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Alum jailed in Germany

Complexities can arise if an American citizen is arrested overseas — shown in the case of one UI graduate.

BY SEUNG MIN KIM
THE DAILY IOWAN

A vacation that began as a 25th birthday celebration took an abrupt twist into a Frankfurt jail.

UI graduate Jared Jarvis is now waiting in Germany for an April 26 court date that could determine whether he will be punished for assault or be allowed to fly back to the United States and leave the unexpected legal snafus behind.

His situation illustrates the complexities that can surface if Americans who trek across international borders become mired in an unfamiliar legal system. U.S. citizens arrested in Germany are subject to prosecution under that country's laws.

Jarvis has been in the custody of German authorities since March 23, when he and a friend were involved in a late-night scuffle outside a Frankfurt bar. His father was notified of what transpired via a message on his answering machine from Jarvis' friend who was with him during the altercation.

"You always think the worst in a foreign jail or in any jail," father Pete Jarvis of LeClaire, Iowa, said. "My emotions were running really high. I would have to stop for a while and recompose myself."

Now a graduate student in accounting at University of Illinois-Chicago, Jared Jarvis left for Germany on March 21 to visit a college friend. While celebrating Jared Jarvis' birthday on March 23, the two were accosted after exchanging words with a group of men, Pete Jarvis said. The group was originally believed to include six males, though later investigations showed it was four who jumped on Jared Jarvis and his friend.

At one point, Jared Jarvis was pushed to the ground. In what his father believed was self-defense, Jared Jarvis grabbed a bottle lying nearby and hit one of the men in the back of the head.

No one reportedly sustained permanent injuries in the nighttime fight, and Jarvis was treated for bruises on the chest and other bumps.

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Carter outlines peace plan

Speaking before a packed Carver-Hawkeye Arena, former President Jimmy Carter laid out his solution for the Israeli-Palestinian conflict as well as reforming campaign finance and energy efficiency.



Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

Former President Jimmy Carter came to Iowa City as guest of the UI Lecture Committee on Wednesday and spoke at Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Carter said that in order to achieve peace in the Middle East, the United States must return to the negotiating table and not favor either the Palestinians or the Israelis.



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BY COLIN BURKE
THE DAILY IOWAN

In a return to the university that he said helped him to the White House in 1976, former President Jimmy Carter spelled out his proposal for peace

between Israel and Palestine, in addition to offering opinions on such issues as energy policy and campaign-finance reform.

Carter, speaking in a packed Carver-Hawkeye Arena, described such conditions in Palestinian territories as government-subsidized Israeli land settlements and the roads connecting them to Israel that can only be used by that country's citizens.

"This makes the lives of Palestinians almost intolerable," he said.

As a way to move toward peace, he called for the United States to return to the negotiating table, which hasn't

happened in six years. And, he said, the United States must avoid influence from strong lobbies favoring Israel.

"America must not be seen as in the pocket of either side," Carter said.

He also said Israel would never find peace unless it withdraws its troops from Palestinian territories.

Carter's arguments as spelled out in his book, *Palestine: Peace Not Apartheid*, have faced criticism from some members of the American Jewish community for his positions.

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CITY MOVES ON BRIDGE SQUATTERS

BY STEPHEN SCHMIDT
THE DAILY IOWAN

By 9:30 a.m., they had almost all of it cleaned up.

Wearing heavy work gloves and bright green vests, six members of the Iowa City streets division, a part of the city's Public Works Department, worked for roughly an hour Wednesday morning, cleaning the space below the Gilbert Street bridge — the former living space of an unknown number of homeless people.

In numerous shifts, the workers dragged load after load to trucks parked above the bridge. A living record of sorts was hauled out of the space, containing several mattresses, blankets, a couch, a lawn chair, a fire extinguisher,

and trash bags full of plastic cups, magazines, paper scraps, and broken bottles.

The belongings filled 12 large garbage bags, which, along with the furniture, packed the backs of two white trucks. The former residents were nowhere to be seen.

John Sobaski, assistant superintendent of the streets division, said the city had received a complaint on April 12 about homeless people living under the bridge. After receiving the complaint, a two-day warning was posted for those living there to take what they wanted and move on. Bridge clearings similar to this one take place roughly four times a year, or once every season.

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Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

City workers from the streets division cleared out everything from under the Gilbert Street bridge, including three mattresses and two couches, on Wednesday. The city had received some complaints on April 12, and it gave 48 hours' notice that the items had to be removed.

ABORTION

Reaction mixed to court's ruling

BY BRITTNEY BERGET
THE DAILY IOWAN

The U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday upheld a law that banned a type of late-term abortion, saying that it does not violate a woman's constitutional right to an abortion — a move that has some pro-abortion-rights locals worried about the future of *Roe v. Wade*.

This is the first time that the high court has banned a specific abortion method since a women's right to an abortion was established in 1973 by the Court. Doctors who violate the law may now face federal prison time.

Roger Charley, a campus minister at the Campus Christian Fellowship, said he is pleased by the ruling.

"There are many things that bother me about 'partial-birth' abortions," he said. "I don't know anyone can definitely say when life begins."

UI senior Stephanie Schultz, the founder of UI Students For Life, said the ruling is a small step in the right direction.

"A lot of issues were addressed in the ruling, and although this was a small battle won, we're on our way," she said.

But Jill June, the president of Planned Parenthood of Greater Iowa, said the court's ruling has opened a whole new door on the war over women's rights.

"What they did was abandon 30 years of precedent that says the health of the woman comes first," she said.

She noted that the type of abortion — known medically as intact dilation and extraction — is rarely used, and when it is, it is for the safety of the woman having the procedure. Generally, intact dilation and extraction is performed to reduce blood loss or on women with heart disease or cancer, she said.

However, a number of students around campus agree with the Supreme Court ruling.

UI freshman Natalie Boll said she is also pleased by the ruling, because she was raised Catholic.

"It's a hard question," she said. "But it's against the teachings in the Bible."

"I definitely agree with the ruling — the procedure seems wrong," added UI freshman Katie Paige. "But I'm religious, so I'm biased."

Around 1 million abortions are performed in the United States every year, and more than 80 percent occur within the first 12 weeks of pregnancy — meaning that the intact dilation and extraction method wouldn't be used, according to the Guttmacher Institute.

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NOTHING SOFT ABOUT THIS BALL

The Hawkeye softball team rolls along behind a leadoff hitter who is making Johnny Damon's act look tame. **1B**



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New alert system coming

A 'new' weather-alert system uses polygons to pinpoint storms for more precise severe-weather warnings.

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BY ASHTON SHURSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

When last year's tornadoes ripped across Iowa City's downtown area, residents in other parts of Johnson County only encountered hail and thunderstorms despite hearing tornado warnings and blaring sirens. But starting Oct. 1, the National Weather Service will launch a new weather-alert system called Storm-Based Warnings, which will more accurately pinpoint the location of storms.

Current severe-weather warnings are distributed based on geopolitical boundaries or counties. But the Storm-Based Warnings can better track towns and areas affected by storms and limit the warnings accordingly.

But this type of system isn't so new, officials said.

"It's not as big of a change as it seems like," said Ray Wolf, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in the Quad Cities.

A detection method called a polygon system — which draws a box over a threatened area and uses latitudes and longitudes to pick out counties that will be warned — has been used since 1998.

Recent technological advances and widespread Internet use have helped create the more precise Storm-Based Warning system.

"The biggest change is we're emphasizing these polygons more," Wolf said.

And while this is a National Weather Service device, many communities will notice the new system from their local TV stations and the Internet.

"We've certainly taken advantage of this," said Joe Winters, meteorologist for KCRG-TV9. "It helps keep people safer."

KCRG already uses this type of system, and other stations will follow in the fall, including KGAN. Bob Lesh, a meteorologist for the station, said that this will benefit all the stations equally.

"We'll see how it plays out and whether it's easy to understand," Lesh said.

Besides the weather stations, other agencies are taking note of Storm-Based Warnings. City Manager Steve Atkins said while he thinks the new system is "really positive," it won't affect what sirens are used during storms.

If a storm were on the south side of town, Atkins said he would still signal sirens for the north side. Iowa City currently uses roughly 20 sirens.

"In those kinds of circumstances, it will add more comfort," Atkins said of the specificity of the new system.

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FISH STORY



Lindsey Walters/The Daily Iowan

UI senior Justin Letcher and Kirkwood freshman Amanda Tully fish at the Tailwater West Recreation Area on the Coralville Reservoir on Wednesday afternoon. Letcher, a member of the UI Bass Fishing Team, and Tully had no luck at the spot, but Letcher had one catch earlier in the day at Lake Macbride.

UI aims for diverse faculty

Officials want to attract a more diverse faculty in coming years, as well as train current staff to be 'culturally competent.'

BY KURT HIATT
THE DAILY IOWAN

Four UI programs to enhance diversity are underway or progressing, ranging from initiatives to make faculty more aware of students' different backgrounds to opening a new Center for Diversity and Enrichment, officials said on Wednesday.

"We have made diversity a priority," said Marcella David, an associate provost for diversity and professor of law and international studies. "We talk about it a lot, which is really important."

The programs come out of the Diversity Action Committee's recommendations released last May. After six months of open forums, the committee, charged

with developing ways to increase diversity on campus, came up with 19 recommendations.

The UI has already launched four initiatives based on those recommendations.

To help enact the recommendations, the UI will use the newly opened Center for Diversity and Enrichment, unveiled in March and located at 24 Phillips Hall. The new facility also coordinates two federally funded outreach programs at the university — Upward Bound and New Dimensions in Learning.

Encouraging professors to be more "culturally competent" is another goal, which, David said, entails staff "being able to better appreciate where people might be coming from and how that might ... affect how they

learn." Next year's new faculty orientation may include some ways for staff to accomplish this goal, she said.

To meet diversity priorities at the staff level, the UI has also increased the Faculty Diversity Opportunities Program's budget to more than \$1 million, according to a news release. David said the UI is becoming a "more welcoming climate for faculty," which she hopes will increase staff diversity.

"Having a reputation as really caring about diversity," she said, "enhances our ability to recruit."

The "Iowa Faculty Investing in Recruiting Student Talent" program is the fourth initiative that came out of the committee's ideas, and it will further encourage faculty to connect

with incoming students this spring.

Provost Michael Hogan said in the release that such opportunities for interaction are important for attracting people to the UI.

But Hogan, who also serves on the Board of Directors for Diversity Focus, said it may take time for the university to increase campus diversity.

"We must work to forge stronger links outside the university, to increase our visibility as a supportive player in diversity initiatives and an attractive environment for scientists, scholars, and artists from underrepresented groups," Hogan said.

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METRO

International-student office to set up counseling

The UI Office of International Students and Scholars will hold a ses-

sion for international students at the university to help alleviate any worries or concerns that they may have following the Virginia Tech shootings.

The session will be held today at 2 p.m. at the International Commons next to the international-

student office, 1111 University Capitol Centre. The office phone number is 335-0335.

The event is also open to anyone who has any questions about why the media focused on the killer's foreign background.

Students with any additional questions can also be assisted by the international-student office's staff or the University Counseling Service by setting up an appointment.

— by **Kayla Kelley**

POLICE BLOTTER

Nicholas Glasgow, 21, 1703 G St., was charged April 17 with keeping a disorderly house.

Bryan Harris, 25, Coralville, was

charged Wednesday with possession of a canceled/suspended/altered driver's license/ID.

Travis Oler, 27, 530 S. Clinton St. Apt. 1,

was charged Wednesday with public intoxication and possession of marijuana.

Matthew Stevenson, 26, Coralville, was charged Wednesday with driving

while barred and third-and-subsequent OWI.

Jeremy Willis, 21, Coralville, was charged Wednesday with OWI.

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Iowa River pollution draws calls for action

Iowa River has a long path to purity, but plans to clean the water are in motion.

BY MATT NELSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Cutting the UI campus in half, the brownish, green-tinged Iowa River is a mess of pollutants, ranging from fish-killing nitrates to fecal bacteria, and it more closely resembles Willy Wonka's river of chocolate than a major source of fresh water for the state.

The Iowa River also has been declared one of the most endangered rivers in the nation by American Rivers, ranked third behind the Sante Fe River in New Mexico and the San Mateo Creek in California in a report released Tuesday by the environmental group.

A major source of criticism from American Rivers, which has assessed the United States' major tributaries for the past 22 years, is the lack of strong anti-degradation policies in the state, preventing Iowa's waterways from growing increasingly polluted year after year.

"For years, Iowa has lagged behind enforcing the Clean Waters Act," said Healthy Waters Campaign director Katherine Baer of American Rivers. "And here's an opportunity for the state to protect the river."

In 1997, the Environmental Protection Agency identified Iowa as a state without adequate anti-degradation policies, said Susan Heathcote, the Iowa Environmental Council Water program director.

Yet officials say the state Department of Natural Resources has had trouble addressing the problem, even 10 years later.

"Large parts of the Clean Water Act don't apply to non-point



Rachel Mummy/The Daily Iowan

American Rivers, an environmental group, has declared the Iowa River to be the third-most endangered river in the nation. The Iowa Environmental Council will work with American Rivers in hopes of improving the river.

source pollution, which is the largest contributor to most of the water-quality problems we have on the Iowa River," said Bob Libra, a state geologist with Natural Resources.

Contributors to pollution in the Iowa River run the gamut

from inefficient or ineffective sewage-treatment plants in smaller communities to non-point sources of pollution, such as concentrated animal-feeding operations on farmland, which abuts 80 percent of the Iowa River watershed, Libra said.

"[Anti-degradation policies are] such a critical piece of the Clean Water Act that we don't do in Iowa," Heathcote said.

More stringent policies preventing the Iowa River and its tributaries from growing increasingly polluted is the goal

of the Iowa Environmental Council, which will work with American Rivers in the next year to improve the Iowa River and generate local action.

"If we can educate the people, the problem will be taken care of," said Dave Ratliff, the project

"For years, Iowa has lagged behind enforcing the Clean Waters Act. And here's an opportunity for the state to protect the river."

— Katherine Baer, Healthy Waters Campaign director of American Rivers

leader for the Johnson County and Iowa County Watershed Coalition. "The more that people understand what is going on, they'll get fed up with it and start helping to clean up."

Ratliff is one of many volunteers who tests water in Iowa River tributaries by monitoring and collecting data — an effort that has only been recently stepped up, Natural Resources spokesman Kevin Baskins said.

Work on the anti-degradation rules cited by the American Rivers report had already begun, he said, and revised policies will be presented before the Iowa Environmental Protection Commission this summer for approval.

But Heathcote hopes that the rules will already be instituted by September.

"We can't turn our backs on this and just make excuses," she said. "We hope to really take action this year to make a difference for the Iowa River."

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Grinnell student death ruled suicide

GRINNELL (AP) — A missing Grinnell College student whose body was found in a country club swimming pool committed suicide, authorities said Wednesday.

The body of Paul Shuman-Moore was discovered Monday at the Grinnell Country Club when a worker pulled off the pool's cover to begin preparing it for summer, police said.

An autopsy was performed at the state medical examiner's office in Ankeny and dental records were used to identify the body.

Police said the investigation into Schuman-Moore's death shows he killed himself, and the official cause of death was listed as drowning.

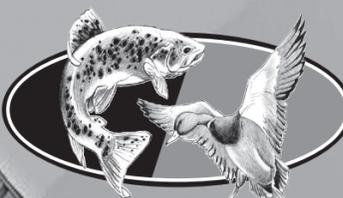
"All indications are that Shuman-Moore was a talented, well-liked, yet troubled young man who took his own life," Grinnell Police Chief Jody Matherly said.

Investigators found that the 19-year-old had bound his own legs and hands with duct tape.

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ABORTION

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"It disappoints me that we would restrict a woman's right to choose," said Rep. Mary Mascher, D-Iowa City.

Karen Kubby, the executive director of the Emma Goldman Clinic, said the real question is what's going to happen in the future because although it

might not immediately affect many women in Iowa, it will eventually.

Presidential candidates for the upcoming 2008 election have had little to say on the topic of abortion, but UI political-science Professor Peverill Squire said that with Wednesday's decision, more politicians will have to take a stance.

New Mexico Gov. and 2008

Democratic presidential-nomination candidate Bill Richardson has released a statement calling the decision a "dangerous step backward in regard to American's rights to personal choice of privacy."

Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., expressed a similar sentiment.

"I am extremely concerned that this ruling will embolden state legislatures to enact

further measures to restrict a woman's right to choose," Obama said in a press release Wednesday.

Squire said Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., is in the best position to exploit today's ruling, because he can point out that this is a policy he's always backed.

"I'm delighted that the Supreme Court is moving

forward to see the expression of life in the Constitution," Brownback said on the U.S. Senate floor on Wednesday. "I hope that someday, we'll see all life respected at all stages and protected in this land and around the world."

David Redlawsk, a UI associate professor of political science, said there won't be major discussions on abortion until

the primary election is over.

"In the Democratic Party, there is no major difference among the candidates, so they don't have much to debate," he wrote in an e-mail. "Republican Party candidates have been emphasizing to their base that they believe in the sanctity of life."

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City clears out bridge area



Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

City employees Dave Gillham (back), Josh Stratton (center), and Bob Wood (right) clean up under the Gilbert Street Bridge on Wednesday. John Sobaski, the assistant superintendent of streets, said that approximately four times a year, the city must clear out the areas under the town's bridges.

After receiving a complaint, the Iowa City streets division evicts an unknown number of homeless people from their living space under a Gilbert Street bridge. The occupants were given a two-day warning to clear out.

CLEANUP

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Nearby, Iowa City police officer Denise Brotherton sat in her parked squad car, watching the progress.

"I'm just here for their safety in case someone shows up," she said. "Otherwise, they handle it."

Iowa City police Sgt. Troy Kelsay said it is not uncommon for Iowa City police to help in situations such as this.

"The police do not initiate these cleanups and are not directly involved with the cleanup process, but rather provide safety and security for

everyone involved," Kelsay said.

Iowa City City Councilor Amy Correia said that because the cleanup was on city property, the streets division was justified in trying to make things cleaner and safer.

"My hope is that since the city warned them in advance, the people were able to take some personal things that they didn't want thrown away before they left the rest for the city," Correia said, adding that the city is taking no steps to prohibit homeless people from living under the bridge again.

Meanwhile, Leon DeBoer,

Shelter House program manager, said that evictions such as this do not dramatically affect the shelter's operations.

"We run full all the time," he said, adding that homeless people who stay under bridges often choose to do so, for various reasons, rather than seeking rooms with the shelter.

But he said if more bed space were created with a new homeless shelter, it could dramatically reduce the problem.

Currently, the Shelter House, 331 N. Gilbert St., has 29 beds, and officials estimate they have to turn away an average of 10 people a night.

The Shelter House purchased new land at 429 Southgate Ave. with the intention of constructing a new building, which could house as many as 70 beds.

But neighborhood residents challenged this with a lawsuit. The case has gone all the way to the Iowa Supreme Court, where it was heard on March 5. Shelter House is awaiting the final ruling before deciding if it needs to find another site for its new shelter.

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UISG sails on alone without grad students

The assembly elects a speaker of the senate, who will take over some of the duties once held by the vice president.

BY KAYLA KELLEY
THE DAILY IOWAN

Vice President Carole Peterson stood at the head of the UI Student Government assembly for the first and last time Tuesday night, before handing the podium over to another senator, who led the election process to choose a new speaker of the senate — a role traditionally played by the vice president.

Peterson, along with UISG President Barrett Anderson, had to cover an ample amount of material Tuesday, as the newly formed senate needed to install senators and pass bylaws. But those bylaws, constructed by a committee appointed by former UISG President Peter McElligott, added another task to the agenda: electing a new speaker of the senate.

"The vice president has many other duties," Anderson said about the change. "And the legislature would be better at running its own meetings and more efficient."

Electing the new speaker took about an hour and a half, Anderson said. The process comprised candidate nominations, speeches by each of the hopefuls, a question-and-answer period, and a secret ballot vote, he said.

The assembly only nominated two senators for the position: Bridget Szeluga and Sarah Milani. At the end of the process, the senate chose Szeluga as the new speaker.

"I have the ability and knowledge to lead the meeting," she said in her 10-minute address to the senate.

On Tuesday, the Student Assembly also met for the first

time as a governmental body that represents only undergraduate students. UISG had decided to separate from graduate and professional student senators in February.

"I believe that [the separation] will streamline things considerably," Anderson said. "I think it will work well, because undergraduate and graduate students focus on different issues."

The undergraduate senate will remain under the name UISG, while the graduate senate will assume the title Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students.

The group met in Schaeffer Hall — the new home of assembly meetings — instead of the Old Capitol for a couple of reasons, Anderson said.

"In our campaign, we said we didn't want to spend \$3,500 a year for the Old Capitol," he said. "The Old Capitol also doesn't allow the technology that Schaeffer Hall does. This should

make things easier, cheaper, and more efficient."

Tuesday's meeting started at 8:30 p.m. due to a conflicting Finkbine Dinner that is held every year to honor students,

administration, faculty, and alumni, Anderson said. The meetings will return to their normal time of 7 p.m. on April 24.

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State Senate rejects arming campus police

BY MIKE GLOVER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DES MOINES — The Senate has rejected an effort Wednesday to force campus police at the state's public universities to carry guns, a response to the deadly shootings that claimed 33 lives this week at Virginia Tech.

"These are campuses of 20,000 to 25,000 students, bigger than most towns in Iowa," said Sen. Pat Ward, R-West Des Moines, who led the effort. "As we just learned from the tragedy in Virginia, things can happen fast, and campus police need to have the ability to intervene just

as quickly — our campus police need to have loaded guns."

Critics warned that the state Board of Regents already has the authority to allow campus security officers to be armed, but the regents have chosen not to.

"Introducing guns into the campus would make students less safe," said Sen. Joe Bolcom, D-Iowa City. "The regent universities already have the power to [arm] campus [police]."

He also pointed to the tragedy at Virginia Tech, arguing that police on that campus carried weapons.

"Their police officers had guns, and that had no effect," he said.

The debate came as the Senate debated a larger spending measure financing education programs in the state; it was defeated on a 25-25 vote. Bolcom said there's little evidence to back up Ward's contention that guns would make the campuses safer.

Ward said her effort was sparked by a telephone call from her daughter, a student at Iowa State University.

"Monday, she called me, and she was scared," Ward said. "This kind of tragedy shakes all of us to the core and reminds us how important prompt, capable law enforcement are to help ensure our safety."



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EDITORIAL

Educating, engaging students should be focus of College Republicans

The events planned for the UI College Republicans' Conservative Coming Out Week have caused quite a stir around campus this week. Certain events planned have been decried as inflammatory and offensive. While the members of the College Republicans do enjoy the same right as any other student group on campus to express their views and opinions, they should act responsibly by planning events that educate students rather than polarize them.

The College Republicans represents the views of a minority group on campus, and as such, these are opinions that the entire campus may not fully understand or even be aware of. A well-organized, well-publicized event such as Conservative Coming Out Week affords the group a tremendous opportunity to educate and inform a constituency that is often largely unsympathetic to its concerns — or altogether apathetic.

In light of the upcoming elections — with this campus playing host to high-profile Democrats and liberal speakers — the College Republicans would be better served by planning events to legitimately convey the Republican viewpoint issues. In short, the group should plan events to further their mission to “make the Republican voice heard on this

extremely liberal campus,” without deeply offending a large part of said campus. The use of such terms as “coming out,” and the lack of serious focus or substantial debate of hot-button issues — such as illegal immigration — have only polarized this campus and automatically turned off those less sympathetic to conservative ideals.

While it is commendable that the group responded to public outcry, canceling the illegal-immigration-themed game of Capture the Flag that was scheduled for today, the original incorporation of the game into this weeklong event is indicative of the attitudes that would plan a publicity stunt to bolster partisan support before taking time to present facts and a cohesive, credible argument on an issue.

College Republicans is entitled to hold events that raise campus awareness of issues that concern the group, but the members must not abandon respect for other groups and large portions of UI students and community at large. While the most inflammatory of this week's events was canceled, the College Republicans, and all political groups on campus, would do well to focus on educating students and engaging in debate about the specific issues and the merits of candidates when planning events for the duration of the campaign season.

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College Republicans owe campus an apology

The UI College Republicans are holding a Conservative Coming Out Week from April 15-21. The name of this event is incredibly offensive, because it implies that there is somehow a parallel between the position of political conservatives and homosexuals in contemporary America. The College Republicans owes the entire campus an apology, and the group should change the name of this event.

The gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community celebrates National Coming Out Day every Oct. 11 as an event designed to promote a sense of solidarity among those outside the sexual mainstream. The idea is that, in hostile environment, seeing others in a similar position makes it easier to talk openly about your own difference. Conservatives, by contrast, need look no further than the White House and Wall Street to see their “lifestyle” represented at the highest levels of society. The idea that conservatives need a support group in order to reveal themselves in America is like saying steak lovers are being oppressed by the soy industry. It just ain't so.

The whole thing is catapulted from mere offensiveness into the lofty heights



of absurdity by the fact that Republicans and conservatives have been so consistently instrumental in creating the environment of hostility that makes it necessary for gays and lesbians to demonstrate their solidarity through National Coming Out Day. For example, at the Republican National Convention in 2004,

the invocation was offered by Sherri Drew, who had elsewhere stated that “those who support gay and lesbian families are no different from those who supported Adolph Hitler in the years preceding World War II.”

For a party that endorses hatred to then appropriate the terminology of a

group attempting to resist it is 10 times more offensive than anything Don Imus has ever said. Luckily, I think most Americans can agree that Republicans deserve the same fate as Imus: to be fired.

David Morris
UI graduate student

A Hawkeye & a Hokie

We are Hawkeyes, but today, and for a while, deeper inside, we are all Hokies, and proudly we wear maroon and orange. We remember those who died and pay tribute to their lives. We will remember each and every one of them, and we are forever grateful to the students who barricaded the doors and to the Holocaust survivor who gave his life to protect his students. I do hope that I will have the courage to just that sometime.

I am one of the Hokies; I proudly wear their colors. For a moment, and for a while, I don't live in Iowa City, I live in Blacksburg, Va. My friends were killed, my professor died, but I stand up to violence and hate. I am a Hokie and a Hawkeye, and I stand proudly.

Christian Roldan-Santos
UI graduate student

GUEST OPINION

Donkeys, elephants, & bars, oh my!

I would first like to express my sadness over Monday's horrific events at Virginia Tech, when a twisted student gunned down 32 people and eventually took his own life. It was personally difficult for me to write just the usual political stuff without acknowledging this tragedy.

In light of these events, I did not find it appropriate to choose a Political Play of the Week, where Machiavellian, in-your-face, poll-driven, bickering rivalries, and scandal-ridden political maneuvering reign supreme. Instead, I thought I would just reflect on some of the current political happenings and my predictions, which so far have a good track record.

Local Radar: The 21-only bar crowd will get enough support to capture the 3,333 signatures they need to force the council to vote on the measure. They are already well on their way with at least 100 petitioners. On April 2, 500 signatures were on record, I think they will meet the May 11 deadline. Iowa City bar owners will be hit with a financial blow if this passes. I doubt whether it will pass, because I think I know how at least four city councilors will vote. Weeks ago, I predicted that it would get voted down by the council, and I still stand by that prediction. It gets murkier if the public decides to vote for it, so I'm going to reserve judgment for now.

The UI College Republicans canceled its Capture the Flag game for today, and I was very surprised. I did not expect group members to give in to public pressure and assumed the games would continue. I disagree with the cancellation, and I'm actually somewhat disappointed at what happened. This is the

University of Iowa, not Cold War Russia. People should be able hold events even if others disagree with them. The group was simply playing a game with like-minded individuals. I know it was silly, but they were not attacking anyone in any way, shape, or form.

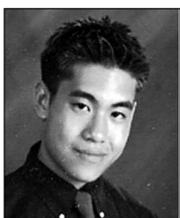
State Radar: The Democratic-controlled Legislature and Gov. Chet Culver finally passed the same-day voter-registration bill, which effectively allows anyone to register on the day of election. Turnout will spike, but more importantly, turnout will spike among 18-25 year olds, a crucial voting bloc for bar owners who want to defeat certain ballot measures ...

National Radar: It looks as though John Edwards' \$400 haircuts may cost him a little bit more than money. He's lucky, in the sense that the story broke during a major crisis, because if it came out on a slow news cycle like the Don Imus weekend, the press would have had a field day. He's safe for now, but I doubt whether this is the last time we're going to hear about it. This will come back to bite him from behind, I can almost guarantee it.

Whether or not you're a Republican or a Democrat, you can agree that the Alberto Gonzales fiasco is just another embarrassment for the current administration. Gonzales should do himself a favor and just resign. Most Democrats would be content, and President Bush might be able to get an extra hour of sleep at night.

Keep reading for next week's Political Play of the Week.

Jesse Tangkpanya is a UI journalism and political-science student.
Last week's Political Play: “I'm all in.”



JESSE TANGKHPANYA

ON THE SPOT

Do you plan on participating in the UI College Republican's Conservative Coming Out Week?



“Probably not.”

Sean Carr
UI sophomore



“No, and I think that the term conservative coming-out week is bordering on offensive.”

Laila Johnson
UI senior



“No.”

John McCormick
UI sophomore



“Not really.”

Wesley Pollpeter
UI sophomore

Reality concoction

First, insert your own smarmy joke about those stupid “I heart NY” shirts, because, well, they're dumb. However, the shirt provides the perfect segue to talking about the New York I think we all really care about — never mind the whole history of the immigration melting pot that is America's beacon. After all, New York from “Flavor of Love” and “I Love New York” fame has two beacons of her own, ones that a colleague of mine mentioned might cut off her breathing. I mean, c'mon!

All joking aside (... yeah), poor New York got her heart broken on national television ... for the third time. Yes, VH1's highest rated show ever (4 million for the season premiere) had its viscous conclusion Sunday night.



JON VAN DYKE

That takes some kind of moxy. To be open enough in a shrouded way like reality television, to let us all in on her supposed life. Is there something admirable to be unearthed here?

Since the third season of “The Surreal Life,” we began charting the luxurious life of former Public Enemy rapper Flavor Flav. Flav gave us a celebrity to root for, or something like that. MC-mate Chuck D summed it up perfectly back in the day, Flav was the chaser to the rough vodka pull of Public Enemy's message.

Unfortunately for that girl he affectionately nicknamed New York, he was also a heart breaker, but man, was he good at it. I mean, twice? So “I Love New York” was her opportunity at real reality television happiness. It was her time for a slightly fictional character to find a somewhat self-promoting man that could manage to overcome all the cameras and lack of sincere feelings to give her that real happy ending that we see in the movies.

But no! The man nicknamed in similar Flav affection, “Tango,” came into the reunion show and dropped a bomb. He wasn't feeling New York. Because, through all the shallow courting and desperate fling for the camera, Tango and his fellow showmates had essentially signed a full disclosure agreement to the world. Maybe not at the time, but once the show aired, each and every individual got to see what everyone “really” felt.

You see, Tango had fallen for Tiffany, the girl he and the other colorfully realistic suitors of the mansion vied for, not this New York character. He'd felt like he'd been played. Cue Jerry Springer moment: curse curse, near fight, explosive. And it was over.

And we sat there. We were stunned. I mean, damn, if New York can't find love ... he even gave her a ring on the season finale. This world was constructed, a third time, and it turned in a flawed performance. Flav never got serious with any of the girls. Flav York never got the chance. I mean, look at “Mr. Boston” hooking up with “Pumkin,” who happens to be in the “Flavor of Love Girls: Charm School” coming up next ... wait sorry, imbedded advertising successful. Contestants “Chance” and “Genuine” have an album and that dude that likes puppies or something made all these great magazines. They chose winners — just look at their post-show credentials!

It's a blend of reality and fiction, I think. It shocked, and we're a glut-ton for punishment. If people we helped create aren't successful, does that mean we strive for failure? We don't know who Tiffany is. Tiffany might be New York, but we'll never know. We're a camera world where the lights are as hot and as bright as the stars and there hardly seems like time to just be, not on.

I had a disturbing thought the other day. What if everyone really got real, like the opening credits say on that famed MTV epic? We're so worried about projecting the proper images, the things that we filter from the various transgression and ideologies that surround and influence us. We're human freaking beings, chemical balancing acts, so perhaps it's time to admit that it's all screwed up, and to just ride it.

Our generation has already made the leap to the public profile, why not abandon the shame that celeb and reality stars long ago cast off. We make fun, but at least they know, or don't know. A shameless society might be the honest one. ■

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Carter: U.S. must be involved in peace talks

CARTER

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But in a pre-speech interview, Carter said he's received 10,000 letters regarding the book, with a 4-1 ratio of support for his argument and a substantial number of them coming from Jewish Americans.

Still, he has chosen not to respond to criticism that he's anti-Semitic.

"My wife [Rosallynn Carter] would tell you that I've enjoyed the experience," Carter said about his response to criticism.

After publicly stating his arguments, he addressed ques-

tions on energy policy and reducing the emphasis on raising campaign money.

Touting his own construction of a national energy policy that he said increased fuel economy to 28.5 miles per gallon, he called for stricter fuel economy standards.

"Any change in current policy would be an improvement," Carter said. "These are the things that could be done very quickly."

Then, as he reflected on his own at-times impoverished campaign for the White House, where he said workers often had

to stay with families or pay for their own motel rooms, he said the time has come for changes in fundraising levels as well as revamping the primary system.

One idea, as espoused through the Commission on Federal Election Reform, which Carter co-chaired, includes

having four regional primaries among states geographically near one another. He said this would allow for candidates to concentrate advertising money on the primary states whose regional contest is taking place.

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Nightmare in Germany

ARREST

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In an attempt to mitigate flight risk, authorities denied Jarvis' bail set at 2,000 euros and kept him behind bars, though his passport had already been confiscated.

Non-German arrestees are rarely granted release on bail because of the chance that they'll leave the country, said the U.S. consulate-general.

Pete Jarvis said lawyers had reached an agreement that would have allowed his son to plea to a lesser charge, but a judge denied it — forcing the deal through numerous appeals.

"It just drags on and on with no attempt to expedite it," he said. "The German lawyer has been doing amazing stuff to get ahead in different court systems, but generally, it's amazingly slow."

The December 2004 graduate in biology was held in jail without charges for almost four weeks — representing one difference between the two legal systems. While the United States cannot properly launch a criminal case without an arrest, an arrest is not required for German authorities to begin criminal proceedings, said UI law Professor John Reitz.

"It does strike me as somewhat unusual that someone would be held very long without filing of charges," Reitz said. "I am not sure of the German law on this point, but they have a very fine legal system that generally seems to be attentive to such matters."

If convicted, Pete Jarvis said his son could spend roughly six months behind

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— John Reitz, UI law professor

bars. Any prison term would be served in Germany.

Jared Jarvis' criminal history in Iowa is relatively scant, with two drinking-related charges and a fistful of traffic citations to his name, online court records show.

The 25-year-old did plead guilty to assault, a simple misdemeanor, in May 2001 and paid a \$50 fine.

Jarvis' friends and family have created a website and contacted a handful of federal lawmakers in Iowa and Illinois while gleaning any other contacts the family may have in Germany. A staffer for Rep. Bruce Braley, D-Iowa, has been in contact with Jarvis' family to facilitate communications between the family and government officials handling their son's case, said Jeff Giertz, the communications director for the Democrat congressman.

Likewise, Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, asked American Embassy personnel to ensure that Jared Jarvis is being treated fairly and humanely. A consular officer who visited him earlier this month said a

physician had treated Jarvis for injuries sustained in the fight, said Beth Levine, Grassley's spokeswoman.

The senator's case workers in Iowa encounter such bureaucratic snags every day, she added.

"It's important to let the embassies and personnel know that Sen. Grassley or other senators and representatives are looking out for a constituent," Levine said. "It might help spur them along and help [them] to pay a little closer attention."

Vowing a "quick decision," Jared Jarvis' attorney, Klaus Lemmen, declined to comment via e-mail from Germany. But the lawyer said that this case is "not an anti-American act" and Germans have no prejudices against Americans.

"This, what happened, would be treated the same way if it would be investigations against a Spanish, French, English, or whatever foreign person," Lemmen wrote in an e-mail to *The Daily Iowan*.

The U.S. consulate-general in Frankfurt also declined to comment, citing confidentiality stipulations.

Pete Jarvis has spoken to his jailed son, who he says is "making the best of" his time behind bars — playing basketball during daily hour-long breaks and teaching his cellmate English. But his family and friends in the United States are still waiting, hoping for a speedy solution to bring him back home.

"We're not talking hardened criminals," Pete Jarvis said. "We're talking college students."

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Regents question complex

The state Board of Regents heard about plans for a new orthopedic and sports medicine facility at the UI on Wednesday

BY ZHI XIONG
THE DAILY IOWAN

The state Board of Regents raised questions about efficiency and the cost of a proposed 46,000-square-foot complex on the UI campus that would combine physical therapy, athletics training, and rehabilitation.

Regents met with the UI Hospitals and Clinics committee on Wednesday morning for additional discussion on the Institute for Orthopaedics, Sports Medicine, and Rehabilitation that is planned for the west campus.

The committee of UIHC administrators, physicians, and other university officials proposed a location near the Karro Athletics Hall of Fame. The new complex would involve relocating some of UIHC's current orthopedic services away from the main facilities.

The project would be completed in two phases — the first constructing a building with a capacity for 16 exam rooms and the second housing "academics, research, and UI athletics programs," according to the committee's description.

The combined cost of the complex is more than \$14 million. Each room is estimated to cost only about \$200 per square foot — "rock bottom prices" compared with the usual \$400-\$600 range, Regent Amir Arbisser said.

He questioned whether such a facility would be more practical in the private sector.

"The private sector does a

'Maybe I've put [the committee members] through their paces. But this should be regarded as a pioneering endeavor and precedent-setting as far as other clinics.'



— Robert Downer, regent

good job," he said. "It's hard to imagine athletes not receiving a cure."

Ned Amendola, the director of the UI Sports Medicine Center, addressed Arbisser's concern of competition from the private sector.

"I have coaches asking me, 'Where can we find such programs?'" Amendola said. "In the private sector, they have orthopedic centers, but not a multi-care center."

Joseph Buckwalter, head of the UI Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation, said other schools such as the University of Michigan and the University of Florida have moved their services from the main facility.

"If you look across the country, orthopedics are rapidly changing to a more ambulatory model," Buckwalter said.

"It's a trend of meeting the need for patient care."

He added that the new location away from the main campus improves access to hospital facilities.

Regent Robert Downer said although he questioned the project in detail, there is room for discussion.

"Maybe I've put [the committee members] through their paces," he said. "But this should be regarded as a pioneering endeavor and precedent-setting as far as other clinics."

Having received approval from the Capital Allocations Committee in February, the committee will request permission to proceed with project plans from the Board of Regents in a subsequent meeting on May 1.

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Blasts kill 183 Iraqis

BY STEVEN R. HURST AND
LAUREN FRAYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD — Suspected Sunni insurgents penetrated the Baghdad security net Wednesday, hitting Shiite targets with four bomb attacks that killed 183 people — the bloodiest day since the U.S. troop increase began nine weeks ago.

The most devastating blast struck the Sadriyah market as workers were leaving for the day, charring a lineup of minibuses that came to pick them up. At least 127 people were killed and 148 wounded, including men who were rebuilding the market after a Feb. 3 bombing left 137 dead.

Wednesday's car bombing appeared meticulously planned. It took place at a pedestrian entrance where tall concrete barriers had been erected after the earlier attack. It was the only way out of the compound, and the construction workers were widely known to leave at about 4 p.m. — the time of the bombing.

One builder, 28-year-old Salih Mustafa, said he was waiting for a bus home when the bomb exploded.

"I rushed with others to give a hand and help the victims," he said. "I saw three bodies in a wooden cart, and civilian cars were helping to take away the victims. It was really a horrible scene."

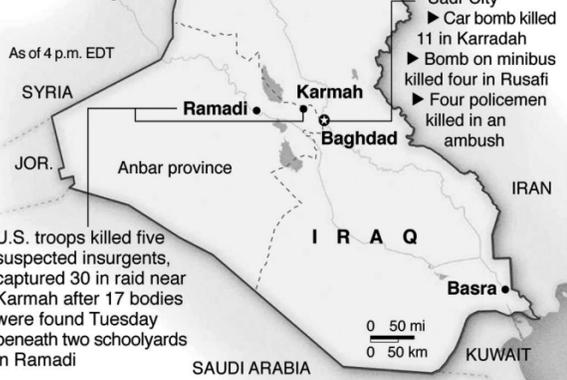
U.S. military spokesman Maj. Gen. William Caldwell told the Associated Press that Al Qaeda in Iraq was suspected in the bombing. "Initial indications based on intelligence sources show that it was linked to Al Qaeda," he said in a late-night telephone interview.

Echoing those remarks, U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Gates called the bombings "horrifying" and accused Al Qaeda of being behind them.

The attacks appeared to be yet another attempt by Sunni insurgents and Al Qaeda to force Shiite militiamen back onto the streets. Radical Shiite cleric

Mass casualties in four bombings

Adding to more attacks in Iraq was U.S. confirmation that it found 3,000 gallons of nitric acid last week in downtown Baghdad.



Muqtada al-Sadr had ordered his Mahdi Army fighters to put away their weapons and go underground before the security crackdown began, leaving regions such as those bombed on Wednesday highly vulnerable.

An outburst of violence from the Shiite militia would also ease pressure on the Sunni insurgents, creating a second front for U.S. and Iraqi soldiers struggling to diminish violence in the capital, and provide time for the Iraqi government to gather momentum for sectarian reconciliation.

U.S. officials have reported a decrease in sectarian killings in Baghdad since the U.S.-Iraqi security crackdown was launched Feb. 14. But the past week has seen several spectacular attacks in the capital, including a suicide bombing inside Parliament and a powerful blast that collapsed a landmark bridge across the Tigris River. The number of bodies dumped in the streets of Baghdad also has risen significantly.

Brig. Gen. Qassim al-Mousawi, the Iraqi military

spokesman, said, "We have not seen such a wave of attacks since the security plan began. These are terrorist challenges. Ninety-five percent of those killed today were civilians."

Late Wednesday, Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki ordered the arrest of the Iraqi army colonel who was in charge of security in the region around the Sadriyah market. The colonel's name was not given.

"Our Iraqi people are being subjected to a brutal attack that does not differentiate between an old man, a child or a woman. This targeting of civilian populations brings back to our minds the mass crimes and genocide committed by the Saddamist dictatorial regime," said a statement from al-Maliki's office.

The 127 deaths in the market bombing were recorded by Raad Muhsin, an official at al-Kindi Hospital morgue where the victims were taken. A police official confirmed the toll, speaking on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to release the information.

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NCAA

NCAA moves toward text-message ban

Somebody at the NCAA must be listening to Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz.

The NCAA Division-I management council recommended a ban on all electronically transmitted correspondence on Wednesday, including text messages, between coaches and recruits — a move Ferentz has passionately supported. E-mail and faxes would be exempt from the new rule but would be limited by current NCAA guidelines.



Ferentz
head coach

"It's amazing right now how that has become a part of the way our young people are growing up, and I am concerned about it to say the least," Ferentz said on national signing day in February. "I think its one of the silliest rules that the NCAA allows coaches to text message young people."

Unlike restrictions on phone calls and in-person visits, there are no coach limits on text messaging.

The Board of Directors must still pass the ban. If approved during an April 26 meeting, it would take effect in August. If rejected or delayed, coaches would return to their previous policy of no limits.

"I think student-athletes wanted to see this eliminated for their own sanity," Katie Hickey, the management council's chairwoman, told the Associated Press.

— by Jason Brummond

FOOTBALL

Football gets oral commitment for '08

Kirk Ferentz and the Iowa football team landed their first oral commitment of the 2008 recruiting class this week.

Riley Reiff, a 6-6, 235-pound defensive end from South Dakota, chose the Hawkeyes over a scholarship offer from Nebraska. Rivals.com ranks Reiff among the top 250 prospects to watch in 2008.

As a junior, Reiff earned first-team all-state honors for the second-consecutive year. He totaled 131 tackles and 19 sacks over two seasons. The Parkston, S.D., native is also a three-time state champion wrestler with a career record of 112-1.

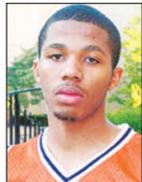
— by Jason Brummond

BASKETBALL

Hawk hoopsters pick up oral commitment

Iowa replaced a lost point-guard recruit with another.

Maryland prep Jeff Peterson became Hawkeye coach Todd Lickliter's first-ever recruit with an oral commitment late Tuesday night. The 6-foot, 185-pound guard originally committed to Princeton and also showed interest in St. Louis.



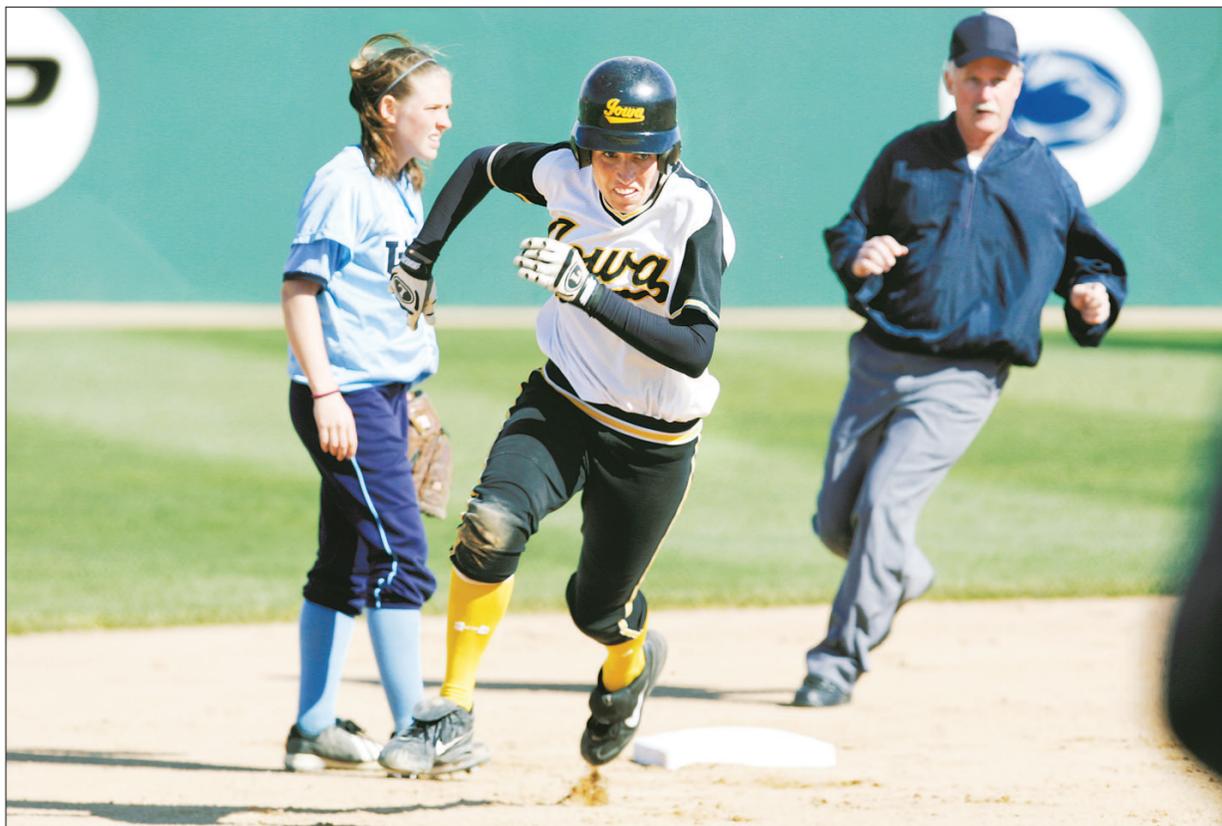
Peterson
point-guard recruit

Peterson averaged 15 points and nine assists as a senior at DeMatha High School in Hyattsville, Md. Peterson could add immediate help next season at point guard and split time with Tony Freeman and Justin Johnson in a thin backcourt.

Dairese Gary, released last week from his commitment to Iowa, joined former Hawkeye coach Steve Alford in New Mexico on Tuesday.

— by Jason Brummond

Softball plucks Peacocks



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye sophomore Erin Riemersma runs past second base and eyes third during a 10-0, five-inning Iowa victory over Upper Iowa University on Wednesday evening at Pearl Field. The Hawks will take on Penn State this weekend in Iowa City.

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It was complete domination at Pearl Field on Wednesday, as the Iowa softball team laid a 10-0 licking on Upper Iowa in only 4½ innings to achieve the victory.

BY BRENDAN STILES
THE DAILY IOWAN

On Wednesday, the Iowa softball team picked up right where it left off.

After sweeping a double-header from Michigan State on Sunday, the Hawkeyes stepped out of conference and destroyed Upper Iowa, defeating

the Peacocks, 10-0, at Pearl Field. The contest was called after the top of the fifth inning because Iowa was ahead by more than eight runs.

The victory improved the Hawkeyes to 31-17 on the season with 11 games remaining.

Although Upper Iowa is a Division-II school, the Hawkeyes still felt it was

important to come out strong before going against what appears to be the class of the Big Ten this weekend in Penn State and Ohio State.

"It's always big to come out here and score a lot of runs," sophomore shortstop Erin Riemersma said. "What we wanted to do today was really work on things we've been

practicing and get ourselves ready for this weekend."

Iowa got a lights-out performance in the circle from freshman pitcher Amanda Zust. The Des Moines native fanned 12 Peacocks in five innings of work, allowing only three singles and walking just one.

SEE SOFTBALL, PAGE 3B

No, no, says Buehrle

One walk separated White Sox hurler Mark Buehrle from perfection Wednesday night, as the lefty tossed the franchise's first no-hitter since 1991.

BY RICK GANO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Mark Buehrle pitched the first no-hitter of the season Wednesday night — and he was nearly perfect, too.

The Chicago White Sox left-hander faced the minimum 27 batters in a 6-0 victory over the Texas Rangers, picking off the only hitter he walked and throwing his team's first no-hitter since 1991.



Buehrle
pitched no-hitter

Working quickly and efficiently in a dominant performance, Buehrle allowed only one base runner. He walked Sammy Sosa with one out in the fifth inning, then promptly picked him off first base.

"I can't believe I did it," Buehrle said. "Perfect game would have been nice, too."

With the crowd on its feet in the ninth, Buehrle struck out Matt Kata and Nelson Cruz, then got Gerald Laird to hit a slow grounder to third base that Joe Crede picked up and threw to first. As Paul Konerko caught the ball, he pumped his fist, setting off a wild celebration.

Buehrle was mobbed by teammates at the side of the mound, including catcher A.J. Pierzynski, and then got a big hug from manager Ozzie Guillen as he came off the field.

On a chilly 40-degree night, Buehrle threw 105 pitches. His previous low-hit game was a one-hitter against Tampa Bay on Aug. 3, 2001. It was the 16th no-hitter in White Sox history and first since Wilson Alvarez threw one at Baltimore on Aug. 11, 1991.

"I was part of one in high school," Buehrle said. "To get through a big league lineup three times, I never thought it would happen."

It was the first no-hitter pitched against the Rangers since June 17, 1995, when Toronto's David Cone threw one in a 4-0 win.

More than two years passed without a no-hitter in major league baseball before rookie Anibal Sanchez threw one for Florida on Sept. 6, ending the longest stretch without a no-no in big league history. His gem against the Arizona Diamondbacks was the first in the majors since Arizona's Randy Johnson threw a perfect game to beat Atlanta 2-0 on May 18, 2004.

Buehrle, who retired 20 of the final 22 batters he faced in his previous start against Oakland, had some stellar defensive plays behind him before a crowd of 25,390 at U.S. Cellular Field.

SEE WHITE SOX, PAGE 3B

Baseball leashes Huskies

Iowa recovered from a 15-10 loss to rival Northern Iowa with a one-run win Wednesday at Banks Field.

BY DAN PARR
THE DAILY IOWAN

Baseball gave Iowa closer Mike Schurz a break from worrying Wednesday. The junior came to Iowa in the fall after spending two years at Radford University — located 10 minutes away from the campus of Virginia Tech.

Before the first pitch against Northern Illinois, his thoughts were on the friend of a friend who was missing after the shooting rampage Monday morning, he said.

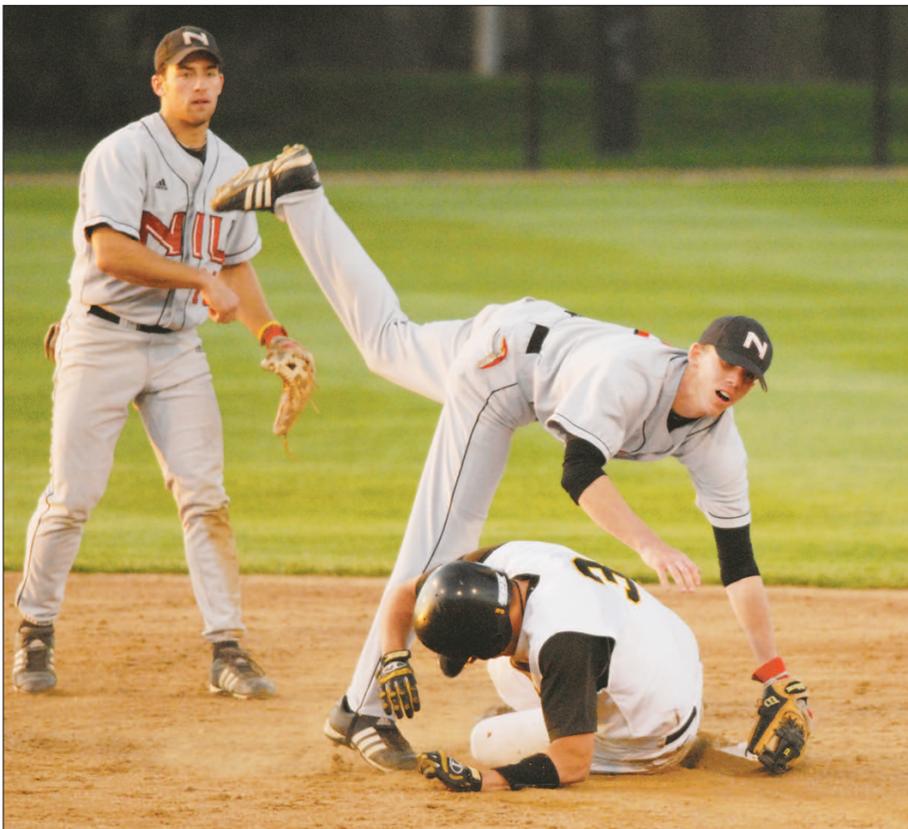
Schurz found 20 missed calls on his cell phone as he boarded the bus after Iowa's game at Minnesota on Monday. Friends and family who didn't know about his move to the Midwest were checking to make sure he was OK.

"I haven't called [my friend] back to see if he died or not," Schurz said. "I'm too afraid to right now, I really don't want to know at this point."

The Poquoson, Va., native blocked out the troubling unknown in the bottom of the eighth and silenced a Huskie rally, striking out two of the four hitters he faced after taking the hill with two outs and a runner in scoring position.

"I had to clear it all out," he said. "It's just a terrible thing that happened."

Schurz earned his seventh save in the 4-3 Hawkeye win.



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye catcher Dusty Napoleon barely gets thrown out at second during the Hawkeyes' game against Northern Iowa on Wednesday at Banks Field. The Hawks held on to beat the Huskies, 4-3.

Iowa used seven different pitchers to improve its overall record to 15-14.

Efficiency in the batter's

box and on the base paths spelled success for the Hawkeyes — they scored four times on just six hits. Iowa

converted numerous sacrifice bunts into runs.

SEE BASEBALL PAGE 3B

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Division	W	L	Pct	GB
East Division	10	4	.714	—
Atlanta	9	4	.692	1/2
New York	6	8	.429	4
Florida	5	10	.333	5 1/2
Washington	3	10	.231	6 1/2
Philadelphia	3	10	.231	6 1/2
Central Division	8	6	.571	—
Milwaukee	7	6	.538	1/2
Houston	8	7	.533	1/2
Cincinnati	6	7	.462	1 1/2
Pittsburgh	6	7	.462	1 1/2
St. Louis	5	9	.357	3
Philadelphia	5	9	.357	3
West Division	10	5	.667	—
Los Angeles	9	6	.600	1
Arizona	8	6	.571	1 1/2
San Diego	7	8	.467	3
Colorado	4	8	.333	4 1/2
San Francisco	4	8	.333	4 1/2
Wednesday's Games				
N.Y. Mets 9, Florida 2				
Washington 5, Philadelphia 4, 13 innings				
Houston 7, Cincinnati 2				
Atlanta 8, Chicago Cubs 6				
Milwaukee 7, Pittsburgh 3				
Colorado 7, L.A. Dodgers 2				
Arizona at San Diego, late				
St. Louis at San Francisco, late				
Today's Games				
Pittsburgh (Duke 1-1) at Milwaukee (Suppan 1-2), 12:05 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Moyer 1-1) at Washington (Patterson 0-2), 12:05 p.m.				
L.A. Dodgers (Hendrickson 0-0) at Colorado (Cook 0-0), 2:05 p.m.				
Arizona (L.Hernandez 1-0) at San Diego (Peavy 2-0), 2:35 p.m.				
St. Louis (Wells 1-2) at San Francisco (Lowry 0-2), 2:35 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (O.Hernandez 1-1) at Florida (Vanden Hurk 0-0), 6:05 p.m.				
Houston (Williams 0-2) at Cincinnati (Arroyo 0-2), 6:10 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Hill 2-0) at Atlanta (Redman 0-2), 6:35 p.m.				

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Division	W	L	Pct	GB
East Division	8	5	.615	—
Boston	7	6	.538	1/2
New York	7	6	.538	1/2
Baltimore	8	7	.533	1
Tampa Bay	6	9	.400	3
Central Division	9	5	.643	—
Minnesota	9	6	.600	1/2
Detroit	9	6	.600	1/2
Cleveland	6	5	.545	1 1/2
Chicago	6	7	.462	2 1/2
Kansas City	4	11	.267	5 1/2
West Division	8	7	.533	—
Oakland	5	5	.500	1 1/2
Seattle	6	8	.429	2 1/2
Texas	6	9	.400	3
Los Angeles	6	9	.400	3
Wednesday's Games				
Kansas City 4, Detroit 3, 10 innings				
Baltimore 6, Tampa Bay 4				
Oakland 3, L.A. Angels 0				
N.Y. Yankees 9, Cleveland 2				
Boston 4, Toronto 1				
Chicago White Sox 6, Texas 0				
Minnesota 5, Seattle 4				
Today's Games				
Boston (Tavarez 0-1) at Toronto (Halladay 2-0), 11:37 a.m.				
Cleveland (Carmona 0-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Rasner 0-1), 12:05 p.m.				
Minnesota (J.Santana 2-1) at Seattle (Washburn 0-1), 5:35 p.m.				
Texas (Padilla 0-3) at Chicago White Sox (Vazquez 2-0), 7:11 p.m.				

BIG TEN MEN'S BASEBALL

Conference	All Games					
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Michigan	8	0	1.000	23	7	.767
Minnesota	5	2	.714	22	7	.759
Illinois	6	4	.600	16	14	.533
Michigan State	6	5	.545	15	13	.536
Purdue	5	5	.500	16	14	.533
Penn State	5	5	.500	12	19	.387
Ohio State	4	6	.400	19	10	.655
Iowa	4	7	.364	15	14	.517
Indiana	4	7	.364	14	18	.438
Northwestern	3	9	.250	9	21	.300
Wednesday's Game						
Iowa 4, Northern Illinois 3						
Friday's Games						
Illinois at Iowa, 6 p.m.						
Northwestern at Penn State, 7 p.m.						
Purdue at Michigan, 7 p.m.						
Indiana at Ohio State, 7 p.m.						
Michigan State at Minnesota, 7 p.m.						
Saturday's Games						
Illinois at Iowa (2) 2 p.m.						
Northwestern at Penn State (2)						
Indiana at Ohio State (2)						
Michigan State at Minnesota (2)						
Sunday's Games						
Illinois at Iowa, 1 p.m.						
Northwestern at Penn State						
Purdue at Michigan						
Indiana at Ohio State						
Michigan State at Minnesota						

BIG TEN SOFTBALL

Conference	All Games					
W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT	
Ohio State	5	1	.833	24	14	.632
Penn State	3	1	.750	21	13	.618
Northwestern	8	2	.727	33	10	.767
Michigan	4	2	.667	33	8	.805
Illinois	5	3	.625	26	15	.634
Iowa	6	4	.600	31	17	.646

Wisconsin	5	5	.500	24	13	.649
Purdue	4	5	.444	26	27	.491
Minnesota	2	4	.333	17	16	.515
Indiana	1	9	.100	20	23	.465
Michigan State	0	6	.000	22	21	.512

Wednesday's Game
Iowa 10, Upper Iowa 0, 5 innings

Friday's Games
Penn State at Iowa, 6 p.m.
Northwestern at Wisconsin
Ohio State at Illinois
Michigan at Purdue
Michigan State at Indiana

Saturday's Games
Iowa 10, Upper Iowa 0, 5 innings
Penn State at Iowa, 12 p.m.
Northwestern at Wisconsin
Ohio State at Illinois
Michigan at Purdue
Michigan State at Indiana

Sunday's Games
Ohio State at Iowa (2) 12 p.m.
Northwestern at Minnesota (2)
Penn State at Illinois (2)
Michigan at Indiana (2)
Michigan State at Purdue (2)

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Conference	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlantic	47	35	.573	—
y-Toronto	41	41	.500	6
x-New Jersey	35	47	.427	12
Philadelphia	33	49	.402	14
Boston	24	58	.293	23
Southeast	44	38	.537	—
y-Miami	41	41	.500	3
x-Washington	40	42	.488	4
Charlotte	33	49	.402	11
Atlanta	30	52	.366	14
Central	53	29	.646	—
z-Detroit	50	32	.610	3
x-Cleveland	41	41	.500	10
Indiana	35	47	.427	18
Milwaukee	28	54	.341	25
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Southwest	47	15	.758	—
z-Dallas	57	15	.817	—
x-San Antonio	58	24	.707	9
x-Houston	52	30	.634	15
New Orleans	39	43	.476	28
Memphis	22	60	.268	45
Northwest	51	31	.622	—
y-Utah	45	37	.549	6
x-Denver	32	50	.390	19
Minnesota	31	51	.380	19
Portland	31	51	.380	19
Seattle	31	51	.380	19
Pacific	61	21	.744	—
y-Phoenix	42	40	.512	19
x-Golden State	42	40	.512	19
x-L.A. Lakers	42	40	.512	19
L.A. Clippers	40	42	.488	21
Sacramento	33	49	.402	28
x-clinched playoff spot				
y-clinched division				
z-clinched conference				
Wednesday's Games				
Orlando 94, Miami 68				
Philadelphia 122, Toronto 119				
Cleveland 103, Milwaukee 96				
New York 94, Charlotte 93				
Detroit 91, Boston 89				
New Jersey 106, Chicago 97				
Denver 100, San Antonio 77				
Washington 98, Indiana 95				
Memphis 116, Minnesota 94				
Utah 101, Houston 91				
Dallas 106, Seattle 75				
L.A. Lakers 117, Sacramento 106				
Golden State 120, Portland 98				
New Orleans 86, L.A. Clippers 83				
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Tuesday's Games
Ottawa 2, Pittsburgh 1, Ottawa leads series 3-1
N.Y. Rangers 7, Atlanta 0
Vancouver 2, Dallas 1, Vancouver leads series 3-1
Minnesota 4, Anaheim 1, Anaheim leads series 3-1
Calgary 3, Detroit 2, Detroit leads series 2-1

Wednesday's Games
N.Y. Rangers 4, Atlanta 2, Rangers win series 4-0
Buffalo 4, N.Y. Islanders 2, Buffalo leads series 3-1
New Jersey 4, Tampa Bay 3, OT, series tied 2-2
San Jose 3, Nashville 2, San Jose leads series 3-1

Today's Games
Pittsburgh at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Detroit at Calgary, 8:30 p.m.
Dallas at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

Friday, April 20
N.Y. Islanders at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
Tampa Bay at New Jersey, 6 p.m.
San Jose at Nashville, 8 p.m.

Saturday, April 21
Calgary at Detroit, 2 p.m.
Vancouver at Dallas, 7 p.m., if necessary
Anaheim at Minnesota, TBD, if necessary

Sunday, April 22
Ottawa at Pittsburgh, 12 p.m., if necessary
Buffalo at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m., if necessary
Nashville at San Jose, 9 p.m., if necessary
Detroit at Calgary, TBD, if necessary
New Jersey at Tampa Bay, TBD, if necessary

Monday, April 23
Minnesota at Anaheim, 9 p.m., if necessary
Dallas at Vancouver, TBD, if necessary

Tuesday, April 24
Pittsburgh at Ottawa, 6 p.m., if necessary
N.Y. Islanders at Buffalo, TBD, if necessary
Tampa Bay at New Jersey, TBD, if necessary
Calgary at Detroit, TBD, if necessary
San Jose at Nashville, TBD, if necessary

Men gymnasts happy at end

With the NCAA Tournament behind his team, Iowa men's gymnastics head coach Tom Dunn looks back at the season that was and wasn't.

BY SEAN MONAHAN
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa men's gymnastics head coach Tom Dunn summed up the season perfectly.

"The end was pretty good, but I suppose that our standards may have lowered as the season progressed," he said.

The Hawkeyes began the season at the Windy City Invitational, and Dunn considered the squad's near last-place finish one of the lowest points of the year. And he felt the team didn't "really get it going" until the NCAA championships this past weekend — the final meet of the year.

The word final apparently triggered the dormant Hawkeyes — the Big Ten championship meet that preceded nationals also saw an assortment of outstanding performances. Senior Jacques Bouchard broke the school record twice that weekend on his way to a first-place finish over a rings field that could only be described as dominant, while his teammate Matt Beiler powered his way to fifth place.

The Hawkeyes had two more individual finishers that weekend, with sophomore Jacob Becker taking second in the pommel horse and freshman Joel Snyder taking sixth in the horizontal bar.

In the same way the success eased the poor team finish at the Big Ten meet, the NCAA championships gave the Hawkeyes at least one reason to smile about a season that had them in a constant search for consistency — Dunn's squad finished solidly in ninth place as a team, and both junior Geoff Reins and Becker were named All-Americans.

While the NCAA performance may have come too late this season, as Dunn said, many of his gymnasts have future campaigns to look forward to.

Throughout the year, the coach had five freshmen contributing in his lineup, and while he thinks he will have to wait until next year to see how their opening season helped them, they certainly proved they have the talent to compete.

"They've got experience, they've been there, they know what to expect, and hopefully, that will help their preparation for next year," Dunn said.

One of those freshmen who put his talents on display was Jonathan Buese, who, as one team's best all-around performers, was part of the team's backbone, Dunn said.

"Jon had some real good experience, and he did a tremendous job for us," he said.

Freshman Reid Urbain was also singled out by his head coach as a member of the best and worst moment of the year.

The worst moment of the year came at Stanford, where the team scored poorly and suffered the loss of the Wisconsin native to injury.

On the contrast, Dunn said, one of the reasons for the team's stellar performance at the NCAA championships was Urbain's reinsertion into the lineup.

"[It] was a miracle almost from that type of a landing that he had [at Stanford] that he could come back all the way," Dunn said. "And he was our No. 2 guy on floor exercise at the NCAA championships."

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2005 — Fabian Washington, cornerback, 23rd

SOFTBALL/BASEBALL RECAPS

Softball rolls along in rout

SOFTBALL

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"My defense worked well behind me, and I had confidence in it," Zust said. "That allowed me to be comfortable and confident."

Coach Gayle Blevins was more than pleased with her pitcher's performance, and she feels Zust has gotten better as the season has progressed.

"We know that if we can put a good defense behind her that can handle the ball, she just needs to work ahead in the counts and work what we call positive counts," Blevins said. "I thought she did a super job."

The Hawkeyes also got another quality effort offensively from Riemersma. She was 2-for-2 with a single and double and also walked.

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— Erin Riemersma, shortstop

Riemersma also led the team with three runs, scoring every time she reached base.

Also leading the way was junior Emily Nichols, who saw action on Wednesday at third base before eventually being pulled by Blevins once the Hawkeyes were more than comfortably ahead.

Nichols had two hits and knocked in three runs, and she also scored a run herself in the first inning.

"I wanted our kids to come out and play at our level, and not be overly concerned about the opposition or anything else," Blevins said. "I

felt like we accomplished that today."

With Iowa ahead 4-0, the Hawkeyes began pouring it on in the third inning, scoring six times and going through the entire batting lineup. In total, the Hawkeyes tacked 11 hits on Upper Iowa.

Zust was more than thankful for the run support provided by her teammates.

"As a pitcher, it's always good to have run support," she said. "It gives you confidence going out to the mound, so the team worked really well to get runs for me

early, and it was great."

One thing is certain — the Hawkeyes appear to have their swagger back, and it couldn't come at a better time.

"We want to keep the momentum for as long as we can," Riemersma said. "Winning those two games on Sunday was huge for us. We came out here knowing we could win, and we definitely produced."

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Baseball wins squeaker, 4-3

BASEBALL

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The Hawks jumped to an early lead, scoring twice in the first inning. Shortstop Jason White led off and reached base after getting hit by Adam Holdenrid's pitch. White advanced to second on a wild pitch and scored when the next batter, Travis Sweet, smacked a double into left field. A sacrifice bunt from Tyson Blaser moved Sweet to third, and he scored on a ground out by J.T. Cataldo.

Second baseman Justin Toole drove in the other two Hawkeye runs without reaching base. A second inning ground out and a sacrifice fly in the fourth did the game-winning damage.

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'I just like good, solid, fundamental baseball. That's what we did today. We found ways to generate runs.'

— Jack Dahm, head coach

fundamental baseball," coach Jack Dahm said. "That's what we did today. We found ways to generate runs."

"We executed very well, moving runners, stealing bases, hitting sacrifice flies, and ground balls when we needed to. We manufactured four runs today and it was enough to win."

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Buehrle hurls no-hitter

WHITE SOX

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Three of the closest plays came on grounders. Jerry Hairston hit one to Crede at third in the third inning and was called out at first after a headlong slide. Replays showed Hairston was out, but he was ejected by first base umpire James Hoyer for arguing and had to be restrained by first base coach Gary Pettis when he returned to the field.

Tadahito Iguchi made a diving stop of Hank Blalock's grounder in the hole, got up and threw him out to end the fifth. That came one batter after Sosa spoiled the perfect game bid by drawing the walk.

And in the seventh, Chicago

shortstop Juan Uribe went into the hole to get Ian Kinsler's grounder and got him at first, thanks to a nice scoop by Konerko.

Chicago right fielder Jermaine Dye also made a nice play in the second on Blalock, going back to the fence to catch his long drive.

"Obviously, for a guy like me, I need my defense behind me," Buehrle said.

Once the ace of the White Sox staff, Buehrle went 12-13 last season — his first losing record in six full major-league seasons. After making the All-Star team, he struggled mightily after the break, going just 3-7.

His season got off to a rocky start when in his first appearance he was hit in the left forearm by a line drive from Cleveland's Ryan Garko and had to leave after pitching just 1-3 innings. But Buehrle rebounded with a solid effort against the A's, allowing four hits and three runs in seven innings and getting stronger as the game progressed.

The White Sox made it easier Wednesday night by breaking out of an offensive slump. They had scored only two runs in the previous three games, all losses.

Jim Thome homered twice — giving him 477 for his career — and Dye hit a two-out grand

slam in the fifth off Kevin Millwood (2-2).

The White Sox loaded the bases with two outs in the fifth on Iguchi's single and back-to-back walks to Thome and Konerko.

Dye then had an 11-pitch at-bat. After fouling off six straight pitches, he hit a 3-2 pitch on a line into the left-field bullpen for his sixth career slam.

Millwood went five innings, allowing five hits, five runs and four walks.

Notes: Buehrle is 9-3 in his career against the Rangers. ... Dye's last grand slam came on July 4, 2005, against the Devil Rays.

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ANDREW R. JUHL Re-examining more old superstitions

- “If people lived good lives, flowers will grow near their gravesites. If the people were malevolent, weeds are all that will sprout.” If the person was a politician, you can't be sure exactly what will grow near her or his tomb — only that it will be well fertilized.
- “If the Moon is shining during birth, the baby will be a male; no Moon at all indicates a girl.” Also helpful: the presence or absence of the baby's penis.
- “Spilling wine while proposing a toast means good luck.” ... or that you're drunk. Either way, it's good news for you!
- “An itch on the bottom of your feet means you are about to take a trip.” To CVS.
- “If 13 people sit down to dinner, the last to rise will be cursed with ill fortune.” Not to mention chubbier thighs.
- “Every time a bell rings, an angel gets its wings.” That's just one of the many reasons why heaven's official anthem is “Don't Fear the Reaper.”
- “When you cross a railroad track, you need to touch a screw so you don't get pregnant.” OK, seriously, even teaching abstinence is going to work better than that.
- “The first spouse to fall asleep on the wedding night will be the first to die.” So, yeah, be sure to keep that in mind on what's supposed to be the happiest day of your lives.

— Andrew R. Juhl knows that it's unlucky to sing Christmas carols out of season. And obnoxious. E-mail him at: andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu.



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 - Eastern Iowa visits from presidential candidates, Barack Obama, Hillary Rodham Clinton, and Rudy Giuliani
 - Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton's visit to Des Moines
 - Hawkeye basketball 2007
 - Iowa wrestling 2007
 - World's largest truck stop
 - Capoeria
 - Sen. John McCain in Cedar Rapids
 - Fall of Troy
 - Alamo Bowl 2006
- VIDEO**
 - Iowa City tornado: One year later series
 - 10K 2007: Jack's Mannequin
 - Fight night at the Union
 - Track standout Becca Franklin
 - Iowa Idol 2007
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 - Congressman Loebsack's reactions to Washington, D.C.
 - Redirect dance thesis
 - Preview of *La Bohème*
 - Trombone legislation
 - Hammer thrower Adam Hamilton
 - Excerpts from Joseph

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- Fifth-Annual Research Open House**, 9 a.m., Seamans Center
 - Blood Drive**, 10 a.m., UIHC Pappajohn Pavilion first level atrium
 - Marc Irving Weber, guitar and piano**, 11 a.m., Grounds for Dessert Coffee-house
 - Lunch with the Chefs, “Take me out to the Ball Park,”** 11:15 a.m., IMU Main Lounge
 - Prevention Intervention Center General meeting**, noon, E253 UIHC
 - “Dante and Petrarch: Pilgrims in Rome,”** Christopher Kleinhenz, University of Wisconsin-Madison 4:30 p.m., 40 Schaeffer Hall
 - “Directions and Horizons: The Future of Biotechnology and Health Care,”** John Haller and Geoffrey McLennan, 4:30 p.m., IMU Ballroom
 - Mission Creek Midwest Fundraiser**, 5 p.m., Yacht Club
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 - Museum Writer in Residence reading, Robin Hemley, Patricia Foster, and Riley Hanick**, 7:30 p.m., UI Museum of Art
 - Tagarista**, 7:30 p.m., IMU Main Lounge
 - Maia Quartet**, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
 - CAB Event**, movie TBA, 9 p.m., 348 IMU
 - Iraq in Fragments**, 9:30 p.m., Bijou

horoscopes Thursday, April 19, 2007

— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Look for any excuse to take a trip, sign up for a course, or attend a conference. You will be able to put whatever information you acquire to good use immediately. Romance will lead to something very good.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Get involved in group activities. Volunteering your services will lead to an interesting opportunity. Don't get emotional over issues that arise concerning an older relative or friend. Do what you can, but don't meddle.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't leave anything to the last minute. Expect the unexpected, and don't be surprised if someone leaves you in a vulnerable position. Luckily, you will be thinking fast and able to take action without skipping a beat.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): If you need to finish something, do so before someone brings it to your attention. The people you have to deal with may overreact, causing you stress. Keep your emotions intact, and avoid using the poor-me approach.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Put yourself in a position that will allow you to learn and pick up valuable information for the future. By offering your time and skills now, you will meet someone you impress who can and will suggest you for an interesting project. Socialize and network.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't count on the people you are closest to. Be careful what you say and of whom you make requests. Emotional instability will prevail if you don't address issues promptly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Plan something nice for yourself and the one you love or want to get to know better. You can make progress if you let your charm, generosity, and innovative actions show how wonderful you can be. Partnerships look promising.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Take advantage of a financial opportunity. You should be able to invest, buy and sell, or even get a new moneymaking project off the ground. Grants, loans, and getting financial support look positive. Your talents are worth more than you realize.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can expect to overreact and cause some emotional turmoil when dealing with friends, relatives, and your lover. Partnerships will be questioned, and your inability to see matters clearly can cost you dearly today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Look at what you have, what you have built, and where you see yourself heading. This is a good time to consider your next professional and personal move. Tie up loose ends, and take care of paperwork.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Put a hold on everything, and make some romantic plans. If you are single, get out and find love. If you are in a relationship, take it to the next level. Commitment and plans should be discussed.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Put your priorities in order. Not everyone will agree with your to-do list, but you can't let that keep you from moving forward. It will be the simple route that will get you to your destination.



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UITV schedule

Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

- 3 p.m.** “Java Blend,” Tony Brown
- 4 HRW 2007:** Electing a Woman to Represent Iowa
- 5 H5N1 Influenza, Will it Reach Pandemic Status?**
- 6 Why Europe Dislikes America,** Andrei Markovits
- 7 “Java Blend,”** Tony Brown
- 8 HRW 2007:** Electing a Woman to Represent Iowa
- 9** The Best of Music from Java Blend
- 9:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update
- 9:45** Student Video Productions Presents Incompetent Sports Talk
- 10:30** DITV News, *The Daily Iowan* Daily News Update
- 10:45** Student Video Productions
- 11** “Java Blend,” Tony Brown

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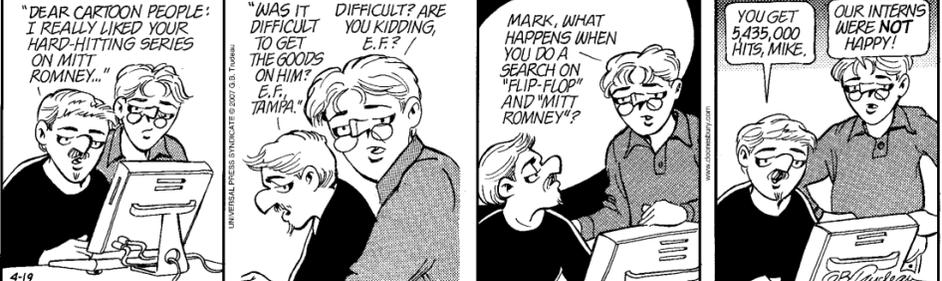
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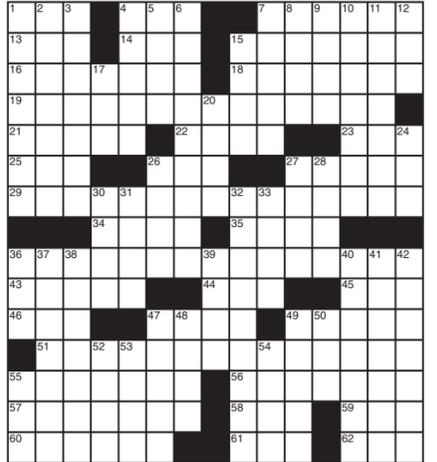


The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 0308

- ACROSS**
- 1 Game standout, briefly
 - 4 Jr.'s place
 - 7 “Steve Canyon” cartoonist Milton
 - 13 Rhine tributary
 - 14 Cádiz kinswoman
 - 15 Country of Saroyan's heritage
 - 16 Beef producers
 - 18 No place for an epicure
 - 19 Start of a question about an old proverb
 - 21 Zero, to Nero
 - 22 They're over specialists: Abbr.
 - 23 Filing facilitator
 - 25 Carbohydrate suffix
 - 26 1990's Ontario premier Bob
 - 27 “Madness” (1966 Sean Connery comedy)
 - 29 Question, part 2
 - 34 Swamp critter
 - 35 Not for
 - 36 Question, part 3
 - 43 ___ worse than death
 - 44 Linemen near centers: Abbr.
 - 45 Ins. plan
 - 46 Cry heard by Cratchit
 - 47 ___ Robles, Calif.
 - 49 Sounds that may be heard before bangs?
 - 51 End of the question
 - 55 Apple computer co-founder
 - 56 Queen in “The Lion in Winter”
 - 57 King Minos' people
 - 58 Clear
 - 59 Educational inits. in Tulsa, Okla.
 - 60 Sailor's protector
 - 61 Opinion
 - 62 60's hot spot
- DOWN**
- 1 Frenchman with a famous line
 - 2 Make superficially attractive
 - 3 Please, old-style
 - 4 It's associated with some magnets and magnates
 - 5 Mag. publisher's concern
 - 6 Is too good to be true
 - 7 Work groups
 - 8 Asian nurse
 - 9 Sight on Hawaiian lava flows
 - 10 It keeps things going
 - 11 Nasty stinger
 - 12 Actress Spain of “God's Little Acre”
 - 15 Early victim
 - 17 Symbol of electric flux
 - 20 Engineering detail
 - 24 Frontier gathering
 - 26 Scream
 - 27 Riesling alternative, familiarly
 - 28 Move quickly and lightly
 - 30 Robert Louis Stevenson, e.g.
 - 31 So
 - 32 Katzenjammers
 - 33 Tattooist's stock
 - 36 Touch
 - 37 In some respects
 - 38 Classic Milton Bradley game
 - 39 “As Time Goes By” requester, in film
 - 40 Hair bun
 - 41 Antique jar
 - 42 Quack remedy
 - 47 Dallas suburb
 - 48 Quizzes
 - 49 Far from posh
 - 50 Actress Vardalos
 - 52 Not domestic: Abbr.
 - 53 Novelist O'Flaherty
 - 54 Lamb by another name
 - 55 Loos



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Convergence with Seniority



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(From left) Bernice Kovaciny, Betty McKray, and Nancy Barnes are all part of Senior Center TV, which is produced out of the second floor of the Senior Center. Several UI students, including Jonathan Rattner and Larissa Schwartz, collaborate with and teach the seniors.

A collaboration among UI students and local seniors is bridging the age gap and creating new films.

'It's about pushing boundaries. It's about challenging stereotypes of senior citizens.'

— Jonathan Rattner, who works one-on-one with the seniors

BY KATE CASPER

THE DAILY IOWAN

A kitchenette fills the corner of a gray carpeted room, a mini-fridge hums quietly, the smell of coffee wafts through the air. This scene, vaguely reminiscent of grandma's kitchen, becomes incongruous when you notice the coiled extension cords and lighting equipment hanging from wall-mounted pegboard, the tripods and video cameras. This is the Senior Center television studio.

One year after launching a website streaming its television broadcasts, members of the Senior Center and UI students have surpassed their expectations for the project. The site has generated more than 5,000 viewings, and the group behind the broadcasts has no intention of slowing down. The members are even looking for more volunteers to help complete their current queue of projects.

Senior Center TV Online has taken to the road, interviewed experts and neighbors, and created films both informative and entertaining. These

projects have all involved one unifying theme: bridging the age gap. The partnership among students and seniors has created a Senior Center broadcast that is recognized as one of the most dynamic in the nation today.

But the seniors may see limitations placed on their broadcasts. By the end of April, it is expected that the Iowa Senate will pass Senate File 554, which would move the oversight of telecommunications franchising from the city to state level. The measure, backed by Qwest Communications, aims to increase the availability of service "bundles" to customers, but it is likely to also shut down local public-access stations such as PATV in Iowa City. For the past 17 years, the seniors have been using PATV, in addition to other local access-channels, to broadcast their documentaries and features.

Josh Goding, the executive director of PATV, said that though he isn't sure exactly what the outcome of the bill will be, he does not think the future for public access looks promising. "The bill is just a mess," he said. "We could, almost immediately, lose funding and support for this organization."

While senior television quickly

became a creative outlet, the original purpose of broadcasting on PATV was to reach those seniors who were no longer able to come to the center. The thought of losing this much-needed link with friends has many of the seniors who work on Senior Center TV upset with the proposed change in the law.

"It's local programming I think that would suffer more than anything else," said Barbara Hackman, 81. "We have certain programs that must be put on. For instance, these are city programs and public access programs but also things for the public, for the welfare of the people."

A member of Senior Citizen TV since its inception, Hackman works on film projects with help from students in the UI cinema and intermedia departments. A lifelong voyager, her film-portfolio topics include observations of the wind, bug day at Kent Park, and coverage of an antiwar demonstration on the Pedestrian Mall.

She is interested in producing programs for viewers of all ages, but, she said, the equipment and the online world can be trying. "You know what they say, after all," she said. "It's only a

machine. But it can be a frustrating machine."

Claire Shaw, 84, is another active program producer at Senior Center TV. Her video interviews are intimate conversations between the guest on screen, and her voice, soft but firm behind the camera. Mock public-interest alerts such as "The Cuddly Con," which warns of squirrel attacks around town, show Shaw's sense of humor. She referred to interactions at the station as "kind of a 'schmearing' of age."

Jonathan Rattner, a graduate student in the cinema/comparative literature department, works one-on-one with the seniors. Rattner, a transplant to Iowa from the East Coast, got involved with the station after making his own films, largely influenced by family home videos and interpersonal communication. He agreed the station is distinct in how the crew works across generations.

"It's about pushing boundaries," he said. "It's about challenging stereotypes of senior citizens."

SEE SENIOR CENTER TV, PAGE 5C

Of SUBMARINES and belly dancing

From World War II submarines to photographs of belly dancers, some area writers are finding success with their first dives into the world of publishing.

BY PAUL SORENSON
THE DAILY IOWAN

Some newly married couples cultivate bonds by staying in and creating fine chicken casseroles — J.O. and Debbie Parker decided to venture outside their home in Montezuma, Iowa, summon their artistic spirits, and develop and publish a book.

"We learned how to work together, how to really trust each other," said Debbie Parker about how *Iowa's Tradition: An ABC Photo Album of the Iowa State Fair*, the couple's photo-heavy self-published book, helped strengthen their relationship after their 2004 wedding. "It was really a great adventure for us."

The Parkers, along with Bruce Lengeman, Allyson Bright Meyer, and Mike

Ostlund, make up a panel of first-time published authors at the Coral Ridge Mall Barnes & Noble's "New Writers Night," today at 7 p.m. The writers will talk, answer questions from audience members, and sign their books.

Topics range from state fairs to submarines to scrapbooking, and the experiences of bringing a work from thought-bubble to typeset is varied. Many develop out of a personal passion.

Take the Parkers — their focus on the Iowa State Fair probably stems from their meeting at the 2003 Des Moines area fair. Debbie Parker soon spawned the idea of an A-Z book detailing aspects of the event. A features "apples" and "arm wrestling" (a little known fair practice); B displays "boots" and "belly dancing" (another

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— Debbie Parker

often-forgot happening). Combining J.O. Parker's skill with a camera and Debbie Parker's command of the pen, a book was born.

Also sprouting from the idea was Our Front Porch Books, the Parkers' homespun publishing company. The couple hopes to publish other authors, eventually living off the profits, but at present, only the 2006 *ABC* carries the imprint.

"If you self-publish, you have complete control," said Debbie Parker, who also enjoys writing romance and mystery novels without the help of her hus-

band. "Although it's almost like having a child — you won't have any other free time." Others opt for the standard route — established publishing house and all. Mike Ostlund's 2006 book, *Find 'Em, Chase 'Em, Sink 'Em: the Mysterious Loss of the WWII Submarine U.S.S. Gudgeon*, found its home at Lyons Press. Ostlund's uncle, Bill Ostlund, and 78 other men disappeared with the sub, an occurrence never officially explained by the Navy.

"I never even thought about writing a book before," said the Iowa City social worker — until

he found new information about the Gudgeon, that is. "Three days later, I decided to write it — I just knew it was something I wanted to do."

He spent the next three years researching and writing, eventually submitting manuscripts in 2004. He says that reception for the book has been overwhelmingly positive, with his own and other families thrilled at his highly researched look into the Gudgeon's fate. "There's nothing worse than having a loved one die and not know what happened."

Ostlund admits that going through a publisher has its drawbacks, explaining that the cards are stacked against first-time writers. Though he has yet to see profits from his book, continued sales ensure him the possibility of a cut, and he is

NEW WRITERS NIGHT

Lecture and book signing
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looking for new book topics. And advice for others who wish to get into the book-birthing business?

"If you're really fascinated with a subject, have a little bit of talent, a little bit of luck, you can get your book in print," he said. "But be sure and write about something you love, or it'll be a very long two or three years."

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WHAT'S GOIN' ON



THIS WEEK ON "80 HOURS ON AIR," THE D/RADIO VENTURE, YOU CAN

- Hear the filmmaking seniors talk about their work, the importance of learning from different generations — and their worries about the future of public-access broadcasting in Iowa.
- Listen to an interview with Magdalen Hsu-Li conducted as she drove across the East Coast to meet a tour date in Maine, and hear her music.
- Absorb an interview with genocide academic Jennifer Geddes, who talks about the importance of respecting survivors' testimony and the misuse of the word "evil," and hear from a survivor of the Bosnian genocide now living in Iowa City.

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THURSDAY 4.19

- MUSIC**
- Mission Creek Midwest Fundraiser, 5 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
 - Beth Amsel, 7 p.m., Uptown Bill's Small Mall, 401 S. Gilbert
 - Maia Quartet and Friends, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
 - Big Smith, She Swings, She Sways, 9 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington
 - Sangria Night, Dustin Louis Blank, 9:30 p.m., David's Place, 100 S. Linn
- FILM**
- Iraq in Fragments, 9:30 p.m., Bijou

- WORDS**
- New Writer's Night and Author Signing, 7 p.m., Barnes & Noble, Coral Ridge Mall
 - Museum of Art Writer-in-Residence reading, Robin Hemley, Patricia Foster, Riley Hanick, 7:30 p.m., Museum of Art

- THEATER**
- Hairspray, 7:30 p.m., Hancher
 - West High Story, 7:30 p.m., West High, 2901 Melrose

- LECTURES**
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 - Thai Spring Rolls, 6 p.m., New Pioneer Co-op, 1101 Second St., Coralville
 - Cana Mine: Panama's Wild Darien, Iowa City Bird Club, John and Linda Donelson, 7 p.m., Grant Wood Area Education Agency, 200 Holiday Road, Coralville
 - Amigos del Inmigrante Clases Gratuitas de Computacion para principiantes, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn

FRIDAY 4.20

- MUSIC**
- Azadeh Raoufi, piano, noon, UIHC Colloton Pavilion atrium
 - Jake Dilley, The Post Mortems, 5 p.m., Yacht Club
 - Drew Hayward, 8 p.m., Java House, 211 1/2 E. Washington
 - Open Mic, 8 p.m., Uptown Bill's
 - The Heathers, A.V. Collective, Illinois John Fever, 9 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
 - Public Property, 9 p.m., Picador
 - Delta 9, 9 p.m., Q Bar, 211 Iowa
 - Electric Junction, Mint Wad Willie, 9 p.m., Yacht Club

- FILM**
- Rumi Documentary, 6:30 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Room A
 - Iowa City Documentary Film Festival, 8 p.m., Bijou

- WORDS**
- The Importance of the Psalms in Judeo-Christian Worship, 6:30 p.m., 256 IMU
 - Writers' Workshop reading, Lyn Hejinian, poetry, 8 p.m., Dey House Conroy Reading Room

- THEATER**
- Catchin' the Babies, 7:30 p.m., Johnson County Historical Society Museum, 860 Quarry Road, Coralville
 - Hairspray, 7:30 p.m., Hancher
 - West High Story, 7:30 p.m., West High School

- LECTURES**
- Friday After Class, Linda Bolton, 4 p.m., North Hall Wild Bill's Coffee Shop
 - Beyond the Pale: The Changing Use of Race in Medical Practice, Christopher Crenner, 6 p.m., UIHC Colloton Pavilion seventh-floor atrium dining room

- MISC.**
- Bridging Fiesta 2007, OASIS, 6 p.m., IMU Ballroom
 - UI Relay for Life, 6 p.m.-6 a.m., Recreation Building
 - Smashing the Ceiling, Magdalen Hsu-Li, 7 p.m., 348 IMU

SATURDAY 4.21

- MUSIC**
- Matt Maybanks, 7 p.m., Uptown Bill's Small Mall
 - Paul Sharpe, bass, 7 p.m., Harper Hall
 - Music of Tim O'Dell for

SATURDAY 4.21

- CONTINUED
- Jazz Orchestra, Johnson County Landmark, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall**
- Blue Fringe Concert, 9 p.m., Hillel House, 122 E. Market
 - Matthew Grimm and the Red Smear, Macon Greyson, 9 p.m., Mill
 - Aqueduct, What Made Milwaukee Famous, Canasta, 9 p.m., Picador
 - Safe Haven, 9 p.m., Q Bar
 - Sexual Buddha CD Release Show, Tony Tokyo, A.V. Collective, 9 p.m., Yacht Club
 - Twenty Something White Guys, The Vandon Arms, Easteighteen, Battle of the Bands, 10 p.m., Union Bar, 121 E. College

- FILM**
- Iowa City Documentary Film Festival, 2-3:30 p.m., Bijou
 - Iowa City Documentary Film Festival, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Bijou
 - Iowa City Documentary Film Festival, 8-10 p.m., Bijou
 - Saturday Midnight Movie Series, Crumb, 11:59 p.m., Bijou

- THEATER**
- Hairspray, 2 and 7:30 p.m., Hancher
 - Catchin' the Babies, 7:30 p.m., Johnson County Historical Society Museum
 - West High Story, 7:30 p.m., West High

- LECTURES**
- An Orthodox Christian Approach to the Psalter, 10 a.m., 337 IMU

- MISC.**
- Beginning Birder Trip, 8 a.m., Hy-Vee, 1201 N. Dodge
 - NCJC 50K Road Race/Relay, 8 a.m., Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County, 2105 Broadway
 - Earth Day Activities, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., East Side Recycling Center, 2401 Scott Blvd. S.E.
 - Art of the Letter Class Series, Mia Nussbaum, 9:30 a.m., 332 North Hall
 - Autism Awareness Event, Autism Alliance of Iowa City, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
 - Euchre Tournament, 1 p.m., American Legion, 3016 Muscatine
 - Night Games, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Field House

SUNDAY 4.22

- MUSIC**
- Lieder and Melodies: Romantic Art Song of the 19th Century, Bryce Weber, Jonathan Struve, Quiliano Anderson, Heather Youngquist, 2 p.m., UI Museum of Art Lasansky Room
 - School of Music Honors Convocation, 3 p.m., Clapp
 - Voices of Soul Spring Concert, 4 p.m., IMU Richey Ballroom
 - Weekend Warriors, 6 p.m., Mill
 - Keller Williams, 7:30 p.m., IMU Ballroom
 - RJD2, Busdriver, Happy Chichester, 8 p.m., Picador
 - Sean Boarini and Eben Seaman, 9:30 p.m., Iowa City Piano Lounge, 217 Iowa

- FILM**
- Who the #\$\$% is Jackson Pollock?, 7:30 p.m., Bijou

- THEATER**
- Catchin' the Babies, 2 p.m., Johnson County Historical Society Museum
 - Hairspray, 2 and 7:30 p.m., Hancher
 - West High Story, 2 p.m., West High

- MISC.**
- Beginning Birder Trip, 8 a.m., Hy-Vee
 - Walk for Dignity fundraising event, 1 p.m., Willow Creek Park, 1117 Teg
 - Hair and Jewelry Open House, Kelly O'Connor, 2-4 p.m., E.Z. Solutions Hair Salon, 1994 Ashlynd Dr.
 - Kilowatt Ours, Earth Day, 2 p.m., Macbride Auditorium
 - Earth Day Sunday Stories, 3 p.m., Museum of Natural History
 - Prayer for World Peace, 3:30 p.m., Lamrim Buddhist Center, 505 E. Washington
 - Salvadoran Dinner, scholarship fundraiser, 5-7 p.m., Wesley Foundation, 120 N. Dubuque
 - Composers' Workshop, David Gompper, 8 p.m., Clapp

MONDAY 4.23

- MUSIC**
- Open Mike, with Jay Knight, 8 p.m., Mill
 - Antibalas, Krudas Cubensi, 9 p.m., Picador

- FILM**
- Hindi Film Series, Satya, 7 p.m., E105 Adler
 - Black Gold, 7 p.m., Bijou
 - Our Daily Bread, 9 p.m., Bijou

MONDAY 4.23

- CONTINUED
- WORDS**
- Live from Prairie Lights, Elizabeth Rosner, fiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque

- LECTURES**
- Bioethics and Humanities Seminar, What Medical Professionalism Should Learn from Feminist Ethics, Janeta Fona Tansey, 2 p.m., UIHC Bean Conference Room
 - Silent No More: Is Abortion the Best We Can Do for Women?, Georgette Forney, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Room A

- MISC.**
- Introduction to Meditation General Program, 7:30-9 p.m., Lamrim Buddhist Center

TUESDAY 4.24

- MUSIC**
- Iowa City Free Medical and Dental Clinic Benefit Concert, Public Property, Euphorchestra Strings, 8 p.m., Mill
 - Blueprint, Coolzey, Johnny Sixx, 9 p.m., Picador
 - Throwdown Free Dance Party, 10 p.m., Yacht Club

- FILM**
- The Split Horn, 6:30 p.m., Asian Pacific American Cultural Center
 - Romantico, 7 p.m., Bijou
 - Israeli film series, Live and Become, 7 p.m., Hillel, 122 E. Market
 - Who the #\$\$% is Jackson Pollock?, 9 p.m., Bijou

- WORDS**
- Live from Prairie Lights, J.K. Kenyon, non-fiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights

- LECTURES**
- DNA Checkpoint Signal Transduction in Mammals and Yeast, David Stern, 10:30 a.m., 2117 Medical Education and Biomedical Research Facility
 - Laser Vision Correction Seminar, Ken Goins, noon, W401 Pappajohn Business Building
 - Balancing Force and Diplomacy, Brian Mawhinney, 12:30 p.m., Schaeffer Hall third-floor commons

TUESDAY 4.24

- CONTINUED
- The Christian in Politics, Brian Mawhinney, 7:30 p.m., 100 Phillips Hall

- MISC.**
- Arc of Johnson County Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony, 5 p.m., Arc of Johnson County, 2620 Muscatine
 - Free Fitness Assessments, 5-7 p.m., Field House Main Deck
 - Indian Lamb Curry, 6 p.m., Coralville New Pioneer Co-op
 - Library-Community Writing Center, 6:30 p.m., Iowa City Public Library

WEDNESDAY 4.25

- MUSIC**
- As Cities Burn, Cool Hand Luke, Olympia, Beneath the Villa Bella, 6 p.m., Picador
 - Burlington St. Bluegrass Band, 7 p.m., Mill
 - University and Concert Bands, 8 p.m., Clapp

- FILM**
- Our Daily Bread, 7 p.m., Bijou
 - Black Gold, 9 p.m., Bijou

- WORDS**
- Live from Prairie Lights, Earthwords Reading, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights

- LECTURES**
- Employment Series for International Students, Employment Eligibility in the USA: Benefits and Limitations, 3 p.m., 1117 University Capitol Centre
 - Conquering Self-Doubt, Janet Shepherd, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library

- MISC.**
- Blood Drive, College of Pharmacy, 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Pharmacy Building Banker Student Center
 - Culture Break at Old Cap, noon, Old Capitol
 - The Examined Life: Writing and the Art of Medicine, Oxidation of Squalene by Squalene Epoxidase to Form 2,3-Oxidoqualene, or How I Left Medicine for Writing, Ethan Canin, 12:30 p.m., Medical Education and Biomedical Research Facility atrium
 - Stir It Up, Diversity Awareness Campaign, 3-5 p.m., Pentacrest

The Kahraman Near East Dance Ensemble will team up with the Salaam Band Saturday at 6:30 p.m. to present "OASIS DREAMS," an evening of dancing, music, and Middle Eastern food at Farras. It's sure to make any date think you're enlightened and worldly.

THE short AND THE short OF IT

BY BRIGID MARSHALL
THE DAILY IOWAN

The presentation of truth is what Iowa City's International Documentary Film Festival is all about. But this year's board, made up of eight all-new members, has struggled to organize and market the 5-year-old festival.

Deon Kay, the lead organizer of the show and a cinema/comparative literature graduate student, has been working on the program for the last few weeks. The transfer of the festival from last year's organizers was a difficult one, he said, with the board's steep learning curve giving the new organizers more than they had bargained for.

Board member and UI senior Jack Brooks said he didn't know much about the festival other than attending last year. He and Kay agree that for the festival to continue and succeed, organizers



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UI graduate student Chris Renaud tests a 16-mm projector as graduate student Deon Kay (left) talks with Andy Brodie, the Bijou programming director, in the Bijou projection room Tuesday evening. The three were preparing for the Iowa City Documentary Film Festival, which will run Friday through April 22 at the Bijou.

ers must devise a better way to incorporate newbies and trans-

mit the knowledge of seasoned veterans.

"We're going to try to make it less of a handoff thing," said the Sioux City native. "Pretty much no one on the board had any experience with it."

"At least everyone who's involved now has the same mindset," Kay said. "We all want to present films that most people would not otherwise have seen."

Although the M.F.A. student hasn't had any of his own films in the festival in years past, he felt that with the eight other board members, the panel would make solid selections. The organizers decided upon 37 short films, selected from the more than 1,000 hours of footage submitted.

"We pick all the films fully on merit," Kay said. "Our goal was to put together as diverse an event as possible."

Each of the 141 films submitted was viewed by at the least three of the board members, who then made recommendations. The shorts range from one minute to 33 minutes in length, and the entire festival lasts eight-and-a-half hours, stretched over the weekend.

"The idea of length in films is something I try not to think about," Brooks said. "I've seen shorts that last one minute and take more time, and are more quality films, than some that last 90 minutes."

By including undergraduates in the decision-making process as well as graduate students, the show caters to the college crowd, especially to those without any documentary experience.

Kay said the organizers didn't want any sameness in the style of documentaries chosen, so the lineup includes films of varying length and subject, as well as films that push the boundaries of the documentary genre, such as an animated short about the Arab-Israeli conflict as viewed by a group of girls in Lebanon.

Brooks said that although the films aren't all mini-*Inconvenient Truths*, they all reflect different points in our culture.

"[An *Inconvenient Truth*] is exactly what I think of when I think of a Wikipedia definition of documentary," he said, and laughed. "But anything that points the spotlight on documentaries is a good thing."

The films are an assortment of very personal documentaries, such as Kyja Kristjansson's "Portraits & Testimonies: Mae Meier," to interviews with astro-

nauts in Stephen Sotor and Trace Gaynor's "The Final Frontier: Explorers or Warriors?"

"There are certain people who seek out and look for these experimental films, and then there are people looking for straight-up documentary films, but we like to consider everything," Brooks said.

"There wasn't really any set idea of what we wanted. Nonfiction is such a loose term, and the line between nonfiction and fiction is much less clear than people think."

This year, the festival will kick off at the Bijou on Friday and run through the weekend.

"Cinema in general, and especially indie, small-cinema stuff, you wouldn't be able to pick up at your Blockbuster," Brooks said. "This festival is a different form of entertainment, and hopefully, it's spreading cultural

diversity." E-mail/DI reporter Brigid Marshall at: brigid-marshall@uiowa.edu

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- "Portraits & Testimonies: Mae Meier," by Kyja Kristjansson
- "Electra in Document," by Joan Nidzyn
- "Lilly," by Jodie Mack
- "To Say Goodbye," by Scott Foley
- "Divine Reunity," by Mika Kiburz
- "Obituary," by John Lightfoot
- "Going Home," by Hung Nguyen
- "I'm Keith Hernandez," by Rob Perri

Saturday, 2 p.m.

- "A Shift in Perception," by Dan Monceaux
- "Overdue Conversation," by Charles Lum
- "May I Please Speak To Vartan?" by Alex Jablonski
- "Portrait of the Artist as His Muse," by Etienne Desrosiers
- "Cross Your Eyes, Keep Them Wide," by Ben Wu
- "The Passenger," by Kathryn Ramey

4:30 p.m.

- "Waiting for Felipe," by Jan de Bruin
- "The Art of Effort," by Kyja Kristjansson

- "Invisibilities," by Jen Proctor-Valdez
- "The Professor," by Jason Price
- "Chuck on Film," by Mark Huelsbeck
- "Tetescha Us," by Stefanie Wuschitz
- "Careless Reef: 1. Preface," by Gerard Holthuis
- "Chloe from 3 to 5," by Nathan George

8 p.m.

- "I Am Me," by Kathrin Resetarits
- "April," by Jonathan Rattner
- "Opportunity Lilac," by Carly Short
- "Quatro Horas en Chatilla," by Carlos Lapeña
- "Downtown Iowa City," by Jared Larson
- "Fall," by Nathan Pancione
- "29 Places I Once Called Home," by Shannon Silva
- "A Covenant Adam," by Ariana Hamidi

April 22, 3 p.m.

- "The Final Frontier: Explorers or Warriors?" by Stephen Sotor & Trace Gaynor
- "Elements," by Dariusz Kowalski
- "Look Us In The Eye: The Old Women's Project," by Jennifer Abod
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Finding strength in her differences, Magdalen Hsu-Li not only spreads her message through music, she also advocates for awareness with lectures.



Magdalen Hsu-Li performs at Indiana University in this undated photo. Hsu-Li, a Chinese-American poet, musician, painter, and cultural activist, will give a lecture on the "redefinition of identity" Friday at the UI.

BY NATE LEY
THE DAILY IOWAN

Imagine you're walking down the halls of your elementary school in Martinsville, Va. As you walk, kids call you a Chink. They tell you to go back to where you came from and that you're not wanted.

Now imagine that prejudice no longer fazes you. Imagine you write and perform music. You paint. You tour the country giving concerts and lectures. You have two acclaimed CDs and a full schedule for 2007. You are singer/songwriter, artist, poet, bisexual, Asian-American, and cultural activist Magdalen Hsu-Li.

Initially planning a career in art, a vivid dream Hsu-Li had shortly after graduating from

the Rhode Island School of Design, led her to music. "In the dream, I was on a hill, and I was in Seattle," she wrote in an e-mail interview with *The Daily Iowan*. "The sky was gray and overcast. All of sudden, I was running with a group of people. I asked them where we were running to, and they told me to join an underground rock movement. We ran into a club, and then I woke up." The dream had a profound effect. Almost immediately, she moved to Seattle and enrolled in the Cornish College of the Arts to study voice and classical and jazz piano.

"I think that dreams are always trying to tell us the truth about ourselves," she said. "I believe in the Carl Jung approach, especially the

idea that everything in a dream is an aspect of yourself."

Besides literally following her dreams, she draws most of her motivation from her father. "My father is a huge influence. His entrepreneurial spirit and steadfast belief in me keep me strong. He keeps me positive and able to recognize my own capacities and strengths."

It may be her father's business acumen that has rubbed off the most. Besides writing her own songs, she also created her own record label, Chickpop Records, and she handles all of her own PR and booking for her music, and her cultural-

activism lecture tours.

Her lecture, titled "Redefinition of Identity," focuses on finding a cultural identity while battling ethnic prejudice, stereotyping, homophobia, and "bi-phobia," all things that she has firsthand experience with. Her solution to prejudice: to find an authentic voice within one's culture, something she says Asian-Americans "make strides in every day."

Hsu-Li lectures on college campuses to raise diversity awareness and consciously tries often to speak at less-diverse, rural schools. "I feel like I'm on the edge, bringing

this message to a wide group of people. Some people like it, and some don't. Yesterday, a woman told me that my speech gave her new hope in pursuing her dreams. It's those reactions that keep me going."

"Going" may be an understatement. Currently on tour, she travels nonstop between shows, with no break in her schedule until the end of May. "Sometimes I feel like I'm on autopilot," she wrote. "I'm

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Seniors, students come together on the air

SENIOR CITIZEN TV

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The Senior Center, 28 S. Linn St., is set in the middle of university activity. Shaw said she and other seniors love the intermingling of the retiree community and students.

Jon Winet, the head of the intermedia department and director of the experimental wing of the UI Virtual Writing University, feels the Senior Center is a "tremendous creative resource and research opportunity."

A long history of involvement exists between intermedia students and the Senior Center. Curriculum for the intermedia course Artists in Community includes semester-long internships with nonprofit agencies in Iowa City and Coralville. In addition to stuffing envelopes and answering phones, the intermedia students must act as artists within their host organizations. Students are often introduced to Senior Center TV as part of these community and media research projects.

In April 2006, after almost two decades broadcasting shows on public-access television, Winet spurred Senior Center TV's addition of a web broadcast to its continuing cable programming. The result was Senior Center TV Online and its website, <http://icstcv.uiowa.edu/>.

Winet said he has faith in the health of Senior Center TV Online projects despite the

threat of public-access stations' demise. The development of the center's website provides an independent venue for broadcast — even though some of the homebound seniors don't have Internet access.

Intermedia academics focus their research on the convergence of media — in this case, television, computers, and Internet allow for a symbiotic relationship with the center. Changing media makes programs of different lengths available to a broader audience. Winet said that now, instead of only being broadcast to an audience in Johnson County, the seniors' messages have a global reach. Long-distance family and friends, or perhaps curious Internet surfers, can view the videos when and where it is convenient.

Rattner, along with Samara Wright, a 2006 UI alumna, works closely with the seniors. He teaches filming, lighting, film writing, and editing through weekly group workshops and individual sessions. Rattner refers to the crew, students, and seniors as a creative family.

Online programs range from interviews with local experts on architecture and prairie burns to art films of shadows and instructions on how to expertly cook an egg. A series of interviews between intermedia students and seniors titled "The Linn Street Collective" features snippets of lives. Stories include lost friendships and buckles on overshoes, black-and-white photo-

graphs, and a cousin's wedding.

Wright and Shaw made a mini-documentary about Shaw's grandson's band, a four-piece he started with his high-school buddies, which they call Harvey.

Shaw said making the film eliminated a distance felt between she and her grandson. Since shooting the film, the titles "grandmother" and "grandson" no longer define their relationship. Relating to one another as filmmaker and subject helped the two of them understand each other better.

Vanessa Vobis, a UI graduate student in art and art history, worked with senior John Birkbeck on a film titled "Interview Weivretni." Vobis and Birkbeck tour Mythos, a shop in downtown Iowa City filled with global treasures, including wooden African masks, Tibetan tapestries, and statues of Hindu deities. On film, Birkbeck interviews Mythos' owner, Steve Johnson, about the artifacts.

"It was really an open-minded endeavor from the beginning," Vobis said. "It was just such a delight to work with [Birkbeck] because he had so much information and so many little, detailed stories."

Without the routine stress of full-time jobs or caring for a family with young children, the seniors have the freedom to do what they may have always wanted. "They seem to have lived three lives already and are willing to live another," Rattner said.

The center offers more than

film production and editing. Seniors can take classes in anything from music to painting, sculpture, exercise, writing, or rock collecting. More than 95 percent of the center's programs are free to seniors.

Shaw raised seven children, was a massage therapist, a hospice worker, and a travel enthusiast. She moved to Iowa City late in her life. Shaw said she didn't understand anything about video production when she walked into the studio, so she just "dove in and started doing it."

At first, the filming and editing was a struggle. "There is some frustration when I can't manage it, when I can't learn it as quickly as I want to," she said. But today, using a digital camera is second nature.

Shaw is also concerned about the potential loss of local public-access stations. "It's a simple matter of what do you want to watch on television and how many choices do you want, and is it important for you to have local programming?"

But despite the possible changes, ICSC TV is pushing ahead with its activities. In March, seven crew members drove to Chicago for the joint conference of the National Council on Aging and the American Society on Aging. They filmed interviews with people at the conference from across the nation.

Shaw said people were blown away by the progressive activi-

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Contact Johnson County's state representatives and state senators if you are concerned about local control of media, choices in programming, and how these may be affected by SF 554, the bill that may end local public-access cable.

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ties the Iowa City seniors were involved in. She chuckled about other centers' "new" events, such as various art and music programs. "Yep, we do that," she said. "We've been doing that for a long time."

Both the seniors and the students agree that working together is beneficial. "It allows them to see the aging process as not just coffee drinking and card playing," Shaw said. "The students are so open to letting us learn from them. They've pushed us forward. Maybe we've pushed them, too."

Rattner said that in the beginning, he was warned to be wary of getting too close to the seniors, too emotionally attached. "I threw that out the door," he said.

"What's unexpected is that these people are my family. It's kind of cheesy." And then he laughed.

"Every day I go there, it reminds me not to worry so much," he said. The seniors, because they've experienced more, know what is important.

"What matters is like, a good hug. And what matters is a good cup of coffee when you feel like it. And what matters is talking to people and learning about them, which is what we're doing at the station," Rattner said.

The seniors have no fear; they're always up for new projects and ideas. Shaw said with conviction, "If it stops being fun, we won't be doing it."

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EQUAL-ACCESS DEITIES

POINT YOUR BROWSER TO **DAILYIOWAN.COM** TO SEE AN INTERVIEW WITH DAN LUCHMAN AND A PREVIEW OF HIS ART EXHIBITION.

BY **MAGGIE ANDERSON**
THE DAILY IOWAN

Dan Luchman wants to help you create a personal deity.

He's making it easy. His poster, adorned with antlers and a bicycle bell, nearly audibly bellows at those entering Art Building West: "Hark! The birth of Polytheodocracy, a new ideology allowing everyone to achieve equal access to an extra-mortal existence ... together we will improve upon the divine with an egalitarian array of anthropomorphic attributions."

There, you can pick up your "Application for Deification," a half-sheet of paper that details Luchman's step-by-step instructions: pick seven letters (five consonants, two vowels), choose a sex, two animal forms, personal attributes, and design a symbol and a constellation. Always feel free to add "other details."

The poster even promises that all applicants will be rewarded with a gift of original artwork, a shrine erected in their honor and that their application will be examined and interpreted by a "real artist. Guaranteed."

All this bombast is a part of Luchman's latest project for the UI intermedia department. To create this ideology, the 24-year-old UI undergrad is taking every application he receives and drawing a representation of the deity it describes to hang together in a *Pantheon of Minor and Lesser Known Deities* on the third floor of the Blank Honors Center through April 27. He's got nearly 200 now and counting. And after it's all done, he's going to give the drawings to the applicants.

But before you think it's all just a little too hokey, let Luchman explain.

"The absurdity of it is a big mask," he said. "I want to accept, but still criticize, ideology. A deity is supposed to be a representation of an ideal, but if anybody can be a deity and any personality has the potential to be divine, then it sort of destroys the idea. It makes the whole pantheon a collection of impotent deities. The divine loses its power."

Luchman said the project sprang from his desire to make art more personalized and participatory, to combine seemingly



Sarah O'Brien/The Daily Iowan

Dan Luchman works on his drawings in the International Center on Monday. Luchman's project involves drawing a deity for each person who fills out an "Application for Deification." TO VIEW A PHOTO SLIDE SHOW OF LUCHMAN'S PROJECT, GO TO DAILYIOWAN.COM.

ART EXHIBITION

Dan Luchman

When: Through April 27

Where: Blank Honors Center third floor

More Info: Luchman is creating a pantheon, and he wants you to be a part of it. Create your own deity by picking up an application just inside the entrance to the new Art Building. He will take applications through the end of the show.

disparate elements (such as polytheism and democracy, the two words that make up his ideology's title), and challenge and reframe mainstream spiritual concepts.

But the initial inception for the work comes from a consideration of what is perhaps America's real religion: egocentricity.

"Each application is an exercise in self-worship," Luchman said, noting people tend to try to create the most powerful or clever deity. Some really try to challenge him by creating complicated applications with highly specific requirements.

"This guy wants me to have trouble," Luchman said, pointing to an application that is practically filled with his conditions and restrictions. The applicant is Anthony Cater, and he wants his deity to be derived from a flying squire made of "letters" and a leopard in "tertiary form" and to have these attributes: "clumsy, enjoys witty prayers, is not a hep cat but does not mind worship from hep cats, neat freak, knows the necessity of caffienation."

In his accompanying illustration, Luchman has tried to follow Carter's specifications by inventing letters that form the deity. He said he enjoys these challenges, where people have

taken what looks like a standardized form and made it their own.

"I think of the application as a product of bureaucracy, and it's ridiculous to apply that to spirituality," Luchman said. "I like it when they go off into the margins. People can make them as simple or as complicated as they want."

Even if you just scribble on the application, he will spend the same amount of time — about half an hour — to make you a drawing.

"It's about getting people interested in art," he said. "It's an egalitarian art show."

But despite all his careful work, Luchman knows participants will ultimately be dissatisfied with their deities.

"When they filled out the forms, they had an image in their own mind," he says. "They're going to be disappointed."

Luchman said he actually wants people to feel this let-down. He hopes they will recognize his work and generosity, and it will provide a pleasant surprise to fill the void left by the initial disappointment.

"The disappointment and the surprise, they amplify each other," he said.

Luchman said that he doesn't think most people consider the sober side of spirituality as they fill out these applications, which is one reason the project works.

"God is like a despot," he said. "Religion crushes new ideologies. People like it when they're not taking it seriously, but they'd abandon it if they thought it was real. I think the most absurd thing is that I kind of do take it seriously. I like thinking [these deities] might exist."

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Rumi, a Persian poet born 800 years ago this year, has become an oddly trendy figure of late. Madonna has sung renditions of his poems, for crying out loud. Come see what all the fuss is about Friday at the Iowa City Public Library, which will screen a DOCUMENTARY ON THE 13TH-CENTURY POET at 6:30 p.m.

See EVIL, speak of EVIL, know EVIL

Jennifer Geddes thinks we all have a duty to listen to people who've come through genocide. She will give a lecture titled 'TOWARDS AN ETHICS OF RESPONDING TO GENOCIDE SURVIVOR TESTIMONIES.'

BY TESSA RUDDY
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Wounded Knee. Auschwitz. The killing fields. Bosnia. Darfur. Iraq.

"If there's an all-good, all-powerful God how can there be suffering in the world?" Jennifer Geddes thinks a lot about the problem of evil in her line of work; she's a professor of religious studies and a co-director for the Institute of Advanced Studies in culture at the University of Virginia, and she specializes in the role evil plays in atrocities such as genocide.

Geddes wanted to regard evil in a more proactive, less abstract and theoretical manner than has been the traditional approach of her discipline. Learning about the Holocaust through survivors' testimonies was her first glimpse into this world of evil.

"When you listen to people's stories who have been through atrocities, your whole way of seeing the world changes," she said. "[People] actually want to do more in the world to make it a better place."

Through her work, she realized she wanted to do more than understand evil, she wanted to work against it. So she began analyzing the ways in which people respond to those who have experienced, caused, or witnessed this evil firsthand.

Geddes will give a lecture today at 7 p.m. in C425 Pomerantz Center titled "Towards an Ethics of Responding to Genocide Survivor Testimonies," discussing the many ways in which survivors, perpetrators, and witnesses speak, write, and think about evil — and the ways in which others respond to these

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testimonies.

For Americans, who are not confronted daily by atrocities in their country, the role of the listener is particularly important.

"When an atrocity happens somewhere in the world, we have a report about it in the newspaper — we get the facts about it — but I think there's something very different about hearing someone tell you, 'This is what happened to me.' It makes it real," Geddes said.

In the past, she said, Americans have tended to look for the positive in the suffering around the world. We think the suffering in the world "is awful, but it builds character. It makes us stronger. It draws us together." This sort of optimistic approach does not work when someone's whole family, whole community, or whole people are under threat or were murdered.

Amir Hadzic, a Bosnia refugee who came to the United States in 1995, does not think any good can ever come from war. He does, however, concur that listening to the stories of survivors such as himself can help humanize war for Americans who have been removed from such atrocities in recent history.

"I rarely see justification for war," he said. "I always say it's better to negotiate for years than to lose just one human life."

"We need to be careful about seeing the good that came out of it, because that's a way of not hearing what happened," Geddes said. "It resists seeing how awful the situation really was."

Survivors do not want people to try to understand what they have experienced — which is impossible for many — but to simply acknowledge what has happened to them. Geddes will focus on the responsible way to respond to testimonies such as these in her lecture, which also applies to our role in the Iraq war.

"It's interesting that we don't hear very much from Iraqis in the media," she said. "The people who have lost family members or have been injured don't really have a voice. We also don't hear from Iraqi intellectuals or public officials."

Hearing more from the Iraqis themselves would help Americans to have a more equal, realistic picture of what America's role in Iraq is and has been.

"We depict ourselves as the hero coming in to save the Iraqi people, which I think is very presumptuous," Geddes said.

The use of the word "evil" by the United States in terms such as "Axis of Evil" is, to her, a very powerful abuse of the term.

"It's thrown around as a rhetorical tool to get people to view or think about a certain thing the way they want them

LECTURE

"Towards an Ethics of Responding to Genocide Testimonies"

with Jennifer Geddes:

When: 7 p.m. today

Where: C425 Pomerantz Center

Admission: Free

to," she said. "That's a really dangerous aspect of the word. When we define something as evil, anything we do to that group of people is considered legitimate."

Although listening to victims' and survivors' stories is important and aids in understanding the world, they are often very hard to digest.

"I think people have the sense that there's very little that they can do about what's happening, partly because everything is so huge," Geddes said. "The focus on particular stories or people helps bring it down to a more human level, which makes people want to make the world a better place."

Hadzic agrees that it can feel overwhelming at times, but that simple acknowledgment that these atrocities exist is a step in the right direction.

"It's amazing to me how [people] are unaware just how beautiful life is here," he said. "Unfortunately, Sept. 11 shows us all how things can change in a hurry and how close to home these events can be — preventing those events from happening in the world can in many ways help us keep them away from home."

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A Cambodian woman puts money into a contribution box under the human skulls at Choeung Ek memorial, a former Khmer Rouge killing field, some 10 miles south of the capital, Phnom Penh, on Tuesday. Around 300 Cambodians held a memorial service for victims of the Khmer Rouge atrocities Tuesday with a demand for an end to the delay of the long-awaited genocide tribunal in seeking justice for the victims.

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