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REALITY BITES THE WHITE SMILE



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Using over-the-counter whitening products can lead to uneven results, tooth sensitivity, and unrealistic expectations, officials say.

BY EMILEIGH BARNES

Teeth whitening — it's available in toothpaste, mouthwash, varnish, and even gum in the candy aisle.

But those who try to whiten their teeth without dental

Ji dentai officials reported Wednesday.

"Bleaching is a popular craze," said Deb Cobb, a UI associate professor of operative dentistry. Everyone wants whiter teeth."

Brightening up smiles has become a \$600 million industry

supervision may suffer ill effects, with growth of approximately 20 unrealistic expectations, Cobb percent per year, according to Delta Dental, part of one of the largest dental benefits systems in the United States.

But without a dentist to supervise the whitening process, users can end up with uneven results, tooth sensitivity, and

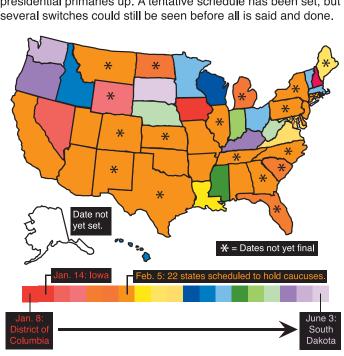
said.

"As they whiten past a certain point, they look unnatural," she said, noting that teeth should be about as white as the whites of a person's eves.

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Presidential primary schedule

Several states have attempted to move the date of their presidential primaries up. A tentative schedule has been set, but several switches could still be seen before all is said and done.



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lowa works to stay No. 1

As a number of states across the United States move up their primary dates to Feb. 5, 2008, Iowa officials say they're still focusing on one northeastern state.

BY COLIN BURKE

THE DAILY IOWAN

Though an increasing number of states have decided to move up their presidential primary and caucus dates, Iowa's prominence in the nominating race next year will likely remain intact, experts say.

That's because officials in New Hampshire — which has the nation's first primary — have agreed to honor Iowa law and hold its presidential-nominating contest after the Iowa caucuses.

Secretary of State Michael Mauro said Wednesday that he's waiting for William Gardner, his counterpart in New Hampshire, announce whether he'll push forward his state's primary, which is Lynch scheduled for Jan. 22. But

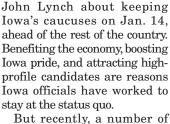
New Hampshire

governor

mailed Mauro and promised not to cut ahead of Iowa.

Gardner has e-

Discussion of Iowa's role in the presidential-nomination process arose in February after Gov. Chet Culver said he planned to speak to New Hampshire Gov.



states, including California and New Jersey, have jumped ahead in the nomination schedule and moved their primaries to Feb. 5, 2008. More than 20 states might hold their contests on that day, making it virtually a national primary.

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Ethanol debate burns **on**

Ethanol and politics are bound together in Iowa, and with good reason — King Corn.

> BY MATT NELSON THE DAILY IOWAN

From the state Capitol in Des Moines to farmland fields, ethanol runs deep in Iowa's veins, and it is praised by farmers and politicians alike.

And ethanol, heralded as an answer for the gasoline-thirsty United States — especially as derived from corn — has received massive support at the state and federal levels in funding, research, and protection since 1978. Backed by Gov. Chet Culver, renewable fuels are key

to making Iowa into what the governor calls the energy capital of the world."

The state has even launched a \$100 million effort via the Power Iowa Fund to jump-

start Iowa's bio-economy and encourage research and develop-

Culver

ment of new sources of renewable energy. But criticism of ethanol is growing, leaving Iowa in a precarious position as other ethanol

derivatives are debated and corn

ethanol falls behind in efficiency. From 1995-2005, \$14.8 billion in farm subsidies from the federal government have flowed into Iowa, with more than \$9.9 billion going toward corn, according to the Environmental Working Group. A 2006 Worldwatch Institute study estimated that annual

nationwide subsidies for ethanol alone will soon total

\$6.3 billion to \$8.7 billion. Since the Energy Tax Act of 1978, ethanol-blended fuel has been exempted from the excise tax, starting at 4 cents per gallon. Exemptions have since risen to 51 cents for each gallon of ethanol mixed with gasoline as part of the 2004 American Jobs Creation Act

In Iowa, retailers earn an extra 25 cents for each gallon sold of E85 — fuel that is 85 percent ethanol, 15 percent gasoline — and a 2.5 cent per gallon incentive if ethanol blends compose more than 60 percent of the business' volume.

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The fourth-annual lowa Idol bursts into song in the IMU, with a winner the judges label "phenomenal." 2A



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Idolatry flourishes in IMU

The fourth-annual Iowa Idol was held on Wednesday in the IMU Richey Ballroom.



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BY MICHELLE SCOTT

Paula Abdul was nowhere in sight, but the 12 contestants in Wednesday's Iowa Idol were straight-up talented.

Students, faculty, parents, fans, and even one cardboard cutout filled the IMU Richey Ballroom to watch the UI's fourth spinoff of Fox's smash hit "American Idol," sponsored by the UI Associated Residence Halls.

Votes weren't made via phone or text message, and no recording contract was on the line. Instead, contenders vied for a top prize of \$300 in gift certificates at various community businesses.

The contest was open to Iowa's Kellys and Sanjayas alike, as long as they called one of the UI's 10 dormitories home.

Brittany Marshall, the programming director for Associated Residence Halls, said the 12 competitors were chosen during three nights of auditions last week.

For the big event, they faced three judges, reminiscent of the hit TV show's formula. UI contest organizers tried to pick three judges with strong backgrounds in music.

UI sophomore Michael Lynch, last year's winner, performed this year's opening act. He even put together a Justin-Timberlake-



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UI student Krista Reiter smiles at the audience during her performance in the lowa Idol competition in the IMU on Wednesday. Twelve contestants competed for a grand prize of \$300 in gift certificates, attempting to wow three judges and a ballroom full of spectators.

inspired outfit to cover the singer's hit, "What Goes Around ..."

Because he wasn't competing, he said, he only had a few but-

"It would be nice to compete and defend my title," Lynch said. "There are talented singers everywhere. It's an exciting night.'

Emcees Audrey Banner and Ben Haiman played American Idol host Ryan Seacrest, welcoming everyone to the extravaganza and cracking jokes between each act.

Judges Carrie Kiser-Wacker, Amy Oswald, and Anthony Lutz rated vocal ability and interpretation as well as physical appearance of each contestant.

Justin Chau sang first, doing an a cappella version of "I Can't Make You Love Me." The judges noted his nerves and attributed them to his being the first performance. Later, William Watson kept the acoustic feeling alive, belting a soulful rendition of "Ain't No Sunshine" by Bill Withers, but Reid Urbain's "Piano Man" by Billy Joel drew the loudest cheers from the crowd, even though he forgot a few words.

Mallory McCool, who also tried out for the Fox show, sang a lyric that seemed to speak to each one of her fellow contenders.

"Anything is possible when you believe," she sang in her song, "I Believe."

Claire Nunez entertained with the cabaret-style "It's De-Lovely," a song that even some of the judges didn't know. Later, John Short's rendition of "Drift Away" left the judges and crowd smiling and swaying in their seats.

"I would rather have your version of that song in my iTunes," Oswald said.

After the final performance. the contestants were forced to wait a little longer before the judges announced their final decision.

Finally, the judges took the stage to unveil the top three finishers.

Short drifted away from the competition with the third-place prize. Kate Jochum, described by Kiser-Wacker as a large voice in a tiny body, won second place for her performance of "Eagle When She Flies."

The grand prize was awarded to Rachel Konne for her powerful version of "Reflection." by Christina Aguilera. The judges called her performance "phenomenal."

"Oh! It's really exciting!" Konne said, rushing off into a mass of congratulatory hugs from her friends. "I was a little nervous, but now I'm so excited! It's great."

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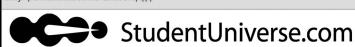
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SEEING GREEN



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Assistant biology instructor Ray Tallent looks at a tropical plant — grown from seed taken from Hawaii — inside the greenhouse on top of Biology Building East on Wednesday. Tallent works with students who take care of the plants and perform various experiments and projects.

METRO

RiverFest moves This year's RiverFest will be moved

to the River Terrace behind the IMU. The week-long concert festival, which began in 1978, has normally been held in Hubbard Park. But because of construction, this year's performers and concertgoers will relocate to a smaller venue.

Since its beginnings as a small event, RiverFest grew into an 11-day celebration in the 1980s. Entertainment has included performances by student organizations such as the UI Dance Team and the Swing Dance Club and daytime

events for children. This year's RiverFest will be a weekend-long concert festival from April 27-28, according to the event's website. The new focus on music is a change from traditional events.

The preparations already include a tentative schedule of events and a lineup of 10 musical groups, appearances by the UI Step Team, the Cheer Squad, and a pie-eating contest.

— by Zhi Xiong

2 UI students win

business competition UI students John Mickelson and Diana Reed won top prizes of \$5,000 each in grants in the Pappajohn New Venture Business

Plan Competition. The competition, created by John Pappajohn in 2000, provides students a chance to start their own

companies and venture in business. Mickelson, a student in the UI College of Law and in the Tippie College of Business M.B.A. program, won for his company,

Alrac, operated through the UI Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center.

Reed, a fifth-year senior, majors in performing arts and business. The former Hawkeye Golden Girl and NCAA baton-twirling champion started a

baton and dance studio in Iowa City. The Des Moines competition drew contestants from all over the state on March 29. Mickelson and Reed took the highest honors among 12 winners from the UI, Iowa State University, Drake University, University of Northern Iowa, and North Iowa Area Community College. – by Zhi Xiong

Man pleads guilty to lascivious acts

An Oxford man charged with sexually abusing a teenage girl in July pleaded guilty to lascivious acts with a child on Wednesday.

In a plea agreement, Allan Adams, 50, pleaded guilty to the Class C felony, punishable by up to 10 years in prison.

A charge of third-degree sexual

abuse was dismissed in the case. Adams was charged with the crimes in connection with an incident at 2262 340th St. in Tiffin on July 30, 2006. According to police reports, Adams came home at 1:15 a.m. that night and kissed the girl on her lips. Afterward, he reportedly inappropriately touched her chest and vagina. The girl had been sleeping when Adams touched her, police said.

Assistant Johnson County prosecutor Anne Lahey said she will recommend suspended prison time when Adams is sentenced at a later date. He will have to pay a fine, register as a sex offender, and remain on parole for the rest of his life.

- by Kelsey Beltramea

POLICE BLOTTER

Mark Billingsley, 18, Cedar Rapids, was charged Wednesday with driving

with a suspended/canceled license. Matthew Puhr, 18, Chicago, was charged

Justin Smestad, 21, 521 N. Linn St. 6,

Tuesday with possession of marijuana.

was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.

No surprise — corn-based ethanol big in lowa

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But despite the cash to be made, not everyone supports ethanol.

"It shouldn't be given the protection it has," said Demian Moore, a senior policy analyst from nonprofit Taxpayers for Common Sense, a Washington, D.C.-based group. "At the very least, we should phase [the subsidy system] out."

In 2002, the five-year Farm Bill, which provides most of the support and subsidies for agriculture, included a section specifically on energy and biofuels for the first time in its history.

Overseen by the Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee, led by Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, the current Farm Bill expires this year, and analysts expect the panel to pay more attention to renewable fuels.

Harkin has encouraged President Bush to keep the 54-cent per gallon tariffs on sugar that make importing the more energy-efficient competitor to corn ethanol from Brazil and other countries fiscally impractical.

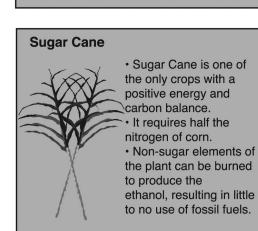
"It's the system of protections that keep [sugar cane] from getting play," Moore said.

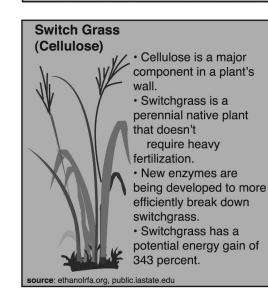
The 2005 Energy Policy Act further mandated the use of ethanol by tripling the required amount of ethanol used to 7.5 billion gallons of ethanol blended with gas. Most ethanol is expected to come from Iowa, which has outpaced its closest competitor, Nebraska, by more than 700 million gallons a year.

"I would say that [ethanol] is the most optimistic thing that's happened in the marketplace for farmers in Iowa," said Pam Johnson, a 56-year-old corn farmer from Floyd County. "There's more hope and optimism in rural communities than I've seen in my lifetime."

Iowa itself has not conducted independent studies of ethanol and its larger effect on the environment. Instead, the Agriculture Department accepts information from the

Corn Corn is currently the leading ethanol crop in The byproduct of ethanol production from grain can be used for livestock feed From 1995-2005 \$9.9 billion in farm subsidies were allocated to corn.





Des Moines-based Iowa Corn Promotion Board — which is not affiliated with the state and is "starting to look at the

May Graduates,

broader impacts that the ethanol industry occurs," said Caleb Hunter, the communica-

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Ethanol Production cate on those studies."

to the plant it is first ground by a "hammer mill," which exposes the starch for processing.

Liquid is then added to create a mash. Heat and enzymes break up the starch into sugars ultimately to create glucose.

The mash is cooled and yeast is added in the fermentation tank where yeast is added. CO2 is a byproduct of fermentation and is captured and scrubbed. After 45 hours, mash and alcohol are moved, to the distillation and The alcohol is vaporized at dehydration tanks 170° F and captured. The

> back to be added to more After going through three tanks, the beer column, the rectifying column, and the side strippers, the alcohol is 90 proof.

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The alcohol is then transported to a refinery where it is combined with gasoline



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Agriculture Department. "I don't have a timeline [for the studies]," Hunter said, but

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"moving forward with a plan and looking for dollars to allo-

Criticism of ethanol production zeroes in on the massive amounts of water used by ethanol plants and the herbicides that find their way into Iowa's water supply as pollutants.

Though supporters contend that it helps reduce pollution when mixed with gasoline, a 2006 study by the National Academy of the Sciences found that E85 fuel-emission pollutants lasted longer in the environment than did gasoline pollutants, and even if carbon dioxide was measured alone, there would only be a 12 percent decrease in CO2 compared with gasoline.

The other major criticism of ethanol over the years has stemmed from net energy balance — whether more energy is gained from producing ethanol than what is required

Shannon Textor, the director of market development for the Iowa Corn Grower's Association, quoted a 2004 U.S. Department of Agriculture study estimating a gain of 1.67-1 in terms of energy used.

But the National Academy of Sciences measured only a 25 percent energy increase in its 2006 study. Most of that was attributed to the ethanol byproducts used as animal feed, rather than ethanol itself containing more energy than used in production.

And even though the Iowa Corn Promotion Board reports that ethanol helps reduce dependence on foreign oil, production of ethanol in the United

States made up only 1.72 percent of gasoline use in 2005. In terms of actual energy, gasoline has at least 25 percent more energy than ethanol per gallon, according to a May 2006 Congressional Research Service

report. Based on February 2006 data in the report, ethanol costs less per gallon unit but costs 52 cents more for the same amount of energy output as a gallon of gas.

Then, if all corn production had been diverted toward biofuels, researchers at the National Academy of Sciences estimated that total gasoline consumption would have been offset by 12 percent — a net energy gain of only 2.4 percent.

But ethanol as an industry hasn't even taken off until recently, officials said. "The majority of the invest-

ments from state and federal governments have been put into keeping this industry alive to the point where it could be a viable industry,' Hunter said.

And although researching alternative energy is deemed necessary for the future, critics argue that current mandates, methods, and corn ethanol aren't the way to go.

Still, expectations run high for the state and Iowa's future in renewable energy.

"Americans and the world are counting on Iowa to succeed," Culver said in a statement on the Iowa Power Fund. "When we do, we will harvest rewards beyond our wildest imagination."

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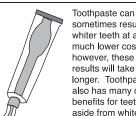
Whiten your smile

Millions of Americans strive for whiter teeth through a number of different procedures.



laser treatment are effective, delivering quicker and better results. Different types of in-office whitening can cost between \$500 and \$1,000.

Teeth whitening strips are usually intended to be worn for 30 minutes twice a day. A set of 28 usually cost around \$35 and deliver slower and less noticeable



whiter teeth at a much lower cost: however, these results will take much longer. Toothpaste also has many other benefits for teeth aside from whitening.

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TEETH

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And some people almost become addicted to bleaching, she said.

"We talk to the patients and say, 'This is enough,' " Cobb said.

Although studies have shown no long-term or permanent damage to teeth, she said, without a dentist to supervise, whitening can go awry.

"[Users] don't realize how to use it correctly," she said. "They do not realize their existing crowns will not lighten. They get no advice.'

Another problem with overthe-counter products is the availability of non-American Dental Association approved products, which means many despite being FDA approved - may or may not be effective, Cobb said.

"They can tell you anything they want, but they don't necessarily work," she said. "It's communication. It's

'[Users] don't realize how to use it correctly. They do not realize their existing crowns will not lighten.

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Deb Cobb, Ul associate professor of operative dentistry

important, and that's why we see so much abuse of over-thecounter products."

The American Dental Association has approved various products produced by both Colgate and Procter & Gamble, including Colgate and Crest whitening toothpaste. The group noted that, after a series of 25 clinical studies, at-home whitening methods were effective short-term. Long-term effects needed more studying, they reported.

Officials from Procter & Gamble, which manufactures Crest Whitestrips, did not return phone calls for comment on Wednesday.

UI freshman Dana Henderson has used whitening strips for two years, on average one box per year.

"Actually, you're supposed to use them twice a day, and my teeth get really sensitive," she said, adding that she uses them every other day to avoid soreness.

Henderson said the easy availability affected her decision to buy the products.

"I actually got my braces off, and I thought, 'I need to have white teeth," she said.

Cobb said whitening may also depend on the type of stain. For example, discoloration from using tetracycline can take months to remove, as opposed to aging and coffee stains, which can be lightened in weeks.

The goal of dental consultations before whitening is in part to provide patients with "a reality check," she said.

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STATE

Missing ISU student died of accidental drowning

AMES (AP) — A missing lowa State University student whose body was found in a lake died of accidental drowning, authorities said Wednesday.

The body of Abel Bolanos, 19, of Rolling Meadows, III., was found in Lake LaVerne on the ISU campus Tuesday afternoon.

He was reported missing Sunday, a day after he was last seen leaving a party where he had been drinking, university police said.

An autopsy was conducted by the state medical examiner's office Wednesday morning. A

of death is pending the results of medical tests, which could take several weeks to be complete, university police said in a

final determination of the cause

news release. Cmdr. Gene Deisinger of the ISU police said there were no obvious signs of foul play and how Bolanos got into the lake

was unclear. Bolanos' body was found after an extensive search by several state and local agencies and more than 200 volunteers, Deisinger said.

A candlelight vigil was planned for Wednesday evening on the ISU campus and counseling was being made available to students struggling with Bolanos' death, university health officials said.

Iowa seeks to stay No. 1

Boosting the state economy, its citizens' pride, and the profile of lesser-known candidates are the reasons Iowa officials remain concerned Iowa's caucuses remain the first in the presidential season come next January.

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With those changes, Mauro said, he is concerned that less advertising money would be spent in Iowa because wellfunded candidates would use their resources elsewhere.

For one New Jersev official. moving the date means for ensuring the state's role in the nomination process.

Brendan Gilfillan, a spokesman for New Jersey Gov. Jon Corzine, said that by the time presidential candidates usually reach his state, the party nomination is essentially wrapped up, and hopefuls use the opportunity to simply raise money. Corzine signed a bill April 1 changing New Jersey's primary to Feb.

"It still puts us right in the thick of things," Gilfillan said Wednesday.

UI political-science Professor Peverill Squire said that day could actually magnify the importance of the Iowa caucuses because lower-funded candidates could gain recognition if they do well.

Brad Anderson, Culver's communications director, said that when Lynch and Culver spoke at the National Governor's Association meeting, they wanted to ensure that communication lines between Iowa and New Hampshire remained

Anderson pointed to Gardner's recent comments in the Boston Globe that he will honor Iowa law, which mandates that the next caucus or primary must be at least eight days after Iowa's.

"If you look at his own comments, it looks pretty good for us," Anderson said.

Ellen Dube, an elections assistant with Gardner's office, confirmed Wednesday that Gardner will uphold Iowa's tradition of caucusing before every other state. But as for New Hampshire's specific date, Dube said Gardner is waiting until the dust clears.

"He said he's not going to [announce] that until later this summer," when everyone is settled, Dube said.

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Audit alleges principal improperly spent funds

An audit alleges improper spending of nearly \$15,000 by a former Washington, Iowa, principal who resigned the day after school officials about spending irregularities.

BY DAVID PITT

ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — An audit of a Washington school's finances released Wednesday alleges thousands of dollars in improper spending and disbursements to a former principal.

The state audit report on Washington Junior High School also said pornography was found on the principal's laptop computer, a violation of school policy.

Montgomery Davis resigned Oct. 6, 2006, the day after he was confronted by school officials about spending irregularities. The problems included keeping an unauthorized petty cash fund from which more than \$2,000 was missing and improper accounting of money from a federal anti-drug grant, the

audit report said. Davis was hired in the 2002-2003 school year to oversee the junior high school, which has approximately 400 students in seventh, eighth and ninth

The report released by State Auditor David Vaudt said auditors found \$14,882 in improper or questionable

disbursements and \$2,694 in collections apparently not deposited in school accounts. The audit concluded records were not complete enough to determine whether other collections from concessions sales and admission fees to dances, athletic and other events had been deposited.

Repeated phone calls on Wednesday to Davis' home went unanswered.

The state audit was requested by Washington County prosecutor Barb Edmondson after school officials expressed concern about the school's finances.

She released a statement Wednesday after receiving a

copy of the report. "The matter is under investigation at this time by the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation, and it will be reviewed when the investigation is complete," Edmondson said.

Vaudt said in a statement that the audit indicated Davis was reimbursed for items not received by the district including books, videos, and other merchandise valued at nearly \$5,000. In addition, about \$5,243 of improper disbursements were made to people Davis had a business

relationship with, including Robert Gaal, a former substitute teacher and coach who was suspended in October 2006 after concerns surfaced about purchases made from businesses owned by Davis and Gaal.

No one answered the telephone at Gaal's home on Wednesday.

The audit also alleges nearly \$2,000 of additional improper payments for gift cards, televisions, books, and DVDs not received by the district.

Vaudt also identified \$1,580 of questionable payments to Davis, which may not be an appropriate use of public funds, including hotel roomservice purchases of beer during a conference in Des Moines. The School District's policy prohibits reimbursement for alcohol.

In addition, Vaudt reported the collections not deposited included \$2,219 missing from an unauthorized petty cash fund and \$55 from proceeds from a volleyball game.

Copies of the audit report were filed with Edmondson's office, the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation, and the Iowa Attorney General's

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Athletics panel to vote on school-lottery ties

The Presidential Committee on Athletics will decide between two proposals today.

BY ASHTON SHURSON

THE DAILY IOWAN

Months after the controversy began, the UI Presidential Committee on Athletics today will decide whether the university should cut ties with the Iowa Lottery or enforce stricter scrutiny of the connection.

At today's meeting, members will vote on two proposals: to either sever the relationship between the university and the lottery or to carefully review the connection. Both proposals acknowledge the seriousness of gambling addiction.

The problem began Jan. 12, when an Iowa Lottery television commercial that aired for roughly a month featured "The Iowa Fight Song," an image of Carver-Hawkeye Arena, and other Hawkeye symbols.

Hawkeye Athletics Director Gary Barta originally approved the ad without viewing it. He has said he regrets his decision.

UI psychology Professor Ed Wasserman said NCAA guidelines and the negative effects of gambling on students are clear reasons to support the proposal.

The UI Faculty Senate and Faculty Council have both supported the proposal, but some hope to

maintain the affiliation between the university and the lottery.

John Solow, a UI economics associate professor, and UI law Professor N. William Hines have suggested the committee support more oversight of the relationship, as well as greater scrutiny on the use of the school's logos in gambling advertisements.

Solow said Barta — who has previously supported preserving

the relationship — has seen the committee's proposal but has not fully discussed it.

"It's fair to say I think I understand what [Barta's] position is," Solow said. "But this is a nonbinding motion. To some extent we are an advisory [committee] for Gary Barta and [UI interim] President [Gary] Fethke."

Both Solow and Wasserman, as well as the committee's chairman,

Charles Lynch, said they can't predict the outcome of the votes or what Barta and Fethke will do with the committee's suggestion

with the committee's suggestion.

But while the decision is up in the air, Solow does know one

thing for sure.
"I think there will be debate,"
he said. "And [the meeting] is
the place for that debate."

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Obama money stuns observers

BY NEDRA PICKLER AND BETH FOUHY

ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAVENPORT — With a stunning \$25 million fundraising haul for his presidential campaign, Democrat Barack Obama affirmed his status Wednesday as Hillary Rodham Clinton's chief rival.

The freshman Illinois senator proved he could channel his appeal into significant financial muscle, and he dispelled, for now, questions about the durability of his antiwar, "hope"-driven candidacy.

Obama's total for the first three months of the year stopped just short of the record \$26 million Rodham Clinton brought in. By any measure, it was an astonishing figure for a political newcomer elected to the Senate just two years ago.

"It means we've got broadbased support, and I'm very proud of that," Obama told the Associated Press while campaigning in Mason City. "We're particularly proud that we were able to do this without any money from federal lobbyists or PACs."

Asked if the fundraising totals puts the Democratic nomination in a two-way race between Rodham Clinton and himself, Obama said: "It's way too early. It indicates that people are really engaged and enthusiastic, and the crowds we've been attracting, I think, are indicative of a broad base of support across the country."

In an e-mail message to supporters, Obama said his fundraising success represented "an unmistakable message to the political establishment in Washington about the power and seriousness of our challenge."

His campaign released additional details illustrating the breadth of Obama's support. He had 100,000 contributors in the first quarter, with more than half donating online for a total of \$6.9 million. Rodham Clinton, by contrast, had about 50,000 contributors and raised \$4.2 million online.

The campaign said at least \$23.5 million of the \$25 million total was available to be used in the highly competitive primary race. The Rodham Clinton campaign has yet to disclose how much of her \$26 million can be used for the primary and how much was earmarked for the general election. Rodham Clinton also transferred \$10 million from her Senate account, bringing her total campaign funds to \$36 million.

Obama's strong showing was a blow to Rodham Clinton, who sought to position herself as her party's strongest White House contender in part through her fundraising prowess. She has spent years developing a national fundraising network through two Senate campaigns and her husband's eight years as president.

as president.

Obama began his campaign with a relatively small donor base concentrated largely in Illinois, his home state. But his early opposition to the Iraq war and voter excitement over his quest to be the first black president quickly fueled a powerful fundraising machine.



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EDITORIAL

UI should examine lottery ties, not sever them

The commotion surrounding the Iowa Lottery's use of the Tigerhawk logo will take center stage at a Presidential Committee on Athletics meeting today. The controversy regarding a commercial the lottery ran featuring both the logo and "The Iowa Fight Song" — with altered lyrics — reveals an athletics department willing to quickly kowtow to outside pressures and one that lacks sufficient understanding of the bounds of its responsibilities.

The revelation that the university did not own the rights to the fight song — much to the chagrin of the athletics department — leads to questions regarding how thorough the department's research was into the issue. It is bad enough the UI doesn't own the rights (which it should make all efforts to obtain), but the athletics department should have known this. Embarrassingly, it did not.

Athletics Director Gary Barta's flip-flopping on the issue shows a lack of leadership. His office initially OK'd the ad but quickly backtracked when public disapproval emerged. He has told *The Daily Iowan*, "The first time I saw the commercial I said, 'This just doesn't feel right,' " and that if given the chance to do it over again, he'd "have a different feeling about use of the fight song."

While gambling can become an addiction if not controlled, the funds from the lottery are a boon to the state's coffers. The university takes in significant amounts of cash from its lottery ties, and school officials should think hard about abandoning this source of funding.

One motion to be presented at today's athletics-panel meeting calls for the university to cut its ties with the lottery. Drafted by psychology Professor Ed Wasserman and faculty representative Elizabeth Altmaier, it acknowledges "compulsive gambling is rapidly becoming a serious mental-health problem for the citizens of Iowa and our own students" and "The University of Iowa Department of Athletics should responsibly refrain from any and all such promotion." Another motion, written by economics Associate Professor John Solow and law Professor N. William Hines, takes a more nuanced view. They argue the department should "carefully scrutinize uses of the University of Iowa's insignia, trademarks, fight song, and identifiable facilities in advertisements for gambling organizations and activities." This wording and approach we agree with.

Gambling has been in the news often in the last year, with the outlawing of TouchPlay machines (a pending lawsuit regarding their removal is ongoing) and the opening of Riverside Casino, 20 minutes from Iowa City. While it is legal, gambling is still a difficult topic to tackle, and more oversight of the university's relationship with the lottery is what is needed. The UI should not sever all its lottery ties — that would be an overly harsh move. However, Barta must show stronger leadership in the future and ensure that his department approaches this issue with caution, as well as with more informed, indepth research.

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More student parking needed

As a third-year student at the university, I am well-aware that there is very little parking available in downtown. I am also aware that the parking division of the city and the university won't hesitate for one minute to ticket any car parked in a spot after the meter has ran out.

A few weekends ago, some of my friends and I attended Mass at the Newman Center and couldn't find any parking spaces outside of the building, so we parked underneath the Pappajohn Business Building. Thinking that on Sundays parking was free, we didn't feed the meter. When Mass was over, there was a ticket left on my car. The response from most of my friends after I told them how upsetting it is that you can't

even go to church without getting ticketed was, "Underneath Pappajohn is never free." Finding that ticket made me feel used and taken advantage of. Is there nothing better for the authorities to do than wait for students to enter the Newman Center so that they can get an extra \$5 from a college kid trying practice her faith?

I'm not condoning my choice to park in a pay-parking only area; I'm just wondering why there isn't a better parking system in place for students who live on the other side of campus. Yes, there are a few spots in front of the building that on Sundays are free, but shouldn't students be able to have the option of a free parking place for one hour while at church?

Erin Borgstrom UI student

GUEST OPINION

Political play of the week: crafty campaigning

Two weeks ago, I said that getting ahold of Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton's campaign was the political equivalent of asking the most popular girl in school to the prom. So I was pleased to see that when she eventually came to Iowa City, she was actually quite humble. I introduced myself to the senator at a closed-door meeting with approximately 30 Democratic activists on Tuesday. Her handshake was warm, yet firm. She wasn't as tall as

I expected, but I wasn't going to fault her for it (I'm 5-7 — bad news

bears trying to get dates).

We spoke briefly about her husband and a humorous run-in with the Secret Service I once had. After all the slings and arrows she's had to endure, the 60-year-old senator still looked as lively and upbeat as ever. I'm sure she was excited to hear about her fundraising dominance, a whopping \$26 million raised in the first-quarter fundraising season. That, combined with \$10 million from her victorious Senate campaign fund, brought her total to a record-breaking \$36 million.

Barack Obama's campaign did not release its totals at that time, and I wondered whether his people were just worried or embarassed that they wouldn't meet the expectations the media had set for them. After the meeting, I quickly got home, brainstorming writing samples about my experience. Rodham Clinton, for sure, I thought, would win the Political Play of the Week. That all changed after I dug through dits—

Obama had announced that he raised \$25 million, a direct challenge to Rodham Clinton's dominance and a chink in her armor, her aura of inevitability. The *Chicago Sun-Times* reported that of that total, "\$6.9 million — more than a quarter of his total — [came from] the Internet from more than 50,000 online donors." Obama's camp also reported that his totals

included more than 100,000 donations ranging from small and large contributions, grass-roots, and establishment donors alike.

This bad news for Rodham Clinton coincides with the latest CNN/WMUR

poll, which shows her double-digit lead in New Hampshire eroding. Her numbers fell from 35 percent down to 27 percent, and John Edwards increased to 21 percent. The margin of error was 5.5 percent, showing a

21 percent. The margin of error was 5.5 percent, showing a statistical tie.

These numbers mean that many Democrats, despite what the media report, don't see the nomination as a coronation for Rodham Clinton. It also means those same Democrats are harboring seeds of doubt about her electability. They are seeking a change from the familiar, and the change they seek is Obama, the self-described "skinny kid with a funny name."

It shouldn't been seen as a mistake that the campaign withheld Obama's fundraising totals until the day after everyone else had released theirs. It's not disingenuous, as a Rodham Clinton supporter I spoke to described it. It's simply politics, and it's the way the game is played. Had the Obama camp released the total when everyone else did, there still would have been hoopla, but not as much buzz as it generated on Wednesday.

It's rare, but the media circus of Washington insiders, politicos, and pundits — though just for a fleeting moment — have been silenced by the quiet shuffling of 100,000 checkbooks, a shock that I'm sure is being felt within the confines of a certain New York senator's office. It's a silence that I, too, had predicted could *not* come true and why Obama wins this week's Political Play of the Week.

Jesse Tangkhpanya is a UI journalism and political-science student.

Last week's Political Play Winner: the Southern drawl

ON THE SPOT

Should the UI cut ties with the Iowa Lottery because of the use of the Tigerhawk and fight song in a commercial?



44 I don't think athletics should be associated with an academic university, anyway.³⁵

Anthony McGregor UI senior



"No, I don't think it promotes gambling."

Marcia Kent UI junior



Mo. The money the lottery brings in is good for the state.

Hope Nelson



We're getting money from the lottery."

Tom Schulte

No bull express

You don't have to be a genius to watch MTV (wait, what?) and notice the bevy of "save the world" environmental-style commercials. The message is just, and the timing is always pertinent. I've felt like a horrible human being for a while, watching the great programming of the spoiled generation, but then bam! I've got a cause of action put right in front of me. I'm even ready to switch my light bulbs. Thanks, MTV. I know Mother Nature is

happy you got her back, even if you cultivate a generation of ridiculous, television-based personalities.

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Hollywood
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place, wreaking havoc on the conservative mindset. He's got the movie, he's got the talk, and he's gotten the congressional hearing. Insert Al Gore Internet joke. Good, got that out of the way

Now, we all know that much like MTV, Al's not running for president, but he's still bothering me a little bit — you know, the same way I seem to be constantly bothered by all sorts of good things. Why can't I just enjoy the anti-right rhetoric that is so venomously coupled with global-warming talk, from the man, the myth, the legend of political global-warming gaggle?

Golly gee, Mr. Gore, what's the deal with your energy consumption? You're all up in my Earthneglecting face to do something, yet you got some big ol' mansion (20 rooms strong) that's guzzling energy way above the national average. I just don't get it. It breaks my heart Al; you're killing me. How could there be such a glaring chink in your environmental armor. Sure your spokeswoman said blah blah blah, and you and your anti-everything-fun-and-offensive-wife Tipper are working on stuff like solar panels and receiving energy from renewable programs, but we have to get to the heart of this matter.

(duh), and clearly by your clean-cut manner (not even a college-style beard right now, Al?) you're not trying. You should be living in a hut somewhere in the middle of nowhere openly smoking weed and saying dumb-ass stuff that, because of its emptiness, is seen as deep. How dare you be some sort of corporate environmental sellout. I can see right through you, sir.

Environmentalists are hippies

You know what I think? I think you're probably just a damn conservative getting paid off by those Republicans to stage these big, dramatized events on global-warming crap, knowing nothing will ever get done. You lost the election, so let's be real. How are you going to win against a dying planet?

I just want to know. Tell it to me straight. Can our advocates be effective if they are not living, obsessive embodiments of their causes? Does knowledge and eloquence trump action? Are debates even action, for that matter?

I just hope that Al doesn't get lumped into some world of nonbinding resolutions. I'd hate for his energy consumption to prevent old Capitol Hill from doing something that wasn't just writing on a piece of paper, then stored in some stupid vault of dusty forget-me's.

Give me some straight talk. I don't want all this bullshit. Just tell it like it is.

Wait, did you just hear that? I think it was a train horn. Holy crap, it's the No Bull Express. Yeah, John McCain is going straight old school, what what!

You see much like Al might lose some of his environmental homies, McCain is trying to win 'em back. And what's better than to bring back John-boy version 1.0, the one people, in general, liked (not just money lenders and big spenders). I was such a fool when I lost faith in John. I should have just realized that he was playing all those conservatives; he's obviously still the conductor of the straight talk express that we all grew to love. You know, the Teddy Roosevelt Republican (i.e., doesn't become a little backtracking, stupid taxing, spending juggernaut that he previously vowed not to be).

Yep, I love my politicians. They know what's up. Talk is cheap, ignore the details. ■

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Bill may tweak sex education



IN THE IOWA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT. **BY KURT HIATT**

THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa City School District health coordinator and kindergarten teacher Jude Jensen makes sure the 5- and 6-vear-olds in her class learn about sex - at an ageappropriate level, of course.

"It's based on how we're all human beings. We've got bodies, and isn't that a cool thing?" she said. "We celebrate being a boy and being a girl."

In succeeding years, students learn the stock topics — condom use, abstinence, sexually transmitted diseases, and AIDS - by the time they graduate.

But Jensen said some curriculum changes may be necessary if a bill in the state Legislature working for uniform sex education with "ageappropriate" and "scientific-" or "research-based" topics passes. The legislation came out of subcommittee April 3 and is eligible for debate in the Senate.

"We're going to have to tweak ours. And I'm OK with that. We're up for it," Jensen said. "I love that they're talking about research-based education. It arms me better as a teacher."

Jensen, who has been the district's health coordinator for six years and a kindergarten teacher for 10, said the district's sex education curriculum is "comprehensive" and includes all viewpoints.

Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City, said the amount of scientifically inaccurate information on sex education in schools sparked the legislation.

"This would make sure that [remedy] happens," he said.

Dan Sabers, a physical education and health teacher at City High, said the proposed changes to sex-education requirements won't "threaten" his high-school curriculum much.

"If [lawmakers] perceive that they don't think this type of information is getting delivered," the bill may be helpful, he said.



City High physical-education teacher Dan Sabers instructs students in warm-up exercises during a weight training and conditioning class on Wednesday. Saber also teaches health, which covers sex education, for four periods of the day.

Topics covered in his class include AIDS, rape, abstinence, safe-sex practices, and human papillomavirus — all of which would be specifically required by the proposed legislation.

But Jensen said teaching about the human papillomavirus is not a district-wide requirement, and it is something that would need to be added if the bill is passed, along with uniforming education about Internet predators.

Sex-education topics at City High are covered in students' health classes. Sabers said he lectures on sex education for three weeks of the course, which meets twice a week. Students are finished with their sex-education requirement after ninth grade, Jensen said.

Students' sex enlightenment spans from basic education about bodies and safety in kindergarten, and incorporates more "explicit" information through elementary school, Jensen said, adding that juniorhigh and high-school students learn about relationships, STDs, sexuality, and the impacts of sex.

Regardless of how sex education is administered, it is important for it to be part of schools' curricula. Jensen said. though there may be some debate that students receive the information too young.

"There's a lot of misinformation out there," she said. "It

relieves children to get information [in sex education], it normalizes their lives and their experiences, and it makes them feel safer and more understanding." *DI* reporter **Colin Burke** contributed to this report.

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Two may have

died in friendly

WASHINGTON - A weekafter acknowledging a litany of errors in the friendly fire death of former NFL star Pat Tillman, the Army said on Wednesday two soldiers who died in Iraq in February may also have been killed by their own comrades.

The Army said it is investigating the deaths of Pvt. Matthew Zeimer, 18, of Glendive, Mont., and Spc. Alan E. McPeek, 20, of Tucson, Ariz., who were killed in Ramadi, in western Iraq, on Feb. 2. The families of the two soldiers were initially told they were killed by enemy fire.

Army Col. Daniel Baggio said unit commanders in Iraq did not at first suspect they were killed by U.S. forces, but an investigation by the unit concluded that may be the case.

A supplemental report filed Feb. 28 suggested that the initial reports might have been wrong but that an investigation was still under way, he said. According to the Army, the unit

reluctant to make the claim until the unit-level investigation was complete."

It took another month before the families of the two soldiers were told, on March 31, that friendly fire was suspected.

Rose Doyle, McPeek's mother, declined to discuss the latest development. "I don't feel comfortable talking," she said. "Whatever I say isn't going to bring my son back."

Wednesday's disclosure comes on the heels of the announcement on March 26 that nine high-ranking Army officers, including four generals, made critical errors in reporting the friendly fire death of Tillman, an Army Ranger, in Afghanistan. The military found no criminal wrongdoing in the shooting of the former Arizona Cardinals defensive back.

Three other soldiers were wounded in the incident that killed Zeimer and McPeek. There has been no indication whether they were also hit by

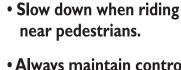
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Iran to release captive Britons



Associated Press

Nathan Summers, one of 15 British navy personnel seized by Iran, talks with Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad (center right) in Tehran, Iran, on Wednesday. Ahmadinejad announced that his government would release the 15 detained British sailors and Marines Wednesday as an Easter season gift to the British people.

BY NASSER KARIMI

ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEHRAN, Iran — President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad defused a growing confrontation with Britain, announcing the surprise release of 15 captive British sailors Wednesday and then gleefully accepting the crew's thanks and handshakes in what he called an Easter gift.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair expressed "profound relief" over the peaceful end to the 13-day crisis. "Throughout we have taken a measured approach — firm but calm, not negotiating, but not confronting either," Blair said in London, adding a message to the Iranian people that "we bear you no ill will."

"we bear you no ill will."

The announcement in Tehran was a breakthrough in a crisis that had escalated over nearly two weeks, raising oil prices and fears of military conflict in the volatile region. The move to release the sailors suggested that Iran's hard-line leadership decided it had shown its

strength but did not want to push the standoff too far.

Iran did not get the main thing it sought — a public apology for entering Iranian waters. Britain, which said its crew was in Iraqi waters when seized, insists it never offered a quid pro quo, either, instead relying on quiet diplomacy.

Syria, Iran's close ally, said it played a role in winning the release. "Syria exercised a sort of quiet diplomacy to solve this problem and encourage dialogue between the two parties," Syrian Foreign Minister Walid al-Moallem said in Damascus.

The announcement of the release came hours after U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi met with President Bashar Assad in Damascus, trying to show that a U.S. dialogue with Syria — rejected by the Bush administration — could bring benefits for the Middle East. The British sailors were not part of their talks, and it was not clear if the release was timed to coincide with her visit.

Some towns bypassing wastewater treatment

LAURA KLAIRMONT

THE DAILY IOWAN

Because of recent heavy rains, towns throughout Iowa are pumping untreated water into ditches, fields, and streams in a process called "bypassing."

During rainy periods, when excess water enters the wastewater system via cracked or leaking pipes and through uncovered manholes, pumps can't handle the excess flow—ultimately leading to flooding, say Iowa Department of Natural Resources officials. Such flooding, which commonly plagues basements, has led cities to divert the untreated water into groundwater rather than sewage systems.

"Health and safety goes first, the environment goes second," said Jeff Vansteenburg, Natural Resources supervisor for north central Iowa, noting, "Bypassing is not anything the department wants to see."

Throughout Iowa, excess wastewater has been pumped into ditches and streams in order to prevent the water from flooding people's homes.

In the past week, bypassing has occurred in Wellsburg, Fairfield, Arlington, Asbury, Garnavillo, Cedar Falls, Ainsworth, and Burlington, according to Natural Resources.

Although the method is used consistently throughout the state, the last bypass in Iowa City was three years ago.

Dave Flias, Iowa City's wastewater manager, said the city dedicates a large proportion of funds to maintaining a reliable sewage system. And despite problems that recent rainy weather has caused in neighboring towns, Iowa City has not been negatively affected.

"After the 1993 flood, a lot of weak spots in the system were revealed," Flias said. "We have spent a lot of time, effort, and money to correct the problems we had experienced."

Through bypassing, rain water is combined with wastewater, becoming contaminated.

The water then gets pumped into existing waterways, such as streams. Yet one Natural Resources official said the method hasn't greatly affected natural water systems.

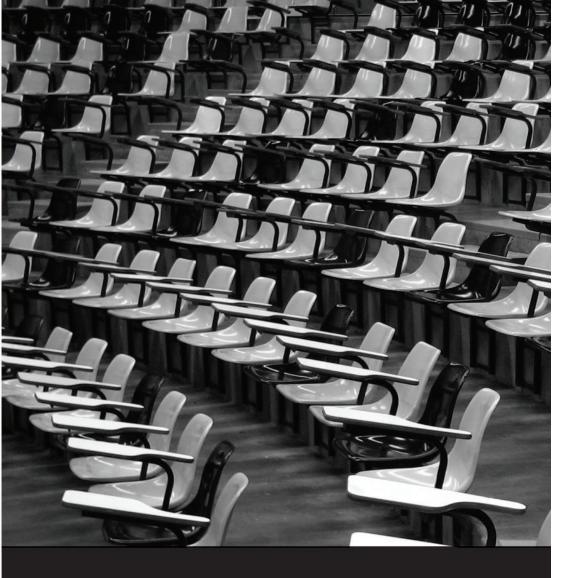
"The streams are so high right now that when wastewater is bypassed, it is so diluted that streams are being minimally affected," said Tom Roos, a Natural Resources environmental specialist. Though bypassing has become a popular technique, it can be prevented with precautions such as fixing wastewater lift stations and repairing leaky sewer lines.

Natural Resources has supervised the recent bypassing, but officials are discussing more efficient strategies for Iowa to deal with flooding issues.

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WOMEN'S GOLF: HAWKS HOPE TO END STRUGGLE, 2B

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noon, current Houston Astro second baseman Craig Biggio needed only 69 hits to reach 3,000 and join an exclusive group of major leaguers. Which player was the first

member of the 3,000 club? Answer on page 2B

CANCELATION

Hawks' games canceled

The Iowa baseball team's scheduled double-header with Wisconsin-Milwaukee Wednesday was canceled because of cold temperatures and high winds, the university announced. No makeup date has been announced.

The Hawkeyes (10-8, 1-3 Big Ten) will host Penn State in a four-game series starting Friday at Banks Field.

— by Jason Brummond

BASKETBALL

Altman says he'll finish career at Creighton

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — A contrite Dana Altman said his

first task will be to rebuild the trust of plavers. now that he's returned to Creighton.

Altman introduced

Altman Arkansas Creighton coach basketball Monday afternoon. Twenty-four

hours later he was on a plane back to Omaha after having a change of heart. "This is home. This is where

I will finish my coaching career. That's pretty obvious now," the 48-year-old Altman said at a news conference Wednesday. Creighton Athletics Director

Bruce Rasmussen said he had no reservations about taking back Altman, who has strung together nine-straight 20-win seasons and taken the Blueiavs to the NCAA Tournament seven of his 13 years at the school.

"Coach and I play golf on a somewhat regular basis, and he knows that his boss occasionally needs and takes a mulligan,' Rasmussen said. "So it's easy for me today to say, 'Coach, I grant you a mulligan.' "

BASEBALL

Cubs 4, Reds 1

CINCINNATI (AP) — Ted Lilly pitched seven impressive innings in his Cub début, leading Chicago to a victory over the Cincinnati Reds on a snowy Wednesday night.

Lilly allowed only three sin-

gles and struck out nine on a blustery night, puffing his cupped left hand between pitches to keep the feeling in his fingertips. Lilly

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Lilly pitcher

season spending spree, getting a four-year, \$40 million deal.

Mark DeRosa, another of the six free agents signed in the off-season, broke the game open with a bases-loaded single in the eighth off reliever Todd Coffey. Aramis Ramirez also had three singles off loser Bronson Arroyo.

Fans were bundled in winter coats and blankets for the first pitch, when it was 39 degrees. A snow burst in the fourth inning made it tricky to track fly

Ex-Hawkeye wrestler still fighting

Former Hawkeye wrestler Ryan McGivern always knew he liked to fight. Now he gets to do it in the International Fight League.



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan

Former Hawkeye wrestler Ryan McGivern (left) walks by a training bag inside the Miletich Fighting Systems training center in Bettendorf on Tuesday. McGivern is part of a team that will battle Saturday in an International Fight League match at the Mark of the Quad Cities. FOR AN EXCLUSIVE PHOTO SLIDE SHOW, CHECK OUT MATT RYERSON'S COV-**ERAGE OF TRAINING AT DAILYIOWAN.COM.**

BY ERIC MANDEL

THE DAILY IOWAN

Having an Iowa wrestling background goes a long way in making student-athletes more focused, prepared, and responsible adults in the future. Rarely, though, does it lead to a to be too much, forcing him to mixed martial-arts organiza-

career in fighting.

Ryan McGivern is an excep-

McGivern, 27, wrestled on the Hawkeye mats from 1999-2001 before his ROTC and engineering workload proved simply work with the team his

final two years. But the end of McGivern's Division-I athletics tenure was only a precursor to his future brawling career — he is now a member of the up-and-coming tion the International Fight Dan] Gable used to say was

"The things [the Iowa coaches] were telling me then. I am starting to understand now, and am starting to apply now," said the Bettendorf native.

whatever you think your limit is, to push past that. Now I know when my body wants to be tired, but I just push past it, and that just keeps pushing your bar back."

Remembering Eddie

Legendary Grambling football coach and UI alum Eddie Robinson died Tuesday. Al Schallau, a UI graduate and a close colleague of Robinson at Grambling, relives his memories with the coach in a personal tribute.

BY AL SCHALLAU SPECIAL TO THE DAILY IOWAN

Eddie Robinson, Grambling's legendary football coach, died Tuesday at the age of 88. Eddie was named one of the UI's most distinguished alumni in 1986, and nobody has ever been more proud of his master's degree that he received at Iowa.

In 1970-71, I was the attorney for the Grambling Athletics Department, helping put together a weekly TV show of Grambling football highlights. Our show was aired on 104 television stations, and during those two years, Eddie and I got to be good friends. We had a special bond the minute he found out that I was a graduate of the UI.

Eddie always felt a special fondness and respect for Iowa. He received his B. A. degree from Leland College in Baker, La., in 1941 and immediately became football coach at Grambling at age 21. By the



Eric Gay/Associated Press

Then-Grambling football coach Eddie Robinson gestures as he leaves Eddie Robinson Stadium after coaching his last home game in Grambling, La., on Nov. 15, 1997.

late 1940s, Leland College was closed up and defunct, and nobody bothered to save the academic transcripts of its graduates, so when Eddie tried to get into master's programs, he had a lot of problems. The universities asked for his undergrad transcripts, and he could not provide any.

SEE ROBINSON, PAGE 3B

Franklin beats injuries, tornado

Becca Franklin was hampered by injury and a home-wrecking tornado last season. This year, the former jumper has broken ber own school record four times



Check out an interview and throwing practice with track standout Becca Franklin at dailyiowan.com.

BY DIANE HENDRICKSON

THE DAILY IOWAN

Thrower Becca Franklin has competed in 10 meets this season, rewriting the school record books four times in two different events.

Pretty good for someone who walked onto the Iowa track team as a jumper. She first tried throwing her freshman year.

During the indoor season, the Moline, Ill., native topped her own mark three times in the weight throw. In the first two meets of outdoor, she shattered her hammer throw record and qualified for regionals.

Franklin originally walked on to compete in triple jump

 she holds her high-school record in all three jumping events — but there was no spot on the roster for another

jumper. Shetriple jump in two meets,

though, and she ranks sixth on Iowa's top performers list with a leap of 36-10.

SEE FRANKLIN, PAGE 3B

SPORTS 'N' STUFF

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Chicago	1	1	.500	1 1/2			
Cincinnati	1	1	.500	1 1/2			
Houston	0	3	.000	3			
St. Louis	0	3	.000	3			
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Colorado	2	1	.667	1/2			
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Boston 7, Kansas City 1
Minnesota 7, Baltimore 2
Oakland 9, Seattle 0
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Cleveland (Sowers 7-4) at Chicago White Sox
(Buehrle 12-13), 1:05 p.m.
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Tampa Bay (Seo 3-12) at N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 14-13), 6:05 p.m.
Oakland (Gaudin 4-2) at L.A. Angels (Saunders 7-3), 9:05 p.m.

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x-Pittsburgh	45	24	11	101	272	243	
N.Y. Rangers	41	29	10	92	238	213	
N.Y. Islanders	37	30	12	86	236	234	
Philadelphia	21	46	12	54	206	293	
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x-Ottawa	47	24	9	103	280	216	
Montreal	42	32	6	90	239	247	
Toronto	39	30	11	89	250	259	
Boston	35	39	6	76	214	279	
Southeast	W	L	ОТ	Pts	GF	GA	
x-Atlanta	41	28	11	93	239	242	
Tampa Bay	44	32	4	92	249	251	
Carolina	39	33	8	86	235	245	
Florida	34	31	15	83	236	250	
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A: Adrian Constantine "Cap" Anson of Marshalltown, Iowa.

Hawks hope to end struggles

The Iowa women's golf team has struggled with its short game the past two events, and Hawkeye coach Kelly Crawford hopes the Hawks can turn it around in time for the Big Ten championships.

BY PAUL KAZMIERCZAK

THE DAILY IOWAN

After a beginning the spring term on a high note, the Iowa women's golf team has cooled off in time to match the weather.

The Hawkeyes posted a 291combined score, one shot off the

school record, in the final round of the UNLV Invitational March 14, but they staggered to a 13th-place finish (among 15 schools) in Texas on March 18.

Crawford head coach

Iowa then competed against California-Irvine, head coach Kelly Crawford's former team, March 26-27, but finished eighth — 62 strokes behind the first-place Anteaters.

'The team has struggled in the past couple of events, which is a little disappointing," Crawford said.

The first-year coach said the team had hoped to build momentum in the second half of the split season, especially after the hours the group put into training over the winter.

Iowa's weak spot has been its short game. Crawford insists, however, that the Hawks have focused on approaching the green and putting throughout the year.

What hurt us in these past few tournaments, the short game, that's always been my emphasis," she said.

The problem, she said, has been the Hawkeyes' inability to put bad shots behind them and focus on the next hole. While she

understands her golfers' frustration, she also feels the team needs to practice the mental side of the game. Otherwise, a few bad swings can snowball into a disastrous outing.

"You start missing some putts and missing some greens, and suddenly the hole looks like the size of a pea," Crawford said.

To counteract that, the Sacramento State alum tries to concentrate her golfers on the current situation or specific

"I get them thinking about what's in front of them," she said. "I get them thinking about ... what's your yardage, where do you want to play this, how far do you want to land it.'

Another common factor in the Hawkeyes' recent struggles has been the absence of their head coach. Crawford did not travel with the team to Texas or California because of a death in her family. Although praising the job of assistant coach Chad Mejia, she admitted her leave may have affected her players.

"That was probably in the back of their minds," she said.

Despite recent results, the two-time Big West Coach of the Year says her players remain positive and realize they haven't reached their potential.

"They know they're better than that," she said. Indeed, Iowa golfers have set several school records this season, including carding the lowest team round, 290, last fall.

"We know we can do it; we just need to get it done," Craw-

Up Next: The Hawkeyes will get a chance to turn things around starting April 8, when they compete in the Indiana Invitational. The meet will serve

as a potential preview of the Big Ten championships — Iowa will face seven conference foes.

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Rowers to push for more wins

Led by sophomore Melissa Wordelman and junior Brittany Keyes early this spring, the Iowa rowing team is looking for better results, starting this weekend in Washington, D.C.

BY LESLIE BINGHAM

THE DAILY IOWAN

Sophomore Melissa Wordelman and junior Brittany Keyes have been a positive force on this year's Iowa rowing team. Both have demonstrated leadership and improvement this season, and head coach Mandi Kowal says the duo have been key to the team's success.

"Brittany and Melissa have both made improved showings so far this year," she said. "They come to practice and get the work done every day without hesitation."

In order to help the team and improve herself, Wordelman set goals during the off-season.

"Last season as a freshman, I was usually in the second varsity 8 boat," she said. "I really had to struggle to get myself in the first eight races, even if it was for just a few events."

To come from the bottom and reach the first varsity 8 boat, Wordelman focused on improving her overall technique after the conclusion of last season.

"I rowed over the course of the whole summer," she said. "During the summer, I was

focusing on making my technique more effective. Not only did I want to improve my skills, I wanted to make an impact on the team this year."

Despite the losses to Minnesota on March 31 at the Lake Macbride races, the second-year athlete remains positive about the team and the improvements they have yet to make this season.

"Even though we were defeated by Minnesota last weekend, our boat still felt good about the race," she said. "We knew the effort was there, and improvements were being made in every event. With all the hard work during the races; it was unfortunate that we were not able to win.

"At the start of every race, we have a really focused mentality. We can always trust that everyone is going to push 100 percent until the race is over."

A common goal for the Hawkeye women this spring is to get more wins in their remaining races. Another major achievement the team is striving for this season is better placement at the Big Ten championships and central regional races.

"We are extremely determined to make a better showing



Hawkeye junior Brittany Keyes works out on a rowing machine in the Field House on Wednesday morning. The rowing team will compete Friday and Saturday in the George Washington Invitational in Washington, D.C.

at the Big Ten and central events," Wordelman said. "In order to help the team, I need to make sure I am consistent in my performance, and I can contribute to the goals as well as to my teammates."

The rowers will next compete on Friday and Saturday at the George Washington Invitational in Washington,

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Ex-Hawk has fighting chance

WRESTLING

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Besides the flip in the 6foot, 185-pounder's mentality, his endurance and stamina bar are set at an all-time high.

During a stress test measuring the fighters' fitness, he was placed on a treadmill that increased both in incline and speed every three minutes. The longest a person had lasted was 15 minutes before the heart rate spiked or the participant gave up.

After 20 minutes, there was a crowd of doctors and nurses whose jaws nearly scraped the floor, as McGivern's heart rate remained steady, and a mere average workout sweat trickled onto his smiling face. The machine shut itself down at 21 minutes.

FRANKLIN

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But she turned to the

weight and hammer throws.

where there was a position for

the team," said the senior, who

grew up a Hawkeye fan just across the Mississippi River.

earned a regional qualifying

spot and set her first Iowa record in the hammer throw

Last season, however, Franklin, who had just set the school mark in the weight throw, hurt the muscles in her back, sidelining her for a

"I couldn't do anything at all," she said. "I lost strength and technique, and it took the

rest of indoor to build that

Once she got healthy, the

Between the injury and not

having a place to live,

Franklin just didn't get the

"I could only maintain what

I had built up," said the sen-

ior, who only threw 176-7 dur-

ing her junior campaign. "I

didn't progress any more from

"I think last year would

Head coach James Grant

have been a lot better. Living

in a hotel, it's hard to do

said the time away from throw-

ing hindered her development.

reps in that she needed.

April 13 tornado left her

with a toss of 181-11.

month.

back up.'

there.

things properly."

She added 15 pounds of muscle to her tall, slender frame, and after a year,

"I could do it and stay on

He'd passed.

While working as a general engineer for the U.S. Army by day, the former Hawkeye trains with his Quad-City Silverback teammates and coach Pat Miletich for the first full season of the fight league.

The league consists of 12 teams - from the Portland Wolfpack to the Tokyo Sabres pitting them against one another in a season-long competition. The league is a combination of the passion and intensity of mixed martialarts competitions made popular by the Ultimate Fighting Championship, along with the team concept of a wrestling dual-meet. The fusion allows fans to root for the team in their area, and in its inaugural year, the ratings are higher than the Ultimate Championship's at the same point in its development.

"There are very few things in

Hawk thrower has lofty goals

'She's so determined and only expects the best of herself. I see how strong she is and how well she

is doing, and I just want to get there.'

— Mandy Chandler, shot putter

the world that everyone can watch, no matter the language," said Miletich, who is renowned for creating his personal fighting technique, Miletich Fighting System. "Soccer is that way, car wrecks with car racing, and the same goes for a good fight."

Miletich, born in Davenport, says the team concept is what puts the International Fight League ahead of the Ultimate Championship and professional boxing in both the short-term and long-term.

"They need big stars," he said. "After Ali and Tyson went down, it wasn't much without the exciting fighter, and pay-per view dollars struggled. With team matchups, there is no way around it. The team still rolls on even when individuals go down. It has longevity and a stabilized situation."

FIGHT TICKETS

The International Fight League is offering \$15 student tickets to this weekend's event in Moline, III.; they may be purchased at the Mark of the Quad Cities box office and ticketmaster.com. Those interested in buying tickets for the event must ask for code "STUDENT."

On Saturday in Moline, Ill., McGivern, Miletich, and the rest of the Silverbacks squad hope their tireless work translates into success. After dropping their first match of the season against the Los Angeles Anacondas, 3-2, they will host Ken Shamrock and the Nevada Lions at the Mark of the Quad Cities this weekend.

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Grad recalls Robinson

ROBINSON

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Eddie told me, "The University of Iowa was the only university that would accept me into its master's degree program. It accepted all of my undergraduate course work, and I am forever grateful to it for doing that. I was in Iowa City for quite a few summers to get my master's degree."

Coach Robinson was an ardent admirer of Forest Evashevski and the Wing-T offense. His Grambling teams forever ran from the same Wing-T offense that Kenny Ploen, Randy Duncan, and Wilburn Hollis executed so effectively at Iowa in the late 1950s. When I mentioned the "931 counter" to him, he smiled ear-to-ear because his Grambling teams ran that play thousands of times in practice and in games. Eddie used the Wing-T at Grambling up to the day he retired as football coach.

In 1978, I paid for a fullpage ad in the local Iowa City newspaper urging Iowa to hire Eddie Robinson its new football coach. Former Iowa Athletics Director Bump Elliott and Ed Jennings did interview Robinson at Shreveport, La.

Then they went to Dallas to interview North Texas State's football coach, Hayden Fry.

The rest is history.

Coach Fry and Coach Robinson are now both in the College Football Hall of Fame.

From 1978 onward, I have been so grateful to Bump that he did not offer the Iowa coaching job to Eddie Robinson.

Why?

Because Eddie and I had not consulted Robinson's wife, Doris, on the matter. She was unhappy to learn in the newspapers that he was pondering a move to Iowa City. As of 1978, they had lived in Grambling for 37 years, and she did not want to leave.

We will read many tributes telling us what kind of man Eddie Robinson was. The stories are all true

The one I remember most came from Green Bay Packer Hall of Famer Willie Davis.

"My mother was concerned about whether I would be going to church after I left for college," Davis said. "Coach Robinson said, 'If your son goes to Grambling, he will go to church every Sunday whether he wants to or not.' My mother looked at me and said, 'You're going to Grambling."

Eddie Robinson will be remembered forever in the annals of college football. He was loved and respected by everyone who knew him, and he deserves every good thing that has ever been said about

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Becca Franklin swings a four-kilogram practice hammer during practice in the Rec Building on Wednesday. Franklin, a walk-on, recently broke the school record for hammer throw with a toss of 181-11.

tice, it takes away from improving on the technique of the event," he said. "Strength is key. The more you are in it, the stronger you become."

The repetitions, and the accumulation of those reps over the past three years, have helped Franklin progress to the next level, he

"She's that much better because she has all that practice and technical skills over three years," Grant said. "In

Across from the Dublin

"Any time you miss prac- events like that, you get better because you're more technically sound."

After a good off-season, Franklin showed just how good she can be, breaking the weight-toss record by almost a foot in the first indoor meet of the year. She improved that mark by four feet to 58-3 over

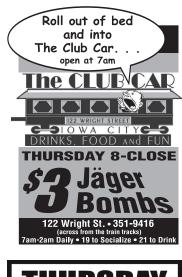
the course of the season. In the second outdoor meet, she bested her hammer throw record by five feet with a toss of 187-6, which pegs her at 24th in the nation.

Franklin believes she has the ability to throw another 20 feet, so this record should

quickly fall, too. The heights she has reached only serves as moti-

vation for her teammates. "She's so determined and only expects the best of herself," shot putter Mandy Chandler said. "I see how strong she is and how well she is doing, and I just want to get

there." E-mail *DI* reporter **Diane Hendrickson** at: diane-hendrickson@uiowa.edu







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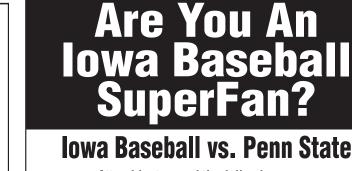
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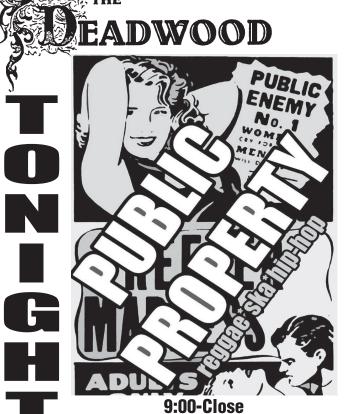
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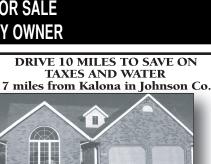
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with it before you decide to become a Good Samaritan. Your love life is looking up, but don't over spend to impress that special someone.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't spread rumors — it might affect your position or a partnership. Someone may be embellishing the information they are passing along. Mixing business with pleasure will only lead to disaster, mistrust, and possibly unemployment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): If you push hard for what you want, you will be on the receiving end. A job change or advancement looks promising. Love is in view, and a romantic evening should be in the works. Communication will help you stabilize a worrisome situation. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): When socializing, be careful not to leave someone out who is counting on you for entertainment. A problem at home or with family is likely to surface if you haven't been complete-

ly honest. Don't overspend, overdo, or overindulge. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may gravitate toward someone from your past, but be careful. Remember why you haven't seen this person for such a long time. A few subtle updates to your looks

will result in compliments and raised self-confidence. **LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Get involved in something that utilizes any creative talent you have. A health issue may arise, but the diagnosis will not be accurate. You have to search for answers —

someone may withhold information that you require. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may be feeling a little emotional today. Don't let that cause you to do or say something you may regret later. Someone will recognize your talent if you promote it properly, but if you fear failure and keep your talent a secret, don't expect any gains.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Expect to get mixed messages from friends, relatives, and neighbors. Stick around home, and make a few changes that will make your place more user-friendly and comfortable. Someone you respect may be able to shed some light on your situation.

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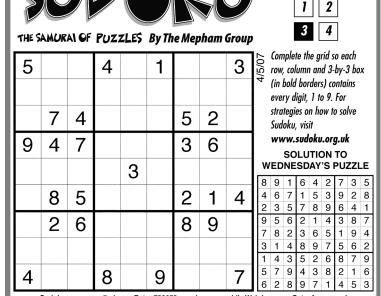
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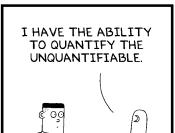
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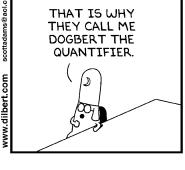
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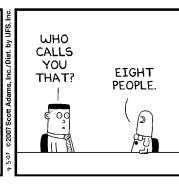
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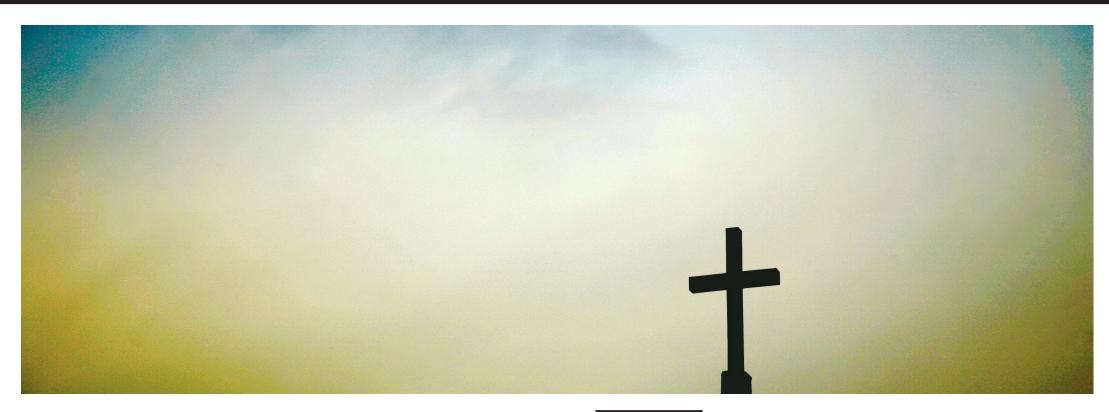
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The bells at noon. Women in headscarves. Enlightenment centers. Reading rooms. A necklace with the Star of David. Church steeples visible through lecture-hall windows.

This is Iowa City, home of the largest public university in the state. Though it lacks any official connection to religious practice, artifacts of religious life color the campus, with much of the student and city population holding some belief. The Association of Religion Data Archives at Pennsylvania State University reported that 41.6 percent of Johnson County residents counted themselves as adherents to some creed, according to 2000 polling data — unusual compared with the national rate of 62.7 percent, making religion slightly rarer and potentially more special here.

Whether Evangelical Christian or pagan, Muslim or Jew, practicing or lapsed, ignoring the diverse presence of religion in even a highly secularized environment would be remiss. Especially this week, when two of the major religions — Christianity and Judaism — have holidays in Easter and Passover.

In the following four stories, three professors of religious studies and groups of Christian, Muslim, and Jewish students have described their spiritual and academic experience within the UI. The scope is inherently incomplete — no amount of writing could capture the variety of belief present with students numbering more than 28,000 — but nevertheless, we intend to offer a representative snapshot.

To capture the dynamic of religious life within a secular school, *The Daily Iowan* asked how belief affects identity, how religious views are received in the classroom and among peers, and the advantage of the control of the control

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'We all just want to be Christians'

A bearded, spectacled, balding Roger Charley chuckles as members of Campus Christian Fellowship, a group he directs, reenact the resurrection of Lazarus, complete with in-jokes and pop-culture references. Afterward, Roger, wearing a cCf T-shirt (think Superman-emblem) reads in front of the 30 attendees: "In the time before we came to Christ, our thought was different; afterwards, our focus shifts to him."

Situated in the Midwest, the UI draws on students who have largely been associated with the Christian faith — at least at one time or another. Many hit the snooze button on church and prayer while hitting the books, but some remain practicing.

'We often feel guilt by association. Some people just think that a Christian is a Christian is a Christian. But it's so personal, so diverse.'

— Chip Martinson

"A chunk really cares about the spiritual side of things," said the tall, affable Chip Martinson, the campus director for Campus Crusade for Christ. "We want to get a gauge on the spiritual pulse of the campus, to try to make Christianity relevant to college students."

SEE **CHRISTIANITY**, PAGE 3C

'Each time we tell the story, we are reliving the Exodus'

tages and problems of maintaining faith while obtaining a degree. Experiences vary, but one thing does not: the importance of the role religion plays in UI student life.

Seated around circular tables dressed with symbolic preparations for the Seder meal, which opens the eight-day Jewish celebration of Passover, are approximately 70 well-dressed men and women observing a tradition of the religion that is the point of origin for both Christianity and Islam.

'I go to Shabbat dinners, but I don't go to services — it's not part of my beliefs; my Judaism is a cultural thing.'

— Jessica Sejzer

A yellow book opens to a page that reads: "Each time we tell the story, we are reliving the Exodus [from Egyptian slavery], literally reliving it ... bringing to light truths that our own times have revealed to us."

Hillel, where the meal was held, is the largest center in Iowa City for Jewish students, keeping contact with around 450 of the approximately 800 here. But unlike other religious groups, applying the title "Jewish" is a difficult task, for it can apply to converts raised outside of Jewish culture or to non-religious Jews who still identify with their familial traditions.

SEE **JUDAISM**, PAGE 3C

'Islam wants everyone to be happy'

Head covered by a white hood, shoulders draped with a brown cloak, a heavy beard revealing a surprisingly affecting smile, Imam Ali Said speaks to the congregation in Arabic. You can tell by the animated facial, hand, and vocal expression that he is adamant, impassioned. A pause for brief translation: "The world is thirsty for the manners and message that Islam has to offer. Islam wants everyone to be happy."

Whereas Cedar Rapids has a large Muslim community, and the oldest official mosque in the nation, Iowa City's is relatively small, with around 150 regular attendees at the mosque, half of them students. Nevertheless, it is growing — forcing the Iowa City Mosque to relocate in 2005 to a former Jehovah's Witness building at 1812 W. Benton St.

'After Sept. 11, people personally left roses on our family's door. People baked bread for us.'

— Dhuha Tawil

Nadia Igram, the vice president of the UI Muslim Students' Association and a Cedar Rapids native, attributes some of this change, strangely enough, to reaction surrounding 9/11. "Before, Islam wasn't that well-known of a religion in the United States — but after the events, people were curious. They learned more, and some found a connection."

SEE ISLAM, PAGE 3C

Keeping the groves of academe open

Howard Rhodes sits among hard-bound books on religion, society, and their synthesis, looking out onto the university's heart, the Pentacrest: "We're assumed to see everything and say everything as distorted by personal beliefs. I'm not denying or hiding my own, but I want to make my religious beliefs irrelevant to what I teach."

'One of the assets of a public institution is that we are able to examine issues openly with the widest range of views.'

— Evan Fales

Rhodes is an assistant professor of religious studies, a department evolved out of the first ever of its kind at a U.S. public institution, founded in 1927. While the department is decidedly academic, it faces criticism unusual within liberal arts.

"Religious-studies professors within state universities are made to feel like they need to apologize for the issues and the text," said Rhodes, who specializes in modern religious thought. "They are often accused by students as teaching against or promoting a certain religious point of view."

Though he admits he hasn't encountered any problems himself, Rhodes didn't want to divulge his beliefs to avoid the above distortion. However, other religious-studies professors aren't so covert.

SEE **ACADEMICS**, PAGE 3C



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Peter Harman, the chef and owner of Martini's Grille in Burlington, Graze anatomy | Peter Harman, the chej and owner of Martin s Grille in Burlingion opened Graze on March 29 — where portions are big and sharing is mandatory — at the former location of Venuto's World Bistro.

BY TESSA RUDDY

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Peter Harman — the self-proclaimed food guru — has two favorite foods. His No. 1 is popcorn, and his No. 2 is Past-a-Roni garlic and olive oil vermicelli. This middle-aged father of two unapologetically admits that his appetite coincides more with a college student's than a chef's, but the cookbook author, international chef-podcaster, and owner of Martini's Grille in Burlington finds pleasure in reconsidering the ordinary.

His newest venture, Graze, 115 E. College St., in the building that was once home to Venuto's World Bistro, serves up hearty portions of "really good junk food."

"I make food the way grandma used to cook," Harman said. Nothing at Graze is low-fat or low-carbohydrate.

"People talk health and eat junk," he said. "If you're going to eat cheesecake, eat my grandma's cheesecake, which is the recipe off of the graham-cracker box from 1920. It's real. It's full

The menu at Graze offers appetizers, desserts, and libations — the large drink menu consists of fancy martinis, cocktails, margaritas, wine, and select bottled beer. Everything

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Tipples: Full bar, specializing in fancy "martinis" (the kind that don't have gin and vermouth, that is). We think this is: A great place to have a yummy cocktail or share some gourmet junk food with your friends and family. Hours: Monday-Wednesday, 4-11 p.m.; Thursday-Saturday,

4-midnight

at Graze is made with recipes that use fresh, high-quality ingredients. The juice - including pineapple, passion fruit, and lemon — is squeezed daily, and the sauces — including the mango mayonnaise and the famous kazu sauce — are made from scratch.

Harman describes the cuisine at Graze "like a fastball down the middle; it's things people understand." The food is familiar, yet unconventional at the same time. He takes the well-known and prepares it



Rachel Mummey/The Daily Iowan

Bartender Erika Petersen shows co-worker Megan Karcher how to open a bottle of champagne at Graze on Tuesday. The new restaurant features appetizers and fresh juice margaritas and martinis.

with a "twist."

The restaurant is named for the way in which you eat there - you "graze."

"It doesn't have anything to do with cows or grass," Harman quips. "Grazing is when we all get together, we order four things, we put them in the middle of the table, and we share."

I invited two friends to come out and try this new restaurant with me, because after all, it's impossible to graze alone.

I wore heels, and my friend

Erin Zintek wore a pair of beige and green skate shoes. Neither of us felt as if we were under- or overdressed. Graze is relaxed neither a highbrow steak house nor a sports bar. The three flatscreen televisions hanging from the walls displayed impressionist paintings — Čézanne, Degas, Gauguin — I felt like I was in a digital Musée D'Orsay.

Zintek, her boyfriend, Matt Lenox, and I indecisively perused the menu to the Beatles, Jimmy Buffett, and Neil Diamond, bobbing our heads to the familiar tunes.

We could not order the predetermined "grazing menu" — \$12 a person — because there were only three of us, and Zintek is a pescatarian.

So, we ordered à la carte, choosing the food guru's world famous chicken lips (\$10 for four), sesame-seared tuna (\$15), grilled spinach pizza (\$10), and big island burgers (\$8 for four mini-burgers).

As we waited for our food, I sipped a martini recommended to me by Kim Harman, the food guru's wife, called "Honeymoon in Vegas" (\$7). The drink is made with Captain Morgan, orange curação, homemade sweet and sour mixer, and fresh-squeezed orange juice. The rim of the glass was covered in cinnamon sugar. Neither the alcohol nor the fruit juice overpowered this cocktail. It was almost too easy to drink.

The food arrived in very large portions, plated in a simple, unpretentious manner.

I started with the chicken lips. Although the name is a bit off-putting, these are not actual chicken lips. Harman describes them as "Hooter's wings without the bones." They are cigarsized chicken fingers for adults served with homemade

dressing made with Maytag blue cheese and Budweiser. I could see myself getting addicted to these, although I only ate one - Lenox ravenously devoured the remaining three before I had a chance to swal-

The tuna was expertly prepared, tender slices of deep pink meat, served with wasabi. soy sauce, lemon, and pickled ginger. Zintek occupied herself with the seafood, so as to avert her eyes from the enticing lips that were tempting her to consider eating chicken as well as

The big island burgers were the favorite of Lenox and our neighbors' table. These miniature burgers are made from the same chicken used for the lips. The poultry is ground up with cilantro, Thai green curry, and soy sauce, formed into patties, and served on cocktail buns with a dollop of mango mayonnaise and coleslaw.

Zintek described the fare as "gourmet comfort food," which is exactly what it was.

"I've been waiting for three years for a good location in Iowa City, and I think if there was ever an acre that needed chicken lips, this is the acre," Harman said. "I love this place."

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WHAT'S GOIN' ON



- THIS WEEK ON "80 HOURS ON AIR," THE *D*/S RADIO VENTURE, YOU CAN HEAR:

 Find out more about Christianity at the UI appropriately enough, as music becomes increasingly important in modern Christian worship from *D*/reporter Paul Sorenson.

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THURSDAY 4.5

• Marc Irving Weber, 11 a.m., Grounds for Dessert Coffeehouse. 345 S. Dubuque

• Ignite the Will, the Feeding, Take Control, Avidius, 5 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington

• The Drams, 9 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington • Dustin Louis Blank, 9:30

p.m., David's Place, 100 S. Linn • Rusty Buckets, Illinois John Fever, Wax Cannon, 10 p.m., Picador

THEATER

• Collected Stories, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert

• Ghost Sonata, 8 p.m., Theatre **Building Mabie Theatre** WORDS

• "Live from Prairie Lights," Sam Witt, poetry, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque

 Poetries: An Interdisciplinary Symposium, "When Context Is All: The Specificity of Popular Poetry," keynote by Cary Nelson, with reception following, 7:30 p.m., 304 English-Philosophy Building

• Better Luck Tomorrow, 7 p.m., Becker Communication Studies Building

• California Split, 7 p.m. Bijou • Tears of the Black Tiger, 9:30 p.m., Bijou

LECTURES

• "Getting a Good Night's Sleep," 11 a.m., Walden Place, 2423 Walden Road

• "The Role of Faith in the New Iowa: The Challenges and Rewards of Immigration," Mark Grey, noon, Congregational

Church, 30 N. Clinton • "What Can Be Said? Silence, Voice and Socially Relevant

Curriculum," 3 p.m., Lindquist Center Jones Commons Caterpillar Colloquium Series. "Efficient and Accurate Computation of NBTI (Negative bias tem-

perature instability) Degradation and a Method to Combat it Via Gate Sizing," Kewal Saluja, 3:30 p.m., 3315 Seamans Center • "The Clemencies of Titus: Backgrounds to Mozart's Last

Opera," Robert Ketterer, 4:30 p.m., 304 EPB • Journeys in Faith Group

Discussion Series, "Holy Thursday," 7:30 p.m., Newman Catholic Student Center, 104 E. Jefferson

• Culinary Creations for Kids,

THURSDAY 4.5

CONTINUED

9:30 a.m., Hy-Vee, 812 S. First Ave. • "Only Nine Chairs," Story Time, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn

• Kelly Taylor, comedian, 9 p.m., IMU Hawkeye

FRIDAY 4.6

• "Java Blend," Garnet Rogers,

noon, Java House, 211½ E. Washington • Sam Knudson, noon, M.C. Ginsberg, 110 E. Washington

• Devil Wears Prada, The Calico System, A Day to Remember, 5:30 p.m., Picador

• Cynthia Lin, 7 p.m., House of Aromas, 118 S. Clinton

• B&B Music Factory, 8 p.m., Java House

• Katie Wolfe, violin and Alan Huckleberry, piano, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall

• Open Mike, 8 p.m., Uptown Bill's, 401 S. Gilbert

• Grooveship, Strange Neighbors, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn Skunk River Bandits

Reunion, 9 p.m., Mill • Terrence Parker, Sonar, DJ herbert, T.J. Hood, Nate Unique, 9:30 p.m., Picador

THEATER

• Collected Stories, 7:30 p.m., Riverside

• Ghost Sonata, 8 p.m., Mabie

• Aguirre: The Wrath of God, 7 p.m., Bijou

• Poetries: An Interdisciplinary Symposium, Mr. Deeds

Goes to Town, 7 p.m., 101 Becker

• *The Host*, 9:15 p.m., Bijou • *El Topo*, 11:59 p.m., Bijou

LECTURES

• Poetries: An Interdisciplinary Symposium, "The Futures of Poetry Studies," panel discussion, 9:30 a.m., 304 EPB • Poetries: An Interdiscipli-

nary Symposium, "Organizing for the Future of Academic Freedom," Cary Nelson, 11:30 a.m., W401 Pappajohn Business Building

• Poetries: An Interdisciplinary Symposium, "American Poetry Broadsides of the Last 40 Years," James Sullivan, 11:30

a.m., Main Library
• Poetries: An Interdisciplinary Symposium, "Robert Hayden's

FRIDAY 4.6

CONTINUED

Aspiration to Universality," Robert **von Hallberg,** 11:30 a.m., 304 EPB

• Poetries: An Interdisciplinary Symposium, "Textual Abjection: The Place of Bad Poetry' in American Studies," Maria Damon, 11:30 a.m., 704 Jefferson Building

• "Finding God at Iowa" and "Lenten Images," Nicholas Rossi, noon, IMU River Room 1

• Poetries: An Interdisciplinary Symposium, "Poetry Broadsides: Looking at the Printed Poem, Holding it in Your Hands," James Sullivan, 1:30 p.m., 2032 Main Library

• Poetries: An Interdisciplinary Symposium, "Poetry and Cultural Studies: (im)Plausible Pre-histories and Futures.

Maria Damon, 2:45 p.m., 304 EPB "Caribbean Discourses and Contrapuntal Modernity," 4

p.m., 40 Schaeffer • Poetries: An Interdisciplinary Symposium, "The Recovery of Sentiment in Popular U.S. Poetry of the 1940s and 1950s: Sinatra and Doo-Wop," Robert von Hallberg, 4 p.m., 304 EPB

• Nina Katchadourian, artist lecture, 8 p.m., 116 Art Building West

• Koffee and Kravons. 9 a.m.. Scanlon Gym, 2701 Bradford Drive

English Conversation Group, 10 a.m., Public Library • Book Babies, 10:30 a.m., Pub-

lic Library • Health Day, 2 p.m., Public

 Opening Reception, UI Graduate Students Ceramic Work, 5 p.m., AKAR, 257 Iowa "Know the Score Live," Ghost Sonata, 5 p.m., UI Museum of Art

• Paula Poundstone, 8 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington

SATURDAY 4.7

MUSIC

• Tricia Park, violin, 3 p.m., • Bill Bryant, 7 p.m., Uptown

• Cosmic Break Battle of the Bands with Public Property, Homemade Headtrip, Hunab, The Mayflies, Dr. Z's Exeriment, 7 p.m., Picador
• Iowa Woodwind Quintet, 8

p.m., Clapp · Dave Zollo and the Body Electric, 9 p.m., Mill

• Dennis McMurrin and the

SATURDAY 4.7

Demolition Band, 9 p.m., Yacht Club • Steve Grismore Trio, 10 p.m., Sanctuary, 405 S. Gilbert

CONTINUED

THEATER

• Collected Stories, 7:30 p.m.,

• Ghost Sonata, 8 p.m., Mabie Theatre

Aguirre: The Wrath of God, 2

p.m., Bijou • *The Host*, 4:15 p.m., Bijou Aguirre: The Wrath of God,

• The Holy Mountain, 11:59 p.m., Bijou

LECTURES

6:45 p.m., Bijou

• "The End of Education: Globalization and Academic Freedom," Cary Nelson, 1 p.m., 2229 Seamans Center

MISC.

• Jaycees Easter Egg Hunt, 10

a.m., City Park • Family Story Time, 10:30 a.m., Public Library

• Euchre Tournament, 1 p.m., American Legion, 3016 Muscatine Spencenter, 5 p.m., Mill.

SUNDAY 4.8

p.m., Picador

WORDS

 Love Hate Hero, Vanna, Blinded Black, Morello, 6 p.m., Picador Jason Isbell (of Drive By

Truckers), The Mayflies, 9:30

THEATER • Collected Stories, 2 p.m.,

• Ghost Sonata, 2 p.m., Mabie Theatre

Museum of Natural History **FILM** • *The Host*, 3 p.m., Bijou

• Sunday Stories, 3 p.m., UI

• Aguirre: The Wrath of God, 5:30 p.m., Bijou

• Kinsey, 6 p.m., Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay, Transgender Center • *The Host*, 7:15 p.m., Bijou

MISC.

• Prayers for World Peace, 3:30 p.m., Lamrim Buddhist Center, 505 E. Washington

• Pub Quiz, 9 p.m., Mill

MONDAY 4.9

• New Music Festival Concert, University of Minnesota New

Music Ensemble, 8 p.m., Clapp

• Blues Jam, 9 p.m., Yacht Club • Magnolia Electric Co. (Songs:Ohia), Great Lakes, Old Panther, 9 p.m., Mill

WORDS • Lee Maracle and Erika T. Wurth. American Indian litera:

ture reading, 7 p.m., 203 Becker

• Aguirre: The Wrath of God, 7

p.m., Bijou • Hey Ram, 7 p.m., E105 Adler

Journalism Building

• *The Host*, 9:15 p.m., Bijou **LECTURES**

co chairman, noon, C425 Pomer-• Lawson Smith, sculptor, 8 p.m., 116 Art Building West

• Pepsi Bottling Group, Mexi-

• Toddler Story Time, 10:30 a.m., Public Library Native American Arts Week

Potluck, 5:30 p.m., Latino Native American Cultural Center • English Language Conversation Group, 6 p.m., Kirkwood Learning Center, 1810 Lower Mus-

• Teens Cook, 6 p.m., Public • Introduction to Meditation,

7:30 p.m., Lamrim Buddhist Center TUESDAY 4.10

Grounds For Dessert • Katie Paulsen, noon, IMU Hawkeye

• Mark Irving Weber, 11 a.m.,

• Guarneri String Quartet, 7:30 p.m., Hancher Auditorium • 4 Shillings Short, 8 p.m., Mill

• Radio Moscow, Scouts Honor, Liberty Leg, 9 p.m., Picador • Throwdown Dance Party, 10

• "Live From Prairie Lights," Huston Diehl, memoir, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights

p.m., Yacht Club

• Mysterious Objects at Noon, 6:30 p.m., Asian Pacific American Cultural Center

TUESDAY 4.10

CONTINUED

• The Host, 7 p.m., Bijou • Aguirre: The Wrath of God,

9:30 p.m., Bijou

LECTURES Student Leadership

Roundtables, 6:30 p.m., 256 IMU

• Toddler Story Time, 10:30 a.m., Public Library • Diversity Training, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Issues in Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, noon.

Public Library • Lebanese Favorites, 6 p.m., New Pioneer Co-op, 1101 Second,

• Library-Community Writing Center, 6:30 p.m., Public

WEDNESDAY 4.11

MUSIC • Burlington St. Bluegrass Band, 7 p.m., Mill

10,000 Hours Show, Jack's Mannequin, 7:30 p.m., IMU Main Lounge

• Iowa Brass Quintet, 8 • Local H, Riddle of Steel, 9

• The Jam, 10 p.m., Yacht

p.m., Picador

THEATER • Ghost Sonata, 8 p.m., Mabie Theatre

"Live From Prairie Lights," Robin Hemley, nonfiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights

WORDS

• Aguirre: The Wrath of

• "Improving Care for Veter-

· "Choices Not Chances,"

God, 7 p.m., Bijou • *The Host*, 9:15 p.m., Bijou

ans at the End of Life: Lessons Learned," 2 p.m., Public Library

LECTURES

Iowa DOT, 2 p.m., Walden Place • Preschool Story Time,

10:30 a.m., Public Library Culture Break at Old Cap, 12:10 p.m., Old Capitol

Senate Chamber
• Big Idea, 10 p.m., Mill

Wide spectrum of beliefs at the Ul



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Worshippers enter the gymnasium of Parkview Evangelical Church on March 29.



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

Hillel Director Gerald Sorokin prepares for Passover at the Hillel House on Monday afternoon.

Some Christians feel silenced

CHRISTIANITY

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Many have found such relevance. Campus Crusade, nicknamed "Cru," claims an active membership of around 130; 24-7, another Christian group, sees around 200 at its Thursday events; Campus Christian Fellowship has around 60 "plugged in," and the Newman Catholic Center sees approximately 4,000 students attend services each year. There's no way to approximate the number of Christian students here — the UI keeps no records, and membership overlaps among different groups — but one thing's certain: It's significant.

A couple hundred students stand in a gym transformed into tech-savvy worship space, singing along with an eightmember rock band, the lyrics shot onto jumbo screens hovering above the crowd. "You're our greatest desire, Jesus your name." Projected above center stage onto a wall tiled with screens is a striking "24-7.

But as with all public institutions, the UI is committed to maintaining an open environment, respecting all faiths but favoring none. While it's rare to find a Christian openly persecuted for her or his beliefs, Christians say the secular environment does offer challenges.

"Faith is a very, if not the most important part of our lives — it permeates everything we do," said Steve Thompson, a secondyear law student who is active in the Newman Center; he wears a small cross around his neck. "There's an expectation for professional distance at school, but it conflicts, because faith at its core is a personal experi-

ence.' Inside the plain but warm Newman Catholic Center, Fr. Jeff Belger, wearing red liturgical vestments, tells the congregants about the importance of Easter. Many grip single palm branches while they listen: "We are an Easter people. We look forward to the resurrection and the joy that comes with it.'

Because of its intimate relationship with identity, religion often defines more than just divine cosmology. "It's hard to speak up in class when politics are thrown into the mix," said Eden Derby, a 24-7 and Cru member. "I have more conservative views as a Christian, but I'm silenced when I'm surrounded by liberal ones. People just write me off as being closedminded." Derby says she thinks homosexuality, for example, is a sin, but this doesn't stop her from having homosexual friends, because she follows the

"Love the sinner, hate the sin" doctrine.

Not to say that all Christians here are conservative. In fact, it's those very types of generalizations that hamper understanding among the community. Martinson is very cautious not to make any "Jesus Camp-y' statements, saying, "We often feel guilt by association. Some people just think that a Christian is a Christian is a Christian. But it's so personal, so diverse."

A brief survey of different campus groups illustrates the difference: from the summercamp feeling Campus Christian Fellowship to the more traditional Newman Center to the rock concert-esque 24-7, each is unique in its approach, but united in fundamental cause.

"As Christian groups, we're on the same team," said Ukpong Eyo, a Nigerian who's spending his fourth year in the United States as a biology graduate student. "We're not competing each group has its own mis-

Roger Charley chimes in: "We all just want to be Christians."

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UI graduate student Ukpong Eyo sings with his peers at a Campus Christian Fellowship meeting on March 28.

Jews don't feel ostracized

JUDAISM

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"Our reach is broadly based we don't want people to regard Hillel as the synagogue on campus," said Gerald Sorokin, the Hillel director for the past eight years. "For most students, religious services aren't the most important thing about being Jewish."
Rabbi Avremel Blesofsky, the

Hasidic leader of Chabad, a UI Jewish group that has a more conservative religious focus, said that while some of his students lean toward traditional practice, none are completely devoted. Observances include eating according to Jewish dietary law and keeping Shabbat, the day of rest.

Some students attribute the difficulty of full adherence to Iowa City's small Jewish population. "You don't come to the UI to foster a strong religious Jewish identity," said senior

Jacquie Wallner. "It's harder to be religious here, because you don't have things like a kosher restaurant. Maybe if things were more accessible, I would observe Shabbat."

Despite their limited number, most Jewish students don't feel ostracized by their peers. "[The university] matched me with a roommate from smalltown Iowa who told me, 'I've never met a Jew before.' But it was only ignorance," said senior Jessica Sejzer. "The only people who upset me here are those families who protest and yell at the Pentacrest — but they upset everyone."

For Jews such as Sejzer, the separation between Jewish cultural and religious life isn't a problem, either. "I go to Shabbat dinners, but I don't go to services — it's not part of my beliefs; my Judaism is a cultural thing," she said. "It's part of my life, my heritage, and I need to pass it down to my kids, too."

Muslims cope with stereotyping

ISLAM

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Still, UI Muslims have to contend with stereotyping. Igram, who chooses to wear the hijab, a black head scarf that covers her hair and neck, but not her face, for modesty, said people are often surprised she doesn't have an accent and mask their ignorance about Islamic issues to avoid "stepping on toes." Igram said she would rather have classmates air their questions so she could respond to the misunderstandings.

But Dhuha Tawil, another Cedar Rapids native who also wears the hijab, said once the initial lack of knowledge is

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overcome, interaction can be very positive. "After Sept. 11, people personally left roses on our family's door. People baked bread for us."

And even though a few negative encounters occur — some student Muslims reported feeling unfairly characterized politically by classmates and professors — many feel that the open environment of the UI helps them to educate others about Islam and grow in their own

"Sometimes, I think it'd be great to go to a homogenous university," Igram said. "But even the bad experiences make my belief stronger; they help me to understand my own religion more."

Here it is...

Universities must be open **ACADEMICS**

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Jay Holstein, the J.J. Mallon Professor of Judaic Studies, makes sure his Jewish heritage and rabbinical status is known. "Most of my students identify themselves as Christian, even if they aren't serious — most literally have never seen a Jew before and are extraordinarily ignorant [of Jewish issues]," said Holstein.
"For them to see a Jew in action teaching Judaism, bringing a lot of passion to it that's important to me."

He asserts that his method of openly addressing personal beliefs in class has worked as a teaching tactic, but he only uses it to that end. "I try to help them understand the perspective, but I've never converted anyone in 37 years."

What does seem uniform among professors who focus on religious issues is the praise of an environment in which ideas have open range.

"One of the assets of a public institution is that we are able to examine issues openly with the widest range of views," said Associate philosophy Professor Evan Fales, who teaches the course Philosophy of Religion - and who also didn't want his beliefs printed. "It's great that we can have groups that understand that academic life is open to all perspectives."



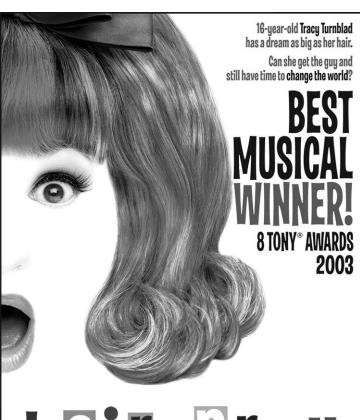




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Wait, WAIT, do tell me

Don't call it a comeback — comedian Paula Poundstone has long since recovered from her 2001 arrest. The legendary comedian hits Iowa City Friday, promoting ber new book and old love of Pop Tarts, Diet Coke, and ber small militia of cats.

BY LOUIS VIRTEL

THE DAILY IOWAN

Turns out all those audience members that standup comedian Paula Poundstone regaled with witty observations and improvised asides over the years were accomplices enablers, in fact.

The 47-year-old admits she'd talk about herself even if a crowd weren't there.

"I'm diagnosed with OCD," she said. "Most frequently, people with OCD are hand-washers. With me, I truly can't stop talking.

Happily for audiences, and unfortunately for specialists in obsessive-compulsive disorder, Poundstone will perform 8 p.m. Friday (likely with the aid of a can of Diet Coke) at the Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington St., in support of her recently released book, There's Nothing in This Book That I Meant to Say (Harmony, \$24).

A regular panelist on NPR's news quiz show "Wait, Wait, Don't Tell Me" and frequent guest on David Letterman's show, Poundstone lives a life that resembles little of her early '90s heyday, when she won a Cable Ace award for her special "Cats, Cops, and Stuff" and wrote a column for Mother Jones magazine. Though she still dons blue suits with zesty gold ties, she spends most of her time on her offstage occupation - her three adopted foster children, ages 14, 11, and 8. When she's not carting them to violin and gymnastics, she looks after her throngs of pets (often named after Disney cartoon classics). Nowadays, she performs no more than eight times a month or three days in a row - which is enough time to enjoy the job's perks.

"It's a dream job, with the exception of travel," Poundstone said. "But even that has benefits. It's just like any parent balancing family, really.'

Except, of course, that with her signature improvisational ponderings, she is no ordinary parent or comic. In her recent special on the Bravo network, Look What the Cat Dragged In," she interrogated a front-row audience member mid-act about her work. After the spectator said, politely, "I'm an accountant," Poundstone waited a beat and replied, "So my story of being a million dollars in debt must have chafed you just arguably slightly." It's her stream-of-consciousness comedic momentum that Comedy Central recognized in naming her the 88th best standup comedian of all time in its "100

Greatest" list. But casual news-watchers remember Poundstone from her 2001 arrest and subsequently publicized alcoholism. Poundstone was pulled over for drunk driving with her children in her

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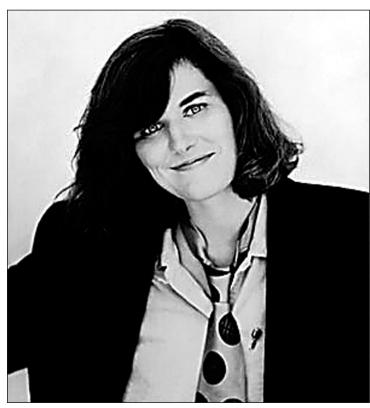
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PAULA POUNDSTONE, from her hotel room in Chicago

ON HECKLERS — "I don't really get heckled. One time in Chicago, a couple was making out loudly. I wondered if they were in the right place. I had them thrown out, and from then on, we referred to them as the Love Criminals.'

ON POP TARTS — "I still talk about them a lot. I usually go with Brown Sugar & Cinammon, but I've dabbled in Strawberry Frosted. Recently, an audience member gave me a hard plastic Pop Tart protector. I don't have it with me because I bequeathed it to my son."

ON ROBIN WILLIAMS' PRAISE EARLY IN HER CAREER — "He's the reason that most comics are working. In the late '70s, early '80s, he traveled like a Tasmanian devil. He went everywhere. There was always a great excitement about the possibility to see him. Every day, when I get to get up and do my thing, I think, 'Thank you, Robin Williams.'"

car. She faced two felony charges — child endangerment and committing a lewd act on a child. The latter charge was dropped, but Poundstone pleaded no contest to the former. Two of Poundstone's foster children were permanently taken from her, and she was sentenced to five years' probation and 180

days of rehab. Poundstone expresses strong regret (as she does at every standup appearance) but sees the court proceedings, countless ordered therapy sessions, and myriad of judicial admonitions as just exhausting — even if now she's totally clean.

"I can't even imagine how I got through it minute for minute," she said, likening the tedium to the prison life in *Cool* Hand Luke, particularly when Paul Newman labors in ditches. "Nothing was designed to be remedial. I did a lot of parking. I threw mud down a hole and then parked again."

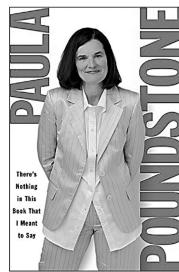
The premise of Poundstone's book seems conceptual and bizarre at first — biographical snippets of historical figures' lives interwoven with parallels to hers own story. Predictably enough for such a compulsively self-referential performer, she couldn't have written a memoir

any other way.
"When I wrote about myself, I felt stupid," she said. "But everything someone else says reminds me of myself. I figured, if I write about Abraham Lincoln, I won't shut up about myself. For instance, Lincoln's mother had milk disease. I just thought, 'You know, my mom

had a headache for a long time." Along with Lincoln, Poundstone chronicles Charles Dickens, Beethoven, Helen Keller, and Sitting Bull, and other textbook mainstays — interspersed with autobiographical stories and unabashed nonsequiturs.

COMEDIAN

When: 8 p.m. Friday Washington St. Admission: \$30-\$40, depending on seating



Poundstone most frequently discusses her alcoholism, even acknowledging immediately after a brief explanation of Helen Keller's blindness, deafness, and stomach congestion: "God I loved to drink."

"It ended up being a playground of their lives," said Poundstone. "And I didn't retread any ground because no one does Beethoven's mom jokes.'

Clearly, it's a work devised on Poundstone's own terms, divorced from the big-wig boardroom power-mongering she encountered on the shortlived "The Paula Poundstone Show" in the '90s. Though she loved her time as a panelist on the game show "To Tell the Truth" in 2000, television, for Poundstone, remains an unpalatable medium and a workplace full of "nasty people. Not everyone, but most.

And anyway, TV seems like the wrong place for a woman who collects cats, dogs, and lizards like trading cards and opts to watch the same episodes Mason" and "C on VHS again and again. Poundstone's life, although hectic, seems her own invention, a work in progress that thrives on

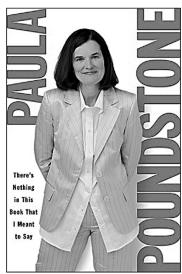
the whim of her salty comedy. "Jay Leno once said to me you have to be objective. If you're going to do Republican jokes, you have to do Democrat jokes. I said, 'No I don't,' " she said. "I have no reason to make it balanced in any way. The very best thing about my job now is I can say whatever I want."

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WRESTLING, WITH

Kevin Harris has been grappling with a Swedish playwright for almost an entire year. With this weekend's opening of Ghost Sonata, the battle finally draws to a close.

BY ANNA WIEGENSTEIN

THE DAILY IOWAN

At 6:45 p.m., the lobby of the UI Theatre Building is thrumming with energy. Scattered throughout are groups of people, their voices echoing together. One man sits at a table, ostensibly talking to himself, but in reality working through dialogue for his latest script. A woman gets loudly complimented on her "new hair," then has to admit that it is, in fact, a wig. People move briskly, ducking in and out of the varying offices and performance spaces.

As the minutes inch toward 7, the decibel levels begin to decline steadily. Chuckling groups move together, eventually bringing their laughter to a close. At two minutes till the hour, the final person left in the room stands to leave.

It's time for rehearsal to

This particular Tuesday night, work on the latest UI Mainstage Production, *Ghost Sonata*, is taking place in the utterly blank Room 172. With its gleaming floor and pristine walls, it's somewhat difficult to place oneself in the gothic setting of the production.

Actors, clad in a bizarre mishmash of attire — an ancient-looking blazer paired with some Hawkeye sweatpants, a floorlength skirt with bustle and a T-shirt—get to work almost immediately. Running a scene again and again, trying different emphases on for size, their focus is clear if only from the tortured expressions they put on when they flub a line.

Moving constantly throughout the room, gripping a worn coffee mug tightly in one hand (it had a handle, once), is Kevin Harris, *Ghost Sonata's* director and an M.F.A. candidate in the theater department. Bangs hanging over his forehead, his eyes are darting from character to character, silently judging the way two pivotal scenes are unfolding.

The lines grind to a halt, and Harris, hand to his chin, says in a grave tone, "We need to make a decision about these chairs. Now."

The joys of play rehearsal, where the placement of a chair can throw off an entire 10 minutes of dialogue.

"I'm not quite sure what's going on between you two, and I think that's why we keep getting confused by the end of scene," Harris says to his actors. "We gotta figure out what happens physically, what happens to your body."

Harris backs this up by crouching, even falling to his



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Cassie Reardon paints the façade for the *Ghost Sonat*a set in Mabie Theatre on March 23. Reardon did the painting for the entire set, including walls, doors, floors, and paintings for the walls. CHECK OUT DAILYIOWAN.COM FOR DI PHOTOGRAPHER LINDSEY WALTERS' BEHIND-THE-SCENES SLIDESHOW OF *GHOST SONATA*.

GHOST SONATA

When: Today, Friday, and Saturday at 8 p.m., April 8 at 2 p.m.; April 11-14 at 8 p.m., April 15 at 2 p.m. Where: Theatre Building Mabie

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knees at one point, analyzing the scene's movement from every angle.

A smile breaks loose after a particularly heated in-character exchange.

"Finally, we're feeling it," Harris exclaims. He turns to his stage manager to ask about the time.

"We're five minutes behind schedule," she replies matter-offactly.

"Oh, that's great," he cries exuberantly.

The Theatre Building's costume shop is the kind of place you want to sit for hours on end, chatting with the friendly women who inhabit it and who are wont to begin singing along with the Patsy Cline CD at the drop of a hat. Color abounds, from the swatches of fabric lining the massive bulletin board to the huge display of thread near the back of the room.

"So, you're doing a piece on *Ghost Sonata*?!" they inquire with friendly curiosity.

From her station, Bonnie Jenkins runs some bronze-colored fabric through a sewing machine. The shop's supervisor laughs lowly, then remarks without looking up from her work, "Fantastic. Maybe you can tell us what it's about."

Fair enough. *Ghost Sonata* is perhaps more famous for its author — Swedish playwright August Strindberg — than for its particular plot.

Part of Strindberg's quartet of "Chamber Plays," the narrative of the story deals with nothing less ghostly than mummies and vampires. A student enters a house in Stockholm that he has always fantasized about, only to be shown the sordid, disillusioning truth of the profoundly disturbed lives of the residents

However, Harris said, none of these specifics is the point.

"The story really defies any logical progress. It takes a back seat to what Strindberg is saying about the human psyche," he said, terming *Sonata* a "very daunting but revolutionary" show.

"You wake up in the morning after a terrible dream," Harris said. "The emotion is absolutely genuine and intense, but when you try to write down what scared you, it makes no sense at all — it's all scary trees and stuff. It doesn't make sense in narrative form, but the images truly affect you in a deeply emotional way.

"This is definitely not a complacent night at the theater. It

asks you to meet it halfway."

If there's anyone who could give an opinion about meeting Strindberg halfway, it's Harris. Since signing up to direct the show, his first Mainstage Production, he's spent the past year attempting to absorb *Ghost Sonata*. Now, as he speaks at nearly 1 a.m. after returning home from rehearsal, he seems utterly exhausted, if as cheery as ever.

"The play really revealed something new about what it was about," he said. "I'm finally able to see the whole picture, almost. There's just one final piece of the puzzle left, and I don't know where or what it will be."

As the various technical elements — costuming, lighting, the addition of live music provided by the Maia Quartet ("Its involvement is what pushed me to choose the play," Harris said) — fall into place, the minutes tick closer to tonight's opening performance.

"Ultimately, the goal is to hide all the work from the audience. It should look like everything has always been there, like it's completely natural," the director said. So, after a year, Harris can finally bid adieu to *Ghost Sonata*, the production that kept him so busy he could bare-

much less read a newspaper.

"It's all looking beautiful and sounding beautiful," he said.

"Right now, it's just about putting all the pieces together."

ly find time to speak to his wife,

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Approaching GOD

from the left

BY ANNA WIEGENSTEIN

THE DAILY IOWAN

Susan Werner is vocal about the ways being a churchgoer has affected her. In fact, the Chicago native just wroté an album about it. The catch, well:

Question: "Do you believe in

Answer: "I'm not really sure. I'm not entirely sold."

Yeah. Listening to Werner's seventh album, *The Gospel Truth*, one quickly finds out that she can barely stop talking about American religion, though the lyrics may not be as traditional as one might expect from an Iowa-bred girl raised Catholic. "Deliver us from the creepy preachers / With their narrow minds and very wide lapels," Werner sings in "Our Father (The New, Revised Edition)."

"I'm very interested in how human beings reveal themselves through church music," the throaty-voiced musician said. "If I didn't care about the church, I wouldn't have done this project."

Werner's dedication to *The* Gospel Truth is indeed genuine during the writing and recording process, she visited around 20 churches, absorbing the atmosphere. From a Mormon service in Nevada to a service in Tennessee led by the Rev. Al Green, the singer was keenly aware of the roles music plays in preaching.

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"We're in a cubicle from Monday to Friday, sweating it our for ourselves, and there's an isolation that's relieved on Sunday morning," she said, emphasizing that church attendance fills a specific void in the "iPod age." Instead of being isolated within "little islands of music," the music of the church is a communal experience.

"I wanted to feel what it was like to just sit in the pews and see what came up," she said. The results, she continued, were all over the board: "Wow, this makes me feel joyful! Wow, this makes me feel excluded and damned! I wanted to get all of that.'

It makes sense, then, that iTunes calls *The Gospel Truth* "Unclassifiable." Hearing this news, Werner breaks into a strident cackle. She ultimately labels it "gospel from the left," in **CONCERT** Susan Werner

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which, as opposed to its counterpart, "no one's sure of how things are going to come out."

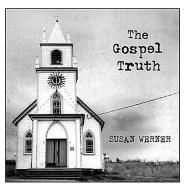
"Good people, in their hearts, can hold faith and doubt side by side," Werner said.

The genre-bending nature of her latest work, which takes influences from rootsy blues music and from hymns, actually led to a breakup between her and her longtime manager, who questioned, "Who's going to want to buy this?"

Well, as the turnout to recent shows can attest, quite a few people do. Werner said her longtime fans continue to come to shows but are now bringing new people, specifically to hear the humanist, non-dogmatic approach of *The Gospel Truth*.

Something's at risk when I go onstage to sing these songs," she said. "Anyone can sing love

Susan Werner expresses her feelings on God's existence in a song tellingly titled, 'Probably Not,' yet can't shut up about church music. Welcome to the brand-new genre of 'agnostic gospel.' request, upon buying an album, to dedicate it to the fan's spiritutime spent at the UI earning a



songs...probably better than I can. But there's a feeling of Tm glad you're saying that.'

Additionally, she has noticed

one interesting phenomenon at her performances of late — the "The pastors are boosting my

business by a third," she said and laughed.

Though Werner is clearly not through with her soul-searching, both in public and private, her next project — writing songs for a musical — is challenging her artistry as well.

"It's interesting to be writing songs that don't need me at all to be successful," she said. "It's like saying 'you built a good house. Now, someone else can live in it.'

This spirit of inventiveness seems to be one key to Werner's personality — and one which she says is greatly influenced by her

You get to try out every idea and identity you want," she said. "I love what Iowa City brings to the state."

Though she returns to the area frequently, both to perform and to visit friends, she did have one question — are there still petitioners of every creed on the Pentacrest?

When hearing an answer in the affirmative, her grin is neary audible on the phone line.

"Long live the preachers on the Pentacrest," she exclaimed. "They want to save you, and who knows Maybe you'll get saved after all. You're in college, hell. Try it out." E-mail DI reporter Anna Wiegenstein at

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