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# crime

BY EMILEIGH BARNES

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In the past 30 years, the number of men who are victims of aggravated and simple assaults have disproportionately dropped compared with the number of women. according to a study recently presented by a UI professor.

First-time research indicates a gender gap in victims of violent crime, which has fluctuated since the 1970s, said the two study heads, UI sociology Professor Karen Heimer and Janet Lauritsen, a criminology professor at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

"Nobody has looked at this," Heimer said on Tuesday. "Isn't that amazing?"

The number of females assaulted nationwide didn't begin to decrease until 1993, while the number of male victims has been on the decline for more than 30 years, according to their data.

"Looking at victimization data nationally, men's rates for crimes, including but especially aggravated and simple assault, have been dropping off since the '70s," Heimer said. "Women's rates didn't drop until '93."

The two discussed their study, titled "Gender, Violence, and Victimization: Female and Male Patterns Over Time," on Feb. 16 in San Francisco as a part of the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

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#### STUDY FINDS

A study of nationwide crime showed several trends and sex differences that include:

- Female rates of victimization have remained higher than men for homicide and violence with intimate partners.
- Today, men and women are nearly equally at risk for robbery, aggravated assault, and simple assault committed by non-strangers.
- Victimization of men in aggravated and simple assaults
- began to decline in the 1970s. Victimization of women in aggravated and simple assaults began to decline in the mid 1990s.

Source: "Gender, Violence, and Victimization: Female and Male Patterns Over Time"

# Gender gap in Culver works to keep caucuses first BY COLIN BURKE THE DAILY IOMAN During the National Governor's have no power to change the date— Association's winter meeting which Association's winter meeting which

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Gov. Chet Culver has vowed to keep Iowa first in the presidentialnominating process, even if that requires scooting up the date of its caucuses — a move some say could trigger other states to reorganize their election events.

Association's winter meeting, which opens on Saturday, Culver will focus on the importance of ensuring that Iowa's caucuses — scheduled for Jan. 14 remain first, said Brad Anderson, the governor's communications director.

Because the Democratic caucuses are scheduled by the Democratic National Committee, Culver would any moves would have to come from the Iowa Democratic Party.

While Anderson did not elaborate on what the governor would discuss regarding the scheduling of the Iowa caucuses, the spokesman added that the governor would speak with New Hampshire Gov. John Lynch about the issue.

holds the nation's first primary, the secretary of State has the power to set the date of the event. Meanwhile, Nevada will hold its caucuses on Jan. 19 — wedged between Iowa's Jan. 14 caucuses and New Hampshire's Jan. 22 primary.

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Culver governor

## NEEDLEWORK



**Beth Skogen/The Daily Iowan** 

UI intermedia graduate student Shawn Reed embroiders in his studio at the International Center on Tuesday. Influenced by shrines and temples he saw in Japan, he will combine sewing, embroidery, knitting and volcanic sand on a wooden shrine-like table that he will construct for an exhibition at Little Cakes Gallery in New York in the late fall. Reed's idea came from the many drawings and sketches he has done, and he says there are interpretations of mythological and pseudo-religious themes present in the piece. "It is very much about the craft that comes from the interaction with the material." he said.

## UISG VOTES TO SPLIT

UI Student Government passes controversial new constitution



McElligott UISG president



Stark **UISG** vice president

#### BY DANE SCHUMANN

THE DAILY IOWAN

The current structure of the UI Student Government would be in for a major change if a new constitution passed during its Tuesday meeting is implemented.

The new constitution, which would create one group representing undergraduate and another for graduate and professional students, passed amid numerous abstentions.

"It's completely irresponsible of most people in the undergraduate senate," said Graduate and Professional Student Senate member Taylor Heim. "[The new constitution] is a fundamental shift in how we function ... and they tried to railroad it tonight."

The new constitution, barring any judicial intervention, would create the Partnership of Shared Governments at Iowa, the overarching bicameral entity. That would then be divided into the UISG, representing undergraduates, and the Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students

According to the proposal, a committee was set up a year ago to "initiate formal separation between the undergraduate senates and the graduate and professional senate." The committee met during the past year to discuss UISG's possible new look.

Last night, the Student Assembly passed the new constitution after a flurry of debate and procedural moves.

But some undergraduate senators took issue with some of the procedural wrangling.

"[The constitution] was bullied through in the separations committee," said undergraduate senator Sean Brady. "It's against student interest."

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#### **RIGHT-TO-WORK**

## Lawmakers consider fair-share measure

BY ERIC RODRIGUEZ

THE DAILY IOWAN

Gary Dunham, the secretarytreasurer for Teamsters Local 238, is frustrated at nonunion workers laughing at his fellow union members.

"I know most of the nonunion members take the benefits, and some of them make fun of [the union workers] for paying for it," he said.

But that heckling may soon stop if fair-share legislation being discussed in the Iowa Legislature is approved; the measure would require nonunion members to pay a fee for union services.

What that cost would be is still up for debate in the Iowa House, but Dunham said it could be the same fee union members pay for membership, minus commissions for union donations and political activity.

Teamsters in the private sector pay two-and-a-half times the hourly wage per month to belong to the union, while Teamsters in the public sector pay two-and-a-quarter times the hourly wage. Public members pay less because they don't pay for strike benefits.

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#### **State Unions** Lawmakers are looking to reform lowa's 60-year-old right-to-work law,

which gives non-union employees in unionized workplaces the option of receiving union benefits without paying regular union dues. Iowa is currently one of 22 states with right-to-work laws



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#### WATER WORLD, ETC.

The UI's new recreation center will feature many aquatic facilities, in addition to fitness rooms, basketball courts, and a track. 1B

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# Fethke on attrition, fight song

The Daily Iowan sat down with UI interim President Gary Fethke on Tuesday for the first round in a semester-long series of question-and-answer sessions. Fethke commented on a variety of topics, ranging from the possible smoke-free campus to how be celebrated Valentine's Day. The DI edited for content.



BY ASHTON SHURSON

The Daily Iowan: The UI has recently had a number of employees leave or nearly leave the university. What do you think the university can do to retain and recruit good employees?

Gary Fethke: First, I think we want to balance the number of employees who leave here with those who are coming. Sometimes, we've put too much emphasis on the departures and not enough emphasis on the people who are coming. So you have some departures, and some of that is people leaving because they have enormously great opportunities. And some of it is attrition that takes place naturally. I'm not overly concerned because I think basically this is a marvelous institution with wonderful opportunities that will attract great people as it has.

DI: There has been controversy surrounding the use of the "Iowa Fight Song" in the Iowa Lottery ads. What are your views on this? When is it appropriate to use?

Fethke: Let's first say we've had a long association with the lottery, and it is a state agency. We have benefited by lottery funding at the University of Iowa. I did not like the use of the "Iowa Fight Song" in that advertisement ... I think we're going to see a much better and much more controlled set up of advertisements in the future.

**DI**: With the UI presidential search taking place, what sort of lessons have you learned as UI interim president that you will pass on to the new leader?



UI interim President Gary Fethke speaks in his Jessup Hall office on Tuesday about the new faculty the UI has acquired as well as those who are leaving. Fethke will give a "Condition of the University" address Thursday in hotelVetro.

Fethke: I've learned that sometimes what's presented by the press and what's talked about by the press can be quite different from some of the things that are going on that I care about. I think I would advise the next president to be quite balanced in his/her understanding of the things going on in the press and things going on elsewhere.

**DI**: A campuswide smoking ban is coming closer and closer to reality. What feedback have you heard on this?

Fethke: I've had some feedback from individuals, and I think what is happening here is there are people who have been annoyed by smoking who now are starting to feel empowered. We're not going to become the smoking police, we're trying to signal the fact that smoking is going to be discouraged on campus and in campus buildings, and so on. It's a very difficult habit to break, and I feel a lot of sympathy for people who are struggling with that habit. I smoked myself for years, and I know how hard it is to stop, and I'm sympathetic to that. But you can see the campus is moving towards a no-smoking situation.

DI: What kind of higher education funding do you want to see from Iowa lawmakers currently in session?

Fethke: I'm optimistic this year that this administration is going to support a fair sharing of the burden of funding higher education. The appro-

Project 3000 — located at the UI

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disorder, often causes blindness. It

can also increase sensitivity to light

and eye clouding, and even cause

hearing loss or mental retardation,

Chicago Cub star Derrek Lee and

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CEO and co-owner, helped start the

The disease, which is a genetic

to a press release.

according to WebMD.

project with the UI.

priation and the student tuition complement are about equal in size in the general fund. We're asking approximately for 5.2 percent in the state and from students. So there's a more balanced sharing of that burden.

DI: Valentine's Day was last week; what did you do?

Fethke: We had alumni receptions in Phoenix and Tucson, so that's where [my wife and I] were. She enjoyed it, and I enjoyed it, and it was a nice experience; a very nice experience to meet people who are closely aligned with this place and care about it on any day, Valentine's Day or any day.

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examine their results, comparing

them with the auditor's records, which

is a typical procedure, Neuzil said.

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#### State appeals fraternity verdict

— by Kurt Hiatt

on Tuesday filed a notice of appeal of a decision that required the state, the UI, and one of its top administrators to pay \$127,744.18 to the former UI chapter of Phi Delta Theta.

Judge Mitchell Turner ordered the defendants to pay the now-defunct fraternity chapter on Jan. 24 for legal fees and damages incurred when the university suspended Phi Delta Theta, using an illegally recorded

Phillip Jones, the UI vice president for Student Services, and other university officials used an unauthorized tape recorded by a former pledge in the fraternity's closed meeting room as proof to support hazing accusations, Turner wrote in his 17-page ruling.

#### **METRO**

#### Gilchrist's lawyer asks for clarification

Mary Gilchrist will ask a 6th District Judge to clarify his Feb. 16 ruling that denied her motion to be temporarily reinstated as the director of the UI Hygienic Lab, attorney Pat Ingram said on Tuesday.

Ingram said he will request Judge Denver Dillard to clear up whether his decision only rejected Gilchrist's request to return to the lab temporarily or if the ruling extended to the entire case.

Gilchrist is suing UI interim President Gary Fethke and Meredith Hay, the UI vice president for Research, contending the two illegally tried to hush her concerns about lowans' public health, eventually firing her in October 2006.

Dillard concluded last week that Gilchrist acted as a lobbyist when she voiced concerns to lawmakers and the state Board of Regents about what she labeled insufficient funding for a new \$36 million Hygienic Laboratory and the Iowa Vanguard Program, a proposed initiative that would help quickly detect biological threats.

Ingram and Gilchrist maintained that the former director acted as a whistleblower communicating substantial risk to public health.

Bob Brammer, a spokesman for

the Iowa Attorney General's Office, said his office viewed Dillard's ruling as the end of the matter.

"We took the position that the

judge's clarification before making

— by Kelsey Beltramea

#### Eve project gaining exposure

Project 3000 — an initiative that began last October — is gaining exposure as researchers aid more than 500 people afflicted with Leber's congenital amaurosis, said Luan Streb, a senior research assistant on the project.

The goal of the project is to identify and provide medical assistance to the 3,000 people believed to suffer from the eye disease nationwide, most of whom are children, Streb

"It's hard for you to know anyone with any type of blindness," the research assistant said. "It's much harder for you to know how that affects a child and their family."

The first steps in the project are to identify as many patients as possible and examine blood samples, she

Carver College of Medicine — is the first program nationwide "to offer genetic testing for any eye disease

case was concluded other than a possible appeal," he said on

Ingram said he will wait for the

any decisions on how to proceed.

#### — by Kurt Hiatt Supervisors report no

problems with vote

the officials approved the tax-vote results and "did not recognize any changes as was reported on election

During a vote canvass, the supervisors randomly select precincts and

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors canvassed the votes from the Feb. 13 school infrastructure tax vote on Tuesday, finding no problems that would warrant any changes in the results.

Supervisor Terrence Neuzil said niaht."

The Supervisors met at 3 p.m. Tuesday in a meeting that lasted fewer than 45 minutes, he said.

The Iowa Attorney General's Office

audiotape as evidence, in 2002.

The judge ordered Jones to pay \$5,000 for his continued use of the disputed tape to punish Phi Delta Theta after the allegations were dismissed in 2004, in addition to \$98,300 in damages and \$24,444.18 in the fraternity's legal fees issued to all defendants.

— by Kelsey Beltramea

## **POLICE BLOTTER**

Craig Baker, 18, 2109 Quadrangle, was charged Sunday with possession of marijuana. Andrew Bedell,

Quadrangle, was charged Monday

with possession of marijuana. Terrah Campbell, 19, Indianola, Iowa, was charged Feb. 17 with public intoxication.

Keith Garnant, Quadrangle, was charged Sunday with possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver

Matthew Glynn, 19, 2216 Burge, was charged Feb. 17 with public intoxication. Ryan Hansen, 25, 2020 Hollywood

Blvd., was charged Tuesday with public intoxication. Matthew Jackowski, 20, 349 Slater,

was charged Monday with posses-

sion of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. Jeremiah Kromei, 30, Dearborn Heights, Mich., was charged Monday with possession of marijuana.

Raj Manoharan, 23, 605 Woodside Drive Apt. 8, was charged Monday with simple assault. Samuel Marner,

Quadrangle, was charged Sunday with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. Cole McCleland, 20, West Des Moines, Iowa, was charged Tuesday with PAULA.

Jerry Myers, 39, 1282 Dolen Place, was charged Monday with public intoxication.

Ryan Nowicki, 19, Rockford, III., was charged Feb. 17 with possession of drug paraphernalia. Steven Rasiarmos, 18, 4335 Burge,

was charged Feb. 17 with public intoxication. Chad Vandenhull, 20, Sheldon, Iowa, was charged Tuesday with PAULA.

Benjamin Willett, 18, 237 Blackfoot Trail, was charged Monday with driving with a suspended/canceled

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# Frazier wins prize

UI alum Danny Wilcox Frazier's photos exploring rural lifestyles have won the attention of noted individuals

BY MAGGIE ANDERSON

"I'm not worried about the people who leave," Danny Wilcox Frazier said, switching on the projector and settling into his

The 36-year-old photographer was speaking about the young Iowans who flee their family farms for city and suburban life a phenomenon commonly referred to as the "brain drain."

Frazier's statement gained authority from the black-andwhite images flashing by in fivesecond intervals on the wall-sized classroom screen — an Amish family dressing deer, immigrants harvesting vegetables, and teens partying at the Coralville Reservoir's jumping rock, among others.

"I'm worried about those who are left in the wake of out-migration," Frazier said. "I'm worried about those who are trying to maintain this traditional rural lifestyle. And that's where I focused my camera.

The Duke University Center for Documentary Studies announced on Tuesday that Frazier, a UI alum and nationally recognized photographer, won the 2006 Center for Documentary Studies/Honickman First Book Prize in Photography.

This biennial competition, the only one of its kind nationwide, awards an American photographer who has never published a photography book with a \$3,000 grant, publication deal, and inclusion in a traveling exhibition. Eminent photographer Robert Frank, whose book The Americans broke ground with its honest, critical examination of American society, selected Frazier's work from more than 400 entries

"[Frazier's] work reaches out: Let me tell your story, it is important," Frank said in a statement. "His work will survive. His book will be the foundation for more to



Wesley Cropp/The Daily Iowan

Photographer and UI alum Danny Frazier was selected from among more than 400 other photographers for Duke University's Center for Documentary Studies' 2006 Honickman First Book Prize in Photography. Frazier's prize-winning work concentrates on Iowa's agrarian rural life, which for the Le Claire, Iowa, native is both profound and emotional.

Many photographers, including Frazier, have considered Frank's own work crucial to their photographic development.

"I connected to it on an emotional level," said Frazier, who also works part-time at *The Daily* Iowan as a photography coach. "I just remember looking at [Frank's work] and thinking, that's my world."

Drawing from Frank's trademark wandering approach to documentary photography, Frazier began his project, which will become the book Driftless: Photographs from Iowa, while he was a UI graduate student.

Encounters with aging farmers and desperate-to-escape teens clued him in to the precarious status of traditional, agricultural lifestyles and prompted him to begin documenting.

The agrarian rural life has been so important to this country, and to completely lose that would

have a really profound impact on the country as a whole," Frazier

A Le Claire, Iowa, native, Frazier has experienced firsthand many of these traditions.

"He's documenting the Iowa that he sees," said Judy Polumbaum, a UI professor of journalism and mass communication and Frazier's master's project adviser. "He doesn't claim it's the only Iowa or the grand truth. But it's people and activities he's known all his life."

Associated Press photographer David Guttenfelder, a friend of Frazier and classmate at the UI, said Frazier has been developing this highly intimate style from

the very beginning.
"In the back of his mind, he wanted to do a book, but that wasn't what drove Danny," he said. "It was the experience. And you can see that in his pictures."

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# Wilburn lauds city's progress

BY STEPHEN SCHMIDT

THE DAILY IOWAN

Asked afterwards what the difference was between his first State of the City speech and his second, Mayor Ross Wilburn thought for a moment and smiled.

"It wasn't as scary as the other one," said Wilburn, who is in the midst of his second year as mayor.

He delivered the speech Tuesday night during the Iowa City City Council's formal meeting, focusing on Iowa City's success in improving parks and public services, creating new building projects, and maintaining a vibrant downtown.

To begin his speech, the mayor reflected on the way people bound together in the face of the April 13, 2006, tornadoes, saying that the response continues to impress him.

"In many ways, the community response was our finest hour and a challenge to the very fiber of this community,' he said.

On the legislative level, Wilburn said, Iowa City will push for the state to revise the current tax code, emphasizing the need to separate residential and agricultural property-tax valuations. He also said the state must do more to reduce the propertytax burden felt by commercial properties — of which 100 percent is taxed, compared with 45.55 percent for residential property.

In closing, Wilburn emphasized the role Iowa City could play in national politics.

"We have a great opportunity to drive national discussion on policy direction with the upcoming Iowa Caucus,' he said. "Already, we have had



**Iowa City Mayor Ross Wilburn jokes with City Councilor Dee** Vanderhoef during a meeting on Tuesday evening. In his State of the City speech, Wilburn described new projects and said the downtown was vibrant.

visits from presidential hopefuls visiting our state and our city, with many more visits to come.

Wilburn also described the fiscal 2008 budget as "balanced" and founded on "sound policies." Soon after his speech, people were invited to comment on the budget before the council cast its first official vote.

Kevin Morrow, one of several to venture forth, asked councilors to reconsider their decision to defer the Rocky Shore pedestrian bridge from fiscal 2008 to 2011. He said he is concerned that the nearby Peninsula Park, located at the west end of Foster Road, generates so much traffic that it has become a safety risk.

"As a homeowner, [the traffic] does give me concern about the safety of Foster Road," he said.

Aleda Feuerbach, the general manager of Pleasant Valley Garden Center, 1301 S. Gilbert St., was also concerned about traffic. Her complaints centered on how her business would suffer because of the construction on Gilbert Street scheduled to begin in the spring of 2008.

"The changes as they are now won't allow us to operate, and if we can't operate, then we don't have a business, and that's the bottom line," said Feuerbach, who has managed the store for 20 years. Despite the concerns, the

first vote to pass the budget was 7-0. The council can still adjust the budget or reallocate the money to other projects, but it cannot raise the amount of money spent. The budget is a resolution and not an ordinance, so the council only needs to vote on it twice. The second and final vote will be held on March 5.

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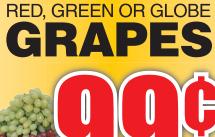
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## **Culver defends caucuses**

Even if other states change their primary and caucus dates, the governor intends to ensure Iowa's first-in-the-nation status

#### **CAUCUSES**

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Colin Manning, Lynch's press secretary, said Lynch believes the DNC is wrong. If any primary or caucuses dates were switched, that might result in front-loading meaning that other states could try to move up their elections, which would crowd the calendar.

"Their attempts to change the calendar have backfired," Manning said.

But one official from the national organization said the changes allow a better nominee to emerge while maintaining Iowa's and New Hampshire's prominence.

DNC Deputy Press Secretary Amaya Smith said having

'We remain first in the nation. That's where the lowa caucuses should be.'

– Erin Seidler, **Iowa Democratic Party** press secretary

South Carolina and Nevada events before Feb. 5 broadens the influence that voters and regions nationwide have in the ultimate selection of the 2008 presidential candidate.

In the last two years, the DNC calendar commission has looked at allowing other states to enter the pre-primary window, said Erin Seidler, the Iowa Democratic Party press

State law mandates that the next caucuses or primary be held at least eight days after Iowa's caucuses, Seidler said.

Other prominent leaders have also disagreed with the DNC's timetable. Seidler said former Iowa Lt. Gov. Sally Pederson, who was on the DNC's rules and bylaws committee, voted against the current schedule - which moved Nevada before New Hampshire — to show support for the nation's first primary state.

Still, Seidler said, she is satisfied with the order.

"We remain first in the nation," she said. "That's where the Iowa caucuses should be."

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## Gender crime gap

**CRIME** 

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No particular event sparked the research into crime trends, Lauritsen said, who had studied victimization for several years.

Lauritsen and Heimer have said their research is groundbreaking, in part, because it looks at women as a part of violence nationwide, not separate from violence against men.

"I think we were surprised because it's been generally thought in criminology that the gap [in victimization] would remain consistent,' Lauritsen said.

One factor that could be linked to the drop in women's numbers since 1993 is the availability of services such as domestic-abuse shelters and rape hotlines.

"Maybe it wasn't going down in the '70s and '80s because these services weren't available," Heimer said. "That's something we want to know, because if that's the case, we want to keep increasing these services."

Lauritsen said she and Heimer are also planning to investigate trends in different ethnic groups, as well people in different economic levels.

"We don't know whether crime has declined for poor women or poor men, or for black women and black men on par with white women and white men, for example," Lauritsen said.

The next step regarding the data is to draft a paper for the National Academy of Science, which is due in its first rough version by the end of March, Heimer said.

The two also said they hope to get a grant from the National Institute of Justice to further study the issue. Iowa City police Sgt. Troy

Kelsay said he wasn't surprised by the study's findings in violent victimization. "Without knowing the

numbers, I would agree with [the study]," he said. He added that in his 21

years in law enforcement, he has also seen about the same number of female aggressors as males in violent situations.

"Violence is clearly not just the domain of the male sex anymore," Kelsay said.

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# UISG may re-form

#### UISG

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Senators Brady Jonathan Chaparro, as well as other members of the undergraduate delegation, said they planned to take their complaints to the Student Judicial Court for review.

"We question the constitutionality of how it was passed tonight," Brady said, citing that the adjournment of the meeting was never voted on. According

'We guestion the constitutionality of how it was passed tonight.'

- undergraduate senator Sean Brady

to some senators, a vote to adjourn is necessary for a meeting's business to become imple-

The assembly was adjourned after UISG Vice President Addison Stark heard a motion and

second to adjourn. No vote was taken on the matter.

Chaparro said many members abstained because they wanted more time to establish undergraduate bylaws that would be used after the separa-

But Heim rebutted that argument, saying undergraduate groups had opportunities to put opinions forward and that the high number of abstentions was "ridiculous."

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## Fair share considered

A new proposal in Iowa could change a 60-year-old right-to-work law by requiring nonunion members to pay a fee if they receive union benefits

#### UNION

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Marjorie Caruth, a registered dietitian at the UI Hospitals and Clinics and a bargaining member of the Service Employees International Union, said she supports the bill because she appreciates the benefits unions bring to workers.

"I hear from coworkers every day how unfair it is that some of their colleagues who aren't union members get the same raises and protections of the collective-bargaining agreement without paying dues," Caruth said on Monday in an e-mail to The Daily Iowan.

But not all lawmakers are on board with the fair-share deal. Rep. David Jacoby, D-Coralville, said the legislation needs to be revamped to better fit the needs of the workforce.

"The extremes are ruling the world when the answer is in the middle," he said.

He said he favored fair share in the private sector when a

#### **UNDER THE CURRENT RIGHT-TO-WORK LAW**

 Nonunion employees in unionized workplaces have the option of receiving union benefits without paying regular union dues. Proposed fair-share legislation would require:

 Members working in unionized establishments to pay a fee for union services.

What the fee could be:

• The fee could possibly be the same fee union members pay.

• The fee does not include commissions for union political activism and charitable causes.

business is unionized, but he opposed the measure being used in the public sector. Instead, Jacoby wants a commiserate fee to apply to public employees who would pay the cost for union services.

The Coralville lawmaker also

called for reforming termination fees that can be used to fire employees.

Peter Fisher, a UI professor of urban and regional planning, said the proposal would help Iowa workers because the addi tional fees would make for stronger unions, making them more adept for better negotiations with companies.

"The legislation may increase [the unions'] ability to negotiate and raise wages," he said.

But Fisher believes that the measure plays a small role in Iowa businesses' success. Instead, he said, he would like to see more legislative moves to raise wages and retain workers.

If approved, the fair-share proposal would not shrink economic growth because the legislation has no cost that would deter new business from establishing themselves in Iowa, he said.

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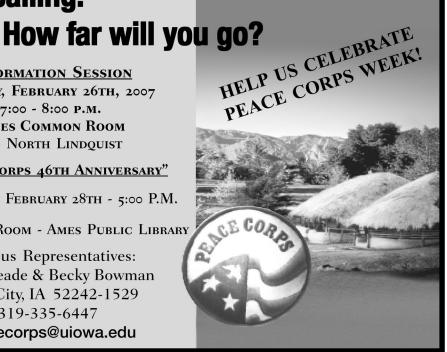
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# NCAA rep criticizes fight song-lottery tie

BY ASHTON SHURSON

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The controversy over the use of the "Iowa Fight Song" in an Iowa Lottery ad has traveled from the UI Presidential Committee on Athletics to the UI Faculty Council, where an NCAA representative condemned the university's association with gambling during the council's meeting Tuesday.

Betsy Altmaier, the UI's Big Ten and NCAA representative, described the NCAA's standards on such affiliations and her opinion on the partnership between the university and the Iowa Lottery.

"I am utterly opposed to this tie," she said. "Iowa has a tie that under the NCAA standards is ill-advised at best."

The NCAA discourages colle-

Members of the UI community disagree about the university's affiliation with the Iowa Lottery

giate affiliations with gambling, she said, noting that most of the UI's activities are fairly consistent with other NCAA standards.

"It's unfortunate the [university's] image would be used to publicly support playing the lottery," UI Faculty Senate President Sheldon Kurtz said.

Council member Steve McGuire echoed Kurtz's opinion but said Iowa Athletics Director Gary Barta was not being unreasonable. Barta has said he regrets his decision to allow the ad to air — which he didn't view prior to its being broadcast — but he believes the Iowa Lottery has been "a good partner" to the university.

"I am in complete agreement with Betsy [Altmaier]," McGuire said. "But Gary Barta's view was not an unrea-

sonable one.' The ad, which aired for roughly one month, promoted a raffle for a Hawkeye-themed Dodge Caliber and featured the "Iowa Fight Song" with different lyrics, a depiction of Carver-Hawkeye Arena, and the Tigerhawk logo. The vehicle will be given away at the March 3 men's home basketball game.

Altmaier said she hoped to gather feedback from her constituents during Tuesday's council meeting to present during the next meeting of the UI athletics committee — of which

Members also discussed a

Faculty in some UI colleges, such as the UI Carver College of Medicine, need more time to earn tenure because of the time

it takes to receive external funds for research, officials said. "In our university, very few colleges have to make an adjustment," said UI Provost Michael Hogan at Tuesday's

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## Naps may be lifesavers

Daytime naps could help to reduce heart issues, a study suggests

#### BY LAURA KLAIRMONT

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At around 1:30 p.m. every day, UI freshman Kyle Kirkwood can be found snoozing on his dorm-room futon, though he has been known to sleep almost anywhere. According to a new study, his siestas could help him ward off heart disease — one negative effect of limited sleep is high blood pressure.

"I'd say my daily naps last about an hour," he said, adding that he typically gets as little as six hours of sleep a night but can nap in any location and under any conditions.

Eric Dyken, the director of the UI Sleep Disorder Clinic and the Sleep Fellowship Program, said those who clock fewer than eight hours in bed each night tend to live shorter lives and have more physical, social, and emotional problems.

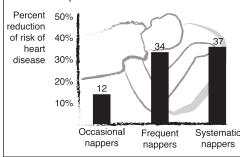
"We sleep less in order to get more done," he said. "There are many different neural transmitters that are negatively affected by not sleeping.

Napping could be a way to stave off health problems due to a lack of sleep, according to a study by the Department of Hygiene and Epidemiology at the University of Athens Medical School, published in Februarv. Researchers studied 23,681 Greek men and women who had no prior history of coronary heart disease, stroke, or cancer for six years and found that those who took frequent naps had a 37 percent lower risk of dying from heart attacks and other heart problems than did those who didn't take frequent

naps, according to the study. "There is quite a bit of data showing how napping is help-

#### Napping touches the heart

New studies have found that taking frequent naps throughout the week may reduce your risk of dying from heart disease. People who scheduled 30-minute naps at least three times per week saw the most benefits.



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ful," said Brian Olshansky, a UI professor of internal medicine, explaining that the body requires a specific pattern of sleep and snoozing can lower blood pressure. "Middle of the day sleep resets the body from continuous stress. The body handles itself better if broken away from daily stress by napping," he said.

Bodies naturally have a bimodal curve: Body temperature peaks and then drops from approximately 1 a.m. to 3 a.m., and it experiences the same phenomenon from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. During this time, when one's body temperature lowers, that person tends to be at her or his sleepiest, Dyken said.

And while crowds of 1 dents can be seen taking leisurely naps around that time in campus buildings, most turn to caffeine as a cure for their mid-afternoon sleepiness action Dyken warned against.

"Napping is better than turning to coffee, which helps you stay awake but doesn't improve

performance," he said. "It is better to get bulkier sleep at night instead of spreading it out throughout the day by taking

Though he believes that naps improve performance, he was skeptical about the outcomes of the study.

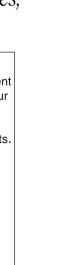
"The study didn't talk about how much they were sleeping at night," he said, noting napping would only be beneficial if the study's participants weren't getting enough sleep at night.

But, if they were practicing the healthy eight- to nine-hour sleep regimen, the participants' daytime naps would signal something else, such as sleep apnea - when sleepers suddenly awake because of snoring and an inability to breathe, Dyken

One possible reason for Kirkwood's napping is that he might not be getting enough sleep at

"I discovered I snored when I fell asleep in class," he said.

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Altmaier is also a member.

The council decided to wait until it received more information from the athletics committee's head, Charles Lynch, before drafting an official stance on the controversy.

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Clock Policy, which at present requires faculty to complete tenure in six years. Under the proposal, a UI college could decide if it wanted to extend its tenure-track to eight years. An additional two-year extension probationary period.

meeting. "But we'll address the issue and make a decision." could be allotted if a faculty member had a child during the

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**EDITORIAL** 

## Where sex offenders live not the problem

there is an expectation of agreement on whatever law or restriction is being proposed — regardless of how ludicrous or ineffective it may be. Imagine the poor politician who has to run with the record of being "soft on sex offenders." It doesn't matter how heinous or deplorable the criminal act may be, we are all still responsible for behaving as rational adults in how

Herein lies the problem with Iowa's residency restrictions, which prohibit convicted sex offenders whose victims were under the age of 18 from living within 2,000 feet of a childcare facility or school. A repeal of the law, which was enacted in 2002, has been gaining support in Johnson County because of the difficulties it has created for offenders trying to find a place to live. It's good to see the county taking a stance against the residency restrictions, but the state Legislature needs to shift its focus to the implementation of more practical measures for handling sex offenders.

Schools and daycares abound in Iowa City and other areas of the state, resulting in few options for sex offenders looking for a place to reside. This causes problems for law enforcement and affects the community's level of safety because the restrictions result in the clustering of sex offenders, or sex offenders fails to register because they fear not being able to have a place to

The punishing of sex offenders has reached such heightened fervor that live. The behaviors of sex offenders are of obvious concern because of the high rate of recidivism, but that should mean that keeping track of them is more important than deciding where they can live. The law doesn't prevent them from re-offending; instead, it only works to give a false sense of security.

> We are not advocating a lax attitude on sex crimes but rather a commonsense approach to the issue. Offenders who have been released have already served their sentences and either been through a state-mandated rehabilitation program or been found not likely to re-offend. Others are also on probation and continually tracked after their release. Active methods such as these are more effective in preventing sexual abuse and can efficiently protect communities. Arbitrary residency limits are not the

From a practical standpoint, the current restrictions are not reasonable. Sex crimes are a problem, but they aren't the only problem. Frequently, rhetoric is used to appeal to people's emotions without equal consideration for all the important things in life. We can't run our state as if sex offenders were the gravest problem, and we apparently aren't willing to fund it as such. The state needs to repeal this section of the law and focus on more measures that have been shown to be effective in reducing recidivism rather than trying to sweep the problem under the rug.

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#### U.S. should rethink priorities

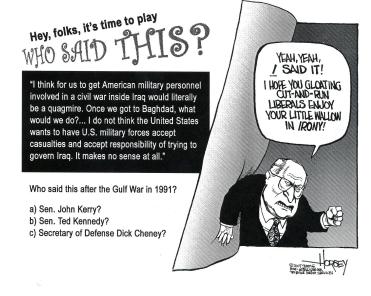
Last month, the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees estimated that there are 1.7 million Iraqi refugees in Syria and Jordan. (Our wonderful ally, Saudi Arabia, has refused to admit any, and Syria has recently indicated it cannot take any more). The United Nations says there are nearly another 2 million Iraqis displaced within Iraq.

Last week, George Bush put \$15 million in this year's budget for aid to the refugees. How wonderful — we will devote one hour's war expenditure to 1.7 million refugees. Here's the math: \$70 billion for fiscal 2007 was approved for U.S. operations in Iraq and Afghanistan last fall. Another \$100 billion is being requested right now. Around 90 percent of these dollars are for Iraq, say \$150 billion.

Divide by 365, that's \$411 million per day. Divide by 24, that's \$17 million per hour. Maybe the refugee-aid budget could be raised to \$17 million so they could get \$10 per capita.

Where are our priorities? When will the war profiteers be called to account?

**Ed Flaherty** 



#### Loebsack is working for us

In response to the Feb. 20 letter "Loebsack's party-line politics," the issue is not whether Rep. Dave Loebsack accepted PAC money and defeated Rep. James Leach did not accept it. It's ridiculous to compare

ture of corruption" that existed in Washington during the former Republican-controlled Congress. Fortunately, Democrats, including Loebsack, voted to reform it.

However, to set the record straight, according to

accepted nearly \$14,000 from the energy industry. Subsequently, he voted against cracking down on price gouging that has kept consumer gas prices high at the pump (HR 3402). And he accepted more than \$4,000 from the drug industry. Leach voted in favor of Medicare Part D that bankrupts senior citizens but rewards filthy-rich pharmaceutical companies.

Moreover, the culture of corruption also included House ethics rules that Leach voted to weaken (HR 5) attempting to protect indicted former Speaker Tom DeLay from corruption charges associated with the illegal K-Street project and jailed lobbyist Jack Abramoff. That's not only illegal, it's immoral.

Notwithstanding the claim made by our former congressman that he did not accept PAC money, one obvious point stands out: James Leach managed to fleece 2nd District constituents nevertheless.

It's the dawn of a new day. There will be no repeat performance. Loebsack is working for us. Watch his votes, not the money.

Ellen Ballas

#### **GUEST COMMENTARY**

## CAN THE SYSTEM BE SAVED?

The presidential public-financing system is probably dead for the 2008 campaign. Certainly, the notion that candidates would limit their spending during the primary season in return for receiving federal matching funds has become quaint; the limits are so outdated and the amount of funds that can be raised so great that no serious candidate will take that bargain. And, for the first time, it looks as if the second part of the post-Watergate financing reform — providing each major-party nominee with full financing for the general election campaign — is about to become

Top-tier candidates of both parties, including Sens. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., and John McCain, R-Ariz., and former Sen. John Edwards, have already started raising money for a general election race. (They'll have to give it back if they don't win the nomination.) So has Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., but with a twist: Obama has asked the Federal Election Commission to rule on whether he could legally collect money for the general election campaign but ultimately decide to take public funding were he to win the nomination and his GOP opponent followed suit.

As Obama put it in his letter to the FEC, "Should both major parties' nominees elect to receive public funding, this would preserve the publicfinancing system, now in danger of collapse, and facilitate the conduct of campaigns freed from any dependence on private fundraising." The FEC

has said it is speeding up its review of Obama's intriguing proposal, which turns, as a legal matter, on the question of whether the candidate would be deemed to have "accepted" money he is raising for the general election campaign if he keeps it separate and unused. If the money has been raised but not "accepted," Obama argues, he could still choose to return it and take public financing instead.

Linguistically, this might be a stretch that only a former *Harvard Law* Review president could love. But as a matter of policy, it could salvage a failing system to promote the aims underlying the law. As Obama put it, "Congress concluded some 30 years ago that the public funding alternative ... would serve core purposes in the public interest: limiting the escalation of campaign spending and the associated pressures on candidates to raise, at the expense of time devoted to public dialogue, ever vaster sums of money."

Interpreting the law in a way that would allow the nominees the chance to call off the fundraising arms race would further the purpose of the campaign-finance law and avoid the first fully privately financed presidential campaign since Watergate. The FEC should allow that, and Obama's rivals in both parties should pledge, if they win the nomination, to help save the system, not destroy it.

This editorial appeared in the Washington Post on Tuesday.

#### ON THE SPOT

What do you think the state should do to better handle sex offenders?



"I think it should find better ways to identify them."





66 More education for them."

Dena Jansen



Make stricter laws for pedophiles."



I think the 2,000-foot law is good; also, sex offenders should get life in jail. ""

Rachel Erb

# History repeated

WARNING: Extreme historical dorkiness on display. Please use protective eyewear and all appropriate safety equipment. Picture England in the early 17th cen-

tury. A devoutly religious king faces increasing resistance from Parliament over his conduct of an increasingly unsuccessful and expensive war. His handpicked general, the Duke of Buckingham, is so unpopular that his assassination is greeted with restrained jubilation. The war has practically bankrupted the treasury and needlessly killed many Englishmen. But the king's belief in the rightness of his cause is unshaken. His attempt to govern with-

out the guidance of Parliament having failed, his relationship to that body becomes more and more hostile.

Not like current

events. Not at all. There's a lot to be said for strong leadership. A willingness to stand on principle is often the difference

JON GOLD

between good leaders and great leaders. President Clinton, for example, was brilliant, compassionate, a naturally gifted politician. It was his willingness to compromise with the most hateful and cynical of his opponents that tarnished his legacy, not that trumped-up farce of an impeachment. Clinton was the last Democrat who worried the Republican leadership, so they made an example of him. Since then, no Democratic leader has dared deviate from the vague and unexciting mantra of centrism.

This is where the historical parallel loses some steam: King Charles' opposition was powerful, angry, and willing to go to the mat in order to get its way. Nancy Pelosi is no Oliver Cromwell. But let's return to the present day.

President Bush is, in no uncertain manner, Clinton's polar opposite. He is, by his own admission, no clever policy wonk. Bush's major concerns in office seem to have been fantasy-based foreign policy, cutting money out of silly liberal pork-barrel projects such as health care and schools, and scaring the voters into re-electing him so he could continue to pursue the first two. He's also, in sharper contrast to Bill, a horrible public communicator, coming off as smug, holierthan-thou, inarticulate, and callous - in various combinations.

But he's decisive. By god, he'll make his bad decisions and stick to them, come hell or high water. And if the public and Congress disagree with him, they're wrong. King Charles shared the view of his father, James, that kings were "little gods on Earth." President Bush apparently believes much the same thing.

However, no matter how acrimonious things get between Congress and the president, there won't be another civil war — our system of government, for all its faults, is pretty stable. But it's instructive to remember what happened after Charles I stood on principle in much the same way: The entirety of the British Isles went berserk. Parliament raised its own army in opposition to the king. Fathers fought sons, brothers fought brothers. Tens of thousands of Englishmen, Scots, Welshmen, and Irishmen died in every corner of what is now the United Kingdom. A totalitarian dictatorship, backed by what we modern types would call a military junta, tyrannized the country for years.

It won't happen here. It can't. That's how the evolution of stupidity has progressed: When powerful nations bicker internally, the resulting civil war happens in other countries.

The people of Iraq are — by and large — the ones paying for our leaders' arrogance and stubbornness. Although more than 3,000 of our troops have died and thousands more have been wounded, the death toll among Iraqis is thousands of times worse. A 2006 study in the British medical journal The Lancet estimates that 655,000 Iraqis have died as a result of the U.S.-led invasion.

And instead of the fiery leadership of a Cromwell, we get opposition leaders who can't even push a nonbinding, completely symbolic resolution through two comparatively amicable legislatures. In short, these guys — who owe their jobs to an American public that is pissed off at the president — can't even find it in themselves to say: "Er, Mr. President, we think you screwed up pretty badly. It's time for us to do something differ-

ently. Anything. Twenty thousand more soldiers is insulting; we should have been in there with about 20 times that to begin with, but watch what happens if we just pull everyone out right now. The word "bloodbath" doesn't come close.

We're not going to have real debate on Iraq until the White House grows a brain and Democratic leaders grow spines. I'd be shocked if either happened before a few thousand more people die needlessly.

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#### **DI** RECOMMENDS

Backing up your laptop. It's a pain, but it's worth it. During the arduous process, you may discover boy-band tunes from middle school, old papers you forgot you wrote, or the occasional old e-mails from an ex who loved Varsity Blues, too.

# ARTS&CULTURE

## Some drinking is afoot



#### **VANESSA VEIOCK**

I've thought of a lot of crazy places to hide alcohol before, but the bottom of a shoe didn't ever strike me.

Then again, I'm not being paid to come up with these sort of schemes. Thankfully, Reef, "the world leader in surf-inspired footwear," found someone ingenious enough to invent such a plan, just in time for spring

Yes, you heard me right. A sandal is no longer merely a barrier between the mud and your skin — it's a storage device for your alcohol. Jesus may be able to walk on water, but now you can walk on vodka. For only \$45 starting March 1.

And not only is it practical, it's fashionable, too. Between both men's and women's versions, you have your choice of seven different colors. But while the women's color schemes are prettier, I suggest the men's version. I assume that because the shoes are bigger, the storage capacity will

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Reef marketed this "Dram" model better anyway. Wouldn't you prefer to drink from a "polyurethane encapsulated canteen ... with screw cap" instead of the "Fanning's" "full 360degree heel air bag"?

What gives with the air bag anyway? Is the alcohol supposed to be a woman's safety net or something? I know I don't need to carry a liquor cushion, but I guess the "air bag" might be helpful on an awkward date.

After all, there's nothing more attractive then tearing your shoe off your foot and guzzling from it grocery store rum.

And that's not the only kink. I mean, just how much booze can you fit in one heel? Unless you dig fourinch pumps, I can't imagine a flip-flop being capable of supporting a college alcoholic's habits.

Maybe the shoe is intended for the morning-after as a hangover preventative? That whole beer-in-theshower-at-10 a.m. theory?

Seriously, though, I think I've found the subject for my honors research thesis. Do you know how many implications lie in flip-flop hidden flasks? It doesn't matter whether you're disgusted or elated by the idea because everyone is affected. Life will never be the same. You thought it was annoying to take your shoes off for airport security, now you're going to experience shoe

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inspections at football games, concerts — maybe even class.

And think of the mayhem downtown. Police officers will ask to see your shoes before they even ask for ID. And if you're underage and standing too close to one of those flip-flops, you could be in violation of that annoying "alcohol within arms reach" rule and not even know it.

The more I think about it, maybe Reef didn't think this plan out very well at all. It was probably some drunken conversation that turned into a bet. One of those, "Yeah, right, man. If you figure out how to hide my whiskey in this shoe, then I'm buying the next 30 of Natty Light" kind of deals.

The only type of person I envision buying this shoe is probably the creator's best friend. I can't believe anyone in her or his right mind would be desperate enough to bring a traveled flip-flop to her or his lips for a sip of

If I'm wrong, I want in on this new market of clothingturned-alcohol containers. I have big ideas, too. I'm talking watches with collapsible shot glass faceplates and drop earrings with hollow storage room. And padded bras with, well, special (drinkable) padding.

I think I could start a revolution, with my best, boozy foot forward.

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## French films, sans les abstractions

#### BY BRIGID MARSHALL

THE DAILY IOWAN

So who doesn't think foreign films are a little pretentious? Yeah, me too, but suppose they aren't.

Tonight and every Wednesday night throughout the rest of semester, French Ph.D. student and teaching assistant Jennifer Howell intends to prove the foreign-film stereotype otherwise.

The French Language Film series kicked off on Valentine's Day featuring overseas feel-good blockbuster L'Auberge Espagnole, starring Audrey Tautou. The festival will conclude May 2, when La Vie est un Long Fleuve Tranquille airs, the last of a trio of French comedies spotlighted by Howell.

"Initially, the idea was to seduce more French majors and students in the department," said Howell, but she then decided to make it an event for all UI students.

So those outside the French curriculum can leave their French-to-English dictionaries behind without the translation worry. Howell said most of the films will include English subtitles, but as the series progresses into April and May, subtitles might be nixed.

"I'm assuming people who don't speak French are going to actually come," said Howell, which is why she littered the IMU, the Main Library and Phillips Hall with signs to promote the event outside the French department. The Ohio University alum also

aims to integrate the campus with French cinema to encourage more cultural diversity and understanding.

Howell said she wanted to introduce the other side of French cinema, trying to dispel the all-too-common idea that France only releases dense films filled with abstractions.

"In France, they have these kinds of blockbuster-type films, too," she said. "They're not always artsy."

French citizen and French literature Ph.D. student Marion Duval said, "We decided to show commercially public films so people could see what most people in France see.' Duval, also a French teaching assistant, promotes the festival in her classes.

Howell noted that while students' impressions of French films may be dictated by the less-accessible fare typical of indie-movie houses, seeing popular French films will lead to cultural discussions.

"I just think it's a great opportunity because the movies we see in class are really weird," said UI senior and fourth-semester French student Kerri Gembra. "So it would be interesting to see how they're different.

After each film, Howell will hold a discussion about the film's themes and their American parallels to audience members.

"One part of it is to have a relaxed atmosphere," she said. "I didn't want people to think it is just academic.

The festival also gives

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French speakers the opportunity to convene and speak and watch French movies. Howell originated this idea while reflecting on her years at Ohio University, where she took part in a large French club. The group gave many opportunities for students to practice and learn more about the culture outside the classroom.

"There were a lot of ways

for grads and undergrads to get to know each other [at Ohio]," she said. "I don't think that's the case at Iowa — so I thought it would be good to have an informal meeting program between students." In the end, Howell means

to prove that some things are just universal about French films — and not just Audrey Tautou.

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# Firm asks credit union to discard 'Optiva'

Legal discussions loom in the future for the credit union as it struggles with a name change

#### BY MATT NELSON

THE DAILY IOWAN

The president of a financial institution called Optiva Mortgage in California is asking that the UI Community Credit Union's pending name change be stopped.

The request comes as a second vote — secured by a petition with 143 signatures to change the credit union's moniker to Optiva approaches. Credit-union members first approved the name change in October 2006; the second vote will be held Feb.

Jose Garcia of Optiva Mortgage, located in San Diego, sent a letter to credit union CEO and President Jeff Disterhoft and other board members, requesting that the name change be stopped because Optiva Mortgage is expanding to Missouri, which would serve adjacent states including

Garcia told The Daily Iowan on Tuesday that although Optiva Mortgage did not hold the copyright to the name Optiva, the mortgage institution had used the name since October 2004.

"All our business licenses in the county of San Diego ... state we've been using this name since 2004," Garcia said. "We never thought anyone would use it."

Disterhoft said legal counsel for his credit union has tried to contact Garcia but have not yet reached him.

Communication between Optiva Mortgage and the credit union had not occurred because of a move in operations, Garcia said. The mortgage institution's CEO had received two voice mails from Disterhoft on Feb. 15 and 16, but he had only started returning calls Tuesday.

Meanwhile, according to public records regarding email correspondence between Lawrence Lynch, the legal counsel for the credit union, and James Forney, the superintendent of the Iowa division

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Students pass by the soon to be completed credit union on the IMU bottom floor on Tuesday. Controversy has been spinning about the credit union's proposed new name, which is already used by Optiva Mortgage of San Diego.

of credit unions, disagreement arose regarding the validity of the petition that launched the Feb. 28 vote.

Forney disagreed with its Board of Directors." Lynch's assessment that the petition was "defective." Lynch had recommended that

a meeting be held to discuss the petition, but any votes in that meeting "cannot be binding upon the credit union or

Forney's review of the documents found that the petition presented to the credit

union adequately stated the purpose of the meeting — the critical requirement to guide the board to hold a second meeting about the name change.

E-mail DI reporter Matt Nelson at: matthew-s-nelson@uiowa.edu 'All our business licenses in the county of San Diego ... state we've been using this name since 2004. We never thought anyone would use it.'

- Jose Garcia, Optiva Mortgage President

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#### ZAMBRANO

#### Zambrano, Cubs reach \$12.4 million deal

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — Carlos Zambrano and the Chicago Cubs agreed to a \$12.4 million, one-

year contract avoiding salary arbitration by striking the deal just before the scheduled hearing.



Zambrano finishing among the top five in Cy Young

Award voting, being named MVP of the World Series and League Championship Series, making the All-Star game, and winning the Gold Glove and the Silver Slugger award.

Zambrano earned \$6.5 million last season while going 16-7 with a 3.41 ERA and 210 strikeouts. He asked for \$15.5 million in arbitration. while the Cubs countered at \$11,025,000 — more than any player has been awarded.

#### **DALLAS CLARK**

#### **Dallas Clark** ejected from high-school game

BURNSIDE, Iowa (AP) Indianapolis Colts tight end Dallas Clark was kicked out of a high-school girls basketball game

after making "inappropricomto a referee officiating the game, school

Livermore native and

er, was asked to leave the gymnasium during a game Feb. 17 between Twin River Valley of Bode, where he attended high school, and Southeast Webster-Grand of Burnside.

Clark

Jorgensen, Southeast Webster-Grand superintendent, confirmed that Clark was asked to leave but said there wasn't a major disturbance.

"I didn't know it happened until after the game," he said. "It was not a real explosive thing."

#### **BABINEAUX**

#### **Babineaux denies** abusing dog

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ga. (AP) -Atlanta Falcon defensive lineman Jonathan Babineaux denied responsibility on Tuesday for the death of his girlfriend's dog, which led to felony animal-abuse charges against the former lowa

Gwinnett County police said officers were dispatched Sunday evening to the Animal Emergency Center, where the staff told them that 24-year-old Blair Anderson had arrived with a pit bull mix that

was dead upon arrival. Police said Anderson told them she and Babineaux, 25, had argued at their home. She said she went to the movies and, upon returning, found Kilo, her yearand-a-half old dog, in "severe

physical distress. Babineaux, a second-round draft pick from Iowa in 2005, met with officers at the hospital, where he said he was not responsible for the dog's death. Police said his account of what happened was inconsistent with the information about the dog's injuries provided by the animal hospital. He was arrested.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2007 New center to improve life aquatic

The university's new Campus Recreation and Wellness Center, set to open in 2009, is in the final stages of design and structural planning. Officials hope to begin construction on the \$69.7 million project within the next calendar year.

#### BY PAUL KAZMIERCZAK

THE DAILY IOWAN

When Iowa students leave the south entrance of the Main Library and stroll through Gibson Square during the fall of 2009, they will no longer be faced with an uninspiring complex of parking lots and mundane structures.

Instead, a shimmering chateau of glass and red brick will stand on the same ground the UI police and maintenance facilities once occupied.

The new \$69.7 million Campus Recreation and Wellness Center, which will supplant the Field House as the centerpiece of the school's recreation and aquatics programs, is in the final stages of preparation, with bidding for the construction contract slated for next September.

For a mandatory \$219 fee, students will have access to a bevy of athletics and leisure facilities, said Recreational Services Director Harry Ostrander. In addition to an Olympic-size competition pool and diving well, the center will contain a leisure pool based on a waterpark concept. The leisure-pool plan includes a zero-depth entrance, water spouts, lap lanes, and a current channel similar to a lazy river.

For special events, a proposed portable water slide will attach to the top of the diving tower and wind its way into the diving

However, aquatics are only half the story. The facility will also include a track, three bas-

#### **UI's New Aquatic Center**

The plans for the UI's proposed Aquatic Center include an Olympic-sized competition pool and diving well and a recreational pool with a zero-depth entrance, water-spouts, lap lanes, and a current channel. The facility will also include a track, three basketball courts, rock-climbing wall, and a fitness area. The facilities will be located on the corner of Burlington and Madison and will be available to all UI students and faculty members.



have a tremendous effect on

student life, it will also com-

pletely reshape the landscape

for the Iowa swimming and div-

ing programs. The Field House

Nelle Dunlap/The Daily Iowan

While the new center will pool now used by the team was

> built in 1927 and survives on veritable life support. Although the water is constantly filtered, the pool hasn't been drained in years. With ancient plumbing

tenuously maintaining the required pressure, athletics officials don't know if the pool would hold water if refilled

SEE **AQUATICS**, PAGE 3B

## Brothers in arms

ketball gyms, a 55-foot rock-

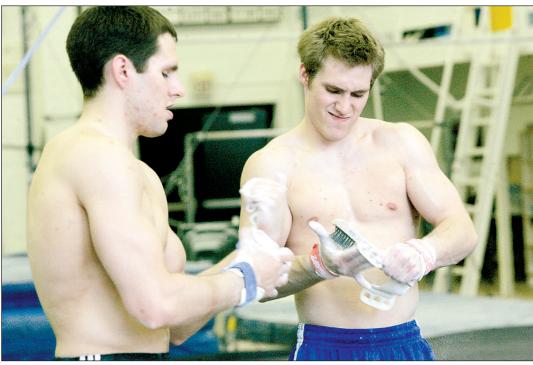
climbing wall, and a 20,000-

square-foot fitness area. By com-

parison, the two rooms of the

Fitness Loft in the Field House

total around 6,000 square feet.



Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

(From left) brothers and Hawkeye gymnasts Tom and Jon Buese wrap and scrub their grips for the horizontal bar on Monday. The two began their love affair with gymnastics watching the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona.

Beginning in Florida, Tom and Jonathan Buese have traveled a long and winding road together in hopes to reach their childhood goal of competing in college gymnastics. Little did they know that their career paths would merge in Iowa City.



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#### **BY RYAN YOUNG**

THE DAILY IOWAN

It began in front of a television screen. They were two young tykes parked in front of the tube, watching the 1992 Barcelona Summer Olympics in their Pennsylvania home.

Tom and Jonathan Buese, brothers, born two years apart in October, witnessed the events of the world games as they unfolded before them.

One was 6, and the other 4. One wanted to learn how to do a back flip — the other just wanted to be like his older

Their brotherhood was apparent, and they were practically

alike. Because of the closeness of their ages, they were similar in size, stature, and relative development, making it easy for them to participate in the same activities.

In time, the Buese family moved to Gainesville, Fla., where their mother, Amy Buese, looked for an outlet to cultivate her sons' newly acquired ambitions for gymnastics. She found one at Sun Country Sports Center.

SEE BUESE, PAGE 3B

## IOWA (15-12, 7-6) VS. PURDUE (17-9, 6-6) TODAY, AT CARVER-HAWKEYE ARENA, IOWA CITY, 8:05 P.M.,

TV STATION: KGAN, RADIO: KXIC (800 AM)

## ETS MAKE PURDUE TOUGH

Seniors Carl Landry and David Teague make tonight's 'must-win' difficult for Steve Alford's Hawkeyes

#### BY JASON BRUMMOND

THE DAILY IOWAN

As more college basketball studs are dropping finance classes to negotiate an NBA contract, Purdue's two rarities could be the difference tonight

Fifth-year seniors Carl Landry and David Teague are among a dying breed, but they could land the Boilermakers in the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 2003. Landry ranks third in Big Ten scoring with 19.2 points a game, while Teague earned conference Player of the Week honors after scoring a career-high 32 points against Indiana.

The game will tip off at 8:05 p.m. in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, and it pits two teams fighting to scratch into the NCAA Tournament.

"To have two fifth-year seniors with this ability has really been the catalyst for Purdue," Iowa coach Steve Alford said. "They're two of the better players in our league."

Purdue coach Matt Painter shared the same concern about Iowa's veteran leader.



guard

Guard Adam Haluska leads the conference with 20.8 points a contest, despite hitting only 15-of-53 shots (28.3 percent) in the last three games. During that stretch, the Carroll, Iowa, native made only 4-of-24 3point attempts.

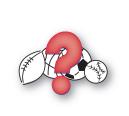
head coach

Painter anticipates rotating Teague and freshman Chris Kramer to slow down Haluska, but he doesn't want to extend the defensive assignments any further.

"If we had to put our third guy on Haluska, that would be an unbelievable advantage for Iowa," Painter said during a teleconference this week.

Today's game has major implications for postseason berths, and it could help

SEE MEN'S HOOPS, PAGE 3B



Q: Who is the youngest man Answer on page 2B

## SPORTS 'N' STUFF

#### **BIG TEN MEN'S BASKETBALL**

	Conterence			All	nes		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Ohio St.	12	1	.923	24	3	.889	
Visconsin	12	2	.857	26	3	.897	
ndiana	7	5	.583	17	8	.680	
Michigan St.	7	6	.538	20	8	.714	
Ilinois	7	6	.538	19	9	.679	
owa	7	6	.538	15	12	.556	
Michigan	6	6	.500	18	9	.667	
Purdue	6	6	.500	17	9	.654	
Minnesota	3	10	.231	9	18	.333	
Vorthwestern	2	11	.154	12	14	.462	
Penn St.	1	11	.083	10	15	.400	
Tuesday's Game							
Michigan State 64, Wisconsin 55							
Today's Games							

Purdue at lowa, 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Penn State at Ohio State, 7 p.m.
Texas Pan American at Northwestern, 7 p.m. Michigan at Illinois, 8 p.m. Saturday's Games Purdue at Northwestern, 11:15 a.m

Illinois at Penn State, 1 p.m. Michigan at Minnesota, 1:30 p.m. Indiana at Michigan State, 8 p.m. Sunday's Game Wisconsin at Ohio State, 3 p.m.

#### TOP 25 COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Michigan State 64, #1 Wisconsin 55
UNLV 60, #14 Air Force 50
#19 Texas 80, Texas Tech 51
Providence 64, #22 West Virginia 61
Other Scores
Northern lowa 79, Bradley 70
Notre Dame 78, DePaul 54
Missouri 72, Oklahoma 68
Kentucky 70, LSU 63
WOMEN
#3 Connecticut 81, South Florida 67
#18 Bowling Green 89, Kent State 66
Seton Hall 63, #19 Marquette 58
#21 Rutgers 69, Providence 34
#23 Louisville 91, St. John's 62
lowa State 64, #25 Nebraska 53

#### NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

EASTERN CONF	ERE	<b>ICE</b>		
Atlantic	w	L	Pct	GE
Toronto	29	24	.547	_
New Jersey	25	29	.463	41
New York	24	30	.444	51
Philadelphia	17	36	.321	12
Boston	13	39	.250	151
Southeast	W	L	Pct	GE
<i>N</i> ashington	30	21	.588	_
Orlando	27	27	.500	41
Miami	26	26	.500	41/
Atlanta	21	32	.396	10
Charlotte	20	33	.377	11
Central	W	L	Pct	GE
Detroit	33	19	.635	_
Cleveland	31	22	.585	21/
Chicago	30	25	.545	41/
ndiana	28	24	.538	5
Milwaukee	19	35	.352	15
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Southwest	W	L	Pct	GE
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Itah	35	18	.660	GE
Jtah Denver	26	26	.500	 8¹
Minnesota	25	28	.472	10
Portland	23	32	.418	13
Seattle	21	32	.396	14
Pacific	w	L	Pct	GE
Phoenix	40	13	.755	_
	30	24	.556	101/2
A. Lakers Golden State	25	29	.463	15%
A. Clippers	25	29	.463	151/2
Sacramento	23	29	.442	16%
Tuesday's Game	s			
Washington 112,	Minne	sota	100	
Charlotte 104, Ne	w Orl	eans		
New York 100, Or	lando	94		
New York 100, Or Detroit 84, Milwau	ikee 8	33		
San Antonio 95 F	)enve	r 80		

Phoenix 115, L.A. Clippers 90 Today's Games
Milwaukee at Indiana, 6 p.m.
San Antonio at Atlanta, 6 p.m.

Cleveland at Toronto, 6 p.m. New York at Philadelphia, 6 p.m Orlando at Detroit, 6:30 p.n New Orleans at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m. Charlotte at Minnesota 7 n m Miami at Houston, 8 p.m. Boston at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

Chicago 106, Atlanta 81 Sacramento 104, Boston 101 Portland 103, Utah 100

Seattle 121. Memphis 105

Memphis at Golden State, 9:30 p.m. Portland at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m. **Thursday's Games** Chicago at Cleveland, 6 p.m. Sacramento at Washington, 6 p.m. Miami at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

ASTERN CONFERENCE							
Atlantic	W	L			GF		
lew Jersey	37	17	6	80	162	141	
Pittsburgh	32	18	9	73			
I.Y. Islanders	29	23	8		177	170	
I.Y. Rangers	29	26	5		176	172	
Philadelphia	16	36	8	40	157	227	
Vortheast	W	L	ОΤ	Pts	GF	GΑ	
Buffalo	40	15	5		223	171	
Ottawa	35	22	3		204	160	
/lontreal	31	25	6		178	184	
oronto	29	23	8	66	191	195	
Boston	29	26	4	62	170		
	W	L	ОΤ	Pts	GF	GΑ	
	34	24	3	71	194		
Atlanta	31	22	9	71	188	195	
Carolina	30	25	7	67	186	195	
lorida	23	26	12	58	172	198	
Vashington	23	28	9	55	180	211	
VESTERN CONF							
Central	W	L	ОТ	Pts	GF		
lashville	40	18	3	83	206	152	
Detroit	38	16	6	82		145	
St. Louis	26	26	9	61	160		
Chicago	22	28	9	53			
Columbus	23	31	6	52	150		
	W	L	ОТ		GF		
/ancouver	35	21	4	74	160		
/linnesota	33	23	5	71	173	157	
Calgary	31	21	8		191	162	
Colorado	29	27	4	62	194	190	
dmonton	28	26	6	62	163		
Pacific	W	L	ОТ	Pts	GF	GA	
Anaheim	35	16	10	80	195		
San Jose	36	22	1	73	178		
Dallas	35	21	3				
Phoenix .os Angeles	25	32	3	53	160	207	
	20	31	10	50	170	211	

Shootout loss.

Tuesday's Games
Buffalo 6, Philadelphia 3
Atlanta 3, Carolina 1
Boston 3, Toronto 0
Ottawa 4, Edmonton 3, SO
Montreal 5, Washington 3
Tampa Bay 3, Florida 2, SO
New Jersey 2, N.Y. Rangers 1
Minnesota 2, Dallas 1, SO
St. Louis 5, Columbus 4, SO
Colorado 4, Calgary 3
Vancouver 3, Anaheim 2, OT
Today's Games
San Jose at Washington, 6 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.

#### **TRANSACTIONS**

By The Associated Press BASEBALL

American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Agreed to terms with INF
Brandon Fahey and OF Val Majewski on one-year

contracts.
TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Agreed to terms with
RHP Tim Corcoran, OF Elijah Dukes, RHP Edwin
Jackson, C Dioner Navarro, LHP Jeff Ridgway,
LHP Chris Seddon, RHP Brian Stokes, LHP Jon
Switzer and RHP Mitch Talboton on one-year con-

tracts.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Agreed to terms with John Gibbons, manager, on a contract extension through the 2008 season.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Named Junior

ANIZONA DIAMONDACAS—Natined JUNION Noboa special assistant to the general manager. CHICAGO CUBS—Agreed to terms with RHP Carlos Zambrano on a one-year contract. BASKETBALL National Basketball Association BOSTON CELTICS—Assigned G Allan Ray to Austin of the NBA Development League. FOOTBALL

FOOTBALL

National Football League
CLEVELAND BROWNS—Signed RB Jason Wright
to a one-year contract extension through 2008.
DALLAS COWBOYS—Signed C Andre Gurode to a six-year contract.
DETROIT LIONS—Signed G Blaine Saipaia to a two-year contract. NEW YORK GIANTS—Named Sean Ryan offen-

sive quality control coach.
PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Named Rory Segrest special teams coordinator.

Canadian Football League

MONTREAL ALOUETTES—Named Charlie

Carpenter offensive line coach.
TORONTO ARGONAUTS—Signed QB Mike

McMahon.
WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS—Released CB

A: Sandy Koufax, who played his final game at just 30 years old.

#### POINT/COUNTERPOINT

WITH THE DAYTONA 500 COMMENCING SUNDAY AND THE BASSMASTER'S CLASSIC COMING UP THIS WEEKEND,

## WHICH 'SPORTING' EVENT IS WORSE TO WATCH ON TELEVISION?



#### BASSMASTER'S — BY **ALEX JOHNSON**

Mike Iaconelli, Kevin VanDam, Charles "Chuck" Kennedy, Davis Phillips, and Leonard Buchanon.

Names at the pinnacle of bass-fishing circles around the lakes of America. Sort of.

I'll be honest, they're not all up there. Actually, they're not all real people, but I'll let you e-mail me at alexander-j-johnson@uiowa.edu if you can tell me who isn't an existing bass-fisherman. I offer \$1 to the first person to get it right. (Note, the dollar may or may not be real.)

When the Bassmaster Classic gets underway Friday through Feb. 25 in Birmingham, Ala., all of America will watch college basketball because that's a sport — fishing is not, and plus, nobody cares about Angler of the Year.

Maybe someday I'll apologize for my large-mouth bashing, but I just don't see a bunch of nonathletes going out onto lakes the size of Michael Jordan's ego and dropping their lines into the water as a sport.

That's why I win this argument. Fishing is for leisure, and called a

sport by park rangers and old men wearing galoshes and plaid flannels. NASCAR has more than 1 million red-necked yahoos drinking Busch Light in their RVs 35 weeks out of a 52-week year. What's not a sport about that?

All great American sports are about drunk fans arguing about

who's No. 1. College football and tailgating, the NFL and beer-bellies, Wrigley Field and Old Style — they've got it, and

so does NASCAR. Then there's fishing.

Words to describe fishing tranquil, placid, and serene. What a buzz kill. Even shuffleboard has more intensity than that.

The Bassmaster Classic is that boring. Maybe there will be spectators (asleep or not, a few TVs will be on), but it's not even a sport.

NASCAR is a much better sport, if it even counts as one, to watch (and drink to and argue over). After all, everyone knows the Earnhardts and Jeff Gordon actually exist.



#### DAYTONA 500 — BY **SEAN MONAHAN**

Here he is folks, he may be No. 20 in your programs, but he's No. 1 in your hearts.

Standing an imposing 5-9 and weighing in at a Budweiserenhanced and a Big Mac-sculpted 170 pounds — Tony Stewart.

Unfortunately for you Stewart fans out there, you won't be seeing him for the next three hours. Instead, you will be entertained by his orange stock car and seizureinducing amount of sponsors tattooed all over the car's body. Seriously, how entertaining can a

sport be if the only time you get to see your favorite contestant is after the race is over? Sounds more like a bad dating show than an enthralling sporting event. At least with Bassmaster's, you get to see who you are cheering for, even if you don't know their names.

Certainly watching at least one person catch one fish is more entertaining than watching souped-up Chevrolets and Fords doing glorified doughnuts for hours. NASCAR fans watch their favorite cars turn left all day long until an "official" in an excessively tall ladder waves a green flag signaling the end of the agony.

You could wake up in the last 10 minutes of the race, tune in as the first car crosses the finish line, and saved yourself several hours of your life while not missing a thing.

Sure, there is the potential for explosions or crashes at a NASCAR race, but you could also watch a Bruce Willis movie and get yourself the same thing in a much more entertaining package.

Speaking of entertainment, think of how exciting it would be to watch



those bass-seeking boats race around the lake and not catch a single thing. Guess what you've got, NASCAR on water — sound appealing?

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# Hardly shy and retiring

Fresh off winning Big Ten Co-Player of the Week for her success in Tuscaloosa, Ala., Hawkeye junior Milica Veselinovic is undefeated in 2007 and not quite ready to let up



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MORE ABOUT HAWKEYE MILICA VESELINOVIC'S EARLY SEASON TENNIS TRIUMPHS. BY BOBBY LOESCH

THE DAILY IOWAN

After each grueling point she wins, Iowa women's tennis player Milica Veselinovic — who calls Sombor, Serbia, home — shouts a phrase to maintain her intensity while paying homage to her native land: AJDE!

Pronounced "I-day," the junior, who plays No. 2 singles for the Hawkeyes, said the phrase translates to something similar to "come on" in English.

"It's a great motivation," she said. "That's what I was doing when I played back home, since I was like 10.'

Veselinovic uses "AJDE" not only to fire herself up but to get into the head of her competition in an almost bully-like manner.

"It's kind of frustrating for my opponents," she said. "I'm a little bit cocky, and I get into their face.' On the flip side, the Serb said

throws her off just as easily. As for her Iowa teammates?

when her opponents are vocal, it

They're used to the victory shout by now, but when Veselinovic first started at Iowa, there

was an adjustment period. "It was different from what we're all used to," said Jacqueline Lee, Veselinovic's doubles



Hawkeye Milica Veselinovic returns the ball on April 23, 2006, during the women's meet against Purdue in Iowa City.

partner. "But we're pretty much used to it now.

says something after every point ... We're very opposite. I moti-"She's very fiery. She always vate myself from within; I don't really show a lot of outward expression at all until the end."

And make no mistake, Veseli-

novic has been far from quiet, lately. Since losing to Miami's Audrey Banada on Nov. 10, 2006, Veselinovic has reeled off 10-consecutive singles victories, including road wins against Furman and Alabama, which factored into her winning Big Ten Co-Player of the Week last week with Christine Bader of Michigan State.

Veselinovic's improved play isn't necessarily due to polishing a certain aspect of her game — it's more about her competitive attitude, which seemingly never hides.

"She wears her heart on her sleeve," said head coach Daryl Greenan.

She went 9-1 in Big Ten play at the No. 3 singles spot in 2006, and the third-year Iowa coach has similar expectations this

"I think she can go 9-1 at the No. 2 position," Greenan said.

Veselinovic herself embraces the step up from last year, and she doesn't plan on missing a beat.

"It's the responsibility of playing No. 2," she said. "It's the highest position I've played for Iowa, and every match I fight even more than before."

With Veselinovic's attitude, it's hard to imagine she'll be silenced anytime soon.

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# Ul eyes new center Brothers on the mat

#### **AQUATICS**

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The present facility also hampers the swimming program's competitive viability. With only eight collegiate-length lanes, the team is forced to stagger into separate groups during practice. Moreover, while the diving structure nearly scrapes the ceiling, it doesn't quite reach the 10 meters required for collegiate platform diving.

The new natatorium will boast an Olympic 50-meter pool that will be split with a moveable bulkhead into two 25meter lengths for collegiate meets. Hawkeye swimmers will practice as a team, and divers will be able to take off from a legal-length platform.

Having 16 regulation-length lanes will allow the university to host events and invitationals, adding prestige to a program on the rise. The state of the art center will also serve as an incentive for potential recruits.

"A lot of recruiting is perception," head swimming coach Marc Long said.

With one of the nation's premier aquatic centers, the perception of Iowa's swimming program is bound to improve.

"It's overwhelming how outstanding this facility can be to help us," Long said.

Although nearing construction, the planned complex has followed a convoluted path. In fact, Ostrander said, the idea behind the center originated from focus groups commissioned eight years ago to study potential remodeling of the

The groups found, however, that students were more interested in a new recreation center. With strong student interest and an antiquated pool, the university consulted with Sasaki Associates Inc. to ascertain the feasibility of a new facility. The group looked at nine different sites on and around campus before settling on a location near Finkbine golf course. With proposals accepted and designs completed, the complex was all but built. In fact, Senior Associate Athletics Director Jane Mever confirmed the hole for the foundation had already been dug where the field-hockey grounds currently sit.

"We filled it back in," Meyer deadpanned.

A state budget shortfall doomed the project. Between 2001 and 2002, former Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack instituted a 4.3 percent cut in funding for all state agencies. In response, the university raised tuition rates 18.5 percent, following a 9.9 percent increase the year

The school was left with two choices — increase student fees even more or suspend construction on the new rec center. To help alleviate the budget crisis,

the school halted construction.

The hiatus allowed school officials to rethink the original design. In 2004, the university commissioned a new study, guided by the planning firm of Brailsford and Dunlavey, to reassess the situation. The group settled on the southwest corner of Burlington and Madison Streets as the best location for the new facility.

The athletics department believes redesigning the facility

"We're going to get a better facility and a better location for students," Meyer said.

volleyball.

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will ultimately pay off.

As for the current pool, Ostrander said the school is looking at two possibilities. The athletics department has allocated only enough money to cover the pool and create a fitness area with equipment brought down from the loft. If the department could come up with more funds, the site might be converted into a venue for small events, such as gymnastics or women's

The rest of the Field House will remain largely unchanged and continue to host various intramural events. The new center, meanwhile, will be primarily a drop-in center. Students will be able to come in throughout the day and access almost any part of the facility.

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'Whatever happens will take care of itself. There's always going to be a way to get into that tournament.'

Hawks face tough task

— Adam Haluska, gaurd

#### **MEN'S HOOPS**

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straighten the logjam in the middle of the Big Ten standings. Behind Wisconsin and Ohio State, six teams are separated by only two games, including Iowa and Purdue.

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ESPN.com have the Boilermakers (17-9, 6-6 Big Ten) just sneaking into the NCAA Tournament. Iowa (15-12, 7-6) probably needs to make a decent run at the conference tourney in Chicago in two weeks to receive an at-large

"Whatever happens will take care of itself," Haluska said. "There's always going to be a way to get into that tour-

Several players, along with lford, said they need to win their final three games of the regular season to avoid a necessary sweep through the Big Ten Tournament, especially considering Iowa's 32-point loss to Michigan State last weekend.

Three wins would put his Hawkeyes at 10-6 in league play and almost guarantee a tie for third place. If that happens, Alford said, his team shouldn't be nervous when the national brackets are deter-

"We don't have the room for margin we might have had," he said. "I would think in a league that has two of the top five teams in the country and you're in third-place, then you don't have to worry too much

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#### **MEN'S GYMNASTICS**

#### BUESE

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A rare facility, indeed school-sponsored gymnastics programs are practically nonexistent in the South. Only very few portions of the Midwest house high-school gymnastics

In both Pennsylvania and Florida, the popularity of gymnastics is low if not nonexistent. The exception is the college town of Gainesville, where the sport receives a small portion of recognition from the success of the University of Florida women's team — which also means it gets classified as a female sport. The only opportunities avail-

able in Florida were provided by pricey club organizations that tour the state until tournament times, then travel nationwide for regional and national championships. For nearly 12 years, Tom and

Jon Buese were taken under the wings of Mark Nelson, a former Iowa City native with strong ties to the Iowa gymnastics pro-In the early days, sibling

rivalry never played a role in the gym. But by the time the pair had become teenagers, their natural zeal occasionally mixed with their hormones.

We never really had to compete against each other until I was 14 the first time, and then there kind of was," Tom Buese said. "Just for me. I didn't want to lose to him."

"I got dominated," Jon Buese

Practice was no different. Brotherly fights were infrequent but did happen.

Nelson recalled one instance in which the two got into a wrestling match because Tom didn't like the way Jon was spotting him on a strength exercise. Likewise, Tom never let Jon slip on his training, ever.

"Tom yelled at Jon a lot," their former coach said with a laugh. "I guess it's because he's his little brother, and he doesn't let him slack. Jon is pretty supportive of Tom, but he doesn't really get on him to get better [like Tom]."



T. Buese J. Buese

gymnast gymnast

When it came time for Jon Buese to continue his already prestigious gymnastics career, it was brotherhood that reunited them on the college floor.

He had wavered in choosing among Nebraska, Illinois, and Iowa, but constantly talking to his brother over the phone helped him bring the future into perspective.

While he was offered more money at Nebraska, Tom Buese persuaded his kid brother that Iowa not only had a stronger team but that Iowa City was far more lively than Lincoln. With that advice, Jon Buese signed a letter of intent to Iowa and prepared to join his

However, that was a decision Amy Buese said she had mixed feelings about at first.

"I thought it was nice for both of them to not have the other one there, just so instead of everybody looking at them and knowing they were brothers, automatically comparing them," she said. "It was nice for them to each be on their own and not have the other aspect of the other kid

"I was a little worried about that continuing in college, but I think it's worked out well."

Nothing has changed since their days in Gainesville. The Buese's relationship in the gym is still supported by their brotherly love.

But because they no longer have to compete as individuals, they've managed to push each other in more productive manners - leading to far fewer arguments.

Away from gymnastics is also the same. Getting together on weekends at Tom's off-campus house to play video games and

weekdays after practice, they've also had the chance to develop an adult relationship.
"It's a lot of fun. We hadn't

gotten to hang out much the last two years,"Tom Buese said.

In order for the brothers to continue their strong careers at the highest collegiate level, their only option was to escape the boundaries of home.

"It's even better now that we're away from our parents," Jon Buese said. "[There's] a little more free-

dom,"Tom Buese said.

"Yeah, a lot more freedom," Jon Buese joked.

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SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Barry Bonds had a pointed message for the grand jury: Go ahead, investigate me.

After arriving at spring training Tuesday, more fit than in recent years following a productive winter of conditioning, the slugger insisted he's unfazed by all his offthe-field issues and is ready to resume his pursuit of the home-run record.

"Let them investigate. Let them, they've been doing it this long," Bonds said on Tuesday after his first workout this year with the San Francisco Giants. "It doesn't weigh on me at all — at all. It's just you guys talking. It's just media conversation."

When Bonds showed up, he waved twice to the swarm of people waiting to see him make his entrance, then quickly headed into Scottsdale Stadium to get to work.

Noticeably absent were his two personal trainers, Greg Oliver and Harvey Shields, who no longer can be with the slugger at the ballpark. Bonds, who spent the weekend in Las Vegas for the NBA All-Star game, was flanked by his two publicists and a Major League Baseball security guard assigned to him.

He joked with new teammate Barry Zito in their corner space of the clubhouse, then the 42-year-old Bonds made his way through the room and greeted outfielder Jason Ellison, infielder Rich Aurilia, and pitcher Matt Morris.

Bonds took part in a team meeting before walking to the field for the Giants' first fullsquad workout — and he took a big bow for the horde of cameras. He re-emerged later in the morning to start his routine and waved his batting helmet to fans in the bleachers, carrying two bats in his right hand.

He shagged fly balls and hit five home runs in batting practice, including a shot to the berm in right-center on a fastball from No. 2 starter Matt Cain. That was enough to impress new skipper Bruce Bochy, who saw Bonds do his share of damage against his old team, the Padres. Bonds has hit more homers against San Diego than any other team.

"He's an incredible talent," Bochy said. "He showed it today on the first day."

Bonds was mostly business — with a little fun mixed in — once he got on the field.

He still could be indicted if a federal grand jury determines that he perjured himself when testifying in 2003 in the BALCO steroid distribution case that he hadn't knowingly taken performanceenhancing drugs. Bonds, who has long denied ever using steroids, said his level of concern about the investigation is "none."

Last month, the New York Daily News reported that Bonds failed an amphetamines test last season and then attributed it to a substance he took from teammate Mark Sweeney's locker. Bonds publicly apologized to Sweeney at the time, then stretched alongside him and Ray Durham on the first day of workouts.

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Wednesday, February 21, 2007
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Take a fresh look at what you have to work with mentally and physically, and make some updates. If you look as though you are keeping up with the times and you sound as if you understand the dynamics of the world, you will be able to expand your goals beyond your expectations TAURUS (April 20-May 20): No one will expect you to take over or to get involved wholeheartedly today, so take everyone by surprise. You will have the ability to be a quick-change artist, and this alone will be what helps you get what you want.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): As long as you don't tell everyone what you are doing, everything will go according to plan. If you brag or share your intentions, you will have problems. Be smart, efficient, and quick to make your move.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't judge anyone by her or his looks. Delve deeper if you want to make the right decision on how to handle someone who opposes you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't count on anyone but yourself. You have to do the work and show everyone what you are capable of accomplishing. A love interest will develop or change in a beneficial way VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may be surprised by the reactions you get from others. Be ready to go with whatever comes your way. If you show despair, you will lose the upper hand. Now is not the time

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't worry about what anyone else is doing. Once you establish your own game plan, the rest will fall into place. Don't be afraid to be different. Travel and communication will

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll be drawn to someone who can help you out, but be careful not to let this person take over. If you are too open and willing to share, you will lose credit for all the hard work you've put in. Don't be deceived. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't let love cloud your best interests. Just because someone

wants something doesn't mean you have to give it to her or him. Talks will get you further ahead; prepare to negotiate your way into a good position. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may think you have everything all locked up, but when you aren't looking, the game plan will probably be changed by someone you least expect. Stay on top of things if

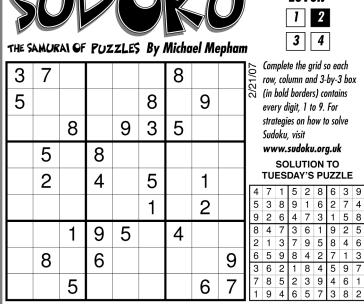
you want them to turn out your way. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You've got an intuitive view of what's actually going on, so don't lose sight of your goals. Be strong. Someone who means a lot to you will judge your strength of character, so he on your hest behavior

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A closer look at some of the things you may regret from your past will lead to what you need to do now. If you feel you have done someone an injustice, it's not too late to make amends. It's hard to move forward when you have too much baggage.



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- Electronic (e-file) Tax Filing, 1 p.m., Public Library
- Employment Series for International Students, "The Job Search in the U.S.: Career Center Tips and Tools," 3 p.m., 1117 University Capitol Centre
- Student Organization Orientation Meetings, 5-9 p.m., 348 IMU
- Live Action Shorts, 7 p.m., Bijou
- Mike and Amy Finders, 7 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington

- Scandinavian/Nordic Festival Lecture, "Niels Bohr and the Origins of Modern Physics," William Klink and the Maia Quartet, 7 p.m., Voxman Music Building Harper Hall
- "Who Killed the Electric Car," 7 p.m., Public Library
- Writing Workshop, individuals are invited to join Barnes & Noble's semimonthly writing group, 7 p.m., Barnes & Noble, Coral Ridge Mall
- UI Symphony Band, Iowa Brass Quintet, and UI Symphony Orchestra present the première of *Until the Walls and Rafters* Ring, by UI alumnus Timothy Mahr, 8 p.m.,
- Black Orpheus, 9 p.m., Bijou
- Talk Art Cabaret, 9 p.m., Mill
- The Jam, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

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#### ANDREW R. JUHL Re-examining a few more well-known sayings

- "I've got to piss like a racehorse." What, on all fours?
- "A picture is worth a thousand words." 1,170 words, Canadian.
- "Diamonds are a girl's best friend." And a dog is a man's best friend? Men got screwed
  - "Those who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones." They're probably scared of tornados, too.
- "Looks like you bit off more than you can chew." Gwo fufth yerselth.

• "A stitch in time saves

- nine." I thought a stitch in time is what happened when the Matrix realigned itself after making changes. Or, at least that was what I used to think before realizing (1) there is no Matrix, and (2) this isn't 1999, when that joke would've been remotely funny.
- "I can see the writing on the wall." Of course you can! It's on the WALL! It's HUGE.
- "The buck stops here." Translation: I take bribes.
- "Hold your horses." Yeah. Hold 'em. Just like that. Now pet them. Softer. Softer. Yeah. That's niiiice. Now kiss one ... slowly.
- "Judge not, lest ye be judged." It's probably more accurate to say "Judge not, lest ye desire a foot in thine ass."
- "Money is the root of all evil." And trees are the root of most money. Down with trees!
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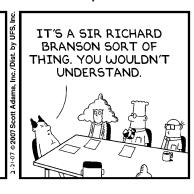
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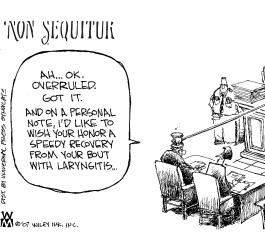


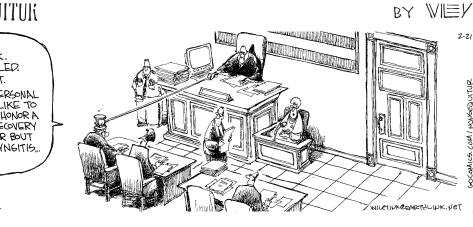






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