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Officials say the increasingly unpopular war isn't necessarily leading to troubles in **RECRUITING SOLDIERS**



Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

UI senior Andrew McElmeel looks over his Army National Guard enlistment packet with Sgt. Brandon Keeler in the National Guard Armory on Tuesday. In March, McElmeel will leave for 10 weeks of basic training.

IOWA GUARD RECRUITING UP

'I've always wanted to go into the military. It's also an awesome way to knock off some [college debt].'

— Andrew McElmeel, UI senior



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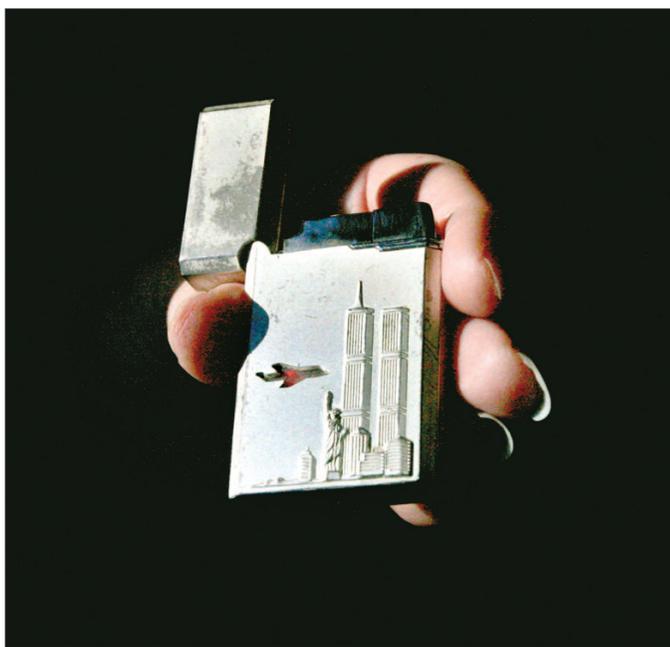
BY NEAL SAUERBERG
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UI senior Andrew McElmeel said he felt a desire to take part in the war effort so much that he volunteered to be deployed overseas as soon as possible.

"I've always wanted to go into the military," he said. "It's also an awesome way to knock off some [college debt]."

Though the Bush administration's plan for Iraq — which calls for an additional 21,500 troops in the embattled country — has elicited vows from political opponents who say they won't support the commander-in-chief's proposal, recruitment numbers in Iowa show a steady increase in the number of people signing up for duty.

In 2004, 1,076 enlisted in the Iowa National Guard. The following year, 1,193 men and women did the same. Another 1,337 soldiers joined last year, which



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Tiffany Jenkins holds a lighter she found half-buried while stationed in Mosul, Iraq, with the National Guard. The lighter, which has an image of a plane flying into the Twin Towers, "makes her service for the country seem really important," she said.

sent recruiting numbers back to pre-9/11 levels, according to the National Guard.

Sgt.-Maj. Cyle Geertz attributed the success of the Iowa Guard recruiting and retention command — a mechanism used to

maintain troop levels — to its focus on scattering recruiters throughout the state, especially in small communities.

"We tend to [succeed] in markets in rural Iowa, places with smaller school districts," he said.

Soldiers who feel positive about their experience overseas attract recruits in ways that a public-relations campaign cannot, he said, though he conceded that some Guard troops leave service frustrated and disillusioned with the war.

But UI graduate Tiffany Jenkins, a veteran of the war in Iraq, isn't one of them. After finishing her deployment to the northern Iraqi city of Mosul, she said, she remains personally invested in the outcome of the war — especially because her brother and sister both enlisted.

"Nobody wants people to be over there, but the mission needs to be accomplished," she said.

Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa, however, expressed his disapproval of Bush's proposal to increase the number of American ground forces in Iraq — a sentiment echoed by most Democrats in Washington.

The first-term congressman faulted the Bush administration for failing to adequately explain how the strategy would improve conditions on the ground.

"Our brave servicemen and -women from Iowa and across the country have been mired in a war with no end in sight," Loebsack said in a statement. "They deserve respect, support, and a plan for a safe return."

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Rights beat goes on

BY ERIC RODRIGUEZ
THE DAILY IOWAN

Eddie Etsey waved his hand furiously as he and his trio, Boats from the Gold Coast, beat drums and led a packed crowd in clapping to African music on Tuesday night.

The upbeat and optimistic mood set during the performance continued throughout the evening, as the UI welcomed civil-rights leader and educator Robert Moses.

Once affiliated with such rights organizations as the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party, Moses helped pave the way for a change in Southern voting during the 1960s. Now, Moses is striving to bring equality to schooling — a cause he said he believes is a crucial part of the modern-day civil-rights movement.

"Every person, every child, every youth has the right to a quality education," he said after his lecture, which was a part of the Seventh-Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration and the UI's Human Rights Week.

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Coaches without a game

BY ASHTON SHURSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

A millionaire walks into Larry Barsh's office for help. Despite his success, large bank account, and expensive SUV, the rich man isn't happy with his personal life and his relationship with those around him — he feels distant from his wife and kids. This is where Barsh steps in.

As a professional life coach for New Life Counseling in Iowa City, Barsh helps people by "creatively solving problems" and helping them make life decisions. And Barsh isn't alone in the profession.

Freya Schafer, a former UI scientist who is now professional life coach, recently started a life-coaching business — Essential Clarity — in Iowa City. She spoke Tuesday night at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church about keeping New Year's resolutions.

The 44-year-old focused on ways to set specific goals and follow through with

NEW YEAR, NEW YOU

Life coach Freya Schafer's guide to making your New Year's Resolutions last:

- Find an idea that you are excited about.
- Turn it into a specific goal.
- Write the goal down, and put it somewhere you can see it.
- Have a ceremony to announce your commitment.
- Create a vision of yourself succeeding.
- Gradually complete goal, achieving more and more as time goes on.
- It's normal to fall back into old habits, but don't get stuck there.
- Have a support team, and be able to ask for help.
- Finally, celebrate your success.

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WII ARE FAMILY
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Supervisors switch on roads

Last fall's election of new Supervisor Larry Meyers switches the supervisors' stance regarding proposed Newport Road project

BY DANE SCHUMANN
THE DAILY IOWAN

The battle over the Newport and Prairie Du Chien Roads plans came to an end — at least temporarily — on Tuesday, when a new majority of the Johnson County Board of Supervisors dropped it from the county's Five-Year Road Project.

Last-minute attempts for a compromise were to no avail, as the supervisors removed the \$5.8 million construction projects on a 3-2 vote. In March 2006, the previous board had voted, 3-2, to approve the controversial projects.

"The middle ground has never been explored by the board," said Supervisor Rod Sullivan, who on Tuesday voted to remove the projects. The attitude "throughout was

that we should take [the projects] off or go with a bad plan."

The election of Larry Meyers, the newest supervisor, tipped the vote in favor of the area residents who opposed the projects. Meyers, who defeated former supervisor Chairman Mike Lehman in the primaries last June and later won in the general election, focused much of his campaign platform on his promise to remove Newport Road from the five-year plan.

Sullivan said lowering speed limits on the roads and adding sidewalks and pedestrian-friendly curbs would have been some alternatives to appease area residents. Though he favored a compromise, he said, he voted for the removal because doing so was better than moving forward with the

projects as planned.

"The whole thing is frustrating," he said. "The board had the wrong approach from the beginning."

The narrow result was expected, said Supervisor Sally Stutsman, who voted to keep the projects on the five-year plan, which covers 2007-2011.

"I thought the county did compromise," said Stutsman, who was re-elected last November. "But [the] residents said 'no.'"

Mike Dooley, a farm owner who lives on Newport Road, said many residents who would have been affected by the plan were never against some of the plans, but what the county proposed was a "radical departure" from what was acceptable.

"Common sense has prevailed," he said.

The plans for the new roads

may be gone now, but Dooley said he and other residents will keep their eyes on the supervisors' actions.

"We'll be keeping an eye on the [new] plan that will be coming up," he said.

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HOW THEY VOTED:

- Supervisor Pat Harney — voted to keep the projects
- Supervisor Larry Meyers — voted to remove the projects
- Supervisor Terrence Neuzil — voted to remove the projects
- Supervisor Sally Stutsman — voted to keep the projects
- Supervisor Rod Sullivan — voted to remove the projects

ICY WELCOME



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan
Pedestrians pass icicles hanging off a newspaper stand on Washington Street on Tuesday. The high temperature Tuesday was 10 degrees, but today should be mostly sunny with a high around 20.

METRO

Edwards to speak

Democratic presidential hopeful John Edwards is scheduled to appear in Iowa City on Saturday, with a town hall meeting at 2 p.m. in the IMU that will focus on ways of preventing President Bush's proposed troop increase, his campaign announced Tuesday.

Edwards, the 2004 Democratic vice-presidential candidate, as a senator voted to authorize the Iraq war, but then later recanted. He spoke recently about the need to cut off funding to send Bush and congressional Republicans a message.

The senator has gone on record suggesting a withdrawal of 40,000 to 50,000 troops.

"Today, as President Bush prepares to escalate the war in Iraq, I reiterate Dr. King's message from 40 years ago: Silence is betrayal," the former North Carolina senator said in a statement Monday.

— by Neal Sauerberg

County sets up medical dispatch program

In what officials said they hope will increase the quality of local emergency medical care, the Johnson County Sheriff's Office launched a new medical dispatch program at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, to aid residents suffering health crises.

In order to set up the program, the Johnson County Board of Supervisors first approved two additional dispatchers for fiscal 2007 at the request of Sheriff Lonny Pulkrabek. These dispatchers were trained for medical emergencies, as were other county dispatchers.

Now, when a 911 call comes into the department, the Emergency Medical Dispatch will handle the call, giving people information that

could help them stabilize people and potentially save their lives.

For example, the dispatcher could give a caller information on how to perform CPR or help take more detailed medical information that would later be passed on to ambulance and/or other medical personnel responding to the emergency.

— by Emileigh Barnes

Little damage in burglary-sparked fire

Coralville police reported Tuesday that a botched burglary on Jan. 14 that left Subway and Papa John's Pizza on Second Street in flames caused only minor damage to the area.

In the early morning hours of Sunday, an unidentified burglar used a cutting torch in an attempt to burn through a steel cover plate on the door, Coralville police Lt. Shane Kron said.

Things went amiss for the burglar about 4 a.m., when the door frame accidentally caught fire, setting off the building's alarm, Kron said.

Kron said police were the first to respond to the alarm; by the time they arrived, the building's sprinkler system had mostly extinguished the blaze.

Damages were minor, he added. "The sprinkler did what it was supposed to do," Kron said.

No arrests have been made, he said, adding that the department doesn't have enough information to link the failed break-in to a robbery that took place last week.

— by Emileigh Barnes

UI student faces drug charges

UI police have charged a UI student with several drug violations,

alleging that he delivered marijuana to a room in Mayflower on Dec. 12, 2006.

Officers said Evan Hudson, 18, made arrangements with two occupants in 628D Mayflower and delivered 3.3 grams of the drug to their room, officers said.

On Jan. 15, Hudson consented to a search of his 132 Stanley Hall room, authorities said. In the process of the search, officers reported discovering two pipes used for smoking marijuana, one of which had marijuana residue in it.

Police said they also found marijuana on his person.

Hudson, who is from Ames, now faces at least three charges in the incident: a Class D felony controlled-substance violation, a serious misdemeanor charge of possession of a controlled substance, and a simple misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

— by Emileigh Barnes

Woman charged in attack

Iowa City police have arrested a woman who, they said, attacked another woman with a 2x4 and a kitchen knife at an Oberlin Street apartment on Jan. 15.

Officers said LaPorcha Garrett, 20, was at her apartment at 1:46 p.m. when she began arguing with a "female acquaintance."

During the course of the argument, Garrett tried to hit the woman with a 2x4, cut the woman's air mattress with a kitchen knife, and tried to slash the woman several times with a larger kitchen knife, police reported.

Eventually, the woman fell to the

floor, where she grabbed one of Garrett's discarded knives and stabbed Garrett in the leg, authorities said.

Police said Garrett was treated for the wound at UI Hospitals and Clinics and then taken to the Johnson County Jail.

She now faces an aggravated misdemeanor charge of assault using or displaying a dangerous weapon. Officers said they do not expect to bring additional charges against either Garrett or the woman who allegedly stabbed her.

— by Emileigh Barnes

Mall 'smell' still unidentified

The cause of a smell that some feared was a natural-gas leak in the Old Capitol Town Center on Jan. 15 has yet to be identified, fire officials reported Tuesday.

The mall closed at 8:56 a.m. on Jan. 15 when a smell was noticed in the area, Iowa City Fire Marshal Roger Jensen said.

Officers worked until 10:34 a.m. but never found the source of the smell.

"Meters were indicating that [the leak] was not natural gas," Jensen said. "Sometimes, sewer gas is mistaken for mercaptan."

Mercaptan, often compared in smell with rotten eggs or cabbage, is added to natural gas so people can recognize gas leaks.

Because a leak of natural gas could have left the area dangerously combustible, it was a "comfort" to know the smell hadn't come from such a hazardous source, Jensen said.

— by Emileigh Barnes

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CIVIL RIGHTS IN IOWA CITY

Rights activist seeks equality in education

Civil-rights figure **ROBERT MOSES** speaks on the human-rights movement and its relation to history and the current educational system



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Civil-rights leader and educator Robert Moses speaks in the IMU Ritchie Ballroom on Tuesday evening. Moses was an instrumental figure with the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and the Freedom Summer of 1964.

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His talk focused on the struggles of African slaves and the conflicts of the civil-rights movement. He also addressed the current state of minority rights in relation to the educational struggles present in poor U.S. communities.

UI Professor Philip Kutzko introduced Moses and praised the UI's advancement of minority students.

"I think we can be very proud at the University of Iowa and the strides we have made in minority education," Kutzko said.

Salome Raheim, the senior

associate to the UI president, agreed with Moses' call for a constitutional amendment to require education reforms in the United States. The current system needs to be re-examined to ensure that less fortunate children have a chance at better lives, she said.

"Right now, it's clear that the quality of schools and education in this country are very uneven," she said.

Part of the reason for the gap is the current property-tax system used by schools to fund education, Moses said, noting that practice leads to impoverished minority-filled areas that receive a lower quality of education.

Moses is also pushing for



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

The Beats From Gold Coast performed before civil-rights leader Robert Moses addressed in the IMU Ritchie Ballroom on Tuesday.

higher training standards for educational instructors, especially those teaching math and science. But most importantly, he said, he wants to spark "open discussion" about education in the United States.

His ideas stirred some of the audience to consider his message.

Etsey, a UI master's student, said Moses' work has influenced his educational aspirations and those of other minorities.

"[He's responsible for]

'[He's responsible for] setting a stepping stone for our future minority leaders and eliminating discrimination to educate people about the reality of life.'

— Eddie Etsey,
UI master's student

setting a stepping stone for our future minority leaders and eliminating discrimination to educate people about the reality of life," he said.

Hal Chase, a Des Moines Area Community College instructor, said he was eager to

meet Moses — one of his heroes — to ask him to speak at the school at which his son teaches.

Chase, who collaborated on a book chronicling black history in Iowa, called Moses a driving force in ending segregation, adding the civil rights leader influenced his own work.

"He is a man who inspired people in an extraordinary way to demand their rights," he said.

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are invited to participate in a research study examining the effects of marijuana use during adolescence (ages 12 to 17) on brain structure, function, and mental abilities. The study involves a screening appointment and up to three additional visits for testing and brain imaging. All testing is done at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. Subjects must be from 12 to 17 years old, must be within commuting distance from Iowa City, Iowa, and are compensated for their participation. A parent must give permission for the subject to participate. Information about the identity of participants will be treated confidentially.

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Coaching people through life

Life coach Freya Schafer talks about ways to keep New Year's Resolutions for the year — and for the rest of your life

LIFE COACH

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them. The first step: making sure the goal isn't someone else's idea.

"Find something you are excited about for yourself," Schafer said.

Yet working with a life coach is more than just setting a goal at the beginning of each year — the work and success is intended to be a yearlong and — hopefully — life-long success story for individuals.

While hairdressers, barbers, and bartenders are the stereotypical people upon which to unload one's problems, a life coach is a more objective option, Barsh said.

Besides being emotionally unattached to the clients, he said, a good life coach uses her or his experiences and listening skills, as well as advice, to help people reach their goals.

"If someone wants to do something, most likely he or she can do it," Barsh said. "All we really are is our beliefs. If some situation is going on and [a client] is really clouded by beliefs, we help cut through the clutter."

Barsh began life coaching 30 years ago, when he realized he took great enjoyment in helping his students as a professor at Emerson College. Schafer also had personal experiences helping co-workers at the UI, which fueled her desire to be a life coach.

"[I helped with] staff improvement and creating a balance between work and private lives," said Schafer, who took coaching classes a year ago and started



Melanie Patterson/The Daily Iowan

Life coach Dr. Freya Schafer smiles during a talk about how to keep New Year's resolutions. She met with a small group of people in the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church on Tuesday evening.

her business six months ago.

While some might wonder how similar life coaching is to therapy, there are differences, Barsh said. Therapy will often focus on past events or memories and emotional reasons for why people are in their situations, but life coaching is more about relating to the people, he said.

"If I didn't have some experience, I would be less authoritative," said Barsh, who has worked in fields such as communications, business, and education.

Life coaching also differs from typical psychological counseling

FREYA SCHAFER — PROFESSIONAL LIFE COACH

Age: 44

Home Country: Germany

Work: Life coach at Essential Clarity in Iowa City. Former UI assistant research scientist in free radical biology, cancer research.

Education: Ph.D. in human biology from the University of Ulm, Germany, in 1993; M.S. in chemistry from the University of Ulm, Germany, 1988

Life Coach Training: Coaches Training Institute, Leadership Program with the Coaches Training Institute

because no formal training is required. This area of coaching is also focused on helping the client figure out what he or she

wants, as opposed to telling the individual what to do — the coach must learn to connect and listen, Schafer said.

"As a coach, you have to be unprepared and completely open-minded," she said. "You believe the client knows the answer — it's just under certain layers. [Life coaching] is tailored to individual solutions that will come up."

Coralville resident Wanda Kintz came to Tuesday night's seminar with the goal of losing 30 pounds by the end of the year.

"I made a point to lose weight and have more energy," she said. "[Schafer] gave me some tools and ways I can do that."

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Guard troops rising

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The plan also angered other Democrats, such as former Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack, who is vying for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2008. The former two-term governor recently released a draft resolution that asks U.S. representatives and senators to oppose any escalation of the war in Iraq.

"By sending more troops to Iraq, President Bush would be making a big mistake bigger," he said in a statement. "President Bush has ignored the message sent by the voters in November and the advice of commanders on the ground at home and abroad by proposing another escalation of troop levels in Iraq."

Vilsack also called on Americans to oppose the troop level increases by expressing their displeasure to politicians on all levels.

But despite opposition to the war, Jenkins remains firm in her belief that the United States is doing the right thing by staying in Iraq.

"I think there are some decisions that could be made differently, but no war is perfect," she said.

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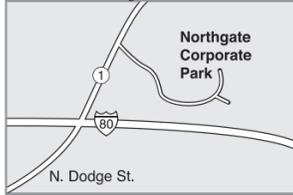


Mercy to build surgery center

The \$9.38 million facility should reduce the hospital's long waiting lists for some procedures

BY JONATHAN ROBBINS
THE DAILY IOWAN

New Mercy Locale



vice president of professional services, wrote that Mercy has experienced a 34 percent increase in the number of joint surgeries since 2003. For example, from July 2005 to June 2006, Mercy surgeons performed 403 knee replacements.

The increased demand for new Mercy surgical facilities mirrors nationwide trends.

An estimated 26 percent of adult Iowans were diagnosed with arthritis in 2003, according to the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion. And by 2020, doctors will have diagnosed nearly 60 million Americans with arthritis — the most serious cases of which would require surgery. In 2003, that number was 418,000 for knee replacements nationwide.

Timothy Ahlers, Mercy's community-relations director, said hospital officials were excited about the new facility.

"We've recognized needs and demands, and we're trying to meet them," he said, adding that the new location will be more accessible for those from

out of town seeking care. "Patients will enjoy the convenience that they'll get at the new facility."

The surgery center will reduce the burden on Mercy's current operating rooms and enhance patient access, he said.

UI Hospitals and Clinics spokesman Tom Moore said the UIHC "reviewed [Mercy's] proposal, and there was no need to endorse it or oppose it."

The state Health Facilities Council, a committee of the Iowa Department of Public Health, is a five-member group appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Senate.

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Iowans 'seeing double' in births

Waiting to have kids or using a fertility drug are likely causes of Iowa's increases in the number of twins

BY KURT HIATT
THE DAILY IOWAN

Fraternal twins Lindsey and Laura Wood were born four weeks early and spent their first days hooked up to feeding tubes at the hospital.

But the two grew up and matured just as their peers did — fighting over McDonald's Happy Meal toys and helping each other through typical challenges of adolescence, as any sisters would, recalls Lindsey Wood, now 19.

And experts say the bond the UI freshmen share as twins is becoming more common, according to the most recent data from the Vital Statistics of Iowa that show multiple births are on the rise statewide.

In 1996, officials recorded 997 sets of twins born in Iowa; that number climbed to 1,315 in 2005.

The increase is partly because women are waiting to have children, experts say. This may have been the case with Woods' mother, who was in her 30s when she had her daughters. Older women are more likely to have twins, said Brad Van Voorhis, a UI professor of obstetrics and gynecology.

Another contributor to the rising numbers of multiple births in Iowa is the expanded use of fertility drugs, which boost the chances of pregnancy and "definitely are associated with multiple births," Van Voorhis said.

Fertility pills heighten the chance of having twins by 8 to 10 percent per pregnancy cycle. The chance shoots to 20 per-

cent per pregnancy if a mother uses an injectable drug, because they are more potent, Van Voorhis said.

Women can't control whether they will have twins, but Van Voorhis said UI Hospitals and Clinics doctors remain cautious when it comes to fertilizing eggs and prescribing drugs to women who aren't ovulating or aren't releasing enough eggs.

"The UIHC is really taking an active role in trying to reduce multiples," Van Voorhis said, primarily because the chance of complications increase when women become pregnant with twins. "We are doing this by prescribing medications with low doses to achieve ovulation and by monitoring ultrasounds."

Fertility drugs run anywhere from \$50 to \$5,000 per pregnancy cycle. Clomiphene, the least expensive option, increases the chances of a multiple birth by 10 percent. Gonadotropins, which are the most expensive, carry a 10 to 40 percent chance of multiple births.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that 40 percent of cases with fresh-sperm donors for in-vitro fertilization in 2004 resulted in multiple-birth pregnancies.

Van Voorhis said UIHC staffers in the in-vitro fertilization program are "trying to be responsible" by attempting to use the least amount of fertilization and drugs, which reduces the risk of an unexpected multiple birth.

The average cost of an in-vitro fertilization is

\$12,400, according to the American Society of Reproductive Medicine.

So, if couples continue to wait for kids until later in life, or women continue to use fertility drugs and in-vitro fertilization, more siblings will have relationships similar to that of the Wood sisters.

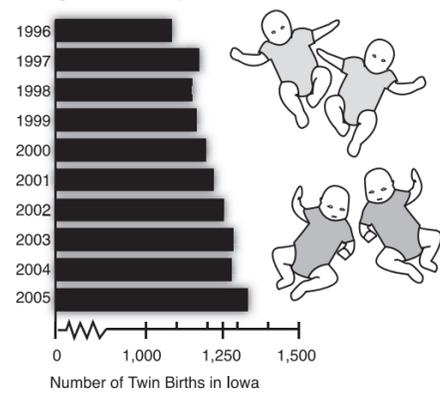
Which could lead to confusion, as it does in the Woods' case.

"Everyone gets our names mixed up, even [though] we don't look alike," Lindsey Wood said.

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Double the fun

The number of twins born in Iowa has increased almost every year since 1996. Doctors attribute this growth to a number of factors. First, women are getting pregnant later in life, which increases the chance of twins. The use of in vitro fertilization and fertility drugs also makes having twins more probable.



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Some hope test will slow mumps

Local medical scientists hope a new mumps test will do more than just improve efficiency

'If you have influenza, a bad cold, diarrhea — don't bring it to your friends. Stay home. And with mumps, you have to do the same thing.'

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BY TERRY MCCOY
THE DAILY IOWAN

The facts about mumps

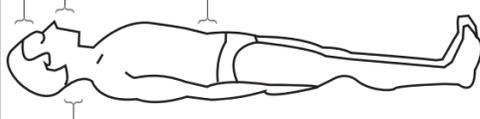
Since the licensing of a vaccine in 1967, mumps has not been a common illness. However, the proportion of young adults who get the disease has been slowly rising since the 1980s. Spring is often the season when it is most prevalent.

The mumps virus is contagious, and it can spread easily through the fluids of the nose and mouth ejected by a cough or sneeze.

The parotid salivary glands, which produce saliva for the mouth, are most affected by the disease, causing the area below the ears to swell greatly.

In addition to swollen glands, early mumps symptoms include high fever, headache, and loss of appetite. More serious problems can be caused by this disease, so contact your doctor.

Mumps cannot be treated with antibiotics, but the symptoms can be soothed. A few recommendations are nonaspirin fever medicine, warm and cold packs to alleviate pain from swelling, a soft, bland diet that does not irritate the throat, and plenty of fluids.



SOURCE: http://www.kidshealth.org/parent/infections/bacterial_viral/mumps.html

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When an outbreak of disease explodes, people may conjure up thoughts of the avian flu, SARS, or possibly Dustin Hoffman and Cuba Gooding Jr. crammed into a helicopter while tracking down a deranged monkey in *Outbreak*.

But Iowa recently grappled with a somewhat more mundane malady — mumps.

Between January and May 2006, nearly 2,000 Iowans fell victim to the disease, according to the state Department of Public Health — the most widespread and unexplained mumps outbreak the Hawkeye State has experienced since the development of the

standard U.S. vaccine in 1967.

Some local medical professionals say a new test has been developed — called polymerase chain reactions — that they hope will make diagnoses of mumps more efficient.

"Before, the tests took around five days [to generate a diagnosis], but this is a very good test," said Sandy Jirsa, a public-health microbiologist for the UI Hygienic Laboratory. "This test can be done in one day."

She said the test would help to contain another outbreak of mumps because

infected individuals will learn how to stay away from others more quickly.

But polymerase chain reactions would have done little to stop the mumps epidemic last year, said Trisha Kremen, a UI public-health microbiologist.

"The outbreak was already started," she said. "And if we had the new test, it wouldn't have stopped the outbreak at all."

And one UI student argues that Iowa's medical professionals need to improve much more than a test in their handling of a mumps outbreak.

UI senior Bond DeBolt was

infected with mumps last year, and she was vexed with the treatment she received at UI Family Care Center at the UI Hospitals and Clinics.

"Instead of just having some overworked nursing assistant tell me not to go out

METRO

Demolition to begin on St. Pat's

IOWA CITY (AP) — A Roman Catholic church built in the 1870s and damaged in an April tornado is scheduled for demolition this week.

Now that the stained glass windows and fixtures are removed and the asbestos is gone, the building can be torn down.

The church was badly damaged during the April 13, 2006, tornadoes, and it has since become an icon of the storm. A final vigil for the church was in late December, before the rectory was demolished.

"Some of it I'm going to watch, and some of it I'm going to close my eyes for," the Rev. Rudolph "Rudy" Juarez.

He said his congregation accepts what needs to happen and has been grateful for the community support it has

received. "This is a hard time for us, to watch the building come down," he said. "This is part of the process, and we just have to go through it."

Patrick Wade, a project foreman with Peterson Contractors, said the demolition will happen slowly, finishing before the end of the month. Moving from the south end to the north end, crews will take down the church and save some of the stone, brick, and roof structure.

"It's ready to go," he said. "But it won't all happen in one, five-minute piece of time."

Eventually, a church for the congregation will be built in eastern Iowa City; church officials have not selected a site.

The parish hall, 435 S. Linn St., furnished with the Stations of the Cross, icons, and an altar, has served as a place of worship.

of my house, I think they should have done something else," she said.

Medical staff can do little more than tell those infected with mumps to stay home, said Lucy Desjardin, the program manager of the UI Hygienic Lab. She said she understands staying home is

difficult for college students, but sometimes it is necessary.

"If you have influenza, a bad cold, diarrhea — don't bring it to your friends," she said. "Stay home. And with mumps, you have to do the same thing."

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The battle between the Nintendo Wii and the PlayStation 3 seems to be winding down



Freshmen Matt Wagner (left) and Justin Preisser box against each other on Wii Sports in a friend's Hillcrest dorm room on Tuesday evening. At \$250, the Wii is appealing because of its price when compared with the PlayStation 3.

Lindsey Walters/The Daily Iowan

STATE

Trucker fined in train accident

CENTRAL CITY, Iowa (AP) — The driver of a semitrailer that was struck by a train has been fined for failing to yield while crossing the railroad tracks.

Dennis Russell, 62, of Monticello, was crossing tracks east of Highway 13 in south Central City Monday afternoon, when an oncoming Canadian National Railway freight train hit the rear of his truck.

"I thought, 'Don't stop now,' "

said Russell, who was hauling grain for Innovative Ag Services of Central City to Cedar Rapids.

He said snow and icy conditions prevented him from stopping as he traveled at around 15 mph and the train, operated by Timothy Dorsey, 47, of Independence, approached at approximately 25 mph.

The vehicle was totaled and landed in a ditch. Some of the grain spilled onto the road.

Russell received a \$187 ticket for failing to yield when crossing railroad tracks, Linn County sheriff's Capt. Brian Gardner said.

spawned contests across the country. One such competition, in Sacramento, Calif., led to a mother's death after she participated in a radio challenge called "Hold Your Wee for a Wii."

The 28-year-old woman was found dead Jan. 12 from water intoxication.

Clint Wagner, an electronics team leader at Target, Coral Ridge Mall, observed the difference in consumer trends with the PlayStation 3 and the Wii.

"The interesting thing about the PlayStation 3 was that most people were buying them to put online," he said, noting that customers would put them up for sale on websites, such as eBay, to resell for profit.

Wii's smaller price tag may have also contributed to its success. The retail price of the base model PlayStation 3 is listed as \$499 in stores, but the system sometimes costs as much as \$780. The Wii sells for around \$250.

But Wagner said when Target gets shipments of the Wii and PlayStation 3, both units sell out that day — though he added there are usually more of the Wii than PlayStation systems in the shipment.

If he had to choose which unit would sell out first, he said, he would side with the Wii.

"We would probably sell [out

'We would probably sell [out of] the Wii first because of the price. My guess would be that the Wii will continue to sell better.'

—Clint Wagner, Target electronics team leader

of] the Wii first because of the price," he said. "My guess would be that the Wii will continue to sell better."

UI sophomore Thomas Zimmerman, who purchased the Wii because of its cheaper price, spoke highly of its two handed-style wireless controllers.

"It's a lot of fun, because you can get into the games more," he said, adding that he can't wait to dive into the new Legend of Zelda game. "It's a lot of fun playing with a lot of people."

As for the Wii bowling game, Zimmerman said, it's all in the wrist.

"I see a lot of people bring [the controller] across their bodies, but it's better to spin your wrist," he said, noting the interactive controller is more fun than those used with the PlayStation 3.

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BY AMANDA BATTAGLIA
THE DAILY IOWAN

The holidays have passed, and students are no longer hinting to family members about their "perfect" gift idea — the latest videogame system. And the battle between the newest breed of interactive

systems, some with motion-sensing controllers, appears to have ended with the Sony PlayStation 3 losing traction to competitors.

Of the two most recently released systems, one gaming system has outsold the PlayStation 3 — the Nintendo Wii.

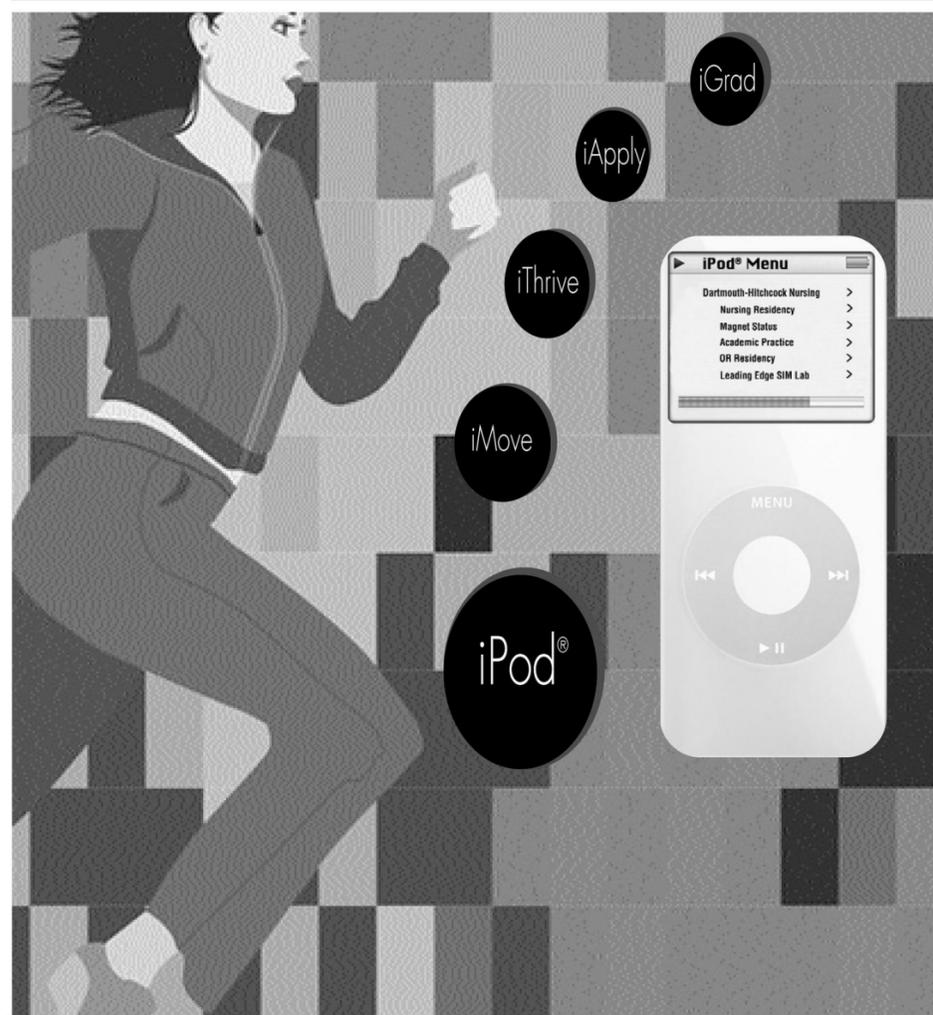
Toward the end of 2006, every single Wii system was sold in just its first 44 days on shelves, amounting to more than 1 million Wiis sold nationwide, according to a Jan. 11 Nintendo press release.

But the PlayStation 3 missed its predicted sales goal at its debut during roughly the

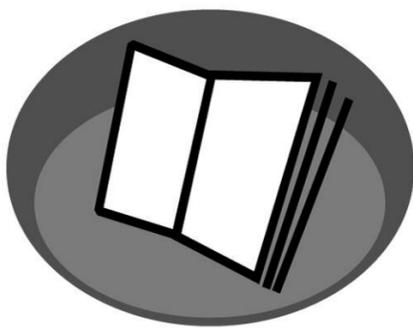
same period in 2006. Only 197,000 of the gaming consoles were sold — fewer than half of what was predicted, according to a Jan. 7 press release on the system's website.

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Nussle signs on with Giuliani campaign

BY MIKE GLOVER
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DES MOINES — Former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani has signed up eight-term former Rep. Jim Nussle as a key strategist and adviser to the committee Giuliani has formed to explore seeking the Republican presidential nomination.

In a statement, Giuliani said Nussle will play "an important leadership role on behalf of the exploratory committee, both in Iowa and nationally."

Nussle was the Republican gubernatorial nominee

'Philosophy without progress is frustrating, and rhetoric without results is meaningless. As a proud and consistent conservative Republican, I want our party and our ideas to have a voice.'

— Jim Nussle, Rep.

last year, eventually losing by roughly 100,000 votes to Gov. Chet Culver. He announced last week that he was forming a political consulting business.

There are deep philosophical differences between the two. Giuliani is pro-choice and favors gay

rights, while Nussle campaigned on a hard-line anti-abortion stance and wants a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage.

But Nussle said he's focusing on what Giuliani has been able to accomplish and his leadership style.

"Philosophy without progress is frustrating, and rhetoric without results is meaningless," said Nussle. "As a proud and consistent conservative Republican, I want our party and our ideas to have a voice."

Nussle suggested that Giuliani's actions after the 9/11 terrorist attacks in New York deeply impressed voters looking for a strong leader.

"Mayor Giuliani governed with a brand of optimism and focus I have only seen a few times since I've been in public service," said Nussle. "He put conservative ideas into action and achieved results."

For his part, Giuliani said Nussle brings valuable skills and a strong political track record in the state where precinct caucuses traditionally launch the nominating season.

"Iowans know Jim Nussle's character and commitment to public service," said Giuliani. "They benefited from his leadership in Congress for more than a decade and saw Jim campaign across the state after he received nomination for governor last year."

Giuliani is among a handful of Republicans who have taken the step of forming an exploratory

committee, a move that allows candidates to travel and raise money as they explore seeking the nomination.

The pace of taking that step is likely to quicken in the next couple of weeks, as the field begins to grow in both parties.

Nussle said he's been impressed by the results Giuliani has achieved, calling him "an inclusive and principled leader who can bring the country together by focusing on the greater good, not picking partisan fights that don't achieve meaningful results."

State auditor: 1,000s misspent

ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — A state audit has found that more than \$18,000 was misspent or never deposited to an account set up by parents of drama students at Kennedy High School in Cedar Rapids.

State Auditor David Vaudt released a report Tuesday that said school officials requested an audit of the Thespa checking account, after concerns developed over some disbursements.

The discrepancies were found when a Thespa account bank statement was accidentally placed in another teacher's mail box in May 2006. The teacher opened the envelope and noticed the account had several overdraft charges, fees, and negative account balances. Upon investigation, school officials found cash withdrawals and check

card purchases at fast-food restaurants and discount stores.

The account was used by Marc Hammes, the school's drama director, who resigned from his teaching position on June 6, 2006.

Vaudt said \$7,038 was improperly spent from the account, \$445 in cash was withheld from deposit, and \$11,766 in proceeds from fundraisers was apparently never deposited.

The improper disbursements include \$887 of cash withdrawals from automated teller machines, improper purchases made with a check card totaling \$2,793, and improper checks, totaling \$1,937.

Purchases made with the check card included \$207 at a sports bar, \$169 for tickets to a Broadway show, \$150 for Marriott gift cards, \$146 from Hy-Vee, and \$105 from Expression

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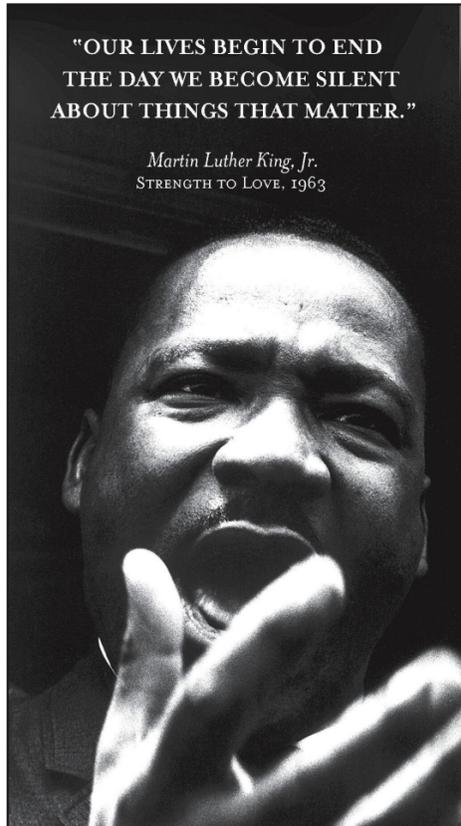
The improper checks included three issued to Hammes, which totaled \$1,120.

Vaudt said overdraft fees and related charges of \$1,370 were incurred as a result of the improper disbursements.

Some of the money never deposited included collections from the sale of tickets to theater performances, Vaudt's report said. It said \$671 of proceeds from concession sales also were not deposited.

The report includes numerous recommendations to strengthen Kennedy High Schools internal controls and overall operations.

Vaudt filed copies of the report with the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation, the Linn County Attorney's Office, and the Iowa attorney general for review of possible criminal charges.



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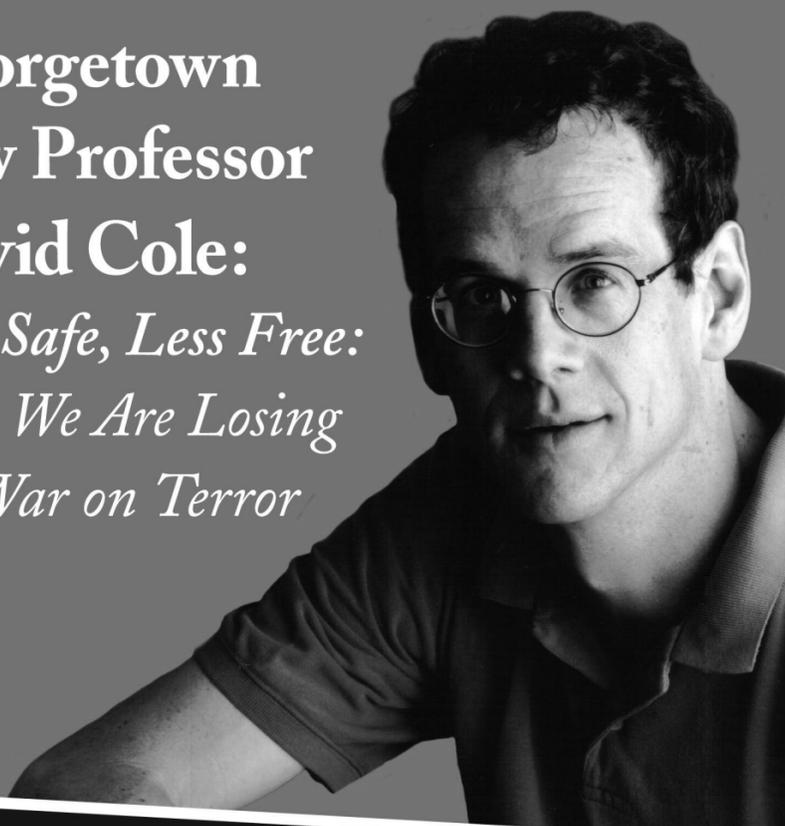
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Obama launches campaign

BY NEDRA PICKLER
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Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., looks out over the St. Mark Cathedral congregation as he pays tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. during a celebration at the Harvey, Ill., church on Monday. On Tuesday, Obama filed paperwork forming a presidential exploratory committee.

Charles Rex Arbogast/Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., launched a presidential campaign Tuesday that would make him the first black to occupy the White House, and he immediately tried to turn his political inexperience into an asset with voters seeking change.

The freshman senator — and a top contender for the Democratic nomination — said the past six years have left the country in a precarious place, and he promoted himself as the standard-bearer for a new kind of politics.

“Our leaders in Washington seem incapable of working together in a practical, common-sense way,” Obama said in a video posted on his website. “Politics has become so bitter and partisan, so gummed up by money and influence, that we can’t tackle the big problems that demand solutions. And that’s what we have to change first.”

Obama filed paperwork forming a presidential exploratory committee that allows him to raise money and put together a campaign structure. He is expected to announce a full-fledged candidacy on Feb. 10 in Springfield, Ill., where he can tout his experience in the Illinois Legislature and tap into the legacy of hometown hero Abraham Lincoln.

In a brief interview on Capitol Hill, Obama said the reaction has been positive and added, “we wouldn’t have gone forward this far if it hadn’t been this positive.”

Obama’s soft-spoken appeal on the stump, his unique background, his opposition to the Iraq war, and his fresh face set him apart in a competitive race that also is expected to include front-runner Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton of New York.

Obama has uncommon political talents, drawing adoring

crowds even among the studious voters in New Hampshire during a much-hyped visit there last month. His star has risen on the force of his personality and message of hope — helped along by celebrity endorsements from the likes of Oprah Winfrey, billionaire investor Warren Buffett, and actors Matt Damon and Edward Norton.

“I certainly didn’t expect to find myself in this position a year ago,” said Obama, who added that as he talked to Americans about a possible presidential campaign, “I’ve been struck by how hungry we all are for a different kind of politics.”

The 45-year-old has few accomplishments on the national stage, after serving little more than two years in the Senate. But at a time when many voters say they are unhappy with the direction of the country, a lack of experience in the nation’s capital may not be a liability.

“The decisions that have been made in Washington these past six years and the problems that

have been ignored have put our country in a precarious place,” Obama said.

He said people are struggling financially, dependence on foreign oil threatens the environment and national security, and “we’re still mired in a tragic and costly war that should have never been waged.”

Clinton is expected to announce her presidential campaign within days, but her spokesman said there would be no comment on Obama’s decision from the Clinton camp. Back from Iraq, she abruptly canceled a Capitol Hill news conference minutes after word of Obama’s announcement, citing the unavailability of a New York congressman to participate.

Other Democrats who have announced a campaign or exploratory committee are 2004 vice presidential nominee John Edwards, former Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack, Connecticut Sen. Chris Dodd, and Ohio Rep. Dennis Kucinich. Sens. John Kerry of Massachusetts and Joe Biden of Delaware and New Mexico Gov.

Bill Richardson also are considering a run.

Obama’s decision was relatively low-key after months of hype, with no speech or media appearance to accompany his online announcement. He said he will discuss a presidential campaign with people around the country before his Feb. 10 event, and he wasted no time calling key activists Tuesday.

New Hampshire lobbyist Jim Demers talked with Obama for about five minutes. “He is extremely pumped and excited that this campaign is coming together,” said Demers, who accompanied Obama on his visit to the state last month.

Obama’s quick rise to national prominence began with his keynote speech at the 2004 Democratic National Convention and his election to the Senate that year. He’s written two best-selling autobiographies — *The Audacity of Hope: Thoughts on Reclaiming the American Dream* and *Dreams from My Father: A Story of Race and Inheritance*.

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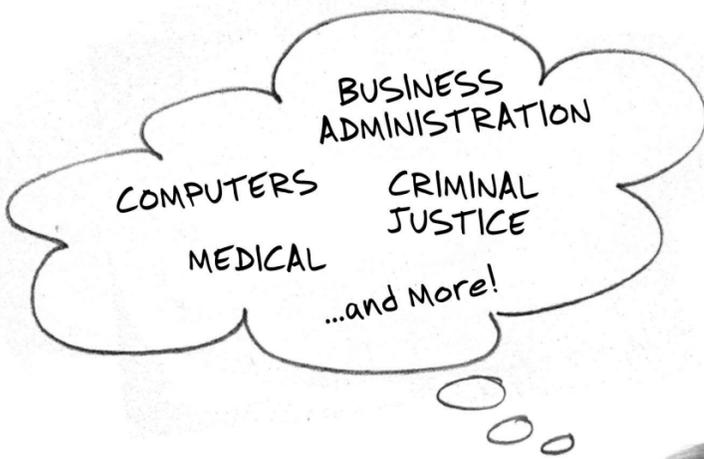
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EDITORIAL

More legislative oversight needed in light of proposed troop surge

President Bush's proposal to launch 21,000 more American troops into the Iraq conflict has been met with widespread opposition from Congress and the American public. Congressional Democrats and a substantial number of Republicans have planned votes to express disapproval of the "surge" — and some, including Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., have advocated limiting funding for the new mission. It would be a mistake for Congress to sabotage the Bush administration's plan, but certainly, more involvement from the legislative branch in the conflict is necessary.

It is welcoming to see Congress at least challenging the executive branch's actions in the conflict. Some Republicans, including Sen. Chuck Hagel of Nebraska, have long questioned the war. But many moderates are finally realizing the constitutional necessity of oversight of the executive branch.

We believe, perhaps surprisingly, the plan seems to recognize the realities the United States has found itself in better than its critics. But this administration has shown its consistent failure to carry through with its actions.

There are promising signs, however. The focus on cracking down on Shiite militias, as well as Sunni insurgents, is important. Muqtada al-Sadr is probably the most dangerous man in Iraq, and his Mahdi Army needs to be dismantled. Estimated as having more than 60,000 soldiers, his militia consists of well-trained and well-armed men, operating in friendly territory in Baghdad's Sadr City. Americans were initially told the war would cost few lives, which has already been proved false. But

because a possible confrontation with the Mahdi Army is certain to dramatically increase the number of Americans killed in action, the benefits of such a confrontation must be weighed carefully.

The prime role the Iraqi army is slated to take in the offensive will be watched carefully: The army must prove it can operate in a non-sectarian manner. The inclusion of Kurdish forces in the plan is extremely wise and long past due — but the language barrier will likely be difficult to overcome.

Initiating this war was a terrible mistake in the first place. But that does not lend credence to arguments for a hasty withdrawal. The conflict's implications are now too great to simply abandon the effort.

At least critics of the war are no longer labeled unpatriotic — it would be absurd to suggest that the three-quarters of Americans who oppose the escalation don't support the troops. If this final plan doesn't succeed, Bush must, at some point, recognize his legacy will most likely be forever tainted and take a long, hard look at withdrawal.

While the power of the executive branch does, indeed, eliminate the chance of a "war by committee," it would be foolish to ignore the wishes of the legislative branch and the American people. Congress should follow the progress of the troop increase and understand that if the proposal proves to be merely one more failure in the nearly four-year old war, it does maintain the power of the purse. We hope — pray perhaps — the "surge" will work, but if it doesn't, it may be time to pull the plug.

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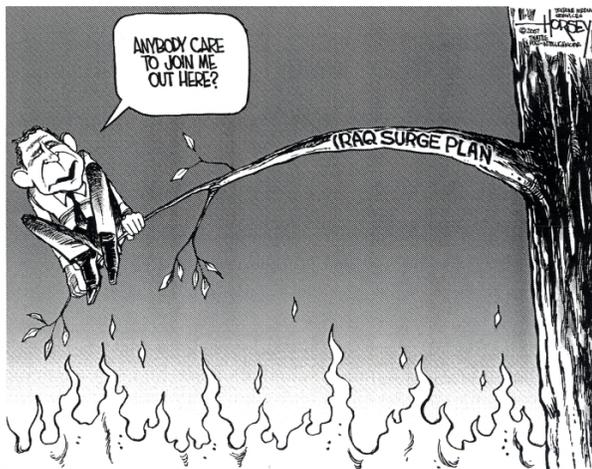
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Dr. Cole Swensen
Iowa City resident



Support Obama

Barack Obama has made a lot of noise lately, with his recent trip to New Hampshire. He recently said whether to run for president after his holiday vacation. I have chosen to support him and encourage him to run, because democracy is about choices, and the more choices we

have on BOTH sides of the ticket, the healthier our democracy is.

I encourage everyone to encourage him to run, whether you think you would vote for him or not, because we need more choices. We need fresh ideas and faces in the

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CORRECTION

In the *Daily Iowan's* Jan. 16 editorial "Move forward with stem-cell research, lift federal restrictions," the *DI* incorrectly wrote that Iowa has a statewide ban on embryonic stem-cell research. The ban is on creating embryos through therapeutic cloning. The *DI* regrets the error.

GUEST OPINION

Time to leave the illusions behind

President Bush mentioned the Iraq Study Group report twice in his 20-minute speech touting the American increased troop level in Iraq. He stated that his plan to embed more American advisers in Iraqi Army units is consistent with the report.

Although that specific morsel of his new plan is indeed consistent with the report, his saying so creates the illusion of a broader consistency that simply is not there.

The Study Group report is 96 pages long. Fifteen of those pages belong to a section titled "The External Approach: Building an International Consensus," one of only two that constitute the report's actual recommendations. It states that "the United States should engage directly with Iran and Syria" and, under the subheading "The Wider Regional Context," recommends a "renewed and sustained commitment by the United States to a comprehensive Arab-Israeli peace on all fronts."

The president's militant stand toward Syria and Iran, alluded to in his speech and contradicted by the Study Group's recommendation for a broad diplomatic effort throughout the Muslim world to salvage America's devastated credibility.

The departure from diplomacy seems further highlighted by the arrival of two aircraft-carrier groups in the Persian Gulf. Aircraft carriers are about as effective in counterinsurgency as they are in deer hunting; you may kill many deer, but it'll be beside the point.

Since returning from Iraq two years ago, I've read voraciously on the subject of this war and its politics. While the president cites the Study Group report, I

find troubling consistency between his administration's policies and the recommendation of a much earlier paper, namely, "A Clean Break: A New Strategy for Securing the Realm."

This paper, whose authors include Richard Perle, Douglas Feith, and David Wurmser, was written by a Jerusalem-based think tank for Israel's then-Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. (That three men who were among the highest ranking officials in the government of the United States during our invasion of Iraq should have written policy papers on behalf of a foreign government seems like a major cause for concern, in itself, but I'll save that subject for writers more courageous than this ex-paratrooper and two-time combat veteran.)

Today, "A New Strategy for Securing the Realm" reads more like an account of recent history and current events than a policy recommendation. Aside from discussing the "right of hot pursuit for self defense into all Palestinian areas" and "Israel seiz[ing] the strategic initiative along its northern borders by engaging Hizballah, Syria, and Iran," the paper suggests, "Israel can shape its strategic environment" by "weakening, containing, and even rolling back Syria" and, most troubling, by "removing Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq — an important Israeli strategic objective, in its own right."

It is relevant to note here, this paper was written before our invasion of Iraq, before the removal of Saddam Hussein from power, and before the war between Israel and Lebanon.

Am I the only one who thinks he sees the emperor's underwear?

Roman Skaskiw
UI graduate student

ON THE SPOT

What do you think about sending more troops to Iraq?



"We don't need more, but we do need to support the ones there."

Andrew Petersen
UI sophomore



"It's ridiculous — sending more troops would only provide more targets."

Mike Jones
UI senior



"Bad idea."

Josh Matthews
UI graduate student



"It depends on the overall plan — I still don't know why we're there."

Sean Kukral
UI sophomore

Buying charity

As the holiday season unceremoniously draws to a close, the visibility of charitable giving will undergo its annual decline, only to be revived once again by the following year's holidays. Monetary donations to charity, volunteerism, and civic engagement are vital to the operation of any community. For the vibrancy of a community such as Iowa City to continue to flourish, it is imperative to analyze the why and how of community engagement. In other words, what importance is attached to volunteerism and by what methods people participate in civic or charitable activities.

In recent years, philanthropy has become serious business. Organizations that truly desire to survive often hire professional fundraisers and advertisers. This phenomenon has shifted the emphasis of charitable giving from individuals to corporations that have the means to supply huge donations.



LYDIA PFAFF

The controversial relationship between Target and the Salvation Army exemplifies this trend. From the mid-19th century up until recently, the Christian organization has collected most of its funds from highly localized and community-focused fundraising. An example is the famous red-kettle collections during the holidays. The emphasis was on volunteerism and individual sacrifice for the betterment of a community. This sacrifice would, of course, provide mutual benefit through the development of stronger communities.

Starting in 2004, Target announced that it would no longer allow the bell-ringers to stand outside its stores' doors. This decision was in line with the company's ban on solicitors, though in previous years, Target had made an exception specifically for the Salvation Army. The rationale behind this was an increased demand from other charities to solicit for donations, as well.

This move created huge losses for an organization that depends on volunteer-based fundraising. In the face of protest from supporters of the Salvation Army, Target agreed to partner with the organization during subsequent holidays. In 2006, this included a donation of \$1 million to launch an online giving campaign in exchange for the absence of holiday bell-ringers.

Generous corporate donations are certainly welcome, and in this era, they are vitally important for the functioning of an organization such as the Salvation Army. However, the danger of shifting the onus of community betterment away from individual members of that community may, in the long run, outweigh the benefits. No matter how small technology shrinks the size of the world, no one can survive without the benefits of community, including food, safety, and security.

For example, the sexual assaults that took place in Iowa City last fall were difficult for the police to combat. The crimes were spread from South Johnson Street to the Voxman Music Building.

Complicating the issue was the high prevalence of alcohol-related problems that perpetually divide attention for police forces. One method of combating this would have been the formation of neighborhood watch groups, in which the community is, to a degree, responsible for its own safety. With students, the feasibility of such an option is dashed by our transient lifestyle. But another obstacle is our generation's lack of effort to community-building efforts.

The trend towards corporate donations demonstrates the decline in the perceived importance of active, individual-level civic engagement. Much evidence supports this claim. Since the end of World War II, involvement in community and professional organizations have declined markedly. This phenomenon has many possible explanations. Perhaps it is more difficult to earn a living. Or maybe technology has decreased the perceived need for such organizations.

The losses incurred by the Salvation Army, however, demonstrate that when confronted face-to-face with an opportunity for engagement, people are still willing to support such endeavors. Engagement demands actual human contact, not just contact with a computer screen. Volunteers in a community create a support network for those they are helping and themselves, as well. The presence of bell-ringers, furthermore, provides an opportunity to socialize children into the community and instill a sense of the value helping others.

This highlights the importance of a physical element of volunteerism. It's not about the cutthroat competition of competing philanthropists and large corporate donations but a real commitment to the individual responsibility necessary for maintaining safe and vibrant communities. ■

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D/RECOMMENDS

Trivia games to sharpen your minds for the coming semester: Trivial Pursuit, after 20 years, is still your best bet. Well, actually, studying is your best bet — but who can guess the bountiful benefits of knowing George Michael's real name? The pink wedge — and a diploma — might be yours.

ARTS & CULTURE

COMMENTARY

On becoming exotic



BRIGID MARSHALL

For once, I was exotic. No, I didn't have long, blonde locks. Or tan bronze legs. Or eyes that looked like the depths of the ocean.

I have red hair. It's wavy. I'm short. I am paler than your average child with rubella. In my own country's melting pot, I do stick out, somewhat, but elsewhere, I found I'm the sorcest thumb in the land.

Granted, we all stick out here, unless you're a WASP, and then you can claim you own this country. Either way, I feel at home in America — especially because winter now whiteness the streets with the whiteness that reflects my near-albinism.

You see — I just got back from Thailand. You know, where the year-round heat runs higher than anything my Iowa City thermostat will ever read. The sun stays out all day, while rainy days exist almost only in the hopeful imaginations of Thai farmers.

There, I thought, for sure I would stand out. That is, I thought my parents, sister, and I would look like people who didn't belong.

In Thailand, although I was a tourist, I often felt like a tourist attraction. I look like everything they're not. I have freckles, which are hard for me even to understand. However obnoxious it sounds, I was a walking monument. Outside the temple, founded where the Buddha sat and experienced Enlightenment, two Thai girls asked to take a picture with my sister and me. I felt like a movie star, and that's pathetic.

In the United States, it's rare that locals would approach a visitor asking to take a picture. Most of the time, you can't even tell who is a tourist. They've likened themselves to the landscape; or, rather, our country has likened itself to otherness. We assume tourists live here, even

if they don't speak English.

America is a revolving door of a nation, and that, sometimes, makes us ignorant about the traditions of other countries. People come here and assimilate — because they have to. When I visit Thailand, however, people seem entranced by who I already am.

Going from taking pictures with random Thai girls to reading below almost every Thai sign an English translation, I felt embarrassed that I wasn't fluent in any language except English.

I mean, honestly, while ransacking a local minimart in Phuket of all its Heinekens and Gatorade, I was questioned by an 11-year-old German girl, in English, who used proper grammar: "Where are you going? Where are you from? Are you old enough to buy those? I think you're 15." Getting into quite a long conversation about life and traveling, I asked her the same questions, expecting she would say, "Oh, I'm from California," blah, blah, blah. Instead, she said she was from Nepal but just moved from Germany. When I asked how many languages she spoke, she said four. She asked me the same question, and I said two, but, really, it's one-and-a-half. Taking French isn't the same as speaking French, I have learned.

In fact, I have the opportunity to learn any language I want, from Russian to Polish to Portuguese to Thai — but always, I get to choose, because I already speak English. For those picture-hungry girls who spoke perfect English at no older than 17 (accents and all), plus probably two other languages as well, I was everything they had read about. But I felt like something else. In my head, I was nothing but a one-language show.

My family and I were the only Americans around, and that made us special — but not to me. Especially compared with the Germans, Austrians, Swedes, and a random Canadian that we met. The only thing differentiating us was how we spoke, and I find I don't have much to say besides: Hi, I'm only American (accents and all).

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MEDITATIONS IN CLAY

Meditations on time and space, a God complex, and really, really heavy wall décor. This and more at the current art exhibition in Art Building West.

BY MAGGIE ANDERSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

UI ceramics graduate student Benj Upchurch pointed down — to one of his bulky ceramic pieces, a rimmed plate. It sat on the floor, rather than on the wall, because Joe Meinecke, another ceramics grad student, had removed it to touch up the wall paint. And he didn't want to try to rehang the work alone.

"Each one weighs about 75 pounds," Upchurch said, hefting the plate and reattaching it to a specialized wall-support in the Art Building West Gallery, where his and fellow graduate ceramics students' work is displayed. "This part here," he said, pointing at the center of the plate, "it's just thrown on the wheel, and I start slamming the clay. That's how you get these weird abstractions."

Abstract or representational, what really interests Upchurch is the texture and surface of the clay.

"Clay can do anything," he said.

He pointed to another of his wall-hanging pieces. "This here, it kind of looks like, I dunno, a broom?" he said. "You can just get different readings from the clay."

The 26-year-old said elements of the natural world, particularly the craggy rock formations and desert areas of his native Colorado, inspire him frequently.



Ed Bornstein/The Daily Iowan

UI graduate student Sang Jin Kim prepares the gallery in Art Building West with ceramic sculptures made by fellow graduate student Matt Dercole. Works by ceramics-art students will be on display in Art Building West starting today.

Oh, and "weird people." "Like Matt over there," he said, pointing to Matthew Dercole, another student with work in the show who was wielding a paintbrush across the room. "I like weird people."

Dercole took no offense at Upchurch's characterization; in fact, he appeared to embrace it, and he said he enjoys being in an open environment such as the UI's art program.

"Everybody works differently," he said. "Everybody has different ideas and opinions about what he or she wants to do and what art is. I guess we all have our own style."

Jill Lawley, a UI visiting assistant professor of ceramics, said such diversity is a strength of the university's ceramics program.

"The exciting thing about ceramics is that it is heavily involved in process," she said. "I think the work in this exhibition reveals the number of processes. All the students come to a different finished product, but the high quality of process always shows through."

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Sang Jin Kim, a third-semester graduate student from the Republic of Korea, said the idea of process and the often time-consuming procedures intrinsic to ceramics keep her interested. Much of her work involves carving patterns into the clay, a decoration that must take place in a limited window of time while the clay is neither too wet nor too dry.

"To make one piece, it takes a long time," she said.

Dercole's work (inspired by "puppy dogs and rainbows," he assures) includes related

ruminations on the role of time. His piece, a large assemblage of many smaller works, is titled *How I realized I don't want to be God*.

"I think, inherently, all people think they are God," he said, explaining the power he feels when creating an object.

So for this piece, Dercole attempted a mix between the artist-as-God and evolutionary process. While he held the ultimate creative power, he restricted himself to each consecutive piece evolving from the previous one. He said he was occasionally frustrated by the results, because he was unable to change early pieces because everything following would also have to change.

"I realized that if God and evolution were to mix, it just wouldn't work out," he said. "So I realized I wouldn't want to have his job."

He pauses and reconsiders his earlier statement: "Maybe it's just artists who think they are God."

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Attacks kill 142 Iraqis

BY STEVEN R. HURST
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD — Twin car bombs tore through a leading Baghdad university as students left classes Tuesday in the deadliest attack in Iraq in nearly two months, and the United Nations reported 34,452 civilians were slain last year, nearly three times more than the government reported.

A total of 142 Iraqis were killed or found dead Tuesday, in what appeared to be a renewed campaign of Sunni insurgent violence against Shiite targets. The sharp uptick in deadly attacks coincided with the release of U.N. figures that showed an average of 94 civilians died each day in sectarian bloodshed in 2006.

The blasts wrecked two small buses as students at Al-Mustansiriya University were lining up for the ride home at about 3:45 p.m., according to Taqi al-Moussawi, a university dean. The attackers stationed a man wearing a suicide belt in the expected path of fleeing students to take even more lives, but he was spotted and shot by security men before he could blow himself up, the dean said.

"The only guilt of our martyred students is that they pursued education. They belong to all religions, sects, and ethnic groups," said an angry al-Moussawi, himself a Shiite. "The terrorists want to stop education. ... Those students had nothing to do with politics."

After the explosions, a rescue worker and three men in civilian clothes scrambled through the debris to carry a charred victim away in a sheet. Firefighters in yellow helmets examined the charred wreckage of a bashed-in, overturned minivan.

The university's well-shaded campus occupies several square blocks in north central Baghdad, a mostly Shiite area. The school ranks second among institutions of higher education in Iraq. Founded in 1963, it was named after one of the oldest Islamic schools, established in the 13th century, during the Abbasid dynasty that ruled the Muslim world. Thousands attend the university, known especially for its colleges of science, literature, and education.

Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki blamed the attack on "terrorists and Saddamists" seeking revenge for Monday's hanging of two of Saddam Hussein's top aides, convicted with him for the slaying of 148 Shiite men and boys after a 1982 assassination attempt in the northern town of Dujail.

The violence Tuesday against Shiites may signal a campaign by Sunni insurgents to shed as much blood as possible before the deployment of 21,500 more American troops. Most of the additional U.S. troops will be used to back up the Iraqi army in a security sweep to rid the capital of Sunni and Shiite gunmen.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, in Kuwait for a meeting with eight Arab nations to discuss ways to keep Iraq from sliding into civil war, sought to lower any expectations that the troop buildup would quickly pacify the country.

"Violent people will always be able to kill innocent people," she said. "So even with the new security plan, with the will and capability of the Iraqi government and with American forces to help reinforce Iraqi forces, there is still going to be violence."

She said the U.N. civilian death figures differ from others. "But whatever the number of civilians who have died in Iraq — and there obviously are competing numbers — but whatever the number is, it's too many," she said.

The university bombing's death toll was the highest daily toll since suspected Al Qaeda in Iraq fighters staged a series of car bombs and mortar

attacks on Baghdad's Sadr City Shiite slum. That attack killed at least 213 people on Nov. 23.

The U.N. civilian casualty count for last year was announced in Baghdad by Gianni Magazzeni, the chief of the U.N. Assistance Mission for Iraq in Baghdad. He said 34,452 civilians died — an average of 94 a day — and 36,685 were wounded.

But Dr. Hakem al-Zamili, Iraq's deputy health minister, told The Associated Press the United Nations may be using unreliable sources for its casualty count. "They might be taking the figures from people who are opposed to the government or to the Americans," he said. "They are not accurate." He said he would provide Iraqi government figures later this week.

In early January, a compilation of Iraqi government figures put last year's civilian deaths at just 12,357. The numbers are gathered monthly by the AP from reports by three Iraqi agencies.

When asked about the difference, Magazzeni said the U.N. figures were compiled from information obtained through the Iraqi Health Ministry, hospitals across the country, and the Medico-Legal Institute in Baghdad.

He criticized the government for allowing much of the violence to go unpunished, saying urgent action was needed to re-establish law and order in the country to prevent its slide into all-out civil war.

"Without significant progress in the rule of law, sectarian violence will continue indefinitely and eventually spiral out of control," he warned.

The U.N. report also said that 30,842 people were detained in the country as of Dec. 31, including 14,534 held in U.S. military-run prisons.

At least 470,094 people throughout Iraq have been forced to leave their homes since the bombing of an important Shiite shrine, the Golden Dome mosque in Samarra, in February, the U.N. accounting said.

The report said the violence has disrupted education by forcing schools and universities to close, as well as sending professionals fleeing from the country.

In a summary of the report posted on its website Tuesday, the U.N. Assistance Mission said Iraq's women were particularly vulnerable, citing cases in which young women were abducted by armed militia and later discovered sexually assaulted, tortured, or murdered. In many cases, the agency said, families refuse to retrieve the bodies, out of shame.

As bombs detonated at Al-Mustansiriya University on Tuesday, there were a series of other attacks on Shiite neighborhoods in central Baghdad.

A bomb planted on a motorcycle exploded in a used auto and motorcycle parts market in a Shiite neighborhood. As people rushed to aide the victims of the first blast, a suicide car bomber drove his car into the crowd. Fifteen people died.

Raid Abbas, a 26-year-old who received shrapnel wounds in the attack, said he went to the market because the city had been quieter over the past two weeks.

"Shortly after midday, I heard an explosion. Motorcycles were flying in the air; people were falling dead and wounded," he said from his hospital bed.

About 45 minutes later, gunmen riding two motorcycles and in a van fired on another outdoor market in a mainly Shiite neighborhood near Sadr City. Police said at least 11 people were killed.

Of the 142 Iraqis killed or found dead Tuesday, 124 died in Baghdad. Police said they had been unable to complete their tally of dumped corpses in the eastern half of the city because of violence there.

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MEN GYMNASTS UNFAZED BY SHOWING



Hawkeye gymnast Matt Beiler practices on the high bar in the Field House as his teammates shout encouragement while waiting their turns on Tuesday. The men's gymnastics team had its first meet in Chicago on Jan. 13.

Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

Although the men's team suffered a fifth-place finish in the Windy City Invitational, Tom Dunn and the Hawks say they're on track for the season

DITV To catch video highlights and hear more about Hawkeye men's gymnastics training regimen, check out city cable channel 17, campus 4, or online at WWW.DAILYIOWAN.COM.

BY RYAN YOUNG
 THE DAILY IOWAN

When the Iowa men's gymnastics team left Chicago on Jan. 13 with a

fifth-place finish, the Hawkeyes knew their performance in the Windy City Invitational was well below winning caliber. It was their wake-up call.

Afterwards, head coach Tom Dunn admitted that a large portion of the outcome was the result of his not wanting to push his gymnasts too hard during the beginning stages of the season — partially to reduce the

number of injuries and the amount of fatigue.

Yet, although Dunn's decision to hold the squad's training intensity to a minimum in December and over winter break resulted in an early loss, he insists the team is right on schedule.

"We try to train at a consistent level," the 27-year head coach said. "We're not just going to change

everything just because we had one bad competition."

Moreover, he said, in previous years, when teams have done well in their first meets, they have had the tendency to tire out later on and not compete the best in the Big Ten and NCAA championships.

Fifth-year senior Jacques

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Q: How many kickoff returns have been taken back for touchdowns in Super Bowl history?



HAWKEYE BLOGGING

FORMER HAWKEYE STANDOUT JEFF HORNER IS CONTINUING HIS BLOG FOR THE D/ THIS SPRING. CHECK OUT DAILYIOWAN.COM TO SEE HORNER'S LATEST BLOG, IN WHICH HE TALKS ABOUT BEING HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS, HIS TEAM'S LATEST UPS AND DOWNS OVERSEAS, AND THE CHANCE TO MAKE A LIVING PLAYING BASKETBALL, EVEN IF IT'S NOT IN THE NBA.

MEN'S TRACK

Maier honored

Following his outstanding performance in the season-opening Hawkeye Invitational, Iowa junior Shane Maier was named Big Ten Field Event Athlete of the Week for the first time in his career, conference officials announced on Tuesday.

Competing against five other teams last weekend, Maier provisionally qualified for the NCAA meet in the shot put event with a winning throw of 59-5/8.



Maier
 shot putter

Joining nine other Hawkeyes in capturing event titles at the invitational, the Storm Lake, Iowa, native provisionally qualified for NCAA Indoor shot put for a third-straight season, nearing his qualifying mark of 61-2, recorded last season.

With the indoor season getting underway, the Hawkeyes will next compete at the co-ed Jack Johnson Classic in Minneapolis Friday and Saturday. All events will be held at the University of Minnesota Field House.

— by Charlie Kautz

ZAMBRANO

Zambrano asks for \$15.5 million

NEW YORK (AP) — Chicago Cub pitcher Carlos Zambrano asked for a raise to \$15.5 million, while batting champions Joe Mauer and Freddy Sanchez also sought big hikes in salary arbitration Tuesday.



Zambrano
 pitcher

AL MVP Justin Morneau and Florida star Miguel Cabrera looked to cash in, too, as 56 players exchanged figures with their teams.

Zambrano, who went 16-7 for the Cubs last year and made \$6.65 million, was offered \$11,025,000 by Chicago. Both his request and the club's offer were the highest numbers traded this year.

Cabrera, eligible for arbitration for the first time, asked for a raise from \$472,000 to \$7.4 million; he was offered \$6.7 million by the Marlins. The three-time All-Star hit .339 with 26 homers and 114 RBIs last year, his third-straight season with more than 110 RBIs.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — D.J. White and the Indiana Hoosiers plan on sticking around in the Big Ten championship race.

Following a loss two weeks ago at No. 7 Ohio State to open conference play, the Hoosiers won their fourth-straight Big Ten game with a 71-64 victory over Iowa on Tuesday night.

"We've got a lot to prove still," said White, who tied career highs with 23 points and 12 rebounds. "We feel that we're one of the best teams in the Big Ten, but a lot of people don't know that."

Roderick Wilmont had 15 points, and Armon Bassett scored 10 for the Hoosiers (13-4, 4-1), who led by as many as 21 points in the second half before allowing the Hawkeyes back into the game.

"For 32 minutes, I thought we were great on defense," Indiana coach Kelvin Sampson said. "We made some substitutions, lost our intensity, and Iowa's kids didn't stop playing."

Adam Haluska, the Big Ten's leading scorer entering the game, finished with 21 points, and Tyler Smith added 17 points and six assists for the Hawkeyes (10-8, 2-2), who had their four-game winning streak against Indiana snapped.

Iowa coach Steve Alford, who

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INDIANA 71, IOWA 64

Hawk rally falls short



Darron Cummings/Associated Press

Indiana guard A.J. Ratliff puts up a shot against Iowa guard Adam Haluska during the first half in Bloomington, Ind., on Tuesday. The Hoosiers won, 71-64.

FOOTBALL

ISU ramps up season tickets

'I think we're making a business decision that we think is going to benefit our department. We are putting our focus on selling season tickets.'

— Steve Malchow, Iowa State associate athletics director

BY LUKE MEREDITH
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

AMES — Fans looking to attend the Cyclones' home game against Iowa on Sept. 15 will have to do so with season tickets — and those aren't nearly as cheap as they used to be.

Iowa State will not sell single-game tickets for its 2007 matchup against the Hawkeyes. In an effort to increase its season-ticket base, tickets for the Iowa game can only be purchased as part of season ticket packages, which have risen anywhere from \$25 to \$90.

Iowa State sold a record 30,728 season tickets in 2006. Associate Athletics Director Steve Malchow said that momentum, combined with the buzz generated by the hiring of coach Gene Chizik and an attractive 2007 home schedule, prompted the school to

"ramp up" season ticket sales.

"I think we're making a business decision that we think is going to benefit our department," Malchow said. "We are putting our focus on selling season tickets."

Iowa State has raised season-ticket package prices across the board from 2006. Regular season tickets have jumped from \$260 to \$350, for an average of \$50 a game. "Cy's Pack," which includes seats at the far ends of the first and second levels of the grandstand, jumped from \$150 to \$195. Hillside seats that were \$125 will be \$150, and end-zone seats



Chizik
 football coach

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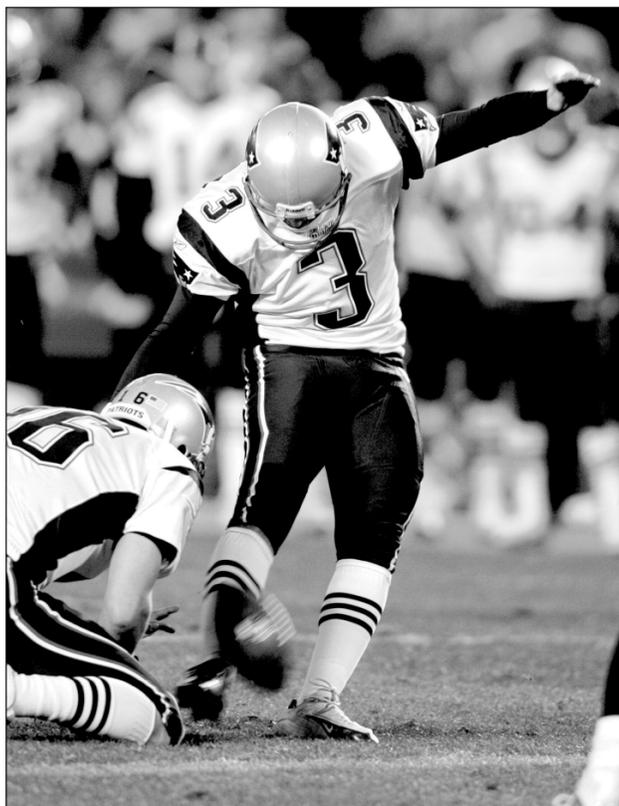
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Toronto	18	21	.462	—
New Jersey	17	20	.459	—
New York	17	22	.436	1
Boston	12	25	.324	5
Philadelphia	10	28	.263	7
Washington	11	27	.291	6
Orlando	22	17	.564	—
Miami	17	20	.459	4
Atlanta	12	23	.343	8
Charlotte	12	24	.333	8
Central	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	23	14	.622	—
Detroit	21	15	.583	1
Chicago	22	17	.564	2
Indiana	20	18	.526	3
Milwaukee	17	20	.459	6
WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	32	10	.762	—
San Antonio	27	12	.692	4
Houston	25	14	.641	6
New Orleans	15	22	.405	15
Memphis	9	30	.231	22
Northwest	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	24	14	.632	—
Minnesota	20	16	.556	3
Denver	18	17	.514	4
Portland	15	24	.385	9
Seattle	15	25	.375	10
Pacific	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	29	8	.784	—
L.A. Lakers	25	13	.658	4
Golden State	19	20	.487	11
L.A. Clippers	17	21	.447	12
Sacramento	14	21	.400	14

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Team	W	L	PCT	W L PCT
Wisconsin	3	0	1.000	17 1 .944
Indiana	4	1	.800	13 4 .765
Ohio St.	2	1	.667	14 3 .824
Michigan	2	1	.667	14 4 .778
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Purdue	2	2	.500	13 5 .722
Penn St.	1	2	.333	10 6 .625
Minnesota	1	2	.333	10 10 .412
Illinois	1	3	.250	7 6 .684
Northwestern	0	4	.000	10 7 .588

TOP 25 COLLEGE BASKETBALL				
Rank	Team	W	L	Pct
#6	Pittsburgh	63	10	.865
#11	Oklahoma State	105	21	.834
Utah	85	13	.869	
#17	Memphis	79	14	.848
#25	Kentucky	87	19	.819

Pats' rookie kicker sails along



Chris Park/Associated Press

New England's Stephen Gostkowski kicks against the San Diego Chargers during the AFC divisional round playoff football game on Sunday in San Diego. The Patriots beat the Chargers, 24-21.

BY HOWARD ULMAN

ASSOCIATED PRESS

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Pressure rolled off Stephen Gostkowski's back as smoothly as the football flew off his foot and sent New England to another AFC championship game.

Bill Belichick didn't hesitate to send Gostkowski out for the winning field goal at San Diego. The Patriot coach had done that so many times with Adam Vinatieri.

And, just like Vinatieri, the cool rookie came through in a big playoff game.

Gostkowski easily made his 31-yarder with 1:10 left Sunday, giving the Patriots a 24-21 win and stunning the favored Chargers in their home Sunday. The "k" in Gostkowski is as silent as the crowd, screaming for the Chargers throughout the game, fell when his kick sailed through the uprights.

"He's doing great," Tom Brady said. "Cross your fingers, hope it lasts another week."

The kick, as important as it was, was a prelude to an even bigger game on Jan. 21 — against Vinatieri and the Indianapolis Colts, with the winner going to the Super Bowl. Vinatieri's kicks already have won two of them for the Patriots, one on the final play of a 20-17 win over St. Louis in 2002, the other with four seconds left in a 32-29 victory over Carolina in 2004.

"If you can't handle pressure, you shouldn't be in the business," he said the day he was drafted. "You want to be able to kick that game-winning kick, because that's where people fall in love with you, kicking the ones that count. Everybody can make a million field goals and then miss the big one, and that's all [people] think about."

Gostkowski beat out veteran Martin Gramatica in training camp and made a clutch kick in his first pro game — a 32-yarder with 9:33 left that tied Buffalo 17-17 in a game the Patriots won 19-17.

"Stephen puts pressure on himself to make every kick," West said, "so, he probably doesn't feel added pressure in big situations."

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- Friday**
- Swimming and diving vs. Western Illinois, Fieldhouse Pool, 5 p.m.
 - Wrestling at Oklahoma State, 8 p.m.
 - Women's Tennis, Hawkeye Invitational, All day, Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Center.
 - Women's track at Arkansas Razorback Invite, TBA.
- Saturday**
- Swimming and diving vs. Illinois and Ohio State, Fieldhouse Pool, 11 a.m.

- Men's Gymnastics at Michigan, 6 p.m.
- Men's Basketball at Ohio State, 7:05 p.m.
- Men's Track, Jack Johnson Classic at Minneapolis, TBA.
- Women's Track, Jack Johnson Classic at Minneapolis, TBA.
- Women's Tennis, Hawkeye Invitational, Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Center. All day.

A: Seven. The first came courtesy of the Miami Dolphins' Fulton Walker in Super Bowl XVII. Packer kick returner Desmond Howard is the only one, however, to be named Super Bowl MVP.

Mickelson hopes to bounce back

BY DOUG FERGUSON

Maybe he was being a little reckless, taking too many risks, or simply found trouble at the wrong time. Whatever the case, it was a crash Phil Mickelson won't forget, and he confessed Tuesday that it left a scar.

He was talking, of course, about a skiing accident that kept him off the PGA Tour for three months.

"A scar happened in '94 when I broke my leg, and they cut it open and stuck in a rod," Mickelson said. "That's a scar."

His double bogey on the 72nd hole at the U.S. Open? That was a lesson.

"Losing the Open obviously hurt," Mickelson said. "But losing the PGA in 2001 hurt. Losing the Masters a number of years hurt. And losing the U.S. Open in 2004 making double [bogey] on 17 hurt. That's part of the game. And so, I think, it's a challenge to try to get past that, but it's also an opportunity to identify a weakness and improve it.

"And, hopefully, improve my performances from here on out."

Mickelson will make his 2007 debut today at the Bob Hope Classic, and he probably won't have to wait long to see what he learned. Fourteen of his 29 victories on the PGA Tour have come on the West Coast, and he has won the Hope twice since 2002.

It will be his first time inside the ropes since the Ryder Cup, though some might argue he didn't play there, either.



Michael Conroy/Associated Press

Phil Mickelson waits to putt on the 18th hole in the final round of the U.S. Open golf tournament at Winged Foot Golf Club in Mamaroneck, N.Y., on June 18, 2006.

Mickelson looked dazed at The K Club and went 0-4-1 for an American team that got waxed. He really hasn't shown up anywhere since that infamous meltdown on a late Sunday afternoon at Winged Foot.

Mickelson had a two-shot lead

with four holes to play in the final round of the U.S. Open, an amazing feat considering he couldn't find the fairway. It caught up to him on the 18th, when he hit a driver so far to the left that it clattered off trees and a corporate tent, sending him to a double bogey that left him one shot behind Geoff Ogilvy.

It wasn't the worst collapse; that goes to Colin Montgomerie, who made his double bogey with a 7-iron from the fairway. But crashes seem to look more spectacular involving Phil the Spect.

He played five more tournaments the rest of the year, his best finish a tie for 16th at the PGA Championship.

And the speculation began. What's wrong with Phil? How will he ever recover from such an ignominious failure?

All of which was misguided thinking.

Don't use the tail end of 2006 as evidence of emotional scar tissue, because Lefty rarely plays his best golf after the U.S. Open. Since his first full season on tour in 1993, only one-third of his top 10s and eight of his 29 victories occurred after the second major (that includes Pebble Beach in 1998, which ended in August).

And it's not like that was the first time Mickelson has been haunted by failure. Jack Nicklaus was runner-up 19 times in the majors, and don't think he wouldn't like to have a couple of those back. Tiger Woods went bogey-bogey in the 2005 U.S. Open when he was on the verge of tracking down Michael Campbell.

Gymnasts still on track



Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye Tom Buese practices on the rings in the Field House on Tuesday. The men's gymnastics team will compete against Michigan on Saturday in Ann Arbor.

"There's not much pressure for us right now, because we're not expecting any big victories. We're preparing ourselves, and we're slowly building our way up to the NCAA [championships]."

— Matt Beiler, senior gymnast

GYMNASTICS

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Bouchard, who agrees with Dunn's philosophy, said he's seen it prove to be successful.

"You don't want to go too hard; you'll burn yourself out halfway through the season," said Bouchard, who placed seventh on rings in Chicago. "The harder you train, the more [chance] there is for catastrophic injury."

This week, the men have been preparing for going on the road against Michigan, which took the Windy City meet and beat Iowa by 14.35 points. Dunn said he'll rearrange lineups and

routines but affirmed he isn't nervous about taking on a team that is arguably further ahead.

In contrast to this season, Iowa last year trounced Michigan at home and at both the Big Ten and NCAA tournaments.

"Competing in Michigan is always hard," Dunn said. "If we would have won the [Chicago] competition, we'd [still] have a hard time winning in Michigan. Our emphasis is on improving and getting ready for March."

Nevertheless, the Hawks agree that the wins that mean the most won't come for a few months.

"There's not much pressure

for us right now, because we're not expecting any big victories," senior Matt Beiler said. "We're preparing ourselves, and we're slowly building our way up to the NCAA [championships]."

Overall, it seems the adage of slow and steady has become the motto that will carry them back to par within a couple weeks, when they meet Illinois-Chicago on Jan 27.

"If it works out perfectly, the guys will be more tired in February and maybe not competing as well, but they'll be getting in better shape," Dunn said.

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ISU pushes season tickets



Lindsey Walters/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye wide receiver Dominique Douglas runs after a reception during the first quarter of Iowa's Sept. 16, 2006, game against Iowa State in Kinnick Stadium.

"We didn't compare ourselves with Iowa. We looked at the institutions we have in the Big 12, and we're comfortable that our numbers will be in the middle of the pack in the Big 12."

— Steve Malchow, Iowa State Associate Athletics Director

TICKETS

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increased from \$99 to \$125.

Iowa State student packages will be \$125, up from \$95.

Last season, Iowa State's regular-season ticket package price ranked 10th among Big 12 schools, according to a letter sent out by the school. But only three teams — Texas A&M, Texas, and Colorado — charged more than \$350 in 2006.

The Cyclones' 2007 home schedule will likely be much more appealing than its 2006 slate, which featured only one Top 25 opponent. Besides hosting the Hawkeyes, Iowa State will face Texas, Oklahoma, and Northern Iowa —

a 1-AA program that, nonetheless, usually attracts a strong crowd — along with Colorado, Kansas State, and Kent State.

By contrast, Iowa's 2007 season-ticket package for the general public is \$282 for six games, an average of \$47.

Iowa made single-game tickets to its home contest against the Cyclones last season available for \$60.

"We didn't compare ourselves with Iowa," Malchow said. "We looked at the institutions we have in the Big 12, and we're comfortable that our numbers will be in the middle of the pack in the Big 12."

Scoring drought dooms Hawkeyes



Darron Cummings/Associated Press

Iowa guard Mike Henderson defends Indiana forward DJ White during the second half in Bloomington, Ind., on Tuesday.

BASKETBALL

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played on Indiana's 1987 NCAA championship team, is now 7-7 against the Hoosiers during his coaching career.

"We had inconsistency tonight with our offense and defense, one half good and the other half bad," he said. "We are searching. It is a very difficult game to play if you don't have that certain individual that can get you into things."

The Hoosiers, who improved to 10-0 at home this season, took charge early in the first half following a Haluska lay-up that put Iowa ahead 10-8.

White's rebound and put-back tied the score and sparked an 11-0 run by Indiana over the next seven minutes. Lance Stemler's 3-pointer gave the Hoosiers a 19-10 advantage with 7:30 left.

"I thought our start was good

but it seemed like 10, 15 minutes before we scored," Alford said. "To have that kind of drought, it's hard to come back with a win."

Indiana extended its lead to 24-13 after White's basket with six minutes remaining, and the Hoosiers went up 29-17 on Wilmont's 3-pointer to end the half.

Wilmont made three 3-pointers and scored 11 points, and White added eight points and six rebounds to lead Indiana in the first half. The Hawkeyes shot 32 percent from the field and committed 10 turnovers before the break.

The Hoosiers began the second half with a Bassett 3-pointer and a White lay-up to take a 34-17 edge.

Iowa cut the deficit to 44-32 following Haluska's basket with 13 minutes left, but Indiana answered with a 12-3 run, which was capped by White's lay-up to put the Hoosiers

ahead 56-35 midway through the second half.

"D.J. is just now starting to score big, and we've been winning," Sampson said. "He's a much better player today than he was a month ago, and that's the encouraging thing for us."

The Hawkeyes made a late rally, closing to within 68-60 after Haluska's lay-up with 37 seconds left. Indiana then made

three free throws down the stretch to seal the victory.

"You have to give Iowa credit because its kids are not going to stop playing," Sampson said.

"Its kids are tough, and they're fighters. I don't worry about the last eight minutes — I worry about stuff like that maybe in November."

INDIANA 71, IOWA 64				
IOWA (10-8)				
	FGs/FGA	FT/FTA	PTS	
Smith	8-17	1-2	17	
Gorney	5-7	2-3	12	
Haluska	7-16	5-6	21	
Johnson	1-4	2-2	4	
Henderson	2-4	1-2	5	
Angle	0-0	0-0	0	
Freeman	0-3	0-0	0	
Tate	1-2	1-1	3	
Lobby	1-2	0-0	2	
Totals	25-55	12-16	64	

INDIANA (13-4)				
	FGs/FGA	FT/FTA	PTS	
D.White	10-13	3-5	23	
Stemler	2-6	2-2	7	
Bassett	2-5	4-4	10	
Wilmont	6-14	0-0	15	
Calloway	2-8	4-6	8	
Suhr	0-0	0-0	0	
Ratliff	3-6	0-0	8	
Allen	0-0	0-0	0	
M.White	0-0	0-0	0	
Shaw	0-2	0-0	0	
Totals	25-54	13-17	71	

Halftime—Indiana 29-17
3-Point Goals—Iowa 2-10 (Haluska 2-7, Freeman 0-1, Johnson 0-1, Smith 0-1), Indiana 8-21, (Wilmont 3-8, Bassett 2-3, Ratliff 2-4, Stemler 1-5, Shaw 0-1)
Fouled Out—Lobby
Rebounds—Iowa 33 (Smith 6), Indiana 32 (D.White 12)
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SPORTS

Iran gives U.S. wrestlers warm welcome

HORSE RACING

Barbaro improves following weekend surgery

KENNETT SQUARE, Pa. (AP) — Barbaro has "improved considerably," after weekend surgery to remove a section of his laminitis-stricken left rear hoof.

The Kentucky Derby winner was "stable and comfortable" Tuesday, said Dean Richardson, the chief surgeon at the University of Pennsylvania's New Bolton Center, where Barbaro has been recovering since shattering his right rear leg in the Preakness Stakes on May 20.

"Barbaro's comfort improved considerably, following the procedure on Saturday morning," Richardson said in an update released by the center. "He has been standing and moving around his stall well enough that sling support has not been added since."

Richardson said the 4-year-old's appetite has improved and that his vital signs are stable.

"Overall, we are pleased with his progress following the setback to his left hind foot," Richardson said. Last July, Barbaro developed severe laminitis, an often fatal hoof disease caused by uneven weight distribution in the limbs, in his left hind hoof. Eighty percent of that hoof was removed.

Last week, Barbaro suffered his first significant setback since, with Richardson removing damaged tissue from the colt's left hind hoof after he became noticeably uncomfortable. On Jan. 13, Barbaro had surgery to remove another section of hoof.

At the time, Richardson said that a tendon was cut to help decrease its pull on a bone.

and in that year's tournament, some 12,000 fans in Tehran erupted in applause as a U.S. wrestler waved the Iranian flag after winning a silver medal.

Khatami and the reformists favored improved relations with the United States, which cut off diplomatic ties during the 1979 revolution that overthrew the U.S.-backed shah. Since the revolution, opposition to the "Great Satan" has been an unwavering stance of Iran's hard-liners.

The reformists controlled parliament and had widespread popular support. But unelected clerical bodies dominated by hard-liners prevented them from openly embracing the United States — so wrestling and other sports exchanges provided an opening they hoped to build on.

U.S. teams participated in Iranian wrestling tournaments from 1998 to 2004, and Iran sent teams to various sports competitions in the U.S.

But the sports link began to sour even before Khatami left power, particularly after Bush branded Iran part of the "axis of evil" in 2002, following the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States. Besides the 2003 Iranian boycott of the New York wrestling matches, Iranian wrestlers and fencers also refused to participate in U.S. tournaments in 2004, to protest U.S. troops fighting Shiite militiamen in Shiite holy cities of Iraq.



Associated Press

U.S. freestyle wrestler Muhammed Lawal arrives at the airport in Bandar Abbas, Iran, on Tuesday. The U.S. wrestlers arrived to compete in the Persian Gulf Cup, the top wrestling tournament in Iran.

already bad relations between Tehran and Washington.

Despite the courteous welcome, it was clear the Iranian government was not touting the U.S. visit as an attempt to bridge their differences — unlike Ahmadinejad's predecessor, reformist President Mahmoud Khatami.

Iranian media gave low-key coverage of the wrestlers Tuesday, with government-run newspapers, radio, and television mentioning their arrival but making no commentary.

The visit came on the same day a U.S. aircraft carrier group was to start heading for the region in what Washington has said is a show of strength directed at Tehran.

Bandar Abbas lies on the northern side of the Strait of Hormuz, the entrance to the Gulf, which is patrolled by U.S. warships. American battleships can be seen from the city.

President Bush has accused Iran and its ally Syria of fueling bloodshed in Iraq and vowed the U.S. military would prevent

them from supplying militants in the war-torn country.

Khatami, who was president from 1997 to 2005, encouraged cultural and sports exchanges with the United States to bring down the "wall of mistrust" between the two nations.

In 1998, a U.S. wrestling team became the first U.S. sports team to visit Iran since the 1979 Islamic revolution, when it participated in the same Persian Gulf Cup. Their arrival was eagerly awaited by the public,

BY ALI AKBAR DAREINI
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEHRAN, Iran — U.S. wrestlers were welcomed to Iran on Tuesday with bouquets of pink and white flowers at a time of increasing tensions between the two countries, recalling the days before Tehran's reformers were defeated by its current hard-line leadership.

The Americans, wearing jackets emblazoned with "USA Wrestling," were given the warm greeting by young girls in traditional Iranian dresses at an airport in the southern city of Bandar Abbas.

The 14 wrestlers are to participate Thursday and Friday in the Persian Gulf Cup, also known as the Takhti Cup, the top wrestling tournament in Iran, where the sport has been a national obsession for centuries.

In a small — but, for Iranians, significant — goodwill gesture, the American wrestlers were exempted from having their fingerprints taken as they entered the country. Iran imposed the fingerprint requirement on Americans after the U.S. imposed a similar rule on visiting Iranians. In 2003, Iran boycotted the world freestyle wrestling championships in New York because of the U.S. policy, seen as humiliating.

It is the first time that Americans have participated in the competition since hard-line President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad came to power in 2005, further souring

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“ We may adjust the prices as we discover the full extent of the damage next week, but for now, if you bought an orange at the supermarket for 50 cents, expect to pay \$1 to \$1.49 for it.”
— Todd Steel, owner of Royal Vista Marketing, which sells California citrus to markets throughout the country. A heavy freeze has ruined as much as three-quarters of the California citrus crop

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ANDREW R. JUHL

Still looking to fill a few semester hours?

- **01F:105** — Concepts in Drawing. To be covered: “Drawing well” & “Not drawing poorly.”
 - **01M:024** — Undergraduate Relief. Meets on the bridge near the Theatre Building at midnight. Come alone, and have cash in hand if you want “the stuff.”
 - **002:087** — Spring Flora. Class dedicated to breaking Flora Withers, wrongly convicted of treason, out of a federal maximum security prison. Some of you won't be coming back; those who do will get an A.
 - **008:130** — Literature and the Book. Can be taken concurrently with 008:310 (Writing and the Pencil).
 - **016:017** — Twentieth Century Crisis. And why everything's all better now!
 - **22C:019** — Discrete Structures. Not to be confused with 22Q:019 (Discrete Structures), a class about ninja gazebos and plainclothes bodegas.
 - **22M:127** — Matrix Theory. Semester-long discussion about why the last two movies sucked hard-core. Concurrent enrollment in 01M:024 (Undergraduate Relief) allowed (and encouraged).
 - **028:020** — Alcohol and Your College Experience. Propagandist (hic) nonsense.
 - **029:120** — Introduction to Astrophysics II. Course applicable towards your Masters of the Universe Degree.
 - **036:017** — Theory and Practice of Argument. A class taught by a panel of my ex-girlfriends.
 - **036:018** — Parliamentary Procedure. How to insult people with civility and on C-SPAN.
 - **061:005** — Microbes and Our World. I guarantee this class will grow on you.
- Andrew R. Juhl received an A+ in 009:026 (Oral Expression in French), but he retook the class three times anyway.
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today's events

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- **Fitness Week**, TBA, Field House
- **Human Rights Week 2007, "People Like Us: Social Class in America,"** 9 a.m., 8008 UIHC Carver Pavilion
- **Preschool Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Preschool Story Time**, 10 a.m., North Liberty Community Center, 520 W. Cherry St., North Liberty
- **Human Rights Week 2007, "Race: The Power of an Illusion Episodes 1, 2, and 3,"** 11:30 a.m., 8008 UIHC Carver Pavilion
- **Staff Council meeting**, 2:30 p.m., location TBA
- **eAudio Training Session**, 4 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Human Rights Week 2007, Darfur Genocide Presentation and Discussion**,

- **Graduate Social Work Student Association**, 5:30 p.m., 343 IMU
- **Human Rights Week 2007, "Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration of Life," song, dance, and prose**, 6 p.m., Main Library Shambaugh Auditorium
- **Planning Meeting: March on Washington**, 6 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Great Bluegrass Herons**, 7 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Preschool Story Time**, 7 p.m., North Liberty Community Library
- **New Year's Resolution Seminar**, 7:45 p.m., Robert A. Lee Recreation Center, 220 S. Gilbert
- **Left of Center, A Hill to Die Upon, The Post-Mortems, and Fludder**, 9 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington
- **The Jam**, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

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- 3 p.m.** "Live from Prairie Lights," Peter Behrens
- 4** UI Faculty & Guest Lectures
- 6** College of Education
- 7** "Live from Prairie Lights," Peter Behrens
- 8** UI Faculty & Guest Lectures
- 9:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update
- 9:45** Ueye: Insight and Information about Student Life, Activities and Recreation
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Wednesday, January 17, 2007
— by Eugenia Last

- ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Take a moment, and realize that you aren't alone. You may be feeling a little emotionally spent today, but you have more support and help than you realize. If you need to retreat, someone will pick up the slack.
- TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Take a moment, and realize that you aren't alone. You may be feeling a little emotionally spent today, but you have more support and help than you realize. If you need to retreat, someone will pick up the slack.
- GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Deal with the things as they happen, and you will be able to control the situation better. A financial opportunity is apparent or a gift or surprise will brighten your day. Too many personal choices will lead to confusion.
- CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Don't allow others to influence you emotionally. You may feel the need to make a change that will lead to a new position because of a misunderstanding or unfortunate occurrence with a peer or colleague.
- LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Someone is not telling you the whole story. Find out for yourself before you make a decision regarding a partnership. An opportunity to move forward with a project may not be as cut and dried as you had hoped.
- VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Take a peek at what's going on with your children, friends, or peers, and you will have greater insight into what you can do to help out. Your ability to bring added detail to whatever project you work on will be impressionable. Don't let anyone take you for granted.
- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** A chance to do things with friends or to get in touch with someone from your past about whom you can't stop thinking will lead to an interesting idea. You may even change your mind about something you've labored over for years.
- SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** You may think you are ahead of the competition, but you are likely to be surprised. Take this as a lesson learned. It's not too late if you can bring yourself to cut a few corners.
- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Be persistent, and stand your ground today. Appeal to the emotions of others if you want to get support. Don't be afraid to reveal what you have been through in order to change the mind of someone you need on your side.
- CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** You'll be emotional, unpredictable, and upset with anyone who can't grasp what you are trying to do. Retreat, and rethink your strategy if you want to come out on top. You must maintain a position of strength.
- AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Deception, disillusionment, and dealing with any kind of stimulants may be tempting, but they will not solve any of the problems you face. Stay true to yourself and honest with others. You can turn this rather confusing day into a creative turning point in your life.
- PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Nothing will be the way you think it should be. Don't count on anyone or anything to fall into place for you. You will be as unpredictable as everything and everyone in your life. Rethink your position.



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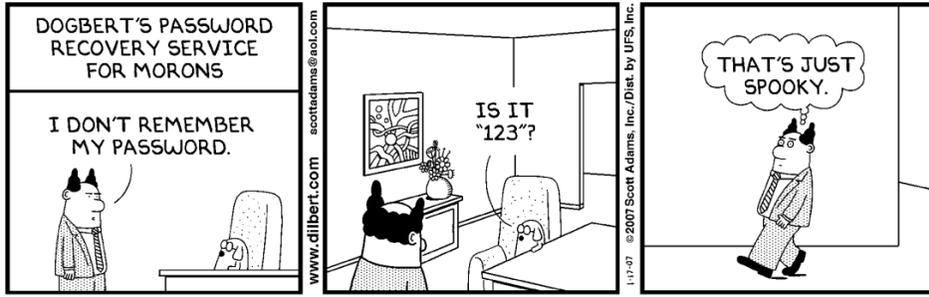
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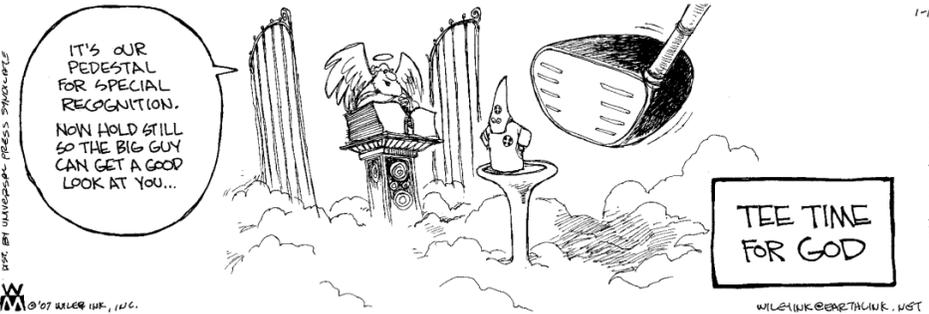
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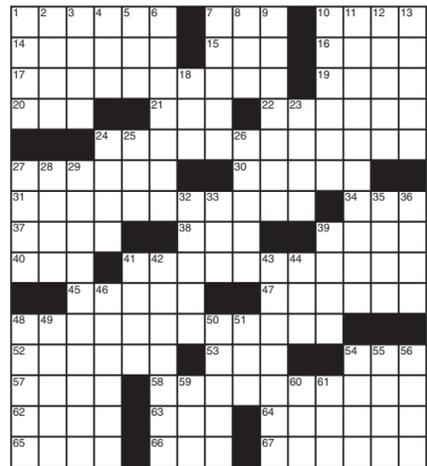


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Edited by Will Shortz

No. 1206

- ACROSS**
- 1 One way to pay 7 "Mazel ___!"
 - 10 "___ next?"
 - 14 Illinois River city
 - 15 "___ tu," aria sung by Renato
 - 16 Disabled
 - 17 Chessboard extremities
 - 19 Suffix with corrupt
 - 20 Tapped out
 - 21 Grunt: Abbr.
 - 22 Coal, essentially
 - 24 Adventurous hero of old
 - 27 Goodbyes
 - 30 Temper, informally
 - 31 Hip-hop subgenre
 - 34 Einstein's birthplace
 - 37 "Them!" bugs
 - 38 Trial lawyer's advice
 - 39 Simple rhyme scheme
 - 40 Arctic explorer John
 - 41 Intruder in Mr. McGregor's garden
 - 45 \$10 to \$12 an hour, e.g.
 - 47 Sans intermission, maybe
 - 48 Some public transportation
 - 52 The heebie-jeebies
 - 53 Subsidy
 - 54 Question calling for an explanation
 - 57 Tease
 - 58 Continental connection ... and a hint to 17-, 24-, 31-, 41- and 48-Across
 - 62 6 7/8, e.g.
- DOWN**
- 1 Popular MP3 player
 - 2 Prefix with -itis
 - 3 Perfume name
 - 4 "You ___ here" (map notation)
 - 5 Title for Isaac Newton
 - 6 One pulling strings?
 - 7 Extra inning
 - 8 TV planet
 - 9 Innards
 - 10 Fan sounds
 - 11 Words to a good-looker
 - 12 DuPont fiber
 - 13 Blockage reliever
 - 18 G.P.A. part: Abbr.
 - 23 "What ___!" ("That's robbery!")
 - 24 They're tapped
 - 25 Sweater letters
 - 26 Pull: Fr.
 - 27 Food thickener
 - 28 Delany of "China Beach"
 - 29 Between-acts musical fare
 - 32 Perfume name
 - 33 Feel regret for
 - 35 Of the flock
 - 36 Drudge on the Internet
 - 39 Genesis victim
 - 41 One of 12 popes
 - 42 English-born centenarian actress Winwood
 - 43 Track foundation
 - 44 Singer DiFranco
 - 46 Blows away
 - 48 A mummy may have one
 - 49 Studio sign
 - 50 Accumulated
 - 51 Purge
 - 54 Part of a home entertainment system
 - 55 Leer at
 - 56 Sport
 - 59 Long-eared beast
 - 60 1990's Indian P.M.
 - 61 Prefix with bar



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