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Rodham Clinton, Romney hit Iowa



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Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton speaks with the media during a visit to Cedar Rapids on Jan. 27. Rodham Clinton was in Iowa over the weekend to bolster support for her 2008 run for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Bill aims at Darfur money



Connolly senator



Pettengill representative

BY MASON KERNS
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa could soon become the seventh state to ensure that its public-pension money isn't funding the genocide that continues to ravage Darfur, Sudan.

A study bill introduced Jan. 26 by Sen. Michael Connolly, D-Dubuque, calls for the Iowa treasurer, the state Board of Regents, and the directors of the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System to withdraw state funds believed to be used by the Arab-dominated Sudanese government and its proxy Janjaweed militias to wage ethnic cleansing against the Darfuris.

The measure, which is not yet an official Senate file, would be aimed — unlike a failed Iowa House divestment measure introduced last year — solely at companies proven to help the rogue Janjaweed fighters kill Darfuri citizens, rather than at all businesses operating in the region. To complement the Senate legislation, Rep. Dawn Pettengill, D-Mount Auburn, said she plans to introduce a bill in the Iowa House that will be modeled on California's successful divestment campaign.

"We're really going to start drumming up grass-roots support," said Pettengill, who is unhappy that IPERS hasn't divested on its own. "IPERS wants to wait for the federal government to come up with a list [of companies to divest from]. But that's never going to happen, and in the meantime, we're still invested there."

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Hillary talks tough on Iraq

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BY NEAL SAUERBERG
THE DAILY IOWAN

CEDAR RAPIDS — In a crowded home in southeastern Cedar Rapids, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., acknowledged that wherever she goes, her work attracts a lot of attention from people across the political spectrum.

"I do seem to engender strong feelings, both positive and negative," she said.

The Jan. 27 stop in Cedar Rapids was part of a statewide campaign trip that marked her first visit to Iowa since 2003. In her two-day tour of the Hawkeye State, Rodham Clinton emphasized to voters her stances on various foreign-policy issues, while advocating for universal health care and touting her leadership strategies.

In the coming weeks in Congress, she said, she plans to work with members of both political parties to create a statement of disapproval about President Bush's decision to raise the number of American troops in Iraq.

The senator said she supports some Democrats' call to put a stop to Bush's planned troop increase in Iraq by withholding congressional funding. Yet, she said, she doesn't favor a total freeze on financing the war.

Her comments on the conflict also carried over into how America should deal with its allies.

"I do want to cut off funding for the Iraqi army because it's not doing its part," Rodham Clinton told *The Daily Iowan*. "We aren't going to be funding forces to be part of a sectarian war."

Meanwhile, when questioned about how to best deal with Iran, Rodham Clinton said Bush made a major mistake by "outsourcing" diplomacy to Europe and the international community.

The senator said American-Soviet relations during the Cold War show that nations cannot refuse to communicate if they hope to peacefully coexist. She called on the Bush administration to begin immediate bilateral discussions with Iran.

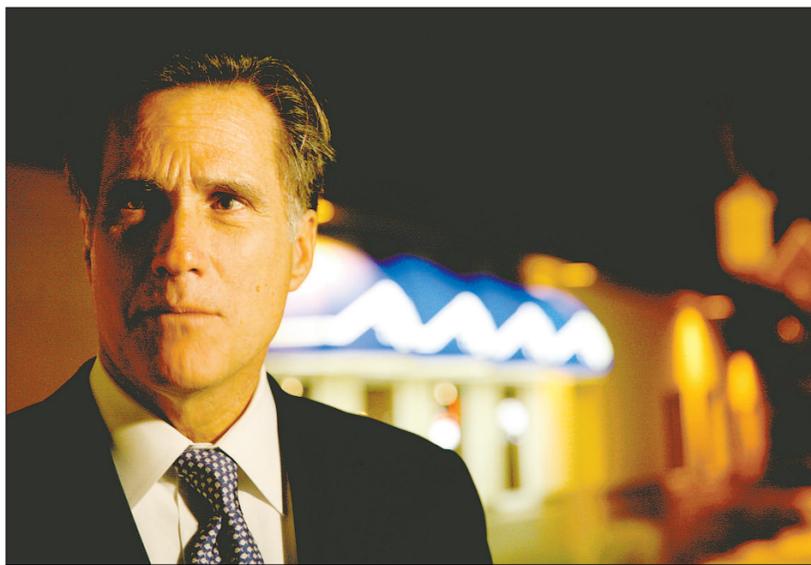
Those lines of communication need to extend to the Iraqis as well, said Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa, who attended the Jan. 27 event.

With the wide range of international issues facing the United States, Rodham Clinton said she feels she is uniquely qualified to lead the nation.

"I know how dangerous the world is," she said. "I'm a senator from New York, after all."

Rodham Clinton held a town hall meeting in Des Moines on the afternoon of Jan. 27, and while there, she traveled

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Former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney takes a minute to think while answering questions from the media outside the Hoffman House in Dubuque on Jan. 26. Romney was stumping to gain support for his 2008 Republican presidential-nomination bid.

Romney touts his conservative side

BY ERIC RODRIGUEZ
THE DAILY IOWAN

DUBUQUE — As Mitt Romney walked up to the podium and prepared to give his speech to a packed banquet hall in Dubuque on Jan. 26, two young supporters rose from their dinner table and screamed, "We love you, Mitt."

"It's a good thing I brought my family here, isn't it?" Romney chuckled in response.

The scene made up part of the typical affair for a presidential candidate — hand-

shakes, discussions about policies, and attempts to persuade Iowans and the nation that he is the real deal for 2008.

Romney stuck to political basics in his speech, introducing his son, Tag Romney, and displaying his family values. He described his early business days in Massachusetts, laid out plans for the economy and the war on terror, and backed such conservative issues as restrictions against abortion and a policy against gay marriage.

With low presidential approval numbers, an increasingly unpopular Iraq

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Sports donors under review

BY DEAN TREFTZ
THE DAILY IOWAN

WASHINGTON — Prompted by high-profile stories of lucrative salaries for collegiate coaches as tuition continues to rise nationwide, Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, is investigating the role that tax-deductible contributions play in university athletics.

Specifically, Grassley — the ranking Republican on the Senate Finance Committee — is taking a look at tax-exempt donations that give donors higher priority for such perks as luxury seats and game-day parking spots.

"I worry that these tax breaks may be eaten away by universities that raise tuition all the time," he told *The Daily Iowan*. "I want to know, what does it contribute to the educational purposes of the university?"

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TIPPIE TURNS 80

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Man charged in domestic incident

BY EMILEIGH BARNES
THE DAILY IOWAN

Police have arrested an Iowa City man, alleging that he sexually assaulted a woman and held her in his residence against her will between 1 a.m. and 4 a.m. on Jan. 27.

A fight began when Carl Wixom, 23, wanted to make sure the woman wasn't having sex with another man, officers said. He demanded she take off her pants and forcibly "jammed his finger" into her vagina, police said.

The two were living together at the time, officers reported.

Afterwards, the woman tried to leave the home with her belongings, police said, but while she was waiting for a taxi, Wixom dragged her by her hair back into the 809 S. Summit St. residence.

Iowa City police Sgt. Doug Hart said the department has dealt with similar charges several times before.

"It's nothing unusual," he said. "We get domestics every day."

Neighbors reported to police that they could hear an argument coming from Wixom's residence and asked officers to check on the welfare of the

woman, according to a police complaint dated Jan. 27.

Authorities reported that when they arrived, Wixom admitted he had been in an argument and physical fight with the woman. The woman had several scratches and marks on her face, and Wixom had a scratch on his face and a bruise on his stomach, police said.

More information on the woman's condition, such as whether alcohol and/or drugs were involved in the incident, was not released Sunday.

Wixom now faces a serious misdemeanor charge of false

imprisonment, a Class C felony charge of third-degree sexual abuse, and a serious misdemeanor charge of domestic assault.

On Sunday, he was being held in Johnson County Jail on \$15,000 cash-only bond.

Wixom has a series of prior criminal convictions, including one for violating a no-contact order. Online court records show the order was handed down to protect another person against domestic abuse, which Wixom breached on June 20, 2006.

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PANEL BEGINS UI-HEAD SEARCH

BY TERRY MCCOY
THE DAILY IOWAN

As it ventures into the "idea collection" stage of its search for the next university president, the new UI presidential-search committee has vowed to keep a majority of its meeting public, officials said on Sunday.

The panel met for the first time on Jan. 26 to discuss what protocols it should adopt to best seek out the university's next leader, said committee head David Johnsen, the dean of the UI College of Dentistry.

Before the panel establishes how it will sift through names for the university's next leader, various university constituencies need to be consulted, said committee member Gene

Parkin, a UI professor of civil-environmental engineering.

Johnsen has formed a small subcommittee to determine what characteristics various university groups and colleges think the next president should possess, as well as how to attract prospective candidates. He said he doesn't know which college he will meet with first.

"We want ways to engage the community," he said. "We are just trying to get input from the greater UI community and then trying to get the best person that we can."

Parkin said the ideas amassed from the university groups will help searchers adopt a concise, unified message to aggressively lure candidates.

The 13-member search com-

mittee must complete the "idea collection" phase rapidly if it is going name the next president by its July 1 deadline, Johnsen said. He understands the deadline is an ambitious one, he said, but without it, the search would drag.

The Jan. 26 meeting was the first in what Johnsen said he hopes will turn into a series of public Friday assemblies.

He said he will only call for executive sessions — meetings closed to the public — when the committee needs to discuss the

names of presidential candidates.

If a hopeful's "confidentiality is breached, there is a very good chance that the next day he or she will no longer be a candidate, and the legitimacy of the committee could be compromised," Johnsen said.

Regardless of what measures the panel implements, the most important decisions regarding former UI President David Skorton's successor will be made by the state Board of Regents, Johnsen said.

"This whole search began with the regents," he said. "And it is going to end with the regents."

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Johnsen dean

FIRE CUTS RESIDENCE



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Firefighters responded to an accidental fire that spread to a two-story house from an outdoor trash can at 111 Evans St. at 12:45 p.m. Sunday; the blaze is likely to result in a "total loss" for the residents, said Dan Smith, an Iowa City Fire Department battalion chief. Damage to the house — which was "fully engulfed in flames" — is estimated to be approximately \$104,000, according to a news release.

At least six fire trucks, an ambulance, two police cars, and a Red Cross worker responded to the blaze, with aid from Coralville, Solon, and North Liberty. Flames charred the entire back of the house, and spread to the sides. Some of the house's siding melted, revealing insulation and supports.

Firefighters extinguished the fire in approximately 45 minutes; they were on the scene for about three hours, according to the release. None of the house's four occupants was injured.

POLICE BLOTTER

Arkisha Armour, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Jan. 27 with assault causing injury and public intoxication.
Brayden Bergren, 21, Mediapolis, Iowa, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.
Jeanette Brunkhorst, 43, 602 Fifth Ave., was charged Jan. 25 with fifth-degree theft.
Staci Clay, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Jan. 26 with OWI.
Joseph Diaz, 18, E336 Currier, was charged Jan. 25 with public intoxication.
Billy Dorn, 42, address unknown, was charged Jan. 26 with public intoxication.
Jennifer Federsen, 22, Moline, Ill., was charged Jan. 25 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Amy Gaul, 25, Mount Pleasant, Iowa, was charged Jan. 22 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Jennifer Gregory, 26, 2401 Highway 6 E Apt. 3415, was charged Jan. 25 with driving with a suspend-

ed/canceled license.
John Gruenwald, 18, Moline, Ill., was charged Sunday with presence in a bar after hours and PAULA.
Joseph Hahn, 21, 2661 Lakeside Drive Apt. 3, was charged Jan. 27 with possession of marijuana and OWI.
Carrie Hanks, 30, 2801 Highway 6 E Apt. 4602, was charged Jan. 25 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Jon Hansen, 19, 831D Mayflower, was charged Jan. 26 with public intoxication.
Jeshua Harbaugh-Williams, 18, N212 Hillcrest, was charged Jan. 26 with PAULA, public intoxication, and presence in a bar after hours.
Colin Harms, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Jan. 27 with OWI.
Marquita Hunley, 23, Coralville, was charged Dec. 18, 2006, with assault causing injury.
Courtney Jackson, 22, 2482 Lakeside Drive Apt. 9, was charged Jan. 25 with second-offense domestic assault.

Odell Jackson, 47, 334 Finkbine Lane Apt. 4, was charged Jan. 26 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Andrew Jensen, 19, 848 S. Summit St., was charged Jan. 26 with PAULA.
Eric Keeler, 27, Coralville, was charged Jan. 27 with public intoxication.
Grant Kuhlmann, 18, 650 S. Johnson St. Apt. 12, was charged Jan. 26 with keeping a disorderly house.
John McClain, 18, Norwalk, Iowa, was charged Jan. 27 with PAULA.
Jeanne McClure, 36, Chicago, was charged Jan. 25 with possession of marijuana.
Kathleen Paone, 21, Mount Prospect, Ill., was charged Jan. 27 with public intoxication.
Harry Plendl, 28, 125 River St. Apt. 5, was charged Jan. 27 with public intoxication.
Allison Plueger, 19, 293 Hawkeye

Court, was charged Sunday with PAULA.
Daniel Poklaki, 18, Chicago, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and presence in a bar after hours.
Pablo Sepulveda, 48, Washington, Iowa, was charged Jan. 25 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Norma Silva, 33, North Liberty, was charged Jan. 25 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Philip Swanson, 21, 308 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 1133, was charged Jan. 26 with public intoxication.
Samie Wagner, 19, 728 E. Washington St., was charged Sunday with PAULA.
Brandon Ward, 20, 2018 Taylor Drive, was charged Jan. 26 with interference with official acts.
Ricky Watt, 32, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 1608, was charged Sunday with OWI.
Rusty Wolfe, 18, Muscatine, was charged Jan. 26 with presence in a bar after hours and PAULA.

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Hillary running fourth in Iowa

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door-to-door and introduced herself to prospective voters. The senator wrapped up her stop to Iowa by conversing with Democratic supporters in Davenport on Sunday morning.

In Cedar Rapids, Dale Todd, the father of an epileptic child, held back tears while praising the senator for supporting the Lifespan Respite Care Act.

"Before the bill passed, there was not much money in the [federal] budget for epilepsy research," Todd said.

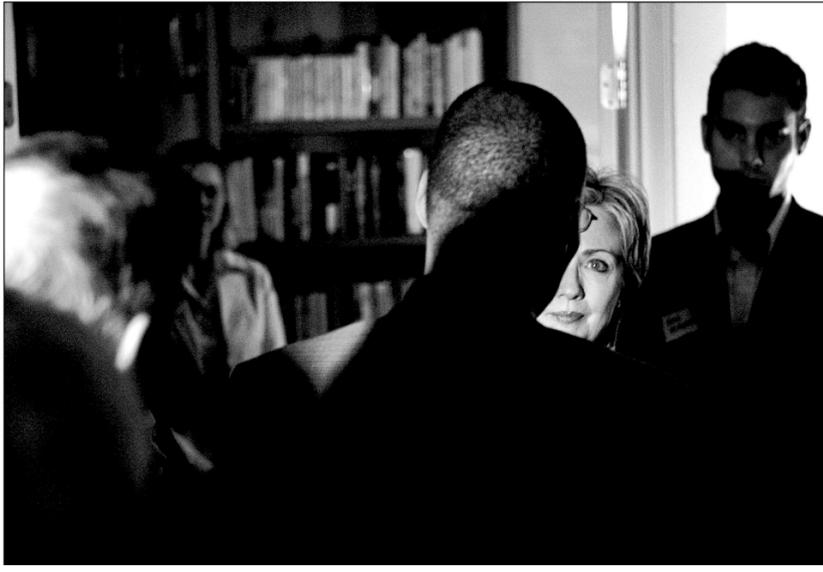
The bipartisan legislation, co-sponsored by Sen. John Warner, R-Va., received Congressional approval in December. It aims to help disabled Americans and their caregivers by providing states with more local options and funding.

Despite her efforts to gain support from Iowans, Rodham Clinton must make up ground if she hopes to win the state in 2008, recent poll numbers show. A Zogby telephone poll conducted on Jan. 15 and 16 put the senator fourth among prospects for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2008.

Roughly 16 percent of likely Iowa caucusgoers said they would support Rodham Clinton in her run for her party's nomination.

The candidates leading the Zogby poll are Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., at 27 percent, Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., at 17 percent, and former Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack at 16 percent.

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Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton listens to local supporter Dale Todd during a visit to Cedar Rapids on Jan. 27. Todd attended the event to thank the senator for her work in passing the Lifetime Respite Care Bill. Todd's son, Adam, suffers from epilepsy.

Romney faces uphill battle

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war, and the GOP's loss of both houses of Congress in 2006, the 2008 election could be a tough one for a Republican to win.

But Romney is confident that he can prevail in 2008 by focusing on such issues as health care and education. He added that he hopes the crisis in Iraq will calm before election time.

"I believe I could help make America become a more secure and prosperous nation," he said. UI College Republicans Vice President Crystal Bouziden said she was impressed with Romney, and she thinks it will be interesting to see who wins in 2008, especially if the Iraq conflict continues to hover in the background.

"It's interesting to see who the American people choose to be president and handle the Iraq war," she said.

Romney may also face obstacles

regarding his past stances on such issues as abortion and gay rights. In 1994, he said abortion should be "safe and legal" in the United States, and he supported the Clinton administration's "don't ask, don't tell" military policy as a means for homosexuals to serve in the military.

But on Jan. 26, Romney insisted he was against gay rights and abortion. Before his speech, he spoke of the four pieces of legislation he signed against abortion rights as governor of Massachusetts.

"In every case, I sided on the sanctity of human life," he said.

Greg Baker, the president of UI College Republicans, said that because the other GOP candidates — including former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and Ariz. Sen. John McCain — are big draws, the 2008 primaries will be a challenge.

"This election has amazing competition," Baker said. "It's not going to be an easy run."

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Sports donors under scrutiny

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For instance, he pointed to new Alabama football coach Nick Saban, who is slated to earn \$32 million over the next eight years. Those salaries, Grassley said, concerned him that universities and their athletics departments were losing sight of their scholastic mission.

He was quick to emphasize that his investigation is in its early stages and that he doesn't know what the result will be, but any potential change in contributions could greatly affect the financial makeup at the UI and other colleges nationwide.

The revenue brought in by the tax-deductible contributions is essential to make sure Hawkeye athletics is pulling its weight in university finances, said Hawkeye Athletics Director Gary Barta.

"The revenue we bring in for football, including contributions, pays for the other 24 sports," he said.

Donations will become more crucial this year as the Iowa athletics department becomes financially independent from the university's state funds, he said. At present, the athletics department relies on \$800,000 from the university out of its \$56 million budget.

In fiscal 2006, the UI received roughly \$20 million through athletics donations, which qualify donors for priority seating at sporting events through the I-Club program.

Though Andy Piro, the UI Foundation senior athletics

fundraiser, declined to speculate on potential effects of changes in criteria for tax-exempt donations, he said he was not worried about the investigation.

"We're confident [that] any review by Sen. Grassley or Congress would only reinforce [intercollegiate athletics'] value," Piro said.

Grassley, a fiscal conservative and well-known penny-pincher, is no stranger to federal oversight. In the past decade, he has investigated several federally aided charities and nonprofits.

While he certainly has the power to initiate legislation, the senator said internal probes have historically yielded the most effective results. He recalled a post-9/11 look into the Red Cross when the organization reduced the size of its board of directors after conducting an investigation of its own.

"They probably did more good on their own than if I passed a law," Grassley said.

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Targeting Sudan investments

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learned that IPERS, which finances the retirement of many state employees, had approximately \$25 million invested in companies that the measures may target, according to its portfolio as of June 30, 2006. Non-profit research groups, divestment advocates, and region experts have found that these firms — especially PetroChina, a subsidiary of the Chinese government-owned China National Petroleum Corp. — provide financing and weaponry vital for the Janjaweed's attacks on Darfuri villages and refugee camps.

Divestment from companies with ties to the Sudanese regime — a practice now mandated by six U.S. state governments, at least seven city governments, and 45 colleges and universities nationwide — is based on assumptions that if enough entities pull their money out of these allegedly harmful firms, the businesses will lack the capital to continue their destructive practices.

The concept, catalyzed by renowned Sudan researcher Eric Reeves and institutionalized by the Washington, D.C.-based Sudan Divestment Task Force, relies just as much on public relations as economics. Divestment by one fund, advocates say, starts a domino effect in which more and more citizens and groups decide to sever their association with a company flouting a sketchy human-rights policy.

Advocates of divestment — from left-leaning actor George Clooney to neoconservative Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kansas — use the actions of Talisman Energy, a Canadian oil conglomerate, as a case in point in touting the practice. In 2003, amid spiraling stock prices stemming from shareholder concern over its Sudan oil activity, Talisman was forced to cease its operations in the region.

Divestment leaders also point to the U.S. government's largely pro-divestment stance as grounds for releasing Iowa's Khartoum-tied funds. Yet it is

technically legal for federal and state pension funds to invest in multinational, non-U.S.-based companies with Sudan oil operations. As such, courtroom battles aimed at preserving free trade and investment have kept the movement from fully enveloping the United States.

The National Foreign Trade Council, for example, is challenging Sudan divestment in Illinois. The international commerce group has argued that the state's sweeping divestment legislation is unconstitutional because it interferes with existing trade sanctions between the U.S. and Sudanese governments.

This uncertainty has prevented IPERS from pulling its other funds, officials for the fund say. Representatives from IPERS, which is listed as a lobbying

organization for the Senate bill, could not be reached for comment late Sunday.

In addition, some say the amount of financing Iowa provides for companies such as the multibillion-dollar consortia PetroChina isn't large enough, in and of itself, to produce a change in company policy. The Republican Party, in a campaign aimed at unseating Pettengill in the November elections, called the divestment process "frivolous."

Regardless, Jason Miller, the national policy director for the Sudan Divestment Task Force, said in a prior *DI* interview that in terms of company reaction, size isn't everything.

"Markets react as much to reputation and perceived risk as actual risk," he said.

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Tippie honored on 80th birthday

BY DAN BUSH
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Black and gold balloons adorned the hallways of the Pappajohn Business Building on Jan. 26 to celebrate the 80th birthday of the man for whom the College of Business is named, Henry Tippie.

Tippie, the Iowa-born ranch hand who helped build multimillion-dollar companies, graduated from the UI College of Commerce in 1949, made his first \$10 donation to the university in 1957, and went on to donate more than \$30 million to various student scholarships and research facilities.

The daylong birthday celebration began at 11 a.m. in the Tennessee Colloquium Room with a question-and-answer session. Tippie, using his own successes and failures as a backdrop, imparted knowledge about business to university students and faculty.

"When I first graduated, I had no job, no prospects for a job, no contacts for a job," he said. "So for me, it was just about getting the experience. Get the experience first, then the money will come."

The finals of the Tippie Trivia Challenge began at 3 p.m., in which two teams of four students, whittled down from 11 teams, faced off for a \$1,200 grand prize. Tippie gave the winning team, appropriately named Tippie's Ranch Hands, 12 crisp, uncirculated \$100 bills from his pocket, which he had specially requested from the bank.

Students studied Tippie's biography, Just the Facts, to prepare for the competition. The biography provided business tips as well as details about the man characterized by his philanthropic and civic generosity.



Henry Tippie (right) and John Pappajohn laugh after hearing a question based on Tippie's biography during Tippie Trivia Challenge in the Pappajohn Business Building on Jan. 26. The challenge, followed by a reception, honored Tippie's 80th birthday.

"We're really blessed to have a man such as Henry, who gives back to the school the way he does," said UI senior Chuck Mersch, the captain of Tippie's Ranch Hands. "I'm just happy that he would celebrate his birthday with us."

But for Tippie, his contributions are just payback to the university.

"I have always been a strong believer in giving back," he said. "I don't know where I would have wound up without the education I got here."

Before the degree and the millions, however, Tippie was a

young boy living in rural Iowa. The Belle Plaine native came from a family in which no one had advanced beyond eighth grade, and though he originally wanted to be a farmer, his mother pushed him to get an education. He was able to do so through the GI Bill for his service with the Army Air Force during World War II.

After Tippie graduated with a degree in accounting, he had difficulty finding a job, but he eventually received notice from a small accounting firm, John W. Rollins and Associates. It was with this company that Tippie played an integral role in

one of the first leveraged buy-outs of a major corporation by a small company, a deal now serving as a case study in the Harvard Business School.

Tippie, who helped lay the foundation for the Iowa business program, has no intention of decreasing any commitment to the university, noting that he just re-signed as a board member with the UI Foundation Board.

"If they ever dig up this place," he said about the John Pappajohn building, "you'll be able to find my initials in the cement."

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DINNER CELEBRATES CHOICE

BY BRITTNEY BERGET
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Local pro-choice activists gathered on Jan. 27 for the annual Emma Goldman Choice Dinner to toast the 1973 Supreme Court ruling in *Roe v. Wade* and to raise money for the DeProsse Access Fund, which helps women afford abortions.

Keynote speaker Amy Johnson Boyle discussed the role of women in the media and spoke on the coverage of controversial issues in broadcast television. Johnson Boyle, who worked in broadcast journalism for almost 15 years, spoke of discriminations she faced as a woman in the newsroom.

"I endured a lot of hard knocks as a woman and really had to work my way up," she said, adding that when she first entered broadcasting, there were hardly any female anchors, and those women in the field were hired on the basis of age and looks.

But in today's climate, more

women are being hired — though Johnson Boyle contends it isn't for the right reasons.

"A lot of men leave the business because there simply isn't enough money in it to support a family," she said. "Women tough it out."

She also stressed the importance of having an open mind in the media.

"The bottom line is controversial topics are more likely to be understood by viewers who have had personal experience," she said. "Seeing both sides of the story is key."

Karen Kubby, the Emma Goldman executive director, said the clinic raised enough money last year for the deProsse fund to subsidize 1,143 abortions, and the clinic hopes 2007 will be just as successful. The deProsse fund provides a sliding-fee scale to women who demonstrate financial need.

Rep. Mary Mascher, D-Iowa City, said such events as the Choice Dinner are important for Iowa City.

"It's always good for people who are pro-choice to get together and reinforce what they believe in," she said. "There are people in Iowa who come long distances [to go the Emma Goldman Clinic] because such clinics are not provided in their community."

Mascher has been working on a proposed bill with the clinic in hopes to provide better sex education to students in schools, she said.

"We need to think realistically when dealing with young men and women," she said, noting that passing the bill is "going to be a priority for us this year."



Mascher
representative

Lela Falk, a 26-year-old supporter of the clinic, said people need to understand the importance of the clinic in the community.

"The benefit is a very worthy cause," she said. "I've been in that situation, so I can appreciate what was being said tonight. People can't relate to this situation unless it [has] affected them personally."

Johnson Boyle closed by expressing her own respect for the clinic, which has faced flak from antiabortion groups in the community over the years.

"Very few of us so vigorously have to defend our views on a daily basis," she said. "I want to express my support, and there are many men and women who are grateful for the Emma Goldman Clinic."

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Long-shot Thompson hits IC

BY NEAL SAUERBERG
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The former governor and Bush Cabinet member backs the president's troop increase in Iraq



Thompson candidate

When political analysts discuss the front-runners in the 2008 presidential race, most exclude former Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson — whom only 1 percent of Iowans say they'll support as the Republican candidate, according to a recent Zogby poll.

Looking to boost his popularity with state Republicans, Thompson came to Iowa City on Sunday, where he spoke at the Wig and Pen Pizza Pub, 1220 Highway 6 W., after attending the Iowa women's basketball game against Wisconsin.

"To win in Iowa, you have to win the old-fashioned way," he said. "You've got to meet with folks face-to-face."

By any definition, Thompson is a long shot against such high-profile Republican candidates as Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., and former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani in the 2008 caucuses.

Thompson left office in his home state in 2001 to work in President Bush's Cabinet as the secretary of Health and Human Services — a position he held until 2005.

While in Iowa City, he urged Republican supporters to get behind the president's plan to increase American military presence in Iraq. But he added that if the move failed to produce adequate results, the United States should look to separate Iraq into three states along sectarian lines.

"You're not going to get people who have been fighting for 14 or 1,400 years to suddenly get

along," he said.

A central component of Thompson's restructuring plan in Iraq would be the division of the nation's oil wealth among the people. The former governor pointed to the distribution of Alaska's oil revenue as a model for his strategy.

If elected president, he said, he would focus on finding "common-sense solutions" to domestic challenges as well as foreign-policy concerns.

The former governor said he would neither support granting illegal aliens amnesty nor would he back a guest-worker program that allowed people to apply while living in the United States.

"We are a country of laws; we should obey those laws," Thompson said on immigration.

When asked about America's

medical services, the former governor noted that 93 percent of the federal funds allocated for health care go toward treating illnesses that have been diagnosed. But Thompson said the government needs to make preventative medicine a bigger priority.

With the deck stacked against Thompson, Greg Baker, the president of the College Republicans, said the presidential hopefuls' trips to Iowa serve to get conservatives energized about American politics and the election.

But Baker conceded that Thompson faces a tough road ahead.

"He's got a lot to accomplish going up against a lot of big names," Baker said. "He's going to really have to work."

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METRO

Police probe attempted Mercy burglary

Iowa City police are investigating a burglary report at Mercy Hospital in the early morning hours of Jan. 26.

Officers said an unknown man entered Mercy's business offices, which are closed to the public, at around 6:15 a.m. Once inside he attempted to steal computer equipment, authorities said.

Mercy security personnel "prevented" the theft, according to a police press release. Additional information about how officers stopped the man or how the man escaped was not released to the media on Sunday.

Video surveillance did capture an image of the alleged attempted burglary; the suspect is described as a 250-pound white male in his mid-20s who is around 6 feet tall.

Police have asked that anyone with

information about the subject call the police department at 356-5275.

— by **Emileigh Barnes**

Ex-UI professor suing ex-colleagues

IOWA CITY (AP) — A former UI professor is suing his former colleagues, saying that he was unfairly fired from a post with the UI Hospitals and Clinics.

Adel Al-Jurf started with the UI in 1977, and he was a professor of surgery

until he was fired in January 2005.

Al-Jurf maintains he was fired after Carol Scott-Conner, then the UIHC head of surgery, and David Brown, the head of anesthesiology, asked their coworkers to file complaints about Al-Jurf's behavior at work.

Al-Jurf says Scott-Conner and Brown wanted him fired so that they could take his breast-surgery patients. He also said that a rift had developed between him and Brown.

STATE

Poll: Iowans believe black, woman could be elected president

DES MOINES (AP) — Most Iowans believe a black or a woman could be elected president, but a majority believe the country is not ready to elect a Latino, according to a poll released Sunday.

According to the *Des Moines Register's* Iowa Poll, two-thirds of the state's adults believe the nation is ready for an African-American president in 2008. A smaller slice, 55 percent, say Americans would elect a woman. Approximately 40 percent of respondents believe the country is ready for a president who is Latino.

The results are from a poll conducted by Des Moines-based Selzer & Co. Inc. The poll was based on interviews with 800 Iowans ages 18 or older over four days last week. The margin of error for the poll is plus or minus 3.5 percentage points.

The results, from a state in which precinct caucuses are expected to launch the 2008 presidential-nominating season, generally mirror recent national polls by CBS News and *Newsweek*, although the Iowa results for a black candidate are higher by 12 to 13 percentage points than those national surveys.

Experts said the poll's findings are at least a partial reflection of Iowans' feelings about two prominent Democrats who could be on the ballot in 2008: Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton of New York, who made her first trip to Iowa this weekend, and Sen. Barack Obama of Illinois, a bi-ethnic Harvard-educated lawyer who is also seeking the Democratic presidential nomination.

New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson, the nation's first Latino governor, recently announced he was joining the Democratic field, but he isn't as well-known at this stage of the race, experts said.

Peverill Squire, a UI political-science professor, said the results "signal that each of the candidates who fit in that

category may have a little more resistance to overcome than we have predicted early on."

Sunday's poll results included all Iowa adults and did not distinguish between people who are planning on participating in the 2008 caucuses or presidential election.

Sunday's poll also offers a better window into the presidential prospects of former Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack, a Democrat.

A plurality of Iowans, 47 percent, think it's a bad idea for Vilsack to run for president. They outnumber the 40 percent who believe his candidacy is a good idea. The rest of those polled were unsure.

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EDITORIAL

Athletics tax deductions not right message

Higher-education costs nationwide have skyrocketed in recent years, and the three Iowa regent universities have not avoided the trend. But athletics departments are not scrapped for cash. Judging by the salaries that the UI pays to its men's basketball and football head coaches, and the recent renovations to Kinnick Stadium, it looks as if things have never been better. The U.S. Senate Finance Committee is examining whether contributions to athletics departments should be tax-deductible. This Editorial Board welcomes the investigation and is extremely skeptical about the current deduction.

The regent universities beg the state Board of Regents year after year to fully fund the Partnership Plan for Observation and Excellence with mixed success. But athletics contributors receive obscenely high deductions for their money. After subtracting the costs for tickets and amenity fees, a full 80 percent of money spent for luxury seating is deductible. It is somewhat easier to stomach a deduction for money designated for scholarships — but not at its current 100 percent rate. Certainly, contributions for capital projects are not worthy of full deductions, either.

It is difficult to imagine deductions more unworthy. Athletics departments do a solid job of sustaining themselves, and private contributions do certainly help. But we can barely tolerate the predominant role athletics is allowed to hold at universities. We would certainly be in uproar if university funds were funneled to athletics.

Universities are educational institutes, athletics merely a sideshow. It is stupid to attend a school because of fondness of its athletics squads and equally stupid to donate to them because of this attraction. Kinnick Stadium may look nicer these days — but most other buildings would look better as well after \$86 million renovations. We imagine the Chemistry Building — or for that matter, almost any other campus building — could use a substantial touchup.

Iowa Sen. Charles Grassley, the ranking Republican on the Senate Finance Committee, has taken a lead role in this matter. He recently told the *Des Moines Register*, "I wonder whether university trustees are doing their jobs when there are big salaries for sports coaches and money for stadium skyboxes while tuition skyrockets." Grassley was undoubtedly referring to the \$2.7 million salary paid to Iowa head football coach Kirk Ferentz. While Ferentz has done a superb job of establishing a solid football program, it's likely his salary will top that of any future UI president by at least five times.

There is no doubt whether athletics plays a major role at many American universities. But it is imperative we not let the university's duty to educate the future generations of Americans be distracted by an undue focus on sports. Giving obscene tax deductions for athletics contributions sends the wrong message.

Lame-duck reality

On Jan. 23, I flipped on C-SPAN just before 8 p.m. to catch President Bush's State of the Union address. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi lightly tapped the gavel onto the desk in front of her. And then I heard it.

"What was that?"

Some voice, standing much too closely to a microphone, had jokingly commented on how apparently weak-sounding Pelosi's gavel rap had been. I nearly choked on a baby carrot.

The audience (featuring Dikembe Mutombo!) lightly applauded as Bush took the podium. It was too quiet. Only minutes into his speech, I knew something was amiss. Bush congratulated Pelosi on becoming the first female speaker of the House and recognized the new Democratic majority, while Majority Leader Steny Hoyer, D-Md., nodded his head in satisfaction.



ANDREW SWIFT

I was confused. Gone were the inflammatory and borderline offensive rhetoric and the sweeping pronouncements of the United States' mission to democratize the Middle East. Where were the terrorists and 9/11?

I had to find amusement elsewhere. Certainly, it was not lacking. Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., looked like he had stepped out of an editorial cartoon. Rep. Rahm Emanuel, D-Ill., was barely paying attention; he seemed to be working on a crossword puzzle.

Through it all, Bush sounded like a defeated man, in full recognition of and humbled by his failures. His eyes looked weary, and his voice sounded weak. He made jokes that "not even C-SPAN" caught earmarks. He depressed me.

He argued that the budget should be balanced without raising taxes — a quite typical GOP claim. But he offered no privatization schemes or other assaults on the welfare system.

Only a passing reference was devoted to health savings accounts, though Bush did advocate the creation of "Affordable Choice" grants to help states with universal care plans provide for "the poor and the sick." His stance on immigration was largely the same as last year — a sensible and balanced approach, with the support of Democrats and sane Republicans. He proposed to cut automobile emissions of carbon dioxide by 20 percent in 10 years.

I was agreeing with President George W. Bush.

The word "terrorist" was first heard at 8:26 p.m. CST, 1,626 words into his speech. But then he dropped the words "climate change," upon which Hoyer and Emanuel shared an incredulous look before applauding, and my jaw dropped. Admittance of climate change from Bush was something I was not ready for.

He still didn't seem to have his fighting spirit of old as he turned to terrorism. He very obviously avoided mentioning the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, which was more than a bit disconcerting. But he did drop a few hot lines ("Al Qaeda ... promises paradise for the murder of the innocent") before stumbling into saying "The Shia and Sunni extremists are different faces of the same totalitarian threat."

My notes read: "OH NO WHY DID YOU SAY THAT SHITES AND SUNNIS SAME OH GOD NO."

Finally, he turned his attention to Iraq. He asked Congress to give the soldier "surge" a chance and correctly stated that the chaos now embroiling the country was "not the fight we entered in Iraq, but it is the fight we are in." He spoke not of victory but of a possible regional war. He was soberly rational.

The clearest vision of his foreign policy I'd ever heard was laid out. He mentioned the United Nations in a positive light numerous times and encouraged multilateral efforts to contain Iran and North Korea. He focused on fighting malaria and HIV/AIDS in Africa, argued trade and debt relief were the "best hope for lifting lives and eliminating poverty," and said the United States would "continue to awaken the conscience of the world to save the people of Darfur."

I wasn't sure which freaked me out more: Bush seeming cautious, compromising, and sensible or that I was open to what he was saying. I felt exactly like I did after hearing Saddam Hussein was hanged, a rather fitting parallel frankly: disturbed, befuddled, and damn near depressed. The ultra-partisan, fiery Bush I had taken for granted was gone. An era was over.

At the end of the night, as I heard the "Rome" (lust, politics, intrigue!) theme song playing from my roommate's room and turned to HBO, I couldn't help but wonder to myself: What was that? ■

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Bush must own up to failure

President Bush must retract his request to send more troops to Iraq. This is not a winnable war.

This world is no longer one in which wars can truly be won — conquest involves winning wars, not peacemaking. Continuing to send unprepared, under-trained troops into a situation that has only become exacerbated by their predecessors would be a complete disregard of common sense and military strategy. Iraq will only become a better place through humanitarian and diplomatic means, and peace will only happen when Iraqis become friends instead of enemies. The foreign policy of the Bush administration is the most destabilizing influence in the Middle East — not the Iraqis, not Iran's nuclear program, not the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, not even terrorists. Asking for a chance to let a method work when it has clearly already failed is

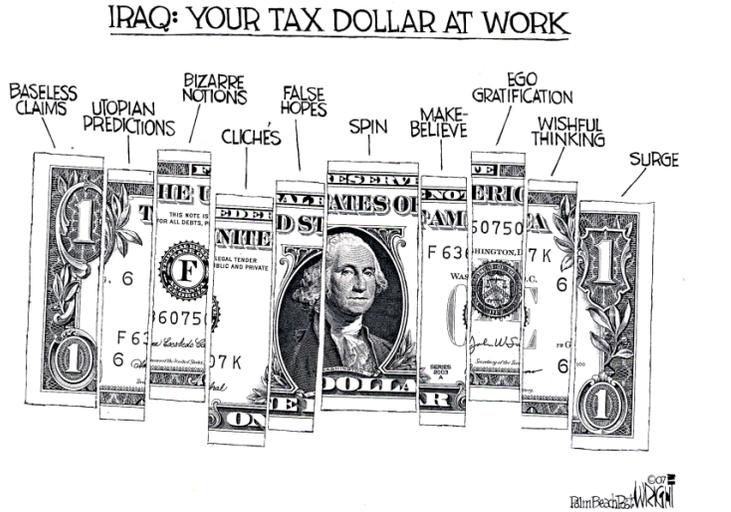
fruitless. The president's job should not be one of saving face, but rather one of facing the facts.

David Kummer
Iowa City resident

Smoke-free policies smart for all

The recent push from the UI and Johnson County for smoke-free environments is certainly a big step in the right direction. These policies reclaim the rights of nonsmokers. We all know that second-hand smoke is dangerous, and I am glad that the UI and Johnson County are taking steps to protect nonsmokers from the dangers of secondhand smoke.

Recently, the UI Smoking Policy Committee has made good recommendations to change the current smoking policy. Students who support a smoke-free campus should contact interim President Gary Fethke to show they agree with these recommendations and want the campus to go smoke free by July 2009.



Students and community members should also show their support for making the restaurants and bars in Iowa City smoke-free as well. Smoke-free policies improve air quality

and protect workers and customers from the damage caused by secondhand smoke.

Sarah Jung
UI Clean Air for Everyone president

COMMENTARY

Time to remember the forgotten continent

It has recently been in vogue on college campuses to take a greater than normal interest in African affairs — most of which has been focused on the genocidal actions of the Sudanese government and the Janjaweed militias it backs in the province of Darfur. Though it's commendable that college students focus on Africa — because certainly almost no one else does — Darfur is not at all the only problem facing Africa. It would be wise to take our interest in Darfur and apply it to learn more about the political and social realities of the continent.

Multithnic states all with weak central governments — and porous borders allow for an ungondly number of rebel groups to thrive. The Darfur situation has spread into the neighboring states of Chad and the Central African Republic: Both countries claim that Sudan has supported rebel groups in their territories.

But it doesn't stop there. Uganda, Senegal, Côte d'Ivoire, and the Democratic Republic of Congo are all engaged in civil wars of various intensities. The Lord's Resistance Army, a party to the Ugandan civil war, is particularly notorious for its extensive human-rights abuses and heavy use of child soldiers.

This is not to toss aside interest in Darfur. The Janjaweed has systematically slaughtered hundreds of thousands. Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir has conveniently played down the massacres to Western eyes and ears. In reality, he is well aware of the scale of the conflict. His government is rather openly supporting the Arab militia by granting political cover and military might to the war crimes.

The United States has been very active in attempts to stop the conflict. Many have conveniently ignored the very positive rule President Bush has played in tackling the Darfur crisis and numerous other African problems. Bush has publicly proclaimed the Janjaweed's actions to be genocide, and the United States and Britain have actively supported efforts to deploy Blue Helmets to Darfur to

replace the impotent African Union force currently there. Pushing through a U.N. Security Council resolution that would declare a no-fly zone over the province to limit Sudanese Air Force attacks would be a good start.

Perhaps the most pressing problem facing Africa is the rampant spread of AIDS, which affects approximately 25 million people on the continent. Governments, notably South Africa under President Thabo Mbeki, have played down the impact of AIDS, and prevailing attitudes in Africa stigmatize its victims.

The statistics are extremely depressing. Ten percent of the world's population resides in Africa, yet 60 percent of people with AIDS call the continent home. Nearly 2.5 million children have AIDS, and 90 percent of them live in Sub-Saharan Africa. UNAIDS — the Joint U.N. Programme on HIV/AIDS — has determined AIDS claimed 2.8 million lives in 2005, and 2 million of the victims were Africans.

But amid the chaos, there have been positive developments. Assistance from the United States and Europe has stemmed the spread of AIDS in parts of the continent, and prevailing attitudes on the continent itself are slowly changing to encourage use of contraception. Debt relief has been recognized by the West as necessary for the continent's growth, and a renewed push in the Doha talks could benefit regions of Africa with productive agricultural bases.

This by no means a complete list of Africa's problems. But the West should recognize — and there are signs it is beginning to do so — that Africa does matter. Failed states are havens for terrorism, and tackling poverty and AIDS are pressing moral issues. Africa is often ignored as geopolitically irrelevant, and it is time to change that attitude.

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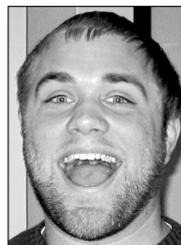
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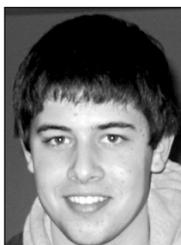
"Yes, because athletics is entertainment for the community."

Brooke Palmer
UI senior



"I think so, especially if you are affiliated with the university you're donating to."

Andrew Ingham
UI senior



"I think that sports is a big enough draw to the university, so this incentive is justified."

Danny DeRock
UI freshman



"Yes — why not?"

Yes — why not?
Alisha Picht, UI junior

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captious (adj): disposed to raise objections or find faults
Sentence: "Roger Ebert is said to be a notoriously captious critic — mostly in regard to popcorn-tub sizes."

Area arts alliance to honor talent with 'Ickys'

As award show season begins its steamrolling start, area artists gather to honor achievements of their own — free from the marathon that often passes for those set in the red-carpet-paved West

BY JOHN C. SCHLOTFELT
THE DAILY IOWAN

For the last few weeks, Chait Galleries Downtown has showcased an interesting piece. The creation features interlocking bars supporting one another, forming an abstract tree, upon which a blue sphere is perched. The work — which represents the encouragement of the community and its organizations to keep arts and culture alive — has rested proudly in one of the shop's windows. Tonight, the sculpture and 12 others just like it will be awarded to the finest in the arts and culture of Iowa City and Cedar Rapids (and everything between) in an award show at the Englert

Theatre, 221 E. Washington St.

At just more than a year old, the Iowa Cultural Corridor Alliance proudly celebrates its first anniversary. Along with that, it will honor the talent its members have displayed over the last year. The first Cultural Corridor Alliance Innovative Excellence Awards (known as "the Ickys") will bestow trophies on the best of the best in 13 categories — from Dance Programming to Visual Arts Programming — as part of the group's yearly meeting.

However, as the statue's tongue-in-cheek name suggests, self-congratulation and red-carpet grandstanding are not on the docket for the evening. Joe Jennison, the Cultural Corridor Alliance's executive

director, remains prouder of the communities that give groups such as the alliance a chance to flourish rather than which companies put on the best festivals or plays — though both are categories at tonight's show.

"We live in a community that can support 114 nonprofit [arts and culture] organizations," Jennison said.

Though the Ickys' scope of interest is extensive, it's nearly impossible to guarantee recognition to each of the 114 qualified organizations. Thus, bigger venues such as Hancher Auditorium and the Englert tend to overshadow acts such as singer/songwriter Patrick Hazell of Washington, Iowa, and just about

AND THE WINNER IS ...

What: Iowa Cultural Corridor Alliance Innovative Excellence Awards, "The Ickys"

When: 6:30 p.m. today

Where: Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington

Admission: \$20

What: Pre-Show Appetizer and Wine Reception

When: 5-6 p.m.

Where: Iowa Artisans Gallery, 207 E. Washington, and Chait Galleries Downtown, 218 E. Washington

everything in between. However, the Cultural Corridor Alliance insists it doesn't hand out awards to everyone for an even more practical reason.

"It's certainly not our intention to put on a three- or four-hour event," said Rob Cline, the group's outgoing president and

the Hancher marketing director.

For the first go-round, the Ickys stayed fairly basic, branching out to award two collaborative awards: one for participation between Cultural Corridor Alliance members and a second for Cultural Corridor Alliance partnerships with outside parties.

"You bring the sports audiences into the theater, and the theater audiences into the stadium," said Jennison, in reference to *Kinnick*, the play produced by Cultural Corridor Alliance member Riverside Theatre and the Iowa athletics department, a nonmember. The effort celebrated the life of the Hawkeye football stadium's eponym and the Hawkeyes' sole Heisman Trophy winner; at the Ickys, the play received a nomination for a Reaching Out Collaborative Award.

Apart from a streamlined nominations list, the committee in charge of the Ickys also cut one of the Oscars' major miring factors.

"There will be no long, boring production numbers," said committee member and City Circle Acting Company head Chris Okiishi. But when the Cultural Corridor Alliance went in search of talent to perform at the event, it found volunteers in great supply — performers wanting to perform. In order to put a cap on eligible acts, the alliance determined that only organizations celebrating a monumental anniversary could stage acts. Recreations of scenes by the decade-old City Circle Acting Company and the 50-year-old Iowa City Community Theatre will mark the occasion, and Kevin "B.F." Burt will represent the Mud River Music Festival as it celebrates its fifth year.

But Okiishi's excitement about the awards stems from one source: the amount of art in the Iowa City area. He's excited because "there's enough to celebrate, enough to notice."

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MAGICAL REALISM IN FASCIST SPAIN



FILM REVIEW

by Soheil Rezayazdi

Pan's Labyrinth

When:

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

Where:

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★★★★ ½ out of ★★★★★

Film critics have hailed 2006 as the year of the Mexican filmmaker. With big-time works from Alfonso Cuarón (*Children of Men*), Alejandro González Iñárritu (*Babel*), and now Guillermo del Toro (*Pan's Labyrinth*), the logic is clear.

Alice in Wonderland meets Lord of the Rings? Not quite. One of the most acclaimed films from 2006, Pan's Labyrinth finally makes its way to Iowa City. At the very least, the film entertains us with the number of families who walk out once they realize the film is in, well, not English.

I'd like to propose a different label for 2006, however: the year of the cinematic Rorschach test. If you'll humor me, I can explain.

All of the aforementioned films are deliberately vague, ambiguous, and even self-contradictory, allowing viewers to extract any array of interpretations. Another 2006 film, *United 93*, provides a similar viewing experience: By avoiding any concrete message, the film allows viewers to project any feelings they have about 9/11 onto the screen. Thus, dictated by your own politics, *United 93* is either pure exploitation, nationalist propaganda, a polemic against Bush's incompetence, or a rousing tale of American heroism. No director holds your hand and leads you to any of these conclusions.

Now take *Pan's Labyrinth*, del Toro's masterful, visually grappling "fantasy" film. Is his rich, evocative CGI world real or make-believe? The answer, it turns out, will tell you more about your own worldview than it will the actual film.

Pan's Labyrinth works double duty as an indictment of fascism and as a sweeping fantasy comparable with the *Lord of the Rings* trilogy. To summarize swiftly, the film follows Ofelia (Ivana Baquero), a bookish girl in 1945 Spain as she retreats into a hermetic dreamworld after moving in with her hardliner stepfather (Sergi López), a fascist captain.

From there, del Toro splits screen time between the ills of Franco-ruled Spain and the fanciful/terrifying adventures of his

protagonist, subtly using props (knives, keys) to draw parallels between the tangential story lines.

Del Toro's yarn illustrates how authoritarian governments that squash creative expression inadvertently cause such creativity to blossom (if you enjoy film snobbery, you could note that this basic premise — little girl in Franco-era Spain recoils into fantasy — is downright stolen from the 1973 Spanish film *Spirit of the Beehive*, but to do that might empty out the room).

Del Toro uses striking CGI imagery and a clever, character-driven script to hook us into his Spanish Civil War period piece. He incorporates computerized figures seamlessly into his frames, often racking them in and out of focus as if they were

tangible objects. Unlike most any film of its kind, *Pan's Labyrinth's* technical triumphs don't bogart the film; while the TV-spot friendly visuals get viewers in the theater, it's del Toro's screenplay (the finest from any film from 2006) that keeps them riveted.

Beyond its parade of oddities (the giant bulimic frog, the nightmare-provoking "Pale Man"), del Toro's ambiguity makes the film tough to shake. If Ofelia's journey is real, we're assured there is magic in the world. Just as plausible, however, is that Ofelia's escapades are pure fantasy, which does nothing but highlight the dreariness of real life. Del Toro gives us evidence for both sides — a shot late in the film shows Ofelia talking to no one, while the

film's lovely final image seems to contradict this idea.

Pigeonholed as a "fairy tale for adults," *Pan's Labyrinth* hides a lot underneath its ravishing CGI and menacing sound design; it's a film that reveals to us our true colors, whether they be brightly positive or bleakly cynical. It all depends on how you interpret the inkblots. As a piece of entertainment, *Pan's Labyrinth* works with equal force whether you have your mind switched on or off. The film is in Spanish, sure, but del Toro is no film-fest darling. The man behind one of 2006's top films has also helmed such arthouse classics as *Blade II*, *Hellboy*, and the forthcoming *Hellboy 2: The Golden Army*.

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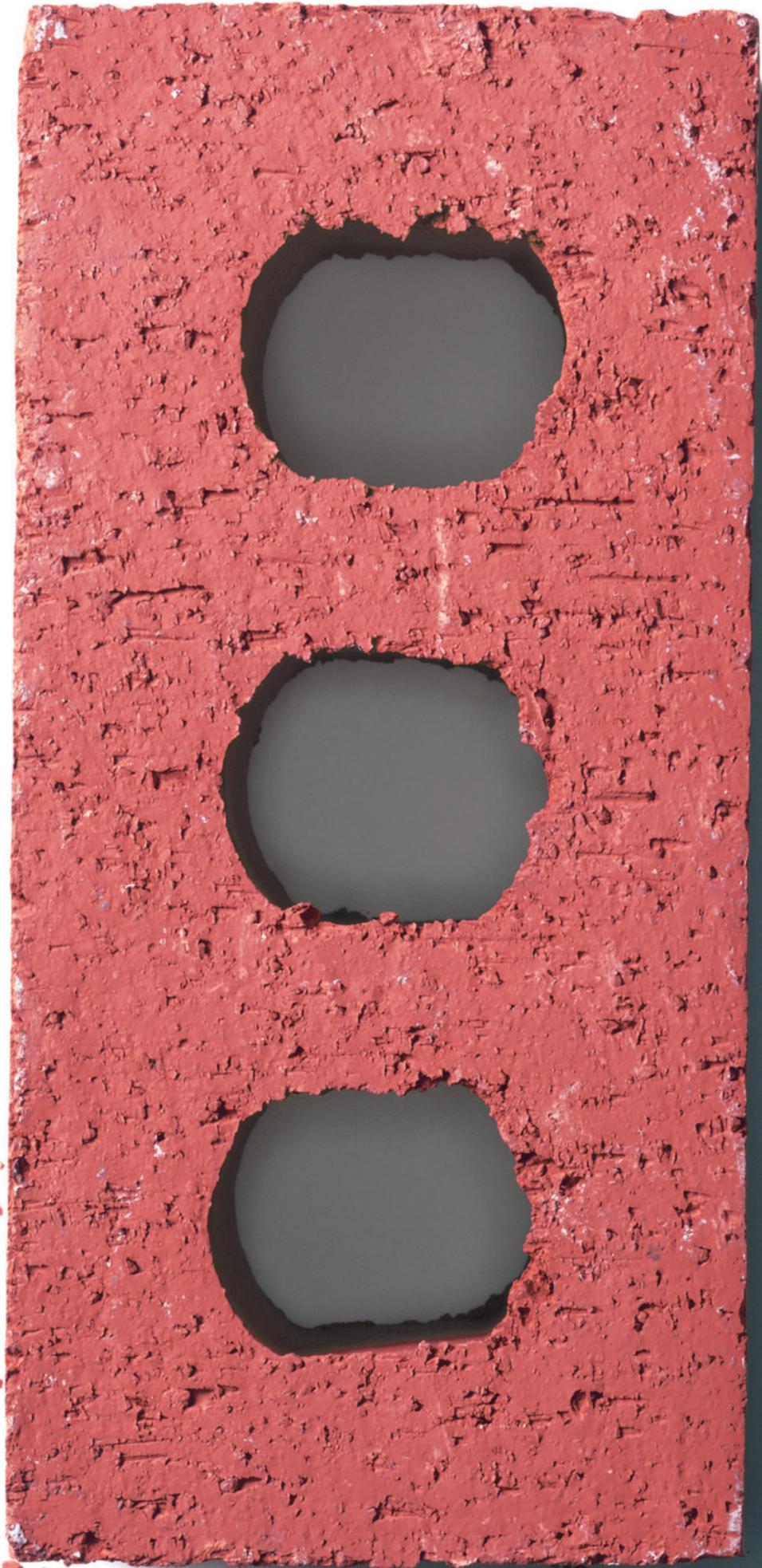
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Q: Who are the only two original NBA franchises that have never left their cities since the league was formed in 1946?
Answer on page 2B

IOWA ATHLETICS

Men's track takes 1 event in invitational

The Iowa men's track team, competing in the Gladstein Invitational Jan. 27-Sunday in Bloomington, Ind., won one field event and two portions of the heptathlon.

Junior Shane Maier won his second shot-put event of the season, throwing another NCAA provisional qualifier reaching 58-8 on Jan. 27.

In the Heptathlon, freshman Frank Prill won the 60-meter hurdles in 8.51 seconds, as well as a pair of second-place finishes in the pole vault and 1,000 meter. Sophomore Bobby Windauer edged Prill in the 1,000 by .05 seconds, recording 2:48.35 to earn first-place. Prill finished second overall in the heptathlon, good for fourth on Iowa's all-time list of performers.

In addition to Iowa's three individual wins, the Hawkeyes finished in the top three nine more times.

Junior Ryan Niver and freshman Paul Chaney Jr. reached collegiate bests, Niver at 6-9 in the high jump and Chaney with a 6.91 in the 60. Despite finishing ahead of everyone in his 60 and 200 heats, Chaney placed third and eighth respectively.

Iowa will next head to South Bend, Ind., for the Mayo Invitational on Friday and Saturday.

— by Alex Johnson

Women's tennis splits in Milwaukee

Iowa women's tennis split two meets in Milwaukee over the weekend.

The Hawkeyes (ranked 36th) were upset, 4-3, by 70th-ranked Louisville on Jan. 27. After securing the doubles point, Iowa lost four of six singles matches as the Hawkeyes' top four players all stumbled.

"I feel like we went through a war this weekend," coach Daryl Greenan said.

On Sunday, Iowa won, 4-3, over unranked Marquette. After losing the doubles point, Iowa rallied with four singles victories by Jacqueline Lee, Mili Veselinovic, Hillary Mintz, and Merel Beelen.

Iowa will play Indiana State next weekend.

"Coming back home should give us an advantage," Greenan said. "This team has always gotten better week by week as the season progresses."

— by Bobby Loesch

GymHawks fall to Illinois

Hawkeye Katie Burke tied for first place with Illinois' Kim Kruk in the all-around as the Iowa women's gymnastics team fell to Illinois, 194.725-193.350, in Champaign. Burke was Iowa's highest finisher on bars in second place and tied for fourth on beam. During the action on Nov. 27.

With the loss, the Hawkeyes fall to 1-1 in the Big Ten.

Jenifer Simbhudas placed first on vault with a 9.9, and freshman Katie Turcotte posted a 9.825 after scoring a 9.9 at her previous competition, on Jan. 21.

Simbhudas and Turcotte placed fifth and sixth overall.

Despite continuing struggles on beam, Kara Pinjuv finished third with a score of 9.8. She also tied Burke for fourth on beam, propelling her to third in the all-around.

On floor, senior Danielle Legeai posted a 9.675 to tie for fourth place.

The Hawkeyes will next compete at home on Feb. 3 against Northern Illinois, Winona State, and Wisconsin-Whitewater.

— by Diane Hendrickson

WISCONSIN 57, IOWA 46

Hawks frigid; Badgers waltz



Hawkeye forward Tyler Smith drives against Wisconsin in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Sunday. The Hawks lost to the No. 2 Badgers, 57-46.

Rachel Mummy/The Daily Iowan

Off nights from Adam Haluska and Tyler Smith, along with Alando Tucker's hot shooting, doomed Iowa against No. 2 Wisconsin

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BY JASON BRUMMOND
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Tyler Smith missed everything in the first half. Adam Haluska couldn't find the net late in the game.

Iowa's two leading scorers combined to shoot 6-of-35 from the field, and No. 2 Wisconsin beat the Hawkeyes,

57-46, Sunday afternoon in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Alando Tucker scored 27 points to lead the Badgers (21-1, 7-0 Big Ten), who extended the nation's longest winning streak to 17 games — a school record.

The Hawkeyes shot a season-low 28.1 percent, including 2-of-14 from beyond the arc, and lost to a conference opponent at home for the first time since Feb. 19, 2005, despite out-rebounding the Badgers and committing only nine turnovers.

"We couldn't make a shot when we needed to," Iowa coach Steve Alford said. "For whatever reason, we just couldn't get them to go in."

The Hawkeyes (11-10, 3-4) trailed by 11 points when Wisconsin started hot after halftime, but a Kurt Looby basket pulled Iowa to within 45-41 with 7:40 remaining.

After a defensive stop gave Iowa a chance to cut the lead to a single possession, guard Tony Freeman threw the ball out of bounds while trying to find Haluska off a screen. The Hawkeyes didn't score during the next four minutes, and Wisconsin poured in eight unanswered points to pull away.

Haluska finished with a team-high 16 points on just 3-of-18 shooting — nine points coming from the foul line. The senior missed his last eight

shots, including three attempts on one possession as the game slipped away from Iowa in the second half.

"Shots weren't falling," he said. "I had some shots, but I have to make those. I'm letting my team down when I shoot that poorly."

Smith was even worse in the early going, missing his first 12 shots and all 10 attempts in the first half.

The freshman, who guarded Tucker most of the game, made only three baskets and finished with eight points — his lowest output since he scored seven against Virginia Tech on Nov. 29.

SEE BASKETBALL, PAGE 3B

COMMENTARY

Brick work



DAN PARR

Wisconsin flapped the unflappable.

It's rare to see Adam Haluska look uneasy with the ball, but the Badgers clawed the calm out of him Sunday. At low points, the performance resembled an afternoon of on-the-job training gone bad.

The smooth relaxation Haluska has trademarked in his 119-consecutive starts for the Hawkeyes — the longest streak in the nation — went missing in the 57-46 loss. Haluska's counterpart, Wisconsin forward Alando Tucker, had his way with Iowa on the offensive end, scoring a game-high 27. He said the key to victory was putting the Hawkeyes' ticker on time-out.

"Haluska's their heart and soul," he said. "We wanted to make sure we kept him out of the game, kept him out of a rhythm."

"I think we did a really good job with that running different guys at him to keep him out of his comfort zone."

Haluska shot 3-18 from the field, failing to find the stroke for eight-consecutive shots at one point and three in a row during one second-half possession. It didn't help that Tyler Smith followed his teammate's lead and made just three of his 17 shot attempts.

SEE COMMENTARY, PAGE 3B

Frosh save match for men's tennis

The Iowa men's tennis team defeats Northern Illinois behind the gritty performances by two unlikely heroes

BY BOBBY LOESCH
 THE DAILY IOWAN

For the Iowa men's tennis team, pulling out a victory against Northern Illinois this weekend was as easy as three, four, five ... and six.

The Hawkeyes relied on the lower portion of its lineup — something they might not have been able to do a season ago — after No. 1 Bart van Monsjou and No. 2 Christian Bierich fell to the Huskies in singles play.

"I think we're a lot deeper this year," van Monsjou said. "We have a lot of steadier guys on the bottom."

Leading Northern Iowa, 3-2, Iowa put the meet away with two gutsy performances by first-year players. Freshmen Tommy McGeorge and Patrick Dwyer both displayed veteran-like poise in winning second-set tiebreakers to dispatch the Huskies.

"I don't know if I was that composed inside," McGeorge said. "I try to act like I'm composed. It's key; if your oppo-

nent thinks you're unstable, that gives him some confidence. If you're going crazy on the inside, you gotta be calm on the outside."

If McGeorge's opponent, Diego Zegarra-Ballon, didn't notice, Steve Houghton did.

"Tommy's a very good competitor," the longtime Iowa coach said. "I think he cares so much, that he got himself tangled in a web of nerves, but he really came through when he needed to."

Iowa grabbed a quick 1-0 lead in the dual, taking two of the three doubles matches from the Huskies. But when singles play started, the Hawkeyes began sweating.

Benefitting from a flurry of unforced errors, Northern Iowa's Brian Livingston defeated van Monsjou (6-1, 6-0) in a match closer than the score indicated. Meanwhile, Bierich, playing in the No. 2 spot on the other side of the court, dropped his match to Alex Friesen (6-4, 6-4).

SEE TENNIS, PAGE 3B



Brett Slezak/The Daily Iowan

Bart van Monsjou slams a return against Northern Illinois on Sunday during a doubles match in the West Campus Tennis and Recreation Center. The junior tennis player is from the Netherlands.

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BIG TEN MEN'S BASKETBALL

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Wisconsin	7	0	1.000	21	1	.955
Ohio St.	6	1	.857	18	3	.857
Indiana	5	2	.714	15	5	.750
Michigan St.	4	3	.571	17	5	.773
Michigan	4	3	.571	16	6	.727
Iowa	3	4	.429	11	10	.524
Purdue	3	4	.429	14	7	.667
Illinois	3	5	.375	15	8	.652
Minnesota	2	5	.286	8	13	.381
Northwestern	1	6	.143	11	9	.550
Penn St.	1	6	.143	10	10	.500

Saturday's Games

Indiana 76, Michigan 61
Minnesota 65, Penn State 60
Purdue 64, Illinois 47
Ohio State 66, Michigan State 64

Sunday's Game

Wisconsin 57, Iowa 46

Tuesday's Game

Michigan State at Illinois, 8 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Iowa at Michigan, 7 p.m.
Ohio State at Purdue, 6 p.m.
Wisconsin at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Minnesota at Northwestern, 7 p.m.

BIG TEN WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Purdue	8	0	1.000	19	3	.864
Ohio State	7	0	1.000	18	1	.947
Michigan State	6	2	.750	15	6	.714
Illinois	5	3	.625	15	5	.750
Minnesota	5	4	.556	13	9	.591
Wisconsin	5	4	.556	16	6	.727
Penn St.	4	5	.444	11	12	.478
Iowa	3	6	.333	11	11	.500
Indiana	2	7	.222	13	9	.591
Michigan	2	7	.222	9	13	.409
Northwestern	0	9	.000	6	16	.273

Sunday's Games

Penn State 78, Iowa 71
Wisconsin 70, Minnesota 57
Michigan 65, Indiana 63
Illinois 77, Northwestern 49
Iowa 63, Michigan State 57
Monday, Jan. 29 Game

Ohio State at Purdue, 6 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Wisconsin at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Penn State at Michigan State, 7 p.m.
Purdue at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Ohio State at Northwestern, 7 p.m.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

	Conference			GB
	W	L	Pct.	
Atlantic	22	23	.489	—
Toronto	21	23	.477	½
New Jersey	19	27	.413	3½
New York	14	31	.311	8
Philadelphia	12	31	.279	9
Boston	12	31	.279	9
Southeast	26	17	.605	—
Washington	23	21	.523	3½
Orlando	19	25	.432	7½
Miami	15	27	.357	10½
Atlanta	15	28	.349	11
Charlotte	15	28	.349	11
Central	25	17	.595	—
Detroit	26	19	.578	½
Chicago	25	19	.568	1
Cleveland	23	21	.523	3
Indiana	18	26	.409	8
Milwaukee	18	26	.409	8
WESTERN CONFERENCE	36	9	.800	—
Southwest	36	9	.800	—
Dallas	36	9	.800	—

HAWKEYE SPORTS SCHEDULE

- Wednesday**
- Men's Basketball at Michigan, 7:05 p.m.
- Friday**
- Men's Tennis vs. Indiana State, 1:30 p.m. Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex
 - Women's Tennis vs. Indiana State, 6 p.m. Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex
 - Wrestling, at Michigan, 6:30 p.m.
 - Women's Track at Husker Invitational, Lincoln, Ne. TBA.
 - Men's Track at Meyo Invite, South Bend, In. TBA.
- Saturday**
- Men's Basketball vs. Indiana, 1:05

- p.m. Carver-Hawkeye Arena.
 - Women's Gymnastics vs. NIU, Winona State, Whitewater 7 p.m., Iowa Fieldhouse.
 - Women's Track at Husker Invitational, Lincoln, Ne. TBA
 - Men's Track at Meyo Invite, South Bend, In. TBA
- Sunday**
- Women's Tennis vs. Denver, 10 a.m. Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex.
 - Women's Basketball at Ohio State, 1:05 p.m.
 - Wrestling at Penn State, 11 a.m.
 - Men's Gymnastics vs. Minnesota, 2 p.m. Iowa Fieldhouse.

A: The Celtics have never left Boston, and the Knicks have never left New York.

Hawk hoopsters stumble again

The Iowa women's basketball team suffered its fourth-straight loss on Sunday, falling at Penn State, 78-71. The losing streak is the longest during Lisa Bluder's Hawkeye tenure.

BY BRENDAN STILES
THE DAILY IOWAN

In the beginning, it looked as though the Iowa women's basketball team had gotten its swagger back against Penn State, building as big a lead as 34-19 with six minutes left in the first half.

But the Lady Lions finished the first stanza with a 17-0 run, and not only did the Hawkeyes' lead evaporate, so did that edge, as the Lions went on to a 78-71 victory in State College, Pa.

Iowa (11-11, 3-6) has now lost four consecutive contests, the longest such streak since coach Lisa Bluder took over in 2000.

"Our shots quit falling, and our defense let up again," Bluder said in a radio interview. "It just seems to be a continuous problem for us right now, and we're in a bad habit of doing that."

Bluder was recently concerned with production from post players, and two of them did their share to carry the Hawkeye squad. Junior forward Krista Vandevanter led all scorers with 20 points, and she also came away with 13 rebounds to complete her first double-double this season. Iowa also received a big performance from sophomore center Megan Skouby, who finished with 19 points.

What impressed assistant coach Jenni Fitzgerald the most with Vandevanter's performance was the mélange of moves she showed on the hardwood.

"She put variety in her moves," Fitzgerald said in a radio interview. "Sometimes, she has a tendency to drop step and use her strengths. She didn't just turn and shoot."

"She crossed over, she put it on the floor, she would use her front pivot. There was a variety, and that showed in the fact that she shot the ball so well for us today."

One of the big reasons for Iowa's success early was sophomore forward Wendy Ausdemore, who scorched the nets in the first half with 12 points. However, Penn State clamped down on defense and didn't allow Ausdemore to score a point in the second half.

"They beat her up really well in the second half," Fitzgerald said. "We ran quite a few plays for her, hoping to get her open that way, and they did an excellent job."

Another big concern might have been production from the bench. The Hawkeyes' lone bench points came with nine seconds left in the game, courtesy of two free throws by junior Abby Emmert. Meanwhile, the Lady Lions managed to get 15 points from their bench.

Iowa did climb its way back in the second half and even took a 49-48 lead when sophomore Kristi Smith nailed a 3-pointer, but Penn State responded and never relinquished its lead from there on.

"They knocked down shots, and they hit some tough shots with hands in the face," Fitzgerald said. "You got to give them credit for that because defensively, we made them get there. Unfortunately, they were able to knock it down."

While the Hawkeyes have an entire week to get over the defeat, it won't get any easier for Bluder's bunch. Its next contest will be on the road on Feb. 4 against Big Ten power Ohio State. The Buckeyes, who are ranked fifth nationally, defeated the Hawkeyes on New Year's Eve in Iowa City, 73-67.

"We just have to work on fundamentals," Bluder said. "To me, it's going back to the very basics and trying to get good at the easy stuff, and then maybe the hard stuff will become easier."

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Badgers stun Hawks on mat

Benefiting from a pin at 197 pounds, Wisconsin won six of 10 matches en route to a 21-14 victory

BY IAN SMITH
THE DAILY IOWAN

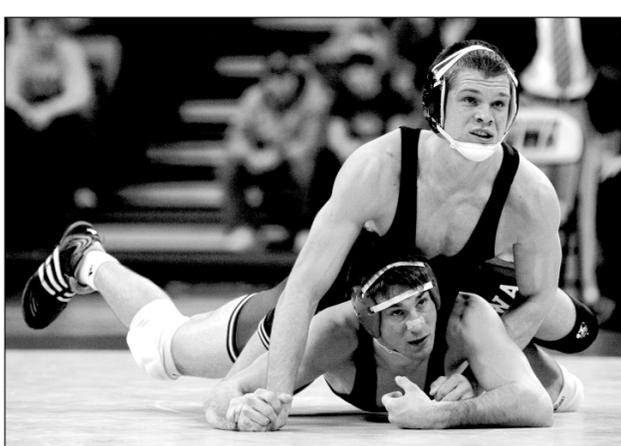
The gracious Iowa Hawkeyes were a little too polite Saturday night.

An announced crowd of 6,225 stood for nearly 30 seconds, applauding former Iowa star and Wisconsin coach Barry Davis for his recent Hall of Fame induction before the dual. Unfortunately for the Hawkeye faithful, Davis' wrestlers stole the show in a stunning 21-14 win against the Hawkeyes.

In the bat of an eyelash, 41 years of frustration came to end when 197-pound Badger Dallas Herbst pinned Iowa's Rick Loera. Davis — who won three NCAA championships for Iowa — led his No. 9 ranked Badgers to their first win over Iowa in 33 tries.

"I told my guys I went to school here, had a lot of great memories here, you know that it's a great place — no doubt about it," Davis said. "But right now, I coach Wisconsin. It's my job to coach that team and put a team out there that can win — that's what we did tonight."

The night's most pivotal matchup turned out to be the second to last match between



Brett Slezak/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye Mark Perry glances up at the clock while on top of 165-pound Badger Jake Donar. Perry won the match, 18-2.

Herbst and Loera. The over-matched Loera shot out of the gates, nearly scoring a take-down on the No. 10 ranked wrestler in the country. Before points could be awarded, Herbst used a tumbling reversal and ended the match seconds later with an emphatic pin.

The small contingent of Wisconsin fans danced and screamed as the home crowd headed for the exits.

"I don't know what to say," Iowa junior Mark Perry said. "We didn't wrestle our best, and obviously, there's a lot of room for improvement at all the weights. I know everybody is embarrassed."

The Hawkeyes can point to their poor performance in the third period as why they lost the dual. In the 133-pound and 141-pound matches, Iowa held the lead in the second period before the Badgers took control in the last two minutes.

"We were pretty much wrestling complete matches," Davis said. "We were working hard all the way through, hard to the edge. But you know what, the Big Ten is that way. You have to wrestle a full seven minutes and we did that."

The dual started favorably for Iowa, with Charlie Falck notching a 12-9 win over Colin Cudd. The momentum carried through the first two periods of the 133-pound match, when Mario Galanakis held a 3-0 lead over Zach Tanelli. The Iowa senior appeared headed for a win but — as was the theme all night — Tanelli caught Galanakis in a cradle for a take-down and scored a near fall to storm back for a 7-5 victory.

"It was a good win for Zach [Tanelli]," Davis said. "He came through, when he had to come through at the end. You need a win like that to kick things off." Wisconsin won the next three

WISCONSIN 21, IOWA 14

- 125 — Charlie Falck (I) dec. Collin Cudd, 12-9
- 133 — Zach Tanelli (W) dec. Mario Galanakis, 7-5
- 141 — Kyle Ruschell (W) dec. Alex Tsirtsis, 6-4
- 149 — Tyler Turner (W) dec. Alex Grunder, 8-2
- 157 — Craig Henning (W) dec. Ryan Morningstar, 2-0
- 165 — Mark Perry (I) tech. fall Jake Donar, 18-2 in 4:56
- 174 — Eric Luedke (I) dec. Mike Felling, 5-0
- 184 — Trevor Brandvold (W) dec. Phillip Keddy, 6-2
- 197 — Dallas Herbst (W) pinned Rick Loera, 0:49
- Hwt. — Matt Fields (I) dec. Kyle Massey, 6-3

matches, including a crucial win by No. 20 Kyle Ruschell over Iowa's No. 6 Alex Tsirtsis to jump out to a 12-3 lead. The Hawkeyes used a dominating technical-fall performance from Perry and an easy win by Eric Luedke to make the meet competitive at 12-11.

The next two matches were highlighted by a narrow win by Trevor Brandvold over Iowa's Phillip Keddy and Herbst's match-clinching pin. Heavyweight Matt Fields scored a 6-3 victory for the Hawkeyes win to account for the final score.

Reeling from the Jan. 27 shocking loss, the Hawkeyes must regroup quickly; they will travel to Michigan and Penn State next weekend.

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Hawks' unlikely heroes



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Hawkeye J.P. Ritchie volleys against two Northern Illinois players on Sunday in the West Campus Tennis and Recreation Center. Ritchie and partner Bart van Monsjou won the match.

TENNIS

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Sophomore Greg Holm, playing at No. 5, secured Iowa's first singles point with an efficient (6-2, 6-2) win against Jimmy Chu.

J.P. Ritchie — the last third of Iowa's "Big Three" — turned the meet around with a tight (6-3, 6-4) victory over Adam Ford in the No. 3 spot.

"J.P. played well," Houghton said. "Greg Holm played the most decisive match, but we're trying to get him to be more aggressive."

This left the freshman duo to close out the meet. Both McGeorge and Dwyer rebounded from topsy-turvy second sets featuring numerous lead changes and hard-fought points. Even with little match experience under their belts, the diaper-dandies persevered.

"I said to the guys afterwards, 'It's understandable to be nervous the first match,'" Houghton said. "But when you get nervous, you don't move your feet as well. We got away with some of that today, but we

won't when we play against tougher competition in the Big Ten."

Competing for the first time in its new building, the West Campus Tennis and Recreation Center, Iowa proved to be hungry for a home-cooked meal.

"It was great to open up the facility with a win," Houghton said.

The men's tennis team resumes action against Indiana State on Friday.

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WISCONSIN 57, IOWA 46

Tucker sinks cold Hawks

'We couldn't make a shot when we needed to. For whatever reason, we just couldn't get them to go in.'

— Steve Alford, Iowa coach

BASKETBALL

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"I have to learn how to put two halves together," said Smith, adding that his effort against Tucker took energy away from the other end.

"I wanted to pretty much set my mind on guarding him. He's just a great scorer. When you have a scorer like him, it's hard to contain him sometimes."

Iowa survived a nearly 10-minute drought in the first half without a field goal and trailed just 26-22 at the break despite shooting 23 percent from the floor in the period. The Hawkeyes took a 12-9 advantage behind a Haluska 3-pointer with 12:35 left in the opening half — their only lead of the game — to finish a 10-0 run.

Then things turned ugly.

Iowa misfired on eight-straight shots and a 12-9 lead turned into a 10-point deficit. Haluska finally hit a runner with 2:36 remaining before halftime to end the cold streak.

Tucker, a national Player of the Year candidate, connected on 11-of-14 shots for 27 points — his best output in Big Ten play this season. The senior didn't miss from the field in the first half, consistently hitting midrange baseline jumpers along with pretty moves around the hoop in what his coach called one of the best games of his career.

"Recent memory serves best," Wisconsin's Bo Ryan said.

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COMMENTARY

Shooting hits deep freeze

COMMENTARY

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In postgame interviews, every coach and player said there's only one remedy to the problem of a lost shooting — keep on heaving it.

"Sometimes, when you just have point-blank shots that are wide open and you're not making them, there's not much else you can do about it," Haluska said.

Wisconsin coach Bo Ryan employed the same tactic with 6-11 forward Brian Butch, who was 1-5 from the field in the first half.

"I think it's the first time I ever used the technique that my old coach used to use at halftime in talking to a guy who is missing shots, or a couple guys who are missing shots," he said. "I can't use the language that coach used, but he said, 'Just shoot the [bleep] ball.' 'Just shoot it. Don't think about it. If you're obsessing about things, it's amazing how things can go awry.'"

I think it's amazing how things go awry when someone keeps shooting and missing. Is it me, or is the coach's take on the matter one of the biggest head-scratchers in sports?

I know every basketball guru will tell me I'm wrong, but at some point, doesn't it make sense to stop airing it out, at least from long-range?

In football, coaches don't keep trotting out the field-goal kicker who can't boot it between the uprights. Baseball managers pull pitchers who can't find the strike zone.

Steve Alford said after the game that he was pleased that Haluska found

other ways to contribute. The senior and team captain yanked seven rebounds and had a 2-to-1 assist to turnover ratio.

"The thing I like about Adam is he had a very difficult shooting night, but he gets to the line 10 times and makes nine of them," Alford said. "... It just was a night where the ball didn't go in."

"I wish all I had to worry about was Adam's shooting. If it was that simple, we'd really be excited about things."

Instead of firing up shots from behind or just in front of the 3-point arc, maybe Haluska could have driven inside, drawn a few more fouls, and sunk even more free throws on a day when the charity stripe was his only friend.

I could be way off. I've heard NBA legend and commentator Bill Walton say over and over again that "it's not how many you make, it's how many you take."

To me, the continued brick-laying buried the

Hawkeyes in a hole that grew deeper and deeper until there was no way out.

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Men gymnasts nab first win

HAWKEYE SPORTS

Women tracksters have good meet

For the third week in a row, senior Becca Franklin broke her own school mark in the weight throw with a toss of 56-8 at the Carle/Health Alliance Invitational in Champagne, Ill. She broke her previous mark by 1½ feet.

Katherine Alexander continued her successful junior campaign with a second-place finish in the 200 in a time of 23.99, good enough to provisionally qualify for the NCAA championships.

The Iowa women's track team finished second in the nine-team meet, bested only by host Illinois. The Hawkeyes won three events against a tough field.

Peaches Roach, who last weekend provisionally qualified for the national championships, won the high jump with a leap of 5-10. In the triple jump, Renee White had a career-long distance of 40½ for first place.

The Hawkeyes also posted a season-best time of 3:47.50 in the victorious 1,600-meter relay.

— by Diane Hendrickson

The Hawkeye men's gymnastics team rolled over Illinois-Chicago on Jan. 27

complete meet, noting that some of the Hawks were good at parts, but they did not finish their routines.

The Hawkeyes will have to finish their routines in the future if they are going to have a successful season, but the coach is confident in where his team sits at this stage in the season.

Dunn said he was really pleased with the progress the Hawkeyes have made, and he hopes they will be in position to defeat Minnesota on Feb. 4. To do that, he said, the team needs to perform better than it did Jan. 27. The Hawkeyes are "just about there," he said.

Most important for the Hawkeyes at the moment is achieving their first victory of the season — an accomplishment Kuklinski felt will help the Hawkeyes.

"The win is going to feel good," he said, "I think the win is going to drive us on to more wins later on in the season."

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Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan
Hawkeye Dustin Cranmer scores a 7.55 on the parallel bars Jan. 27 in the Field House. Iowa won its first meet of the season, beating Illinois-Chicago 200.35-186.4.



Alexander junior

BY SEAN MONAHAN
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa men's gymnastics team put out the 200.35 to 186.40 victory over Illinois-Chicago. Over the past weekend, the Hawkeyes returned home after two previous losing efforts on the road, and the return seemed to be welcome.

Freshman Danny Kuklinski was one Hawkeye who was glad to be back in Iowa City.

"Being home is great; you've got all the fans and family members here, so it makes you work extra hard and makes you perform a little bit better," he said.

One aspect of home that aided the Hawkeyes was competing on their own equipment. Kuklinski felt that the familiarity with the apparatus helped the team's performance and allowed the Hawks to complete their routines more easily — something they took advantage of right away.

The men opened up the competition with their highest score of the day, a 36.050 on the floor exercise, which pleased men's head coach Tom Dunn. The Hawkeyes then followed that outstanding performance by winning each of the remaining events on the day.

While that stat may seem impressive, the coach was not so impressed.

"It doesn't mean a whole lot; I mean, this isn't the strength of the Big Ten right here," Dunn said. "If we beat Minnesota on every event, [that would be good]."

While Dunn was happy with the team's showing on floor exercise, rings, and vault, he was disappointed with the showing on the parallel and high bars.

One reason for the lower

scores in the two latter events, the coach said, was the absence of team captains Bryan Bourland and Curtis Kleffman. Dunn said he gave his two leaders the day off to get a better look at some of his freshman athletes. He made the decision to rest his stars because he believed that the meet would not be very close.

While Bourland and Kleffman got a break from competition, several of their teammates stepped up to score points. Dunn highlighted Geoff Reins, who placed first in the floor and vault. The floor routines of Diego Mercado-Austin, Reid Urbain, and Dustin Cranmer were some of the other routines Dunn liked.

One area he felt the team needed to improve upon was having a

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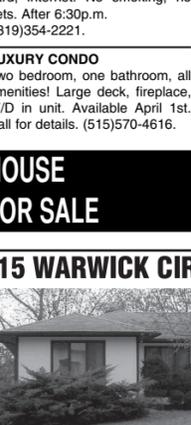
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“Let’s say I believe firmly in Ronald Reagan’s 11th commandment: Thou shalt not speak ill of a fellow Republican. But it’s very hard sometimes to adhere to that where Chuck Hagel is involved.”
— Vice President Dick Cheney. Hagel, R-Nebr., has accused the Bush administration of playing “a Ping-Pong game with American lives” by sending more U.S. troops into Iraq.

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ANDREW R. JUHL

Unique, bad pickup lines actually used on women in Iowa City bars

- “Hey, baby. You could make a man write a bad check.”
- “Let’s take a trip to Sitonmylapville. Population = You.”
- “I don’t normally say this to girls I’ve just met, but would you like to get drunk and have sex with me?”
- “I don’t care what my buddies say, I think your ass is perfect.”
- “I notice you’re not wearing a wedding ring. Would you like to be?”
- “May I buy you a glass of tequila?”
- “Wanna go tap some ass?”
- “You gotta knife behind that bar? ‘Cause I need to cut through all these pheromones.”
- “Hey, girlie. You into average-looking guys?”
- “You’ll do.”
- “I’m glad you’re waiting on me tonight because I’ve been waiting on you my whole life.”
- “The conflict in the Gaza Strip is a difficult and multifaceted issue. Let’s discuss it over drinks and then screw like rabbits.”
- “Hey, babe, I drive a De Lorean.”
- “Hi, I write a comedy column, and I was wondering if you’ve ever heard any unique, bad pickup lines.”

— Andrew R. Juhl thanks his friend, J Caldwell, for helping compile this list. E-mail him at: andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu

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today’s events

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- **Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **International Mondays, “A Conversation on U.S. National Security in the 21st Century: A Grand Strategy from the Princeton Project,”** Anne-Marie Slaughter, noon, Iowa City Public Library Room A
- **Third-Grade Clay Exhibit**, 3 p.m., Coe College, 1220 First Ave. N.E., Cedar Rapids
- **Iowa Cultural Corridor Alliance Innovative Excellence Awards**, 6:30 p.m., the Englert, 221 E. Washington
- **Hiawatha Public Library Story Time**, 7 p.m., 150 W. Willman, Hiawatha
- **Hindi Film Series, *Shree 420***, 7 p.m., E105 Adler Journalism Building
- **“Live from Prairie Lights,”** Andy Stern, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Story Time**, 7 p.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth
- **Open Mike with Jay Knight**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Go Motion! with Insectoid**, McKinley Place, 9 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington
- **Blues Jam**, time TBA, Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

horoscopes Monday, January 29, 2007 — by Eugenia Last

- ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Just when you think you’ve paid your dues and everything is about to fall into place, you will be asked to do more. Don’t let this rattle your cage — instead, apply your talent. You are a leader, and you will come out on top.
- TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Proceed quietly in the direction you feel good about, but don’t tell everyone around you your plans, or opposition will hold you back. Someone may ask for a favor that is unreasonable. Learn to say “no.”
- GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Don’t get emotional or all worked up over nothing. You will accomplish far more by staying focused and ignoring what other people think or do. This is a perfect day to reassess your financial situation.
- CANCER (June 21-July 22):** A change with regard to your status will occur if you make a decision. This is not the time to wait for others to do things. It’s up to you to make suggestions as to how situations can be improved.
- LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Make some moves regarding your financial situation and your personal and professional partnerships. If something isn’t working out, now is not the time to let it ride. Act now, and you will leave plenty of time for achievement.
- VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** You may need to shake things up in your life today. If you aren’t totally happy with the way things have been going, be willing to take half the blame and make adjustments from your side. A challenge will clarify things for you.
- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Don’t let the little things bother you. Networking will bring great results, and it may even spark a new business partnership. A chance meeting with someone from your past will allow you to readdress old ideas.
- SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Pick and choose your words carefully when dealing with family and close friends, especially if money is an issue. A change in your social circle will help spark your imagination and inspire you to get back to your creative dreams.
- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Personal opportunities are apparent if you are quick to take action and move forward with a relationship that excites you. A neighbor or friend will be able to shed some light on a personal situation you face.
- CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Aggressive action will be required to get what you want today. Don’t be afraid to take an unorthodox approach. In this case, shock technique will influence the outcome of a decision being made by someone in authority.
- AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** You can make some unbelievable personal changes that will not only surprise and delight the people who care about you but will also bring you added respect and advancement. Don’t think about what you can do — make it happen.
- PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** You may have to watch how you approach delicate situations at home or with people you have an emotional tie to. Feel out the situation before making allegations. Overreacting at work or at home will not bring you the results you are hoping for.



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SOLUTION TO FRIDAY’S PUZZLE

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- 3 p.m.** “Live from Prairie Lights,” Anthony Signorelli
- 4** Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week Convocation
- 6:30** Iowa Basketball with Steve Alford News Conference
- 7** “Live from Prairie Lights,” Anthony Signorelli
- 8** No One is Illegal, Immigration & Human Rights in the U.S. Today, Tom Lewis
- 9:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update
- 9:45** Iowa Basketball with Steve Alford News Conference
- 10:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update

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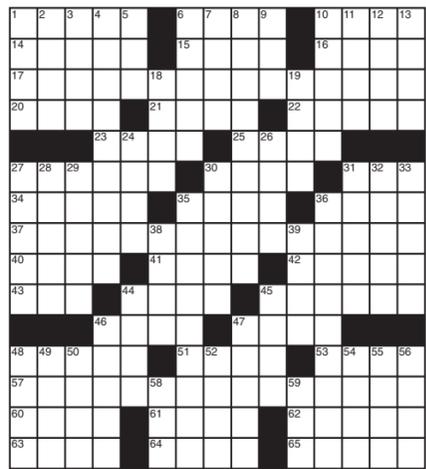
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- ACROSS**
- Cry after “Forward!”
 - Solder
 - Belgrade native
 - Central Florida city
 - Words of understanding
 - Peter, Paul and Mary, e.g.
 - Holiday decoration
 - Retain
 - Numbered work of a composer
 - “Come in!”
 - Preservers of preserves
 - “This looks bad!”
 - Cleopatra’s lover
 - Hissy fit
 - Air blower
 - Like a pitcher’s perfect game
 - Flub
 - Look into a crystal ball
 - Holiday decoration
 - Fabric fuzz
 - Memo opener
 - Plural of 21-Across
 - U-tum from WSW
 - Assns.
 - Frigate or ferry
 - Fleeting trace
 - Neat
 - Offspring
 - Butcher’s cut
 - Shopping place
 - Holiday decoration
 - Abbr. before a colon
 - Feed the kitty
 - Make amends
 - General emotional state
 - Some boxing decisions, briefly
- DOWN**
- Make fun of
 - Liniment target
 - Like one in a million
 - Business that routinely overcharges
 - Possesses
 - Ones likely to chicken out
 - Biblical pottage purchaser
 - First chapter in a primer
 - Morning moisture
 - Shorthand pro
 - The “E” in Q.E.D.
 - Baptism or bar mitzvah
 - Danish Nobelist Niels
 - British Conservative
 - What homeowners don’t have to pay
 - 1998 animated bug film
 - Player of 45’s
 - Site for a monitoring bracelet, maybe
 - Hopeless, as a situation
 - Feudal landholder
 - Whisky drinks
 - Confronts
 - Sky-blue

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

S I L E N T X A S T A R T E
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O T R A N T O S A M E S E X



Puzzle by Donna Levin

- View from Mount Everest
- Pig’s sound
- Handful for Tarzan
- Ship-to-shore accessway
- Coiled
- Insect whose larvae destroy foliage
- Broadcasts
- ___ the line (behaved)
- 44 Pig’s sound
- Handful for Tarzan
- Coiled
- Multiplied by
- Pillow cover
- Famed Roman censor
- Diggin’
- ___ be in England: Browning
- Suffix with buck
- Long, angry discourse
- Lt. Kojak
- Krazy ___ of the comics
- Doze

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