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DELIVERY MAY HAVE BROKEN LAW



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UI senior Jack Donlon and his roommate open a cardboard box stuffed with packing peanuts and 24 bottles of Abita Golden Ale on Feb. 22. The box was delivered to the students' apartment from the Illinois-based Binny's Beverage Depot after a *Daily Iowan* reporter ordered the alcohol on Binnys.com. The delivery man did not check identification. Binny's is not allowed to ship to Iowa according to Iowa's liquor-regulatory statutes.

Selling alcoholic spirits online is illegal in Iowa, yet some companies may be willing to break the law

BY ERIC RODRIGUEZ
THE DAILY IOWAN

The delivery man arrived at the apartment door of two UI students, laid the package at their feet, and asked for a signature.

The carton from the Illinois-based liquor retailer Binny's Beverage Depot held 24 bottles of Abita Golden Ale, and it was swiftly transferred to the awaiting students.

But the problems: the United Parcel Service delivery man failed to check identification — illustrating the ease for minors to get obtain alcohol via the Internet — and Binny's apparently shipped booze illegally to the Iowa City apartment.

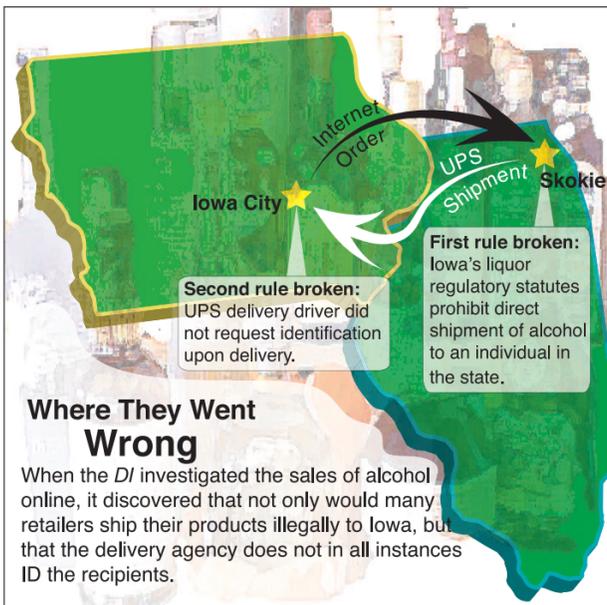
The alcohol was delivered to a *Daily Iowan* reporter, who is of legal age, after he placed an order on Binnys.com. Under

Iowa's liquor-regulatory statutes, the direct shipment of alcohol to any individual in the state, excluding certified winemakers, is banned.

Currently, Iowa Code 123.187 permits the reciprocal delivery of wines — shipments that may only be done by vintners. In addition, beer may only be sent by breweries to retailers, who would then sell the beverages, according to the Brewer and Wholesaler Agreements Chapter 123A.

Breaking these laws could lead to criminal charges for bootlegging, a serious misdemeanor that is punishable by fines ranging from \$215 to \$1,875 and as long as one year behind bars. The individual who shipped the alcohol or the owner of the business that supplied the liquor usually face the charges.

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Nelle Dunlap/The Daily Iowan

REGENTS

Culver's choices raise issue

Four new faces may grace the state Board of Regents, but none of them are from western Iowa, an area one state lawmaker said needs representation

BY TERRY McCOY
THE DAILY IOWAN

Gov. Chet Culver called for a fresh start for the state Board of Regents last week when he nominated four individuals to sit on the panel. But the fresh start, pending approval, would not involve any Iowa area west of Interstate 35.

Of the four nominees and five returning regents, not one resides in western Iowa, which leaves roughly half of the state underrepresented on the board.

"It seems like geographic representation has not been a priority for the governor," said Jeff Angelo, R-Creston, adding that the Culver administration has said it has had trouble finding candidates from all over. "But I find that hard to believe."

The nominees are David Miles of West Des Moines, Craig Lang of Brooklyn, Jack Evans of Cedar Rapids, and Bonnie Campbell of Des Moines. With the Senate's approval of the quartet, more than half of the regents would call the Des Moines area home.



Culver
governor

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Alt-fuels event draws supporters

Lawmakers demonstrate support for renewable energy efforts in Iowa

BY MATT NELSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

TIFFIN — Mix equal parts lawmaker, average citizen, and worker.

Then stir vigorously until a hodge-podge of conversation on alternative energy in Iowa emerges at the inaugural celebration of National Biodiesel Day.

The Tiffin-based Flying F Bio-Fuels workshop welcomed officials and regular Iowans alike at an open house on Sunday afternoon that showed how anyone — literally — could produce her or his own eco-friendly fuel.

"If you can bake a cake, you can make biodiesel," said Angie Mason, the communications officer at

'If you can bake a cake, you can make biodiesel.'

— Angie Mason,
Flying F communications officer

Flying F.

Most biodiesel fuel comes from local restaurants that use vegetable oil for deep-frying — a fraction of the 3 billion gallons used nationwide every year, said Yoderville Biodiesel Co-op President Steve Fugate, a self-professed "hard-core biodiesel addict" who has worked at the Hamburg Inn for 25 years.

The co-op's design — dubbed the "Ester Machine" — has already sold 15 units from Canada to South America. Starting with raw or used vegetable oil, the design uses three 80-gallon drums and a modified water heater with a mess of plastic and metal tubes to process and treat the oil, producing 80 gallons of biodiesel per 12-hour cycle.

"It looks homemade, but it gets the job done," Mason said.

Mark Gomez, a 50-year-old Iowa City resident, uses commercial biodiesel for his Volkswagen Passat. Despite his estimated 5 percent loss in fuel efficiency, he said he is an ardent supporter of biodiesel.

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Ed Bornstein/The Daily Iowan

Rep. Dave Loebsack (right), D-Iowa, and Rep. David Jacoby, D-Coralville, talk with members of Flying F Bio-Fuels in Tiffin on Sunday afternoon. Flying F makes and sells Ester Machines, which allow people to safely and effectively produce biofuels in their own homes.

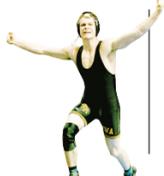
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GRAPPLE MANIA

Hawkeye Mark Perry pulls off a shocker, and Iowa State does some surprising business of its own. **1B**



HOW DO YOU SPELL RELIEF?

Iowa officials are hoping President Bush spells it by adding 36 counties to the 46 designated as disaster areas in the wake of winter storms. **8A**

NARRATIVE NONFICTION

Grunge band The Narrator avoided breaking up and put out a new album, and the group will show off the results tonight. **7A**

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State asks for judgment in Gilchrist case

An Iowa assistant attorney general is asking the court for summary judgment in former UI Hygienic Laboratory Director Mary Gilchrist's case against two UI administrators.

George Carroll has filed a motion requesting an oral argument and summary judgment on behalf of interim UI President Gary Fethke and Meredith Hay, the UI vice president for Research.

After Gilchrist was fired in October, she sued Fethke and Hay, contending that the two had illegally tried to hush her concerns about what she labeled insufficient funding for the new Hygienic Lab and the Iowa Vanguard Program.

Judge Denver Dillard has refused to temporarily reinstate Gilchrist in her post while court proceedings are pending, concluding that she acted as a lobbyist trying to gain support for her own agenda, not as a whistleblower communicating substantial risk to public health.

The Iowa Attorney General's Office had viewed Dillard's injunction ruling as the end of the matter, but following attorney Pat Ingram's request for an expanded conclusion, the judge wrote that it should not have been interpreted as a final decision in the case.

Carroll is now seeking a final decision.

— by Kelsey Beltramea

Loeb sack proposes naming building after Leach

Rep. Dave Loeb sack, D-Iowa, has introduced a bill in the House to rename the Davenport Federal Building after former Rep. James Leach, whom he defeated in last November's elections.

The tentatively named "James A. Leach Federal Building" in Davenport would honor the 30-year congressional veteran who narrowly lost to Democrat Loeb sack. Sens. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, and Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, are sponsoring similar legislation in the Senate.

Grassley said in a statement that Leach has been a great representative for Iowans in Congress, and the building is a small gift of appreciation for Leach's work.

Leach was thoughtful and dedicated toward the public, said Harkin, adding that Leach's contribution on

behalf of Iowa and the nation have made it an honor to recognize the man with the building's name.

— by Amanda Battaglia

Man charged with unlawful use of card

Iowa City police have charged a local man with a felony count of unlawful use of a financial card, alleging that he stole more than \$5,000 from an unnamed person.

Caleb Calkins, 19, reportedly used an ATM/debit card a female lost in October 2006 to make 46 withdrawals from her bank account between that month and January, according to a police complaint dated March 6.

Officers said the woman lost her Wells Fargo card during October 2006 but didn't notify bank officials. She noticed the withdrawals in January, authorities said.

The total loss was estimated at \$5,787.50, police said.

The woman reportedly later identified Calkins in five different surveillance pictures as the person who was using her card. He now faces a Class D felony charge of second-degree theft.

If convicted, Calkins could face up to five years in prison and a \$7,500 fine.

— by Emileigh Barnes

Man charged with theft in car sale

Police have charged an Andover, Ill., man with theft, alleging that he wrote a bad check for 15 vehicles purchased at a police auction in Iowa City on Nov. 18, 2006.

Authorities said Gary Schwager, 39, bought the 15 vehicles for \$2,920 at the auction. He wrote a check for his purchases, but the check was returned "for insufficient funds," according to a police complaint dated Jan. 6.

Officers said they contacted Schwager, who promised three times to come to the department in Iowa City and pay for the vehicles.

After 25 days, he had still failed to give the police payment, authorities allege.

He was booked into Johnson County Jail on March 12.

Schwager now faces a Class D felony charge of second-degree theft — bad check. If convicted, he could be sentenced to up to five years in prison and a \$7,500 fine.

— by Emileigh Barnes

Area man charged with sex abuse

North Liberty police have charged a 28-year-old man with felony sexual abuse, alleging that he performed a sex act on a female who was sleeping at his house.

Officers reported that the female was sleeping at North Liberty resident Shawn Krantz's house on July 30, 2006, when she awoke at 6 a.m. and discovered her clothes had been removed.

The female reported to authorities that Krantz was performing "a sex act" on her when she woke up, according to a police complaint dated March 13. The female then fled the residence, hid outside, and called the police, authorities reported. Krantz followed her outside, the complaint shows.

Officers said that when they arrived on the scene, they executed a search warrant of the residence to retrieve the female's personal belongings.

Krantz now faces a Class C felony charge of third-degree sexual abuse. If convicted, he could face up to 10 years in prison and \$10,000 in fines.

— by Emileigh Barnes

Illinois man charged with theft

A Joliet, Ill., man faces charges of first-degree theft after Iowa City police alleged that he stole a Chevy Tahoe on March 12.

Police documents allege that Dontaya Pruitt took a Chevy Tahoe from the 600 block of East Church Street about 12:26 p.m. He was later arrested on a warrant, at which time he had the vehicle in his possession, according to a police complaint dated March 12.

Authorities reported that the Tahoe was listed as missing and Pruitt admitted to having driven the vehicle, which was valued at more than \$10,000.

Pruitt was booked into Johnson County Jail at 5:07 p.m. on March 12. At that time, he had a detain/hold for the Illinois Department of Corrections.

He now faces a Class C felony charge of first-degree theft. If convicted, he could face up to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

— by Emileigh Barnes

Taxing smoke

Smokers are already feeling the pinch. Last week, the Iowa Legislature approved an immediate \$1 per-pack

increase for all cigarettes sold in the state, along with roughly proportional tax jumps for cigars and some other tobacco products. The hike, from 36 cents to \$1.36, lifts Iowa's tax from the lower end among the 50 U.S. states to the top third.

And actual cigarette prices have risen by more than \$1. Because Iowa's sales tax is imposed not just on cigarettes but also on the tobacco tax itself, most packs of Marlboros at Kum & Go, 25 W. Burlington St., now total \$4.77 with tax, up from \$3.61. Most Parliament-brand cigarettes, now cost \$4.92, up from \$3.77.

During debate at the Statehouse, many Republican lawmakers — proposing that the money generated be spent for specific health-care programs only — saw their amendments stifled by Democratic majorities in both chambers seeking broader control over where to direct the funds. The final bill, signed into law by Gov. Chet Culver on March 15, creates a standing appropriation to a health-care trust fund to be doled out to state health programs largely at the discretion of the Legislature.

— by Mason Kerns

Deadline approaches for Cmiel internship

The deadline is approaching for applicants for the 2007 Kenneth J. Cmiel Human Rights Funded Internship Program — created in honor of the deceased director of the UI Center for Human Rights and history professor.

The scholarship offers up to \$2,500 to UI students — including undergraduates, graduates, and professionals — who have internships at nongovernmental organizations or government agencies related to human rights. Following their summer internships, students must also enroll in a degree program at the UI in order to be eligible for the scholarship.

Cmiel, who had been part of the UI College of Liberal Arts and Sciences since 1987, was working on a project on the history of the idea of human rights when he collapsed of an undetected brain tumor and died in February 2006. The award-winning human-rights advocate studied topics including mass communication and child welfare.

The applications for the scholarship are due by 5 p.m. on April 15

— by Zhi Xiong

METRO

Man charged with burglary

Iowa City police have charged a local man with first-degree burglary, alleging that he broke into his girlfriend's residence and attacked her during the morning of March 13.

Dione Mobley, 26, is accused of illegally entering a Dover Street residence by breaking through a window screen about 7:50 a.m., according to a police complaint dated March 13.

Officers said once he was inside, he confronted a woman about money and assaulted her. The female suffered visible cuts on her face, authorities reported.

Mobley later told police he had fought with the woman over money and had hit her, reports allege.

He now faces a Class B felony charge of first-degree burglary for the incident. If convicted Mobley could face up to 25 years in prison.

— by Emileigh Barnes

March 16 with interference with official acts causing/intending to cause injury, assault on a peace officer with intent to injure, and violating a no-contact domestic abuse protective order.

Allyson Slach, 18, Riverside, Iowa, was charged March 16 with fifth-degree theft.

Nicholas Storm, 21, Peoria, Ill., was charged March 17 with public intoxication and urinating in public.

Bryan Trott, 34, 6 Cottage Grove Drive, was charged March 17 with OWI.

James Tucker, 26, 1629 Hollywood Blvd., was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Richard Valdez, 32, 960 Spring Ridge Drive, was charged March 17 with third-and-subsequent OWI.

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Taking advantage of the good weather on the last day of spring break, Nolan Royer ollies over a ledge outside the Adler Journalism Building on Sunday.

POLICE BLOTTER

Anthony Ahlen-Prado, 23, West Burlington, Iowa, was charged March 17 with second-offense public intoxication.

Richard Bennett, 33, 809 E. Davenport St., was charged March 16 with OWI.

Clayton Bigelow, 20, Mechanicsville, Iowa, was charged March 17 with public intoxication.

Brian Blackwood, 41, address unknown, was charged March 16 with third-and-subsequent public intoxication and urinating in public.

Lee Eichelberger, 23, 921 E. Burlington St., was charged March 16 with keeping a disorderly house.

Phillip Elbert, 19, 143 Ravencrest Drive, was charged March 16 with obstructing an officer and possession of marijuana.

Jedediah Frey, 24, Chillicothe, Ill., was charged Sunday with third-degree burglary, fifth-degree theft, and public intoxication.

Katharine Gaidient, 23, 127 Iowa Ave. Apt. 4, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Juan Garcia, 25, 4494 Taft Ave. Apt. B9, was charged March 16 with OWI.

Daryl Gilliam, 41, Coralville, was charged March 17 with driving with a suspended/canceled license and obstructing an officer.

Joshua Graves, 21, Normal, Ill., was charged Sunday with public intoxication and fifth-degree criminal mischief.

Shawn Haigwood, 40, Westmont, Ill., was charged March 17 with urinating in public.

Nicholas Howard, 18, Altoona, Iowa, was charged Sunday with

PAULA. Derek Huff, 18, West Liberty, was charged March 16 with OWI.

Courtney Jackson, 23, 2482 Lakeside Drive Apt. 9, was charged Sunday with violating a no-contact domestic-abuse protective order.

Joseph Lopez, 34, 57 Amber Lane, was charged March 16 with violating a no-contact domestic-abuse protective order.

Nichole Lux, 20, North Liberty, was charged March 17 with PAULA.

Meredith Norton, 21, 1767 Louis Place, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and interference with official acts.

Chiquila Pedero, 21, address unknown, was charged March 16 with interference with official acts.

Brandon Pittman, 19, 2422 Lakeside Drive Apt. 4, was charged

4 nominated for regents

REGENTS

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Angelo said he is not certain the administration is looking hard enough for a western-Iowa-based regent. He suggested Culver had likely fallen victim to a common trait among newly elected officials — appointing to government positions only campaign supporters and friends.

He likened such a prospective board to a state Legislature elected only by eastern and central Iowa voters.

But personal geographic location has little to do with regent activities, said Regent Teresa Wahlert, who will step down from the board May 1.

"I don't think that geography is a determinant of who makes a good regent," she said. "The most important qualifications [as a regent] is to understand markets and industry and to have a balanced, excellent background in professional life. That outweighs issues of geography."

The prospective appointees would replace Regents Wahlert, Amir Arbisser, and Mary Ellen Becker — who both sought an additional term — and former Regent Tom Bedell, who resigned following a tumultuous chain of events last year involving the UI presidential search.

Regent Jenny Connolly said she is disconcerted about the lack of western Iowa representation, noting that Bedell, a resident of Spirit Lake, had represented the region.

But it is impossible for the regents to represent every person in Iowa, she said.

"Even if you had a board of 50, you are not going to represent every constituency in Iowa," she said.

Angelo, an Education

REGENT NOMINEE BIOS

Bonnie Campbell: The only woman who has ever been Iowa's attorney general, a position she held from 1990 through 1994. Currently, she focuses on providing crisis management in publicized matters in her legal practice. She is a Democrat and lives in Des Moines.

Jack Evans: The president of the Hall-Perrine Foundation, a private Cedar Rapids philanthropic corporation. He sits on the Board of Directors of Gazette Communications and has experience on the floor of the Chicago Stock Exchange. He is a Republican and lives in Cedar Rapids.

Craig Lang: The president of the Iowa Farm Bureau, an organization that he joined in 1992, when he was elected as the District 6 representative. Along with his father and brother, Lang farms more than 1,000 acres, where they own 400 dairy operations. He is a Republican and lives in Brooklyn.

David Miles: The chief financial officer of Countryside Renewable Energy Inc. He has financial experience, which he developed as the executive vice president of Principal Mutual Funds. Miles is a graduate of Harvard Law School and a Democrat. He lives in West Des Moines.

Source: Gubernatorial press release dated March 15

"The most important qualifications [as a regent] is to understand markets and industry and to have a balanced, excellent background in professional life. That outweighs issues of geography."

— Teresa Wahler, regent

Committee member, said that while analyzing the four candidates, he will focus first on whether they will work to keep tuition low, noting that since fiscal 2000, tuition has gone up roughly 100 percent at the state universities.

A gubernatorial nomination does not necessarily guarantee approval, he noted.

"I am not sure if we are going to start just blanket-approving nominees, and we have expressed concerns," he said. "There needs to be some dialogue between the Legislature and the governor on appointments."

Meanwhile, Miles, the West Des Moines-based nominee, said that if he garnered senatorial consent to join the regents, he would make efforts to craft a more "collaborative" board that would boast faculty, staff, and student involvement.

"It is very clear that we need to have open processes for the Board of Regents," he said. "The governor is very clear on going forward, and I am as well."

The other three candidates could not be reached for comment Sunday.

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Alt-energy stresses DIY

ENERGY

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"The stink [of diesel] is gone. It just smells like burnt French fries," Gomez said, adding that energy loss isn't enough to be concerned about. "Biodiesel burns better."

Gomez, who came to the open house out of curiosity, also noted that many of the toxins and carcinogens in conventional diesel — such as benzene — are not found in biodiesel, and he praised the benefits of not having to fill up at stations.

Housed in a re-purposed machine shed, Flying F Bio-Fuels assists people who wish to set up their own biodiesel production or are looking to buy the complete Ester Machine for \$5,900. Fugate said a larger Mobile Super Ester, which can produce 500 gallons, has been contracted for use in the Dominican Republic — running on biodiesel itself as a

"It's absolutely critical to develop alternative sources of energy. [The Democratic Party] will be proposing legislation by July Fourth to deal with these issues. We're just getting started."

— Dave Loeb sack, representative

self-sufficient production process.

"It's all about local, creative solutions," Fugate said. "We really think the answer [to energy problems] won't come from Washington, and it won't come from Exxon."

Efforts similar to those of Fugate and the Flying F are exactly what the state Legislature wants to support with bills such as the Energy Independence Act, which allocates money for the Iowa Power Fund for building renewable energy efforts in the state, said Rep. David Jacoby, D-Coralville.

Another bill set for debate

would exempt independent fuel producers making fewer than 300 gallons a year from the usual excise taxes on fuel produced in the state, said Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City.

"It's absolutely critical to develop alternative sources of energy," U.S. Rep. Dave Loeb sack said on Sunday, adding that he is doing anything he can to promote the kind of events hosted by the Flying F. "[The Democratic Party] will be proposing legislation by July Fourth to deal with these issues."

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ALCOHOL DELIVERY RAISES QUESTIONS

DELIVERY

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"[Binny's Beverage Depot] is not authorized to bring liquor into the state [of Iowa]," said Lynn Walding, the administrator of the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division.

But Binny's isn't the only online liquor business that violates the law or is willing to do so. In a survey of various online alcohol retailers, *The Daily Iowan* found that five were willing to ship liquor illegally to Iowa.

The businesses included Texas retailer Specs Liquors, Berbiglia Wine and Spirits located in Kansas, New York-based Grand Wine Cellar, Minnesota liquor shop Surdyks Liquor Store and Gourmet Cheese Shop, and the Jug Shop in San Francisco.

In addition, consumers can type "alcohol" into the shopping search engine www.mysimon.com and retrieve 2,263 hits for

businesses that would ship spirits and beers to consumers in Iowa.

Walding said shipping alcohol illegally across state lines is an issue for the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division.

Officials will send warnings to alcohol retailers as a result of Binny's shipment to the *DI* reporter, and they had planned prior to the incident to meet with major carriers, such as UPS and Federal Express, to discuss liquor shipments, Walding said.

Iowa City police Lt. Dan Sellers said shipping liquor to minors via online retailers wasn't an act he perceived was heavily abused. One way that police could help prevent liquor shipment to

minors was for officers to cooperate with major carriers, he said.

"You could have an officer dress up as a UPS delivery person and check ID," he suggested.

The identification system currently in place can be easily circumvented. Anyone age 21 and older can sign for a package, even if her or his name isn't on the order, UPS spokesman Dan McMackin said.

Binny's is now under investigation by both UPS and the Illinois Liquor Control Commission. Company owner Michael Binstein said his business didn't mean to ship the beer illegally and that legal advisers were looking into Iowa's law.

The company's website states it is a misdemeanor or felony to ship alcoholic spirits to Michigan, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Utah, among other states.

"We turn down over \$3 million a year [to states we can't ship to]," Binstein said.

Ted Penesis, a spokesman for the Illinois Liquor Control Commission, said Binny's liquor license will either be fined, suspended, or revoked.

Binny's could also risk losing its contract with UPS because the Feb. 19 shipment. The retailer broke a contract with a stipulation held by UPS that prohibits companies from shipping alcoholic beverages aside from wine via the carrier.

UPS' McMackin said the company was looking into the situation, and dropping a contract with Binny's could be an option. He also said UPS is not responsible for enforcing the law.

Yet, he added, the UPS driver who delivered the alcohol has been investigated because he did not ask for identification on the package ordered by the *DI*.

UPS delivery drivers are trained on how to deal with packages that require an

"adult signature," noting that UPS keypads display a "see identification" reminder.

"We are not a police agency," McMackin said. "We don't expect to be, and we don't want to be."

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Cuts hit state's energy aid

The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program awarded \$52 million to Iowa in 2006, but this year, the agency reduced its offer by \$16 million, and lawmakers are requesting the Bush administration release an additional \$200 million in emergency financial help.

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DES MOINES — With heating bills from one of the coldest months of the year arriving in the mailbox, many low-income Iowans are discovering that the state's energy-assistance program is able to offer less help.

The energy assistance typically provides grants to low-income Iowans to help with energy costs. But this year, state officials were forced to trim the one-time grants from an average of \$320. That's compared to an average of \$450 last year.

But that's not even the full extent of the state's bind — the cuts have also forced officials

to dip into program money that's normally kept in reserve for advance purchases of propane during the summer, when it's less expensive.

"It's a real struggle," said Diane Popelka, who coordinates applications for the program at Mid-Iowa Community Action Agency in Marshalltown — one of the areas hardest hit by February's snow storms.

Iowa is one of seven states where money is either gone or

depleted for the federal Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, which helps the low-income families with their heating bills. Applications for the program are taken through April 16.

Jerry McKim, the program's state director, said he expects to issue grants to approximately 90,000 households, around the same number as last year.

Iowans who earn less than 150 percent of the federal poverty level, equivalent to

approximately \$24,900 a year in income for a family of three, may qualify for aid.

Iowa received \$52 million for the program in 2006. This year that figure was reduced by \$16 million this year.

In reaction to pleas from the financially strapped states, including Iowa, lawmakers are asking the Bush administration to release \$200 million in emergency energy assistance.

Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, said he signed onto a bipartisan letter with other senators asking that the money be distributed.

'These bills are coming in, and they need to be paid.'

— Tom Harkin, senator

METRO

Inmate contends trial mishandled

A Clarinda Correctional Facility inmate serving a 10-year sentence for third-degree sex abuse is now seeking post-conviction relief, claiming that the court and prosecutors mishandled his case and defense counsel failed to protect his right to a fair trial.

A jury convicted Peter Christian in 2004 of raping a UI student in her South Johnson Street apartment in October 2002. Christian appealed his case to the Iowa Court of Appeals, which later affirmed the Johnson County jury's guilty verdict.

Christian maintains in his 30-page request that a number of items prevented a fair trial.

The 39-year-old claims that counsel failed to eliminate biased jurors during selection, that defense counsel was not prepared for cross-examining a witness, and that counsel failed to object or remedy the "carnival atmosphere" of the courtroom during trial — fueled by media attention, a hysterical woman in the audience, and annual sexual-assault awareness events scheduled the same week.

Christian is scheduled to be released in April 2008, online Department of Corrections records show.

— by Kelsey Beltramea

Chem Building to get additional funds

The UI Chemistry Building just got a lot more money.

The state Board of Regents last week approved revising the budget for the Chemistry Building renovation project, allocating an additional \$6.2 million — a 17.7 percent increase over the \$35 million previously available to construction officials, according to a regents' report dated March 9.

The additional appropriations for the project will come from the university's Carver Trust, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and building-renewal funds, according to the report.

Regent Jenny Connolly conceded that she did not know much about the projects but understood that the Chemistry Building "desperately" needed renovations.

She added that she is content with whatever amount of money the board designates.

"I have every faith in the budget people," she said. "I think that is all that is important."

— by Terry McCoy

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No new word on March 8 deaths

BY EMILEIGH BARNES
THE DAILY IOWAN

As of Sunday, police officials had released no new information relating to two bodies found in a Benton Street residence after someone called in a welfare check on March 8.

However, the incident is still under investigation, officials said.

Raymond and Patty Mace were discovered dead at the 229 W. Benton St. residence after police received reports that the residents hadn't been answering their door.

Iowa City police online records show that a reporting party — who was not identified — asked police to conduct a welfare check at the Maces' house after being unable to

make contact with the residents for two weeks.

Iowa City police Sgt. Bill Campbell said that although the incident was still under investigation, he could provide no further information as of Sunday.

"It's not in patrol's hands anymore," Campbell said.

He referred calls to Lt. Sid Jackson, who heads investigations in the department. Jackson could not be reached for comment on Sunday night.

According to online records, the unidentified caller told police one of the residents was elderly, the other was handicapped, and reported that papers had been piling up by the side door to the residence.

At the time of the 11:45 a.m. call, the person reported

hearing a dog inside and said that though cars were at the residence, no one answered the door after repeated knocking.

Officials at the Johnson County medical examiner's office reported the bodies were taken to Ankeny, Iowa, for autopsies by the state medical examiner.

Julia Goodin, the chief state medical examiner of Iowa, could not be reached for comment on Sunday. Officials at the state medical examiner's office said they couldn't release information about the Maces or the autopsies on Sunday night.

Police had released no statements about the deaths on Sunday.

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Brett Slezak/The Daily Iowan

On March 8, police found the bodies of Raymond and Patty Mace inside of 229 W. Benton St. The police have reported nothing new on what might have caused the deaths.

METRO

Regents add 2 financial institutions

The state Board of Regents decided last week to add the UI Community Credit Union and the Hills Bank & Trust Co. to the UI's list of eight approved financial institutions, bringing the total to 10.

Hills Bank will serve as insurance in case any "disruption in operations" befalls the UI financially, and the credit union will track university bills and

departmental deposits, according to the modification of banking relationships report dated March 9.

The two institutions will have a maximum deposit set at \$20,000. Of the 10 approved financial institutions, the largest remains Wells Fargo Bank-Iowa, which allows a maximum deposit of \$375,000, according to the report.

"This is to make the faculty and staff lives more flexible," Regent Jenny Connolly said on Sunday. "This is so they have more choices on campus for getting money

to use, because everything is on the go."

— by Terry McCoy

County budget OK'd

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors has approved the county's budget for fiscal 2008, pushing it to the next step — state approval.

The new budget came up for formal approval on March 15. The supervisors unanimously approved the new budget of \$80.9 million, a 12.4 percent increase over last

year.

Among the budget allocations is \$1.69 million for Johnson County's Special Needs and Elderly Assisted Transportation System Paratransit department — \$800,000 of which would go toward a down payment on a new facility.

In the public-safety sector of the budget, \$2.48 million has been allotted for Johnson County Ambulance Services.

"We have one of the best ambulance services in Iowa," Supervisor Pat Harney said on March 8.

Strategic planning for the budget began last August. Supervisors held work sessions in December and January before presenting the outline to the public on March 8. The outlined plan was not contested during that hearing.

County budgets had to be submitted to the state by March 15. The supervisors electronically submitted their newly certified plan following their morning meeting on that day.

— by Michelle Scott

UI PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH Panel sifts through names

State legislators may meet with the UI presidential-search committee Friday to discuss UI-state government relations while the panel considers new ways to assess candidates

BY COLIN BURKE
THE DAILY IOWAN

State lawmakers may attend this Friday's UI presidential-search committee meeting to discuss how the university and state government interact and to get a general view on what the university is doing well.

Panel head David Johnsen is also opening communication about Gov. Chet Culver's four nominees to the state Board of Regents, who were announced late last week.

The dean of the UI College of Dentistry said at the committee's March 16 meeting that he would send a congratulatory letter to the nominees and added that the committee will try to ascertain their views regarding the presidency and the UI.

Nominees include former Iowa Attorney General Bonnie Campbell and Jack Evans, the president of the Hall-Perrine Foundation, a private philanthropy corporation in Cedar Rapids.

The other nominees are Craig Lang, who serves as the president of the Iowa Farm Bureau, and David Miles, the chief financial officer of Countryside Renewable Energy Inc.

Those appointments are subject to confirmation by the Iowa Senate. Johnsen said during the meeting he was reluctant to express his views on any of the appointees because he didn't want to speak about any specifics.

As the committee strives toward choosing a president, it has discussed new ways of sifting through the nearly 120 names it has received as potential successors to former UI President David Skorton.

The committee is in the process of creating a survey to evaluate the candidates. Linda Maxson, the dean of the UI College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, said the criteria should include past accomplishments by the candidates and items that distinguish them from the rest of the pool.

But Elizabeth Chrischilles, a UI professor of epidemiology, asked if the criteria could also include a section on potential negative traits.

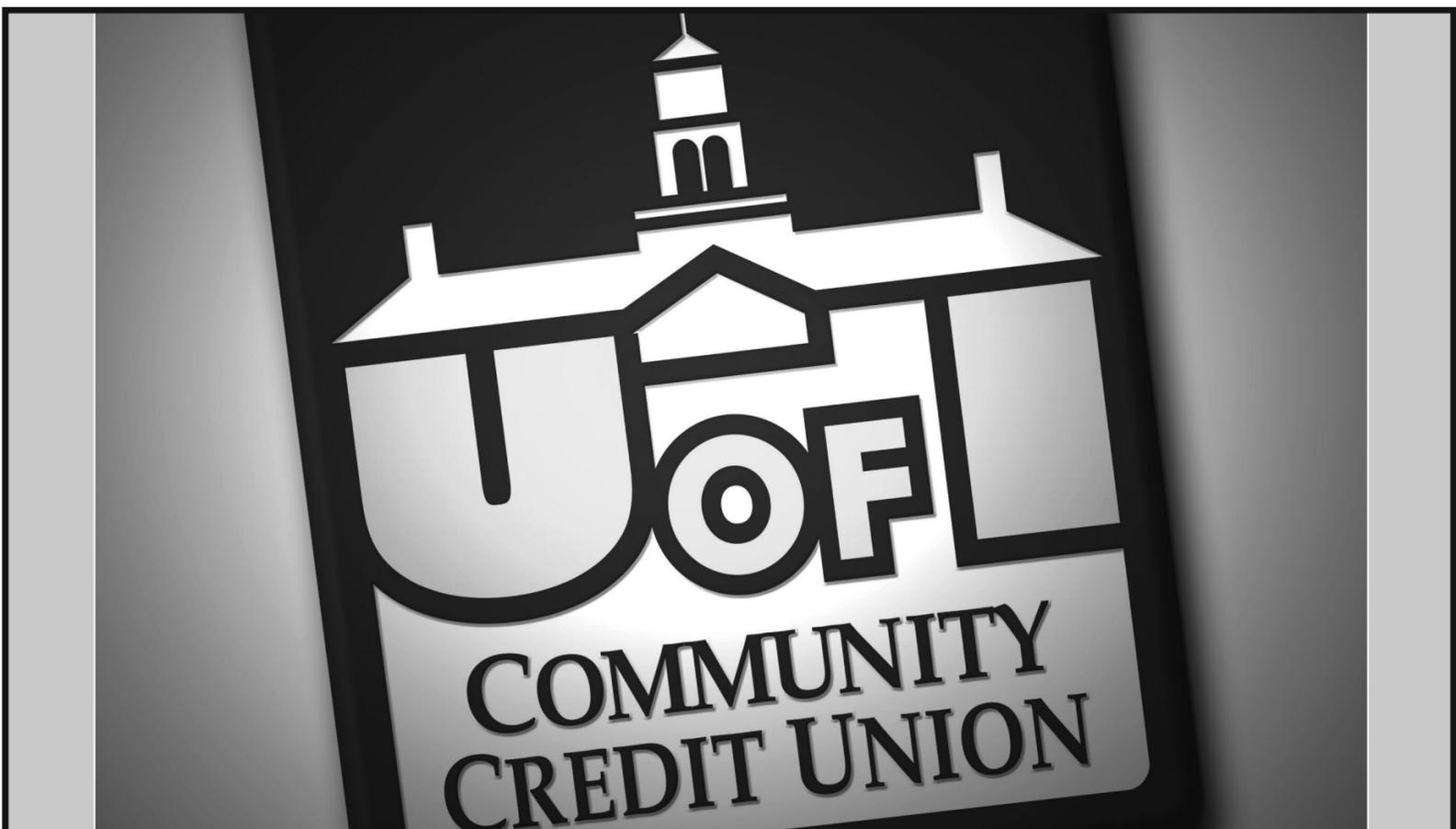
As the committee begins to make a final draft of these forms, Johnsen said it could divide into subgroups to tackle the nearly 120 names. The nominees have come to the committee via applications or recommendations made on behalf of potential candidates.

"It's a tedious process at this point," he said.

He said he wanted the division to be done in the spirit of Iowa's open-meetings law. Currently, the committee adjourns into a closed executive session when it discusses specific candidates.

Johnsen said subgroup discussion would focus on evaluating the presidential nominees, but if the groups were going to mention anything besides candidates, public notification of that meeting would be made.

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EDITORIAL

Regent appointees present chance to move forward

Iowa Gov. Chet Culver has announced his four appointees to the state Board of Regents to replace Teresa Wahlert, Amir Arbisser, Tom Bedell, and Mary Ellen Becker; the four will need to be confirmed by two-thirds of the Iowa Senate by April 15.

In selecting his appointees, Culver decided not to reappoint any current members whose terms are expiring, instead choosing to start with a clean slate. The proposed appointees are Democrats Bonnie Campbell and David Miles and Republicans Jack Evans and Craig Lang. On its face, the group represents a diverse selection of backgrounds. Campbell is a former Iowa attorney general, Evans and Miles contribute financial backgrounds, and Lang brings administrative experience with various farm groups. Culver's approach is a step in the right direction with fresh perspectives to repair and mend the troubled board; this is exactly what is needed.

What will be important for Iowa's senators is applying serious scrutiny during the confirmation process. The Senate cannot just rubber-stamp these individuals but must make an earnest assessment of their skills, backgrounds, and the board's current leadership needs. One concern is having adequate representation for western Iowa. None of the proposed appointees is from any farther west than Des Moines. The regents, who govern Iowa's three public universities, the Iowa School for the Deaf, and the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School, must represent the people of Iowa, and that means recognizing the views and opinions of residents out-

side of the eastern urban areas. This is one, albeit relatively minor, concern for those participating in the confirmation hearings. The far greater matter is assessing the ability of these four to rebuild the reputation of the regents.

The past mistakes and divisions that have occurred on the board and with those outside of it should be in everyone's thoughts, foremost being the catastrophe that was the original presidential search at the UI. Even members of the board became disenchanted, with now former Regent Tom Bedell resigning in protest. People's faith — particularly in the UI community — in the regents to do a competent and open search has been greatly damaged; it's going to take some very upstanding individuals to restore that confidence. The regents have shown an effort rebuild trust, an example being the e-mail policy introduced in response to past concerns of secrecy. However, it's a small step; the placement of these four will have a more significant effect. The new regents will have to bring their own ideas and strength of personality to stand up to board President Michael Gartner, whose term ends in 2008.

Though the waters have been rough in the past, the future looks calm for the regents. The current trends have been moving to a more balanced board with better regard for public interests. This process is not over however, and for the most to be gained of the confirmation process, questions need to be asked and the appointees scrutinized.

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Fund existing stem-cell research

What's the rush? Why are the powers-that-be pushing our legislators to fund embryonic stem-cell research right now? Maybe they learned that scientists recently discovered a treasure trove of stem cells in amniotic fluid, found at any obstetrical department, and no lines necessary. Or maybe they heard that doctors in England are already using adult stem cells to treat chronic illnesses and are getting encouraging results. These cells are taken from the patient's own bone marrow, which means no need for expensive autoimmune drugs to fight off the rejection of foreign tissue. As a taxpayer, I would rather not fund alienating embryos in order to grow new stem-cell lines. I would rather see my dollars go for research on using stem cells and on treating disease.

If you agree, please let your representative know — before it's too late.

Kate McCann
Clinton, Iowa, resident

Enact stricter immigration laws

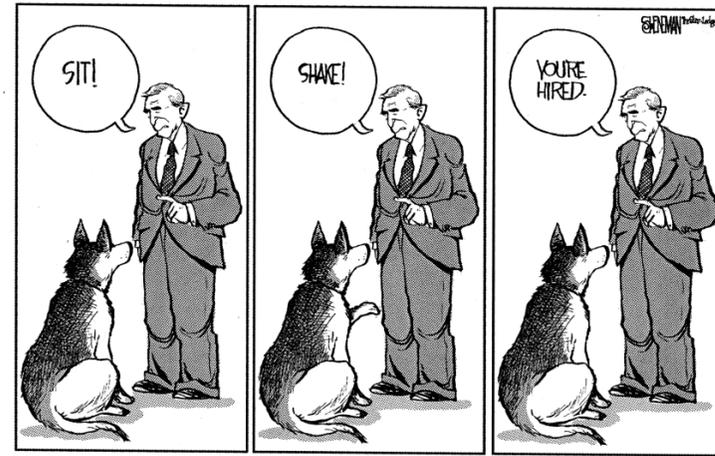
I am writing in response to the *DI*'s guest opinion article titled "Immigration:

America needs Iowans to get this issue right," published March 8.

Here, I have a brilliant idea: Let's do away with any type of border restrictions at all and allow for the free passage of any citizen, to any country, for any reason. I mean really, what is the point of having a secure border at all, especially if people are just looking for an honest day's work? Should not we, as Americans, be sympathetic to those who are looking for a fresh start? I mean, hell, the United States was founded by people who were looking for religious freedom, right?

Two groups of people benefit from the illegal immigration. First, the nomadic people of Mexico who cannot seem to find jobs in their own country, and second, the capitalist pigs who hire the illegal aliens. I am actually shocked that the drive by liberal media and the crazies on the left side of the political spectrum have not jumped all over the individuals who hire illegal Americans. I mean, I would guess that these illegal individuals do not receive proper union benefits?

Not taking a harder stance on illegal immigration is not being American. Allowing for individuals classified with the word "illegal" is completely irresponsible. People in the United States who are



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not properly identified and who are basically invisible to the legality of our great nation are a risk to any and all Americans. Sure, you could argue that most are just trying to make a living, but what about that one who murders or

rapes? Then what? Are you still in favor of not having stricter immigration laws and protecting the border of the greatest nation in the world?

Jonathan Gates
UI student

GUEST OPINION

Support Election Day registration in Iowa

Last fall, 10 days before the 2006 elections, I met a young woman from Waterloo who was a recent high-school graduate. She was working full-time and taking night classes to prepare for a job in law enforcement. We were sharing a table at the local NAACP chapter's annual banquet, and the theme was "Voice your vote - Vote your voice." Talk at our table soon turned to the elections, and she mentioned that she wasn't sure voting really mattered. People had told her again and again that "politicians are all crooked" and "they're all alike," so she didn't think people such as her had a chance against the powers that be.

As it happened, she had come to the banquet with her friend, another young woman who worked at a social-service agency that helps children. Her friend was shocked at how public opinion had turned this young woman to apathy, and she explained how the votes that people cast can ensure that leaders get elected who will protect the interests of the children her agency serves. Other people at the table described what voting meant to them, how it put them on a level playing field with their richest and most powerfully connected neighbors in that one place, the voting booth. By the end of the evening, my new acquaintance had changed her mind about voting and was ready to take this most important step in civic responsibility. But she could not. It was past 5 p.m. on the 10th day before the election, and the voter-registration deadline had passed her by. She had to wait until the next election to voice her vote and vote her voice.

Voting is the most basic right, the most precious responsibility of U.S. cit-

izenship. We entrust our elected leaders to create public policies that serve the greater good. The will of the people, which defines that greater good, is voiced through many means; but no other means is so essential, so defining a characteristic of citizenship, as the vote. Those who must — or do not — vote are effectively rendered mute. That is why we must act swiftly to remove barriers to our ability to exercise our voting rights. In Iowa this year, thanks to the efforts of concerned citizens and the leadership of elected officials such as Secretary of State Michael Mauro; Senate Majority Leader Mike Gronstal; Speaker Pat Murphy; Reps. Pam Jochum, Beth Wessel-Kroeschell, Ako Abdul-Samad, and Todd Taylor; and Sens. Mike Connolly, Staci Appel, Jeff Danielson — we have the opportunity to remove one of the most significant of those barriers: an arbitrary deadline that says voter-registration paperwork must be filed 10 days before an election. This barrier prevents many voters from having their voices heard in our democratic process.

America was built on the ideals of democracy, and it has taken many years for those ideals to be applied to all citizens. Proposed legislation to allow Election Day registration is another step forward in the long march of our history toward true, full democracy — where the voices of all eligible voters are heard and our government is truly of the people, by the people, and for the people.

Amly Logsdon,
political director of Iowa Citizen Action Network North Liberty resident

ON THE SPOT

What did you do over spring break?



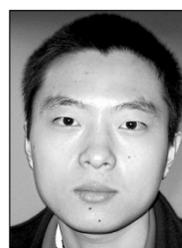
"Worked at a hospital."

Melanie Adams
UI freshman



"I went on a talking show promoting a running group, so working and running."

Angelique Eslami
UI staff



"Stayed here working at the medical lab and went out to the bars."

Dalin Wu
UI junior



"I went to Chicago for a day and ate at an authentic Mexican restaurant."

Rachel Carlson
UI senior

The real IC

Spring break has ended, which is a shame. Breaks, along with summer, are the best times of the year to live in Iowa City. It feels like a normal place to live, rather than a locale defined by a disturbingly high number of alcoholics.

The four years — or more — spent in Iowa City are a defining feature of an education from the UI. Certainly, university life is a go-to sales pitch for prospective students. But the vast majority of UI students never fully immerse themselves in greater Iowa City. This isn't Ames — Iowa City has a life. But it seems that most only inhabit downtown bars, a great shame indeed.

It is not easy to fully identify just what makes a true Iowa City resident. Simply heavily imbibing in alcohol is assuredly not a valid qualification; it is perhaps a point against any claim to "know" or "live in" Iowa City. The embarrassing behavior of many UI students in the downtown area is a black mark on the community, and native Iowa City residents are rightfully



ANDREW SWIFT

appalled by rampant debauchery.

Rather, the institutions residents frequent define true Iowa City locals. There is no shortage of Iowa City landmarks, but certainly most UI students do not qualify as Iowa City citizens — and really, I prefer to be exclusionary. One trip through the Ped Mall on a Thursday night is enough to want to separate myself from the masses. Karl Marx famously declared, "Religion is the opiate of the masses." I tend to think slobbery, too-loud exclamations of drinking forays are more contextually relevant. Creating an elitist Iowa City club is the perfect solution to place myself above the fray.

While I am certainly biased in choosing the forthcoming locales — I am, after all, serving as judge and jury — it is indubitably true they represent a broad cross section of Iowa City society. Most are within walking distance of the so-cherished bars, yet are so culturally removed from licentious drunkenness they seem to be in a different city.

We'll start from the location I wrote this column in: the Java House. Of the choices downtown, the Java House is the only legitimate coffee shop and its atmosphere is vastly superior to its competitors — it creates enlightened individuals.

Only a slight stroll away is Prairie Lights, a local bookstore that puts Barnes & Nobles (located in Coralville, by the way) to shame. While it cannot possibly offer the selection of the bloated mega-chain, it is clearly superior in atmosphere than the capitalist confines of Barnes & Noble. Books are not meant to be sold in factory-like businesses — indeed the demise of the local bookstore is an extremely pressing concern.

But a steady diet of books and coffee is not entirely healthy. Luckily, Iowa City offers very legitimate native restaurants. Foremost among them is the Hamburg Inn, so well-renowned as an Iowa City institution that it was showcased on an episode of "The West Wing." Hamburg Inn T-shirts are recognized the world over as vintage Iowa City. Other acceptable eateries are Pancho's — not at 2 a.m. — or Pagliai's Pizza. On a date, your best shots for a good impression are either One Twenty Six or the Linn Street Café. If your date prefers a chain restaurant, it's time to move on.

But eating out can get costly. Luckily, Iowa City has two home-grown grocery stores. Both John's Grocery and the New Pioneer Co-Op are stores for people in the know. A solid organic alternative to the mega grocery stores is necessary for a left-leaning city such as Iowa City — and New Pi fills that role excellently. John's, for its part, is the best place to buy good beer or wine, and it is impossible to top its selection.

The number of stops is endless: the Tobacco Bowl, Uptown Bill's, the Englert Theatre, the Picador (formerly Gabe's), the Den — all are important locales for many who call Iowa City home. There is no doubt whether Iowa City has atmosphere. It's unfortunate that most of it is drowned out by obscenely loud, drunk exchanges between friends, rivals, and soon-to-be one-night-lovers. ■

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WORD OF THE WEEK

felicitous (adj): suitably applied or appropriate
 Sentence: "Jenny, that's the most felicitous thing I've seen since that vandalized picture of Walt Disney with Satan horns."

ARTS & CULTURE

Close narration of looking for a good wreck

Opening acts rule, too. The double dose of Chicago opens *The Narrator* and *Catfish Haven* prepare for tonight's show headlined by *The Thermals*.

BY BRIGID MARSHALL
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Chicago-based grunge outfit *The Narrator* nearly called it quits after its first drummer left the group just before the band began recording its sophomore album.

Instead, the band members decided they needed a legacy and started to work on *All That to the Wall*, which will see release in May. Now, they're hitting the road, letting the legacy (and their Chevy van) roll on.

Their first go, 2005's *Such Triumph*, was acclaimed by *Pitchfork Media* as imparting "shock and awesomeness," while their new effort seeks to represent their recent self-

evaluation.

"We just got together, and it happened at a time when we realized what we wanted out of our band," said vocalist and guitarist Jesse Woghin.

"There was a lot of thought that we wouldn't make a new record. We were just stuck in a rut, and people just weren't getting along, so we just needed to bite the bullet and shake things up."

The three-piece punk group will make its way to Iowa City's Picador, 330 E. Washington St., tonight after a strenuous tour session at the South by Southwest music festival in Austin, Texas. The band will open with *Catfish Haven*, another

Chicago set, for Portland trio *The Thermals*.

"We're really excited to play with *The Thermals*," said Woghin, sounding more like an admiring fan than a fellow musician. "I guess a lot of us have to work to play music, so it's cool to be able to play with them."

Woghin and the band's bassist, James Barron, are more than willing to ditch their office-work day jobs at their label, *Flameshovel Records*, in favor of constant touring. As Woghin acknowledges, the easy connection between his weekly paycheck and the band makes for ample opportunity to tour — but it remains difficult to make a

LIVE MUSIC
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Where: Picador,
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living on the road.

Luckily, the group's music seems more than likely to catch on with casual clubgoers — *The Narrator's* sound is a mixture of punky edge and a poppy effervescence akin to Canadian rockers *The*

Weakerthans.

The band's post-punk sound lends itself to combined vocal harmonies from Woghin and vocalist/guitarist Sam Axelrod slammed against heavy guitar riffs. Their whining voices and screaming choruses don't hurt it, either.

From new hits, such as the single "SurfJew," to "Chocolate Windchimes," the new album's closer, the group ascends into a lyrically driven mayhem — courtesy of Woghin — filled with satisfying, autobiographical lines describing the near end of *The Narrator*.

The band will debut new songs tonight along with its usual smattering of numbers

the members have played in downtown Chicago venues. Woghin said that because the album showcases the quintessential "Narrator sound," for now, the band members are in love with every song.

"The idea of having a record be a real statement of a band and not just simply music — the idea of making something outside of ourselves," he said. "That's what this album is."

Excited to end the jam-packed weekend in Austin with a quickie stop in Iowa City, Woghin said of the go-go-go schedule, "More likely than not we'll be a wreck, but hopefully it'll be a good wreck."

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Thermopylae as a blockbuster

Vastly outnumbered Spartan warriors turn what could've been a lost gem into a surprise blockbuster. The thrilling 300 bit theaters March 9 and earned \$70 million in its opening weekend.

In Hollywood's latest comic-to-film project, Zack Snyder's *300*, which chronicles Spartan King Leonidas' war with Persia's "God King" Xerxes, fits the cinematic mold of unsundering warriors and Sparta's near defeat, but the film's glorious visual spectacle overrides any notion of a cliché plot line.

Somehow in every hotbed film about loyal soldiers and patriotic pride, one Benedict Arnold lurks among the troops (even in pre-Revolutionary War historical epics). In *300*, he's a hunchbacked Spartan man called Ephialtes, who approaches Leonidas and asks to be part of the ensuing battle. Ephialtes is turned away, only to afterwards walk directly into the hands of Sparta's advancing enemy. His betrayal leads to the tragedy of the film's title — which could've been an annoyingly obvious inevitability.

Aside from the stock plot points, one thing that surprises, and even disappoints, viewers ends up seeming unnecessary



FILM REVIEW

by Brigid Marshall

300

When:

12:45, 3:45, 6:45, 9:30 p.m.

Where:

Coral Ridge 10

When:

12:45, 3:35, 6:25, 9:15 p.m.

Where:

Sycamore 12

★★★★ out of ★★★★★

anyway — the non-"comic-to-film" style. As a comic-strip film, *300* falls short because it doesn't have the typical qualities

associated with graphic-novel formula movies. This is no *Sin City* tribute.

However, the film's real events don't actually translate well to comics. Everything in the film seems too realistic — too much like the other ancient Greco-Roman-Persian film to be reduced to pulpy presentation.

The very real Battle of Thermopylae, in 480 B.C.E., where Leonidas led 300 Spartan warriors against the sprawling Persian army, gave the Athenian navy ample time to prepare for the Battle of Salamis, whose victory led to the Greeks' final victory over the Persians in the Battle of Plataea. Compelling on its own, trust me.

But it's no matter — if you don't know anything about ancient Greek history, Snyder and co-writer Kurt Johnstad make it nearly impossible for you to misunderstand the story line. Even for novice history and comic buffs, this film surpasses expectation with its riveting battle sequences.

After two hours of slow-motion blood squirting practically off the screen as countless Persians beg for death from their much stronger opponent, *300* reveals a side plot concerning Leonidas' headstrong and loving queen on the home front, Gorgo. She delivers a knockout speech to the Spartan counsel and requests the rest of the army to aid her husband.

Her unwillful submission to the powers higher than her, namely all Spartan men (save Leonidas), leads her into precarious situations that eventually test her feminist persona. Here, *300* takes a giant step away from, say, *The Patriot's* predictable torch-pumping rage.

The film is nothing short of an exciting exhibition of loyalty, camaraderie, and a gripping desire to defeat an approaching enemy. The film's realistic nature catapults it into a genre far removed from comic simplicity — all for the better.

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Iowa officials seek federal winter-storm aid

The state's elected officials are fighting for increased federal assistance following winter storms

BY NEAL SAUERBERG
THE DAILY IOWAN



'I've heard of roads in western Iowa that are just now getting cleared, and the result is a difficult road to travel on. I hope the president will quickly assess the need and grant approval so Iowans can get back to normal as soon as possible.'

— Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, in a statement

Meanwhile, a \$1 million effort at the state level provides reimbursements to cover uninsurable costs such as lodging expenses, electrician fees, and vehicle damage. Iowans requesting assistance can seek a maximum of \$3,319.

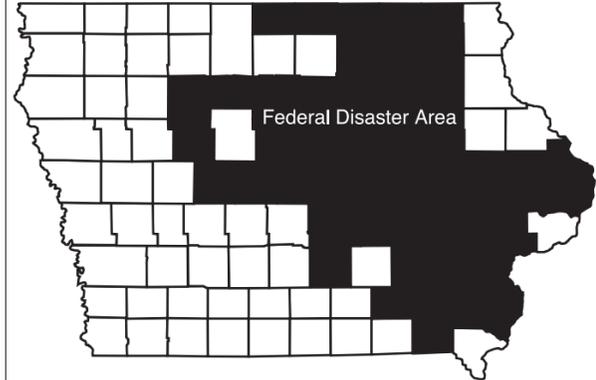
Despite state involvement, Iowans seeking recovery funds must wait for Bush's decision on whether he will expand federal aid in accordance with Grassley and Culver's wishes.

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The damage is done

Damage caused by the previous weeks' ice storms has caused President Bush to declare 46 Iowa counties federal disaster areas. These counties will be eligible for federal aid to repair and replace storm-damaged facilities. However, Iowa political leaders have filed a Presidential Disaster Declaration request to include an additional 36 Iowa counties in the disaster area.



Nelle Dunlap/The Daily Iowan

removing any remaining snow, which can be costly. State assessments show more than \$34 million in damages.

"It is important to remember these damage estimates only cover eligible expenses under the federal programs," Culver said in a statement. "The actual damages that can be attributed to this storm are substantially higher."

For example, farmers' inability to transport grain and properly

store livestock increased the number of cattle and hog deaths across the state. The Iowa Department of Agriculture said the storm created "the most detrimental February for livestock in the last five years."

Grassley struck a deal with Secretary of the Treasury Henry Paulson enabling state farmers who filed tax statements after the March 1 deadline to avoid IRS penalties.

Help may soon arrive for Iowans battered by the severe winter storms that ripped through the state last month, causing power outages, widespread school closures, and impassable rural roads.

President Bush designated 46 Iowa counties, including Johnson County, as federal disaster areas following formal requests from lawmakers and other elected officials. The decision enables the affected areas to receive relief funds from the federal government, as well as those distributed by the state.

But Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, Gov. Chet Culver, and others want to see more, and they're proceeding with a Presidential Disaster Declaration request, which calls on Bush to include an additional 36 Iowa counties on the federal list.

The designated federal funds would help fix structures suffering wind damage, in addition to repairing rural roads and

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 Oregon 75, Winthrop 61
 Kansas 88, Kentucky 76
 Florida 74, Purdue 67

Southern Illinois 63, Virginia Tech 48
 Memphis 78, Nevada 62
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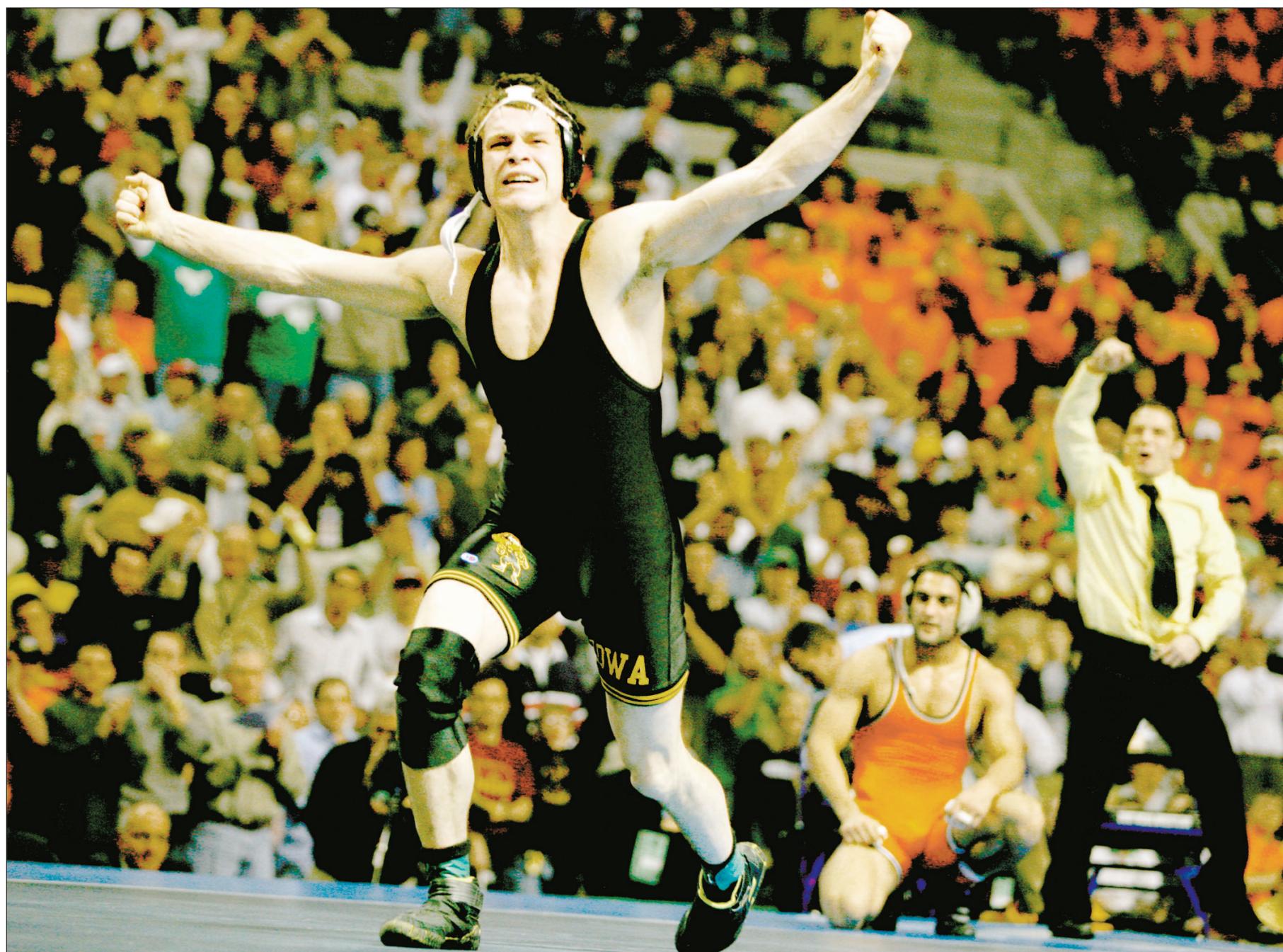
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NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL: UNLV UPENDS WISCONSIN, 2B

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MARK PERRY shocked the 17,780 fans at the Palace and sat atop the wrestling world on March 17, scoring a near-fall with 18 seconds remaining in the 165-pound **NCAA FINAL** to defeat two-time defending champion and **NO. 1 JOHNY HENDRICKS** of Oklahoma State, 4-3. Previously 0-6 against Hendricks, Perry ended Hendricks' 56-match winning streak.

MINNESOTA ROLLS, BUT PERRY ELECTRIFYING



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye Mark Perry, the 165-pound NCAA champion from Stillwater, Okla., celebrates as he looks toward his family in the stands after beating No. 1 Johnny Hendricks of Oklahoma State at the Palace of Auburn Hills, Mich., on March 17.

MARK PERRY 4, JOHNY HENDRICKS 3
NEMESIS NO MORE

BY CHARLIE KAUTZ
 THE DAILY IOWAN

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Electrifying scenes of the emotion flooding from Mark Perry's widening eyes, his adrenaline-loaded fists soaring in the air and bruised knees collapsing in the center of the NCAA wrestling championships-heightened stage were anything but scripted on March 17.

His head gear unstrapped and flailing in the roars of the Palace crowd, the Iowa junior cried, high-fived, bear-hugged, and screamed from the depths of his gasping lungs before

SEVENTH TIME'S A CHARM

Iowa's **Mark Perry** waited for his last opportunity to knock off his nemesis. The 165-pound junior from Stillwater, Okla., earned two near-fall points in the final period to pull off the stunning **4-3 upset** over No. 1 Johnny Hendricks and give the Hawkeyes their first NCAA champion in three years. Previously 0-6 against Hendricks, here's a look at all of Perry's collegiate losses before last weekend's stunning upset:

Nov. 21, 2004: Kaufman-Brand Open — Lost, 7-5 SV
Jan. 16, 2005 — Lost, 3-1
March 19, 2005: NCAA championships — Lost, 5-2
Nov. 20, 2006: NWCA All-Star Dual — Lost, 3-1
Jan. 13: National Duals — Lost, 9-1
Jan. 19 — Lost, 4-3

sprinting into the heart of Section 104 to share the blur of a moment he's dreamed of his entire life with family.

Up against two-time defending NCAA champion

SEE PERRY, PAGE 3B

ISU jumps ahead

BY CHARLIE KAUTZ
 THE DAILY IOWAN

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — The new era of the Iowa-Iowa State battle for wrestling supremacy began with the hiring of big names and ended in a mixed bag March 17 at the NCAA championships.

Both first-year head coaches at their respective universities, Cael Sanderson carried the Cyclones to a surprising second-place team finish and four All-Americans, while the Tom Brands regime led the Tom Brands regime led the Hawkeyes to an eighth-place showing and sent one fewer All-American to the stand.

Competing at a higher level across the board throughout the three days, Iowa State had more championship finalists (three) than any other team but only captured one individual title in the form of a 6-4 decision for 157-pound senior Trent Paulson.

Falling back in the standings with the disappointing elimination of junior Alex Tsirtsis and heavyweight Matt Fields, the Hawkeyes stumbled to their worst team finish since 1972, but they earned their third individual title of the decade from No. 2-seeded Mark Perry.

Admittedly upset with the ways things shook out for the

NCAA
CHAMPIONSHIP
TEAM STANDINGS

1. Minnesota	98
2. Iowa St.	88.5
3. Missouri	80
4. Northwestern	71.5
5. Oklahoma St.	69
6. Michigan	62
7. Hofstra	60.5
8. Iowa	57

team, Brands cited the full commitment made to a new Iowa State system as the

SEE IOWA STATE, PAGE 3B

Hawkeye hoops season ends very quietly

MARCH 9 — 3:32 P.M.

Big Ten Tournament quarterfinal, United Center

Needing at least two wins to be considered for at-large consideration for the NCAA Tournament, Iowa couldn't even knock off Purdue — a team the Hawkeyes beat by 19 points just two weeks before the league tournament. The Boilermakers stifled Adam Haluska and easily won, 74-55, behind Carl Landry's 20 points.

MARCH 9 — 4:12 P.M.

Postgame press conference, United Center locker room

It's that time of year again. After the loss, coach Steve Alford responded to rumors and speculation from national media outlets that he's a candidate for the coaching vacancy at New Mexico. "You know how I am with rumors," he said. "There have been enough rumors about me in eight years. It's hard to believe I'm not in a dress right now." Alford's not the only one. Reports circulated that associate head coach Craig Neal may be interested in the job opening at University of Denver.

MARCH 11 — 8 P.M.

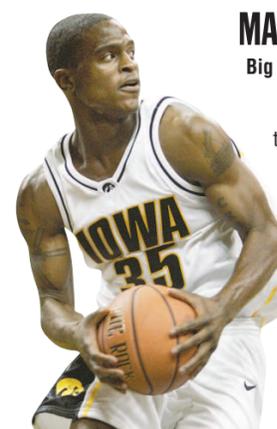
NIT selection show, broadcast from Bristol, Conn.

Steve Alford and the Hawkeyes gathered at Carver-Hawkeye Arena anticipating news of where their postseason would begin. Prior to the show, coaches and players spoke as if an NIT berth was guaranteed — and few outside observers disagreed. ESPN2 commentators announced and analyzed the 32-team field, but Iowa's name was never called. It was the first time since 2000 the program failed to make the postseason.

MARCH 11 — 8:25 P.M.

Career-ending moment, Carver-Hawkeye Arena locker room.

The collegiate careers of Adam Haluska and Mike Henderson came to an abrupt end with Iowa's absence in tournament brackets. Sourcing matters further was the pair's performance in what turned out to be its final game in black and gold. Neither played to potential — Haluska shot 4-of-16 from the field and scored 14 points. In 18 minutes, Henderson scored two points, passed for two assists, and turned the ball over twice.



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NCAA MEN'S TOURNAMENT

Opening Round
At Dayton, Ohio
Niagara 77, Florida A&M 69

EAST REGIONAL
First Round
At Winston-Salem, N.C.
Boston College 84, Texas Tech 75
Georgetown 80, Belmont 55
Michigan State 61, Marquette 49
North Carolina 86, Eastern Kentucky 65
At Sacramento, Calif.
Washington State 70, Oral Roberts 54
Vanderbilt 77, George Washington 44

Friday, March 16
At Spokane, Wash.
Texas 79, New Mexico State 67
Southern California 77, Arkansas 60
Second Round
Saturday, March 17
At Winston-Salem, N.C.
Georgia Tech 84, Boston College 55
North Carolina 81, Michigan State 67
At Sacramento, Calif.
Vanderbilt 78, Washington State 74, 2OT
Sunday, March 18
At Spokane, Wash.
Southern California 87, Texas 68

Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 23
At East Rutherford, N.J.
Georgetown (28-6) vs. Vanderbilt (22-11), 6:27 p.m.
North Carolina (30-6) vs. Southern California (25-11), 30 minutes after first game
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 24
At East Rutherford, N.J.
Semifinal winners

SOUTH REGIONAL
First Round
At Lexington, Ky.
Louisville 78, Stanford 58
Texas A&M 68, Pennsylvania 52
Ohio State 78, Central Connecticut State 57
Xavier 79, Brigham Young 77
At Columbus, Ohio
Virginia 84, Albany, N.Y. 57
Tennessee 121, Long Beach State 86
At New Orleans
Memphis 73, North Texas 58
Nevada 77, Creighton 71, OT
Second Round
Saturday, March 17
At Lexington, Ky.
Ohio State 78, Xavier 71, OT
Texas A&M 72, Louisville 69
Sunday, March 18
At Columbus, Ohio
Tennessee 77, Virginia 74
At New Orleans
Memphis 78, Nevada 62

Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 22
At San Antonio
Texas A&M (27-6) vs. Memphis (32-3), 6:27 p.m.
Ohio State (32-3) vs. Tennessee (24-10), 30 minutes after first game
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 24
At San Antonio
Semifinal winners

MIDWEST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 15
At Buffalo, N.Y.
Maryland 82, Davidson 70
Butler 57, Old Dominion 46

Friday, March 16
At Chicago
UNLV 67, Georgia Tech 63
Wisconsin 76, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 63
At Spokane, Wash.
Winthrop 74, Notre Dame 64
Oregon 58, Miami (Ohio) 56
At New Orleans
Purdue 72, Arizona 63
Florida 112, Jackson State 69

Second Round
Saturday, March 17
At Buffalo, N.Y.
Butler 62, Maryland 59
Sunday, March 18
At Chicago
UNLV 74, Wisconsin 68
At Spokane, Wash.
Oregon 75, Winthrop 61
At New Orleans
Florida 74, Purdue 67

Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 23
At St. Louis
Butler (29-6) vs. Florida (31-5), 6:10 p.m.
UNLV (30-6) vs. Oregon (28-7), 30 minutes after first game
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 24
At St. Louis
Semifinal winners

WEST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 15
At Buffalo, N.Y.
Virginia Commonwealth 79, Duke 77
Pittsburgh 79, Wright State 58
At Sacramento, Calif.
UCLA 70, Weber State 42
Indiana 70, Gonzaga 57
Friday, March 16
At Chicago
Kansas 107, Niagara 67
Kentucky 67, Villanova 58
At Columbus, Ohio
Virginia Tech 54, Illinois 52
Southern Illinois 61, Holy Cross 51

Second Round
Saturday, March 17
At Buffalo, N.Y.
Pittsburgh 84, Virginia Commonwealth 79, OT
At Sacramento, Calif.
UCLA 54, Indiana 49
Sunday, March 18
At Columbus, Ohio
Southern Illinois 63, Virginia Tech 48
At Chicago
Kansas 88, Kentucky 76

Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 22
At San Jose, Calif.
Kansas (32-4) vs. Southern Illinois (29-6), 6:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (29-7) vs. UCLA (28-5), 30 minutes after first game
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 24
At San Jose, Calif.
Semifinal winners

FINAL FOUR
At The Georgia Dome
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National Semifinals
Saturday, March 31
East champion vs. South champion
Midwest champion vs. West champion
National Championship
Monday, April 2
Semifinal winners

UNLV 74, WISCONSIN 68
UNLV upends Wisconsin

BY RICK GANO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Kevin Kruger made dad proud. And he made UNLV a winner again in the NCAA Tournament.

Kruger connected on three straight 3-pointers late in the second half Sunday, and the Runnin' Rebels rallied to beat second-seeded Wisconsin, 74-68, in the second round of the Midwest Regional.

The Badgers (30-6) became the highest-seeded team to lose in the tournament.

Kruger was shooting just 1-of-15 in the NCAAs — including 1-of-7 Sunday — when he found the range. He tied it with a 3, then hit another to give the Runnin' Rebels the lead with less than six minutes left.

Seventh-seeded UNLV (30-6) led by 12 at the half, but Wisconsin rallied with 11-straight points. A 16-2 run gave the Badgers a five-point lead to the delight of their red-clad fans at the United Center.

But Kruger, who transferred from Arizona State to play his final season for his dad Lon, delivered. After his three 3-pointers, he was fouled on another long-range

attempt and made all three free throws to make it 64-56 with a little more than three minutes left.

Wisconsin's Kamron Taylor sank a 3-pointer and converted a three-point play with 59 seconds to go to get the Badgers to 70-67.

Curtis Terry, who earlier made a 3-pointer, had a free throw and a little jumper in the lane to give the Runnin' Rebels a five-point cushion with 29 seconds to go.

UNLV's first-round victory over Georgia Tech was its first in the NCAA Tournament since the 1991 team went to the Final Four behind Larry Johnson, Greg Anthony, Stacey Augmon, and towel-chewing coach Jerry Tarkanian.

Wisconsin fell into an 18-point hole in the first round Friday against Texas A&M-Corpus Christi before Taylor led them back in the second for a 76-63 victory.

This time the Badgers couldn't come all the way back.

Wendell White, playing with sore ribs, led UNLV with 22 points. Kruger finished with 16 points and seven assists. Taylor paced the Badgers with 24.

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HAWKEYE SPORTS

Baseball loses four of six

After an impressive start to the 2007 season, the Iowa baseball team dropped four of six games during its nearly week-long trip to California last week.

Coach Jack Dahm's squad lost three-straight games to Fresno State to begin the week, allowing 31 runs. The Hawkeyes responded with a 17-13 victory over Dallas Baptist in 10 innings on March 16.

The following night, Iowa used an eight-run second inning to top Fresno State. On March 17, Dallas Baptist scored 18 runs behind 20 hits to defeat the Hawkeyes, 18-5.

Iowa's (5-5) home season will start Friday with a three-game series against North Dakota State at Duane Banks Field.

— by Jason Brummond

Softball breaks even

The Iowa softball team completed a 12-game road trip in California on March 13, finishing the time away from home with a 6-6 record, which brings the Hawkeyes to 18-13 overall heading into their first home games of the 2007 season this coming weekend.

The trip began with a rough start, as Iowa lost its first three games at the National Invitational Softball Tournament before finishing the last two games with back-to-back victories, including a 9-8 win in 10 innings over San Jose State.

In between tournaments, the Hawkeyes went to Sacramento and lost both games of a double-header to Colorado State.

Iowa's highlights came this past weekend; the Hawkeyes took the first four games they played at the Capital Classic before losing the finale to Cal Poly by a 8-3 margin.

Junior Emily Nichols lost her hitting streak in Iowa's 13-6 win over Mercer on March 16, but not before it reached 28 games, a Big Ten record. She also tied the Iowa career home-run record in Iowa's initial game with BYU.

— by Brendan Stiles

Hawkeye throwers shine

The outdoor season began for the Iowa men's track team, when the Hawkeyes traveled to Tucson, Ariz., for the Willie Williams Classic March 16-17.

For the Hawkeyes, major strides were made, with four throwers surpassing the regional-qualifier mark in the first meet of the young season.

The shot put was particularly strong.

Junior Mark Schaapveld and sophomores John Hickey and A.J. Curtis all achieved regional qualification in the event. Hickey led the group in fifth place, throwing 59-5½, followed by Curtis in seventh and Schaapveld in ninth.

Curtis' 58-7½ and Schaapveld's

57-0¼ were both career marks.

In the hammer throw, Adam Hamilton finished fourth with a toss of 200-11. The senior was the fourth regional qualifier for the Hawkeyes.

Junior Kale Katt (eighth), Schaapveld (11th), and Hickey (13th) also placed in the event.

Katt also had a strong showing in the javelin, throwing 196-4 for first place.

Curtis also placed 13th in the discus.

Next up for Iowa will be the LSU Tiger Relays in Baton Rouge on Friday and Saturday.

— by Alex Johnson

Alexander breaks record, finishes second

Kineke Alexander broke her own school record in the 400 meters en route to a second-place finish at the NCAA indoor championships in Fayetteville, Ark., on March 9-10.

The defending national champion in the event bested her mark with a time of 51.48, just behind South Carolina's Natasha Hastings — who set a NCAA meet record with her time of 50.80.

With second place, the junior earned All-American honors for the fifth time.

Meghan Armstrong also became an All-American for the second time with eighth-place in the mile with a time of 4:49.07, nine seconds slower than her season-best time.

In high jump, Peaches Roach cleared 5-10½ to finish 11th. She placed sixth with the same jump in 2006 indoor but placed her lowest since tying for 15th three years ago.

The rest of the Hawkeyes kicked off the outdoor season on March 16-17 in San Diego with four event winners.

Renee White placed first in the 200 and second in long jump, while Diane Nukuri won the 1,500 with a time of 4:20.95. In the 100-meter hurdles, Tiffany Johnson took the top spot in 13.82. The 1,600-meter relay team of Sophia Ponce, Aditya Jones, White, and Megan Clarke won the final event with a time of 3:48.02.

— by Diane Hendrickson

Tough break for GymHawks

The Iowa women's gymnastics team dropped two tough meets against No. 18 Missouri and No. 9 Oklahoma over the break.

On March 10, the Hawkeyes fell four times on bars as they posted one of their lowest team scores of the season, 192.875. The Tigers easily won with a score of 195.425.

Katie Burke and Katie Turcotte tied for third with 9.85s on vault. Burke also was Iowa's top finisher on bars with a 9.7, good for a tie for fifth. Kara Pinjuv tied for second on beam with a score of 9.85. On floor, junior Amanda Rudolph tied for third. Burke and Pinjuv finished in second and third respectively in the all-around.

Iowa rebounded a little against the Sooners on March 17, scoring a team total of 193.825, still well short of Oklahoma's 194.475.

Turcotte tied for third on vault with a 9.8. On bars, Burke and Beth Dilick tied for fourth with 9.775s. Danielle Legeai finished second on beam — an event on which the GymHawks fell twice — with a personal best of 9.85. Jen Simbhudas was Iowa's top finisher on floor in sixth with a 9.775.

— by Diane Hendrickson

Men's gymnasts drop three

After coming off a double loss a week ago in a triangular meet against fifth-ranked Stanford and second-ranked Penn State in California, the No. 9 Iowa men's gymnastics team was defeated again when No. 5 Oklahoma trounced the Hawkeyes on March 17 in Norman, Okla., 220.5-209.8.

For the squad's final scheduled meet of the season, Iowa was out-matched by the Sooners in every event despite a first-place performance on floor exercise by sophomore Geoff Reins and an additional top finish by junior Curtis Kleffman, who competed solely on pommel horse.

Freshman Jonathan Buese won the all-around with a 50.65 score, and senior Matt Beiler earned the highest score on still rings with a 9.4 over fellow senior and ring specialist Jacques Bouchard, who finished fourth with a 9.3.

— by Ryan Young

Men's golf down and up

Like its travel plans during spring break, the Iowa men's golf team's scores were all over the place during the 10-day span.

The Hawkeyes, led by senior Jon Feldick, competed in the Mission Inn Collegiate Invitational in Howie in the Hills, Fla., on March 10-11. The team compiled a 54-hole score of 915 to place 15th out of 16 schools.

As has often been the case this season, Feldick was the lone standout for the Hawkeyes, finishing in 27th place. Dan Holterhaus followed in 57th, one stroke and five spots ahead of teammate Adam Miller. Scot Glasford and Bennet Hammerberg completed the weekend with 71st- and 80th-place finishes.

With another disappointing finish behind them, the Hawkeyes used a midweek challenge with Stetson University to straighten their games out.

The two teams competed in a one-day 18-hole challenge on March 14, with the Hawkeys driving, chipping, and putting their way to a 10-stroke victory.

Feldick led all golfers on the day with a 73, while Zack Anderson tied for second with a 75 in his first action in the spring campaign. Miller and Holterhaus tied for fourth out of 10

golfers with a pair of 76s, and Hammerberg closed things out with a ninth-place 80.

— by Sean Monahan

Agache fails to advance

Iowa junior Dragos Agache swam at the NCAA championships on March 16 at Minnesota but failed to advance past the preliminaries in the 100 backstroke.

The Constanta, Romania, native recorded a time of 54.29 — considerably slower than the 53.77 mark he set at the Big Ten championships, which broke his own school mark — and didn't make the cut.

Agache was the only Hawkeye to qualify for the trip to Minneapolis. He also competed at the NCAAs last season in Atlanta, where he placed 22nd (54.64) in the 100 back but didn't qualify for the finals.

— by Paul Kazmierczak

Women's golfers have busy break

The Iowa women's golfers had a packed spring break, competing in two tournaments in the same week.

The Hawkeyes kicked off their spring term at the UNLV Invitational on March 12-14, placing 12th among 18 schools. The Iowa golfers combined to shoot 893 over three rounds, 46 strokes behind winner Brigham Young. Jill Marcum led the Hawkeyes in Las Vegas, carding a score of 220 during the three days and placing 26th individually.

The Hawkeyes then flew to Austin, Texas, to compete in the Longhorn Invitational on March 16 through Sunday. Iowa finished 13th out of 15 squads with a combined score of 957. Karla Murra carded an 18-over-par 234 over three rounds to lead the Hawkeyes.

— by Paul Kazmierczak

Men's tennis sweeps three

The 75th-ranked Iowa men's tennis team didn't take the break in California too seriously; it swept the competition in three meets.

The Hawkeyes started the week off by taking out UC-Santa Barbara (5-2). The team continued the success with a win over UC-San Diego (6-3) and cemented an undefeated spring break with a 6-1 victory over Dartmouth.

"It was a really good trip," coach Steve Houghton said. "It's the first time in a long time that I can remember sweeping all our matches out here."

Although doubles gave the Hawkeyes problems, several players went undefeated in singles play to propel the team to the three wins. Bart van Monsjou, J.P. Ritchie, Reinoud Haal, and Tommy McGeorge all went 3-0, while sophomore Greg Holm went 2-0.

The squad will resume competition with Indiana and Ohio State this coming weekend.

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Perry stuns ex-nemesis to seize title

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and No. 1 seed Johny Hendricks of Oklahoma State, Perry scored a near-fall with 18 seconds remaining in the 165-pound championship match, taking a decisive 4-2 lead that ended magnificently in a shocking 4-3 upset in favor of the junior.

"I really didn't wrestle the type of match I wanted to, the type of match that [Iowa] Coach [Tom Brands] and I talked about at the hotel," Perry said. "I really didn't wrestle a solid match, but really what it came down to was the support of my coaches and my family. In the past, it just wouldn't have happened."

"I would've gotten rode out in that third period."

The unbelievable seven-minute war with Hendricks, who before the match was Perry's career-long kryptonite (0-6), was a rematch of the 2005 NCAA final in which Hendricks won, 5-2. By overcoming his nemesis, Perry not only handed his uncle and Oklahoma State head coach John Smith a title-match loss, he ended Hendricks' astounding 56-match winning streak.

Intertwining immediate family, the focus to finally win the title and the climax of his wrestling career, Perry sat at the interview podium and attempted to squeeze out the emotions he soaked in like a dry towel just minutes earlier.

"Everyone knows what this match means to each individual," he said. "I think it's a little

extra special, I think, for me growing up with my dad as a college coach since I was 6 years old.

"I saw my dad's first national championship at Nebraska, and that's been my life goal — it's the most important thing in my life. It's a sigh of relief finally to win it after coming so close the past two years. It's huge for me."

Since Perry orally committed to then-assistant Hawkeye coach Brands four years ago, the 623.47 miles separating his hometown of Stillwater, Oklahoma and Iowa City — an easy choice from the opportunity to build a personal legacy — had become more than a literal distance for the Hawkeye over the course of three years.

With one final shot at the senior and four-time All-American Hendricks, Perry shrunk the space dividing his two sides, true home and the inner-Hawkeye.

"It's really never been a big concern of mine, you know, me versus Hendricks," Perry said. "It was more just getting to where I wanna be, to my goal. And I knew it was probably gonna have to be through him, so I focused on a lot of areas and probably just wrestled him like I wrestle most people."

"Like I told you last night, I could lose to him 150 times in a row, and I'm not going in thinking I'm not winning, or I wouldn't be doing this sport."

Becoming the first national champion for Iowa since Cliff Moore in 2004 and first defending national champion since Eric Juergens in 2000, Perry

said the win couldn't have come without the guidance of both Brands and Hawkeye legend-turned-assistant coach Dan Gable.

"I could've not done it without Gable and Brands," he said. "It's just something clicked where I knew I was gonna have to wrestle seven minutes to beat him. Everybody else, you know, I could pretty much get by."

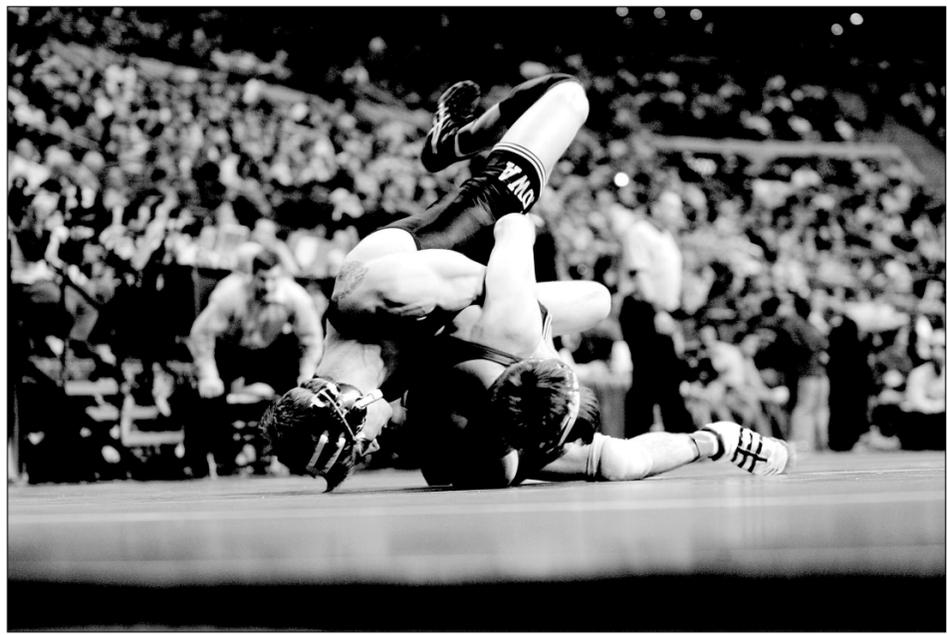
Although Perry's victory propelled Iowa from 10th to eighth-place with 57.0 points, it was still the program's lowest finish in the championships since 1972, when the Hawkeyes finished tied for seventh. In danger of ending the country's longest consecutive top-10 streak at the NCAAs, Perry's four points from the finals moved Iowa just enough up the leaderboard to keep it alive.

"This is big for the program," Brands said. "It's very important; it's a big step for the program. When you're building and rebuilding, it's a huge step in the right direction."

Gable agreed, adding that Perry's win meant more than just help in the team standings.

"This is probably a very emotional win for him, being that he's a nephew of John Smith," Gable said. "Being that he's from Stillwater, Okla., being that he's probably wrestled Hendricks and been around Hendricks since they were little kids."

"You know, it's just a big rivalry, and Hendricks, he professes that he likes to create controversy. You've gotta attack a lot of



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan

Iowa coach Tom Brands yells at Hawkeye Alex Tsirtsis during the third session of the NCAA wrestling championships in the Palace of Auburn Hills, Mich., on March 16.

things in your mind to be able to beat him, so he did an outstanding job staying in the match."

Just as Gable suggested following the final, Hendricks' first loss in 57 tries did not come without controversy, at least from the 165-pounder's point of view. Citing the hope of national fans and alleged poor judgment on the part of the match referees, Hendricks had plenty of reasons to explain the loss.

"The refs took it away from

me," he said, standing in street clothes and surrounded by reporters. "Just like this weekend, you know, that was a fast two [awarded for Perry's near fall]. Most guys were calling it slow, most guys weren't even calling that, they were going 'No, that's not two.'"

"I had a target on my back, and you know what, it happens ... It sucks that I gotta go out this way, and it sucks that the fans and the refs make

wrestling so dreadful sometimes."

Say what he may about Perry's one-point win, the third-period suspense, the celebrated history of the rivalry, and the overwhelming reaction captured on national television will not soon be forgotten.

No. 2 finally got the best of No. 1 March 17, and it couldn't have been sweeter for Perry.

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Brands: ISU wrestlers committed

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difference between the schools' top-10 performances last weekend.

"Iowa State's right there because of what I'm talking about," he said. "They have been able to get their guys to go to the next level, the level that they need to go through communication."

"You can see it; you can see that their guys have gotten better. You know what, I give them credit. I give them credit, but that doesn't mean I'm gonna continue to take my lumps without going down."

Taking into consideration that Iowa State was the only program in the country to qualify all 10 of its wrestlers for the NCAAs, the 31.5 points separating Iowa from Iowa State and second from eighth place doesn't seem overly immense. Starting with two fewer grapplers, Brands and the Hawkeyes were still able to produce three top-eight finishes and match the individual titles won by the Cardinal-and-Gold.

With the Hawks ranked 10th heading into Auburn Hills, Brands said the overall parity outside of team totals is a telling indicator for the years to come — especially considering the Hawkeyes defeated Iowa State, 24-6, in their regular-season dual.

"The example is, how many All Americans did Iowa State have?" Brands said. "Four. So there's four All Americans, Minnesota has five, we've got three. Let's look at the difference."

"Iowa State had a lot of team points; it had six points from [Nick] Fanthorpe, it had six points from [Nick] Gallick, it had points from [David] Zabriskie.

We didn't get a whole lot of output when you get a point and a half from Tsirtsis and Fields."

Pleased the back-and-forth lead switching and competitiveness with which his team fought Minnesota, Sanderson said his wrestlers need to learn from championship experience and keep the steady course they established this season.

"Like I said, we just continue to build here," he said. "We've got some great experience here with six returning freshmen who haven't had an opportunity to wrestle. We need all of them, and they're competing."

"We've just gotta keep doing what we're doing."

Managing to send only one Hawkeye to the finals, Iowa got strong production from senior Eric Luedke and season-long spark plug Charlie Falck. Up against 174-pound Big Ten champion Steve Luke, Luedke disposed of the Wolverine in extra time and went on to defeat Navy's Matthew Stolpinski, 3-2, for sole possession of third place.

Falck compact's engine, wrestling its sixth match in three days, simply ran out of gas March 17, when the sophomore was pinned in 2:41 by No. 3 seed Tanner Gardner of Stanford.

Iowa State's other two finalists, unranked 184-pounder Jake Varner and No. 9-seeded Kurt Backes, were overmatched in the championship session and both fell to losing decisions, guaranteeing Minnesota the title before No. 1 Gopher heavy-

weight Cole Konrad even stepped on the mat.

Using the three All-American performances as vital leverage in the team standings, Brands said the Hawkeyes just couldn't gain any momentum without

points from other weight classes, but he added that the Hawkeyes must reach a higher level next season.

"You need help, even if you're not gonna be on the stand," he said, "You need help, and it's a

mindset, and it's a mentality, and it begins now. And you better have thick skin. You better have thick skin, because we're getting to the next step."

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ANDREW R. JUHL

Steps in writing a Ledge

- 9:14 a.m. : Awake from a short night of restless dreams about a beautiful woman and an egret.
- 9:21 a.m. : Realize you have a Ledge due at 1 p.m.
- 9:22 a.m. : Realize what a tight deadline this is, considering you don't even have an idea yet.
- 9:23 a.m. : Realize you need to start writing NOW if you want to have something publishable done in time.
- 9:24 a.m. : Open laptop, firing up both Firefox and Microsoft Word in preparation for a blazingly witty writing session.
- 9:25 a.m. : Faaaaaaceboooooook. Droooooooool.
- 10:39 a.m. : Freak out over the fact you just wasted 74 minutes of your precious writing time.
- 10:44 a.m. : Freak out further over the fact you just wasted five more minutes by freaking out.
- 10:45 a.m. : Break into spontaneous, semi-delirious rendition of CHIC's "Le Freak," using nearby stereo remote as imaginary microphone.
- 10:48 a.m. : Breakfast.
- 11:02 a.m. : Second breakfast.
- 11:15 a.m. : Turn on the TV. You know, for "background noise."
- 11:16 a.m. : OMG! "10 Things I Hate About You" is on! You know how much you love Heath Led — JULIA STILES!
- 12:31 p.m. : Google "Julia Stiles."
- 12:38 p.m. : Google "Julia Stiles naked."
- 12:47 p.m. : Google "Wabash monkey porn."
- 12:59 p.m. : Catalogue days' events and call it a Ledge.
- 1 p.m. : Nap.

— Andrew R. Juhl thanks adorable barista "Jennifer" for the idea for today's Ledge.
E-mail him at: andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu.



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- **International Mondays, "Reprise the Revolution: The Cultural Politics of the 50th Anniversary of the 1956 Hungarian Uprising," Gyorgy Toth,** noon, Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Alan Weinstein, exhibition of paintings spanning 1994-2006,** 1-6 p.m., Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington
- **English Language Conversation Group, non-native English speakers practice skills,** 6 p.m., Kirkwood Learning Center, 1810 Lower Muscatine
- **Hindi Film Series, Deewaar, South Asian Studies Program,** 7 p.m., E105 Adler Journalism Building
- **Health Awareness Alert, seminar focusing on glycobiology,** 7 p.m., Pizza Ranch, Sycamore Mall
- **Preschool Story Time,** 7 p.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth
- **Ida Cordelia Beam Distinguished Visiting Professor, "Interrupted Life: Incarcerated Mothers in the United States," Rickie Solinger, Luther College,** 7:30 p.m., 116 Art Building West
- **Introduction to Meditation General Program,** 7:30 p.m., Lamrim Buddhist Center, 505 E. Washington
- **An Uncommon Eye, paintings by Louis Picek,** Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **Art by Louise Pappageorge, text and imagery,** M.C. Ginsberg, 110 E. Washington
- **Dark Matters: Max Klinger's Print Cycle On Death and Other Ruminations,** UI Museum of Art
- **Fused Glass Exhibit, six cases of glass pieces by Sarah and Shawn Nelson,** UIHC
- **Incidental Theatre, eight color lithographs by Daniel Maw,** UIHC
- **Morning After the Deluge, video of Cape Cod's sunrises and sunsets,** UI Museum of Art
- **Picturing Eden, 130 contemporary photographs of paradise,** UI Museum of Art
- **Steel Flowers, exhibit of steel garden flowers,** Chait Galleries Downtown, 218 E. Washington
- **Trauma Reflected Through Art, creations by students in the Iowa Juvenile Home,** UIHC
- **Blues Jam,** Yacht Club, time TBA, 13 S. Linn

horoscopes

Monday, March 19, 2007
— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): If it has to do with business or learning, hop to it, and go the distance. Don't be afraid to ask questions. You will get support from someone who is experienced or much older than you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Just when you think you have a handle on your life, someone you least expect will pull the rug out from underneath you. You may not be able to make gains today, but you can certainly protect yourself from losses. Beware of unrealistic promises.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): As long as you aren't too quick to judge or react, things will fall into place. Don't put up with something you don't approve of. Say what you think, and you'll find you have more clout than you realize.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You don't have to give in to emotional blackmail or create a melodrama to get what you want. Just be honest and innovative. You may not like change, but you are overdue for a major overhaul.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You may feel good about the way things are going, but you have to seal the deal. Follow through, stay on top of things, ask questions, and learn all you can. You will be successful. Love is in the stars.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A little less work will save you a lot of grief when it comes to your personal life. Take time out to let the people in your life who truly count know you are there for them. Plan something special you can enjoy together.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You'll be drawn to someone today who will get your mind working creatively. You can jump-start a project you have only dreamed about. A partnership is looking very good. Make your position very clear.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): As long as you don't take someone else's word or ideas over your own, you will be fine. Trust in your own judgment for a change. A chance to do things differently will draw attention to the project.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may think you have everything in order, but watch out if you haven't been completely upfront. Emotional matters must be resolved, or you will end up losing. Being fair will lead the way to completion.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't let love cloud your vision. You can't afford to make a mistake. Change will be necessary, but it's the decisions you make and the direction you go that will carve your future.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Aggression is not the answer. Hold your temper, and let others make mistakes. Take a wait-and-see attitude. Things are not as they appear. Some adjustments will have to be made.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You may be feeling a little emotional or overwhelmed by everything going on around you. Try not to show your dismay; instead, rise to the occasion. Don't force your will on others or exaggerate the situation.



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UITV schedule

Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

- 3 p.m. "Live from Prairie Lights," Lia Purpura
- 4 Obscenity, Offense, and Monotheistic Jealousy
- 6:30 Ueye: Insight and Information about Student Life, Activities, and Recreation
- 7 "Live from Prairie Lights," Lia Purpura
- 8 Obscenity, Offense, and Monotheistic Jealousy
- 9:30 DITV News, The Daily Iowan Daily News Update
- 9:45 UI Special Events Programs
- 10:30 DITV News, The Daily Iowan Daily News Update
- 10:45 UI Fine Arts Programs
- 11 "Live from Prairie Lights," Lia Purpura

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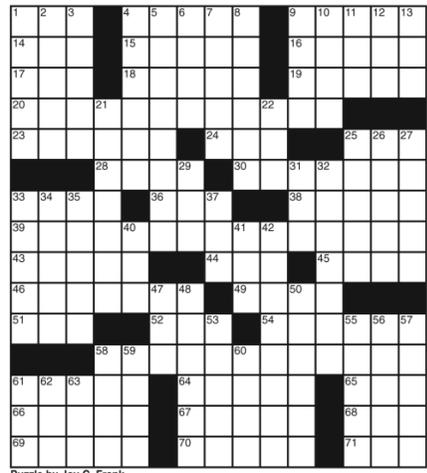


The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 0205

- ACROSS**
- 1 1960's-'70's draft org.
 - 4 Purse feature
 - 9 Where hair roots grow
 - 14 Photo
 - 15 Singers Ochs and Collins
 - 16 Causing goosebumps
 - 17 Excitement
 - 18 Pulitzer-winning biography of a Civil War general
 - 19 Take in or let out
 - 20 Modern fashion-conscious guys
 - 23 Didn't participate in
 - 24 Circular staples
 - 25 Appropriate
 - 28 Use a swizzle stick
 - 30 Reception amenity
 - 33 Clubs or hearts
 - 36 Central point
 - 38 Shinbone
 - 39 Unlikely showing at a multiplex
 - 43 Germ cell
 - 44 Day-___ paint
 - 45 "___ of the D'Urbervilles"
 - 46 Item on a gunslinger's hip
 - 49 Bangkok native
 - 51 Perry Como's "___ Impossible"
 - 52 Nectar collector
 - 54 List at a meeting
 - 58 Yanks vs. Mets matchup, e.g.
 - 61 Olympics craft
 - 64 "You ___ right!"
 - 65 ___ Lilly and Company
 - 66 Delight
 - 67 Suddenly cut out, as an engine
 - 68 Rogue
 - 69 Nintendo products
 - 70 Sprayed, as a sidewalk
 - 71 Iris's place
- DOWN**
- 1 Sends unwanted e-mails
 - 2 Most-played half of a 45
 - 3 Willard of "Today"
 - 4 Bamboo beginning
 - 5 1973 Newman/Redford movie
 - 6 Annoy
 - 7 Billy Joel's musical daughter
 - 8 Prefix with intellectual
 - 9 Circus performer with a ball
 - 10 Disney collectibles
 - 11 Paintings
 - 12 Fail a polygraph
 - 13 The "p" in r.p.m.
 - 21 Lists
 - 22 Dangerous hisser
 - 25 Hoffman of 1960's-'70's radicalism
 - 26 Buckets
 - 27 Mine transports
 - 29 Karel Capek classic
 - 31 LAX posting
 - 32 Cooler



Puzzle by Joy C. Frank

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

A	B	O	R	C		M	A	Y	B	E	N	O	T	
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- 33 Some Japanese cuisine
- 34 Prepare to transplant
- 35 Fan mail recipients
- 37 Morass
- 40 No longer working: Abbr.
- 41 Final: Abbr.
- 42 Easy, as a loan
- 47 Recede
- 48 Clean again
- 50 Ancient
- 53 Keep an ___ the ground
- 55 Nephew's sister
- 56 Holdup
- 57 In reserve
- 58 Fill up
- 59 Hawaiian strings, informally
- 60 "Pro" votes
- 61 Beer bust purchase
- 62 Like
- 63 Thanksgiving side dish

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