be a pin or not, I just wanted to wrestle my match and my style, which is what I got away from in [the Nov. 21] match."

Referring to his 6-4 loss at Northern Iowa last week, Keddy wasn't the only Hawkeye wrestler trying to

WRESTLING SCORES

- Iowa 39, Arizona State 3**
- 174 — Eric Luedke (I) maj. dec. Alex Pavlenko, 12-1
 - 184 — Phillip Keddy (I) pinned Greg Gifford, 0:48
 - 197 — Dan Erekson (I) dec. Jason Trulson, 3-2
 - Heavyweight — Matt Fields (I) won by forfeit
 - 125 — Charlie Falck (I) dec. Tyler Bowles, 15-9
 - 133 — Mario Galanakis (I) pinned Shawn Jones, 2:45
 - 141 — Alex Tsirtsis (I) dec. Pat Payne, 6-2
 - 149 — Alex Grunder (I) tech. fall Cameron Smith, 22-7
 - 157 — Brian Stith (ASU) dec. Ryan Morningstar, 3-1 SV-1
 - 165 — Mark Perry (I) dec. Patrick Pitsch, 8-4

rebound from the lackluster 18-15 dual win at UNI. Also coming off opening road losses, junior Alex Tsirtsis (141) earned a 6-2 decision over Arizona State's Pat Payne, and senior Alex Grunder (149) earned a 22-7 technical

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FOOTBALL BOWL GAME

Hawks remember Alamo

The Iowa football team's going bowling again this winter — but in San Antonio instead of Florida. Several possible opponents could enjoy a home-field advantage.

BY JASON BRUMMOND
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa's sixth-straight bowl game occurs where the streak began.

The Alamo Bowl selected the Hawkeyes on Nov. 21 for a record fourth time since 1993, when Iowa played in the inaugural game in San Antonio. Despite a 34-24 loss at Minnesota three days prior to the decision, the Hawkeyes earned the bid over the Gophers.

The Dec. 30 game will kick off at 3:30 p.m. on ESPN.

Iowa's opponent won't be determined for another week, but coach Kirk Ferentz said a sixth-consecutive bowl appearance provides his team an opportunity to end a disappointing year with a strong finish going into the 2007 campaign.

"We've had six years that I'd put up against just about

anybody in the country," Ferentz said. "But if you look at the last six months, that's not going to cut it. If any of us are accepting of what we've done, we're going to repeat it. We're not going down that road."

Alamo Bowl officials said Iowa's Big 12 opponent won't be announced until Dec. 3, after the conference's championship game.

Because the Gator Bowl can select a Big 12 team twice over the next four years, a handful of teams could meet the Hawkeyes in San Antonio, including Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech, Missouri, or Kansas State.

If the Gator Bowl picks a Big East team, Iowa likely faces Texas or Texas A&M. If not, Texas Tech appears to be the leading candidate.



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye Andy Brodell scrambles after catching a pass from Drew Tate early in the first half in the Hawkeyes' loss to Minnesota on Nov. 18 in Minneapolis. Although the Gophers dumped Iowa, 24-34, the Hawkeyes were selected over Minnesota to play in the Alamo Bowl on Dec. 30 in San Antonio, Texas.

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V-ball spiked

The Iowa volleyball team closes out its season with two losses against Michigan and Michigan State, leaving the Hawks' Big Ten mark at 2-18

BY NATHAN COOPER
 THE DAILY IOWAN

There weren't many words to describe Iowa's season-ending losses to Michigan and Michigan State last weekend.

Undoubtedly it's because the same language has poured out of the postgame press conferences so many times the past 10 weeks.

Michigan teams handed the Hawkeyes a pair of defeats — Michigan State swept them (30-24, 30-20, 30-26) on Nov. 24, and the Wolverines escaped Iowa City with another sweep (30-18, 31-29, 30-26) — Iowa's 13th three-game loss in an extremely disappointing 2-18 Big Ten campaign. The Hawkeyes finished 13-19 overall. Michigan State moved to .500 in the conference, at 10-10, and 19-11 overall. Michigan posted an 8-12 league mark and a 21-12 record in all games.

The Wolverines started hot in the game on Nov. 25 and did not encounter much resistance from Iowa, which fell in a lackluster

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Ugly, but a victory

BY BRENDAN STILES
 THE DAILY IOWAN

When it comes to the cliché "winning ugly," no one has seemed to do so better than the Iowa women's basketball team.

After suffering its first setback of the season Nov. 21 to Louisiana Tech, the Hawkeyes bounced back to win their first true contest away from Carver-Hawkeye Arena or on a neutral court this season in Omaha, defeating a winless Creighton squad, 75-69.

Sunday's win improved Iowa to 6-1, but putting the Bluejays away turned out to be far from easy. The Hawkeyes escaped with a victory despite committing 21 turnovers, which did not sit well with coach Lisa Bluder.

"We shot the ball from every area really well," she said in a postgame radio interview. "Offensively, we did a good job with one exception — we didn't take care of the ball. Twenty-one turnovers — that's way too many turnovers."

The stellar shooting clinic may have saved Iowa. The Hawkeyes took 14 fewer shots than the Bluejays yet finished 24-of-49 from the field.



Bluder
 Iowa coach

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SPORTS 'N' STUFF

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

Conference	W		L		Pct	All Games	
	W	L	W	L			
Ohio St.	8	0	12	0	1.000	12	0
Michigan	7	1	11	1	.875	11	1
Wisconsin	7	1	11	1	.875	11	1
Penn St.	5	3	8	4	.556	8	4
Purdue	5	3	8	5	.500	8	5
Minnesota	3	5	6	6	.333	6	6
Indiana	3	5	5	7	.300	5	7
Iowa	2	6	6	6	.250	6	6
Northwestern	2	6	4	8	.200	4	8
Michigan St.	1	7	4	8	.143	4	8
Illinois	1	7	2	10	.143	2	10

Saturday's Games
Hawaii 42, Purdue 35
End of regular season

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W		L		T	Pct	PF	PA
	W	L	W	L				
New England	8	3	0	.727	253	228		
N.Y. Jets	6	5	0	.545	203	228		
Buffalo	5	6	0	.455	191	225		
Miami	5	6	0	.455	197	198		
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA		
Indianapolis	10	1	0	.909	308	231		
Jacksonville	6	5	0	.545	235	164		
Tennessee	4	7	0	.364	201	277		
Houston	3	8	0	.273	178	256		
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA		
Baltimore	9	2	0	.818	249	147		
Cincinnati	6	5	0	.545	277	233		
Pittsburgh	4	7	0	.364	239	254		
Cleveland	3	8	0	.273	170	238		
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA		
San Diego	9	2	0	.818	353	216		
Kansas City	7	4	0	.636	229	205		
Denver	7	4	0	.636	195	165		
Oakland	2	9	0	.182	132	219		

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W		L		T	Pct	PF	PA
	W	L	W	L				
Dallas	7	4	0	.636	309	198		
N.Y. Giants	6	5	0	.545	245	232		
Philadelphia	5	6	0	.455	267	239		
Washington	4	7	0	.364	199	250		
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA		
New Orleans	7	4	0	.636	276	241		
Carolina	6	5	0	.545	189	190		
Atlanta	5	6	0	.455	203	236		
Tampa Bay	3	8	0	.273	142	252		
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA		
Chicago	9	2	0	.818	295	137		
Minnesota	5	6	0	.455	198	208		
Green Bay	4	6	0	.400	185	252		
Detroit	2	9	0	.182	195	266		
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA		
Seattle	6	4	0	.600	241	219		
San Francisco	5	6	0	.455	199	285		
St. Louis	5	6	0	.455	222	253		
Arizona	2	9	0	.182	187	264		

Thursday's Games
Miami 27, Detroit 10
Dallas 38, Tampa Bay 10
Kansas City 19, Denver 10

Sunday's Games
N.Y. Jets 26, Houston 11
Minnesota 31, Arizona 26
New Orleans 31, Atlanta 13
Washington 17, Carolina 13
Baltimore 27, Pittsburgh 0
St. Louis 20, San Francisco 17
Buffalo 27, Jacksonville 24
Cincinnati 30, Cleveland 0
San Diego 21, Oakland 14
Tennessee 24, N.Y. Giants 21
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Central	3	10	.231	6/2		
Cleveland	9	5	.643	—		
Detroit	9	5	.643	—		
Indiana	7	7	.500	2		
Chicago	4	9	.308	4/2		
Milwaukee	4	9	.308	4/2		

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Sunday's Games
Toronto 92, Indiana 83
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Phoenix 119, Portland 101
San Antonio 98, Seattle 78
L.A. Lakers 99, New Jersey 93

Today's Games
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Minnesota at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Utah, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

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New Jersey	12	9	1	25	51	58	
Pittsburgh	10	8	4	24	67	68	
Philadelphia	7	14	3	17	60	93	
Northwest	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Buffalo	19	3	2	40	105	71	
Toronto	13	8	4	30	87	79	
Montreal	13	6	3	29	68	61	
Ottawa	11	12	1	23	81	70	
Boston	10	9	2	22	58	74	
Southeast	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Atlanta	14	7	4	32	83	74	
Carolina	13	9	3	29	83	80	
Tampa Bay	13	10	1	27	78	73	
Washington	8	9	6	22	63	80	
Florida	6	13	4	20	68	86	

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central		W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
W	L						
Nashville	15	5	2	32	78	59	
Detroit	12	6	4	28	58	54	
St. Louis	7	12	3	17	54	74	
Chicago	7	12	3	16	49	67	
Columbus	11	12	1	23	61	71	
Northwest	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Edmonton	13	8	1	27	66	56	
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MEN'S CROSS-COUNTRY

Men come up short of goal

Amid injuries and soggy conditions, Iowa men's cross-country struggled its way to a 28th-place finish in the NCAAs on Nov. 20, falling short of high expectations

BY ALEX JOHNSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

For Iowa men's cross-country, the 2006 season ended with a disappointing 28th-place finish in the NCAA championships on Nov. 20 in Terre Haute, Ind.

"As far as what it means to our whole season, it was a disappointing day," coach Larry Wiecezorek said. "And yet, I think it was a terrific season."

This group of harriers had aspirations to be the best-ever in Iowa history, and it was on pace until the national meet had unfortunate results.

Micah VanDenend — the team's on-the-course leader and Midwest regional champion — suffered foot injuries, preventing the top-level performance he and his teammates anticipated. X-rays were negative, but VanDenend struggled with pains strong enough to keep him out of post-race cool downs.

"Especially in the mud and the muck, it seemed like every time, he'd slip-and-slide and make it worse," Wiecezorek said. "So he didn't perform at the level we had expected out of him."

Without the strong individual

effort of VanDenend, the Hawkeyes struggled to pick up the slack.

"We weren't very happy with our finish," Eric MacTaggart said. "But we don't really know what we could've done better to place higher, because everybody put the most he could out there and left it all out on the course."

The harriers fought through struggles beyond the weakened VanDenend.

"I think a lot of us maybe underestimated the mud, and we didn't really come prepared for that," MacTaggart said. "We knew it was wet out, but we didn't really run the course at all before the meet, so I think we were all kind of expecting it to not be so bad."

But the Hawkeyes' experience wasn't unusual for the sport.

"I think it can happen to anybody," MacTaggart said. "I think it's sort of a common thing that you don't want to be common, but it is, but, obviously, you go and run as consistently as you can ... sometimes, you just have those off days."

MacTaggart was Iowa's top finisher, at 66th, followed by VanDenend, Jeff Kent, Blake Schlotzauer, and Jesse Luciano. Tommy Tate and Andy Napier also competed but didn't score points for the Hawkeyes.

But Wiecezorek emphasized the entire season to his athletes.

"We'd hoped to be in the top-20 teams, even the top-10 to -15 teams," he said. "So, from that standpoint, that particular day was a disappointment to the team, because [the harriers] had such high expectations. And, yet, when the season's over, I think it's important not to diminish what you've accomplished and to look at the whole picture."

Making the NCAAs is an accomplishment — something Wiecezorek's squad has done



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— Larry Wiecezorek, men's coach

four of the last five seasons. "I tried to make the guys realize that when everything was said and done, to focus on the positive things we had done during the season," he said.

But, as he said of reaching about the Hawkeyes reaching their goals: "It just didn't happen."

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WOMEN'S CROSS-COUNTRY

Women race past expectations

V-ball swept to end season

VOLLEYBALL

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opener. The Hawkeyes were dominated statistically, trailing in kills (21-11), attack percentage (.318-.128), and digs (27-16).

The second game seemed to speak for the entire season; the Hawks had hot start and a seemingly 23-16 lead seemingly insurmountable for the Wolverines. Michigan then scored 17 of the next 23 points, including fending off a pair of game points that would have evened the match at one game apiece. Unfortunately for Iowa, it has seen this scenario play out previously — again and again.

“It’s kind of the story of our lives,” senior blocker Melanie Meister said after playing her final match as a Hawkeye. “It’s mostly our mistakes [leading to losses].”

Coach Cindy Fredrick, whose Iowa career record stands at 37-60, saw the same elements continue to plague her team.

“I just don’t think we quite figured out how to finish,” she said. Fredrick added that the

Hawkeyes failed to contain Wolverine hitter Katie Bruzdinski, who notched 20 kills against the Iowa defense. Four Michigan players had better than 10 kills, while Meister was the only Hawkeye to break double digits.

“They hit a good percentage, and we didn’t have enough people hitting a good percentage,” Fredrick said. “I thought Michigan let us in the game a lot. We just didn’t have an answer for No. 1 [Bruzdinski].”

Hitter Catherine Smale led Iowa with 17 digs, and sophomore setter Kiley Fister dished 27 assists. Meister hit at a strong .320 clip, and sophomore blocker Laura Kremer hit .294 on 17 attacks.

The Spartans also dismissed the Hawkeyes in three games, and Iowa fell in the familiar way. In all, there were 30 tie scores and 15 lead changes among the three games, but the Hawkeyes failed to take a game.

Michigan State befuddled Iowa hitters for the duration of the match, holding them to a minuscule .080 hitting average. The Hawkeyes hit a negative



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeyes Kiley Fister (left) and Melanie Meister block a shot from Michigan’s Veronica Rood during the second period of a 3-0 home loss to the Wolverines on Nov. 25. Meister recorded two solo blocks and three assisted blocks during her final home match.

.055 in game two, meaning the offense cranked out more errors (13) than kills (10).

Smale’s 11 kills and eight errors led the Hawkeyes statistically, with a .103 average. Senior blocker Jen Barcus and freshman hitter

Megan Schipper had eight kills each. Fister assisted 34 times, and sophomore libero Emily Hiza stopped 16 attack attempts, which led the team in kills.

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Hoopsters take ugly win

BASKETBALL

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Iowa also received double-figure outputs from five different players. Sophomore guard Kristi Smith led the way with 15 points, and the Hawkeyes benefited from 12-point performances from sophomore Wendy Ausdemore and junior Stacy Schlapkohl, as well as two 10-point efforts, from juniors Jeneé Graham and Abby Emmert. Graham just missed her first double-double of the season, coming down with nine rebounds to go with her 10 points.

Emmert’s 10 points all came in the second half, and they were a career-high for the Winterset, Iowa, native, who came off the bench. Iowa shot 14-for-26 in the second stanza.

“We did a better job in the second half attacking the press and creating some easy baskets,” Emmert said.

Bluder was especially impressed with Emmert’s leadership.

“Playing in the off-guard position, she gives us a presence out there,” Bluder said. “She gives us a stability, a calmness that, sometimes, we’re missing. That was very nice to see.”

The biggest key to the Hawkeyes’ win may have been free-throw shooting, however — Iowa shot 23-of-25 from the charity stripe on Sunday. The two misses came in the contest’s final 30 seconds.

“Coach Bluder emphasizes free-throw shooting,” Smith said. “We did a good job of knocking them down.”

As the Hawkeyes prepare for their next contest — Thursday at Carver against Iowa State — Bluder hopes her squad will

be more motivated for the Cyclones, especially because the team plays in its own confines after two performances she’s not thrilled about.

“I think we have something to prove,” she said. “I’m not expecting to play March basketball right now, and we shouldn’t be peaking right now, but I want to see a gentle incline in every game.”

“The last two games, we’ve taken a slide, so we need to get back on track.”

Meanwhile, the players are pumped about the chance to add toward Iowa’s points in this year’s Hy-Vee Cy-Hawk Series.

“We’re fired up for these next couple days of practice and preparing for Iowa State on Thursday,” Emmert said.

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Wrestlers dump Sun Devils

WRESTLING

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fall in three periods. Sophomore Charlie Falck (125) scrapped for a 15-9 decision to increase the Iowa lead to 22 points, and sophomore Dan Erikson (197) fought through a second-period injury to capture a 3-2 decision.

While the final score indicated measurable improvement from the previous meet, Brands says the wrestlers must learn to finish close matches.

“We showed progress, but we’ve got to learn to smell blood and put guys away, not be so indecisive as to how we’re going to do it or when we’re going to do it,” he said. “It’s almost like we’re waiting for the other guy to put his head down before we really turn it on.”

Joined on the floor by assistant coach Dan Gable, Brands was reasonably calm in his

“Everybody wrestled really tough and came out, and everybody just went after them for seven minutes, which is what we’ve got to do every time.”

— **Mario Galanakis, Iowa wrestler**

pacings and encouragement along the two-toned mat, but he became most animated when redshirt freshman Ryan Morningstar (157) escaped late in the third period to tie his match with Brian Stith, ranked No. 2 at his weight. Even at 1-1 after regulation, Morningstar rode the energy of a raucous ovation into a sudden-death period but could not prevent Stith from a late takedown to win the match, 3-1.

“Ryan Morningstar was in the match, and we know that he can wrestle with anybody in the country,” Brands said. “We know he can. It’s a matter of sending a message by getting to a guy and

putting him down when it’s time to put him down.”

Along with Grunder, Luedke, and Keddy, senior Mario Galanakis (133) and junior Matt Fields (heavyweight) also earned bonus points in the meet. Expecting to square off with Arizona State freshman Thor Moen, Fields learned of a surprising forfeit after the first three matches to add six points to the Iowa total. Galanakis, who moved his season record to 6-1, controlled the first period before pinning Shawn Jones at the 2:45 mark.

Coming off a season-long injury and competing in his first home dual in nearly two

seasons, Galanakis was thrilled about re-entering the Carver-Hawkeye atmosphere, and he felt satisfied with the team’s win.

“Everybody wrestled really tough and came out, and everybody just went after them for seven minutes, which is what we’ve got to do every time,” he said. “It felt really good, and I’m glad to be back.”

Hoping his team gains more consistency, Brands says he’s looking forward to the much-anticipated Dec. 3 showdown with No. 6 Iowa State.

“We’ll look at it closer, evaluate it, break it down, and do what we do after every other event, and that’s work on these guys and get them better,” he said. “We’ve got a big event coming up, and that’s what we’re pointing toward right now.”

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Hawks set for Alamo again

FOOTBALL

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The Hawkeyes started 4-0 this season and earned bowl eligibility in late October, then dropped three-straight games to end the year and failed to improve their postseason standing. Iowa lost four-consecutive Big Ten games — the team’s 2-6 league mark ranks eighth in the conference.

Iowa earned the Big Ten’s bid over Minnesota, another 6-6 team that won three straight to end the year and become bowl eligible. Instead, the Gophers accepted a bid to the Insight Bowl, in Tempe, Ariz.

Alamo Bowl officials said Iowa’s fans, which helped the Hawkeyes reach the Outback Bowl ahead of Michigan a year ago, helped prevent the bowl

from selecting Minnesota for the first time.

“Based on their past visits and the leadership of head coach Kirk Ferentz, we anticipate the Riverwalk will be a sea of black and gold with the legions of Hawkeye fans coming to San Antonio to support their team,” said Bob Cohen, the Alamo Bowl chairman.

Texas native and senior quarterback Drew Tate was also a big draw, officials said. Tate played in the Alamodome twice during high school.

Growing up in Baytown — approximately 3½ hours from San Antonio — Tate set career marks with 12,180 passing yards and 113 touchdowns during his four-year prep career. The signal-caller has thrown for 2,349 yards and 12 touchdowns this season to lead the second-ranked passing offense in the Big Ten.

Iowa’s first bowl trip under Ferentz came in the Alamo Bowl in 2001, when the third-largest crowd in the bowl’s history watched the Hawkeyes top Texas Tech, 19-17, behind a Bob Sanders interception in the end zone at the end of the fourth quarter.

The Hawkeyes haven’t missed a postseason bid since — the second-longest streak in school history.

Ferentz, who expects defensive end Ken Iwebema and cornerback Adam Shada to return from injuries for the game, doesn’t want Iowa’s senior class to contribute to the program’s

first losing record since 2000.

“There’s something good about coming out of a bowl game victorious and what it does for your out-of-season program,” Ferentz said. “Most importantly, what it does for the guys who are finishing their careers to end on a positive note — we haven’t been able to do that yet this year.”

“We couldn’t finish our regular season on a positive note. We couldn’t finish our home season on a positive note. So, this will be a major, major help for us, that way.”

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SPORTS

Brady, Pats shock the Bears with 'ugly' win

BY HOWARD ULMAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Tom Brady's decision to run on two key plays was a surprise. That he didn't fumble may have been more of a shock.

Cutting on new artificial turf instead of the mud that was there two weeks ago, Brady set up New England's decisive touchdown in a turnover-filled game, and the Patriots beat the Chicago Bears on Sunday, 17-13.

"Must be the turf," Brady said. "I don't think that would have happened a few weeks ago."

The Patriots (8-3) persevered despite five turnovers against

the Bears (9-2), who had allowed the fewest points in the NFL going into the game with 120. New England was the second stingiest with 131.

"Our defense took the ball, did a good job of that, and we didn't do such a good job with it," Chicago quarterback Rex Grossman said.

On third and nine at the Bears 14, Brady took off running for 11 yards, a scamper that left star linebacker Brian Urlacher behind.

"I'll tell my kids one day I slipped Brian Urlacher," Brady said with a grin. "They won't believe me."

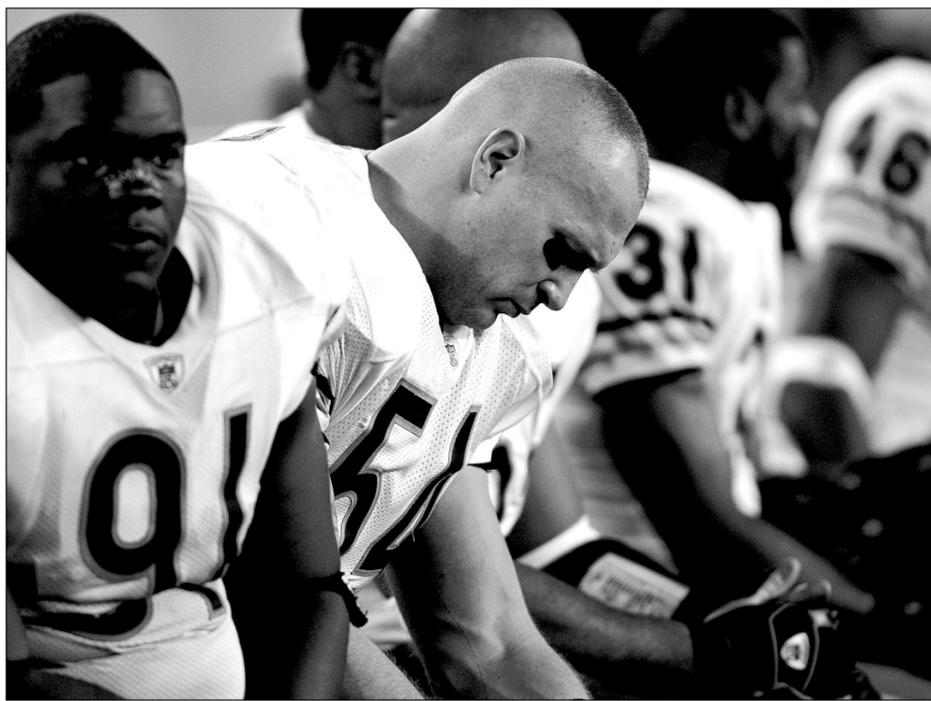
Brady also had a three-yard run for a first down at the three, capping the drive with a two-yard

touchdown pass to Benjamin Watson that gave the Patriots a 17-10 lead with 8:22 left in the game.

Before that drive, the Patriots had turned the ball over three times inside the Bears' 20-yard line against a team that leads the NFL in takeaways.

But the Bears committed four turnovers, three on interceptions by Asante Samuel. The last came with 1:46 left, clinching the victory just six seconds after Chicago's Alex Brown had recovered Corey Dillon's fumble.

"This is prime time against the team with the best record," Samuel said. "They like to go deep, and it was something we were expecting."



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Chicago Bears Brian Urlacher (54) and Tommie Harris react while sitting on the bench late in the fourth quarter during the Bears' game against the New England Patriots in Foxborough, Mass., on Sunday. The Patriots beat the Bears, 17-13.

Viking's offensive finally catches fire

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MINNEAPOLIS — Brad Johnson and the Minnesota Vikings' offense finally started pulling its weight, giving the defense all the help it needed.

Kind of like when Arizona's Dennis Green was the coach here.

Johnson threw for 271 yards and three touchdowns in a 31-26 victory over the Arizona Cardinals on Sunday. Chester Taylor added 136 yards rushing and a touchdown for the Vikings (5-6), and the defense delivered its usual solid performance, forcing five turnovers and allowing just 17 yards rushing, to snap a four-game losing streak.

The Cardinals (2-9) got a 99-yard kickoff return for a touchdown by J.J. Arrington on the opening play of the game and a 99-yard fumble return for a score by Adrian Wilson in the fourth but couldn't overcome the turnovers, penalties, and a suddenly productive Vikings offense.

Rookie Matt Leinart played well for Arizona, completing 31-of-52 passes for a career-high 405 yards and two interceptions, but he managed only one TD — a nine-yard pass to Anquan Boldin with 39 seconds to play — that came too little, too late.

The Vikings sure know how that feels. Minnesota scored just four offensive touchdowns during the four-game losing streak, and some of the defensive players were growing increasingly impatient with a unit that constantly came up short in the red zone.

Johnson was drawing much of the criticism, having thrown nine interceptions and just one touchdown during that span.

But he came back on Sunday against his former coach, connecting with Marcus Robinson, Billy

McMullen, and Jeff Dugan for scores in his first three-touchdown game since Nov. 27 of last season, a span of 16 games.

The Cardinals made things interesting after Leinart hit Boldin for the late score. Darryl Blackstock recovered the ensuing onside kick, but Leinart's desperation heave into the end zone as time expired was intercepted by Dwight Smith to seal the win.

All Green could do was stare blankly at the field as he watched his young team give away another game. Green last coached a regular-season game in the Metrodome on Dec. 23, 2001, a 33-3 loss by the Vikings to Jacksonville that was the beginning of the end of a stormy 10 years in purple.

He racked up an impressive 97-62 record but lost both times the Vikings appeared in the NFC championship, including a 41-0 drubbing to the Giants after the 2000 season.

In his third season in the desert, Green's job security is in question again.

The Cardinals entered the day tied with Detroit and Oakland for fewest wins in the league, and Green has been unable to recapture the high-flying offense that got him so many wins in the Dome.

Larry Fitzgerald Jr., who starred at Holy Angels High School in Richfield, Minn., and was a Vikings ball boy under Green, had 11 catches for 172 yards. Boldin had nine catches for 136 yards for the Cardinals.

Arrington got Arizona off to a promising start when he took the opening kickoff, stutter-stepped at the 20, and squirted through a hole at the 30 to race for a touchdown, giving the Cardinals a 7-0 lead just 16 seconds into the game.

Kosher in the stadiums

A Queens, N.Y., native has tapped the highly observant Jewish and health-food niches with his knishes, chicken nuggets, and 'knockwurst.'

BY JANET FRANKSTON
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EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Jeffrey Striks has taken a bite of a new niche in the American kosher food market: sports stadiums.

He got his start seven years ago, offering kosher food at concession stands at Shea Stadium and Yankee Stadium in New York. Business is so good that he's expanded his company, Strikly Kosher, and now operates kosher stands at Giants Stadium and Continental Airlines Arena in New Jersey, Nassau Coliseum in Long Island, and the Yankees' minor-league ball park in Staten Island.

His core market is the most observant Jews who follow the laws of kashrut, which restricts what food can be eaten and how it is prepared.

But he's also attracting customers who aren't Jewish and perceive that kosher food is healthier. They are buying his knishes, chicken nuggets, and "knockwurst" — not the traditional German sausage but a chicken product designed to look like a hot dog.

"Everyone associates kosher with cleanliness," said Striks, 49, a native of the New York borough of Queens.

The market looking for a perceived healthier option is a growing segment in the kosher market, said Paul Crnkovich, whose company, Cannondale Associates, released a study this month about the kosher consumer.

"Kosher is perceived in a similar way as being better for you and being healthier," he said.

Because typical stadium fare is hot dogs, selling kosher food at sports venues is a logical market, said Marcia Mogelonsky, a senior research analyst at Mintel, a market research firm in Chicago which estimates the American kosher food market to be \$40 billion.

Others are capitalizing on the growing kosher market in stadiums. Striks plans to move outside the New York area, and a competitor, Kosher Sports Inc., has already moved into stadiums in Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington, D.C. Both companies have menus that are glatt kosher, a stricter designation that usually applies to meat. The most observant Jews will eat only glatt kosher foods.

Opening a glatt kosher stand has its risks.

Often, kosher food products cost more than the non-kosher ones. It also means not being open on Shabbat, Friday nights and Saturdays, two of the

busiest days in sports, and holidays, including eight days over Passover and three high holidays. During baseball season, that translates into sales for only 50 of 80 home games, Striks said.

"We say liveliness comes from God," he said. "Whatever we get, we get. The numbers go up every year."

Steve Spencer of Livingston, N.J., who found Strikly Kosher at Giants Stadium this year, has been back for each of the three Jets games he attended. He is Jewish and doesn't keep kosher — but likes the idea.

"If I'm going to buy a hot dog, I'll find the kosher stand," said Spencer, 47, as he waited in line at a Jets game against the Chicago Bears. "I like the taste better. I assume the quality is better."

Joel Felderman, an observant Jew, said the kosher stadium stands allow him to enjoy games more. A Jets season ticket holder for more than 30 years, he had always eaten before games, because he didn't have glatt kosher alternatives in the stadium.

"It makes me feel like I'm a real fan," said Felderman, 53, an accountant from Oceanside, N.Y. "I can buy a hot dog like everyone else and not compromise my religious beliefs. I can get the total experience."

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“Peace is way bigger than not being at war. This is a spiritual thing.”

— Lisa Jensen of Pagosa Springs, Colo. A local homeowners' association has threatened to fine her \$25 a day until she removes a Christmas wreath with a peace sign on it.

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horoscopes Monday, November 27, 2006 — by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You can do no wrong today, so get things out of the way. Say what needs to be said, and move on and upward. It’s your time, so enjoy the moment.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Think twice before you make a promise that might be difficult to keep. You don’t want to disappoint someone who depends on you. A problem with finances is apparent. Don’t get angry; get busy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You will make a very good impression if you are efficient and on top of what needs to be done. You will attract attention, not to mention love and romance. If single, someone new is heading your way. If partnered, enjoy one another’s company.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Interacting with other people will bring about an interesting turn of events. Get involved in something that will add to your knowledge and up your earning potential. A conference, trade show, or interest course will contribute to your getting ahead.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Do something with children, or get involved in something that will be just as much social as business. You need to get away from anyone who puts too much pressure on you. Overspending will only add to your problems.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Be sure of what you say and do before you proceed. This is not the time to make rash decisions or to jump from one thing to another. A reliable friend will shed some light on your situation if you really don’t understand what’s going on.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your expressive way of explaining what you want will entice the exact person you need to help you follow through. Travel, getting involved with an organization that thinks the same way you do, and helping younger and older people in your life will all play a role in your success.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may find yourself in trouble with someone you are close to or have to answer to. Focus on work, money, and professional direction or school rather than on fixing emotional matters. Deception is apparent with parents, children, and loved ones.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will attract attention, and you should be able to persuade others to see what you offer and how it can be utilized. Travel, presentation, and promotion are all in a high cycle today, along with love and romance.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A strong sense of justice and fair play may deter you from following in the path of someone you have respected in the past. Take a moment to clear your head and to realize your own potential.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Everything will be cloudy and unsure today, especially if you have been counting on things being a certain way. You may have to rethink your strategy or realign yourself with someone who is potentially better for you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): As long as you put your own money in the line, you will do just fine today. Travel will not be in your best interest. It’s a day for picking and choosing what works best for you and forgetting about accommodating anyone else.

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- **Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Three Czech Painters**, 11 a.m., CSPS, 1103 Third St. S.E., Cedar Rapids
- **International Mondays, subject TBA**, noon, Public Library
- **Tannenbaum Forest**, 2-4 p.m., Festhale Barn, 4707 220th Trail, Amana
- **Hiawatha Public Library Story Time**, 7 p.m., 150 W. Willman St., Hiawatha

- **“Live from Prairie Lights,” Nicholas Delbanco, fiction**, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque, and WSUI
- **The Clumsy Lovers**, 7 p.m., CSPS and KUNI (first set)
- **The Secret**, 7 p.m., Quantum Healing Chiropractic, 220 Lafayette
- **Story Time**, 7 p.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth
- **Gay Beast**, 9 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington

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- 3 p.m.** “Live from Prairie Lights,” Pat Hampl
- 4** Grabbing the Globe Seminar, Robert Chiusano, Rockwell Collins
- 5** Grabbing the Globe Seminar, Dean Oskvig, Black & Veatch
- 5:45** Grabbing the Globe Seminar, Ahmet Selcuk Uzuner, UZKA

- 6:30** Steve Alford Weekly News Conference
- 7** “Live from Prairie Lights,” Pat Hampl
- 8** Choreographer Donald McKayle Visits UI Dance Department

- 9:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update
- 9:45** Steve Alford Weekly News Conference
- 10:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update
- 11** “Live from Prairie Lights,” Pat Hampl

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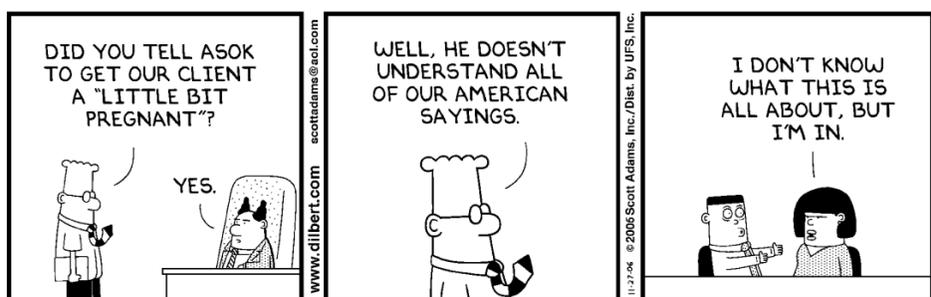
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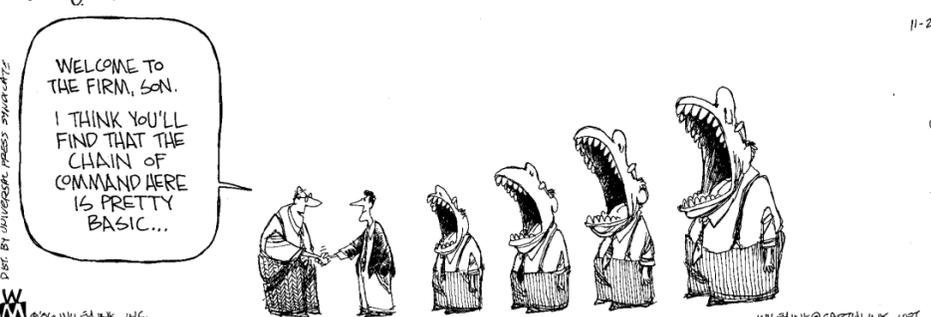
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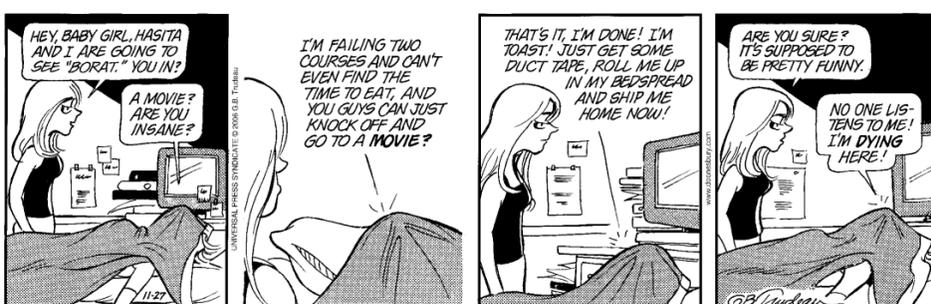
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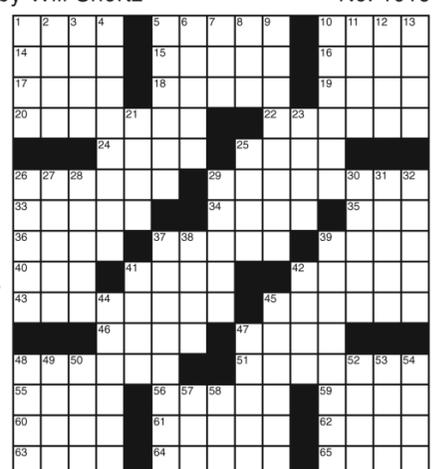


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No. 1016

- ACROSS**
- 1 With: Fr.
 - 5 Milkshake item
 - 10 In ___ (together)
 - 14 Hawaiian port
 - 15 "The Devil Wears ___"
 - 16 Get better, as a cut
 - 17 State with conviction
 - 18 Drive away
 - 19 Artist Bonheur
 - 20 Historic Boston neighborhood
 - 22 Wiggle word
 - 24 Loads and loads
 - 25 Gush
 - 26 Totaling
 - 29 Comedian who created the character Jose Jimenez
 - 33 Manipulate
 - 34 Burden of proof
 - 35 Half a sch. year
 - 36 Toll unit on a toll road
 - 37 What "yo mama" is
 - 39 Cover for a wound
 - 40 Plop oneself down
 - 41 "Are you ___ out?"
 - 42 Gem of an oyster
 - 43 Ailment that may cause sneezing
 - 45 Go by, as time
 - 46 Wolf's sound
 - 47 Jump named for a skater
 - 48 Empty, as a lot
 - 51 Auxiliary wager
 - 55 Composer Stravinsky
 - 56 Some Apples
 - 59 Say yea or nay
 - 60 Line of stitches
 - 61 Modern assembly line worker
 - 62 Love god
 - 63 "The Thin Man" dog
 - 64 Les ___-Unis
 - 65 Mardi Gras follower
- DOWN**
- 1 Melville captain
 - 2 Start of a Spanish cheer
 - 3 Util. bill
 - 4 Sound-absorbing flooring
 - 5 Helped bust out, as from prison
 - 6 Cards above deuces
 - 7 Séance sound
 - 8 Juice drink
 - 9 Where to get juice for a household appliance
 - 10 Astute
 - 11 "Man, that hurts!"
 - 12 Astronaut's insignia
 - 13 Potter's medium
 - 21 007
 - 23 Slithery fishes
 - 25 Ireland's ___ Fein
 - 26 Covered with water
 - 27 The South
 - 28 River mouth feature
 - 29 Word that can follow the first words of 20-, 29-, 43- and 51-Across and 4-, 9-, 37- and 39-Down



- Puzzle by Paula Gamache
- 30 B.M.I. rival
 - 31 Draws nigh
 - 32 Mosey (along)
 - 37 Winter traction provider
 - 38 Lounge
 - 39 Death Valley is below it
 - 41 Computer image
 - 42 Appealed earnestly
 - 44 Greg's sitcom partner
 - 45 Is
 - 47 English race place
 - 48 Document checked at a border
 - 49 Matures
 - 50 Jacket
 - 52 Bloviator, often prep school
 - 53 Princely prep school
 - 54 Exam
 - 57 Bon ___ (witticism)
 - 58 Lawyer's org.

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- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 1/3 cup cocoa
- 1 cup peanut butter chips
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup chocolate chips

Cut out Baking Directions and attach to gift jar.

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Heat oven to 350 F. Grease and flour 8x8x2-inch baking pan. Combine 1/2 cup melted and cooled butter and 2 slightly beaten eggs in large bowl. Stir in jar contents. Spread in pan. Bake for 35 minutes. Cool in pan. Cut into bars.

❖ **CANDY** ❖

Uncooked Fudge

1 lb. German sweet chocolate	3 eggs
2 c. confectioners' sugar	1 c. nutmeats (chopped)
1 tsp. butter	1 tsp. vanilla

Place butter and chocolate in top of double boiler and melt over hot water. Meanwhile, beat eggs well and add sifted sugar, vanilla, and nuts. Combine with chocolate mixture and drop from teaspoons on wax paper.

❖ **BEVERAGE** ❖

Mexican Coffee

12 cups water	1/2 cup chocolate-flavor syrup
1/2 cup packed brown sugar	1 teaspoon vanilla
4 tablespoons ground cinnamon	Whipped cream, if desired
4 whole cloves	
1 cup regular-grind coffee (dry)	

1. Heat water, brown sugar, cinnamon and cloves to boiling in Dutch oven, stirring to dissolve sugar. Stir in coffee; reduce heat to medium low. Cover and simmer 5 minutes.
2. Stir in chocolate syrup and vanilla; remove from heat. Let stand 5 minutes for coffee grounds to settle. Strain coffee into coffee server or individual cups; discard grounds mixture. Serve with whipped cream.

❖ **SALADS** ❖

Yuletide Salad

1 pkg. lemon Jello	1 c. crushed pineapple (drained)
1 1/2 c. boiling water or fruit juice	1 c. miniature marshmallows
2 T. vinegar	1 c. heavy cream or 1 envelope Dream Whip
2 T. sugar	
1 c. apple (unpeeled, diced)	

Dissolve Jello in hot water or fruit juice, add vinegar and sugar. Chill. Fold in remaining ingredients. Refrigerate 2 hours before serving.

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❖ BEVERAGES ❖

Hot Cranberry Punch

To be made in a 24-cup automatic coffee maker. In the filter basket combine: 4 T. whole cloves, 12 sticks cinnamon (broken into 1 inch sections), 2 T. whole allspice. In the bottom of the coffee maker add: 1/2 c. brown sugar, 1/2 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. red food coloring, 2 cans (28 oz.) unsweetened pineapple juice, 4 bottles cranberry juice cocktail. Plug in and let complete cycle.

❖ BEVERAGE ❖

Mexican Coffee

12 cups water, 1/2 cup chocolate-flavor syrup, 1/2 cup packed brown sugar, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 4 tablespoons ground cinnamon, Whipped cream, if desired, 4 whole cloves, 1 cup regular-grind coffee (dry). 1. Heat water, brown sugar, cinnamon and cloves to boiling in Dutch oven, stirring to dissolve sugar. Stir in coffee; reduce heat to medium low. Cover and simmer 5 minutes. 2. Stir in chocolate syrup and vanilla; remove from heat. Let stand 5 minutes for coffee grounds to settle. Strain coffee into coffee server or individual cups; discard grounds mixture. Serve with whipped cream.

❖ APPETIZER ❖

Cheese Ball

2 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, 2 jars (5 oz.) process sharp Cheddar cheese spread, 1 jar (5 oz.) process bleu cheese spread, 3 T. wine vinegar (use only 2 T. in hot weather), Dash of garlic salt, 1 c. nuts (chopped). Allow cheese to soften at room temperature. Combine with remaining ingredients; blend until smooth. Refrigerate about 30 minutes. Shape into a ball. Roll in chopped nuts. Serve as a spread with crackers.

❖ BREADS ❖

Festive Cherry Bread

1 c. sugar, 2 eggs, 1 jar (8 oz.) maraschino cherries, 1/2 c. flaked coconut, 3/4 c. nuts (chopped), 1 1/2 c. all-purpose flour (sifted), 1 1/2 tsp. baking powder, 1/4 tsp. salt. Beat eggs and sugar together. Dice cherries and reserve cherry juice. Add cherries, coconut, and nuts to the egg and sugar mixture. Combine flour, baking powder, and salt. Add flour mixture and cherry juice alternately to the egg mixture. Pour into greased 8-1/2x4 1/2x2-1/2 inch loaf pan. Bake in 350° oven for 1 hour.

❖ BARS ❖

Magic Cookie Bar

1/2 c. (1 stick) butter or margarine, 1-1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs, 1 (14 oz.) can Eagle Brand® Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk), 2 cups (12 oz.) semi-sweet chocolate chips, 1-1/3 cups flaked coconut, 1 c. chopped nuts (optional). 1. Preheat oven to 350°. In 13x9-inch baking pan, melt butter in oven. 2. Sprinkle graham cracker crumbs over butter; pour Eagle Brand® evenly over crumbs. Top with remaining ingredients. 3. Bake 25 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool. Chill if desired. Cut into bars. Store covered at room temperature.

❖ CANDY ❖

Oven Carmel Corn

2 c. brown sugar, 2 sticks butter or oleo, 1/2 c. syrup, 1 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. soda, 7 1/2 qt. popped corn. Cook brown sugar, butter, syrup, and salt for 5 minutes. Add soda. When foaming stops, pour over corn (add peanuts, if you wish). Put on cookie sheets or large cake pans. Bake 1 hour in 200° oven; stir every 15 minutes.

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1 pkg. (7 or 8 oz.) herb seasoned stuffing mix, 1 can (10 1/2 oz.) condensed cream of mushroom soup, 2 c. turkey broth, 2 eggs (well beaten), 2 1/2 c. turkey or chicken (cooked and diced), 1/2 c. milk, 2 T canned pimento (chopped). Toss stuffing mix with half can of soup, the turkey broth, and beaten eggs. Spread mixture in 11x7x1 1/2 inch baking pan. Top with cooked chicken or turkey. Combine remaining half can of soup with milk and pimento; pour over all*. Cover with foil. Bake in 350° oven for 45 minutes or until set. Makes 6 to 8 servings. *May add blanched almonds to it.

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❖ COOKIES ❖

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1 c. shortening (1/2 margarine & 1/2 Crisco)	1 c. walnuts
1 1/2 c. brown sugar	1 c. pecans
2 eggs	1 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. soda	1 lb. candied fruit
1 tsp. salt	1 lb. candied cherries
1 tsp. vanilla	2 lb. dates (cut up)
2-1/4 c. flour	1 c. filberts

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❖ BREADS ❖

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1/4 c. shortening	2 tsp. cinnamon
1 1/4 c. milk (scalded)	
2 eggs (beaten)	

Scald milk. Pour over sugar, shortening, and salt. Let cool slightly and add eggs and yeast. Add 2 cups of the flour and cinnamon, then beat thoroughly (in electric mixer). Then add rest of flour by hand—until a soft dough is formed. Put on floured board and knead thoroughly. Let rise in greased bowl. Then divide dough in half. Roll out each half in rectangle—about 12 inches or 15x4 inches. Cut in three strips and braid—pinching ends together. Put on greased cookie sheet and let rise. Bake in 350° oven about 20 to 25 minutes. Frost while warm with powdered sugar frosting with a little cinnamon added. Slice to serve.

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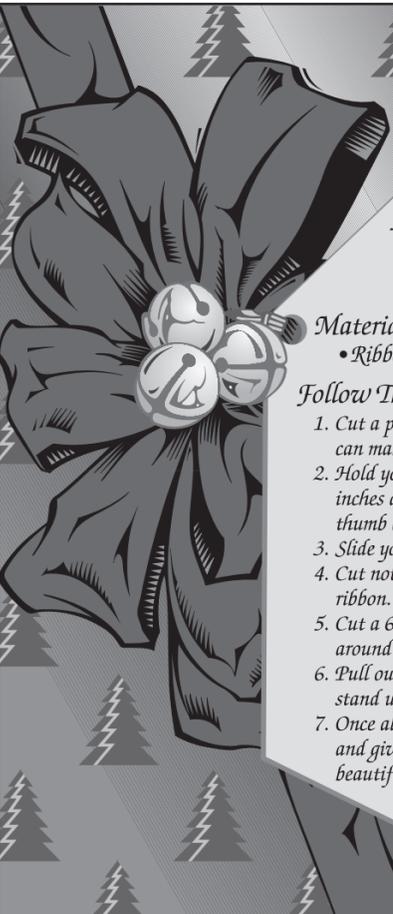
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4. Cut notches in the middle of both edges of the ribbon.
5. Cut a 6 inch piece of string and tie it tightly around the notches.
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Mix together cinnamon and applesauce until mixture forms a ball (add more applesauce if necessary). Knead mixture on a cinnamon-dusted board until smooth. Roll out to 1/4" thickness and cut shapes with cookie cutters. Poke a hole in the top of shape for hanging and air dry on wire cake racks—takes 3 to 6 days. When dry, the edges can be lightly sanded if desired. Do not paint with a varnish, as it will seal up pores and fragrance will not come out.

❖ APPETIZER ❖ Easy Roasted Peppers & Feta Cheese Pie

12 slices bacon, crisply cooked and crumbled
 4 medium green onions, sliced (1/4 cup)
 1/3 cup chopped roasted red bell peppers, from 7-ounce jar, drained
 1/2 cup crumbled feta cheese
 3/4 cup bisquick mix
 1 cup milk
 1 teaspoon dried basil leaves
 3 eggs

1. Heat oven to 400°F. Grease pie plate, 9x11 1/4 inches.
2. Mix bacon, onions and bell peppers in pie plate. Sprinkle with cheese. Stir remaining ingredients in medium bowl until blended. Pour into pie plate.
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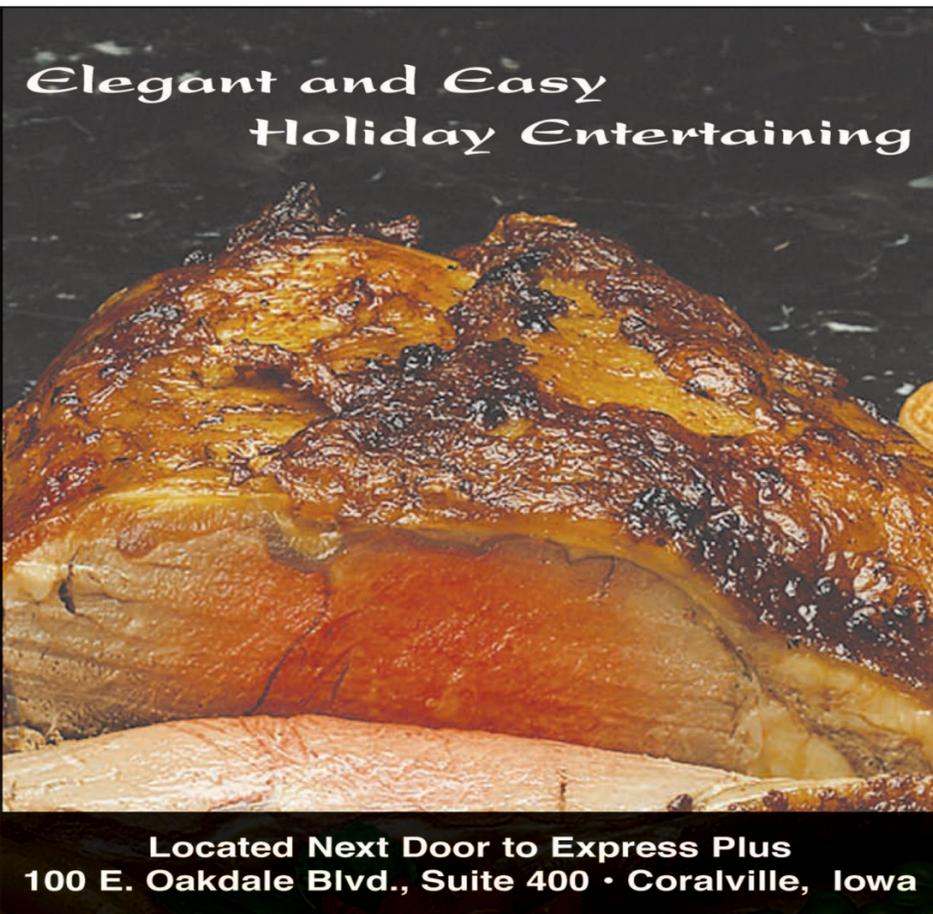
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- 1 T. fresh chopped chives
- 12 slices bacon, fried and crumbled
- 1 c. mayonnaise
- 1 c. grated cheddar cheese

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