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Sticking with diversity

UI admissions has found a way to create diversity without the controversy, but the efforts need to continue, officials said

BY BRITNEY BERGET
THE DAILY IOWAN

In the past decade, affirmative action has sparked debate among universities, resulting in a 10-year legal battle, but the UI has managed to promote diversity without provoking dispute over discrimination.

A lawsuit filed in 1997, alleging that the University of Michigan's admissions policies was discriminatory, was settled Jan. 19 when the U.S. Supreme Court rejected three state universities' requests to postpone Proposal 2 for six months. Proposal 2, which went into effect Dec. 23, ruled it was unlawful to award undergraduate applicants points based on sex and/or ethnicity.

The UI admissions policies do not include "set-asides, quotas, or a point system," and they aren't likely to in the future, officials said.

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Plane crash kills 2 IC men

BY DANE SCHUMANN
THE DAILY IOWAN

An investigation is continuing into a Feb. 2 plane crash near Grinnell that killed two Iowa City men — one a UI employee — who were on a return flight from Seattle, family members said.

The two victims have been identified as Blane Anderson, 34 and Joshua James Reynolds, 35.



Anderson plane-crash victim

A statement from the Anderson family described the plane as experimental and "not built by a commercial manufacturer." Anderson, a licensed professional pilot with 10 years of experience, was flying the plane back from Seattle, where it had been purchased by a third party.

Anderson and Reynolds experienced mechanical difficulties during the return flight that stranded them in Twin Falls, Idaho, for five days while they waited for parts, according to the family's statement. The two began flying to Iowa City on the morning of Feb. 2 from Rawlins, Wyo.

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DANCE MARATHON 2007

ONE FROM THE HEART

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE 24 HOURS OF DANCE MARATHON



Beth Skogen/The Daily Iowan

6:55.50 p.m.

UI seniors and Dance Marathon executive council members Travis Bushaw (left), Justin Bedi (center), and Jennie Nolan (right) stand together screaming on stage after the money raised by Dance Marathon was revealed: \$880,903.13. The amount is the highest raised by the event so far. **FOR MORE PHOTOS, SEE THE DANCE MARATHON PHOTO SLIDE SHOW AT DAILYIOWAN.COM OR TURN TO PAGE 6A.**

BY MATT NELSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

With heads high and feet stomping, hundreds packed the IMU Main Ballroom on the evening of Feb. 2 to participate in Dance Marathon, a 24-hour event to raise money for the UI Hospitals and Clinics' Children's Hospital and the Children's Miracle Network.

The participants collected \$880,903.13 this year — \$130,000 more than they had hoped to raise in the 13th-annual event.

6:11 P.M. — Feb. 2

The IMU ballroom begins to fill with participants for Dance Marathon — including UI freshman Jon Raftis, a first-year dancer and Sigma Chi member.

The walls are covered in posters telling the stories of children supported by Dance Marathon — some without happy endings. Hanging higher on the north and south sides are banners for each family sponsored by the 39 morale groups.

Raftis checks in. He feels more anxious than nervous.

"I've never done anything like this before," the brown-haired business major says.

He and 860 other dancers, as well as 38 morale captains, then take the floor.

For the next 24 hours, the



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6:01.26 p.m.

UI senior Niki Branit (left), UI graduate student Aggie Thompson (center), and UI alum Sonya Masse (right) cry with happiness on stage after the total amount of money earned for Dance Marathon was disclosed on Feb. 3.

college students are barred from drinking caffeine and wearing wristwatches.

Instead, the morale captains and their assistants walk around with fanny packs that hold water bottles for the dancers. Dustin Villhauer, a morale captain assistant, has stickers and

the event's schedule in one pocket and Jolly Ranchers and lollipops in the other.

Some of the female morale dancers carry spray perfume bottles to mask the unmistakable odor of sweat. Later in the night, the bag will be filled with ibuprofen and hot and cold packs, Villhauer said.

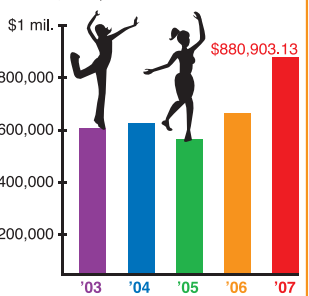
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A candle is lit to commemorate Dance Marathon children who have passed away, and it is placed on a quilt bearing all of the kids' names in the event's previous years.

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Dance Marathon 2007

Although every UI Dance Marathon seems to exceed expectations, this year's event surpassed the goal by more than \$130,000.



Nelle Dunlap/The Daily Iowan



ON DITV

Watch City Channel 17, Campus 4, or log onto dailyiowan.com.

- What dancing for 24 hours can do for your health.
- This year's dancers surpassed their fundraising goal by leaps and bounds.



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• Additional interviews with the dancers.

NO YOUTH MOVEMENT

The members of the presidential-search panel will make do without an undergraduate representative. **8A**



PEYTON'S PLACE

After years of hearing they couldn't win the big one, Peyton Manning and the Colts dismantle the Bears. **1B**

BECAUSE WE SAID SO

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Mostly sunny, breezy, wind chills from Alberta

Mediacom, Sinclair end dispute

Mediacom and Sinclair came to an agreement on Feb. 2, and the cable company also announced increased digital-cable and Internet rates

BY COLIN BURKE
THE DAILY IOWAN

After months of negotiations, Mediacom and Sinclair have buried the hatchet.

In a Feb. 2 statement, Mediacom announced that its transmission of Sinclair stations will be restored in 12 states, including that of KGAN-CBS in Cedar Rapids.

The dispute arose because the two companies could not reach an agreement about how much Mediacom should pay to air the Sinclair stations. That led to a removal of Sinclair programming on Jan. 6.

Because of the 1992 cable act, broadcasters such as Sinclair can ask for payment from cable companies to carry the over-the-

air signal, Mediacom spokeswoman Phyllis Peters said on Sunday. Yet Mediacom is required to carry Sinclair's signal for its largest customer-tier, or in this case, those subscribing to channels 2 through 22 or basic cable, she said.

Peters said Mediacom is also required by law to secure Sinclair's permission to carry its programming.

Sinclair officials did not respond to repeated calls for comment on Sunday.

The issue has reached the highest levels of government in Iowa.

Sen. Thomas Courtney, D-Burlington, the chairman of the Senate Government Oversight committee, and his panel heard from Mediacom and Sinclair

officials regarding the dispute on Jan. 23, during which they discussed many topics including the 1992 cable law, according to meeting minutes.

"I think Iowans wanted them to come to an agreement," Courtney said on Sunday.

In a Feb. 2 statement, Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, commended the agreement.

"I'm glad Mediacom and Sinclair settled this on their own and without the heavy hand of the government," Grassley said.

But news of price increase may have a sobering effect on Mediacom customers. In a Jan. 29 letter to Iowa City City Clerk Marian Karr, Mediacom senior government-relations manager Lee Grassley said the company is increasing rates of "commercial

and digital-cable, [and] high-speed Internet service" among other services.

Peters said these hikes were due to increased costs, specifically in programming and Internet service. She said programmers raise their rates for companies such as Mediacom to carry their signals.

Specific increases include a \$1 raise for premium programming such as HBO or Showtime. Internet customers with their own modems will see a \$3 escalation, yet people who rent modems from Mediacom will not see any change.

The cable prices will not affect consumers of basic and family cable, she said.

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ICEMAN COMETH FOR REAL



A car speeds past an icy window on Governor Street on Sunday morning. Temperatures reached minus-8 degrees late Saturday night/early Sunday morning.

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CORRECTION

In the Feb. 2, article, "Dancing for the memories," the name Aubrae Dunn was spelled incorrectly; the correct spelling is Aubree Dunn. *The Daily Iowan* regrets the error.

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Business school receives recognition

The UI Tippie College of Business was recently recognized by the *Financial Times* for having some of the best professional programs in the world.

The London newspaper ranked the business school's M.B.A. accounting program as 10th in the world, and the overall full-time M.B.A. program was ranked 45th out of 155 schools surveyed.

The rankings are partially based on alumni career advancement, which is a primary goal of the program, said Gary Gaeth, the associate business dean for the Tippie School of Management.

"The ultimate mission of our program is to prepare conscientious managers who will be more successful in their careers, and these rankings show that our graduates believe we're fulfilling our mission," he said.

— by Patrick Bigsby

UIHC N. Liberty clinic to expand

The UI Family Care Center-North Liberty will begin working on a 4,400-square-foot expansion, according to a Jan. 30 press release.

The expansion of the center, 3 Lions Drive, which is scheduled to be completed this summer, will include a separate clinical area for UI HealthWorks occupational medicine patients along with a separate entrance and reception area, according to the release.

New exam rooms will also be a part of the addition, which will allow for more office visits.

After the addition's completion, more space for additional specialty clinics will be added — including clinics in cardiology, pediatric, and obstetrical/gynecological services.

Donna Katen-Bahensky, the director of UI Hospitals and Clinics, said the expansion will accommodate an increase in demand for health-care services throughout Johnson County, according to the release.

— by Amanda Battaglia

POLICE BLOTTER

Esmeralda Alegria, 23, West Liberty, was charged Feb. 2 with driving with a suspended/canceled license and fifth-degree theft.

Kristyn Alley, 20, 619 Bowery St. Apt. 1, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Habib Baba, 30, 74 West Side Drive, was charged Feb. 3 with keeping a disorderly house.

Niles Bailey, 20, 319 E. Court St. Apt. 3, was charged Feb. 3 with interference with official acts, PAULA, unlawful use of another's driver's license/ID, and public intoxication.

Wesley Carter, 20, 2304 Hollywood Blvd., was charged Feb. 3 with disorderly conduct.

Zachary Clarey, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 3 with PAULA.

Kelsie Full, 21, 732 Bowery St., was charged Sunday with OWI.

Whitney Glasford, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 3 with PAULA.

Ryan Green, 20, 522 E. Burlington St., was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Antonio Greer, 19, Evansdale, Iowa, was charged Feb. 2 with public intoxication.

John Gutta, 18, N125 Currier, was

charged Feb. 3 with PAULA.

Lynda Hanson, 31, Coralville, was charged Feb. 2 with prohibited acts and second-degree theft by deception.

Allison Harold, 20, Crystal Lake, Ill., was charged Feb. 3 with PAULA.

Tony Hines, 22, 917 Harlocke St., was charged Feb. 3 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Megan Jasin, 21, 510 S. Van Buren St. Apt. 1, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Samuel Kienzie, 20, 816 River St., was charged Feb. 3 with OWI.

Alisa Kluesner, 18, Epworth, Iowa, was charged Feb. 2 with public intoxication, interference with official acts, and PAULA.

Anna Kopecky, 18, 410 Slater, was charged Feb. 3 with possession of a fictitious driver's license/ID and public intoxication.

Brady Loper, 19, 2226 Quadrangle, was charged Feb. 3 with public intoxication.

Patrick McCarthy, 19, Okauchee, Wis., was charged Feb. 2 with PAULA.

Sara Meis, 19, Sioux City, was charged Feb. 3 with PAULA and unlawful use of a driver's license/ID to obtain alcohol.

Kristin Miller, 18, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 2 with public intoxication.

Jodie Neuzil, 25, 113 S. Scott Blvd., was charged Feb. 2 with selling an alcoholic beverage to a minor.

Jonathan Parrish, 20, 221 Summit St. Apt. 1, was charged Feb. 2 with public intoxication.

Charles Phillips, 21, address unknown, was charged Jan. 12 with assault causing injury.

Travarus Robbins, 20, 515 E. Jefferson St. Apt. 16, was charged Feb. 2 with OWI and driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Timothy Roed, 19, Burlington, was charged Feb. 2 with PAULA.

Nathaniel Rose, 20, Coralville, was charged Feb. 2 with OWI.

Jacob Schemerhorn, 19, Bloomington, Ill., was charged Feb. 3 with urinating in public and public intoxication.

Jack Schley, 19, Whitefish Bay, Wis., was charged Feb. 1 with unlawful use of another's driver's license/ID.

Kristin Schuller, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 2 with OWI.

Matt Schulte, 21, 927 E. College St. Apt. 12, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

James Scott, 37, address unknown, was charged Sunday with criminal trespass.

Keaton Scott, 19, Tipton, was charged Feb. 2 with PAULA.

Tyler Shultz, 23, 417 S. Gilbert St., was charged Sunday with urinating in public.

Matthew Smithers, 23, Wellman, Iowa, was charged Feb. 1 with selling an alcoholic beverage to a minor.

Andrew Strauss, 19, 1329 Burge, was charged Feb. 2 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Amanda Tarson, 19, 1213 Quadrangle, was charged Feb. 2 with possession of marijuana.

Erik Tesdall, 22, 508 E. Davenport St., was charged Feb. 3 with public intoxication.

Stephanie Thomas, 42, 1104 S. First Ave., was charged Oct. 13, 2006 with forgery by credit card.

Michelle Tumej, 18, 0435 Slater, was charged Feb. 2 with PAULA.

Rodney Vandenburg, 51, address unknown, was charged Feb. 3 with public intoxication.

Alex Willert, 18, 443 S. Johnson St. Apt. 443, was charged Feb. 2 with PAULA.

Jeremy Yates, 19, Council Bluffs, was charged Feb. 3 with public intoxication.

UI eschews quotas

DIVERSITY

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"We have clearly stated admission policies," said Kathyne Bassett, the senior associate director of UI admissions. "A major priority is making sure the selection process is fair; the main thing we're looking for is success."

For students to be admitted, they must take the required high-school courses, and Iowa residents must rank in the upper 50 percent of their class, while out-of-state residents must rank in the upper 30 percent of their class.

And although ethnicity doesn't play a major role in accepting students, the UI still makes considerable efforts to promote diversity, officials said.

Associate Provost Thomas Rocklin said in order to encourage diversity, the university takes steps before and after students enroll. The first step is to get the university's name out to the public and inform students about the requirements.

Once students have enrolled, the university offers several scholarship programs to minority students. Advantage Iowa looks at students' ethnic backgrounds and socioeconomic factors along with academic achievement to award scholarships ranging from

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To promote excellence in education by increasing the diversity of the faculty, staff, and students.

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- Build a critical mass of underrepresented faculty, staff, and students.
- Hold all parts of the university community accountable for improving the climate for diversity.

Source: The Iowa Promise Strategic Plan for 2005-2010

\$2,000 to full tuition.

Even with the effort, Rocklin said, diversity still needs to improve, and with only 9.1 percent of the school's students being minorities, there is room to grow.

"Most [UI] graduates will go on to a more diverse workplace than we have here," he said. "We still need to increase diversity."

The UI has long been devoted to creating diversity: It was the first public institution to admit men and women on an equal basis and

was among the first to admit blacks in the mid-19th century.

And even though minority-student numbers are slowly rising, Regent Robert Downer said, it's vital that regents and the school keep working to make the university a demographically diverse institution.

"[Increasing diversity] still requires the expenditure of considerable effort," he said. "It's very important and has been stressed and worked at over the years, but it's not self-sustaining."

With the heat surrounding affirmative action at the University of Michigan, the issue may have some people confused.

UI senior Courtney Parker, the president of the Black Student Union, stressed the importance of understanding what affirmative action entails.

"When it's applied correctly, it doesn't mean kicking out a majority student for a minority student," she said, adding that a main goal of affirmative action is to provide high-school students with information they might not have otherwise received.

"Affirmative action is often viewed as scary or controversial, but the truth is, it can really benefit students and the university," she said.

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Police run more stings



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

Bar patrons file into Joe's Place on Sunday evening. Joe's Place, along with a string of other Iowa City vendors of alcohol, were part of an alcohol sting on Feb. 1-2.

The scheduled fine for selling alcohol to a minor is \$710 plus costs.

BY EMILEIGH BARNES
THE DAILY IOWAN

Police busted eight Iowa City establishments for selling alcohol to minors during a sting operation over the weekend.

Using undercover minors, police entered 36 businesses and had the minors try to buy alcohol from Feb. 1 into the early morning hours of Feb. 2.

Eight employees at the following businesses reportedly violated laws that prohibit selling or providing alcoholic beverages to a minor, officers said: David's Place, Fitzpatrick's, Gasby's, Grizzly's, Kum & Go No. 53, Old Capitol Brew Works, and the Picador.

At those establishments, Alisha Hoversten, 21, Jodie Neuzil, 25, Jordan Josephsen, 23, Walter Kelly, 25, Matthew Smithers, 23, Jamile Gruhn, 19, and Craig Owsley, 26, were charged.

"It's understandable that they [hold checks]," said Doug Dulger, a bartender at Grizzly's. "But it is unfortunate for the people who get caught."

Charges at Joe's Place were still pending as of Feb. 2.

"[Compliance checks] are done with some regularity," Iowa City police Sgt. Bill Campbell said on Sunday.

Each employee was charged and released, Iowa City police Sgt. Troy Kelsay said on Feb. 2. None of the cited employees could be reached for comment on Sunday, but Hoversten is listed as a student in the UI's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences in the university's directory.

The start of the semester has spawned a series of compliance checks, including those involving tobacco that have led to citations at John's Grocery, Delimart, Gasby's, Hartig Drug, and an

unnamed convenience store. This weekend's checks brought the second charge at an Iowa City Gasby's for violations of tobacco and alcohol policies.

During a Jan. 22 check, police cited Gasby's, 310 S. Gilbert St., for selling tobacco products to a minor as part of a separate compliance operation.

If a business gets more than one alcohol citation in three years, it can face a 30-day suspension of its liquor license. Three failures in three years can invoke a 60-day suspension; a fourth in three years is punishable with license revocation.

Campbell said he was unsure if the alcohol sting operations were funded by the state Legislature, as its tobacco counterparts. Kelsay, who handles alcohol compliance checks, was unavailable for comment on Sunday.

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2 IC men die in crash

CRASH

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The men were roughly 20 minutes from Iowa City when their Spencer Air Car crashed into a field southeast of Grinnell.

"He called here in the afternoon, and said could I go [to the Iowa City Airport] with the kids to pick him up," wife Heidi Anderson said in the statement. "But he didn't show up. I thought maybe he was running behind."

Family spokesman Brian Morelli said Anderson was experienced enough to perform a crash landing and that any possible mechanical failure must have been "fairly substantial" for the pilot to not overcome.

"By all accounts, Blane was

an experienced and cautious pilot," Morelli said.

The accident is still under investigation. Officials from the Federal Aviation Administration could not be reached for comment on Sunday, and Bill Owen, the manager of the Grinnell Regional Airport, declined to comment.

Reynolds was employed in the UI psychology department as a senior systems administrator. A woman who answered the phone at Reynolds' home said she was unable to comment.

Anderson is survived by wife Heidi Anderson, 6-year-old twins Ruby Jo and Eli, and 14-month-old RosaMae.

Visitation for Anderson is scheduled for today from 4-8 p.m. at Lensing Funeral

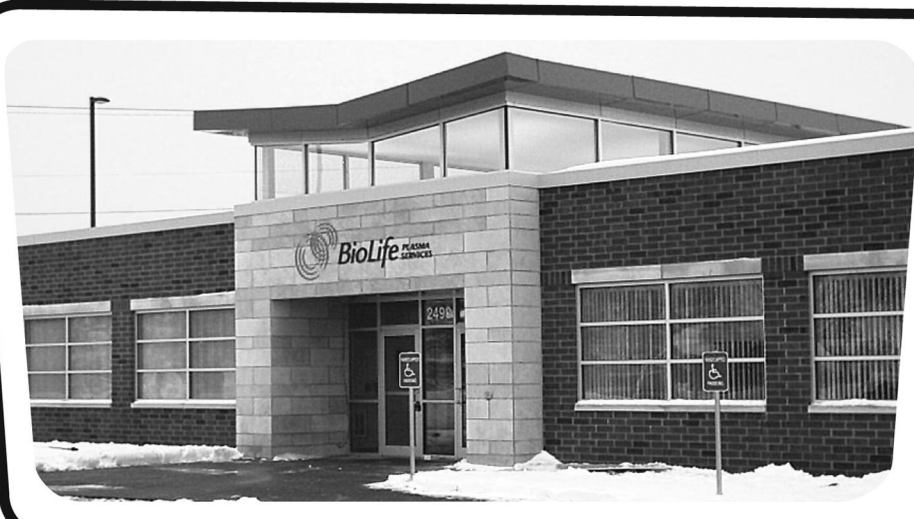
Service, 605 Kirkwood Ave. A memorial service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Old Brick Church, 26 E. Market St.

The private burial will be near Anderson's hometown of Burlington.

Visitation for Reynolds will be held Wednesday at 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 2701 Rochester Ave., with a memorial service to follow.

Another plane crash killing three people made headlines in June 2006, when a Bell Jetranger III helicopter crashed into a cornfield one mile west of Walford, Iowa. The crew was shooting a scene for a movie with a baseball theme; the accident occurred when the helicopter hit a power line.

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Pierce's hoops future still up in the air

Former Hawkeye basketball star Pierre Pierce pleads for chance to play pro basketball

BY MASON KERNS
THE DAILY IOWAN

ADEL, Iowa — Despite nearly three hours of legal wrangling Feb. 2 between defense lawyer Alfredo Parrish and Dallas County Attorney Wayne Reisetter, the athletics future of former Hawkeye basketball star Pierre Pierce remains murky.

In a makeshift courtroom in the hometown of Hawkeye icon Nile Kinnick, Parrish tried to persuade Judge Gregory Hulse that probation requirements should be eliminated, or at least loosened, so Pierce may relocate to California to pursue a pro-basketball career.

But lengthy testimony raised a legal question regarding whether Pierce should be forced to continue his third sex-offender-treatment program, forcing Hulse to suspend his decision for at least a week.

The four-year probation in question is a requirement of a plea agreement: In August 2005, the former All-Big Ten guard pleaded guilty to assault with intent to commit sexual abuse, false imprisonment, third-degree burglary, and fourth-degree criminal mischief stemming from an altercation with a former girlfriend.

Though he served 332 days in prison and was never released on parole, the burglary charge dictates that Pierce be under probation in Iowa until 2010 — a mandate imposed in part because he pleaded guilty to assault causing injury after earlier rape accusations in 2002.

At the end of opening arguments, Parrish asked for one of three scenarios: That Pierce's probation, which prevents him from residing in another state, be discharged; that the probation terms be modified so Iowa can retain jurisdiction while he lives in California; or, that Pierce's sex-offender treatment be considered fulfilled, so the varying Iowa and California sex-offender laws won't hamper Pierce's transfer.

Reisetter, who said Pierce



Lindsey Walters/The Daily Iowan

Pierre Pierce walks down the stairs of the Mount Pleasant Correction Facility with his father, Maurice Pierce, after being released on Sept. 24, 2006.

has yet to prove he's no longer a danger to society, firmly resisted any softening of the probationary terms.

"This request is premised upon whether the defendant has met the purposes of probation, and he hasn't," Reisetter said, calling the career-oriented portion of Parrish's argument irrelevant. "In five years or less, Mr. Pierce has had two significant run-ins with the law. Actions speak louder than words."

Next, Parrish called on Todd Ramasar, Pierce's sports representative, to testify via telephone from his agency in California. Ramasar told the court how Pierce had immense success at a workout for the Ana-

heim Arsenal, an NBA Developmental League team, and how Pierce was once sought considerably by the NBA's Golden State Warriors.

But when the Arsenal wanted Pierce to come back for training camp so they could sign him to a contract, California denied his transfer, partly because of Pierce's sex-offender status.

Ramasar, primed by Parrish, said he'd handle Pierce's outstanding criminal fines, and, should Pierce commit a violation in California, buy a plane ticket to fly the athlete back to Iowa.

"I've stuck with Pierre because I think he's a bonafide NBA talent," Ramasar said. "I

would be open to anything [the court] deems necessary in order to employ him."

Under cross-examination, Ramasar admitted the jetsetting lifestyle of the professional basketball world may not be conducive to monitoring by a law-enforcement agency.

"And as his player-agent, isn't your income tied to Mr. Pierce's success, to some degree?" Reisetter said, trying to accentuate that Ramasar's testimony wasn't objective.

"Obviously, if Mr. Pierce does well, I'll benefit from agent fees," Ramasar said.

Pierce, taking the stand sporting a cleanly shaven head and a sharp blue-and-black suit, appeared remorseful as he asked the court for a chance to "fulfill my dream."

"I've learned a lot about my thinking errors, about different behaviors leading up to my offense ... about what I need to rectify," Pierce said, adding that he "never wants to go back" to prison.

Dudley Allison, Pierce's probation officer, said the two accelerated sex-offender treatment programs Pierce participated in aren't typically as effective as the longer version recommended by the state.

"He's been rushed," Allison said.

Nevertheless, Parrish emphasized that Pierce was on probation only for the third-degree burglary charge, arguing that very few, if any, former prisoners discharged on such a conviction are ever subject to sex-offender treatment.

But Allison said the burglary was inexorably linked to sex-related crimes, thus providing an exception.

"I've talked with Pierre about this," Allison said. "I told him I don't think he went into that apartment to steal a laptop."

Requiring no deliberation, Hulse ordered Parrish and Reisetter to submit arguments concerning whether a defendant on probation for a non-sexual crime could be forced to undergo treatment.

Parish and Reisetter are expected to present their evidence to Hulse Feb. 9 in Adel.

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Rural Iowa facing a dearth of dentists

A majority of Iowa counties — 79 of 99 — could be designated dental-shortage areas

BY AMANDA BATTAGLIA
THE DAILY IOWAN

The spinning brushes, fluoride treatments, and tooth gunk associated with dentistry clinics aren't a fixture of the rural Iowa scene, experts say.

Though UI College of Dentistry graduates account for a large number of practicing dentists in Iowa, the state Department of Public Health has predicted that 79 of 99 Iowa counties will be dental-shortage areas in 2007.

Kevin Teale, the communications coordinator of the Public Health Department, said dentists tend to flock to bigger cities with larger numbers of colleagues to share resources and information.

"If you're the only dentist in an area, there are no other dentists to network with," he said. "It's just a recurring problem for a lot of professions."

Larry Carl, the director of the Iowa Dental Association, also said cities such as Des Moines draw dentists away and cause the rural shortage. Debt issues for recent dental-school graduates also aggravate the deficiencies, he said.

"One problem is that there is no state-funded forgivable loan program for dentists to go to rural Iowa," he said. "There is nothing done by the state of Iowa to help this."

A forgivable loan program would lend money to dentists who practice in designated

shortage areas — just as the Teacher Shortage Forgivable Loan helps teachers that instruct in such areas, according to Iowa College Student Aid Commission website.

Delta Dental, a not-for-profit national organization dedicated to providing dental coverage, awarded a \$150,000, three-year grant to the UI dental school in January to help recruit dentists to rural Iowa. The money has created an Iowa Practice Opportunities coordinator position to help the school communicate with private practices or dentists seeking potential candidates for a job.

Debra Hoyle began the position last month, and she has already relayed dental-practice information to UI students looking for open positions. Hoyle said she plans to coordinate speakers and panels to discuss topics of interest to dental students.

"We're optimistic and hopeful that we are going to make an impact and help the students here," Hoyle said.

David Johnsen, the UI dental-school dean, said rural portions of Iowa don't attract dentists because of relatively lower pay rates. But he said the statistics are deceiving, and dentists tend to succeed in these areas.

"The grant will help match up the places that most need dentists with the graduates," he said.

The College of Dentistry enrolls nearly 300 students in its doctorate of dental surgery

FACTS ABOUT DENTAL CARE IN IOWA

- The Iowa dental workforce is aging — approximately 50 percent of Iowa's current dentists are more than 50 years old.
- The Iowa population is aging, and people are retaining their teeth longer, creating a high level of demand for dental services.
- In Iowa, 79 of 99 counties are dental-shortage areas; 12 of the 79 are considered critical shortage areas.

Source: Delta Dental of Iowa

program and offers graduate programs for master's and doctorate degrees. Roughly 80 percent of the college's students are from Iowa, Johnsen said.

"We're finding that quite a few go back to the towns they came from," he said. "Some have kept connections with them from the day they went to college."

As of December 2005, 1,081 alumni from the UI College of Dentistry were practicing in the state, according to the UI Carver College of Medicine Office of Statewide Clinical Education Programs.

Carl was optimistic about the grant's potential benefits.

"I think that it's a good investment and that it can have impact as time goes by," he said. "No question about it."

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Tornado-battered are faces long recovery

BY KELLI KENNEDY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LADY LAKE, Fla. — Tornado survivors and their supporters turned out for a Sunday service at a church that was demolished in the killer storms that ripped through central Florida, remembering the victims while trying to stay optimistic about the long recovery ahead.

This rural area still echoed with the sounds of hammers, chain saws, and dump trucks, but gospel signing and shouts of "Hallelujah" dominated among the more than 100 people who gathered around the rubble of the Lady Lake Church of God on the sunny morning.

"We grieve with you, and there will be days that life will wear you down," the Rev. Larry Lynn told the crowd from a makeshift wooden platform where a broken cross was propped up next to an American flag. "But life does go on, and we're here to help you pull it together. Don't let bitterness set in."

The church's splintered wreckage has become a rallying point in this rural area hit hard by the three tornadoes that killed 20 people and destroyed hundreds of homes early on Feb. 2.

Elden Jefferson, 35, and his wife came to the service even though their concrete block home had roof and wall damage that needed their attention.

"We felt this is where we needed to be today for ourselves, for other people, for this church," Jefferson said.

A gospel choir sang and clapped on the makeshift stage.

"It's sad because, you know, you think, 'Next Sunday, I'm

going to go to church, but it's not there any more.' But the building can be replaced. We still have the family of people," said Joy Newton, 53, whose home in The Villages retirement community nearby escaped damage.

Gov. Charlie Crist, handling his first natural disaster since taking office last month, also attended Sunday's service, having canceled plans to attend the Super Bowl on Sunday night in Miami.

Crist later told reporters that the Federal Emergency Management Agency had kept its promise to help quickly, unlike its tardy response as New Orleans slid into chaos after Hurricane Katrina.

"There's no question about it. This isn't Louisiana. This is Florida. They really come in here and come in here strong," said Crist.

President Bush has designated Lake, Sumter, Seminole, and Volusia Counties as disaster areas eligible for millions of dollars in aid and loans. Early estimates showed at least \$68 million in property losses and about 1,300 homes and buildings damaged or destroyed in Lake, Sumter and Volusia counties.

FEMA and state emergency managers opened a disaster recovery center Sunday near Lady Lake to hand out aid. Lake County spokesman Chris Patton said it would probably take weeks before temporary trailer homes could be set up.

However, all shelters were closed because people found accommodations with friends and relatives. Some 1,600 customers were still without power Sunday.

About 50 National Guard troops, residents and volunteers helped with the cleanup. The Salvation Army had

'There's no question about it. This isn't Louisiana. This is Florida. They really come in here and come in here strong.'

— **Charlie Crist**, Florida governor

mobile canteens to provide counseling and meals to residents and rescue workers. More than 50 low-risk uniformed jail inmates from neighboring Marion County were back to help remove debris.

Meteorologists said at least three tornadoes struck the area between 3 and 4 a.m. Friday, when few people were awake to hear broadcast tornado warnings. The two worst ones had wind estimated at 155 to 165 mph — about 30 mph stronger than Hurricane Katrina.

"The funny thing is I never felt a breeze," said Ellsworth Fischer, a 70-year-old retired telephone company worker. "God was protecting me, no ifs and or buts about it."

However, deep bruises covered his chest, face and head because the roof of his home in the Lake Mack area caved in on top of him. He was lying over his wife in the bathtub to protect her, and the weight of the roof crushed the sides of the steel tub.

"It feels like I've got a horse sitting on my chest," said Fischer, who has arthritis and high blood pressure and usually gets around on a scooter.

AP writers Jim Ellis, Travis Reed, and Brent Kallestad contributed to this report.

METRO

CR man charged with burglary

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office has charged an 18-year-old man with third-degree burglary, alleging that he stole an ATV from a garage and resold it in Cedar Rapids on Jan. 15.

Sean Hiepler, a Cedar Rapids resident, told investigators during an interview that he had broken into a garage at a Swisher, Iowa, residence, deputies reported.

Once inside, he took a Suzuki 80 ATV, which he sold to a person in Cedar Rapids for \$200, according to a police complaint dated Feb. 1.

Hiepler provided a written statement admitting to the crime, officers said.

He now faces a felony charge of third-degree burglary. If convicted of the Class D felony, he could face up to five years in prison and a \$7,500 fine.

Third-degree burglary is defined as when someone "did enter an occupied structure, not open to the public, having no right or privilege to do so, with the intent to commit a theft."

— by Emileigh Barnes

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Our weekly series

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DANCERS LIVE LONG DAY'S JOURNEY INTO HOPE

Dancers in the 13th-annual Dance Marathon raised more than \$880,000 for the cause, far beyond the organizers' expectations. The money will help more than the 300 sponsored families involved with the Children's Miracle Network and the UI Hospitals & Clinics, who are fighting a daily battle with childhood cancers.

DANCE
CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1A

After the moving opening ceremony, the dancers' feet hit the floor. Morale captains guide the way, charged with leading the pack and firing up dancers throughout the event when even the captains themselves don't feel they can move any more.

But Raftis' morale captain is absent tonight — she is deemed to be contagious with the flu.

9:05 P.M.

The Sigma Chi brothers are allowed to visit their family — one of more than 600 family members at Dance Marathon this year.

The fraternity is supporting the Christiansens. Marci and Richard have two sons, Connor and Cameron — whose ordeal with cancer has lasted for five years and through seven surgeries.

And Cameron is only 7 years old. A long brownish-purple line extends around his abdomen, dubbed a "ninja attack scar" by his parents. He is draining fluid, which he describes as looking like "Coca-Cola," from his most recent surgery on Jan. 26.

In his chest is a port — an artificial, plastic valve built into the bodies of chemotherapy patients for administering the painful therapy. Each surgery to remove Cameron's tumors goes over the same area.

He is quiet and smiles little, but he loves Pokémon.

When Sigma Chi members ask the pale-skinned boy if he's a big Hawkeye fan, his parents nod and smile yes.

But Cameron has a better, more definitive answer. He pulls off his shoe and points to the Tigerhawk emblazoned on the top.

As a gift, Sigma Chi members present the Christiansens the same T-shirts they are wearing — "HOPE4CAMERON."

"HOPE4CAMERON, already sitting on her knees, lies back in tears. She sits up, crying, and flips the T-shirt from front to back, over and over again.

12:16 A.M. — Feb. 3

The Iowa State University's dance marathon team, which also raises money for the UIHC and Children's Miracle Network, takes the stage.

By now, morale groups are eating dinner in the River Room. The room is devoid of chairs. The dancers eat spaghetti, chicken, and baked potatoes — loaded with carbs for energy — and caffeine-free Coke and Sprite Zero.

Hip-hop is the flavor of the midnight hour, but the strain starts to set in. Dancers are already beginning to take time off the dance floor to stretch their arms and legs. No one walks quickly.

3:36 A.M.

A game of "kick the bottle" starts in a circle on the floor. The tension is between motion and stillness. Standing is more painful than walking or kicking legs, shifting weight. Kicking an empty bottle around is one more way to pass the long hours.

As night nears morn, the dancers move closer to the stage. Techno fades to country; a line for foot rubs forms stage right.

8:24 A.M.

The most difficult part of the dance begins: The time when the body is expecting to be sleeping is over.

Even though biology may have

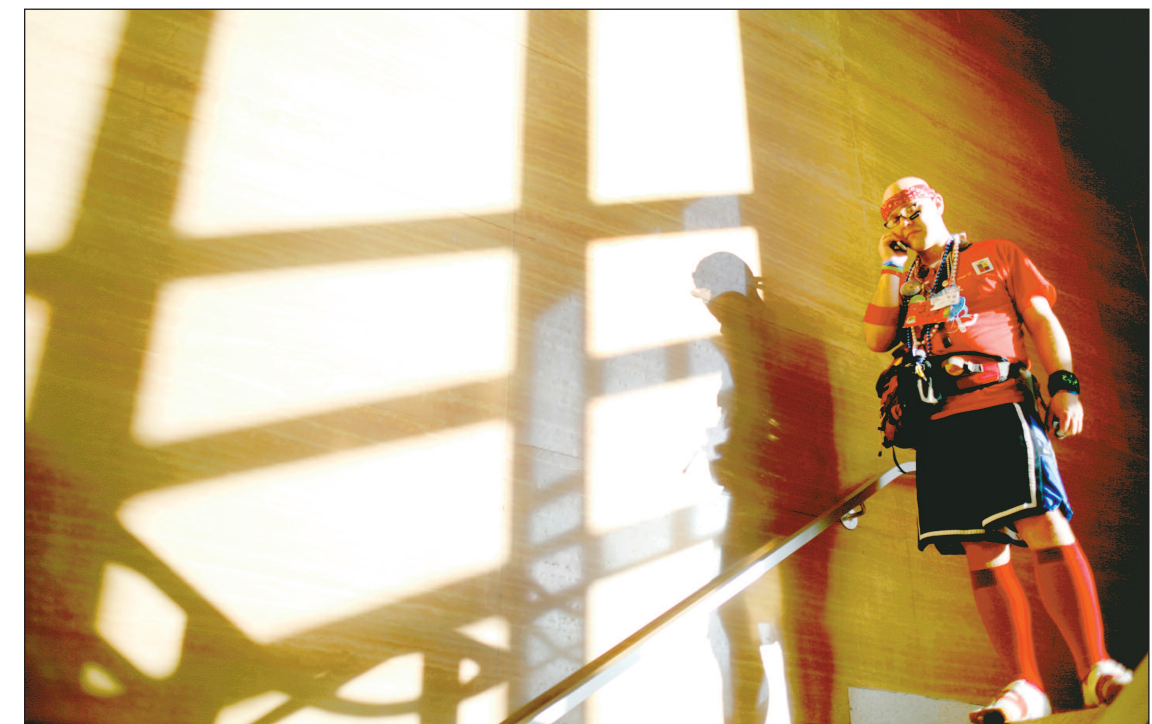
'I hope that's not cancerous, because we already had it once.'
— a father to his son, with glowstick residue on his hands.

'He's tough. He's a champion.'
— Brian Martin about Cameron Christiansen, the Dance Marathon child Sigma Chi sponsors.

'You are the hands and feet of God.'
— Lisa Baum, the director of the Children's Miracle Network.



1:29:37 p.m.
Dancers mill around the IMU Main Ballroom during Dance Marathon on Feb. 3. Hundreds of posters, banners, and quilts were placed around the entire IMU Main Ballroom to honor and commemorate the dancers and their families.



3:33.43 p.m.
UI graduate student Bradford Hefper tells fellow morale captain on the phone that he cannot come back for power hour because he is too sick during Dance Marathon on Feb. 3. This was Hefper's second year with the event.



7:20:40 AM
Morale dancers once again take the stage, as they did throughout the event, to boost the energy. Event captains and performers worked to keep the hundreds of participants enthusiastic and active during their 24 hours of going almost entirely without sleep or the opportunity to sit down.



8:28:48 p.m.
Calisa Jaster dances onstage with morale captains during the second hour of Dance Marathon. The 24-hour fundraiser generated \$130,000 more than organizers had hoped.



7:37:45 p.m.
Dancers cheer and take photographs as the morale captains run into the IMU Main Ballroom during the first hour of Dance Marathon on the evening of Feb. 2. The morale captains performed and taught the dance they created for the marathon.

held up for rest, the idea that sleep is far away begins to sink in. The lack of rest — not physical stress — is the biggest strain of Dance Marathon, UI fitness education specialist Amy Fletcher said.

In the back room, off to the side of dancers eating breakfast, a conference room has been converted for use by Student Video Productions, whose members are feverishly editing a highlight reel of Dance Marathon to be shown just after 6 p.m., using footage shot during the event.

10:26 A.M.

Raftis and the rest of the crowd glitter with red flashes from clip-on Dance Marathon light badges. When he leaves the floor for water, he moves slowly, one leg pushed ahead of the

other. Spirit dancers, scheduled to dance from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., provide a much needed lift to the dancers struggling to keep going.

Soon, another story takes the stage.

"Cancer isn't supposed to happen to us," said Renee Kuehl, clutching a tiny girl in a unicorn costume. "It's supposed to happen to someone else."

And the grim fact remains that no one beats cancer.

Cancer can be put into remission, but not cured. The survivor today can experience a relapse tomorrow and be gone the day after. For every child who beats the odds and survives, another will lose.

11:27 A.M.
Raftis is eating M&Ms and

drinking blue Gatorade in the basement of the IMU with the rest of Sigma Chi, which won the fraternity challenge for raising funds. The members are waiting for the bus that will take them to the UI Field House for a show and swim, if they want. Otherwise, they can nap and sit down.

Members of the group have already dozed off. Around quarter to noon, Brian Martin hustles his fraternity dancers out to the bus stop by the library.

They wait in the cold, huddled together for warmth, laughing. Jon likes the cold, but even he hunches his shoulders against the wind.

Once the bus arrives, dancers pack the bus beyond capacity. When the members arrive at the Field House, the cold visibly

swirls into the entrance like opening a freezer door in summer.

2:17 P.M.

Raftis and the rest of Sigma Chi are back in the center of the IMU dance floor. Fatigue at this late stage of the game is shrugged off with shakes of heads.

The floor keeps moving, even though the spirit dancers have been asked to leave. Spontaneous

dance movements become the norm: Conga lines form and wrap around each other like a game of Worm gone wild.

4:52 P.M.

The last dance led by the morale captains starts. As the music begins again for the penultimate "Power Hour," Raftis and his fraternity brothers are jumping in the air. Bass from the amplifiers in the room is nearly

tangible, each beat echoed by the pounding of hundreds of feet on the floor of the ballroom.

The dancing pushes on — 10, 15, 20 minutes. Bon Jovi's "Livin' On A Prayer" takes on a new meaning after the marathon. Small breaks in the tunes are punctuated with chants exclaiming, "For the kids."

The last song opens: a re-mix of Fatboy Slim's "Rockefeller Skank." It teases with each refrain — this is the end, it says, then continues.

But the dancers take each beat and keep moving. At 4:58, every person in the room sits.

6:33 P.M.

The names of the Dance Marathon-sponsored children who passed away are read by Lindsey Arnold and Michael Hevel. As Arnold reads, she grows increasingly emotional, choking and apologizing as she reads the name of Megan Koepeke — who died on night of Feb.



12:36:59 a.m.
LuLu Soloman stretches with fellow dancers shortly before performing Michael Jackson's "Thriller" for the crowd. The foods provided were heavy in carbohydrates in hopes of keeping dancers energized, and participants were prohibited caffeine and wearing wristwatches.

2, during the marathon.

A montage video of all the children director of the Children's Miracle Network, said to the crowd.

The crowd gathers into a circle, four rings deep, to sing "Angels Among Us" and "Testify to Love." Raftis is in the middle.

The idea behind a marathon is one long, continuous effort, but as any dancer in the room could testify, Dance Marathon is made up of millions of moments.

And it doesn't end, because these moments keep coming.

7:25 P.M. — Feb. 3

Morale captains, advisers, and other staff members clean up the IMU. Some are still dancing as they carry boxes of supplies or bags of trash.

No one has blown out the candle. E-mail *DI* reporter Matt Nelson at matthew-s-nelson@uiowa.edu



10:52 a.m.
Calvin Kujawa (left) and Nic Daane rest during "Mail Call" on the morning of Feb. 3. Dancer supporters submitted letters of encouragement to be distributed to the participants the morning of the event.

'Every child here is amazing. What he went through, I don't think I could go through.'

— Heather Reyes about her son, Gaspar, who passed away January 2006.

As vote nears, school-tax debate intensifies

BY KURT HIATT
THE DAILY IOWAN

As the Feb. 13 vote on implementing a local-option sales tax draws nearer, opponents of the notion are voicing their objections — and school officials are countering them.

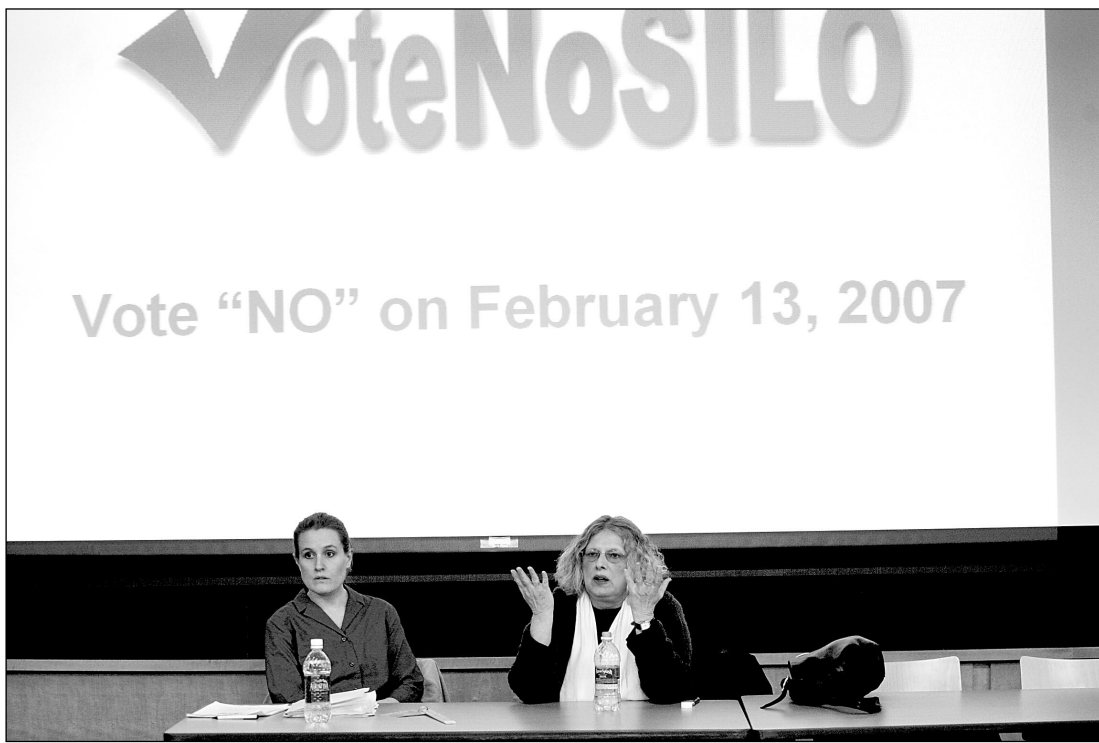
Mona Shaw, a leading activist and the developer of VoteNoSiLO, offered three reasons Johnson County residents should reject the 1-cent increase, which could garner \$104 million in its 10-year existence.

“It hurts poor people, it hurts poor people, and it hurts poor people,” she said, speaking to a crowd of nine at a public forum in the Iowa City Public Library on Sunday, almost all of whom were reporters. “They don’t deserve to be hurt.”

She labeled the tax “the most regressive tax there is” and said it is the “worst tax [voters] can choose” because of the disproportionate effect she perceives it will have on low-income people in Iowa City.

But Randi Levitz, a member of the steering committee promoting the passage of tax, noted that many items — such as unprepared food, gas, and resale items — are exempt from the tax.

“If we were to instead pass another bond issue, increases on property taxes are passed along to the [low-income] renters any-



Mona Shaw, the leader of the anti-tax organization VoteNoSiLO, and Beth Cody speak to a handful of citizens and members of the media on Sunday in the Iowa City Public Library. Shaw is opposed to the tax because she says that it “hurts poor people.”

way,” she said. If tax is not passed, she said, it is “extremely likely the Legislature is going to impose a [property-tax increase] on Johnson County.”

If this is the case, the district will lose the incentive touted with the passage of tax, in which all money generated from

stays in the county the first five years.

Shaw and Beth Cody, another organizer of the anti-tax organization, still have reservations on whether the School District will spend the money wisely.

The two noted the bond referendum in 2003, when the dis-

trict received \$39 million from increased property taxes, didn’t stretch as far as expected because of what they labeled ill-planning on the part of school officials.

Superintendent Lane Plugge said district officials’ past actions will refute this allegation.

WHERE THE MONEY WOULD GO

Technology (computers) — \$12.6 million
Community Education (family-resource centers) — \$3 million
New Schools (fund new elementary schools, build new high school) — \$52 million
Infrastructure (repairs, additions, upgrades) — \$79.6 million

Total: \$147.2 million
Expected 10-year revenue, with incentive: \$104,433,776
 Source: Iowa City School District

“What we’ve done in the past with the dollars shows we have been good stewards of the dollars we’ve had,” he said.

Levitz said that accusations from those who say the district has irresponsibly spent money is “absolutely unfounded.” She added that “virtually every other school district [in Iowa] is taking advantage” of the 1-cent boost — Johnson and Linn are the only counties in Iowa without the levy.

Regardless, Shaw and Cody said, they still cannot see the need for the tax.

“There’s no evidence to show [a tax-increase] is necessary,” Shaw said. “People with the

‘There’s no evidence to show [a tax-increase] is necessary. People with the least will have to sacrifice the most.’

— **Mona Shaw, developer of VoteNoSiLO**

least will have to sacrifice the most.”

Plugge said that if does not pass, it’s likely Iowa City residents wouldn’t see a new high school, new science rooms, or many technology updates — areas in which the district is continually falling behind, he said.

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors said it may be forced to cut funding for family resource centers, Plugge said, and without another source of revenue, these buildings would be in jeopardy.

In the end, Shaw said, the passage of the 1-cent tax increase could be considered bigoted, because many low-income families are black.

But Plugge is considering the children in area schools.

“This will definitely improve the educational offerings for all Johnson County students,” he said.

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Hillcrest compost project humming along

The university will evaluate the pilot project after the fall 2007 semester

BY LAWRENCE DE GEEST
THE DAILY IOWAN

In the last few years, the UI has taken steps to become a more environmentally compatible community. And thanks to some passionate students, the campus is stepping up its eco-serve.

UI Facilities Management, Student Housing, and the Iowa City Landfill and Recycling Center are engaged in a student-proposed pilot program, which started this semester, to convert cafeteria waste at Hillcrest Residence Hall into a soil enhancement.

The project will continue through the fall 2007 semester; afterwards, the university will evaluate whether or not it

should take full control of the operation, implementing it in all university cafeterias, said Larry Wilson of UI Facilities Management campus planning.

“If the project shows to be a viable prospect, we will evaluate results, measure all the costs and savings, and then decide what to do,” he said. “The compost makes excellent soil-enhancement ... and the university may plan to buy some of it back to save money for future landscaping.”

The project is also expected to save University Housing money on water bills, because less will be needed to flush waste to the water-treatment plants. The university can also count on a smaller “tipping fee”

at landfills.

It is too difficult, however, to measure the exact cost of the project, Wilson said, because Hillcrest meters water in the rooms and cafeteria as one unit rather than individually.

But he is confident that the UI will take up the project full-time after the fall of 2007.

“Right now, the biggest cost is hauling waste back and forth to the landfill,” he said. “We figure that to be around \$4,000 annually, which the city is covering at the moment. It is saving landfill space by joining in, so it might stay that way. But no matter what, the university has a lot to gain in both the long and short run.”

UI Professor Jerald Schnoor, the head of the UI Energy Con-

servation Advisory Council, hopes the plan will join several environmental initiatives the university has implemented in the past.

The university is only the second public school to join the Chicago Climate Exchange by reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 4 percent from 2003-06, Schnoor said in a statement. He added that the UI also burns waste oat hulls from Quaker Oats in the its Power Plant boilers, saving 70,000 tons of greenhouse-gas emissions and approximately \$500,000 a year through biomass/renewable energy options.

The plan was first composed during summer 2006 by UI senior Holly Moriarty and other members in her spring Sustainable

“If the project shows to be a viable prospect, we will evaluate results, measure all the costs and savings, and then decide what to do.”

— **Larry Wilson, UI facilities management campus planning**

Systems class.
Wilson credits everyone —

especially the students — for plugging into the same wavelength and presenting the university with more waste-saving options.

“I want to emphasize the importance of this three-way partnership among Iowa City, UI Housing, and UI Facilities Management,” he said. “But the students are the catalyst. Without them, this wouldn’t have happened.”

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EDITORIAL

Coralville heading in right direction with river landing development

The Jan. 30 announcement of the DESCO Group as the new master developer for the Iowa River Landing area in Coralville represents a positive step toward a viable plan. The Coralville City Council finally seems to have shifted its attention away from establishing a large-scale tourist attraction on the parcel of land and instead is focusing on the overall development of a mixed-use commercial area that appears more realistically in tune with the economic status and goals of the region.

From the rubble of demolished truck stops and a strip club, an enormous tourist attraction was to rise. The much-touted Iowa Child Project was to become an economic powerhouse for the region, attracting millions of dollars in tourism and research money to the area, fueling an economic boom just as the construction of the Coral Ridge Mall in the late 1990s provided the impetus for the development of the Iowa City-Cedar Rapids area. The ill-fated project relied on the construction of Earthpark, an indoor recreation of the flora and fauna of an Amazonian rain forest, with a price tag of nearly \$200 million. After much controversy, the project's backers retracted the bid for the highly visible, high-traffic, and now highly vacant, portion of land next to Interstate 80.

Coralville has since entertained ideas for new tourist attractions for the land, discussing ideas ranging from a museum commemorating the

work of James Van Allen to an exhibit about the Devonian fossil gorge and the prehistoric geology of the region. It has been this Editorial Board's continued stance that such attempts to create an artificial attraction represents an enormous waste of both taxpayer funds and a very valuable piece of land. On Jan. 30, the City Council finally unveiled the new developer chosen to take over the project, as well as the new direction that the St. Louis-based group intends to take the project.

The Coralville council should be lauded for finally bringing to the community's attention a worthwhile proposal to jump-start development of the area. The proposal includes retail and commercial elements, which, combined with the apartments being constructed across from the new Marriott Hotel, should create a vibrant, mixed-use area in which people can live, shop, and eat. The project also embraces the Iowa River, with proposed river esplanades, a city harbor, and a bridge to connect the Iowa River Landing to Iowa City's network of pedestrian and bicycle trails.

An entertainment arena is also at the center of the project. The council must not allow itself to become bogged down with trying to create a star attraction for the region. Instead, it should look toward other successful examples of mixed-use, mid-to-high density projects throughout Iowa, and devise a plan that will lend itself to a positive outcome.

Detrimental detachment

"What are you doing after graduation?" The classic college-student answer: "I have no idea."

The most cliché answers are graduate, medical, and/or law school, or throwing oneself into the job market. None of these are particularly appetizing. Continuing the streak of 17-consecutive school years is likely to bring on insanity, and unfortunately bachelors' degrees have become the new high-school diploma — no longer good enough to guarantee a satisfying career path.

What then, should our generation direct its post-college euphoric energy toward? It may not seem it, but the world we are emerging into needs the children of the 1980s to sustain continued American global leadership. Most surely we should plan to shift our visions to a more enlightened and compassionate version.



ANDREW SWIFT

To ensure success on this road, it is imperative "young people" — a phrase so many politicians love using — understand the world and immerse themselves in its myriad contexts. Indeed, Americans coming of age are cursed by a "worldliness deficit," as UI Professor David Schoenbaum told me.

His statement is spot on. I can count on fewer than two fingers acquaintances I know who could tell me where the KLA operates or what city hosts the African Union. These may be extreme examples, and probably only the most devout, news-crazy, foreign-affairs junkies could answer them (read: Me).

I may seem a terrible snob. I didn't, however, learn this information overnight, and I still know very little about either Latin America or East Asia — notice the complete lack of name- or place-dropping from either of these regions. Even a sense of worldliness is beset by clichés — and I am not above them.

Many Americans spend time studying abroad in France or other Western European countries. But although there are stark differences between these countries and America, they are still firmly placed in cultures not all that dissimilar from the United States.

My inspiration for this column was the journey of ex-*Daily Iowan* columnist Sherman. After graduation last spring, Sherman embarked on an extensive foray through Eastern Europe. He not only consistently updated a most hilarious blog throughout his trip but came across a key revelation: The areas that are deemed dangerous for Americans are often the most interesting and exciting locales. In his case, it was Belgrade — which only seven years and some months ago was bombed heavily by U.S. and NATO warplanes. As long as he refrained from making "We bombed your country jokes," Serbians were very interested in what the youth of America have to offer. His story is desperately important.

The trips most young Americans don't take — Eastern Europe, Central Asia, the Middle East, Africa — are often the places Americans will need to understand and be familiar with in the future. Postcolonialism and the fall of the Soviet Union have launched unknown conflicts and forgotten lands into the forefront of geopolitics. How our generation tackles the new "Great Game" and the Sunni-Shia divide will determine America's future in the world, not our views — if we even have any — of the Atlantic Alliance.

Prior generations of Americans engaged the rest of the world. World War II and the Cold War forced the "Greatest Generation" and the baby boomers to throw themselves into chaos. Our generation has yet to prove itself capable of handling the torch.

I may worry too much for the future. Indubitably, people of my mindset have hated their respective generations throughout history. But the spread of mass communications and the increasing power of nonstate actors have changed the human context and influenced all known societies.

We should not merely worry ourselves with drink specials for the weekend, but force our minds to greater heights through reading and, if available, firsthand experience. How long Lindsay Lohan has stayed on the wagon is not important — but Holocaust-denier conferences hosted by Iran are. While my fears of doom-day are undoubtedly absurd, and I'm probably being much too snarky, our generation shows a definite lack of interest in the rest of world.

College is where we are supposed to broaden our minds, not drink or smoke them to death. But if you disagree, and really want to get wild, make sure to tune in to C-SPAN's "Prime Minister's Question Time." You'll thank me. ■

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Time for a change

It's time for true change to take place here at Iowa and in this country. That's why there's a new and improved political organization being formed on campus. It's called Puffs Political Party.

There is too much focus being put on party affiliations and not enough on what needs to be fixed with the system. The main goal of Puffs Political Party is to get the message across about what can truly make Iowa and this country great. Party lines can be crossed, and much can be accomplished.

You can find more on Puffs Political Party at <http://iowa.facebook.com/group.php?gid=2235238617>. I am the founder and creator of this party. I was affiliated with the UI College Republicans, but I decided it is time for real change and renovation of a dilapidated and dying system: our government.

Therefore, I urge all of you who want true and real change within the system to join Puffs Political

Party and help pave the way for a better Iowa and America.

Thomas "Creampuff" Willems
UI student

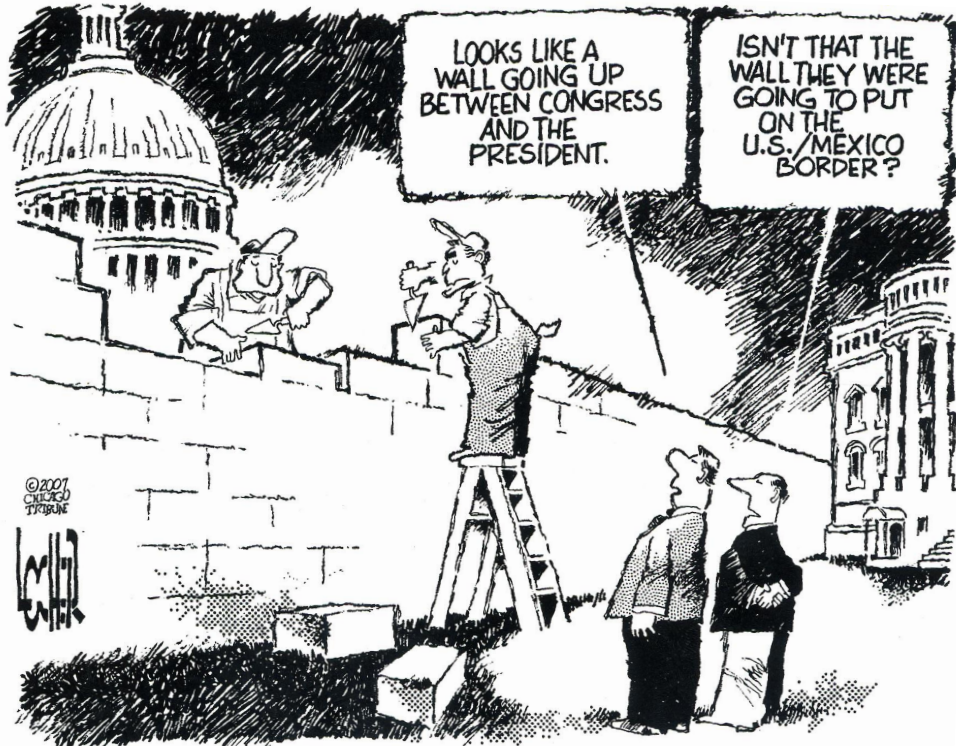
Reduce your environmental impact

It is wonderful to see more coverage being given to environmental issues, and while I am as big a proponent of high-efficiency appliances, I would like to point out that the single greatest act that individuals can take to reduce their impact on the world is to drive less.

On a strictly individual basis, cars are the biggest enemy. And in a town the size of Iowa City, it is pathetic to see the amount of car use. It is important to dream big, and a world free of coal-generated power is a beautiful thought, but it is also important to take an honest look at your energy consumption and make changes that will have real impact.

Drive less.

Steve Goetzelman
Iowa City resident



GUEST OPINION

Facing inequality: Bush said the word, now must address the problem

There was a flurry of excitement when President Bush allowed the words "global climate change" to escape his lips in his State of the Union address. He didn't propose any useful response to the problem, but somehow we were supposed to feel grateful that in his seventh year in office he finally had acknowledged the phenomenon's existence. Last week came a similar epiphany, when Bush went to Manhattan and acknowledged for the first time the reality of income inequality.

"The fact is that income inequality is real," he pronounced. Not only that, but "it's been rising for more than 25 years." The historical addendum no doubt was intended to insulate the president from any blame in the matter. But it has the opposite effect. If rising income inequality was already a problem when Bush took office, his regressive reshaping of the tax code becomes even less excusable.

Bush is right on his history. Post-tax income of the top fifth of households has 6.7 times higher than incomes of the bottom fifth 25 years ago; the multiple has risen to 9.8. That wouldn't be so terrible if everyone's incomes were rising at a healthy clip, but between 1980 and 2004, wages of the typical worker actually fell slightly when adjusted for inflation. Bush says that "the worker is clear," which must come as alarming news to an army of economists who make their living debating the relative importance of globalization, technology, and other factors. Bush's diagnosis — "we have an economy that is increasingly rewarding education" — leads to a useful prescription, namely, as he said, "strengthening public education."

But as everyone knows, that's a tall order, and one in which the federal government has only a modest say. The federal government could make college more accessible and expand access to Head Start and similar early childhood programs, which would improve equality of opportunity. But, there's also much the federal government could do to address the problem more directly. The federal mortgage-interest deduction, for example, overwhelmingly benefits top earners; so do tax incentives to promote retirement savings and (as Bush, to his credit, recently pointed out) health insurance. In 2004, for example, the richest one-tenth of households reaped 49 percent of the tax subsidies for IRAs, 401(k)s, and other defined-contribution pensions. All of these tax benefits could be reformed, without being abolished, to tilt a bit less in the direction of the wealthy.

The government can't solve the problem of inequality by taking from the rich and giving to the poor, and it shouldn't try. If a tax system becomes too onerous for top earners, it discourages innovation, entrepreneurship, and the economic growth on which everyone depends. But in an era in which largely uncontrollable forces are pushing equality and fairness, the government shouldn't be needlessly pushing in the same direction. This week, Bush will insist in his proposed budget that all of his tax cuts be extended. Those have proved enormously more beneficial to the super-rich than to anyone else. Given the reality that Bush has at last taken note of, such a policy just makes no sense.

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

ON THE SPOT

How do you keep up on current affairs and the news?



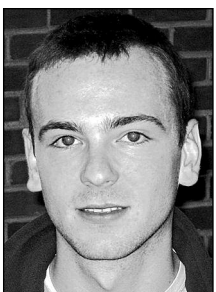
"I try to pick up a newspaper if I can, or I click on 'Headline News' for a few minutes."

Amy Domeyer
UI junior



"I get the *New York Times* podcast every day. It's about five minutes long and it gives a 30 second synopsis of the major news. I also read the *New York Times* and the *Economist*."

Michael Benton
UI senior



"Every morning, I start with watching CNN for 30 minutes; later in the day, I go through the *New York Times*."

John Mulrooney
UI sophomore



"I read the *New York Times* every day, and I go to BBNews.com and watch CNN in the morning. I also rely on word of mouth — teachers are good for that."

Rebecca Olson
UI junior

WORD OF THE WEEK

INVIDIOUS (adj): tending to provoke envy or ill will
 Sentence: "My friend's new purple Porsche was an invidious reminder of my wobbly Schwinn."

ARTS & CULTURE

What to do with Keaton? **BUST HER**

From *The Godfather* to *Annie Hall* to this. Diane Keaton's turn as a shrill, abrasive mother of three may be the most irritating performance you'll see from a silver-screen legend all year. Making matters worse, Mandy Moore sings. More than once.



FILM REVIEW

by Soheil Rezayazdi

Because I Said So

When:

11:55 a.m., 2:20, 4:45, 7:10, 9:35 p.m.

Where:

Sycamore Cinema 12

★½ out of ★★★★★

What adjective best describes Diane Keaton's turn in *Because I Said So*? "Abominable?" "Abysmal?" "Vile?"

Maybe it's time to gain some perspective. While you may cringe your way through its 102 minutes, *Because I Said So* isn't an atrocity. Keaton should not be tried for war crimes, despite the urge. The film ranges from shameless, tepid, and all-out insufferable, but its clumsiness will fascinate you for days.

Just how do you make a film in which we welcome Mandy Moore's screen presence over Diane Keaton's? Feel free to rack your brain over that one.

The film's contrived premise presents Daphne (Keaton), a domineering mother, as she attempts to fix up her daughter, Milly (Moore), with a nice young man. Daphne takes out an online personal ad unbeknownst to Milly, screening dozens of applicants before selecting a smarmy architect (Tom Everett Scott) to date her daughter. Inexplicably, a smooth-talking guitarist (Gabriel Macht) also shows interest in Milly after overhearing Keaton interview other candidates at a restaurant. Seconds after meeting Daphne, Macht bemoans his "being reduced to a cultural cliché," a near verbatim steal from *Annie Hall*.

A romantic triangle, false-premise comedy, and painful slapstick farce ensue.

Of course, the two men signify opposing paths for young love. They may as well be wearing T-shirts — Rich Stability, Laid-back Heartthrob — distinguishing their cookie-cutter personalities. As Milly juggles

the two, Daphne works in cahoots with Rich Stability to ensure his victory over Laid-back Heartthrob.

As you could tell by the stock characters, *Because I Said So* doesn't stray from the romantic-comedy template for a second. This is the type of film that establishes a character's loneliness by having her check her answering machine, only to hear a robotic voice retort, "You have no messages"; the type of film in which, late in the game, we're treated to a moping montage set to an innocuous John Mayer-y ballad; the type of film with a gross-guy montage as a woman tries to find a new boyfriend.

Those scenarios should sound familiar to anyone who's seen a romantic comedy in the last 10 years. Yet, despite a total lack of invention, the above scenes are some of the film's more watchable moments. They're dull, sure, but at least they don't assault/offend the viewer.

Nay, director Michael Lehmann saves such moments for Keaton. The 61-year-old actress caricatures her own on-screen persona, shrieking and stuttering, proving that you can't coast on charm forever. One can imagine Lehmann coaching Keaton to "just, you know, do your Diane Keaton thing." Keaton can't be blamed, however, for the B-side material she's given from scribes Karen Leigh Hopkins and Jessie Nelson. Keaton's running bits — "Why can't I get my GPS to work?" "Why do I always stumble into porn sites on the Internet?" "Why am I always falling on cakes?" — should have never made it past a first draft.

Perhaps only through comparison, Moore's performance shows promise for future roles as an inoffensive, Anne Hathaway-like romantic lead. As we learned from such films as *A Walk to Remember* and *American Dreamz*, however, if Moore acts, she's bound to find her way behind a microphone. As Moore mends her music and acting trades into one self-serving fusion, we can't help but wince when the former bleeds into the latter.

A sample platter of romantic comedies new and old, *Because I Said So* manages to make an inane pop star more appealing than a cinematic legend. An impressive feat, yes, but then again (adjective alert) so were the Dresden bombings.

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HANH!

You've certainly heard the **YING YANG TWINS** every time you've entered any downtown bar, and chances are you also know its signature honk. The booty-commanding duo will hit the IMU tonight.

GEMS OF NOT-QUITE TAOISM

BY SUSAN ELGIN
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Every weekend you hit the bars, the Ying Yang Twins is imparting little gems of wisdom into your subconscious with its ubiquitous raps and catchy hooks. There appears to be nothing redeeming about this miseducation.

But on the surface, you're learning the pitfalls of relationships, how to dance without overexposing yourself in booty shorts, and sure-fire pickup lines. One such example from 2005's "The Whisper Song" has the twins hissing, "Wait till you see my what ..." will leave the ladies intrigued all night long. No, what? Seriously.

And if you've seen the group's episode of MTV's "Cribs," you learn the members' most prized possession is a chalice, also known as a "pimp cup," from Lil Jon.

But don't write off a Ying Yang education quite yet. D-Roc — the twin with the skunk-striped beard — shared some pearls of knowledge and advice that run a little deeper than "shake it like a salt shaker." But just a little.

The Ying Yang Twins will educate, in the way only it knows how, UI students in the IMU tonight. Everybody will get to jiggle at 7:30 p.m., with locals Bad Fathers and Animosity opening.

LESSON NO. 1

You can make your friends your family. Contrary to its name, the Ying Yang Twins is, in fact, not made up of twins. Instead, the two members grew up as friends in Atlanta and dubbed themselves the twins "because we [D-Roc and Kaine] were born together in this rap thing," D-Roc said in a phone interview with *The Daily Iowan*.

LESSON NO. 2

Political correctness is a must. No, the Twins is not named in honor of the ancient Chinese principles yin and yang, which represent the



Publicity photo

Asses will be jiggle tonight in the IMU second-floor ballroom with the Atlanta-based rap duo the Ying Yang Twins. Just remember your booty shorts.

complementary forces in the universe.

"We couldn't use [Yin] because of the Chinese people," D-Roc said, between the screams of his 1-year-old son in the background. "There's a patent or something. We didn't want to get in trouble."

Instead, the name is an acronym, Ying standing for "Ya'll in it for the G's" and Yang denoting "Young Ass Knuckles Gainin'." Whatever that means.

LESSON NO. 3

Get involved in politics. Literally. Don't be surprised if you see Hillary Rodham Clinton or Nancy Pelosi shakin' it in booty shorts with the Ying Yang Twins in the near future. They will be, if D-Roc gets his way.

"Let's put both of them in the next video and make both of them get to jiggle. Hanh," snorted the 27-year-old. The "Hanh" is the duo's catch phrase, half-snort, half-snothy cheer of jubilation that D-Roc tacks on to the end of nearly every sentence.

LESSON NO. 4

Keep a good head on your shoulders. Despite the numerous club hits, including two singles off 2006's *Chemically Imbalanced*, D-Roc insists the music and lyrics are as genuine as they were when the band began receiving national attention seven years ago. And really, what's more genuine than, "I love the club but I don't love no strippaaa/ Yeah, I'm a tipppa/ That's why I'm in the club/ To see her shake her ass, but I ain't fallin' in love."

"Ying Yang is for the fans. And when I say the fans, I mean the people. We don't hold back," D-Roc said, before proclaiming: "We put on the greatest show on Earth. Hanh."

LESSON NO. 5

If you don't know her name, call that bitch Bojangles.

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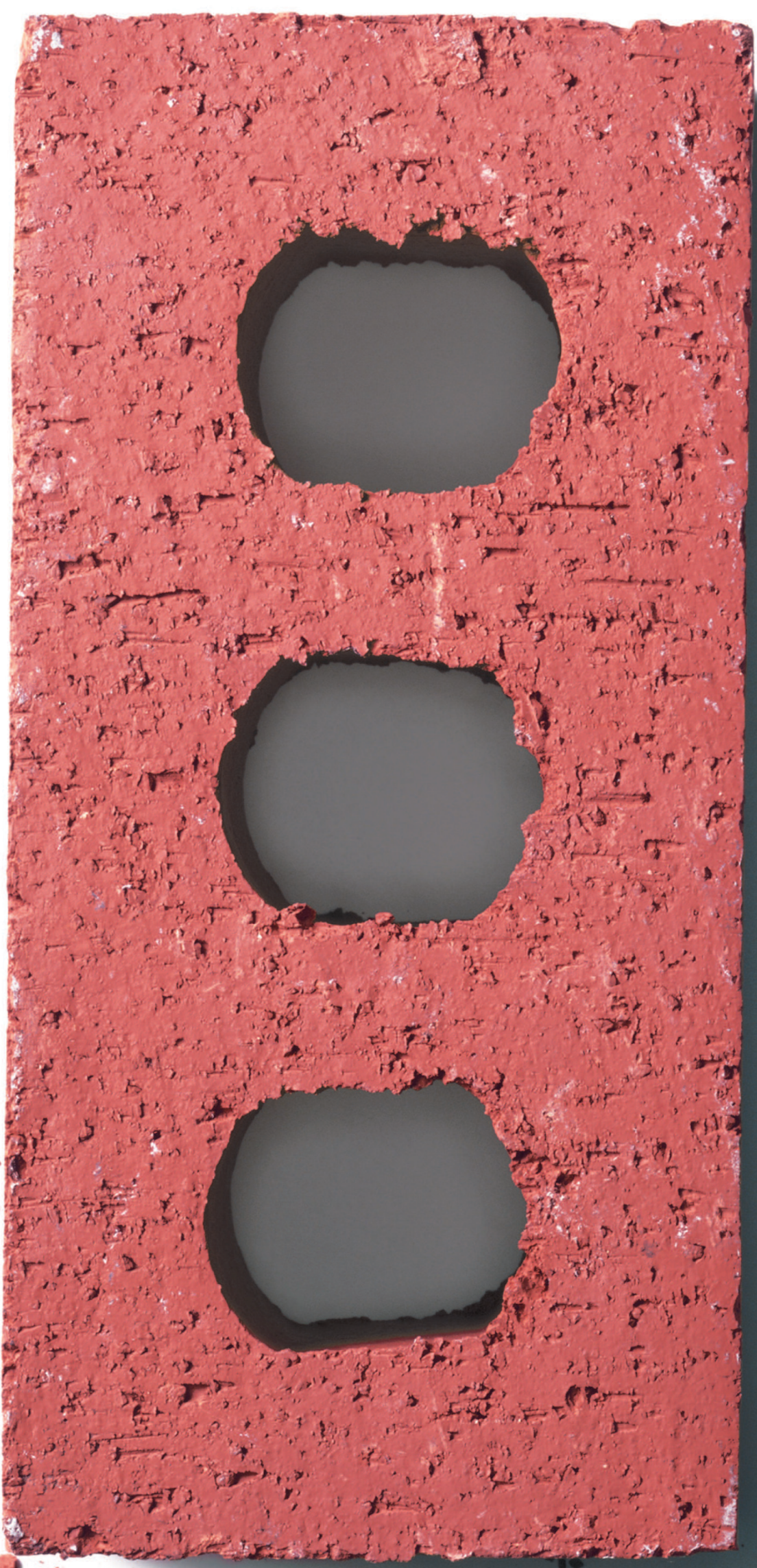
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Q: How many times have the Celtics and Lakers faced each other in the NBA Finals?
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IOWA ATHLETICS

Wrestlers split

The Hawkeye wrestling team split a pair of duals this weekend, winning on Feb. 2 at Michigan, 20-13, and losing, 24-13, at Penn State on Sunday.

Iowa recorded wins in six of the 10 bouts during the Feb. 2 dual with the Wolverines. Charlie Falck opened the scoring with a 10-1 major decision over Michael Watts. Mario Galanakis and Alex Tsirtsis followed Falck with a pair of wins at 133 and 141 pounds.

Ryan Morningstar, Eric Luedke, and Matt Fields were the other Iowa winners. No. 2 ranked Luedke's was his 45th in his career.

On Sunday, Iowa (12-4, 3-2) suffered its second loss in the conference. Falck again opened the dual with a win for the Hawkeyes, but Tsirtsis and Galanakis each lost. Luedke dropped his first dual match of the season and second overall, snapping his 20-match win streak.

Victories by Morningstar, Mark Perry, and Phillip Keddy softened the loss.

The No. 6 ranked Hawkeyes will return home Feb. 11 to square off against Michigan State.

— by Ian Smith

Alexander, Roach shine

Kineke Alexander added to her accomplishments this season with an automatic berth in the NCAA meet in the 400 meters, tying her school record of 52.01 in the process.

Last season's indoor champion in the event, Alexander provisionally qualified on the first day of competition at the Frank Sevigne Husker Invitational in Lincoln, Neb., then followed that with an automatic qualification the next day.

She earned a provisional spot in the national championships in the 200 on Jan. 27.

Peaches Roach, who also has a potential place at the NCAAs, tied her season best with a first-place leap of 5-10 in the high jump. In pole vault, Sarah Burgett posted a season-best mark of 11-3 $\frac{3}{4}$ while finishing 11th.

At the Meyo Invitational in South Bend, Ind., Meghan Armstrong set a personal record in the 3,000 meters, and her fifth-place time of 9:27.95 provisionally qualifies her for the NCAA meet. In sixth, Diane Nukuri also qualified for the finals with a time of 9:28.41.

— by Diane Hendrickson

Men tracksters hit some personal bests

The Iowa men's track team did not win one event at the Meyo Invitational in South Bend, Ind. on Feb. 2-3, but the squad racked up six personal collegiate bests.

Iowa's highest finisher was freshman Paul Chaney Jr., who placed third in the 200-meter dash with personal collegiate best 21.60 seconds. The mark is 10th all-time in Iowa track history; next on the list is former football standout Tim Dwight's time of 21.56.

Two more freshmen, Ray Varner and Zach Splan, recorded their best collegiate finishes in the 400 meters, crossing in 48.97 and 49.44 respectively. Adam Hairston, the fourth freshman to run his career best on the weekend, finished the 800 meters in 1:54.10.

A pair of senior distance runners also reached career marks. Micah VanDenend broke his best mile time with a 4:07.54. Jeff Kent ran the 3,000 meters in 8:24.04 to improve his career mark as well.

In addition, Iowa's 1,600-meter relay finished fifth with a season-best 3:13.32. The Hawkeyes did not have any field participants.

— by Alex Johnson

SUPER BOWL XLI: Indianapolis Colts 29, Chicago Bears 17

FINALLY, MANNING WINS

'It's hard to put into words. I'm proud to be part of this team. We stuck together, won this game for our leader, Tony Dungy.'

— Peyton Manning, Indianapolis Colts

BY BARRY WILNER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIAMI — Wet and wild — and the perfect winning conditions for Peyton Manning and the Indianapolis Colts in the Super Bowl.

A team built for indoors found its footing on a rain-soaked track and outplayed the Chicago Bears to win the NFL title, 29-17, Sunday night. The Colts were far less sloppy, particularly their star quarterback, who proved he can indeed win the big game — the biggest game.

That's what it was for Tony Dungy, too. He became the first black coach to win the championship, beating good friend and protégé Lovie Smith in a game that featured the first two black coaches in the Super Bowl.

"It's hard to put into words," said Manning, the game's MVP after hitting 25-of-38 passes for 247 yards with one touchdown and one interception. "I'm proud to be part of this team. We stuck together, won this game for our leader, Tony Dungy."

It was a game of firsts: the first rainy Super Bowl and

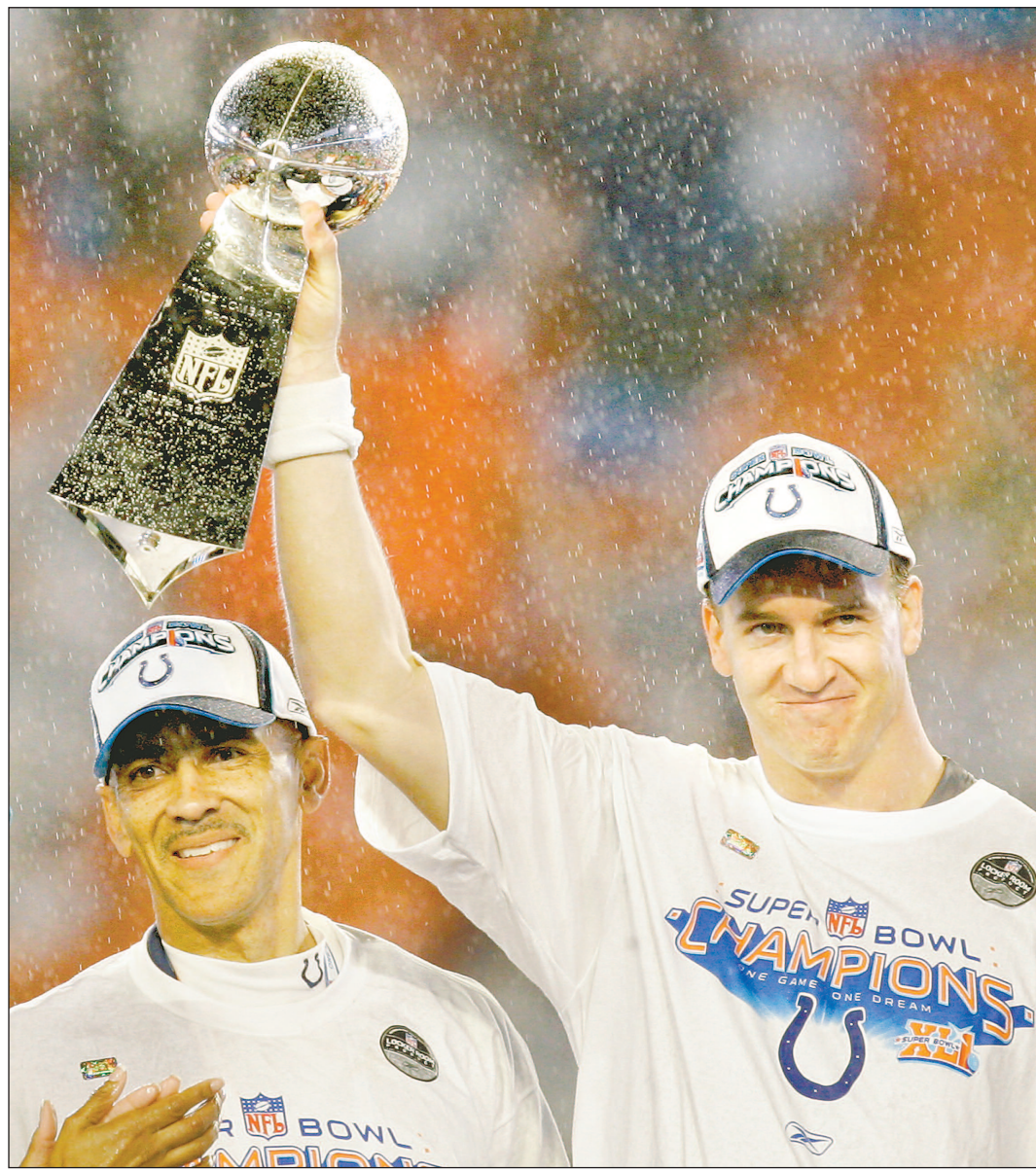
the first time an opening kickoff was run back for a touchdown when sensational Bear rookie Devin Hester sped downfield for 92 yards.

And not since the Buffalo Bills self-destructed with nine turnovers in losing to Dallas 14 years ago had there been so much messiness. The first half was marred by six turnovers, three for each team. Even football's most clutch kicker, Adam Vinatieri, missed a chip-shot field goal, and an extra-point attempt was botched, too.

The second half wasn't quite so ugly, but when much-maligned Bears quarterback Rex Grossman's wobbler was picked off and returned 56 yards for a touchdown by Kelvin Hayden with 11:44 remaining, it was over.

"I'm so proud of our guys," Dungy said. "We took the hit early with Devin Hester. We talked about it; it's going to be a storm. Sometimes you have to work for it. Our guys played so hard, and I can't tell you how proud I am of our group, our organization and our city."

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Indianapolis Colt quarterback Peyton Manning lifts the Vince Lombardi Trophy beside coach Tony Dungy following the Super Bowl in Miami Dolphin Stadium on Sunday. The Colts beat the Chicago Bears, 29-17.

Chris O'Meara/Associated Press

IOWA MEN'S TENNIS

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TEAM FARED IN HOME COMPETITION THIS PAST WEEKEND.

BY BOBBY LOESCH
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa men's tennis team walked into the Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Center with a mission to win every match of its dual meet against Indiana State. Junior J.P. Ritchie even called for a 7-0 sweep the day before.

But actions speak louder than words.

And after a brief dual lasting a little more than two

hours, the Hawkeyes spoke loud and clear.

Leaving little room for error, the Hawkeyes dispatched the visiting Sycamores, 7-0, true to Ritchie's word. But what Ritchie didn't predict was the Hawkeyes not dropping a single set during match play.

"I got some crap from my teammates," he said. "They thought I was being a little cocky, but I had faith. And we backed it up."

Even head coach Steve Houghton left the meet a bit surprised.

"I didn't envision us dominating, but we really did that," he said. "The scores were really decisive scores."

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Hawkeye freshman Patrick Dwyer returns the ball during his singles match against Indiana State's Michael Wenham on Feb. 2 at the Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Center. Dwyer beat Wenham (6-1, 6-1) to help the Hawks sweep Indiana State, 7-0.

MEN'S GYMNASTICS

Hawks stumble against Gophers

The Iowa men's gymnastics team wasn't able to swing to a win Sunday against Minnesota

BY RYAN YOUNG
THE DAILY IOWAN

Although Sunday was a day dedicated to Vince Lombardi and multimillion dollar half-time commercials, there was certainly a Super Bowl-like aura in the Field House when the No. 7 Iowa men's gymnastics team squared off against No. 8 Minnesota in the Hawkeyes' second Big Ten matchup.

Cheers from both fan sections rattled the bleachers inside, but even with Iowa beginning the competition on the right foot, the Hawks weren't able to prevail, dropping the meet, 206.0-201.5.

In the words of coach Tom Dunn, the outing was one of the worst he's seen by an Iowa team so far this season.

"It was very disappointing," the 27-year head coach said. "We're going to have to turn it

around or go down in a ball of fire."

On floor exercise, the Hawks were able to gain some early momentum when sophomore Geoff Reins posted a 9.5 and freshman Jonathan Buese notched the second-highest score with a 9.0. No Iowa gymnast scored below an 8.6, which provided the team its highest point total of the evening, 36.20.

However, the Hawks stalled there, and Minnesota took all the remaining events. Iowa struggled most on pommel horse (31.4) and horizontal bar (32.2), areas Dunn said his team was looking to improve upon, along with their consistency.

"I think we got better from the Windy City [Invitational]

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Hawks lose Skouby, game

BY BRENDAN STILES
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa women's basketball team was dealt numerous blows over the weekend.

On Sunday, the Hawkeyes lost their fifth-straight game, falling at No. 5 Ohio State, 85-49. The defeat, the most lopsided of this season, dropped Iowa below .500 for the first time this season; the Hawkeyes are now 11-12 overall, 3-7 in the Big Ten.

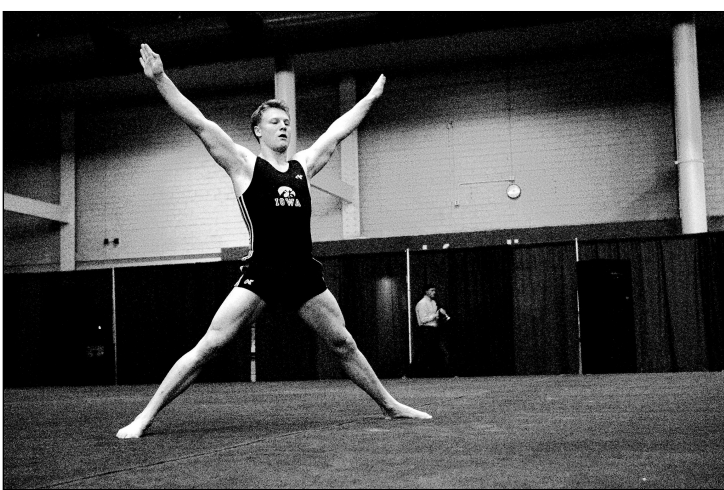
But the more significant blow might have come on the morning of Feb. 3, when center Megan Skouby broke a bone in her non-shooting hand during practice, just before the team left for Columbus. Early indications are that the sophomore from Mentor, Ohio, will be sidelined two to four weeks.

Skouby's absence had a huge effect Sunday, especially with points in the paint, where Ohio State dominated Iowa, 38-4. The Hawkeyes were also outscored in points off turnovers, 41-17.

"It was a tough game for us," Iowa coach Lisa Bluder said in a radio interview. "We struggled in the beginning of the game, and then we fought back into it. But in the beginning of

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Gymnasts slide back



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Iowa junior Curtis Kleffman competes in the floor exercise during the meet against Minnesota on Sunday in the Field House. Iowa lost to Minnesota, 206.000 to 201.500.

GYMNASTICS

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to Michigan. We stayed about the same last week," the coach said. "I'd imagine we went down this week, but it sure didn't look like we improved."

But co-captain Bryan Bourland only partially agreed with his coach. While he acknowledged the Hawks "gave this meet away," he said his teammates were getting better, although their performances weren't the best indication.

Bourland noted that one of the key leaders — who stepped up to the competition — was ring specialist Jack Bouchard, who delivered a 9.35 that won him the still-rings event.

"I'm not so much disappointed in our team getting beat by another team. We just lost the meet ourselves in terms of hitting," he said, who finished with the highest score on horizontal bar with a 8.55. "We came out,

and a lot of guys said they were frustrated and had a lack of confidence, although I don't know why, but were just going to keep to the same plan and do more routines."

Iowa might have an advantage in its later matchups — the Hawkeyes will enjoy an extensive break until their next competition against Nebraska on Feb. 24 — the squad's last home meet. Also, the Hawks will only send four gymnasts to Las Vegas for the Winter Cup Tournament at the end of the week, leaving many fresh bodies at home.

"We have three weeks off before our next meet," Dunn said. "Hopefully, we can get it turned around, but it's going to take a major change to get back on a winning track."

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Too much horsepower for Bears

SUPER BOWL

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Chicago (15-4), which led the league in takeaways this season, finished with five turnovers, including two interceptions by Grossman.

The Colts (16-4) will take it. It's their first title since the 1970 season, when they played in Baltimore.

It was confirmation of Man-

ning's brilliance, even if he didn't need to be dynamic. The son of a quarterback who never got to the playoffs, Manning has been a star throughout his college career at Tennessee and his nine pro seasons with the Colts.

Now he is a champion.

It also was a validation of Dungy's leadership. He helped build Tampa Bay, one of the NFL's worst franchises, into a

contender before being fired after the 2001 season. The next year, the Bucs won the Super Bowl under Jon Gruden.

The Colts hoisted their coach on their shoulders and he switched his blue Colts cap for a white one that read "NFL champions." Dungy was carried from the sideline, then was lowered so he could share a long embrace and a handshake with Smith.

"I'm proud to be representing the African-American coaches and the first African-American coach to win this," Dungy said.

Then he waded through the mob to find his quarterback, giving him a big hug.

The Colts reached the pinnacle by winning four post-season games with a defense that made a complete turnaround in the playoffs.

Double blow for Hawks

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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the second half, we just couldn't get anything going, and obviously, they took over the game at that point."

Replacing Skouby in the starting lineup for Iowa was junior Stacy Schlapkohl, a reversal of what took place last season. When Schlapkohl was injured last season, Skouby became a starter. On Sunday, Schlapkohl had the tall order of having to handle Ohio State's Jessica Davenport, who finished the contest with 22 points and was one of four Buckeyes with double figures in the point column.

Bluder called the situation Schlapkohl was asked to handle "tough."

"Your first start in a long time, and then you have to go against one of the best centers in America," she said. "It was a pretty tough scenario both offensively and defensively for Stacy to try to match up to that."

The bigger concern for Bluder might now be with depth; with Skouby's hand injury, the Hawkeyes have only eight players who can be of service. The good news for the Hawkeyes



SKOUBY SITS OUT

Hawkeye sophomore center Megan Skouby, who was named to the preseason All-Big Ten team, broke her non-shooting hand during practice on Feb. 3, just as the team was preparing to travel back to her home state to play the No. 5 Buckeyes. Early reports are that Skouby will be out two to four weeks. X-rays were performed, but no results have been released.

came in the form of their bench, which combined to score 18 points, including 11 from sophomore guard Lindsay Nyenhuis.

Schlapkohl did score the opening bucket of the game, but the Buckeyes then went on an 14-0 run, which set the tone for Ohio State throughout the course of the contest. Iowa managed to keep within reach of the Buckeyes in the first half, but after junior forward Krista Van-

deVenter missed an easy lay-up to start the second half, Ohio State went on to blow the Hawkeyes out of the water, holding them to 17 points in the second half.

Hawkeye associate head coach Jan Jensen considered that miss to not only be the turning point of the game but a perfect example of how the team's confidence is currently nonexistent.

"We don't have a lot of confidence, and you can't win a lot of games when you're not confident as a player or with your own skills," she said in a radio interview. "It was almost as if you just saw Krista's shoulders droop, and the whole team, collectively, just couldn't believe that we missed the lay-up."

"You just saw a whole droop of the shoulders in unison."

Of the Hawkeyes' six games remaining before the 2007 Big Ten Tournament, four of those will be in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Bluder hopes the team will use the absence of Skouby to get better by the time the squad prepares for Indianapolis. It will have to start Thursday, when Iowa will host Michigan.

"We got to just keep trying to get better for postseason play," Bluder said. "Hopefully, we'll have Megan back for the Big

Ten Tournament, and everybody else needs to improve her game so when she does come back, we can put a competitive team out on the floor."

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MEN'S TENNIS

Men's tennis sweeps all sets

The Iowa men's tennis team thrashed the Indiana State Sycamores on Feb. 2, not only going undefeated but not dropping a single set across the board

MEN'S TENNIS

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The Hawkeyes got the ball rolling by sweeping all three doubles matches to secure the point. The hot freshman tandem of Patrick Dwyer and Tommy McGeorge finished first, defeating Mpiloenhle Migogo and Jon Sigurdsson (8-2). Christian Bierich and Greg Holm followed suit with an 8-2 victory of their own, downing Bruno Echer and Michael Wenham. Juniors Bart van Monsjou and Ritchie sealed the deal, beating Rishi Behl and Anton Tsymalov (8-5).

In singles action, it was the freshmen — who unlike last weekend's late match heroics against Northern Illinois — finished first. McGeorge defeated Sigurdsson (5-0, injury default), while Dwyer beat Wenham (6-1, 6-1).

After shedding the first-match jitters from last week, both seemed to embrace their home-court environment this time around.

"The first match, it was a crazy, different atmosphere," Dwyer said. By the second match, you're used to it and know what it's like.

"I love it. It's a great environment. You can't beat college sports."

Van Monsjou made the dual victory official with a 6-3, 6-1, victory over Tsymalov. Greg Holm took out Echer (6-2, 6-4), and Ritchie defeated Migogo (6-0, 7-5).

Bierich, who was battling an undisclosed injury, finished off the Sycamores with a sound 6-2, 6-4, win over Behl.

"I thought they played great and took a big jump forward," Houghton said. "They're playing more aggressively, and that's what we want them to do."

After two meets in two weekends, the men enter a "bye" week of sorts — they won't resume action until they face DePaul on Feb. 16.

"We can really sit back the first week and work on some individual things that we really couldn't do while preparing for the match," Houghton said.

The coach plans on using his second week to play challenge matches to determine positions on the team. Freshman Reinoud Haal, who has been sitting out with an injury, is expected to crack the singles or doubles lineup sometime soon in the team's coming meets.

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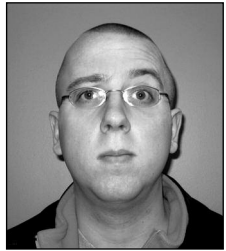
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— Jeffrey Mount, the director of the Center for Watershed Sciences at the University of California-Davis.

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ANDREW R. JUHL

Juhl-to-English, helpful translations for future girlfriends

- “What would you like to do tonight?” = Please enter into this binding verbal contract wherein I agree to go wherever you want to go and do whatever you want to do if you agree to have sex with me when we get home.
- “Nice skirt.” = Legs!
- “Nice jeans.” = Butt!
- “Nice top.” = Boobies!
- “I like that dress on you.” = Legs! Butt! Boobies!
- “I would never do that.” = I would never do that ... and let you find out about it.
- “You’re funny.” = Sex?
- “Can I get you a drink?” = ... and then can we have sex?
- “I’m sorry.” = See? I’m not above groveling for sex.

• “Oh, was that tonight?” = I have spent the last three days weaving an intricate excuse for why I’m not going. If you want, I’ll tell it to you, as I’m pretty damned proud of this particular tawdry web of deceit and guile.

• “Don’t worry, I wouldn’t dream of discussing our sex life in The Ledge.” = The entire student body, UI faculty & staff, and (thanks to the wonders of the Internet) several people in Kazakhstan will soon know that you yodel “Swing Low, Sweet Chariot” when you climax.

• “I’ll be at Joe’s Place with my friends.” = Expect flowers within two days. Probably roses.

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Monday, February 5, 2007

— by Eugenia Last

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- TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Learn to say no. You don’t have time to waste getting other people’s work out of the way. Focus on your own tasks, and you will make an impression on the very people who can help you advance.
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- CANCER (June 21-July 22):** You have no time to waste today. You can make some interesting personal changes to yourself or your home that will leave you looking pretty efficient. Love is on the rise
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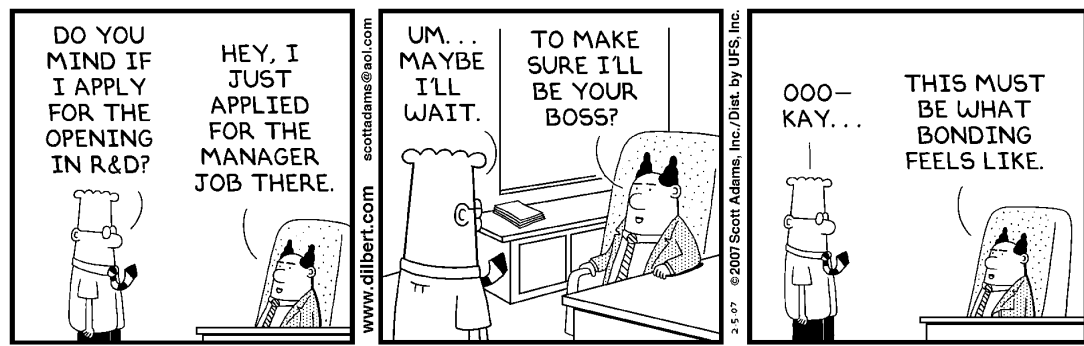
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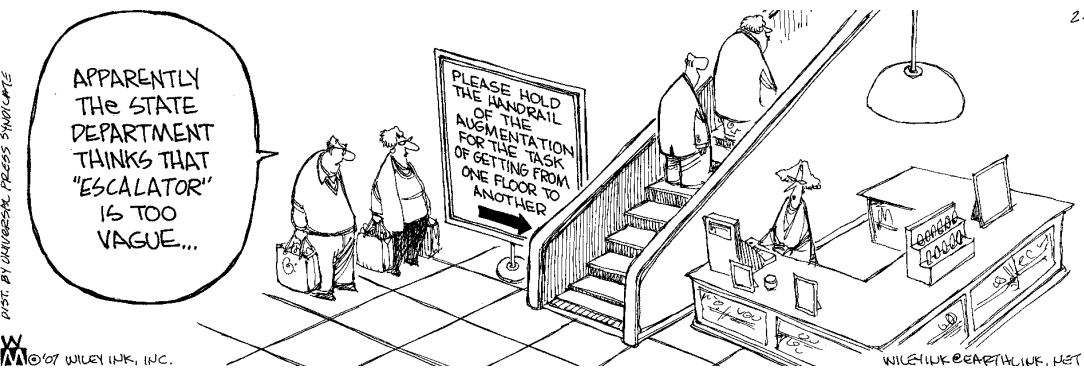
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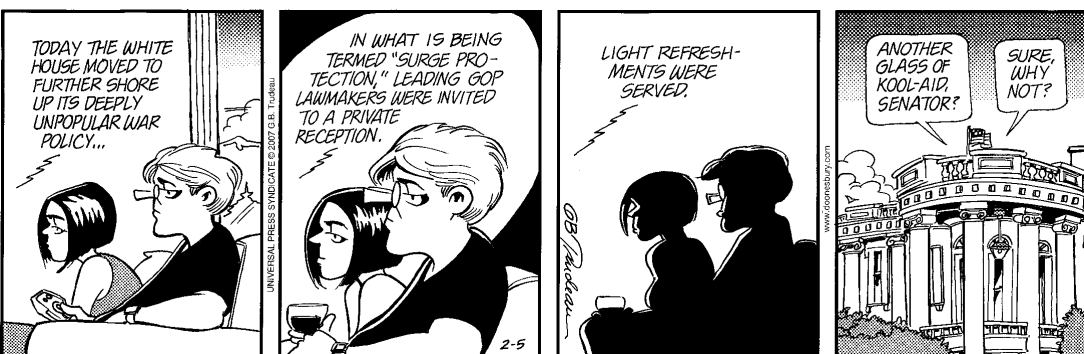
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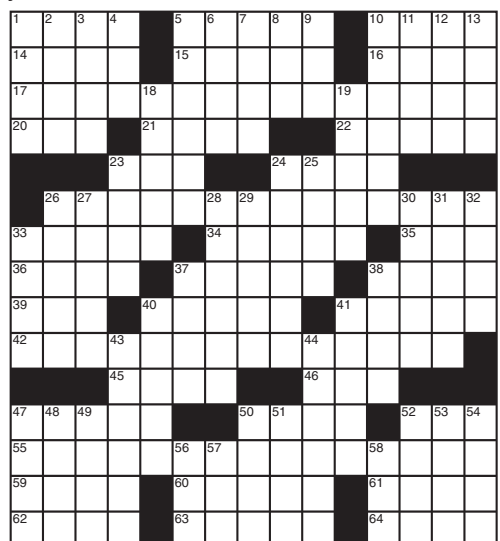


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- ACROSS**
- 1 Up to the task
- 5 Machinist's tool
- 10 Study all night, say
- 14 Common cause of postponement
- 15 Rural units
- 16 Olympic swimmer's assignment
- 17 Regis Philbin and others
- 20 Hive occupant
- 21 Ariz. neighbor
- 22 Actor Milo
- 23 Actress Farrow
- 24 Foal's mother
- 26 Motion picture academy honor
- 33 Tureen accessory
- 34 Hands (out)
- 35 Wall St. deal
- 36 Mystery writer — Stanley Gardner
- 37 “See? ... huh, huh?”
- 38 Emptiness
- 39 Get older
- 40 Gift recipient
- 41 Lemon peels, e.g.
- 42 Alumni
- 45 Toward shelter
- 46 Passé
- 47 Beauty's counterpart
- 50 The Beatles, e.g.
- 52 ___ Na Na
- 55 There's one in 17-, 26- and 42-Across
- 59 Gen. Robert ___
- 60 Alaskan native
- 61 Transnational currency
- 62 Wines to serve with beef
- 63 Singer Turner and others
- 64 Comic Sandler
- DOWN**
- 1 ___ Israeli relations
- 2 Sweetie pie
- 3 Head case?
- 4 Finale
- 5 Nonprofessional play
- 6 Part of a French play
- 7 Cereal “for kids”
- 8 Haw's partner
- 9 Language suffix
- 10 Place for hangers
- 11 Impetuous
- 12 A few chips, say, in poker
- 13 Tableland
- 18 Japanese cartoon style
- 19 Jewish circle dances
- 23 French miss: Abbr.
- 24 Setting
- 25 Working without ___
- 26 North Dakota's largest city
- 27 Slacker
- 28 Danish birthplace of Hans Christian Andersen
- 29 Sacred choral work
- 30 Irving Berlin's “When ___ You”
- 31 Back-of-newspaper section
- 32 Nonverbal O.K.'s



- 33 Bit of foliage
- 37 Reason for an R rating
- 38 Sell
- 40 Airline once said to be “ready when you are”
- 41 Nintendo's Legend of ___
- 43 Pulverizes
- 44 Dunkable treats
- 47 1930's boxing champ Max
- 48 Vogue competitor
- 49 Mimicked
- 50 Square in the first column of bingo
- 51 Water
- 52 Simple earring
- 53 Zeus's wife
- 54 Molecule part
- 56 Flier in a cave
- 57 ___ Lilly, maker of Prozac
- 58 Actor Stephen of “The Crying Game”

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