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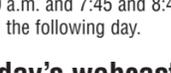
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COMING BACK WITH LAUGHTER

One year later, UI student Cody Fisher adjusts to life after his legs were amputated below the knees.



Cody Fisher, 20, sits in his Currier dorm room on Sunday. Fisher returned to the university last semester after having both his legs amputated below the knees.

'Before, I couldn't grasp the concept of death. Now, I'm not afraid to die. After what I went through, I might as well be invincible.'

By Kara Bacon
SPECIAL TO THE DAILY IOWAN

Friday evenings, Cody Fisher heads out with his friends for a night on the town. When he leaves Currier Hall, he grabs what appears to be a bike lock.

He'll need it to chain his wheelchair to the bike rack outside the bar. Fisher uses his chair to get to the bars and then spends the rest of the night walking around using his two prosthetic legs.

"I don't want my face to be at crotch or cigarette level," Fisher said, which is why he wears his prosthetics in the bar. If he were to use his wheelchair, he would continually run over people's feet, he noted.

When he was 19, Fisher's legs were amputated below the knee. He spent nearly a month in an incoherent state in which he could barely comprehend the traumatic things happening to his own body. Many of his friends thought he wouldn't survive.

Today he is 20. "Before, I couldn't grasp the concept of death. Now, I'm not afraid to die," he said. "After what I went through, I might as well be invincible."

A virulent strain of a bacteria — which can also cause meningococcal meningitis — induced a blood infection, destroying his body during the first semester of his freshman year. Freshmen living in dormitories, such as

SEE FISHER, 3A



Cody Fisher hangs out with friends Jackie Alamillo (left) and Jesse Garcia in his Currier dorm room on Sunday. Fisher had both his legs amputated below the knees in December 2006 after he contracted a virulent strain of bacteria.

Meningitis facts

- There are two basic types of meningitis: bacterial and viral.
- Bacterial meningitis is significantly more dangerous than viral meningitis.
- Many different types of bacteria can cause meningitis.
- Vaccines are available to guard against many, but not all, types of bacterial meningitis.
- Scientists are currently testing a vaccine for B serogroup meningitis, but one is not yet available.

Source: CDC

The Q Bar to hit dry spell

Bar's license is suspended for 90 days.

By Briana Byrd
THE DAILY IOWAN

One bar will be noticeably dry at the start of the UI's spring semester. Because the bar sold alcohol to minors, the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division suspended the license of the Q Bar, 211 Iowa Ave., for 90 days beginning

Tuesday, the first day of classes at the UI, said Lynn Walding, the division's administrator. The date was purposefully chosen to coincide with the start of classes, he said. "Our general practice is that in college communities, suspensions are served during the semester," Walding said.

The suspension will last until April 21. Three specific violations, one in September 2003, another in April 2005, and the most recent in August 2006, resulted in fines totaling \$3,500, which the bar has paid, and a 90-day suspension. The suspension cannot be appealed, Walding said. The decision further complicates the bar's alcohol-serving

status, adding to an Iowa City City Council decision in November 2007 not to renew the Q's liquor license, alleging a lack of consistent management, a pattern of serving underage patrons, and a photo showing a city-ordinance violation in *The Booze News*, a local bar-oriented publication.

SEE Q BAR, 3A

NEWS WHILE YOU WERE AWAY

Over break

More violence

Two sexual attacks took place near the UI campus over winter break.



Nelle Dunlap/The Daily Iowan

2 women attacked

Two more reported attacks on women during winter break have been added to the slew of similar incidents occurring on and near the UI campus since September 2006.

The alleged attacks happened roughly eight hours apart. It is not known if they are related, or if they are related to other attacks in the last year and a half.

A woman reported the first attack Jan. 5 at 9:42 p.m. She told Iowa City police she had been grabbed by a man while walking to her apartment on the 600 block of East Court Street.

The woman said a man had grabbed her and tried to pull down her pants. She described her alleged attacker as a white male.

Police responded to a second attack at 5:12 a.m. on Jan. 6 on the 500 block of Riverside Drive. The woman reported she had been running on the bike trail that parallels the Iowa River when a man grabbed her, pulled her to the ground, and threatened her with a knife.

The woman escaped with only minor scrapes and called police. She did not require medical treatment, reports said.

The accuser described her attacker as an unshaven white male, 6 feet tall with a medium build, possibly between 25 and 30 years old. He was allegedly wearing a gray stocking cap, black jacket, and jeans with a hole in one knee.

— by Kurtis Hiatt

Alumnus killed

A UI alumnus was killed in a Jan. 10 auto accident in Washington County. Brian Gleason, 25, was traveling northbound on Highway 218 near Riverside that evening when he lost control of the vehicle, according to the report.

His SUV collided with a van when he crossed the median at 5:03 p.m. Linda Carter, 62, and Gene Carter, 64, suffered injuries in the crash.

The three were taken to the UI Hospitals and Clinics, where Gleason died the next morning.

A Dubuque native, Gleason studied engineering at the UI and graduated in 2005. He was also a captain of the Iowa Hawkeye Ultimate Club.

"He was a great guy who was passionate for both sports and life," said Brendan Kremer, another team captain.

— by Zhi Xiong

Wilburn replaced

City Councilor Regenia Bailey ushered in the new year by being elected Iowa City's new mayor in a special meeting.

She took the oath to serve as mayor on Jan. 2.

Bailey, 48, was nominated for the position by Councilors Amy Correia and Mike O'Donnell.

Councilor Connie Champion nominated the previous mayor, Councilor Ross Wilburn, but that nomination failed to receive a second.



Bailey
new mayor

SEE BREAK, 4A

UI honors Rev. King

UI Human Rights Week commemorates Martin Luther King Jr. today with song, speeches, and symbolic flower arrangements.

By Samantha Miller
THE DAILY IOWAN

Celebration is on the agenda today for Martin Luther King Jr. Day, highlighting more than a week dedicated to the historic civil-rights leader and campus diversity as part of the UI's Human Rights Week.

The community convocation will take place at the IMU second-floor ballroom. UI President Sally Mason will be the keynote speaker at the event, convocation co-host Lena Hill said.

Hill, a UI assistant professor of English, said this year's convocation is especially important given how directly it's linked with King's holiday.

"The convocation is structured to help us reflect on King's legacy and moving forward with diversity at the university," said Hill, whose father was jailed

Other Monday activities for UI Human Rights Week

- Interfaith Dialogue Breakfast, 10 a.m., Asian Pacific American Cultural Center
- Community Youth Leadership Program, 10 a.m., Chamber of Commerce, 325 E. Washington St.
- Human Rights Awareness Social, 11 a.m., Colonial Lanes, 2253 Old Highway 218 SS

with King during the civil-rights movement.

Singing will be another highlighted activity during the event. Hill said song is very meaningful because of the large role it played during the civil-rights movement. Numerous choirs will perform at the convocation, including Gospel Explosion, Voices of Soul, and The Quire.

A "unity bouquet" will also be

'This is not just a holiday for African Americans — it's a holiday to remember how he fought for everyone.'

— Billie Townsend, Black Student Union adviser

assembled at the IMU today, which, Hill said, symbolizes diversity. Mason will place the first flower, to be followed by community members.

"This represents the unity shared among the administration, faculty, staff, students, and the Iowa City community," she said.

Black Student Union adviser Billie Townsend, who helped organize the event, said she

expects a large turnout. She noted the event drew in approximately 200 people last year.

Townsend said the convocation will also emphasize putting King's message "back into context" by focusing on his words beyond the "I have a Dream" speech.

"We're just trying to keep the dream of Martin Luther King alive and going," she said. "This is not just a holiday for African Americans — it's a holiday to remember how he fought for everyone."

Following today's convocation, UI Human Rights week will continue through Jan. 30. Upcoming events include Tuesday's Stomping Out Stereotypes lecture at the IMU and Wednesday's Diversity Discussions at the UI Hospitals and Clinics.

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UI moves on underage drinking

Following voters' rebuff of the 21-ordinance proposal, one UI official creates a program aimed at curbing underage drinking.

By Melanie Kucera
THE DAILY IOWAN

With a new semester starting Tuesday, UI interim Provost Lola Lopes hopes to welcome it with changes in the "serious" underage drinking problem in Iowa City.

Her plan is twofold, involving two new task forces focusing on alternative night activities as well as the legal and regulatory environment in the downtown bars.

"In many cases, students are caught up in a culture that is new when they come to campus, and they don't understand the things that can happen," Lopes said.

To combat this problem, she recruited people for the two groups that will meet weekly or every other week, and she thinks the panel members will bring a variety of knowledge to the problem. The policy and night-activities teams are made up of eight and five people respectively, and they include a mixture of staff and students.

The goal of the night-activities group is to come up with alternatives between roughly



File photo/The Daily Iowan

An anonymous teenager drinks a can of beer on June 26, 2006. UI interim Provost Lola Lopes recently proposed a program to curb the underage drinking problem in Iowa City.

10 p.m. until 2 a.m. on the week-ends as a substitute for the drinking environment.

UI sophomore Avinash Mishra admitted that though he and most of his friends would be willing to explore some of the night activities, the few who were avid bar-goers would not.

"I think students would be willing to check it out and see what it is, but I am not so sure it would reduce the drinking life," Mishra said. "It is tough to say if it would be successful — they would have to give it time."

Volunteer activities, poetry readings, student bands playing in the IMU, and classes such as salsa dancing all were mentioned as possibilities by Lopes. "My sense is that the sky is the limit for activities that would appeal to students," she said.

"It would give some alcohol-free options that can be fun and fulfilling things [the students] can do," said Mary Mathew Wilson, a UI Civic Engagement Program coordinator and member of the group. "I'm hoping it will kind of catch fire."

For each activity, the university will try to address issues concerning the cost, site, staffing, funding, marketing, and other topics, UI Vice Provost Tom Rocklin wrote in an e-mail.

The policy group is tasked with gathering and understanding information about the legal and regulatory environment downtown surrounding alcohol.

"I think our chore is to provide President Mason with some possible policy initiatives that she can choose among to

'It is too easy for kids to get into drinking without thinking of the ramifications it has on their career choices down the road. I want our students to be as successful as they possibly can.'

— Carol Johnk, UI library assistant

try to lessen the impact of underage binge drinking," said John Whiston, a UI clinical professor of law.

Seeing the effects of drinking firsthand pushed UI library assistant Carol Johnk to join the policy group.

"It is too easy for kids to get into drinking without thinking of the ramifications it has on their career choices down the road," she said. "I want our students to be as successful as they possibly can."

There is no word on how long these groups will be in place.

Both groups are expected to generate two summaries of their findings and ideas by late March or early April, Lopes said. At least one to two activities will be implemented this semester, she said.

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METRO

Fire displaces family

Late Sunday morning, the Iowa City Fire Department responded to a fire at 2018 Waterfront Drive, unit 71, according to fire officials.

Firefighters found flames and smoke throughout the residence,

but the occupants were all outside when fire personnel arrived. Numerous fire engines and support vehicles were at the scene.

Though the firefighters established control over the fire within 30 minutes, units remained on the

scene for approximately three hours, because the fire had severely damaged the structure.

The Fire Department called in off-duty Iowa City firefighters to go to the scene as well as to staff stations. Firefighters from Coralville and West

Branch also responded to the fire.

Officials are investigating the fire's cause, and they do not yet have an estimate of the damage.

The Red Cross is helping the displaced family.

— by Christopher Patton

POLICE BLOTTER

Lucas Andrusyk, 21, Ames, was charged Jan. 19 with disorderly conduct.

Michael Bouyer, 41, 1946 Broadway Apt. D, was charged Jan. 18 with OWI.

Conor Broderick, 19, 353 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2223, was charged Jan. 18 with OWI and possession of marijuana.

Dontrell Coleman, 18, 2120 Davis St., was charged Jan. 15 with disorderly conduct and third-degree harassment.

Stephen Davlantes, 19, 313 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2031, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Joseph Diaz, 19, 714 N. Van Buren St., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Hillary Fauser, 26, address unknown, was charged Jan. 18 with third-degree burglary and fourth-degree criminal mischief.

Blake Frederickson, 23, 2618 Catskill Court, was charged Jan. 19 with OWI.

Godfrey Freeman, 32, 1132 Melrose Ave., was charged Sept. 21, 2007 with assault causing injury.

Cory Geiger, 24, was charged Sunday with obstructing emergency communication and domestic abuse assault.

Louis Hayward, 27, address unknown, was charged Jan. 18 with fourth-degree criminal mischief, third-degree burglary, and interference with official acts.

Thomas Howe, 24, 23 Amber Lane, was charged Jan. 19 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Josue Jara, 19, Washington, Iowa, was charged Jan. 19 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Qazi Javed, 29, Solon, was charged Jan. 19 with OWI.

Eric McCreedy, 19, was charged

Jan. 29 with PAULA.

Jamie Meyer, 19, 401 S. Governor St., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Matthew Mitchell, 22, Greenfield, Iowa, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Larry Neal, 28, 336 Douglass Court, was charged Jan. 16 with violating a no-contact, domestic abuse protective order.

Jeffrey O'Hara, 22, Coralville, was charged Jan. 18 with second-offense OWI.

Cheryl Peterson, 47, 123 Apache Trail, was charged Jan. 19 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Corey Peterson, 24, North Liberty, was charged May 19, 2007 with willful injury causing bodily injury.

Michael Pugh, 19, Northbrook, Ill., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Lori Reichelt, 49, address

unknown, was charged Jan. 18 with possession of cocaine.

David Reid, 20, N423 Currier, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Steven Rich, 38, 1956 Broadway Apt. B3, was charged Dec. 18 with driving with a revoked license.

Tanisha Rutherford, 25, Peoria, Ill., was charged Jan. 18 with public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Brandon Schickling, 20, 406 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 936, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Tanner Sharp, 20, Urbandale, Iowa, was charged Jan. 18 with OWI.

Amy Trolliet, 36, Coralville, was charged Jan. 18 with driving while barred.

Matthew Wills, 24, Altoona, Iowa, was charged Jan. 19 with disorderly conduct.

Emily Winn, 18, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sunday with PAULA and presence in a bar after hours.

METRO

Police report pot bust

Iowa City police seized more than an ounce of marijuana during an undercover operation on Jan. 31, 2007, reports said.

Zachary Dimmitt, 22, Coralville, was charged Jan. 17 with delivery of a controlled substance.

He was taken to Johnson County Jail on Jan. 18 and held on a \$5,000 bond.

Police conducting a narcotics

investigation with a cooperating individual allegedly purchased more than an ounce of high-grade marijuana from Dimmitt at his residence for \$350.

Police used the cooperating individual, along with an undercover officer, to obtain the marijuana.

Dimmitt's charge is a Class D felony, punishable by up to five years in prison and a fine of up to \$7,500.

— by Kurtis Hiatt

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Using humor after losing legs

FISHER
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Fisher was, are one of the most at-risk groups for contracting the bacteria, said Peter Densen, a UI professor of infectious diseases. Some universities, including the UI, highly recommend — if not mandate — that freshmen entering school and living in dormitories receive the meningitis vaccination.

Though Fisher followed the recommendation and got the vaccine, he contracted the B-serogroup strain, which the vaccination does not cover. The subtypes B, C, and Y are the ones most commonly contracted in the United States — the vaccine covers only the C and Y groups.

The public focuses on the disease, regardless of the low mortality rate, because it can kill people within hours if not treated promptly, Densen said. Of the survivors, many are left with deafness, learning disorders, or, as with Fisher, limb amputations, Densen said.

On Dec. 5, 2006, Fisher found himself unable to get off the shower floor in his residence hall after a short blackout. He waited until he heard someone enter the shower room and called for help. Luckily, it was a friend, Tom Saladin.

"I recognized the voice," Saladin said. "I thought it was a joke at first."

Because Fisher appeared to be delusional and looked lost, Saladin ran to find resident assistant Daniel Granias. While Granias went to call the paramedics, Saladin helped Fisher to his room, struggling to keep him awake.

During the UI 2006-07 winter break, after his lower legs were amputated, Fisher moved to the UI Hospitals and Clinics burn unit to receive skin grafts. The infection had killed much of the skin on his upper legs, and it had to be replaced. Specialists took healthy skin from his abdomen and moved it to his legs.

"It was like getting set on fire," he said — the pain on his abdomen was the worst.

Since then, Fisher has gone through physical therapy to

learn how to function with a wheelchair and get around using his arms. He also went through therapy to use prosthetic legs. Over the summer, he finished physical therapy.

"Learning to use prostheses was like going through puberty again," Fisher said — he continually kicked things and misjudged where his "new feet" were.

He has relied on his sense of humor to get through all the various changes, he said — his ability to laugh about the situation kept him from thinking about suicide.

The day he left the UIHC, he was thinking up no-leg jokes and stories about how he lost them, he said.

"It is easier because my friends are willing to joke about it, too, without crossing the line," he said.

One thing about his physical change that does bother him is his height: "I want my inch and a half back." Before his legs were amputated, he stood 6-4.

Instead of dwelling on his obvious physical transformation, he focuses on the differences in his personal life. He's noticed the most change in the people he associates with — friends he can trust.

"In the past, I would be friends with people, and if they were really flaky, I'd play their game, but now I just drop 'em like a bad habit, because life is really too short," he said.

He has become closer to a smaller group of people who use Fisher's room as a hang-out. Friend Jesse Garcia said he is glad Fisher is back "because he has a sweet couch" made of soft dark-chocolate colored suede that takes up the longest wall in his dorm room. Fisher's friends continually leave stuff on his floor, creating little obstacles, he said, but because he usually just walks on his knees in his room, it is not a big deal.

Things are pretty much back to normal, he said, but he still has some tasks that he wants to accomplish — this summer, he wants to climb a ladder.

"I view my disability as a problem that needs fixing," he said.

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Q will lose license

Q BAR
CONTINUED FROM 1A

The photo featured a bartender pouring liquid from an alcohol bottle into another individual's mouth. A Q employee's testimony that the photo was staged did not prevent the 6-1 council decision.

"I think the owner has made a lot of improvements; however, it's the state's decision," said City Councilor Mike O'Donnell, who was the only councilor to vote to allow the Q to keep its license. "He did sell beers to minors, so that was the result."

The Q has appealed the City Council's decision, and the establishment is open and can continue to sell alcohol until the state's suspension takes effect Tuesday.

"The suspension means it can stay open but cannot engage in the sale of alcoholic beverages during that time," Walding said.

The City Council's move did not affect the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division's decision,



File photo/The Daily Iowan

Crowds jam the Q Bar for Cup Night on April 30, 2002. Beginning Tuesday, the bar will lose its liquor license for serving alcohol to minors. The date was chosen to coincide with the start of classes.

Walding said.

"I think it was bound to happen, because it was set by

law," said City Councilor Connie Champion.

The Q declined to comment

on either decision.

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STATE

Authorities look into alleged state trooper shooting

DAVENPORT (AP) — Authorities are investigating an alleged shooting by an Iowa State Patrol officer.

Officials say 43-year-old state trooper, Robert Smith, tried to stop a white vehicle at about 8 p.m. Jan. 19 in Davenport. After pulling into a parking lot, Smith approached the car by foot, and the driver put the car into reverse. Smith tried to break the a window with a flashlight but was unable to. Officials say the driver started driving toward Smith, when the trooper fired three shots at the front left tire, which was deflated.

Authorities say the vehicle got stuck in a field near the parking lot. Smith ended up breaking a window with his baton, and the suspect physically resisted the trooper's

attempt make an arrest. The driver fled the area by foot.

The state Department of Public Safety says no one was injured. Smith has been put on paid administrative leave. The suspect's name has not been released.

The investigation is continuing.

Federal grant cuts could hit Iowa drug enforcement programs

DES MOINES (AP) — Possible cuts in federal funds could hit drug-enforcement programs in Iowa.

The U.S. Department of Justice funds drug control programs at local law-enforcement agencies through the Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program. A proposal calls for cutting 70 percent of the \$4.22 million that came to Iowa this year.

The grants make up a large

portion of the Iowa Office of Drug Control Policy's budget, and officials say less money means investigations into narcotic suppliers and dealers would be stalled.

Gary Kendell, the director of the agency, said such important groups as the North Central Iowa Narcotics Task Force, which represents authorities from nine

counties, would also be hit.

"Without that pooled effort, they're not going to be able to do any drug enforcement other than what they run into during their regular patrol duties. It really hamstringing the effort," Kendell said.

As a result, there may be a big drop in the number drug cases, he said.

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Bailey won on a 6-1 vote; Wilburn voted no. She was elected to the position after serving as a councilor since January 2004.

Bailey has been an Iowa City resident for 40 years, and she previously served on the Chamber of Commerce and Iowa City and Coralville Convention and Visitor's Bureau. She is also an independent consultant and coach for her company, the Bailey Leadership Initiative.

During the same council meeting O'Donnell was unanimously elected mayor pro tem.

— by Kayla Kelley

Twenty businesses passed the check, and police commended these "responsible" establishments.

They are: 808 Restaurant, Bo-James, Casey's on Willow Creek Drive, David's Place, Deli Marts on Highway 1 and Benton Street, Farris Productions, 3rd Base, Gasby's East on Muscatine Avenue, Grizzly's South Side Pub, Kum & Go on Mormon Trek Boulevard, Old Capitol Brew Works, One-Eyed Jakes, Picador, Q, Sports Column, Studio 13, Summit, Union Bar, and Vito's.

— by Kurtis Hiatt



File photo/The Daily Iowan
Iowa Gov. Chet Culver proposed increasing the bottle deposit by 5 cents. Under the plan, consumers would receive 8 cents apiece upon returning beverage containers.

Bottle deposit

Consumers may have to pay 5 cents more in bottle deposits if one of Iowa Gov. Chet Culver's recent proposals is passed by the Legislature.

One cent of that increase would go to the Resource Enhancement and Protection, a state environmental agency, and 1 cent would go to such bottle handlers as grocers and redemption centers.

The tax, which now stands at 5 cents, would increase to 10 cents under the Democrat's plan. At present, consumers can receive that amount back under Iowa law; if Culver's proposal passes, consumers would receive 8 cents

of the 10-cent deposit.

Critics of the proposal have denounced it as an unnecessary increase.

State Sen. Bob Dvorsky said that although he doesn't support the measure, he thinks that it is "useful" that the governor brought up the topic. Dvorsky doesn't see enough widespread support for the proposal, but at least, he said, "it facilitates debate."

The governor also recently said he would be in favor of dropping the 5-cent increase if the Legislature supported expanding the bottle-return program — now strictly for alcoholic or carbonated beverage bottles or cans — to other drink containers, including water, tea, and sport drinks.

— by Shawn Gude

Coralville expecting new fire station

Officials in Coralville are moving forward with plans for a new fire station, placing a pair of resolutions on the agenda for Tuesday's City Council meeting.

The council will consider holding a public hearing on the proposed station location as well as hiring Neumann Monson Architects to design the complex.

The proposed location for the station is on Holiday Court., just east of the intersection of Coral Ridge Avenue and Holiday Road.

Neumann Monson, based in Iowa City, has designed the Brown Deer Club House and North Ridge Park Pavilion in Coralville.

A public hearing between Coralville and the state Board of Regents, which oversees the location, because the UI owns it, would be held on Feb. 12.

Fire station site

Coralville's proposed fire station location, just east of the intersection of Holiday Road and Coral Ridge Avenue, will be discussed at Tuesday's City Council meeting.



Carli Schultz/The Daily Iowan

Coralville city administrator Kelly Hayworth told the *Cedar Rapids Gazette* that the city hopes to have the station in

operation by the summer of 2009.

— by Ben Travers

Assault information subpoenaed

The UI announced Jan. 18 that its Equal Opportunity and Diversity Office had been subpoenaed Nov. 14, 2007, for information regarding an alleged sexual-assault case in Hillcrest on Oct. 14, 2007.

Previously, a court order had forced the UI not to divulge "any information contained in the materials released [because of the subpoena] or about the investigation itself in any capacity."

Today, the subpoena itself and information obtained by the subpoena remain sealed; the UI now can only reveal it was subpoenaed.

Linda Kettner, an associate director of University Relations, said in an e-mail to the media

that she hopes the new information "answers some of your questions and corrects some of the misperceptions surrounding the matter."

The new court order states that Johnson County prosecutor Janet Lyness "has no objection to said order being made public so long as the subpoena referred to ... and information returned in response to the subpoena remain sealed pursuant to the order."

The subpoena and related materials have been sealed for 90 days — until at least Feb. 12.

Authorities investigated Hillcrest Nov. 14, 2007, questioning at least three Hawkeye football players in connection to the event. Officials handed over evidence they collected to the County Attorney's Office Dec. 20, 2007. There is still no word from the office regarding whether charges may be filed.

— by Kurtis Hiatt



Businesses fail compliance check

Undercover officers and underage youths busted four establishments for allegedly selling alcohol to minors during compliance checks Jan. 17 and 18, police report.

The following businesses and employees reportedly failed the check: Emma Nilles, 20, of Fitzpatrick's, Stephen Rehm, 22, of Hy-Vee at Waterfront Drive, Robert Neilson, 22, of Speakeasy, and Gerell Morgan, 27, of Suburban Amoco.

Police said each offender was charged with selling/providing an alcohol beverage to an underage person, which carries a fine and costs of \$710.

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Caucus aftermath

The caucuses brought high participation locally and a still-unclear effect nationally.

08 ELECTION COVERAGE

By Kelsey Beltramea
THE DAILY IOWAN

Traditionally, Iowa's first-in-the-nation caucuses don't have that strong of a history of picking presidents.

Since the caucuses have become prominent, the only winner to forge all the way from an Iowa victory to the White House in a contested race was George W. Bush in 2000. However, while Jimmy Carter in 1976 did finish second behind "uncommitted," his showing catapulted the then-little-known Southerner to the front of the Democrats' race and ultimately to the White House.

And though the Jan. 3 victors may not be so victorious in other nominating contests thus far, officials say the political enthusiasm stirred by the tight races show that Iowans understood their responsibility as the first voters to choose.

Recap: Democratic winner Barack Obama's campaign had hoped the Iowa caucus would fuel the Illinois senator to victory in later races — much like Sen. John Kerry's 2004 Iowa win — but he has since fallen twice to New York Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Rodham Clinton first captured New Hampshire and then Nevada, though Obama never gave a concession speech on Jan. 21 because, while he lost the popular vote, he won one more delegate.

Republican victor Mike Huckabee's win, powered by the Iowa's large evangelical Christian base, was also temporal.

The former Arkansas governor finished third in New Hampshire and lost his Iowa momentum, placing behind Arizona Sen. John McCain and former Gov. Mitt Romney of Massachusetts in recent contests. Especially disappointing for Huckabee was his loss in Southern and highly evangelical

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— Brian Flaherty, Johnson County Democratic Chairman

South Carolina.

Meanwhile, Iowa's turnout data continue to trickle in, showing the caucuses to be the most highly attended in history, with attendees switching parties and newly registering as never before.

"You have to compliment all the campaigns for the work they did, and the Democrats, Republicans, and independents in Iowa who went out and met these candidates and really took time to think about what is best for our country going forward," said Johnson County Democratic Chairman Brian Flaherty.

Iowa saw record turnout with 239,000 Democratic attendees and nearly 119,000 Republican caucus-goers. Johnson County, which has the fifth-greatest population, had the second-highest turnout in the state.

Flaherty said the numbers "show the passion Iowans have for our country and responsibility they feel for taking the first-in-the-nation status seriously."

There had been some questioning after Florida's Democratic and Republican parties moved up their primaries. Other leadoff states rescheduled their contests, catching an ever-watchful eye on Iowa,

The Victors

- Iowa: Obama and Huckabee
- New Hampshire: Rodham Clinton and McCain
- Michigan: Romney*
- Nevada: Rodham Clinton and Romney
- South Carolina: McCain*

*Several Democrats took their name off the Michigan ballot when the state moved its primary, and South Carolina has yet to hold its Democratic contest.

whose officials waited until October to move the caucuses from Jan. 14 to Jan. 3.

Despite riding the holiday season's coattails, the caucuses saw strong participation and a thoughtfulness by attendees evidenced by their willingness to waive partisan identification.

Statewide, approximately 14.5 percent of the total caucus attendees switched their party. Nearly 43,000 voters switched to the Democratic Party to caucus, and roughly 9,500 moved over to the Republican party, according to Secretary of State Michael Mauro.

In Johnson County, 500 former Republicans registered as Democrats on caucus night and 287 former Democrats registered as Republicans. The Auditor's Office also reported that 3,375 voters went from "no party" to Democrat, and 676 went from "no party" to Republican in the county.

A total of 3,061 people newly registered in Johnson County: 2,625 Democrats and 436 Republicans.

The voter mobilization by candidates in both parties is evidence that they thought Iowa success was essential to the health of their campaigns, said Bill Keettel, the chairman of the county's Republican Party.

Though other states are not choosing the same winners as Iowans, Keettel said the state did its job.

"Iowa performs a winnowing effect on the parties," he said. "It culls some of the candidates and convinces them they need to drop out and gives others, such as Huckabee, a chance nationally."

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Fallon eyes reform

Ed Fallon has announced his intention to run a congressional campaign free of influence from lobbyists.

By Christopher Patton
THE DAILY IOWAN

Ed Fallon at a glance

- 49 years old
- Majored in religion at Drake University
- Speaks Spanish and French
- Has worked as a peace activist
- Served in the Iowa Legislature 1993-2007
- Ran for Iowa Democratic gubernatorial nomination in 2006



DES MOINES — Only a few weeks after the contenders for the Republican and Democratic 2008 presidential nominations decamped from Iowa and fanned out across the country to campaign in other states, Iowa's internal political races are already beginning to heat up.

Former Iowa Rep. and 2006 gubernatorial candidate Ed Fallon, a Des Moines Democrat, is challenging incumbent Rep. Leonard Boswell for the Democratic nomination for U.S. representative for Iowa's 3rd District. Boswell has represented central Iowa in Congress since 1997.

Buzz Malone, the chairman of the Lucas County Democratic Party, introduced and endorsed Fallon at the Jan. 16 event announcing his candidacy.

"This is a new era," Malone said. "Ideas are more important than money, results more important than toeing anyone's line."

Referencing many presidential-nomination hopefuls' calls for reforming the federal government, Malone argued no president will be able to change the country alone.

Thus, he insisted that electing reform-minded politicians to Congress in 2008 is just as crucial as electing the right presidential candidate.

Before speaking about his reasons for running, Fallon introduced much of his 13-member full-time staff. He said they are working quickly to develop a strong campaign organization in preparation for the June 3 Democratic primary.

Campaign-finance reform, global warming, and fiscal responsibility are the three most important issues for him, Fallon said, while also men-

tioning poverty and health-care affordability.

The former state representative said Boswell has served Iowa well and with dignity. However, he said, Boswell has taken what Fallon considers to be the wrong side of too many issues.

Although he said he wants to run a positive campaign, Fallon also stressed that pointing out the many differences he has with his opponent will be key to his strategy.

Criticizing Boswell's votes on the Iraq-war authorization, the Patriot Act, and the changes made to bankruptcy laws in 2005, Fallon said he would have voted against all three measures. The Patriot Act significantly infringes upon Americans' civil liberties, he said, and the changes to the bankruptcy laws benefited creditors at the expense of ordinary Americans.

Embracing the recently popular rhetoric about the need for change in politics, Fallon said a reform-focused agenda is nothing new to him, adding that he has supported campaign-finance reform and tougher environmental laws for many years.

"There's a feeling we should have a Congress with more

"This is a new era. Ideas are more important than money, results more important than toeing anyone's line."

— Buzz Malone, chairman of the Lucas County Democratic Party, introduced and endorsed Fallon at the Jan. 16 event announcing his candidacy

courage, more guts," he said. Illinois Sen. Barack Obama and former North Carolina Sen. John Edwards' strong finishes in the Iowa Democratic caucuses provide evidence that Iowans want more progressive and populist candidates, Fallon argued, also noting approvingly that neither accepts money from lobbyists or political actions committees. Obama and Edwards took first and second place with 38 and 30 percent respectively.

Though he expressed optimism that he can win his party's nomination in June, Fallon said doing so will take a great deal of work.

"Challenging incumbents is always an uphill battle," he said.

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More than a dream

The popular view of Martin Luther King Jr. ignores his complexity and his other issues.

By Deepti Hajela
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — They are some of the most famous words in American history: "I have a dream ..." And the man who said them has become an icon.

Martin Luther King Jr. has certainly gotten his share of attention this year, the subject of a presidential campaign controversy over his legacy that blew up just around the time of the holiday created to honor him.

But nearly 40 years after his assassination in April 1968, after the deaths of his wife and of others who knew both the man and what he stood for, some say King is facing the same fate that has befallen many a historical figure — being frozen in a moment in time that ignores the full complexity of the man and his message.

"Everyone knows, even the smallest kid knows about Martin Luther King, can say his most famous moment was that 'I have a dream' speech," said Henry Louis Taylor Jr., professor of urban and regional planning at the University of Buffalo.

"No one can go further than one sentence," he said. "All we know is that this guy had a dream; we don't know what that dream was."

At the time of his death, King was working on anti-poverty and anti-war issues. He had spoken out against the Vietnam War in 1967, and he was in Memphis in April 1968 in support of striking sanitation workers.

King had come a long way from the crowds who cheered him at the 1963 March on Washington, when he was introduced as "the moral leader of our nation" — and when he pronounced "I have a dream" on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.



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Local courts may face shakeup

The Iowa Supreme Court has announced a task force will examine the largely uncharged magistrate-court system.

By **Samantha Miller**
THE DAILY IOWAN

Following the Iowa Supreme Court's announcement that the court will assemble a task force to target reforming Iowa's magistrate-court structure, local officials also noted some of the structures' inadequacies.

Iowa Supreme Court Chief Marshal Marsha Ternus spoke to the Iowa Legislature on Jan. 17 about the state's need for the task force, which is set to be led by former Iowa legislator Donald Redfern.

"We think it is time to step back and ask whether the present magistrate framework is meeting the needs of local communities for equally accessible justice and, most importantly, what improvements are required to meet these needs," Ternus said.

Magistrates typically preside over a wide range of cases in the court system, creating caseloads for magistrates proportional to the district's population.

In the Iowa Supreme Court's order concerning the task force, it cited population

Suggestions

The Iowa Supreme Court's suggestions for the magistrate court system:

- Adding more district associate judges or creating full-time magistrate positions to serve high volume communities or clusters of communities.
- Providing more flexibility with respect to the geographical boundaries within which magistrates must reside and are assigned.
- Requiring all judicial magistrates to be licensed to practice law.
- Innovations for promptly addressing cases and for improving public service such as evening or weekend hours, and changes in jurisdiction.
- Redesigning nomination and appointment procedures in a manner that best ensures judicial accountability and fosters public confidence in the courts.
- Providing pay differentials that correspond with varying case loads.

migration, caseload disparities among counties, and compensation equity as some of the concerns leading to the task force's establishment.

Iowa judicial branch communications officer Steve Davis said some of the problems with Iowa's

magistrate-court structure is rooted in the fact it has remained largely untouched for nearly 35 years.

"It hasn't been changed in decades, yet the number of cases going through the magistrate system is changing, the dynamic of the population in



Lyness
Johnson County prosecutor



Ternus
Iowa Supreme Court Chief Marshal

the state has changed, and yet the system has not," he said. "The system has come to a point where it needs to be examined."

Johnson County prosecutor Janet Lyness said that though the county's court system works very well, she does believe the time has come for the state to take a closer look the magistrate-court structure. Lyness specifically cited

work and financial disparities among magistrates in rural and urban areas.

"In smaller counties, they are less busy but get the same pay," she said. "This is what [the task force] really needs to work on."

The Iowa Supreme Court offered suggestions for the task force to consider in its examination, such as adding more judges to highly populated districts, requiring all judicial magistrates to be licensed to practice law, and providing pay differentials that correspond with varying case loads.

"Because of population shifts, as [the Iowa Supreme Court] mentioned, the task force really needs to focus on making work equitable in the different parts of Iowa," Ternus said.

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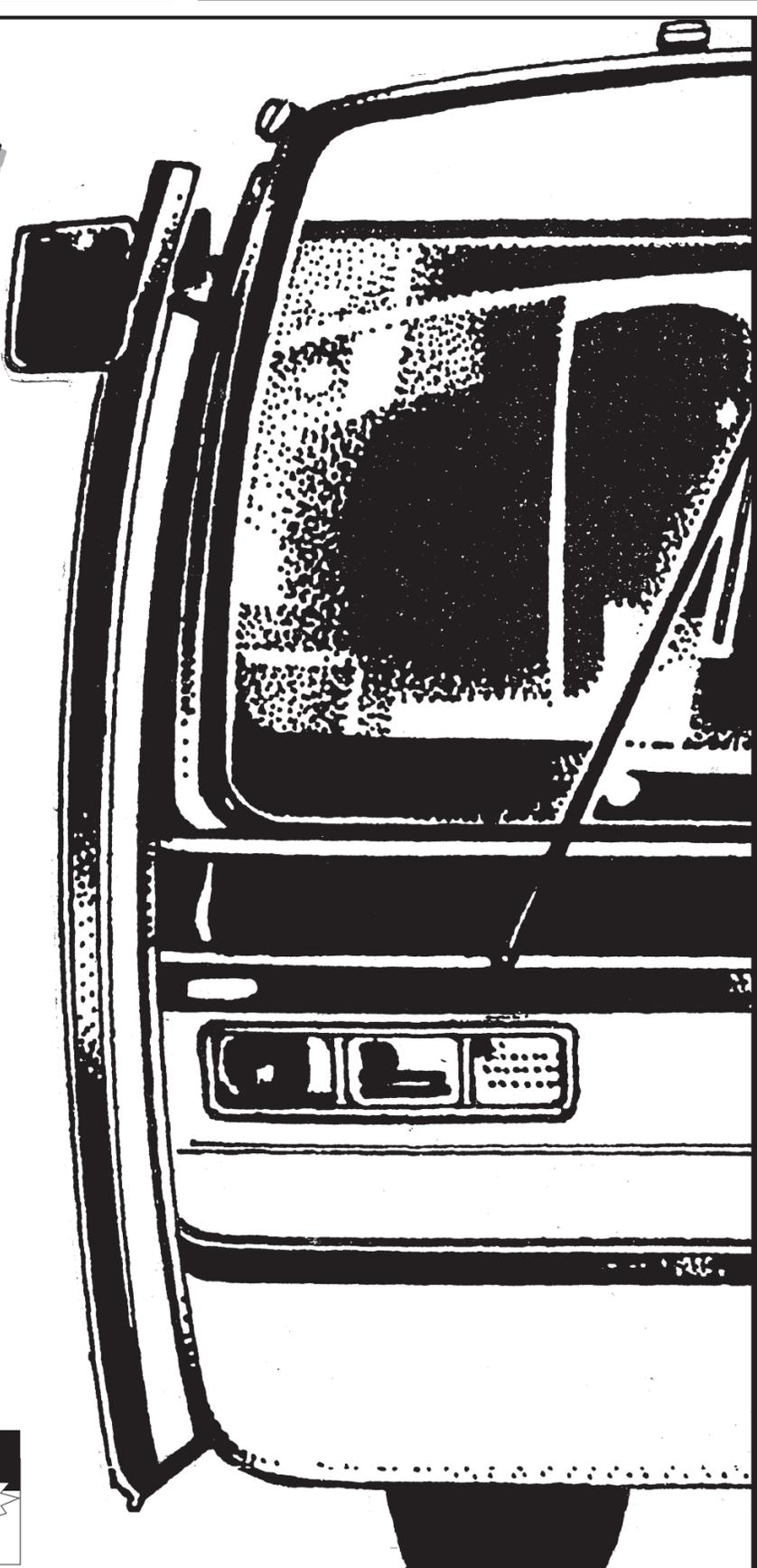
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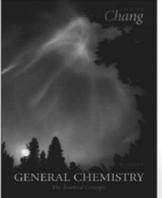
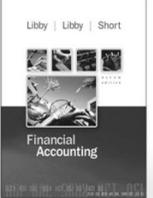
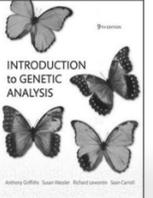


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Editorial

White House can't be allowed to shrug off missing e-mails

Upon being scrutinized for its previous statements, the Bush administration simply reversed them in order to silence its critics. We should all be so lucky.

Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington recently filed a lawsuit against the administration alleging the "failure of the White House to preserve and restore millions of missing e-mails." Should these allegations be confirmed, the White House might have violated two laws concerning the protection of federal and presidential records. In any case, the inconsistent response given by the administration smacks of uncertainty and indicates a level of ineptitude that is criminal in its own right.

The Bush administration admits that it regularly "recycled" e-mails during its first three years in office but claims that the process was phased out in October 2003. The missing e-mails addressed by the lawsuit — thought to have been sent between 2003 and 2005 — would seem to refute that claim. Composed during a period during which several controversies took place (such as the leak of Valerie Plame's identity), the e-mails could provide evidence of various administrative blunders. The status of these e-mails was first addressed by White House spokeswoman Dana Perino in April 2007. While Perino's statements provided little information on the condition of the documents, they spoke volumes about what has clearly become a debilitating level of disorganization.

"What we have done is come forward to talk about the small slice of universe — small slice of the universe of the e-mails that we've identified that have the potential to possibly not be there," Perino said.

Even after eight months since that statement, White House chief information officer Theresa Payton still cannot explain the situation. In an affidavit filed on Jan. 15, she stated that the administration still cannot determine whether the e-mails are recoverable. However, in a letter written to White House officials, Government Oversight Committee Chairman Henry Waxman, D-Calif., contended that upon review, "the White House found numerous days with few or no e-mails for certain White House components."

In recent days, the prevailing level of inconsistency has only increased. During a Jan. 17 press conference, White House spokesman Tony Fratto's comments seemed to contradict all statements given by the administration thus far. "I think, to the best of what all the analysis we've been able to do, we have absolutely no reason to believe that any e-mails are missing," he said.

As it seems, in their search for missing administrative documents, investigators would be hard-pressed to find a resource less reliable than the administration itself. While it is not impossible for this to be a case of well-meant error, the administration's shocking track record of opacity suggests otherwise. If credibility is to be re-established, the Bush administration must maintain historical records and admit failure when the process falters. Moreover, it must make the correction of record-keeping mistakes a top priority. Though the executive office may yet lack the resolve to carry this out, it is an undertaking that would surely prove painless if, in fact, Bush and his cohorts believe they have nothing to hide.

The silence tax

The price went down. I spent much of winter break abroad, as part of an ongoing quest to overcome a lengthy existential quandary — call it the quarter-life crisis. While in Cairo, my travel mate and I regularly frequented one particular coffee shop to smoke shisha and drink tea. As we became increasingly recognizable to the staff, we found that the amount of money we were paying was decreasing — for the same service.



ANDREW SWIFT

As an American traveling in the Middle East, I had been subject to the foreigner tax: Because tourists have no idea how much a given item actually costs, and fixed, labeled prices are an extreme rarity, it's easy to be overcharged. It's a maddening situation: self-assurance that you are paying too much, without actually knowing how much you're actually being scammed.

Granted, a difference of a few Egyptian pounds — five and a half to the dollar — is insignificant. But as I puffed on the hookah, I began to think that this minor detail mattered more than I had originally believed.

The first day we walked into the awsha, we were slightly overwhelmed — we certainly weren't in the Java House anymore. Nonetheless, we sat on pastel plastic chairs, and waited for service.

A huge number of foreign tourists stick to the comfort of their tour buses and nice hotels and rarely venture onto the streets. We were the only two foreign tourists to inhabit the outdoor café that day. Employee interest was high for us — we tipped well — and we quickly established solid relations with most of the staff. My travel mate, who frequented the café more than I did, quickly became something of a celebrity.

Most Americans consider the rest of the world — minus perhaps Western Europe — unsafe for travel. Americans are also perhaps the most ignorant people on the face of the Earth when it comes to foreign relations. This lack of knowledge leads directly to the bankruptcy of American foreign policy — policies that disrespect vast majorities of the world.

Respect is impossible without familiarity — it is too easy otherwise to misconstrue any number of things. Instead of busying ourselves trying to learn about other peoples, we label them as "others." We don't talk to them, think about them, or care about them, because they're not like us.

Foreign relations are complicated, no doubt, but one truth is constant: People mostly just want to live a decent life. They want access to basic amenities and some sort of opportunity to better their lives. More than anything else, people want to know that their thoughts and feelings matter. An arrogant tone is more damaging to U.S. foreign relations than any particular policy.

Terrorists of all kinds want to live a normal life. Their methods are abhorrent, and their minds often warped by extreme ideologies, but they consider themselves wronged and believe there is no other way than violence to get across their grievances. Killing innocents is no doubt the epitome of evil, but even more awful is the ignorant mindset that pushes these warped minds to commit their crimes.

In our personal lives, we stress the importance of communication. Without it, minor disputes blow up and people become estranged. No rational person thinks any problem can be overcome by wishing it away or setting ridiculous conditions. We shouldn't expect relations among states to be any different from relations among people.

It is too easy, without knowledge of people and places, to be afraid of them. Fear is the greatest impediment to change — fear that things will be hard, or that they'll cost too much, or that we'll only make things worse. Instead of trying to understand the concerns of others, we label their actions as "evil." A more childish approach is hard to imagine.

It might be too easy to ascribe the world's problems to disrespect. But there is no doubt whether without a significant change in attitude, anti-Americanism will remain strong across the globe. Simply changing political policies will not suffice; only a radically different worldview will restore America's image in the world.

If America were to talk to countries and groups that are disenchanted with it, it would do more good than any bombing campaign or sanctions we could enforce. If we start sitting in cafés with others, we'll end up paying less. ■

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Commentary

Ivy League tuition cuts should spur reforms elsewhere

Yale University is following Harvard's good example in tapping into its large endowment to make college more affordable. Students and their families will benefit. But they'll be a lucky few: The initiative, while certainly commendable, will do little to help students nationally and may even have the unintended consequence of hurting those most in need.

Yale's program will cut the average cost of going to college in New Haven by more than 50 percent for families with financial need, beginning next fall. The sharp increase in financial aid takes an expansive view of families who should be helped. Those earning less than \$60,000 annually won't have to make any contribution, while households with annual incomes as high as \$200,000 will see significant savings. For instance, a family with two children in college receiving financial aid with \$180,000 in income and \$200,000 in assets will be billed \$11,650 total instead of \$22,300. Harvard unveiled a similar expansion of its financial aid last month.

Yale President Richard Levin candidly admitted that one spur for the new program was pressure from Congress. Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, is considering a proposal that would require the well-heeled institutions of higher education to spend a minimum percentage of their endowments each year. No doubt places such as Yale, with an endowment of \$22.5 billion, and Harvard, with an endowment of \$35 billion, have the ability to do more to help families

with the cost of education. Harvard's endowment grew by \$6 billion last year alone, and its new policy will cost \$22 million. That, as the New America Foundation pointed out in its higher-education blog, is about one-third of 1 percent of the growth in the endowment. The group noted that Congress just spent \$6 billion to cut in half interest rates for undergraduate loans over the next five years nationwide.

Other elite private universities are rushing to follow the direction set by Harvard and Yale, and that can only be good news for those going to college. Still, that will do little to help the more than 75 percent of higher-education students who go to public colleges and universities, most of which don't have huge endowments. It's worrisome that some see an adverse trickle-down effect from the Ivy League's new generosity: In order to compete for top students from middle- to upper-class families, some colleges may shift scholarship money away from those most in need. Already, in response to Harvard, some flagship schools have said they'll have to increase fundraising for merit scholarships.

Adding to the pressure is an expected economic downturn that could well see diminished state support for higher education. Levin is right to argue that instead of criticizing his institution and Harvard for taking steps in the right direction, states should be re-examining their own practices.

This editorial appeared in Sunday's *Washington Post*.

On the Spot

How long does it take you to find an old e-mail?



"A couple minutes."

James Lee
UI junior



"Twenty minutes."

Dan Sussna
UI sophomore



"Thirty seconds."

Brad Grayson
UI junior



"Two minutes."

Sean Ehni
UI sophomore

D/recommendations
 Attending an event for Martin Luther King Jr. day instead of using the holiday as another excuse to drink. Be sure to check out the *D*'s coverage of Human Rights week in 80 Hours on Thursday.

Arts & Culture

Sugar coatings & cannibalism

OK, we know you've missed us and our opiniony opinions. Here are some cursory reviews of some of 2007's most esteemed films — whether they deserve it or not.



MOVIE REVIEWS

by Paul Sorenson



Juno

When:
1:15, 4, 6:45, 9:30 p.m.
Where:
Sycamore Cinema 12
★★½ out of ★★★★★

Ah, the return of the little "indie" that could. The last few years have brought us such quaint hits as *Little Miss Sunshine* and *Sideways*, but while

those big small films hit audiences with unexpected and quirky human tales, *Juno* is the first constructed to be such a hit — the focus-grouped "indie" movie that multiplex goers would raise to, oh, the top five or so.

The problem with *Juno* isn't its heart — the core is as sincere as the family drama that propelled *Little Miss Sunshine* — but the glossy coating. Ellen Page's title character acts like no 16-year-old ever could; her lines are so cleverly constructed that it's as though she wrote them all beforehand. Thanks, Diablo Cody, we know there's a screenplay. It's refreshing, I guess, to see a strong female character take the center ... if only *Juno* didn't make it seem like all such personalities couldn't be human, too.

Notice that I haven't even scratched the plot. By the time we've sat through 20 minutes of hipster hogwash, we're forced to remember that the pregnant Juno faces a tough and ambiguous road. All her supporting players — the rising Michael Cera as the child's father, the solid Jason Bateman as a would-be-adoptive-dad, an always-engaging Allison Janney as Juno's dog-loving stepmom — seem to face the problem realistically, if with less eloquence.

So we're left with a movie that has the same fundamental problem as its main character: There's too much sugary stuff surrounding a touching and engaging core. And while Juno might be able to break out of her contrived shell, I busted my teeth trying to bite through the artificial casing.



Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street

When:
1:20, 4:15, 6:50, 9:25 p.m.
1:20, 4:40, 7:15, 9:50 p.m.
Where:
Sycamore Cinema 12
Coral Ridge 10
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

Musicals are fickle things. Since the Oscar glory of *Chicago*, the singing form was declared "back," though with an edge decidedly different from its family-friendly heyday. *Hairspray*, after all, is no *Annie*. It was only a matter of time before something as dark and nihilistic as *Sweeney Todd* hit movie houses.

In a year of many respectable returns (the Coen brothers, David Fincher, P.T. Anderson), Tim Burton breaks his "merely-good" streak with another gloomy Johnny Depp vehicle. This is no *Charlie and the*

Chocolate Factory. Depp's depravity takes the form of slit throats and cannibalism, wrapped in driving revenge and soaked with song.

While he isn't destined for the opera house, Depp manages to act through his vocal deficiencies as barber Benjamin Barker while he seeks to kill Judge Turpin (Alan Rickman), who imprisoned him for more than a decade to usurp his pretty young wife. His co-star Helena Bonham Carter isn't as lucky (a strong performance as Barker's manmeat baking cohort, still a weak singer), but *Sweeney Todd* moves with such dark intensity that not much can stop its bloody momentum.

Its ending isn't happy — it's a full-on tragedy, surprising-yet-inevitable conclusion included — but the result of Burton's and Depp's sensibilities finally meeting again in undeniable success is enough to leave me with a devious smile.



Atonement

When:
1:15, 4, 6:45, 9:30 p.m.
Where:
Sycamore Cinema 12
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

I'd be happy if Joe Wright was solely allowed to make period pieces. After the surprisingly delightful *Pride & Prejudice* in 2005, Wright returns with *Atonement* — another tale steeped in its particular time and place (here, Britain in World War II), another touching and complex story.

If the film has any fundamental problem, it's that the first hour is so damn good it's hard for the second half to compete. *Atonement* practically opens with its climax: We watch the jealous and childish Briony destroy the lives of Robbie (James McAvoy, with another normal-guy-caught-in-deep-crap performance), and Cecilia (the gorgeous and solemn Keira Knightley). It's fascinating to watch with as little forward knowledge as possible; suffice to say that it doesn't end well.

Atonement is as narratively subversive as a period piece is allowed — we follow the initial action through repeated perception and re-telling, though it's never confusing. And I'm still stunned at how easy its metafictional conclusion goes down ... who knew a commentary on the responsibilities and possibilities of art could be so user-friendly?

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today's RECIPE



BANANA BREAD

D/reporter Brigid Marshall can't get enough baked goods, but when it comes to a really chilly day, staying in to bake banana bread is the only way to spend it.

- WHAT YOU NEED**
- 3 or 4 ripe (preferably brown/black spotted) bananas, smashed
 - ½ cup melted butter
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 1 egg, beaten
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 1 teaspoon baking soda
 - ½ tsp of Kosher salt
 - 1½ cup of all-purpose flour

WHAT TO DO
 Preheat the oven to 350 Fahrenheit. Mash bananas and mix the butter in a large mixing bowl. Add sugar, egg, and vanilla and, if desired, a couple shakes of cinnamon or nutmeg. Sprinkle the baking soda and salt over the mixture and stir. Finally, add the flour and mix with an egg beater or vigorously stir with a spoon. Also, if you're the kind of person who enjoys nuts or chocolate, add a half cup of either here. Butter a 4- by 8-inch loaf pan, then sprinkle some flour over the buttered pan. Bake for one hour. To see if it's ready, stick in toothpick. If it comes out clean, then you're good to go. Enjoy!

Pressing romance to the hilt



MOVIE REVIEW

by Anna Wiegenstein

27 Dresses

When:
1:05, 4:20, 6:55, 9:25 p.m.
1:20, 4:50, 7:15, 9:40 p.m.
Where:
Sycamore Cinema 12
Coral Ridge 10
★★½ out of ★★★★★

I think it's fairly obvious that I got into journalism for the romance. And I don't mean the intellectual romance of the written word — I'm talking straight-up match.com-commercial-style hearts and flowers in my future. Any day now, I'm sure. After all, if what I see in the movies is true to life, there seems to be no better way for a

cynical newspaper girl such as me to meet my true love than by pitching an outlandish undercover reporting story.

Maybe I'll write about going back to high school (*Never Been Kissed*), or detail a bunch of nit-picky complaints about relationships (*How To Lose A Guy in 10 Days*), or about the charming oddities of the very rich (*The Philadelphia Story* ... ask your parents, kids). Or maybe, like Kevin Doyle in *27 Dresses*, an amazing personality feature will fall, literally, right in front of me.

Her name is Jane, as in "plain Jane," which seems to be the obvious assumption for the audience to make. Except she's played by Katherine Heigl, the statuesque beauty of "Grey's Anatomy" and *Knocked Up*, so automatically, there's a healthy amount of skepticism. Jane is the living embodiment of "always a bridesmaid, never a bride," having racked up the titular number of hideous frocks in a closet that can barely contain all the tulle.

Equally odd is Kevin, a character we're told over and over is cranky and bitter, yet is played by everyone's favorite other man, James Marsden (some-where in this world there are

about four guys walking around with no charm at all, because Marsden got a quadruple-dose). He pens the "Commitments" section of the *New York Journal* despite claiming to loathe weddings — "If I have to write one more sentence about baby's breath, I'm going to shoot someone," he complains to his editor. Thus, a personality profile on perennially overlooked Jane would be a boon for his career.

Except, of course, the pairing of two such disparate people, especially considering one of them is keeping a secret, can only mean love. Even though Jane is suffering at the beginning by planning her blandly malicious little sister's wedding to her equally bland boss, for whom Jane has harbored a crush on for years — the audience knows the score. There's cute arguing, a tension-filled rainy night, an adorable drunken sing-along, and, happily enough, a fair amount of chemistry between the two leads.

27 Dresses has an almost archaic plot structure, right down to the puzzling fixation on a wedding being the ultimate dream of every pulse-possessing female. Points in which the film could

have gotten more interesting — Kevin's only hinted-at past heartbreak or the relationship between Jane and her sister — are breezed past in seconds. Heigl and Marsden, though, are both fully ready to take on more leading roles, if the confident performances here are any indication. Both infuse their characters with more heart and wit than the script deserves, and make the running time fly by.

My dream of undercover love might have to wait a while, but *27 Dresses* is almost enough fluff to keep my heart occupied in the meantime.

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Eli Manning

NFC

Giants, Manning knock off Favre

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Eli Manning has arrived, just in time to take his New York Giants on an improbable trip to the Super Bowl.

A suddenly matured Manning guided the Giants to their 10th-straight road win Sunday, a frostbitten 23-20 overtime victory over the Green Bay Packers for the NFC championship.

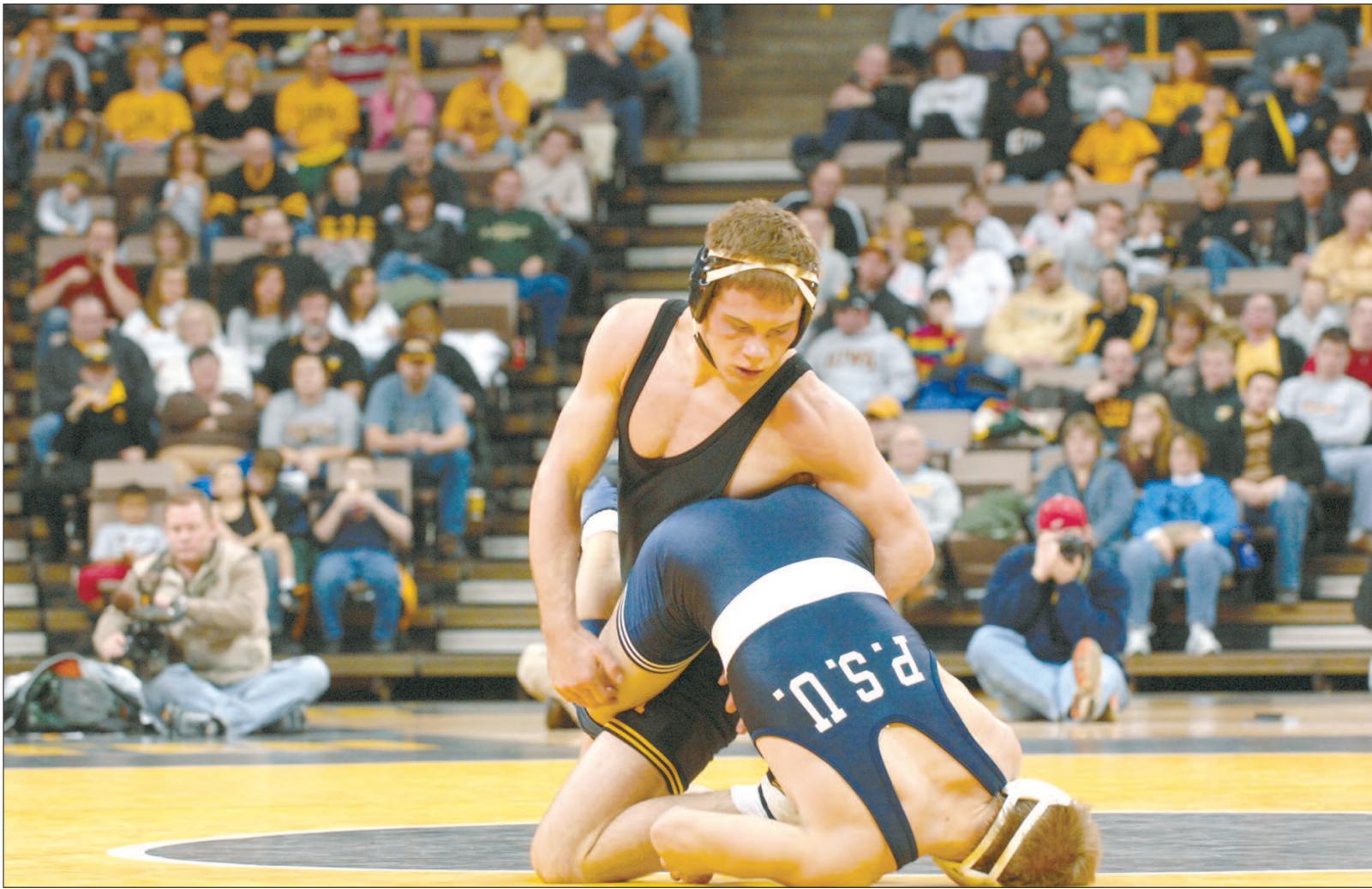
Now comes Mission Impossible for Manning and the Giants, who will play the unbeaten New England Patriots in two weeks for the NFL title.

After Lawrence Tynes missed a 36-yard field goal at the end of regulation following a bad snap, he got a reprieve in overtime following Corey Webster's interception of a struggling Brett Favre. He nailed a 47-yarder on his third attempt to win it, then sprinted directly to the locker room as the rest of his frozen teammates celebrated on the field.

The Giants grabbed their first NFC championship in seven years, capping a monthlong surge that reversed a trend of mediocrity built around Manning's inconsistency. He has been a revelation in the playoffs, however, and his calm leadership keyed New York's turnaround.

IOWA 27, PENN STATE 13

No lions' den for wrestlers



Ariana McLaughlin/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye wrestler Joe Slaton completes a takedown against 133-pound Penn State wrestler Tim Haas during a 14-6 win in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Iowa triumphed over the No. 7 Nittany Lions, 27-13.

GYMNASTICS

GymHawks win

Rather than shiver away in the arctic winter temperatures, the Iowa women's gymnastics team heated up the gym at Central Michigan on Jan. 18 in its third meet of the year.

Posting a season-high 193.625 overall score to outpace the Chippewas' 189.650, the GymHawks won in all four events, improving marks from their last meet in uneven bars and the floor routine.

Junior Jenifer Simbudhas, who finished with a meet-best 39.175 all-around, led the way, taking first in uneven bars with a 9.825 as well as in the vault, where she led Iowa for the third-straight meet with a 9.775.

Simbudhas lifted her floor score by .200 to lead all gymnasts in the event with a 9.800. Senior Kara Pinjuv also posted an improved floor mark of 9.750 to place second, with freshman Kristen Ward taking third with a 9.700.

Three other Iowa gymnasts rounded out the team's dominating performance; Pinjuv finished second in the all-around with a 38.875. Senior Katie Burke placed fourth with a 38.000, and freshman Houry Gebeshian posted a 37.900 for fifth overall.

The GymHawks will compete against Illinois in their first home meet of the season on Friday in the Field House.

— by Lars Headington

The Hawkeye wrestlers win seven of 10 matches in dispatching seventh-ranked Penn State.

By Eric Mandel
 THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa wrestling team is rolling, even without the services of its most accomplished wrestler.

The top-ranked Hawkeye wrestling team won its sixth-straight dual by handing No. 7 Penn State a 27-13 loss, with Phil Keddy, Joe Slaton, and Brent Metcalf earning bonus points for the Hawkeyes.

A crowd of 7,525 watched a team effort mixed with strong individual performances from No. 1 ranked Metcalf, who pinned No. 7 Bubba Jenkins after Jenkins had burst to a 7-3 lead in the first period, and fifth-ranked Keddy, who notched a 19-3 technical fall in the second match of the dual.

"I think [our opponents] know they are going to be in for a battle," said Iowa coach Tom Brands. "There's warfare that's happening on in the plane ride here, there's warfare in the locker room when you are getting ready to get on the scale, there's warfare when your match is coming up. And the

Hawkeyes down Nittany Lions, 27-13

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warfare is all our edge because of how hard we wrestle."

Keddy has lost five matches to top-tier opponents by one point this season, and Brands said the Vernal, Utah, native is working his way up to Metcalf's level of wrestling. Keddy must work on creating more opportunities to score against top-level competition and not just lesser opponents, the coach said.

"[Metcalf] goes hard to score, where Keddy goes hard," Brands said. "There are a lot of similarities between Keddy and Metcalf with an inferior opponent, but with those high-ranked opponents, that's the difference — and Keddy's getting there."

"... A year ago, he might have froze and tried to win that match by the hair of his chinny

Iowa 27, Penn State 13

- 174 — Jay Borschel (Iowa) dec. Mark Friend, 11-5
- 184 — Phillip Keddy (Iowa) tech. fall Philip Bomberger, 19-3 in 6:35
- 197 — Phil Davis (Penn St.) pinned Chad Beatty, 4:57
- Hwt. — Matt Fields (Iowa) dec. John Laboranti, 7-3
- 125 — Charlie Falck (Iowa) dec. Mark McKnight, 2-0
- 133 — Joe Slaton (Iowa) maj. dec. Tim Haas, 14-6
- 141 — Dan LeClerc (Iowa) dec. Garrett Scott, 4-3
- 149 — Brent Metcalf (Iowa) pinned Bubba Jenkins, 5:33
- 157 — Dan Vallimont (Penn St.) dec. Ryan Morningstar, 6-2
- 165 — Dave Rella (Penn St.) maj. dec. Aaron Janssen, 11-3

chin chin. The thing about this year is he's got seven minutes in him. He's got a match and overtime in him if he has to have it. He's got tremendous reserves."

SEE WRESTLING, 3B

COMMENTARY

Waiting for the breakout

Senior Matt Fields and a few others lull fans to sleep against Penn State.



RYAN YOUNG

Iowa wrestling fans witnessed both the electrifyingly crisp and the agonizingly boring Sunday afternoon in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, and it was the duller

portions of Iowa's bout against Penn State that left Tom Brands feeling blah.

"You got to be able to feel when you're ready to blow the doors off somebody and when the flood gates are going to open from a scoring point of view," the second-year coach said. "We're holding back a little bit. We got to get through to them somehow."

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IOWA (10-7) VS. ILLINOIS (11-6)

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Hoopsters want to start a streak

After a week off from playing, the Iowa women's basketball team returns to the hardwood against Illinois tonight in Champaign.

By Brendan Stiles
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Sitting at 3-3 after six Big Ten contests, the Iowa women's basketball team followed its first two

conference triumphs with defeats. Coming off a 78-74 overtime victory over Wisconsin on Jan. 13, the Hawkeyes will seek consecutive Big Ten wins when they travel to Champaign to

play Illinois this evening.

It is the first of three games in seven days for the Hawkeyes, with back-to-back home games on Thursday and Jan. 27.

Iowa coach Lisa Bluder placed major importance on tonight's contest because it is the lone meeting between the Hawkeyes and Fighting Illini this season. Last year, the two teams met once, in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, and Illinois managed to escape with a 74-69 victory. "If it would happen to come

down to the end of the year and you're tied with Illinois, you only have that one opportunity against them," Bluder said. "It's so important to get that W against the teams that you only get to play once."

She also sees the game as critical in terms of recruiting; the game will be televised nationally by the Big Ten Network.

"Every time we have a game on television, we definitely get the word out not just to the

recruits but to the recruits' parents and their coaches," Bluder said. "It's an opportunity to see us play, but it's also an opportunity to let them know the story that if their daughter chooses to come to Iowa, they can watch her play several times a year."

One subplot tonight involves the coaches — former Hawkeye Jollette Law (1986-90) is in her first season as the Fighting Illini head coach.

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Ohio St.	3	2	.600	12	6 .667
Minnesota	2	3	.400	12	5 .706
Penn St.	2	3	.400	10	7 .588
Iowa	2	4	.333	9	10 .474
Illinois	1	5	.167	9	10 .474
Northwestern	0	5	.000	6	13 .278
Saturday's Games					
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Boston 3, N.Y. Islanders 1						
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Washington	21	17	.553	Portland	24	16	.600
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Charlotte	16	24	.400	Seattle	9	31	.225
Miami	8	31	.205	Minnesota	5	34	.128
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Cleveland	21	18	.538	L.A. Lakers	26	12	.684
Indiana	18	23	.438	Golden State	25	17	.595
Chicago	16	23	.410	Sacramento	17	22	.436
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Freeman leads Iowa

By Larry Leppa
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Tony Freeman and Cyrus Tate were much too much for Michigan. Freeman scored a career-high 28, and Tate had career highs with 21 points and 11 rebounds, leading Iowa to a 68-60 win over the Wolverines on Jan. 19.

They were within three. The Hawkeyes, particularly Freeman, held Michigan off by making just enough free throws and doing a better job of contesting 3-point shots.



Freeman junior

"Freeman was outstanding. Tate was outstanding," Michigan coach John Beilein said. "We didn't have an answer for either one of them." Reserve guard Jeff Peterson helped both players by matching his career high with nine assists. "He did a great job setting us up to do what we did," Tate said. Freeman made 6-of-11 3-pointers to help Iowa build a big lead, and he connected on 6-of-8 free throws in the final 1:40 to keep it.

"As I expected from a John Beilein team, they kept coming at us," Iowa coach Todd Lickliter said. "I wasn't ever comfortable. It was good that we built the lead we did."

Sims had 18 points, Jevohn Shepherd scored a career-high 11 — all in the first half — and Harris added 11 for the Wolverines (5-13, 1-5).

"Tony was able to get open looks for the 3," Tate said. "We really needed that, especially at the end. His free throws really helped a lot, too." The Hawkeyes (9-10, 2-4 Big Ten) took control of the game with a 12-1 run early in the second half after leading by two at halftime and built a 52-36 with 5½ minutes left. They needed the cushion. Michigan pulled within four with 1:22 left after Manny Harris made a four-point play following consecutive 3-pointers from DeShawn Sims and Kelvin Grady. Iowa responded offensively to stunt the rally and Harris turned the ball over in his backcourt with 1:16 to go, hurting Michigan's comeback chance. But Grady and Sims kept the Wolverines' hopes alive by making a 3-pointers on consecutive trips down the court, pulling

Michigan has its worst record after 18 games since the 1981-82 season, when it was 4-14 and 0-6 in the Big Ten. "I definitely feel like we're getting better," Sims said. "But in order to show you're getting better, you have to win."

That will be difficult to do this upcoming week, playing at Wisconsin and Michigan State. Beilein looked and sounded discouraged, saying "it was a tough one" after the latest loss. "Our hope would be on Jan. 19, we would be a little better," he said. "We have to get better at reacting to the speed of the game, and I've got to coach it better." At a school where basketball is an afterthought, it was fitting that the biggest buzz of the night was created by a football player. Terrelle Pryor, regarded as the top football recruit in the country, received a warm welcome when he arrived in the first half during his official visit.

Tracksters toss off victory

A pair of NCAA provisional qualifiers highlighted the Hawkeyes' win in the Iowa Open.



Chris Vanderwall/The Daily Iowan

Iowa junior John Hickey takes a warm-up throw during the shot put at the 2008 Iowa Open on Jan. 19 in the Recreation Building. Hickey took first in the event with an NCAA indoor championship qualifying distance of 18.67 meters.

By Alex Johnson
THE DAILY IOWAN

John Hickey and Shane Maier closed out the 2008 Iowa Open in style on Jan. 19. To end a five-hour show in the Iowa Recreation Building, the pair of throwers breached the 17.75-meter mark in the shot put, provisionally qualifying both for the NCAA indoor championships. Hickey, a junior, won the event with a throw of 18.67 meters followed by senior teammate Maier at 17.75 meters. Throwers have anchored the Iowa men's track and field team since assistant Scott Cappos came on board as the throws coach. With a pair of provisional qualifiers already on the young indoor track season, Hawkeye hurlers are again a spring-board. In the fall of 2007, however, head coach Larry Wiecek said he saw this year's team as an all-around competitor in

everything from 60 meters to the distance events. "I didn't see a whole bunch of that today to be honest, but I think we certainly started saying that back in September, that we're going to be a good team in a lot of areas," he said. "You actually have four Big Ten champions on your team in Hickey, Maier, [Matty] Gorman and [Micah] VanDenend in the outdoor championships. And you got an All-American in [Eric] MacTaggart, and you've got good young guys and Paul Chaney, an outstanding sprinter, and we have three or four high jumpers who scored in the Big Ten last year. "We think we'd be a good all-around team." Beside Hickey's victory in the shot put, the Hawkeyes amassed six other wins. Sophomore sprinter and football receiver Chaney led a group of four Iowa sprinters taking first through fourth in the 60-meter

dash. Chaney crossed in 6.94 seconds, followed by three seniors — Max Milder, Lee Elbert, and Aaron Reed. Sophomore and '07 NCAA outdoor championship competitor Ray Varner won the 400 in 49.35 seconds. Frank Prill, a sophomore, won the 60-meter hurdles in 8.43 seconds. Seniors Jeff Raymond (pole vault) and Ryan Jordan (weight throw) along with Gorman (long jump) rounded out the first-place finishers for Iowa. After a four-week hiatus from class and a three-week break from official practice, the Hawkeyes looked sluggish in areas. Even though Iowa participated in 12 events and won more than half, the general attitude was "work to be done." "In my opinion, this time of the year over winter break is the most important training period of the season," assistant coach Joey Woody said. "Whatever happens after that is the

Alexander sets mark One meet, and already one Iowa women's track record has fallen. Hawkeye senior Kineke Alexander broke her own school and facility record in the 600 meters at the Jan. 19 Iowa Open in the Recreation Building. Sizzling across the line in 1:27.45, Alexander bested her previous mark of 1:27.84 — the next runner finished nearly 10 seconds later in 1:37.30. All-Americans Meghan Armstrong and Diane Nukuri were a breath apart for much of the mile race before Armstrong crossed in 4:46.89, fewer than two seconds ahead of Nukuri's 4:48.48 finish. The pair of seniors both beat the NCAA indoor provisional qualifier mark of 4:48.60.

determining factor of what you did before."

If the coaches want to show what off-the-clock work can yield for production, they need to point no further than the unattached competitors in the 4x400-meter relay. The four-some, which included the 200-meter winner and 2007 Iowa senior David Pierre, opened a sizable margin that was likely never seen seconds over the Hawkeyes' A-team before finishing just two seconds with anchor Jason Wakenight crossing the line with a significantly shortened stride and pained expression. "I think it helps a lot because the unattached guys that I'm working with, they have been here training nonstop, they haven't taken any time off and they performed really well," Woody said. "If you want to run fast late in the season, you have to run fast early in the season." "You've got to train throughout the whole season and come in ready to run fast from January all the way through June." E-mail DI reporter Alex Johnson at: alexander-j-johnson@uiowa.edu

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Iowa rolls

WRESTLING
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Prior to Keddy's match, sophomore Jay Borschel set the pace in the opening match at 174 pounds, wearing down Mark Friend for an 11-5 victory. Penn State rallied when 197-pound Phillip Davis pinned undersized Chad Beatty in a cradle with three seconds remaining in the second period to close the gap at 8-6.

After a decision by Matt Fields, Iowa owned an 11-6 advantage and needed the rest of lineup to wrestle up to their rankings, starting with third-ranked Charlie Falck against No. 9 Mark McKnight.

Falck was up to the task, earning a 2-0 decision and extending his winning streak to 11 matches.

"When you get a guy, you've got to emphasize the finish, and when you hit, it's not like a tree falling where that momentum is going to carry you into the finish," Brands said. "It's hit and then explode to emphasis finish."

It's plant, boom, spike him to the mat. That's the difference there."

Iowa's fourth-ranked Slaton continued the Hawkeyes' winning ways, handing Tim Haas a 14-6 loss, and Dan LeClere followed suit with a come-from-behind win, 4-3.

With the dual in hand, freshman Aaron Janssen got the nod at 165 pounds for the injured Mark Perry, losing 11-3.

Brands said Perry told him that he'd be ready to go if the match came down to the wire, but the need didn't arrive as Iowa continued its dominance.

"It's not working with a snap of a finger, but it's working because you see that guys want to get there," Brands said. "Guys are feeling it, but they don't quite know how to open that floodgate like a Metcalf, or a Keddy, or a Slaton."

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HAWKEYES FACE ILLINI

WOMEN'S HOOPS
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"Mentally, I think Jolette Law is doing a great job with them," Bluder said. "[The players have] bought in. I think they've bought into what she's bringing to the team, and her energy, and her enthusiasm."

"It's a situation where they're going to play very, very hard for their coach to win this game so that she can have those bragging rights over her alma mater."

There are also two current Hawkeye seniors who hail from the Land of Lincoln — Jeneé Graham and Johanna Solverson. Solverson, who wears the same No. 34 jersey worn by Law at Iowa, didn't attempt to hype up the rivalry.

"I think, for me, it's just going home and playing in front of my family," she said. "As a rivalry, it's not that big of a deal. It's not like an Iowa State-Iowa as it is Iowa-Illinois."

With the Hawkeyes having four of their next five contests in Carver-Hawkeye after tonight, the players believe building off last week's win over the Badgers and turning it into a winning streak should provide them plenty of confidence as they go further into this stretch of games.

"These next five-six games are really important to us,"

Solverson said. "We got to think of one of them at a time, but in the long run, it starts now. It's crunch time, and that's how we're focusing on it, and we're just staying tough and staying positive."

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Sparking the Hawks

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Asked if that was subtle reference to the way Hawkeye heavyweight Matt Fields wrestled against Penn State's John Laboranti, Brands paused and said, "For sure, and you're reading my mind. I'm thinking all Fields. I'm thinking [Ryan] Morningstar a little bit."

Fields — famous for his bashful attacking tactics the past three years — wrestled head-to-head in his bout, grappling his bear paws around the Penn State 285-pounder's ears and neckline for more than the majority of the match.

It was as if the two heavyweights were a set of overgrown conjoined twins battling for sibling supremacy.

Managing only two takedowns in his 7-3 victory over Laboranti, the Hawkeye big man

collected his remaining points from riding time and an escape, while also being awarded a stalling point.

Meanwhile, ticket-holders weren't impressed with the lack of action, showering a storm of boos onto the mat and hollering, "Start wrestling."

Although, Brands expressed a similar attitude himself.

"Ya know, [Laboranti] didn't make a move. He didn't make a move at the bottom; he didn't make a move on his feet for a while there," Brands said. "We just got to open it up, man. We got to open it up."

"I think I saw a light bulb, but he didn't quite know how to execute."

That's for sure. Fields received so much applause from fans at the end of the match, it was probably more out of joy that they had lived through the excruciating six minutes than for a congratulatory job

well done.

Still, Fields' performance on the foam has become something to expect. Typically low scoring and uneventful, his previous battle against Ohio State's J.D. Bergman saw the Lowden, Iowa, native defeated, 4-2.

During Iowa's final day at the NWCA/Cliff Keen National Duals a week ago, Fields went to both extremes, decisively holding Michigan's Chad Bleske, 13-6 and narrowly edging out a 1-0 victory over Nebraska's Jon May.

Still, Brands insisted he is comfortable with where his heavyweight stands midseason.

"The practice room is good, but still, it's got to come more from him. And [Fields] knows that," he said.

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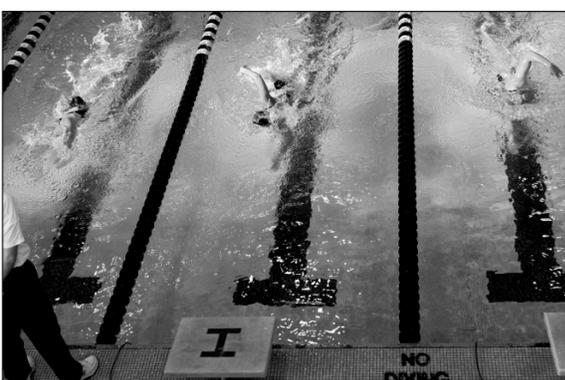


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Sports

Hawk women dunk two



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Iowa swimmer Ashley Dell competes in the 1,000 free during the Iowa/Illinois meet in the Field House on Jan. 19. Dell won the event with a time of 10:18:47.

By Mike Brownlee
THE DAILY IOWAN

Following an arduous winter training trip to Florida, the Iowa women's swimming and diving team returned to action at the Field House this past weekend.

The AquaHawks handled Western Illinois, 144-71, on Jan. 18 and Illinois, 179-120, on Jan. 19.

The Hawkeyes came out on fire against the Illini, winning the first nine events on the way to taking 13 of 16.

"It was important that we had a fast start," AquaHawk head coach Marc Long said. "Illinois is always well-prepared and well-coached, and [the Illini] swim great on the road."

Four Hawkeyes picked up two wins, including junior Ashley Dell's close wins in the 1,000 and 500 freestyle.

Both races were battles between Dell and Illinois swimmers Amy Forsberg and Lindsey Shirley. The two Illini stayed with Dell stroke for stroke until the final two laps of each race, when the Hawkeye pulled slightly ahead to capture the victories. Forsberg and Shirley were second and third in each race.

"I think sometimes my best part of the race is at the end," Dell said. "I think I have the endurance to keep going and going. In both races, once I got to about the halfway mark, I decided I needed to

pick it up, and those girls backed off."

Iowa sophomores Christine Kuczek (100 and 200 freestyle) and Laura Mozdzen (100 and 200 butterfly) also won two events. Each were also part of Hawk-eye relay teams that won. Mozdzen teamed with junior Alison Gschwend, freshman Katarina Tour, and sophomore Julie deBruin to win the 200-medley relay. In the final race of the meet, Kuczek joined Gschwend, deBruin, and freshman Caitlin Carlyle in putting the meet on ice with a victory in the 400 freestyle relay.

On the diving board, sophomore Deidre Freeman continued a dominant season, winning the 1- and 3-meter dives.

"I felt like my diving was solid," the Grinnell native said. "It was great to get out there and dive, have fun, and beat a Big Ten opponent."

Iowa had lost its last four against Illinois, with each meet close until the end.

"This meet has come down to the 400-free relay the last three years; we didn't want that to happen this year," Iowa assistant coach Frannie DeBord said. "The women swam great and stepped up. It's nice not to have it go down to nail-biting at the end."

During the winter break, the swimmers spent 10 days training in Miami. The trip included the Florida International Invitational, an all-relay

meet which the Hawkeyes won handily with 178 points, besting Oakland, American, and the host school.

"That was a good meet," Long said. "We had a great training camp down there, including some outdoor long-course training, and won the meet. The team worked hard and gelled as a team."

In the all-sprints meet Jan. 18, Iowa won nine of 12 events. Tour picked up a pair of victories, winning the 100 individual medley and 50 breaststroke.

"It was a solid weekend," Long said. "Heading into the championship [Big Ten and NCAA] season, it's important to have some good races."

Despite coming off an intense couple of weeks, the AquaHawks showed no signs of fatigue against Western Illinois and Illinois.

"They really bonded during

Men's team dominates W. Illinois

The men's swimming and diving team returned to action Jan. 18 with a 159-63 victory over Western Illinois.

- Iowa improved to 3-3 in dual meets and finished the home portion of its schedule.
- The AquaHawks dominated throughout the meet, losing only one of the 10 swimming events.
- Freshman Richard Salhus won the 50- and 100-freestyle with times of 21.75 and 48.02. He was also a member of the winning 400-medley relay team (3:31.39).
- Diver Frank Van Dijkhuizen won the 1-meter dive for Iowa with a score of 333.60.
- After being a part of four winning relays in the all-relay event, Salhus was named Big Ten Co-Swimmer of the Week.

— by Mike Brownlee

that time, came together over those 10 days," DeBord said. "Physically, they're tired, but mentally, they were excited and ready to go."

Long said he's confident in the team's strength and endurance and wasn't worried about any lingering

effects from the break.

"When you get to a championship meet you're swimming three-plus days in a row, so you've got to be prepared for that," he said. "This weekend was a step in the right direction."

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Playing the Patriots' game

The perfect Patriots overcome a shaky Tom Brady to beat San Diego, 21-12, in the AFC championship game.

By Ben Walker
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FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Perfection comes down to one game now.

Despite a shaky Tom Brady, the New England Patriots were still too much for the banged-up San Diego Chargers in the AFC championship game Sunday, pulling out a 21-12 victory that sent them back to the Super Bowl for the fourth time in seven seasons.

Brady made several stunningly poor throws that fluttered in the wind, Randy Moss was a non-factor for the second-straight game, and the highest-scoring team in NFL history sputtered all afternoon. Instead, the Patriots (18-0) relied on Laurence Maroney's spins, cuts, and helmet-rattling runs.

With injured Charger star LaDainian Tomlinson reduced to mostly watching in a parka, the Patriots moved on to a Feb. 3 matchup in Glendale, Ariz., against the winner of the N.F.C. title game between the Green Bay Packers and New York Giants.

Yet for all the Patriots have accomplished — they're the only team in NFL history to start out with 18-straight victories — they're well aware they must win that final game to avoid being relegated to a footnote.
No matter, New England



Brady
quarterback

took care of the nuts and Bolts. The sellout crowd at Gillette Stadium chanted "Super Bowl!" in the closing minutes, anticipating the Pats' first appearance in the big game since the 2004 season.

Coach Bill Belichick's team eclipsed the 17-0 mark of the champion 1972 Miami Dolphins, and will soon try for his fourth NFL title, as the Patriots beat the Giants in a 38-35 thriller to close their regular season; New England did not play the Packers.

Tomlinson carried on the first two San Diego plays, but he did not touch the ball again because of a bad knee. Chargers quarterback Philip Rivers hung in despite a bum knee, and star tight end Antonio Gates did his best with a dislocated toe.

The Chargers (13-6) gave a better performance than early this season, when they were routed, 38-14, at New England. They trailed just 14-12 midway in the third quarter this time, but Brady's six-yard TD pass to Wes Welker was enough for New England.

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“ We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools. ”
— Martin Luther King Jr.

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ANDREW R. JUHL
While you were gone

- Dec. 23: The Nepalese Parliament votes to abolish the country's 240-year-old monarchy. When asked what he will do, the 240-year-old monarch replies, "I don't know, probably go home and die."
- Dec. 24: Incumbent Uzbek President Islam Karimov secures a second seven-year term as his nation's highest elected official — despite having already served three years longer than is constitutionally allowed. When asked for comment, President Bush has a noticeable erection and a gleam in his eye.
- Dec. 28: Ethiopian troops withdraw from portions of central Somalia, and Islamist insurgents claim complete control of Guriel. Guriel, however, lists its affiliation with the Islamist insurgents as, "It's complicated."

horoscopes Monday, January 21, 2008

— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You will pick up valuable information from someone who has experienced more life lessons. Travel will put you in a position to make a move in the future or to seek job opportunities elsewhere. Don't get bogged down by emotional issues.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Have no fear — try new things, and you will benefit through experimentation. An opportunity to deal with someone from a different background will open your mind to far-reaching ideas that can turn into a lucrative endeavor. Someone you least expect will encourage and help you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You should brainstorm and try to get ahead. Focus on your goals, and you won't be disappointed. But if you let jealousy or emotional matters intervene, you will miss out.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your emotions will play havoc with you if you don't give in to change. Look beyond your immediate situation and see the potential. It's time to be a bit of an adventurer.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): If it's excitement you are looking for, you should be able to find it. Love is in the stars, and the opportunity to interact with all sorts of people from different walks of life will be stimulating. Don't hold back.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't let anyone force her or his will on you. You are in the driver's seat, so be firm and formulate your own ideas so you are happy with the outcome and secure with what is heading your way.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Avoid an altercation with anyone competitive. You cannot let your personal thoughts interfere with your productivity. Focus on what you are doing, and ignore what's going on around you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Taking something you already have or are working on and increasing its value or even making a residential move should help you turn your financial situation around. Change is required; the longer you sit idle, the further away you will become from resolving your problems.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Answers will be available, but you have to question where they are coming from. A change in the way you do things will confuse anyone trying to undermine you. Stay ahead of the game by being one step in front of the competition.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Money is heading in your direction from a most unusual source. Broaden your horizons, and look at the possibility of getting involved in a money-making venture. Follow your intuition; it will lead to a good decision.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can bet that if you ask for something, the person on the giving end will expect something big in return. Be careful with whom you do business. You are better off pursuing things on your own.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Take charge; do things according to your plans. You will attract the help of someone who has just what you need to complete your goal. Be careful not to give away too much.

PATRIOT FEVER



Phoebe Webb/The Daily Iowan
UI junior Ryan Syring watches the AFC championship game at the Sports Column on Sunday. Syring, a Charger fan, said he was "rooting against history, purely for spite." The Patriots defeated the Chargers, 21-12, to run their record to 18-0.

today's events

Want to see your super special event appear here? Simply e-mail the name, time, date, and location information to: dailyiowan@uiowa.edu.

- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, Martin Luther King Day of Service, 9 a.m., IMU East Lobby
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, Community Youth Leadership Program, 10 a.m., Chamber of Commerce, 325 E. Washington No. 100
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, 10 a.m., Asian Pacific American Cultural Center
- "Mr. Ug, Caveman," Eulenspiegel Puppet Theatre, 10 a.m., New Strand Theatre, 111 E. Third St., West Liberty
- Toddler Story Time, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, Colonial Lanes, Human Rights Awareness Social, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., 2253 Old Highway 218 S.
- Paint-a-Bowl Ceramic Workshop for fourth-through sixth-graders, 1 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation, 4:30 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom
- Jam with Kalimba Man and the Iowa City Drum Circle, 8 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- Open Mike with Jay Knight, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- Blues Jam, 9:30 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- Free Pool, 10 p.m.-midnight, Charlie's, 450 First Ave., Coralville
- A Community of Writers: Creative Writing at the University of Iowa, Iowa Writers' Workshop, the International

- Writing Program, the Translation Workshop, the Playwriting Workshop, and the Nonfiction Writing Program, and the Center for the Book, Old Capitol Museum
- *Angela Carlson: It's Cheaper than Therapy*, Bella Joli, 125 S. Dubuque
 - *Bringing to Bear, Ann Penaz, Down to the River, Sandra Dyas*, and recent drawings by Kettle, CSPA 1103 Third St. S.E., Cedar Rapids
 - *Five Women in Pastel, Beppie Weiss, Ruth Muir, Susan Coleman, Madeline Roemig Bendorf, and Marcia Wegman*, Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington
 - *Iowa Roots, Global Impact: The Life & Legacy of George Washington Carver*, African American Historical Museum/Cultural Center, 55 12th Ave. S.E., Cedar Rapids
 - *It Starts With a Line, John Schirmer, Phil Lichtenhan, Mary Merkel-Hess*, Chait Galleries Downtown, 218 E. Washington
 - *Ulfert Wilke: A Centennial Celebration*, Cedar Rapids Museum of Art, 410 Third Ave. S.E.
 - *William Blake at 250*, Main Library north lobby
 - *Work by Delores De Wilde Bina*, UIHC Patient and Visitor's Activity Center in Gallery No. 1
 - *Work by Greg Fuqua*, UIHC Patient and Visitor's Activity Center Gallery No. 3
 - *Work by Jordan Acher Anderson*, UIHC Patient and Visitor's Activity Center in Gallery No. 2
 - *Work by Suzanne B. Aunan*, Iowa State Bank & Trust, 102 S. Clinton



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SOLUTION TO FRIDAY'S PUZZLE

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• Jan. 2: Technip is awarded a \$1.2 billion contract to develop the Pazflor oil deposit, and Acergy is awarded a \$700 million contract to assist in the petroleum production. In related news: We're all out of good names for things.

• Jan. 4: North Korean officials accuse the United States of not fulfilling its promise of humanitarian aid after an international disarmament agreement. Then, they take their baseball cards and go home like the little crybabies they are.

• Jan. 9: NASA astronomers announce that asteroid 2007 WD5 has a 0.01 percent chance of colliding with Mars, which would result in a three-megaton equivalent impact. NASA astrologers, however, announce that now is a good time for Mars to deepen its romantic involvement with that "special someone."

— Andrew R. Juhl thanks Wikipedia's current events portal and various friends for help with today's Ledge. E-mail him at: andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu

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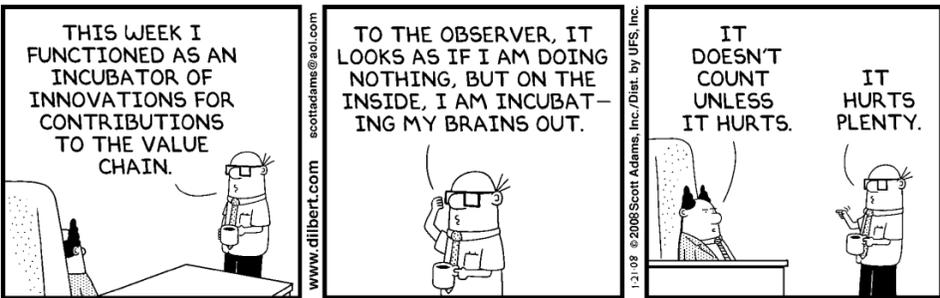
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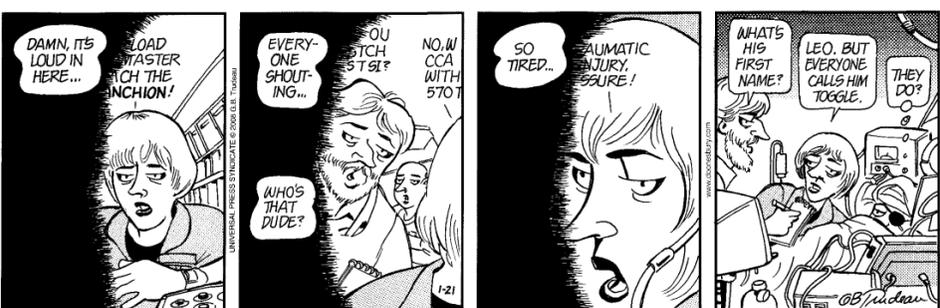


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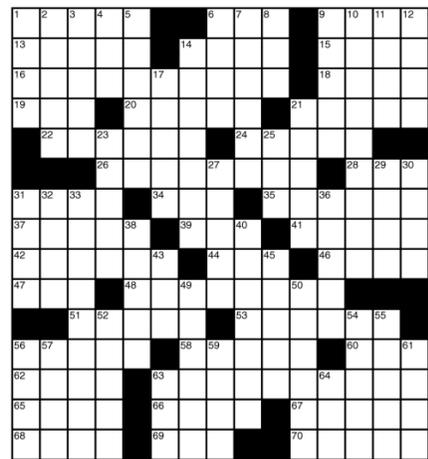
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The New York Times Crossword

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- Across**
- John ____, host of "America's Most Wanted"
 - "Jeopardy!" whiz Jennings
 - "Hey, you!"
 - ____ 2600 (classic video game console)
 - St. Louis landmark
 - Voice above a tenor
 - Appetizer with sweet and sour sauce
 - Gorilla watcher Fossey
 - Frightful female
 - Puccini heroine
 - Cheerful
 - Take turns
 - Dangler on a suitcase
 - Deadly long-tailed fish
 - Where you might get into hot water?
 - Schiaparelli of fashion
 - Cigarette substance
 - 35 Interlocks
 - Bride's bounty
 - Meadow
 - Bird on birth announcement cards
 - Comes about
 - Wrigley's product
 - S. & L. conveniences
 - All U.S. senators until 1922
 - Monotonous voice
 - Birds flying in V's
 - Has confidence in
 - Beverly Sills and others
 - Young cod for dinner
 - F.D.R. job-creating measure: Abbr.
 - "Famous" cookie maker
 - Gangly guy
 - Fruit from a palm
 - "Don't hurt me," e.g.
 - 67 Straight up
 - Laid off, as workers
 - Wood in archery bows
 - Copenhageners, e.g.



Puzzle by Lynn Lempel

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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DTS DEPUTES
POI PODIA MALT
SANTERIA POBBLE
STRATTON DUELER
TEBEARS IRER

- Down**
- Do the laundry
 - Even, on the leaderboard
 - Slow, in symphonies
 - ____ Lanka
 - Merely suggest
 - Ray who created the McDonald's empire
 - Custardy dessert
 - Rink org.
 - City where Galileo taught
 - Goliath's undoing
 - Baseball's Musial
 - Weapons stash
 - "Oh, I see"
 - Eyelid nuisances
 - Romanov rulers
 - River blocker
 - One of the Alman Brothers
 - Home of the von Trapp family
 - Bro's sibling
 - Lamebrain
 - Get cozy
 - Prodded gently
 - Lessened, as pain
 - 11- or 12-year-old
 - Rocket's realm
 - 29 Straight-to-curlly transformation, informally
 - 30 Poes questions
 - 31 Dutch city with a cheese market
 - 32 Oral tradition
 - 33 Make-or-break election bloc
 - 36 Does' mates
 - 38 Si and oui
 - 56 1920s art movement
 - 57 Giant-screen theater
 - 59 Backstage bunch
 - 61 Tiny tunnelers
 - 63 Mata Hari, for one
 - 64 Top half of a bikini

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