

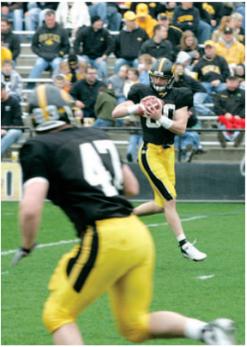
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Vets speak out on war

More than 150 people protested the Iraq war in Iowa City's streets Sunday, including some Iraqi war veterans.



Zach Heise listens to Chris Dols (left) protest the Iraq war on the Pedestrian Mall on Sunday. The rally, part of the Campus Antiwar Network's regional conference, brought students from various areas throughout the Midwest to Iowa City for various weekend activities. Heise, who runs the national Campus Antiwar Network's website, and Dols, a member of the coordinating committee, are from Madison, Wis.

By Clara Hogan
THE DAILY IOWAN

When America invaded Iraq, Andrew Huff believed President Bush when he said it was for a reason. Five years, a gunshot wound, and two friends' deaths later, he's changed his mind.

The 25-year-old from Minneapolis spent more than a year living out of a tent, working on

Iraq's streets for over 14 hours a day, sleeping only when he was lucky. For 13 months, he watched the war-torn country, and he has now decided to speak out against U.S. involvement.

Huff — who served in Iraq from 2004 to 2005 — was one of the 150 people to march down Iowa City's streets Sunday. The rally was a part of the Campus Antiwar Network's regional

conference, aiming to strengthen the movement against the Iraq war, said David Goodner, the head of the UI Antiwar Committee.

Students from Cincinnati, Madison, Wis., Chicago, Milwaukee, Champagne-Urbana, Ill., and Iowa City spent the weekend attending activities on campus. On Sunday, the group

SEE PROTEST, 3A

Public opinion

Those in favor of using military force in Iraq

- March 2003 — 72 percent
- March 2004 — 55 percent
- February 2005 — 47 percent
- March 2006 — 45 percent
- March 2007 — 43 percent
- February 2008 — 38 percent

Source: Pew Research Center

A transplant first for UIHC

Two sisters unknowingly received kidneys from the same 'very special' deceased transplant donor.

By Kelsey Beltramea
THE DAILY IOWAN

It was the 2 a.m. phone call both sisters were ready to take. At their separate homes in

Lone Tree and Wilton, Iowa, last week, Karen Parizek and Margaret "Elaine" Behrens received the same call: Their transplant coordinators found them potential kidneys.

They both reported to the UI Hospitals and Clinics that morning.

But it wasn't until two hours later that the sisters realized they were awaiting the same organs a few rooms apart from one another.

Phyllis Rife, their sister from West Liberty, made the connection when Behrens' husband called to say he and his wife were at the UIHC. Rife insisted it was Parizek expecting surgery; he

insisted she was confused.

"It was just so funny, so unbelievable," 59-year-old Behrens said, laughing.

"Even the doctors kept looking at me like they'd seen me before," Parizek, 52, said.

Andy Bertolatus, the women's nephrologist, said he was indeed thrown by their initial physical similarities.

SEE KIDNEYS, 3A

Amtrak mulls new routes

Passenger rails haven't linked Iowa City and the Quad Cities in 30 years.

By Megan Stephenson
THE DAILY IOWAN

A trip from Iowa City to Chicago would cost an estimated \$25 and take fewer than six hours without ever setting tire on Interstate 80.

A recently released Amtrak study found that proposed service from Iowa City to the Quad Cities would be financially feasible and had support from both local citizens and legislators. The plan will go before the Iowa Legislature during the 2009 session.

The study is an extension of another Amtrak study that had equally positive results of a passenger train service from the Quad Cities to Chicago. If that route is approved for funding, the Iowa City route will most likely follow suit, and Amtrak would offer passenger-train service from Iowa City to Chicago.

Students have already expressed interest in this potential service, especially those from the Quad Cities. A one-way ticket from Iowa City to Chicago will likely cost around \$25, said Marc Magliari, an Amtrak spokesman.

"For students who don't have cars, as long as the train station was within walking distance of campus, this could be a big time-saver for parents who would otherwise have to come get their children for the weekend," said Kelly Stavnes, a senior at the UI who is from the Quad Cities.

UI junior Allison Miller, who is also from the Quad Cities said she would use the



Keller
excursion chairman of the Iowa Association of Railroad Passengers

SEE AMTRAK, 3A

Temblor rattles much of Midwest

An earthquake woke some Iowans up at 4:36 a.m. on April 18. The 5.2 magnitude quake originated in the Wabash Valley Seismic Zone, which covers southeastern Illinois and southwestern Indiana. This area is located in the Illinois Basin, an oval depression covering approximately 60,000 square miles in the Midwest. The Earth contains seven major and many minor plates, with the West Coast on the edge of the North American Plate.

Map of earthquake area
Darker green indicates approximate range of where earthquake was felt.



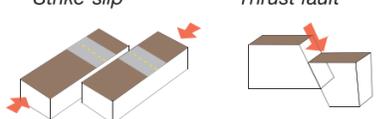
*An arc exists when an oceanic plate has collided with a continental plate and then slid underneath it.

DI reporter Lauren Skiba contributed to this graphic

Sources: UI professor Ray Anderson, US Geological Survey, New York Times

How it works
The April 18 earthquake occurred when the faults formed miles deep in the bedrock of the Illinois Basin shifted. Because quakes are less frequent in this area, geologists have not studied the fault system as thoroughly as areas on the West Coast. They are unable to pinpoint the exact faults on which this earthquake occurred.

Types of faults in the Illinois Basin
Strike-slip Thrust fault



Shakedown

To see more on last week's earthquake, go to dailyiowan.com and see Daily Iowan TV's report.

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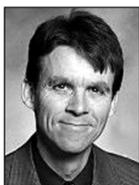
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Culver signs HPV bill

Iowa Gov. Chet Culver signed a bill on April 18 mandating that health-care insurers cover human papillomavirus vaccine, a few weeks after the measure passed with bipartisan support in both the House and Senate.

Many insurers already cover the vaccine, but the new law will make that coverage all-encompassing. The bill also bans insurance companies from dropping HPV coverage.

"It's great prevention, and we want it to be affordable and accessible to all women," Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City, told *The Daily Iowan* a few days after the bill passed the Senate.



Bolkcom
D-Iowa City

HF 2145 passed the House, 81-16, on March 20, and the Senate followed shortly after, approving the measure 41-8 on March 31.

The new law, which will take effect Jan. 1, 2009, faced some opposition from insurance and business groups.

— by Shawn Gude

Man pleads not guilty in officer attack

One of the Iowa City men who allegedly attacked a police officer attempting to write a UI student a PAULA ticket in February pleaded not guilty to three charges.

Michael Bakerdjis, 20, was charged with second-degree robbery, a Class C felony, assault on peace officers and others, a serious misdemeanor, and prevention of apprehension, an aggravated misdemeanor, after he and UI student Michael Fabinski, 19, allegedly attempted to steal a ticket book from an Iowa City police officer who was writing their friend a PAULA citation.

Police reported that while an officer was writing UI student Michael Schroeder, 20, the citation, Fabinski allegedly grabbed the ticket book and Bakerdjis allegedly pushed the officer before both ran south on Clinton Street. Schroeder also escaped while police followed the others.

Fabinski was apprehended after he slipped and fell, and Bakerdjis was arrested after he was spotted walking by the crime scene and then attempting to hide in the bushes. Schroeder was found in Currier.

If convicted, Bakerdjis could face up to 13 years in prison and up to \$18,125 in fines on the three charges. He was ordered by the court on April 17 to enter substance-abuse counseling.

— by Olivia Moran

Woman charged with 2nd OWI, endangerment

A Tipton woman faces two charges after she allegedly registered a .202 blood-alcohol content with her two children in the car, authorities reported.

Iowa State Patrol officers charged Deborah Jordan, 38, on April 19 with second-offense OWI and child endangerment.

As of Sunday, Jordan was not being held at the Johnson County jail.

According to reports, an officer attempted to pull Jordan over for speeding at 10:22 p.m. The officer reportedly used sirens and all lights on his car for half a mile before she pulled over.

Jordan allegedly smelled of alcohol, had blood-shot eyes, and failed a field sobriety test. Her children, ages 1 and 8 years old, were in the car, according to reports.

Second-offense OWI is an aggravated misdemeanor, punishable by up to two years in prison and a fine of up to \$6,250.

— by Clara Hogan

Area man charged with 3rd OWI

A Solon man faces a felony after being charged with OWI on April 19, authorities report.

Kerry Keim, 51, was charged with third-offense OWI.

Keim is being held at the Johnson County jail on a \$5,000 cash-only bond. According to police reports, an officer from the Johnson County Sheriff's Office responded to a single-vehicle accident at 6:20 p.m. and reportedly discovered that Keim had crashed his tan 1990 Toyota Camry.

He smelled of alcohol, slurred his speech, and had blood-shot eyes, according to reports. Keim reportedly refused Datamaster testing.

A third-offense OWI is a Class D felony, punishable by up to five years in prison and a fine of up to \$7,500.

— by Clara Hogan

Authorities charge sex offender with address noncompliance

Johnson County sheriff's deputies arrested a convicted sex offender April 16 who reportedly failed to register his address with authorities.

Seth Dudley, 29, address unknown, was charged with failure to comply with the Sex Offender Registry.

Dudley is being held at the Johnson County jail on a \$5,000 cash-only bond.

According to reports, he registered an address on March 21 that was not his own. The owner of the residence told authorities that Dudley does not live at the address.

Police have told Dudley he needs to register in person under Iowa law, according to reports. Dudley has allegedly still failed to register a correct address.

The Iowa Sex Offender Registry shows Dudley was convicted of aiding and abetting false imprisonment of a male ages 14-17 in 1997.

He now faces an aggravated misdemeanor for failing to register, punishable by up to two years in prison and a fine of up to \$5,000.

Dudley has also been previously charged with OWI, unlawful use of a tobacco product by a minor, disorderly conduct, and possession of marijuana.

— by Clara Hogan

Kirkwood leader's daughter killed

Michelle Starceвич worked for the Prairie High cafeteria and loved sporting events. She had a genuine and generous nature, the release said.

Michelle Starceвич, 30, the daughter of Kirkwood Community College President Mick Starceвич, died in a car accident Aug. 18.

Michelle Starceвич, an employee of the College Community School District, was driving in a John Deere Gator utility vehicle when she collided with a vehicle heading north on Kirkwood Boulevard, just south of 76th Avenue Southwest, according to a release from a funeral home.

She died at St. Luke's Hospital as a result of injuries sustained in the crash.

"A bright light in our lives for three decades and a warm presence in so many other lives is no more," Mick Starceвич said in the statement. "An accident took Michelle from us today as she was traveling between the two bright and meaningful spots in her life: Kirkwood and College Community Schools."

Michelle Starceвич worked for the Prairie High cafeteria and loved sporting events. She had a genuine and generous nature, the release said.

— by Clara Hogan

Man sentenced in gas-station robbery

A Columbus, Ohio, man who robbed a Coralville Hy-Vee gas station last year was sentenced to up to 10 years in prison.

Bakara Diakite, 30, was charged with first-degree robbery on Sept. 18, 2007; he pleaded guilty to second-degree robbery, a Class C felony, on March 4. Sixth District Court Judge Marsha Bergan said Diakite must serve at least 70 percent of his sentence. His fine will be suspended, and he will receive credit for the 200 days he has already served in jail. She said he could be eligible for parole.

Police reported that Diakite entered the gas station with a handgun on Aug. 24, 2007, and ordered an employee to remove the money from a cash register. Officials eventually determined that his weapon was only a BB gun. Johnson County prosecutor Janet Lyness said.

Lyness asked Bergan for a 10-year prison sentence because the state is "very concerned" about Diakite's behavior. She said the incident was a terrifying moment for the victim, who was 20 years old at the time.

"She certainly believed it was a real gun pointed at her face," Lyness said.

Shawn Fitzgerald, Diakite's attorney, said his client was raised in unsafe areas of Africa, "which is strife within tolerance and social unrest," he said, and where Diakite sometimes served as nearly a slave. He is remorseful, Fitzgerald said, asking that he eventually be eligible for parole.

When asked, Diakite told Bergan he had no comment to give to the courts.

Fitzgerald said the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service will further investigate immigration consequences.

— by Olivia Moran

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Ex-Hawk Pierce sentenced to 30 days in jail

ADEL, Iowa (AP) — Former Iowa basketball player Pierre Pierce was sentenced on April 18 to 30 days in jail for violating his probation while playing in an NBA summer league in Las Vegas.



Pierce
former Iowa basketball player

Pierce appeared in 5th District Court, where he was found in contempt for violating his probation and ordered to begin serving the

sentence immediately. He was taken directly from the courthouse to the county jail, court officials said.

Pierce, who lives in Westmont, Ill., is on probation for a January 2005 incident at the West Des Moines home of a former girlfriend. He pleaded guilty to third-degree burglary, false imprisonment, assault with intent to commit sexual abuse, and criminal trespass.

He served 11 months in prison at the Mount Pleasant Correctional Facility before he was released in September 2006.

According to a probation officer's report, Pierce went to a Las Vegas nightclub on July 10, 2007, violating a rule ordering him to stay out of establishments where the primary source of income is alcohol sales.

He also was required to have a chaperone with him at all times, but did not stay in the same hotel room as the chaperone, and he used the Internet without the permission of his probation officer, the report said.

Local official says earthquake may affect water

MUSCATINE — The 5.2 magnitude earthquake that struck southern Illinois on April 18 could affect the quality of drinking water for Muscatine County residents who live in unincorporated areas or who have private wells, a county official said.

"Some of you may experience

some discoloration of your well water as a result of the quake," Eric Furnas, the county's zoning administrator and environmentalist, said in an e-mail.

It is common for compressions from quakes of this magnitude and larger to reach Iowa and cause some discoloration of well water ranging from black to yellow, he said.

Furnas said residents with discolored water could test their water for total coliform bacteria due to the possibility of the water quality being compromised.

If residents have a private well, county officials can test their water for free.

Residents can also turn on their outside faucet or hydrant and flush their system until the water runs clear again.

POLICE BLOTTER

Justin Biggs, 21, Masonville, Ill., was charged April 18 with public intoxication.
Evan Bond, 20, Davenport, was charged April 19 with public intoxication.
Timothy Braasch, 20, 319 N. Linn St., was charged April 18 with public intoxication.
Matthew Brown, 18, Fort Wayne, Ind., was charged Sunday with public intoxication and presence in a bar after hours.
Travis Bryant, 20, 28 Valley Drive, was charged April 18 with PAULA.
Steven Byrne, 19, Chicago, was charged April 19 with public intoxication.
Patrick Carey, 26, Chicago, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.
Jessica Duncan, 19, 419 N. Dubuque Apt. 1, was charged April 18 with PAULA.
Kenneth Eifrid, 19, 304 E. Davenport, was charged April 18 with public intoxication and PAULA.
Michael Ellett, 20, 1611 Prairie Du Chien Road, was charged April 18 with PAULA.
Condrad Fransisco, 23, Oxford, Iowa, was charged April 18 with public intoxication and harassment of a public official.
Jackson Fisher, 19, 528C Mayflower, was charged April 17 with possession of marijuana and

possession of drug paraphernalia.
Sean Gleason, 19, Chicago, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.
Michael Gilbert, 19, Denver, Iowa, was charged April 18 with OWI and PAULA.
Daniel Grady, 26, Indianapolis, was charged April 19 with public intoxication.
Aaron Gray, 18, Cedar Rapids, was charged April 18 with PAULA, unlawful use of another's driver's license, and presence in a bar after hours.
Patrick Gray, 18, 944 Rienow, was charged April 18 with public intoxication.
Michael Gregory, 19, N309 Currier, was charged April 18 with PAULA.
Reggie Gustafson, 19, 1308 Burge, was charged April 18 with public intoxication and urinating in public.
Jeffrey Hass, 20, Van Horne, Iowa, was charged April 19 with public intoxication.
Earl Hoback, 27, Washington, Iowa, was charged April 19 with public intoxication.
Brian Hodge, 25, Chicago, was charged April 19 with public intoxication.
David Jennings, 19, 529 E. Burlington St., was charged Sunday with public intoxication.
Lane Johnson, 19, Keosauqua, Iowa, was charged April 18 with public intoxication.
Donzell Lindsey, 23, 1110 Hudson St. Apt. 3 was charged April 11 and

April 17 with violating a no-contact, domestic-abuse protective order.
Robert Manning, 27, Tipton, was charged April 17 with public intoxication and possession of a schedule I controlled substance.
Lisa McDonald, 20, 308 S. Gilbert Apt. 1121, was charged April 18 with PAULA.
Michael Mijatovich, 20, 319 N. Linn St., was charged April 18 with possession of a fictitious driver's license.
Lindsey Nevins, 23, Des Moines, was charged April 18 with public intoxication.
Breanna Novak, 19, 520½ N. Gilbert, was charged April 18 with PAULA.
Jayne O'Brien, 20, 130 N. Linn Apt. 2417, was charged April 18 with PAULA and unlawful use of another's driver's license.
Paul Oleske, 23, 522 S. Clinton St., was charged April 18 with public intoxication.
Kip Opheim, 24, Clinton, Iowa, was charged April 19 with public intoxication.
Alexa Peters, 20, 610 S. Johnson Apt. 3 was charged April 18 with PAULA and unlawful use of another's driver's license.
Daniel Platt, 19, Chicago, was charged April 18 with public intoxication.
Matthew Quinlan, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged April 18 with

OWI and PAULA.
Derek Rawls, 22, 645 S. Lucas St. Apt. 7, was charged April 18 with public intoxication and urinating in public.
Aristonico Rodriguez, 26, Washington, Iowa, was charged April 19 with possession of marijuana and third-degree criminal mischief.
Briana Smith, 19, Oconomowoc, Wis., was charged April 19 with OWI.
Lauren Spencer, 20, Chicago, was charged April 19 with public intoxication and urinating in public.
Ryan Sullivan, 25, Parl Ridge, Ill., was charged April 19 with interference with official acts causing/intending injury.
Paige Sweeney, 19, 144 Rienow, was charged April 18 with PAULA.
Adam Van Helten, 19, 820 Miller Ave., was charged April 19 with public intoxication.
Sarah Vanhook, 20, Waterloo, was charged April 18 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.
Isaac Volz, 20, 804 Burlington Drive Apt. 3, was charged April 18 with public intoxication and PAULA.
Nathan Weigel, 19, Grinnell, was charged April 18 with public intoxication and interference with official acts.
Elvedin Zulic, 21, Dubuque, was charged April 18 with second-offense public intoxication.

Vets decry war

PROTEST

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walked along downtown streets, banging on drums, chanting messages, and turning heads.

At one point, they took up both lanes in the middle of Gilbert Street.

Huff served at Camp Ashraf in a town situated north of Baghdad. His normal days consisted of patrolling streets, raiding buildings, and running ambushes. Iraqi citizens were often resistant.

"They were nice to your face," he said. "But at night, they'd plant bombs in the road, hoping to see you dead."

Huff was awarded one day off per month, though he usually spent that time helping another unit. He is a new member of Iraq Veterans Against the War, and though he is happy with the movement, he is frustrated by society's disconnect as a whole.

'While this chaos is happening with our money and our citizens' lives, people are just going about their business. People need to wake up. The soldiers over there are doing the best they can, and they should be commended. But the reality is, we aren't helping.'

— Andrew Huff, Iraq War Veteran

"While this chaos is happening with our money and our citizens' lives, people are just going about their business," he said. "People need to wake up."

Max Wallin of White Bear, Minn. — a 22-year-old who served in Iraq in 2006 and 2007 — has followed the group to several campus events this year. He was against the war from the start, but because he was stationed at a reserve in his town when the United States invaded, he had no choice but to go.

"The soldiers over there are doing the best they can, and

they should be commended," he said. "But the reality is, we aren't helping."

Most at the rally were not Iraq veterans but rather, supporters of the antiwar movement.

One of those people was Hans Barbe, 23, of Detroit, who said he thought the UI campus was more disconnected than others he had traveled to during the conference.

All said that there is no obvious solution to helping the Iraqis, but America should help itself first.

"We can't police them forever," Huff said.

Sisters get transplants



Kelsey Beltramea/The Daily Iowan

Karen Parizek, 52, and Margaret "Elaine" Behrens, 59, discuss their new post-op diet restrictions April 18. The sisters received kidney transplants from the same deceased Oklahoma donor.

KIDNEYS

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"I thought, Man this is totally freaky," he said. "I walked out of one patient's room, and I thought to myself, 'How can two random people look that much alike?' It seemed completely insane."

The transplant team later learned that two kidneys were available — one for each sister from the same young individual who died in Oklahoma, making the transplant unique in UIHC history.

"We're used to having brothers and sisters up here, but usually it's because one is donating to the other — not something like this," Bertolatus said, adding he couldn't remember a case in which siblings shared organs from the same donor.

Of the 100 kidney transplants conducted at the UIHC each year, the organs for about one-third of them come from living donors, he said. After around 14 years, transplant patients usually need another kidney or dialysis, or both.

Karen Parizek

Age: 52
Lives in: Lone Tree
Job: Iowa State Bank in West Liberty
On the waiting list: Six weeks

Margaret "Elaine" Behrens

Age: 59
Lives in: Wilton, Iowa
Job: Second-grade teacher at Durant Elementary School
On the waiting list: Two years

Parizek's boss at Iowa State Bank in West Liberty, Cindy Mays, had agreed to donate her employee a kidney, but she suffered her health complications that delayed the transplant.

All other family members had been unsuccessfully tested for possible matches, leaving both sisters to wait.

Parizek was on the donation waiting list for six weeks. Her sister, a second-grade teacher at Durant Elementary School, had been waiting two years, suffering with chronic kidney failure and regular dialysis

treatment.

Chronic kidney failure is a debilitating illness that afflicts approximately 19 million U.S. adults, with an estimated 80,000 persons diagnosed annually, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports. As kidneys begin to fail, one experiences fatigue, weakness, nausea, and itching — symptoms Behrens said were wracking her life.

She had been told she had very slim chances of receiving a new organ.

"So when [the donation coordinator] called and said that they finally had this one that might match, I could hardly let myself believe it. I said, 'If this works it'd be a new life for me.'"

Sitting on the hospital bed next to her sister April 18, Parizek agreed, musing about their fortune.

"Yes, it's quite a story," she said. "It's a miracle."

E-mail *DI* reporter Kelsey Beltramea at: kelsey-beltramea@uiowa.edu

Train could link IC, Chi

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train for lack of other transportation.

"I probably would [ride] from the QC to Chicago," she said. "That would be pretty handy actually."

Iowa City Mayor Regenia Bailey said she has waited a long time for this day and that Amtrak "would enhance what we already think of as a great place to live."

The Iowa route would cost between \$26.1 million and \$32.5 million, depending on how fast the trains would travel. The study examined both a 60-mph and a 79-mph train.

The numbers also pointed to high revenue but relatively stable operating costs at higher speeds, which means a lower annual operating cost for Iowa. A contract would split the annual costs among Chicago, the Quad Cities, and Iowa City, sharing around \$6

'For students who don't have cars, as long as the train station was within walking distance of campus, this could be a big time-saver for parents who would otherwise have to come get their children for the weekend.'

— Kelly Stavnes, UI senior

million. At a lower speed, the contractors would have to pay up to \$7.2 million.

The route would most likely go over the Iowa Interstate Railroad, which bought the old Rock Island Railroad line. The Rock Island "Rocket" line used to service Iowa City, but the train was discontinued in 1978.

Eliot Keller, the excursion

chairman of the Iowa Association of Railroad Passengers, was pleased with this study, having been lobbying for passenger rail service for more than 20 years.

"It's significant that the governor supports this project," he said. "It's a significant amount of money, but when you look at the cost of other projects, [this] is amazing. A tremendous bargain."

Iowa Gov. Chet Culver supported the service in a statement.

"Rail service has tremendous advantages in terms of reducing our dependence on fossil fuels and foreign sources of oil [and] slowing the growth of highway congestion and associated pollution," he said.

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Caucus drew few ineligible voters

DES MOINES (AP) — The 2008 Iowa caucuses saw a flood of new participants, but that did not translate into large numbers of ineligible voters trying to participate, according to an analysis of state voter registration data.

According to the analysis in a copyright story by the Des Moines Register, a review of data from all of the state's 99 counties reveals a low rate of new voter applications filled out on caucus night by persons whose address could not later be verified.

The findings, which appear to uphold the integrity of the caucuses, may undermine criticism of Iowa's presidential nominating process as state leaders again prepare to defend the caucuses' first-in-the-nation status.

According to the Register's review, around 1.5 percent of the new voter-identification cards mailed to voters who registered on caucus night were returned to county auditors as undeliverable, indicating that the vast majority of new caucus-night voters had a bona fide address in Iowa.

State officials said the low error rate is impressive, especially because caucus-night turnout vastly exceeded expectations.

The analysis of voter registration does not take into account some complaints about caucus night, particularly that some sites were chaotic or overcrowded.

However, the findings do suggest there was no widespread effort by out-of-staters to pose as Iowa voters on caucus night, said Columbia University political-science Professor Lorraine Minnite, who has studied voter fraud.

"The numbers do not strike me as anything out of the ordinary," she said.

Out of 22,673 new voter-registration applications completed Jan. 3 at the caucuses, 329 of the corresponding voter identification cards,

mailed by county elections officials to these new voters, were returned by the post office as undeliverable.

The rate of undeliverable cards is about the same as when elections officials notify voters of changed polling places, some county auditors said.

Iowa is among eight states that allow same-day voter registration.

In Polk County, there were 3,308 new voter registrations on caucus night, almost twice as many as Linn County, which recorded the sec-

ond-highest number of caucus night registrations.

Of Polk County's total, 32 of the voter identification cards sent as a result by Auditor Jamie Fitzgerald's staff were returned to his office as undeliverable, a rate of less than 1 percent.

"Percentage-wise, we saw the same number from the caucuses as we do for every other mailing we do," Polk County Auditor Jamie Fitzgerald said.

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'If people are going to go out and drink, they're going to go out and drink, no matter how cheap the coffee is.'

— Jeff Cook, a House of Aromas manager and UI sophomore

'Halving' a go at it

While House of Aromas offers discounted coffee on the weekend evenings.

By Kurtis Hiatt
THE DAILY IOWAN

UI sophomore Miriam Weiner can occasionally be found sipping a chai tea or white mocha and studying at a local coffeehouse.

Java House, 211½ E. Washington St., and House of Aromas, 118 S. Clinton St., are Weiner's favorites. Lately, she said, she's been frequenting Java House, even though House of Aromas is easier on her wallet on the weekends.

The latter coffee shop has half-off everything on the weekends from 7 p.m. until close — an effort, in part, to keep people from imbibing at downtown bars while boosting business at the same time.

"I like the idea of providing an alternative to drinking," said Jeff Cook, a House of Aromas manager and UI sophomore. "I think very few alternatives exist."

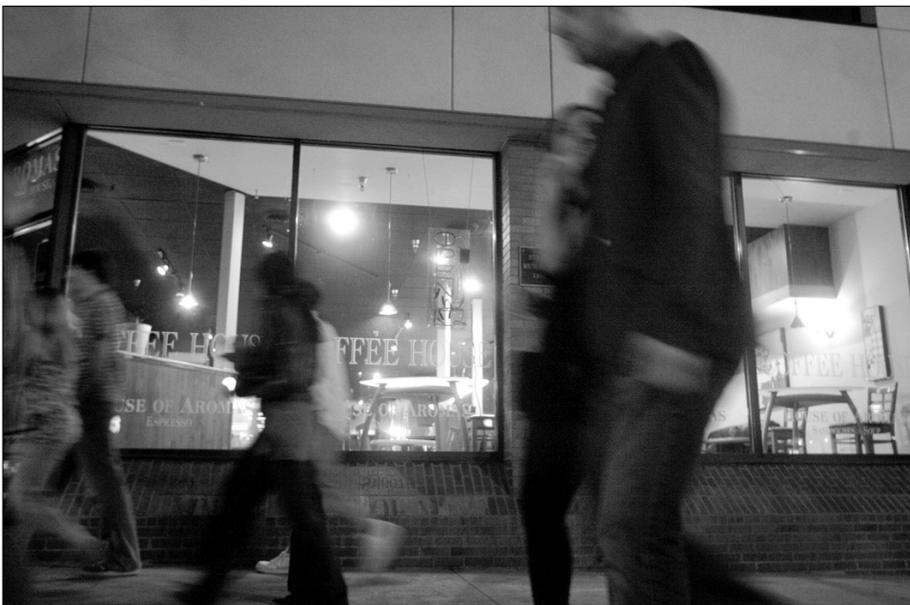
Cook said House of Aromas has offered the half-off deal since late February or early March, and the establishment has been "quite a bit busier than it used to be," seeing double the business on weekends thanks to the offer.

But, Cook said, the half-off incentive can only go so far.

"If people are going to go out and drink, they're going to go out and drink, no matter how cheap the coffee is," he said.

Weiner, 20, and a pre-med and psychology major, agreed.

"I guess there's some students who would decide to have coffee instead," she said. "A lot of people would just go out and drink no matter what [coffeehouses] are doing."



Phoebe Webb/The Daily Iowan

People walk past the House of Aromas on the night of April 19 on their way to various bars. House of Aromas has been offering half-off deals on weekends in order to improve business and provide alternatives to drinking.

House of Aromas started the incentive for a couple different reasons, including lackluster winter sales and the need to stay afloat among other java businesses, Cook said.

"[It] originated because we wanted to compete with the other coffee shops," Cook said.

Neither Java House nor Java Juice, 122 E. Washington, currently offer any discounts on weekends.

While it took a while to get the word out about the deals, Cook said most customers now know about the half-off incentive.

But for some customers, Weiner included, the deal doesn't really make a difference in her coffee-shop choice.

"It should, but it doesn't," she said, adding that she may consider a coffee shop on the basis of a discount if she thought of it ahead of time.

Cook said many House of Aromas customers now know about the deal, and the shop has its share of regulars.

Social responsibility was a factor in creating the discount, Cook said, and it was also the case in its recent

switch to all fair-trade and organic coffee.

"It was nice to try to do this," he said.

But even though coffee shops may pull in some bar attendees on occasional weekends, the businesses likely won't snag a majority.

"Even with being someone who kind of goes to coffee shops a lot, I go out sometimes also," Weiner said. "It's not necessarily one thing or the other."

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Councilors try again on manager

After Iowa City's unsuccessful initial search, four new city-manager applicants are coming to Iowa City for interviews.

By Briana Byrd
THE DAILY IOWAN

Nearly a year has passed since the former Iowa City City Manager Steve Atkins retired, and after months of searching for a viable candidate to fill his seat, the Iowa City City Council is yet again interviewing candidates.

In mid-February, five city-manager candidates came for interviews, but when the city councilors were unable to reach a consensus on one of them as a successor to Atkins, they decided to review more applicants.

"There wasn't a consensus on any one candidate in the previous pool," Councilor Mike Wright said. "Some members of the council thought it best to look at other people who had applied. This is such an important position that we felt we needed to look at some other candidates."

Initially, there were 48 applicants for the position after Atkins retired in July 2007. Since his absence, Assistant City Manager Dale Helling has held the position of interim city manager.

Councilors Mike O'Donnell, Connie Champion, and Wright said they wouldn't know until the interviews were conducted whether the candidates would be good fits.

"The city manager is critically important for the community," Wright said. "You want to be sure you're getting the best fit that you possibly can for this position."

The candidates, who will interview this week, are A.J. Johnson, a Muscatine city administrator, Carl Metzger,

Ankeny's city manager, Michael Lonbardo, a former administrator for Allegan County, Mich., and Paul Beecher, a former Kingman, Ariz., city manager.

Compared with the other candidates, Beecher has had somewhat of a rocky past. In 1991, he was forced to resign from his position as Kansas City, Mo., city manager after spending \$948,000 on lighting system for a local arena without receiving City Council approval, according to the *Kansas City Star*. Then in 2007, he was fired from his position as Kingman city manager because of a lack of communication between him and councilors concerning public-land deals, according to the *Kingman Daily Miner*.

"We knew [Beecher's] situation going into this, but it's definitely something the council will pursue," Wright said. "City-manager positions in other communities are often far more political than they are here, so it's not unusual for city managers to resign or be fired by their councils. It doesn't necessarily mean they aren't doing a good job, but it's a difference in philosophy."

O'Donnell said that he hopes through the interview process, they will find an individual best suited to serve Iowa City. "Sometimes when you're interviewing people, you have that instant click when you know things are going to work out, and that what's I'm hoping will happen," Champion said.

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Courts snap up tax refunds

Some Iowa courthouses are receiving dozens of calls from residents missing their income-tax refunds.

By Olivia Moran
THE DAILY IOWAN

Some Iowa residents may not receive their income tax money. In fact, Iowa's court systems have collected \$1.9 million of that money so far this year.

In its 14th year in effect, a procedure called income-tax offset will automatically withhold some or all income tax money of those with overdue fines, fees, and other court debts. But despite the program's long history, Steve Davis, the Iowa court communications officer for the Iowa Supreme Court, said clerks of court across the state continue to receive angry calls.

"They do say that people are unhappy when they expect to get an income-tax refund, but instead, they get a letter from the Department of Revenue. [But] there isn't a lot of argument once they're reminded of their fine or fee."

Ken Gard, the accounting supervisor for Linn County, said his county has collected nearly \$374,000 so far this year, the largest amount ever at this time. He said most calls related to the system come during February, March, and some in April.

"A few of them are angry, but most of them are just wondering why we keep it," he said.

"They do say that people are unhappy when they expect to get an income-tax refund, but instead, they get a letter from the Department of Revenue. [But] there isn't a lot of argument once they're reminded of their fine or fee."

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The Iowa Department of Administrative Services' website reads that the benefit to using the system is that citizens, customers, and agencies in Iowa can receive funds owed to them that may otherwise be impossible to collect.

Last year, Iowa's courts alone paid off a total of \$4 million in court debts.

In the past year, the Johnson County court system has made more than \$148,000 with the system.

Smaller counties in Iowa are also attempting to close the gap. So far this year, Dickinson County has

received more than \$20,000 from the offsets, Clinton County has gathered around \$60,000, and Mahaska County has collected nearly \$40,000, a press release stated.

Davis said 65 percent of the overdue fines and fees are on criminal charges. This means the majority of the debts are owed by the incarcerated. Even life sentences, for example, come with mandatory fines, Davis added.

"A lot of that we will probably not be able to collect," he said.

Over the past 20 years, the statewide unpaid debt has risen to nearly \$476 million, most of which will never be collected. Davis said the courts bring in most of the money from traffic fees, which account for 23 percent of the unpaid fines.

In 2007, Iowa's Department of Revenue, court systems, Department of Human Services, Workforce Development, and Internal Revenue Service collected over \$15.5 million using the income tax offset program.

In addition to income tax offset, officials use contempt hearings, warning notices, license suspensions, and other methods to force debtors to pay.

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UISG newbies on board



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UISG Vice President Bridget Szeluga laughs at a photo of herself during a slide show celebrating VIP members on April 19. The UISG Inauguration Ceremony was held at the Levitt Center and included swearing into office the 2008-2009 president, vice president, executive officers, and Senate members.

By Carla Keppler
THE DAILY IOWAN

New officers and representatives were officially sworn in to the UI Student Government at the third-annual inaugural ball this weekend.

Departing UISG Vice President Carole Peterson began the commemoration of outgoing and incoming representatives by recognizing a supportive administration and last year's hard-working batch of executive officers.

"The executives from last year showed considerable worth and accomplished great things," she said, citing improvements in both internal UISG functionality and external relationships with the state Board of Regents, administration, students, and local and state governments. "With in my first few days in office, I realized that I really depended on their expertise," she said.

She pointed specifically to last year's successes concerning campus safety and low

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tuition increase, saying "all in all, 2007-2008 was a successful year."

After swearing in the fresh group of executive officers and a new senate, newly appointed Speaker of the Senate J.D. Moran addressed his peers.

He said he looks forward to the collaboration of ideas among the group and encouraged his fellow delegates to be proud of their leadership positions but also to look forward to what they will do for the UI this year.

President-elect Maison Bleam congratulated the new members on their new

role as delegates of the students who have entrusted them to make a difference. He vowed to make a real and lasting impression on the university that will exceed all expectations.

"We look forward to starting a new era," he said, "And we hope to meet and surpass your expectations" to make a real and lasting impression on the UI.

Vice President Bridget Szeluga kept her address "short, sweet, and simple" by thanking her family and fellow representatives for their support in her run for office.

She recognized her dedication to the organization but said that "it'd mean nothing if it weren't for the soldiers that I have here [in UISG]."

Peterson concluded the ceremony with a bit of advice for the new group.

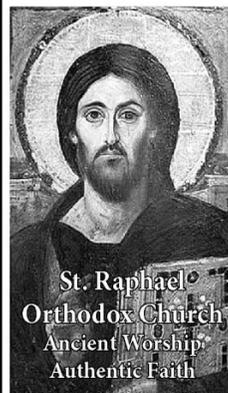
"Never take yourself or student government too seriously. Expect a challenge. Expect that some days you'll question why you ran [for UISG] in the first place," she said. "But if you throw your heart and soul into this, everything will be worthwhile and meaningful, and in the end, you'll be very glad you had the opportunity to be part of student government."

And while she's sad to leave, she has faith in the new leaders.

"I've observed them as peers and leaders, and I've seen how hard they work. I have the utmost faith in their leadership."

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New digs for Willowwind

Thirty-five years later, the Willowwind School has a new environmentally friendly building.

By **Melanie Kucera**
THE DAILY IOWAN

The move for Willow the giraffe wasn't easy.

His 11- to 12-foot stature defied the confines of the moving van, forcing an open-top truck to be called in to carry the Willowwind School mascot to his new home.

While delivering a welcome speech during the school's dedication ceremony, Susan Smith, the head of the school, related how Willow symbolizes the students.

"Giraffes are sociable, and they form communities naturally, but they share leadership within those communities," she said. "Part of our mission is to help our children become strong leaders and problem solvers."

Smith was joined by more than 50 people who attended the combined dedication ceremony and 35th anniversary celebration of Willowwind School, a preschool through eighth grade independent alternative school established in 1972.

The school moved from an old Victorian house located at the intersection of Johnson and Burlington Streets to the new building at 950 Dover St.

"The move has allowed us to open preschool classrooms and to have a better, brighter, learning environment," she said.

The old house had only 2,500 square feet compared with the 17,000 square feet Willowwind now occupies.

Walking up to the new school, one automatically can see the building is unique.

"People remark immediately of the shape and the lines of the design," Smith said. "It is not square rooms and straight hallways."



Will Baker and Blake Termini along with other Willowwind students wait in the hallway to read a collective poem during the Willowwind Dedication Ceremony on April 19. The school building, now located at 950 Dover St., was designed by Harry Teague.

Whitney Wright/The Daily Iowan

Willowwind history

- Established in 1972
- First location — house on Fairchild Street
- Second location — 226 S. Johnson
- Current location — 950 Dover

Source: Susan Smith, head of school

The central staircase is set at an interesting angle, she said, and she noted the numerous windows and skylights that allow natural light to filter in. Many studies have proven how much more effective natural light is for learning, she said.

"In some of the classrooms, it feels like we are in a tree house," she said. "It refreshes [the students'] minds, and they are not looking out on a busy street."

The architects behind this distinctive design were Harry Teague, a nationally renowned Colorado architect, and Neumann Monson of Iowa City.

The project lasted nearly two years and cost \$3.5 million.

"This is one of the moments you treasure as an architect," Teague said. "You get a sense of community in a school like this." He later joked, "I want to sign up and stay."

The building is inspired by Leadership in Energy Efficiency and Design, which means the building was constructed using environmentally conscious techniques. The designation was accomplished by reducing water run-off, recycling more than 50 percent of construction waste, increasing natural light in the building, and using recycled materials in the carpet.

In one of many letters of congratulation, Iowa Gov. Chet Culver noted that Willowwind is the first independent school in Iowa to be certified by the program.

Other letters read to the audience were from Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, and Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa City. Each offered their congratulations to the school.

Iowa City Mayor Regenia Bailey pronounced April 19 to be "Willowwind Day," and former UI President Willard "Sandy" Boyd gave the keynote speech.

"Education is Willowwind's never-ending frontier," he said.

The 70 students enrolled at Willowwind have been attending school in the new building since the fall of 2007.

"It is awesome," fifth-grader Ben Sindt said. "I like that it is nice for the environment."

His friends all enjoy the new building, he said, and he is happy about the air conditioning and water fountains.

His mother, Christine Sindt, said that despite some initial worry about the new building's huge size provoking a lack of interaction, she has definitely changed her mind.

"The new building is just fabulous: It offers so many things for the students, and it is a great learning atmosphere," she said. "The children are all so proud of their school."

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Colt's exclusive M4 deal draws fire

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — No weapon is more important to tens of thousands of U.S. troops in Iraq and Afghanistan than the carbine rifle. And for well over a decade, the military has relied on one company, Colt Defense of Hartford, Conn., to make the M4s they trust with their lives.

Now, as Congress considers spending millions more on the guns, this exclusive arrangement is being criticized as a bad deal for American forces as well as taxpayers, according to interviews and research conducted by the Associated Press.

"What we have is a fat contractor in Colt who's gotten very rich off our wars in Iraq and Afghanistan," says Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla.

The M4, which can fire at a rate of 700 to 950 bullets a minute, is a shorter and lighter version of the company's M16 rifle first used 40 years ago during the Vietnam War. It normally carries a 30-round magazine. At around \$1,500 apiece, the M4 is overpriced, according to Coburn. It jams too often in sandy environments such as Iraq, he says, and requires far more maintenance than more durable carbines.

"And if you tend to have the problem at the wrong time, you're putting your life on the line," says Coburn, who began examining the M4's performance last year after receiving complaints from soldiers. "The fact is, the American GI today doesn't have the best weapon. And they ought to."

U.S. military officials don't agree. They call the M4 an excellent carbine. When the time comes to replace the M4, they want a combat rifle that is leaps and bounds beyond what's currently available.

"There's not a weapon out there that's significantly better than the M4," says Col. Robert Radcliffe, director of combat developments at the Army Infantry Center in Fort Benning, Ga. "To replace it with something that has essentially the same capabilities as we have today doesn't make good sense."

Colt's exclusive production agreement ends in June 2009. At that point, the Army, in its role as the military's principal buyer of firearms, may have other gunmakers compete along with Colt for continued M4 production. Or, it might begin looking for a totally new weapon.

"We haven't made up our mind yet," Radcliffe says.

William Keys, Colt's chief executive officer, says the M4 gets impressive reviews from the battlefield. And he worries that bashing the carbine will undermine the confidence the troops have in it.

"The guy killing the enemy with this gun loves it," says Keys, a former Marine Corps general who was awarded the Navy Cross for battlefield valor in Vietnam. "I'm not going to stand here and disparage the senator, but I think he's wrong."

In 2006, a non-profit research group surveyed 2,600 soldiers who had served in Iraq and Afghanistan and found 89 percent were satisfied with the M4. While Colt and the Army have trumpeted that finding, detractors say the survey also revealed that 19 percent of these soldiers had their weapon jam during a firefight.



Kirsty Wigglesworth/Associated Press

U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Ruben Romero of Fort Benning, Ga., demonstrates new technology making use of a magnifying video camera and thermal imaging on the M4 weapon during a demonstration on the sidelines of a NATO summit in Riga on Nov. 27, 2006.

Obama accuses Clinton of 'slash and burn' tactics

WEST CHESTER, Pa. (AP) — Barack Obama cast his Democratic presidential rival on April 19 as a game-player who uses "slash and burn" tactics and will say whatever people want to hear, a sharp jab at her character in the final chapter of the pivotal Pennsylvania primary campaign.

Hillary Rodham Clinton implored voters to look beyond "whoop dee do" speechmaking and take a hard look at who's got the know-how to deal with the nation's burdens.

"I want everyone thinking," she declared, as if to suggest those backing Obama are not. Her

implication was clear: She's substance, he's flash.

Altogether, the campaign for Tuesday's contest was dissolving into the sort of acrimony that makes party leaders long for the finish line, before the nominee is damaged in the fall. Obama's criticisms were direct, while Rodham Clinton's were oblique but unmistakable. At various times in the protracted contest, it's been the other way around.

He pressed the case against her at stop after stop, blunt words set against the bucolic backdrop of his train ride through the Pennsylvania countryside. For her part, Rodham Clinton struck back at a new Obama ad that criticizes her health-care plan, telling a rally in York: "Instead of attacking the problem, he chooses to attack my solution."

Housing crises spur demands for regulation

WASHINGTON (AP) — A heavier federal hand is reaching into American life as politicians in both parties demand an overhaul of government financial regulation and more protection for homeowners in the face of mortgage woes and a weakening economy.

This rush to regulate also was apparent in the recent crackdown on the airlines, resulting in thousands of grounded flights for safety inspections as the government beefs up its enforcement of existing laws. There have been mounting proposals for tougher government rules to address climate change. High corporate salaries have come under attack on Capitol Hill, as have oil industry profits and rising food costs.

Advocates of more aggressive government action see it as a boon to ordinary Americans struggling in hard economic times. But those favoring a lighter federal touch worry that the pendulum will swing too far toward regulation, stifling economic growth and efficiency.

"There's always that danger," said Jack Kemp, former New York congressman, housing secretary in the first Bush administration and 1996 Republican vice presidential nominee. "We do have to be concerned about over regulation."

But even the conservative Kemp, now an economic adviser to John McCain, has come down on the side of more federal involvement to help struggling homeowners. He argues for a plan — being advanced by the GOP presidential candidate — to help homeowners under water on their mortgages to restructure their loans. Lenders would have to write off part of the principal, and in exchange, the new loan would be backed by the federal government through the Federal Housing Administration. Designed to help 200,000 to 400,000 people, it is similar, if less ambitious, to plans supported by Democratic candidates Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham-Clinton.

Judge in polygamist case stays on track

SAN ANGELO, Texas (AP) — Most of the cases that come across Judge Barbara Walther's bench are quiet affairs: divorces, drunken-driving violations, the kind of small-time disputes that sprout in places where land and livestock are more plentiful than people.

But in the past two weeks, the non-sense state district judge has found herself at the center of one of the most convoluted, unruly custody cases in U.S. history, herding hundreds of lawyers while dozens of reporters camp out on the lawn of the historic columned courthouse that sits in the center of San Angelo.

Those who know her say Walther did what she always does. She needed yammering lawyers, refocused wandering questions, and then ruled. No drawn-out testimony, no taking the case under advisement, no lengthy written ruling later.

After 21 hours of testimony over two days, Walther took a short break, then ruled on the night of April 18. The 416 children taken from a polygamist sect and placed in state custody will stay there, she said. Walther also ordered all the children and parents involved to take DNA tests.

"She will rule, and that is something in a judge's personality that lawyers really appreciate," said Guy Choate, a longtime San Angelo attorney. Her attitude is, "I may be right or may be wrong, but I'm not uncertain."

Al-Sadr threatens new uprising

BAGHDAD (AP) — Anti-American Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr gave a "final warning" to the government April 19 to halt a U.S.-Iraqi crackdown against his followers or he would declare "open war until liberation."

A full-blown uprising by al-Sadr, who led two rebellions against U.S.-led forces in 2004, could lead to a dramatic increase in violence in Iraq at a time when the Sunni extremist group Al Qaeda in Iraq appears poised for new attacks after suffering severe blows last year.

Al-Sadr's warning appeared on his website as Iraq's Shiite-dominated government claimed success in a new push against Shiite militants in the southern city of Basra. Fighting claimed 14 more lives in Sadr City, the Baghdad stronghold of al-Sadr's Mahdi Army.

Fighting in Sadr City and the crackdown in Basra are part of a government campaign against followers of al-Sadr and Iranian-backed Shiite splinter groups that the U.S. has identified as the gravest threat to a democratic Iraq.

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Pope praises U.S. flock

By Victor L. Simpson
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Pope Benedict XVI celebrated Mass and American Catholicism in storied Yankee Stadium on Sunday, telling his massive U.S. flock to use its freedoms wisely as he closed out his first papal trip to the United States.

Benedict beamed before a joyous crowd of 57,000, hours after making a solemn stop to pray at the site of the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center.

He called the Mass “a summons to move forward with firm resolve to use wisely the blessings of freedom, in order to build a future of hope for coming generations.”

And he repeated a core message of his six-day pilgrimage — that faith must play a role in public life, citing the need to oppose abortion.

The unwavering truth of the Roman Catholic message, he said, guarantees respect for the dignity of all, “including the most defenseless of all human beings, the unborn child in the mother’s womb.” The crowd applauded the line.

Worshippers filled the seats, chanting, clapping and waving white and yellow handkerchiefs in the Vatican’s colors as the white popemobile pulled in. At the end of the service the German-born Benedict again processed out slowly, serenaded by the strains of Beethoven’s “Ode to Joy.”

Outside the stadium, two dump trucks filled with sand blockaded 161st Street before Mass, an extra level of security along with the heavy police presence. Pilgrims without tickets pushed up against metal police barricades, hoping to get a glimpse of the arriving pope.

Inside, ad-splashed outfield walls were draped in white with purple and yellow bunting. A white altar perched over second base, and the papal seal covered the pitcher’s mound, suspended



Kevin P. Coughlin, pool/Associated Press

Pope Benedict XVI leaves the altar after celebrating Mass at Yankee Stadium in New York on Sunday.

by white and yellow ribbons. “I have never seen Yankee Stadium so beautiful, and I have season’s tickets,” said Philip Giordano, 49, a tax attorney from Greenwich, Conn., who won seats in the loge section behind home plate through a parish lottery. “It sure beats sitting in my local church.”

Added his wife, Suzanne: “I’m hoping to feel something from (Benedict). Everyone who has seen him says they crumple,

their knees buckle. You come away just feeling different.”

New Orleans crooner Harry Connick Jr., on the pre-Mass concert program, remarked that he is often asked if he’s a practicing Catholic.

“Practicing?” he said. “I’m playing for the pope today.”

Benedict seemed to enjoy his long journey to the altar in the popemobile, waving to people in the stands. From the altar, he stood to acknowledge the

crowd’s roar when New York Cardinal Edward Egan welcomed him.

He praised the U.S. church, which has 65 million members, in his homily, saying that “in this land of freedom and opportunity, the church has united a widely diverse flock” and contributed greatly to American society.

The pope departed on a special airliner nicknamed “Shepherd One” after a farewell ceremony hosted by Vice President Dick Cheney, with Democratic presidential hopeful Hillary Rodham Clinton and President Clinton in attendance. “May God bless America!” the pope said before departing.

Earlier, on a chilly, gray morning, the pope blessed the site of the terrorist attacks and pleaded with God to bring “peace to our violent world.”

The visit by Benedict to Ground Zero was a poignant moment in a trip marked by unexpectedly festive crowds such as the one at Sunday’s Mass.

Benedict was driven in the popemobile part-way down a ramp now used mostly by construction trucks to a spot by the north tower’s footprint. He walked the final steps, knelt in silent prayer, then rose to light a memorial candle.

Addressing a group that included survivors, clergy and public officials, he acknowledged the many faiths of the victims at the “scene of incredible violence and pain.”

The pope also prayed for “those who suffered death, injury and loss” in the attacks at the Pentagon and in the crash of United Airlines Flight 93 in Shanksville, Pa. More than 2,900 people were killed in the four crashes of the airliners hijacked by Al Qaeda.

“God of peace, bring your peace to our violent world,” the pope prayed. “Turn to your way of love those whose hearts and minds are consumed with hatred.”

NATION

Lawsuit: Veterans Affairs has failed to prevent suicides

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs isn’t doing enough to prevent suicide and provide adequate medical care for Americans who have served in the armed forces, a class-action lawsuit that goes to trial this week charges.

The lawsuit, filed in July by two nonprofit groups representing military veterans, accuses the agency of inadequately addressing a “rising tide” of mental health problems, especially post-traumatic stress disorder.

But government lawyers say the VA has been devoting more resources to mental health and making suicide prevention a top priority. They also argue that the courts don’t have the authority to tell the department how it should operate.

The trial is set to begin Monday in a San Francisco federal court.

An average of 18 military veterans kill themselves each day, and five of them are under VA care when they commit suicide, according to a December e-mail between top VA officials that was filed as part of the federal lawsuit.

“That failure to provide care is manifesting itself in an epidemic of suicides,” the veterans groups wrote in court papers filed Thursday.

A study released this week by the RAND Corp. estimates that 300,000 U.S. troops — about 20 percent of those deployed — are suffering from depression or post-traumatic stress from serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

“We find that the VA has simply not devoted enough resources,” said Gordon Erspamer, the lawyer representing the veterans groups. “They don’t have enough psychiatrists.”

The lawsuit also alleges that the VA takes too long to pay disability claims and that its internal appellate process unconstitutionally denies veterans their right to take their complaints to court.

The groups are asking U.S. District Court Judge Samuel Conti, a World War II U.S. Army veteran, to order the VA to drastically overhaul its system. Conti is hearing the trial without a jury.

“What I would like to see from the VA is that they actually treat patients with respect,” said Bob Handy, head of the Veterans United for Truth, one of the groups suing the agency.

Handy, 76, who retired from the Navy in 1970, said he founded the veterans group in 2004 after hearing myriad complaints from veterans about their treatment at the VA when he was a member of the Veterans Caucus of the state Democratic Party. The department acknowledges in court papers that it takes on average about 180 days to decide whether to approve a disability claim.



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Editorial

Searching for a buzz: the energy source of the future

Despite loud international calls for the United States to set firm environmental commitments, the country's environmental policies continue to falter. Especially disheartening is the continued, unflinching dedication to biofuels. Biofuels, as the Editorial Board pointed out April 18, were once heralded as the alternative-energy messiah. While refusing to set carbon-emission limits or mandate the EPA to crackdown on the country's heaviest polluters, the Bush administration endorsed biofuels as the clear gasoline alternative. Not only would they wean our dependence on foreign oil and bolster domestic agriculture, they would effectively reduce our nation's carbon emissions.

The logic was simple. By growing crops that absorb carbon and then burning them to produce energy, the net effect would be to cycle carbon in and out of the atmosphere rather than releasing carbon currently locked up in the ground as oil, coal, or gas. The problem, however, is that harvesting, transporting, and processing biofuels consumes energy as well, more than offsetting the perceived carbon neutrality.

Moreover, as the April 18 editorial pointed out, the world is in the midst of a food crisis. As the price of basic food commodities, such as rice and corn, continue to soar, millions are left hungry. The problem is dire, and although the diversion of crucial food crops toward biofuels cannot be directly implicated as the cause, it is no doubt playing a role.

The United States is not alone in its fascination with biofuels. Last week, the United Nations' special rapporteur for the right to food, Jean Ziegler, characterized further investment in biofuels as a "crime against humanity." The European Union has made them a centerpiece in its green-Earth

policies. By the year 2020, the EU has set a target of producing 20 percent of its energy from renewable fuels. The policy's saving grace, the organization argues, is its reliance on a new breed of biofuels.

Developing these "second-generation" biofuels has become the focus of environmental groups everywhere. Unlike the first wave of biofuels, such as ethanol and biodiesel, which rely heavily on edible cereal grains, the new wave focus on converting pulp, consumer waste, and other non-foodstuffs into energy. To date, the feasibility of such fuels remains contested, and even if they prove viable, they entail many of the same drawbacks as their predecessors. Carbon-absorbing forests and cropland would still have to be leveled to produce the raw material for the fuel, and the production, shipment, and distribution would consume a tremendous amount of energy in and of themselves.

Wind, hydro, and solar power seem obvious candidates. True, each entails its own black marks, but in the end, the potential advantages outweigh the drawbacks. Perhaps the most intriguing energy source is nuclear, which, if pursued in a responsible manner, with well-laid plans to dispose of dangerous waste, would provide a comparatively cheap and energy-rich alternative.

With the myth of biofuels as the clean-burning, unblemished alternative to traditional fuel sources dispelled, the focus becomes targeting the next most viable candidate. In terms of their raw potency and cost-effectiveness, traditional fuels are untouchable. But, with reserves drying, environmental costs mounting, and world-wide consumption growing by leaps and bounds, exploring alternatives is crucial.

Recall when

History ended nearly 20 years ago. It died long before that. In 1989, Francis Fukuyama published an article titled "The End of History," advancing his vision of the post-Cold War world. He argued, "What we may be witnessing is not just the end of the Cold War, or the passing of a particular period of post-war history, but the end of history as such: that is, the end point of mankind's ideological evolution and the universalization of Western liberal democracy as the final form of human government." Events have clearly not borne out Fukuyama's thesis.

In fact, his thesis was fundamentally flawed from the very beginning. Like other progress narratives — Marx's view of history being the most obvious — Fukuyama believed in the possible perfection of human society, that there was an agreeable and inevitable solution to the problems of humanity. This is a total farce.



ANDREW SWIFT

History is never-ending; by its very definition, it includes human activity everywhere over the course of time. It is open-ended, all encompassing, and rich in emotion. History is never simple, but in our efforts to teach it to our children, that is exactly how it is produced. Because we are afraid it is too complex for students' minds, we make it mind-numbingly boring.

Instead of providing our youth with the ability to analyze complex situations, we hide the complex from them. We provide easy choices, false narratives, and rigid truths. If we really wanted to teach history, we'd teach books detailing the complexity of human nature, and the often absurd turns life throws us. Instead, we deliberately stunt intellectual curiosity.

In his seminal work *Lies My Teacher Told Me*, James Loewen details why history is often students' least favorite subject. American history textbooks are stricken with blind nationalistic myths and countless numbers of dates, names, and places. In short, they lack history.

It's plainly obvious our concept of history is pervasively flawed. It has gotten to the point where we think of history as the endless dates, names, and places that overrun our textbooks. Worse, we think understanding history is the ability to recite these innumerable nouns. In reality, we're blinding ourselves to the thoughts and feelings that drive human action and devoid of any context.

This is how we present all history, not just the American version. Our treatment of world history — which is often limited to Europe, anyway — is horrendously poor. We use the most basic American lens to look at the world, ignoring the struggles, achievements, and disappointments of others. Worse, we peddle how we should think and feel about the rest of the world in these narrow constructs.

We are not the only society guilty of this. Many children in the Muslim world grow up learning that the Holocaust was a myth, an exaggeration of the Western world to justify the state of Israel. We often — rightly — call out this ungrounded, xenophobic, creed as damaging to the potential of peace in the region. Sadly, we ignore the falsehoods we pitch to our own kids.

This has great ramifications for our society. Wide swaths of the American populace accept arguments akin to "they hate us because of our freedoms." We consistently fall for the gambit of demonizing those who confront us instead of looking them in the eye. We fail to recognize the limits of our reach, and the currents we're actually fighting. We accept the simple because that's how we've been taught to think.

Policymakers go on and on about how we're falling behind in math and science. Well, I have news for you — we're way behind in history. With every student that grows up learning about George Washington and his cherry tree, our society slides down the slope toward ruin. Very, very, very few of us are capable of discussing the problems facing America in an informed and rational manner.

Societies ultimately collapse and fail not from wars or depressions. They evaporate because of ignorance. They disappear because they are unaware of the forces, whether greed, hatred or jealousy, arrayed against them. That day is drawing near for America. But we should not rue this day — instead, we should learn history. ■

DI columnist Andrew Swift thinks that "the end of history" would be a good theme for a bar crawl. E-mail him at: andrew-swift@uiowa.edu

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Commentary

Better benefits, including a college education, would reward troops

To date, 56 senators and more than 200 representatives have signed on to legislation to revamp GI educational benefits. They recognize that the men and women fighting today's wars in Iraq and Afghanistan are not getting their due. But if Congress is serious about doing right by America's veterans, it has to do more than come up with a list of names. It's time to enact a new GI bill and pay for it.

Impetus for the bill comes from Sen. James Webb, D-Va., a veteran with a family history of military service. Webb and a co-sponsor, Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., also a veteran, rightly argue that post-9/11 veterans are being short-changed by a system designed for peacetime that has not kept pace with increased college costs. Their bill, introduced in January 2007, would be true to the original GI bill enacted after World War II in providing a cost-free education to those who serve in the military.

The bill got an important boost last week with backing from Sen. Daniel Akaka, D-Hawaii, the chairman of the Veterans' Affairs Committee. Even with that support, though, advocates are worried that the bill might not advance, and so they are targeting other influential lawmakers, especially

those who sit on important appropriations committees, to add the measure to the emergency supplemental appropriations bill this spring.

Disappointingly, Sen. John McCain, the presumptive Republican candidate for president, so far declines to back the measure. He seems to be responding to concerns of the military brass that enhanced educational opportunities could negatively affect retention rates. Not only is it wrong to want people to stay in the military because they have no alternatives, but such thinking ignores the advantages enhanced educational benefits offer in recruitment. To meet recruitment goals, the military has offered bonuses and lowered some of its standards. Imagine being able instead to promise possible recruits a first-class college education.

The bill is not cheap; cost estimates range from \$2 billion to \$4 billion a year. But better-educated veterans have more favorable readjustment experiences, which means less money spent on treating post-traumatic stress disorder and other difficulties. More to the point, this should be considered part of the cost of war — and an obligation that the nation should gratefully fulfill.

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

On the Spot

Do you fill up with an ethanol blend?



"Yeah, it's cheaper in Iowa."

Matt Svare
UI sophomore



"No, I ride a bike."

Lawrence De Geest
UI junior



"Yes, I'm conscious about the environment."

Regina Kuzmanich
UI senior



"Yes; at one time, I thought it would help the environment."

Kay Burke
Iowa City resident



What makes the crazy cat lady a crazy cat lady? Are the Facebook bumper-sticker people with cat pictures featuring cats using ridiculously adorable grammar (Me leikz candeeze) digital crazy cat ladies? Ann breaks it down on the 80 Hours blog, dailyiowanarts.blogspot.com, on her blog entry "Fail."

Arts & Culture

Not entirely forgettable

Jason Segel finally gets his shot at the Judd Apatow spotlight with *Forgetting Sarah Marshall*, a romantic comedy that almost rises above its struggling genre.



MOVIE REVIEW

by Paul Sorenson

Jason Segel. Segel has always been my favorite Judd Apatow crony — from his start as the pitiable (and affable) wannabe drummer in "Freaks and Geeks" to his one-liner sleaze in *Knocked Up* ("Gynecology's only one of my hobbies, but ..."). So when I heard he was writing and starring in his own vehicle, *Forgetting Sarah Marshall*, my mouth automatically started salivating. This is my bias, and I am unashamed.

Like any idealized relationship, however, I was bound to be let down. No, this isn't my favorite movie ever, and it probably doesn't even crack my Apatow top three. *Forgetting Sarah Marshall*, after all, is a much more conventional romantic comedy, and often the movie suffers from indecision: Should it be the next heart-tugging *When Harry Met Sally* or a vulgar improv-fest à la *Knocked Up*? Luckily, much of this middle-

is because Segel is also stuck in between and, finally displayed in full (OK, enough with the innuendo: This movie has much on the full-frontal male nudity side), we get a picture not original in its devices but in its character.

Directed by Nicholas Stoller, *Marshall* stars Segel as Peter, a score writer for a "CSI" knockoff, "Crime Scene: Scene of the Crime," starring his girlfriend (then ex) Sarah Marshall — played by an increasingly sympathetic Kristen Bell ("Veronica Mars"). After five years, Sarah breaks his heart, and his emotions are left naked. A series of unsuccessful one-night-stands (Peter typically starts sobbing afterwards), his stepbrother Brian (Bill Hader) persuades him to take a trip. Peter chooses Hawaii and — here's where the RomCom absurdity comes in — Sarah's there too, with her new horny British rocker BF (Russell Brand). Who knew "That '70s Show"

star Mila Kunis, who plays Peter's girl savior Rachel, could actually be alluring? She might ditch the annoying television clingyness for too much "cool girl" quirk, but their relationship finds needed emotional pull. So Peter — not a beautiful man, a bit pudgy — is presented with two bombshells who like him immensely. Understandably, (most of) the crying stops.

Peter ends up with a girl, of course, but which one is a surprise. What's amiss about *Forgetting Sarah Marshall* is that it doesn't know that these women are the most interesting thing about it. Instead, it cuts away too often to second-rate Apatow mischief. Jonah Hill is surprisingly lame as a star-struck, man-crushed waiter, and Jack McBrayer of "30 Rock" gets laughs as a nervous Christian newlywed, but doesn't really seem to be in the right movie.

More interaction with Rachel

and Sarah would have been a sharper and more original choice. Sarah's "I did try" monologue to Peter is stunning — an emotionally resonant moment I never expected in any romantic comedy — and the dinner scene with all four leads is a hilarious and revealing exchange. If it doesn't quite know where to go from there, I can be forgiving; a Dracula puppet musical is perhaps the only way to stop this comedy's turn into a very odd tragedy.

Ah, Jason Segel. I suppose there's a temptation, in positioning yourself as a romantic lead, to finally get the dream girl your teenage self only kept in fantasy. Though making a good date movie isn't what will launch you into comedy fame (though it's a great choice, for the record), but what the best of the Apatow crew gets right: emotional honesty. You're close, Jason. Just remember to let it all hang out.

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Forgetting Sarah Marshall

When:
1:10, 4:05, 6:40, 9:15 p.m.
1:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:50 p.m.

Where:
Cinema 12; Coral Ridge 10

★★★½ out of ★★★★★

Because we're talking about a movie that breathes with unnecessary exposure, I might as well reveal myself: I'm in love with

today's RECIPE



PIZZA

Few college students shy away from a fresh pizza pie — but dorm life makes it difficult to construct. **Drunk or sober, DI reporter Cole Cheney keeps the cheesy goodness close to his heart with this excellent dorm-friendly feast.**

- WHAT YOU NEED**
- 1 can tomato sauce
 - 1 packaged pepperoni bag
 - English muffins (as many as desired)
 - 1 bag mozzarella cheese
 - 1 container of pizza seasoning (or oregano)
 - Butter

WHAT TO DO

Apply small amount of butter to top of English muffin with a dash of seasoning. Spread one to two spoons of tomato sauce over muffin. Place three pepperonis on top of sauce. Smother in cheese (there will be spillage). Microwave for two minutes and serve with a pinch of seasoning on top.

Delving into foundations of belief

Participate in a conversation your mother would not allow at the dinner table. Writers' Workshop graduate John Marks wants to talk about God, the absence of God, and the politics of God. Does this make you uncomfortable?

By Whitney Warne

THE DAILY IOWAN

A discussion between a believer in God and a nonbeliever is not likely to end with a consolatory handshake and everyone compromising on a half-God existence. With Bible verses and scientific terms slung back and forth in a no-win battle, the lines between friends and frenemies blur, leaving polar opposites and a lose-lose situation. Novelist and journalist John Marks starts the heated discussion with his new book, *Reasons to Believe*. In this half-memoir, half-journalistic venture, Marks writes about his two years spent interviewing Evangelicals in the deep folds of Christian America, asking questions from a nonbeliever's viewpoint.

Marks will read from *Reasons to Believe* at Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., at 7 p.m. today. He is joined on the road by longtime friend and former college roommate Craig Detweiler, an Evangelical and a co-director of the Reel Spirituality Institute at the Fuller Theological Seminary. The duo is looking to engage Iowa City in a debate about the bridging religious and political divide

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION

"Truth and Cash: Realities of the Writing Life," John Marks

When: 1 p.m. today
Where: Dey House Frank Conroy Reading Room
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READING

John Marks, nonfiction

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FILM SCREENING WITH LECTURE

Purple State of Mind, with John Marks and Craig Detweiler

When: 7 p.m. Tuesday
Where: 100 Phillips Hall
Admission: Free

Detweiler. A screening of *Purple State of Mind* is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday in Phillips Hall. The duo will also discuss the issue on Iowa Public Radio's "The Exchange" on Tuesday at 10 a.m.

Daily Iowan: How will you focus your reading and lecture?

John Marks: Every reading, I try to pick a section that will have more relevance to that particular group. The opening of the book lays out the whole premise, so I usually read from that.

It talks about my experience with [Evangelical] faith in the past and how it was something I put behind me. But around the 2004 election, this part of my [religious] path became radioactive. [The Evangelicals] who had previously felt ignored were starting to come into their own. People started asking what is [Evangelism]? Who are these people? They began saying things like, They're scary and they're fascist. I wasn't a believer anymore, but I had friends and family on the other side, and when I would go back to Dallas [Marks' hometown], I would get the other perspective.

DI: Did you see *Reasons to Believe* as a personal or public project?

Marks: As a journalist, you pursue a story with as little

emotional involvement as possible. But I knew soon as I sold this book [idea] that it would be partially a memoir. I knew I would have to personally inject myself into the story, but I didn't know how deeply involved I would be with the people I met. When I sat down to write it, the reporting of this book became the story, and it turned out not to be an act of reporting but one of self-reflection bolstered by my reporting.

DI: What was your intended audience for the *Reasons to Believe*?

Marks: Originally, I thought the book was more for nonbelievers, to help them understand [Evangelicals]. But now I think I have a greater number of religious readers because they see their faith both from the inside and the out. It's more gripping if you're already a Christian. If you're an atheist, then it's more informational.

DI: How do you continue to respect the beliefs of people whom you so vehemently disagree with?

Marks: Because I have to. What kind of hope would I have

of mutual respect if I categorically refuse to respect them? I don't believe that people of faith are going to disappear or integrate, so we have to make a very stark choice. We can reject each other or we can start to understand why people believe what they do. As a novelist, it would be a failure of imagination not to entertain the religious mindset. There is no way you can overestimate the impact of modern Christianity. It's like the bedrock buried beneath the topsoil.

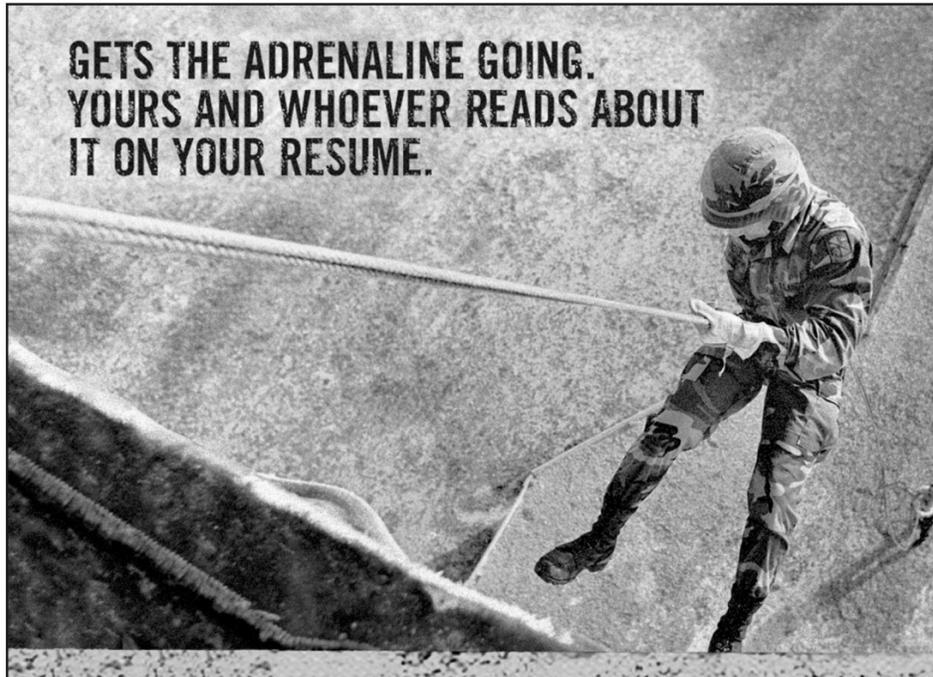
DI: Was there any moment you thought about returning to the faith you left behind?

Marks: I didn't feel gleeful triumph that I left Jesus Christ. I grieved the loss of my faith. And there were times [throughout this process] I wanted to believe very badly, times when I could really feel the power of the consolation and the community. But in the end, I realized I wouldn't be true to myself. I had to stick to my view if [what I was doing] was to mean anything at all.

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Dems up in air

Undecided
superdelegates
don't feel bound
by primaries.



Rodham-Clinton
presidential
nomination
hopeful



Obama
presidential
nomination
hopeful

By Stephen Ohlemacher
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Many of the Democratic superdelegates who are still undecided say the most important factor in their decision is simple — they just want a winner in November.

Problem is, after nearly four months of primaries and caucuses in 46 states, territories, and the District of Columbia, they still aren't sure who that is, don't seem to be in any hurry to make up their minds, and aren't interested in any artificial process that might force them to choose between Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Most of the more than 100 undecided superdelegates who discussed their decision-making with the Associated Press in the past two weeks agreed that the primaries and caucuses do matter — whether it's who has the most national delegates or the candidate who won their state or congressional district. But few said the primaries will be the biggest factor in their decision.

"I think it's really important that we keep our eye on the prize, and the prize is the win in November," said Gail Rasmussen, an undecided superdelegate from Oregon.

That's good news for Rodham Clinton, who cannot catch Obama in delegates won in the few remaining primaries and caucuses.

Obama has been arguing for months that the superdelegates would be overturning the will of the voters if they don't nominate the candidate who has won the most pledged delegates. He has a 164-delegate lead in that category. Rodham Clinton, meanwhile, has argued that superdelegates should exercise independent judgment.

Many of the undecided superdelegates say they don't want to be perceived as elite insiders, cutting backroom deals to select a nominee. But that doesn't mean they're ready to forfeit their status.

"The way the system is set up, the superdelegates are able to weigh in because we are the most experienced people in the party," said Blake Johnson, an undecided superdelegate from Alaska. "We are the ones who have been part of the party the longest and keep it running on a day-to-day basis."

There will be nearly 800 superdelegates at the party's national convention in Denver this summer. They are the party and elected officials who automatically attend the convention and are free to support whomever they choose. They are in high demand now that neither Rodham Clinton nor Obama can clinch the nomination without them.

Rodham Clinton leads in superdelegate endorsements, 258-232, according to the latest tally by the AP. However, Obama has been eating away at her lead for much of the past two months, picking up 84 percent of the superdelegate endorsements since Super Tuesday.

AP writers Julia Silverman, Steve Quinn, Ron Jenkins, and Dennis Conrad contributed to this report.

NATION

Bush meets with Harper, Calderón

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush is tending to his country's relationship with Canada and

Mexico one last time, trumpeting trade over the "scare tactics" of economic isolation.

Bush will join Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Mexican President Felipe Calderón today in

New Orleans for his fourth and final North American Leaders' Summit.

This year's event has the intended twist of giving an economic and symbolic boost to the host city. Almost 32 months after Hurricane

Katrina struck, New Orleans is still recovering — with uneven success — from the most brutal natural disaster in U.S. history.

Most of Bush's time will be spent in a hotel and a historic former city

hall in the Central Business District, far from the residential areas hit hardest by Katrina. His agenda includes a few events of local flavor, but they are secondary to diplomatic talks.

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 Cincinnati 4, Milwaukee 3, 10 innings
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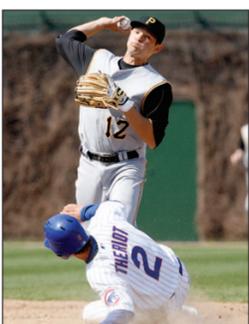
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Ryan Theriot
MLB

Ramirez leads Cubs over Pirates

CHICAGO (AP) — Aramis Ramirez tied a career-high with four hits, including a two-run homer, and the Chicago Cubs beat Pittsburgh, 13-6, on Sunday to complete their second three-game sweep of the Pirates this season.

Ryan Theriot added four hits, scored three runs and drove in two as Chicago won for the 11th time in 14 games and pounded the Pirates again. With the April 19 13-1 drubbing, this was the first time the Cubs scored 13 or more in back-to-back games since they did it against Florida and Atlanta on July 20-21, 2003.

Chicago banged out a season-high 18 hits, the most since it had 20 against Cincinnati last Aug. 16, while sending Pittsburgh to its fifth-straight loss. The win was Chicago's ninth straight against the Pirates, matching the Cubs' longest win streak against them since Sept. 5, 1938 to May 13, 1939.

Pittsburgh scored three runs off Ryan Dempster (3-0) in the fifth to cut it to 5-3, but Chicago responded with five in the bottom half against reliever Franquelis Osoria. The Pirates committed two errors in the inning, and Ramirez capped the outburst with his fourth homer.

TENNIS

Women's tennis splits

The Iowa women's tennis team wrapped up its regular season Sunday with a 6-1 loss at No. 55 Illinois.

The Hawkeyes swept doubles competition to open the meet and earn a 1-0 lead, but the momentum didn't carry into singles' play, in which no Hawkeyes won. The loss made the team's record 1-1 on the weekend.

On April 19, the 56th-ranked Hawkeyes (12-10, 3-8), beat Purdue, 5-2.

The meet concluded the regular-season careers of Iowa players Jacqueline Lee, Milica Veselinovic, and Kayla Berry.

The team hopes to return to winning form Thursday in West Lafayette, Ind., when the Big Ten Tournament starts.

— by Brian Cardile

TV TODAY

MLB
 • New York Mets at Chicago Cubs, 6 p.m., ESPN
NBA PLAYOFFS
 • Eastern Conference, first round, game 2, Washington at Cleveland, 6 p.m., TNT
 • Western Conference, first round, game 2, Utah at Houston, 8:30 p.m., TNT
NHL PLAYOFFS
 • Eastern Conference quarterfinals, game 6, Washington at Philadelphia, 6 p.m., Versus
RUNNING
 • Boston Marathon, 8:30 a.m., Versus

Still a work in progress



Steve Lexa/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye quarterback Jake Christensen prepares to pass during the April 19 scrimmage at Kinnick Stadium. Christensen started last season, but he is expected to be pushed by backups Ricky Stanzi and Marvin McNutt.

Players admit there's plenty of work left before August after a splash-splash spring scrimmage at Kinnick Stadium.

By Brendan Stiles
 THE DAILY IOWAN

On an unpleasantly soggy afternoon in Iowa City, the Hawkeyes held their spring scrimmage in front of a crowd of more than 15,000 at Kinnick Stadium and demonstrated that there's plenty to be solved before a season-opening date with Maine.

The consensus among the players and coaches is that the team is on the right path, but more still has to be done.

"All in all, a decent day of work," said Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz. "I think this spring, we made progress. Certainly, as you saw today, there are a lot of areas that we're going to have to improve in. We knew it, expected it, and that's the next challenge."

"But I think this was a good phase for us, the team

Spring highlights

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improved, and hopefully, [the players will] continue to make improvement this summer."

The biggest storyline from the weekend was the play of the three quarterbacks — returning starter Jake Christensen, sophomore-to-be Ricky Stanzi, and Marvin McNutt.

Junior-to-be wide receiver Trey Stross made two highlight-reel touchdown catches. The first came from the hands of Stanzi, while the second came from Christensen toward the latter part of the afternoon.

"Nice to see [Stross] come up with some big plays, and he's kind of done that throughout his career," Ferentz said. "Since

he turned the corner back in the fall, he really hasn't had any injury challenges. It'd be a wonderful time for him to mature and evolve into a guy that we can count on."

Stross believes the spring has been solid for the entire offense.

"I think in all areas, we've improved since last year," he said. "Our offensive line, they got a lot of experience during spring ball. Receiver-wise, there's this new technique or new coaching style, and we picked up on it pretty fast, and the quarterbacks have been competing every day, which is only going to make the position better."

The defensive unit looks to be solid once again for the Hawkeyes, but there were a couple of noticeable absences along the defensive line. Seniors-to-be Mitch King and Matt Kroul were held out of team drills, mainly because

Ferentz believes both defensive tackles have established themselves as team leaders.

"There's not a whole lot we need to know about them right now," Ferentz said. "We want to learn more about the other guys, not only what they do, but how they play when they're with the [No.] 1's."

King feels the biggest step the team has to take between now and August is sharpening themselves mentally, specifically with little details.

"We've been out here working 15 days this spring, and you still see the small things that are correctable — just small mental errors that you need to fix — and that's the biggest thing," King said. "It's those mental errors as much as physical, and that's what you got to work on."

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QB up in air

QB battle still on

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By Ryan Young
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Head coach Kirk Ferentz is still on the prowl for next season's starting quarterback.

While all signs appear to be pointing in the direction of last season's starter — junior-to-be Jake Christensen — Ferentz said that Ricky Stanzi and Marvin McNutt round out his list viable candidates after the team's annual spring scrimmage.

"I think [Christensen's] the No. 1 in my mind right now," the 10th-year coach said. "Ricky, he hasn't done anything to hurt his chance. Marvin is trying to chase right along. We'll see what kind of jump he can make between now and August."

SEE QUARTERBACKS, 3B

Spring Football

Today marks the first story in a five-part series that takes a closer look at a handful of key positions as the football Hawkeyes approach the 2008 season. Be sure to check back with the D/throughout the week for complete coverage as Iowa shifts its focus deeper into the off-season:

Today — Quarterbacks
Monday — Defensive Line
Wednesday — Running backs
Thursday — Secondary
Friday — Wide receivers



Christensen
 junior-to-be

Softball snags 3 of 4

Hawkeyes drop heart-breaker, manage split

Watch Daily Iowan TV at dailyiowan.com to hear more from the Hawkeyes marathon double-header with Minnesota at Pearl Field on Sunday.

By Brendan Stiles
 THE DAILY IOWAN

The No. 25 Iowa softball team had a successful weekend in Big Ten play, winning three out of four games at Pearl Field to improve to an overall record of 32-14 and 10-4 in the conference.

That one loss, however, frustrates the Hawkeyes. Iowa swept a double-header on April 19 against Wisconsin, 2-0 and 8-1, and in the first contest of a double-header against Minnesota on Sunday, the Hawkeyes beat the Golden Gophers, 2-0.

But the weekend finale, which was also the last of a nine-game homestand, was scoreless for 12 innings before Minnesota put a run on the board in the top of the 13th to defeat the Hawkeyes, 1-0.

In game one, Iowa struck first in the bottom of the second



Julie Brayton/The Daily Iowan

Hawkeye shortstop Erin Riemersma gets the first out of a double play during Iowa's opening game against Minnesota at Pearl Field on Sunday. Iowa defeated the Gophers, 2-0, before dropping a 13-inning heartbreaker, 1-0, in the second game of the double-header.

inning, when a Gophers' fielding error allowed junior shortstop Erin Riemersma to score from second. The insurance run came in the fourth, when sophomore first baseman Katie Brown knocked in junior pinch-runner Callie Adreon from second.

From there, junior pitcher Britany Weil took over, fanning seven

Minnesota hitters en route to her 20th victory of the season.

In the second game, sophomore Amanda Zust pitched seven shutout innings before Freie came in relief in the eighth to pitch the final six frames for the Hawkeyes. Both pitchers

SEE SOFTBALL, 3B

Baseball drops three of four

Hawks drop series

Visit dailyiowan.com today to check out an exclusive photo slide show from the Hawkeyes' disappointing double-header with Northwestern on Sunday.

By Diane Hendrickson
 THE DAILY IOWAN

It was a beautiful day for baseball, but an ugly day for Iowa — swept in Sunday's double-header by Northwestern, which took three of four from Iowa over this past weekend.

The Hawkeyes fell to eighth place in the Big Ten at 5-10, 14-21 overall.

"We just played bad baseball," said an agitated coach Jack Dahm. "You can look at any phase of the game: our defense was poor, our decision-making was poor, our pitching was poor, our hitting, at times — you know, we got a lot of hits this weekend — but we didn't swing the bat when it really counted."

In the first game, Northwestern scored six unearned runs in the

fourth inning to take a 9-1 lead on critical errors by Justin Toole and Wes Freie. The Hawkeyes committed four errors in the game.

Tommy Finn, who homered in his first at-bat, reached on a Toole error and scored on an Aaron Newman single. Tony Manville, who picked up the loss, was lifted for Steve Turnbull, who surrendered a Chris Lashmet single that plated two. With a five-run advantage for the Wildcats, Nate Roberts doubled down the left-field line to score another, and the Wildcats added two more when Freie lost a lazy pop-up in the sun.

In the fifth, Chris Lashmet added a three-run homer over the left-field scoreboard to put the Wildcats up, 13-2.



Dahm
 coach

SEE BASEBALL, 3B



Sports

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Florida	11	7	.611	—
New York	10	7	.588	½
Atlanta	9	9	.500	2½
Philadelphia	9	10	.474	2½
Washington	5	14	.263	6½
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	12	6	.667	—
Colorado	12	7	.632	½
Milwaukee	11	7	.611	1
Cincinnati	8	11	.421	4½
Pittsburgh	7	11	.389	5
Houston	7	12	.368	5½
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	13	5	.722	—
San Diego	9	9	.500	4
San Diego	9	10	.474	4½
San Francisco	8	11	.421	5½
Los Angeles	7	11	.389	6

Sunday's Games
 Florida 6, Washington 3
 Cincinnati 4, Milwaukee 3, 10 innings
 St. Louis 6, L.A. Dodgers 1
 Houston 6, Colorado 4
 San Francisco 8, St. Louis 2
 Chicago Cubs 13, Pittsburgh 6
 San Diego 9, Arizona 4
 Philadelphia 5, N.Y. Mets 4

Today's Games
 N.Y. Mets (Maine 1-1) at Chicago Cubs (Zambrano 2-1), 7:35 p.m.
 Florida (Hendrickson 3-1) at Pittsburgh (Morris 0-2), 6:05 p.m.
 Washington (Chico 0-3) at Atlanta (T.Hudson 2-1), 6:10 p.m.
 L.A. Dodgers (Penny 2-2) at Cincinnati (Belisle 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
 San Diego (Germano 0-1) at Houston (Oswalt 1-3), 7:05 p.m.
 St. Louis (Wainwright 2-1) at Milwaukee (Villanueva 1-2), 7:05 p.m.
 Philadelphia (Kendrick 1-2) at Colorado (Redman 2-1), 7:35 p.m.
 San Francisco (Correia 1-2) at Arizona (Owings 3-0), 8:40 p.m.

Wednesday, April 23
 Philadelphia at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
 Atlanta at Boston, 7 p.m.
 Denver at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 24
 Orlando at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
 Cleveland at Washington, 7 p.m.
 Houston at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
Friday, April 25
 Detroit at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
 New Orleans at Dallas, 7 p.m.
 San Antonio at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.

NHL PLAYOFFS

FIRST ROUND (Best-of-7)
Friday, April 18
 N.Y. Rangers 5, New Jersey 3, N.Y. Rangers win series 4-1
 Detroit 2, Nashville 1, OT
 Anaheim 5, Dallas 2
Saturday, April 19
 Washington 3, Philadelphia 2, Philadelphia leads series 3-2
 Boston 5, Montreal 4, series tied 3-3
 Colorado 2, Minnesota 1, Colorado win series 4-2
Sunday, April 20
 Detroit 3, Nashville 0, Detroit win series 4-2
 Calgary 2, San Jose 0, series tied 3-3
 Dallas 4, Anaheim 1, Dallas wins series 4-2
Monday, April 21
 Boston at Montreal, 6 p.m.
 Washington at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, April 22
 Philadelphia at Washington, 6 p.m., if necessary
 Calgary at San Jose, 9 p.m.

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS

BIG TEN BASEBALL

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Michigan	15	1	.938	28	8	.778
Purdue	12	4	.750	20	17	.541
Illinois	9	7	.563	21	14	.600
Ohio State	8	7	.533	19	15	.559
Northwestern	8	8	.500	13	17	.433
Penn State	8	8	.500	15	21	.417
Minnesota	6	10	.375	16	21	.432
Iowa	5	11	.313	14	21	.400
Michigan State	4	11	.267	13	21	.382
Indiana	4	12	.250	15	22	.405

Friday's Games
 Northwestern at Iowa, ppnd.
 Illinois at Minnesota, ppnd.
 Purdue 7, Ohio State 4
 Penn State 7, Indiana 3
 Michigan 8, Michigan State 3
Saturday's Games
 Northwestern 13-3, Iowa 5-8
 Illinois 15-7, Minnesota 2-3
 Purdue 8, Ohio State 0
 Penn State 8-3, Indiana 1-2
 Michigan 10-7, Michigan State 4-1
Sunday's Games
 Northwestern 13-9, Iowa 6-6
 Minnesota 4-7, Illinois 3-9
 Ohio State 8-5, Purdue 4-7
 Penn State 11, Indiana 9
 Michigan 27, Michigan State 6

BIG TEN SOFTBALL

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Michigan	13	1	.929	41	4	.911
Northwestern	13	2	.867	28	10	.737
Iowa	10	4	.714	32	14	.696
Purdue	6	6	.500	30	16	.652
Michigan St.	7	7	.500	23	21	.523
Minnesota	6	6	.500	23	14	.622
Illinois	6	8	.429	27	24	.529
Penn State	5	7	.417	31	16	.660
Ohio State	5	11	.313	27	20	.574
Indiana	3	11	.214	13	31	.302
Wisconsin	2	14	.125	12	37	.308

Friday's Games
 Wisconsin at Iowa, ppnd.
 Michigan State 2, Purdue 1
 Northwestern 11, Indiana 0 (5)
 Michigan 8, Ohio State 0
 Minnesota 2, Illinois 0
Saturday's Games
 Iowa 2-8, Wisconsin 0-1
 Purdue 9, Michigan State 0
 Northwestern 13, Indiana 0 (5)
 Michigan 10, Ohio State 1
 Illinois 10, Minnesota 2 (5)
Sunday's Games
 Iowa 2-0, Minnesota 0-1, 2nd game 13 innings
 Michigan State 2-7, Indiana 0-9
 Penn State 3-3, Ohio State 2-4
 Northwestern 10-8, Purdue 2-0 (5)
 Illinois 3-8, Wisconsin 2-6

Tennis wins, then loses

Needing two wins to for a .500 finish in conference, the Iowa men's tennis team missed out on a possible Big Ten Tournament bye after splitting this weekend.

By Bobby Loesch
 THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa men's tennis team (12-9, 4-6) finished out its regular season in up-and-down fashion with a 5-2 win over Purdue and a 7-0 loss to No. 17 Illinois over the weekend.

"Mixed results," said Iowa head coach Steve Houghton after Sunday's loss to the Illini. "That's the way it was supposed to happen on paper, if you want to say that. But our guys really did believe going into [the Illinois] match that we had a chance, and it'd be indicated by our first sets."

After a good win against Purdue, Sunday wasn't the storybook Senior Day for Bart van Monsjou and J.P. Ritchie. Van Monsjou lost in straight sets, and Ritchie fell in a highly contested three-setter. Playing in his last regular-season meet, van Monsjou said it didn't feel all that different, especially with the Hawkeyes hosting the Big Ten tournament next week.

"We're still playing here, so it doesn't really feel like Senior Day," he said.

Mat Sawin, a junior in eligibility but a senior academically, rounded out the celebration of the three seniors. Houghton gave a speech about each player to the crowd at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex in between doubles and singles play.

"It's a tough day to see J.P. and Bart go, but also a good day to recognize them and Mat Sawin for his leadership," said Tommy McGeorge.



Houghton coach
 van Monsjou senior

The sophomore thinks the Hawkeyes will be able to rebound from the hard loss as it goes into the Big Ten tournament's opening round Thursday.

"We're a very resilient team," he said. "And I think we've shown that through different matches where we've played back-to-back where we'd lose on Saturday and come back Sunday and win."

He added the team's collective eye is still on the prize, and staying focused won't be a problem. "Our ultimate goal is to get to NCAAs," McGeorge said, "and we'll be fired up."

The Hawkeyes will likely play Michigan State or Northwestern in the first round — two teams Iowa notched wins against in the regular season. An early win could build momentum going into a much tougher second-round opponent.

"A lot of guys are just peaking right now and playing their best tennis right now," van Monsjou said. "I'm confident in the guys."

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Tuesday's Games
 Dallas at New Orleans, 6 p.m.
 Toronto at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.
 Phoenix at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S GOLF

Hawkeyes finish 9th

In its last tournament before the Big Ten championships next weekend, the Iowa women's golf team placed ninth out of 12 teams at the Buckeye Invitational on Sunday. Of the seven other Big Ten teams that also competed in the tournament, only two squads (Illinois and Minnesota) placed behind Iowa. Inconsistent play has doomed

the Hawkeyes all year, and it plagued them again — coach Kelly Crawford's team shot rounds of 315, 325, and 312 on Ohio State's Scarlet Course.

Junior Tyrette Metzendorf and senior Melanie Boyles were the low-scorers for the Hawkeyes, placing in a tie for 18th with a 234 (plus 18).

Junior Becky Quinby and freshman Laura Cilek tied for 41st and 46th respectively. — by Scott Miller

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Senior Diane Nukuri shatters another record as the Hawkeyes race to strong finish at soggy Iowa Invitational.

Hawkeyes hope for springboard effect

Watch Daily Iowan TV at dailyiowan.com to see how the Iowa track teams hope to build off the Hawkeye Invitational before Thursday's start of the Drake Relays.

By Jeff Pawola and Alex Johnson
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Hosting their first meet in more than eight weeks, the Iowa track and field teams had a promising homecoming at the Iowa Invitational over the weekend.

In their last tune-up prior to the Drake Relays — which start Thursday in Des Moines — the Hawkeyes had several standout performances despite less-than-desirable weather April 19.

"We had some great performances," said women's head coach Layne Anderson. "The 1,500 was certainly very good, and Diane's [Nukuri] run there in the [3,000] was outstanding. Given the weather on some of the events, we did a nice job. Some a little better than others, some a little worse, but that's the nature of track meets."

Nukuri, a senior, broke her second school record of the outdoor season in the 3,000 while winning the race. Her time of 9:18.83 broke the previous mark of 9:20.61 set by Penny O'Brien in 1985.

"It was nice to do that," she said. "But really I was just trying to go out there and compete."

In the other event that Anderson noted, the 1,500 meters, the Hawkeyes claimed five of the top six places. Junior Sarah Henize finished first, followed by senior Racheal Marchand in second, sophomore Krista Anderson in fourth,

senior Jessica Schmidt in fifth, and sophomore Katie Ellis in sixth. "We just had a really good group, all us Iowa women running together and working with each other," Henize said. "It's nice because we train together, and we can go out and have good results together, too."

On the men's side, senior Shane Maier and juniors A.J. Curtis and John Hickey combined to throw four objects past the regional qualifying distances. Curtis hit the mark in both the discus and shot put, with Maier adding a toss in the discus and Hickey getting the other hurl in the shot put.

"Despite the weather conditions, we had some good performances," field-events coach Scott Cappos said.

Although Curtis threw well in both events, the junior was edged by Maier in the discus (171-1 versus 170-0) and Hickey in the shot put (28-0¼ versus 57-10½).

In addition to the two victories in the throws, the Hawkeyes took down first place in seven other events. A pair of experienced unattached runners including former world championships silver medalist and current Iowa assistant coach Joey Woody prevented two more Black-and-Gold wins in the 400 meters and 400-meter hurdles.

Seniors Lee Elbert and Aaron Reed both took individual wins in the 100 and long jump, as well as running a leg each in the first-place 400-meter relay that also included freshman Brandon McSkimming and senior Max Milder. Sophomore Adam Hairston gutted out a win in the 800 meters, and junior Andy Napier (1,500 meters),



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Iowa sophomore Mark Mankivsky attempts pole vault at the Hawkeye Invitational track meet at the Cretzmeier Track on April 19. Iowa hopes to use momentum from the weekend event when it travels to the Drake Relays on Thursday in Des Moines.

freshman Josh Bean (triple jump), and the 1,600-meter relay squad all took first place as well.

"I guess, again, it's mixed emotions," men's head coach Larry Wiecek said. "I was hoping during the week we'd get

a great day weather-wise and a great day performance-wise. I guess I'm still not seeing that total team performance that we'd like to see and that we need."

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SPRING FOOTBALL

Questions, questions



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Iowa running back Paki O'Meara gets taken down by a host of Hawkeye defensive linemen on April 19 during the annual spring scrimmage in Kinnick Stadium. While O'Meara got most of the repetitions at running back, the backfield is just one of a handful of positions yet to be settled before Iowa's season-opener in August.

FOOTBALL

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Somewhat along similar lines, Ferentz said he sees potential, but that becoming consistent in all areas is vital if the Hawkeyes are

going to have a successful 2008 campaign.

He also played down any importance he and his staff might feel the spring game has, saying "it's one day out of 15."

"Ultimately, what's really going to count is what we do in

August when we get back together as a team," Ferentz said. "At some point in there, probably midway through there, we're going to have to make some decisions and get set into a lineup so we can improve our consistency. It's

tough to do that when you're rotating folks around.

"At some given point, we're going to have to make some decisions."

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Christensen leads at QB

QUARTERBACKS

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"We'll just try to be fair about it, but we're going to keep [the spot] open and let everyone compete for a while."

Let the four-month-long competition begin. Season-opening opponent Maine awaits the champion in Kinnick Stadium on Aug. 30.

Amid chilly wind gusts and drizzle, Christensen's first public showing of 2008 appeared to be a continuation of his string of slapdash performances last November.

After opening with a pair of hand-offs, Christensen's first pass of the afternoon was picked off by defensive back Chris Rowell, who returned the purloined pigskin for a touchdown.

It was clear the junior-to-be was upset with himself following the play, irately ripping his chin straps away from his helmet and flailing his arms about in disgust.

Christensen did exhibit moments of finesse later on, though. Toward the end of the simulated game, he tossed a well-placed spiral directly into the arms of wide-out Trey Stross for Christensen's lone touchdown of the afternoon.

When asked how much the cold and wet working conditions affected the team's offensive game, Christensen said he thought the Hawkeye quarterback corps had a decent outing considering it was everyone's first time throwing in the rain.

But pressed about the potential threat both Stanzi and McNutt hold for his status as Iowa's signal-caller, the 6-1 lefty spoke with confidence.

"In my mind, I'm the guy," he

said. "But that's not up to me."

He proved to be the Hawkeyes' most potent passer, unofficially completing 10-of-17 attempts. Meanwhile, Stanzi operated with composure in the pocket and went 8-for-15 unofficially, connecting with Stross deep for a touchdown of his own — a feat that was well-received by the 15,352 Hawkeye fans in attendance after Christensen's initial subpar series.

The rookie McNutt only managed to complete three of his 10 throws, illustrating his inexperience.

"I don't think spring ball really solved anything," Stross said about the Hawkeyes' quarterback situation. "I think all three have improved. They all bring a different trait to the table."

Other teammates, however, were more straightforward on the matter.

"Obviously, Jake's probably the No. 1 guy coming out of spring, and he's the most experienced," wide receiver Andy Brodell said. "A lot of people might criticize certain things that happened last year, and you have to realize he was in his first year. We did have a lot of injuries, and it's not easy playing in the Big Ten, either."

"I definitely think he's the No. 1 guy. But Rick had a great spring, and so did Marvin. I think they positioned themselves to be able to step in next year if we need them."

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SOFTBALL

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finished with nine strikeouts in the second contest.

"The pitching today was outstanding," Weil said. "Amanda had a hell of a first seven innings, our defense played real well behind us. Emily [Nichols] was a rock behind the plate."

Coach Gayle Blevins not only liked what she saw from both her pitchers, but in particular, she appreciated that they could get key strikeouts that got Iowa out of some difficult situations.

"I think our pitchers did everything that we could've possibly asked of them," Blevins said. "I think all of us would acknowledge that they did what they needed to do."

While the pitching was there, however, the offense missed a plethora of opportunities in the defeat. In the first, a base hit to center field by junior Colleen

McGlaughlin was negated when sophomore Lindsey Digmann was called out for leaving first base too early.

In the sixth, the Hawkeyes had the bases loaded with nobody out but were unable to plate anyone. Minnesota got out of the jam with one out, when Riemersma popped out to center, and freshman Chelsey Carmody was called out on the throw home.

Iowa had two more golden opportunities in extra innings. In the ninth, Iowa left runners on second and third stranded with one out. Then in the 12th, with Nichols on second, senior Summer Downs looked to have the game-winning hit on a single to right field, but Nichols was thrown out on a play at the plate, preventing the Hawkeyes from completing the sweep.

"We had a lot of opportunities that game," Nichols said. "All of us had a lot of opportunities. We

just didn't do it."

The lone Gopher run came with two outs in the 13th and runners on first and second. Brown dropped a ground-ball out at first, allowing the Gopher runner on second to score.

"You could probably tell at that point in time that's probably what the game was going to come down to was one opening somewhere," Blevins said.

Even though 7-2 on the nine-game homestand wasn't what anyone on the team had in mind, the players feel they've gotten better through each of the nine home contests.

"We've actually really come together since we've been home," Weil said. "I'm looking forward to the rest of our season, because I think this team is going to do a lot of good things."

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'Cats take three of four

A weekend home stand at Banks Field turns gloomy for the Hawkeyes.

BASEBALL

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Iowa answered with four in the bottom of the inning to narrow the gap to 13-6, but it couldn't chip any further into the Northwestern lead. Toole — 6-for-9 on the day — started the inning with a single and went to third on a failed pick-off attempt. Kurtis Muller singled him home, and Freie tripled Muller in. Zach McCool plated Freie on a single, and he went to third on another pick-off miscue. The second baseman later scored on a Ben Geelan sacrifice fly.

In the nightcap, Zach Kenyon, fresh off his first career win on April 16, didn't make it out of the third inning, giving up four runs; he left trailing 4-1. North-

western pounded out 17 hits in the 9-6 victory.

"We're good for two innings and not too good for two innings," said Nick Erdman, who gave up four hits in 3 1/3 innings of the second game. "It's difficult for the coaches; they're never sure what guys are going to bring what day."

The Wildcats added another run in the fourth, but the Hawkeyes inched closer with two in the bottom of the inning. Freie started the inning with his third home run of the season to left. Kody McManis walked and came around to score on a single by Kevin Hoef, who was 5-for-10 with two RBIs on the day.

Back-to-back triples by Kody McManis and Matt Mossey led off the sixth for the Hawkeyes to tie the game at 5, but Iowa stranded two runners in scoring position. Twenty-three

Hawkeyes were left on base during the two games.

"We didn't come up with big hits today," Freie said. "It's putting too much pressure on yourself. If you put too much pressure on yourself, you're not going to get the job done."

Two singles and a walk against Turnbull loaded the bases for Northwestern in the eighth, and Goebbert singled two runs home for the win.

"Anytime they had to get a hit or make a pitch, they did," said Dahm, who has seen his team revert to early season form. "Whenever they had to make a play, they did this weekend. We didn't do that, and that's why we ended up losing three games."

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MEN'S GYMNASTICS

Hawks stall at NAAs

The Left Coast vibes have been decidedly negative for Iowa men's gymnastics when the Hawks have competed in the San Francisco Bay area this year.

Weighted down by a 339.850 team score and three sixth-place finishes, the Hawkeys stalled in their bid to second-day team competition finals over the weekend, placing fifth in their session and 10th overall at the NCAA championships April 17-19 in Stanford, Calif.

Top-three seeds Stanford, Illinois, and California advanced from session II to April 18's team finals, in which session I winner Oklahoma edged Stanford, 363.200-362.750, for the national championship.

Iowa's underwhelming results at Stanford resembled the team's Feb. 23 trip to the Pacific Coast Classic in

Oakland, Calif., that yielded just a 336.7 team score.

Though odds were long for fifth-seeded Iowa to make the top-three for team finals, the Hawkeys — who had averaged 344.262 over the past four meets — dropped below the 340 team score for the first time since the Pacific Coast Classic.

"It was very disappointing," Iowa head coach Tom Dunn said. "I was hoping to have our best performance of the year here — although we might not have had our best score because the scoring was a little tougher than I had anticipated ...

"But still, we didn't have a good meet."

As a team, Iowa had been relatively par for the course through three events, notching scores slightly above its season averages in floor, pommel horse, and still rings, but it hit a pitfall on vault — scoring just 60.3 to finish last in the event.

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Daily Break

“Hegel was right when he said that we learn from history that man can never learn anything from history.”
— George Bernard Shaw

the ledge

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SCOTT PACANOWSKI

Things you may not have known

- When a woman says she is “fine,” she is not fine; you must pursue the subject further. This usually means you did something wrong.
- “The Hills” is scripted. Sorry to burst your bubble, girls.
- Giraffes have the same number of vertebrae in their neck that we do.
- Edward Norton is a bad ass.
- You don't need to check Facebook every day.
- Water from the tap is drinkable. You don't need to spend money on water. Unless it is Fiji water. That stuff is awesome.
- Not all women are bitches and/or hos. I don't care what 50 cent says.
- Kevin Stroud has the worst luck in the world.
- There are people who believe that Heath Ledger died because God was punishing him for playing a gay man in *Brokeback Mountain*. This is beyond ludicrous.

— Scott Pacanowski hopes you feel smarter after reading this.
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horoscopes Monday, April 21, 2008

— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A blow-up is likely if you refuse to listen to good advice. A cause you think is worthy of a donation will not be what it appears. If you can't make a good decision, don't make one at all.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Emotional matters will leave you feeling vulnerable, especially when you have to make a fast decision. Look at the bright side of any situation you face, and you will win over some important support. A short trip will pay off in information.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't change your mind too often today, or you will be labeled irresponsible. Be upfront regarding any work-related plans. If you deviate from what you are supposed to be doing or what's been approved, you will be held responsible for the outcome.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): The more you combine work with pleasure, the further you will go today. Do some networking, or get in touch with people in your industry. Take a serious look at something you know you can do well, and show off your talents today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Whatever you do, don't sit around home. Get out and have fun, or book a romantic and adventuresome vacation to an exotic destination. If you opt to do nothing, you can expect to face complaints.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't stop because someone else isn't sure what he or she is going to do. Proceed with your plans, and you'll get what you want. A talk with someone will pay off big time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): There is no room for laziness, so don't even think about it. Take note of what others say, but don't let their comments set you back. You need to give yourself a bit of space to review your next move and implement it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Let your thoughts be known, but not at the expense of looking silly. Be sure you have all the facts before you take a position. A problem with someone you care about will develop if someone hasn't been honest about what's going on.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): There is probably something going on behind your back, or you are trying to withhold information from someone. Get things out in the open if you don't want matters to get worse. Stand up for your rights — but do so with integrity.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You can tie up loose ends and take a stance that will have everyone talking today. You can make, reclaim, and come into money through investments, debts owed, or even your own good luck. Communication will bring everything into perspective.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't be fooled by a story. Get the facts, or you will end up being taken advantage of emotionally and possibly financially. Delays can be expected if you are trying to get from one place to another.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Get ready for a good time. You can mix and mingle with all sorts of people today. A little primping will make you feel great, look great, and give you added confidence. Put your money into something you really believe in.

DOWN TO EARTH



Beth Skogen/The Daily Iowan
UI graduate student Adam Perkins shows volunteers where to plant red cabbage in the UI student garden, located outside North Hall, on Sunday. Working in the garden was part of the Earth Day Celebration held at Currier Hall; the event included making homemade laundry detergent and recycled notebooks, music, and food.

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

- **Electronic (e-file) Tax Filing**, 10 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Dance Fest 2008! Dance performances and crowd interaction**, noon, John Colloton Atrium, UIHC
- **Finding God at Iowa Lunch Forum, "Finding God in Popular Culture," Craig Detweiler, Fuller Theological Seminary**, noon, IMU River Room 1
- **"Truth & Cash: Realities of the Writing Life (How to Write for a Living)," John Marks**, 1 p.m., Dey House Frank Conroy Reading Room
- **Mental Health Issues Facing Older Adults: Suicide Awareness**, 3 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **Native American Arts Week Event, "Our Ancestors Paddle With Us: Place, Power, and Protocol Within Native American and Revitalization,"** 4:30 p.m., 106 Gilmore Hall
- **Affirmationists Toastmasters Meeting**, 5:30 p.m., W401 Pappajohn Business Building
- **Chef's Challenge**, 6 p.m., South Slope Community Center, 980 N. Front St., North Liberty
- **Euchre Club**, 7 p.m., Legacy Pointe Assisted Living, 1020 S. Scott Blvd.
- **Introductory Lecture on Transcendental Meditation Technique**, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **"Live from Prairie Lights," John Marks, nonfiction**, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **"Nature, Ideal, and Caricature: The Perception of Physical Types the First Anthropologists," Martial Guedron, UFR Sciences Historiques/University Marc Bloch**, 7 p.m., 116 Art Building West
- **Peace Corps: The Toughest Job You'll Ever Love," Information Session**, 7 p.m., 300 Lindquist Center
- **Dance/Jam, with Kalimban and the Yahoo Drummers**, 7:30 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Society of Iowa City, 10 S. Gilbert
- **Open Mike, with Jay Knight**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Singer, with the Fall Collection**, 9 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington
- **Blues Jam**, 9:30 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- **Free Pool**, 10 p.m., Charlie's, 450 First Ave., Coralville
- **Iowa Dance Fest**, Time TBA, Arts à la Carte, 20 E. Market

ONGOING

- **A Community of Writers: Creative Writing at the University of Iowa**, Old Capitol Museum
- **Barbara Dale Hanes, UIHC**
- **Bold, Bright & Beautiful**, Chait Galleries Downtown, 218 E. Washington
- **Boobs, Boxes, Letters, Words, and Headlines**, work by Satomi Kawai, Erica Ramirez, Kristeen Wegner, M.C. Ginsberg, 110 E. Washington
- **Cheryl Jacobsen: Inevitable**, Hudson River Gallery, 538 S. Gilbert
- **From Prairies to Cornfields: Iowa's Children's Book Authors**, Old Capitol Museum
- **Grant Hamilton, UIHC**
- **James L. Schoenfelder: Works in Watercolor and Ink**, Bella Joli, 125 S. Dubuque
- **Matt Wagner: Firebrand**, Sheraton Hotel, 210 S. Dubuque
- **Nature's Logic**, Public Access Television, 206 Lafayette
- **Richard Sjolund: Around My World**, US Bank, 204 E. Washington
- **Roberta Williams and Deb Zisko: Landscapes in Miniature**, West Bank, 229 S. Dubuque
- **Suspended Art in Iowa: An exhibit of contemporary art in a classic environment**, Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington
- **Suzanne B. Aunan**, Iowa State Band & Trust Co., 325 S. Clinton
- **Taking Care**, UIHC

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SOLUTION TO FRIDAY'S PUZZLE

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UITV schedule

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, Curtis Sittenfeld
- 2** News from Germany (in German)
- 3** "Live from Prairie Lights," LeAnn Howe
- 4** Grabbing the Globe Lecture Series, Klaus G. Hoehn, Deere & Co.
- 5** "Know the Score"
- 7** "Live from Prairie Lights," LeAnn Howe
- 8** Grabbing the Globe Lecture Series: Klaus G. Hoehn, Deere & Co.
- 9** UI School of Journalism Project: African Secret Society
- 9:30** News from Daily Iowan TV
- 9:45** UI School of Journalism Project: Visual Storytelling No. 1
- 10:30** News from Daily Iowan TV
- 11** "Live from Prairie Lights," LeAnn Howe

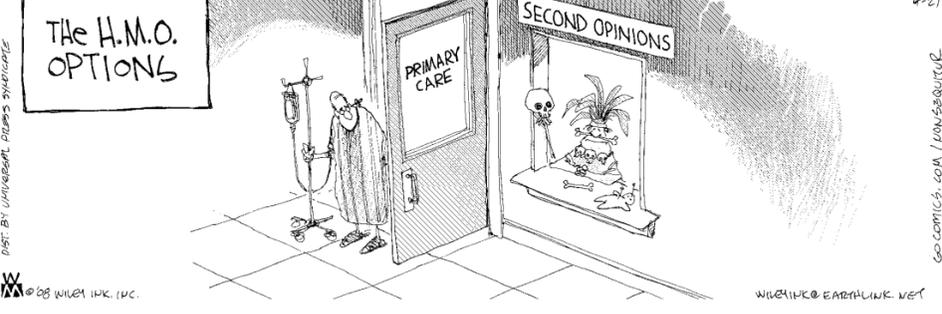
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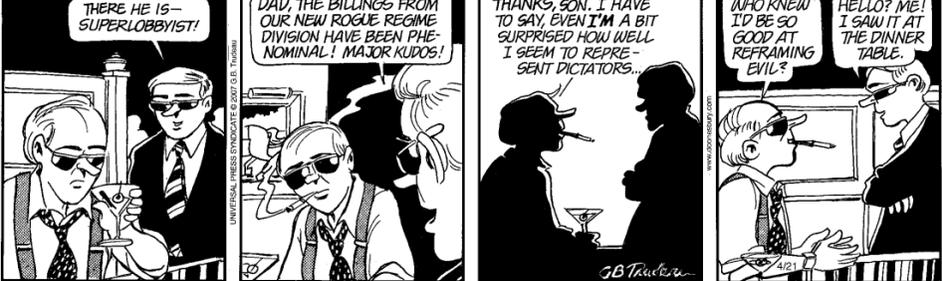
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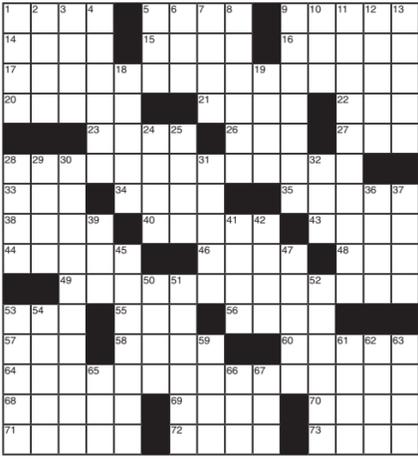
The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0310

- Across**
- Stars and Stripes, e.g.
 - French greeting
 - ___ of Sandwich
 - Cause of a game cancellation
 - Unaccompanied
 - "Here he is now!"
 - Black card
 - Talks one's head off
 - French summer
 - Twinings selections
 - Sign before Virgo
 - Big Apple ave.
 - Be undecided
 - ___ Wednesday
 - Suds maker
 - Mounted, as a horse
 - Talking maybe a little too fast
 - Snapshot
 - Sgt. Snorkel's dog
 - Fable greeting
 - No. on which a magazine's ad rates are based
 - Freudian one
 - Persist to completion
 - Prefix with center
 - Column's counterpart
 - Interstate
 - Fish after which a cape is named
 - Logic diagram
 - Long Island airfield town
 - Command center? ... or where you might hear the starts of 17-, 28- and 49-Across
 - Donald Duck
 - For whom the bell tolls, in a John Donne poem
 - Numerical prefix with -ber
 - Bygone Montreal ball club
 - Quiet exercise
 - Remove from the freezer
- Down**
- Admit (to), with "up"
 - Reindeer herder
 - Geometry calculation
 - "My pleasure"
 - Black power hairdo, for short
 - Dunderpate
 - The "C" in N.Y.C.
 - Divided 50/50
 - Dirge
 - Schooner fill
 - Billet-doux
 - Join
 - Old message system
 - Wails
 - Dueling sword
 - Perched on
 - Deposed Iranian
 - "Roots," for one
 - ___ of Wight
 - Message on a shipping crate
 - Geologic time unit
 - Pigeon's sound

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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- Puzzle by Ken Bossette**
- Big elevator manufacturer
 - ___ too soon
 - Wedding cake feature
 - Killer whale
 - Republican, Democratic, Green, etc.
 - "Luann" or "Blondie"
 - Knight time?
 - End result
 - French place of learning
 - Mail receiver, in brief
 - Repeat
 - ___ Ness monster
 - Itsy-bitsy bit
 - Winter truck attachment
 - God, in Italy
 - Brain scan, for short
 - Bounding main

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