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- Iowa City's new city manager
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- Big Ten tennis highlights

## WEATHER



Partly cloudy, windy, 50% chance of rain/snow in the morning; then a slight chance of rain in the afternoon. Near-record lows at night. We miss February, too.

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# New manager named

After a four-month search, the Iowa City city councilors decide on a city manager.

By Kelli Shaffner

THE DAILY IOWAN

Citing his personality and wide range of experience, the Iowa City city councilors named Michael Lombardo to be the new city manager.

Sunday's announcement ended a nearly four-month-long search for the position.

One at last



The Iowa City City Council has finally found its city manager in Michael Lombardo. For more information, watch Daily Iowan TV at [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

Mayor Regenia Bailey said the councilors were looking for a candidate who meshed well with Iowa City, and it

became apparent that Lombardo fit that description.

"Both candidates were amply qualified," Bailey said. "But Lombardo was a good fit."

Lombardo is the former county administrator of Allegan County, Mich.

A.J. Johnson, the city administrator of Muscatine,

who was also considered for the position, said he thought the final decision was based upon a connection with the council.

"What it all boils down to is fit; how the councilors feel they connect with them," Johnson said.



Lombardo

new city manager

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## IOWA LEGISLATURE

# It's a wrap

All finished



The Iowa Legislature completed its session, with the Democrat-controlled group passing some of its most valued bills. For more information, watch Daily Iowan TV at [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

By Shawn Gude

THE DAILY IOWAN

After passing a flurry of budgetary and policy bills at the end of the week, the Iowa Legislature wrapped up its session in the early morning hours of April 26 — shortly after 2:30 a.m.

Democrats, who control the Legislature, passed some of their most-desired pieces of legislation, including health-care reform, which many Republicans signed onto as well.

Across-the-aisle support for such an initiative may come as a surprise to some — although liberals and conservatives alike typically advocate finding ways to cover the uninsured, they have very different ideas on the role of government in solving the problem.

But Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City, said the child health-insurance measure — which passed both the House and Senate on April 25 — offers up "logical solutions" that build on such successful existing programs as Medicaid and Hawkeye. That, he said, was the key to breaking down any possible widespread partisan divides.

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## IOWA CITY RIVERFEST — RIVERRUN



Ben Roberts/The Daily Iowan

Cyclists whiz around the corner of Dubuque Street and Iowa Avenue on Sunday during the 31st-annual Old Capitol Critterium. The event featured races ranging from 26 to 65 miles and offered winnings totaling more than \$2,700.

# RIVERRUN SEES LARGE SURGE

Record community involvement leads to largest RiverRun in history.



Julie Brayton/The Daily Iowan

Runners of all ages participating in the RiverRun on Sunday run either a 5K or 10K along Riverside Drive. The event saw its most participants in its 29-year history.

By Patrick Futtner

THE DAILY IOWAN

Even with the brisk weather, UI's RiverRun 2008 saw the most participants of any year in its 29-year history.

The number of people involved this year jumped 15.9 percent, from 1,484 to 1,720 this year, said Jess Cole, the executive director of RiverRun.

And the record turnout resulted in a record donation — more than \$15,000 — for Uptown Bill's Small Mall, a group of businesses owned and operated by people with disabilities and

staffed by volunteers. Uptown Bill's is sponsored by Extend the Dream Foundation, a nonprofit organization.

"The support from the community and support from sponsors really helped to make it a success," Cole said. "It was an awesome turnout; we barely had any no-shows. Last year, we had 300 no-shows."

In addition to record turnout, the event also saw record numbers of volunteers from the UI and the community.

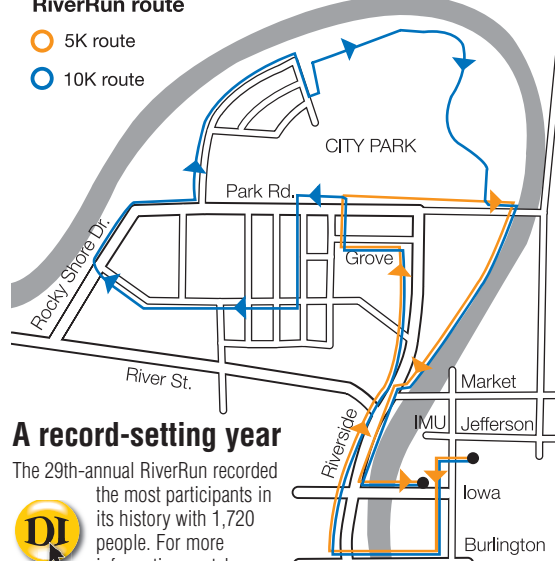
Sunday's event featured a 5K run/walk/wheelchair race and a 10K run/wheelchair race. The divisions for

### Race around the river

The 2008 UI RiverRun saw the most participants of any year in its 29-year history.

#### RiverRun route

- 5K route
- 10K route



#### A record-setting year

The 29th-annual RiverRun recorded the most participants in its history with 1,720 people. For more information, watch Daily Iowan TV at [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).



Kate Rhombert/The Daily Iowan

runners ranged from the 13 and under category to the 60-plus category.

The 10K course began on the east side of Hubbard Park running south towards Burlington Street. After looping around Iowa City's West Side by City Park, the course ended on Iowa Avenue by the south side of Hubbard Park.

Local business such as Hy-Vee donated prizes for the first-ever RiverRun raffle, and Best Buy donated \$9,000. Chipotle even donated a free burrito for every volunteer.

SEE RIVERRUN, 3A

# Device could help poor

Some UI students put their creativity to use to help others.

By Melanie Kucera

THE DAILY IOWAN

Approximately 20 percent of the people on the planet do not have access to clean water.

Around 4,500 children die each day from unsafe water and the lack of basic sanitation facilities.

Numbers such as these bring to attention one of the most severe problems impoverished people face on a regular basis: the lack of clean water.

Reducing those numbers could start right here at the UI.

A team of UI engineering students has created a hand-held water sanitizer that disinfects water in a cheap and easy way for impoverished communities. The group's breakthrough was creating a system that costs only \$5 to make.

The group — made up of graduate student Joel Donham, junior Tom Rhoads, sophomore Aaron Gwinnup, and junior Alexandra Keenan — was recently one of six teams awarded \$75,000 from the Environmental Protection Agency's People, Prosperity, and the Planet competition.

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# Legislators end session

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The Iowa City senator said the new legislation will cover around 54,000 currently uninsured children in the state, as well as attempt to cut costs and increase transparency.

"It is one of the top issues of concern to families and small businesses in the state — the cost of health care ... Hopefully, we'll move toward an effort to cover uninsured adults [in the future]," Bolkcom said.

The Legislature also passed its annual Health and Human Services budget late last week, which included a controversial family-planning appropriation. Anti-abortion legislators bemoaned the provision when it came to the floor, arguing such organizations as Planned Parenthood don't need to be supported by the state. The House dropped the appropriation from its version early last week, as well as an additional allocation to pregnancy counseling and support services.

When the two chambers could not agree, the bill went to conference last week, and legislators ultimately approved a version closer to the Senate's. They opted to allocate \$750,000 to family-planning organizations and \$200,000 to counseling and support services for mothers with unplanned pregnancies.

Per usual, the Legislature also passed its education budget, including a salary package for public-university faculty members designed to keep Iowa colleges competitive with others around the nation.

"It was a very good year for public universities," Bolkcom said.

## It's the end of the session as we know it

The legislative session closed with numerous bills being passed. Here are a few noteworthy ones:

- A health-care reform package, which primarily affects uninsured children. Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City, said more than 50,000 kids without coverage will be taken care of under the bill.
- The Health and Human Services' annual budget, which includes money for both family planning groups such as Planned Parenthood and pregnancy-counseling organizations.
- An anti-dogfighting measure, which penalizes spectators at such events.

Source: Iowa Legislature

A Senate bill that provides penalties for dogfighting spectators also passed toward the end of session, achieving unanimous support in both chambers. Legislators opted for the less-strict Senate bill, rather than a related House measure that would have installed steeper charges.

If Gov. Chet Culver signs SF 2203, spectators would be committing an aggravated misdemeanor for their first offense — the same penalty as the House bill. However, the second and subsequent violations would be classified as Class D felonies, a change from the House's more serious Class C felonies for the same infraction.

Culver is expected to sign the bills in the near future.

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'It was a great year. We are very happy with the success we had and hope to do even better next year.'

— Pasha Korsakov, co-executive director of RiverRun



Julie Brayton/The Daily Iowan

Some of the racers participating in the RiverRun on Sunday cross the 5K finish line holding hands. RiverRun proceeds will go to Uptown Bill's Small Mall of Iowa City, a collection of stores owned and operated by people with disabilities.

# RiverRun runs up big numbers

RIVERRUN  
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There was also an increase in the number of vendors for the fitness fair after the race, which promotes fitness through brochures and presentations, Cole said.

"I thought it was really well-

organized," said UI freshman Ambika Athreya, who participated in the 10K portion of RiverRun. "It gave me a goal to train for. I'm not a competitive runner, but I trained for it for a while, and it got me back into shape."

Athreya was impressed with the number of people involved. "We tried to promote [the

race] in any way, shape, or form we could ... we tried to get any sponsor that would be willing to help us," said Pasha Korsakov, the co-executive director of RiverRun. "If our name's out there, more people are aware, and more people will run." Cole and Korsakov both said that that an increased amount of advertising, such as placing

road signs in Cedar Rapids and yard signs throughout Iowa City, led to the increased participation.

"It was a great year," Korsakov said. "We are very happy with the success we had and hope to do even better next year."

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# EPA honors UI team

## SANITIZER

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"[The sanitizer] is amazingly simple; it's amazingly cheap and amazingly efficient," said Craig Just, a UI civil-environmental assistant research engineer and the adviser for the group. "If you can do all three of those things, it is pretty effective."

The idea was developed in Just's class Design for the Developing World, and members said they believe the device would last for decades.

The device generates electricity from a small hand crank. The electricity then transforms salt water that has been added to the device into bleach.

The electrolytic process takes around two minutes; from there, the bleach is mixed into water, and it becomes drinkable.

"People need to know that you can't just mix bleach with dirty river water — it has to be filtered first," said Gwinnup.

Another unique aspect to the product is that it comes in a kit

with instructions, and it takes no longer than five to 10 minutes to put together, Just said.

"Essentially, we are trying to give [people] a technology, not just a product," Donham said.

The students went with Just to Washington, D.C., from April 20-22, where they were awarded the money.

Just called the trip "electric," and Rhoads also raved about the tremendous reaction the group encountered.

"It was a fantastic experience, and I can't imagine not having gone," he said.

The group hopes to now continue on with the invention, and Just wants to have a 10-fold increase of the \$75,000 award.

He believes that can be accomplished through federal and foundation grants and by simply just telling as many people about the product they can.

"If you get out there enough, serendipity can occur," Just said.

The Dominican Republic, which Just has visited, and Haiti will serve as the team's

first targets. The members hope to have the device in at least one community within the year.

All the members stressed that helping others is all they want to do — they will make no monetary gains.

Just said traveling to the Dominican Republic several years ago is what prompted his desire to help the less fortunate.

"I had seen poverty in things you read about or see on commercials, but until you go there and see poverty yourself, it isn't always life-changing," he said. "[The trip] changed my life and changed my perspectives."

Though the group still has a long road ahead of it, the members were excited about what could potentially come.

"I want it to be like the Walkman in the '80s — something everyone uses and is the thing to do," Donham said.

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# IC picks manager

## CITY MANAGER

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This "fit" is an intangible feeling, Councilor Amy Correia said.

"It's the way he interacted with the council and the citizens and how personable he was during our meeting with the community," she said. "A package of personality, experience, and passion."

Lombardo said he was sort of surprised to receive the position.

"I was confident in my experience and skills, but these positions are very competitive," he said. "Anytime you get to the final round ... you walk out really hoping but know others are really strong."

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— **Michael Lombardo**,  
new city manager

him stand out, such as his enthusiasm for city government and financial background in banking.

Lombardo's tentative starting date is set for May 19, a move that Correia considers

to be "pretty quick."

But Lombardo doesn't plan on buying property just yet, he said, adding he'll stay in some form of temporary housing for a few months after beginning his job — the April 26 interviews were the first time he had been to Iowa City.

Lombardo said he liked the demographics of the city, that it's a university town, and that a the population was a nice size.

He said he heard about the position during the first round, when it was already too late for him to apply.

"I'm very excited to get more underway," he said.

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## NATION

### Gene-therapy experiments improve vision in nearly blind

NEW YORK (AP)— Scientists for the first time have used gene therapy to dramatically improve sight in people with a rare form of blindness, a development experts called a major advance for the experimental technique.

Some vision was restored in four of the six young people who got the treatment, teams of researchers in the United States and Britain reported Sunday. Two of the volunteers who could only see hand motions were able to read a few lines of an eye chart within weeks.

"It's a phenomenal breakthrough," said Stephen Rose, chief

research officer of the Foundation Fighting Blindness, which helped pay for one study done at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

If successful in larger numbers, experts said, the technique has the potential to reverse blindness from other kinds of inherited eye diseases.

"I think this is incredibly exciting," said Dr. Jean Bennett, a professor of ophthalmology at the University of Pennsylvania and a leader of the Philadelphia study. "It's the beginning of a whole new phase of studies."

The research was published online Sunday by the *New England Journal of Medicine* in conjunction with presentations at a medical meeting in Florida.

The two teams of scientists,

working separately, each tested gene replacement therapy in three patients with a form of a rare hereditary eye disease called Leber's congenital amaurosis. There's no treatment for the disease, which appears early in infancy and causes severe vision loss, especially at night.


An estimated 2,000 Americans have the form of the disease they targeted, Bennett said.

Gene therapy — replacing faulty genes with a normal version — has been studied in humans for over 15 years with limited success. The field suffered a setback with the 1999 death of Jesse Gelsinger, 18, in an experiment for a liver disorder at Penn. And some children treated for an immune disorder called the "bubble boy disease" later developed leukemia.

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# Miles focuses on finances, aid

By Ashton Shurson  
THE DAILY IOWAN

David Miles has been the president of the state Board of Regents for only a few months, but he said he hopes to make an impression on UI faculty and Iowans.

"We're wiser together than any of us working alone," he said. "I'm a short-timer here, I have no doubt, but I hope to make an impact on you."

Miles spoke April 26 at the UI's American Association of University Professors annual meeting. His speech — titled "Whither: Iowa's Public Universities?" — pointed to three initiatives Miles is planning to propose to the regents, and it was followed by a question-and-answer session.

Miles said by the June 12 regents' meeting, he will present a timeline for a new strategic plan he wants to accomplish by 2009. He hopes all regent institutions will provide input for the plan.

Miles said he wants to protect the long-term financial help of regent institutions, focus on affordability and financial aid, and promote campus sustainability.

Despite some positives — such as help from the state legislators — he said some recent trends have not been helpful to higher education in Iowa. In the early 1980s, 70 percent of the general-education budget came from state appropriations; that figure was 48 percent in 2007, and 2008 was the only recent year to see an increase, rising to 49.7 percent.

In addition to the decrease in state dollars, Miles pointed out that faculty members still remain underpaid and the universities risk losing them to other institutions.

"The Board of Regents needs to develop and implement a professional communication plan," he said. "This will improve our ability to solicit and respond to input from Iowans."



Steve Lexa/The Daily Iowan

State Board of Regents' President David Miles speaks to a crowded room of staff and faculty in the IMU on April 26. Miles spoke about changes in the state's regent universities, including tuition and funding.

Moving from faculty to students, Miles stressed the importance of keeping college affordable in the state. He said there has been an increase in

burden on students and families adding that Iowa is below average on tuition rates but is the one of the highest in debt rates, ranking sixth with an average

student debt of \$23,000.

"We need to do the research required to understand the paradox," Miles said. "I suggest it is vital we remain accessible to students of all income levels."

Just days after UI President Sally Mason proposed initiatives to create a more sustainable campus, Miles said he will be seeking support of the regents and the institutions to come up with creative and collaborative efforts to sustainability.

At the minimum, Miles wants to make institutions' operations more green, but he hopes it becomes part of the academic and research mission of the schools.

"We want to position Iowa's universities as national leaders in sustainability," Miles said.

After his speech, UI faculty members had a chance to ask Miles questions. Michael O'Hara, the UI Faculty Senate president and psychology professor, asked about Miles' thoughts on the shift of public higher education —

once seen as a public good and now often considered a private good.

Miles said this was a concern for him and he will try to make a case that an educated citizenry is a public good for Iowa, the nation, and the world.

Jim Spratt, a UI professor emeritus of pharmacology, said Miles shouldn't primarily focus on money when speaking, saying money is only a portion of everything.

"I'm sick of hearing of money and buildings on campus," Spratt said. "It's the people who count ... If we've lost sight of that, we've lost everything."

Later, Miles said that despite rocky relationships with the regents in the past, he sees that UI faculty want to have a good interactions with the board.

"The relationship is at a very good level," he said. "Every person really wants to work together."

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# Safety begins at home

The UI outlines key qualities in a safe apartment building.

By Clara Hogan  
THE DAILY IOWAN

After the surge of sexual assaults in Iowa City last fall, Tom Quigley added even more exterior lighting to his apartment buildings and installed a keyless lock on the main entrances.

Quigley is the on-site manager for five buildings on Van Buren and Johnson Streets, which are managed by Heritage Property Management Services Inc. He said he has always advertised the security of the apartments, which are all rented by students. He often personally patrols buildings at night, he said, and he has the security camera monitors in his house so he can watch them during his downtime.

"We're not required to do much by law," he said. "It's up to the management to think about securing their buildings and the students in them."

After the roughly 40 assaults occurred — most of which involved women walking off-campus — Quigley feels more students see good security as a key factor in a potential apartment.

Recently, the UI police used half of their special edition of "Crime Prevention News" to list elements students should consider when looking for an apartment.

Trimmed shrubbery by parking lots and windows to avoid producing hiding places, peepholes on all apartment-unit doors, and secure windows are just a few qualities the UI police list in the report.

The UI has control over the security of residence halls, but it can't control the housing students rent from private companies.

The majority of UI students live off-campus — during the 2007-08 school year, 6,331 students lived on campus, while the total student population was 30,409, according to a recent UI residence report.

"[You] really need to lock your door when you leave and when you're sleeping," said Charles

## Tips from the UI police

How to stay safe at your apartment building

- Tell building manager if exterior lighting isn't working.
- Never prop exterior doors open and keep them locked.
- Only list last name and initial on your mailbox.
- Avoid riding in the elevator alone with a stranger.
- Don't use the apartment's laundry room alone.
- Keep your apartment key on a separate ring from that of your car key.

Source: UI police

'A simple thing as a locked door would provide adequate security.'

— Charles Green, assistant vice president for the UI police

Quigley doesn't believe its common to have cameras in apartment buildings, though it may be a trend. He installed three exterior cameras and two floating cameras — ones he can move — around three years ago.

There have been several instances where he has brought tapes to police, he said.

"There are more people here and, to me, it seems like it's becoming a more violent area," he said. "That, plus the fact there is so much alcohol in this town, you can't take risks."

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Green, the assistant vice president for the UI police, noting that people could burglarize someone's place at night and assault the occupant or steal property. "A simple thing as a locked door would provide adequate security."

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## Editorial

# Better living through chemistry? Not quite

It is used in some dental sealants and fillings. It lines most baby bottles as well as the cans of formula that fill those bottles. It can be found in many other food and beverage cans and has typically been a key ingredient in sports water bottles, including the popular Nalgene brand. It has also been the subject of study after study, more than 100 of which have raised concerns about its adverse health effects. "It" is bisphenol A, or BPA. BPA is a low-toxicity hormone-like chemical, an estrogen receptor agonist and endocrine disruptor. These fancy descriptors tell us a little about its effects on the human body, but we do know that our population is saturated with it; researchers from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have found it in 95 percent of tested Americans. This fact becomes especially troubling when one considers a recently released report by the National Toxicology Program, which suggests that BPA may alter human development. This same report prompted Canada to declare BPA toxic and consider a ban on products manufactured with the chemical. Why has the Food and Drug Administration given BPA a free pass to this point? Despite the abundance of studies that point to BPA's neural and behavioral effects in fetuses, infants, and children, the FDA has, by its own admission, relied heavily on two particular studies. These

studies were massive in scope and both essentially state that BPA, in the levels currently found in most humans, is not a health threat. Both of these studies, not coincidentally, were industry-funded. Not shockingly, the studies were backed by the American Plastics Council, and questions were formulated in ways to produce answers they wanted. One of the studies is not available to the public. It has always been an industry's responsibility to provide proof that its products are safe. Producing such data is nothing new, nor is the scrutiny that it meets. The growing evidence that overhwhelmingly sits contrary to the FDA's green light is significant, and it must not be ignored. Canada has its legislative cogs turning in the first steps to eliminate BPA. Toys 'R' Us, Wal-Mart, and others have pulled the suspect products from their shelves. Nalgene, in response to the lawsuit, has stated that it will stop using the chemical. If a wildly popular and successful product such as the Nalgene sports bottle can be quickly altered to not include BPA in its list of production ingredients then surely it can serve as an example to the industry. The FDA is now reconsidering its stance on BPA, and rightfully so. Lobbyists and corporate heavies need to be silent and place public safety ahead of the bottom line. Bisphenol A should not be used in products designed for infants and children, let alone the rest of the population.

# That's so maverick

Hamas has a dog in this fight. I'm not talking about the Israeli-Palestinian peace process — well, I am sort of, but go along with me here — but the presidential election this November. Lately, John McCain has claimed, "I think it's very clear who Hamas wants to be the next president of the United States. If Sen. Obama is favored by Hamas, I think people can make judgments accordingly." That's so maverick.

Sen. McCain is right that Hamas — and the rest of the world — has an opinion on who should be our next president. Hamas needs John McCain to be president.

Hamas — or the enemies of reconciliation and dialogue anywhere — needs a president who will advance a foreign policy similar to the one we currently employ: tough and stupid. Hamas needs a president who will continue to isolate the militant group by beating it with a proverbial stick. This only serves the organization's most hard-line members and kills the chance of a reasonable Hamas — because it is fully possible — emerging.

The United States has not had a real strategic vision since the end of the Cold War. Indeed, the '90s were an extreme misuse of the opportunities the fall of the Soviet Union presented. We had all kinds of political capital to expend, whether taking head on the threats of global climate change, making human rights a global priority, or nipping violent Islamism in the bud.

True, we advanced free trade deals, and on the whole, that's a good thing. But at that moment — in a unipolar world, with liberal democracy basking in the glow of its greatest triumphs — we totally dropped the ball.

The beginnings of this century gave the United States another chance at redemption. After 9/11, the world responded with outpourings of sympathy, grief, and solidarity. But that quickly changed. The Bush administration rushed into a second war in Iraq when the outcome of the first, in Afghanistan, was very much in doubt.

The Iraq war was totally unnecessary, and perhaps the greatest strategic error in U.S. history. It was based on the flimsiest of excuses — this was not pre-emptive war, but rather preventative — of weapons of mass-destruction and pathetic attempts to tie Al Qaeda to Saddam Hussein's Iraq. In no way did Saddam present an immediate threat to the United States or its most vital allies. McCain supported initiating this war; Barack Obama did not.

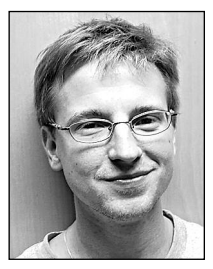
This is the greatest piece of evidence we have to judge these respective candidates' foreign-policy wisdom. True, McCain had long called for a surge, and we should give him credit for that. He also recently, and repeatedly, claimed that Al Qaeda in Iraq — which, again, never existed before the U.S. invasion — was receiving training in Iran: a claim so outrageously idiotic that it very well should disqualify a candidacy for the presidency. There is no greater gotcha in this presidential campaign. (OK, except for when Mitt Romney barked "Who Let the Dogs Out" to a group of black teenagers — talk about awkward.)

Let me be clear — I am not advocating a quick withdrawal or even a withdrawal in the near future. Iraq is still very much in doubt, and to leave now would be misguided. But the greatest question regarding this war is this: Who had the foresight and courage to oppose the undertaking of this war, in an extremely jingoistic and nationalistic political environment?

The Iraq war gave Al Qaeda — and other enemies of America — its greatest recruitment tool. Isolating Hamas took the responsibility of governing out of its hands — and it very well could have failed, though its social programs make it seem unlikely — and undercut an opportunity to change the dynamic of the flawed Israeli-Palestinian peace process.

Here in Iowa again in 2008, at a crossroads. After eight years of the Bush presidency, the world is desperate for new American leadership. To be fair, Obama is not the second coming. His recent criticism of Jimmy Carter's meeting with Hamas head Khaled Meshal was wrongheaded, if politically safe. But I do know that he presents the greatest chance of a new way in American foreign policy, something long overdue.

And maybe, just maybe, he'll make the right move to include Hamas in the peace process, rather than shutting it out. I know McCain will not, which makes Obama's best hope. ■



ANDREW SWIFT



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## Commentary

# Belated disclosure: Pyongyang must come clean

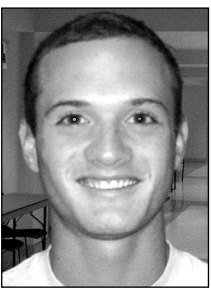
That Israel bombed a secret Syrian nuclear reactor built with the help of North Korea was widely if unofficially reported within days of the strike last September. But the Bush administration's decision to go public with the considerable evidence it had about the reactor has placed that extraordinary event in a new political context. The disclosure, which administration officials said they initially withheld because of fears of triggering hostilities between Israel and Syria, was nevertheless overdue. As a member of the U.N. Security Council, the United States is obligated to report evidence that other states are violating international law against nuclear proliferation. Experts pointed out that the U.S. disclosures, including pictures from inside the reactor, did not include evidence that Syria had obtained fuel or built the reprocessing facility that would be needed to convert plutonium from the reactor into bomb material. But Syria's failure to report the reactor's existence to the International Atomic Energy Agency, as required by the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, and its quick demolition and burial of the reactor's remains after the attack require explanation — and in its absence, sanction. Security agency chief Mohamed ElBaradei will be tested by the investigation he announced on April 25. Already, he has politicized his position by trying to thwart Western pressure on Iran about its illegal nuclear program. Will ElBaradei hold Damascus accountable for its blatant violation of international law, or will he simply blame Israel and the United States? So far he has chosen the latter course — and thereby given cover to the many governments who will want to do the same. That answers are needed, too, from North Korea is an immense

understatement. The regime of Kim Jong Il pledged to disclose all of its nuclear programs as one of the opening steps of a disarmament process. Now we know that North Korean technicians were continuing to work on the Syrian reactor after Pyongyang made its commitment in February 2007. Yet the Kim regime still refuses to report on its help to Syria. According to a deal under discussion with the Bush administration, it would merely "acknowledge" — and then only in private — U.S. "concerns" about proliferation. Bush administration officials say they hope the disclosure of evidence about the reactor will prompt North Korea to be more forthcoming. They also acknowledge that they were under pressure from Congress to act before removing sanctions on Pyongyang as part of the new agreement. The question for the administration remains why it would grant further concessions to North Korea before Pyongyang comes clean about its proliferation to Syria as well as any other deals it may have made. The State Department argues that such an "accounting" will come through a verification process. Officials also say that by sustaining the "six-party" diplomacy, they are gradually opening a totalitarian state to change. Still, the process won't work unless North Korea truly intends to disarm, rather than merely extort aid and political favors from the West. What's needed is a diplomatic strategy that forces Kim to choose between his weapons and engagement with the outside world. That's why dropping the requirement for a full disclosure by Pyongyang is risky — it encourages the regime to believe it can avoid that decision.

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

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# Arts & Culture

## Baby steps, baby talk

Despite a cast listing that should guarantee hilarity, *Baby Mama* gives birth to nothing but disappointment.

**They've done better**  
We here at the *D/like* to back up our assertions. So here you go — proof that both of *Baby Mama's* leading ladies are capable of much more than this.



**AMY POEHLER**  
• *Wet Hot American Summer* — As one half of a tightly wound camp counselor couple, she makes an amazing “producer/director/choreographer” of the talent show at one of the funniest summer camps every committed to celluloid.  
• *“Upright Citizens’ Brigade”* — If you’re not familiar with the “Upright Citizens’ Brigade,” make yourself so. There’s no clearer advice we can give.  
• *“Arrested Development”* — Playing the wife of G.O.B. Bluth (and paired with real-life husband Will Arnett), Poehler was only on the show for five episodes, but all were memorable.



**TINA FEY**  
• *Mean Girls* — Though her role is mainly along the lines of “Scolder,” she makes the Mathletes look good. (Poehler makes a notable appearance here, as a boozily MILF.)  
• *“Sesame Street”* — We admit to not having seen this episode. However, her role is credited as “Bookaneer Captain.” That’s awesome. Plus, anyone who is worthy enough to guest on “Sesame Street” automatically should have great things ahead of them.  
• *“30 Rock”* — It’s on the air right now. It’s hilarious. You’re going to be watching “The Office” anyway. It’s not like this is a major stretch.



Publicity photo

Raise your hand if you think this would have been better off as a three-minute “Saturday Night Live” sketch. Amy Poehler and Tina Fey star in *Baby Mama*.



**MOVIE REVIEW**  
by Anna Wiegenstein

**Baby Mama**  
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The ingredients were all there. Tina Fey — hilarious and sharp as a writer. Amy Poehler — equally so, though typically her characters come with a tinge of crazy to them. Supporting turns by Steve Martin, Greg Kinnear, and Sigourney Weaver. So, the question remains: Why isn't *Baby Mama* better?

Perhaps it's because the whole film seems like an experiment on the part of the actors — as if they were just *exhausted* with being in so many legitimate showcases for their various talents and wanted to try being in a B-list comedy for a change. I can only assume what a mental break it must have been working on this lazily put-together flick.

Our plot line follows Kate (Fey), who proclaims matter-of-factly in the opening minutes, “Some women got pregnant. I got promotions.” This has led her to a high-ranking VP position at an organic food market chain (humorously called Round Earth, which is among the few details the film actually nails), and a burning desire to have a baby. Thanks to a pesky T-shaped uterus, though, Kate is forced to turn to surrogacy. Enter Angie (Poehler), who, fittingly enough, is as fertile as she is infantile.

Logically, at least using the logic of Hollywood, the two wind up in close quarters, their differences becoming more evident than ever — Kate attempts, mostly unsuccessfully, to impose her upper-class lifestyle on Angie, who has just

separated from her common-law husband. Angie, however, would much rather be snacking on Pringles and Dr. Pepper than any of the health-centric, vomit-colored food that Round Earth might stock.

It seems easy to blame writer/director Michael McCullers for the shoddy quality of *Baby Mama*. But what's really frustrating is seeing bits of truly smart humor buried in the depths of so much boring, predictable dreck. Not only are there snarky bits of detail-oriented dialogue scattered throughout (at one

point, baby-obsessed Kate is talked into buying the “Lexus of strollers,” complete with airbags), but the talent of the cast is evident in nearly every shot.

With especially effective supporting turns by Martin, as Kate's granola-munching, ponytail-sporting, aura-obsessed boss, and Weaver, as the owner of the surrogacy program (yet never seeming to have trouble conceiving numerous kiddies herself throughout the course of the film), it's clear that they're not to blame. Maybe it's the predictability of the whole thing

that's the most frustrating. It's one thing to have a cast be more talented than the material. But must it all be so markedly hohum? The pacing drags and the plot twists are so obvious they're barely more than gentle curves.

Now, because it's my journalistic duty to end all reviews with a hilarious pun, let me say that *Baby Mama* delivers little more than a desire to rewatch Poehler and Fey as the hosts of “Weekend Update” on “Saturday Night Live.”

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**TREEMAN'S SPECIAL PASTA**  
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½ t red pepper flakes plus kosher salt  
1 pound angel hair pasta  
1 can of chickpeas, drained  
1 cup chopped parsley  
¼ cup roasted almonds, chopped  
½ cup grated Parmesan cheese

**WHAT TO DO**  
Heat oil in a large saucepan over medium heat. Stir in garlic and cook for a minute. Add broth, pepper, and salt and bring to a boil. Add the pasta and cook until the broth is absorbed. Mix in chickpeas and parsley. Top with almonds and Parmesan.

### from the BLOG



#### I'LL TRADE MY LEFT FOOT FOR THE FLYING CAR

Let's talk about Kevin Smith. When I was in high school, I, like many people, considered myself very cutting-edge and cool to be able to quote the New Jersey trilogy (*Clerks*, *Mallrats*, *Chasing Amy*) at the drop of a hat. So much profanity! So many gratuitous sexual references!  
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# For troops, voting is at snail's pace

By Lolita C. Baldor  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — U.S. forces in Iraq and Afghanistan can speak to their families by web camera and fight insurgents using sophisticated electronic warfare. Yet when it comes to voting, most troops are stuck in the past.

Communities in 13 states will send overseas troops presidential election ballots by e-mail this year, and districts in at least seven states will also let them return completed ballots over the Internet, according to data compiled by the Associated Press and the Overseas Vote Foundation.

That still leaves tens of thousands of service members in far-flung military bases struggling to meet voting deadlines and relying largely on regular mail to get ballots and cast votes — often at the last minute because of delays in ballot preparations in some states.

Adding an electronic boost to the process would ease those problems, but it raises security and privacy concerns.

Pentagon officials have been urging more states to move into the electronic age before November, a move that could help reverse recent trends in which thousands of military members asked for ballots but either didn't vote or had their ballots rejected for flaws.

The push comes more than seven years after problems with overseas military voting set off an uproar in President Bush's narrow 2000 victory. In Florida, questions were raised about several thousand overseas



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Army Pfc. Joseph Anzack, 19, of Los Angeles relaxes in the company barracks near Youssifiyah, Iraq, on Feb. 2, 2007. U.S. forces in Iraq and Afghanistan can speak to their families by web camera and fight insurgents using sophisticated electronic warfare.

military votes that came in after deadlines and were counted in some districts but not counted in others.

This year, when war is a key campaign issue, the election results in any state — particularly one with heavy military voting — could turn on the votes of thousands of troops on the front lines.

"The personnel that fight our wars, the people who are most affected by the decisions on the use of the military, are being systematically denied the right to vote," said Bob Carey, a board

member of the Overseas Vote Foundation, a voting-rights group. "I find that pretty tough to swallow. If a president decides to deploy military troops somewhere, it's these troops that are going to go."

Carey, a Navy reservist who has served in Iraq, noted that ballots are often not prepared and ready to be mailed until 30 to 45 days before an election. And because it can take more than two weeks for troops to get ballots by regular mail, they sometimes get them too late to meet voting deadlines.

Indiana Secretary of State Todd Rokita, who is president of the National Association of Secretaries of State, said the use of e-mail is a controversial subject among his members. Yet, he said his state has had no problems using e-mail to both deliver and receive ballots from overseas voters.

"The fact of the matter is, we're voting in the same way we were voting in the 1850s," Rokita said of many other states. While a number of states are looking at the e-mail process to speed up delivery of ballots to

military voters, he said the issue "is tied up in the national debate on whether we need a paper trail. Some are so scared of technology, they want to be tied to a piece of paper."

In most states that allow e-mail balloting, the voter must also follow up by mailing in the ballot. And states that permit e-mail balloting warn that it is not a secure way to transmit personal information.

States that will send a blank ballot by e-mail are Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota, Oregon, South Carolina, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin. However, in some states, such as Illinois, only certain voting districts participate in the e-mail balloting.

States where voters can return completed ballots by e-mail are: Colorado, Indiana, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota, South Carolina, and Washington.

In some communities only members of the military may use e-mail balloting. In others all registered voters may do so. And officials noted that options may change as the year goes on, so voters should check with local districts and websites for updates. As an example, Missouri allowed some e-mail voting in the past, and it may again.

Polli Brunelli, the director of the Federal Voter Assistance Program, said that while voting by mail can work well, "it doesn't always get through." Ballot delivery, she said, is slowed by weather conditions or delays in printing or getting final approvals at the local level.

"The nice thing about the e-balloting process is that it's portable," she said, noting that troops often move around and at times have more reliable access to e-mail than regular mail. "I think we're building confidence in that process. It's a slow thing, but I think we're moving right along."

Of the roughly 1.3 million active duty military eligible to vote, about 500,000 are deployed overseas or permanently assigned there.

Men and women in uniform make up an increasingly active voting block. Brunelli said that 73 percent of all military members voted in 2004, compared with 57 percent in 2000.

A less-scientific report from the U.S. Election Assistance Commission suggested there were significant problems for military members and others who tried to vote from overseas.

According to the commission's survey, nearly 1 million overseas voters — including service members, federal employees and other citizens — requested absentee ballots for the 2006 local, state and congressional elections. Of those, the survey said, more than two-thirds were never counted, largely because the ballots were returned to the local election officials as undeliverable.

The survey released late last year indicated that more than half of the ballots from the military overseas voters were not counted. The commission noted, however, that response rates to the survey varied across the country, as did the way localities collected and reported their voting statistics.

# Militant attack targets Karzai

By Amir Shah  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KABUL, Afghanistan — An artillery salute pounded the air Sunday, almost drowning out the initial, sporadic gunshots fired by militants.

At first, President Hamid Karzai and other dignitaries appeared oblivious they were under attack as they stood for the national anthem at a ceremony marking the 16th anniversary of the end of Soviet-backed rule in Afghanistan.

Two American soldiers pointed to some nearby houses where the shots appeared to come from, but resumed their salute as the anthem faded out.

But as the automatic gunfire intensified and rockets hit close to the stands where the VIPs were assembled, panic broke out.

Hundreds of people, including Afghan police and soldiers in the honor guard, suddenly dived for cover. Two lawmakers hit by bullets slumped out of their seats. Karzai was hustled away by bodyguards and sped off to the presidential palace.

Taliban militants who claimed responsibility for the attack had missed their target but killed three other others and wounded eight, including three soldiers. The assault sent foreign ambassadors scurrying for cover, underscoring the fragile grip of his U.S.-backed government.

The gunfire apparently came from a three-story guesthouse, popular with migrant laborers, approximately 300 yards from the stands where Karzai was seated alongside Cabinet ministers and senior diplomats who all escaped injury. A U.S. Embassy official confirmed U.S. Ambassador William Wood was unharmed.

Residents reported that a 30-minute gun battle then broke out between security forces and gunmen holed up in the guesthouse, located in a neighborhood of ruined mud brick buildings.

Defense Minister Gen. Abdul Rahim Wardak said three attackers were killed by security forces, and assault rifles and machine guns were confiscated. He said three soldiers were among the wounded.

Mujaheed said six militants were deployed to target the president, and three of those militants died in the attack. He said they were armed with guns, rockets, and suicide vests; no suicide bombing was reported.

Fewer than two hours after the assault, Karzai appeared on state-run TV and said, "Everything is OK."

Appearing calm, Karzai said "the enemy of Afghanistan" tried to disrupt the ceremony but was thwarted by security forces. He said several suspects were arrested and smiled as he signed off his brief recorded statement.

About 100 people were rounded up for questioning, an Afghan intelligence official said on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to media.

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# Godfrey leads Hawk trio

Three ex-Hawkeyes were selected in the NFL draft Sunday; at least one signed as free agent.

By **Brendan Stiles and Charlie Kautz**  
THE DAILY IOWAN

It was welcome to Carolina for Charles Godfrey, hello again for Kenny Iwebema, and a return to black and gold for Mike Humpal as three former Hawkeyes were selected Sunday in the NFL draft.

Godfrey, a second-team All-Big Ten defensive back, was a third-round pick

**Carolina a 'great situation' for Godfrey**

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and the 67th overall selection by the Carolina Panthers, which fielded a roundtable call from coaches, scouts, and other executives sharing the good news. Originally recruited to Iowa for his

standout prep performance as a free safety, Godfrey projects to make his way back to that position for the Panthers after starting at cornerback for Iowa. He plans to fly to Charlotte on Thursday to begin work on the next level.

"It's a blessing for me going and even being in the NFL," Godfrey said Sunday from his home in Baytown, Texas.



**Godfrey**  
Carolina, 67th



**Iwebema**  
Arizona, 116th



**Humpal**  
Pittsburgh, 188th

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Tyrette Metzendorf

## WOMEN'S GOLF

### Metzendorf takes third at Big Tens

Highlighted by junior Tyrette Metzendorf's third-place finish, the Iowa women's golf team tied for eighth place for the second year in a row at the Big Ten championships on Sunday.

Playing on the Penn State Blue Course in State College, Pa. — the same course on which Metzendorf shot an 18-hole school record 68 in the fall — the junior played her last three rounds at two-under par after posting a nine-over 81 in the first round.

The Hawkeyes put up a tournament-high 325 in the first round before shooting a 291 in the second round. But Iowa was unable to keep its momentum going and finished with rounds of 308 and 307.

Despite finishing with the third-lowest 72-hole team score (1,231) in school history, Iowa would've needed to shave 14 strokes to crack the top five. Purdue (1,169) ran away with the title.

Ending her Hawkeye career, senior Melanie Boyles finished tied for 26th. Also placing in the top 50, junior Becky Quinby and freshman Laura Cilek tied for 47th and 49th.

— by Scott Miller

## FOOTBALL

### Trial set for ex-Hawkeye Cleveland

A trial date has been set for former Hawkeye wide receiver James Cleveland.

Cleveland, 20, was charged with two counts of unlawful possession of prescription drugs and a tax-stamp violation on Feb. 23. He will go to trial on July 14.

According to police reports, Cleveland was found in possession of 24 doses of the muscle relaxant carisoprodol and 21 doses of oxycodone, a pain reliever. Police said they searched Cleveland's Hillcrest dorm room and allegedly found the drugs in his desk drawer.

Cleveland started 11 games last season and was the team's second-leading receiver. Both former football players were dismissed from the team on April 6.

Cleveland's pretrial conference is set for June 17.

— by Olivia Moran

## TV TODAY

**MLB**  
• New York Yankees at Cleveland, 6 p.m., ESPN  
• Baltimore at Chicago White Sox, 1:05 p.m., Comcast  
**NBA PLAYOFFS**  
• Eastern Conference, first round, game 4, Boston at Atlanta, 7 p.m., TNT  
• Western Conference, first round, game 4, L.A. Lakers at Denver, 9:30 p.m., TNT  
**NHL PLAYOFFS**  
• Conference semifinals, game 3, Montréal at Philadelphia, 6 p.m., Versus

## MEN'S TENNIS BIG TEN TOURNAMENT



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Hawkeye doubles players Bart van Monsjou and J.P. Ritchie on April 25 face off against Ohio State in the second round of the men's Big Ten tennis championship, which was held in Iowa City over this past weekend. The No. 8 Hawks were defeated by the top-ranked Buckeyes, who went on to win the tournament on Sunday.

# Buckeyes take tourney

Ohio State (32-1, 13-0) captures its third-straight Big Ten Tournament title in dramatic fashion.

By **Bobby Loesch**  
THE DAILY IOWAN

Top-seeded Ohio State didn't just get just get pushed in the Big Ten championship meet, it got knocked down and slapped around.

But third-seeded Illinois' best effort still wasn't enough to keep the Buckeyes out of the winner's circle for the third-straight year. Down 3-2 in the meet, Ohio State rallied, winning a pair of three-set matches to capture the Big Ten crown, 4-3.

After the Buckeyes lost the doubles point but won three of the first five singles matches, everything came down to the serve of Ohio State's Steven Moneke. The junior — one of three Buckeyes named to the All-Big Ten first team — didn't blink, forcing Illinois' Marc Spicijaric into an unforced error to close the match and take the title.

Leading the match 4-3, Moneke said winning a break point was a pivotal moment.

"It put me into a good position to serve it out," he said. "And I won the first point of the game,



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Illinois' No. 2 doubles team of Marc Spicijaric and Ruben Gonzales shake hands with Ohio State's Justin Kronauge at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on Sunday. Ohio State won the Big Ten championship, 4-3.

which is very important, always. It gave me a lot of confidence."

Deep into the match, Moneke battled some fatigue, but knowing the stakes, it was impossible to buckle.

"[Spicijaric] was tired, but I started almost cramping in the third set," Moneke said. "But I

knew I'm going to be here all day. You're not going to let down."

Playing the Big Tens in Iowa City for the first time since 1993, the win capped an undefeated conference season for Ohio State.

SEE BUCKEYES, 3B

# Too much Ohio State

## Home not-so sweet home

Go to [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com) for a photo slide show and to watch Daily Iowan TV for video highlights, interviews, and analysis from the Big Ten Tournament.

By **Bobby Loesch**  
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After sweeping Purdue out of the Big Ten Tournament's opening round, eighth-seeded Iowa found itself in a role reversal — top-seeded Ohio State blanked the Hawkeyes in the second round, crushing the host's tournament hopes early last weekend.

"There's no such a thing as a bad loss to the Buckeyes," said Iowa head coach Steve Houghton. "They're doing it to everybody."

In doubles play, Iowa's usual shakiness was nowhere to be found; the Hawkeyes threw everything it had at Ohio State, battling fiercely for the doubles point on April 25 at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex.

## April 25 Results

**No. 1 Ohio State 4, No. 8 Iowa 0**

- 1 — No. 17 Bryan Koniecko (Ohio State) vs. No. 79 Bart van Monsjou (Iowa) 6-4, 4-4 (unfinished)
- 2 — No. 22 Justin Kronauge (Ohio State) vs. Christian Bierich (Iowa) 4-6, 3-4 (unfinished)
- 3 — No. 33 Steven Moneke (Ohio State) def. J.P. Ritchie (Iowa) 6-3, 6-1
- 4 — Shuhei Uzawa (Ohio State) def. Reinoud Haal (Iowa) 6-3, 6-1
- 5 — Balazs Novak (Ohio State) def. Tommy McGeorge (Iowa) 6-1, 6-0
- 6 — Drew Eberly (Ohio State) vs. Greg Holm (Iowa) 4-6, 6-1 (unfinished)

SEE BIG TENS, 3B



# 3 Hawks taken in draft

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"I'm at a real good team with Carolina at the beginning of the third round. It's a great situation, and I'm just looking forward to getting there and contributing right away."

Next came Iwebema, who after hearing his name called 116th overall in the fourth round, finds himself heading to the Arizona Cardinals' organization to reunite with the man who recruited him to Iowa City, Ron Aiken.

After eight years of duty under Hawkeye coach Kirk

Ferentz, Aiken agreed to become the final member of Ken Whisenhunt's Cardinals coaching staff in February 2007, and he now finds himself mentoring a familiar face next season.

Iwebema, praised as a possible sleeper pick, said he previously spoke with the Cardinals at the NFL Combine in February.

"I'm just excited," he said. "I can't wait to get up there."

The last Hawkeye drafted was Humpal, whose no-nonsense work ethic and 124 tackles last season were enough to persuade the Pittsburgh Steelers to select the New Hampton, Iowa, native with the 188th

overall pick. Unsure where he'd end up as the sixth round steadily ticked off Sunday afternoon, Humpal was thrilled to hear his career would continue with the storied Pittsburgh franchise.

"I talked to one of the Steelers' coaches, and he asked me how I felt about being a Steeler," Humpal said. "I was like, 'It sounds like a great idea to me.'"

At least one Hawkeye signed as an undrafted free agent. Running back Albert Young, third on the school's all-time rushing list, signed with the Minnesota Vikings, where he will likely compete for a roster spot as

Adrian Peterson's backup.

As of late Sunday night, it was unknown whether others — such as defensive end Bryan Mattison, fullback Tom Busch, and running back Damian Sims — had landed on teams.

No Iowa player went in the first two rounds. The Hawkeyes have had a player drafted each of the last 31 years.

Cedar Rapids native and former Michigan receiver Adrian Arrington was selected by the New Orleans Saints in the seventh round with the 237th overall pick.

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# Buckeyes take third straight

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a big match," Tucker said.

While Moneke may have finished it out, Tucker was hesitant to single any player out as the tournament's most valuable player.

"There's no MVPs," he said. "One, two, three, five guys get it done. What people don't understand is we've been playing for the last five weeks without a player who is 17-1 in singles, Matt Allare."

Will the return of Allare make the Buckeyes even stronger heading into the national tournament?

"Matt Allare was 17-1," Tucker said. "I didn't stutter."

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"Every Big Ten title is sweet as anything," said Ohio State head coach Ty Tucker, the 2008 Big Ten coach of the year. "You keep fighting, you keep competing, you try to have a battle. Every time you play Illinois, it's a war."

Beating the Fighting Illini, one of Ohio State's major rivals, is sweet, but taking out hated Michigan in the semifinals was almost as good.

"Any time you play Michigan in anything — it can be tiddly-winks, euchre, whatever, it doesn't matter — backyard football? Three-on-three soccer? Anytime you play Michigan, it's

# Ohio State ends Iowa's tourney

**BIG TENS**  
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The No. 2 team of Greg Holm and Patrick Dwyer fell to No. 19 Drew Eberly and Justin Kronauge (8-5), and the No. 1 senior tandem of J.P. Ritchie and Bart van Monsjou (No. 56) lost to Steven Moneke and Bryan Koniecko (No. 13).

A win in either match may have given Iowa the point, because freshman Austen Kauss and junior Christian Bierich were leading 7-5 in their match at No. 3 before Ohio State sealed up the doubles victory on the other two courts.

"You can't really control how that happens," Kauss said. "I'm not going to get down on anybody on my team because I

know they're all going out there and playing their asses off and fighting really hard."

In singles, Ohio State did its most damage in the middle of the Hawkeye lineup, winning matches in the No. 3, No. 4, and No. 5 spot en route to a 4-0 sweep of Iowa.

"They've played some of the best teams in the country — nothing fazes them at all," Houghton said. "They're just very, very good competitors."

Because of tournament rules, Iowa had three unfinished matches as Holm (No. 6), Bierich (No. 2), and van Monsjou (No. 1) never had the opportunity to close out very competitive contests which could have made the final less lopsided. Van Monsjou — Iowa's only nationally ranked player (No. 79) — and Ohio State's Koniecko (No. 17) were

tied 4-4 in the second set when Iowa's senior got word of the team's defeat.

"Frustrating," said van Monsjou, who was unanimously voted first team All-Big Ten along with winning Iowa's sportsmanship award. "But that's tennis; those are the rules. You know before you start the match. It sucks, especially because it's my last match, and I didn't get to finish that."

The defeat, Iowa's second home loss to Ohio State this season, put a big dent in the Hawkeyes' already iffy NCAA Tournament aspirations. Van Monsjou, also hoping for an individual bid in singles or a potential doubles bid with Ritchie, isn't optimistic about any of the three.

"It's just disappointing," he said.

Houghton, in his 27th year as Iowa's coach, said it was tough seeing his two seniors — Ritchie and van Monsjou — possibly end their careers on that note.

"Without question, they've left this program a lot better than when it started," he said. "It is sad to see it end, if this is really the ending."

With the regular season and conference tournament wrapped up, Iowa shifts into wait-and-see mode until NCAA Tournament bids are announced this week.

"I'm glad we've got to the point now where we're even considering the possibility of that we'd be in the NCAAs," Houghton said.

Iowa will find out its fate on Tuesday.

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## HAWKEYE SPORTS

### Softball splits weekend

After sweeping a pair of games against Purdue, the Iowa softball team dropped a double-header against lowly Indiana, which came

into the weekend contest with just four conference wins.

A three-run home run in the fifth inning of game one on Sunday gave the Hoosiers a 3-2 win, and Amanda Zust was charged with the loss in

game two after giving up three unearned runs.

In the second game on April 26, the 25th-ranked Hawkeyes (35-17, 12-6) used a six-run flurry in the in the top of the seventh inning for an

8-5 win over Purdue.

Junior Brittany Weil earned both wins against Purdue, collecting 15 strikeouts and giving up just one earned run (four unearned) in 13 innings.

— by Eric Mandel

## SAFETY NOTICE

Over the past year there have been several assaults on women in the Iowa City area. Please remember the following safety tips from the University of Iowa Police.

### Safety tips while you are walking

- Everyone has the right to live free of unwanted attention, harassment, and abuse. You will be safest in well lit areas where there are groups of people. Look and act confident while you are walking, be aware of your surroundings, trust your instincts and don't be concerned about appearing rude if you feel threatened.
- There is safety in numbers; make it a habit to walk with others.
- If you regularly jog or cycle vary your route and time. Stay on well lit roads and main paths with open spaces where you can see and be seen by other people. Avoid wooded areas and adjust your routine to daylight hours if possible.
- Recognize that the use of a cell phone or personal stereo may distract you from paying attention to your surroundings and persons acting suspiciously.
- Avoid consuming alcohol or other substances that may impair your judgment or your ability to react to a confrontation.
- Let someone know when you are intending to leave and arrive at a particular destination.
- If you think someone is following you go to the nearest place where there are other people and/or a place that is well lit. If you have a cell phone call the appropriate Police Department: (ICPD) (319) 356-5275 or UIPD (319) 335-5022. If you have speed dial capabilities, program these numbers into your cell phone. It is important to know your location when calling anyone for assistance so they know where to respond. Of course, in cases involving emergencies call 911.
- If someone tries to take your property from you remember, your physical safety is more important than any material object.
- Often times doing something to bring attention to the situation can deter an attack. If you are attacked yell or scream for help. Use phrases such as "leave me alone" or "call the police" it is instinctive and instantaneous.
- Although the recent assaults have not occurred on University property, the Iowa City and University Police are working together and consider each report of assault and attempted sexual assault a threat to our community and will be vigorously pursued. Anyone with information regarding these incidents is strongly encouraged to call the Iowa City Police. Any incidents occurring on University property please call the University of Iowa Police. We must work together as a community to stop these and other crimes.

### Safety tips for your residence

- Lock your doors and windows.
- Remember that just because a door or window locks, it doesn't necessarily mean it is secure. Make sure that the door or window can't be opened if it is locked.
- Contact your maintenance person to get things fixed if they are broken.
- Keep blinds closed at night.
- If you park your car close to your residence and if you have a remote key alarm, keep your car keys next to your bed as you sleep. In the event someone breaks in, activate the panic alarm on your car. It may be enough to scare them away.
- Be aware of your surroundings when approaching your residence and when you are leaving. Call police if you see suspicious people that are hanging around.
- Report any outside lighting that isn't working to the responsible person.
- Have your door key out and ready as you approach your residence.

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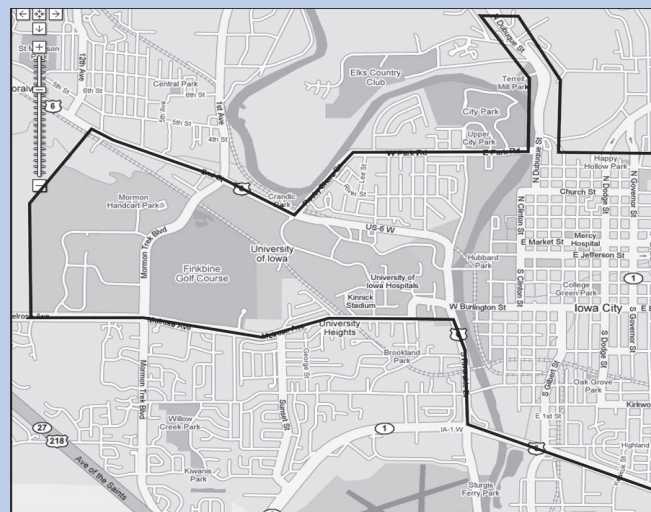
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