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Kenyans abroad worried

Kenyan citizens living far from home hope for an end to violence at home.

By Bryce Bauer
THE DAILY IOWAN

Unsurprisingly, they just want what everyone wants: peace in their homeland.

Yet, for most of the last month in Kenya, the native country of UI graduate

students Martin Thuo and Evans Ochola, the exact opposite has happened.

Ever since that East African country's Dec. 27, 2007, presidential election, news reports daily have detailed increasing violence and ethnic killings. The

turmoil, sparked originally by disputes over the election results' legitimacy, has begun to expose decades old ethnic disagreements, and it is seriously threatening the future of what has been considered one of the continent's more stable and successful nations.

To date, more than 800 people have been killed and another 250,000 displaced, experts and international news reports state.

But it didn't have to be that way.

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Location of Kenya



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Whitney Wright/The Daily Iowan

Simeon Smith takes oral chemotherapy every night to help kill any remaining leukemia cells in his body in his Iowa City home on Nov. 12, 2007. Along with his daily medication, Simeon has monthly appointments at the UIHC for IV chemotherapy treatment and every three months he under goes a spinal tap.

3 strikes, & he wins

After surviving three battles with cancer, Cameron Christiansen feels as if he's conquered a villain.

By Kelsey Beltramea
THE DAILY IOWAN

Cameron Christiansen is proud of his ninja-attack scar. The 8-inch long gash just above his belly button is what's left from a fight he had with a warrior wearing black, red, and green — and a little bit of blue.

"And he was carrying a big sword," Cameron described, giggling as he brandished an imaginary lance over his shoulder.

The heedful 8-year-old prefers his contrived version of the scar's origin, because, he said, the real explanation is much more difficult to talk about.

Cameron was diagnosed with Wilms' tumor more than five years ago after his parents — on a mini-family vacation to Chicago — noticed blood in their potty-training 2½-year-old's urine.

Wilms' tumor is a type of childhood cancer that occurs in the kidneys.

Seven surgeries, four tumors, and dozens of chemotherapy and radiation treatments later, Cameron now attends second grade at Mulberry Elementary in Muscatine on a regular basis. He likes dinosaurs, spaghetti, and barbecue Pringles, and he has an obsession with video games.

SEE CHRISTIANSEN, 4A



Living the cancer battle

Watch Daily Iowan TV, dailyiowan.com, to learn more about this year's Dance Marathon and the children it helps.

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- **Feb. 4** — Event wrap-up

Simeon Smith

Age: 6
Lives in: Iowa City
Diagnosed with: Biphenotypic leukemia
Sports played: Soccer, basketball, baseball, swimming
Favorite show: Animal Planet

Cameron Christiansen

Age: 8
Lives in: Muscatine
Favorite subjects: math and gym
Loves: Pokémon, pepperoni pizza, Taco Bell
Hates: Shots
Special achievements: UI Sigma Chi little brother, Relay for Life Honorary Survivor in Muscatine Fourth of July parade

Dancer hopes for comeback

Six-year-old Simeon Smith hopes he'll be able to attend Dance Marathon this weekend.

By Zhi Xiong
THE DAILY IOWAN

Inside Room 32 of the pediatric inpatient unit, 6-year-old Simeon Smith was enjoying mother Kari Smith's company.

After four months at home in Iowa City, Simeon contracted a severe cold from his younger siblings. This led to a viral infection that commonly causes pneumonia, and high fevers landed him in the hospital for antibiotics and an IV drip.

He is now in isolation for at least three days. That means no leaving his room at all — no talking to his friends and no visitors who are not armed with mask, gloves, and gown.

Diagnosed with two types of childhood leukemia in September 2006, even a minor infection causes Simeon's white blood cell count to plunge.

"Can I ride a bike if I drink the whole thing?" he asked his mother, slurping from an enormous cup of root beer.

No, and a nurse confirmed as much when she came to check his fluid levels. She called him "Buckwheat," the color of his hair, which had grown back thick and blond.

The only sign of illness in the room packed with *Star Wars* memorabilia is a tube snaking up to a bag of fluid dangling from a tall pole — his "leash," Kari Smith said. To scare the nurses, he had his father wind a stuffed toy snake across the top of the pole.

SEE SMITH, 4A

Jakes may lose license

The City Council will recommend to the state that One-Eyed Jakes, a downtown bar, not have its liquor license renewed.

By Kayla Kelley
THE DAILY IOWAN

One fewer bar will grace Iowa City's downtown area if the state agrees with the City Council's recommendation not to renew its liquor license.

One-Eyed Jakes, 18-20 S. Clinton St., is one step closer to being an alcohol-free zone after failing to comply with the city's post-inspection requirements.

A memo from Fire Chief Andy Rocca asked the council not to renew the bar's liquor license because of building infractions, including holes in the walls and ceilings and a staircase 6-inches too narrow.

Rocca gave the council a brief outline of the events that occurred during the inspections

and said that bar owner Mike Porter made no effort to correct the problems.

Deputy Fire Chief Roger Jensen said that if the bar wanted to operate with the fire hazards, the occupancy would have drop to 49 people. The current occupancy is 299.

"One thing that separates Jakes is the second and third floor of the building," he said. "One issue being the ability to get out."

Jensen also said the narrow entrance is a concern because in a fire, people exit the way they come in.

Porter asked the council to let the court ultimately decide if the bar should have a liquor license.

Dan Kresowick, Porter's attorney, told the council the Jan. 18 memo from Rocca was the first indication that he and Porter had heard the violations posed an imminent life threat.

Porter also said his bar was targeted; he went out and inspected other establishments' stairways to see if they met requirements — five others' didn't, according to his measurements.

The vote passed 6-2, with Councilors Mike O'Donnell and Connie Chambers opposed.

O'Donnell said he did not feel a prominent business should be shut down over 6 inches, holding up a coffee cup to illustrate the approximate length in question.

Mayor Regenia Bailey said she was surprised that Porter didn't want to comply for safety purposes, given his active involvement in talks about sprinkler installation.

Councilor Matt Hayek abstained from the vote because of a potential conflict of interest.

Porter, who also owns the Summit Bar & Restaurant, 10 S. Clinton St., plans to appeal to the state.

If the state follows the city's advice, One-Eyed Jakes could be the second bar to lose its liquor license in the past year. The state revoked that of the Q Bar, 211 Iowa Ave., in November, with an appeal still pending.

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McCain seizes Florida victory

Rudy Giuliani ready to drop out and endorse the Arizona senator.

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MIAMI — Next stop, 21 states at once, with the Republican presidential nomination the prize.

Sen. John McCain won a breakthrough triumph in the Florida primary Tuesday night, seizing the upper hand in the GOP race ahead of next week's coast-to-coast contests and lining up a quick endorsement from soon-to-be dropout Rudy Giuliani.

"It shows one thing: I'm the conservative leader who can unite the party," McCain told the Associated Press after easing past former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney for his first-ever triumph in a primary open only to Republicans.

"We have a ways to go, but we're getting close" to the nomination, he said later in an appearance before cheering supporters.

Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton was the Democratic "winner" in a primary held in defiance of national rules that drew no campaigning and awarded no delegates.

The victory was worth 57 Republican National Convention delegates for McCain, a winner-take-all haul that catapulted him ahead of Romney in that category.

Romney, who has spent millions of dollars of his personal fortune to run for the White House, vowed to stay in the race.

"At a time like this, America needs a president in the White House who has actually had a job in the real economy," the former businessman told supporters in St. Petersburg.

Giuliani, the former New York mayor, ran third. It was his best showing of the campaign



Alan Diaz/Associated Press

Republican presidential-nomination hopeful John McCain, accompanied by wife Cindy McCain (left), shakes hands with supporters Miami on Tuesday after his Florida primary victory.

but not nearly good enough for the one-time front-runner who decided to make his last stand in a state that is home to tens of thousands of transplanted New Yorkers. Several officials familiar with events said he intended to endorse McCain today in California.

In remarks to supporters in Orlando, Giuliani referred to his candidacy repeatedly in the past tense — as though it were over. "We'll stay involved, and together we'll make sure that we'll do everything we can to hand our nation off to the next generation better than it was before," he said.

Former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee ran fourth in the primary but told supporters he would campaign on. Texas Rep. Ron Paul was fifth and last.

Florida marked the end of one phase of the campaign, the last

in a series of single-state contests that winnowed a once unwieldy field.

The race goes national next week — McCain said it would be the closest thing to a nationwide primary as any event in history. Twenty-one states hold Republican primaries and caucuses on Tuesday with 1,023 convention delegates at stake.

Returns from 81 percent of Florida's precincts showed McCain, the Arizona senator, with 36 percent of the vote and Romney, the former governor of Massachusetts, with 31 percent.

In the overall delegate race, it was McCain 93, Romney 59, Huckabee 40. Paul has four and Giuliani one.

The victory was another step in one of the most remarkable political comebacks of recent times. McCain entered the race

the front-runner, then found his campaign out of funds and unraveling last summer as his stands in favor of the Iraq war and a controversial immigration bill proved unpopular.

The war gradually became less of a concern after President Bush's decision to increase troop deployments began to produce results. McCain also sought to readjust his position on immigration.

By the time of the New Hampshire primary, he had retooled his candidacy and ridden his Straight Talk Express campaign bus to more than 100 town hall meetings. He won in New Hampshire, stumbled in Michigan, but won the South Carolina primary last week, taking first place in the state that had snuffed out his presidential hopes in 2000.

METRO

Pair charged in graffiti incident

Footprints, spray-painted hands, and a glove led police to two men Tuesday morning who are reportedly responsible for painting graffiti on at least two downtown Iowa City businesses, authorities reported.

Officers responded to Cold Stone Creamery, 132 E. Washington St., at 2:18 a.m. Tuesday to allegedly find

Ryan Spurgetis, 25, 1011 E. Washington St., and Robert Ehl, 38, 3001 Clover St., in the area.

The pair's spray-painting reportedly caused more than \$200 in damages Tuesday.

Spurgetis was on the roof of a nearby law office when police arrived, and he had a bag with black and red cans of spray paint, reports said.

Police said this evidence is consistent with stenciling at Cold Stone

Creamery, along with graffiti at Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., and other buildings.

According to reports, Ehl climbed on the Cold Stone Creamery roof. Black spray paint covered both of his hands. He denied any involvement in the incident, police said, but stated he was "with other subject who had paint and stencils in his possession."

Spurgetis and Ehl were both arrested and charged with

fourth-degree criminal mischief and criminal trespass. Ehl was also charged with public intoxication.

Fourth-degree criminal mischief and criminal trespass are serious misdemeanors, each punishable by up to a year in prison and a fine of up to \$1,500. Public intoxication is a simple misdemeanor, punishable by up to 30 days in jail or a fine of up to \$500.

— by Kurtis Hiatt

POLICE BLOTTER

James Beard, 39, 4494 Taft Ave. S.E. Apt. M33, was charged Monday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

John Bianciotto, 21, Davenport, was charged Jan. 26 with public intoxication.

Tobee Burnett, 18, 845 Cross Park Ave. Apt. 20, was charged Jan. 26 with fifth-degree theft.

Benjamin Dixon, 18, 910 Rienow, was charged Jan. 26 with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana.

Sean Durkin, 19, Lake Forest, Ill., was charged Jan. 26 with public

intoxication and falsifying a driver's license.

William Freeman, 21, 1122 N. Dubuque St. Apt. 11, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Edward Frommelt, 27, 337 N. 1st Ave., was charged Jan. 26 with second-offense OWI.

Eric Gordon, 18, 537 Slater, was charged Jan. 25 with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

William Grace, 21, N220 Currier, was charged Jan. 26 with public intoxication.

Brendan John, 20, Moline, Ill., was

charged Monday with OWI.

Anitra Jordan, 26, address unknown, was charged June 11 with accessory after the fact.

Amanda Lee, 26, Cedar Rapids, was charged Monday with simple assault and third-degree harrasment.

Justin Machnik, 21, 2250 Quadrangle, was charged Jan. 26 with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Martin Mulchrone, 21, Chicago, was charged Jan. 26 with public intoxication.

Mary Potter, 61, 1811 H St., was

charged Monday with OWI.

Eric Preston, 19, S403 Hillcrest, was charged Jan. 25 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Kiel Schroeder, 19, Marion, was charged Monday with PAULA, public intoxication, and interference with official acts.

Matthew Sparks, 19, 3519 Shamrock Place, was charged Jan. 29 with public intoxication and interference with official acts.

Rodney Sparks, 47, 2420 Wayne Ave., was charged Tuesday with OWI.

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Senate eyes vets job bill

A bill in the Legislature focuses on job security for Iowa National Guard members returning from active duty.

By Kelli Shaffner
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa National Guard members won't have to worry about job security if a bill in the Iowa Senate passes. A proposed law that would enable Iowa National Guard members, as well as other military-service members, to keep their civilian jobs after serving was reviewed Tuesday in a Senate subcommittee after passing 95-0 in the House on Jan. 24. The full committee discussion of the bill was canceled because of the weather.

Although National Guard members serving on active duty — troops deployed in Iraq, for example — are protected under the federal Uniformed Services Employment and Re-employment Rights Act, their job security is not protected for those on state active duties — in or around Iowa or the United States.

Lt. Col. Greg Hapgood, the Guard's public-affairs officer, said the bill fills the gap between the two so that everyone will be covered.

"Already, the federal law helps preserve military members," he said. "This will help reinforce that in Iowa."

Rep. Wes Whitehead, D-Sioux City, said he doesn't think the proposed law will have any trouble passing in the Senate.

"We have to improve [in order to] to protect our citizens," he said.

The proposed bill is more of a preventative measure than a response to a past situation, Hapgood said. But a 2005-06 Pentagon survey of military reservists found 44 percent dissatisfied with how the U.S. Labor Department handled complaints on employment discrimination because of military status, a 27 percent increase over the previous year. The 2007 survey has yet to be released.

Bill could help veterans

Watch Daily Iowan Television at dailyiowan.com for more information about a bill that would promise Iowa National Guard members their old jobs back upon returning from active duty.

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Timeline:
• Jan. 24 — Passes in the House, 95-0.
• Jan. 29 — Committee discussion canceled (weather).
• Feb. 4 — Office of Legislative Information is set to announce when Senate committee discussion is rescheduled.

"We're just trying to treat Iowa veterans as they should be treated," said Sen. Daryl Beall, D-Fort Dodge, the chairman of the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee.

The Iowa Veterans Council brought the deficiencies in the current law to the attention of lawmakers several months ago, he said, and the legislators are trying to cover all the angles with the proposed law.

This bill would make coverage at both the state and federal levels plain and clear, Whitehead said.

"It's kind of filling the gap the [federal re-employment rights] law should really address," Beall said.

Hapgood said the Iowa bill might be a good example for other states, but Beall said that wasn't the purpose.

He doesn't know how it's viewed by other states, he said, but he is sure they're following it.

"My interest is to help those who are going into active duty or who are coming back to Iowa have it be as seamless as possible," he said.

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Poor eschewing, not chewing, veggies, fruit

Fruits and vegetables are not part of the diet for many low-income families, according to a USDA report.

By Brian Stewart
THE DAILY IOWAN

Lower-income families are less likely to allocate a monthly fund for fruits and vegetables, and for most families, it takes a significant increase in income before saving for produce, according to new research from the Department of Agriculture.

Hayden Stewart, an agricultural economist and the study's coauthor, said the purpose of the study was to examine lower-income households hovering around the income eligibility for the national Food Stamp Program.

The economic research report, published this month, concludes that for families to save for fruit and vegetable spending, their annual income must be greater than 130 percent over the poverty line — or the income qualification cutoff to receive food stamps.

"That population, like the rest of the United States, doesn't achieve the Dietary Guidelines for Americans," Stewart said, of food stamp participants. "They're not unique in the sense that Americans in general don't consume enough fruits and vegetables."

The Dietary Guidelines for Americans, published every five years by the Department of Health and Human Services, recommends adults consume two cups of fruit and two-and-a-half cups of vegetables each day. On average, Americans take in .83 cups and 1.72 cups of fruits and vegetables respectively.

Higher-income adults are twice as likely to satisfy the guidelines than adults living in poverty.

Participation in the food-stamp program is increasing, according to data from the Food and Nutrition Service, with nearly 26.5 million participants in 2007, up from slightly more than 17 million in 2000 — a hike that's caused nationwide spending on the program to rise



Chris Vanderwall/The Daily Iowan

According to a recent report from the Department of Agriculture, poorer families will not generally set aside money for fruits and vegetables until their income is 130 percent over the poverty line — which is the income cutoff for food-stamp eligibility.

"We have expanded our fruits and vegetables to include, during produce season, fruits and vegetables that are planted in our community gardens. We also encourage people who have gardens to plant another row for the Crisis Center Food Bank — we are happy to take their produce and share it with the community."

— Katherine Mellen, UI Student Health Service dietitian

from \$17 billion to more than \$33 billion during that time.

"People might be wondering if food stamps could do more to improve the health and well being of lower-income households," Stewart said.

And the concern over nationwide produce consumption resonates locally, as well.

Carole Campbell Yack, the coordinator of services for the Johnson County Crisis Center,

said that fruits and vegetables play a big role at the center's food bank.

"In fact, we have expanded our fruits and vegetables to include, during produce season, fruits and vegetables that are planted in our community gardens," she said. "We also encourage people who have gardens to plant another row for the Crisis Center Food Bank — we are happy to take their produce and

share it with the community."

Katherine Mellen, a UI Student Health Service dietitian, said the lack of produce consumption could be partially attributed to both income and availability.

"Budget can have an impact on food selection," she said, noting that there are alternatives to "trying to buy all fresh produce in Iowa in February," including purchasing frozen or canned products.

In households earning less than 130 percent of the poverty line, a small financial boost did not increase the likelihood that people would spend more on fruits and vegetables — instead, beef and frozen prepared-food purchases grew — possibly because of taste and convenience, the study suggests.

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Union membership going down in Iowa

Despite a report indicating that union membership is up across the nation, the percentage of Iowan union workers continues to drop.

By Ben Travers
THE DAILY IOWAN

Union membership rates were down in Iowa and 29 other states in 2007, according to a recent report by the U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics.

Even though the report found the number of union workers rose by 311,000 in the United States, union membership in Iowa is below the national average for a second-consecutive year.

Jennifer Sherer, a labor educator at the UI Labor Center,

said the loss of manufacturing jobs in Iowa is a major cause for the decline.

"We're losing higher-paying jobs and gaining lower-paying jobs," she said.

Sherer also attributed the low rates to employers who make it difficult for new unions to form by using threats and intimidation. The law protecting unionization has not been strongly enforced, she said.

"We need political changes to make it possible for people [to form new unions]," she said.

Local unions, however, have not noticed a lack of interest.

The Campaign to Organize Graduate Students UE Local 896 — COGS — has its highest number of members in 2008, said Kari Thompson, the organization's vice president for organizing.

"We're actually doing really well," she said.

Richard Good, the assistant business manager of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 405, also said membership rates have

remained steady for the past few years.

"2003 and 2004 were pretty slow," he said. "But we're back up."

The report also found the highest union membership rates were among 55- to 64-year-olds, and the lowest rates were among 16- to 24-year-olds.

Bureau of Labor and Statistics economist Paul LaPorte said one explanation for the trend is that older workers joined labor organizations when unionizing was more prevalent.

Labor in Iowa

Breakdown of employees in Iowa and union members:

- 2006
- Total employed — **1.424 million**
- Number of union members — **161,000**
- 2007
- Total employed — **1.417 million**
- Number of union members — **149,000**

Source: Bureau of Labor and Statistics

"New hires are coming on board who are not union members," he said.

Good, however, has not seen a relevant discrepancy in the ages of his union's workers.

"We have an apprenticeship program," he said. "We get tons of applications from all over the spectrum every month."

COGS' Thompson, 24, said the report means the population is aging, and thus, so are union members.

"Fewer labor unions are getting started," she said. "There are fewer opportunities for youth."

She said COGS is unique because graduate-student members leave every semester, but all of the organization's members were under age 40.

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2 Kenyans watch events nervously

KENYA

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"Everyone was very excited because the people were excited to vote," said Thuo, who is here studying chemistry. He is originally from a small village near the city of Thika, just northeast of the country's capital, Nairobi. He was back visiting family over winter break, arriving just before the elections and violence and returning on Jan. 11.

Thuo is of the Kikuyu tribe, the same as that of the incumbent

president Mwai Kibaki. Much of the strife has been with the Luo tribe, of which opposition candidate Raila Odinga is a member.

"The people have had tension before so when they have a reason to fight it is very easy for them to go out and fight," Thuo said. "I wish that people could just respect the rule of law and uphold the Constitution."

Thuo, 31, said his family, for the most part, is safe (although, recently he has been unable to place calls to the country). He criticized media reports for

overstating the violence, noting many areas are still secure.

While official government results state Kibaki won the election, national and international officials have seriously questioned their accuracy, and, to many, Kibaki's win appears illegitimate.

"The key to any election is that the losers accept the results," said Joel Barkan, a UI professor emeritus who was a member of the U.S. delegation observing elections in the country of nearly 37 million.

"A good part of this violence

has been encouraged by the rival politicians," said Barkan, who now researches Africa for the Washington D.C.-based Center for Strategic and International Studies. "It's totally irresponsible and somehow those who are causing the violence need to be reined in because it is beginning to get out of control."

To help resolve the situation, Barkan said he would like to see some sort of power-sharing agreement established between Kibaki and Odinga, and ultimately Kenya's Constitution

amended to establish a federal system to accommodate Kenya's 42 ethnic groups in a country with a land area about four times the size of Iowa.

Despite the efforts of a number of prominent emissaries, including former U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan, who is now in Kenya, little progress has been made toward mediating the conflict.

"Right now, it is bad," said Ochola, a UI graduate student in education who is a Luo from the Western city of Kisumu.

Ochola, 36, who has been in

contact with his family and others in the country, is also worried that if nothing is done to legitimize a leader, the situation could continue to grow out of control. And already he is concerned the violence has caused injuries that will take many years to heal.

"The bigger picture I am afraid of is once you kill your neighbor, that is not going to heal in two or three days with politics," he said. "That is going to take another generation."

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New head for state GOP

By Shawn Gude

THE DAILY IOWAN

Newly elected state Republican Chairman Stewart Iverson is just starting to settle into the position he won over the weekend.

But his first reaction to being asked if he wanted to pursue the job?

"Why?" "It definitely wasn't in my game plan," the former Iowa Senate Majority Leader said with a resounding laugh.

That all changed when, around two weeks ago, Iverson, who retired from the Iowa Senate in the summer of 2006, talked to Ray Hoffman, the then-chairman of the Iowa GOP.

"When I found out that Stew Iverson was interested, it made it very, very easy for me to make my decision," said Hoffman, who has been on the Republican's state committee since 1994. "I've known Stew for a long time. I trust him. I like him, and it was just perfect."

Hoffman stepped down in the middle of his two-year term on Jan. 25, a decision he made because "the steam just came out of me a little bit."

The Sioux City businessman presided over last August's Ames Straw Poll and the Jan. 3 Iowa caucuses, but he also faced adversity during his three-year tenure, with

Republican seat losses in the Iowa Legislature and a failed GOP run at the governorship in 2006.

Iverson said he sees some similarities between the midterm resignation of Hoffman and his own fall from Senate majority leader in 2006, when discontent within the party formed, and Sen. Mary Lundy was elected to fill his place. In both cases, he said, "folks were not happy."

Rank-and-file Republicans hope the change in chairmen will help gain back some of those seats, as well as restore the party unity that Iverson said "over the last few years [has] been splintered."

In the past year, Iverson has spent time advising former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney's presidential-nomination campaign.

Iverson also said he wants to stress the fiscal conservatism he thinks the party has lost sight of recently — both in Washington and at the state level.

"I'm not going to second-guess Ray," Iverson said about his colleague's championing of fiscal responsibility. "I think he did the best he could, but I think there was some internal matters, [and] things weren't gelling the way they should."

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Beating the big ninja 'C'

CHRISTIANSEN

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"Every day that I see him playing Wii and acting like a normal kid, it gives me more hope and settles my heart a bit," mother Marci Christiansen said, smiling at her bouncy son, who was attempting to knock out his seventh opponent in an interactive boxing video game. "A year and a half ago, I didn't even know what his future would hold, or if he'd even be here a year and a half later."

That's when doctors found two suspect places on Cameron's liver. Cancer for the third time.

His first racketball-sized tumor was removed in 2002, along with his right kidney. After roughly six months of outpatient chemotherapy, doctors said Cameron was in remission. The following February, he complained about abdominal pain and cramping, and doctors found a softball-sized tumor attached to the end of his small intestine. It again required surgery and chemotherapy — this time for 13 months, with doctors tacking on 14 additional radiation treatments.

Christiansen thought her family was finally in the clear until a regular three-month check-up in the fall of 2006 revealed spots on Cameron's liver. Exploratory surgery confirmed Christiansen's worst fears.

One of the tumors hovered so

close to a main vein that the slightest scalpel slip could cause Cameron to bleed to death. The tumor was deemed inoperable.

"That's when I'd talk to God a lot and ask him not to take Cameron away from me," she said, dabbing the corner of her eye. "There are times through all of this when I've lied on the floor next to his bed — not sleeping, just watching. Watching him breathe in and out. I just say over and over and over, 'Please don't take him.'"

Though Wilms' is the fifth most common childhood cancer with about 400 kids diagnosed each year, few children battle the disease three times, leaving doctors with a much less formal protocol for treatment.

But Christiansen refused to be left in the unknown. Cameron and his 6-year old brother, Conner, are her heart, the homemaker said.

"That's why I just keep pushing the docs, even when they just can't give me an answer," she said. "I tell them I'll sit here, and be patient, and wait until they get one. I don't care what it takes."

They eventually found her answer. Cameron underwent a chemical treatment that successfully shrunk the tumors to permit surgery. Doctors removed half of his liver and gave him such high doses of chemotherapy that he required a stem-cell infusion of his own previously harvested cells to reboot his immune system.

Cameron recovered in record timing — just soon enough to attend Heart Connection Camp, a weeklong program for children with cancer sponsored by Dance Marathon. He couldn't let down his favorite counselor, Brian Martin, who also serves as the Christiansen's Marathon family representative.

"I joke around to Marci and Cameron that I'll be that weird guy cheering him on at his high-school basketball game," Martin said, describing his relationship with a boy he calls

the toughest kid he has ever met.

That's exactly what Cameron wants people to know about him.

"I want them to know I'm strong, brave, and courageous," he said, choosing his words carefully. "Because, I've been through all the cancer and —"

His mom helped: "And you're still standing."

"Yes," Cameron said. "I'm still standing."

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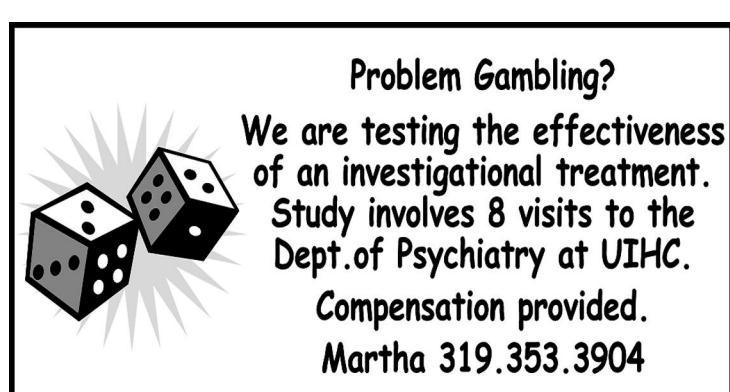


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6-year-old hopes to make Dance

SMITH

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"Until it happens to you, you can't possibly know what it's like," said father Johann Smith, an accountant.

In the next few days, Simeon had a port implanted under his skin, a channel between his body and the outside world where tubes, needles, drugs, and fluids go in and out.

Meanwhile, his family spent hours being briefed on his illness.

"They told us everything that could go wrong," Johann Smith said.

Simeon spent 12 months undergoing intensive weekly chemotherapy. Spinal taps, steroids, and morphine became

staples of his vocabulary. Now, he continues low-dose chemo at home along with a cocktail of other drugs.

Though his hospital room is stocked with toys, Simeon would rather be playing sports. He is not allowed to play football, but he is active in soccer, baseball, swimming, and basketball.

Athleticism, not just cancerous cells, is in his blood.

Both his parents played sports, and his father has coached Babe Ruth baseball in Iowa City for years. Though illness has leached his stamina and strength, Simeon wondered if his father will be his coach when he is 13 years old.

His mother's shift ended at around 6:30 p.m. so she could spend time with Simeon's sis-

ter, Correin, who had been asking for her mother lately. Johann Smith will spend another night sleeping in a pullout armchair in the corner.

The family is now accustomed to the switch-offs and sudden changes of plans.

"It means dropping everything and rearranging your life," Kari Smith said.

Simeon, who picked at his hot dog and nachos, got more company when two brothers from the Delta Sigma Pi fraternity showed up for volunteer night — Dance Marathon and other organizations often send volunteers. While the three gathered around the bed for a game of Clue, his father watched the Florida elections proceed.

Johann Smith said Simeon

understands his illness well. They couldn't figure out how much he understood until he began responding and explaining everything to people.

"It's fun for doctors to come talk to him and see how he responds," he said. "They ask, 'He's how old?'"

If he is fever-free for 24 hours, Simeon will get to dance this Friday, his second year participating in Dance Marathon. He is allowed stay up all night.

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The Daily Iowan

Two kids coming through cancer



Johan Smith watches as his children Simeon, 6, Corrien, 4, and Annon, 2, play in the dining room of their Iowa City home on Nov. 12, 2007. Because of the small age difference among them, Simeon receives lots of support from his younger siblings.

Cameron Christiansen and Simeon Smith have each spent their early childhood with cancer. Simeon, 6, who had two types of childhood leukemia, was nicknamed 'Buckwheat' by one of his nurses because of his thick blond hair. Cameron, 8, who first received a Wilms' tumor diagnosis five years ago, loves Pokémon and Taco Bell.

Photos by Whitney Wright



At his Muscatine home on Jan. 9, Cameron Christiansen, 8, shows off his scar from an 11-hour surgery to remove cancerous tumor cells from his liver, which had been treated by chemotherapy in January 2007. The surgery resulted in the removal of half of Cameron's liver. Cameron calls it his ninja scar.

'Cameron's been dealing with this for more than five years now, and we want to be done. We want to look back and say we went through that, and now it's over. But the worrying and the unknown will never really be done. It's changed the way we look at everything.'

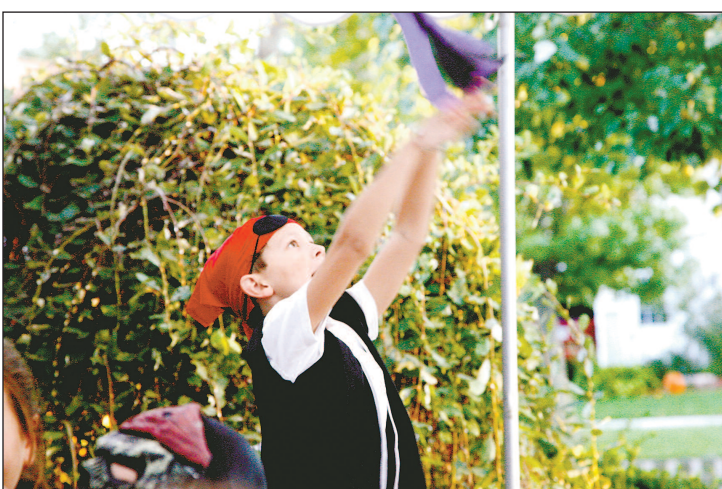
— Marci Christiansen, Cameron's mother



While playing with his sister, Corrien, and brother, Annon, Simeon pauses to give his mother a kiss in their Iowa City home on Nov. 12, 2007. Now a first-grader, Simeon was diagnosed with cancer on Sept. 26, 2006.

'People think that a trial is all hard, but now the family knows how to survive hard times.'

— Kari Smith, Simeon's mother



Cameron Christiansen plays with a wind catcher during his Halloween-theme birthday party on Oct. 25, 2007.



Corrien Smith, 4, displays a baby doll with a replica of an implanted medical port similar to her big brother's on Nov. 12, 2007. Corrien received the educational toy at her Sibling Support Group, an organization designed for the siblings of children treated at the UIHC.



Cameron Christiansen, 8, celebrates his birthday alongside schoolmates with a Halloween theme party at his Muscatine home on Oct. 25, 2007. Instead of presents, the family asked for donations for the UIHC.



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Editorial

UI can do more to reduce college costs

An extensive study released last week by the National Association of College and University Business Officers reveals a university system in this country bursting with funds, yet costlier than ever. Of the 785 colleges included in the study, 76 declared endowments of more than \$1 billion, with the national total surging well past \$411 billion. The UI barely missed the billionaire club — its endowment of \$982 million was the 79th largest in the nation. Despite piggy banks swelling with cash, most institutions are reluctant to expend a quarter.

Tuitions everywhere continue to increase, college students stay steeped in loans, yet endowment funds remain largely untouched. In an attempt to address this disparity and rein in the astronomical cost of higher education, Iowa Sen. Charles Grassley, the ranking minority member of the Senate Finance Committee, has spearheaded an initiative to encourage colleges to dip into their endowments as an alternative to steep tuition increases.

Reports show that the 76 institutions with endowments of \$1 billion or more spend, on average, a meager 4.4 percent of their endowments each year. The UI, which gave itself a congratulatory pat on the back for implementing a resident tuition increase of only 3.2 percent for the 2008-09 school year (6 percent for nonresidents), spent just 4 percent of its endowment funds in last year's budget.

Under Grassley's initiative, universities and colleges are encouraged to spend at least 5 percent of their endowments annually to

make college more affordable. Endowment funds, made up of tax-deductible donations, are subject to the ebb and flow of the financial market. Many critics of Grassley's efforts point out that using endowments as a main source of financial aid entails an unacceptable degree of uncertainty.

Still, college debt is a colossal problem in this nation, as every UI student who cringes at the sight of a U-bill can attest. According to statistics released by the Project for College Debt, in 2006, the average college student earning a bachelor's degree would owe more than \$17,000 in loans by the time he or she graduates. This poisonous debt, coupled with a national average tuition increase of 7 percent a year, begs for an antidote.

Grassley's and the Finance Committee's suggestions are a much needed Band-Aid. Uncle Sam has acknowledged the gluttonous money lust of the country's colleges and universities, and it should force them to break open their fat coffers and give a portion back to their base — students.

The UI must do its part to ease the daunting financial burden of attaining a college degree. Funds are of no use unless you spend them. Ink figures with many zeroes look appealing on paper, but their real-world implications are nil. With nearly \$1 billion at their disposal, university officials should dip into the cookie jar and offer its cash-strapped students a much needed Oreo.



JONATHAN GOLD

Tithing

P.T. Barnum's famous dictum that there's a sucker born every minute is still true. That it should remain so in an age of world-altering information technology is a bit depressing. None of society's signal achievements has ever managed to make a dent in the rate of sucker proliferation. I think that humanity evolved suckers along with tool use and the ability to watch Jerry Bruckheimer movies without protective equipment. (Not recommended.)

It's sort of like a societal ecosystem. Remember when they showed us those flow charts in grade school? Those were pretty good demonstrations of nature's hierarchy. The top-of-the-food-chain animal, such as an eagle or a tiger, feeds on rodents, and deer, and pretty much everything smaller than Alonzo Mourning. These smaller creatures, in turn, eat either plants or even smaller prey, such as Ron Paul. (I don't think I'm alone in wanting to see Alonzo Mourning eat Ron Paul.)

I seem to have wandered from the original point. Which was this: Suckers are lower on society's food chain than clever people. Faith healers, psychics, astrologers, moon landing and 9/11 conspiracy theorists, Holocaust deniers, creationists, and many New Age gurus — all these are parasitic artifacts that feed on our ignorance and our need to believe something comforting.

There are dozens of columns to be had from each of the above examples, and many of them have been written already. (By other people.) But, to my mind, one of the most pernicious forms of modern hucksterism is Scientology. It is a massively profitable business enterprise practiced on the depressed, the lonely, and the gullible.

Based on the ramblings of science-fiction writer L. Ron Hubbard and encompassing an unsurprisingly baroque — and frequently hilarious — cosmology of alien overlords, DC-9s, and incorporeal person-wraiths, Scientology sells ersatz "counseling" for many thousands of dollars. (Hubbard, in leaked church documents, urged followers to "make money. Make more money. Make others produce so as to make money." Sounds more like Scrooge McDuck than a holy man.)

Scientology's mercenary streak is well-documented, but further demonstration came this week with the leak of a "recruitment video" featuring the world's most famous Scientologist, Tom Cruise. It's bizarre. Cruise is incoherent, frequently spewing Scientology jargon, and he laughs uproariously on two occasions at some mild joke uttered off-camera. (No mention need be made of Cruise's appearance on "Oprah.") Is this what he paid all that money for? To act like a loony cultist in public? I think most of us can do that without specialized training.

One of the church's main obsessions is the destruction of psychiatry and its associated medical disciplines, accusing it of the same pernicious charlatanism that Scientology is so frequently charged with. I suspect that this is partially because psychiatrists are some of the most effective critics of the church's "therapies" and partially because they're trying to sell the same things. The guy selling fake Nikes doesn't want people buying the real kind, after all.

Scientology is also very, very sneaky. After suing a website called the Cult Awareness Network into oblivion, the church purchased its remaining assets and reopened it, sans any mention of Scientology's misdeeds. The church is also behind a number of social-welfare programs such as Criminon and Narconon, which ostensibly reform criminals and drug addicts respectively.

It's not enough, apparently, to take money from silly people who don't know any better. They have to look like they're doing the silly people a favor. They accomplish this in one of two main ways: The aggressive recruitment of public figures and the vicious persecution of perceived enemies.

There's something that doesn't look quite innocent about a group that sues the bejesus out of other people for questioning their innocence. But, of course, Scientology doesn't really care one way or the other about being recognized as a real church. Scientology cares about making money. ■

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DI Blog

Ties that blight

The Clinton campaign suffered a devastating loss in South Carolina, largely a result of its negative campaigning. Though her husband has been touted as "the first black president," Hillary Rodham Clinton's startling defeat likely left her wondering if she might soon lose to the second.

Bill Clinton's immense popularity, especially among blacks, was hardly forgotten. For much of the campaign, Rodham Clinton was exceedingly popular among black voters. Now, however, her constant squabbles with Barack Obama appear to have left her with the short end of the Democratic stick. Though Obama is equally guilty of continuing the fight, her enlistment of her husband has not helped her cause, to say the least. The Clinton remembered for his personable disposition and positive nature has not been present on the campaign trail, and the effects are beginning to show. As he continues his attacks, his declining popularity is translated directly to his wife — the

inevitable result of being legally and politically tied to one of the most popular presidents in 50 years.

If she intends to recover from her South Carolina defeat, Rodham Clinton must understand the political significance of her marriage. Obviously, Clinton would be a useful tool in any Democratic campaign, but only insofar as his popularity is maintained. Rodham Clinton, as it seems, is dependent on her husband's reputation — if it declines, so, too, will hers.

So, then, the solution is simple: If she wishes to win, she must exploit the positive aspects of her husband that drew voters to him during his eight-year tenure. That means putting a stop to the intra-party fighting, which — weeks after it should have ended — has become almost as ridiculously long-lasting as Stride Gum. On the other hand, if the Clinton tag team continues dishing out pile drivers, don't expect to hear the saxophone on election night.

— Erik Hovenkamp
DI editorial writer



Commentary

TRUST LONG SINCE BUSTED

Two themes ran through President Bush's final State of the Union address Monday night, as he made the case for his continued relevance: Trust the American people, he said — again and again — and empower them to run their own lives. Trust the people with their money, and the economy will come around. Trust them to demand better schools, and schools will improve. Trust scientists to think big about global warming, and they will hit on solutions. All of that is fine, and yet for all of Bush's trust in the American people, he also made clear that he lacks essential confidence in their government — his government.

Bush had his moments. He struck back against Congress' practice of funding projects with earmarks that are not publicly debated or disclosed. He called for strengthening No Child Left Behind. He proposed purchasing crops directly from farmers in the developing world to combat famine. Those are useful recommendations, and Congress should heed them.

But Americans have many troubles, and they are asking their government for help. Health care has become unaffordable for millions. Bush hears those woes but rejects sensible solutions for ideological reasons — favoring "consumer choice, not government control." Illegal immigration has inflamed passions nationwide and stirred irrationality in the president's own party. To his credit, he tried to win a reform bill last year, but he failed, testament in

part to his ebbing influence. On Monday, he sounded the call again, but with no details or hope of victory.

In Iraq, he trusts his generals but ignores the limits of their power. Yes, brave Americans have helped stabilize the military situation in that nation, but political reconciliation, not indefinite occupation, is what will bring lasting peace to Iraq. Bush offered no hint of how his government, in its remaining year, can bring that about. That he mentioned global warming at all suggests an evolution in his thinking about a phenomenon whose existence he once questioned. Yet he's still relying on future technology and resisting market mechanisms to encourage that technology.

Government is not the passive instrument of bureaucrats. It is the active agent of a democratic people. When the people genuinely need its help, the government should act, not merely encourage. In this, Bush has failed to give his nation what it needs. Too many Americans face the loss of homes, too many are in prison. Afghanistan is unstable, Iran threatens. Osama bin Laden is still at large.

Ours is, a great president once proclaimed, "a government of the people, by the people, for the people." This president has done too little to uphold that conviction. His trust in America's people is undoubtedly genuine, but his unwillingness to act on their behalf is responsible for our fading trust in him.

This editorial appeared in Tuesday's Los Angeles Times.

On the Spot

How has the cost of college affected you?



"It's a pain; I've had to borrow extra."

Seth Ewers
UI junior



"It hasn't affected me yet, but I'm sure it will."

Melinda Keyte
UI senior



"No impact so far, not financially."

Kevin Diedrich
UI junior



"I've had to take out student loans."

Ashley Stuck
UI senior



The *DI* recommends modifying "pin-the-tail-on-the-donkey" into "shoot-an-old-man-in-the-face" in honor of Vice President Dick Cheney's birthday.

Arts & Culture

The fight over 'the Papers'

Keeping the First Amendment alive and kicking, LA Theatre Works will perform the docudrama *Top Secret: The Battle for the Pentagon Papers*, which follows the *Washington Post's* decision to publish classified documents about the U.S. involvement in Vietnam, tonight in Hancher.

By **Brigid Marshall**
THE DAILY IOWAN

Daniel Ellsberg changed the course of U.S. history when he, with aid of coworker Anthony Russo, leaked the famed Pentagon Papers, a 7,000-page document that pieced together the U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War, in 1971 to the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and 17 other news organizations.

Now, celebrating the history of watchdogs and whistleblowers, LA Theatre Works is set to perform the docudrama *Top Secret: The Battle for the Pentagon Papers*. After the *New York Times* is forced to stop publishing the papers when the Nixon administration wins a restraining order on the grounds of national security, the *Washington Post* decides to publish the remaining papers. (The restraining order was extended to the *Post*; the Supreme Court lifted the prior restraints around two weeks later in what has been hailed as the most important U.S. high-court case ever regarding freedom of the press.)

"When those papers came out, it was like a gigantic revelation," said *Top Secret's* director, John Rubenstein. "It made a huge difference, and it means a lot to me."

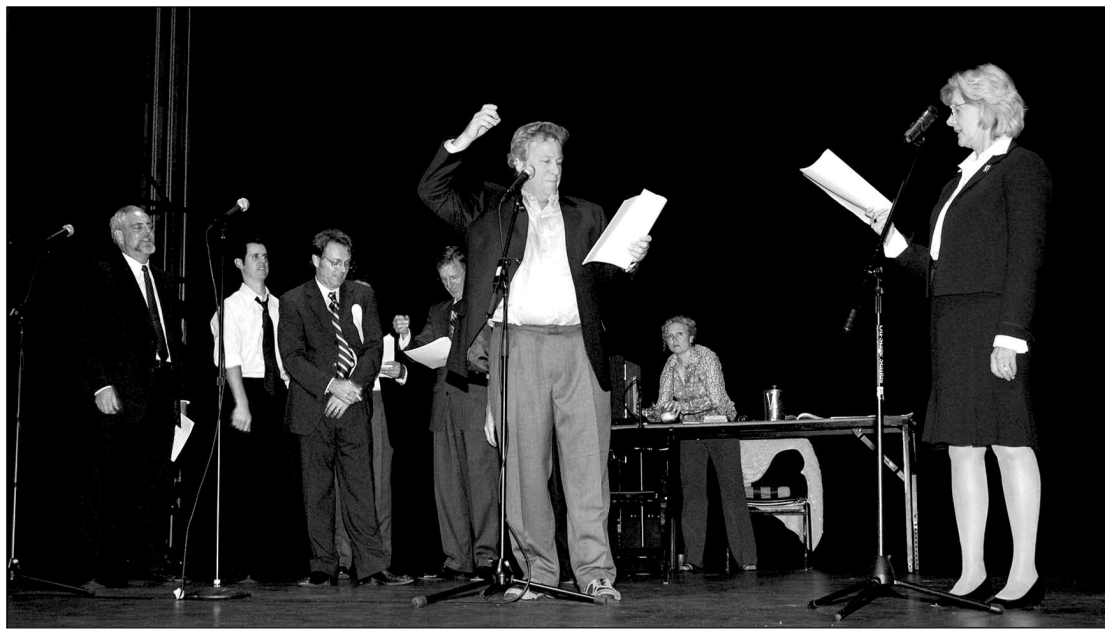
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When: 7:30 p.m. today
Where: Hancher Auditorium
Admission: Free

Many involved in *Top Secret*, including Rubenstein, now 61, lived through this defining moment in journalistic history, and they are anxious to share the magnitude of the situation — with students especially.

"This is journalism in one of its finest hours," said producing artistic director Susan Loenberg. "It's about how truth triumphs in a democratic society and the rule of law is paramount."

The minimalist show focuses on the hours spent in the home of then-*Washington Post* Editor Ben Bradlee, as he and staff members read the classified documents, eventually deciding to print. After the publication, the play follows the newspapers as they defend themselves against the government.

"The press has a huge responsibility to make sure it is behaving in a responsible way," Loenberg said. "And we all know instances when the press hasn't done its job right or has blown something out of proportion."



John Heard (center) plays Ben Bradlee in *Top Secret: The Battle for the Pentagon Papers*.

This play is really balanced. [Ellsberg] decided not to copy 3,000 pages because he thought it would violate national security. He was very scrupulous about it."

Both Rubenstein and Loenberg see parallels between the play and the current administration.

"I would hope that [students] would see and learn the history of this event and see the parallels of what's happening today with the Bush administration,"

Rubenstein said. "In this play, nothing is made more dramatic than it actually was."

The intense subject of truth-telling and government restrictions reflects various notions going on today, according to both Loenberg and Rubenstein.

"Russo and Ellsberg finally said, 'We can't take it anymore, and you can get in a lot of trouble for that,'" Rubenstein said. "It's happening today, and if you have the courage to stand up,

say no, and bring forth the truth, those people are heroes."

The show, which has toured for the last four months, features 17 characters ranging from then-*Washington Post* Publisher Katherine Graham to President Nixon.

"It's an incredible topic," Loenberg said. "National security versus the people's right to know — what an excellent conversation."

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today's PLAYLIST



ANDREW TAIT, also known as DJ Avant Garde is host of KRUI's IC Essential Mix, Saturday from 5-7 p.m. Tait is also resident DJ at the Union Bar.

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House track from *Chi-Town!*

"ABC Extended Mix"
Freemasons feat Jackson 5 Disco House remix
Freemasons are great remixers!

"Around the World"
Daft Punk
Great classic dance floor track, even with only three lyrics.

"You Can Do It (Bass Kleph 2007 bootleg)"
Ice Cube
Baltimore Club style remix of the Ice Cube classic breaks down to original tempo mid-song track, even with only three lyrics.

You haven't heard this line before

By **Cole Cheney**
THE DAILY IOWAN

Within the complexity of colors, shades, angles and figures, one of the most fundamental aspects of art can get left by the wayside: the line. Neither in-line nor online, this Iowa City exhibit emphasizes the processes and beauty that stem from the stroke. On display until February 22, the exhibit *It Starts With a Line* at Chait Galleries, 218 E. Washington St., showcases the convergence of different media into a single emphasis on linear art.

On Friday, the gallery will hold an event with extended hours and refreshments, and featured artists will discuss their techniques.

With displays including oils on panel, woodcuts, artificial nests, acrylic paint, and reeds, the mixed media mean the exhibit is wide-ranging. Artists John Schirmer, Mary Merkel-Hess, Cathy Patterson, and Phil Lichtenhan each contributed to the gallery.

"I've had a few pieces there for somewhat more than a year, but this is the first time that I have been included in one of its featured shows," Patterson said. Also a lawyer, she is an abstractionist who uses lines to give her a "pulling feel," said Mandy Renaud, a Chait Gallery curator.

"The line is the starting point of many pieces of art," she said. "It has so many possibilities and



Beth Skogen/The Daily Iowan

Phil Lichtenhan's work *Nest, 2007* sits on display at Chait Galleries on Tuesday. Four artists are part of an exhibition on display through Feb. 22 in a show titled *It Starts with a Line*, which contains work emphasizing the process and beauty of the line.

ART EXHIBIT
It Starts With a Line

When: Through Feb. 22
Where: Chait Galleries, 218 E. Washington

can become so many things without any other influences."

For Schirmer, the medium is the woodcut. Chiseling blocks down stroke by stroke, he then uses the scene he embedded as a

stamp to press his image onto paper. It can be "a very laborious process but very rewarding," Renaud said. In addition to woodblocks, reeds, wires, and ceramics all contribute to the exhibit.

The remaining two artists, Lichtenhan and Merkel-Hess, incorporate their art in baskets and synthetic nests respectively. With so many parties involved in the exhibit, influences and inspirations run rampant.

Picasso and Pollock are only a few of the many names that the Chait artists cited as influences. With such diversity, the crowds will be hard to predict, said gallery owner Benjamin Chait.

"With features like this, we do not expect to see a specific crowd because there is no specific reception for it," he said. "We always have people who come in response to the e-mails and the press information, which is what we strive for daily."

Not only will the exhibit showcase the importance of the line within art, it will highlight the linear style of the artist — imitating those that came before and influencing those who create after.

"My own works are new and uniquely personal, even though I may benefit from the vocabulary developed by other artists before me," Patterson said.

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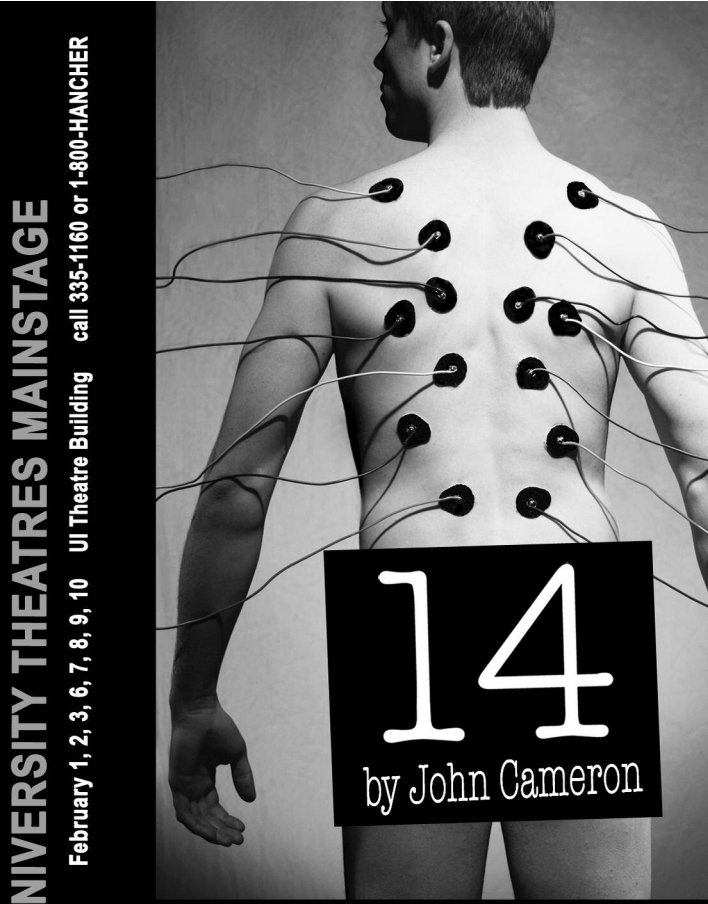
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by John Cameron

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Miller joins AGs pushing EPA

By Olivia Moran
THE DAILY IOWAN

State attorney-generals across the country are demanding that the Environmental Protection Agency take action in determining the possible dangers of greenhouse-gas emissions, and Iowa Attorney-General Tom Miller has joined the pack.

On April 2, 2007, the Supreme Court decided that the EPA has the authority and obligation to determine — under the Clean Air Act — whether greenhouse-gas emissions from new motor vehicles cause or contribute to dangerous pollution.

Nearly 10 months later, the issue is still collecting dust.

The EPA has yet to take even the slightest step toward making a decision, said Bob Brammer, a spokesman for the Iowa Attorney-General's Office. And 17 state attorneys-general recently became tired of waiting.

In a letter sent to the EPA on Jan. 23, Miller and attorneys-general including California, Arizona, and Minnesota urged the agency to take immediate action. They wrote that "the EPA is unreasonably delaying action," demanding a response by Feb. 27.

"We're eager to put out that it has the authority," Brammer said.

The EPA began receiving its first wave of requests only two months after the Supreme Court decision. Massachusetts Attorney-General Martha Coakley testified before the House Global Warming Committee on June 8, 2007, and tried to convey the urgency of the matter.

Adopting motor-vehicle emissions standards would allow states to address the leading cause of global warming, she said.



Photo illustration by Peter Klopfenstein/The Daily Iowan
Iowa Attorney-General Tom Miller has joined the growing chorus of state attorneys-general who are demanding that the EPA take action in determining possible dangers of greenhouse-gas emissions. The EPA has the authority to determine whether gas emissions from motor vehicles contribute to pollution under the Clean Air Act, but it has been lax to take action.

In the letter, the attorneys-general said the EPA repeatedly made indications that the process would move on, but it has yet to see any regulatory action or commitment.

Wayne Sanderson, a UI associate professor of occupational and environmental health, thinks the issue is past urgency.

"I think the global warming and the greenhouse-gas issue is going to be a big problem for us both environmentally and public-health-wise," he said.

The Supreme Court case *Massachusetts v. EPA* arose from EPA's denying a petition presented by a group of private organizations; the agency claimed it did not have the authority to issue mandatory regulations to address global climate change.

The agency at the time said that a clear link between greenhouse-gas emission standards and the increase in global sur-

face air temperatures had not been established.

But Sanderson said there is no question on whether the emissions are damaging public health.

Although Brammer said the state attorneys-general can not speculate on whether the EPA has a hidden agenda on the matter, Sanderson said, with certainty, that he does.

"I think you've got a political situation now that is much more pro-business," he said. "I'm not an expert in this area, but I do know that something needs to have been done already, and the clock's ticking."

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Reliving Ellsberg's battle

Re-enactors get winded by Tuesday night's performance.

By Lauren Skiba
THE DAILY IOWAN

Through the 30 mph winds on Tuesday evening, 150 students stepped out of the cold and into the safety of the Boyd Law Building to witness a historic Supreme Court case.

Eleven lawyers — including some of the UI's most prominent law professors — re-enacted the *New York Times Co. v. United States* hearing that took place in June 1971.

First-year law student Jacqueline Orozco said the performance was her first.

"It's a big, significant case," she said. "You come to law school, and there are those cases that everyone knows."

The Pentagon Papers was a 7,000-page top-secret government document that contained information about the U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War. Daniel Ellsberg got a copy of the documents and reprinted copies for the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and 17 other newspapers.

The U.S. government claimed that publishing the information put troops engaged in the Vietnam conflict in "grave but not immediate danger."

The case went to the Supreme Court only eight days after the Nixon administration won a restraining order prohibiting publication, and it was over in four. The court sided

with the *Times'* arguments.

"On Friday, an order came out for my arrest," Ellsberg — who watched the re-enactment in-person — told the audience. "It said that I had to turn myself in, but I told my lawyer, 'No, I'm not finished getting these copies out.' He told me 'You're a fugitive from the law,' and I said to him, 'Well, that's their problem, I have to finish.'"

After the re-enactment, Ellsberg told the audience that law Professor William Hines' "dramatic accounting" as solicitor-general for the government "was enough to enrage me."

And it did seem that the group members were having fun in their roles, especially law lecturer Nicholas Johnson, whose performance was said by Dean Carolyn Jones to be very accurate to his character, Justice Hugo Black.

"In point of fact," Johnson said. "I hadn't realized I had. They said maybe I was channeling Black."



Ellsberg
whistleblower

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— Daniel Ellsberg, whistleblower

After the court hearing, during the open forum, Ellsberg was joined by author and journalist Sanford Ungar and re-enactor and UI Professor Tung Yin. Ungar said that while Ellsberg was on the run, he himself was sitting in on the Supreme Court case.

"For us, as such young journalists," he said, "this was all

New York Times Co. v. U.S.

Information about the trial:

- Daniel Ellsberg leaked information about the Pentagon Papers to the *New York Times* and *Washington Post* in 1971.
- The case went to the Supreme Court on June 26, 1971.
- The Supreme Court was not convinced that the papers being released would have any "immediate grave threat to the United States."
- Four days after the hearing, the justices ruled in favor of the *Times*, 6-3.

about freedom of the press."

And when Ellsberg finally turned himself in and his lawyer told him he had a 50/50 chance of being charged, Ellsberg said he was confused.

"He told me, 'Making copies of top secret files and giving them to the newspaper doesn't ring very well for you,' " Ellsberg laughed.

A discussion continued between both the audience and

the three men sitting in the front long after the re-enactment was over, but they all could agree on the importance of a strong First Amendment.

"In the end, the public does have the right to know," Yin said. "Even if it involves national security."

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HORSES

Barbaro's ashes to be placed at Churchill Downs

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The image of Barbaro blazing down the stretch at Churchill Downs, all four hooves off the ground as the powerful bay colt crushed the field in the 2006 Kentucky Derby, is seared in Roy Jackson's memory.

It's the way Jackson prefers to think of Barbaro, whose thunderous surge left a field of 19 fellow 3-year-olds in his wake and whose courage after a breakdown at the Preakness two weeks later made him an icon.

When it came time to decide how best to honor the horse, who was euthanized on Jan. 29, 2007, from complications of the breakdown, there was only one place Roy Jackson and wife Gretchen Jackson felt Barbaro would feel at home: a short gallop from the site of his greatest triumph.

Barbaro's ashes and a bronze statue will be placed in front of an entrance gate at Churchill Downs sometime in 2009. The Jacksions announced plans for the memorial on the one-year anniversary of Barbaro's death, a day they called one of the most difficult of their lives.

FOOTBALL

Linebacker gives oral commitment

Two-star linebacker Jake Reisen orally committed to Iowa on Monday as a grayshirt. As a grayshirt, the Iowa City native will pay his own way in the fall semester of 2008 and will join the team on full scholarship in January 2009.

Because of this, Reisen will not count against the Hawkeyes' magic number of 25 non-grayshirt/transfer players in their 2008 recruiting class.

Also a running back/full-back in high school, Reisen had 154 tackles and two interceptions along with 658 rushing yards and 15 touchdowns at Iowa City Regina.

The Iowa City native also received offers to play as a grayshirt at Iowa State and a scholarship offer from Northern Iowa.

In other recruiting news, three-star running back Jeff Brinson — who is ranked as the 45th-best player at his position — was named by rivals.com to be one of the top-5 "Super Sleepers" in the class of 2008. Brinson orally committed to Iowa in late December.

The 5-11, 203-pound running back out of St. Petersburg, Fla., rushed for 1,906 yards and 24 touchdowns in his senior season at Northeast High School.

— by Scott Miller

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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Men thinking BIG

The Iowa men's tennis team is slowly learning that to get out of the cellar, you've got to climb the stairs.

By Bobby Loesch
 THE DAILY IOWAN



Julie Koehn/The Daily Iowan

Iowa junior Gregory Holm prepares a serve to Northern Illinois' Diego Zegarra-Ballon on Jan. 26 at the Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Center. Holm won the match (6-2, 6-3).

If its 6-1 victory in the season-opener against Northern Illinois was any indication of how the rest of the year will shake down, the Iowa men's tennis team is headed for perfection, and it will demolish every team standing in its path.

Unfortunately, it was just one meet, one isolated challenge — the first of many, many more. Still, players are thinking big.

"We really want to make the NCAA championships, and we really want to win the Big Ten Tournament," said junior Gregory Holm, the team's No. 6 singles player. "Those are our two biggest goals."

Lofty expectations, indeed. If the team is to accomplish the tasks, it would require more than a step up or leap forward. The rise would border on meteoric. This is, essentially, the same group that finished 10th in the Big Ten last season, won just one conference meet, and got bounced from the conference tournament in the first round. But that's also the Hawks' advantage.

Every major cog from last year is back. Bart van Monsjou (No. 1), J.P. Ritchie (No. 2), Christian Bierich (No. 3), Reinoud Haal (No. 4), Tommy McGeorge (No. 5), and Holm all have heavy experience in dual-meet singles play. The same can be said for the three doubles teams.

And in the off-season, the team only got stronger. Losing only the rarely used Scott Elwell to graduation, head coach Steve Houghton

SEE MEN'S TENNIS, 3B

Hawks pumped

A diverse mix of veterans and new faces head up Iowa coach Daryl Greenan's 'most talented' team yet.

By Brian Cardile
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa head coach Daryl Greenan isn't shy about his confidence in this year's women's tennis team.

"This is the most talented team we've had since I've been here," the fourth-year coach said.

That's a bold pronouncement, considering Greenan's first three years at Iowa. The Ontario native took two teams to the NCAA Tournament, leading one to a national ranking of 33rd. He compiled a 23-7 mark in Big Ten play and won 2006 conference Coach of the Year honors. That season his team dropped just one conference meet and finished a school-record second in the Big Ten.

So what makes this year's team his best?

Here's an in-depth look at this year's Hawkeyes.

All-Big Ten, all the time

After posting a dominant 21-3 record at No. 4 singles her sophomore year, Jacqueline Lee leapt into the No. 1 spot last season.

"Right off the bat, it was a shock," she said. "The women from No. 4 to No. 1 play much better; they capitalize on all your mistakes. The balls come a lot quicker."

SEE WOMEN'S TENNIS, 3B

Hawkeyes face tough Purdue

The Iowa men's basketball team will travel to West Lafayette, Ind., tonight to face a Purdue only a half-game out of first place.

By Alex Johnson
 THE DAILY IOWAN

After equaling its second-highest victory margin in a 64-49 win over Penn State at home on Jan. 26, the Iowa men's basketball team is already set for its second rematch of the Big Ten season — this one coming today at Purdue at 6:05 p.m.

"I am hoping in the off-season

that we take a look at it and say, is there a reason for this?" head coach Todd Lickliter said. "It seems to me that you would go through and play each team and then play them again. There must be a logical explanation, and I am sure I will hear it and go on."

In addition to matching up with the Boilermakers twice, the Hawkeyes have already

faced Indiana twice — losing both — and when the final buzzer sounds at tonight's game, Lickliter's squad will have completed half of its Big Ten season without having seen Minnesota, Illinois, or Northwestern.

"For me, there is no time for me to concentrate on that aspect of it right now — the opponent is right there, and we

have to get better and play the opponent," Lickliter said.

In Big Ten play, Purdue leads the conference in free-throw percentage (76.9), 3-point field goal percentage (42.8), blocked shots per game (5.57), and assist-to-turnover ratio (1.34). The Boilermakers have won five-straight games behind a trio of scorers in sophomore Keaton Grant (14.3 points per



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game in Big Ten play) and freshmen Robbie Hummel (12.2 points per game) and E'Twaun Moore (11.6 points per game).

SEE BASKETBALL, 3B

DI'S SPRING SPORTS POWER RANKINGS

Haven't kept up with all the Hawkeye sports action this spring? We'll fill you in. Today marks the second edition of the DI's weekly spring sports power rankings, which will run every Wednesday and rate all the Iowa teams competing in season. Check back each week to see how your favorite team stacks up with in-school competition and read a quick outlook on each team's status and upcoming schedule.



1 Wrestling (14-1, 3-0)

A major decision for sophomore Brent Metcalf and a first-period pin by sophomore Phillip Keddy fueled the Hawkeyes' 22-13 home victory over No. 10 Northwestern, keeping the Iowa grapplers atop the national rankings.

2 Women's track

Placing third and fifth in the 3,000-meters at the Jack Johnson Classic, Hawkeye seniors Diane Nukuri and Meghan Armstrong provisionally qualified for the NCAA indoor championships.

3 Women's basketball (13-7, 6-3)

Victories over Purdue and Michigan at home extends the second-place Hawkeyes' win streak to four games — their best run of the year so far.

4 Men's track

At the Jan. 26 Jack Johnson Classic, junior John Hickey heaved a shot put 61-0 to provisionally qualify for the NCAA indoor championships. Hickey was among five first-place finishers at the meet for the Hawkeye men.

5

Men's gymnastics

The Hawkeyes vaulted into the national top 10 after posting a 338.575 in a road win over Illinois-Chicago on Jan. 26, a success Iowa looks to build on when it hosts No. 4 Michigan on Saturday in the Field House.

6

Men's basketball (10-11, 3-5)

Iowa has won three of its last five in Big Ten play, but it is still chasing a move to .500 overall. At the doorstep again, the Hawkeyes look to even their record tonight as they meet Purdue in West Lafayette.

7

Women's gymnastics

Despite raising their overall season scoring average to 192.750, the GymHawks slipped from the top 25 as they let untimely falls and miscues cost them a better score — and a win — in a tight loss against visiting Illinois.

8

Swimming and diving (Men: 3-4, 1-3; Women: 4-7, 2-2)

Both Iowa squads sank at Missouri on Jan. 26. The men lost just once to the Tiger men, but the women, who competed against teams from both Missouri and Kansas, fell twice.





SPORTS 'N' STUFF

Report: Santana to Mets

According to two anonymous sources, the Mets and the Twins have reached a tentative deal for Johan Santana, pending his getting an extension and passing a physical.

By Ronald Blum ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Johan Santana is a contract extension and physical from going to the New York Mets.

After months of deliberation, the Twins reached a tentative agreement Tuesday to part with the two-time Cy Young Award winner for outfielder Carlos Gomez and pitchers Phil Humber, Deolis Guerra, and Kevin Mulvey, two people familiar with the deal said, speaking on the condition of anonymity because no announcement had been made.

"If it's true, obviously, you're getting arguably the best pitcher in the game," Met third baseman David Wright said. The next step is for the Mets to negotiate a contract extension with Santana, who is eligible for free agency after this season.

New York and Santana have until 5 p.m. EST Friday to reach an agreement, a baseball official told the Associated Press, also on condition of anonymity. If the Mets and Santana strike a deal, the players would have to pass physicals and the pitcher would have to formally waive his no-trade clause.

The Mets were among the top candidate for a trade after the winter meetings, when the New York Yankees included their offer, which included pitchers Phil Hughes and Ian Kennedy, and the Red Sox refused to improve their proposals, which would have sent pitcher Jon Lester or outfielder Jacoby Ellsbury to the Twins along with prospects.

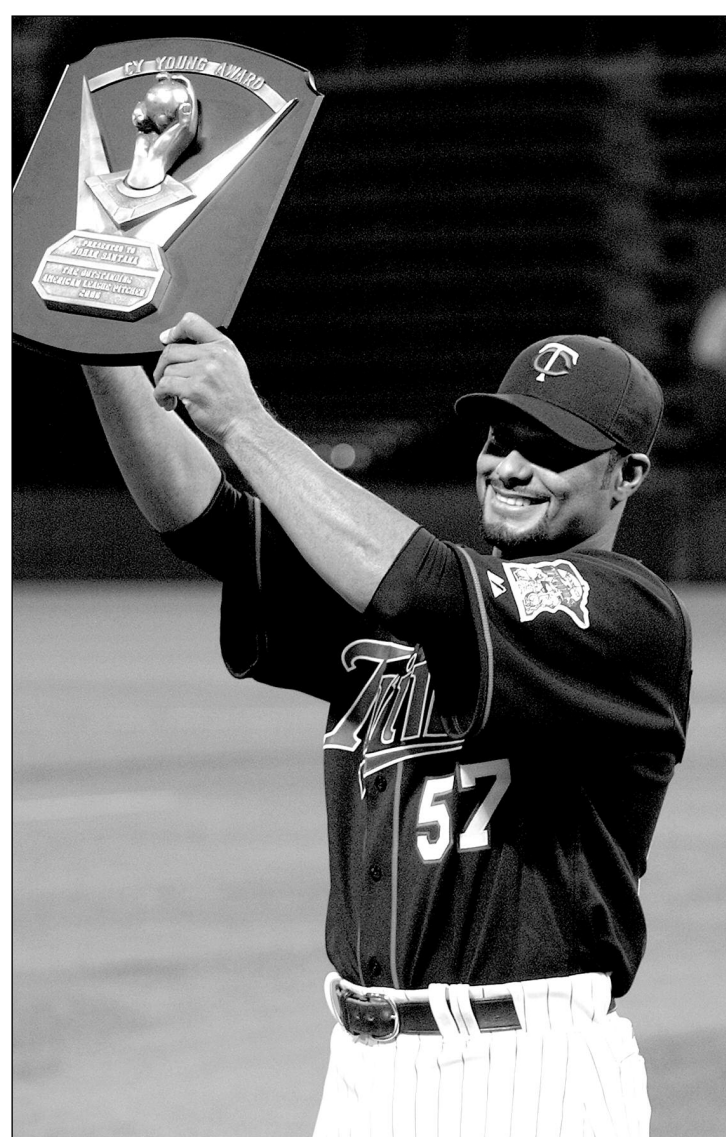
Bill Smith called teams last weekend and asked them to make their best offers. Smith informed the Mets on Tuesday that he was accepting their proposal, which included their Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 7 prospects, according to Baseball America's ranking. New York did not include its top farmhand, outfielder Fernando Martinez.

A left-hander who turns 29 in March, Santana gives the Mets a replacement for Tom Glavine, who left New York to return to the Atlanta Braves. New York, trying to bounce back from a record-setting September collapse last season, has a projected rotation that also includes Pedro Martinez, John Maine, Orlando Hernandez, and Oliver Perez.

Santana is 93-44 with a 3.22 ERA in eight major league seasons, winning the AL Cy Young Award in 2004 and 2006. He has been less successful in the playoffs, going 1-3 with a 3.97 ERA.

"For our younger pitchers to develop under a guy like Pedro, a guy like Johan, you can't ask for any better situation," Wright said. "He's going to go out there and he's going to give you seven or eight innings every five days and he's going to get you a win. That's just what it comes down to. I've gotten a chance to get to know him a little bit the past couple years. He seems like a great clubhouse guy. He's going to fit in perfectly with the chemistry that we have."

With Santana gone, there is a big opening in the Twins' rotation. Francisco Liriano is on track to return after missing last season following elbow surgery, but Carlos Silva signed with Seattle as a free agent, leaving youngsters Scott Baker, Boof Bonser and Kevin Slawey as the starters with the most experience.



Tom Olscheid/Associated Press Minnesota Twin pitcher Johan Santana shows off the 2006 American League Cy Young Award that he received prior to the Twins' game against Tampa Bay on April 14, 2007, in Minneapolis. The Minnesota Twins reached a tentative agreement Tuesday to trade Santana to the Mets for four prospects.

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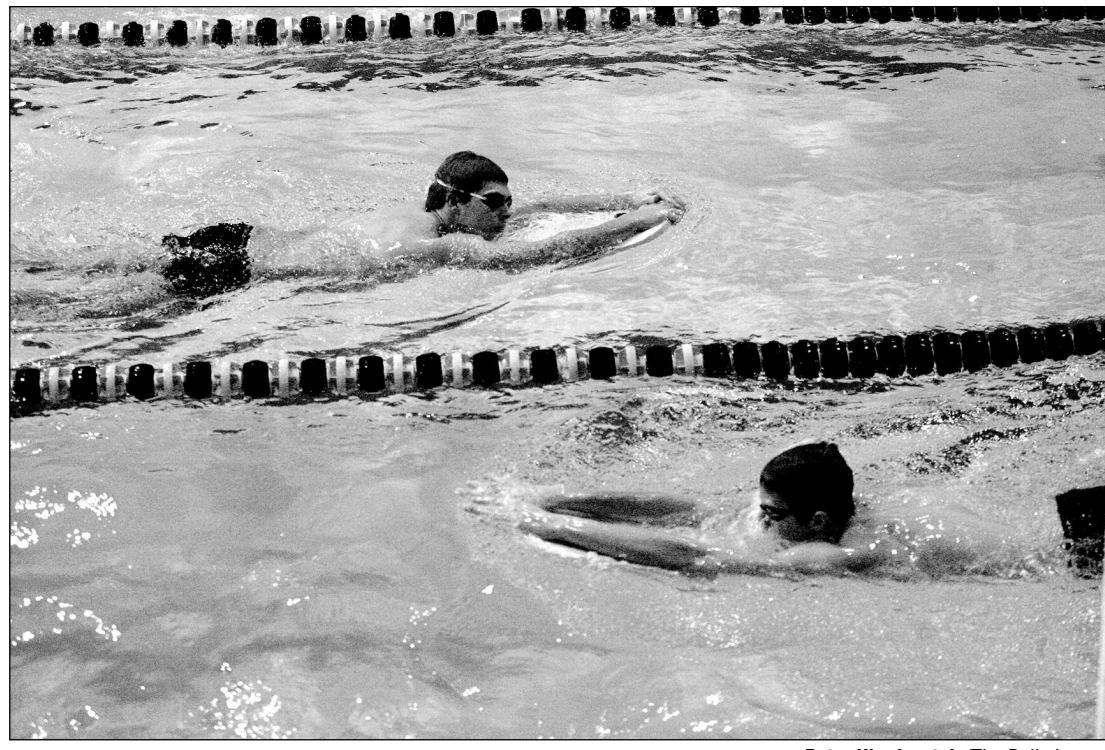
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Youth serving AquaHawks

By Mike Brownlee THE DAILY IOWAN

The youthful men's and women's swimming and diving teams continue to make strides this season.

Look up and down at the rosters of the Iowa men's and women's swimming and diving teams and one thing will jump out at you — there's a lot of youth. With 43 freshmen and sophomores on the rosters, the term "growing pains" seems appropriate when describing the squads. The men are 4-5 on the season, and the women are 4-7. Though both teams are below .500, AquaHawk head coach Marc Long said he's seen steady improvement by the underclassmen on both squads. "It's such an adjustment from high school to this level," he said. "We've been happy with their progress. They've had a tremendous impact on the team."



Hawkeye freshmen Richard Salhus (top) and Conor Dwyer practice in the Field House pool on Monday. Salhus and Dwyer are two of the team's underclassmen, who hold 17 season-best times for the Hawkeyes.

The numbers back that statement up — underclassmen hold season-best times in 17 swimming events for the Hawkeyes. Freshmen Richard Salhus holds top times for the men in the 50 and 100 freestyle with times of 20.96 and 46.02, along with the second-best time in the 200 freestyle (1:40.45). Fellow frosh Conor Dwyer has set team season-bests in the 200 freestyle (1:38.93) and 500 freestyle (4:31.81) to go with his second-best 50 freestyle time of 21.19.

January and Dwyer winning three individual events against No. 19 Missouri on Jan. 26. "I feel I've started to get used to college swimming. On a whole, the team's come a long way this season," Dwyer said. "I feel we've come together. The older guys are good about helping you if you need it."

"The upperclassmen have shown great leadership this season," he said. "A lot of the adjustments for younger swimmers are intangible; it's not just the swimming. The upperclassmen, along with our department support services, have helped the younger swimmers with that."

gan have been integral to the diving squad's success. "I've seen a lot of improvement by the sophomores from last season," diving coach Bob Rydze said. "They've shown a better understanding of what it takes to dive in the Big Ten."

On the women's side, sophomore Christine Kuczek and freshman Katarina Tour both hold two top times. Kuczek has the season-best in the 100 freestyle (51.18) and 200 freestyle (1:51.30), while Tour is best in the 200 individual medley (2:04.57) and 100 breaststroke (57.21).

The leadership of the older swimmers has been important, Long said. He said they've helped the young swimmers through a number of adjustments, including swimming at the collegiate level, strength training, schoolwork and living on their own.

On the diving board, sophomore Deidre Freeman has been the top diver for the AquaHawks. Freshman Veronica Rydze also contributed to the team before being sidelined with an injury, and for the men, sophomores Frank Van Dijkhuizen and Michael Gilli-

Throughout the season, Long has stressed that while this year is important, it's more critical as a building block for the future. "The nice thing about freshmen is they become sophomores," Long said. "And sophomores become juniors."

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Men's tennis rarini' to get going

MEN'S TENNIS CONTINUED FROM 1B

snagged two freshmen who make up a solid recruiting class. Five-star Gentry Kaegi (Park Ridge, Ill.) joins four-star Austen Kauss (Overland Park, Kan.). While the two didn't compete in the team's opener, van Monsjou thinks it could be a possibility at some point.

Kaegi, who went competed in three of the fall tournaments, posted a 6-5 record in singles that included a four-match winning streak.



van Monsjou
senior



Ritchie
senior

"Gentry showed during the fall that maybe he has a lot of potential," van Monsjou said. "If he keeps working hard, he deserves a chance to play in the lineup."

Van Monsjou figures to be a key contributor himself. During a five-win streak that included victories over the fourth- and fifth-seeded players, the seventh-seeded senior made it to the finals of the fall Big Ten Tournament before being defeated by Jason Jung, the No. 1 seed from Michigan.

If this is the season Iowa wants to make a statement, it will have a nice opportunity to do so — the Big Ten Tournament site will be held at the Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Center.

'We really want to make the NCAA championships, and we really want to win the Big Ten Tournament. Those are our two biggest goals.'

— Gregory Holm, junior

"We're really excited about that," Holm said. "It's not something everybody gets to do."

Houghton, coaching his 27th year of men's tennis, thinks his team showed improvement in the fall, and he singled out van

Monsjou and Ritchie as two players making a difference.

"They're all the more determined, particularly being seniors," he said. "Sometimes, seniors have senioritis, looking forward to job situations, but these guys are focused on

finishing strong, both individually and team-wise."

Though Houghton recognized leadership and contribution shouldn't singularly ride on his senior class. He expects it to come from everywhere and said the team has yet to name captains.

"I'd hate to exclude anybody," he said. "Guys can lead effectively whether it's attached to them or not."

And that's the lesson, really. For this team to make waves in 2008, it's going to ride on a collective effort.

Women's tennis ready to build

WOMEN'S TENNIS CONTINUED FROM 1B

Lee adapted well, posting an 8-5 conference mark and earning unanimous All-Big Ten honors. Her expectations are high for her senior season.

"I definitely hope to repeat [as an All-Big Ten selection]," Lee said. "I want this to be my best season yet."

The pre-physician's assistant major will also lead Iowa's No. 1 doubles pair. She has 59 career doubles victories.

The new kids

Three highly touted recruits look to realize their potential this spring, their first as Hawkeyes. Their development will greatly influence the team's fortunes.

"The freshmen will play a lot," senior Milica Veselinovic said. "They have great potential but

are inexperienced. We'll need them to improve quickly and have a big impact."

Lynne Poggensee-Wei is the daughter of two former Big Ten tennis players. She placed fourth statewide as a sophomore and senior in high school and earned four doubles wins last fall for the Hawkeyes.

Alexis Dorr has already found her way into Iowa's No. 1 doubles pair alongside Lee. The duo posted a 6-2 record in the fall and won the Hoosier Classic. Dorr, a journalism and mass communications major, was an All-American as a senior in high school.

Jessica Young, a two-time All-American, all-conference, and all-state honoree in high school, rounds out the talented freshman class.

Formidable foreigners

Three Hawkeyes hail from

'The freshmen will play a lot. They have great potential but are inexperienced. We'll need them to improve quickly and have a big impact.'

—Milica Veselinovic, senior

abroad, sharing both a special bond and stellar tennis abilities.

Serbian Veselinovic broke an Iowa record while still speaking broken English. As a freshman, she won 31 singles matches and set an Iowa record for best season singles mark (.833).

Now a senior, she credits the team's foreign contingent with making her overseas relocation easier.

"I didn't speak English very well ... when I first came over here," Veselinovic said. "Sometimes, I would be depressed because I was away from my family for the first time, but

they [the other foreign players] could understand that and help me get through it."

Merel Beelen, Veselinovic's No. 2 doubles partner, came to Iowa from Holland.

"There's a special bond among the foreigners," she said. "We all left our countries, family, and friends. It's nice to know there are people who dealt with the same conflicts."

In addition to making a devastating doubles duo, Veselinovic and Beelen represent Iowa's expected No. 2 and No. 3 singles spots. Veselinovic comes off a 16-3 year at No. 2 doubles and looks to have an even better senior spring.

"I'm in great shape," she said. "I'm always confident that, if a match goes into the third set, I'll win."

Kayla Berry rounds out the trio of imports. From Brisbane, Australia, the senior netted seven conference wins at No. 3 doubles last year with sophomore Kelcie Klockenga.

Last year, the Hawkeyes went 7-3 in Big Ten play and ended the season fourth in the conference. This year?

"We could be No. 1 in the Big Ten," Lee said.

But their expectations aren't limited to the conference standings.

"We'd like to finish at least top 30 nationally," said Poggensee-Wei.

"We're very capable of qualifying for the NCAA Tournament," Klockenga said.

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SWIMMING

V. Rydze to undergo surgery, miss season

Hawkeye freshman diver Veronica Rydze will miss the rest of the season with a knee injury, her father and longtime Iowa diving coach Bob Rydze said on Tuesday.

The injury, which has kept her out of competition since the Hawkeyes' dual meet at Iowa State on Dec. 7, will require surgery.

"She dove in a lot of pain in the Iowa State meet," Bob Rydze said. "Hopefully, she'll be fine and start rehabbing the knee after surgery."

While it remains an unofficial decision, Bob Rydze believes the team will be able to get a medical redshirt for Veronica Rydze.

"I'll have to talk to our compliance people, but she didn't dive in 20 percent of our meets," he said.

Veronica Rydze dove in five events for Iowa this season, picking up a victory in the 3 meter against Minnesota on Oct. 19.

If Veronica Rydze obtains the redshirt, she'll have four years of eligibility left.

— by Michael Brownlee

Hawks get Purdue again

BASKETBALL CONTINUED FROM 1B

Coach Matt Painter's squad doesn't just do the damage from outside or all inside the blocks, it keeps teams conscious of the entire floor space. The trio of Grant, Hummel and Moore is not just productive, but versatile — Grant and Moore play guard spots at 6-4 and 6-3, while Hummel is a "tweener" at 6-8 listed as both forward and guard. Not only that, but Nemanja Calasan, a 6-9 freshman forward, comes off the bench with another 8.4 points per Big Ten game.

"Hopefully, we can get prepared for a really good Purdue team," Lickliter said. "It is playing about as well as anyone in the league, I think."

Coming off their biggest win over a Big Ten opponent, the Hawkeyes can attribute that to a more balanced team. Junior Cyrus Tate, senior Seth Gorney, and freshman Jeff Peterson contributed big games against Penn State. Especially with Tate and Gorney, Lickliter has benefited from greater production — both rank in the top 10 in conference games in rebounding, with Gorney at 7.1 (eighth) and Tate at 7.8 (third).

"Cyrus has been a good student, paid attention, and he has listened," Lickliter said. "I don't think it is just Cyrus. I think we are just more comfortable with one another and with what we like to do. I think that has paid off for Cyrus and the thing is that he has just remained so active."

In addition to his work on the glass, Tate averages 10.1 points per game in Big Ten play while making a conference-leading 71.8 percent from the field. That's largely because of his work on the defensive end, where the Chicago native has been able to stay out of foul trouble.



Julie Brayton/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeyes Seth Gorny and Tony Freeman chat it up mid-court while a Penn State Nittany Lion shoots free throws near the end of the game in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Jan. 26. The Hawkeyes defeated the Nittany Lions, 64-49.

Starting lineups

Iowa (10-11, 3-5)

F Cyrus Tate	Jr.	6-8	6.6
F Seth Gorney	Sr.	7-0	3.5
G Tony Freeman	Jr.	61	15.3
G Justin Johnson	Sr.	6-6	12.9
G Jake Kelly	Fr.	66	6.5

Purdue (15-5, 6-1)

F Nemanja Calasan	Jr.	6-9	7.6
G Chris Kramer	So.	6-3	7.2
G Robbie Hummel	Fr.	6-8	10.6
G Keaton Grant	So.	6-4	11.4
G E-Twaun Moore	Fr.	6-3	10.3

"Cyrus has always been good from the time we got here with his on the ball defense, especially out on the floor," Lickliter said. "He moves his feet well. He has some assets defensively that there is no way I could take credit for them."

"Now, he is making progress as far as playing off the ball, moving his feet, and being ahead of the play."

Having help from juniors and seniors is not a surprise, but when rookies are the ones stepping up, it just gives the team one more edge. A perfect night for Peterson, save three turnovers,

may open some Big Ten eyes.

"All freshmen want to play, and I think he was probably pressing or there was a time in there when he was pressing," Lickliter said. "Lately, he is not pressing so much. I think that has helped and I think LaVall [Jordan] is really good with the guards as far as things that will help them with tricks of the trade."

Individual improvements aside, Lickliter and the Hawkeyes head to Purdue looking for nothing less than even improvement.

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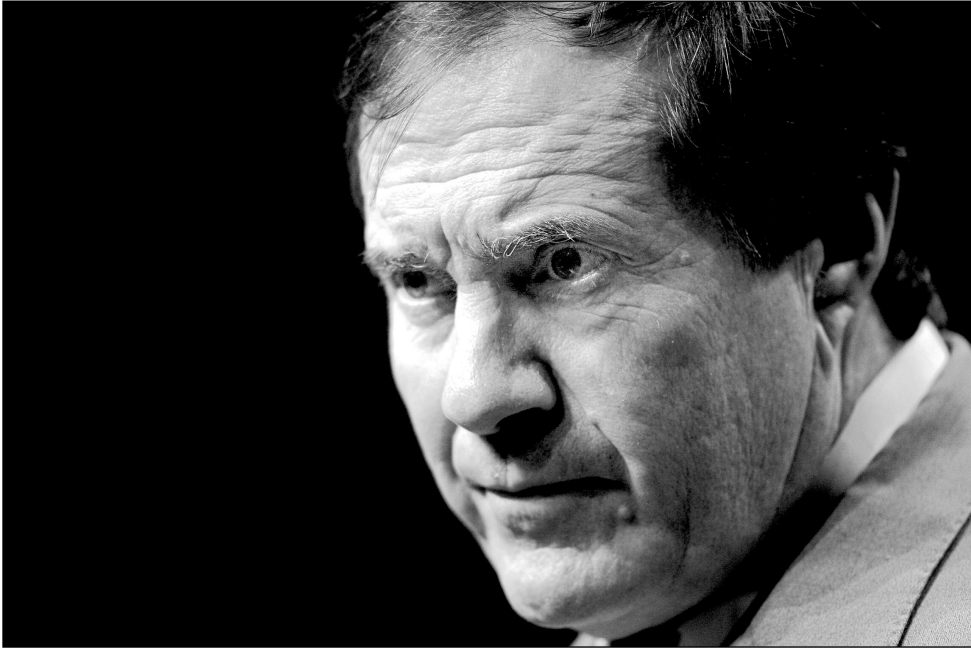
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Sports

The comic genius (however brief) of Bill Belichick. Making a statue seem verbose



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New England Patriot coach Bill Belichick listens to a reporter's question in Phoenix on Tuesday. The Patriots will play the New York Giants in Super Bowl XLII in Glendale, Ariz., on Feb. 3.

By Jim Litke
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Bill Belichick climbs onto a stage at media day, sits down, and instinctively pushes his chair away from the table until his back is firmly planted against the wall. If his body language says anything, it's that he plans to treat this interview session the same way he does everything else in life: as a must-win situation.

And victory — in Belichick's zero-sum game, anyway — will be gained by revealing nothing.

So for the next hour, he rolls out every sports cliché known to mankind, tells a few jokes that sail over most of the gathering's heads, and uses the word "awesome" eight times to describe everything from quarterback Tom Brady to discovering a reporter from the BBC traveled across the pond to ask what makes the Patriots' dynasty tick. "We go out there and try to do the best we can," he tells the deflated Englishman.

Veteran Belichick-watchers hope the trip was worth the frequent-flyer miles, because Belichick shuts down the line of questioning a minute later by adding, "I don't know anything about soccer."

A few other things he doesn't know anything about: Spanish; how to smile; what he'll say to the team in his pregame speech; which actor should portray him if a movie ever gets made about the Patriots' perfect season; and why everybody gets so frazzled when he lists hurt his team on the compulsory league injury reports every week.

"We comply with the reports just as everybody else does," he says. "I can't tell you what percent anybody is. I can't tell you what percent I am," he says a

moment later, then adds in a low voice, "Somewhere between 40 and 92 percent."

Yet it turns out not even Belichick can talk that long without flashing some personality. A reporter from Mexico's TV Azteca learns that the hard way.

She shows up wearing a bridal outfit and veil that look like they were stolen from the set of a slasher movie. She tells Belichick she intends to marry Brady, even if the quarterback's current girlfriend, supermodel Gisele Bundchen, appears to have the inside track.

"Better talk to Tom Brady," Belichick says without any apparent humor.

"I'm better than Gisele," she persists. "I wouldn't go that far," Belichick says, this time definitely without any humor.

Opponents and even some of the guys who've played for him know Belichick can be cruel. He reminds reporters exactly how cruel when one asks whether he might miss place-kicker Adam Vinatieri if the Super Bowl comes down to a field goal.

Before defecting to the Colts two off-seasons ago, Vinatieri won two of the Patriots' three championships with last-second kicks and provided the decisive points in the third. If his replacement, Stephen Gostkowski, is within earshot, he cannot be heartened. Ditto for his teammates.

"When you send a player out on the field, you better have confidence he can do his job," Belichick says. "Or you better get somebody else."

Introspection is clearly not the man's strong suit, at least not at the moment. When another reporter says he asked Belichick's players about what he does with his free time, the coach interjects, "bet that was interesting." Turns out he's right.

SUPER BOWL XLII

Pats ready for squeaker

What happened to all those lopsided wins for New England?

By Barry Wilner
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHOENIX — Routed. Romped. Annihilated. Common descriptions for the way the New England Patriots handled the first half of their 2007 schedule.

Not to mention dismantled, demolished, and pulverized. But in the second half, those words were replaced by squeezed past, edged, even survived in five subsequent games, plus two close if not suspenseful playoff victories.

Sure, the Patriots are the only 18-0 team in NFL history, and a win over the New York Giants in the Super Bowl on Feb. 3 will give them the first perfect season since the 1972 Miami Dolphins. And a fair claim on "Best Team Ever."

But they sure haven't been accused of piling on the points lately. Even some of the weaker opponents on the second-half schedule tested them, most notably the Ravens. New England needed a last-ditch drive aided by Baltimore penalties and a dying-second touchdown pass by Tom Brady to win 27-24 early last month.

"The one real scare where I thought it might have been over was Baltimore," defensive end Ty Warren said. "Those couple of penalties that happened, I was like, 'Here we go again.' I felt like we had a chance after those penalties. With those penalties, they let us back in the game. It gave you a chance to go down and do what we did."

But they didn't have to do much of anything except run out the clock with their backups for so many games on the way to 10-0. Such as victory margins of 24, 24, 31, 21, 17, 21, 21, 45, and 46.

So what happened to the routs? Why have opponents led the mighty Pats in each of their last three games, including the Giants by 12 points in the third quarter of the season finale? And both the Jaguars and Chargers in the playoffs?

"We can't control who we play or who is on our schedule," veteran safety Rodney Harrison said. "We go out there and try to win a football game. At first it was, 'You guys are putting up too many points.' Now, it's come around where we are only winning games by three points, and you guys started complaining about that. We are just happy to be here."

Still, for a team with a whopping zero on the right side of the win-loss column, the Patriots have displayed certain vulnerabilities recently.

The Giants exposed the defense somewhat in that 38-35 loss to end the season. The Chargers showed that a physical approach at least gives an opponent a chance, and they also forced league MVP Tom Brady into some poor decisions and three interceptions.

Not to mention spraining his ankle. Brady practiced Monday, and he has no doubt whether he'll play Feb. 3. The Giants have no doubt whether they can play with the Patriots and avoid all those descriptive verbs applied to those early season romps.

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SCOTT PACANOWSKI

Things animals do that I wish we humans did

- Roar. You know it would come in handy.
- Have a mating dance (Because mine doesn't seem to work so well). Why can't I be like the Blue Bird of Paradise?
- Lions can mate more than 200 times in three days. Enough said.
- Change colors to blend in to my environment. Talk about a great way to avoid the police. Or have a little fun in the sorority houses.

• Fly. Duh. Then I could get the hell out of the Midwest during the winter.

• Play dead. I'd never have to answer a question in class again.

• Frogs cannot vomit. So they throw up their stomachs. Talk about a puke and rally.

• I wish I had fur. I wouldn't have to invest in a damn North Face in the winter. Although summertime would have to involve a lot of shedding. And I'd probably be shot and skinned to make a fur coat.

• Swim like a dolphin so I could jump out of the water. Who would need a mating dance if I could do that?

• Elephants poop more than 200 pounds worth of dung a day. That is 10 percent of their body weight. I really don't want to be able to do that, but I just think that is incredible.

— Scott Pacanowski watches way too much "Animal Planet." E-mail him at: scott-pacanowski@uiowa.edu.

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Wednesday, January 30, 2008
— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You are probably overreacting to something someone said or did. Put yourself in another environment that will take you out of your current situation and give you time to think. Helping others will stabilize you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Sitting idle, waiting on someone who won't budge is a waste of time. Go it alone — you will accomplish more in the end. Don't let personal issues stand in the way of your pursuits.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Put everything you've got into a plan you've wanted to develop. You will have what it takes to make things happen and the imagination to help you deliver your idea with great enthusiasm and confidence.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Look at the existing possibilities — you will see that a few minor changes can be made to your advantage. Take note of what close friends, children, and family tell you. Sometimes, it's the encouragement you receive that makes the difference.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Calm down, and keep your thoughts to yourself. Observe rather than letting your emotions or jealousy cause you to make a costly mistake. Don't let someone you love get away with something you don't agree with — talk matters through rationally.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You will make headway today. You can make personal plans, spice up your look, or change your lifestyle or your job with success today. Don't hold back or wait for another time to make your move.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Talk is cheap and not always beneficial, and today, that is exactly how you should regard what's being said to you. Put your time into developing something that interests you. Children, travel, and learning will all play a role in your life today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Keep things low key, or you may find yourself in a predicament that will slow you down or leave you vulnerable. Stand up for your rights, but don't waste your time arguing. Do what's best for you, not someone else.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Not too much will go unnoticed, so be careful what you say and do, especially around friends, neighbors, and relatives. You will be limited if you exaggerate. Backtracking may be required, but it isn't likely to help you smooth things over entirely.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Give-and-take will work out splendidly for you today. You will have the mastermind of a genius when it comes to finance, legal matters, or settlements. You've got what it takes to make subtle changes that will enhance your position and make you a star.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Choose your words wisely. Talk may be cheap, but it will backfire if you address emotional situations negatively. Listen to opposing information. Your willingness to compromise will make your life easier.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You know what you want, so don't waste time pussyfooting around the issues that concern you. Money is in the picture, but it will come to you through a most unusual source. Be grateful for what you receive and sorrowful for what you deny yourself.

IN THE ALBERTA CLIPPER



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Students, staff, and faculty maneuver through the UI campus despite near-blizzard conditions on Thursday, with high winds, blowing snow, and wind chills worthy of Fargo.

today's events

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- Bagolitas Sale, 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m., UIHC Pappajohn Pavilion Atrium
- Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- UI Volunteer Fair, noon, IMU Main Lounge
- The Battle for the Pentagon Paper: Iowa Communications Network Broadcast, 1 p.m., Hancher Auditorium
- Conversation with Rosanne Klass, 2:30 p.m., Main Library second-floor conference room
- Division of Continuing Education New Location Open House, 2:30-4:30 p.m., U.S. Bank Building, 30 S. Dubuque — enter through west doors & take elevator to your left to second floor
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week: Serving Diverse Communities Practitioner Panel, 2:30 p.m., 100B Pharmacy Building
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, Moving Forward Together Series, 3 p.m., 15 Schaeffer Hall
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, film screening of *¡Salud!*, 4:30 p.m., 1117 Medical Education and Research Facility
- Martin Luther King Jr. Human Rights Week, film screening of *Africa: War is Business*, 5 p.m., S401 Pappajohn Business Building

- Basketball Tune Up: Free Throw, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Van Allen Elementary, 170 Abigail Ave., North Liberty
- The Eastern Iowa Cohort of Emergent Village, 6 p.m., House of Aromas, 2130 Norcor Ave., Coralville
- Bob Le Flambeur, 7 p.m., Bijou
- Free Pool, 7 p.m., Nickelodeon, 907 E. Second St., Coralville
- March of Dimes Collegiate Council Meeting, 7 p.m., 343 IMU
- Top Secret: The Battle for the Pentagon Papers, LA Theatre Works, 7:30 p.m., Hancher Auditorium
- Juliet White-Smith, viola, 8 p.m., Voxman Music Building Harper Hall
- SCOPE Event: G. Love & Special Sauce, 8 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom
- What would Jesus Buy?, 9 p.m., Bijou
- Cory Gingerich Birthday Bash, 9 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- Sing Like a Rock with Gemini Karaoke, 9 p.m., Grizzly's Southside Pub, 1210 Highland Court
- Karaoke Night, 9:30 p.m., Saloon, 112 E. College
- The Jam, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- UI Wellness Week Open House, times listed on website, Field House

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Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

- 12:30 p.m. News from China-Beijing (in Chinese)
- 1 A Prairie Lights Reading from the UITV Archives, Andrew Greer
- 2 News from Germany (in German)
- 3 "Live from Prairie Lights"
- 4 Faculty and Guest Lectures at the UI
- 6 Special Events at the UI
- 6:30 "Live from Prairie Lights," Marvin Bell 2006
- 7:30 Faculty and Guest Lectures at the UI
- 9:30 News from Daily Iowan TV
- 10 Special Events at the UI
- 10:30 News from Daily Iowan TV
- 11 "Live from Prairie Lights," Marvin Bell 2006



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DILBERT

by Scott Adams

DOGBERT THE FINANCIAL PLANNER

WITH ADVANCES IN HEALTH CARE, YOU COULD LIVE TO BE 200.

IF YOU HAVE A GOOD FINANCIAL PLAN, ONLY THE LAST 120 YEARS WILL BE SPENT IN SQUALOR.

I RECOMMEND A DIVERSIFIED PORTFOLIO. AND BACON.

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BY WILEY

ART APPRECIATION IN THE LAPTOP GENERATION

HMM... I WONDER WHAT SOFTWARE THEY USED TO GET THAT BRUSH STROKE EFFECT

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

IT IS LIUTENANT B.D.!

HOW'S IT GOING, SOLDIER?

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LOO... LOO...

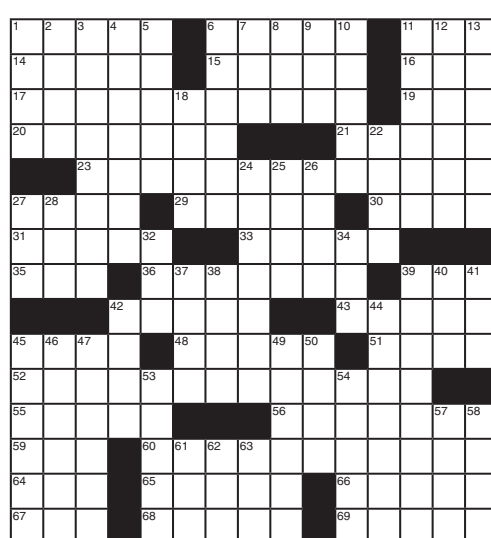
LOO... THAT'S ALL I GOT.

LOO'S GOOD. LOO GETS IT DONE.

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 1219

- Across**
- 1 "___ Eat Cake" (1930s musical)
 - 6 H'wood sitcom
 - 11 Familiar sitcom figure
 - 14 Massey of old movies
 - 15 Embassy figure
 - 16 Str
 - 17 Guy ready to sing the national anthem?
 - 19 Eddy concoction
 - 20 Meditation goal
 - 21 Making the most of
 - 23 Era ended by Vesuvius?
 - 27 Cold one, so to speak
 - 29 March (through)
 - 30 "If all ___ falls ..."
 - 31 Author Calvino
 - 33 Kind of acid
 - 35 Churl
 - 36 What shall be first ... or words that can precede 17-, 23-, 52- and 60-Across
 - 39 Vote against
 - 42 Maker of the game Combat
 - 43 Piece in the game go
 - 45 Pear type
 - 48 Martini's partner
 - 51 European erupter
 - 52 Belonging to a Hudson Valley tribe?
 - 55 Colgate alternative
 - 56 Sinews
 - 59 Janis ____, with the 1975 hit "At Seventeen"
 - 60 Museum exhibit?
 - 64 D.D.E.'s purview in W.W. II
 - 65 Convertible driver's option
 - 66 Cache
 - 67 Div.
 - 68 Christmases
 - 69 Funny Fields
- Down**
- 1 V.I.P.'s ride
 - 2 Pizazz
 - 3 Unable to hit a pitch?
 - 4 Tangle up
 - 5 Brit's buddy
 - 6 Bleep out
 - 7 Football lineman
 - 8 Mid first-century year
 - 9 Years and years and years
 - 10 "Dang!"
 - 11 Title brother in a 1973 Elton John hit
 - 12 Mr. Gorgeous
 - 13 Little canine
 - 18 Mgr.'s helper
 - 22 Project detail, for short
 - 24 Negri of silent films
 - 26 Reveals, in verse
 - 27 Brief life?
 - 28 J.F.K. guess
 - 32 Baseball's Little Giant
 - 34 "___ a gol!"
 - 37 Detriment
 - 38 Suffix with smack
 - 39 Less than wonderful



- ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**
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- Puzzle by Victor Fleming**
- 40 Former Texas governor Richards
 - 41 Vote for
 - 42 Liniment target
 - 44 Takes care of
 - 45 Unidentified planes
 - 46 Recently
 - 47 Court worker, for short
 - 49 Gym class exercises
 - 50 Patisserie employee
 - 53 Bottle ready to be recycled
 - 54 "For every Bird ___": Emily Dickinson
 - 57 "Me neither"
 - 58 ___ Pea
 - 61 Payment pledge
 - 62 Lance ___ (U.S.M.C. rank)
 - 63 Night that "Happy Days" was on: Abbr.

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