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## Lawsuit targets education

By Clara Hogan and Olivia Moran  
THE DAILY IOWAN

A former Board of Regents president files a lawsuit regarding educational standards and the Iowa governor.

While a pending lawsuit claims Gov. Chet Culver isn't doing enough to improve Iowa's education system, members of the state Board of Regents say he has shown tremendous commitment to schools across the Hawkeye State.

Former Regent President Marvin Pomerantz filed the suit in Polk County on April 3 against Culver and Education Department Director Judy Jeffrey. In the suit, the three regents' univer-

sities are presented as an example of why specifically mathematics education in the state is failing. The average mathematics-course grade point average for students attending one of the universities is 2.457, the petition read.

The suit says a statewide curriculum in K-12 schools would ensure all students equal preparation for college.



**Pomerantz**  
petitioner

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## Iowa, a place to grow kids



Julie Brayton/The Daily Iowan

Lyda Mae Massey, 3, and siblings Ruby, 5, and Jack, 8, play during Monday afternoon at Creative World Preschool. Lyda Mae spends all day at the preschool, which is run by her mother, Traci Anderson (left). Her brother and sister attend school during the day and join her at the preschool after their school day ends.

Iowa is rated highly in terms of child well-being.

By Alyssa Cashman  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Traci Anderson has no qualms about raising her three children in Iowa. Ages 8, 5, and 3, they were all born and raised in Iowa City.

"It's a good and safe place with good education," Anderson said.

Her confidence is not without reason, according to a recent study. Iowa is first in the Midwest and seventh nationally in children's well-being.

"This report proves that in Iowa we are doing things right," said Iowa Gov. Chet Culver in a statement about the study, done by Every Child Matters Education Fund.

The study took into account 10 factors,

including child-mortality rates, access to prenatal care, and the number of uninsured children in each state.

Approximately 6.2 percent of children are without health insurance in Iowa, putting Iowa at sixth in the nation. This low percentage is thanks, in part, to Hawk-I, a program that provides health insurance for children whose parents would otherwise be unable to afford it.

Annette Scheib of the Johnson County Public Health Department, who is involved with the program in Johnson County, said the program has been lucky to receive a considerable amount of funding lately.

SEE CHILD, 3A

**Where Iowa falls in children's well-being**

- **No. 1** — Overall, Midwest
- **No. 7** — Overall, nationally
- **No. 3** — Fewest teen deaths
- **No. 5** — Infant deaths per 100,000 births
- **No. 5** — Per capita child welfare expenditures
- **No. 6** — Uninsured children
- **No. 13** — Children living in poverty
- **No. 20** — Deaths per 100,000 children aged 1-14
- **No. 30** — Juvenile incarceration rate

Source: Every Child Matters Education Fund

**ANIMAL RIGHTS**

## Trying to bite animal fighting

A revision to Iowa House legislation would keep the punishment for first-offense spectators at a dog or cockfight an aggravated misdemeanor.

By Brian Stewart  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa legislators compromised Monday in a move that could eliminate the possibility of felony charges for first-time dogfighting spectators.

Instead, a newly proposed amendment to House File 2381 would keep the punishment for first-offense spectators an aggravated misdemeanor but increase subsequent violations to Class C felonies, said Rep. Jim Lykam, D-Davenport.

He met with other representatives — including Rep. Rick Olson, D-Des Moines, who previously contested the legislation — to discuss alternative amendments in hope of passing the bill.

"That's the pecking order they have for torture cases so, in my opinion, that made some sense," Olson said. "Is dogfighting worse than torturing your dog?"

Under current law, participating in dogfighting or raising dogs for recreational fighting are Class D felonies — each charge punishable by up to five years in prison and a \$7,500 fine.

SEE DOGFIGHTING, 3A

**Fighting felonies**

Iowa officials have been working to increase penalties for those involved in dogfighting. The state ranks 32nd in harshness of penalty, based on how participants, spectators, and dog owners are punished.

**U.S. Humane Society rankings**

- First tier, all are felonies
- Second tier, two are felonies
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- Fourth tier, allows possession of dogs for fighting



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## The tangled trail of Viral Paks

Viral Paks provide comfort to flu sufferers but became a problem for Student Health.



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**UI senior Paul Asjes works the Currier Hall front desk, where Viral Paks are available for students. The packs are filled with Tylenol, green tea, alcohol swabs, tissues, and an information pamphlet on infections.**

By Zhi Xiong  
THE DAILY IOWAN

More than 1,500 bright purple "Viral Paks" arrived in the UI residence halls a few weeks ago.

The kits, sponsored by the pharmaceutical company Ortho-McNeil, came a long way. They were part of an effort to educate the public about antibiotic overuse, and they turned into a case of hot potato.

Filled with tissues, tea bags, and Tylenol, the packs are geared to help nurse someone out of a nasty bout of flu or cold, both caused by viruses. There is also a pamphlet with some bad news on antibiotics: They don't kill viruses.

When overused, bacteria targeted by the antibiotics become resistant to the drugs, making them less effective in treating future infections.

Yet between October and March, peak flu season, one physician found

the pneumonia-fighting antibiotic Azithromycin to be one of the most common prescriptions written despite such evidence.

"Clearly, there's no way in the world there are that many cases of pneumonia to justify so many being written," said Steve Richards, a family physician in Algona, Iowa, who works part-time as a medical director for CatalystRx.

"What you really need is a doctor's advice, not a prescription," he said.

CatalystRx is a pharmacy benefit management company that worked with the Iowa Public Health Department to develop the Viral Paks. The company gave the packs to the Iowa Academy of Family Physicians, which distributed them to its members.

This way, patients don't walk out of their doctor's offices empty-handed, nor do they get an unnecessary prescription.

SEE VIRAL PACKS, 3A

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# Iowa among states fighting EPA on emissions

Officials believe the Environmental Protection Agency is intentionally delaying action in determining whether greenhouse-gas emissions are negatively affecting public health.

**By Olivia Moran**  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa is among 17 states whose attorneys general are hoping to settle an ongoing argument with the Environmental Protection Agency in the U.S. Court of Appeals.

Iowa Attorney General Tom Miller announced on April 2 that the states and some environmental-advocacy groups are urging the court to order the EPA to take action within the next 60 days in regards to regulating greenhouse-gas emissions from motor vehicles.

The U.S. Supreme Court decided on April 2, 2007, that the EPA holds responsibility in regulating the emissions. In a letter sent to the organization on Jan. 23, the attorneys general wrote that the EPA was "unreasonably delaying action" and

demanding a response by Feb. 27. But officials are saying the agency has still failed to make a decision.

"It needs to make that determination with no more delay," said Bob Brammer, a spokesman for the Iowa Attorney General's Office.

But on March 27, the EPA announced that it would receive public comment on the issue rather than take steps to determine whether the emissions contribute to dangerous pollution.

EPA spokesman Jonathan Shradar said the organization is planning a 60- to 90-day public-comment period, plus an unknown amount of time for analysis. The apparent problem is that the court failed to give the EPA a deadline, he said. The agency has yet to make a decision because the higher court's ruling was catered strictly

toward motor vehicles, he said.

"We want to look at all sources," he said, citing examples such as power plants and aviation.

But Brammer said the public-comment period could simply be "a delaying tactic" and that "it's not appropriate at this time."

In a release from the Iowa Attorney General's Office, officials allege the EPA once stated that greenhouse gases are, in fact, endangering public health or welfare. Now, the organization is declining to issue its finding, according to the release.

But Shradar said no "endangerment finding" has been made. He said the current issue is a serious one, and that the EPA has a "supreme court ruling that we need to be responsive to."

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and the cities of New York and

## EPA petition

Iowa is one of 17 states petitioning the U.S. Court of Appeals to make the EPA stop delaying the decision to regulate motor-vehicle greenhouse emissions.

**Signed states**  
■ State attorneys general who signed the petition.



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Baltimore also took part in filing the petition.

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# Locals back new suspension rule

The Iowa Board of Education changes suspension rules for high-school student-athlete participation eligibility.

**By Megan Stephenson**  
THE DAILY IOWAN

While there isn't a large number of high-school student-athletes failing their classes, a new ruling by the Iowa Board of Education to extend athlete suspensions from 20 school days to 30 calendar days is positive, said D'Anne Kroemer, the City High athletics director.

Under the new rule, all students can be suspended in all sports they participate in. For example, Kroemer said, a girl who gets an "F" during the fall basketball season will sit out the 30-day suspension in the

next sport she plays, whether it is tennis in the spring or the next basketball season. Previously, the student would have to miss time from her primary sport.

"It's positive knowing the 'no pass, no play' rule is going to stay," Kroemer said.

She is also a member of the Iowa High School Athletics Association, which supports the board's decision. Todd Tharp of the association said the Girls High School Athletics Union also backed the board.

Both Kroemer and Marv Reiland, Iowa City West High School athletic director, said this suspension change was

more equitable for students around Iowa, because not all school calendars are the same. Carol Greta, the legal counsel for the Iowa Department of Education, said in the past two years, 95 percent of the comments by school administrators and other concerned parties were about this rule, and the board realized the penalty needed to be "tweaked."

"It didn't seem fair to count in-service days and snow days under the suspension," Greta said.

Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota have similar high-school rules. Wisconsin also uses a regular calendar, versus school

calendar, to track suspensions, and Minnesota suspends athletes for two consecutive contests or two weeks, whichever is greater. However, Missouri uses a "bona fide" athlete rule, which the Iowa board dropped.

The bona fide athlete terminology refers to a students' participation in their primary sports versus a secondary sport. Under the old rule, a student not qualified as bona fide was not subject to the same 20 school-day suspension. This made tracking of eligibility difficult for all students.

"The term is too difficult to define to the public," said Reiland, and was one of the reasons the board changed the rule.

The ruling will go into effect on July 1.

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## METRO

### 4 faculty win teaching awards



**Just**  
award recipient



**Gordon**  
award recipient



**Buss**  
award recipient



**Emery**  
award recipient

Four UI faculty members have won the university's 2008 President and Provost Award for Teaching Excellence.

Law Professor William Buss, Associate Professor of English Mary Lou Emery, nephrology Professor Joel Gordon, and Craig Just, an assistant research engineer in the civil-environmental engineering, won the awards.

The UI Council on Teaching receives the nominations and administers the award. The \$3,000 prize and acknowledgment was created in 2004 to recognize faculty who have shown a constant high level of teaching excellence.

"Upon a lot of discussion, these people had one little thing that was more outstanding than others," said David Drake, a Dows Institute of Research professor and member of the council. "They truly represent what an outstanding teacher is at the University of Iowa and at all universities."

In the press release, Buss was commended for having what students

describe as a dynamic and engaging classroom. Emery's colleagues applauded her commitment. Gordon was praised for making boring and difficult material fun to learn. Just's encouragement for "building effective teams" was also lauded by students.

— by Ashton Shurson

### UI to test outdoor warning system

The UI police will test their outdoor warning system notification sirens at 10:15 a.m. Wednesday as part of Iowa's Severe Weather Awareness Week, according to a university press release.

The new warning system — which uses outdoor sirens with voice messaging — was created to notify the campus community of threats to physical safety in emergency situations, according to the release.

There are five emergency alert towers on the main UI campus and the Oakdale campus.

The test will run simultaneously with Johnson County Emergency Management Agency's monthly tornado siren test.

The Hawk Alert messaging system, which notifies UI students, staff, and faculty using voice mail, text messaging, and e-mail, will not be used in this test. However, if a tornado was approaching UI's campus, the Hawk Alert messaging system would be used, according to a release.

If a tornado was not a threat to the campus but had been sighted somewhere in Johnson County, the UI outdoor warning system sirens would sound along with the Johnson County sirens, but a Hawk Alert message would not be sent.

— by Clara Hogan

### Boy reports being chased

Police are investigating a "suspicious person" who allegedly chased an 11-year-old boy for approximately one block Monday morning, Iowa

City police Sgt. Troy Kelsay said in a press release.

According to the release, the Iowa City police received the report at 11:26 a.m. The boy's mother called the police after the child returned home and told her about the incident.

The child reportedly said he was walking in the area of Lakeside Drive and Nevada Avenue when a man began to chase him. The suspect is described as Latino, having a thin build, and wearing blue jeans as well as a blue jacket with a white hood, according to the release.

The child also said he did not know his pursuer or why he was being chased, according to the release. Officers checked the area but were unable to locate anyone matching the suspect's description.

The Iowa City School District's administrative offices were notified of the incident.

Police are uncertain what, if anything, prompted the pursuit.

— by Clara Hogan

### Dem leader delays labor bargaining bill

Senate Majority Leader Michael Gronstal, D-Council Bluffs, opted to delay a controversial public-employee collective-bargaining bill early Monday afternoon.

Senate Minority Leader Ron Wieck, R-Sioux City, made a motion to take action on the bill, but Gronstal chose to stall the measure. After the Monday's deferment, legislators cannot amend the proposed law nor send it to the governor's desk.

"It could come up [today], or it could come up in two weeks," said Sen. Joe Bolckcom, D-Iowa City.

Both Bolckcom and Sen. Bob Dvorsky, D-Coralville, favored the move, saying it gives more time to the governor's office to look over the proposed law.

Republican senators were unavailable for comment. In the past, GOP

lawmakers have complained about the process, claiming legislators and the public weren't given adequate time to voice opinions on the bill.

The measure, which would widen the number of subjects public employees could discuss in collective-bargaining negotiations, already narrowly passed both the House and Senate last month. But Gronstal filed a motion to reconsider the bill in late March — on the same day the bill passed.

— by Shawn Gude

### Regents move against radiologist

The state Board of Regents is seeking through a lawsuit to prevent a former UI radiologist from working for a Cedar Rapids radiology firm, saying he has violated a non-competition agreement.

When Theodore Donta began work as a clinical assistant professor in June 2006 in the UI radiology department, he signed an accord with the university that stated, in part, "Upon my voluntary termination of my appointment as a member of the salaried faculty of the College of Medicine ... I will refrain for a two-year period from engaging in the practice of [medicine, psychology, etc.] in any community in which I have practiced," court records show. The restriction applied to a 50-mile-radius of the area.

The lawsuit further alleges that in November 2007, he voluntarily terminated his employment and now works with Radiology Consultants of Iowa in Cedar Rapids. The firm bills itself as "Iowa's largest radiology group."

A woman who answered the phone at Donta's Johnson County residence said he was not available and would not comment on an ongoing lawsuit. Employees at Radiology Consultants also said he was not available Monday afternoon.

— by Bryce Bauer

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## POLICE BLOTTER

**Sergio Espinoza-Saldivar**, 24, West Liberty, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.  
**Mitchell Fick**, 21, 315 Ellis Ave. Apt. 9, was charged Sunday with urinating in public.  
**Willie Hilson**, 50, address unknown, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.  
**Pedro Lona-Garcia**, 22, Cedar Rapids, was charged April 5 with driving with a suspended/cancelled license.  
**Robert Maaske**, 20, 2707 Triple Crown Lane Apt. 5, was charged April 5 with OWI.  
**Steven Morrow**, 54, Des Moines, was charged April 5 with possession of marijuana.  
**Jerald Navarre**, 31, address unknown, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.  
**Zachary Nieuwsma**, 21, Eureka, Mont., was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.  
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# Iowa high in kids' well-being

## CHILD

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"There are strong advocates out there who are willing to go out and get health insurance for kids," she said.

The state ranked fifth in the nation for lowest number of infant deaths.

"The greatest risk of death is within the first year of life," said Michael Acarregui, a UI associate professor of pediatrics and director of the Statewide Perinatal Program. "As a state, we do really well with care at this stage."

The regionalized nature of hospitals in Iowa contributes to its effectiveness in treating all patients, he said.

Iowa cracked the top five in two other categories, including a third-place showing in fewest numbers of teen deaths. Although the state fared well in terms of a low number of young deaths, Acarregui said, basic preventative measures, such as seat-belt use, can propel Iowa even further up the charts.

Despite Iowa's ranking, some areas showed definite weaknesses. For example, Iowa landed at 30th in the nation for number of incarcerated juveniles.



Julie Brayton/The Daily Iowan

**Jackson Schneckloth, 18 months, and his mother, Alison Schneckloth, play on the computer at the Iowa City Public Library on Monday. Schneckloth says she and her son make an effort to come to the library at least every couple of weeks. Iowa was ranked No. 1 in the Midwest and No. 7 in the nation by the Every Child Matter Education Fund for children's well-being.**

juveniles. According to the report, the rate of incarcerated kids is 298.6 per 100,000 juveniles in the state.

Overall, Iowa residents and officials alike are pleased with the results.

"We need to be really proud of

how our health care for children is in this state," Acarregui said.

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# Culver sued on education

## LAWSUIT

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"More communication between the K-12 system and colleges will help high schools to hold the same standards for all students," said Regent Jenny Connolly.

Regent Robert Downer said he wouldn't comment on the lawsuit specifically but said Culver has been an excellent supporter of the regents' institutions and that his appointments to the board have been outstanding leaders.

Connolly said Culver has been a huge advocate for regent-university funding.

The lawsuit shows how important education is to the public in Iowa, Downer said.

"We are very fortunate to have people who are engaged and have opinions about education," he said. "It is a tremendous benefit to this state."

Both sides of the lawsuit involve "well-intentioned people," he said.

The lawsuit states that, considering the economic and demographic changes, Iowa fails to educate many of its students to meet increasingly higher challenges.

"The historic commitment to equally educating all of Iowa's children has not been maintained, and increasingly, the quality of a student's education is dependent upon where they happen to grow up," the suit reads.

Pomerantz said one of his biggest concerns is that the children in the state aren't being treated equally. The suit cited the Iowa Constitution, which states that no citizen or class of citizen should be granted any sort of privileges or immunities.

The suit, which was filed by five parties, wasn't directed specifically at Culver,

## Plaintiffs in the case are alleging the defendants have failed to:

- establish educational standards
- enforce educational standards
- use educational standards to determine student advancement
- implement a consistent professional pay system
- provide equal access
- develop an effective organizational and delivery system
- address disparities among Iowa school districts

Pomerantz said. In fact, there have been a series of governors in the state who have failed to do enough, he said.

Brad Anderson, the governor's office communications director, said in a statement that Culver believes the state's focus should be on the best interest of Iowa's children rather than "using lawsuits as political tools."

In October 2007, Anderson said Culver and Pomerantz made a joint statement saying they would work together to address issues in the education system.

"The governor has done just that, and it's simply wrong to suggest otherwise," Anderson wrote.

The plaintiffs in the case are requesting that the defendants be required to provide an effective education in accordance with the Iowa Constitution and Iowa Code, improve state assessments, implement a career ladder, develop educational management and governance agreements, close all achievement gaps, and develop and implement performance standards and programs.

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# Officials seek to tweak dogfight law

## DOG-FIGHTING

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But charges against spectators are lacking, said Tom Colvin, the executive director of the Animal Rescue League of Iowa.

A spectator at an animal fight is currently charged with an aggravated misdemeanor — punishable by as little as a \$500 fine and no jail time.

Colvin noted that when police raid an animal fight, they might be catching the third or fourth battle of the gathering.

"Law-enforcement people tell us when they get in there for an

animal fight, suddenly everyone becomes a spectator," Colvin said.

Participants of the first or second match, or owners of dogs not actively fighting during the raid, use the "loop-hole" to avoid being charged with a felony.

"We want to close these loop-holes that dogfighters can exploit when caught in the act," said John Goodwin, the manager of animal-fighting issues for the Humane Society of the United States.

The Humane Society has petitioned lawmakers in several states, including Iowa, to vote for more severe punishment for spectators.

"We realized that we need to make sure that law enforcement has the tools to really send a message that dogfighting is not going to be tolerated," Colvin said.

This year, seven states have passed legislation increasing charges for animal fighting offenses, Goodwin said.

Olson said he hopes the representatives who met Monday can cosponsor the amendment this week.

Lykam said he's confident the newly proposed revision will gain support in the House and pass before next weekend.

"I think it's a good compromise, and I'm going to go over and talk

with [Sen. Joe Seng, D-Davenport] and we'll send it back over there" to the Senate, he said. "I want to see something in law."

The Senate version of the bill, Senate File 2203, passed unanimously this legislative session.

Seng, the bill's author, said the bill would virtually eliminate the incentives and gambling of the spectator aspect.

"From Georgia to Iowa to Mississippi, lawmakers are working to take a bite out of the blood-thirsty psychopaths making a profit from this industry," Seng said. "It would just kill the sport."

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# Viral Paks a problem for Student Health

## VIRAL PACKS

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The premise of self-care was great, and the UI Student Health Service ordered 5,000 packs, said Lisa James, an associate director of the service.

But there was one problem: The kits are labeled with a logo for Ortho-McNeil, the company that makes the Tylenol tucked inside the Viral Paks.

Based on Student Health policies and philosophy, even promotional pens and mugs emblazoned with company logos are not allowed in the clinic.

Furthermore, the packs containing Tylenol had to be locked up at night, James said, making storage and security a hassle.

Student Health tried to put out the packs in other venues, such as last month's Student Health Fair and displays.

"Having to distribute 5,000 in our clinic turned out to be more of a headache than a help," she added.

Finally, toward the end of the flu season, Health Iowa turned to the residence halls to distribute the kits. Around 1,500 packs were split up between each residence hall, said Greg Thompson, the manager of UI Residence Life operations.

One official from University Housing said offering the Viral Paks free of charge at the main desks — not in student rooms or hallways — is allowed.

"It's like if you go to the Provost's Office, and it has

Hershey's candy," said Carolyn Kiser-Wacker, the assistant to the director of Student Services. "We set them at the desk, not endorse them." She likened the distribution to that of condoms and rape whistles, which are given to students for their health or protection. Plus, the packs didn't go to waste.

From CatalystRx's standpoint, Richards said, the only way to get the products sponsored was to partner with Ortho-McNeil.

"But the information is correct, whether Ortho-McNeil said it or not," Richards said about the antibiotic-resistance pamphlet. "At least we're hyping the

right drugs rather than antibiotics."

The kits got a 95 percent positive survey response from health-care professionals in their first year, Richards said. CatalystRx will collect data over the next several years to track whether antibiotic prescriptions would decrease once patients learned more about drug resistance.

The small amounts of decongestants, cough drops, or Tylenol included in the packs are not enough to be harmful, Richards said.

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# Torch sparks havoc in Paris

By Jerome Pugmire and Elaine Ganley  
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PARIS — From start to finish, there was no respite from the protests. Only moments after the first Olympic torchbearer began his descent down the Eiffel Tower, a protester shouted "Freedom for the Chinese!" and lunged toward the flame.

The torch hadn't even reached solid ground yet — it was still on the tower's first floor — and already havoc had broken out at Monday's torch rally in Paris.

Later, protesters booed trucks emblazoned with the names of Olympic corporate sponsors. They chained themselves to railings. They hurled water at the flame and hung banners depicting the Olympic rings as handcuffs from atop the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame cathedral.

Eventually, Chinese organizers simply gave up: They canceled the final third of what they had envisioned as a triumphant jog past world famous such landmarks as the Louvre, the Seine bridges, and the Place de la Concorde. They put the torch on board a bus and sent it to its final destination, a sports stadium, where more protesters waited.

Citywide, the thousands of demonstrators slowed the relay to a stop-start crawl, with impassioned displays of anger over China's holding of the Olympic Games, its grip on Tibet, and human-rights failings, defying 3,000 officers — some deployed in jogging gear and inline skates.

The Interior Ministry said police made 18 arrests. Officers sprayed tear gas to break up a sit-in by approximately 300 pro-Tibet demonstrators who blocked the route.



Jacques Brinon/Associated Press

**A pro-Tibet protester escapes a police officer during the Olympic Torch relay Monday in Paris. Security officials extinguished the Olympic torch four times Monday as chaotic protests against China's policies on human rights and Tibet turned a relay through Paris into chaos.**

Police tackled protesters who ran at the torch. At least two activists got almost within arm's length before they were grabbed by police. Near the Louvre, police grabbed a protester who approached the flame with a fire extinguisher.

One detained demonstrator, handcuffed in a police bus, wrote "liber" on her right palm and "te" on the other — spelling the French word for "freedom" — and held them up to the window.

Five times, Chinese officials in dark glasses and tracksuits who guard the symbolic torch extinguished it and retreated to the safety of a bus — the last time for good until the vehicle had driven them to the stadium at the end of the route. There, a torchbearer ran the last 15 feet on foot.

Outside, a handful of French activists supporting Tibet had a fist-fight with pro-Chinese demonstrators. The French

activists spat on them and shouted, "Fascists!"

With protesters slowing down the relay, a planned stop at Paris City Hall was canceled. Earlier, French officials had hung a banner declaring support for human rights on the building's facade.

In San Francisco, where the torch is due to arrive Wednesday, three protesters wearing harnesses and helmets climbed up the Golden Gate Bridge and tied the Tibetan flag and two banners to its cables. The banners read "One World One Dream. Free Tibet" and "Free Tibet."

A spokesman for the French Olympic Committee, Denis Masegla, estimated one-third of the 80 people, many of them athletes, who had been slated to carry the torch did not get to do so.

AP writers Nicolas Garriga, Angela Doland, John Leicester, and Alfred de Montesquiou contributed to this report.

# Chauffeur, paparazzi blamed in Diana's death

A British coroner's jury rejects claims that the princess and her boyfriend were murdered.

By Robert Barr  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — A coroner's jury returned the most serious verdict within its power Monday, ruling that Princess Diana and her boyfriend were unlawfully killed because their driver and pursuing paparazzi were reckless — behavior tantamount to manslaughter.

Criminal charges were unlikely, however, because the incident happened in France outside the jurisdiction of British authorities.

Rejecting claims by the father of Diana's boyfriend, Dodi Fayed, that the couple were murdered, the jury concluded after six months of testimony they were victims of reckless speed by their drinking chauffeur and the pack of photographers chasing after them in Paris in 1997.

"The verdict is unlawful killing, grossly negligent driving of the following vehicles and of the Mercedes" carrying the couple, the jury foreman announced.

That was the verdict of nine of the 11 jurors. There was no indication why there were two dissenters.

All 11 agreed that the car slamming head-on into a concrete pillar rather than striking the wall on the other side was a key factor in their deaths. The jury also faulted Diana and Fayed for not buckling their seat belts.

But jurors laid the heaviest blame on the couple's driver, Henri Paul, who had been drinking shortly before the high-speed crash that killed all

three in a Paris underpass on Aug. 31, 1997, and on the paparazzi following them.

Diana's sons, Princes William and Harry, issued a statement expressing support for the verdict and thanking the jurors for their long work.

"We agree with their verdicts, and are both hugely grateful to each and every one of them for the forbearance they have shown in accepting such significant disruption to their lives over the past six months," the princes said.

Fayed's wealthy father, Mohamed Al Fayed, declared that the jury got it wrong. "The most important thing is, it is murder," he said as he left the Royal Courts of Justice.

The coroner, Lord Justice Scott Baker, had instructed the jury there was no proof whatever for Al Fayed's contention that the couple were victims of a murder plot orchestrated by Prince Philip and carried out by British secret agents.

John Stevens, the former chief of London's Metropolitan Police, said the verdicts vindicated the force's two-year investigation.

"What they have said, of course, is that the deaths were caused by Henri Paul and also by the paparazzi," Stevens said. "If you read the report, you will see that's exactly what we said."

Because the accident happened in France, no British charges can be laid against the photographers.

Nine were charged with manslaughter in France, but the charges were thrown out in 2002. Three photographers —

Jacques Langevin, Christian Martinez, and Fabrice Chassey — were convicted of invasion of privacy for taking pictures of the couple and were each fined one euro in 2006.

The couple's deaths came six weeks after romance bloomed while Diana and her two sons were guests of Mohamed Al Fayed in southern France.

In following weeks, Diana and Dodi Fayed shared sea cruises, dinners in Paris, even a helicopter trip in England to visit a medium trusted by Diana. Fayed showered Diana with lavish gifts, including a ring that may or may not have been intended to seal an engagement.

When the couple flew to Paris on Aug. 30, 1997, they were pursued from the airport by paparazzi, who then swarmed outside the Ritz Hotel — owned by Mohamed Al Fayed.

Hoping to shake off the paparazzi, Dodi Fayed agreed to a plan to sneak out the back way in a single car. At least three photographers weren't fooled, and the chase was on.

Fayed died instantly when the Mercedes, traveling more than 60 mph, slammed into a concrete pillar in the Alma underpass at 12:22 a.m. Medics initially thought Diana would survive her severe injuries, but she died at Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital around 4 a.m. Only Diana's bodyguard, Trevor Rees, lived.

French police announced a day after the crash that tests on Paul's blood showed his blood-alcohol level was three times over the national drunk-driving standard.

The finding was disputed, and British experts said the French documentation could have been better. But even Al Fayed's security chief discovered Paul had downed two double Ricards — equivalent to four shots of whiskey — in the hours before taking the wheel.

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# 100s flee Baghdad street fighting

By Robert H. Reid  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD — Hundreds of people fled fighting in Baghdad's Shiite militia stronghold Monday as U.S. and Iraqi forces increased pressure on anti-American cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, who faces an ultimatum to either disband his Mahdi Army or give up politics.

Al-Sadr's aides said he would only dismantle the powerful militia if ordered by top Shiite clerics — who have remained silent throughout the increasingly dangerous showdown.

Although al-Sadr holds considerable influence through the Madhi fighters — estimated at up to 60,000 — political exile for his movement would shatter his dream of becoming the major power broker among the country's Shiite majority.

Gun battles raged around the sprawling Sadr City district that serves as the Baghdad nerve center of the Mahdi militia, which has been under siege since last week by about 1,000 U.S. and Iraqi troops.

Police said at least 14 civilians were killed in clashes Monday in the Baghdad area, nine of them in Sadr City. Frightened families poured out of Sadr City — some carrying their belongings in sacks or piled in pushcarts.

Three American soldiers were killed Monday in separate attacks in the capital — one by small arms fire and two others by a rocket-propelled grenade, the U.S. said without specifying the neighborhood or whether Shiite extremists were responsible. At least 10 U.S. soldiers have died in Iraq since Sunday.

The rapid tumble back to street battles in Baghdad — at an intensity not seen since last year's flood of U.S. troops into the city — is a worrisome backdrop to Wednesday's planned appearance before Congress by top commander Gen. David Petraeus and Ambassador Ryan Crocker to report on progress in

Iraq and prospects for further troop reductions.

With the crisis showing no sign of abating, Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki raised the stakes.

The Shiite prime minister told CNN on Sunday that al-Sadr and his followers would not be allowed to participate in politics or run in provincial elections this fall "unless they end the Mahdi Army."

Al-Maliki's statement followed a weekend declaration by top Shiite, Sunni, and Kurdish leaders to support legislation banning any party that maintained a militia.

Facing broad political opposition, key al-Sadr aides went on the defensive Monday, insisting that banning them from politics would be unconstitutional. They proposed talks to resolve the standoff.

"We are calling for dialogue as a way to solve problems among Iraqi groups," al-Sadr aide Salah al-Obeidi told AP Television News in the holy city of Najaf. "Al-Sadr's office affirms that the door is open to reach an understanding regarding these problems."

Another al-Sadr aide, Hassan al-Zarqani, told the Associated Press by telephone from Iran that the Sadrists would consult Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani and other top Shiite clerics in Iraq. If they "recommend he disband the Mahdi Army, he will obey," al-Zarqani said.

But it was unclear whether the statement signaled any significant change in strategy by Sadrist movement. Al-Sadr has maintained for years that only the sect's top clergy could disband the Mahdi militia.

Equally unclear was whether al-Sistani and other top clerics would take a public position on the showdown or leave it to the politicians to resolve. The aged, Iranian-born al-Sistani has remained silent since the latest crisis erupted.



Nabil al-Jurani/Associated Press

Neighbors in the al-Asdiqa neighborhood react in the rubble of a house that was destroyed in an explosion in Basra, Iraq, on Monday. Iraqi security forces say a large explosion has demolished a building in the southern city of Basra, killing at least three militants and wounding four. British military spokesman Maj. Tom Holloway says it's not clear what caused Monday's blast but insists no British, U.S., or Iraqi forces were involved. An Iraqi police official and witnesses say those killed were gunmen using the abandoned house as a base and that the building was destroyed in an air strike.

Shiite clerics intervened to resolve the two uprisings against the U.S.-led coalition which al-Sadr led in 2004. Those agreements allowed al-Sadr to build his followers into a formidable political movement.

But al-Sadr, who is believed to be in Iran, has never faced such intense pressure from a broad political spectrum. His 30 seats in the 275-member parliament would not be enough to block legislation banning his movement from politics.

Al-Sadr has called for a mass rally in Baghdad on Wednesday — the fifth anniversary of the U.S. capture of the city — to demand an end to the American military presence.

In Washington, White House Deputy Press Secretary Tony Fratto called the planned demonstration "interesting timing" as it coincided with the Petraeus and Crocker testimony on Capitol Hill.

During a press conference Monday, senior Sadrist legislator

Bahaa al-Aaraji called for an end to military operations around Sadr City and urged all political parties to help create an "atmosphere of calm" to "end this crisis."

Al-Aaraji also cited an Iraqi government report last year that identified 28 militias — some believed linked to al-Sadr's Shiite rivals in the government.

"All these militias have infiltrated the government security and military institutions," al-Aaraji said. "The government has to restructure the security

institutions, especially the Interior and Defense Ministries, and to lift the cover of legitimacy enjoyed by some militias."

That referred to long-standing allegations that militias from al-Maliki's Dawa party and its allies, the Supreme Islamic Iraqi Council, were simply absorbed into the army and police but maintain clandestine links to their former political sponsors.

AP writers Sameer N. Yacoub and Qassim Abdul-Zahra contributed to this report.

## Iraq situation murky

A lot has changed since last Petraeus update on Iraq — for better and for worse.

by Anne Gearan  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Nearing what are likely to be his last big decisions on U.S. troops and strategy in Iraq, President Bush seems to have fewer choices than when his war council last came to town.

Gen. David Petraeus and Ambassador Ryan Crocker are expected to offer something for everyone when they testify to Congress beginning today, including the three senators competing to replace Bush in the White House. But any bright spot in their assessment of Iraq will be viewed through the prism of recent headlines.

Fresh violence has taken the gleam off Bush's military strategy, and political score-settling among Iraqi leaders shows they still can't or won't meet U.S. expectations.

"We've thrown out all of the rose-colored glasses in how we look at Iraq," White House spokesman Tony Fratto said Monday.

The Democrats aren't so sure of that, and the mounting American death toll will almost surely lead them to new demands this week for Bush to bring troops home more quickly. While Bush is just as sure to reject that idea, the mixed picture Petraeus and Crocker paint will leave the president without a sure path ahead.

"If there is any clear message that emerges out of the events of the last few weeks, it is that the risks in Iraq remain high enough so that no one can yet say whether the odds of any kind of U.S. success are better than even," Anthony Cordesman, a security analyst for the Center for Strategic and International Studies, wrote Monday. "The fact remains, however, that there is still a marginally better case for staying than for leaving."

Petraeus, for the top U.S. commander in Iraq, and Crocker last briefed Congress in September

2007, when Bush's program of increased troops and a security crackdown in Baghdad seemed to be bearing fruit, and the strategic choice of some Sunni tribes to ally with U.S. and Iraqi government forces had improved the outlook for eventual national political reconciliation.

The picture is much more complex now, with the fate of a Shiite cease-fire in doubt, new fractures among the Shiite majority and its militias and political unrest among frustrated Sunnis.

Violence declined significantly last year, as Bush's additional troops launched more operations, some Sunni insurgents rejected Al Qaeda and allied themselves with the United States, and anti-American Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr ordered his militants into a cease-fire.

Petraeus has warned all along that the good news could turn bad, and he's being proved right this spring.

On Monday, as Petraeus and Crocker prepared for two days of questioning, U.S. and Iraqi forces took on fighters loyal to al-Sadr. A U.S. soldier was killed by small-arms fire after a roadside bombing in Baghdad, the military said, pushing the two-day American death toll to at least eight.

The U.S.-led military coalition in Iraq says it has now trained roughly 425,000 Iraqi military and security forces, but the Iraqis can't do much without U.S. help.

A sobering test of their abilities took place in recent weeks when an Iraqi-planned offensive in Basra failed in its stated goal of routing warring Shiite militants from the southern city. Some of the Iraqi forces refused to fight or deserted their posts.

The operation was also a test of the political muscle of the U.S.-backed Shiite leaders, whose commitment to share power, deal with corrupt ministries and make other reforms gets skeptical reviews

from congressional Republicans and Democrats alike.

"What we're all seeing is that the Iraqi political leadership is trying to take hold of the security for their country. They took a very bold, aggressive action in Basra. It wasn't, you know, an overall success, but we learned a lot," Fratto told reporters.

After Petraeus and Crocker made their presentations last fall, Bush announced a limited drawdown of about 21,500 troops by this summer. His plan calls for combat forces to remain around the level they were before the 2007 buildup through this summer. The administration said then that some forces would stay in Iraq well past 2008.

Bush plans to cap this Petraeus-Crocker update with another announcement, and all signs point to more of the same. Petraeus has already made it known that he wants to halt the drawdown this summer for a "period of assessment."

The administration also plans to announce that U.S. soldiers' combat tours will be reduced from 15 months to 12 months in Iraq and Afghanistan beginning later this summer.

A senior administration official told The Associated Press last Friday that plans are to deploy soldiers for 12 months, then give them 12 months rest time at home.

The Democrat who will welcome Petraeus and Crocker to Capitol Hill today says Bush's troop buildup has been a failure.

Joe Biden, the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said the military push failed to deliver what it promised and Bush's "plan is to muddle through, and hand the problem off to his successor."

"The purpose of the surge was to bring violence in Iraq down so that its leaders could come together politically," said Biden, D-Del., in Saturday's Democratic radio address. "Violence has come down, but the Iraqis have not come together."

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# EU skies to get chatty

By Constant Brand  
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BRUSSELS, Belgium — People will be able to use their cell phones in the skies over Europe later this year under new rules that will allow air travelers to stay in touch — and raise the cringe-inducing prospect of sitting next to a chatterbox at 30,000 feet.

But don't expect to use your phone on a U.S. flight anytime soon.

The decision Monday by the European Union makes the 27-nation bloc the first region in the world to scrap bans on the use of cell phones in the sky. The EU insists the change will not compromise safety.

Cell-phone calls will be connected through an onboard base station — think of a miniature cell-phone tower — linked to a satellite and then to ground networks. A flight's captain will have the power to turn off service anytime.

Phone service will be blocked during takeoff and landing, EU spokesman Martin Selmayr said. That means using your cell phone will fall under roughly the same restrictions as using your laptop or iPod.

EU officials also say the system has been thoroughly tested. They say the calls will not interfere with flight navigation and will have additional safeguard to protect against terrorism.

Meanwhile, travelers are already expressing concern about another kind of disruption — noisy passengers. The friendly skies are one of the last refuges against shrill ringtongues and yapping callers.

"If they use a mobile phone on long distance flights, it would be an inconvenience, especially at night," said Stein Smulders of Halle, Belgium, who commutes by train.

In the United States, cell phone use on flights is banned by two regulatory agencies. Both said Monday they had no plans to change their rules.

Alison Duquette, a spokeswoman for the Federal Aviation Administration, said the agency had a concern that the phones could interfere with planes' electronic equipment.

"The bottom line for us is that the FAA has no plans to allow

passengers to use cell phones on commercial flights," Duquette said.

The Federal Communications Commission also bans cell phone use on flights, out of concern for interfering with cell phone networks on the ground. That agency opened a review of the issue in 2004 but ended it last year without taking action.

On European flights, installing a base station on the plane will allow calls to go directly to a satellite system, preventing phones from wreaking havoc with flight instruments by sending out signals indiscriminately, EU officials said.

The system will rely on European GSM technology. Although the technical standards for American and European GSM phones are different, American GSM phones would work on European flights.

Installing small base stations on planes helps ensure phones won't give off strong signals trying to connect with a tower on the ground. But Dave Carson, co-chairman of an RTCA Inc. committee studying wireless safety on planes for the FAA, said there was still a risk that a phone might try to connect with a ground tower.

In Europe, travelers will be allowed to turn on their phones after planes climb past 10,000 feet. That's when other electronic devices are typically permitted. Captains will also be able to block cell-phone service during turbulence.

The ban remains in place for all U.S. carriers, including domestic and international flights. Duquette said the FAA had not decided whether to block foreign carriers from allowing cell phone use when they enter U.S. airspace.

The new EU rules were welcomed by airlines, some of which, such as Air France-KLM, had already launched a trial of in-flight phone service on some European routes. British Midland Airways Ltd., Portugal's TAP, and low-cost airline Ryanair are also planning to offer services later this year.

AP writers Raf Casert, Anick Jesdanun, Barbara Schaefer and Pete Yost contributed to this report.

# Meaner streets for runaways

Hot-line figures indicate life is getting tougher for young runaways.

By Martha Irvine  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — The young caller's voice is high-pitched and trembling.

Her mother's been drinking, she says. They got into a fist-fight, so the girl grabbed her backpack and a cell phone and bolted, with little thought about where a 13-year-old could go on a cold night.

Hiding in an alley off her rural hometown's deserted main street, she calls the only phone number she can think of: 1-800-RUNAWAY.

"I just don't feel like I'm taken care of like a daughter should be," the girl tells the volunteer who answers the phone at the National Runaway Switchboard. She stutters between sobs and shivers.

Her story is a common one at the Chicago-based hot line, which handles more than 100,000 calls each year, many from troubled young people who are dealing with increasingly difficult issues.

National Runaway Switchboard data provided exclusively to the Associated Press show that the overall number of young callers facing crises that jeopardized their safety rose from 13,650 in 2000 to 15,857 last year. About two-thirds of the latter figure were young people who were thinking of running away, had already done so or had been thrown out of the house.

Federally funded since the 1970s, the National Runaway Switchboard is regarded by people who work with troubled youth as an organization that provides one of the best overviews of the shadowy world of teenage runaways, which is difficult to track.



Brian Kersey/Associated Press

Volunteer Alex Lewis (left) takes a call while supervisor Malcolm Joyles listens in at the National Runaway Switchboard in Chicago on March 11. Hundreds of calls come in daily to the hot line where staff members and volunteers pore over an extensive database of crisis callers.

'The reality is, there are not always services available for kids who are calling. We try to be as creative as we can be to find solutions. But there isn't always a simple answer.'

— Maureen Blaha, executive director of the National Runaway Switchboard

The group's statistics showed that callers are getting younger and that 6,884 crisis callers last year said they had been abused or neglected, compared with 3,860 in 2000. That is a 78 percent increase.

Some callers just want someone to talk to, about problems at home or with friends. Others who have already run away use the hot line to exchange messages with their families — to let them know they're OK, or to arrange a free bus ticket home.

Some are desperate for a place to stay, for safety, for options.

"I'm scared of my parents, and I don't want to go back there. Please don't make me," pleaded the 13-year-old girl who called this particular night.

The information she gave the hot line checked out. However, her name and other identifying details could not be included for this story because the National Runaway Switchboard guarantees callers confidentiality.

It also quickly became apparent to volunteer Megan McCormick — who has been trained to spot the occasional crank call — that this girl's fear was real.

"I know it must be really scary," said McCormick, a graduate student in social work at the University of Chicago. As they spoke, she checked the call center's extensive computer database for shelters in the girl's hometown.

The closest was in a larger city, 40 minutes away. But when McCormick called, she

was told the facility didn't take anyone younger than 14.

Such scenarios are common in many regions of the country, particularly rural areas where resources for runaways are scarce. Further complicating the matter, the Runaway Switchboard has found that more crisis callers than ever are 14 and younger — 1,255 in that age group in 2000, compared with 1,844 last year.

"The reality is, there are not always services available for kids who are calling," says Maureen Blaha, executive director of the National Runaway Switchboard, which began as a Chicago area crisis hot line in 1971 and went national three years later. "We try to be as creative as we can be to find solutions. But there isn't always a simple answer."

Others in the youth services field concur.

They note that while the number of shelters and other organizations that help runaways have slowly increased over the decades, they have been unable to keep pace with the demand. Many institutions also lack the resources to deal with the severity of issues young people face today.

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# Report says IRS computers at risk

By Jim Abrams  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — One more tax-season dread: A week before the filing deadline, Treasury watchdogs said Monday that poor controls over IRS computers could allow a disgruntled employee, agency contractor, or outside hacker to steal taxpayers' confidential information.

Indeed, a hacker might even "gain full control of the IRS network," said a report Monday from the office of the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration.

Investigators did not cite any specific cases of wrongdoing within the IRS, which processes some 137 million tax returns. But they suggested a lack of review means someone could get sensitive information and no one would ever know.

The report comes amid increasing scrutiny of the IRS and the problems posed both by security concerns within the system and identity theft threats from outside:

- The independent IRS Oversight Board, in a report issued last month, outlined some \$32 million in spending it said was needed to enhance the tax agency's security. "Disrupting IRS returns processing and stealing sensitive information could wreak havoc on the economy and financial markets," it said.

- Separately, IRS Commissioner Douglas Shulman will testify before Congress on Thursday about scams in which people are fooled into revealing their Social Security numbers and other confidential information by e-mails and phone calls purported to be coming from the IRS. The tax agency said last month that taxpayers this year had already forwarded to the agency 33,000 "phishing" scam e-mails reflecting more than 1,500 different schemes.

Inside the IRS, Monday's inspector-general report dealt specifically with the thousands of routers and data switches that connect networks and direct computer traffic among the tax agency's offices. It suggested that "an unscrupulous person could divert data traffic through a third-party system on its way to the intended destination."

A review found that the IRS had authorized 374 accounts for employees and contractors that could be used to perform system administration duties. But of those, 141 either had expired authorizations or had never been properly authorized.

There was particular concern that 27 of the 55 employees and contractors who apparently had not been authorized had accessed routers and switches to change security configurations.

In addition, system administrators circumvented authentication controls by setting up 34

unauthorized accounts that appeared to be shared-use accounts, the report found. During the fiscal 2007, some 4.4 million of the 5.2 million accesses to the control system were made by these 34 user accounts.

The IRS issued a statement Monday saying it had "taken a number of steps to improve the control and monitoring of routers and switches. The IRS emphasizes it is not aware that any taxpayer data has been compromised due to a security breach. We continue to work to improve our security capabilities of our technology assets, and we have extensive intrusion-monitoring capabilities to watch for potential breaches."

The IG's office faulted the IRS for not adequately reviewing the "audit trail" logs that could help identify questionable activity.

"As a result, malicious persons could exploit vulnerabilities in the routers and switches to gain unauthorized access to sensitive information and disrupt computer operations with little chance of detection," the report said.

The IRS, in response, agreed to most of the report's recommendations for tightening controls. It said it would lock employee use accounts after 45 days of inactivity and remove those accounts after 90 days without use. It also said it would ensure that no unauthorized or unnecessary shared accounts exist in the control system.

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# Post takes 6 Pulitzers

By Deepti Hajela  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — The *Washington Post* won six Pulitzer Prizes on Monday — the most in its history — including awards for its coverage of the Virginia Tech massacre and a series exposing shoddy treatment of America's war wounded at Walter Reed hospital.

The *New York Times* received two Pulitzers: one for investigative reporting for stories on toxic ingredients in medicine and other products from China and one for explanatory reporting for examining the ethical issues surrounding DNA testing.

Previously, the *Post* won as many as four Pulitzers in a single year, in 2006. The record is seven, won by the *Times* in 2002, mostly for its coverage of the 9/11 attacks.

Cheers erupted in the *Post* newsroom when the prizes were announced. As are many newspapers, the *Post* is struggling mightily with falling circulation and advertising revenue. It is going through its third round of employee buyouts since 2003.

"This is actually a boost to remind people that we can produce this kind of journalism at any time," said *Post* Executive Editor Leonard Downie Jr. "We're going to have a large enough newsroom to continue to produce this kind of quality journalism."

In addition to the public-service medal for the Walter Reed exposé and the breaking-news award for Virginia Tech, the *Post* won prizes in:

- National reporting, for its exploration of Vice President Dick Cheney's backstage influence;
- International reporting, for a series on how private security contractors in Iraq operate outside many of the laws governing U.S. forces;
- Feature writing, for Gene Weingarten's story on world-class violinist Joshua Bell, who, in an experiment, played beautiful music in a subway station just to see how commuters would react;
- Commentary, for Steven Pearlstein's columns on the nation's economic problems.

The *Chicago Tribune* also won in the investigative-reporting category for stories exposing faulty government regulation that resulted in recalls of car seats, toys, and cribs.

The Pulitzer for local reporting went to David Umhoefer of the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* for stories on how county employees' pensions were padded.

Michael Ramirez of *Investor's Business Daily* won in the editorial-cartooning category.

Mark Feeney of the *Boston Globe* was honored in the criticism category for his observations on movies, photography, and painting.

The prize for breaking-news photography went to Adrees Latif of Reuters for his photograph of a Japanese videographer who was fatally wounded in a street protest in Burma.

Preston Gannaway of the *Concord Monitor* in New Hampshire was honored in the feature-photography category for a series of pictures chronicling a family coping with a parent's terminal illness.

No prize was awarded this year in editorial writing.

The awards were announced at a time of great distress in the industry, with many newspapers laying off employees and cutting back on coverage as readers and advertisers forsake their daily paper for the Internet.

"Amid all the gloomy talk about journalism today, these are fine examples of high-quality journalism in all parts of the nation," said Sig Gissler, the administrator for the Pulitzers.

The *Post* series on Walter Reed Army Medical Center was done by reporters Dana Priest and Anne Hull and photographer Michel du Cille. It documented in sickening detail the shoddy treatment and poor living conditions for wounded soldiers.

The series caused a national outcry and led to the firing of the Army secretary. A presidential commission recommended many changes.

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## Point/Counterpoint

# Should Rodham Clinton cede Democratic primary to Obama?

### POINT Unity of political left at risk

With the mathematical possibility of victory rapidly falling, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton is almost certainly not the candidate who will face Sen. John McCain in the general election. Unfortunately, because of the negative tone of the Democratic nomination race, it seems that Rodham Clinton's only achievable victory is that of surpassing McCain in the ongoing effort to discredit the presumptive Democratic nominee.

Clearly, Rodham Clinton did — and still does — possess the characteristics and abilities necessary for a successful Democratic candidate. The man likely to best her, Sen. Barack Obama, openly acknowledges this fact, as do most Democratic politicians. Of course, similar praise has consistently been given in the opposite direction, as Rodham Clinton often emphasizes the political nobility of her opponent. As such, the advancement of liberal policy demands that the discussion begin to move away from the inconsequential and toward the effort of gaining unilateral support. Hence, the issue at hand has become one of consolidating party support, because the differences between the candidates are not significant enough to validate a nomination battle that risks the fate of the entire party.

Recent polls suggest that many supporters on both sides have begun to develop personal biases toward the opposing candidate, stating that they would sooner vote for McCain or simply not vote at all. That the candidates share so few policy disagreements is clear evidence that this rancor is both fallacious and unnecessary. The political improvements these supporters expect to follow their candidate's inauguration are almost certain to occur anyway if it should be that candidate's rival who goes on to win.

While arguments against the political prowess of either candidate are surely misguided, the increasingly prevalent arguments against Rodham Clinton's continued involvement are assuredly not so. They come not only from Obama supporters, nor simply those who are indifferent: These arguments come from all those who want an end to the neo-conservative era in this country — a notion that Rodham Clinton and her supporters would do well to consider.

— Erik Hovenkamp  
DI/editorial writer

### COUNTERPOINT Let the race be run

In case you haven't noticed, Hillary Rodham Clinton is still leading most polls in advance of Pennsylvania's upcoming primary. Sure, it's pretty much agreed that, barring an overwhelming victory there, her candidacy is in trouble. I refuse, however, to buy into the argument that she's hurting the Democratic Party by staying in the race this long. Rodham Clinton and Barack Obama are both strong candidates and have proven so on the campaign trail; instead of making petty arguments about each other, they should turn their attention to John McCain and attempt to persuade voters they're the better choice to be president — *not* the Democratic nominee. Their decisions to resort to political tactics more akin to childish name-calling is the real danger in this election season.

I'm arguing in defense of Rodham Clinton for the sake of consistency. I once spoke similarly about Mike Huckabee's campaign even as some conservatives and television pundits were urging he throw in the towel. As long as Huckabee remained a viable candidate — that is, win a sizable amount of votes and even a few states along the way — he had every reason to distinguish himself from his Republican counterparts. If I were a Rodham Clinton supporter, I'd be insulted by today's cries of "She can't win" when she's scored impressive victories in Massachusetts, Ohio, and California, among other states.

Her ability to compete with Obama is a sign of democracy at work even if, mathematically, it's unlikely Rodham Clinton will square off against McCain in the general election (that is, without a super-delegate mutiny). Clearly, American voters are undecided about their Democratic nominee for president. Perhaps, though, it's better to have two worthy candidates instead of one — or none. This situation arose not because of indecision; conversely, voters are excited and energized about their choices in candidates, and it would be unfair to this election — and our democracy — to force one of those candidates out prematurely.

— Rob Verhein  
DI/editorial writer

# Cruellest month

In these, the dark days of April — Wait, you say. What's dark about April? We are no longer locked down under the ice and gloom of February. Spring is coming to the Iowa mountains. Baseball has started, and whatever else is wrong with the world, baseball is God's sign that He, or She, or It, loves us. And that means there is hope. Even the public-radio donation drive will end. Some day. And soon, flowers will bloom, trees will bud, and the grass will be as green as the Emerald Isle.

Well, first, that's a rather shameless attempt to appeal to my Irish ancestry. You should write for Hillary Rodham Clinton. (Well, somebody should start writing for Hillary Rodham Clinton. You ever listened to one of her speeches? Chain saws on parade are more pleasant to the ear.)

Second, flowers blooming, trees budding, grass greening, blah, blah, blah, only mean that my allergies will soon come storming back. In my tiny slice of the universe (which is probably located not all that far from your tiny slice), April means that pollen and other villains re-enact the German blitzkrieg and my sinuses re-enact Poland.

And yes, the return of baseball is always more than welcome — although as I write this, the Boston Red Sox are sleepwalking through the opening of the season, which takes some of the bloom (there's that word again) off. Oh, yeah, the Red Sox took three of four from the Oakland A's, but that's like taking three of four from the I-Cubs. As soon as the BoSox (or BeauSox, as I call them, in all modesty) met a real baseball team — in this case, the Toronto Blue Jays — they fell into last place. Of course, the only reason the Sox are in last place is that the Baltimore Orioles have yet to wake up and discover that they are also the I-Cubs.

It is true that the Red Sox have an excuse — they just completed a three-week, three-country, 16,000-mile, multi-cuisine road trip (not that I'm necessarily alleging Toronto has any cuisine). If we tried that, we'd be sleepwalking, too. (Well, let's face it — some of us don't need that excuse for sleepwalking through here.)

And, in any case, baseball is not the sign that God loves us. According to Benjamin Franklin, beer is the sign that God loves us (sorry Stepping Up, but he wrote it, not me).

That being said, it is true that some try to indulge a bit too much in God's love. As anyone who has ever been in a relationship knows, there is such an animal as too much love.

Third (or fourth or fifth or wherever we are), as the son of a geographer, I am forced to point out that spring can't come to the Iowa mountains because Iowa has no mountains (no doubt due to the type of planning on par with the Bush administration's carefully laid plans for post-invasion Iraq).

Fourth (or fifth or 17th, etc.), the public-radio donation drive will never end. Some day.

To believe that public radio will stop begging for money is to believe Sisyphus will one day get that rock to stay on the top of the hill.

Or, to put it in a perspective we can all understand, that will be about the day the Cubs win the World Series.

All that being said, I do support public radio (even though, in the run-up to the invasion of Iraq, I wrote that NPR stands for National Pentagon Radio). I mean, private radio is where Sean Hannity and Rush Limbaugh live. Public radio is where "This American Life" lives. Enough said.

Meanwhile, back at the narrative, In these, the dark days of April, we'll no doubt be told that the surge in Iraq is working. And that's why we can't draw down the U.S. troops in Iraq.

Of course, the surge has not created the political atmosphere it was supposed to. And, as much as it did work was largely due to the U.S. bribing Sunni militias to stop attacking U.S. troops and Muqtada al-Sadr declaring a cease-fire.

And last week in Basra, we all saw what happens when that cease-fire breaks down.

Well, things could be worse. Imagine how bad February would have been if we had mountains. ■

Beau Elliot doesn't truly believe the Cubs winning the World Series is a Sisyphean task. It's far worse than that.



BEAU ELLIOT

## Letter

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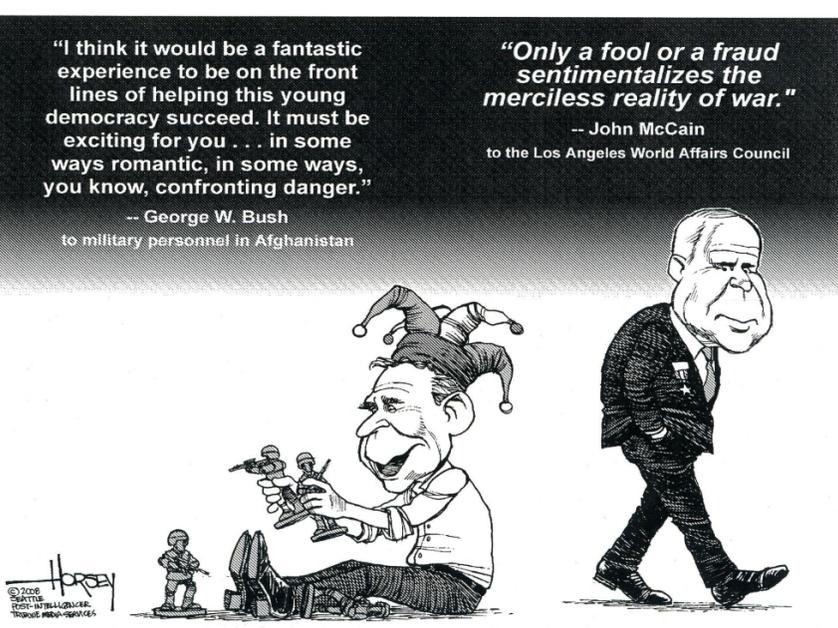
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### Still plenty Motley

It would be a shame if Tara Atkinson Gunyon's article scared any customers away from the new Motley Cow. When a local restaurant that uses local ingredients does well, it's cause for celebration. Buying local carries economic benefits for the community and environmental benefits for the planet.

The Motley Cow's "near-blatant increase in production" is hardly a bad thing; it's an encouraging sign that a restaurant can have a social conscience and still succeed. Those extra tables represent more money going to area farmers who practice sustainable agriculture. If the ambiance changes a little bit because it added more tables and better lighting, that's a small price to pay.

Charles Monson  
Jessica Bruse  
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UI graduate students



## BLOG

### Historically haunted houses

It's a 150-year old building that used to house the criminally insane. Inside its crumbling stone walls, demented inmates once howled, misinformed doctors dug into patients skulls and pierced their gray matter with draconian lobotomy tools, and young people with treatable mental disorders were labeled "nuts" and subjected to a lifetime of agonizing institutionalism. What was once the Johnson County poor farm and asylum now sits abandoned. With a past that echoes the premises of many a B-rate horror film, the foreboding gray building raises the question — do tormented spirits still mill around the building's hallways, unable to escape from the raw trauma they were once exposed to? Is the building haunted? Apparently, some people are eager to find out.

Though the plan has come under fire in recent days, the Johnson County Board of Supervisors is kicking around a proposal by the county Historical Society to send a team of paranormal investigators to the sight to conduct research.

The Carroll Area Paranormal Team would conduct the tests for free, using thermal-detection equipment, hyper-sensitive recording devices, and special "aura" detecting gear to capture any unusual activity at the 153-acre site.

Officials say the investigation is not prompted by any particular spooky occurrences; it is instead a chance to look into an often-asked about possibility. In what could be dubbed a pre-emptive search for ghosts, the team will try to find "them" before they find us.

Tours of the site are conducted on a regular basis, and tourists frequently ask if the place is haunted. The supervisors hope to clarify the answer by allowing the paranormal team access to the sight.

But the buildup and hype surrounding this issue is quickly spiraling out of control. Many Iowans are pointing out the ridiculousness of the whole concept. Why should we allow a troupe of tech-savvy nerds who've watched one too many episodes of "The X Files" conduct a pointless and utterly inconclusive experiment.

Ultimately, the storm of publicity induced by this proposition can not hurt the Historical Society or the poor farm. Anything that forces people to reassess an oft-forgotten facet of history is a good thing. Sometimes, it takes a jolt of the bizarre to grab people's attention. And, in that regard, Casper can act as just a viable historian as Howard Zinn.

— Nick Compton  
DI/editorial writer

## On the Spot

Do you think Hillary Rodham Clinton should stay in the presidential race?



"I think so, because I think it's a really unique election."

Hadel Bilal  
UI senior



"No. I feel like Obama's going to win anyway."

Peter Vass  
UI junior



"Yeah. She's got more potential than other candidates."

William Abonce  
UI freshman



"No, I do not. I think she's polarizing people."

Andrew Ketterer  
UI senior

 Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater will blow into Iowa City today to perform the first of two shows at Hancher Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Dance enthusiasts should be sure to pick up a copy of Wednesday's *D/* for Arts reporter Meryn Fluker's coverage of the event.

# Arts & Culture

## Giving it their stall

“OMG P U!” And a whole host of crude naked-lady pictures. Ever wondered just how many profound thoughts were strewn across bathroom stall doors nationwide? So did Doug Rice, the author of *From the Stall*.



Publicity Photo

Doug Rice's *From the Stall* is a collection of photos from bathroom stalls across the country.

By Ann Colwell  
THE DAILY IOWAN

We've all been there. You swing by the English-Philosophy Building restroom before class because you're redlining, and instead of simple relief, you are confronted by wisdom, whining, perversity and thoughts from strangers, left over an unknown number of years.

That's because it's written all over the stall door. There are two main categories of people at hand: people who write in bathroom stalls and people who read what's written on those walls. Ah, bathroom graffiti — our collective and expensive university education at its finest.

“For the most part, people don't draw on the bathroom wall,” said Doug Rice, who just self-released *From the Stall*, a compilation book of photos of bathroom stalls. “It's a handful of people who start the whole trend going. And once one person does it, the wall's already

defaced, and even someone who's not going to start it feels compelled to write a rebuttal.”

And so it goes. Rice got the idea for the book three years ago after spotting one of the most bizarre pieces of graffiti he'd ever seen. In a library restroom at Oakland University in Michigan, the quotation — to put it in a more tasteful manner — said certain things about Rick Moranis' (from *Honey, I Shrank the Kids*) body parts.

“I start giggling by myself, and I just can't believe I'm laughing,” Rice said, laughing even now at the memory. “I can't believe someone would think that, let alone write it. It dawned on me — there's gotta be millions of off-the-wall weird stuff, perverted stuff, and funny stuff out there. I figure it would make great home bathroom reading. With this book, you can enjoy the public bathroom-stall graffiti in the comfort of your own home bathroom.”

So the Oakland college grad embarked on a journey of both

male and female bathroom stalls, snapping pictures of the scribbles at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Oakland, Western Michigan, and Michigan State, to name a few. Rice would wait patiently until a bathroom cleared out, sneak into the stalls, and snap a few shots of the propaganda inside.

Perhaps it's just never occurred to most of us. Maybe we are still haunted by the threats of junior-high principals to remove the stall doors completely if they were to find any traces of personal artwork in the bathrooms. It's quite possible that most people just don't remember to carry a pen to the restroom.

“I have never done it,” Rice said, and it's evident that he believes a lot of what he has seen is pure genius. “I don't understand why they do that, or how they think of things to do while they're in there. I don't get that mentality. I just take pictures of it.”

And while the back of *From the Stall* — which is available



Publicity Photo

online — includes several blank pages to scribble one's own graffiti, students might not want to take that creativity to heart *too* much. The UI Code of Student Life states that students “shall be subject to disciplinary action” for defacing university property. The policy of the UI Libraries reads that personnel will “notify law-enforcement authorities concerning any suspected criminal behavior by library users ... including ... defacing or deliberate misuse of buildings.”

Consider that the writing on the wall for mischievous artists and bathroom poets everywhere.

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## RECORD REVIEWS



Clinic  
*Do It!*  
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

As far as underrated bands go, Clinic takes first prize. Music critics continually slam the band, saying it lacks substance, talent, and originality. And yet somehow we're all hyperactive, sugar-loving kids on Easter morning when we hear the group's latest work. Because as anticlimactic as the music is, Clinic delivers.

The band's latest, *Do It!*, is short and sweet and understated (as expected). With clear psychedelic rock influences streaming through the band's history, Clinic manages to spin something new out of old work and styles with this release. “Shopping Bag” bears a clear Ramones' slurred-punk feel, while “Tomorrow” feels like the Rolling Stones. Frontman Ade Blackburn's forced and agonized vocals sound electric on tracks “Mary and Eddie” and “Winged Wheel.”

Crowned by the tracks “Memories” and “The Witch,” the album confidently sits among the band's best work. It's not flashy or surprising, and it's easy to whine about certain elements, but *Do It!* is a top-notch album from Clinic, and fans won't feel let down.

**Ann's Picks:** “Corpus Christi” and “The Witch”

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— by Ann Colwell

middle albums (*Dig!!!* is his 14th with the Bad Seeds alone — forgive me if I don't know them all). Since then, he's released a garage rock album with Grinderman, and the influence, or at least the freedom, is apparent. The title track and “Albert Goes West,” are about as energetic as any Cave I've heard, and probably as good as his best.

It's no accident that this album, released over a month ago in the UK, is getting such acclaim. Cave's attraction is his stream-of-consciousness storytelling, a sort of Leonard Cohen on Bible-acid, and the rhythm of upbeat guitar only propels his lyrical prowess. Granted, his eccentricity might stretch listeners too much on the five-plus-minute tracks, and the slower fare (“Moonland”) drags especially in *Dig!!!*'s context. But if anything, Cave proves that even a 50-year-old musician can still be a formidable rock star, grizzled as he should be, and still growing like we want him to mean it.

**Paul's picks:** “More News from Nowhere” and “We Call Upon the Author”

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— by Paul Sorenson



Sun Kil Moon  
*April*  
★★ out of ★★★★★

After a five-year hiatus, Mark Kozelek of the Red House Painters returns to his solo project, Sun Kil Moon. His sophomore solo album *April* falls short of its 2003 predecessor, *Ghosts of the Great Highway*. The album keeps the thoughtful lyrics and skilled instrumentation, but lacks the ingenuity and diversity of the first record.

Kozelek recorded *April* with the same musicians, drummer Anthony Koutsos of the Red House Painters, bassist Geoff Stanfield of Black Lab, violist Michi Aceret, and percussionist David Revelli. Their beautifully combined melodies are by far the high point of the compositions, making the calming nature of Kozelek's voice appropriate for sleep or study. But with many of the songs sounding the same, the listener is left unable to distinguish between tracks.

A few songs hint at the magic Kozelek captured in *Ghosts*: “Tonight The Sky” starts out with strong electric guitars, combining a satisfying blend of old time rock and dive-bar country. The intricate guitar riffs and captivating lyrics of “Blue Orchids” prove redeeming, but unless you've never heard Sun Kil Moon before, you won't be impressed.

**Whitney's picks:** “Tonight The Sky” and “Blue Orchids”

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— by Whitney Warner

## ARTS

### Film and food

In an effort to expose culture and community in Iowa City, David's Place will show the movie *To Live and Become* at 8 p.m. today for free. Co-sponsored with the Hillel Foundation, the film portrays a young man as he survives the 1980s famine that swept through Ethiopia. Free Ethiopian food will be provided.

The film itself shares much in common with restaurant owner David Kadine, a native of Eritrea (a northern neighbor of Ethiopia).

“At Hillel, we really strive to sponsor events with other overlapping entities or places,” said director Gerald Sorokin. “I feel like this movie, at this location, gives a lot of insight into modern of Jewish culture.”

The film, which was originally entitled *Va, Vis et Deviens*, swept up awards from the Israeli, Vancouver, and Aspen Film Festivals for its provoking evaluation of racism and Zionism.

After famine struck Ethiopia, masses of Jewish people were airlifted out and transported to Israel. There, the immigrants found the differences between refugee-style living and an industrial society startling and, in some cases, crippling.

“These people flocked toward safety only to find that they were incredibly handicapped without any education or similar language,” Sorokin said.

With people of every culture and ethnicity invited, the event brings new insight to religious injustice.

**FILM SCREENING**  
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“It is just another way to look at the culture we are so proud of,” Sorokin said.

— by Cole Cheney

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- Read reviews from Mission Creek shows Bon Iver, Spoon, Poison Control Center, So Many Dynamos, Cursive, and Death Ships on the blog at [dailyiowanarts.blogspot.com](http://dailyiowanarts.blogspot.com)
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# McCain raises another \$15 million

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. John McCain raised more than \$15 million in March for his presidential campaign, a top performance for the likely Republican nominee that still falls far short of the cash gathered by rival Democratic Sens. Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham Clinton.

The amount was confirmed to the Associated Press by two campaign officials speaking on the condition of anonymity because the numbers haven't been made public.

One official said McCain intends to accept public financing in the general election — a sum of around \$84 million. McCain donors are now being asked to supplement that public financing with donations to the Republican National Committee, with a goal of raising \$120 million through a joint Victory Committee.

The March fundraising and the decision to seek public financing in the fall are two separate tracks that highlight the superior fundraising by the Democratic candidates.

Obama raised \$40 million in March, bringing his total so far in the campaign to approximately \$234 million. Rodham Clinton raised \$20 million for a total of more than \$175 million during the entirety of the contest. McCain has raised around \$75 million since he began running last year.



Mary Altaffer/Associated Press

Presumptive Republican presidential nominee Sen. John McCain (second from left) speaks to advisers Mark Salter (left), Charlie Black (right), and press secretary Brooke Buchanan aboard the campaign airplane in route to Washington on Monday. McCain, who sits on the Senate Armed Services Committee, is scheduled to hear testimony during the much-anticipated appearance of Iraq commanding Gen. David Petraeus before the committee today.

fewer than 12 hours daily are at greater risk for being overweight in preschool, startling evidence that the link between sleep and obesity may affect even very young children.

TV viewing heightened the effect. The children who slept the least and watched the most television had the greatest chance of becoming obese.

"The two [behaviors] are acting independently. In combination, they are particularly risky," said the study's lead author, Dr. Elsie Taveras of Harvard Medical School.

The findings, published in April's *Archives of Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine*, are based on mothers' reports of their babies' sleep habits and TV viewing, and direct measures of the children's height, weight and skinfold thickness.

Starting when the babies were 6 months old, mothers were asked how long their children napped during the day and how long they slept at night. Moms were asked again when the children were 1 and 2 years old. They were asked about TV time when the children reached age 2.

## Post office offering postage-free recycling program

WASHINGTON (AP) — People who want to recycle small electronics can do so free under a test program at about 1,500 post offices.

The Postal Service is testing the program in several states and, if it is

a success, may make it national this fall.

Postage-free envelopes are available at the test offices for people to send in old cell phones, personal data assistants, MP3 players, inkjet cartridges, and other small electronic items.

Clover Technologies Group pays the postage and then remanufactures

and remarkets the items. If the item cannot be refurbished and resold, its component parts are reused to refurbish other items, or the parts are broken down further and the materials are recycled.

It's an environmentally friendly way for people to dispose of outdated items they no longer want, postal officials said.

## Archaeologists unearth 35,000-year-old tools in Australia

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Tools dating back at least 35,000 years have been unearthed in a rock shelter in Australia's remote northwest, making it one of the oldest archaeological finds in that part of the country, archaeologists said Monday.

The tools include a piece of flint the size of a small cell phone and hundreds of tiny sharp stones that were used as knives. One local Aboriginal elder saw it as vindication of what his people have said all along — that they have inhabited this land for tens of thousands of years.

"I'm ecstatic, I'm over the moon, because it's now indisputable," Slim Parker, an elder of the Martidja Banyjima people, told the Associated Press by telephone from Western Australia.

The tools, along with seeds, bark, and other plant material, were found nearly 6½ feet beneath the floor of the shelter — a slight crevice in the hillside protected by an overhang of

rock — on the edges of an iron ore mine site approximately 590 miles northeast of Perth, the capital of Western Australia.

"This area of land, in regard to our culture and customs and beliefs, is of great significance to us," Parker said. "We have songs and stories relating to that area as a sustaining resource that has provided for and cared for our people for thousands of years."

## Authorities investigating polygamist put 400-plus children in custody

SAN ANGELO, Texas (AP) — Authorities say more than 400 children have been taken from a polygamist compound and placed in state custody as they continue to investigate whether one of them had been an underage bride.

Authorities have uncovered the equivalent of a small town on the 1,700-acre property in rural West Texas they raided last week. They say 133 women left the compound voluntarily and that an unknown number of men remained there and are not free to leave.

Child Protective Services spokeswoman Marleigh Meisner says she believes the operation is the biggest of its kind in Texas. She was also involved in the 1993 siege of the Branch Davidian compound in Waco.

A girl's report to authorities last week that she was abused led to last week's raid.

## Study says infants who sleep less have greater risk for obesity

CHICAGO (AP) — When the wind blows, the cradle will rock. And when babies sleep less, they may gain too much weight. A new Harvard study finds that babies and toddlers who sleep



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14K white gold diamond semi-mount	\$660.00	\$425.00
Platinum pave set diamond band	\$1,470.00	\$1,295.00
18K white gold pink tourmaline, ruby & diamond ring	\$6,500.00	\$1,350.00
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14K yellow gold aquamarine & diamond earrings	\$430.00	\$275.00
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18K white gold aquamarine & diamond earrings	\$3,845.00	\$2,690.00
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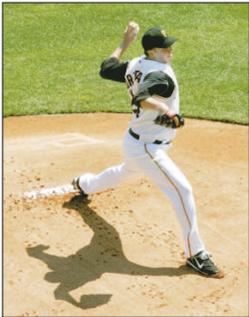
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**MLB**



**Walks, errors help  
 Cubs beat Pirates**

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Aramis Ramirez's sacrifice fly scored the go-ahead run during a two-run 12th inning in which the Cubs didn't have a hit off rookie Evan Meek, and Chicago rallied after squandering a seven-run lead to win the Pittsburgh Pirates' home opener, 10-8, on Monday.

Former starter Jon Lieber (1-1) gave a depleted bullpen a big lift with three scoreless innings before Carlos Marmol finished up in the 12th for his first save since June 27, helping the Cubs win their third in the row.

John Russell followed his five immediate predecessors as the Pirates' manager, a group that includes World Series winners Jim Leyland and Chuck Tanner, by losing his home debut. The Pirates have dropped their last four home openers and 13 of 15 dating to Three Rivers Stadium.

Pittsburgh rallied from a 7-0 deficit in the third inning — a week to the day after blowing a five-run lead in the ninth inning in Atlanta before winning 12-11 in 12 innings.

Meek (0-1), a winter-meeting draft pick, was last remaining pitcher in the Pirates' bullpen. He walked five — two intentionally — in a 12th that started with walks to Ryan Theriot and Alfonso Soriano. The Cubs' second run of the inning came on Mark DeRosa's bases-loaded walk.

**TRACK**

**Drake Relays to honor Maybank**

This year's Drake Relays will mark an especially memorable occasion for former Hawkeye track athlete and Olympic gold medalist Anthuan Maybank.

Twelve years after he helped the United States capture the 4x400 title at the 1996 Atlanta games, the event announced Monday that Maybank will be inducted into the Drake Relays Athletes Hall of Fame during an April 24 reception at the Knapp Center in Des Moines.

Soon to be honored as the 200th member of the storied group, Maybank is most revered for his work in the 1993 Drake Relays — a magical performance in which he became the only athlete to eclipse the 27-foot mark in the long jump and crack 45 seconds in the 400-meter dash.

— by Charlie Kautz

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TODAY, 6 P.M., BANKS FIELD, TV: BIG TEN NETWORK, RADIO: KXIC 800 AM

# Hawks face Nebraska



Steve Lexa/The Daily Iowan

Iowa's T.J. Cataldo gets set during the fourth inning against the Triple-A Iowa Cubs in Des Moines on April 1. The Hawkeyes face No. 10 Nebraska tonight in Iowa City.

**Pains, strains, and troubles beset the  
 Iowa baseball team during its four-game  
 series with Purdue, but opportunities  
 await today against Nebraska.**

By Ryan Young  
 THE DAILY IOWAN

After being blown away at Banks Field by Purdue, the Hawkeye baseball team will take on yet another pitching-centered program today, when Iowa hosts No. 6 Nebraska, which boasts a Big 12-leading 2.86 ERA.

During late February and early March, the now-struggling Hawkeyes fared well against top-notch programs, securing signature wins over Xavier and Vanderbilt, in addition to a disappointing extra-inning defeat against Notre Dame.

That hasn't been the case recently. Iowa (8-17, 1-7) finally

halted an eight-game losing skid over the weekend, and the players are attempting to not fall into another.

As sophomore catcher Tyson Blaser put it, "We need to come out, play a pretty good game, and get a W."

Sophomore left-hander Michael Jacobs (2-3, 5.91 ERA) is Iowa's probable starter, and Erik Bird (1-1, 1.62 ERA) is the expected Cornhusker hurler. Iowa head coach Jack Dahm said he will stay with his midweek pitching agenda, likely throwing Jacobs and his relievers for only a pair of innings.

"It's going to be a great challenge for us," he said. "Every time we play Nebraska, I tell you what, it's been a barnburner."

Last year, Iowa split a pair of games with Nebraska (24-4-1, 10-1-1).

Earlier in the season during a spring tournament, the Hawkeyes scrappily tasseled the Huskers. Facing an eight-run deficit after five innings, Iowa produced back-to-back five-run frames to win, 12-8.

Their midseason rematch, though, ended less auspiciously

for Dahm's ball club. Against current Cornhusker ace Dan Jennings, Iowa dropped a 7-6 decision in Lincoln, Neb.

In 2006, when the breadbasket border battle was played in Iowa City, the Hawkeyes lost, 16-14, in 13 innings when Big Red was ranked No. 4.

Prior to that was the series' most decisive contest — a 6-1 drubbing in favor of the Huskers on their home turf. In the overall series, Iowa trails, 10-8.

SEE BASEBALL, 3B

# Kansas wins an OT thriller

**Mario Chalmers' 3-pointer sends  
 Kansas to OT and a 75-68  
 championship victory over Memphis.**

By Eddie Pells  
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN ANTONIO — So patient for 20 years, Kansas had no problem working an extra five minutes to bring a long-awaited championship back to the heartland.

Mario Chalmers hit a 3-pointer with 2.1 seconds left in regulation to push the game into overtime, and the Jayhawks ground it out from there for a 75-68 victory Monday night over Memphis in one of the best title games in recent memory.

Chalmers' shot pulled Kansas into a tie after being down nine with 2:12 left.

"We got the ball in our most clutch player's hands, and he delivered," Kansas coach Bill Self said.

It was the first title for Kansas since 1988, when Danny Manning, now an assistant coach for the Jayhawks, led

them to an upset of Oklahoma. And the shot earned Chalmers the most-outstanding player honor.

"I had a good look at it," he said. "When it left my hands, it felt like it was good, and it just went in."

The most memorable performance in this one came from freshman Derrick Rose of Memphis, who completely took over the game in the second half, scoring 14 of his team's 16 points during one stretch to lift the Tigers to a 60-51 lead with 2:12 left.

But Kansas (37-3) used the strategy any smart opponent of Memphis would — fouling the heck out of one of the country's worst free-throw-shooting teams — and when Rose and Chris Douglas-Roberts combined to miss four of five over the last 1:12, it left the door open for Kansas.

Hustling the ball down the court with 10.8 seconds left



Eric Gay/Associated Press

Kansas' Brandon Rush (25) reacts after defeating Memphis, 75-68, in overtime in the championship game of the Final Four on Monday in San Antonio. In the background is Memphis' Robert Dozier (2).

and no time-outs, Sherron Collins handed off — while stumbling — to Chalmers at the top of the 3-point line, and Chalmers took the shot. It hit nothing but net and tied the score at 63.

Robert Dozier missed a desperation shot at the buzzer, and Rose went limping to the bench, favoring his right leg.

Brandon Rush, Darrell Arthur, and Darnell Jackson scored the first six points of overtime to put Kansas ahead 69-63. Memphis, clearly exhausted, didn't pull within three.

Arthur was dominant inside, finishing with 20 points and 10 rebounds, lots on

SEE KANSAS, 3B

# Rowers make waves

By Tim McLaughlin  
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Shhh ... if you listen closely you can hear it. The women of the Hawkeye rowing team are creating a little bit of a buzz.

Not only have the Hawkeyes garnered the praise of their two-time world champion coach Mandi Kowal this season, but they are also beating ranked teams and receiving votes in the NCAA Division I Varsity 8 Coaches' Poll for the first time in a while.

"You know what? I would



Kowal  
 coach

SEE ROWING, 3B

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### NATIONAL LEAGUE

<b>East Division</b>	W	L	Pct	GB
Florida	4	3	.571	—
Atlanta	3	4	.429	1
Philadelphia	3	4	.429	1
New York	2	3	.400	1
Washington	3	5	.375	1½
<b>Central Division</b>	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	5	1	.833	—
St. Louis	5	2	.714	½
Chicago	4	3	.571	1½
Cincinnati	4	3	.571	1½
Pittsburgh	3	4	.429	2½
Houston	3	5	.375	3
<b>West Division</b>	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	5	2	.714	—
San Diego	5	3	.625	½
Los Angeles	4	3	.571	1
Colorado	2	5	.286	3
San Francisco	1	6	.143	4

**Today's Games**

Detroit (Rogers 0-1) at Boston (Matsuzaka 1-0), 1:05 p.m.

Baltimore (Burres 0-0) at Texas (Jennings 0-1), 1:05 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Hughes 0-0) at Kansas City (Bannister 1-0), 3:10 p.m.

Oakland (Harden 1-0) at Toronto (Burnett 1-0), 6:07 p.m.

Seattle (Bedard 0-0) at Tampa Bay (Garza 0-0), 6:10 p.m.

Cleveland (Westbrook 0-1) at L.A. Angels (Santana 1-0), 9:05 p.m.

### NCAA MEN'S FINAL FOUR

National Championship Game  
Kansas 75, Memphis 68, OT

### NCAA WOMEN'S FINAL FOUR

Today's National Championship Game  
Stanford (35-3) vs. Tennessee (35-2), 7:30 p.m.

### BIG TEN BASEBALL

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Michigan	7	1	.875	17	8	.680
Illinois	6	2	.750	17	8	.680
Purdue	6	2	.750	13	14	.481
Ohio State	5	3	.625	16	9	.640
Indiana	3	5	.375	14	12	.538
Minnesota	3	5	.375	13	14	.481
Michigan St.	3	5	.375	11	14	.440
Penn State	3	5	.375	9	17	.346
Northwestern	3	5	.375	7	14	.333
Iowa	1	7	.125	8	17	.320

### Monday's Game

Illinois 18, Indiana 8

### Today's Games

Nebraska at Iowa, 6 p.m.

Chicago State at Northwestern

Illinois at Bradley

### BIG TEN SOFTBALL

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Northwestern	6	0	1.000	20	9	.690
Michigan	7	1	.875	32	4	.889
Purdue	4	2	.667	27	10	.730
Minnesota	4	2	.667	21	10	.677
Iowa	4	2	.667	25	12	.676
Michigan St.	4	2	.667	19	15	.559
Penn State	3	5	.375	26	13	.667
Illinois	2	4	.333	20	20	.500
Ohio State	2	6	.250	23	14	.622
Wisconsin	1	7	.125	11	28	.282
Indiana	1	7	.125	10	26	.278

### Wednesday's Games

Illinois State at Iowa, 4 p.m.

Northwestern at Wisconsin

Western Michigan at Michigan State

Indiana at Indiana State

Illinois at Bradley (2)

# Gordon to jump to NBA

By Michael Marot  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — Eric Gordon announced Monday he was leaving Indiana to enter the NBA draft.

The move was expected long before Gordon enrolled at Indiana. Most figured the 6-4 guard with the nifty moves and NBA 3-point range would go straight to the NBA after one college season. Most expect him to be taken in the top 10 of the NBA draft in June.

"I'm doing this to compete at the highest level, not for the fame or the money," Gordon said during a news conference announcing his move.

"I just had a couple of weeks to really think about this after the season, and now is the right time to do it."

Gordon, a third-team All-American, is the first player of the heralded 2008 freshman class to forgo his remaining eligibility. Those who have not yet announced whether they will turn pro include centers Michael Beasley of Kansas State and Kevin Love of UCLA, both first-team All-Americans, Memphis guard Derrick Rose, a third-team All-American, and guards O.J. Mayo of Southern Cal and Jerryd Bayless of Arizona State, who received honorable mention on the All-American list.

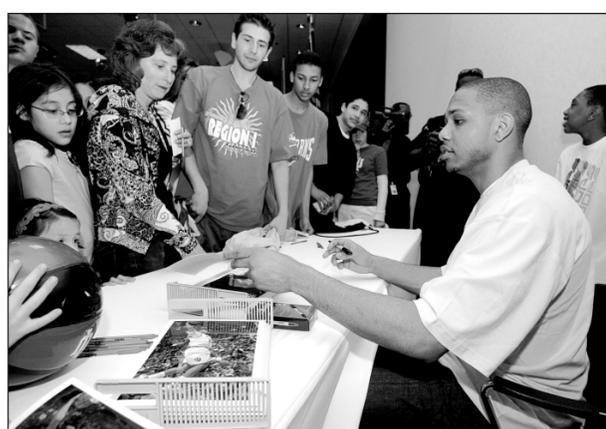
Gordon led the Big Ten in scoring (20.9 points), set school and Big Ten freshman scoring records with 669 points, made the third most free throws by a Hoosier in a single season (231), and had the fourth-highest total in school history for free-throw attempts (277). He also tied Mike Woodson's school record for most 30-point games by a freshman (three) and won the conference's Freshman Player of the Year award.

But after injuring his left wrist during a practice in late January, Gordon was not the same player. His shooting percentage dropped, and he committed more turnovers.

The slump caused his stock to drop, so Gordon is keeping his options open. He said Monday he has not signed with an agent, giving him a chance to withdraw from the draft later. Gordon planned to sign with an agent later, said his father, Eric Gordon Sr.

The younger Gordon's decision comes after a tumultuous season at Indiana in which the Hoosiers' 25-8 record was overshadowed by Kelvin Sampson's midseason resignation, the promotion of Dan Dakich to interim coach, three player suspensions, and a first-round loss to Arkansas in the NCAA Tournament.

If Gordon stays in the draft, new coach Tom Crean will open



Michael Conroy/Associated Press  
Indiana guard Eric Gordon is surrounded by fans as he signs autographs after announcing that he is entering the NBA draft during a press conference in Indianapolis on Monday. Gordon was the Big Ten's leading scorer in the regular season at 21.3 points per game. He is considered to be a top-10 NBA draft pick.

next season trying to replace at least three starters and possibly all five. Forwards D.J. White and Lance Stempel were both seniors, and Dakich kicked guards Armon Bassett and Jamarcus Ellis off the team April 1, just before Crean's hiring.

Crean, the Hoosiers' third coach in two months, will decide whether to reinstate Bassett, Ellis, or both.

Gordon was supposed to be the next big Indiana prep star to spurn the in-state schools when he orally committed to Illinois as a high-school junior. The recent list includes Greg Oden and Mike Conley Jr., who both left Ohio State after one college season, Josh McRoberts, Dominic James, and Sean May.

# Right now, Masters all wet



David J. Phillip/Associated Press  
Defending Masters champion Zach Johnson examines the eighth fairway during a practice round for the 2008 Masters golf tournament at the Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga., Monday. The tournament will begin on Thursday.

By Doug Ferguson  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUGUSTA, Ga. — There was a buzz at Augusta National on Monday.

David Toms heard it after finishing nine holes of practice on a course that was soft and wet, nothing like last year's Masters. It was the whirring of the system that siphons moisture out of the turf.

"It's wet — very wet," Toms said. "If this tells you anything, I backed up a ball with a driver on No. 9. I played the back nine yesterday and had to hit my 5-iron four or five times. I got done and thought about having my 5-iron re-grooved. I hope it firms up. We need it dry just to make it interesting."

It was bone dry the last time so many players were assembled at Augusta, helping pave the way for Zach Johnson, a regular guy from Iowa and a moderate hitter off the tee, to become a surprise winner at the Masters. Johnson did most of his scoring on the par 5s, as winners tend to do, but he laid up on all of them.

The winning score was 1-over 289, matching the highest ever

at the Masters. A major with a reputation of catering to length seemed to be an invitation for any style of game.

But no one is sure what to expect this week.

The brilliant colors of Augusta National were offset by soft, gray clouds on the first full day of practice, this after a weekend that brought 3 inches of rain. Isolated thunderstorms are forecast for the weekend as the temperature rises.

This might be bad news for guys such as Johnson, Toms, and Nick O'Hern, the left-handed Australian who can barely hit it out of his shadow. O'Hern is good enough to have twice beaten Tiger Woods in match play, but a soft Augusta presents a greater challenge.

"It would be nice if the fairways could be dry again," O'Hern said. "I've only known blood long on this golf course. You just hit it as far and as straight as you can. There's no shaping the ball, except to the greens. Just get up there and smash it."

Boo Weekley was flipping through the channels Sunday night when he came across a

Masters highlight show. He said players were hitting 9-iron and wedges into the greens, which wasn't quite the case Monday during his first full practice round.

The club of choice was usually a 6-iron at best.

"I got up there today and I was standing there going, 'Gawd dog, what year was this?' I know I didn't hit it that bad off the tee," Weekley said. "On No. 18, I hit a 4-iron."

Sean O'Hair returned to the Masters for only the second time and felt as though the course had gotten longer, or he had become shorter. He couldn't reach the bunker off the tee on the first, second and fifth holes.

"It's just so wet, and the air was heavy," he said. "It's a little hairy. The course is still in excellent shape. But it's a little slower than I expected. It's definitely going to be easier on the greens, but it's just going to play so long."

Dozens of players began working their way around the golf course on a lazy Monday afternoon with some 40,000 fans scattered around the property of the one-time nursery, watching

players try to skip their tee shots over the water on the par-3 16th, standing in long lines for merchandise, or straining for a view of Tiger Woods.

"There's more people out there than in my whole town, I can tell you that right now," said Weekley, a Masters rookie who hails from Milton, Fla., with a population of just over 8,000.

Woods usually has that many watching him. The world's No. 1 player and overwhelming favorite arrived Sunday, played another full round Monday morning, and planned one more practice session before beginning his quest for the Grand Slam.

Woods seems to be able to handle the course whether dry or soft, short or long, having won four times already and trying this week to become the first player to capture four green jackets in one decade.

"The course, his play, the way he's played this year, there's no question he's the odds-on favorite to win here," Steve Stricker said.

Stricker is among those who would rather see the course firm, giving him a little more distance off the tee.

# Vitale, Riley into hoops hall

By Elizabeth White  
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SAN ANTONIO — Broadcaster Dick Vitale, a man who had limited success as a coach but brought the game of basketball to millions of TV watchers, was selected to the game's Hall of Fame on Monday alongside Pat Riley, one of the most successful NBA coaches of all time.

Overcome with emotion, Vitale broke into tears during the announcement in San Antonio, site of the NCAA men's Final Four.

"I can't run, can't jump, can't shoot, but I just have had a tremendous — I'd like to think — passion about the game," said Vitale, who had a short stint as an NBA coach in the late 1970s but made his name as a college basketball analyst.

Others in the Class of 2008 were Hakeem Olajuwon and Patrick Ewing, two greats who battled on the court for years, player Adrian Dantley, coach Cathy Rush, and William Davidson, owner of the Detroit Pistons since 1974.

Over the decades, Vitale created his own lexicon with phrases such as "Get a T-O, baby," "You're a P-T-Per," and "Awesome, baby."

Monday, he said he "cried like a baby" upon learning of his selection and thanked Hall of Fame coach Bob Knight — now

a fellow ESPN analyst — for spearheading a letter-writing campaign on his behalf.

"When I saw those letters, whether I'd ever gotten in the Hall of Fame or not, that was going to be my hall of fame," said the 68-year-old who was forced off-air for two months after throat surgery.

No matter how strong their credentials, each member of the Class of 2008 seemed a bit star-struck.

Riley, the third-winningest NBA coach ever, called his election "unbelievable, absolutely unbelievable."

Riley won four NBA titles with the Los Angeles Lakers, then grabbed another one two years ago with Miami. He also has one championship as an assistant and another as a player.

"Last night, I lost my 64th game of the regular season," he said, referring to the Heat's current struggles. "And the next day I'm in the Hall of Fame. I think there's an integrity in the Hall of Fame that far surpasses whatever your record is, if you have a body of work."

The new class, which Riley joked will be the best-promoted ever because of Vitale's inclusion, will be inducted Sept. 5 in Springfield, Mass., home of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

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# Kansas rallies to take final

# Hawks seek offense

## KANSAS

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dunks and easy lay-ups off lob passes. Chalmers finished with 18 points. Rush had 12, and Collins had 11 points and six assists, and he did a wonderful job shutting down Rose for the first 28 minutes.

Rose wound up with 18 points in a game that showed how ready he is for the NBA. He was 3-for-4 from the line, however, and that one miss with 10.8 seconds left is what almost certainly would have sealed the game and given the Tigers (38-2) their first title.

Instead, the title goes back to Lawrence for the third time in the fabled program's history.

"If we played 10 times, it'd probably go 5 and 5," Self said. "We got fortunate late."

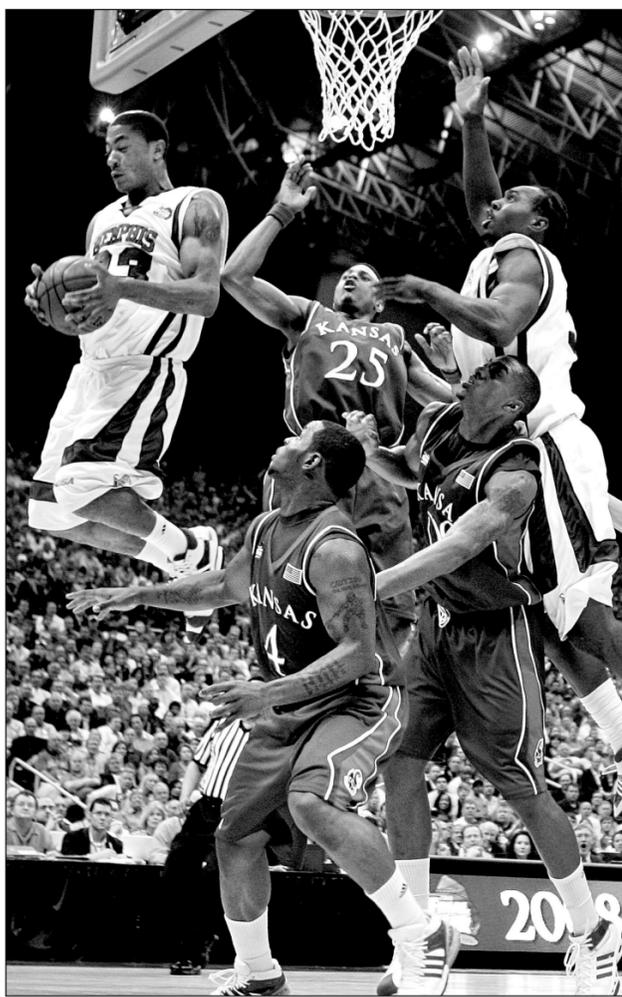
The inventor of the game, James Naismith, was the first Jayhawks coach. It's the school that made household names of Wilt Chamberlain, Manning — and yes, even North Carolina's Roy Williams, the coach who famously left the Jayhawks, lost to them in the semifinals, but was, indeed, in the Kansas cheering section to watch Self bring the title back that he never could.

This game was not about coaches or sidestories, though. It was about the game, and what a dandy it was — a well-needed reprieve from a more-or-less blah tournament in which 42 of 63 games were decided by double digits.

This was the first overtime in the title game since 1997, when Arizona beat Kentucky, 84-79.

Kansas, mostly Collins, put the clamps on Rose for the first half, allowing the freshman only four shots and leaving him spiking the ball on the floor as he walked to the locker room after a frustrating 20 minutes.

It stayed that way for the first five of the second half, but Kansas couldn't pull away.



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Memphis' Derrick Rose (left) and Joey Dorsey (right) fight for a rebound with Kansas' Sherron Collins (4), Brandon Rush (25), and Darrell Arthur (00) during the first half of the championship game in the Final Four on Monday in San Antonio.

Douglas-Roberts made sure of it, winning enough of the one-on-one matchups that the Memphis offense creates to keep the Tigers in range.

Then, finally Rose took over — a 3-pointer here, a scooping lay-up for a three-point play

next. Then, the capper, an off-balance, 18-foot shot off glass with the shot-clock buzzer sounding. It gave Memphis a 56-49 lead. Most teams would have been demoralized.

Clearly, Kansas is not like most teams.



Julie Koehn/The Daily Iowan

Teammates surround Hawkeye Caleb Curry after he hit a two-run homer against Purdue at Banks Field on Sunday. It was Curry's first home run of the season.

## BASEBALL

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The Hawkeyes aren't placing a lot of hype on tonight's game despite its airing on the Big Ten Network.

"It is pretty fun playing a team such as Nebraska, with its history and tradition," senior center fielder Caleb Curry said. "But we're just going to go out and take it as just another game, take it as a way to get some momentum and get things turned around."

A turnaround may be a possibility against Nebraska, given that it lacks a dynamic hitting crew.

"[The Cornhuskers] don't have a lot of the big power guys," Dahm said. "But they just find ways to score runs."

The Cornhuskers are at the bottom of the Big 12 pack in home runs. Their 19 long balls are dramatically overshadowed by the 34 produced by Texas A&M.

As a result, Dahm said, the Nebraskans have played small ball. Offensively, the Cornhuskers rank fifth in the Big 12 with a .287 team batting average.

Iowa stands similarly in the Big Ten, batting .283 with a league-low five homers. The Hawkeyes have been crafty at stealing bases, though, taking

61 out of 74 attempts — 82 percent.

Nevertheless, success has been uncommon in Iowa's vocabulary.

"I think we're back on our heels a little bit," Dahm said. "One of the things we pride ourselves on is that we play as hard, or harder, than anybody else in the country. And we need to get back to that."

"It would be nice to use the game [today] against Nebraska as a stepping stone for us and get that energy level back and play hard."

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# Iowa rowers getting some national attention

## ROWING

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have to look back," Kowal said. "I think maybe a couple years back it might have been that we received poll votes."

Iowa picked 17 votes in the April 2 poll, which ranks the top-20 women's NCAA Division I Varsity 8's.

On Sunday, the crew traveled to No. 12 Minnesota to scrimmage the Golden Gophers on the Mississippi River and left with some impressive wins. The teams raced varsity 8, second varsity 8, varsity 4, novice 8, and second novice 8 duals in 600-meter sections.

Iowa started powerfully in the first two sections of the varsity 8 race, beating and tying Minnesota, only to come up short in the final two sections. The novice teams performed remarkably, dominating the Golden Gophers by winning a

combined seven of eight in the novice and second novice 8 races.

"The novice boats did well, and the varsity boats did well. I feel good for the team," Kowal said. "This group of seniors has been putting in a lot of miles the last three years, and to see it kind of come to fruition is very rewarding for them."

"It's nice to see ourselves regaining some speed."

Kowal went on to stress the importance of the novice program.

"People don't understand that novice rowing is the future, and the last two novice groups have been pretty strong," she said. "That has been really helpful for the program."

The women will next hit the water in the nation's capital on Friday and Saturday, when Iowa competes in the George Washington Invitational. No strangers to success in Washington, the crew will look to improve upon its eighth-best time in event history in the varsity 8 race.

"The great news is that we aren't rowing the greatest right

now," Kowal said. "There is a lot of room for improvement. But we have had a tendency and a history of rowing well at the end of the season and I can see that we are continuing to improve."

Sophomore varsity-team member Emily Katalinich said that the team continues to benefit from what she says is the Hawkeyes' biggest strength.

"Right now, I'd say that our strength is just depth," she said. "Our first 8 is pretty tough, and then there are a lot of people in the second 8 who are fighting for their spots. Everyone in the first 8 has to really be on it every day."

The crew notched a noteworthy performance in Washington last season, and Kowal hopes to see the team improve as a whole next weekend.

"Let's take that ranking and let's boost it," Kowal said. "Let's get ourselves in the top four. Why not?"

Navy, George Washington, and Georgetown are also



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The Iowa women's rowing team starts practice at 6 a.m. in the Field House on March 11.

entered in the event. The regatta will take place on the Potomac River.

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# No recession for sports

By Rachel Cohen  
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NEW YORK — A sports fan faced with rising mortgage payments and a sagging stock portfolio might think twice about buying a ticket to a game.

But the reality of sports business is this: Those concerns don't matter much to the bottom lines of major-league teams.

Amid the talk of bank bailouts and slumping housing prices, the sports world chugs along — not quite oblivious, but not as anxious as some other industries, either.

"We are concerned, as I'm sure all businesses are during a recession," NBA Deputy Commissioner Adam Silver said. "I'm not prepared to say we're recession-proof. I think to an extent we're recession-resistant, though."

Analysts who follow sports leagues agree.

"The big ones really do have an aura of being somewhat detached from short-term economic swings," said George Van Horn of IBISWorld, which evaluates a wide range of industries. During the 2001 recession, he said, the sports business continued to grow, just at a slower rate.

One main reason is that the major sports leagues derive so much revenue from long-term television contracts, which guarantee stable income.

TV also plays into the equation in another way. Let's say many fans, feeling a crunch on their discretionary income, start attending fewer games. But they still care deeply about their teams, meaning they watch more of the action on TV. Higher ratings can mean more money for the leagues.

"Even if they don't go to games, they're still consuming it," said David Carter, the executive director of the University of Southern California's Sports Business Institute.

And history shows that economic downturns don't seem to drain fans' passion, or pocket what happens to their market-books.

"In some cases, that fandom is a sanctuary during difficult times," Silver said.

Representatives for Ticketmaster and StubHub said the companies have not noticed any decrease in ticket sales yet.

Carter predicted that if sports leagues feel the pinch from a recession, it will be because of spending cuts by corporations — whose money they've become more reliant on than that of individual fans.

"The guy in the seat is less significant than 20 years ago," Van Horn said.

Season tickets have a greater effect on finances than sales to individual games. By nature, they encourage a long-term commitment. Fans with season tickets are often reluctant to give them up, even in lean times, for fear of losing access to prime seats.

Silver noted another factor: The increasing ease with which season ticket-holders can sell tickets they don't want makes keeping the seats more viable.

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Over time, that could result in lower salaries for players — or at least a slower rate of increases in pay. It also could influence the way sports are shown on TV, with times, channels and frequency changing as leagues try to maximize revenues.

The NBA is in its fourth-straight year of filling its arenas to more than 90 percent capacity, Silver said, so there isn't much opportunity to create additional revenue through ticket sales. But the NBA and other leagues are confident they can keep finding new ways to make money in other countries and by selling merchandise and broadcast rights.

That internationalization also makes them more resistant to economic woes in the U.S.

"It allows us in essence to be diversified," he said.

# Tigers remain toothless

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DETROIT — The Detroit Tigers wanted to evoke memories — of 1968 and 1984, not 2003.

They added Miguel Cabrera and Dontrelle Willis during the off-season and boosted their payroll to \$138.7 million, second only to the New York Yankees. And what did that get them?

An 0-6 start, the worst since they dropped their first nine games in 2003 en route to an AL-record 119 losses, that left the last-place Tigers four games back in the AL Central. They've been outscored 39-15 — the fewest runs in the American League.

"Everyone in here is embarrassed," Ivan Rodriguez said. "We've got a day off, then we've all got to show up at Fenway Park on Tuesday more ready to play. It has to be offense, defense, and pitching. That's the only way we're going to win games."

Detroit's roster includes former All-Stars Gary Sheffield, Magglio Ordonez, Kenny Rogers, Carlos Guillen, Placido Polanco, and Edgar Renteria. Still, the Tigers are the only major-league team without a win. This from a club that entered the season as one of the favorites to win the World Series.

The busy winter got fans excited that Detroit could duplicate its championship seasons of 1968 and '84. But the Tigers opened with six-straight losses — all at home — to Kansas City and the Chicago White Sox, the two worst teams in the AL Central last year.

"Frustrating might be a good word, but I think disappointing is more accurate," manager Jim Leyland said after Sunday's nationally televised 13-2 loss to

Chicago. "Right now, we look like a bad ball club. I know that people are expecting me to rant and rave, and that includes some of the players. But I don't buy that. This team has too many professionals to need that."

Leyland met with the team after Sunday's lopsided loss, and he is quick to take most of the blame.

"We aren't prepared, and that's the manager's responsibility," he said. "This is the time when a team needs a manager. When teams are hitting .300 and pitching and winning, they don't need a manager. Everyone is cheering for them, and they have all the confidence. It's now, when things are bad, that they need someone."

Detroit's problems haven't been limited to one part of the team. The pitching has struggled, posting a 5.30 ERA and walking 27 batters, three shy of the big league high. The offense has hit into 11 double plays, tied with Minnesota for the major league lead after the opening week.

"You don't win games on paper," said Guillen, who made a key error at first base Sunday against the White Sox. "You have to win them on the field, and right now, we can't even win a single game. We've got to win a game."

While the problems are spread out, there are certainly individuals that stand out. Cabrera, Polanco, Rodriguez, Sheffield, and Renteria are making a combined \$51.9 million but hitting just .160 with one homer and five RBIs. Ace pitcher Justin Verlander allowed 13 runs in two starts, and Dontrelle Willis walked seven batters in his five-inning Tigers debut.

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# Daily Break

**“The bittersweet part is to get a prize and then to have that day a soldier, who is unrecognized to the hoopla here, call up and ask for help.”**

— Dana Priest of the *Washington Post*, who won one of the paper's six Pulitzer Prizes Monday for her series on the mistreatment of wounded vets at Walter Reed Hospital.

## the ledge

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SCOTT PACANOWSKI

**How you can tell if people had a good spring break**

• They are really tan, and they don't remember being on the beach.

• They lost that six pack they left with and came back with a keg.

• They, ironically, wanted to come back to Iowa City to take a break from drinking.

• He/she is covered in hickies.

• He/she is broke.

• They have a tan line in the shape of a penis on their back. And not just a little prick, but like a huge dong.

• They look extremely depressed because they got on a plane to come back to the Midwest.

• They got a tattoo of Abu from Aladdin on their butt.

• They are still drunk and have supposedly sworn off tequila.

— Scott Pacanowski loves his new tattoo and wishes the hickies would disappear. E-mail him at: [scott-pacanowski@uiowa.edu](mailto:scott-pacanowski@uiowa.edu).

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## horoscopes Tuesday, April 8, 2008 — by Eugenia Last

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** If you have emotional or financial issues to resolve, talk about them now, and you will find solutions. Action should be taken; anger should not be indulged in. Change may be required, but it will be a step in the right direction and the means to an end.  
**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Emotions will be running high, so hit while the iron's hot. Take care of the things that are bothering you at work and with people you have to deal with. You can gain ground if you put your networking skills to work for you.  
**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Being sentimental about a situation you face or someone you care about will add to your charm and help you promote love and passion. Don't hold back. Be honest about the changes you want in your personal life.  
**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** If you are aggressive in your actions, you are likely to get someone's back up. Take an easygoing attitude to problems and complaints. A love problem handled poorly could lead to results that are not redeemable. Think before you take action.  
**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Don't waste time pondering what might be. Instead, turn your option into something memorable — you will prosper emotionally and financially. Love is on the rise and commitments can be made.  
**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Taking corners will backfire, but giving your all and adding a little extra detail will pay off. Networking, traveling, or talking seriously about your plans and intentions will lead to life-altering results.  
**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Curl up with a good book, movie, or the one you love. Have fun, and enjoy your time with people who contribute positively to your life. Your state of mind will affect how you react to situations that will have a major effect on your future.  
**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Put on the pressure, and you will get people motivated to get their end of things completed. Stay in control, and follow through with your ultimatums. A strong presence will bring you the respect you deserve.  
**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You can make changes to your home and start new friendships with people in your community. Your friendly nature and generosity will enable you to build allies quickly. Charm will be the key to winning favors.  
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Keep things simple, and stick close to home. You will accomplish far more than if you have to deal with outsiders. Don't argue about trivial matters; they will pass if you just leave them alone.  
**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Don't dwell on emotional issues that probably don't really concern you. Stay away from neighbors, relatives, and peers who bother you, and whatever you do, avoid gossip. You are the one who will be blamed if you meddle in other people's affairs.  
**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Put your time and effort into financial gains, professional moves, or starting your own small business. You can get ahead if you focus on your talents and seek people who can contribute to your plans. Keep the upper hand, and use your charm.

## BLOOD BROTHER



UI junior Adam Jaspering donates blood at the IMU on Monday. The blood drive is part of Greek Week, and blood donations will help the Mississippi Valley and DeGowin blood centers, as well as the Red Cross.

## today's events

Want to see your super special event appear here? Simply e-mail the name, time, date, and location information to: [daily-iowan-calendar@uiowa.edu](mailto:daily-iowan-calendar@uiowa.edu)

- **Obesity Conference**, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., UI Institute for Clinical and Translational Science and UI Institute for Biomedical Imaging, Second Floor Ballroom, IMU; register online free and open to the public, [www.icts.uiowa.edu:8082/obesity08/](http://www.icts.uiowa.edu:8082/obesity08/)
- **Molecular Physiology and Biophysics Seminar, "Molecular Mechanism of pH Sensing in KcsA Potassium Channels,"** Crina Nimigean, 9:30 a.m., 5-669 Bowen Science Building
- **Sounds of Spring**, 9:30 a.m., Indian Creek Nature Center, 6665 Otis Road S.E., Cedar Rapids
- **Biochemistry Workshop, "Three NKx2 transcription factors — in vitro predictions and in vivo function in Xenopus,"** Daniel Weeks, 12:30 p.m., Bowen Science Building Spivey Auditorium
- **"Discussing War Crimes and Humanitarian Law Violations, Stephen Rapp, chief prosecutor of the U.N. War Crimes Tribunal in Sierra Leone,** 12:40 p.m., 115 Boyd Law Building
- **Puppet Workshop**, 1 p.m., Kalona Public Library, 511 C St.
- **Community Library Writing Center**, 4-6 p.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Native Life in Today's Society**, 5-7 p.m., Office of Student Life, Latino Native American Cultural Center
- **Iowa City Shrine Club and Knights of Columbus Pork Roast**, 5-8 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 225 Highway 1 W.
- **Vital Remains, with Monstrosity, Forever in Terror, and Cranial Decay**, 6 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington
- **Portraits of the Prairie**, 6-6:30 p.m., Mid-Prairie Middle School, 713 F Ave., Kalona
- **Etiquette Dinner**, 6-7:30 p.m., IFC/PHC/NPHC/Student Life, Main Lounge, IMU
- **Greek Week Event, Turkish Delights**, 6 p.m., New Pioneer Co-op, 1101 Second St., Coralville

- **Axis and Allies Miniatures**, 6:30 p.m., Critical Hit Games, 89 Second St. No. 5, Coralville
- **Partnership of Student Government at Iowa**, 6:30 p.m., Old Capitol Senate Chambers
- **Holistic Moms Network**, 6:30-8 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **"Why I Am Not A Christian ..."** Campus Christian Fellowship, 6:30-8 p.m., 256 IMU
- **Tenure Workshop**, 6:30-9 p.m., American Association of University Professors, Dental Science Building Galagan Auditorium
- **Connie Mutel, nonfiction**, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **FAB FIVE Show Choir Extravaganza**, 7 p.m., Paramount Theatre, 123 Third Ave. S.E., Cedar Rapids
- **"Lives from Prairie Lights,"** Laura Flynn, memoir, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Inclusive Ballroom Dance**, 7 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **Mini Medical School: A four session series, Making Sense of Your Health: See More. Hear More. Do More, "Session 1: Age-Related Vision Loss,"** 7 p.m., Medical Education and Research Facility; to register, [www.medicine.uiowa.edu/minimedicalschool](http://www.medicine.uiowa.edu/minimedicalschool) or 877-MED-IOWA
- **Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater**, 7:30 p.m., Hancher
- **Film Screening, To Live and Become**, 8 p.m., David's Place, 100 S. Linn
- **UI Jazz Rep Ensemble and Johnson County Landmark**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Actors Dance Theater**, 8 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **"Keep it Small, Keep it All: Cultivating the Bioeconomy at the Local Scale,"** time TBA, Health Effects of Environmental Contamination, Sheraton Iowa City Hotel, 210 S. Dubuque



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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, Robert Molsberry
- 2** News from Germany (in German)
- 3** Children's Human-Rights Forum, UNICEF Ambassador Angelique Kidjo
- 4** 2008 Presidential Lecture: Art & the Constitution, Randall P. Bezanson
- 5:30** 2007 Presidential Lecture: Muscular Dystrophy Research, Kevin Campbell
- 6:30** Elmer DeGowin, M.D.: Blood

- Transfusions in War & Peace, Ronald Straus
- 8** Children's Human Rights Forum, UNICEF Ambassador Angelique Kidjo
- 9** UI School of Journalism, National Saxophone Conference
- 9:30** News from Daily Iowan TV
- 9:45** UI School of Journalism, Visual Storytelling Project No. 2
- 10:30** News from Daily Iowan TV
- 11** Children's Human-Rights Forum, UNICEF Ambassador Angelique Kidjo

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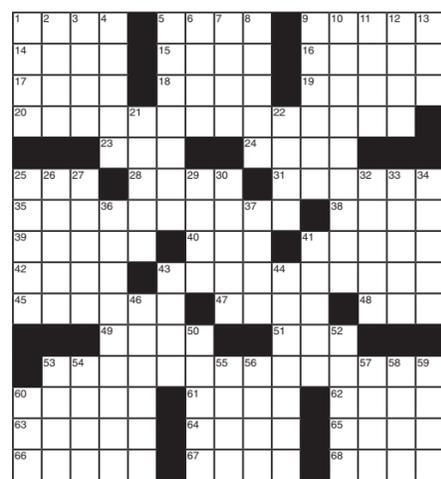
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- Across**
- 1 Its eye may be part of a witch's brew
- 5 Daddy-o
- 9 Sleep soundly?
- 14 Popular cornstarch brand
- 15 "\_\_\_ my word!"
- 16 Prenatal sites
- 17 Low-fat, as beef
- 18 Not on time
- 19 Business on the Internet
- 20 Polishing machines at an Ithaca campus?
- 23 CPR giver
- 24 Opposite of throw away
- 25 Geometry symbols
- 28 Recipient of "G'day"
- 31 Puts into effect
- 35 Trustee group at an Atlanta campus?
- 38 Peel
- 39 Mental flash
- 40 Old Michael Jackson 'do
- 41 Zellweger of "Chicago"
- 42 In a bit
- 43 Thoroughfare at a New Orleans campus?
- 45 Broadway Joe
- 47 Flip out
- 48 U.F.O. crew
- 49 Fishing float
- 51 Swiffer, e.g.
- 53 Rental arrangement at a Milwaukee campus?
- 60 Letters that must be bought on "Wheel of Fortune"
- 61 Versifier
- 62 Kind of hygiene
- 63 Analyze in English class
- 64 Mental flash
- 65 Lice-to-be
- 66 Cross over?
- 67 Dance's partner
- 68 Let (up)
- Down**
- 1 Face powder ingredient
- 2 Lunchbox goody
- 3 Food thickener
- 4 John who wrote "Love built on beauty, soon as beauty, dies"
- 5 Can opener
- 6 October gem
- 7 What Texas hold'em tables hold
- 8 Take furtively
- 9 Volvo's home
- 10 Stationer's supply
- 11 Sharif of "Funny Girl"
- 12 Baseball stat
- 13 Night school subj.
- 21 Outstanding Comedy Series awards
- 22 Addiction
- 25 Pie nut
- 26 "\_\_\_ roll!"
- 27 Sin city
- 29 Vegetarian's protein source
- 30 \_\_\_ Court (London tube station)

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Puzzle by Sarah Keller

- 32 Paddled vessel
- 33 One of two choices on Halloween
- 34 Tournament favorites
- 36 Discovered by accident
- 37 A horse of a different color?
- 41 Towed items, sometimes
- 43 No \_\_\_ traffic
- 44 Conventioneer's wear
- 46 Close-fitting hats
- 50 French military hats
- 52 Nokia offering
- 53 Repeat
- 54 Suffix with billion
- 55 Fuss
- 56 Adolescent
- 57 Melody for Dame Nellie Melba
- 58 Piper's followers
- 59 Ultimatum's ultimate word
- 60 N.Y.P.D. alert

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