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In a sea of white
The UI community strives for diversity, but how well is it succeeding? **1C**



Flag at half-staff

The flag will fly at half-staff on Thursday in memory of Kristina K. Barber, who died on Feb. 17 after a sudden illness. Barber was an associate director in the Iowa Consortium for Substance Abuse Research and Evaluation program at the UI.

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How far have minorities come?



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UI junior Monique Green and Ean Mills (from right) listen to a discussion during a Black Student Union meeting at the Afro-American Cultural Center on Wednesday. The participants met, as part of the Black Student Union's monthly Hot Topics series, to discuss the candidates set to run for president in 2008, particularly Sens. Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham Clinton.

BY BRITTNEY BERGET
THE DAILY IOWAN

Members of the UI Black Student Union on Wednesday discussed why it has taken so long to see a woman or black candidate have a legitimate shot at becoming the U.S. president.

As they debated the whether candidates Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., and Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., could be elected, members said they feel it's time for a woman or a minority to assume the Oval Office.

"The world is never ready for such

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— Chris Agyeman, junior

things as a woman or black president," UI junior Renardo Wilson said. "It just needs to happen."

Obama and Rodham Clinton may draw the most media attention, but they aren't the first female and minority candidates to vie for the

presidency. Jesse Jackson, Al Sharpton, and Alan Keyes have paved the way for other black politicians, and such women as Elizabeth Dole, Geraldine Ferraro, Carol Moseley Braun, and Shirley Chisholm carved a place for women in the political realm.

"We're asking how far have minorities progressed in the political spectrum," said UI junior Leslie Amonoo, the Black Student Union vice president. "What sets Barack and Hillary apart from everyone else?"

Courtney Parker, a UI senior and the president of the Black Student Union, said she feels it's not right to glorify or demonize a candidate based on one issue or to base support on whether candidates come from the same background as voters or share the same ethnicity.

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STATE POLITICS

Debate rages on stem cells

The bill would overturn Iowa's current ban on therapeutic cloning, which could create human embryonic stem cells for researchers

BY MASON KERNS
THE DAILY IOWAN

DES MOINES — In a polarizing prelude to what may be the most divisive vote this legislative session, 85 speakers on Wednesday pleaded their case regarding embryonic stem-cell research to Iowa House members, who must now choose whether to repeal the state's ban on therapeutic cloning.

Doctors and researchers from the UI and around the state, children suffering from diabetes, a man crippled with Lou Gehrig's disease, and dozens of additional victims of disease and their tear-choked family members vigorously supported the effort to overturn the prohibition enacted in 2002.

Last week, the Senate approved a bill to overturn the ban, which a nearly gridlocked House could debate on the floor as early as today. Advocates say removing the ban would allow experts in the state to apply their work to develop cures to maladies ranging from Alzheimer's disease to lung cancer.

But the pro embryonic-research corner hardly dominated discussion, which ran late into the night at the Statehouse. Conservative and religious interests contended that pouring funds into a largely unproven procedure that they called the first step to human cloning was unethical.

Wearing a traditional Roman collar, his forehead bearing an Ash Wednesday cross, Dubuque Diocese Archbishop Jerome Hanus evoked the "golden rule" in telling lawmakers that God didn't create medicine so humans could abuse life, which he said an embryo constitutes. His words drew a large applause from the chamber's gallery, though the roar was quickly subdued per House rules barring demonstration.



Mascher
representative

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Pierce request denied

Judge Gregory Hulse quotes a 1988 Iowa Supreme Court case in his ruling: 'Probation is not meant to be painless'

BY KELSEY BELTRAMEA
THE DAILY IOWAN

Former All-Big Ten guard Pierre Pierce's probation will not be modified so he can pursue his basketball career, a judge has ruled.

Judge Gregory Hulse denied the former Hawkeye hoopster's requests to either discharge his probation, modify it to eliminate sex-offender treatment, or remove him from the sex-offender registry to allow him to reapply for a probation transfer.

"The court concludes that at this time, only a little over

four months after having been released from prison, sufficient time has not passed to determine whether rehabilitation efforts have been successful or whether Mr. Pierce still poses a risk to the community," the judge wrote in his 12-page ruling.

Pierce had wanted to attend training camp for the Anaheim Arsenal, an NBA Development League team, but the



Pierce
former Hawkeye

state of California denied his probation transfer, partly because of Pierce's sex-offender status.

The former basketball star served approximately 11 months behind bars for a series of charges that resulted when he broke into the West Des Moines home of a former girlfriend and attacked her. In August 2005, Pierce pleaded guilty to third-degree burglary, assault with intent to commit sex abuse, false imprisonment, and fourth-degree criminal mischief.

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE MANDATORY HEALTH PLAN RETURNS

BY ZHI XIONG
THE DAILY IOWAN

Following a two-year lag, a proposal that would require most UI students to have health insurance has resurfaced among university student leadership after officials further investigated the issue.

The UI Graduate Student Senate is taking the first step by considering legislation that would support making health insurance mandatory. But on Wednesday, senators postponed voting on the resolution.

"We'd hate to vote against

it because of lack of information," said UI graduate student Sarah Vigmostad, the senate's forum co-chairwoman of event planning.

The proposal last appeared before the state Board of Regents in 2005, but it was sent back to the UI for more dialogue. Richard Saunders, the UI senior associate director of Human Resources, said officials had been working with student committees for several years, but the issue had been put off until students could reach a clearer consensus.

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STILL ALIVE

The Hawkeyes respond to a must-win situation with dominating victory over Purdue in Carver-Hawkeye. **1B**

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Mostly sunny, blustery winds

Congress may consider air passengers' Bill of Rights

Proposed Passengers' Bill of Rights could serve as protection for airline travelers

BY KAYLA KELLEY
THE DAILY IOWAN

After a number of airline passengers were stuck on the runway for as long as 10½ hours, federal lawmakers have mulled a proposal to create a Passengers' Bill of Rights that would ensure air travelers a sense of security.

Rep. Mike Thompson, D-Calif., proposed the bill, which would require airlines to regularly inform their passengers about delays and refund tickets if the plane is delayed for more than 12 hours. The legislation would also prohibit airlines to hold passengers for more than three hours on a plane, among other requirements.

In the most recent case, beginning on Feb. 14, JetBlue passengers were held on airplanes for more than three hours after the airline decided to rework its flight schedule. And more than 1,000 JetBlue delays happened in 11 airports across the United States during a five-day ice storm, according to the *New York Times*.

"We have never had passengers held on a plane for the length of time like that of the JetBlue scenario," said Pam Hinman, a director of marketing and communications at the Eastern Iowa Airport in Cedar Rapids. "I can't imagine what events would transpire to have anything like that occur at the Eastern Iowa Airport."

Meanwhile, airport officials at the Quad City International Airport said while delays do occur, they are "not excessive into the hours" and are usually on account of weather.

The Bureau of Transportation Statistics attributes delays to a number of causes,



Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

A plane sits on the tarmac Wednesday at the Eastern Iowa Airport. Pam Hinman, the airport's director of marketing and communication, said 80 percent of flights depart on time from the facility.

including "extreme weather, baggage loading, maintenance problems, heavy air traffic, and late arrivals of other planes," according to its website. In addition, the bureau says approximately 26 percent of flights from July to December 2006 were delayed or canceled.

UI freshman Abby Burkhardt said a plane she was on once circled Chicago's O'Hare Airport, her destination, for more than two hours when busy air traffic kept all the terminals closed.

"It was mostly boring," she said. "It would make me

"We had to stay on the plane for more than three hours. I was with my whole family for Easter, and they were really mad, but [the airline] didn't refund our money for the tickets."

— Katie McDonnell,
UI senior

extremely mad if I were detained for a longer period of time, because it is ridiculous if they can't find an open terminal in that amount of time."

Her experience was enough to convince her of the need for more passenger protection, she said.

UI senior Katie McDonnell was also delayed at the O'Hare Airport last spring.

"We had to stay on the plane for more than three hours," she said. "I was with my whole family for Easter, and they were really mad, but [the airline] didn't refund our money for the tickets."

Hinman said she believes that service to the customers is the most important goal. In JetBlue's case, the company is compensating passengers for their wait, delays, cancellations, and even turbulent flights caused by the storm.

"I truly believe everyone in the airline and airport industry wants to provide the best possible service," Hinman said. "If this bill would help that process in some way, I'm all for it."

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DOG DAY MORNING



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Vicki Lui walks her dogs, Louis (left) and Belle, on the Pedestrian Mall early Wednesday with the dogs' stroller in hand. Lui owns the clothing store Hebe Boutique, where her dogs spend the day with her.

METRO

Man sues Girls Gone Wild, bus driver

A man who was reportedly run over by a Girls Gone Wild bus this summer is now suing the driver, the bus company, and the film producers for damages.

William Perkins filed the lawsuit against Richard Tyner, Pepe Bus LLC, and Mantra Films Inc. on Wednesday morning, seeking reimbursement for medical expenses, lost income, and physical and mental pain and suffering, in addition to punitive damages.

Perkins was riding his bicycle through the intersection of Burlington and Linn Streets on July 26, 2006, when the bus reportedly struck him. He was trapped beneath the tour bus in the rain for nearly 20 minutes as emergency crews employed air bags to lift the vehicle from him.

As a result of the collision, Perkins lost the use of his right leg, according to the lawsuit.

The lawsuit also states that Tyner, of Intercession City, Fla., tested positive for marijuana.

The Girls Gone Wild tour bus was on its way to hotelVetro for group members to check in before heading to the Union, 121 E. College St., to help celebrate its expected reopening after repairing damage from the April 13, 2006, tornadoes.

The group was stopping in Iowa City as part of a nationwide tour to promote its college party-girl-themed videos.

— by Kelsey Beltramea

CORRECTION

In the Jan. 16 story "Ex-track aide, alleging bias, sues UI, coach" the *DI* incorrectly reported Patrick McGhee and Pierre Pierce's living situation. Pierce rents his North Liberty condo from McGhee, who currently resides in California. The *DI* regrets the error.

POLICE BLOTTER

Terrance Banasau, 39, address unknown, was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.

Kyle Bingham, 20, 1902 Grantwood St., was charged Wednesday with domestic abuse assault.

Billy Dorn, 42, address unknown, was charged Tuesday with public intoxication.

Scott Graafsma, 21, 903 Webster St., was charged Wednesday with OWI.

Miles Johnson, 21, 505 E. Burlington St., was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.

Percy Miller, 45, Dixmoor, Ill., was charged Tuesday with possession of an open container of alcohol in a vehicle.

Nathan Quarderer, 26, Cedar Rapids, was charged Wednesday with OWI.

Lance Vugteveen, 21, 511 S. Johnson St. Apt. 9, was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.

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Group: Issues most important

UI members of the Black Student Union gather to discuss Sens. Barack Obama's and Hillary Rodham Clinton's chances at running our nation

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"I want a candidate I can put faith in and be proud that he is representing America as a whole," Parker said. "And they need to listen. Listening is key."

Michael Hill, a UI assistant professor of English who presided over the discussion, agreed with Parker; he said a candidate's background will not necessarily help the country's economy or global relations.

"In a range of issues, we need to ask just how much will cultural identity be a determining factor?" he said.

Those in attendance agreed that where candidates stand on issues should be the determining factor. Hill emphasized that when electing future leaders, students need to think about their priorities, find the candidate that supports them, and vote accordingly.



(From left) Chris Agyeman, Vida Seals, Iyana Leach, Courtney Parker, and Leslie Amonoo chat after a Black Student Union Meeting at the Afro-American Cultural Center on Wednesday.

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said Chris Agyeman, a UI junior. "I need to see his views and see how they fit into my

lifestyle."

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LEGALITIES AND PIERRE PIERCE Judge denies Pierce move

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Since then, the only costs, fines, or restitution Pierce has paid for his crimes is \$143 that prison officials withdrew from his account while he was in jail, Hulse wrote, noting that Pierce still owes \$5,542.26. And because Pierce must work out five to six hours a day to "maintain my body," he testified that he does not have time to work a regular job.

Pierce's failure to pay his financial obligations also requires Hulse to deny his application to be discharged, he wrote, even though Pierce testified that his agent would take care of the debts if Pierce moved to California.

The judge also wrote that it should not be overlooked that a basketball team in the Quad Cities has offered Pierce a contract to play.

Although the income would be a lot less than that from any NBA team or in the development league, "he would still be able to fulfill part of his dream to be a professional basketball player," Hulse wrote.

Pierce's mandatory sex-offender treatment is also a reasonable requirement, the judge concluded, even though

"The court concludes that at this time, only a little over four months after having been released from prison, sufficient time has not passed to determine whether rehabilitation efforts have been successful or whether Mr. Pierce still poses a risk to the community."

— Judge Gregory Hulse

Pierce is only on probation for the third-degree burglary charge. Hulse wrote that Pierce's crime and history have a link to additional treatment.

Pierce completed sex-offender treatment programs while he was on probation in 2003 when a female Hawk-eye basketball player accused him of rape and again while he was in prison in 2006.

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UI considers requiring health plans

HEALTH

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"It's mostly been tabled," he said. "There hasn't been any activity since it went back to the student leadership. This is the first step."

During Wednesday's meeting, A.J. Cannon, the chairman of the Student Health Advisory Committee, and Phillip Jones, the UI vice president for Student Services, presented a survey conducted in summer 2005 that showed 95 percent of UI students would still be able to attend the university if health insurance were mandatory.

If passed, students would be required to specify whether they have coverage when they enroll for classes. Those who check "no" would be automatically placed on the UI's insurance programs — Student Health Insurance Plan for undergraduates and UIGRAD-Care for graduate students.

Students who claim to be insured will be audited to make sure they really are covered, Saunders said. Students who remain uninsured would not be

able to register or graduate.

"Those who disapprove, 90 percent of them are already covered," Jones said. "If we have [mandatory health insurance], it would bring everyone closer to, though not exactly, a comparable level."

But Graduate Student Senate members questioned the potential cost and effectiveness of mandatory health insurance. The 10 percent of UI graduate students who are uninsured are mostly from lower-income backgrounds, Jones said.

Vigmostad also said she wanted clarification before senators vote — especially whether the university wanted to ensure that all students were covered, or just undergraduate students.

Mandatory health insurance is in place at the University of Michigan, University of Wisconsin-Madison, and University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign, among others, Cannon said.

The Graduate Student Senate will meet on March 26 and hear from the Student Health Advisory Committee again.

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Stem-cell talk divides Iowans

STEM CELLS

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A caravan of UI Hospitals and Clinics and Carver College of Medicine researchers took the podium to explain how the contentious practice of somatic-cell nuclear transfer, needed for embryonic stem-cell research, would allow scientists to grow healthy cells to replace degenerative tissue.

Some also noted the proposed \$12.5-million Center for Regenerative Medicine on the UI campus, the scope of which would be immensely widened by the bill's passage.

While most of the children inflicted with diabetes voluntarily assumed the lectern in support of the bill, 20-year-old Zakaria Gordon, a diabetic from Windsor Heights, Iowa, accused Democrats of parading his peers around for political gain. The funds for the proposed UI center, he said, would be better spent funding ongoing research on adult stem cells.

"The governor himself is taking advantage of this," Gordon said. "This is about the University of Iowa getting money. It's pure greed."

Rep. Mary Mascher, D-Iowa

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— Zakaria Gordon, opposed to bill

City, said after the discussion that she wasn't sure if any of the 54 House Democrats would join the 46 Republicans in opposing the measure, but she said she's "confident we'll have the votes to get it through."

Both Mascher, who sponsored the bill, and fellow Iowa City Democrat Rep. Vicki Lensing indicated they were touched by the emotional testimony of the disease-riddled men, women, and children who took the stand to personalize their plight.

"But it's upsetting that the opposition has to put so much misinformation out there" regarding what the bill can do, Lensing said.

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A question of faith



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Republican Mitt Romney speaks to a large crowd at the Hoffman House in Dubuque on Jan. 26.

The 2008 presidential election features a couple of candidates who could change history with their religion

BY NEAL SAUERBERG
THE DAILY IOWAN

After 218 years and 43 presidents, only one U.S. president has been of member of a non-Protestant church — John F. Kennedy, a Catholic.

And now, both Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., — a member of the United Church of Christ — and former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, a Mormon, must persuade voters that their religious beliefs will not interfere with their duties if they are elected.

Cary Covington, a UI associate professor of political science, said he sees some parallels between the barriers that the two face and what Kennedy encountered in his 1960 race for the White House.

“Catholics, especially among some conservative, fundamentalist, evangelical Christians, were regarded as equally as unacceptable as Mormonism is today,” Covington said. “But I don’t see it as insurmountable by any means.”

A USA Today/Gallup poll conducted Feb. 9-11 asked probable voters whether they would vote for a Mormon presidential candidate who meets all qualifications for office. Seventy-two percent responded yes, while 24 percent admitted they

would not back any Mormon.

“People have interest early on in your religion and any similar element of your background,” Romney told the *New York Times*. “But as soon as they begin to watch you on TV, and see the debates, and hear you talking about issues, they are overwhelmingly concerned with your vision of the future.”

Before seeking elected office, Romney, a Republican, served as the Boston area president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, where he oversaw 10 churches.

Thomas Holt, the president of the St. Paul, Minn., Temple, said the Mormon church encourages followers to vote and ultimately respects whoever wins.

“The only problem is that there are so many misconceptions about the nature of the church,” he said. “I just hope people are ready for [candidates] of strong character who are willing to do what’s right.”

As for Obama, his religion is considered more mainstream than Mormonism, Covington said. But Obama, who is vying for the Democratic nomination, may face a challenge because the United Church of Christ — which incorporates debate on world issues into its faith

— is politically outspoken on a range of controversial issues, said Britt Minfhall, a United Church of Christ pastor and theologian.

Roughly 70 percent of the church’s followers hold liberal political beliefs, he said. But he added that he wants members of his congregation to use logic in deciding who would best represent America.

Three weeks ago, the Baltimore-based pastor participated in a protest in Washington, D.C., that called for an end to the war in Iraq.

“[President Bush] is a criminal,” Minfhall said, predicting that the U.S. leader would face war-crime charges within 20 years. “He’s not a Christian, he’s not a Republican, he’s a criminal.”

Obama submitted an article about his religious convictions to a September 2006 issue of *United Church News*, a publication dedicated to the United Church of Christ.

“You come to church — in the first place — precisely because you are of this world, not apart from it,” Obama wrote. “You need to embrace Christ precisely because you have sins to wash away, because you are human and need an ally in this difficult journey.”

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METRO

Elliott won’t run for re-election

Iowa City City Councilor Bob Elliott announced he will not run for re-election in the election later this year. He will finish his four-year term as at-large council member at the end of 2007.

In a statement, he said he has

decided to make the announcement because of people’s questions about his intentions. His age was one factor in his decision, he said.

Elliott expressed several positives and negatives with the council in the statement. One disappointment was the council’s inability to provide enough support for public safety —

specifically the Police and Fire Departments.

He commended his fellow councilors, expressing his respect for the work they do, although they sometimes disagreed on certain issues.

Elliott also said his experience on the council was one of the most interesting in his life.

— by Amanda Battaglia

METRO

Grassley announces housing funding for Iowa

Homelessness and low-income housing have long been problems facing Iowa counties. According to shelterhouseiowa.org, 15 percent of Johnson County residents live below the poverty level, and approximately 1 percent of Johnson County residents are homeless.

On Tuesday, Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, announced that the Hawkeye State will receive \$7.2 million from the Department of Housing and Urban Development’s Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Program, which provides permanent housing, transitional housing, and services for the homeless.

Shelter House, 331 N. Gilbert St., will receive \$448,318. The community shelter has 29 beds, each one filled every night, and is continually turning people away. In 2005, 1,575 people used Shelter House’s services.

Beth Levine, a press secretary for the senator, said, “Issues such as these are especially important to

families in need, it is a positive thing.”

Grassley, in Tuesday’s press release, said, “These federal funds will help Iowa improve its communities and promote affordable housing to low-income families and create development opportunities throughout the state.”

— by Taryn Deutsch

Woman charged with forgery, theft

Coralville police have charged a 30-year-old woman with forgery and felony theft, alleging that she fabricated paychecks and cashed them in Coralville during June 2006.

Officers said Jammie Dembele, address unknown, took two counterfeit payroll checks from “Johnny Carter” for \$681.11 and \$657.81 during two weeks in June. She cashed the first at Coralville’s Hy-Vee, authorities said. Police said she cashed the second forged check at ElPaso for half its value.

The total amount on the illegal checks was \$1,338.92, according to a police complaint dated Jan. 11.

Dembele now faces two Class D felony charges of forgery and

another Class D felony charge of second-degree theft by deception. A single Class D felony is punishable by up to five years in prison and \$7,500 in fines.

Dembele had been released from Johnson County Jail by Wednesday afternoon.

— by Emileigh Barnes

Man guilty of theft

A Coralville man charged with using a series of fictitious identities to obtain medical care pleaded guilty to first-degree theft Feb. 20.

Oly Sevan Hanson pleaded guilty to theft by deception for events that occurred between June 2005 and August 2006. Police said Hanson billed more than \$17,000 to various pseudonyms for treatment rendered at the UI Hospitals and Clinics emergency room.

Hanson was also charged last month with the aggravated misdemeanors of preventing apprehension and three counts of tampering with records in association with the events.

For the theft charge, a Class C felony, Hanson could face 10 years in prison and \$10,000 in fines at his sentencing on April 6.

— by Kelsey Beltramea

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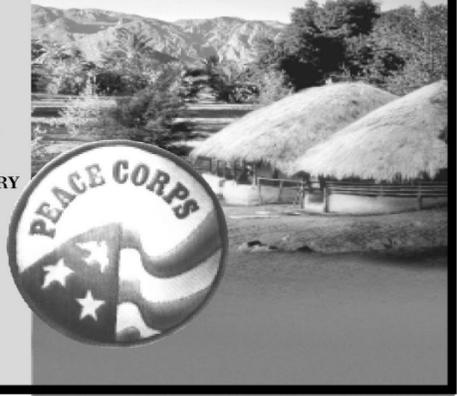
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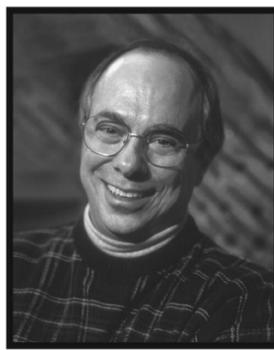
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Insurgents explode chlorine bomb in Baghdad

BY BRIAN MURPHY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD — Insurgents exploded a truck carrying chlorine-gas canisters Wednesday — the second such “dirty” chemical attack in two days — while a U.S. official said ground fire apparently forced the downing of a Black Hawk helicopter. All nine aboard the aircraft were rescued.

The attacks offer a sweeping narrative on evolving tactics by

Sunni insurgents who have proved remarkably adaptable.

Military officials worry extremists may have recently gained more access to firepower such as shoulder-fired anti-aircraft rockets and heavy machine guns — and more expertise to use them. The Black Hawk would be at least the eighth U.S. helicopter to crash or be taken down by hostile fire in the past month.

The gas cloud in Baghdad, meanwhile, suggests possible

new and coordinated strategies by bombers trying to unleash toxic — and potentially deadly — materials. “Terrorists are using dirty means,” said Brig. Gen. Qassim Moussawi, an Iraqi military spokesman.

Lt. Col. Christopher Garver, a U.S. military spokesman, said initial reports indicated the chopper was brought down by “small arms fire and rocket-propelled grenades” north of Baghdad but gave no further details. All nine aboard were taken

away on a rescue helicopter, he said.

In Baghdad, a pickup truck carrying chlorine-gas cylinders was blown apart, killing at least five people and sending more than 55 to hospitals gasping for breath and rubbing stinging eyes, police said.

On Tuesday, a bomb planted on a chlorine tanker left more than 150 villagers stricken north of the capital. More than 60 were still under medical care on Wednesday. Chlorine causes

respiratory trouble and skin irritation in low levels and possible death with heavy exposure.

In Washington, two Pentagon officials said the tactic has been used at least three times since Jan. 28, when a truck carrying explosives and a chlorine tank blew up in Anbar province. More than a dozen people were reported killed.

A third Pentagon official said the United States has been concerned about Iraqi militants’

ability to get such weapons as chlorine bombs and use them effectively. But the official cautioned that chlorine bombs are just one threat on a long list of possible attacks that Iraqi fighters may try to carry out.

It was unclear whether the confluence of new insurgent tactics — attacking isolated combat posts, targeting helicopters more intensely, and using chlorine bombs — was coincidental or in response to the U.S. troop increase.

Bush pitches health plan

The President's proposal would provide for tax deductions for health-care coverage

BY BEN FELLER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — President Bush on Wednesday promoted a plan that would expand health-care coverage to millions of people by shifting decisions — and responsibility — to individuals.

Bush’s proposal is one of the few major initiatives from his scaled-back State of the Union address last month. It assumes market forces and tax-law changes will expand affordable choices.

“The best decisions are made by providers and patients, not by governments or insurance companies,” Bush said at the Chattanooga Convention Center.

“If you want a health-care system that really works, you want the decision-maker to be the individual, in consultation with somebody who knows what they’re talking about — somebody trained to help that person make the proper decision,” Bush said. “That’d be your doctor.”

Under Bush’s proposal, the law for the first time would treat health-insurance costs as taxable income, meaning workers’ taxable wages would rise.

In turn, Bush wants a standard tax deduction for people who buy health insurance — \$15,000 for family coverage, \$7,500 for individual coverage. The tax bill would go down for people who pick policies below the size of the new deduction.

Democratic leaders say the plan does little to help the poorest of the uninsured and undercuts a system built on employer-provided coverage.

“While the president’s focus on health care is important, his proposals will only worsen the crisis by undermining the quality coverage that millions of working families now rely on,” said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass. He is chairman of the Senate committee that oversees health matters.

White House officials see health care as one of a few areas in which they might advance their agenda with Democrats who now control Congress. The effort got a boost last week when a bipartisan group of 10 senators told Bush they want to work with him to expand health coverage.

Bush received a hearty ovation as he described his plan in Chattanooga. He shared a stage with people who hold full-time jobs but cannot afford to insure their families.

For Danny Jennings, a father of two who manages a nursery, the plan would save about \$4,500 a year on his tax bill, Bush said.

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EDITORIAL

Funding needed for English programs before it becomes official language

Immigration, now at the fore of contemporary American political debate, has sparked tense rows on local, state, and federal levels. Republican Rep. Steve King of Iowa's 5th District is the epitome of an immigration hard-liner. And he shows no signs of ratcheting down his tone anytime soon. He is vocally pushing for English to be recognized as the U.S. official language. With a more responsible attitude, he may see progress made on his pet issue, but the harsh posture he has chosen detracts from reasonable solutions to the wave of illegal immigrants entering the United States.

No one is arguing that learning English is not necessary for immigrants. Indeed, it is imperative — English is the language of both informal and formal affairs, and that is unlikely to change for quite some time, if ever. In that sense, King's position is understandable. Immigrants need to learn English, or they will not be assimilated into American society.

Both houses of Congress tackled immigration reform last year. The Senate presented a bipartisan, rational bill — but the House, with King in the lead, pondered to nativist fears and proposed absurd suggestions. King's legislation would not increase funds for English-language programs, which are already desperately needed. Without additional funds, his bill is mere political posturing.

It is clear English-only laws are King's signature issue. As a state lawmaker, he wrote Iowa's law making English the official language of the state. Last month, he filed a lawsuit against Gov. Chet Culver and current Iowa Secretary of State Michael Mauro, charging they violated said law. His argument in that

case is disingenuous, at best. He claims Culver, in his former role as Iowa secretary of State, illegally provided voter registration forms in Spanish, among other languages. He charges Mauro with continuing this action.

But Attorney General Tom Miller has said Culver was acting under the law by providing resources to ensuring citizen's constitutional right to vote. We agree with Miller's assessment of the situation.

America is a country of immigrants. The American dream has inspired countless millions to leave their native lands and search for a better life in the United States. Unfortunately, this country has displayed xenophobic tendencies during numerous periods of immigration. The current boom in immigration from south of the border — both legal and illegal — has brought some of those feelings to the surface. But immigrants have renewed and refashioned America's spirit countless times over.

We should not deter those who wish to come to this country. But we must ensure they do so legally. Once they arrive, learning English should be their highest priority — otherwise it would be impossible to function. King is tackling a necessary issue, but he's going about it in all the wrong ways. If he really wants to make English the official language, he should propose legislation to dramatically increase funding for English-language programs for immigrants — legislation that might have a chance to make it through the Democratic Congress.

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Criticism right in lottery

I have two kudos comments about articles in the Feb. 21 *DI*.

I applaud Gov. Chet Culver's effort to keep Iowa voting first in the national election process. However, I am totally against the caucus system. Although some of my friends disagree with me, the caucus system is a voter-disenfranchisement system, wherein committees are formed (the "caucus") the republican way (i.e., per the Roman republic system, which the Republican Party copies), wherein a caucus is a committee that operates unconnected with voters' wishes. I prefer the state primary system, wherein the combined results of the voters' choice results in the final candidates, plus, I also advocate the Green Party platform for "grass-roots" democracy and the Green Party position on utilizing the run-off vote system.

I also applaud NCAA representative Betsy Altmaier's criticism of the state lottery using the UI's image and fight song to promote gambling. When gambling interests appealed to the prurient interests of state legislators across our nation, the result was a scam agreement that education would benefit from donated gambling revenue. There was no agreement in any way with the educational institutions.

I regard gambling not as a business. Yes, I play the lottery and Powerball often enough, but gambling is a scam wherein there are approximately 2.5 million losers for every person who receives a payoff. Further, in most gambling, I do not consider it a "win." It is a payoff, because no skill is required of the purchaser. At least in poker, there truly can be a win.

But all gambling, or "games of chance," are typical of one thing similar to theology: The process is brainwashing inductive. That is why I always choose the same numbers all year long in Lotto/Powerball, and I only allocate a certain amount of my pension each week to this endeavor. But the television advertisements for the lottery only exploit psychological dependency with false notions on the ability to obtain a payoff, without mention of those 2.5 million losers who paid (oftentimes, not all of the time) for the "winning" lottery ticket.

Ronald Kinum
Iowa City resident

Stem-cell legislation not black and white

On Feb. 20, a guest opinion titled "Stem-cell legislation a turning point for Iowa" was presented in *The Daily Iowan*.

Unfortunately for the authors of this piece, the issue is not as black and white as

they present it. It is not merely embryonic stem cells, which have the pluripotentiality to grow into any kind of cell in the body, versus adult stem cells, which lack such an ability. More and more, medical researchers are discovering differing sources of stem cells that have similar pluripotential ability to that of the embryonic cells. A good example of this is recent research (by a team under the leadership of Dr. Anthony Atala) at Wake Forest University discovering such cells in

human amniotic fluid. Such sources would offer the same scientific and medical benefits as embryonic stem cells without the moral and ethical problems surrounding the latter.

It is that kind of promising and ethically sound research that we should be pursuing at the UI.

Philip Kopp
UI graduate student



GUEST OPINION

Political play of the week: Reality check

This week, David Yepsen, Iowa's premier political analyst, highlighted the striking contrasts between the Iowa Democratic and Republican camps. He painted the current Republican mood as bleak and labeled Republican Sen. John McCain's recent visit to Iowa as "somber."

"No music. Not much cheering. No waving of signs or other hoopla. The cute one-liners that were funny in some of the senator's past campaign appearances were greeted with only polite chuckling this time," wrote Yepsen, who described the GOP event as having roughly 200 people stuffed in an "overheated" ballroom of Hotel Fort Des Moines.

It is a glaring reality Republicans have to swallow in light of the Democratic steamrollers of Rodham Clinton, Obama, and Edwards. Their rallies have claimed thousands of adoring fans, singing to the likes of John Mellencamp and waving handmade signs, such as the adorable one I saw a 2-year old girl hold last week reading, "Iowa hearts Obama."

Jake Ketzner, a co-founder of the Students for Giuliani Iowa chapter, understands this. Ketzner chose Giuliani because the former New York mayor is a candidate who excites him, and although Ketzner describes himself as a conservative and a "Bush Republican," he supports Giuliani because "he's a moderate and a proven leader." A local GOP insider who declined to be named echoed that sentiment by tying it to McCain, saying that he predicts Giuliani's numbers will continue to rise while McCain will seemingly hit a "brick wall" as the primaries draw closer.

Indeed, almost all polls including the Marist, *Time*, and *Newsweek* show that Giuliani has moved from either a tied or slight edge against McCain to a commanding lead. I'm sure the McCain camp is in a tizzy over his falling numbers. (Although the senator likes to pretend he doesn't care about poll numbers.) The

most recent Fox News poll had the former mayor with a whopping 25 point advantage over the senator.

Now, before McCain fans start inundating me with angry e-mails, I will acknowledge that these polls are too early to make any real judgments. But one shouldn't just brush them off. These early polls are driving forces; they drive donors and with donors come money — fountains of it. Early polling also drives the direction of media buzz and campaign staffers. Just last month, Giuliani hired former Republican representative and failed gubernatorial nominee Jim Nussle as his top consultant in Iowa.

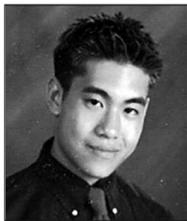
Wait, isn't Giuliani a liberal Republican?

Sure he is. (Although Ketzner prefers the term moderate.) He's also liberal on civil unions, and sure he's a pro-choice, pro-gun control, a New York Republican, and sure he's had not one, not two, but three wives, big problem for Evangelical primary voters.

But the polls indicate the GOP is saying "oh, well" to those things. Why? Republican primary voters want a candidate who can win. Right now, electability is the biggest factor for them, because people such as Ketzner see that Giuliani is a candidate that can not only defeat the top-tier Democrats but can uplift them with what he describes as an "optimistic tone and a positive message."

It was a gray, cold caucus morning when Iowa Democrats woke up in a tingly sweat, looked in their mirrors, and said to themselves, "Oh my God, what are we doing?" and preceded to switch their vote from Dean to Kerry that very evening. It is that very scenario that now has McCain's camp scrambling for hard-right cover and why an early reality check will win GOP voters the political play of the week.

Jesse Tangkpanya is a UI political science and journalism student.
Last Political Play Winner: Rick Dobyns & Mark Martin



JESSE TANGKHPANYA

ON THE SPOT

What do you think about government documents being produced only or primarily in English?



"I don't think it's very fair, because some Americans can't read or speak English. We should be fair to everyone."

Andrew Noda
UI freshman



"I think it's important to learn different languages, but English should be the primary language on government documents."

Paige Holton
UI freshman



"English is our primary language, but in order for different cultures and people to vote and get involved, it's important for secondary languages to be represented."

Jenna Grabouski
UI freshman



"I think it's ignorant. We're obviously culturally diverse. I think it's not fair when there are so many people who don't speak the language as well."

Samantha Wilson
UI sophomore

The money message

So we've had some time to digest this, to sort it all out. Former NBA nonfactor John Amaechi is gay. There is no going back for him, and there is definitely no going back from the media backlash. I'll be honest with you, kids, I can't for the life of me figure out who's right, who's wrong, and who cares. This is the peril of living in a media-saturated society.

From what I've surmised, two camps exist in the actual story: John Amaechi versus the NBA locker room (played here by the always astute Tim Hardaway).

Wait, you cry, this is easy, JVD. You always side with moral justice, and by morals we obviously are referring to the moral of a more secular side, not of the religious zealots (non-fanatics, no worries), which keeps the whole freedom thing in this crazy country meaning that a man can practice what he wants, so obviously you're not going to slam the guy but rather come out in his defense right?

See, exactly. This is such a simple issue, isn't it? Except the initial negative reaction is from the macho sports camp, not religious fanaticism. Oh.

To be at all mad about Amaechi is ridiculous, so let's just lay off it. The locker room aspect, though is very intriguing. As Michael Scott, the head of Dunder Mifflin, says when using the word "fag," it's not in the derogatory way but in the you're bad at sports way, duh. So then Hardaway opened his not so small mouth and really busted this up into an issue. In case you didn't know, old Timmy (also out of the NBA) just couldn't beat around the bush anymore: He hates gay people. He didn't polish it up at all, he just said it. But no Ron Poyell, we can't forget it — and it's best that way.

Issues such as this bring out the best and worst in humanity. Debate is an endangered species. We've become so bland in keeping everything PC. Tim definitely got the open-mouth message, and it's really helped spark a debate. So thanks, Tim. By putting the opposite out there, you started the ball rolling on all the antagonistic writing that debate must be founded on.

OK, OK, we've gotten the "actual" story out of the way. Now we have to address what our friends in the media, such as me, have done with the issue. Yes, despite what you might think, the liberal media have almost outfoxed themselves. Or have they? For every pro-Amaechi piece, there has been one questioning the man. To clarify, we're not really questioning the man, but rather, everything that swirls around him.

It's true that Amaechi just came out, and that ESPN published his book, which was released Tuesday. The network also broke the story with a slew of articles. Reporters and commentators are not taking this lightly. As much as I support John, I do wish the whole thing wasn't so damn advantageous.

In today's media, when you do something and how you present it are almost more important than what you're presenting. I have no clue how to think about all this. It's not fair for Amaechi to be attacked for only coming out after he was in the NBA. For goodness sakes, only six male athletes have come out, none while in the sport. It's tough to go against a lack of historical precedent.

Then a small, nagging idea appears in my head, and it's a battle that Americans face (and business/media majors debate) all the time: message versus money. Amaechi did wait until the media circus of All-Star week, and he did tie things nicely to ESPN, so that the logo and his accomplishment are together. His book will ultimately make a pretty penny only because he is now openly gay.

So what do we do as consumers? Should we be mad? Does this tarnish his image, or does it expose how our society operates? Even in acts considered courageous there is always a buck to be made, and if you're an out of work persona with a story to tell, can you inspire and help the masses while raking it in. We're a multi-faceted society: One that avoids issues or brashly slashes them, one that profits and propounds, and certainly one that is divided, on all fronts. ■

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JON VAN DYKE

Even though the temperature is slightly warmer than last week, it's still a little too cold to be running around downtown in a halter top and high heels. Instead, opt for a **FREE MOVIE** — **WALLACE AND GROMIT: THE CURSE OF THE WERE-RABBIT** — at the Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn St., Friday at 6 p.m.

ARTS & CULTURE

Faith-based music, with God and post-punk

What role do God and religion play in faith, hope, and music?

A celebration of Tet

BY TESSA RUDDY
THE DAILY IOWAN

Honest, generous, and sensual are those born in the year of the boar, the last year of the lunar calendar.

In Vietnam, Tet, the Lunar New Year, is celebrated for three days, and the Vietnamese Student Association is recreating Tet on Saturday in the IMU second-floor ballroom. The festivities are free and open to anyone — but for some recent immigrants, the difference between a three-day public holiday with well-established traditions and folkways and a night of dancing and food in a campus ballroom is just too much to adjust to.



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(from left) Tran Nguyen, Nguyenbao Huynh, Khanh Tran, and Nicole Nguyen practice in the Field House on Sunday evening. The Vietnamese Student Association will hold a celebration of the Lunar New Year, or Tet, in the IMU second-floor Ballroom on Saturday.

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much, although that is our original flag. I wish that he would've continued to stay in our organization."

Pham and her husband, Thinh Nguyen, wanted to celebrate Tet by making *thit kho*, a pork stew with boiled eggs, but Pham has an exam.

"American life is so busy," she said. "I feel like I don't have time for my friends or family."

Thinh Nguyen has been living in the United States for around 10 years, and most of his friends are not Vietnamese.

"This guy is weird," Pham said, giggling. "He is American."

Despite Thinh Nguyen's having had more time to assimilate to American culture than his wife, their shared heritage is a strong bond. Last year, Pham and Thinh Nguyen went to the Tet festivities in Davenport.

"It's like our Christmas," Thinh Nguyen said.

Pham admitted that, if she had more time, she would like to be a part of the Vietnamese Student Association. "I think it's really great that it is celebrating the Lunar New Year."

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BY SUSAN ELGIN
THE DAILY IOWAN

"I do not exist," whispers MewwithoutYou singer Aaron Weiss through the sounds of raindrops on the opening track of the band's third album, *Brother, Sister*. After 40 minutes of pondering this thought, he concludes the last song — complete with pulsing drums and a cascading harp — by declaring, "I do not exist, only YOU exist."

In a world changed by the resurgence of terrorism and challenged by bloody wars, it may seem naive to say our great struggle is spiritual, but the problem of evil is eternal. How do we make sense of our place in a world abundant with sorrow and depression — and where does God fit into that? For the Philadelphia band MewwithoutYou, a personal search for meaning is tied inextricably with religion, but for some, such as the Texas-based post-punk quartet Sparta, religion doesn't factor into faith.

The seemingly contradictory bands will co-headline an all-ages show at the Picador, 330 E. Washington St., on Friday night, with doors at 6 p.m.

"The name of our band, I think, seems to imply to me that we're without God. You notice a lot of times that the 'Y' is capitalized, and I think that should make an allusion to God," said Aaron Weiss' brother and MewwithoutYou guitarist Mike Weiss. "Aaron writes about trying to find where God is and trying to understand how to get closer to God. I think that brings up a question of faith."

Sparta, on the other hand, has produced an emotionally devastating third album, *Threes*, without mentioning religion.

"I'd like to think of [the album] as just life, and part of life is politics, and part of life is love, and part of life is death," said singer Jim Ward, formerly a member of At The Drive In. "So it's not a political record — it's just a real record, and part of being alive is dealing with things such as politics, and life, and death, and love, and loss."

But the first single, "Taking Back Control," is irrefutably a political battle cry. The song was inspired by Bush's re-election after Ward actively campaigned and encouraged Sparta's fans to get out and vote for change.

"I really felt as though my generation had failed the world greatly, because nothing had changed, basically, and things were just getting worse and worse," Ward said. "In the middle of making this record, I saw this quotation from Neil Young saying that my generation wasn't writing antiwar songs, so I wanted to make a point of saying not all of us are apathetic."

That same passion, though not politically fueled, is present in MewwithoutYou's lyrics.

While Sparta's lyrics are secular and chronicle a dark period in Ward's life — his decision to quit

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MewwithoutYou
Brother, Sister

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the band during the tour to support its 2004 album, *Porcelain*, and retreat into seclusion at his El Paso home — the resulting music inspired Ward to return to the band, something he feels he can place his faith in.

"I started touring when I was 18 years old, and I'd been doing it for a really long time ... this is sort of what I'd become. This is what defined me," Ward, now 30, said. "Do I want to continue this? Writing the songs was kind of the way of figuring out whether or not I wanted to."

Ward compares touring to support *Threes*, which was released in October 2006, with being in love again and believing in yourself and what you do, which are essentially the same themes MewwithoutYou tackles, except religion factors into its search for meaning. And essentially, what underlies each band's music is faith: in people, themselves, and in music, to create a better tomorrow — with or without a higher power.

"Writing is my therapy. So a lot of it was trying to get from the dark to the light," Ward said. "But the first lyric, the first word on the record is hope. Wherever I was, there was always hope."

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Alt-medicine practitioners look for shield

A bill in the Iowa Senate would give those who practice alternative forms of medicine protection from lawsuits

BY AMANDA BATTAGLIA
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa City resident Karen Fox has practiced reiki — a Japanese stress-reduction technique — for eight years, and she opened a Coralville clinic in July 2006. Even though she's certified, she can't get a state-issued license for her alternative-medicine practice, leaving her unprotected from lawsuits and other potential penalties.

But a pending bill in the state Legislature could shield Fox and others without licenses who practice various types of alternative medicine.

"People are clearly turning to alternative health care," said Fox, who is the master teacher at the Spiral of Light Energy Alignment, 107 Fifth St. "It would be great to help people get access to what they want."

The Iowa Health Freedom Act would protect currently unlicensed alternative-medicine practitioners. Sen. Jack Hatch, D-Des Moines, one of the bill's sponsors, said it would protect everything from spiritual to acupressure healing, which involves applying

pressure to acupuncture points on the body.

"There is a feeling that providers are being prevented from their services because someone will sue, so they are afraid to practice" Hatch said. "It has been a long battle."

This is the third year the bill has been proposed.

Hatch said the measure would offer more health-care options to the public. A 2004 survey showed 36 percent of U.S. adults used some form of alternative medicine, according to the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine website.

But Michael Mandel, the associate executive director of the Iowa Physical Therapy Association, doesn't agree with the pending legislation.

"There are no safeguards for the public in the bill," he said, pointing to the misuse of protection through false advertising as one concern. "Giving open licensure to anyone ... is not a good law."

The bill does state that non-licensed health-care providers would be required to state their type of health care and treatment, prior schooling or



Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

Colleen Frey of Fayette, Iowa, receives acupuncture for macular degeneration at the Ahn Clinic in Coralville on Tuesday. She had four needles per eye; attached to each needle were electric stimulators that ran for 20 minutes.

experience, and that they do not have licenses.

Jan Hein, an office specialist in the Office of Acupuncture of Iowa Inc., said she's confident Iowans who practice alternative health care without licenses don't advertise their services unless they're well-trained.

"Most practitioners feel safe

with the treatment because right now it's word-of-mouth, especially in this area," she said, adding the bill would be most beneficial for consumers. "I think we're pretty safe in the Midwest."

Candida Maurer, a UI adjunct assistant professor, is a certified healing-touch

practitioner. She said the proposed legislation is generally a good idea if the correct guidelines are carried out to benefit the public.

"The question is really ensuring that the public is receiving competent treatment," she said, adding she's worried about who is getting protection.

IOWA HEALTH FREEDOM ACT STIPULATIONS

- Provides more freedom to those practicing alternative forms of medicine, such as the healing arts
- Would require practitioners to present the type of health treatments available
- Would require practitioners to disclose past education and specialty in the area of health offered
- Does not apply to providers using any form of invasive treatments, X-ray radiation, or those administering drugs which require the prescription of a licensed health-care provider

Maurer said alternative medicines such as herbalism — using plants to treat various ailments — are practiced in about a dozen U.S. states that require national certifications.

As long as the practitioners would be well-qualified in their area of treatment, Maurer is optimistic about the bill.

"I would say I'm in favor of it being used. It's beneficial to assure the level of competency," she said. "Overall, it's probably a good thing for Iowa."

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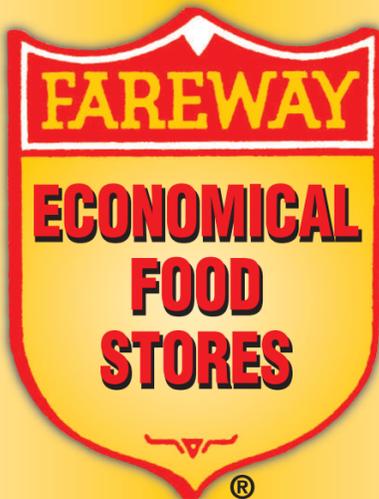
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Q: How short was Hall of Famer and Chicago Cub legend Hack Wilson?

Answer on page 2B

BIG TEN

Lawyer: Illini player will plead not guilty

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) —

Illinois basketball player Jamar Smith — charged with drunk driving and leaving the scene of an accident last week — turned himself in to authorities Wednesday.



Smith
Illini player

Smith surrendered at the Champaign County sheriff's office Wednesday afternoon. He was processed and released after posting 10 percent of a \$10,000 bond set on Tuesday by Judge Tom Difanis, authorities said.

Defense attorney Mark Lipton said earlier Wednesday that Smith, 19, planned to plead not guilty to the charges and would request a jury trial.

"Jamar and I are confident that this matter can be appropriately resolved in due course," Lipton said in a written statement.

FOOTBALL

Chizik gets \$6.75 million contract

AMES, Iowa (AP) — Iowa State football coach Gene



Chizik
head coach

Chizik has agreed to a six-year, \$6.75 million contract that includes six-figure bonuses for taking the team to success in Big 12 play.

Under the new contract signed Monday, Chizik will get \$100,000 each time the Cyclones appear in a Big 12 championship game, and another \$100,000 if the team wins the game or advances to a BCS bowl game.

Chizik, formerly co-defensive coordinator at Texas, earns \$250,000 in base salary, and an additional \$750,000 from outside sources in a contract that runs through Nov. 30, 2012. The contract also calls for Chizik to receive \$100,000 for each regular season win beyond seven.

The Cyclones last won eight regular season games in 2000.

BIG 12

Coale's pink shoes bring in \$2,000 for breast cancer research

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — A pair of pink Converse shoes that Oklahoma coach Sherri Coale wore during a game fetched \$2,000 in an auction to raise money for breast-cancer research, the university said Wednesday.

Along with the low-top Chuck Taylor shoes, Oklahoma also raised \$5,040 by selling 21 autographed T-shirts worn by Sooners and Texas players prior to a Feb. 12 game. Another \$1,775 was raised through donations at the game and a silent auction of three other T-shirts that day.

Bids on the other items were taken for one week.

A total of \$8,815 in proceeds will go to the Breast Institute at the University of Oklahoma Medical Center.

IOWA 78, PURDUE 59

Balance beats Boilermakers

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Five Hawkeyes score in double figures as Iowa steamrollers Purdue on Wednesday night in Carver

BY JASON BRUMMOND
THE DAILY IOWAN

Adam Haluska and Tyler Smith found some major help with the scoring duties for a change, and Iowa had little difficulty against surging Purdue on Wednesday night.

Five Hawkeyes, including the team's two leading scorers, poured in double figures as Iowa steamed past the Boilermakers for a 78-59 win in front of an announced crowd of 11,466 fans at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

"You have that kind of balance, and you're really pleased with it," Iowa coach Steve Alford said. "It was a lot of good things by everyone."

The Hawkeyes (16-12, 8-6 Big Ten) fended off Purdue's comeback attempt early in the second half with little stress and led by double-digits for all but two minutes of the final period.

Purdue's Gordon Watt's breakaway lay-up cut the deficit to 49-43 with 14:04 remaining, and the Boilermakers looked poised for an upset, but Iowa answered with a 10-0 run over the next four minutes to pull away.

Center Seth Gorney's two-handed slam dunk on a pretty pass through the lane from Smith established a 16-point lead with 10:20 left and essentially sealed a victory in a game Alford called a "must-win" for his Hawkeyes, who still stand



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan

Adam Haluska slams home a dunk in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Wednesday against Purdue. The Hawks dominated the Boilermakers, 78-59.

an outside chance of reaching the NCAA Tournament.

Smith scored 18 points to lead the Hawkeyes, while Haluska scored 11 points for the second-straight game — nearly 10 points under his Big

Ten-leading average.

Sophomore Tony Freeman chipped in 14 points, Cyrus Tate added 11, and Mike Henderson finished with 10 as five Hawkeyes scored in double figures for the first time this season.

"Everybody's into the game, instead of just me and Adam," Smith said. "Tonight, we were able to rely on them."

SEE PURDUE, PAGE 3B

IOWA (13-14, 5-9) AT NO. 15 PURDUE (23-5, 12-2)

TODAY, AT MACKAY ARENA, WEST LAFAYETTE, IND., 6:05 P.M.

Hawks head into Boilermakers' den

The Hawkeyes rank second in the nation in 3-point shooting, and they need to keep their hands hot at Mackey Arena tonight against No. 15 Purdue to escape with an upset

BY ALEX JOHNSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa women's basketball team has just about finished traveling — the last road game is today at 6:05 p.m. in West Lafayette, Ind., against Purdue.

"It was a good game here, it was a close game, and I really think we can beat them," sophomore Wendy Ausdemore said. "I'm excited, and it's going to be fun atmosphere."

That energy needs to translate to a strong performance if the Hawkeyes hope to steal one. Facing the No. 15 team in the country on its turf won't be easy.

"It's obviously a tough task to go in and play at Purdue, especially when it's Senior Day," Hawkeye coach Lisa Bluder said. "They'll be recognizing two fabulous seniors in Erin Lawless and Katie Gearlds."

"They're such a good, balanced basketball team. It's a formi-



Lindsey Walters/The Daily Iowan

Wendy Ausdemore (32) and Jeneé Graham play defense in Carver-Hawkeye against Minnesota on Jan. 25. The Hawkeyes, down 40-20 at halftime, came back to push the game into overtime but lost at the end, 80-78.

dable task, going in to play at Purdue."

Ranked second in the Big Ten, the Boilermakers have

won nine of their last 11 games, including their last contest at Wisconsin, where Gearlds went off for a school-

COMMENTARY

Mystery Hawks



DAN PARR

Tell me Hawkeyes, who are you?

Are you the team I watched Wednesday? The one who blew past solid Purdue — a team many prognosticators had on the NCAA Tournament bubble?

If so, I'm close to thinking Iowa will win its two remaining regular-season games and perform well enough in the Big Ten Tournament to get invited to the Dance. Then the Hawkeyes can pass around a giant jug of Listerine and try to rid themselves of a bad taste that's lingered since last March.

Or could you be the one I had the displeasure of viewing lose Feb. 17 in an 81-49 debacle at Michigan State?

This column is probably starting to look more like an exam with all the question marks. They make my point.

In the week and a half left before the Big Ten Tournament, Iowa must figure out what team it is. If the Hawks don't, they will lose a key game in a big way.

Adam Haluska, who tallied 11 points in the victory, said the molding of an image starts by dropping blowout losses from memory.

"You have games like that, but I don't think that defines who you are as a team," he said. "I think this team never gives up. We keep fighting and keep battling. I think this team has something to prove."

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'[It's] a big defensive game. We're going to have to get stops and just play team basketball.'

—Kristi Smith, sophomore guard

record 41 points — she's a major part of Purdue's 69.4 points per game, second in the conference.

But it's the Boilermaker defense that could give Iowa fits.

"We definitely need to work against that zone defense, and that's something we haven't faced in a long time," Bluder said. "We just need to do a better job of taking care of the ball against their press."

SEE WOMEN'S HOOPS, PAGE 3B

SPORTS

SPORTS 'N' STUFF

BIG TEN MEN'S BASKETBALL

Conference	W L Pct.			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Ohio St.	13	1	.929	25	3	.893
Wisconsin	12	2	.857	26	3	.897
Indiana	8	5	.615	18	8	.692
Illinois	8	6	.571	20	9	.690
Iowa	6	6	.500	16	12	.571
Michigan St.	7	6	.538	20	8	.714
Michigan	6	7	.462	18	10	.643
Purdue	6	7	.462	17	10	.630
Minnesota	3	11	.214	9	19	.321
Northwestern	2	11	.154	13	14	.481
Penn St.	1	12	.077	10	16	.385

Wednesday's Games
Iowa 78, Purdue 59
Indiana 71, Minnesota 59
Ohio State 68, Penn State 60
Northwestern 67, Texas Pan American 56
Illinois 54, Michigan 42

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.

Conference	W L Pct.			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Ohio State	13	1	.929	24	2	.923
Purdue	12	2	.857	23	5	.821
Michigan State	12	2	.857	21	6	.778
Illinois	7	7	.500	17	9	.654
Wisconsin	7	8	.467	18	10	.643
Penn St.	6	8	.429	13	15	.464
Minnesota	6	8	.429	14	13	.519
Indiana	5	9	.357	16	11	.593
Iowa	5	9	.357	13	14	.481
Michigan	3	11	.214	10	17	.370
Northwestern	2	13	.133	8	20	.286

Today's Games
Iowa at Purdue, 6:05
Iowa at Ohio State, 6 p.m.
Northwestern at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Michigan State at Illinois, 7 p.m.
Michigan at Minnesota, 7 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Wisconsin at Iowa, 2:05
Ohio State at Michigan, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Michigan State, 1 p.m.
Indiana at Penn State, 1 p.m.
Purdue at Illinois, 2 p.m.

BIG TEN WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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TOP 25 COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Rank	Team	W	L	Pct.
#1	Ohio State	24	2	.923
#2	Florida State	23	5	.821
#3	North Carolina	23	5	.821
#4	North Carolina	23	5	.821
#5	Texas A&M	22	6	.778
#6	Georgetown	22	6	.778
#7	Southern Illinois	21	6	.778
#8	Mississippi State	21	6	.778
#9	Louisville	21	6	.778
#10	St. John's	21	6	.778
#11	Virginia	21	6	.778
#12	Alabama	20	7	.743
#13	Oklahoma	20	7	.743
#14	Baylor	20	7	.743
#15	Texas Tech	20	7	.743

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE					
Team	W	L	OT	Pts	GF/GA
New Jersey	37	17	6	80	162/141
Pittsburgh	32	18	9	73	208/187
N.Y. Islanders	29	23	8	66	177/170
N.Y. Rangers	29	26	5	63	176/172
Philadelphia	16	36	8	40	157/227

WESTERN CONFERENCE					
Team	W	L	OT	Pts	GF/GA
San Jose	39	16	6	84	189/147
Detroit	40	18	3	83	206/152
St. Louis	26	26	9	61	160/185
Chicago	22	29	9	53	149/183
Columbus	23	31	6	52	150/187
Northwest	15	35	4	34	170/212
Vancouver	16	36	8	40	157/227
Minnesota	33	23	5	71	173/157
Calgary	31	21	8	70	191/162

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	29	21	.537	—
New Jersey	25	30	.455	4½
New York	24	31	.436	5½
Philadelphia	18	36	.333	11
Boston	13	40	.245	15½

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Dallas	44	9	.830	—
San Antonio	37	18	.673	8
Houston	34	19	.642	10
New Orleans	26	29	.473	19
Memphis	14	42	.250	31½

Today's Games
Indiana 136, Milwaukee 129, 2OT
San Antonio 103, Atlanta 96
Cleveland 86, Toronto 85
Philadelphia 104, New York 84
Detroit 110, Orlando 88
New Orleans 111, New Jersey 107
Charlotte 100, Minnesota 95
Phoenix 118, Boston 108
Houston 112, Miami 102
Portland 112, L.A. Lakers 108
Golden State 118, Memphis 115, OT

Today's Games
Chicago at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
Sacramento at Washington, 6 p.m.
Miami at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

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LOS ANGELES ANGELS—Agreed to terms with INF Howie Kendrick, INF Casey Kotchman, C Jeff Mathis, RHP Dustin Moseley and LHP Phil Seibel on one-year contracts.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed DT Vonnie Holliday to a four-year contract.
NEW YORK JETS—Released RB Kevan Barlow and OL Trey Teague. Re-signed CB Hank Poteat. Signed S Raymond Ventrone to a reserve-future contract and Denny Martin, defensive assistant coach, to a contract extension. Named Mike MacIntyre secondary coach, Dan Quinn defensive line coach, Brian Daboll quarterbacks coach, Sal Aloisi strength and conditioning coach and Jerome Henderson assistant secondary coach in addition to his duties as director of player development.

Agache preps for nationals

Fresh off shattering two Iowa swimming records at the Big Ten championships, junior Dragos Agache is ready for the NCAA meet

BY PAUL KAZMIERCZAK
THE DAILY IOWAN

When most Iowa students return from a weekend at the campus of Ohio State, they are left with an empty wallet and a hazy recollection of bad decisions. Hawkeye swimmer Dragos Agache, however, returned with school records in the 100- and 200-meter breaststroke.



Agache junior

Agache led the Hawks in the Big Ten championships in Columbus, Ohio, finishing third in the 100 (53.77) and sixth in the 200 (1:59.07) breaststroke. The junior broke his own Hawkeye record, set at last season's Big Tens, in the 100 final and eclipsed Rob Leyshon in the Iowa annals during the 200 prelims (1:58.40).

While the Constanta, Romania, native is proud of his accomplishment, he is not completely satisfied. "I think it was good," Agache said. "But I was expecting to go a little faster." The Hawkeye swimmer also said he may not be done yet. "I want to break it a few more times," he said.

Agache's next chance to alter the Field House pool's record board will come March 15 at the NCAA championships in Minneapolis. Because the Pac-10 championships do not conclude until Feb. 24, Agache's "B" qualifying times at the Big Tens do not yet guarantee him an invitation

to the meet. The Hawkeye remains "99.9 percent" positive, however, he will represent Iowa at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center. Indeed, head coach Marc Long pointed out that Agache's times in the 100 and 200 breast have never failed to qualify a swimmer for the NCAAs.



Long head coach

The junior swam at the NCAAs last year in Atlanta, placing 22nd in the 100 and 29th in the 200 breast prelims. Long, however, believes Agache is poised to make the finals (top 16) this year.

"He's at a level right now where the next step would be to start scoring at the NCAAs," Long said.

Agache agreed, saying that a top-16 finish in both events is his objective. The swimmer may set his sights even higher in 2008.

Though it remains a long shot, Agache will attempt to qualify for the Romanian national team and compete at the Olympics in Beijing. He said he would need to shave 1.3 seconds off his times, but swimmers have until a month before the Summer Games to qualify. If he misses the cut, it won't be for a lack of confidence.

"Two months ago, everyone was making spring-break plans," Agache said. "I was like, 'Yeah, I'm probably going to be in Minneapolis.'" E-mail DI reporter Paul Kazmierczak at: paul-kazmierczak@uiowa.edu

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Iowa coaches see little bias

Although ethnic and sexual-preference discrimination stories have sprouted on the sports pages in recent weeks, both in Iowa City and around the country, some Hawkeye coaches don't feel there is a problem in Iowa athletics

BY ERIC MANDEL
THE DAILY IOWAN

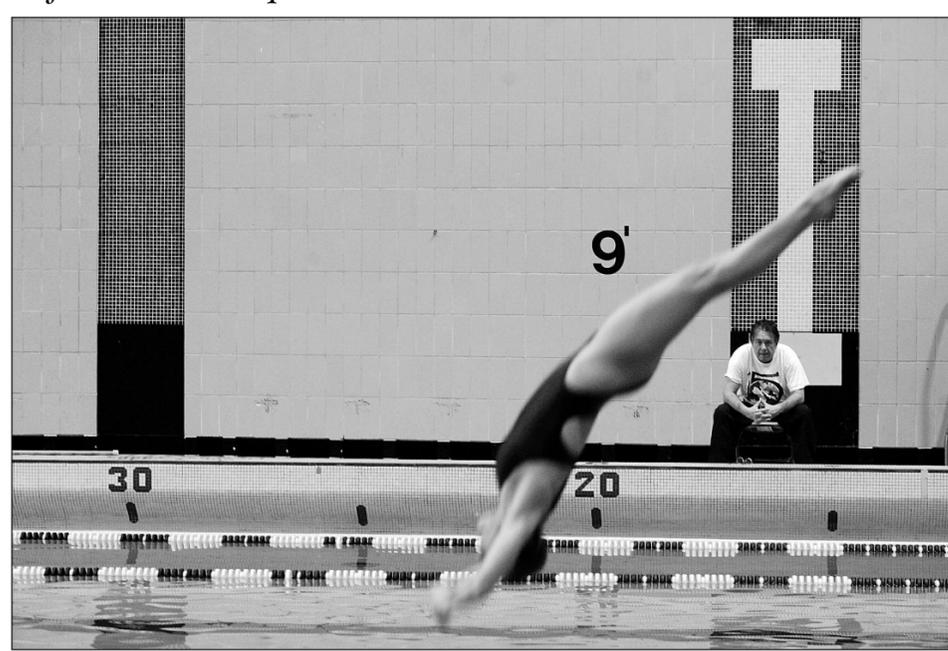
Discrimination is nothing new to the world of sports. For Iowa, though, it has been an issue seemingly absent in the athletics headlines.

However, the discrimination lawsuit filed Feb. 15 by former cross-country assistant Patrick McGhee against current head coach Larry Wiecek, as well as the still-pending sexual-harassment case involving former rowing coach Sean Tobin and head coach Mandi Kowal, places the question squarely in Iowa City. And while it is easy to lambaste Tim Hardaway for his insensitive comments about homosexual athletes, as most have, the question is whether these are lone voices or lurking problems.

Some Hawkeye coaches view the recent news as isolated incidents, and they believe the university as a whole is not a center for intolerance, either by teammates or the coaches themselves.

Soccer coach Ron Rainey is one of them. "I really don't see that," he said. "I think we have a lot of coaches who want to do well and get student-athletes who want to do well in the classroom and on the field. I think they want the best athletes who make Iowa better."

As one of the few black Hawkeye coaches, women's track coach James Grant has a front-row seat for possible prejudice. He speculates that sex bias or ethnic bias likely sticks out most, but he



File photo

Hawkeye diving coach Bob Rydze watches as then-Hawkeye Nancilea Underwood dives into the Field House pool during practice on March 1, 2006.

said he has never been overtly discriminated against. Still, although he's never personally encountered a problem, that doesn't mean that it should be considered a nonissue.

"I can only speak for myself — I haven't really experienced any blatant issues like that," said the Kingston, Jamaica, native. "I am sure there have been a couple times when people have done things that needed a little bit more careful thought at how they could have gone about things, but nothing blatant.

"There might be [discrimination at Iowa], and I'm sure there is, but I personally have not encountered any."

For Hawkeye diving coach Bob Rydze, who has never coached a black diver during his career at Iowa, the issue jumps to homophobia. He assumes he's coached homosexual athletes, but as far as he is concerned, it is has never, and will never be an issue.

"Of anything in the world, athletes are probably the greatest

teachers of nondiscrimination," said Rydze, who is in his 32nd year coaching at Iowa. "Whether an individual or team sport, you have to have a certain closeness with your teammates to be successful.

"If you treat human beings like you'd want to be treated and treat your athletes like you'd want your daughter or son to be treated, to me, that's politically correct."

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— Steve Alford, head coach

PURDUE

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The Boilermakers (17-10, 6-7) struggled to find forward Carl Landry on the block, and the senior finished with only nine points. Freshman Chris Kramer scored a team-high 19 points, and senior David Teague added 14 points.

Purdue committed 29 fouls, putting the Hawkeyes in the bonus for 18:43 of the contest. Iowa converted 23-of-33 attempts from the foul line — 15 in the second half alone. The Boilermakers missed more than half of their attempts.

"That's our offense," Alford said. "When we get to the free-throw line, our offense clicks. When we don't, it's stagnant."

Iowa took a 44-34 lead into the break after starting the game with seven unanswered

points and adding a pair of 8-0 runs later in the half.

Purdue, coming off an impressive win against Indiana last week, committed 10 turnovers and 11 personal fouls in a fast-paced first half. The Hawkeyes, who never trailed in the contest, shot 61.5 percent from the floor in the opening period.

With the win, Iowa moves into a tie with Illinois for fourth-place in the Big Ten standings behind Ohio State, Wisconsin, and Indiana. The Hawkeyes host the Fighting Illini on March 3.

If Indiana loses at Michigan State and Illinois falls at Penn State this weekend, Iowa would move up to third-place — despite the bye — with two games remaining.

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IOWA 78, PURDUE 59

IOWA	FGs/FGA	FT/FTA	PTS
Smith	6-9	6-7	18
Tate	3-3	5-6	11
Looby	2-4	0-0	4
Haluska	4-12	1-2	11
Freeman	2-5	8-12	14
Crawford	0-1	0-0	0
Angle	0-0	0-0	0
Wessels	0-0	0-0	0
Bohall	0-1	2-4	2
Johnson	0-0	0-0	0
Henderson	4-5	1-2	10
Gorney	4-5	0-0	8
Totals	25-45	23-33	78

PURDUE	FGs/FGA	FT/FTA	PTS
Watt	4-6	1-1	10
Landry	3-6	3-9	9
Teague	5-13	2-2	13
Kramer	7-13	2-2	19
Grant	0-5	1-6	1
Lutz	0-1	0-0	0
Riddel	10-0	0-0	0
Crump	1-3	0-0	3
Green	0-2	1-3	1
Uchendu	0-1	3-4	3
Totals	20-50	13-27	59

3-Point Goals— Iowa 5-12, (Freeman 2-3, Haluska 2-7, Henderson 1-2). Purdue 6-18, (Kramer 3-4, Watt 1-2, Crump 1-2, Teague 1-5, Lutz 0-1, Green 0-2, Grant 0-2).

BASKETBALL PREVIEW

WOMEN TO FACE PURDUE

WOMEN'S HOOPS

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The zone defense, which made the Hawkeyes shoot poorly in their first meeting and was a key in the Boiler-



Smith
sophomore

maker victory, could just as easily be their demise. Iowa ranks second in the nation in 3-point shooting, hitting 40.6 percent from long-range.

"Now, we're going to be going against a zone team," Bluder said. "Just by nature of that, it might open [the 3-pointer] up a little bit more for us."

That means Kristi Smith and Ausdemore need to take as many looks as they can find — Smith is firing at 51.3 percent and Ausdemore at 41.7.

"I think Wendy and Kristi have been playing pretty confidently for most of the year," Bluder said.

But if you asked the duo for the game plan, taking 3's isn't a part of it.

"[It's] a big defensive game," Smith said. "We're going to have to get stops and just play team basketball."

Having center Megan Skouby playing again should give the Hawkeyes a much-needed boost.

"[Skouby] had 19 [minutes], which is quite a few actually for her first time in against Penn State," Bluder said. "We're not going to move her in the starting lineup or anything like that, but

I would anticipate her at least equally, if not bettering [19 minutes]."

The sophomore had seven points and four assists against the Nittany Lions.

This week's games, tonight's contest, and Feb. 25 against Wisconsin could swing the Hawkeyes a full four places in Big Ten standings before the conference tournament March 1.

"I know it's a formidable challenge at Purdue, but if we win these two games, we can still finish tied for fifth in this conference," Bluder said.

Optimism is still in the Hawkeye locker room, and as far as Purdue is concerned, so is the enthusiasm.

"I'm very excited," Smith said. "I want to get some revenge."

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Probable Lineups

Iowa Hawkeyes (13-14, 5-9)

G Kristi Smith	So.	13.3
F Jeneé Graham	Jr.	4.8
F Wendy Ausdemore	So.	13.0
F Krista VandeVenter	Jr.	7.4
C Nicole VanderPol	So.	4.4

Purdue Boilermakers (23-5, 12-2)

G FahKara Malone	Fr.	9.0
G Jodi Howell	So.	7.3
F Erin Lawless	Sr.	10.3
F Katie Gearlds	Sr.	17.7
C Lindsay Wisdom-Hylton	Jr.	14.5

Hawks an enigma

COMMENTARY

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"Right now, we're sitting at fourth, and who would have thought that? You're picked ninth [in the preseason] and we've got a chip on our shoulder. We'll take it one game at a time, and who knows where we'll end up?"

Adding that final ingredient to a late-season winning formula starts with Mike Henderson.

The senior, who was named co-captain before the season, began playing like one Wednesday. He carried himself with a swagger and confidence I had yet to see from him this year while scoring 10 points and dealing four assists.

Henderson and fellow point guard Tony Freeman have to bring some consistency to the backcourt and cut down on the 10 turnovers they combined to commit in the 78-59 win.

The Hawkeyes are tied for

fourth with Illinois, which they will meet in the season finale on March 3. The only other opponent for the Hawkeyes is lowly Penn State — a team they beat, 79-63, in State College, Pa., on Jan. 24.

"We've got a very difficult stretch run, but it's a stretch run that we're excited about," said coach Steve

Alford. "We could wake up Sunday morning and be in third place.

"To be in that position with a week to go, there are not a lot, including you [members of the media] sitting here that would think we'd be in third place with a week to go."

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SPORTS

Rookies an NFL hit

BY MICHAEL MAROT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — Rich McKay likes what he sees among today's NFL rookies.

Sure, they're bigger, faster, stronger, even brasher. But they're also better prepared to make a quick impact.

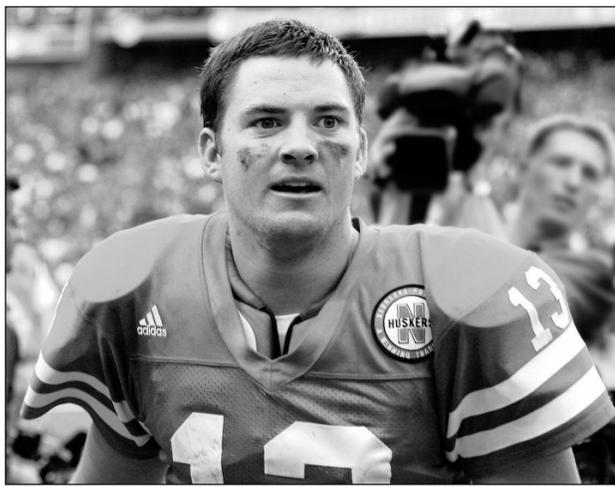
Once considered a veteran-dominated league, the NFL has gradually been transformed by increasingly talented rookie classes into a league more affected by today's younger players.

"For a scout, minicamp used to be the worst three days of the year," said McKay, the Atlanta Falcons' general manager. "You'd show up after spending all this time working on the draft, and a guy would come in out of shape or struggle to pick up a scheme. But you don't really see that any more."

McKay is among the dozens of NFL front office officials, coaches, and scouts that will spend the next five days in Indianapolis grading this year's college prospects at the league's annual scouting combine.

They'll evaluate heights, weights, speeds, and even seemingly innocuous details such as vertical jumps and mobility. While the names and faces have changed, the trend has not.

Over the past five years, McKay acknowledges he's consistently seen rookies arrive at training camp with more knowledge, in better shape,



Nati Harnik/Associated Press

Nebraska quarterback Zac Taylor walks off the field after playing Iowa State in Lincoln, Neb., on Oct. 1, 2005. Taylor and four other Nebraska football players will be in Indianapolis today for the start of the NFL scouting combine. Taylor, the 2006 Big 12 Offensive Player of the Year, told the *Lincoln Journal Star* that he's worked to improve his speed.

and more prepared to make the transition to the NFL.

The results have been just as dramatic. In 2004, Pittsburgh rookie quarterback Ben Roethlisberger went from the Mid-American Conference to within one win of the Super Bowl. He eventually won it in 2005.

The 2006 class even outdid Roethlisberger.

Quarterbacks Vince Young of Tennessee and Jay Cutler of

Denver almost led their teams to the playoffs. New Orleans' dynamic duo of running back Reggie Bush and receiver Marques Colston helped the Saints reach their first NFC championship game. Chicago kick returner Devin Hester got the Bears all the way to their first Super Bowl in two decades, and Indianapolis running back Joseph Addai played a key role in the Colts' championship.

Woods strong in desert



Matt York/Associated Press

Tiger Woods drives on the fifth hole during his opening round 3 and 2 victory over J.J. Henry at the World Golf Championships Accenture Match Play Championship in Marana, Ariz., on Wednesday.

BY DOUG FERGUSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MARANA, Ariz. — On a course where it was important not to fall behind, Tiger Woods found himself among the cactus and desert shrub left of the second fairway looking for an escape. His opponent already was on the green, 12 feet away for birdie.

"It looked like he was going to take a 1-up lead and get

some momentum on his side early," Woods said. "And it just never happened."

Woods went from the desert to the fairway and made a 20-foot par putt to halve the hole, setting the tone for a 3-and-2 victory over Ryder Cup teammate J.J. Henry in the first round of the Accenture Match Play Championship.

One match down, five to go if the world's No. 1 player wants

to stretch his PGA Tour winning streak to eight.

After one round at The Gallery, it figures to be a wild ride.

For the second-straight year, the shortest day belonged to Stephen Ames. He was on the losing end of a record rout by Woods last year at La Costa, but he experienced the flip side of this fickle tournament by making seven birdies in 11 holes to bury Robert Karlsson of Sweden, 8 and 7.

Women set for Big Tens

BY DIANE HENDRICKSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa women's track team will head to Champaign, Ill., this weekend for the Big Ten indoor championships. Last season, the Hawkeyes finished seventh, led by Kineke Alexander's first-place finishes in the 200 and 400.

The squad faces a tough field that includes No. 2 Michigan and No. 10 Minnesota, as ranked by the U.S. Track & Field Coaches Association. On trackwire.com, Penn State and Illinois are tied for 15th and 16th respectively.

"We're going to do as good as we can if everyone performs extremely well," said head coach James Grant, who hopes his team can finish in the conference's top half.

The seventh-place finish last season ended a streak of near-last place conference finishes over the past 10 years — only 2004's third place mark broke the string of underachievement.



Grant
head coach



Armstrong
runner

Alexander, the Hawkeyes' only automatic NCAA qualifier thus far and last season's NCAA indoor champion in the 400, is ranked first in the event and third in the 200. Meghan Armstrong, who won the mile last year and contributed to a second-place finish in the distance medley, goes into the meet with the fifth-best mile time in the conference and the second-best 3,000-meter time.

Diane Nukuri ranks just behind Armstrong in the 3,000 and rates second in the 5,000. In the 60-meter hurdles, Tiffany Johnson is pegged at fifth.

In the Hawkeyes' last outing, the Iowa Invitational, they won eight events. Peaches Roach tied her Recreation Building record in high jump and barely missed automatically qualifying for the national championships, although she is virtually assured a spot.

Her performance helped her earn Big Ten field event Co-Athlete of the Week honors — the first time an Iowa athlete has received the award during the indoor season.

The results of the meet, which was primarily used for fine-tuning, impressed the coaches and gave the team some confidence going into this weekend.

"I was more than pleased in the way they raised their performances," Grant said. "They came out pretty confident."

As the indoor season nears its end, the Hawkeyes are faced with only two meets left to qualify for the NCAAs.

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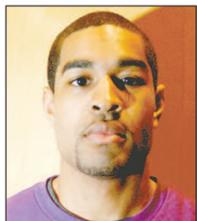
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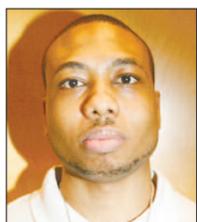
'It's boring here. Nothing to do but go downtown. We need more buildings, playgrounds, TVs. Just more excitement.'



I have a dream



'I have mixed emotions. It's beneficial, because I feel at peace and it's clean here in Iowa City, but the downside is that ethnicities are still in pockets. There's a variety, but it's separated.'



Though few could deny the UI's commitment to diversity, many have a harder time seeing past the rhetoric and into the perspective of Iowa City's growing black community.



'Because it's such a small black community, Iowa City fosters a sense of solidarity — but it's still small. Sometimes, there's a lot of apathy in cultural curiosity and it's a burden because you feel the need to be the ambassador for the community.'



MARCELLA DAVID, THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE UI PRESIDENT FOR EQUAL OPPORTUNITY, MAYOR ROSS WILBURN, AND SEVERAL UI STUDENTS GRIND THE GRIT OF RACISM, EQUAL OPPORTUNITY, AND THE FUTURE OF IOWA CITY'S DIVERSITY AT 5:30 P.M. ON KRUI, 87.9, ON "80 HOURS ON AIR," OR CATCH THE PODCASTS AT DAILYIOWAN.COM/PODCASTS.

BY PAUL SORENSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

"African-American history is a public history. All people must be included if you want an accurate view of human action."

In the softly lit Shambaugh Auditorium, Hal Chase speaks about the black past in Iowa. George Washington Carver was the first black student and faculty member at Iowa State University. Fort Des Moines was the site of the first black officer-training center for the U.S. Army. In 1970, Miss Iowa, Cheryl Browne, became the first black contestant in the Miss America pageant.

The audience of no more than 10 sits together in the spacious room. Most are graduate students. A man in his early 30s has brought his 11-year-old son. The only white person in attendance is there for extra credit.

"Diversity is strength," reads the website for the office of UI Equal Opportunity and Diversity. "The diversity of experience, diversity of opinion, and diversity of cultural background not only enrich our quest for knowledge, they are vital to our success."

Six hundred ninety-seven black students attended the UI in fall of 2006 — a bit more than 2 percent of the total enrollment. Diversity among its students is a selling point for the university, which proudly proclaims its more than 10 percent total minority and international enrollment in a state with fewer than a 2 percent non-white population.

Black History Month is a fitting time for events such as the Celebrating Cultural Diversity Festival, taking place Feb. 25 at the Field House from noon to 5 p.m. The festival and events similar to it hope to mark the university as a place of ethnic variety — which, compared with the rest of the region, it probably is.

But in the midst of such positive

acknowledgment, many forget to see the human faces behind the statistics: how welcome people of color feel at the UI and in Iowa City and what can be done to assist the community to manifest the diversity of which it dreams.

Being trailblazers

Chi-Emeke Worthington hovers around the nearly empty auditorium, waiting to clean up. "I have a serious issue with the fact that people are always at social gatherings, but if you're doing something educational, something for social uplift, it's sparsely attended."

Worthington, a graduate student in sports studies, is the president of Omega Psi Phi, a black fraternity that sponsored Chase's presentation. The talk complements an information-loaded, but scarcely known, book about black history in Iowa, presented free to all schools and libraries in the state.

"I knew there was a small minority population in Iowa, but I saw it as a means to an end — come here, get a degree, move on," Worthington said.

Given the UI's strong academic programs, many black students become involved in community life to stay personally afloat. Worthington is a recruiting assistant for the football team and a member of Gospel Explosion Ministries, a predominantly black church located at 1854 Muscatine Ave.

"We feel more pressure as grad students to be trailblazers, to run programs," said Monique Cook, a graduate student in biological engineering, who is in charge of the Delta Sigma Theta sorority's community service as well as being the treasurer of her gospel choir, Voices of Soul. "I believe it's my duty to be part of my community, but it's overwhelming sometimes."

SEE DIVERSITY, PAGE 2C



'I don't feel unwelcome here. It's very white, whiter than I'm used to — takes some getting used to.'



'I don't feel any different; I don't see color, I just see myself as a person.'

The change coming to Iowa City doesn't have anything to do with racial bias.'



'It's Iowa, so we're still on the cusp of actually being equal opportunity. A lot of people think we are more than we actually are.'



Photos by Brett Slezak
Design by Brittany Volk

SOUNDING OFF

A cinema conference at the UI this weekend unites professors, grad students, and two guys who built bicycle-powered turntables, to talk about sound in film.

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THINKING INSIDE THE BOX

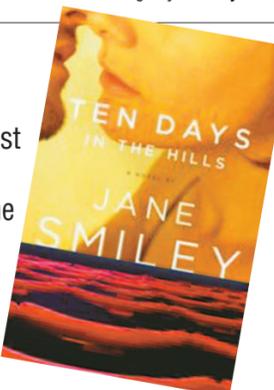
The UI theater department serves audiences a dose of politics this weekend with its gallery production *American Black Box*. The play, by Scott Pardue, is about extraordinary rendition and war.

3C

WAR, SEX, AND HILLS

Jane Smiley — ever the medievalist — has something to tell us all about war, sex, and Boccaccio. She will read from her latest novel and take part in a discussion at the Englert Theatre on Feb. 25.

4C



We still haven't figured out why Michelle Branch decided to form **THE WRECKERS**, as she was clearly better solo (maybe she got lonely?), but the duo will serve up some country twang at the Riverside Casino, 3184 Highway 22 in Riverside on Saturday at 2 p.m.

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Searching for diversity at Iowa

'When I first moved here, the hospitality was great. People were friendly. On campus, graduate-student culture is detached and even more detached because of my studies. I am comfortable, however, I'm still myself.'

'I get treated fairly, like everyone else — there's not a big race battle going on in Iowa.'

DIVERSITY
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"I feel like I should be a role model, because most undergraduates don't have a strong figure here who's African-American," Worthington said. "Displaced from their population and put into a vastly white majority population, they either assimilate or shun everything — you need a balance."

Not like NY, but

Richard Turner's office offers an experience in the scatter-shot, holding gathered piles of African art, posters of famous figures such as Muhammad Ali, towers of books, and even a tambourine. Given the collection, it would be easy to imagine Turner making this room his home.

Sometimes, he feels like he has to.

"There's more to life than just a university," said Turner, the coordinator of the African American Studies Program as well as an associate professor of religious studies. "But it can become your entire life when there's not much to do outside."

He attributes his difficult transition to an intense satisfaction with the urban experience, having been raised in Boston and having lived in New York City and New Orleans before coming to the UI six years ago. "More than 80 percent of African-Americans live in major cities," he said. "In a racist society that continues to marginalize, these communities are havens."

However, not all black professionals share Turner's disillusionment. Marcella David, a UI associate provost, the special assistant to the president for equal opportunity and diversity, and a law professor, is comfortable in Iowa City. "The truth is that we're in Iowa — it's not the most diverse state," she said. "You can't lie and say that living here is just like living in New York, but it's more diverse than you'd think."

She isn't alone in her satisfaction. "This is home," said Ross Wilburn, the executive



Brett Slezak/The Daily Iowan
Miss Divinity performs at a poetry slam in the IMU on Friday, Feb. 16, as Keena Armstrong takes a picture of her. Miss Divinity was the first of many performers at the slam.

director of the Iowa City Crisis Center and the city's first black mayor. "When I came here 25 years ago, I remember having problems finding someone to cut my hair, but that's changed over the years — the number of people of color has grown."

Still, the small size of the black community puts pressure on individuals to become spokespeople for the population. "Around February, during Black History Month, people will say to me 'Oh, it's that time again — I'll see you in the paper,'" Wilburn said. "But I'm not the only one within the community who has something to say."

"No one view is held by all," David said. "Nobody expects all people from the western part of Iowa to be conservative. The goal is that when you run into people from different backgrounds or races, you run into people — not assumptions."

Bigotry bites

Surrounded by shopping bags, Andrea Tyson sits at a table in the IMU Hawkeye, telling her boyfriend, Edward Johnson, about a run-in with racism.

"These guys drove by in a pickup truck shouting 'Nigger, go home.' They must have been drunk. I would've probably reacted differently if I'd been raised differently. I can see Ed

getting more pissed off about it right now, and it didn't even happen to him."

While Tyson dismisses such events because they happen "so out of the box," Courtney Parker, the president of the UI Black Student Union, feels that you can't ignore bigotry when it happens with some degree of regularity. "Many students here come from more sheltered, less-diverse towns ... that's [how] conflict ensues." She cites recent examples of a landlord denying housing to a black tenant and a student in a rhetoric class remarking, after reading a black author, "I didn't come to college to read about niggers."

"It's aggravating when people say, 'It's 2007, slavery and the civil-rights movements are over.' Open your eyes."

The UI offers resources and support to deal with bigotry. The university also offers programs that aim to ensure that students find reasons to stay.

In fact, Tyson, Johnson, and Parker are all beneficiaries of the university's commitment to providing equal opportunity. Parker is an Opportunity at Iowa scholar, receiving economic and academic support. Johnson found the federally funded TRIO program crucial to his success as a pre-med student.

Tyson did not begin her

college career at the UI; she studied mathematics in New Orleans before Hurricane Katrina hit. She received a call on her cell phone from a math professor she had met at a UI summer program, asking if she wanted to come here. Although she isn't sure how, she knows that everything has been paid for.

"People are so friendly here — not as friendly as in the South, nothing compares with Southern hospitality — but my transition here was exceptional," Tyson said.

Now, she says, she has an equal number of black and white friends. "With the right parents and structure growing up, you don't see color."

Where will we go

Dozens sit around closely scattered tables in the IMU Richie Ballroom to "laugh, cry, and laugh again," as Parker puts it, at an evening of slam poetry. It's a diverse crowd of student leaders, athletes, and city officials — approximately 10 percent white.

"And you over there," a poet says as he points to a pair of white students, "you ain't white; you're just pale-skinned."

As the evening progresses, it's clear that the topics addressed by the slam poems — more akin to hip-hop lyrics than your average Milton, if Milton may be described as average — are alien to none, touching on family, religion, and bad relationships. Well, mostly bad relationships.

"Now, you watch this girl coming up here now, I've seen her before," an expressive spectator says. "She's my girl." The poet tells a story of a noncommittal man with fervent affirmation from the crowd.

This is no revolution in culture or diversity, but it's something.

"It is not the responsibility of the UI to create the community," Parker said. "The responsibility lies on the community to discuss why we are here and where we will go now. It's about taking action, even if we have to sacrifice to bring it all together."

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'When you first come to Iowa, you feel a little bit different from everyone else. But the longer you're here, the more you adjust.'

'I appreciate the education, but we should try harder to diversify our campus besides just athletics.'

WHAT'S GOIN' ON

THURSDAY 2.22

MUSIC
• Scandinavian/Nordic Festival Chamber Music Concert, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
• Jonah Nemecek CD Release Party, 9 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington
• Sublime Tribute with Reclining Buddha, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

THEATER
• The American Black Box, 8 p.m., Theater Building Theater B

FILM
• Black Orpheus, 7 p.m., Bijou
• Oscar Nominated Animated Shorts, 9 p.m., Bijou

DANCE
• Country Dance with lessons, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 225 Highway 1 W.

ART
• "Through the Green Threshold: 19th-Century Naturalists and the Romance of the Jungle," 4 p.m., UI Museum of Art
• Georgia Deal and Tom Ashcraft, 8 p.m. 116 Art Building West

WORDS
• UI interim President Gary Fethke, "Condition of UI" address, noon, hotelVetro, 201 S. Linn
• Tom Podzimek, environmental activist, 12:40 p.m., 225 Boyd Law Building

• State Senator Global Warming Panel Discussion, 6 p.m., Biology Building East
• "Live from Prairie Lights," Lia Purpura, poetry,

THURSDAY 2.22

CONTINUED
nonfiction, and essay, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
• Campus Activities Board event, Jeremy Schachter, comedian, 9 p.m., IMU Hawkeye

FRIDAY 2.23

MUSIC
• Sparta and MewithoutYou, 6 p.m., Picador
• Violinist Scott Conklin and pianist Alan Huckleberry, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
• Open Mike, 8 to 10 p.m., Uptown Bill's Small Mall, 401 S. Gilbert
• Pieta Brown, featuring Bo Ramsey, 9 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
• Hunab and Soul Fusion, 9 p.m., Yacht Club
• Miracles of God with Escape The Floodwater Jug Band, The Teddy Boys, 10 p.m., Picador

THEATER
• The American Black Box, 8 p.m., Theater B

DANCE
• Country Dance by DJ Scoot-A-Boot, 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge

ART
• Elizabeth Catlett, 7 p.m., UI Museum of Art

WORDS
• Studies in Sound: Listening in the Age of Visual Culture, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Adler Journalism Building second floor
• Marvin Bell, poetry, 10

FRIDAY 2.23

CONTINUED
a.m., Java House, 211½ E. Washington
• "The Racial Vicissitudes of a Song: Irving Berlin's 'Heat Wave' on Film and Stage," Caryl Flinn, 7 p.m., 101 Becker Communication Building
• "Live from Prairie Lights," Stephen Kuusisto, memoir, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights

MISC.
• Exploring Majors Fair, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., IMU Main Lounge
• Diamonds or Denim Riverside Theatre Fundraiser, 6 p.m., hotelVetro

SATURDAY 2.24

MUSIC
• Monstro, Swing by Seven, Terrasethe, and Basilica, 5 p.m., Yacht Club
• Dance Gavin Dance, 6 p.m., Picador
• Kimberli Maloy, 7 p.m., Uptown Bill's Small Mall
• Salute to Benny Goodman, 7:30 p.m., Hancher Auditorium
• Wandering Sons, 9 p.m., Mill
• The Dig Angees, The Western Front, and The Vandom Arms, 9 p.m., Yacht Club
• Sean Boarini, 9:30 p.m., Piano Lounge, 217 Iowa
• Langhorne Slim with Highway Shelter, Tim Busse, Old Panther, 9:30 p.m., Picador

THEATER
• The American Black Box, 8 p.m., Theater B

DANCE
• Big Band Ballroom

SATURDAY 2.24

CONTINUED
Dancing, 7:30 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market

FILM
• The Audible Picture Show: Audio Works for a Dark Cinema, 7 p.m., Bijou
• Disco Dolls in Hot Skin in 3-D, 11:59 p.m., Bijou

MISC.
• Legislative Breakfast, 8 to 9:15 a.m., Iowa City Area Chamber of Commerce, 325 E. Washington
• Anime and Manga Festival, 1 to 5 p.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
• Teen Treasure Hunt, 2 to 6 p.m., Old Capitol Town Center

SUNDAY 2.25

MUSIC
• The Spinto Band, with Dios Malos, The Changes, 7 p.m., Picador
• UI Composers' Workshop and Living Proof Jazz Combo, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
• Pub Quiz, 9 p.m., Mill

THEATER
• The American Black Box, 2 p.m., Theater B

FILM
• 2007 Oscar Party, 6 p.m., Bijou

WORDS
• "Live from Prairie Lights," Jane Smiley, fiction, 2:45 p.m., Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington
• UI Presidential Lecture, "Molecular Basis of Muscular Dystrophy and Approaches to Therapy,"

SUNDAY 2.25

CONTINUED
Kevin Campbell, 3:30 p.m., Levitt Center

MISC.
• Celebrating Cultural Diversity Festival, noon-5 p.m., Field House
• Prayers for World Peace, 3:30 to 4:15 p.m., Lamrim Buddhist Center, 505 E. Washington

MONDAY 2.26

MUSIC
• Ligeia, with The Handshake Murders, Burn in Silence, Apiary, 5 p.m., Picador
• Blues Jam, 6 p.m., Yacht Club
• Open Mike, with Jay Knight, 8 p.m., Mill
• Richard Buckner, with Six Part Seven, 9 p.m., Picador

FILM
• Oscar Nominated Animated Shorts, 6:45 and 10:30 p.m., Bijou
• Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts, 8:30 p.m., Bijou

WORDS
• Sudan's Defiance of International Human Rights, 6 p.m., 1117 University Capitol Centre
• "Live from Prairie Lights," readings from Modern Love: 50 Extraordinary Tales of Desire, Deceit, and Devotion, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights

• Distinguished Public Lecture Series, "Short-changing Our Children: What Is, and What Could Be," Helen Quinn, 8 p.m., Van Allen Hall Lecture Room 1

TUESDAY 2.27

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• The Solars, 9 p.m., Picador

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DANCE
• Momix, "Lunar Sea," 7:30 p.m., Hancher Auditorium
• Throwdown Free Dance Party, 10 p.m., Yacht Club

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• Memory Obscura w/ Terrasethe, Falling to Grace, Leave Me My Destroyer, 6 p.m., Picador
• The Burlington Bluegrass Band, 7 p.m., Mill
• The Big Idea, 10 p.m., Mill
• The Jam, 10 p.m., Yacht Club

FILM
• Hollywood Dreams, 7 p.m., Bijou

WORDS
• Scandinavian/Nordic Festival Lecture, "Inspiration and Cultural Relevance," 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library

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 If you've watched *An Inconvenient Truth* (and if you haven't, now would be a good time to crawl out of the cave), you know how important it is to start protecting our environment now. **TOM PODZIMEK** will teach easy changes you can implement into your everyday life at a free lecture at 12:40 p.m. today in the Boyd Law Building.

On the road, with laughter

HEAR VANESSA VEIOCK'S INTERVIEW WITH AFROMAN ON "80 HOURS ON AIR," THE D1 RADIO SHOW. IT IS BROADCAST AT 5:30 P.M. THURSDAYS ON KRUI, 89.7 FM, OR YOU CAN CATCH THE FRIDAY PODCAST AT DAILYIOWAN.COM/PODCASTS.

BY VANESSA VEIOCK
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Afroman called me on Feb. 13. I answered an unknown Mississippi number to be greeted by my first name. The rapper, who will play a concert at the Union Bar, 121 E. College St., on Saturday, got my contact info from his booking agent. He told me to call him on his cell phone whenever I wanted.

With a website boasting a tool bar shaped like a lit cigar with the legend "to find your way, hit the blunt," and the hit song "Because I Got High," Afroman seemed like a musician who could be difficult to get in touch with.

But the rapper, who signs his checks Joseph Foreman, managed to disprove more than this stereotype. The native Californian is serious about his music — and making people laugh.

DI: How did you work your way into the mainstream music scene?

Afroman: Making CDs and doing parties ... I'd go rap for a bunch of guys drinking on the porch, and then, they'd throw parties and invite me back. Next thing you know, every time you put my name on the flier, the parties would get sick. The cops would come shut it down.

DI: How did you decide on your stage name?

Afroman: I got it from a girl at college. She started calling me that out of sarcasm, and it picked up.

DI: Would you name yourself something else if you had the chance?

Afroman: You can tell when a guy makes up his own name, and it's just something like Heavenly Henry or Poetic Paul. Something like something you're not going to call him. I wanted to be realistic, so I let the streets name me. I just wouldn't name myself after a hairstyle.

DI: You've been on tour for most of this year. How do you stay motivated while you're on the road?

Afroman: As long as I'm making people laugh, I'm having a good time. People are laughing is the bottom line. I wanna say some things, and I want people laughing.

DI: What's a typical day on tour like?

Afroman: It's just like about a football team or basketball team or something. It's just go go go, but you know, it's what I want.

DI: A lot of your shows depend on comedy improv. Do you ever get nervous before going on stage?

Afroman: I do. I do, I do. Man, you know the vegetables and the beer used to help me, but there's no escaping it. You know what I mean? It's an event. The butterflies keep you on your toes. They make you want to run the football back.

Peering inside the BLACK BOX

BY ANNA WIEGENSTEIN
 THE DAILY IOWAN

So, how familiar are you with the Military Communications Act of 2006? The one that amends subtitle A, title 10, chapter 47 of the U.S. Code? If the answer is "not very," never fear — the UI theater department is here to help you.

Written and directed by Playwrights' Workshop student Scott Pardue, *The American Black Box* tells a very modern tale concerning the CIA practice of "extraordinary rendition." What does the euphemism refer to? Nothing less than the secret deportation of accused terrorists to countries that subsequently torture them.

"I wrote as a 'this is something that could happen in the future, if we're not careful' situation," Pardue said about *Black Box*, which was inspired by an assignment to "respond to world events in a personal way."

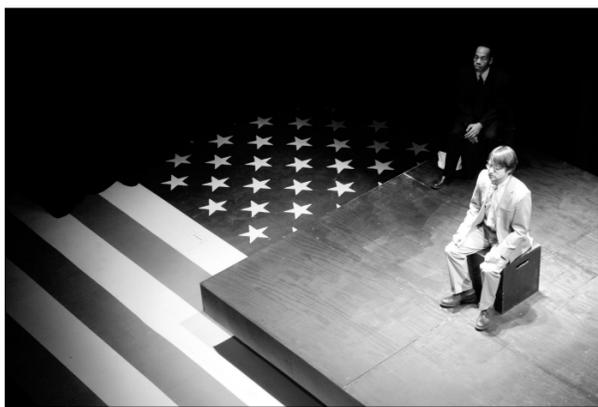
And learning that such a dystopic scenario actually has basis in fact?

"It was very unsettling for me," he said emphatically, his voice rising over the Sunday-afternoon din of coffee-shop study sessions.

As a group a table away frantically flipped through biology books, Pardue took the next 45 minutes to speak enthusiastically about the piece he described as "an exploration of myself."

"I consider myself an average American. Why isn't there outrage over this?" Pardue exclaimed, flipping through a folder full of national reports of the practice from such well-known initials as ABC, BBC, and NPR.

"The law is for everyone, and when we start picking and



Rachel Mummey/The Daily Iowan

Greg Machlin (foreground) performs as Yasser and Eric Porter as Brian in Scott Pardue's play *The American Black Box* in the Theatre Building on Monday. The play will debut today at 8 p.m.

THE AMERICAN BLACK BOX

When: 8 p.m. today through Saturday, 2 p.m. Feb. 25
Where: Theatre Building Theatre B
Admission: \$6, \$4 for students.

choosing who gets the law ... that's a different country," he said.

Black Box gets its title from philosophical "black box" theory, which states that only inputs and outputs truly matter in how a system functions — positive results are the point, not how they are achieved. In the *American* version, Pardue places the United States in the role of the mysterious "black box," with its citizens taking the country's continued success without question.

"Scott is very passionate about the script," said J.P. Wohl, who plays the lead role of Eric, a chemical-company employee who finds himself dealing with

the issue of extraordinary rendition at close range. Pardue told the assembled cast and crew the procedures of deportation and torture the first day of rehearsal, an experience the 22-year-old theater major described as "shocking and eye-opening."

"[The audience members] are going to be blown away by what they see when they walk in," he said, refusing to give details in the hope of preserving the surprise.

With such an overtly political work, the final question seems clear — just what is it that *American Black Box* asks of its audience? Picketing and petitions? Not quite.

"It's basically to open people's eyes," Wohl said. "We really want people to come with no preconceived notions and just listen to us."

"No. 1 is just getting it on your radar," Pardue said, adding that until beginning work on the play, he was as ignorant of CIA news as are most people.

"I think we can all still live

EXTRAORDINARY RENDITION

What: An extrajudicial procedure whereby terrorism suspects are sent in secret to countries known to torture prisoners.
Reasons it's criticized: Extraordinary rendition side-steps due process and contradicts the U.N. Convention Against Torture, which prohibits knowingly sending any suspect to a country likely to torture her or him. The United States has signed and ratified UNCAT.
Number of people it affects: The U.S. military admits that around 100 "ghost detainees," or unregistered, secret prisoners, are in its detention centers. Swiss senator Dick Marty prepared a Jan. 2006 report on extraordinary rendition that estimated an additional 100 prisoners had been extraordinarily rendered from transit points within Europe. As many as 30 of these prisoners are innocent.
History: Extraordinary rendition was first used in the mid-1990s as part of the CIA's attempt to dismantle Al Qaeda. Then-President Bill Clinton signed a presidential directive authorizing the agency to send suspects to Egypt, a country known to torture its prisoners. Since 9/11, extraordinary rendition has expanded to the Justice Department and the Defense Department.

our day-to-day lives and demand a little bit more of our government," he concluded. Beginning to question just what's inside that inexplicable black box is half the point. "Hopefully, there'll be some awakening."

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LOVE AND WAR AND 10 DAYS IN THE HILLS

Think sex and war don't mix? Tell that to Jane Smiley.

BY MAGGIE ANDERSON
THE DAILY IOWAN



Jane Smiley signs copies of her book *13 Ways of Looking at a Novel* in Buchanan Auditorium on Sept. 19, 2005.

JANE SMILEY

When: 2:45 p.m. Feb. 25
Where: Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington

Admission: Free
More Info: Pulitzer Prize winner and Writers' Workshop alumna Jane Smiley will read from her latest novel, *Ten Days in the Hills*. Workshop Director Lan Samantha Chang will introduce the author, and a discussion with Marvin Bell, a workshop emeritus faculty member and the former Iowa poet laureate, and workshop students Jason England and Kecia Lynn will follow.

about stories," Smiley said. "And most of the stories are about love and sex."

And war. Because the Iraqi conflict figures so prominently in the book, Smiley had to work to make sure to make sure her characters' understanding of the war jibed with the book's time frame.

"I didn't interject the current knowledge," she said. "I read the archive of the *Los Angeles Times* every day for those days. I was aware of what the views on the war were."

For further research, Smiley spent time in Hollywood and watched old movies on DVD, particularly the commentaries,

on that of Giovanni Boccaccio's *Decameron*, a 14th-century collection of tales best known for its sexually themed stories.

By using interlinked stories within a longer work, Smiley hopes to present many different points of view.

"I tried to put every different kind of story that there is in there," she said. "I thought that might open [the book] up and make it more interesting. It would be about lots of different stories rather than my story about this one couple."

This couple — Max, an aging movie director, and Elena, an aging self-help author — form the nucleus for a larger investigation of different types of love, from young to old and illicit to permissible. The novel sets a cast of eccentric guests in Max's house for 10 days. As is inevitable, talk tends toward the topics most pressing in the characters' minds.

"The thing about my book is that it's a set of conversations, but all the conversations are

to absorb an insider's uncanny ability to relate absolutely everything in life to a movie.

Smiley chose to explore relationships because they are undoubtedly interesting to nearly everyone. But the writer said she doesn't approach questions about true love and fulfilling sexual relationships in terms of a straightforward narrative, as others might.

"I don't see life like that," she said. "I see it as an ongoing set of relationships that people learn from if they're lucky."

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THE SOUND OF SOUND

The UI is a hotbed for studies in film sound. Today through Saturday, students, artists, and professors will convene to discuss sound. Take out your iPod earbuds, and read carefully.



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BY SOHEIL REZAYAZDI
THE DAILY IOWAN

One year ago, Jennifer Fleeger and Claudia Pummer decided to lasso a host of academics and artists to discuss sound's role in modern life. What with all their free time as Ph.D. candidates in cinema.

Is a film's soundtrack subservient to its images? Are we drones in our own hermetic iPod worlds? Is sound a second-class sense?

Packing more than 60 scholarly and creative presentations in three days, "Studies in Sound: Listening in the Age of Visual Culture" should answer just about every sound-related question one could ever have. Fleeger and Pummer's baby starts today with a screening of the 1978 German film *The All-Around Reduced Personality* at 7 p.m. in the Becker Communication Studies Building.

"Our desire is to draw attention to what happens on a regular basis between sounds and images, sounds and words, sounds and life," Fleeger said.

She teaches a course on film sound and holds a chair in the Waterloo/Cedar Falls Symphony. A violinist since she was 9, she became fascinated with film sound through her love of music.

She's one of many sound scholars in the UI film department, which includes Professor Rick Altman, one of the world's foremost experts on the subject, Fleeger said.

"Films use the soundtrack to manipulate you, the viewer, into weeping or feeling glorious joy," she said. "Sound is used to construct your personal emotional experience — or it's thought to do so — whereas image is tended to be thought of as the evidence of what it is that is



Ed Bornstein/The Daily Iowan

Cinema graduate students Jennifer Fleeger (left) and Claudia Pummer are the founders of "Studies in Sound: Listening in the Age of Visual Culture." The conference will take place today through Saturday and will feature both academic and creative presentations.

happening. The army is going into battle. You see that. The way you feel about it comes from the soundtrack.

"What focusing on sound might do is show how, in fact, the soundtrack could potentially tell a different story."

A cursory look at Fleeger's living-room DVD collection shows she's no stodgy academic. Of all the titles, *Die Hard* is the first one to pop into focus. Likewise, the conference's lineup boasts a handful of performances alongside the more scholarly fare.

Hailing from Brooklyn, N.Y., Casey Farnum and Elliot Hess provide the conference's esoteric highlight.

"It just started with a diagram that I did of how we could make a bike-powered turntable," Farnum said in a phone interview from Brooklyn. "The initial idea just sparked a frenzy of creativity."

If the phrase "bike-powered turntable" doesn't make you squint in confusion, maybe you should read it again. Farnum, a sound engineer at the Cake Shop bar in New York City,

begin work with Hess in 2006 to invent a set of turntables that spun only through vigorous peddling.

The two will debut their concoction Friday, mixing records while struggling not to peddle too quickly or too slowly. Though bicyclist DJs may seem like a lounge-bar shtick, Hess insisted there was a conceptual core to the piece.

"What we're trying to do with this performance is reintroduce body movement and inconsistency into listening and into the production of music," he said. "Things like mistakes, things like slowing down and speeding up — the idea is to introduce a few of those elements back into recorded sound."

Peter Schaefer, a communication-studies graduate student at the UI, praised Hess' concept of highlighting the visceral and

bodily reactions listeners have to music. A former college-radio DJ, Schaefer plans to present a paper on the 1906 Victor-Victrola phonograph on Friday.

"For a long time, [sound] has been neglected as an object of study," Schaefer said. "That's changed in the last 10 to 20 years. People are becoming more interested in sound as something important even though people think of this as being the age of visual culture."

Despite sound advancements such as iPods and podcasting, Schaefer said images still trump sounds in mainstream culture.

"Part of it has to do with advertising," the 32-year-old said. "We're just deluged by so much visual advertising, from posters to billboards to television commercials, and so we think of that as being very stimulating. That tends to drive a lot of the

"STUDIES IN SOUND: LISTENING IN THE AGE OF VISUAL CULTURE"

Lectures, presentations, film screenings, and creative performances in Adler, Becker, and the Bijou today through Saturday night. See <http://www.uiowa.edu/~cclsc/Schedule.html> for the full schedule.

Paper presentation: Jennifer Fleeger's "Rhythm and Repetition"
When: Friday, 1 p.m.
Where: E254 Adler

Musical performance: Casey Farnum and Elliot Hess' "From the Opaque"
When: Friday, 10:30 a.m.
Where: E254 Adler

Paper presentation: Peter Schaefer's "Residues of Retreat: An Inquiry into the Politics of Volume Control Design"
When: Friday, 2:30 p.m.
Where: E254 Adler

ways we think about culture."

Fleeger herself plans to present her essay on techno music and the female body in the films *Lara Croft: Tomb Raider* and *Run, Lola, Run*. Although classical Hollywood conventions call for film sound to seem "invisible" to the viewer — that is, the sound shouldn't stray from the image — Fleeger thinks this can be changed.

"There's a reason that happens, why [sound]'s considered less important than the image," she said. "People don't really know how to listen the way they know how to see. We can train ourselves to listen."

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UI senior hits MTVU

Sid "DJ Sid the Kid" Mali is the host of 89.7 KRUI's "Hip-Hop Amaza Show," heard every Friday from 9 p.m. till 11 p.m. This week, Mali is reaching a broader audience on MTVU's "Dean's List."

The "Dean's List" features weekly guest hosts and asks them to select their 10 favorite videos. Often the guests have a theme. Mali, a UI senior who moved to the United States in 2000 from South Africa, places great importance on Black History Month, so his list is rife with songs advocating African-American empowerment and betterment. Not only is Mali one of only a handful of blacks to host "Dean's List," he is also the first representative from the UI.

Mali kicked off his show with Common's newest song, "(I Have A) Dream," which features Will.i.am — of Black Eyed Peas fame — and samples of Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream" speech. Sid also gives props to Corinne Bailey Rae and her latest single, "Put Your Records On," dedicating it to Bob Sanders and Dallas Clark, two UI alumni who made their mark against the Chicago Bears in the Super Bowl.

In an odd twist amid videos by Ludacris and T.I., Mali drops, in honor of America finding itself after the civil-rights movement, "Lost Without U," by Robin Thicke.

Visit your nearest UI cable hookup — for all you off-campus dwellers — and try to get a beat on MTVU's erratic programming schedule, or you can bust on over to its website and catch DJ Sid's top-10 list through Saturday.

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“I didn't come to college to read about niggers.”
— A student in a UI rhetoric class, after reading a black author, as reported by Courtney Parker, the president of the UI Black Student Union. See story, 1C.

the ledge

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ANDREW R. JUHL
Notes to self

• You need to set the bar slightly higher as far as personal hygiene goes; you shouldn't be high-fiving people just because you remembered to brush your teeth this morning.

• Mixing scotch and Tropical Fruit Skittles is a bad idea. It goes down tasting like assy pineapple. It comes up tasting like pineapply ass.

• Slamming a Rockstar energy drink first thing in the morning will not alleviate your hangover; it will merely heighten your awareness of how bad you feel.

• You have neither the style nor the flamboyance to wear that pink Ralph Lauren shirt with any conviction. Get over it. Move on. Give the shirt to a chubby gay friend.

• Stop telling people that sleeping with a Hawkeye cheerleader your freshman year was your greatest accomplishment in life so far, when you know full and well that it's going to be your greatest accomplishment in life PERIOD.

• When making something in the slow cooker, it is important to remember to turn the slow cooker on.

• When not making something in the slow cooker, it is important to remember to turn the slow cooker off.

• Stop — if possible — when (and if) you can, using (with such ... wanton abandon (and zeal (and disregard)) so much damned punctuation!

• A plot for world destruction may be more fiscally feasible than my current plot for world domination. I should run the numbers with Robert in Accounts.

• Write fewer notes to self.

— Andrew R. Juhl never remembers to forget things. E-mail him at: andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu.

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horoscopes Thursday, February 22, 2007 — by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Just when you think you have everything under control, someone will disrupt your plans. Travel the distance, and you will find someone who will come through for you. Open-mindedness will help.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Keep your emotions in check. As soon as you show weakness, you will lose your ability to negotiate. Adaptability is what's needed for success today. Don't let your responsibilities stop you from doing what you feel will help you the most.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Do what's least expected of you, and you will stay ahead of the competition. Your discipline and uniqueness will help you see any matter to the end. However, don't overdo it in the interim.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't count on the people closest to you to come through. Instead, look to those who have something to gain by joining your cause. Once you establish who can do the most for you, the rest will be a piece of cake.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't be too sure of yourself or the outcome of something you are working on. Attend to every little detail yourself, and don't be afraid to take over if something isn't being done to your specifications.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Someone you know will offer some very valuable suggestions. Don't let a change of plans upset you. Instead, work with what you have, and prepare to make the most of it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Empty promises regarding money or a legal concern will leave you feeling a little unsettled. Do your part; don't settle for anything less than what you deserve. This is not the time to rely on others, especially if money is involved.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll be drawn to someone you feel is creative, unique, or unusual, but don't give up what you've got to test drive something that may not be as it appears. Don't let your emotions affect your decisions. Stick to what you know.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't believe everything you are told. Someone is likely to exaggerate a situation or her or his capabilities. If something doesn't appear right, a change may be required to keep things afloat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Look to the reliable people and ideas that have worked for you in the past. You can make some interesting assessments that will enable you to maneuver yourself into a pretty cushy position. Be aggressive and to the point.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Not everyone will be on your side. Someone is likely to pretend to care or offer you something that he or she will not follow through with. Don't be upset. Instead, take control, and get things back on track.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Money can be earned, offers put into play, and progress made. Focus on what it is you want instead of what everyone else wants. Play your position straight, honestly, and with vision, and you will get the support you require.

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- **Lunch with the Chefs, Rio Grande-Brazilian Carnival, IMU Food Service**, 11:15 a.m., IMU Main Lounge
- **"Condition of UI" address, UI interim President Gary Fethke**, noon, hotelVetro, 201 S. Linn
- **Pharmacology Graduate Student Workshop, "Developing Potential Anti-cancer Agents from a Neutral product Lead," Nolan Mente**, 12:30 p.m., Bowen Science Building-Spivey Auditorium
- **ICON Day, display and discuss posters, ITS-Academic Technologies**, 1 p.m., IMU Richey Ballroom
- **ICON Day, demonstration by Kenneth Chapman, product manager at Desire2Learn**, 3:15 p.m., IMU Richey Ballroom
- **Entrepreneur Lecture Series, "Discovering Value: Ideas to IPO," Matthew Howard**, 4 p.m., 2117 Medical Education and Biomedical Research Facility
- **Respectful Communities Project, "The Soul of Childhood: To Act and Love," Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity**, 4 p.m., Hillel, 122 E. Market
- **"Through the Green Threshold: Naturalists and Novelists on the Trail of Paradise," Adriana Mendez-Rodenas**, 4 p.m., UI Museum of Art

- **Grabbing the Globe Seminar Series, Gregs Thomopulos**, 4:30 p.m., Macbride Auditorium
- **Urban and Regional Planning Open House**, 4:30 p.m., 327 Jessup Hall
- **An Inconvenient Truth, panel discussion, Iowa PIRG**, 6 p.m., 101 Biology Building East
- **Black Orpheus**, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **"Live from Prairie Lights," Lia Purpura, nonfiction**, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **"Studies in Sound: Listening in the Age of Visual Culture," The All-Around Reduced Personality: REDUPERS**, 7 p.m., 101 Becker Communication Studies Building; reception follows movie at the Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Journeys in Faith Group Discussion Series, "A Spiritual Journey from Sudan to Iowa City," Gatluak Chuol**, 7:30 p.m., Newman Catholic Student Center, 104 E. Jefferson
- **American Black Box, by Scott Pardue**, 8 p.m., Theatre Building Theatre B
- **Scandinavian/Nordic Fest, Maia Quartet and other UI faculty**, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
- **Printmakers Georgia Deal and Tom Ashcraft**, 8 p.m., 116 Art Building West
- **Campus Activities Board, comedian Jeremy Schachter**, 9 p.m., IMU Hawkeye
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- 3 p.m.** "Java Blend," Josh Davis Band
- 4** David Cole, Less Safe, Less Free, Why We are Losing the War on Terror
- 5:15** Women & Congress, Electing a Woman to Represent Iowa
- 7** "Java Blend," Josh Davis Band
- 8** David Cole, Less Safe, Less Free, Why We are Losing the War on Terror
- 9:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update
- 9:45** Student Video Productions Presents Incompetent Sports Talk
- 10:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update
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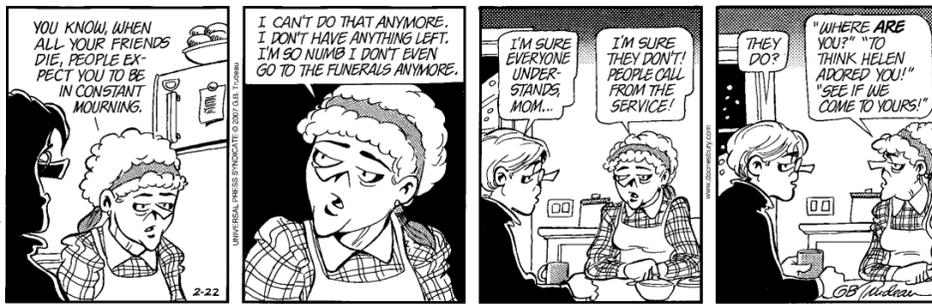
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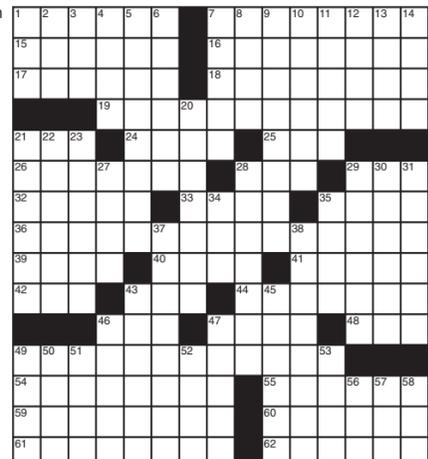


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No. 0111

- ACROSS**
- 1 Big name in menswear and cologne
 - 7 Sticking points
 - 15 Lightener
 - 16 Fit of rage
 - 17 Day spa treatment
 - 18 Breaks
 - 19 "Buckle up" or "Passengers, keep your hands off the radio!"
 - 21 Sugar meas.
 - 24 Some contests
 - 25 Phoenix-to-Albuquerque dir.
 - 26 Not in it for the money
 - 28 Reg.
 - 29 Senior ___ Tour
 - 32 Oblivion
 - 33 L., B. or J.
 - 35 Hardly four-star cuisine
 - 36 Order to act one's age?
 - 39 "A God in Ruins" novelist, 1999
 - 40 N.B.A.'s Robinson
 - 41 Author of "Jed, the Poor House Boy"
 - 42 Do stuff?
 - 43 Work cycles: Abbr.
 - 44 Encamp
 - 46 Enero, para uno
 - 47 Utah lily
 - 48 Noted Australian sprinter
 - 49 "The Odd Couple," for one?
 - 54 Welcome indicator
 - 55 1970's best seller "Dr. ___ Diet Revolution"
- DOWN**
- 1 TV ET
 - 2 Mens ___ (criminal intent, in law)
 - 3 Bud
 - 4 Devoted
 - 5 Not very potent potable
 - 6 Substituting for, with "of"
 - 7 Kind of nest
 - 8 It's to the left of #
 - 9 "Goblin Market" poet Christina
 - 10 Stick on
 - 11 Way to get home
 - 12 Son of Ramses I
 - 13 Not legis. or jud.
 - 14 Part of CBS: Abbr.
 - 20 Harvard's motto
 - 21 Rabbi's text
 - 22 Like cheap lipstick
 - 23 Flat peppermint candy
 - 27 So
 - 28 Extra action
 - 29 Camus subject
 - 30 "Rah!"



Puzzle by Lee Glickstein and Nancy Salomon

- 31 Glimpse
- 34 Media co. symbol on the Big Board
- 35 1944 battle site
- 37 Group whose 1946 song "The Gypsies" was #1 for 13 weeks
- 38 Made merry
- 43 Fast-food giant
- 45 Creature with a crest
- 46 Any of the Apennines
- 47 Young haddock
- 49 Chesterfield, e.g.
- 50 Wall St. intros
- 51 Bleu parts of French maps
- 52 "___ you one!"
- 53 Squeezed (out)
- 56 First name in tyranny
- 57 "The Office" address?
- 58 Firmed up

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