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## McCain holds line on Iraq

BY COLIN BURKE  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Emphasizing bipartisan yet conservative stances, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., stressed continued faith in the Iraq security plan and stronger U.S. involvement in environmental measures.

Admitting that the war in Iraq has been mishandled, the GOP presidential-nomination hopeful stressed dedication to U.S. Gen. David Petraeus' leadership and the Iraq security plan currently underway, warning that withdrawal from that region could be devastating.

"If we leave, you will see chaos and genocide in the region, and [terrorists] will follow us home," McCain said.



McCain  
R-Ariz.

The senator, who placed second behind former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani in the most recent CNN/Opinion Research Corp.

Poll, has been criticized for walking through a Baghdad marketplace accompanied by 22 soldiers, according to CBS and other reports.

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## Graduating Seniors DONNIE SMITH The UI 27-hour man

BY STEPHEN SCHMIDT  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Someone who hears that UI senior Donnie Smith is taking 27 credit hours in order to graduate this semester may think he's bonkers. His brother, UI freshman Daniel Smith, thought the same thing at first.

"I thought he was crazy," Daniel Smith said. "That's a whole lot of credit hours."

Crazy or not, Donnie Smith entered the final two weeks of school staring down the workload produced from seven classes and two guided independent courses — eight finals and seven papers — forcing him to make dramatic shifts in his life.

"Personally, I just have to delegate my time a bit more, more sleepless nights, more time in the library and the ITC," he said, adding that although his social life wasn't greatly affected, he had to give up his position as a resident assistant in order to take on this semester's load.

A cinema/comparative literature and history major, Smith discovered he would have to take on the frantic work schedule a month before fall semester ended, when he looked at his degree evaluation.

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FIRST IN A TWO-PART SERIES | Clergy sexual-abuse allegations play out in court



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

Davenport lawyer Craig Levein has devoted nearly a decade of his legal career to representing clients who say they were sexually abused by priests in southeastern Iowa's Diocese of Davenport. Levein believes institutional problems in the Catholic bureaucracy are to blame for the hundreds of allegations against 20 area priests, claims that Levein labeled "just the tip of the iceberg."

# IN THE FEAR OF THE FATHER

BY MASON KERNS AND MARGARET POE • THE DAILY IOWAN

Since 1985, more than 20 priests serving southeastern Iowa's Roman Catholic Diocese of Davenport, including four who worked in Iowa City, have been accused of sexual abuse — the lion's share reportedly perpetrated against young boys under the clergymen's spiritual guidance — in alleged incidents dating back to the 1940s. Yet until very recently, many Iowa City residents had forgotten about Bishop Lawrence Donald Soens, the former Regina High School principal accused of molesting and allegedly causing recurring psychological trauma in so many of his former students.

Through court documents and interviews with accusers and witnesses, *DI* reporters Margaret Poe and Mason Kerns have re-examined what may constitute one of the most extensive patterns of abuse and deceit under the umbrella of the Catholic Church in the United States — already reeling from widespread clergy abuse allegations in Boston, Los Angeles, and elsewhere.

While some of these stories about Soens — now 80 years old and facing civil claims brought by 14 former students — have been told before, a great deal have not.

Shortly after Ray Pechous became principal at Iowa City's Regina Inter-Parish Catholic Education Center in 2000, he insisted that a window be cut into his office door. The 1963 Regina graduate said he wanted to "protect himself and his students."

And in 2002, after a distraught Regina graduate left a series of messages on the school's answering machine that set off a slew of sexual-abuse allegations against Bishop Lawrence Soens, Pechous' precautionary measure seemed prudent indeed: The windowless wooden slab that had isolated the then-principal and the boys from

the outside world, accusers say, had allowed Soens to make their lives a living hell.

At present, as lawsuits continue to pummel Soens' reputation, just what happened in that small office has become pivotal in millions of dollars in sexual-abuse claims. The allegations, it turns out, are far from uniform and far from uncontested.

For example, some members of the 1960s Regina community say they witnessed Soens rough-housing boys in the hall, but they never heard about any sexual abuse that allegedly occurred in his office and under the cloak of a diocese widely accused of shuffling abusive clergy among its parishes to avert broad knowledge of sexual misconduct.

But many who deny the abuse were Regina authority figures at the time of the alleged transgressions. Court documents and interviews with accusers and other witnesses collectively charge Soens with exploiting his fiduciary, spiritual, and disciplinary authority to molest male students. Sometimes, accusers say, he would simply brush a student's genitals; other times, he would attempt to perform oral sex on an unsuspecting young man.

The 40 years since Soens' alleged sexual misconduct have blurred the memories of all those involved. But one notion is shared by Soens' supporters and accusers alike: a secretive, even furtive, culture enveloped and dominated the 500-student, tightly knit Catholic school, undercutting the ability of anyone to speak out.

As Brenda Dalton, the wife of Soens accuser Mike Dalton, said, "It was a lot more innocent time. Really naive. People just didn't talk about sexual abuse."

Even if they had spoken up, accusers and doubters say their parents wouldn't have believed them. The Catholic Church was their ultimate authority, and Soens was "the intermediary between God and man"; questioning either would equal blasphemy. Even Pechous, who said he doesn't recall hearing of any abuse while he attended Regina, speculates that he wouldn't have told his parents about any sexual act by a priest.

### TWO-PART SERIES

**Wednesday:** The *DI* examines accusers' claims that Regina authorities allowed Soens to allegedly abuse students. It also highlights the changes 40 years have brought to the culture of Catholic schools.

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### FROSH SENSATION

Freshman Tyler Smith flashed into the Hawkeye basketball universe at the speed of wow. Then, just as quickly, he flashed back out. **1B**

### DEAD IN THE WATER

ISU and UNI both have dead weeks before finals, but the UI is apparently a much more lively institution. **5A**



### FLAG AT HALF-STAFF

Gov. Chet Culver has ordered that all flags in the state be flown at half-staff today from 8 a.m. until sunset in honor of U.S. Army Pfc. Brian A. Botello, 19, of Alta, who died April 29 while serving in Iraq.

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Mostly cloudy, 40% chance of rain

# Buying a house for kids risky

Homes parents purchase for their children may not be the greatest real-estate investment, a local real-estate broker says.

BY LAURA KLAIRMONT  
DAILY IOWAN



Ed Bornstein/The Daily Iowan

UI junior Jon Dambek sits on his back porch Wednesday afternoon in Iowa City. Dambek's father bought the house for his son and friends to live in while going to school as an alternative to renting from local landlords.

broker associate at Blank and McCune Real Estate.

Although she says Iowa City is better off than the national standard for sales, many new condominiums and houses that have sprung up in the area have resulted in an overwhelming inventory.

"It is harder than it has been in the past to sell, because there is so much selection," Larson said. "The nature of real estate is circular; the market will

eventually correct itself."

This means that sellers will have to update or remodel houses, drop prices, or keep their houses on the market longer.

In the past few years, Larson has worked with numerous families looking to put down payments on homes for their children. She advises parents with numerous children who plan on attending the UI to purchase a residence, because it

will be used for an extended period of time.

But parents of Jon Dambek had a different incentive for purchasing a house for their son. The Dambeks, of Wheaton, Ill., invested in an Iowa City home so their son — now a UI junior — could earn in-state tuition.

"Now I'm in-state and get \$20,000 knocked off my tuition," Dambek said.

The rent that his roommates pay covers mortgage payments, utilities, and Internet, but he said his parents don't profit very much.

Unlike Williams, Dambek's parents aren't invested in the home for the long run, and they will likely sell the house after Dambek graduates, he said.

"Our rule of thumb is that if you're going to live in a place for one, two, or three years, the place isn't worth buying, because this does not give the buyer enough time to break even," Larson said.

Even with the troubles that he has encountered, Larry Williams doesn't regret his purchases.

"There is a lot of money that I'm saving for not paying rent; owning is a better investment than renting," he said. "It has been a good experience, until now."

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## POLICE BLOTTER

**Kymerly Denny**, 32, 74 Erobi Lane, was charged March 24 with domestic-abuse assault.  
**Jeffrey Koranda**, 20, Welton, Iowa, was charged May 5 with interference with official acts and PAULA.  
**Dana Molen**, 58, 519 N. Van Buren St. Apt. 3, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.  
**Michael Nemer**, 20, 426 S. Johnson St. Apt. A, was charged

Monday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.  
**Lance Robinson**, 27, 1958 Broadway Apt. C6, was charged Sunday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.  
**John Shields**, 28, 811 E. Davenport St., was charged Sunday with interference with official acts and serious or aggravated domestic-abuse assault.

## CORRECTION

In the May 7 article "Law school bids farewell to 2 popular profs," *The Daily Iowan* incorrectly referred to Santa Clara University in California

as the University of California-Santa Clara. Professors Cain and Love will be faculty members at Santa Clara University Law School. The *DI* regrets the error.

## KITE WEATHER



Katrina Hawthorne/The Daily Iowan

Roxy Calabris and Carey Adamson, students at Eastwinds School, fly a "UFO SOLAR," a kite powered by the Sun, in College Green Park on Monday. Occasionally, they held down the kite while it absorbed energy from the Sun. Unlike typical kites, Adamson said, it works better without wind.

## METRO

### City High student wins food award

A City High student is among 13 students selected to conduct eight weeks of research at leading agricultural centers around the world.

Anna Johnson was announced on Monday as one of the students selected for an all-expenses-paid Borlaug-Ruan International Internship, in which she will spend time at facilities of the International Rice Research Institute in Manila, Philippines, and Dhaka, Bangladesh.

The 13 students were selected from nearly 100 participants of the 2006 World Food Prize Youth Institute, which allows participants to discuss issues relating to food security throughout the world with World Food Prize laureates and Nobel Prize Laureate Norman Borlaug.

Borlaug founded the World Food Prize in 1986 to recognize and inspire achievements in improving the quality, quantity, or availability of food throughout the world. In 1990, John Ruan of Des Moines established and sponsored the World Food Prize Foundation, located in the state's capital.

— by Kelsey Beltramea

### Old Capitol project wins award

The UI restoration project of the Old Capitol following a 2001 fire has won a prestigious national award.

The project received the Honor Award for Excellence in Architecture for Restoration and Preservation, the highest distinction given by the Society for College and University Planning.

Those responsible for the project will be honored July 7-11 in Chicago during the Annual Conference and Idea Marketplace for the society.

Gary Nagle, an architect in UI Facilities Management, was the project manager. Brian Keating, a Facilities Management engineer, and Willie Wilford, an engineering tech in Facilities Management, were the construction managers.

Bradd Brown of Cedar Rapids-based OPN Architects and David Fixler of Albany, N.Y.-based Einhorn Yaffee Prescott, were the architectural firms on the project.

— by Kelsey Beltramea

### J-School director to change jobs

A UI administrator said Monday she will not seek another term as the director of the university's School of

Journalism and Mass Communication, citing a new position that will allow her to focus on the things she does well.

With more than two decades of experience in higher education and public relations, Pam Creedon said she will not return as the school's director. Instead, she believes she will make a bigger contribution to the school in her new role as associate director for external relations.

"I think this is a really good move for me," she said.

In her new position, Creedon will focus on alumni relations as well as internships and career placement for students. Regarding internships, she said she will take a significant portion of the responsibilities of the internship coordinator, which was once occupied by current *Gazette* reporter Jennifer Hemmingsen.

She said geography-department head Marc Armstrong will serve as the journalism school's interim director.

Creedon said she wasn't sure if Armstrong had a background in journalism, but she said the independence he would bring to the office would benefit the school, especially when it comes to faculty interaction and not having a bias toward journalism or public relations.

— by Matt Nelson

"He's a really good choice," Creedon said. "I think everybody's going to like him."

— by Colin Burke

### Search panel to close candidates' meetings

As the search for a candidate to preside over the UI nears its July 1 deadline, the presidential-search committee has announced that it will give public notice of when it will be interviewing semifinalists but not of the location.

The meetings will also be closed to the public in the interests of protecting the candidates' identities, UI officials said.

Iowa law requires that the location, scheduled time, cursory agenda, and date of candidates' interviews be released at least 24 hours before a government body participates in an open meeting.

The state Board of Regents faced heavy criticism from the UI community for closed meetings that resulted in the rejection of four UI presidential nominees, requiring the regents to revisit the process.

Presidential-search committee officials still haven't decided how to handle the final interviews for the candidates.

— by Matt Nelson

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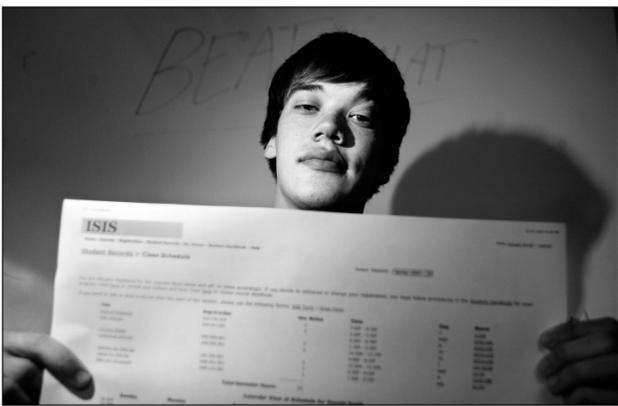
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# UI senior faces Herculean task



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

UI senior Donnie Smith holds up a copy of his schedule. He will graduate from the UI at the end of this semester after taking 27 credit hours.

*A UI senior is taking 27 credit hours to graduate this year. His reward for completing the task? Joining the Army.*

## SMITH

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Already interviewing with Teach For America for a summer position, and with his parents unable to co-sign his loans for another semester because of an additional brother coming to the UI next fall, he found himself between a rock and a hard schedule, finally deciding to embark upon the latter.

"More than anything, I just wanted a tidy end to my college career," Smith said, laughing.

Although he reached the final stage of interviews with Teach for America, he was not offered a position, and now plans to join the U.S. Army.

He said he wants to combine his undergraduate degree, Army training, and later, graduate school, to build a career that will appeal to him. The military also will allow him to pay off some of his nearly \$40,000 in college debt while eschewing an entry-level position in a cubicle-filled corporation.

"Being stuck in a career I dislike is something that really terrifies me," Smith said.

The maximum amount of hours allowed for registration in a fall or spring semester is typically 18 — a number most students would find daunting — but students can register for more if they are in "good academic standing," and apply for permission, according to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences handbook.

UI student Darcy Hansen, Smith's best friend, said he

'More than anything, I just wanted a tidy end to my college career.'

— Donnie Smith, graduating senior

was not surprised that Smith qualified for the additional hours, but he was impressed that Smith took on the load and ultimately decided to join the Army.

"I didn't expect him to do these things," Hansen said. "But I think it's admirable that he's challenging himself."

Smith and Hansen have been friends for five years after meeting on a *Jurassic Park* message board. Hansen describes Smith as a sincere and caring person with a sarcastic sense of humor. He recounted the trip the two took to the Chicago Field Museum last winter break to see Sue, the largest T-rex ever excavated, as being a good representation of their friendship.

"It reminds me of how we met, and it shows how we are both dorks," Hansen said.

Nearly finished with his impressive workload, Smith said dealing with the sometimes overwhelming amount of classwork has helped him develop better work habits and avoid procrastination.

"It has taught me a lot about being disciplined," he said. "This is not the sort of thing that could be done by a freshman who is only used to a 14-hour schedule."

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# McCain tough on abortion

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., stumping in North Liberty on Monday, says the U.S. should secure Iraq and take a leading role fighting climate change.

## MCCAIN

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McCain, speaking to local supporters in North Liberty, said Monday that two months prior to his visit, that market withstood a car bomb attack.

"Of course, it's not safe, but it's safer," McCain told *The Daily Iowan*.

The senior senator from Arizona detailed ways to improve stability in Iraq through actions such as clearing insurgents from certain areas and securing the lands to allow for political and economic recovery. He also called on the government of Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki to govern independently, not just along the Sunni-Shiite divide.

McCain received a number of questions from the audience regarding Iraq and Middle East policy, specifically on accountability of private security contractors and how other nations view the United States.

The Arizona senator said those officials provide security for military officials — tasks that would have otherwise been done by U.S. soldiers.

"I think [security contractors] are playing a constructive role," he said.

The lawmaker then said there is no doubt whether throughout the world, nations hold a poor opinion of the United States. But he encouraged measures such as closing Guantánamo Bay and having the United States take a lead role in energy policy.

"It is vital that we address the issue of climate change," he said. "That's the greatest threat to our security."

McCain stressed investing in alternative forms of energy not only through ethanol but also through increasing nuclear energy, which provides 80 percent of power for France.

But he toed the GOP line on abortion rights and government spending. He applauded the 5-4 U.S. Supreme Court decision to ban a particular type of late-term abortion known as intact dilation and evacuation.

"That procedure will never again happen within the United States of



Matt Ryerson/The Daily Iowan

Sen. John McCain of Arizona answers questions from the media after giving a speech in the North Liberty Community Center on Monday. The stop was one of five places McCain plans to hit in Iowa.

"It is vital that we address the issue of climate change. That's the greatest threat to our security."

— Sen. John McCain, R- Ariz.

America," McCain said.

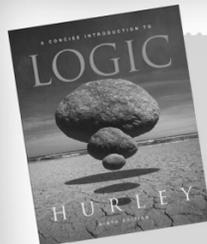
He then criticized the 2005 federal transportation bill, which he said contained 600,000 pork-barrel projects. Among those,

McCain said, was the infamous \$223 million "Bridge to Nowhere" in Alaska to connect the small town of Ketchikan to the island of Gravina, which has a

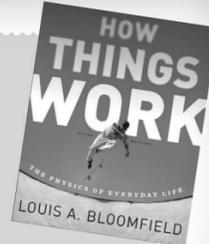
population of 50.

"We will stop this outrageous spending," McCain said.

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# Ex-Regina principal denies allegations

## DIOCESE

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Some former students say refusing Soens' advances would have brought threats of expulsion. Accusers and non-abused witnesses said the school's secretaries knew about, even witnessed, Soens molesting students, but they were either unable or unwilling to confront the principal. And on more than one occasion, students told a fellow parish priest about Soens' actions, accusers said.

Yet, rather than report the alleged abuse, or even confront Soens, the principal's peers reportedly refused to intervene, instead telling students to "pray for Father Soens."

No one could stand up to Soens, accuser Michael Gould told *The Daily Iowan*: "It's a good example of absolute power corrupting absolutely."

Emboldened by suits against Catholic priests at dioceses nationwide, Soens' accusers have begun seeking compensation for the years of pain and suffering allegedly wrought by the hands of what they call a manipulative, sadistic bishop.

In 2004, Dalton settled out-of-court with Soens for \$20,000. But it wasn't until June 2005 — when Gould sued Soens, Regina, and the diocese — that the legal battle began in earnest, with accusers saying that psychological trauma prevented them from speaking out sooner. Two more suits, one filed by former student Dennis Allen and the other by Gene Burns, Patrick Cannon, and 11 John Doe plaintiffs, followed. Numerous non-plaintiffs gave sworn testimony about Soens that supported allegations of those seeking damages.

Regina's board of directors is accused of ignoring signs of abuse, while accusers charge the diocese with trying to cover up Soens' alleged actions and not noticing the supposed danger he posed to students.

On Oct. 9, 2006, Regina School Board President Lee Iben announced that, if plaintiffs win their case against the school, it was prepared to file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. But the next day, a judge dropped Regina as a defendant in Gould's case, dispelling worries that the school would be hurled into major financial trouble.

Allen's claim was dismissed when he died of cancer, but the Gould and Cannon/Burns/Doe cases against Soens and the diocese are still alive. Technically, Regina is still a defendant in the Cannon suit, but the school could be dropped considering precedent in the Gould case, plaintiffs' attorney Craig Levein said.

"But we have additional arguments in the Cannon case that differentiates it from Gould's, so it's hard to say what the judge will do," said the attorney, who added that he believes Regina's hint at bankruptcy was a public relations ploy to garner sympathy. "We know they have millions."

Levein has resisted Soens attorney Tim Bottaro's motion for a summary judgment ruling in both remaining cases against Soens. A trial date has yet to be set for either, and an out-of-court settlement remains possible.

Soens has maintained through his lawyer that he committed no acts of sexual abuse. Interviews indicate that most Regina faculty say they doubt the principal could have molested young boys; if he did, they say, they knew nothing of the sexual encounters. The diocese also denies any wrongdoing.

But Levein, who recently helped a man molested by a Davenport priest win a \$1.5 million settlement against the diocese, said the Catholic bureaucracy needs to be held accountable.

"When we are seeking \$750,000 and the jury comes back and awards \$1.5 million, I see that as outrage on the part of the jury, outrage at the extent of abuse allowed to have occurred," Levein said of the Michl Uhde trial. "I was shocked when I first started representing these people at how widespread this was, but I see now that the hundreds who have come forward are just the tip of the iceberg."

Now, as the lawyers scramble to strengthen their respective cases, Soens' accusers continue to struggle with their past — the disputed details of which have made some Iowa City Catholics question, even dismiss, their faith.



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

Mike and Sheila Dalton flip through an old Regina Catholic High School yearbook on April 6 at their home in West Branch. Mike Dalton points to the picture of then-Principal Lawrence Soens, who, Mike Dalton says, molested him once when he was a Regina student in the 1960s.

### Words of an accuser

Excerpted here is the sworn testimony of Regina Student No. 18, a former male student who is suing then-Regina Principal Lawrence Soens for suffering he allegedly endured at the hands of the Catholic Bishop.

"He would straddle leg-to-leg like this. Start rubbing your inner thigh and tell you what his problem was or compliment you, whatever he wanted to do. Started rubbing your inner thigh. He would touch your penis and then back off, and then he would come back on again."

He was my God. He is my God. He is the one I'm getting sent to. If I complain about him, I'm getting sent to him. Nowhere else. You don't go nowhere else. You tell your mom and dad about it, they send you to Father Soens.

Regina Student No. 18

Nelle Dunlap/The Daily Iowan

### Pleasant to be around?

Having graduated from seminary at St. Ambrose University in Davenport, a 31-year-old Soens was hired as a priest in Iowa City's St. Mary's Catholic Church, and as principal of Regina, in 1958. Father Eugene Benda, currently a priest in Mechanicsville, Iowa, remembers Soens as "just a pleasant guy to be around."

"Larry was well-liked by the kids, as far as I could tell," said Benda, a freshman theology teacher at Regina from 1960-67.

Benda recalls Soens as a competent principal who would arrange a "holy hour" gathering once a month when all the parish priests would talk and play cards. The clergymen even competed in a bowling league.

"Larry would always be on our teams," Benda said. "He'd never do real well, but golly, we had a lot of fun."

Yet the affidavits and interviews with several former Regina students portray a man entirely different from descriptions given by diocese officials and Soens' supporters.

Accusers say the principal would shepherd young boys into his office under the guise of discipline — chewing gum in class could yield a trip to see "the

big guy" — and begin the now-familiar pattern of alleged abuse.

Once in the office, according to allegations: Soens would engage the student in conversation about topics ranging from the mundane to the significant. Often, he would wheel his chair out from behind his desk and stand behind the student, rubbing and pinching the student's nipples. He would then sit down in his chair across from the boy, trapping the student's legs between his own. With the frightened and startled student at his mercy, Soens would aggressively fondle the young man.

Accusers say Soens would often look students in the eye and offer life lessons while he molested them.

Regina Student No. 14 stated he was abused while Soens was trying to talk him into going to seminary. Regina Student No. 15 was reportedly grilled about masturbating and having sex with girls on summer vacation while he was fondled. Regina Student No. 17 said he was called into the office and abused while being told that his grades "weren't good enough to be home-room representative."

And though most of the alleged abuse occurred in the office, Soens' actions reportedly took place in other areas of the school. For example, Regina

Student No. 48 testified that during the summer before his freshman year, Soens saw him mowing lawn near the school. After inviting him inside "for lemonade," Soens allegedly pulled down the student's shorts and tried to perform oral sex on him, the student said.

Opinions regarding Soens' motivation vary. In statements, many accusers say they believe the principal attained satisfaction by successfully arousing male students. Others say he derived sexual pleasure by inflicting pain.

After Soens was publicly accused, nationally known clergy-abuse psychologist Richard Sipe evaluated the bishop's conduct. The therapist, who is trained to treat sexual- and alcohol-related behavior and mental-health issues in Catholic priests, contended that Soens' apparent desire to inflict harm indicated an intense psychological bent.

"Sadistic behavior — that is inflicting pain especially to the genitals — is a manifestation of the eroticization of dominance," Sipe wrote in his statement. The psychologist's report noted that Soens' alleged practice of trying to arouse boys to the point of ejaculation before pinching the tip of their penises was a documented tactic employed by many abusive Catholic clergy.

Sipe cited a Catholic doctrine that states sin is avoided if an orgasm is prevented. Many priests will perform this so-called circumvention of evil while "holding a crucifix in their hand," he wrote in his report.

### Early departures

Victim affidavits also state that Soens' alleged behavior led many students to leave Regina prematurely.

In an affidavit filed Aug. 28 in Naples, Fla., Steve Kinney, who attended Regina from 1960-61, wrote that his response to a sexual encounter with Soens ultimately led to his expulsion. In his statement, Kinney said the principal tried to fondle his genital area.

"I rebuffed him twice and told him if he tried it again, I would break his arm," Kinney's statement said. "At the end of the

school year, he dismissed me from Regina High School, and I attended public school."

Regina Student No. 11 stated that after a basketball practice one Saturday, Soens came through the dressing room and told him to go to the principal's office. The player's statement said after Soens allegedly gripped and pinched his genitals, the student demanded "that he send my transcript to the public school ... and ran out of his office."

"I went to the public school the following Monday, and my school records were there," Student No. 11 said.

As a 14-year-old Regina freshman in 1964, Regina Student No. 5 would be continually sent to the principal's office, he stated. There, Soens would allegedly grope him, while telling him he was being punished for misconduct. When the student stopped going to the office when summoned, he was expelled, he said.

### Drinking with, and confiding in, Bevenour

In statements and testimony, Soens accusers and non-accuser witnesses often bring up Father Richard Bevenour. Records indicate that Bevenour, priest at Iowa City's St. Mary's parish and Regina teacher when Soens was principal, was very popular among the kids, particularly football players, because he often bought beer for the underage students on the weekends.

Benda, the Mechanicsville priest, worked with Bevenour at St. Mary's. Though he said he never confronted Bevenour about the alcohol allegations, he said he felt that "it wasn't very prudent for Dick [Bevenour] to provide liquor to kids who aren't of age."

Bevenour is not accused of sexual abuse. Rather, former students blame him of ignoring pleas for help from alleged Soens victims.

In his statement, Regina Student No. 18 said Bevenour, a strict disciplinarian in the classroom, would often take students on retreats to St. Mary's in Riverside, Iowa. The student stated that once:

"[Bevenour] took us up to the rectory. And we all drank — I was 14 at that time ... We had to be real quiet, I remember him telling us that, because Monsignor Meinberg was sleeping there."

The other clergyman the student references is Carl Meinberg, a former St. Mary's priest who died in 1975. Meinberg, who served as president of St. Ambrose University before transferring to St. Mary's, was accused in 2006 of sexually abusing a child in the 1940s.

After the retreat, No. 18 stated, he decided to tell Bevenour that Soens was sexually abusing him:

"I told him in the confessional that, apparently, I'm sinning because that principal of our school is taking me in [to his office] and playing with my jewels ... and he goes something about some Hail Marys or something. I said, 'But it just keeps happening.' He goes, 'Well, you need to pray for Father Soens.' That was the response I got."

The student said he was trying to "plant a seed" so that Bevenour would confront Soens to tell him that he needs to stop abusing children.

Regina Student No. 22, a Soens accuser who is not seeking damages, wrote in his affidavit that while sitting in the first-floor living room at the rectory in the fall of 1964, he told Bevenour, "When you go into Father Soens' office, you get squeezed or purpled by him on your nipples or testicles."

"Father Bevenour gave me a look to discourage me from providing any further details and showed no surprise," the student stated. "He asked me, 'Does that make you bothered?'"

Bevenour, contacted at his home in Fresno, Calif., refused to comment on the accusations involving Soens. In addition, Bevenour dismissed allegations that he consistently purchased alcohol for underage Regina students from John's Grocery in Iowa City.

"That's absolutely not true," he said.

But as interviews show, the priest is not the only adult at Regina accused of enabling Soens.

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**WEDNESDAY, the D/investigates claims that Regina adults ignored toward Soens' alleged abuse and examines changes in Catholic high schools.**

## A DIOCESE IN DISARRAY

Since 1985, 20 clergy in the Davenport Diocese — including four who had served Iowa City parishes — have been accused of sexual abuse. The allegations have already cost the diocese more than \$10 million in settlements.

• **May 6, 1950:** Lawrence Donald Soens, then 23, is ordained as a priest of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Davenport.

• **1958-67:** Soens serves in Iowa City's St. Mary's Catholic Church and as principal of Iowa City Regina High School; more than 20 former Regina students have since accused Soens of sexually abusing them.

• **1967-75:** Soens serves as rector of the seminary at St. Ambrose University in Davenport, his alma mater; at least one student there complains that Soens fondled him.

• **1978-83:** Soens serves as pastor of St. Mary's in Clinton, Iowa.

• **Aug. 17, 1983:** Pope John Paul II selects Soens as bishop of the Sioux City Diocese.

• **November 1998:** Soens resigns as bishop.

• **April 6, 2002:** A former student calls Regina and describes "torturous" incidents of sexual abuse by Soens; the diocese would later conclude that some of Soens' actions may have been inappropriate but questioned "whether any of this conduct described would be for the adult's gratification."

• **2004:** The diocese pays a combined \$9 million to 38 victims of now-defrocked priest James Janssen of Davenport.

• **October 2004:** Mike Dalton, who says Soens fondled him once in the principal's office at Regina, settles for \$20,000.

• **June 2005:** Former student Michael Gould sues Soens, Regina, and the diocese; he alleges Soens abused him and other students on numerous occasions and authorities knew of accusations but shielded Soens, rather than reprimand him.

• **Aug. 15, 2005:** Former student Dennis Allen sues Soens, Regina, and the diocese for claims similar to Gould's.

• **February 2006:** The diocese shells out almost \$1 million to settle five additional sexual-abuse claims against its clergy.

• **May 11, 2006:** Fathers Paul Deyo and William Wiebler are defrocked in light of sexual-abuse allegations. Deyo, who served at St. Patrick's in Iowa City from 1991-92 and St. Wenceslaus in Iowa City from 1998-2000 and taught at Regina from 1991-2000, was voluntarily reduced to lay status after the diocese called the allegations "credible." Wiebler, who served at St. Mary's in Iowa City in the late 1960s, admitted to abusing at least a dozen boys.

• **May 23, 2006:** Monsignor Carl Meinberg is accused of molesting a boy at Iowa City's St. Mary's during the 1940s.

• **Aug. 8, 2006:** Thirteen additional former Regina students — Gene Burns, Patrick Cannon, and 11 John Doe plaintiffs — sue Soens, Regina, and the diocese.

• **Sept. 18, 2006:** A Scott County jury awards \$1.5 million to Michl Uhde for abuse by Monsignor Thomas Feeney at St. Ambrose.

• **Oct. 9, 2006:** Regina School Board President Lee Iben announces that the school will file for bankruptcy if it loses its cases.

• **Oct. 10, 2006:** A judge drops Regina as a defendant in the Gould lawsuit; the diocese announces it will file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy, citing more than \$7 million in outstanding claims.

• **Oct. 13, 2006:** Bishop William Franklin, head of the diocese, resigns amid the controversy and is replaced by Bishop Martin Amos of Cleveland.

• **Oct. 23, 2006:** Allen dies of cancer, ending his suit against Soens and the diocese.

• **November 2006:** Soens files for summary judgment in both the Gould case and the Cannon/Burns/Doe case; plaintiffs' attorney Craig Levein is resisting the motion.

• **Now:** Gould awaits trial against Soens and the diocese; Cannon/Burns/Doe await trial against those two defendants plus Regina.

Source: The Iowa Justice Department, [www.bishop-accountability.org/](http://www.bishop-accountability.org/), [archives.catholic-hierarchy.org/](http://archives.catholic-hierarchy.org/), the Associated Press

## School-bus emissions not on IC radar



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Students board buses at West High School on Monday. During the next school year, the Iowa City School District will use new buses provided by Durham School Services. District officials are unsure if those buses will be more environmentally friendly.

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**BY KURTIS HIATT**  
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Despite heightened nationwide concern about school-bus emission standards and possible negative effects on student health and the environment, the Iowa City School District hasn't discussed the matter.

"The district is always concerned about the health and safety of students," said Jim Pederson, the district's human-resources director. "This is one issue that has not been brought to our attention."

If a student is a habitual bus rider and breathes in high amounts of diesel emissions, he or she could suffer ailments ranging from headaches to asthma. These possible problems have fueled concern nationwide and caused many to push for environmentally friendly buses.

But in Iowa City, some officials were surprised to hear about the health concerns related to diesel-engine emissions.

"I don't think it was ever presented to us as a concern," Iowa City School Board member Jan Leff said, adding that she was not personally aware of harmful effects on students. "In the back of our minds, we know diesel fuel is not the best for our environment."

Leff said she and other board members would be interested in following up on the issue and learning more about it and said she expects parents or community members to raise concerns in the future.

"I'm sure this is a possibility," Leff said. "Especially in Iowa City, where people tend to be

more aware of [environmental] issues."

Most emissions problems arise from aging buses. The district's new contractor for next year, Durham School Services, will provide all new buses.

Still, Leff and Pederson said there was nothing in the district's agreement with the service — which was approved last month — regarding bus-emission standards.

"I don't know that [emission standards] were ever specified in the contract," Leff said, adding she only knew that the buses would be diesel and brand-new.

Neither the district's current bus provider, First Student, nor its future provider returned calls seeking comment on emission standards Monday. Neither company's website had information on the matter.

Sierra Club staff member and UI alumnus Mark Kresowik said the sulfur, carbon dioxide, and fine particulate matter of diesel buses all create problems for the environment. Sulfur is a contributor to acid rain, and carbon dioxide adds to human-induced global warming, he said.

But the biggest problem, he said, is the fine particulate matter, which is emitted during the diesel combustion process via a bus' muffler and can agitate asthma.

"It's one of the biggest concerns in a city with diesel emission," he said.

While the Environmental Protection Agency has standards for fine particulate matter, the agency's own advisory board has called the standards inadequate, he said.

Kresowik said students' health should be a primary concern in regard to the emission standards.

"Certainly as a whole, we need to be looking at ... how we're protecting children's health with the fine particulate matter," he said. "We need to find ways to reduce that pollution."

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# 'Dead Week' dead at UI

Unlike Iowa State University and the University of Northern Iowa, an official 'Dead Week' is unlikely to find a place on the UI's academic calendar.

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**BY ZHI XIONG**  
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As UI students suck down Rockstars and frantically dig through a semester's worth of lecture notes, some may be wishing for an extra week to study — one free of presentations, papers, and projects.

Current policies for the closing week of classes at Iowa's public universities vary widely — from "dead weeks" at Iowa State University and the University of Northern Iowa, during which no major assignments or pop quizzes plague frazzled students, to no official accommodations at the UI.

Though efforts to create an official Dead Week have surfaced frequently in past years at the UI, officials say the university's current policy is unlikely to change. Some UI professors dedicate a kind of "de facto" dead week to review sessions and minor assignments, but the university has no policy that would subject faculty to official scheduling standards.

"Frankly, many students wouldn't take that opportunity very well," said UI Faculty Council member Michael O'Hara, noting students might abuse or waste the additional time. "It extends the semester by



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UI student Liz Nguyen (left) prepares for finals with UI student Allie Wells in the Main Library on Monday. Wells said she might feel more prepared for exams if the UI offered a "dead week" prior to the start of finals week, as do ISU and UNI.

a week, delaying everything students and faculty planned to do."

UI Student Government President Barrett Anderson described the process of adding an official dead week as being rather difficult, though previous UISG leaders have trumpeted it as a campaign promise.

He said a resolution would have to pass in the student senate, as well as in the Faculty and Staff Councils, and then would have to garner cooperation from various department heads, deans, and the provost.

"It's not to say it's not possible," Anderson said. "But there's lots of weight work in convincing

people. Professors are not always willing to put more restraints on themselves."

Former UISG President Peter McElligott, who advocated dead week during his campaign, said the UI's decentralized administration is a sort of "culture" that could complicate attempts to unify policies.

"The Provost's Office is great at giving autonomy to different colleges to make their own rules," he said. "It's cultivated academic freedom."

Meanwhile, Iowa State and UNI both have established standards regarding pre-finals workload.

In Ames, the Iowa State Student Government and Faculty Senate established Dead Week in 2001 — discouraging professors from administering major exams but allowing laboratory sessions and quizzes worth less than 10 percent of the final grade.

And in Cedar Falls, UNI allows an official dead period that only applies to last-minute assignments, said Philip Patton, an employee in the Registrar's Office. Non-cumulative exams and projects can be assigned as long as students are notified at least two weeks before finals.

"[Work load] shouldn't be any lighter for them," Patton said. "It should be normal right up to the end. It's really designed to make sure all the major projects are known ahead of time."

But even with a Dead Week, some students feel it hasn't eased the grind of final exams.

"It doesn't seem like anything has changed," said Iowa State junior Genevieve Henricks. "Activities are supposed to [lessen] during that time, but I have not found any of this to be true."

O'Hara, a professor in the UI psychology department, said students don't need an extra week to prepare for finals.

"If students keep up with their work during the semester, they wouldn't need it," he said. "Many finals aren't comprehensive, anyway; they're just like another exam."

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## EDITORIAL

# Mental-health status should be a part of firearm background checks

In the wake of the Virginia Tech tragedy, gun control has risen to the top of our nation's legislative agenda. The U.S. House of Representatives is now considering a bill that would appropriate \$1 billion in grants for dispersion to states in an effort to encourage them to share mental health records with an FBI database by offsetting the costs. Any effort to curtail access to guns and streamline the communication process between state and national organizations is a welcome addition to the legislative lineup.

The move would help decrease the number of dangerous gun applicants who successfully circumvent the current system. Proponents of sharing mental-health information with the national database point to Virginia Tech shooter Cho Seung-Hui's mental status as evidence in favor of disclosing this information. He was held involuntarily for a day when a December 2005 court order determined that he was mentally ill. After a full analysis, he was not held any longer but rather, directed to seek outpatient treatment. However, gun-control background checks did not pick up this blip because of the difficulties in coordinating state and city information with the nationally used databank National Instant Criminal Background Check System.

That system was brought together by the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act of 1993, with specific language preventing "persons who have been adjudicated as mental defective or have been committed to a mental institution" from acquiring a firearm through the background check. Iowa, as have many other states, has added even more fail-safes.

Iowa law specifically prohibits people who have been convicted under Chapter 708 of the Iowa Code (domestic abuse, hate crimes, hazing, and stalking included) from getting their hands on guns.

Last week, Virginia Gov. Timothy Kaine issued an order to all of the state's executive-branch agencies instructing them to include names of those ordered to undergo involuntary mental-health treatment in the federal database. Current laws address the problem, but overall organizational obstacles could be hurting national integration of this information.

A 1997 court ruling prevented the FBI from mandating this information from the states. A move such as the \$1 billion in grants is a good way to help reach out to states that have previously been wary of cooperating at the national level. Whether this information will serve as preventative or not, the national background-check system is a chief source for 35 states, so getting that database as up to date and correct as possible should be a priority. In between 1998-2005, 62 million gun applications went through background checks, with 980,000 denied. With more states complying, fewer holes will show up, and the ability to jump from state to state in order to procure deadly weapons will be greatly decreased.

What happened at Virginia Tech will forever be a stark reminder of the loopholes that must be closed. It is the hope of this Editorial Board that Congress continues to work on laws keeping guns out of the hands of those who could be dangerous.

## BLOG

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### Queen of England visits D.C., wink, wink

What a sitcom it would make: George W. Bush and Queen Elizabeth II of England shared the stage this weekend. Her Majesty's refined dignity and dry wit would contrast nicely with the Commander Guy's smirking, elbow-in-the-ribs sense of humor. We could have side characters, such as Tony Blair and that wacky Karl Rove. (I see Danny DeVito for the part.)

In all seriousness, and with the best will in the world, I can't help but think that our president should be in some kind of a home. I'm not talking about the political disasters, because it looks like those have already bitten him in the ass pretty deeply, but the simple fact that President Bush seems to have no earthly idea of how to behave around foreign leaders.

I wrote, months ago, about the back rub that Bush attempted to give Angela Merkel — forgetting, perhaps, that the

woman is the chancellor of Germany, not some vaguely creeped-out friend or relative. This time, he winked at the Queen of England, and his speech lauded that nation for giving birth to ours in "1976." Apparently, Bush feels that America just wasn't America until we started listening to the Sex Pistols. How *did* this loser get this job? For his next trick, maybe he could offer cheeseburgers to India.

Like many on the left, I tend to rage and fulminate against Bush's innumerable and politicize personality, because those — not his irritating behavior — are what matter to my readership and to the nation. But it's awfully depressing to be reminded, day in and day out, what a boob this guy really is.

Jon Gold  
*DI* columnist

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*DI* columnist Andrew Swift is a voting member of the UI's Lecture Charter Committee. This information should have been included with his May 7 column "Peace with UISG." The *DI* regrets the omission.

## GUEST OPINION

# Can FISA be fixed?

Technology and the nature of threats to U.S. security have both changed enormously since Congress passed the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, which governs intelligence agencies' ability to conduct electronic surveillance in the United States. The law has been amended repeatedly since then, including after the 9/11 attacks, but it's reasonable to think that another overhaul might be in the order. For one, the law could be read to impose the burdensome requirement of preparing a warrant and obtaining court approval to intercept phone calls or e-mails that begin and end entirely outside the United States but that, by technological happenstance, are routed through the United States. Everyone from civil-liberties groups to spymasters seems to agree that this is silly. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and Rep. Jane Harman, D-Calif., have proposed workable remedies for this unintended glitch.

The Bush administration, however, is seeking far broader changes in the law — on which we would urge Congress to proceed with extreme caution. The administration says that it simply wants to modernize the law to make it "technologically neutral," applying equally to communications that take place through the air and by wire. Sounds sensible, but the administration proposes to deal with that problem in a way that could dangerously expand the scope of surveillance that the government could engage in free from court oversight.

The biggest change would come in the definition of what constitutes "electronic surveillance" subject to FISA. The administration would require that FISA be followed only if the monitoring of international communications were directed at a "particular, known" U.S. citizen or resident located in this country. Civil-liberties groups warn that this language could allow widespread warrantless interception of calls and e-mails of U.S. citizens and residents coming from

or going to foreign countries. This would go far beyond the administration's previously revealed warrantless wiretapping program, which, we are told, has now been put under court supervision. The administration's proposal, however, has no requirement that the person at the other end of the communication be a suspected terrorist. The administration says its intent isn't to operate this kind of huge vacuum cleaner, free of FISA's rules. If so, the language it has proposed needs to be tightened to make that clear.

There is a threshold issue that lawmakers need to address before they rewrite FISA: "exclusive" rules engaging in a fargical enterprise. FISA says that it sets out the "exclusive" rules under which intelligence agencies can spy electronically on Americans. Other presidents have asserted that their constitutional power under Article II may allow them to do more than FISA allows, but President Bush is the first to have actually ignored FISA's requirements with the "terrorist-surveillance program."

Perhaps a more accommodating, updated FISA would encourage the administration to follow the law rather than circumvent it, but the administration's testimony before the Senate Intelligence Committee last week on that subject was hardly reassuring. Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis., asked if the administration had "any plans to do any surveillance" outside of FISA. "None that we are formulating or thinking about currently," replied the director of national intelligence, Mike McConnell. "But I'd just highlight, Article II is Article II, so in a different circumstance, I can't speak for the president what he might decide." With answers like this, how can lawmakers trying to fix this statute have any confidence the administration will live by the rules Congress lays out?

This editorial appeared in the *Washington Post* on Monday.

## ON THE SPOT

Do you think background checks for acquiring firearms should include mental-health checks?



"Yes. It depends on the illness and if you could hurt yourself or others."

Audrey Spies  
UI sophomore



"Yeah. Absolutely a necessity given what's been happening. I definitely think it needs to be taken into account."

Amit Baishya  
UI grad student



"Definitely. If you put a deadly weapon in someone's hands, then you should probably make sure he or she is fit to use it."

Rob Cooney  
UI sophomore



"There are a lot of things to be checking out that are as or more important."

Caleb Engstrom  
UI sophomore

# Call it chicken

Some of you (who are right now probably thinking you're the lucky ones) will graduate this week and head off to what's euphemistically called the Real World.

It's kind of like being voted off the island.

Those of us who have journeyed to the Real World and had to tell the tale can tell you that, whatever else the Real World is, it's not very "real."

For instance — once, a few years back, I found myself working in a chicken factory in Portland, Maine. I say "found myself," which in most instances would be a ludicrous locution, because it's not exactly clear in my mind how I wound up there. I'd like to say that the Red Sox traded me there for a carton of chicken breasts to be named later, but I'd be lying. To my immense disappointment, the Red Sox never wanted me. Or, apparently, the chicken breasts. (And to think I had spent my entire childhood preparing to play shortstop for the Sox. Or pitch — I didn't care.)



BEAU ELLIOT

So I showed them. I went to Paris instead. Paris was damn cool, but not so damn cool as pitching in Fenway. But I digress. (Who, me?) So there I was, in the chicken factory in Portland, Maine. You shouldn't think slaughterhouse here, you should think millions upon millions upon millions of chicken breasts hurtling down an assembly line while you quickly and deftly place a cube of freeze-dried something in the chicken breast and then quickly and deftly line it up.

That's the theory, anyway. We were prepping these millions upon millions, etc., of chicken breasts to become frozen microwave dinners. Did I mention that everyone else was Vietnamese? Everyone else was Vietnamese. Meaning that the language spoken was Vietnamese, which I had carelessly failed to pick up in my spare time.

Because everyone else's English was pretty much nonexistent, or existed in some parallel universe that we didn't happen to inhabit, for communication reasons, I was always paired with a Vietnamese woman who had learned French in school. This led to many amusing — nay, slapstick — situations, because it turns out that the French the Vietnamese learn in school resembles, but is not exactly the same as, the French that an American learns on the sidewalks of Paris (especially when said American is mostly being taught by characters from Toulouse and Carcassonne).

Think millions, etc., of chicken breasts. And assembly line. And Charlie Chaplin. That's about the best you can hope for in the Real World, that you'll have some Charlie Chaplin moments. Even if you are the butt of the joke.

So one day, we're quickly and deftly sticking cubes in the chicken breasts (the Vietnamese, by the way, are far, far quicker and more deft than the American who learned French on the sidewalks of Paris because the Red Sox didn't believe he could pitch in the majors), and said cubes will apparently magically turn the chicken breasts into chicken-cacciatore microwave dinners. Millions of them. Did I mention how exciting it is to stick freeze-dried cubes into chicken breasts on an assembly line for eight hours a day? It's really exciting. Especially when they speed up the assembly line because production is lagging. Think some more Charlie Chaplin.

The Real World is full of jokes. It's a veritable sitcom out there.

Meanwhile, back at So one day, we're happily — nay, joyfully — creating millions of chicken-cacciatore microwave dinners when the assembly line suddenly stops, and the Vietnamese supervisors wheel up cartons and cartons of different cubes to stick in the chicken breasts. Turns out we're switching from chicken-cacciatore to chicken-some-other-Italian-word. Call it chicken-Bugatti.

I suppose I don't need to tell you that the new cubes look exactly like the old cubes, but I will anyway. But, I say to the Vietnamese woman who speaks French, we still have a thousand or so chicken-cacciatore cubes left. She says something in Vietnamese to the supervisor, who looks at all the cacciatore cubes, shrugs, says something in Vietnamese, and the woman tells me we'll use up the cacciatore cubes, then switch to Bugatti. Americans won't be able to tell the difference.

I guess I looked unpersuaded, because she said, He used to run a restaurant in Saigon during the war. And they would feed the Americans dog meat and call it chicken. Americans could never tell the difference. Whenever I think about Iraq these days, I remember chicken-Bugatti.

And dog meat.

Welcome to the Real World. ■

Beau Elliot assures us he has never eaten a microwave dinner in his life and, in fact, doesn't know how to operate a microwave. Somehow, we believe him.

D/RECOMMENDS

It's Skin Cancer Awareness Month, which means it's time to break out the SPF 30. There are more than 1 million people diagnosed with skin cancer yearly, which is more than cancers of the prostate, breast, lung, colon, uterus, ovaries, and pancreas combined (Yikes). So, for those of you who worship the sun god, the next time you head down to the Reservoir, protect yourself and lube up.

# ARTS & CULTURE

## A library with legs, an American in Kenya

BY TESSA RUDDY  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Masha Hamilton was on her way to the Bear Canyon Library in Arizona's Tanque Verde Valley with her three children when Brianna, the eldest, related an interesting story she had read in *Time For Kids*: the story of the camel bookmobile, a traveling library that transports books from one tiny, isolated, nomadic village to another in Northeastern Kenya. The camel library brings books to those who have never seen or touched one. Many of the inhabitants don't even know how to read, but with the help of the bookmobile, they are given the chance to learn — under one condition: All the

books have to be accounted for on the return of the bookmobile, and if not, that visit will be the library's last. The punishment is severe, but it was implemented to protect the books. Hamilton was intrigued, and she had already begun to spin the plot of a novel before they arrived at Bear Canyon Library.

Hamilton will read from her latest novel, *The Camel Bookmobile*, today at 7 p.m. at Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St.



Hamilton  
author of *The Camel Bookmobile*

In the novel, she recounts the interconnected lives of eight characters in fictional Mididima, Northeastern Province, Kenya. Fiona Sweeney, an American librarian from New York, travels to Kenya to work for the camel bookmobile, and she meets the villagers of Mididima. Although Fiona's motives are pure, once in Kenya, she realizes that she doesn't really understand the culture of the people she so desperately wants to help. She quickly learns that these people may have more to teach her than she has to teach them.

"Education in the Western way doesn't necessarily mean wisdom," Hamilton said. "I think sometimes that's something that

we as Americans could benefit by reminding ourselves."

Hamilton worked as a foreign correspondent for the Associated Press for five years in the Middle East before moving to Moscow and working as a correspondent for the *Los Angeles Times*. Despite her background in journalism, Hamilton did not travel to Kenya to see the real camel library until after her novel was sold to HarperCollins.

"I didn't want the reporting instinct to kick in," she said. "I wanted to let [the characters] develop the arc of their stories in a fictional sense. I wanted to let the story have its own truth and its own resonance."

In 2006, Hamilton traveled to Kenya during a period of

drought and famine with 18-year-old daughter (and inspiration for the novel) Brianna. In Kenya, the two women traveled with the real camel library, interviewing famine and drought victims whose lives had somehow been affected by the bookmobile. She met a young man who was able to study and take his entrance exams to continue his education in Nairobi. She also met a grandmother who nostalgically remembered raising her children in a semi-nomadic, pastoral lifestyle — Western projects such as the library made her feel that way of life was diminishing.

"We would arrive, they would spread out the grass mats, and we would get a lot of attention

READING

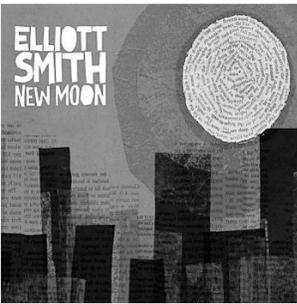
Masha Hamilton will read from her third novel, *The Camel Bookmobile*

When: 7 p.m. today  
Where: Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque St.  
Admission: Free

— we would be circled," Hamilton said. "But once the books started to be laid out on the grass mats, we were no longer the main thing. What was important was the books. It opens up a new world for them, just as reading does for us."

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## Still singing through the melancholy



BY ANNA WIEGENSTEIN  
THE DAILY IOWAN

"He was just so sweet, and it's so *fucking* sad."

So says Old 97s frontman and alt-country dreamboat Rhett Miller about the death of friend Elliott Smith, and it's hard to disagree. Even at the peak of Smith's career in the late-90s, just listening to the quiet laments of "Say Yes" or "Between the Bars" was enough to bring the angst.

Now, three-plus years after the troubadour's death (self-inflicted, in all likelihood), it's difficult not to read layers of tragedy into every Elliott Smith song currently in release. This problem gets even worse when tackling the two posthumous

Smith releases — the somewhat hit-or-miss *From A Basement on a Hill* and the latest, *New Moon*. Never mind that the latter's contents date from the mid-90s, years before the singer/songwriter truly descended into drug addiction. The notion is impossible to shake.

But, as much as Smith's legacy now concerns his death, *New Moon* is, happily enough, an entirely vital release. With none of the druggy, slightly mad sheen that glossed so much of *Basement*, it's a refreshing reminder of the immense songwriting talent Smith possessed — one that has yet to find a worthy heir.

*New Moon*, whose sale profits are going toward a charity

Smith favored, is fascinating — the master recordings used have barely been touched up, thus affording a look into the living, breathing method of musicianship. Every breath of air, every squeak of fingertips on guitar makes Smith's presence truly felt, especially on rougher cuts such as "Georgia, Georgia."

During his career, he was showered with critical praise, getting everything from an Academy Award nomination (for *Good Will Hunting*'s "Miss Misery," an earlier version of which is also present here) to numerous comparisons with The Beatles, a band he made no secret of worshipping. Sweet, lilting tracks such as "Whatever (Folk Song in C)" and "Angel in

the Snow" keep such analogies plausible — Smith's seemingly effortless work around a guitar riff is still amazing.

Throughout *New Moon*'s two discs, there is an enormous wealth of fantastic tunes — there's scarcely a low point to be found here. From the lovely Big Star cover "Thirteen" to the snarkier bounce of "New Monkey" and "Big Decision," Smith's range is indeed impressive. The only true constant throughout the entire record is, of course, the singer's trademark whispery vocal style, making every song feel like a one-on-one therapy session between the listener and Smith.

Amusingly, the genre that appeared when I added *New Moon* to my iTunes library was

"Awesome." While it may not be a designation picked up at your local Sam Goody any time soon, Smith's genre is indeed tricky to pin down — though the heavily acoustic nature of his sound points most heavily to folk, somehow that doesn't truly fit. It seems more natural to classify him as his own brand of rock music. All the more depressing to fill in the rest of the story *New Moon* is a part of, then.

Smith is running low on unreleased tracks after this album, so all jokes about Tupac can be set aside for the time being. *New Moon* serves as a fitting bookend to a tragically short career — it's quiet and heartfelt, much like the man himself.

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## STERIODS

### Salas suspended for 50 games

NEW YORK (AP) — Tampa Bay relief pitcher Juan Salas was suspended for 50 games Monday after becoming the first player this year to flunk a drug test under Major League Baseball's testing program.



Salas suspended

Salas tested positive for a performance-enhancing substance, the commissioner's office said. His suspension will start today.

There were just three suspensions last year under the major-league program: New York Met pitcher Yusaku Iriki, former Arizona pitcher Jason Grimsley, and Met reliever Guillermo Mota, who is serving his 50-game penalty at the start of this season.

Salas, a 28-year-old righthander, is 1-1 with a 3.95 ERA in 15 appearances this season. He will lose about one-third of his \$382,000 salary.

"The Tampa Bay Devil Rays fully support Major League Baseball's drug-testing policy. We will do all we can to help Juan get his career headed back on a positive course," the team said in a statement.

## MLB

### Rockies 3, Cardinals 2

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Brad Hawpe drew a full-count walk with the bases loaded in the ninth inning for the tiebreaking run in the Colorado Rockies' 3-2 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals on Monday night.



Reyes pitcher

Todd Helton homered for the Rockies, who have won three of four after taking the opener of a three-game series. Colorado was 1-5 at Busch Stadium last year.

Ryan Ludwick and Jim Edmonds each drove in a run for the Cardinals, who have lost seven of nine and are 5-11 at home. St. Louis is 2-2 during a six-game homestand, scoring in only three innings, and scored fewer than three runs for the 16th time in their first 30 games.

Troy Tulowitzki had to wait to score the go-ahead run after umpires ruled that his one-out drive off the top of the wall in left center was a double and not a home run. Manager Clint Hurdle drew his first ejection of the season for arguing the call with second base umpire Bob Davidson.

## PITCHER OUT

### Tigers' Zumaya out 12 weeks

DETROIT (AP) — Tigers reliever Joel Zumaya is expected to be out for 12 weeks because of a ruptured tendon in his right middle finger.

Zumaya, who regularly throws fastballs more than 100 mph, hurt himself while warming up on May 5 at Kansas City. He was examined Monday in New York by Dr. Charles Melone, who was scheduled to perform surgery Thursday.

After he was injured, Zumaya said he felt a "shocking pain" because of the injury. "I thought maybe my knuckle cracked," he said on May 5. "I went to a curve ball, and I couldn't even grip the ball. I threw another fastball, and it popped again, and a sharp pain ran through my finger. I called down and said, 'I need a trainer quick.'"

Zumaya is a key member of a strong bullpen that helped Detroit win the AL pennant last season. He is 1-1 with a 3.63 ERA this season, striking out 17 in 17 1/3 innings.

## SECOND IN A FIVE-PART SERIES | Freshman of the Year

# High-flying Tyler Smith best freshman

Thanks for making it easy on us — Tyler Smith is the DI Freshman of the Year after a historic first and only season on the men's basketball team.

BY DAN PARR  
 THE DAILY IOWAN

In a whirlwind, Tyler Smith came and went.

He arrived in Iowa City in the summer of 2006 with program-savior status and showed glimpses of why the high-level expectations may have been spot on. Just months later, his Hawkeye men's basketball career came to an equally dramatic end when he was released from his scholarship on April 20.

Few first-year athletes in the country matched Smith's instant impact on the court. Even fewer, regardless of year in school, left a bigger void with their departure and, he is the DI's overwhelming choice for Freshman of the Year.

Smith, a native of Pulaski, Tenn., became the third Hawkeye ever to nab 200 points, 100 rebounds, and 100 assists in his first season. He was named third-team All-Big Ten and also made the all-freshman team after finishing the regular season second on the squad in scoring, averaging 14.8 per game, to Adam Haluska.

The 6-7 forward led Iowa in rebounding (4.9), steals (45), and was second in assists (11).

Despite the accolades and gaudy numbers, Smith's impact, or lack thereof, may be felt the most next season, while he sits out and prepares to take the court for a new team in 2008, possibly Tennessee.

Iowa head coach Todd Lickliter, who was named Steve Alford's replacement on April 3, released Smith from his scholarship 17 days after taking the job. Smith wanted to play for a team closer to home so he could be closer to his infant son, Amare, and his father Billy, who is battling lung cancer.

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Iowa freshman Tyler Smith pivots in the paint during the first half of Iowa's game against Penn State on Jan. 24 in Carver-Hawkeye. Iowa won, 79-63.

Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

## POINT/COUNTERPOINT

# Which remaining playoff team do you think will win the 2007 NBA Finals?

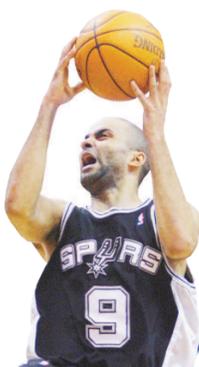
### SAN ANTONIO SPURS

Often in sports projecting, there's a clear differentiation between the smart pick and the sexy pick, and make no mistake, my pick is oozing with brains.

The ugly San Antonio Spurs will most likely win the NBA championship in June, playing the Spurs' proven brand of basketball. Yes, the Spurs are boring as hell, but they've been there before, and the core of championships past is far from faded.

Tim Duncan and his MVPs? Check. Robert Horry and his flair for the big shot? Check. Gregg Popovich's stellar coaching and stingy defenses?

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### DETROIT PISTONS

On May 5, the Chicago Bulls handed the ball over to the Detroit Pistons like it was swag at an Academy Awards post-party.

Thus far in the postseason, the Pistons have regained the form that led them to two consecutive NBA Finals and appear to be the only complete team in the Eastern bracket of the playoffs.

New Jersey can score, but it lacks the defensive abilities to stop the high-powered offenses of the West.

The Cavaliers have LeBron James, but nothing else, and the Bulls lack a dominant two-way big man.

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### PHOENIX SUNS

Anytime an MVP is on your team, you're set for a deep playoff run.

Yeah, I'm aware they're down 1-0 to the San Antonio Spurs, but the Phoenix Suns are still going home with the Larry O'Brien Trophy after the NBA Finals.

First off, if Steve Nash's nose doesn't take him out for the Magic Johnson rule, the Suns win Game 1 over San Antonio. Nash hit key shots throughout the game, finishing with 31 points on 11-for-18 from the field, but had to sit out 45 seconds of the game's final minute because of excessive bleeding from the crown of his nose.

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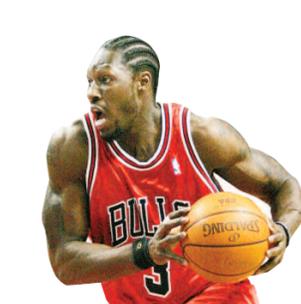


### CHICAGO BULLS

Somewhere in the volumes written about the Chicago Bulls' sweep of the Miami Heat, there should be a pair of obituaries. One should chronicle the demise of the then-NBA champions from South Beach, the other should lay to rest the dismal moniker of "Baby Bulls."

This is not the Bill Cartwright-led disaster you may remember from high school. When the starting lineups are introduced Thursday night at the United Center, you won't hear underachievers Eddy Curry and Tyson Chandler summoned to the floor. And Kirk Hinrich, Ben Gordon, and Luol Deng no longer look exactly like their first driver's license photos.

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## OTHER FRESHMEN RECEIVING VOTES

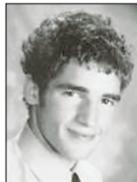
**Dominique Douglas; wide receiver, football**

One of three true freshmen to play in 2006, the Detroit native quickly became a household Hawkeye name. Douglas ranked first in the nation among all freshmen in receptions (49) and second in receiving yards (654) — both totals rank as best ever for an Iowa freshman.



**Jesse Luciano; men's track, cross-country**

The Villa Park, Ill., native ran a collegiate-best 6,000 meters of 18:51 at the Hawkeye Open in the fall, ranking 10th all-time at Iowa. Says teammate Micah VanDenend about Luciano: "When he's a senior, he's probably going to hold all the school records."



**Jonathan Buese; men's gymnastics**

The brother of junior gymnast Tom Buese, the freshman captured first in the all-around three times and finished in the top-five in three other events at least once this season. Buese was one of four Hawkeyes invited to compete in the annual Winter Cup in Las Vegas.



## AWARDS SERIES SCHEDULE

This year, *The Daily Iowan* sports staff again selected the top athletes, coaches, and moments from Hawkeye athletics. While we honor freshman Tyler Smith today, here is the schedule for the annual awards the rest of the week:

- **Wednesday:** Female Athlete of the Year
- **Thursday:** Male Athlete of the Year
- **Friday:** Story of the Year

## DETROIT 108, CHICAGO 87

# Too much Detroit, no bull

BY LARRY LAGE  
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — The Detroit Pistons punished the Chicago Bulls inside and out — again.

Tayshaun Prince scored 25 points on an array of mid-range shots, a dunk in traffic, and 3-pointers to lead Detroit to a 108-87 victory Monday night and a 2-0 lead in the Eastern Conference semifinals.

Game 3 will take place Thursday in Chicago, giving the Bulls time to figure something out after being dominated in consecutive games.

Even though Prince led the way, he had plenty of help.

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**BIG TEN BASEBALL**

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Michigan	17	3	.850	34	10	.773
Minnesota	14	5	.737	33	10	.767
Iowa	14	8	.636	27	15	.643
Penn State	14	8	.636	22	15	.591
Ohio State	12	10	.545	28	15	.652
Illinois	10	12	.455	24	22	.522
Purdue	9	14	.391	19	23	.452
Michigan State	9	14	.391	18	23	.439
Indiana	6	17	.261	16	28	.364
Northwestern	5	19	.208	13	32	.289

**Friday's Games**  
Iowa at Purdue, 3 p.m.  
Northwestern at Michigan State  
Penn State at Michigan  
Indiana at Illinois  
Ohio State at Minnesota

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

**Sunday's Games**  
Iowa at Purdue, 12 p.m.  
Northwestern at Michigan State  
Penn State at Michigan  
Indiana at Illinois  
Ohio State at Minnesota

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

	East Division			West Division		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Boston	20	10	.667	16	16	.500
New York	14	16	.467	14	17	.452
Tampa Bay	14	17	.452	14	18	.438
Baltimore	13	18	.419	13	18	.419
Central Division	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Cleveland	19	10	.655	19	11	.633
Detroit	19	11	.633	16	15	.516
Minnesota	16	15	.516	14	14	.500
Chicago	14	14	.500	10	22	.313
Kansas City	10	22	.313	17	15	.531
West Division	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Los Angeles	17	15	.531	14	13	.519
Seattle	14	13	.519	15	15	.500
Oakland	15	15	.500	13	18	.419
Texas	13	18	.419			

**Monday's Games**  
Cleveland 10, Baltimore 1  
Seattle 3, N.Y. Yankees 2

**Today's Games**  
Texas (Wood 0-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Petitte 1-1), 6:05 p.m.  
Seattle (Ramirez 2-1) at Detroit (Bonderman 1-0), 6:05 p.m.  
Tampa Bay (Seco 1-2) at Baltimore (Guthrie 1-1), 6:05 p.m.  
Boston (Beckett 6-0) at Toronto (Zambrano 0-1), 6:07 p.m.  
Oakland (Gaudin 1-1) at Kansas City (De La Rosa 3-2), 7:10 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox (Vazquez 2-1) at Minnesota (Bonser 0-1), 7:10 p.m.  
Cleveland (Lee 0-0) at L.A. Angels (E.Santana 2-4), 9:05 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**  
Seattle at Detroit, 6:05 p.m.  
Texas at N.Y. Yankees, 6:05 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Baltimore, 6:05 p.m.  
Boston at Toronto, 6:07 p.m.  
Oakland at Kansas City, 7:10 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m.  
Cleveland at L.A. Angels, 9:05 p.m.

**BIG TEN SOFTBALL**

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Ohio State	15	3	.833	43	10	.811
Michigan	12	4	.750	42	10	.808
Iowa	10	7	.588	37	20	.649
Purdue	10	9	.526	32	31	.508
Illinois	7	8	.467	30	24	.556
Michigan State	7	9	.438	33	25	.569
Penn State	5	9	.357	26	22	.542
Wisconsin	6	12	.333	27	20	.574
Minnesota	4	9	.308	24	22	.522
Indiana	1	19	.050	21	34	.382

**Big Ten Tournament, Columbus Ohio**  
**Thursday's Games**  
(1) #1 Michigan State vs. #2 Northwestern, 4 p.m.  
(2) #5 Penn State vs. #1 Ohio State, 6:30 p.m.

**Friday's Game**  
(3) #6 Illinois vs. #3 Michigan, 11 a.m.  
(4) #5 Purdue vs. #4 Iowa, 1:30 p.m.  
(5) Game 1 winner vs. Game 3 winner, 4 p.m.  
(6) Game 4 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 6:30 p.m.

**Saturday's Championship Game**  
(7) Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 12 p.m.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

	East Division			West Division		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
New York	19	12	.613	14	17	.452
Atlanta	19	12	.613	14	18	.438
Florida	14	17	.452	13	19	.405
Philadelphia	14	18	.438	12	19	.387
Washington	9	23	.281	10	23	.303
Central Division	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Milwaukee	22	10	.688	15	14	.517
Chicago	15	14	.517	14	17	.452
Houston	14	17	.452	14	18	.438
Cincinnati	14	18	.438	13	17	.433
Pittsburgh	13	17	.433	12	19	.387
St. Louis	12	19	.387	10	23	.303
West Division	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Los Angeles	19	13	.594	18	14	.563
San Diego	18	14	.563	17	14	.548
San Francisco	17	14	.548	18	16	.529
Arizona	18	16	.529	14	18	.438
Colorado	14	18	.438			

**Monday's Games**  
San Diego 4, Atlanta 2  
L.A. Dodgers 6, Florida 1  
Houston 5, Cincinnati 4  
Milwaukee 3, Washington 0  
Colorado 3, St. Louis 2  
Arizona 4, Philadelphia 3  
St. Francisco 9, N.Y. Mets 4

**Today's Games**  
L.A. Dodgers (Hendrickson 2-0) at Florida (Obermuller 1-1), 6:05 p.m.  
Houston (Rodriguez 0-3) at Cincinnati (Milton 0-4), 6:10 p.m.  
San Diego (Germano 0-0) at Atlanta (Lerew 0-0), 6:35 p.m.  
Pittsburgh (Snell 2-2) at Chicago Cubs (Lilly 2-2), 7:05 p.m.  
Washington (Simontacchi 0-0) at Milwaukee (Bush 2-3), 7:05 p.m.  
Colorado (Buchholz 1-1) at St. Louis (Thompson 1-0), 7:10 p.m.  
Philadelphia (Eaton 3-2) at Arizona (Owings 1-1), 8:40 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets (Glavine 3-1) at San Francisco (Cain 1-2), 9:15 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**  
Washington at Milwaukee, 12:05 p.m.  
Colorado at St. Louis, 12:10 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets at San Francisco, 2:35 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Arizona, 5:40 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers at Florida, 6:05 p.m.  
Houston at Cincinnati, 6:10 p.m.  
San Diego at Atlanta, 6:35 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs, 7:05 p.m.

COMMENTARY

# Bad news on mascot front

*Apparently everyone on Earth feels the Iowa State Cyclones are more dominating than the Hawkeyes, but not this DI columnist.*



RYAN YOUNG

CBS Sportsline wanted to put a spin on college athletics by polling America in an organized online tournament to see which school would hold the honor of having the Most Dominant College Mascot on Earth. Sixty-four Division-I teams were divided among four areas — predators, land animals, humans, and mythological creatures. It's not meant to be serious, but done in pure fun and jest. Bracketology isn't required in determining upsets or the probability a one-seed will go to the final four.

The concept is more what mascot would likely eat its opponent if their real-life counterparts were to meet at a watering hole in the desert — a lot like Animal Planet's "Animal Face-Off." Polling for the first round stopped on April 27. Friday marks the end of semifinal voting. If this is your first time hearing about the CBS fan-friendly tournament, don't bother rushing to your laptop or the nearest ITC to cast your vote for the Hawkeyes, because you won't find them in the running for the predator region fins. Voters narrowly lifted Herky past the California

Golden Bears by 52 percent in the first round, but during the quarterfinals, Iowa couldn't surpass the apparent mascot-domination of LSU, according to the public who voted 56 percent in favor of the Tigers.

Meanwhile, Iowa State is still on the board in the mythological creatures region and faces the Drexel Dragons in the semis. If you can stand it, you can still cast a vote to help the only other state mascot stay in the race.

Now, I realize the humor in putting on a pseudo-contest, but it's quite unsettling to see Iowa get booted out so quickly when our intrastate rivals have seemingly eclipsed us.

Although, I shouldn't get too flustered. There wasn't a head-to-head face-off between the two, so in all probability, the Hawkeyes arguably have the upper hand in a who's-more-aggressive battle.

Still, isn't the land between two rivers nicknamed the Hawkeye State? When you see the familiar black and gold Tigerhawk, isn't that the epitomized definition of this state?

And yet a cyclone is a more dominant mascot? How does this mass of spiraling storm clouds surpass a vicious bird of prey?

I'm ashamed the Hawkeyes couldn't put up more of a fight.

But this will probably be the only thing Iowa State can beat the Hawks at for the remainder of the year, so I wouldn't mark it down as such a devastating loss.

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# Hamilton comes roaring back

BY JOE KAY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Josh Hamilton's inspiring comeback story keeps getting better.

During spring training, the 25-year-old outfielder got attention for the way he overcame alcohol and drug addiction. It was a wonderful tale on the human level, one that made fans stand and cheer on opening day.

The curtain calls have kept coming, but for a different reason. Turns out that Hamilton can play a little baseball, too.

He did everything except hit for the cycle during the Cincinnati Reds' weekend series against Colorado, prompting pitcher Bronson Arroyo to dub him the team's MVP — yes, more valuable than Ken Griffey Jr., Adam Dunn, and anyone else wearing red.

"This kid's something special," outfielder Ryan Freel said. "It's just a matter of time before he's out there playing in the All-Star game, if not this year."

No one expected this so soon. Certainly not the Rockies, who were front-and-center for his amazing two-day display over the weekend. He had two singles, a double, and a triple, made a diving catch, and stole a base in on May 5, missing the cycle by a home run.

He hit two of those on Sunday in Cincinnati's 9-3 win. He also made an over-the-shoulder catch and threw out a runner at third.

After only 21 starts, Hamilton has eight homers, 17 RBIs, and a .306 average.

"He's played what, 16 or 17 games out of A ball?" Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said. "An impressive weekend. An impressive start. He was drafted in the first round, so it's not like he can't play."

People forgot that. Hamilton was the first overall



David Kohl/Associated Press

Cincinnati's Josh Hamilton (right) is congratulated by David Ross after Hamilton hit a two-run homer off Colorado pitcher Josh Fogg on Sunday in Cincinnati.

pick in the 1999 draft, a high-school player so complete and so mesmerizing that Tampa Bay envisioned him as a building block for the franchise. Instead, his addiction to crack cocaine knocked him out of the game completely for more than three years.

He got off drugs in October 2005, got his life turned around and pointed himself back toward baseball. The Devil Rays basically gave up on him, and the Reds got him through a Rule 5 draft trade. The Reds figured he would need time to get back into form.

It didn't take him long. Hamilton was the NL's Rookie

of the Month for April, and he is clearly the Reds' most complete player even though he had never faced major-league pitching or played much above Class A before his addiction took over. His talent didn't go to waste; it was just dormant. And now, it's center stage.

"That's why I'm here, the baseball," Hamilton said on Monday, before a game against Houston. "What happened in the past is the past. At the same time, it's something I can talk to people about and tell them about the things I went through and how I came through them. When you think you're beat, you really can come back from things.

"Now, it's good. I'm playing well, and my skills are starting to sharpen up like they used to be, and I'm able to impress people on the field instead of just impressing them by coming back from where I was."

Everything about him has been impressive. Hamilton makes sure to sign autographs after batting practice, and he is willing to share his story with fans who are also trying to beat addictions. He readily agrees to open up about his life, hoping that by sharing his story and his faith that he can make a difference in someone else's life.

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POINT/COUNTERPOINT

# Which remaining playoff team do you think will win the 2007 NBA Finals?

**SPURS**

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Big-time check. After watching a healthy amount of NBA ball, I don't know if there's anyone in the league who drives to the hoop faster and more effectively than Spur point guard Tony Parker.

The Spurs are already up a game on the Phoenix Suns in the second round, meaning home-court advantage is theirs to lose. But that loss is far from likely.

San Antonio matches up pretty well with the Suns, and looking on to the Western Conference finals, let's just say Golden State, a diet version of the Suns, did the Spurs more than a huge favor by eliminating the Dallas Mavericks, who would have been Duncan & Company's biggest threat to reaching the finals.

Speaking of the finals, I haven't even mentioned the disparity between the two conferences. You know, there's a reason it's called the Eastern conference. As a Chicago Bull fan, I can attest to the staggering gap. Flipping channels between East and West games is like toggling between JV and varsity; the quality of play is just that much better.

And right now, San Antonio — with enough patches from the past to fill an extra-large letterman — has the most going for it, and it's not like it needs to prove anything — the Spurs have already shown it's possible.

2007 is going to look real good next to 1999, 2003, and 2005.

— by Bobby Loesch

**PISTONS**

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The Pistons, however, have outstanding post depth with Rasheed Wallace, Chris Webber, and Antonio McDyess off the bench to go with lanky defensive standout Tayshaun Prince. All are capable of scoring, but Detroit also has its two all-star guards, Chauncey Billups and Rip Hamilton, to take care of the primary offensive duties.



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If it is the Phoenix Suns the former bad boys of basketball encounter in the finals, the Pistons' championship experience should give them an immediate advantage. Detroit's defensive prowess and length should counter Nash, Stoudemire, and Marion.

Not to mention, the Suns don't play defense.

The Spurs do play defense, and the rematch of the 2005 NBA Finals is certainly an intriguing one.

Both teams have well-established post players and excellent guard play to accompany its championship rings.

But at the moment, the Pistons seem to have the less stressful path to encounter.

— by Sean Monahan

**SUNS**

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Even down 0-1 (as in 2006, when they eventually came back to beat San Antonio), look at the Suns' lineup, and it's just too much.

Mike D'Antoni coaches an offense he's previously referred to as "chaotic," led by Nash, the should-be MVP for the third year in a row.

Amare Stoudemire leads the team in scoring at 20.4 points per contest and averages 9.6 boards, second to the ugly-but-effective shooting Shawn Marion's team high 9.8. The Matrix averages 17.5 points.

Add in Leandro "Brazilian Blur" Barbosa and his 18.1 points per and Raja Bell's 14.7 off the bench, and it's easy to see why the Suns won 61 games in the regular season.

The Spurs can't keep up with the blazing Suns for six more games, and no other team Phoenix could face is as sound on both ends of the court as San Antonio.

Simply put, an MVP averaging 11.6 assists per game in an offense that flies like D'Antoni's is just too hot for the mellow Spurs.

The Warriors were fun to watch in round one, but neither Utah nor Golden State have the experience or wheels to stay in Phoenix's rearview mirror, and the West is still on top of the East, despite the Bulls and Pistons hysteria throughout the Midwest.

D'Antoni's chaos and three-peat MVP Nash make the Suns the favorites for NBA champions in '07.

Besides, if "Sir Charles" Barkley likes them, who am I to disagree?

— by Alex Johnson

**BULLS**

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The same group that was overwhelmed by the Heat a year ago has matured into one of the deepest teams in the league and a legitimate title contender. Under the watch of general manager John Paxson and head coach Scott Skiles, the Bulls have developed into a defensive terror.

Hinrich, a second team All-NBA defensive selection, and four-time NBA defensive player of the year Ben Wallace lead the way.

On the offensive end, Deng (24.6 PPG in the playoffs) and Gordon (21.8 PPG in the playoffs) are budding superstars, while rookie Tyrus Thomas keeps the editors of the "SportsCenter" "ultimate highlight" busy. Adding grit and moxie to the group is 6-7 Andres Nocioni, who ignites the squad with his hustle and 3-point prowess.

Although they were trounced by the Detroit Pistons in the opening game of the series, the Bulls have the talent to storm back, especially when the series swings back to Chicago later in the week. Skiles crew went 31-10 in the house that Jordan built, the best home record in the Eastern Conference.

If they can get by the Pistons, the Bulls should have no trouble overcoming either Cleveland or New Jersey on their way to the NBA Finals. Although a potential matchup against Phoenix or San Antonio doesn't favor Chicago, the Bulls split the regular season series 1-1 with each team. However the playoffs unfold, the team has, at last, exorcised the stigma of the "Baby Bulls."

— by Paul Kazmierczak

Freshman of the Year

# Tyler Smith one and done

'Tyler asked to be released, expressing his desire to be closer to his father. We respect his decision to be near his family and will grant the release in order for Tyler to further his education closer to home.'

— Todd Lickliter, men's basketball head coach

**SMITH**

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Without Smith, Iowa's leading returning scorer is Tony Freeman, who averaged 7.5 points per game in 17 starts last year.

"Tyler asked to be released, expressing his desire to be closer to his father," Lickliter said in a statement. "We respect his decision to be near his family and will grant the release in order for Tyler to further his education closer to home."

When contacted for further comment Monday, the UI sports information office said Lickliter wasn't granting interviews for two weeks while he takes care of personal matters.

At Lickliter's introductory

press conference, it sounded as if Smith might stick around.

"A great coach," the 20-year-old said of Lickliter. "He's a proven winner."

"Right now, I'm signed with Iowa. That's where I'm at right now."

An e-mail to Smith wasn't returned as of late Monday.

With a key building block in the plan for next year gone, Lickliter finds himself in an unenviable position — finding a go-to scorer with nine returning players, none of whom has ever averaged double digits in college.

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# Detroit pistons Bulls once again

**DETROIT**

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Richard Hamilton had 24 points, Chris Webber scored 22, and Chauncey Billups had 14 points and 10 rebounds. Rasheed Wallace added 10 points.

Chicago's Tyrus Thomas scored 12 of his 18 points in the final quarter to prevent the Pistons from winning by 26, as they did in the series opener, but the Bulls' stars did not shine.

Luol Deng scored 16 on 4-of-12 shooting, Ben Gordon and Ben Wallace each scored 13, and Kirk Hinrich was held to two points on 0-for-7 shooting.

Just as it did in Game 1, Detroit took control with a big run in the first quarter and prevented the Bulls from rallying the rest of the way.

The Pistons led by 24 points early in the second quarter, 23 late in the third and had inside-and-out answers when Thomas helped Chicago pull to 93-80 midway through the fourth.

Rasheed Wallace dunked on Thomas, and Billups made a 3-pointer to end the comeback hopes for the Bulls, who emptied their bench a few minutes later.

The Pistons are 6-0 in the playoffs, the franchise's best winning streak in a postseason since closing the 1989 championship run with seven straight wins.

Prince made nine of 20 shots, including three 3-pointers, and prevented Deng from a scoring outburst again. Deng scored 18 points on 16 shots in Game 1 after averaging 26.3 points in the first-round sweep over the defending NBA champion Miami Heat.

The Bulls made just 23 field goals, matching the playoff franchise low they set in Game 1, and hit just over one-third of their shots.

Before the game, Pistons coach Flip Saunders hinted that his team might look to score inside early after begin-

ning with a Billups-led attack in Game 1.

It didn't take long to see that was exactly the plan.

The Pistons took an 8-0 lead on their first three possessions after Rasheed Wallace backed down P.J. Brown into the lane, Webber drove past Ben Wallace, and Rasheed Wallace dunked — giving them a second three-point play and Brown his second foul.

After Chicago scored seven straight, Webber's 18-footer capped a 14-5 run that gave Detroit a double-digit lead. Webber scored 10 points, doubling his Game 1 total, to help the Pistons lead 34-18 with their highest-scoring quarter of the playoffs.

On the first possession of the second quarter, Detroit reserve Jason Maxiell beat Ben Wallace to a loose ball to set up Billups' first of two 3-pointers. Hamilton added two free throws for a 24-point lead.

Chicago outscored the Pis-

tons by nine the rest of the quarter to make it 58-43 at halftime.

Ben Wallace had a team-high 12 in the first half while Hinrich was scoreless after missing all five of his shots.

The Pistons went into the fourth ahead 83-62 and didn't have to worry much about losing their cushion.

Notes: NBA Commissioner David Stern attended the game and said he "won't consider" reseeding after each round in the playoffs and that he plans

to meet with suspended official Joey Crawford after the post-season. ... Detroit outrebounded the Bulls 51-30 and limited Ben Wallace to seven rebounds, including just two on the offensive glass. ... The game's flow was stunted by fouls — 36 on Detroit and 24 on Chicago. Rasheed Wallace fouled out with 5 minutes left. ... Faces in the crowd included Kid Rock and several Detroit Tigers, including pitchers Justin Verlander and Jeremy Bonderman.

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