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WEATHER



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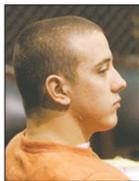
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Jury hears grisly tape

The Kyle Marin trial on Wednesday featured a videotape of Marin's account of the slayings.



Marin charged in slayings

By Samantha Miller
THE DAILY IOWAN

Kyle Marin stabbed and bludgeoned to death 18-year-old Katrina Hill and Molly Edmondson. He said so himself.

A videotaped interview of Marin detailing the gruesome slayings was played at the Linn County Courthouse on Wednesday, evoking sobs throughout the courtroom.

Marin is charged with two counts of first-degree murder in the April 23, 2006, deaths of Hill, of Solon, and Edmondson, of Cedar Rapids.

On the tape played to the jury, Marin calmly and mechanically explained how the previous evening had escalated from drinking and having a good time with Edmondson and Hill to him "exploding" and killing two of his friends.

"I just kind of lost it," he said. "The more I lost it, the more I wanted it."

Marin told Cedar Rapids police Detective Douglas Larison during his questioning at the Cedar Rapids police station that he had "problems with his head." He detailed his history of taking anxiety medications and mentioned his suicide attempt and subsequent hospitalization just weeks

SEE MARIN, 3A

Fire hits IC apartments



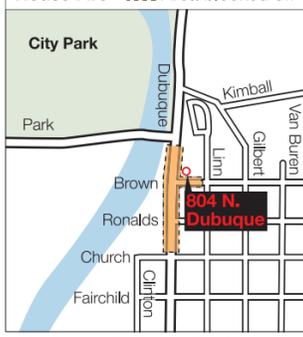
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Local firefighters respond to a blaze at 804 N. Dubuque St. Thirteen residents of the building were displaced by the fire, which officials estimated caused \$75,000 in damage. The cause is still unknown.

Blazing response

Eight area fire departments responded to a Dubuque St. fire on Wednesday afternoon.

House Fire Area blocked off



Nelle Dunlap/The Daily Iowan

DI 804 N. Dubuque St. Fire
To find out more on the fire that displaced 13 people, watch Daily Iowan Television at dailyiowan.com.

By George Sweeney
THE DAILY IOWAN

One Iowa City firefighter was treated for minor injuries suffered during a fire in a 10-unit apartment building on North Dubuque Street on Wednesday afternoon. Seven area departments, in addition to Iowa City's, responded; no civilians were hurt.

All on-duty Iowa City firefighters were on the scene of a semi in the ditch along on I-80 when the blaze at 804 N. Dubuque St. was reported at 1:58 p.m., battalion chief Jim Humston said.

Other area firefighters, along with backup Iowa City personnel, responded to the blaze while Iowa City's 15 on-duty staff handled the I-80 truck crash, Humston said. After handling the incident on I-80, he said, all but six Iowa City firefighters went to the apartment fire.

The apartment fire was difficult to access, he said, because of the building's thick plaster walls. Crews from MidAmerican Energy cut off gas and electricity to the building as a precaution.

Harry Hinckley, the building's owner, said investigators suspected the fire started outside the building on a porch, possibly from a grill, but that the cause remains uncertain.

In all, 13 residents were displaced. "It'll be a long time" before the building can be occupied again, Humston said, estimating roughly \$75,000 worth of damage to the building.

But Hinckley was more optimistic. He said he's "shooting for a week" to have residents of units less affected by the blaze return. It will take longer before residents of the three most damaged apartments can return.

"I'm very thankful it came out the way it did," Hinckley said, because no one was seriously hurt.

Fire damage was mostly contained to the building's roof and one unit on its third floor, though other areas suffered smoke and water damage, Humston said.

SEE FIRE, 4A

Loebsack wants troops out

Iowa's 2nd District representative, which includes Iowa City, returns from his second trip to Iraq.

By Dean Treftz
THE DAILY IOWAN

After his second trip to Iraq, Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa, still wants U.S. forces to pull out, but, he said, his new perspective helped him better understand how the troops should leave.

"Nothing can really replace seeing things on the ground," he said.

Loebsack led a bipartisan group of four representatives in a trip through Baghdad, Ramadi, and several central Iraqi bases via Kuwait. Loebsack stressed the importance of Camp Arifjan, the Kuwaiti base that serves as the operation's logistical center.

The freshman congressman from Mount Vernon used the trip to assess the military's readiness to withdraw and to bring gift packages to Iowa National Guard troops in Balad Airbase north of Baghdad. Loebsack also visited hospitals in Iraq and Ramstein Air Base in western Germany and recently toured Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington.

Loebsack, who wants U.S. forces to have completely withdrawn in one year, said he talked to several commanders in Iraq and Kuwait.

"They are prepared to disengage. It's a question of how long it's going to take," Loebsack said. "The bottom line is we have to do it safely."

The Iowa soldiers, based in Ottumwa, often complained of short layovers between tours.

"A number of them were not particularly happy," Loebsack said. "[Such short layovers] are unusual, especially for Guard and Reserve."

Of the 9,700 in the Iowa Army and Air Force National Guard, 750 are on active duty assignments outside the state, Lt. Col. Greg Hapgood said.



Loebsack Iowa 2nd District representative

SEE LOEBSACK, 4A

Wetherby house may make landmark list

DI Wetherby house
For more on the proposed restoration of Isaac Wetherby's house, watch Daily Iowan Television at dailyiowan.com.

By Kelli Shaffner
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa City's Historic Preservation Commission unanimously decided to hold a public hearing on making the house at 935 E. Market St. a historic landmark. If established, the building would have a 60-day waiting period before it could ever be demolished.

Built by an Irish immigrant, the house served as the home of Isaac Wetherby, an artist who has been known as a historical figure not only to Iowa City but for the state as well. Mary Bennett of the State Historical Society said Wetherby took one of the first photos of the Old



Contributed Photo/Marybeth Slonneger via the Wetherby family

Capitol, painted banners for President Lincoln, and photographed Samuel Kirkwood. He also started an art school in Rock Valley, Iowa.

The house remained in his family from around 1860 to 1940. Marybeth Slonneger, a catalyst for the movement to preserve it, said it is the last building in Iowa City and Boston, his hometown,

that's connected to him.

The city approved a demolition permit for the home, but it could be preserved if Slonneger — an author who researched Wetherby for her book *Wetherby Gallery* — has her way.

The commission must wait at least a week before holding the hearing in order to inform the current owner of the possible situation.



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FAR LEFT: Isaac Wetherby's home stands in Iowa City circa 1869.

LEFT: The Wetherby house as it appears today at 935 E. Market St. The city has approved a demolition permit for the house, but the house may be spared from destruction if it can be established as a historical landmark.

The meeting will be Nov. 1. The current owner wasn't present at Wednesday's meeting and declined to comment.

Bennett said the owner could sell the house, move it off the property, or donate it, "depending on how greedy he is."

SEE WETHERBY, 3A

Historic house may be saved

WETHERBY
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'It got harder and harder to rent and fill. We decided to get out of the rental business and put it on the market to see what happened, and it sold.'

— Carol Sueppel, previous owner of the house

Carol Sueppel, the previous owner of the home, said she had not known the history of the house until a year ago, when Slonneger approached her. She said the history didn't really make a difference to her.

She and husband Francis Sueppel sold it earlier this month.

The property had been in their family for around 20 years, and although they never lived in it, their daughter and son did.

Sueppel said they made the decision to sell it because rental property in Iowa City is very plentiful.

"It got harder and harder to rent and fill," she said. "We decided to get out of the rental business and put it on the market to see what happened, and it sold."

Wetherby House

Background on the house and artist:

- It was first sold in 1858 for \$1,000 by an Irish immigrant teamster to Isaac Wetherby, a photographer and artist, who also worked in Maine and Massachusetts.
- Wetherby owned his studio, Wetherby's Gallery, on Clinton Street for around 15 years. He painted more than 250 works, and the State Historical Society has more than 1,600 glass-plate negatives of his photographs.
- His house, 935 E. Market St., has never been restored.
- Wetherby was born in 1819 in Providence, R.I., and died in 1904 in Iowa City.

She said it took about a week and accredited the quick sale to their "very good Realtor."

Bennett said Slonneger has already restored a couple other historical houses, adding if she could improve it, she would do a wonderful job.

"It's a jewel of a little house," Slonneger said. "If restored, it could be a tremendous asset."

She said if possible, she would like the landscape to be dotted with apple trees; just as when Wetherby occupied it.

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Tape details killings

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prior to killing the women. He said he's had suicidal thoughts for years, as well as notions of killing.

"I turned myself in because I am dangerous," the former Iowa City West High student said. "Dangerous to myself and dangerous to others."

He added he didn't know why he felt so violent, but he "just wanted to kill."

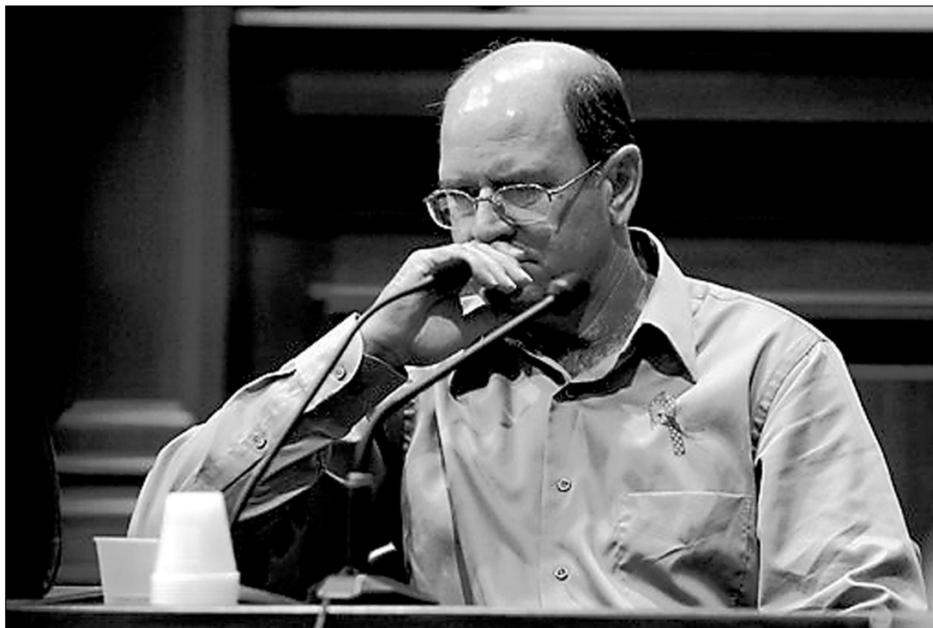
Marin told Larison how earlier that day he had spent time with the women: He played drinking games with them and hung out with two guys Marin said he didn't know until that night.

The 21-year-old said that as the evening came to a close, Hill and Edmondson began to settle down at Edmondson's Cedar Rapids apartment. Marin said he went out by himself to get cigarettes, but found himself at the roof of a parking ramp having thoughts of suicide.

When he got back to Edmondson's apartment, Marin said Hill and Edmondson were already in bed. He said he forced them to get out of bed, take off all their clothes, and get in the shower.

"I thought [killing them] would be easier without clothes," Marin said to Larison on the tape.

He detailed throughout the interview of how he stabbed them both numerous times in the arms and legs with a knife before concentrating his attention on Edmondson, with whom, Marin



Brian Ray, pool/Associated Press
Raymond Hill of Solon reacts on the witness stand as a recording of the 911 call he made after finding the bodies of his daughter, Katrina Hill, and her cousin Molly Edmondson is played at the trial of Kyle Marin on Tuesday in 6th District Court in Cedar Rapids. Marin, 21, is accused of killing both women in April 2006.

said, he had had a sexual relationship in the past. He said he stabbed her all over her body, throat, and face. When he thought she was dead, he attacked and eventually killed Hill by stabbing and bludgeoning her with a hammer he had found in the bathroom, he recounted.

"I was enjoying it," Marin said. "I don't know why I was."

He said he then drug Edmondson to her bedroom and left Hill in the bathroom. Marin then went to bed in Edmondson's spare bedroom.

Larison wrote out a confession for Marin detailing the

then-19-year-old's account of the slayings. Marin signed the confession.

Larison took the stand on Wednesday and was asked on cross-examination by defense attorney Thomas Diehl if he thought Marin had planned the homicides. Larison said he thought he had.

The state, represented by Linn County prosecutor Harold Denton and assistant prosecutor Jason Burns, called three medical professions to testify about collecting evidence from the victims' bodies before the autopsy. A laceration to the vaginal wall

was found on Hill and loose pubic hair on Edmondson's abdomen, they said.

Ultimately, the evidence came back negative for a sexual offense, the defense countered.

The defense motioned for a mistrial toward the end of the day's proceedings. Judge Robert Sosalla denied the motion.

The trial is expected to last until the end of next week.

If Marin is convicted on both counts of first-degree murder, he will spend the rest of his life behind bars without the possibility of parole.

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Blaze displaces 13

Fire at a North Dubuque Street building closes the street for several blocks on Wednesday afternoon.



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A fire that blazed through a Dubuque Street a 10-apartment complex on Wednesday afternoon left 13 residents displaced. Fire officials said the flames were hard to access because of the building's thick stucco walls.

FIRE

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Residents watched as firefighters cut their building's roof with chain saws and broke its third-floor windows for ventilation. "There's nothing we can do," said UI student Nicole Parsons, who lives in the building. She said her roommate opened a closet door, finding smoke. Parsons was about to take a midterm

when she got the call telling her that her building was on fire.

Sawyer Willman, who lives in a basement apartment, sat barefoot on the parkway overlooking its back parking lot. He said he will probably sleep at a friend's house for a while.

Campus routes were affected by the blaze, which blocked Dubuque Street between Church Street and Park Road, said

Campus dispatcher Ashley Huston. She said that while the Interdorm route buses were not delayed, Red and Blue routes were "a mess" because buses on each route switched to the other when they reached Mayflower Hall.

UI student Mitch Baas said he decided to walk from campus back to his room at Mayflower because of the blockage of Dubuque Street, but he said the

delay was not an inconvenience.

Three volunteers from the American Red Cross arrived after the call was reported. Red Cross volunteer Dick Kubit said his agency was stretched thinner than usual because eight area volunteers are helping relief efforts in Southern California, where numerous massive fires are raging.

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Loebsack backs troop withdrawal

LOEBSACK

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Earlier in the war, the Iowa National Guard had as many as 3,000 troops out on active duty, Hapgood said. The number will likely increase soon, however.

"We are preparing for more deployments," Hapgood said. "Our new normal is 1,000 on active duty."

Seeing the situation on the ground in Iraq can completely change someone's perspective, said Stephanie Linn, the president of the UI Veterans Association.

When Linn originally deployed in 2003, she didn't agree with the war. It was a Bush mistake; he was following

his father, she had thought.

"After I went over there and saw how the people were being treated ... we did the right thing going over there," she said.

Two tours and over four years later, the pre-med sophomore still supports the war and says the media's coverage skews the public's view.

Despite disagreeing with them, Linn said, she wants antiwar politicians to see Iraq.

"I like that the leaders come over; it's just that they put a lot of us [soldiers] in danger," she said. "It does do the politicians a lot of good; they can get some perspective on it."

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NATION

Oral Roberts U 'struggling financially'

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Oral Roberts University, which is fighting accusations that its president misspent school funds, faces a crippling debt load, the chairman of the school's Board of Regents said Wednesday.

Chairman George Pearsons told The Associated Press that maintenance costs and low financial support from donors have put the evangelical university \$55 million in debt. University spokesman Jeremy Burton later said the debt is actually \$52.5 million.

"Honestly, we've been struggling financially," Pearsons said. "Really my goal — and it's a big one — my goal is to obliterate the debt."

The announcement comes a week after the school's president, Richard Roberts, took a leave of absence to fight a lawsuit brought by three former professors who claim they were wrongfully dismissed.

Among the accusations the lawsuit makes against Richard Roberts and his wife, Lindsay, are that they used school funds to remodel their home 11 times in 14 years, sent their daughter and several of her friends on a \$29,411 senior trip to the Bahamas on a university-owned jet, and that they spent school money to provide their daughters with a stable of horses.

The couple has denied any wrongdoing. Richard Roberts has said the lawsuit amounted to "intimidation, blackmail and extortion."

Richard Roberts' father, Oral Roberts, has returned to Oklahoma from California to take a greater role in guiding the school he founded in 1963.

The 5,700-student university is a product of Oral Roberts' ministry, which grew from Southern tent revivals to one of the most successful evangelical empires in the country.

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UIHC looks to spiritual health, too

During Pastoral Care Week, the hospital recognizes a group giving spiritual support to patients going through hard times.

Pastoral Care Week
Watch Daily Iowan Television tonight for more on spiritual services at the UI Hospitals and Clinics. at dailyiowan.com.

By **Zhi Xiong**
THE DAILY IOWAN

Faced with the end of life, terminal illness, or a surgical procedure, the sterile environment of a hospital can offer too little comfort for patients.

That's when chaplains and religious leaders are dispatched from the UI Hospitals and Clinics' spiritual services department. Today marks the fifth day of Pastoral Care Week, recognizing the staff's

role in medicine.

Sometimes it's as simple as going over the details of patients' lives to make them realize they have lived well, said Larry Shostrom, the director of spiritual services.

A breakthrough comes with visible relaxation, tears of relief, or a simple declaration, "I am afraid."

At those times, he feels like he has truly helped someone and did his job as a minister, Shostrom said.

Pastoral care first became integrated into the UIHC in the 1930s, when a Lutheran minister was appointed to be a spiritual leader for both the hospital and the UI campus. The

pastoral services department was created around 30 years later, solidifying the UIHC as an accredited training site for clinical pastoral education.

While science and medicine have been pounding ahead, the human need to address spirituality is constant, said Diana Cates, a UI associate professor of religious studies.

"It is an integral aspect of who most people are," she said. "It has been made plain in research that medical treatment is not just a matter of stopping a disease or taking out a diseased organ."

As a sort of counselor, chaplains can encounter ethical dilemmas. Jehovah's Witnesses

sometimes decline blood transfusions for their children, or scientologists do not believe in using psychiatric medicines.

In difficult cases, religious leaders — and physicians who might scoff at spiritual concerns — must try to suppress strong opinions when approaching patients, Cates said.

"You need to set that strong view aside," she said. "It takes compassion to take seriously other people's ways of looking at reality."

The staff makes referrals to other religious leaders in the area if the patients prefer to speak to someone of their own faith. A Protestant service and Catholic Mass are offered on

Sundays, while Fridays feature Muslim prayer.

Some religious leaders also make regular visits to Iowa City's three hospitals, such as Rabbi Jeff Portman of Agudas Achim Congregation, 602 E. Washington St.

He has received some training from the UIHC's chaplain program. Modern seminaries require such clinical practice, Portman said.

Though the spiritual services department serves the entire hospital, the humble office is easily missed in the General Hospital. A large print of a wooden cross hangs on the wall of the cozy office for 12 staff members. Many

Christian-themed pamphlets are scattered across a table. At least half of the staff identify themselves as Baptist, Lutheran, or Catholic.

But Shostrom said the stereotypical white-male club of chaplaincy is steadily giving way to increasing numbers of females and minorities in recent years. The department changed its focus from "pastoral" to "spiritual" services to emphasize the idea five years ago, he said.

"Change comes slowly," he added. "But these days, there is so much emphasis on diversity that people come to expect that."

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Microsoft buys Facebook stake

By **Michael Liedtke**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO — Rapidly rising Internet star Facebook Inc. has sold a 1.6 percent stake to Microsoft Corp. for \$240 million, spurning a competing offer from online search-leader Google Inc.

Culminating weeks of negotiations, the investment announced Wednesday values Palo Alto-based Facebook at \$15 billion — a stunning figure for an online hangout started in a Harvard University dorm room less than four years ago.

Microsoft also will sell Internet ads for Facebook as the site expands outside the United States, broadening a marketing relationship that began last year.

"This is a strong statement of confidence in this partnership and in Facebook," Kevin Johnson, president of Microsoft's platforms and services division, said during a Wednesday conference call with reporters and analysts.

Besides validating founder Mark Zuckerberg's decision to rebuff a \$1 billion takeover offer from Yahoo Inc. last year, Microsoft's money should be more than enough to pay for

Facebook's ambitious expansion plans until the privately held company goes public.

Zuckerberg, 23, has indicated he would like to hold off on an initial public offering for at least two more years. In the meantime, Facebook hopes to become an advertising magnet by substantially increasing its current worldwide audience of nearly 50 million active users, who connect with friends on the site through messaging, photo-sharing and other tools it offers.

Although News Corp.'s MySpace.com remains the largest social network, Facebook has been growing much faster the past year.

Facebook attracted 30.6 million U.S. visitors during September compared with 68.4 million at MySpace. Microsoft's entry in the social networking arena — "Windows Live Spaces" — attracted 9.8 million U.S. visitors, according to comScore Inc.

To support its growth, Facebook is gearing up to more than double its payroll during the next year to around 700 employees. The company currently employs about 300 workers with annual revenue believed to fall between \$100 million and \$150 million.

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Editorial

Hilary's 'rural' meeting actually a powwow with lobbyists

In politics, the theory of "six degrees of separation" is often used to link candidates with unfavorable companies, donors, or other elected officials. The world of Washington is a small one, and many times this intricately spun web, as critical as it is to furthering an agenda, can also damage its maker. Much of the time the silky threads remain unseen, until someone comes along and shines light behind them, making the connections visible to all.

Late last week, ABC News obtained an event invitation sent out by Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton's presidential-nomination campaign that asked its recipients to join "Rural Americans for Hillary" for lunch and a briefing by members of Congress and senior campaign staff. The meeting will be held not in a small town in the Hawkeye State or Ohio or Kansas but in Washington, D.C. — a strange place to discuss issues affecting rural voters. Beyond strange is awkward, a word that could be used to describe the specific address for the event — the offices of Troutman Sanders, a lobbying firm. More specifically, the lobbying firm heavily relied upon by agribusiness giant Monsanto. Monsanto leads the industry in genetic livestock breeding and Superfund violations, and it will likely see a ban this week on one of its seed types in France because of health concerns. Monsanto was promised more than \$680,000 in tax breaks Monday night, courtesy of the town of Ankeny, Iowa, just for promising to bring new jobs to the area. We're guessing this isn't the photo op Rodham Clinton wants for leaflets in Iowa, exchanging ideas over coffee and

sandwiches with suits rather than John Deere hats. Maybe that's why Rodham Clinton herself won't be at the event, a wise choice considering how it might look.

Rather than defend the choice to the ABC journalist, Rodham Clinton spokesman Phil Singer pointed out that Fortress Investments, the hedge fund John Edwards used to work for, has invested in Monsanto and did so while employing Edwards. Singer also said the manager for Edwards' vice-presidential campaign in 2004, Peter Scher, is the managing partner for fellow Monsanto lobbying firm Mayer Brown. Singer continued, "In 2004, Edwards said, 'If you are looking for the candidate who will do the best job of attacking the other Democrats, I am not your guy.' But he's become that guy now that his 2008 campaign has stalled."

For the Rodham Clinton machine to completely ignore the question at hand and deflect attention from the "Rural Americans" event is suspect, but to do so by attacking another campaign on similar lobbying links is bizarre and more than slightly hypocritical. Edwards' associations aren't being denied, but they aren't what's being questioned, either. The Rodham Clinton campaign is the only operation of the three Democratic front-runners to take money from lobbyists, and for its success' sake, should keep such contact to a minimum. Meeting with lobbying interests in Washington under the pretense of taking interest in rural issues is a good way to offend Iowans, not gain their votes.

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View from the corner

A few modest proposals for the great alcohol debate

Having held my pen for nearly two decades, I figure it's time to weigh in on the great alcohol debate.

The problem is said to be underage drinking.

The solution is said to be, variously, barring people younger than 21 from bars, or not. People running retail establishments downtown tend to support the ban. People running downtown bars tend, not surprisingly, to oppose it; student journalists tend to abandon the virtue of skepticism as they amplify bar owners' self-interested declamations.

Although ticketing underage drinkers is a lucrative revenue source, it's probably a drag, and concentrating patrols downtown sucks up resources, so the police purport to be against the under-21 ban. Public-health experts and alarmed parents tend to be for; young people with affection for crowds and smoke and sticky floors tend to be against.

I'm neither here nor there on most of the arguments, pro or con. I will say that opponents who bemoan that limiting patronage at lubricated live music venues to 21-and-over will kill live music are dangling a red herring: Those venues make money not from cover charges, which go to the bands, nor from water- and soda-sipping students fulfilling recital attendance credits, but from selling alcohol.

What if the problem actually is the problem itself? What if the problem is, gulp, the drinking age?

I realize these United States of America, each state empowered to set its own age threshold for alcohol consumption, have arrived at a uniform drinking age rather than lose federal highway funds. I realize the rationale for that federal mandate was a desire to decrease rates of accidents involving young drunk drivers.

Indeed, fewer people are dying because of such accidents than in the mid-1980s, when the states fell into line. Correlation is not causation, and most likely a mix of reasons have contributed to this improvement, but statistics are good fodder for rhetorical strategies.



JUDY POLUMBAUM

I realize the feds and the states are unlikely to roll back their insistence on 21. So what's the point of even mentioning it?

Here's what happens now in our fair city: 19-year-olds go into the bars and find ways to drink.

Here's what will happen if the 21-ordinance passes: 19-year-olds will get fake IDs and go into the bars and drink. (I don't buy the raging house-party-epidemic prediction; we're already there.)

In other words, 21 is arbitrary. Whatever happens, young people will continue to obtain and consume alcoholic beverages. So what's the point of anything?

My prescription is to get them through this stage as early as possible. Doing so depends not on the police or local government or the school system or the university, but on parents. I propose:

Let your toddlers drain the beer cans after parties. My mom claims I performed this helpful cleanup chore, and if my few glasses of wine a week correspond with your idea of moderate drinking in adulthood, you might say it worked.

When it's not a school night, and while your kids are at a discerning but still impressionable age, take them on a wee-hour field trip to a place such as the Ped Mall as the bars are letting out. They'll make note of much ludicrous under-the-influence behavior.

Make sure your teenagers get sick-drunk at least once. My younger son did so at 15, downing an entire bottle of wine upon hearing his grandpa had died, and he was not eager to repeat the exercise.

With the caveat that my plan may not suit everyone or every genetic line, particularly if clinical alcoholism runs in the family, I'd urge its consideration.

As for the old saw about nothing to do in Iowa City: Don't miss the best show in town, *Dance Gala*, next week at Hancher, Nov. 2 and 3.

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Guest opinion

In defense of mandatory health insurance

In your editorial of Oct. 18, "Proposal for mandatory health insurance is a sick joke," you only really understand half the problem.

"If the concept of individual mandate continues to grow ..., it would be a further example of the destructively cozy relationship between the insurance industry and the government. Universal health care needs to be realized, soon, but forcing coverage is futile, irresponsible, and misguided."

The conclusion that universal health care needs to be realized soon is the conclusion of former Govs. Terry Branstad and Tom Vilsack, who convened three public hearings for the legislative commission. The Iowa Legislature's Commission on Affordable Health Care Plans for Small Businesses and Families is reviewing many proposals, and we know a fresh approach is clearly needed to address the present health-care system, which is consuming a larger share of public, corporate, and individual financial resources.

During our review, we have learned the current system is rewarding the insurers and the providers for the wrong values. We pay insurance companies to avoid risk, not ensure health. And we pay providers to provide services only when we are sick, not to stay healthy. This is not what the governors or the commission want to sustain.

Iowa needs to address its ranking in the bottom half of the United States based on prevalence of cardiovascular disease, asthma, diabetes, cancer, and obesity. If the commission recommends mandatory insurance, it will come with modifications to the insurance market such as portability, eliminating pre-existing conditions, and guaranteed availability, pooling, and rating classifications. It will also come with modifications to how we provide health care. The

commission will recommend the creation of a "medical home" in which the patient and their doctor actually discuss how to stay healthy by using health-risk assessments to prevent further illnesses.

In your editorial, you compared mandatory health insurance with mandatory auto insurance. Well, it involves the same principles, but the case for mandatory health insurance is stronger. While individuals can choose NOT to drive, they can not choose not to need health care. The cost of treating an uninsured illness can be huge and continue for years or even decades and impose a substantial cost on the rest of society. Like the young driver who was injured at the Iowa/Iowa State football game in an accident that killed four of his friends, he chose not to have health insurance, and we will pay for his care for years.

Your editorial also states that only those who can't afford insurance don't have it. If the commission recommends mandatory insurance, we will develop a sliding scale that will help low-income families and small businesses. The commission is looking at mandatory health insurance, but we are also tying it directly to "value based" health care, in which investing in preventive care and wellness programs is more important than paying for a "sick" care fee-for-service system.

The commission is committed to not recommending another Band-Aid to this already bad payment system. We do know we need true reform so that all Iowans can afford and sustain a health-care system that works for everyone.

State Sen. Jack Hatch, D-Des Moines

The author is co-head of the Commission on Affordable Health Care Plans for Small Businesses and Families.

On the Spot

Can you name one person running for City Council?



"The guy I voted for in the primary lost, and now there's no one interesting left."

Jennifer Fleegeer
UI graduate student



"No, I have no idea."

Josh Popelka
UI senior



"Oh dear, I don't know."

Ram Wadhvani
UI graduate student



"I have no idea."

Billy Freeman
UI senior

Getting schippy

Last week, Congress was unable to renew the State Children's Health Insurance Program after President Bush vetoed the legislation. Shame on Bush? No, Shame on the Democrats. And, shame on us.

It appears that no issue is too important to be exploited for political gain. Maybe it's obstructed by the haze of all the rhetoric, but there's plenty of blame to go around.

Of course everyone wants children to have health care, but the Democrats would have you believe that it comes down to a simple question: Do you support children's health care? Yes or no.

Bush chose no. It was a politically unpopular move, but it just isn't that simple.

Whether or not you support children's health care has no bearing on whether or not you support the SCHIP renewal. Yet, the

whole debate has been reduced to name-calling and political posturing by members of Congress. I find their behavior appalling.

The president supports SCHIP, he disapproves of the expansion. In fact, every Republican I've witnessed has spoken highly of SCHIP. In supporting the program, Republicans and Democrats agree. You don't often see those words in a sentence together.

For this reason, I'm not so quick to point the finger at Bush. Why did Democrats take an issue they actually agreed with Republicans on and alter it to something they knew would end up with a veto? It's a win-win for Democrats. If the president signs the bill, they claim victory. If he vetoes, he's the one hurting the children. It's all a political game. Score one for the America-hating liberals over the children's health-care-hating conservatives.

While the two parties are swinging rhetorical flails at each other, we've got a health-care crisis on our hands. We have two political parties who recognize a problem: parents unable to afford health care. One proposed solution is to expand SCHIP by \$35 billion to provide a safety net for uninsured children. The other side favors a slight increase in SCHIP funding but supports tax incentives to persuade more parents to buy private insurance. They each have separate ideologies. Most of you will dismiss one of the two as deeply flawed and preposterous.

That's why we have political parties — so you can align yourself with whoever best represents your personal ideology. We elect legislators based on shared values, and we send them to Washington to represent us. The problem is, they waste our time trying to make the other side look bad. They disagree on priorities; but if both sides can agree that there is a problem, they're halfway there. Instead of sitting down with Republicans and finding a way to pass the legislation, Democrats forced the veto and sent it through Congress again to try to override the president. As predicted after this drawn out debate, they could find neither the president nor the two-thirds of the House required for success. The Democrats now have to sit down and do what they should have done in the first place — work together to find a solution. Had they done this in September, it would've passed right away without drama. Instead, they deliberately worked against the president for political gain. If everyone was as concerned about children's health care as they claim to be, they would have put aside partisanship.

Finally, shame on us. I set out to write a column chastising the Democrats, but in the end, I'm only playing into the game. We're more focused on who's right and who's wrong than we are on fixing the problems in this country. Every column, every editorial, every pundit who has taken a position against the president or against the Democrats is just rewarding the bad behavior of our elected officials. All of this banter about who's right and who's wrong is just swinging the pendulum back and forth while the conditions in the country become increasingly desperate.

When we're at a point where we need government programs for people earning the median household income, we don't need politics, we need a solution to a very real problem.

SCHIP covers more children, but it's a Band-Aid solution to a larger problem. Those with private or employer-based insurance still may have inadequate coverage. SCHIP will not help them. We need to focus on preventative medicine and find ways to keep the costs of health care down. Rather than working on a solution, the Democrats and Republicans are playing zero-sum politics. ■

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Kathleen Watson

UI club aims to curb dorm waste

By Shawn Gude
THE DAILY IOWAN

Take less, leave less: that's the message the Clean Plate Club is attempting to circulate this week at the Burge and Hillcrest Marketplaces.

Running Tuesday through the end of this week, the campaign aims to cut waste in the dining halls and raise awareness of the environmental and monetary ramifications.

"The goal is not to have students overeat, the goal is to have students recognize the impact their choices have on our environment and be empowered to make a difference," said Maureen Perkins, a UI graduate student who collaborated with food-service management to get the program started.

Jennifer Jordan, the recycling coordinator at the city's landfill and recycling center, also supports the campaign, which awards participants an orange button depicting a wide-eyed grinning plate, silverware in hand, saying "Don't overload me."

"It looks like a great program to reduce waste and promote healthy choices," she said. "I'm glad the university sees the importance of not producing the waste in the first place."

The methane gas emitted from rotting food in landfills is approximately 20 times more harmful than carbon dioxide, according to the Environmental Protection Agency. It's this type of negative environmental effect that prompted Perkins to begin the program.

"The idea is to take less, to leave less, and make our environmental footprint smaller," she said. "If we can get students motivated to decrease their waste by even half, our impact on



Lindsey Walters/The Daily Iowan
Kate Sojka (left), student-development coordinator at the Office of Residence Life, and freshman Kayloni Moore wait for students to sign up for the Clean Plate Club in front of the Burge Marketplace on Wednesday evening. Students can sign up for the Clean Plate Club at Burge and Hillcrest Marketplaces from 5-7 p.m. through the rest of the week.

the environment is lessened."

Every year, the Burge and Hillcrest Marketplaces together throw away 396 tons of solid waste. On a national level, almost half of the food — 50 million tons — in the United States goes to waste, according to the EPA.

The money-saving aspect of the program is appealing to some, as well. About \$7,600 worth of food is wasted every day at UI dining halls, according to the Marketplaces. This contributes to the national price tag of about a \$1 billion a year, according to the EPA.

UI engineering student Holly Moriarty, who spearheaded a successful effort last year to bring a food-compost program to the university, said that if UI students see the savings that could occur, they might actually care about wasting less food.

"The more they take and

waste, the more money it is costing them to purchase meal plans," she said.

Although he said he hadn't heard of the program, UI freshman Dan Pepper voiced his support for it Tuesday afternoon while eating at Burge.

"I think it's a good idea [if] it eliminates food waste," said Pepper, who said he usually doesn't have a lot of leftover food.

Perkins said that although the Clean Plate Club will run only this week, it will continue through advertisements on food waste throughout the year. Whether students actually participate in the program remains to be seen.

"It's up to the students to get on board and realize some of the consequences of taking so much food just to throw it away," Jordan said.

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Study: Salt mines in meals

A recent survey found meals at many fast-food restaurants exceed a person's recommended amount of salt.

Fast food super salty

Watch Daily Iowan Television to learn more about which fast foods have the highest sodium content at dailyiowan.com.

By Briana Byrd

THE DAILY IOWAN

For some college students, pizza can seem to be part of a well-balanced meal, but certain dishes, such as the popular pie, can be detrimental to one's health, according to a study by the Consensus Action on Salt and Health.

The organization surveyed four of the top fast-food restaurants in the United Kingdom to determine how much salt was included in family, individual, and children's meals. The restaurants surveyed were Pizza Hut, McDonald's, Burger King, and KFC.

"When you're eating out in a place where they serve pizza, it's usually the cheese and crust that have the largest amounts of sodium," said Donna Hemingway, a UI Hospitals and Clinics dietitian. "A thin crust pizza would have less sodium than a deep dish pizza or a pan-type pizza."

Interestingly at Pizza Hut, the breadsticks have the least amounts of sodium, so that would be a better choice than a slice of pizza."

The survey looked at meals for families of four, assuming everyone ate the same amount.

For an adult the recommended daily salt limit is six grams, for a child between the ages of 7 and 10 it is five grams, and for children 6 and under the limit is three grams.

The study calculated how

Fast-food salt results

A survey by the Consensus Action on Salt and Health found high salt content in various fast-food meals.

Pizza Hut Pizza Plus for 4- people

- 153 percent of an adult's daily intake
- 184 percent of a 7- to 10- year-old child's intake
- 307 percent of a 4- to 6-year-old child's intake

KFC Variety Meal

- 105 percent of an adults daily intake
- 126 percent of a 7- to 10-year-old child's intake
- 210 percent of a 4- to 6-year-old child's intake

Burger King Large Chicken BLT Baguette Meal Deal

- 86 percent of an adult's daily intake
- 103 percent of a 7- to 10-year-old child's intake
- 172 percent of a 4- to 6-year-old child's intake

much salt each family member would consume if he or she shared a Pizza Hut meal consisting of one Cheesy Bites Meal Feast, one Medium Pan Super Supreme, one serving of Garlic Bread, one serving of Potato Wedges, one serving of buffalo-flavored Saucy Chicken Wings, and four individual Madagascan Vanilla Cheesecakes. The study showed that each person would have eaten 12.3 grams of salt.

Because of the large amount of salt in meals, there has been

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— Donna Hemingway, UI Hospitals and Clinics dietitian

increased development of kidney stones, said Patrick Brophy, a UI associate professor of pediatrics.

"The other problem is that some people are genetically susceptible to salt-induced high blood pressure," he said. "Because of this, we still don't really have a great understanding of the effects elevated salt intake can have in children and adolescents as they get older into adulthood."

Hemingway, while noting that large amounts of sodium can have different effects on different people, suggested some tips for people who wish to eat out, yet reduce their salt intake.

"One significant item with sodium is salad dressing," she said. "[Having] the salad dressing on the side or by dipping your fork in the dressing first allows you to add just enough to make it enjoyable without having too much."

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Evacuations working in wildfires

By Elliot Spagat
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN DIEGO — Steve Levstik and his wife got 15 minutes of warning before flames swept through their neighborhood. That was 15 minutes more than last time.

Levstik was thankful for the reverse 911 calls that San Diego County used to urge hundreds of thousands of people out of their homes ahead of wildfires propelled by strong wind. Officials

there ordered 10 times more evacuations than they did in 2003, the last time fires of similar magnitude hit Southern California.

For the Levstiks, in the hard-hit community of Rancho Bernardo, it was still a close call: Flames blocked the main road out, forcing them to take another route as trees exploded into fireballs on both sides of the street.

"They are more determined that people leave," said Levstik, 47. "It was very intense. On the

call, it was like, 'This area, go! This area go!' In 2003 there was less guidance. It was like, 'Just pay attention to the news, and if it looks bad, leave.'"

Some Californians complained that authorities were at times overcautious, but fire officials had one key statistic to support their actions: Only one person confirmed killed by flames that claimed approximately 674 square miles and 1,500 homes, and that person reportedly had

refused orders to leave.

Winds dropped to 21 to 36 mph on Wednesday, considerably less than the fierce gusts of up to 100 mph that whipped fire zones earlier in the week.

The improving weather allowed for a greater aerial assault on the flames and helped firefighters beat back the most destructive blazes. Helicopters and air tankers dropped 30 to 35 loads of water on two fires that have burned

hundreds of homes in the San Bernardino Mountains, near Lake Arrowhead.

Authorities said they had largely contained many of the fires north of San Diego, and all five fires in Los Angeles County were approximately 50 percent contained or more. None of the six major blazes in San Diego County was more than 15 percent contained, however, and those fires threatened more than 8,500 houses.

The top priority was a fire in

San Bernardino County that threatened 6,000 homes and continued to rage out of control.

The San Diego County medical examiner's office listed six deaths connected to the blazes, including five who died after they were evacuated but were not directly killed by the fire. The toll may rise as authorities return to neighborhoods where homes turned to piles of ash, but displaced homeowners and authorities expressed relief that early reports were so low.

Iraq wants guards out

By Steven R. Hurst
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD (AP) — The Iraqi government remains determined to expel the Blackwater USA security company and is searching for legal remedies to overturn an American-imposed decree that exempts all foreign bodyguards from prosecution under local laws, officials said Wednesday.

Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki's government accepted the findings of an Iraqi investigative committee that determined Blackwater guards, without provocation, killed 17 Iraqis last month in Nisoor Square in western Baghdad.

Iraqi investigators declared that Blackwater should be expelled and \$8 million should be paid as compensation for each victim.

The officials said the Cabinet decided Tuesday to establish a committee to find ways to repeal a 2004 directive issued by L. Paul Bremer, the chief of the former U.S. occupation government in Iraq. The order placed private security companies outside Iraqi law.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to release the information.

The Iraqi probe into the Sept. 16 shooting found that Blackwater personnel guarding a State Department convoy opened fire on Iraqis without reason. Blackwater said its men came under fire first, although no witnesses have been found to corroborate the claim. The guards involved have been isolated and have not been available to comment.

The Iraqi officials said Cabinet ministers again demanded that the U.S. Embassy, Blackwater's biggest client in Iraq, expel the company. U.S. officials have said any action must await completion of an American investigation.

In Washington, the State Department's security chief, Richard Griffin, announced his resignation a day after a review panel created by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice ordered a series of measures to boost government oversight of the private guards who protect American diplomats in Iraq.

Rice's review panel found serious lapses in the department's oversight of such guards, who are employed by Griffin's bureau.

Neither Griffin nor spokesmen for the department's Diplomatic Security Bureau could be reached for immediate comment.

In a Shiite district southeast of Baghdad, meanwhile, two bombs exploded seconds apart near a bus station Wednesday, killing at least nine people, police and hospital officials said.

The blasts, which occurred about 30 yards apart in Jisr Diyala, targeted government employees, construction workers and vendors waiting for minibuses to take them into the capital, officials said. Vendors were selling pastries, juice and tea to the workers.

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FIELD HOCKEY

Sickel picked for All-Star team

Hawkeye senior back Kadi Sickel selected by the National Field Hockey Coaches Association Wednesday to participate in the Division-I Senior All-Star game held on Nov. 17 in College Park, Md.

Joining 10 other players from the Big Ten, she will be one of 38 student-athletes participating in the event.

Last year, Sickel was a member of the U.S. Under-21 team that traveled to China, where the group matched up with the Chinese team as well as the Shanghai club.

During each her first two years as a Hawkeye, Sickel recorded five goals and an assists. As a junior, she was named a third-team All-American by www.WomensFieldHockey.com and a coaches' regional All-American and honored as a second team All-Big Ten selection.

In her third year, she also totaled a team-high 12 assists as a contributor on the offensive penalty-corner unit. So far this season, Sickel has recorded two goals on seven shots in addition to being a solid defender for Iowa.

— by Ryan Young

SOFTBALL

5 softball Hawks honored

Five current and former members of the Iowa softball team have been named National Fast-Pitch Coaches Association Academic All-America scholar-athletes Wednesday.



Downs senior

Senior Summer Downs, juniors Colleen McGlaughlin and Erin Riemersma, and 2007 graduates Mindy Heidgerken and Sami Baugh received the honor, which requires a GPA of 3.5 or better.

"This is a tremendous honor for our program," Hawkeye head coach Gayle Blevins said in a release. "It is a great reflection of the expectations we have for our student-athletes in the classroom. This is a nice opportunity to honor the student-athletes for their time committed to academics."

All five players were academic All-Big Ten last season. On the field, Riemersma was first-team All-Big Ten, Downs was named to the second team, and McGlaughlin was a third-team pick.

Heidgerken graduated in 2007 with a double major in art and journalism, while Baugh graduated with degrees in health and sports studies and communications. Baugh is an assistant softball coach at Central Michigan University.

— by Mike Brownlee

TV TODAY

World Series
 Colorado at Boston, Game 2, 7 p.m., Fox
College Football
 Boston College at Virginia Tech, 6:30 p.m., ESPN
 Air Force at New Mexico, 8 p.m., Versus

HAWKEYE FOOTBALL

Quiet Kroul a leader

Shadowed by his often emotional counterpart at defensive tackle, junior Matt Kroul has been a quiet leader for a young Hawkeye team that has been struggling this season.



Wesley Cropp/The Daily Iowan

Iowa defensive tackle Matt Kroul looks on as teammate Mitch King sacks Northern Illinois quarterback Dan Nicholson on Sept. 1 at Chicago's Soldier Field. Shadowed by his flashier counterpart in King, Kroul's effort this season was praised Tuesday by Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz, calling Kroul "an unsung hero."

By Charlie Kautz
THE DAILY IOWAN

Playing alongside one of the Big Ten's fiercest defensive linemen in Mitch King, Matt Kroul's statistics hardly tell the story of the effect he's had at the Hayden Fry Football Complex this season.

Standing third on the team in total tackles with 50, his 1.5 tackles for loss look meager next to King's 11.5. Still yet to be credited with a sack in eight games, Kroul makes King look more like Michael Strahan than the second-leading sack man on the Hawkeyes with 4.5.

Daunting as they may seem, it's not the stat differentials that

matter to Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz when it comes to discussing Kroul. Easy to overlook the junior's effort on the field, it's Kroul's hard-nosed, team-first attitude that has earned the respect of the coaching staff.

"Matt to me is an unsung hero on our football team and greatly appreciated internally, first of all just the way he's built," Ferentz said. "I've said repeatedly, the leadership that we have on this football team is outstanding. The attitude is outstanding. Matt is a big part of that."

Searching for leadership in a season riddled with injuries and off-the-field problems, Ferentz has turned not just to his 12 seniors but to other veterans play-

ing key roles, such as those of King and Kroul.

"I've talked about our seniors," the coach said. "We've got 12 of them. But we've got guys such as Matt, Mitch King, Seth Olsen who are older guys who have played."

"Matt is all about what you want in a football player. He comes to work every day ready to go. In season, out of season, you name it, anything he does football-related, he's wired in. Does a great job in the classroom. I mean, he's everything you want."

Iowa's third-year duo has anchored the nation's 14th-ranked scoring defense and set a tempo from the outset of the Big Ten schedule. In the Hawkeyes

last three games combined, opponents have managed only 10 points in the first quarter.

And were it not for the offense's inability to sustain drives, said Albert Young, the story could've been a lot different — even in last week's 31-6 loss at Purdue.

"We have a pretty good defense, but those guys get exposed when they played 100 plays last game," Young said. "What can you really expect? That's not fair to them. It's safe to say that we aren't doing our part. They're doing their part; we've got to do our part by keeping them off the field."

SEE KROUL, 3B

Senior rower wants to end with bang

Iowa senior rower Jessica McBride works hard for a strong finish to her career.

By Mike Brownlee

THE DAILY IOWAN

When Jessica McBride arrived in Iowa City from Seattle to join the Hawkeye rowing team, she came in with high expectations.

She was recruited to Iowa after coaches saw her at the Junior National Championships, and she has had a role on the varsity squad since joining the team in 2004.



McBride senior

Her career has seen its ups and downs, but as her final year progresses, she said, she wants to improve in each race.

"I want to always achieve the expectations I have for myself and that the team has for me as a senior," she said.

Hawkeye rowing head coach Mandi Kowal said she thinks McBride will have a positive senior season.

"She wants to live up to her expectations," Kowal said. "My hope is she experiences things that she hasn't at the University of Iowa."

During the brief fall season, McBride has been a part of Iowa's championship 8 boat that finished fourth at the Head of the Rock Regatta on Oct. 8 and the club 8 boat that finished sixth at the legendary Head of the Charles Regatta in Boston.

SEE ROWING, 3B

Field hockey wary of Wildcats

A perfect 4-0 so far at Grant Field, the No. 5 Iowa field-hockey team aims to stay flawless today against Northwestern.

By Ryan Young
THE DAILY IOWAN

The numbers lied last time Iowa played Northwestern, and field-hockey coach Tracey Griesbaum knows it.

She knows the band of Wildcats arriving in Iowa City are tougher than the bunch of kittens the Hawkeyes made them out to be earlier this month in a 5-1 toppling on the road.

Feral felines are expected to show up at Grant Field today around 3 p.m.

This time, Northwestern won't have its 5-3 freshman goalkeeper guarding the cage, its quick forward fleet won't be as easily stifled by the Iowa press defense, and senior Amanda Care — traditionally played as a back — is expected to be in the midfield and provide more offense in the attack.

Junior midfielder Lauren Pfeiffer shone during Iowa's last meeting with Northwestern, recording two goals, and three other Hawkeyes also scored.

Iowa also attempted 31 shots

in that game — 19 on the goal — as opposed to the 10 offered by the Wildcats, only three of which were around he cage.

"The time that we played them this season was actually the first time that we've ever beaten them by that much," senior back Kadi Sickel said. "It's always been a one-goal game since I've been here, and they definitely have the ability to do so [this time around]."

Outshot and outscored, the Wildcats (4-11, 0-5) are coming into the contest tumbling through a three-game string of losses.

Regardless, the latest Northwestern defeat was delivered at home by fourth-ranked Michigan, which capitalized on a penalty corner during the final minutes, preventing overtime and ending the match, 3-2.

Still, against a team boasting a veteran goalkeeper leading the Big Ten in saves with 79, Iowa isn't overlooking the proud Northwestern organization.



Julie Brayton/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye midfielder Jess Werley attempts to block a Nittany Lion from passing the ball during a field-hockey game at Grant Field on October 20, 2007. The fifth-ranked Hawkeyes beat No. 9 Penn State during overtime on a penalty shot by Lauren Pfeiffer.

SEE FIELD HOCKEY, 3B

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WORLD SERIES

Wednesday's Game	
Boston 13, Colorado 1, Boston leads series 1-0	
Today's Game	
Colorado (Jimenez 4-4) at Boston (Schilling 9-8), 7:29 p.m. (Fox)	
Saturday's Game	
Boston (Matsuzaka 15-12) at Colorado (Fogg 10-9), 7:35 p.m. (Fox)	
Sunday, Oct. 28	
Boston (Lester 4-0) at Colorado (Cook 8-7), 7:29 p.m. (Fox)	
Monday, Oct. 29	
Boston at Colorado, 7:40 p.m., if necessary	
Wednesday, Oct. 31	
Colorado at Boston, 7:29 p.m., if necessary	
Thursday, Nov. 1	
Colorado at Boston, 7:29 p.m., if necessary	

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE	
Atlantic Division	W L OT Pts GF GA
Philadelphia	6 2 0 12 31 16
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Phoenix	2 5 0 4 16 23

Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss.

Wednesday's Games

Carolina 6, Buffalo 2

Washington 5, Tampa Bay 3

Detroit 3, Vancouver 2

Florida 4, Philadelphia 3

Chicago 5, Minnesota 3

Today's Games

Chicago at Boston, 6 p.m.

St. Louis at Columbus, 6 p.m.

New Jersey at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.

Toronto at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.

Philadelphia at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.

Atlanta at Nashville, 7 p.m.

Minnesota at Edmonton, 8 p.m.

Phoenix at Anaheim, 9 p.m.

Dallas at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

NBA PRESEASON GLANCE

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New Jersey	3 1 .750 —
New York	3 2 .600 ½
Boston	3 3 .500 1
Toronto	1 1 .500 1
Philadelphia	1 5 .167 3
Southeast	
W L Pct GB	

Atlanta	7	1	.875	—
Orlando	4	1	.800	1½
Washington	3	3	.500	3
Charlotte	2	5	.286	4½
Miami	0	7	.000	6½
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Indiana	5	1	.714	—
Detroit	4	4	.500	1½
Chicago	3	3	.500	1½
Milwaukee	3	3	.500	1½
Cleveland	1	4	.200	3

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Dallas	5 3 .625 1½
New Orleans	3 4 .429 2
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Portland	4 2 .667 ½
Utah	4 3 .571 1
Minnesota	1 5 .167 3
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Golden State	3 2 .600 ½
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Sacramento	3 3 .500 1
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Wednesday's Games

New York 103, Philadelphia 90

Detroit 104, Washington 85

Memphis 96, Houston 90

Atlanta 107, New Orleans 98

Portland 109, Seattle 107

Sacramento at L.A. Clippers, late

Today's Games

Cleveland vs. Toronto at Orlando, Fla., 6 p.m.

San Antonio at Orlando, 6 p.m.

Philadelphia at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.

Milwaukee at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.

Denver at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

NEW YORK YANKEES—Agreed to terms with OF Jason Reese and C Eladio Rodriguez on minor league contracts.

SEATTLE MARINERS—Activated RHP Chris Reitsma and LHP Arthur Rhodes from the 60-day DL. Sent RHP Jorge Campillo and INF Nick Green outright to Tacoma (PCL).

National League

HOUSTON ASTROS—Named Bobby Heck director of amateur scouting.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Promoted De Jon Watson to assistant general manager for player development. Named Todd Tomczyk assistant athletic trainer. Sue Falsone physical therapist and Brendon Huttman strength coach.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Purchased the contracts of RHP Garrett Mock, LHP Justin Jones, 1B Josh Whitesell and OF Roger Bernadina from Columbus (IL).

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

CHARLOTTE BOBCATS—Waived C Jameel Watkins and G C.J. Watson.

MIAMI HEAT—Acquired G Ricky Davis and C Mark Blount from Minnesota for F Antoine Walker, F Wayne Simien, C Michael Doleac and a conditional first-round draft pick.

NEW JERSEY NETS—Waived G Mateen Cleaves.

SAN ANTONIO SPURS—Waived G Keith Langford and F-C Kris Lang.

WASHINGTON WIZARDS—Waived F Mike Hall.

Continental Basketball Association

RIO GRANDE VALLEY SILVERADOS—Signed C Jeff Daisley.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

BUFFALO BILLS—Signed LB Blake Costanzo and WR Felton Huggins to their practice squad.

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Placed RB Nick Goings on injured reserve. Signed LB Dante Curry.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Placed CB Gary Baxter on injured reserve. Signed DB Nick Sorensen.

HOUSTON TEXANS—Signed QB Shane Boyd to the practice squad.

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Placed RB Ronnie Brown on injured reserve. Signed S Lance Schulters.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS—Waived RB Zack Crockett. Placed WR Mark Jones on injured reserve. Signed FB Byron Storer. Signed WR Chad Lucas from the practice squad. Signed WR Derrick Hamilton and T Dennis Roland to the practice squad.

Tennessee SEC favorite

By John Zenor
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Jordan Howell and Chris Lofton weren't going to pass up the opportunity to ask the experts about dealing with high expectations.

Sharing a plane ride with Tennessee women's coach Pat Summitt and two of her players Wednesday, the two guards picked their brains on an unfamiliar role for the men's team: the Southeastern Conference front-runner.



Summitt coach

"They're favored to win the national championship every year and we asked them, 'How do you go about that? How do you start the season No. 1 and go throughout the season and win it all?'" Howell said Wednesday at SEC media days. "They just told us you take it one day at a time and get better every day. And that's all we can do."

It's a nice problem to have for a team that has been overshadowed by two division rivals, two-time defending national champion Florida and perennial power Kentucky. Not to mention Tennessee's football team and the defending national champion Lady Vols.

But the Volunteers were picked to win the SEC on 28 of 30 ballots by league and national media. Florida and Kentucky didn't get a vote, with the other two going to Mississippi State.

It's no big surprise with four starters returning,

including preseason SEC player of the year Lofton, from a team that went 24-11 and made it to the Sweet 16 in the NCAA Tournament.

The Gators, meanwhile, lost all five starters, including three Top 10 NBA draft picks. Tennessee coach Bruce Pearl thinks Kentucky should be the East Division favorite. However it shakes out, he's happy to be along for the ride.

"I just think it's terrific," Pearl said. "It's going to be so exciting."

But favorites or not, he doesn't think the SEC hierarchy has changed at the top. Pearl is riled that Kentucky still gets so much more TV airtime than the other teams, and said he brings it up to his team frequently.

"I believe that this conference has become a great basketball conference," he said. "It's not just about Kentucky anymore. And when Kentucky has got seven CBS games and Tennessee has got two CBS games, the torch has not been passed. This league is still about the Wildcats."

Just not in the state of Tennessee. The Vols have already sold out their season tickets amid all the excitement entering Pearl's third season.

Lofton is pleasantly surprised by the fast turnaround. "After my freshman year, I thought it was going to be a disaster, going 14-17 and nobody was in the stands except my mom and dad, basically," he said. "It's great to have those expectations. Getting that preseason publicity, who doesn't want that?"

"Then again, you've got that 'X' on your chest and realize that people are coming for you."

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AquaHawks to take on Spartans

The Michigan State meet is another building block in preparation for the NCAA men's swimming and diving event.

By Jonathan Groves
THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa men's swimming and diving team will take on Michigan State Friday in Iowa City, marking the second competition in the confines of the Field House pool for the Hawkeyes.

Facing a Spartan team yet to compete this season, Iowa looks to even its record after a loss at home to nationally ranked Minnesota on Oct. 19.

Hawkeyes head coach Marc Long stressed that while Michigan State does not boast the reputation of Big Ten powerhouse Minnesota, it will present Iowa with another tough challenge in the early season dual schedule.

"Michigan State is well-coached," Long said. "[The Spartans] are coming in confident; they wouldn't drive all this way to lose in competition."

While the season remains young, dual meets such as this weekend's allow the Hawkeyes to gain some experience and



Robin Svec/The Daily Iowan

Members of the Iowa men's and women's swimming teams complete laps at the Field House pool on Oct. 16. The Hawkeyes hope to improve their 0-2 record when they host Michigan State in a dual meet Friday.

confidence in preparation for the Big Ten and NCAA meets in the spring. For a team composed of mainly freshmen, a meet against Michigan State is designed to give them more race experience.

"We are trying to get [the

team] to be experienced college swimmers," Long said. "The more race experience, the better."

Additionally, the meets are helping to determine which swimmers belong in the respective events when it comes

to competition. "Because half the team is freshmen, this meet is about seeing where people fit to best help the team," Long said.

The divers aim to continue the success they had last week against Minnesota, where they swept all four diving events, including a pair of first-place finishes by sophomore Frank Van Dijkhuizen in the 1-meter and 3-meter events. For his efforts, Van Dijkhuizen was named Big Ten Diver of the week on Wednesday, his second career weekly honor and the first honor of the season.

Iowa diving coach Bob Rydze said the divers did well considering that it was the team's first event of the season. However, the effort to improve in diving is directed toward the championship season that will come later in the year.

"We dove well at this time of the season," Rydze said. "But we've got a long way to go."

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Kroul a steady force

KROUL
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Enjoying a healthy junior season in which he's started every game, Kroul said it's been exciting to play alongside a flashier, more emotional counterpart in King.

"I'm proud to play next to a guy like Mitch," Kroul said. "He is that type of guy, that long hair,

that attitude. It's fun to be his friend. It's fun to be his teammate, and I like where I am."

Admittedly disappointed with the team's record two-thirds of the way through the season, Kroul believes that the continued hard work can pay off with something bigger.

"Obviously, the beginning of the year, you expect your record would be a little bit better than it is now," he said. "But you know

Coach said, the attitude's still good, we're still motivated.

"... We have a chance to win every one of these games. If we do that, and if we win a bowl game, that's a pretty good season for us from where we are now, so we'll approach it that way."

Regardless of the outcome of the final four-game stretch, Ferentz couldn't say enough about the positive example Kroul has set this season — one he hopes

will carry over a year from now, both on and off the field.

"What a great example he is for the rest of our football team," Ferentz said. "We greatly appreciate his play. It's not flashy, but it's consistent.

"You know, he's a big part of the way we play."

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Hawkeyes in battle for 2nd

FIELD HOCKEY
CONTINUED FROM 1B

"Both teams know what they're going to get, it's just who can hold out and who can play their cards the best," junior forward Caroline Blaum said. "They always throw something at us. They're always ready to play us, so we have to bring exactly the same."

With a 13-2 overall record, 4-1 in the Big Ten, the Hawkeyes are amid their second six-game winning streak — the first having been abruptly stopped a month ago by then-No. 12 Michigan, which has already clinched

the top seed in the conference tournament.

But Iowa's eyes remain focused ahead en route to its Saturday meeting with the Spartans, with whom the Hawks are battling for the second spot.

"This is the first week where I am starting to think a week ahead, and I try not to do that at all throughout the season," Griesbaum said. "But I'm not letting [the team] think ahead. I'm thinking a little bit more just so I can have good plans and be organized for the next week."

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ROWER EYES MUSEUM WORK

ROWING

CONTINUED FROM 1B

McBride said she's happy with how the team has performed.

"We're stronger than last year," she said. "It's noticeable in practice and in races."

Despite being one of only two seniors on the Iowa roster (Brittany Keyes is the other), McBride said she doesn't feel different this season about her leadership role.

"Everybody does her part when she's on the varsity squad — we're all a leader somehow," she said. "Our team is close and open with each other. We always give each other advice, be it on the river or in the weight room, anywhere."

On land, McBride majors in history and museum studies, and she will start two service-learning experiences in the coming weeks. She will work with the Biosphere Discovery Hub at the Museum of Natural History in Macbride Hall and volunteer at the Old Capitol.

"I came to Iowa for the academics and to row," she said. "I've enjoyed my time here very much."

After graduating, she said, she plans to use her degrees and learning experiences to get a job in a museum. She said she would like to get a job either back on the West Coast or in a museum at the University of Alaska.

"I have a lot of family up there whom I haven't meet," McBride



Julie Brayton/The Daily Iowan

Members of the Iowa rowing team practice on the Iowa River at 5:45 a.m. Oct. 3. Unfortunately for the Hawkeyes, this weekend's Head of the Iowa Regatta was canceled Wednesday because of high waters and strong currents.

said. "It's be fun."

Wherever she ends up, she said, she wants to keep rowing.

It's not certain when she'll be back on the river, however — the annual Hawkeye-hosted Head of Iowa Regatta was canceled Wednesday because of the high level of the Iowa River.

The Hawkeyes are looking for a race to go to in place of the Iowa contest, and whatever it is, the race will close the fall season. The rowers will return to the water in March.

McBride said she'll work hard

with her teammates and in preparation of the spring season.

"I feel confident going into winter training and the spring season," she said. "I'm going to put in a lot of effort to stay on top of my game."

Her goal for the spring season is helping the Hawkeyes to better placements at the Big Ten championships and NCAA regionals.

"It'd be fun to go out with a bang," she said.

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RED SOX 13, ROCKIES 1

Red Sox roll over Rockies, 13-1

By **Ronald Blum**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — Josh Beckett, Dustin Pedroia, and the Boston Red Sox were revved up and ready. Not so the Colorado Rockies, who showed up in Beantown looking rusty, not rested.

Back in the World Series with no Bambino's curse to worry about, the Red Sox flattened the Rockies in Wednesday night's opener.

Beckett got off to the most overpowering start since Sandy Koufax, Pedroia became only the second player to lead off the Series with a home run, and then a relentless offense led by Manny Ramirez and David Ortiz racked up hit after hit.

Boston set a record for runs and victory margin in an opener and finished with 17 hits, becoming the first club to hit eight doubles in a Series game since 1925. After taking a 6-1 lead against Colorado ace Jeff Francis, the Red Sox piled on seven runs in the fifth, when Rockies reliever Ryan Speier walked three-straight batters with the bases loaded — the first time that ever happened in a Series game.

"It's great for us to come out here, and win a game that big, get our psyche up, and get our confidence going," Boston first baseman Kevin Youkhis said. "We're playing good ball right now, and we got to keep that momentum of playing good ball."

Make no mistake, these Red Sox are slick, and not just because of an on-and-off drizzle that seemed to dampen the noise from 36,733 fans in Fenway Park.

Colorado has the altitude — the series will shift to mile-high Coors Field this weekend — and had won 21 of 22 coming in. But after a record eight days off, the Rockies looked like a team

starting spring training. Just four batters in and trailing by only a run, the Rockies moved their infield in.

"That's not the way we drew it up," Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said.

Boston, meanwhile, showed the veteran attitude and stretched a Red Sox Series winning streak to five for the first time since 1915-16. While the Rockies lined up for the introductions on the foul side of the third-base line, looking like World Series rookies, the Red Sox stood shoulder-to-shoulder on the infield side, knowing they belonged.

With stubble on his upper lip and a hint of a soul patch on his chin, the 27-year-old Beckett pitched in the manner of a young Roger Clemens. Coming off his ALCS MVP, the 2003 World Series MVP blew away the Rockies with 95-97 mph fastballs the first time through the order, then started mixing in a 77 mph curve.

Beckett allowed six hits in seven innings, struck out nine, and walked one, improving to 4-0 with a 1.20 ERA in the postseason this year.

Francis fell behind 3-0 in the first inning and was finished after four, giving up six runs and 10 hits. Colorado, which had matched the 1976 Cincinnati Big Red Machine by sweeping its first seven postseason games, lost for just the second time since Sept. 15. The Rockies allowed just eight runs in their sweep of Arizona in the NLCS and gave up nearly twice that in five innings.

Boston will try to make it 2-0 tonight when Curt Schilling, 10-2 in postseason play, pitches against rookie Ubaldo Jimenez.

The winner of the opener has gone on to win nine of the last 10 World Series and 62 of 102 overall. While the 1959 Chicago

White Sox and 1996 Atlanta Braves both won their openers by 11 runs, they went on to lose the Series.

It was looking a lot more like March than October by the late innings. Boston brought out bench players, the Rockies rotated relievers, and some fans headed home early.

Beckett began the game by fanning Willy Taveras, Kaz Matsui, Matt Holliday, and Todd Helton, becoming the first pitcher to strike out the first four batters in a Series game since Koufax got five Yankees to start the 1963 Series, according to the Elias Sports Bureau. And what a five those were: Tony Kubek, Bobby Richardson, Tom Tresh, Mickey Mantle, and Roger Maris.

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Sports

T-wolves trade Davis

Minnesota and Miami swap five players, with Antoine Walker going to Minneapolis.

By Tim Reynolds
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Antoine Walker's turbulent time with the Miami Heat is over. The Heat traded the three-time All-Star forward to the Minnesota Timberwolves on Wednesday in a five-player deal that came one day after Miami completed a wireless preseason.

Walker, backup center Michael Doleac, oft-injured forward Wayne Simien, and a conditional first-round draft pick were sent to Minnesota for former Miami swingman Ricky Davis and center Mark Blount.

The deal gives Miami the third scoring option it wanted in Davis. The Heat will try to fit him in alongside Shaquille O'Neal and Dwyane Wade — the 2006 finals MVP who'll miss a few more weeks while recovering from knee and shoulder surgeries.

Walker helped the Heat win the 2006 NBA title but hasn't always had the easiest time dealing with Heat coach Pat Riley's strict conditioning standards. He was briefly suspended last year because his body-fat measurement wasn't within team limits, and he came to training camp this month not in the shape Riley wanted.

"It's always difficult to get traded," said Mark Bartelstein, Walker's agent. "It's well-documented there were issues between Pat and Antoine that were out there hanging over everyone's head."

Walker did not play in Miami's final two preseason games. Riley said he kept him out of Tuesday's exhibition finale because "I know what he can do."

So he'll do it for Minnesota now — or, perhaps, someone else.

The Timberwolves now have 18 players under contract and Vice President for Basketball

Operations Kevin McHale said another move is coming to trim the roster — indicating not all the new pieces will actually report to Minnesota.

"We have some other stuff that we're probably going to do inside this deal," McHale said. "A lot of business going on."

The Heat planned to bring Davis and Blount in for physicals with the hope they can practice Thursday. Miami was off Wednesday, and players and coaches were not available for comment.

Walker averaged career-lows of 8.5 points, 4.3 rebounds, and 23.3 minutes last season for Miami, making only 15 starts. Walker came off the bench only 15 times in his first nine NBA seasons; he was a backup 126 times in 160 regular-season games with the Heat.

"He was part of that championship run, but the last year's been difficult," Bartelstein said. "There are always a lot of emotions. But it's part of the business that we're in, and I think Antoine wants to have a great season. He's worked really hard."

Walker — who did not

immediately return a call Wednesday — bristled earlier this season when his conditioning became an issue once again.

"We'll see when the time comes. Just got to play ball," Walker said after a preseason game two weeks ago. "Until then, it's October. I'll just keep working to get better and get in the best shape possible for Nov. 1. I'll be ready to go Nov. 1."

He is owed about \$18 million over the next two seasons; the Timberwolves could opt out of his contract after that.

"Hopefully, he comes in and is a professional," McHale said. "I know the last three or four weeks down in Miami haven't been all that pleasant."

Davis only appeared in seven games with Miami during the 2000-01 season, his year wrecked by injuries.

But he's been a solid scorer with Cleveland, Boston, and Minnesota in recent years, averaging 16.0 points per game since leaving Miami — and is coming off a season where he hit a career-high 40 percent of his 3-point tries, another area where the Heat could use some help.

'Little Ten' getting fed up

By Rusty Miller
ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Big Ten's coaches and players are fed up with being punch lines.

Open just about any magazine or newspaper, glance at a webpage, or turn on the TV and odds are you'll encounter someone making fun of the "Little Ten."

The root of much of the derision is Ohio State's lopsided 41-14 loss to Florida in last year's BCS title game and Michigan's 32-18 beatdown at the hands of Southern California in the Rose Bowl.

"Not only did that change people's perspective of us, it changed people's view of the Big Ten," said current Buckeyes cornerback Malcolm Jenkins. "A lot of people don't really respect the Big Ten anymore."

Adding to that lack of respect were high-profile losses this fall to low-profile teams such as Appalachian State (Michigan), Duke (Northwestern), Florida Atlantic, and North Dakota State (Minnesota).

Ohio State is No. 1 in the country, but critics quickly point out that the Buckeyes have yet to beat a team that doesn't have at least three losses.

"I don't know if you really ever satisfy them because even if you go and win it all I'm sure they'll say, 'Well, blahblahblah LSU played so-and-so and Ohio State played in a Big Ten Conference that everyone says is weak,'" said Buckeyes tight end Rory Nichol. "They're crazy tough. The Big Ten isn't weak."

Joe Tiller, Purdue's coach for the past 11 years, says the conference race is hardly a pillow fight.

"It's more competitive than at any time since we've been here," he said. "We've never been in this position this late in the season with this many teams capable of being bowl eligible. I think there's great balance in this league."

Michigan, Penn State, Purdue, Wisconsin and Ohio State already have had their tickets punched for the postseason. Illinois, Indiana, Michigan State and Northwestern each need just one more win to earn a bowl trip.

Ohio State's players are holding their breath that all the negative talk about the Big Ten won't be enough to somehow allow a one-loss team to slip past them in the BCS rankings, even if they stay perfect.

"When it's all said and done, we can only do what we have control over, which is winning our games," Jenkins said.

CORNER KING: Justin King's reputation as a shutdown CB may have taken a hit last week when he matched up most of the game with Indiana's 6-7 receiver James Hardy, who had 14 catches for 142 yards and two TDs.

"Everyone keeps talking about last week being a bad game," the Penn State junior said. "He got 10 [receptions] under eight yards [each]. It's kind of frustrating to hear it was a bad game for me when I don't feel like that."

King had nine tackles and three pass breakups against Indiana — and Penn State walked off with a 36-31 win.

"Justin King has played very, very well," coach Joe Paterno said. "You've got to realize he takes on the best guy the other team has got. He's hung in there."

WANT A WIG? Back in 1903, coach Fielding Yost wasn't sure his Michigan Wolverines would be provided with fresh water on the road against Minnesota so he sent manager Tommy Roberts to buy a jug.

When the Gophers tried to tie the score late in the game, their fans rushed the field and the officials called the game. Michigan didn't pack the jug, and Yost later sent a letter to the Gophers, asking for it back.

"He didn't call. He didn't text message," Michigan coach Lloyd Carr joked. "They said, 'If you want it, come and get it — come and play for it.'"

The Wolverines are 64-22-2 with it on the line, but they lost it two years ago when Minnesota ended a 16-game winning streak at Michigan Stadium.

"When you lose it, it's a miserable experience," Carr said. "When you win it, you get to keep that jug where it belongs. I mean, we bought that jug."

Yankees interview Pena

By Jay Cohen
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Tony Pena thinks he can manage the New York Yankees to a championship next season.

So much for a quiet period. "With the talent that we have, I think we can do it with this team next year," Pena said. "There's no question in my mind that we have the capability and we have the talent to go and do the job."

After spending two seasons as New York's first-base coach, Pena interviewed Wednesday to replace departed manager Joe Torre. Team officials spoke with Yankee broadcaster Joe Girardi on Monday and bench coach Don Mattingly on Tuesday.

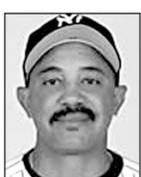
New York was going to consider five or six candidates, but Hank Steinbrenner, a son of owner George Steinbrenner, said Wednesday the team wasn't planning any more interviews.

"We're very impressed with all three candidates," he said. "I told you it would be a tough decision. Tony, I would describe him as a motivator. A high-energy motivator. That's the way he came across."

The Yankees' baseball operations executives will meet, probably today, and come up with a recommendation to the team's top officials. That recommendation is likely to carry a lot of weight.

"I don't see any reason not to go with their decision," Hank Steinbrenner said. "It's been an in-depth process. You've got to respect the opinion of your experts."

General manager Brian



Pena
Managerial candidate

Cashman declined comment through a team spokesman. Girardi, speaking at a charity dinner, refused to answer any questions about the search.

"The only thing I'm going to comment about the Yankees situation is what I said a few days ago," Girardi said. "I had a great interview. And it's an honor for whoever gets that job."

Teams aren't allowed to make major announcements during the World Series, but if New York wants to make an announcement Friday, Commissioner Bud Selig probably would give his permission.

Hank Steinbrenner said the team hadn't made any contact with Major League Baseball about making an announcement before the end of the Series.

Declaring any time he gets to talk about baseball a great day, an upbeat Pena became the latest candidate to plead to his case.

"The main message that I wanted to tell them is that I'm capable to manage this ball club, refused to answer any questions about the search."

Pena has the most managerial experience of the candidates, having led the Kansas City Royals for over three seasons. He was voted AL Manager of the Year in 2003 after the Royals went 83-79, their first winning season since 1994.

Pena quit in 2005 after an 8-25 start that left his record with Kansas City at 198-285. He joined the Yankees later that year and learned a lot working under Torre.

"One thing about Joe, he never was up and he never was down," Pena said. "I learned to establish myself, I learned to be myself a little bit more. I learned to give more people responsibility and things like that."

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— University of York ecologist Peter Mayhew. Four of the five major extinctions over 520 million years of Earth history have been linked to warmer tropical seas, and top scientists say Earth is on track to hit that same level of extinction-connected warming in about 100 years unless greenhouse gas emissions are curbed.

the ledge

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MATT GORMAN

About me

- I've been told that I need to be more decisive, but I'm not sure what to do about it.
- Most people think I'm pretty cool, but then again, most people are idiots.
- Some people are so stupid that they can't tell the difference between low self-esteem and self-deprecating humor. I am one of those people.
- My laughter isn't contagious, but it can be fatal if not treated immediately.
- If people take me seriously, it's their own fault, and I hate them for it. Seriously.

horoscopes Thursday, October 25, 2007

— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Smooth things over with a friend or lover. A trip may be costly, but it will be worth every penny. Problems on the home front must be resolved quickly. Damage control will be the name of the game.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Do a little networking. The more actively you participate in your community, the further ahead you'll get. Prepare to travel about in search of the information required to help you advance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Keep a lid on what you are up to. Someone may try to upset your world if the truth about what you are doing leaks out. A partnership will prove to be a good investment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't let your anxiety lead to a lack of productivity. Push yourself to get started in order to feel at ease and get things done. A change of plans must be accepted readily. Trust in your ability to deal with whatever challenge comes along.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Are you ready to count down to victory? Make plans to get into competitive activities that will be exhilarating and challenging. You will rise to the occasion and show everyone what you are worth.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take time out to fix up your surroundings. If you feel at home and at ease, you will do a better job. Clear up the clutter. Revising your space and cleaning up the past will give you a new lease on life.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Take advantage of a chance to try something unique. Travel should be high on your to-do list, even if it is a short distance but offers you knowledge or experience. Someone will want to partner with you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You will have the strength and fortitude to do what needs to be done. Don't let anyone bully you or leave you with all the work. You have the ability to take a project to completion without the aid of others.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Not everyone will agree with what you do or say, but that shouldn't matter as long as you are happy with the results you are getting. Travel will lead to delays, and conversations will not help you close a deal.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You can expect someone to disagree with your choice today, but you have to follow what you feel is the right path for you. You don't need a partner to get to where you want to go. A deal appears to be leading to financial gain.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Put your talent to good use. You can convince anyone of anything, and if you play your cards right, you can develop something you do well into a lucrative past time. Follow through with an idea. This time around, you are right on target.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You'll be tempted to make sudden changes that will alter your life personally and professionally. Think twice before you decide to upset everyone in your world. You have to consider your responsibilities and what's best for everyone else, not just yourself.

PAINT SPILL



Peter Klopfenstein/The Daily Iowan

The cab of a semi carrying paint was ripped apart after careening off I-80 near the westbound ramp of exit 244 on Wednesday. The driver was taken to the hospital, while Iowa officials tried to contain the spill of paint into a nearby stream.

today's events

Want to see your super special event appear here? Simply e-mail the name, time, date, and location information to: DAILY-IOWAN@UIOWA.EDU

- Biochemistry lecture, "Specialized Sliding Clamps in the DNA Damage Response," Peter Burgers, 10:30 a.m., 2117, Medical Education and Biomedical Research Facility
- Small Business Development Workshop Series, "Overcoming Call Reluctance," 11 a.m., 2390 University Capitol Centre
- Bioethics & Humanities Seminar, "Do Health-Care Workers Have a Duty to Care for Incontinent Patients," Lauris Kaldjian, noon, UIHC eighth-floor East Room
- Pharmacology graduate-student workshop, "The Role of CaMKII Binding NMDAR in Synaptic Plasticity," Robert Dallapiazza, 12:30 p.m., 2 Bowen Science Building
- Annual Joint Service Club Luncheon, with Sally Mason, 1 p.m., hotelVetro, 201 S. Linn
- Obermann Humanities Symposium, "From Bourgeois to Boogie: Black Middle-Class Performances, 11:30 a.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- "Preparing to Work for Industry: An Employer's Perspective," Michael Greene, 3:30 p.m., Bijou
- Classics department lecture, "Fantasies of Homer in Lucian's True History," Lawrence Kim, 4 p.m., 302 Schaeffer Hall
- Capote Award ceremony and lecture, William Gass, 4 p.m., Old Capitol Senate Chamber
- Etiquette Dinner, Tippiie Optimist Chapter and Women in Business, 5:30 p.m., Sheraton Hotel, 210 S. Dubuque

- Brand Upon The Brain!, 7 p.m., Bijou
- "Live from Prairie Lights," Lorna Landvik, fiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- The Critical Hour and Public Property, 7 p.m., Hubbard Park
- Journeys in Faith Speaker's Forum: A Dialogue with Bishop Amos on a Diocesan Vision, Most Rev. Martin Amos, 7:30 p.m., Newman Catholic Student Center, 104 E. Jefferson
- Quintet Attacca, 7:30 p.m., West High, 2901 Melrose
- Reading, Makeba Henry, "For My People" and "Jubilee," 7:30 p.m., UI Museum of Art
- "From 1907 to 2007: Women & The Vote, Votes for Women," Elizabeth Robins, 8 p.m., Macbride Auditorium
- Health & Wellness Series, Maia Quartet, performance for Breast Cancer Awareness, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
- Mike and Amy Finders Bluegrass, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- Sexual Assault & Healthy Relationships Series: Ask the Sexperts, 8 p.m., Quad and Currier rec. rooms
- Jules and Jim, 9 p.m., Bijou
- Love As Laughter, Liberty Leg, and Eyes, 9 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington
- Vitamin Funk, Run Side Down, Paul Kresowik Trio, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- Sangria Night, Dustin Louis Blank, 9:30 p.m., David's Place, 100 S. Linn

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SOLUTION TO WEDNESDAY'S PUZZLE

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- I like to add completely unnecessary yet totally accurate statements to the end of my sentences, no pun intended.
 - I was born yesterday, in a barn.
 - People think I, use too many commas, but I really just talk, like William Shatner.
 - I'm from Iowa: where the potatoes grow tall and the Buckeyes rule the land.
 - My only flaw is that I have too many flaws
 - I don't like to brag, but I'm pretty much so awesome that I'm obligated to.
 - Some people think I'm addicted to food and water, but I can stop whenever I want.
 - Don't do anything I tell you to do, not even this.
- Matt Gorman half believes in the importance of a balanced life.
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- 12:30 p.m. News from China-Beijing (in Chinese)
- 1 A Prairie Home Remind from the UITV Archives, Steve Kuusisto
- 2 News from Germany (in German)
- 3 "Java Blend," Music from Dick Prall
- 4 Faculty and Guest Lectures at the UI

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- 8 Faculty and Guest Lectures at the UI
- 9:30 News from Daily Iowan TV
- 10 Incompetent Sports Talk, from Student Video Productions
- 10:30 News from Daily Iowan TV
- 11 "Java Blend," Music from Dick Prall

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by Scott Adams



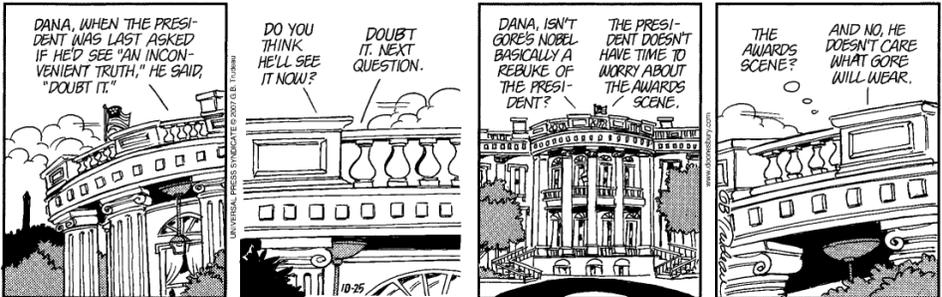
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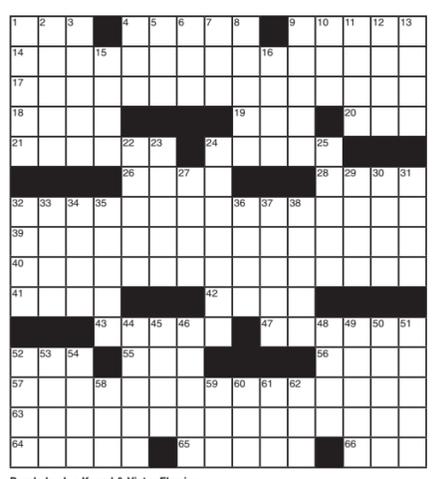
The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0913

- Across**
- 1 Times call, in some classifieds
 - 4 Johnny Carson persona
 - 9 Sauce
 - 14 Serious crimes
 - 17 Perry Mason line
 - 18 Crest bearer in heraldry
 - 19 Showed enthusiasm for, with "up"
 - 20 Highest bond rating
 - 21 Passes more than once
 - 24 Annually
 - 26 "___ Robin Gray" (classic Scottish ballad)
 - 28 Dr. ___ Schneider, historian who was a love interest of Indiana Jones
 - 32 Order sought by an accused before trial
 - 39 Hearing, e.g.
 - 40 Lawyers' requests at trials
 - 41 You are, in Aragorn
 - 42 De bene ___ (of conditional validity)
 - 43 Kind of hand
 - 47 Title locale in a Cheech Marin film
 - 52 Neighbor of Libya: Abbr.
 - 55 Energy
 - 56 Hombres en la familia
 - 57 Equals at a trial
 - 63 Specialist's offering
 - 64 Snappish
 - 65 Relative of -ish
 - 66 ___ Tamid (synagogue lamp)
- Down**
- 1 Part of a company
 - 2 Family name in Olympic skiing
 - 3 Period of time
 - 4 Montréal's Rue ___-Catherine
 - 5 Erstwhile military aux.
 - 6 Drinking in "The Taming of the Shrew"
 - 7 "Hey, ___!" (Jamaican greeting)
 - 8 Suppose
 - 9 First multiracial coeducational college in the South
 - 10 Night stand leader?
 - 11 Mythical mount
 - 12 Certain sorority woman
 - 13 What she is in Italy
 - 15 Bean sprout?
 - 16 Grand affair
 - 22 Meal, in Milan
 - 23 Lazy ___
 - 24 Like many pets
 - 25 Steel support for concrete
 - 27 Kissers
 - 29 Legal scholar
 - 30 Twisted
 - 31 On the less windy side
 - 32 Crown
 - 33 Entrance
 - 34 Remote option

ANSWER TO PUZZLE

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Puzzle by Joe Krouzel & Victor Fleming

- 35 Lucky sorts?
- 36 Modernists
- 37 French cup
- 38 "Coffee ___?"
- 44 Key component
- 45 Falling-out
- 46 Overlay
- 48 The brain has one
- 49 Fastenable, as labels
- 50 Emmy-winning Michaels
- 51 From Nineveh: Abbr.
- 52 "Leaving on ___ Plane"
- 53 Elegance
- 54 Assns. and orgs.
- 58 Still video game inits.
- 59 Old name for a letterhead
- 60 Abbr. on a firm's letterhead
- 61 Good name for a flight attendant?
- 62 Bake sale offering

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“I like making a story out of everything.”

Question: So, what are you up to right now?
Sarah Vowell: Oh, I’m researching a 17th-century parliamentarian named Henry Vane — he was a colonial governor for about five minutes. You?



Life IN THE term paper lane

By Anna Wiegenstein
THE DAILY IOWAN

Imagine living as if college never ended — not continuing the drinking or the lightweight electives but rather feeling the constant pressure of a monster term-paper deadline. Welcome to the life of Sarah Vowell. The weird thing? She *lives* for this.

“It feels very much like a term paper, right now,” she said from her New York City apartment. She surfaced to speak with the *DI* while deep in the midst of finishing her latest so-called “historical tourism” book, hence all the parliamentary research. Vowell will land in Iowa City this evening for a speaking engagement at the Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington St.

“I’ve been having college flashbacks, actually,” she said in her distinctively high-pitched voice. “My deadline’s approaching, so it feels a lot like having a paper due.”

While she may not savor the sensation of an upcoming due date, she prefers to focus on the heady bliss in the moments immediately *after* turning a project in — a feeling any collegian can relate to, she said.

“When you complete a book, it’s like finishing a paper to the nth degree,” Vowell said. “Unfortunately, given the profession I’ve chosen, I’m probably only going to get to have that feeling maybe 20 times in my whole life.”

Her “profession” may be tricky to pin down. She’s a radio personality, having contributed to Public Radio International’s “This American Life” program for the last 11 years. She’s something of a historian, given her penchant for otherwise esoteric tidbits of yesteryear. She’s written opinion columns for the *New York Times*. Perhaps most curiously, her official biography says her title is a mysterious-sounding “social observer.”

SEE VOWELL, 3C

“History is full of really good stories. That’s the main reason I got into this racket: I want to make the argument that history is interesting.”

“In death, you get upgraded into a saint no matter how much people hated you in life.”

“I seem to have no problem revealing my crush on the man who murdered Lincoln.”

“Assassins and presidents invite the same basic question: Just who do you think you are?”

“I’m a big fan of editing and keeping only the interesting bits in.”

“In the afternoons, I was a superhero, and in the mornings, I researched President Garfield.”

“What’s better than a murder story? Not much!”

“‘Social observer’ makes it sound like I go to lots of parties and stand in the corner, making smart alecky remarks.”



coming up this weekend:

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Q’s about Halloween

On Saturday, the Q Bar will provide the answer to an absence of Halloween with a bash featuring DJ Paimon, A.V. Collective, and the Untouchables. Doors will open at 9 p.m., and “ladies” get in free before 10 p.m.



Also inside

4C — LOUIS VS. REDUCTIVE JACKASSES

5C — WILLIAM GASS RECEIVES LITERARY PROPS



weekly calendar of events

Today 10.25



Bestselling author Lorna Landvik will read from her new novel, *View From Mount Joy*, tonight at Prairie Lights Books. In addition to being a novelist, Landvik is also a playwright and actor. She hails from Minneapolis, and many of her novels take place in the Land of 10,000 Lakes, including *Mount Joy*.

MUSIC

- **Quintet Attacca**, 7:30 p.m., West High, 2901 Melrose
- **Maia Quartet**, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
- **Mike and Amy Finders Bluegrass**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **The Critical Hour & Public Property**, 7 p.m., Hubbard Park
- **Gemini Karaoke**, 9 p.m., Speak Easy, 171 Highway 1 W.
- **Love As Laughter, Liberty Leg, and Eyes**, 9 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington
- **Thursday Night Karaoke**, 9 p.m., Charlie's, 450 First Ave., Coralville
- **Vitamin Funk, Run Side Down, Paul Kresowik Trio**, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- **Sangria Night, Dustin Louis Blank**, 9:30 p.m., David's Place, 100 S. Linn

THEATER

- **The Long Christmas Ride Home**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert
- **Sarah Vowell**, 8 p.m., Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington

- **Votes For Women**, staged reading, 8 p.m., Macbride Auditorium

LECTURES

- **Stage on the Page Drama Discussion Group, The Three Sisters**, by Anton Chekhov, 10 a.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth St.
- **Bike Lunch Talk with candidates for Iowa City City Council**, noon, Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Obermann Humanities Symposium, "From Bourgeois to Boogie: Black Middle Class Performances,"** 11:30 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
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- **Journeys in Faith Speaker's Forum, "A Dialogue with Bishop of Amos on a Diocesan Vision,"** Most Rev. Martin

Amos, 7:30 p.m., Newman Catholic Student Center, 104 E. Jefferson

WORDS

- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Lorna Landvik, fiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Makeba Henry**, poetry, 7:30 p.m., UI Museum of Art

MISCELLANEOUS

- **Jewelry and Metal Arts Exhibition and Reception**, 2:30 p.m., Art Building West
- **Johnson County Coalition Against Domestic Violence's Pat Meyer Award**, 4 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Room A
- **Gluten-Free Baking with Laura Schmitt**, 6 p.m., New Pioneer Co-op, 1101 Second Ave., Coralville
- **moMentum Game Night**, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Room B
- **Iowa City Blue Thong Jewelry Yoga Class**, 8 p.m., Core Fitness, 1555 S. First Ave.

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Dan in Real Life
Sycamore 12, Coral Ridge 10
Steve Carell takes a break from being hilariously inappropriate as Michael Scott on "The Office" to play an advice columnist who is having trouble navigating his own life. Movie fans can only hope that Dane Cook's performance as Carell's brother won't drown the film.



Saw IV
Sycamore 12, Coral Ridge 10
The fourth installment in the *Saw* horror series, this one promises to be more sinister than the three films preceding it. This time, police detectives are forced to piece together madman Jigsaw's diabolical traps before their lives meet a harrowing end. Sounds like a familiar plot ...

Friday 10.26

MUSIC

- **"Java Blend,"** David Stukenberg, noon, Java House, 211½ E. Washington
- **Live Music**, noon, MC Ginsberg, 110 E. Washington
- **Quietdrive, My American Heart, Just Surrender and House of Fools**, 6 p.m., Picador
- **Dave Moore and the Diplomats of Solid Sound**, 7:30 p.m., Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington
- **"Live at the Java House,"** Lojo Russo, 8 p.m., Java House
- **University Choir**, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
- **Friday Night Karaoke with Gemini Karaoke**, 9 p.m., American Legion, 3016 Muscatine
- **Greenbrier and Samba Nosso**, 9 p.m., Yacht Club
- **Public Property**, 9 p.m., Mill
- **Gorrissey, Hooray Cowboy, The Wheel and Fence, Faustio and the Beat Army and Wisely**, 10 p.m., Picador



Minneapolis-based quintet Quietdrive brings its pop-tinged songs about love and relationships to Iowa City at the Picador on Friday night. The band scored a radio hit last summer with its cover of Cyndi Lauper's '80s classic "Time After Time." The band released its debut album, *When All That's Left Is You*, on May 30, 2006.

Ride Home, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theatre

MOVIE

- **Rocky Horror Picture Show**, 11:59 p.m., Bijou

LECTURES

- **"Writing as Philosophy and Craft,"** noon, Iowa City Public Library
- **Innocence Project Speaker, Dennis Fritz**, 4 p.m., 280 Boyd Law Building

WORDS

- **IWP reading**, 5 p.m.,

Shambaugh House

DANCE

- **Halloween Swingers Ball**, 8 p.m., Old Brick
- **Dance Party with music by Rock and Thunder**, 9:30 p.m., Charlie's

MISCELLANEOUS

- **Intermedia Graduate Open House**, 8 p.m., Communications Center third floor
- **Retro Club Night**, 9 p.m., Speak Easy

Saturday 10.27

MUSIC

- **Hallowen Bash**, with DJ Paimon, A.V. Collective and the Untouchables, 9 p.m. Q Bar, 211 Iowa
- **Hunab and Mississippi Flapjacks**, 9 p.m., Picador
- **Wylde Nept Halloween Show**, 9 p.m., Mill

THEATER

- **The Long Christmas Ride Home**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theatre

MOVIE

- **Rocky Horror Picture Show**, 11:59 p.m., Bijou

LECTURES

- **21 Ordinance Informational Session and Discussion**, 10 a.m., Iowa City Public Library Room C

DANCE

- **Country Dance, DJ Scoot-A-Boot**, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 225 Highway 1 W.
- **Tango Milonga**, 7:30 p.m., Wesley House, 120 N. Dubuque
- **Rock 'n' Roll/Country Night**, 9 p.m., Speak Easy
- **Dance Party with music by Rock and Thunder**, 9:30 p.m., Charlie's

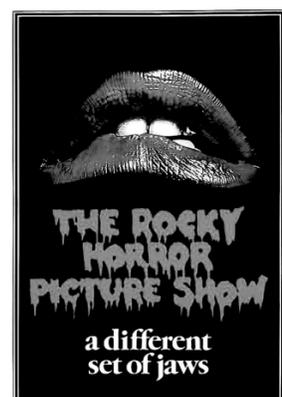


The Republic of Turkey was founded 84 years ago by Mustafa Kemal, who was eventually given the name Kemal Atatürk (which means "Father of the Turks"). Come celebrate all this and more as the Iowa City Public Library hosts a celebration of Turkey's Republic Day.

MISCELLANEOUS

- **Iowa City Farmers' Market**, 7:30 a.m., Chauncey Swan parking ramp
- **Celebration of Turkey's Republic Day**, 3-6 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Room A
- **Game Night**, 6 p.m., Fair Grounds Coffeehouse, 345 S. Dubuque
- **Roller-skating**, 6 p.m., Robert A. Lee Recreation Center, 220 S. Gilbert
- **Adult Halloween Party**, 8 p.m., Charlie's

AT THE BIJOU



The Rocky Horror Picture Show

This cult classic is required viewing for some at Halloween. The musical was one of the earliest spoofs of horror movies, and it features a young Susan Sarandon cavorting in her underwear. It also stars Tim Curry as gender-bending Dr. Frank-N-Furter and Meat Loaf before his star-making turn as the bus driver in the *Spice Girls*' movie *Spiceworld*.

WHAT ARE YOU READING?



Each week, the *D*/finds an Iowa City resident with a penchant for the written word. This week, however, we asked a pretty powerful Des Moines politician what's on his bookshelf. Gov. Chet Culver is reading a book about a land far, far away (well, Spain to be exact).

"I'm reading *A Thousand Routes Through Navarre*, by Javier Pagola Lorente."



DI RECOMMENDS

Buying a body pillow. The nights are getting colder, so while you wait for Mr. or Ms. Right to take the hint, seek comfort and warmth in 4 feet of goose down lying next to you.

QUOTABLE

"Help Britney help herself by expressing your concern to those who are largely responsible for her success, and continue to capitalize on her every move."

—The MySpace site of "Be Proactive to Help," a group of former Britney Spears associates dedicated to helping the former pop star turn her life around.

Sunday 10.28

MUSIC

- **All Saints' Concert**, 3 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 2701 Rochester
- **Iowa Percussion and Intersections Duo: Dan Moore and Renzo Spiteri**, 3 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
- **2007-08 School of Music Piano Festival, Kate Boyd**, pianist, 8 p.m., Clapp Recital Hall
- **Jesu, Torche, Fog and Yakuza**, 9 p.m., Picador
- **Reggae Night**, 9 p.m., Yacht Club

THEATER

- **The Long Christmas Ride Home**, 2:30 p.m., Riverside Theatre

WORDS

- **IWP reading, Iman Humaydan Younes and Peter Kimani**, fiction, 5 p.m., Prairie Lights

MISCELLANEOUS

- **Hawkeye Football Breakfast Buffet**, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., American Legion
- **Arts and Crafts Show**, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Carver-Hawkeye Arena
- **Environmental Impact ... Go Green Iowa, "Make a Difference Day" Iowa Riverbank Cleanup**, 2-4 p.m., IMU River Terrace
- **25th Annual**



Lebanese journalist and fiction writer Iman Humaydan Younes will join Kenyan poet and fiction writer Peter Kimani on Oct. 28 at Prairie Lights for a reading sponsored by the International Writing Program. Iowa Writers' Workshop student poet Lucas Bernhardt will also participate in the reading. Younes is a founding member of the Lebanon's Anthropological Society, and Kimani is the managing editor of the *Saturday Times*, a national paper in Kenya.

Historic Preservation Recognition Awards, 3:30 p.m., Iowa City Public Library

- **Obama Halloween Mockus**, 4-6:30 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Room B
- **Old Brick Taize**, 5 p.m., Old Brick
- **Knit Night**, 5:30 p.m., House of Aromas, 118 S. Clinton
- **The Original Mill Pub Quiz**, 9-11 p.m., Mill

'Dense but spatial'

By Brent Johnson

THE DAILY IOWAN

When Justin Broadrick formed Jesu nearly four years ago, he smashed a brick into the face of the loud, aggressive music that he helped pioneer. He switched to pop.

On Oct. 28 at the Picador, 330 E. Washington St., Jesu will return to Iowa City during its second U.S. tour. Although Broadrick's style has changed drastically, his alchemy of electronic indie and pop still shines with the metal guitars that he built his reputation upon.

"Look at the progression that happens a lot with sludgy metal bands," said Matt Show, the owner of Iowa City record label Scenester Credentials. "They begin to explore melody."

In the mid-80s, Broadrick played guitar for Napalm Death, one of the first grindcore bands that fused metal with the sloppily-fast ethos of punk. Throughout the '90s, he fronted the industrial-metal group Godflesh, which influenced thousands of bands such as Nine Inch Nails and Faith No More.

With each passing year, Broadrick seemed to up the ante, producing albums more brutal than the last. But after forming Jesu in 2003, he began



Publicity photo

Jesu will perform with Torche, Fog and Yakuza at 9 p.m. at the Picador on Oct. 28.

to explore music outside of the limitations of pure aggression and chaos.

"To me, [Jesu] is really atmospheric," said John Hopkins, a sound engineer for the Picador and guitarist for the Horde. "It's dense but spatial as well — and more accessible than Godflesh, which was really specific shit. It was a wall of noise — super intense — dark and heavy."

Show said that when he saw Jesu in March when the band

opened for Isis, the fans were unusually rabid for the band from Birmingham, England.

"He's an artist who can do no wrong because of his status," said Show. "[His music] is a legacy. He's at the top of his game for slower, heavier music."

Doors will open at 9 p.m. for those 19 and older. Admission is \$10 with openers Torche, Fog, and Yakuza.

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... there was a moocow coming down along the road (to see more arts content at dailyiowan.com) ...

Living historical tourism

VOWELL
CONTINUED FROM 3C

“Social observer” makes it sound like I go to lots of parties and stand in the corner, making smart-alecky remarks,” Vowell quipped. And while there’s no shortage of wit in her conversation, she remains too earnest to ever be written-off as some sort of VH1 commentator.

For now, Vowell, 38, makes do with the admittedly vague label of “writer,” a mantle she assumed after a career shift during her college years.

“I switched to studying art history, almost in defeat,” she said, referring to an earlier failed career in music. The “natural inclination” she felt toward writing class papers “was a revelation to me.”

“I was sitting at my typewriter, working on a paper about Dutch modernism, and something about it was cracking me up. So I was sitting there laughing, and my boyfriend at the time said, ‘Wow, you really like writing those papers.’”

It’s as true now as it was then, though the subject matter has shifted. Rather than art movements, Vowell’s last book, 2005’s *Assassination Vacation*, introduced the genre she terms “historical tourism,” following her travels through the histories of the first three presidential assassinations. Her pending follow-up, titled *The Wordy Shipmates*, details the lives of the early Puritan colonists.

“The things people want me to say are like, ‘Oh, they actually liked sex,’” she said. (For the record, it’s true — the author reports that women were actually given the power to divorce their husbands if they weren’t being sexually satisfied in marriage.)

“America as a nation has always been very forward-looking, so history tends to be forgotten a lot,” she said, addressing perhaps the most prevalent problem in being a historically focused writer. Her solution: Approach something such as Abraham Lincoln’s assassination with the same sort of narratively driven, pithy delivery as you might expect in a “Buffy the Vampire Slayer” episode. “What’s better than a murder story? Not much!”

Paul Ingram, a book buyer for Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., counts himself as among Vowell’s readers who just might have learned something without meaning to.

“I don’t read her for history, I read for her voice,” he said. “If I get some history in the process, so much the better.”

Indeed, something about her mutability between not only narrative and historical but also radio and the written form, results in a highly diverse fans for the Montana native.

“I’m smart-alecky enough for younger people, but I do support a lot of good old-fashioned American values, which is good for the oldies,” she said. “I’m something they can agree on.”

“She has many of the qualities that make David Sedaris so beloved,” Ingram said. “That deep irony she has for herself is very endearing to her fans.”

Even with Vowell’s obvious and outspoken political leanings (liberal and no fan of the current president), her deeply held patriotism has attracted

“It is amazing to the rest of the country to watch the candidates go there and eat corn on the cob for months at a time. In a way, it gives me great pleasure.”

“They must go through a lot of dental floss.”

admirers from both sides of the metaphorical aisle.

“I had an elderly, Republican father and a middle-aged, Democrat daughter come up to me, and that’s the kind of family I came from,” she said. “I get a lot of those types in book-signing lines, and it’s really gratifying.”

The dichotomy among her readers relates to one of her biggest issues with the current political landscape — what she terms “the whole red state/blue state thing.” The idea that the United States is at its most divided, she says, is not one she wants to believe, and she points to this as a reason so many issues remain unresolved in government.

Or, as Vowell put it more eloquently, “You can’t have a conversation if people are yelling at each other.”

“My dad and I would always have two candidate posters in the windows of our house — I never took his down, and he never took mine down.”

Aside from appealing to a sarcastic young adults, patriotic civics enthusiasts, and public-radio devotees, Vowell has other fans — they might not know her name but would certainly recognize her voice. That tends to happen when the one foray she made into film that turned out to be among the top-10 highest-grossing movies of 2004.

No, she wasn’t an extra in *The Passion Of The Christ* — Vowell provided the voice for a different sort of hero: Violet Parr, the eldest daughter of Bob and Helen. You might know the family better as *The Incredibles*.

“I really like talking about that with people and their kids,” she said. “I felt like it was in line with my other work.”

While initially it may not seem an obvious step for her, her work with Brad Bird’s Academy-Award-winning film for best animated feature does make sense — what’s a more quintessentially American invention than that of the superhero?

Any Vowell listener would agree that her voice — which sounds at least 15 years younger than its owner — suited the radio personality well for voice-over work, particularly in *The Incredibles*.

Jeff Porter, a UI assistant professor of English who often uses Vowell as an example in his classes on radio essays, prefers Vowell’s on-air presence to her written work for just this reason.

“She’s a smart social observer with a flawless deadpan delivery, who at the same time sounds a little bit like a nerdy young girl,” he said. “It’s what makes her voice so idiosyncratic and compelling — qualities that are hard to reproduce in writing.”

Owners of *The Incredibles* DVD may remember the writer from the special feature she

filmed in her own apartment, titled “Vowellet: An Essay By Sarah Vowell,” which features a whole lot of historical memorabilia. Her voice work for the movie took place simultaneously with the writing and research for *Assassination Vacation*, and the short film has no shortage of background Lincoln busts or dusty stacks of historical tomes.

“In the afternoons, I was a superhero, and in the mornings, I researched President Garfield,” she reflected, still sounding a little amused by the combination.

Still, she said, the character of Violet — an emo high-schooler with a knack for turning *literally* invisible — sends a message to young girls that she’s proud to be a part of.

“It’s good for them to see someone who can make her own path,” she said. For a failed-musician-turned-art-historian-turned-radio-personality-turned-historical-writer-turned-superhero — it sounds as though there’s no one better to listen to.

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Sarah Vowell: anti-caucus, pro-corn

“Do you have to ask everyone who comes to Iowa these days if they’re running for president?”

Sarah Vowell makes a valid point. With the recent influx of presidential-nomination candidates vying for Iowa’s coveted caucus approval, it seems natural to suspect everyone — if Stephen Colbert can do it, why can’t she?

But even if she *were* running for head of state next fall, it seems doubtful she’d be part of the “boots on the ground in Iowa” movement, given her thoughts on the state getting the prime first position.

“It does seem somewhat unfair that you have such an influence on what happens to the rest of us,” Vowell said candidly. “It seems that in terms of your lack of population diversity and the lack of any major borders or ports, that it’s way too much power over the course of the nation than maybe you should have.”

While she acknowledged that whichever state gets the arbitrary nod to go first, she suggested a state such as California as being more representative of the United States as a whole.

“It’s amazing to the rest of the country to watch the candidates go there and eat corn on the cob for months at a time,” she said. “In a way, it gives me great pleasure.”

“They must go through a lot of dental floss,” the author mused. “There’s a story in that.”

Blunt as Vowell’s remarks were, she’s not completely determined to alienate her Iowa audience — “Can you please point out that I’m very pro-corn?”



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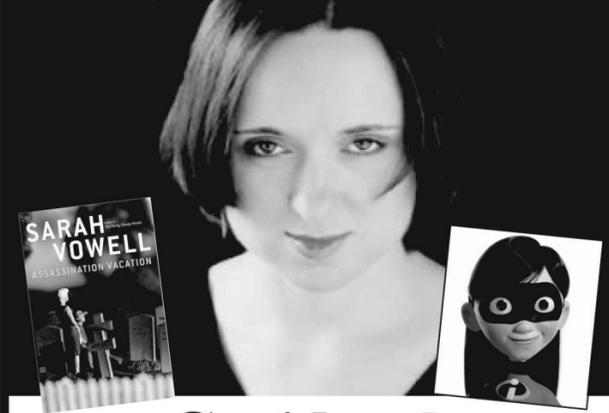
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Looking back to look forward

A staged reading of a century-old play looks to illuminate women's struggle for voting rights just as Iowa's political season heats up.

By Meryn Fluker
THE DAILY IOWAN

It was only 87 years ago that the 19th Amendment was passed, giving (certain) American women the right to vote. As the nation watches a political horseshoe to the presidency, a race that is for the first time being led by a woman, the current climate seems like a perfect time to reflect on the electoral strides that women have made.

Enter Teresa Mangum. After participating in a program focused on service learning, the UI associate professor of English became interested in tying her in-class discussions and texts to out-of-class activities, a union known as "experiential learning" — which brings us to tonight's performance of *Votes for Women*, Elizabeth Robins' 1907 suffrage play, in Macbride Auditorium. "It encourages the students to go out and put into

READING
Votes For Women,
a staged reading
When: 8 p.m. today
Where: Macbride Auditorium
Admission: Free

practice some of the ideas that they're examining in class," Mangum said. "The community partnership will teach students really interesting new questions and ideas that they will bring back to class." In a class subtitled 19th Century Vamps, Virgins, and Victors, it might have been a challenge to find

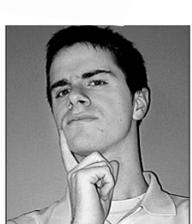
some real-world community experience for Mangum's students. She found inspiration in the current political situation and that led her to *Votes for Women*. She then decided to have her students help stage a reading of the play. "I thought if we plunged ourselves into not only reading the play but trying to bring the play to the community and get other people involved in helping us bring it to life, it might help not only the class but anybody who came to see it," she said. Iowa City residents embraced her idea, which allowed her to get other organizations involved in the performance. UI theater lecturer Meredith

Alexander directs the reading, and two theater students act in the production alongside some of Mangum's. Mangum's influence also persuaded the Women's Resource and Action Center, as well Johnson County's League of Women Voters, to sponsor the event. In addition, there will be a panel and forum on Oct. 29 to discuss how the issues in *Votes for Women* are still relevant today, 100 years later. Jessica Hook, a coordinator of the N.E.W. Leadership Program (a WRAC initiative to encourage young Iowa women to run for office), has quite concrete goals for the audience watching *Votes for Women*.

"We definitely want [the audience] to vote," she said. "But we also want to really encourage women to go a step further from just voting and really getting involved in their community, whether that's volunteering with a nonprofit organization, or working on a campaign, or even running for office." In addition to being prolific throughout her career, Robins was a well-respected feminist and an active suffragette during the early 1900s. Would she appreciate Mangum's effort to continue sharing the message of *Votes for Women*? "I'm sure she'd be thrilled," Mangum said. E-mail //reporter [Meryn Fluker](mailto:Meryn.Fluker@uiowa.edu) at meryn-fluker@uiowa.edu

SLIGHT WOUNDS and other stories

Letters to Louis



LOUIS VIRTEL

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Dear Louis, I met this guy at the beginning of the school year, and we have become pretty good friends. One night, he comes home — drunk. A group of us gets on the topic of sexuality. Suddenly, this guy friend of mine blurts out, "What?! I thought you were a lesbian." Flabbergasted, I reply, "Of course not." I don't understand. Why would this guy think I am a lesbian? I just find it upsetting, because it seems that guys just don't get me. I think I put myself out there, romantically speaking, and

I am really outgoing. Why are guys not getting it? XO XO, Your secret admirer

Dear Somber 'n' Straight, If you're really my secret admirer, just beware. I'm already obsessed with your true identity. I'm drunk with curiosity ... Maybe you're the guy from my journalism class sophomore year who's finally realizing what he's missing!? That's it! Are you wearing your teal windbreaker, too?! You know how to allure a boy. Let us be wed. I don't care that you say you're a girl. See? I believe what I want! That's the fun of being certifiable. I'm a fountain of crazy right now. Throw pennies in me. Make a wish or something.

OK, I'll indulge you with some sanity.

Ugh, your story is a drag. First of all, let me congratulate you on your stellar friend who yelled, "I thought you were a lesbian." What a constructive sentiment. He should work for Hallmark. Even if I did think my friend was a lesbian, I'd never (read: NEVER) say that to her. And in such an alienating way in front of friends, no less! You probably should've responded with, "Oh, no, don't worry, I'm not a lesbian; you're just an idiot." Might this also be the type of guy who "won't go to Studio because every guy will hit on him"? Right, jackass. You and your North Face are effing irresistible.

But he's your friend, so he's a nice guy deep down, I'm sure, when he's not drunk. Tee-hee! Back to FAC!

OK, here's what you need to remember: Obviously, there's a pervasive sector of men who want women to be the little lady. Believe it or not, that sneering, chauvinistic guy in the cowboy hat at Sports Column probably doesn't want a woman who'll tell him he's obnoxious. Or that no one "raises the roof" anymore. Seems as if you're more assertive than the average "little lady." You're all woman — and you're dealing with a dumb little boy. It's difficult for any Gets-It (that's right, I've anointed you) to find a rational, non-ignoramus in this tractor-pull town.

Also, be careful; you're taking his comments as gospel. He said what he said; he wasn't speaking for humanity. He certainly wasn't speaking for me. You're forming a thesis about yourself based on his stupid comment and some vague, overarching idea that men "don't get you." Date the people you want to date, and forget that the opinion of anyone else even matters. Besides me, naturally.

Last, being called a lesbian isn't the worst thing in the world. One time I was erroneously called a second-rate Kylie Minogue fan, and trust me, some wounds don't respond to Neosporin.

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OLYMPICS

Jackie Chan records official countdown song to Beijing Olympics

HONG KONG (AP) — Jackie Chan has flexed his vocal muscles for the Olympics.

The 53-year-old actor, best known for his daredevil stunts, has recorded "We Are Ready," the official countdown song to the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics.

He spent three hours recording the song during a recent trip to Beijing, Chan said in a blog entry on his website Wednesday.

Chan, star of the "Rush Hour" movies, dabbles in music, and he has released several albums.

He praised the lyrics of the Mandarin Chinese song composed by Peter Kam, who won a Silver Bear award for best film music at the Berlin Film Festival last year.

"Waiting year after year / We can see into the future / Together with hard work and sweat, we've created the five different [Olympic] colors," says one refrain.

Olympic organizers have also recorded a second Chinese version sung by more than 100 pop stars, Kam said.

He told the Associated Press in a phone interview that an English version of the song may be recorded.

Chan said in an earlier blog entry that he got goose bumps when he attended the official one-year countdown event in Beijing on Aug. 8.

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In the heart of the HEART OF READING

At a first impression, William Gass fits the description of a fairly average citizen. A retired professor and resident of St. Louis, he likes talking about philosophy. His furnace just died. He writes about the topics that interest him, and he just won \$30,000.

By Ann Colwell
THE DAILY IOWAN



William Gass, a professor emeritus at Washington University in St. Louis, was recently awarded the 2007 Truman Capote Award for literary criticism, which will be bestowed today at 4 p.m. in the Old Capitol Senate Chamber.

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William Gass wasn't expecting a call last spring saying that he'd been awarded the 2007 Truman Capote Award for Literary Criticism.

"I usually don't get these kinds of things," he said with a light laugh, clearly pleased. The Capote Award's monetary value is the largest annual cash prize for literary criticism in the English language.

An essayist, novelist, short-story writer, and a professor emeritus at Washington University in St. Louis, Gass will accept the prestigious award today at 4 p.m. in the Old Capitol Senate Chamber. The trustees of the Capote estate chose the Iowa Writers' Workshop to administer the award.

His book, *A Temple of Texts*, was selected by a panel of six international scholars and practicing literary critics. Each judge submits two books from the past four years that he or she finds distinguished. The judges read and rank the books, deciding on the best book of literary criticism for the Capote Award.

"[Gass] is an enormously deserving candidate, given both his passion for literature and the brilliance of his own writing," said Garrett Stewart, a UI English professor and member of the selection committee.

"I'm sort of seduced by new territories I haven't been in," Gass said in describing why he writes about the subjects he does. "An editor will say, 'Hey, there's a new book out on somebody. Would you write about it?' And I'll say, well, I've never done that; I'll give it a try. Sometimes, they're

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not just new subjects, but writers who are neglected or sort of out of the public view."

Published in 2006 by Knopf, *A Temple of Texts* is a collection of 25 essays on various writers that have influenced Gass — such as François Rabelais, Robert Burton, or Elias Canetti — and examines a number of literary works, book reviews, and literary ideas such as the nature of evil.

He will present a lecture at the award ceremony on a topic that continues to intrigue him — why we read what we read.

"It's something that I'm interested in as a critic, of course," Gass said. "In a sense, it's the problem of trying to find out why a work of literature is good — what it is that really does it."

And surprisingly, he doesn't believe that a person

needs to be anybody special to make these kinds of judgments, saying literary criticism isn't necessarily what college students and readers need to embrace.

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So what exactly does he have planned for that \$30,000? Nothing flashy.

"Part of the award money is going to pay for a furnace," he said. "Our furnace failed, and we had to put in a new one. We're also going to take advantage of the trip [to Iowa City] and go to a few places we haven't been before, and drive slowly back to St. Louis."

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UI PERCUSSION PROGRAM

A different kind of percussion

The UI percussion program has a mischievous history of getting into the holiday spirit. During a 2003 concert on Halloween eve, student musicians performed pieces while dressed in festive costumes. On Oct. 28, however, more treats than tricks will be in store as UI percussion director Dan Moore brings his Intersections, a collaboration with Renzo Spiteri, to Clapp Recital Hall. The much-anticipated concert begins at 3 p.m. and is free. The show is the first stop on a nationwide tour for the innovative duo.

The globetrotting Moore touches on many musical styles in his work, and he is best known for his marimba talents. Always creative, he blends the old with the new by embracing both acoustic and electric sounds in his performances. Travels to perform in such locations as Mexico, China, and Argentina have allowed him to collect folk melodies and sounds, adapting them into his ever-evolving repertoire.

The Intersections duo was formed when Moore and Spiteri met at a percussion festival in Beijing. Spiteri is a world-renowned Maltese multi-percussionist who works in a wide spectrum of musical genres, from jazz to classical. By the end of the festival, a partnership was created. In January, the duo premiered their works in a series of three

sold-out concerts in Valletta, Malta. The music is as eclectic as the artists themselves, combining improvisation and foreign folk songs. To add further interest, it's all created by both familiar and obscure percussion instruments.

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Gourmet magazine nearly skips over Iowa in its new list of top 'farm-to-fork' restaurants, proving that even the most respected food magazines sometimes have poor taste.



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chefs who use locally grown foods. But October's issue of *Gourmet* magazine didn't seem to agree. In its greatly past-due coverage of the "farm-to-fork movement," the magazine promised readers a compilation of "the best places in America where true local flavor is always on the menu." Coming from a family of farmers myself, I was ecstatic — finally a respected publication was giving Iowa food the attention it deserved, right?

Wrong. Of the magazine's list of 91 restaurants, the only Iowa eatery to make the cut was the Des Moines restaurant Sage. After adding Sage to my "must-eat-this-food-soon" list, my taste buds started to get a little bit angry. Yes, I've dined at places nationwide that surpass most of Iowa City's food establishments, notably in cost, but also in taste and presentation. But when it comes to eating local foods, I wouldn't venture anywhere but central Iowa City. Just a few weeks ago, the Johnson County Local Foods Alliance



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Sarah Niederhauser pours wine for Jim Kirk (left), wife Mary, and friend Theresa Carbrey at Redhead restaurant in Solon on Oct. 17. As the head of the Iowa City chapter of Slow Food USA, Jim Kirk, with the aid of Mary Kirk, organized this year's event at the Redhead.

held its annual Culinary Walk — a chance for local chefs to set up shop outside the confines of their dining rooms and offer locals a taste of culinary arts that was, not long before, literally rooted here. While sampling the culinary artist's creations, I talked with farmers from the rural areas around Iowa City, Mount Vernon, Kalona, Tiffin, and other places who grew and harvested the food sources.

One of the chefs that I spoke with that night, Kurt Michael Friese of Devotay, 117

N. Linn St., has recently been named to the national executive committee of Slow Food, an international organization

promoting the use of sustainable food sources. In Friese's recent article on environmental news site *Grist.org*, he noted that Iowa City offers at least 15 different restaurants that buy locally. And places focused on local foods have been sprouting up in neighboring towns — including Lincoln Café in Mount Vernon, Redhead in Solon, Phoenix Café in Grinnell, and Café Dodici in Washington.

Although there are still a few Iowa City restaurants I have yet to dine at, I keep myself involved as much as I can in the local food culture — trying to make it to the Farmers' Market when I can and choosing a restaurant with local ingredients over the dining hall. But even the dorm food has proven to be a source for locally grown foods as the UI increases its efforts. I highly doubt

whether the Hillcrest Marketplace will be featured in *Gourmet* anytime soon — or *Food & Wine* or *Bon Appetit*. But it just goes to show that the focus on locally grown foods in Iowa — and Iowa City — should be a model for cities nationwide.

And of all places to source your culinary ingredients, Iowa has got to be the best. Consistently one of the top agriculture states in the nation, more than 90 percent of Iowa's land is farmland the Hawkeye State boasts the biggest production of both corn and pork and isn't far behind in production of other agricultural commodities. It only makes sense that the farm-to-fork crusade took root quickly in Iowa. Come on, *Gourmet*, where is the love?

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