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Emissions rise from industrial plants in Muscatine on Monday. Muscatine County ranks third worst of 3,140 counties nationwide in an Associated Press analysis of health risks from industrial air pollution.

On premature death and pollution

Watch Daily Iowan TV at **dailyiowan.com** for more on the connection between smog and early death.

By Melanie Kucera
THE DAILY IOWAN

Around eastern Iowa, the snow has melted, the birds are chirping, and smog is in the air.

A report recently released by the National Research Council has linked premature deaths and smog — even with short-term exposure.

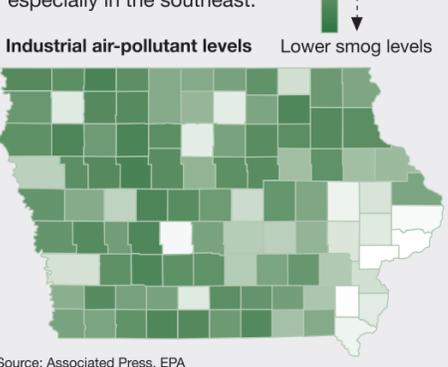
The council, an operating arm of the National Academy of Sciences, looked at four major studies and death-rate fluctuations compared to changes in ozone concentrations, said Ray Wassel, senior program officer for the National Research Council.

“The bottom line is that ozone is likely to contribute to death via short-term exposure,” he said.

SEE **SMOG, 3A**

Iowa air

A report has linked smog to premature death. Industrial pollutants are widespread in Iowa, especially in the southeast.



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By Alyssa Cashman
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Iowans had health insurance in 2005-06, placing Iowa third in the nation, according to the State Health Access Data Assistance Center.

“Even in independent studies, we’re usually in the top five in the nation,” said Roger Munns, a spokesman for the Iowa Department of Human Services.

Several programs are in place to aid the uninsured in Iowa, including Medicaid and Hawk-I, a program for children.

Hawk-I covered nearly 38,000 kids in March, but Munns said the number jumps every month.

Medicaid covers 730,000 Iowans in total.

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Iowa health insurance

- By the numbers**
- 8.7** — percentage of uninsured Iowans in 2006
- 15.8** — percentage of uninsured Americans in 2006
- 3** — Iowa's rank in the nation in terms of uninsured residents
- 5.6** — percentage of Iowans spending more than 20 percent of their income on health costs
- 730,000** — number of Iowans covered by Medicaid

Genetic tests questioned

The American College of Medical Genetics recently released a new policy statement aimed to protect consumers from questionable genetic tests.

By Zhi Xiong
THE DAILY IOWAN

As scientists hone technology for genetic tests, the growing specialty is dogged by a rising number of companies that want to unravel paying customers’ genes without the aid of professionals.

An at-home paternity test, IdentiGene, found its way to major pharmacies last year. Online tests claim to reveal one’s ancestry or tailor one’s diet plan.

In response, the American College of Medical Genetics released a policy statement to better inform the public. It includes five minimum requirements, such as having a “knowledgeable professional” involved in ordering or interpreting a genetic test.

“This will hopefully weed out the labs that are not doing a good job,” said Jim Hanigan, a spokesman for DNA Diagnostics Center, a major DNA testing lab that is reported to provide 75 percent of private paternity tests in the United States.

Humans inherit a set of chromosomes from each parent, which carry genes that code for everything from hair

color to susceptibility to illnesses. Some people carry certain genes without them being expressed. But for something like Huntington’s disease, an individual who has the gene will eventually suffer brain-cell degeneration.

While environmental and developmental factors can also affect whether a person gets sick, myriad genetic tests offer a look at the genes’ contributions.

DNA testing technology evolved throughout the 20th century. Scientists identified four blood types in humans in the 1920s, which cleared the way for safer blood transfusions and matches between patients and organ donors. Now genetic tests are available clinically for more than 900 diseases, according to the advocacy conglomerate Genetic Alliance.

The federal government has also remained oddly silent on the issue, however; one of the only actions it has taken so far is to issue a 2006 Federal Trade Commission report suggesting consumer “skepticism.” And despite clamoring from genetics

SEE **GENETIC TESTS, 3A**

Thursdays may be quiet

With an increase in the number of Friday classes next fall, UI students may be forced to cut back on partying on Thursdays.

By Carla Keppler
THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa City’s Thirsty Thursday may be no longer.

With nearly 100 additional courses scheduled on Fridays next fall, UI students may see Iowa City’s Thursday-night party scene abate somewhat.

The spike comes as a result of a 2007 University of Missouri study, which showed that students with Friday classes consumed half as much alcohol as those who ended their academic week earlier. Findings led the UI to increase late-week courses in hopes of thinning the crowds downtown on Thursdays.

By using a monetary incentive, the UI enticed departments to shift courses to Fridays. The money can vary between UI colleges — the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences pays departments \$20 per student per switched class.

In the fall of 2007, 1,402 courses were held on Fridays. Over the past few years, numbers fluctuated from a low of 1,234 — this semester — to 1,479. The number of courses will jump to 1,499 for the fall of 2008.

Rhetoric department head Mary Trachsler accepted the monetary incentive

Friday hangover? Don't count on a day of rest.

See Daily Iowan TV at **dailyiowan.com** to learn out more about the UI's increase in the number of Friday classes.

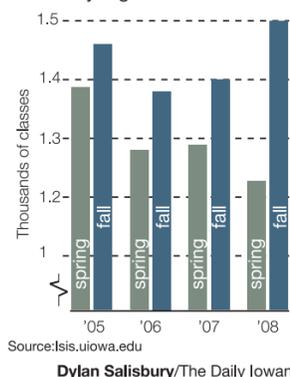
with open arms, and she plans to use it for teaching initiatives and faculty research.

She believes the transition will positively affect students.

SEE **FRIDAY CLASS, 4A**

More Friday classes

Next fall, the UI will offer 1,499 Friday classes, the highest number of such classes ever at the university. The increase is intended to curtail student drinking on Thursday nights.



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Textbook bill considered

A pending measure could reduce the cost of textbooks for university students.

By Briana Byrd
THE DAILY IOWAN

Gimme! Gimme! Gimme! (better book prices)

DI Watch Daily Iowan TV at dailiowan.com for more on a measure intended to protect students from high book prices.

Students may be able to keep a few extra dollars in their pockets when purchasing textbooks, if a new bill is approved in Congress. The bill would require publishers to unbundle textbooks from supplemental material and provide faculty members with the pricing information regarding textbook and supplemental material. They must include the price, the copyright dates of all previous editions, any substantial content revisions during the current and previous editions, and whether the material is available in any other format, such as paperback or unbound, according to the bill.

Book numbers and retail price information would also be posted on Internet course schedules so students could investigate their options before registering for class. The textbook burden can be felt strongest on students who must pay extra money for textbook additions, including CD-ROM's and workbooks. "It's just been more expensive," UI senior Megan Brockman said. "I've paid 50 or 60 bucks more for something I don't really need. It's been kind of a pain because it's money I don't need to spend."

Many times workbooks and textbooks are bundled together so students are forced to buy two new books. If they were bundled separately, students could buy new workbooks and used textbooks, cutting down the price, said Joe Ziegler, the textbook manager at Iowa Book, 8 S. Clinton St. The bill also encourages publishers, distributors, and bookstores to work with faculty and institutions to address affordability. The institutions would then help students understand why the costs have increased and how they can reduce those effects. "If we can get everything unbundled, it should be less expensive for the students," Ziegler said. "Books will be expensive anyway, but the best way is to have used books."

Used books can cost 25 percent less than new books. If the bookstore were able to receive the information in time, Ziegler said, it could buy book copies back from students who would then receive half the price of what they initially paid for it. UI professors agree. Mary Trachsel, an associate professor of



Chris Vanderwall/The Daily Iowan
In an effort to curb the high prices of textbooks, Congress is discussing a bill that would require publishers to unbundle their books from supplemental materials.

rhetoric, said she, too, feels students are being forced to pay for items they are not likely to use.

"I could see where something like a CD might work, but it seems to me like there is a lot available on the web anyway," she said. "Our departmental policy is not to use that sort of thing if you don't have to. Sometimes, textbook publishers don't give you any other choice."

While she occasionally uses videos or audio recordings for classes, she said, it generally doesn't cost the student.

"I don't like the idea of it being packaged and given to me," Trachsel said. "A lot of

What the publishers must do

- Requirements**
- Provide faculty with textbook pricing information.
 - Unbundle textbooks from supplemental materials.
 - Provide information about custom textbooks.

Source: House Resolution 4137

times it's extra exercises and instructional materials like that, and I just don't use it."

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Coming through bigotry

Black students, professors, and community members weigh in on racial issues in America.

By Brian Stewart
THE DAILY IOWAN

As a recording of Barack Obama's March 18 speech in Philadelphia came to a close on the projector screen, the 12 men, circled in the UI Afro-American Cultural Center, launched a conversation in response to the oration.

"It takes some guts to say a lot of the things he said," sophomore Vernon Jackson said.

Obama's address came shortly after national media broadcast clips of controversial statements by the Democrat's former pastor, the Rev. Jeremiah Wright. The clips were also available on the Internet.

The group's focus Monday night was to address issues facing black males today, said

Von Yeager, the discussion's facilitator and a UI librarian.

"He was articulating a lot of things that, in my lifetime, I haven't heard since [Martin Luther King]," Yeager said. "Our children are going to be watching this speech."

As participants shared past experiences — from an elderly white woman taking the stairs to avoid sharing an elevator with a black man to a student being told that regardless of his above-average academic performance, he was "only admitted because of affirmative action" — the group was glad that racial discussions have surfaced in the presidential race.

Obama's speech touched on slavery, part of what he dubbed "a tragic past."

Motier Haskins, a coordinator for campus programs and student activities in the Office of Student Life, said much of Obama's discourse was to educate the American public on the "black experience."

"I like to draw the connection between that speech and our purpose here tonight — how close is our tragic past?" he asked the group.

"We're on this campus with white students all the time, and there are things they can do that I can't, and they're oblivious to that," freshman Shawn Jones said.

Jackson recalled a recent incident in which staff at an Iowa City bar forced him to remove his stocking cap, citing dress code violations, just minutes after

letting his white friend — wearing the same style of hat — enter.

While Jackson said the hat "experiment" helped educate his friend about modern bigotry, he noted he "can't do experiments with 20,000 white students" at the UI.

"Your experience on campus is to break through those stereotypes," UI graduate student Alex Lodge said. "You can't change the world — you can really just change your life and your community. You're here to prove something more to yourself than anybody else."

Hemie Collier, children's oral history coordinator for the African American Historical Museum and Cultural Center of Iowa, agreed.

"I don't need you to understand [my experience], but I need you to respect it," he said. "That key is to teach people to respect our experience."

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METRO

Chief: No quotas

Iowa City Police Chief Sam Hargadin addressed the "perceived notion" that officers had quotas to fill at Monday's Iowa City City Council work session.

He said citizens may have seen a jump in the number of officers on roads because the department was seeing an increase in officers' available time.

This should not be considered quotas, he said. And because the police have been receiving numerous complaints about motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians, it would only make sense to put a larger number of officers on the street, he said.

"If we had an increase in armed robberies in convenience stores, then we're going to need a director that says, 'We need you in these businesses more often,'" he said. "It's the same thing."

Hargadin said there is no mandate that tickets be written; it was just a matter of too much free time. "We expect to see something for the salaries we're paying them," he said.

Councilors also discussed whether or not they would be interested in having more affordable housing available as either rental or owned properties.

Councilor Amy Correia said she would like to see the council have a conversation about support for a larger

number of rentals and the amount of money in the affordable housing fund.

"I think we have a chance to look at [the amount of money in the fund] and say 'how do we want to support homeownership opportunities with that?'" she said. "And use these federal funds to let that leverage other federal funds into our community to meet the needs we've already identified."

— by **Kelli Shaffner**

UI aids in eye-disease study

Using the UI's expertise in genetic testing, a Philadelphia study successfully carried out gene therapy in three human subjects with a rare eye disease.

Ten different genes contribute to the development of Leber congenital amaurosis, an inherited disease that causes blindness. People who were diagnosed with the disease were turned away from hospitals and told that there was nothing doctors could do to treat them.

Then scientists began to use gene therapy to treat animals with the disease. Using a virus, they could replace the defective gene with a functioning one.

A few months ago, collaborating scientists based in Pennsylvania carried out same procedure on three human patients with the disease. But

first, they had to determine which gene was abnormal. It was a crucial step.

"Hypothetically speaking, if you were missing gene No. 5 and replaced it with gene No. 2, it would not make the patients better," said Edwin Stone, a UI professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences who led the genetic testing arm of the study.

One well-studied gene, RPE 65, was used in the research. Stone and a UI team developed a way to tell which mutations in RPE 65 were harmless and which ones led to non-functional retinas.

Stone also helped create Project 3000, which seeks people with the disease who are willing to undergo genetic testing. Participants do not pay for the tests.

Since its creation in 2006, Stone said, researchers have collected between 850 and 900 samples.

"As people realize that the potential for treatment is on the horizon, hopefully, people will get interested and sign up in our effort," he said.

The study appeared online Sunday in the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

A separate British team's results were also published in that issue, using the same method on RPE 65 in three patients. The treatment worked on one of the patients. — by **Zhi Xiong**

Kidnapping, sex-abuse trial reset

The trial for a man accused of kidnapping and sexually abusing a 50-year-old woman was reset for September.

The trial of Micah Matthews, 32, will begin on Sept. 15 rather than the anticipated date of May 5.

Police arrested Matthews on Feb. 9 as a suspect in a crime that reportedly occurred on June 5, 2007. That day, the woman reported that Matthews — armed with a handgun — woke her at approximately 4 a.m. demanding money. He then allegedly forced her to drive to a local bank and withdraw money from the ATM.

When back at the residence, the victim attempted to escape but was caught and allegedly "pistol-whipped" across the face by Matthews, police said. He then sexually assaulted her where she fell, the woman reported.

Matthews was charged while in custody for violating a protective order prohibiting him from seeing his former girlfriend. He is facing first-degree kidnapping, a Class A felony, first-degree sexual abuse, a Class A felony, and first-degree burglary, a Class B felony.

If convicted on all three charges, he faces two life sentences in prison plus 25 years. — by **Olivia Moran**

POLICE BLOTTER

Parker Brodale, 18, 114 Mayflower, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and possession of a fictitious driver's license.

David Cambalik, 47, Orland Park, Ill., was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Latasha Crocody, 25, 620 Kirkwood Ave., was charged Sunday with fifth-degree theft.

Gordon Denton, 23, Riverside, Iowa, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Spencer Duncan, 21, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Terrence Hawkins, 35, 2613 Friendship St., was charged April 25 with public intoxication.

Kalvin Johnson, 21, Cedar Falls, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Benjamin Marshall, 21, Manchester, Iowa, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Jerrod Martin, 28, 1311 Muscatine Ave., was charged Sunday with OWI.

Cara McCort, 23, Cedar Rapids, was charged April 26 with public intoxication.

Roger O'Brien, 38, 204 Blackfoot Trail, was charged April 24 with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Susan O'Brien, 38, 204 Blackfoot Trail, was charged April 24 with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Jesse O'Leary, 18, Coralville, was charged April 25 with possession of marijuana and PAULA.

Andrew Pelzer, 18, 1250 Teg Drive, was charged April 25 with possession of marijuana.

Tina Richmond, 43, Cedar Rapids, was charged March 19 with driving with a suspended/can-

celed license, tampering with records aiding and abetting, and failure to post financial security.

Jeffrey Robertshaw, 21, Marion, was charged April 26 with public intoxication.

Lance Thorson, 18, Moline, Ill., was charged Sunday and Monday with public intoxication, giving false information to law enforcement, unlawful use of a driver's license, malicious prosecution, possession of an open container of alcohol in public, and PAULA.

Wade Welcher, 21, Waterloo, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Yolanda Yates, 58, address unknown, was charged Sunday with fifth-degree theft.

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- Five minimum recommendations**
- A knowledgeable health professional should be involved in the process of ordering and interpreting a genetic test.
 - The consumer should be fully informed regarding what the test can and cannot say about her or his health.
 - The scientific evidence on which a test is based should be clearly stated.
 - The clinical testing laboratory must be accredited by the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments, the state, and/or other applicable accrediting agencies.
 - Privacy concerns must be addressed.
- Source: American College of Medical Genetics Statement on Direct-to-Consumer Genetic Testing

watchdog groups, the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments, which certifies labs such as the DNA Diagnostics Center for performing genetic tests, had no genetics specialty in 2007. Adherence to the American College of Medical Genetics' new guidelines is voluntary. Nonetheless, project manager Judith Benkendorf said the group hopes consumers will ask the right questions of their health professionals and the companies offering direct-to-consumer genetic tests.

"They can try to get more information to see if these five criteria we outline are met," said Benkendorf, who worked as a genetic counselor in patient care for more than 20 years.

"What lab is being used? What scientific evidence is there to say that this test is accurate? Is the test going to provide information the consumer really wants?" she said.

Getting inaccurate test results can be harmful in several ways, Benkendorf pointed out. False results could prompt people to take unnecessary action. They might also feel anxious if they are told they are susceptible to illness, or they could be lulled into false assurances that he or she will not get sick.

Furthermore, scanning the entire DNA sequence for genetic variation, commonly done by direct-to-consumer companies, is not tailored to individuals, Benkendorf said.

The UI Hospitals and Clinics has medical genetics services that can test for several diseases, such as Huntington's. Genetic counseling entails more than just the test, said program consultant Cathy Evers.

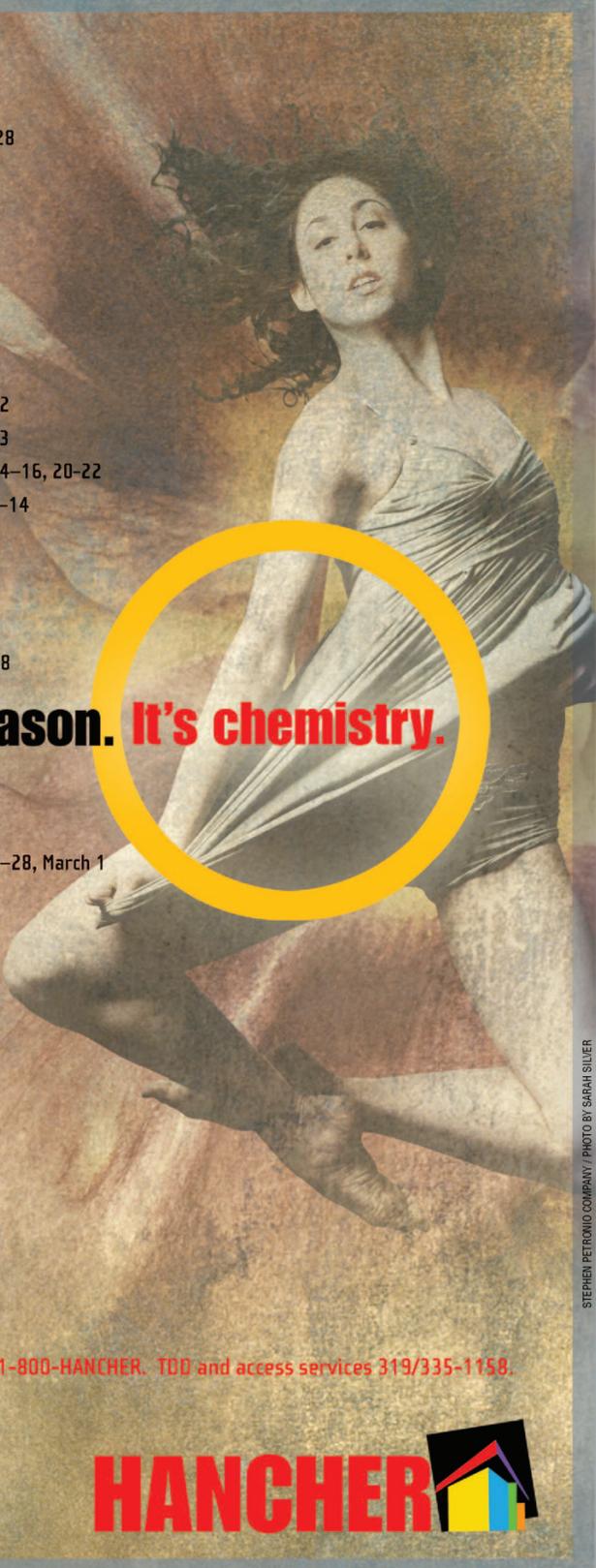
Genetic counselors discuss

possible risk in the individual or family being seen, where the test is available, accuracy of the test, cost, and insurance concerns. If testing is deemed appropriate and the person agrees to go ahead, then the hospital collects samples and sends them to labs around the nation. Afterwards, counselors discuss the results at the clinic or over the phone.

Evers is also the coordinator for the Regional Genetic Consultation Service, which organizes outreach clinics around the state and sees around 800-900 families each year.

"We've been busy," said Evers, who has worked in medical genetics for 20 years.

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into the health effects of smog indicate that ozone is a very strong irritant, and so it is going to affect respiratory problems," said Greg Carmichael, a co-director of the UI Center for Global and Regional Environmental Research.

He noted that national air-quality standards have been getting more stringent over the years, indicating the EPA's acknowledgment of hazards in the air.

To be in compliance, an area's air must average below 75 parts of a pollutant per billion parts of air over an eight-hour period — dropping from 120 parts per billion averaged over one hour two years ago, according to Iowa's Department of Natural Resources.

Though Iowa meets those standards, Carmichael said he believes that in the near future, as the standards are continually lowered, Iowa will be forced to take procedures.

"We may not reach what the EPA calls a violation, but there

is a real impact and a real concern," he said. "The kid in Iowa City who has asthma is still going to be affected by the ozone."

Carmichael said the United States should adopt higher standards for clean air, following Europe, which has higher standards.

"The Europeans have already looked at the data and are willing to accept less risk and are going to make their standards more stringent," he said.

Carmichael said that to make the ozone standard stricter by 1 part per billion costs about \$1 billion a year.

"There is a drag on the economy by being exposed to pollution and that is a real drag, but the fact is that to prevent it you have to expend money today," he said. "That is why it is difficult to make those decisions."

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The report called for the Environmental Protection Agency to analyze ozone's effects on mortality for future ozone standards.

Ozone, a major part of smog, is a widespread pollutant that forms both naturally in the atmosphere and from reactions to industrial activities.

One of the council's major findings was that ozone can harm healthy people's respiratory systems and shorten their lives; it does not just affect the already ill. However, the elderly, youth, and asthmatics are at greatest risk.

Industrial air pollutants serve as one of the culprits in the creation of ozone.

A separate study conducted by the Associated Press found that out of 3,140 counties nationwide, Johnson County had the 406th highest health risk due to industrial air pollutants.

Doug Beardsley, the director of Johnson County's Public Health, said that although these numbers were new to him, he would not overlook them. He noted that Johnson County has "the third worst air" in relation particulate matter.

"There is a growing concern, and we are starting to look at [air-quality issues] here in Johnson County," he said.

Beardsley said that although no air-quality program has been established yet in Johnson County, it is on the radar.

"We want people in Johnson County to have the best opportunity to be healthy that we can provide them with," he said.

Muscatine County was ranked a hazy third in the study, with one official citing the many industrial plants located in Muscatine.

One UI professor was not surprised by the relation between smog and death.

"The more research that goes

Iowa expands kids' health plan

UNINSURED
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"Clearly, the government plays a pretty significant role in covering Iowans," Munns said.

Despite these programs, around 8.7 percent of the population is still uninsured. However, several clinics in the area offer free services.

Kaegbein has been a loyal patient at CommunityHealth, a clinic in Cedar Rapids. CEO Darlene Schmidt says that it is one of the largest non-federally funded free health clinics in the Midwest.

The clinic referred Kaegbein to the UI Hospitals and Clinics, securing more free services to help her with her seizures.

UI student Marcus Parrott also goes without insurance, although it is mostly by choice.

"The whole idea of insurance kind of disgusts me," he said. "Frankly, I'd just rather be responsible for myself."

When he does have to pay for health care, he admitted the experience is "not very fun."

Free services are also available from Mobile Clinic, a UI-sponsored program that travels to different areas around Iowa City to provide free

health care. Many of the patients are minorities especially in such towns as Columbus Junction, which has a large Latino population, said Emma Jordan, a member of the Mobile Clinic's executive board.

"There's definitely always a need [for free health care]," Jordan said.

The Mobile Clinic recently started working with CommunityHealth in Cedar Rapids on Saturdays.

Although a relatively small percentage of Iowans go without insurance, plans to cover more people, especially kids,

are in the works.

The Iowa Legislature recently passed a bill that would broaden the Hawk-I plan to cover nearly 9,000 more children.

As for those that continue to live without insurance, Munns speculated that many simply don't know about options available to them.

The Department of Human Services recently started an advertising campaign for Hawk-I in the hopes of informing more families.

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NATION

Court backs voter IDs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The surge of new voters into the 2008 presidential campaign could run up against a Supreme Court-sanctioned barrier next week, a law requiring photo identification before casting a ballot.

The court upheld a Republican-inspired law in Indiana Monday that Democrats say will keep out some poor, older, and minority voters.

Indiana's presidential primary is May 6, and many new voters are expected to turn out for the Democratic contest between Sens. Hillary Rodham Clinton and Barack Obama.

The results could say something about the effect of the law, either because a large number of voters will lack identification and be forced to cast provisional ballots or because the number turns out to be small.

Twenty-five states require some form of ID, and the court's 6-3 decision rejecting a challenge to Indiana's strict law could encourage others to adopt their own measures. Oklahoma legislators said the

decision should help them get a version approved.

Supporters of the law say it's all about preventing fraud.

Indiana has a "valid interest in protecting 'the integrity and reliability of the electoral process,'" said Justice John Paul Stevens in an opinion that was joined by Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Anthony Kennedy.

Stevens said that Indiana's desire to prevent fraud and to inspire voter confidence in the election system are important even though there have been no reports of the kind of fraud the law was designed to combat. Evidence of voters being inconvenienced by the law's requirements also is scant. For the overwhelming majority of voters, an Indiana driver's license serves as the identification.

The law does not apply to absentee balloting, where election experts agree the threat of fraud is higher.

The Indiana law was passed in 2005. Democrats and civil rights groups opposed it as unconstitutional and called it a thinly veiled effort to discourage groups of voters who tend to prefer Democrats.

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Thirsty Thursdays may dry up

FRIDAY CLASS

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"The likelihood that [students] are going to be drinking on Thursdays is less," she said. "It's not going to stop students that really want to go out, but the university is at least taking a

stand."
Some students agree.
Junior Kyle Braheny has two Friday courses scheduled for the upcoming semester. Both, he said, are required to fulfill his math major.

Though he said there isn't anything he can do to get out of taking the classes, he thinks the

university's decision to implement late-week courses might be a good idea in terms of curbing Thursday partying.

"If I had more Friday classes, I'd think twice about drinking on Thursday nights," he said.

Braheny said the early weekend party scene "has been a problem" recently and that he

respects steps the UI is taking to address it.

"They've got to try to reach us somehow," he said. "I guess we'll see how it goes."

Nate Davis, a senior journalism and cinema major, is doubtful. In his opinion, Friday courses do little to prevent students from starting their weekends a

day early.

"I've gone out Thursday nights knowing I had class Friday," he said. "And there are definitely people with a greater urge to party than I have. People are still going to go out."

But in Trachsel's mind, there are few, if any, drawbacks to the higher number of Friday courses.

"It's probably healthy to instill in teachers and students alike the idea that this is the real world," she said. "Being a student is like having a job — a full-time job — that needs to be taken seriously."

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ECONOMY

Government begins issuing rebate checks

By Anne D'Innocenzio

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Tax rebates have begun dropping into bank accounts, but in this economy, gas and groceries may trump a high-end TV, a fancy dress, or a new sofa — making the checks less of an economic jump-start than the government hoped for.

The first direct deposits from the Internal Revenue Service landed in bank accounts Monday, shoppers were already using the cash to play catch-up on the basics, such as milk and other groceries.

Analysts say the rest will probably be used to pay down debt.

Alicia Flaxman, a stay-at-home mother from Seekonk, Mass., was shopping at a Target store Monday and said she would use some of the rebate for food — cheaper items like potatoes, not more expensive meat and fish.

"My bills are double," she said. "I go to the supermarket and I spend \$200. I used to spend \$120."

The rest of the money will probably go for summer clothes for her three children, she said.

The IRS aims to make 800,000 payments every day for the first three days of this week. It will make no deposits on Thursday, then around 5 million on Friday.

How you receive the rebate depends on how you filed your taxes. Paper checks will go out beginning May 9. The exact timing for both direct deposit and paper checks depends on the last two digits of your Social Security number.

The rebates, which are expected to reach 130 million households, range up to \$600



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A customer takes milk from a refrigerator case at a Costco store in Mountain View, Calif., on Dec. 12, 2007. The tax rebates showing up in Americans' mailboxes and bank accounts starting this week will likely be used for food and other staples and may be less of the economic stimulus that the Bush administration hoped it would be.

for individuals and \$1,200 for married couples, plus \$300 per child for eligible parents.

Eric Mossack of Spring Hill, Tenn., had his \$1,200 rebate in his checking account Monday and spent some of it on clothing from Gap, Kohl's and other stores — his first shopping spree in a few months, he said. The rest will go to car payments.

"We paid off something we owed, and had a little extra to spend," said Mossack.

But Bethany Blankley of Manhattan, who works in public relations, said she would immediately put the \$600 she received Monday toward paying off credit cards. "The interest rates are high," she said.

That kind of frugality doesn't surprise analysts, who say

shoppers are earmarking more of their money for groceries, the utility bill or credit card payments. Besides grocery chains, they expect discount retailers like Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and off-price clothing outlets like T.J. Maxx to benefit from the stimulus checks.

"Consumers are so feeling the pinch that ... they are really being forced to step away from luxury or discretionary purchases," said Janet Hoffman, managing partner of the North American retail division of Accenture.

But department stores and consumer electronics stores are unlikely to see a "measurable lift," Hoffman added. "The amounts are not that significant."

By comparison, previous

government stimulus plans led to a lift across the entire retail industry, said Stacy Janiak, vice chairman and U.S. retail

leader at Deloitte & Touche.

The rebates go out as the IRS finishes sending out its regular annual tax refund checks.

In an Associated Press-AOL Money & Finance poll earlier this month, 35 percent said they would use their regular tax refunds for bills and credit card payments. That was up from 27 percent who said that a year ago.

With consumer spending screeching to a halt in recent months, the retail industry needs shoppers to splurge. That's a big challenge. Gas could reach \$4 a gallon this summer, and a gallon of milk is now about \$4 on average as well.

"People who were eating steaks last year are now eating hamburger meat and pasta this year," said Burt P. Flickinger III, managing director of the consumer industry consulting firm Strategic Resource Group. "People are going to be able to put good food on the table, but in a few weeks they will go back to hamburger meat and macaroni."

Retailers have already tried

to grab a share of the billions of dollars flowing to households. Sears Holdings Corp. is offering discounts and freebies to shoppers who convert rebate checks into gift cards. Home Depot Inc. launched a campaign urging people to spend on eco-friendly products like energy-saving light bulbs.

Kroger Co. has already announced that shoppers can convert \$300 rebate checks into a \$330 Kroger gift card.

"I'd estimate that we had about 100 people indicate they were ready to get the cards as soon as they could," Brad Casebolt, the manager of a Kroger said in Sharonville, Ohio, said Monday. "The interest in it really has been overwhelming."

Joyce Gundling, who was loading groceries at another suburban Cincinnati grocery, said she would take advantage.

"The way groceries are skyrocketing, I'll probably end up spending it here anyway," she said. "This way, I get more for my money."

AP writers Martin Crutsinger, Lisa Cornwell, and Michelle Smith contributed to this report.



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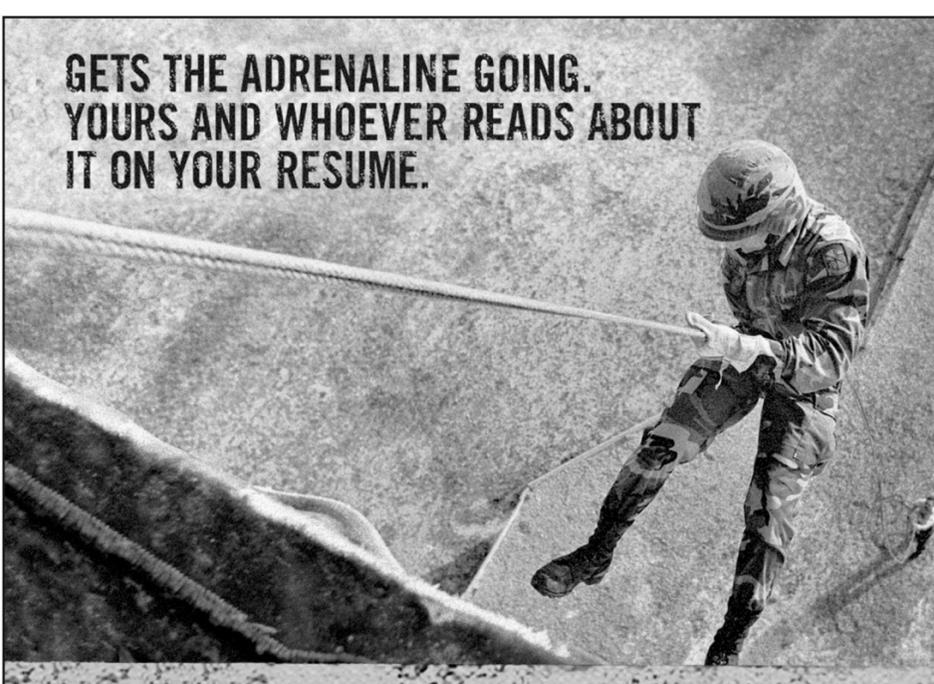
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Border fence going up quickly

By Eileen Sullivan
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The U.S. fence along the Mexican border is less a wall than a stuttering set of blockades: half barrier, half gaps.

Americans are split pretty much the same way: half in favor, half against, passionate on both sides when it comes to the idea of erecting a wall to keep people from entering the country illegally.

It can seem a shaky foundation as the United States rushes to complete the fencing on nearly 700 miles of the border by the end of the year. That's when a new administration will arrive in the White House with its own ideas about security, freedom, the 11 million illegal immigrants already here, and the prospect of many more on the way.

Nearly half complete, the multibillion-dollar fence project stretches from the Pacific surf at Tijuana to the Gulf of Mexico near Brownsville, Texas. The messages it sends are decidedly mixed.

For Rep. Peter King, the New York Republican who wrote the legislation to build the fence, the message is simple: Don't sneak into America; we are taking control of our borders.

For others, the fence is inconsistent with a country founded by immigrants and priding itself on opportunity.

Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff says it's simply a new law-enforcement device, part of a multipronged crackdown on the flow of illegal immigrants. The government also has hired more border agents, stepped up enforcement nationwide, and increased penalties for those who don't follow the law.

"I don't invest the fence with the iconic significance that some people place on it," Chertoff says. "To some people, it is a be-all and end-all of controlling the border. To some people, it is a symbol of ... the Berlin Wall. I think it's a tool."

The concept of a border fence took on new life after the 9/11 attacks, which revived the heated immigration debate.

Intelligence officials have said the holes along the southwest border could provide places for terrorists to enter the country.

Approximately 317 miles of the southwestern border fence have been built, with plans for another 353 miles by the end of the year. Longer term, there are plans for physical fencing or surveillance and detection technology along the entire 2,000-mile border by 2010.

An Associated Press-Ipsos poll last month found Americans just about as split as they could be: 49 percent in favor of the fence, 48 percent opposed. Tellingly, a majority of 55 percent think it won't fix the problem.

Congress already has allocated \$2.7 billion for fence construction, and there's no estimate how much the entire system — the physical fence and technology — will cost to build, let alone maintain.

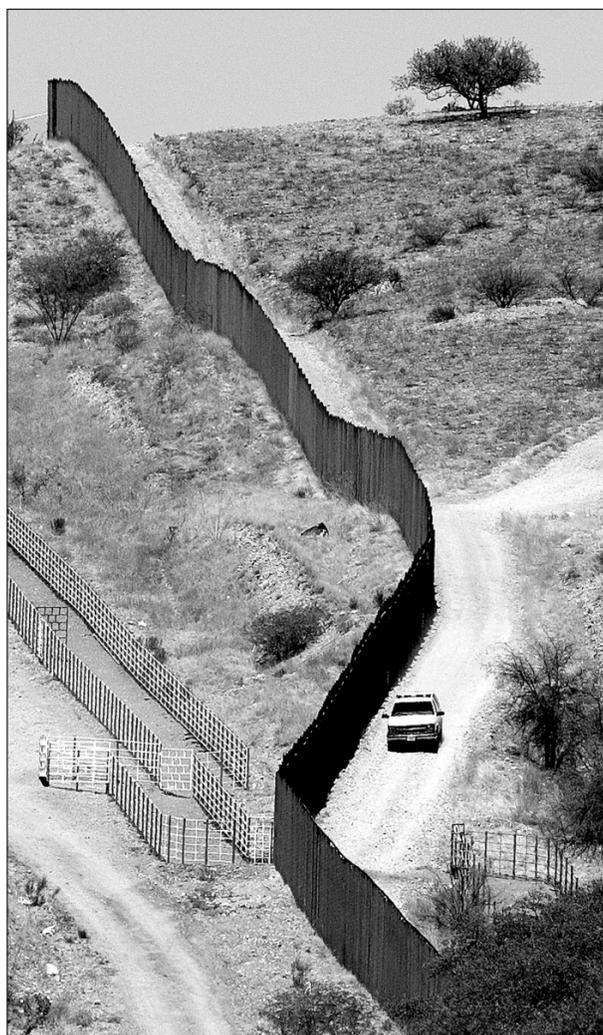
The new construction includes completion of a nearly solid stretch from San Diego to Yuma, Ariz.; a new section extending several miles in each direction from Lukeville, Ariz.; additional lengths flanking Nogales, Ariz., and Columbus, N.M.; extension of the current barrier at El Paso; new sections near the Texas border towns of Esperanza, Presidio, Del Rio and Eagle Pass, and a dotted line of fence stretching from Roma to past Brownsville.

Border fences have been sprouting across California, Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas for decades — dating to the 1940s, when the International Boundary and Water Commission built 234 miles of fence to keep out foot-and-mouth disease.

As a result, the U.S. fence is a patchwork of old and new construction and in varying states of repair; the only consistency is a uniform ugliness.

In San Diego, rusted, corrugated metal wades ashore from the Pacific onto a beach and becomes a 9-mile wall that dips into canyons and runs along hillsides and beside a highway.

In Arizona, short vertical posts, some connected by horizontal rails, mesh fencing, and World War II surplus corrugated steel



Gregory Bull/Associated Press

A U.S. Border Patrol vehicle rides along the border fence separating Nogales, Ariz. (right) from Nogales, Mexico, on May 18, 2006. The U.S. fence along the Mexican border is less a wall than a stuttering set of blockades: half barrier, half gaps.

sheets are scattered along the border from Yuma to Douglas. In New Mexico, 15-foot poles poke up from the desert floor on either side of the Columbus port of entry, rust-colored pipes just inches from each other, allowing enough space to wriggle a hand between. And in

Texas, dull gray panels of thick steel fencing curve along the Rio Grande through downtown El Paso, patched here and there with mismatched pieces of metal.

AP writers Traci Carl, Elliot Spagat, Art Rotstein, Alicia Caldwell, and Christopher Sherman contributed to this report.

UIHC sued in death

UI Hospitals and Clinics is facing its second lawsuit this year that alleges a wrongful death.

By Olivia Moran
THE DAILY IOWAN

An Iowa family filed a lawsuit against UI Hospitals and Clinics last week, claiming an unauthorized procedure performed on their 4-month-old daughter was the cause of her death.

Christopher and Stacey Campbell of Monticello filed the suit in Johnson County on behalf of their daughter, Chloe. The family is represented by Nestor Lobodiak and Mark Liabo of the Tom Riley Law Firm of Iowa City.

Lobodiak, who declined to comment, wrote in the suit that Chloe died on July 25, 2006, after being admitted to the UIHC ambulatory surgical center for "planned intraoperative ultrasound guided intralesional YAG laser of a facial venous malformation."

According to WebMD, venous malformations are present at birth and can manifest as a spongy mass or a complex, infiltrating wound. They tend to appear in the lips and cheeks. Sometimes, venous malformations result in some sort of infection, which in turn can result in pain, swelling, and a fever, according to WebMD.

Often, a sufficient treatment is sclerotherapy, which involves an injection of a hardening solution, according to WebMD.

The lawsuit contends that the defendants "failed to obtain an informed consent" from the Campbell family before completing the procedure. UIHC agents or employees negligently caused

a massive venous air embolism — or the entrapment of large quantities of intravascular gas — that resulted in cardiac arrest and ultimately Chloe's death, Lobodiak alleges in the suit.

According to WebMD, the effects of a venous air embolism are determined by the rate of air entrapment, the volume of air introduced, and the position of the patient at the time.

Lobodiak wrote in the suit that the Campbell family's damages include, but are not limited to, "the expense and actual loss of services, companionship, and society" that resulted in the death of Chloe and "bystander emotional distress."

The statement read that the estate of Chloe's damages include pre-death physical and mental pain, suffering and loss of full mind and body, and burial expenses, among others.

The lawsuit is the second suing UIHC this year. In January, the family of Sandra Shank alleged she contracted Legionnaires' disease while staying in the hospital, eventually resulting in her death.

Ronald Shank, along with sons Steven and Gregory, contend in the suit that Sandra Shank contracted the disease from the hospital's water supply.

In both cases, a UIHC spokesman said the hospital doesn't comment on pending litigation.

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Point/Counterpoint

What has NAFTA done for us lately?

POINT: Free trade boosts U.S. economy

Without a doubt, NAFTA has had an adverse effect on many U.S. industries. Many employers have been forced to scale back as foreign competition has become increasingly prevalent. However, that NAFTA has indeed resulted in negative consequences does not imply that it does more harm than good. In actuality, when the agreement's widespread benefits are weighed against its costs, it seems clear that Americans are, overall, better off as a result.

According to a study conducted by the Congressional Budget Office, the effect of NAFTA on the U.S. economy has been unequivocally positive. That is, it has caused U.S. gross domestic product to increase. This result is complemented by research conducted by the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, which concluded that even NAFTA's impact on employment has been favorable — a 24 percent increase in employment has been observed since the agreement's inception.

One of the primary reasons NAFTA inspires such political controversy is its propensity to concentrate its negative effects on specific industries. To be sure, the difficulties faced in certain markets can be devastating to both American companies and the communities that harbor them. An unfortunate result of free trade is the increased need for industrial specialization — producing more of the things we export and less of the things we import. But this argument also works in reverse: What about domestic industries that are dependent on foreign buyers? Eliminating international free trade could be just as devastating in these sectors as NAFTA has been in others. To that end, we would do well to think of NAFTA as a beneficial trade-off rather than a unanimous improvement.

In spite of its costs, the most prominent results of free trade are economic growth and an overall decline in unemployment. Of course, there is certainly good reason to think NAFTA may be in need of improvement, but this does not suggest the agreement should be scrapped entirely. Rather, we should see free trade for what it really is: a necessary and beneficial advancement toward a more unified global economy.

— **Erik Hovenkamp**
DI editorial writer

COUNTERPOINT: NAFTA puts squeeze on workers

The “giant sucking sound” wasn’t as pronounced as Ross Perot famously warned it would be during his failed presidential bid in 1992, but 14 years after NAFTA's passage, there remains a consistent, subtle slurp, as the allure of cheap labor and lax environmental standards leaves American manufacturers flowing south of the border.

While it is true that NAFTA has certain merits, to whitewash the contentious trade agreement as a wholesale success would be nearsighted. As it was conceived, NAFTA was idealistically schemed to bolster the economies of all parties involved. America, Canada, and Mexico would all benefit from slashed tariffs, open investment flows, and enhanced communication channels. In reality, however, America has taken the raw end of the deal as its industries jump ship for cheap foreign labor and its southern border is flooded with an unmanageable wave of Mexican laborers desperate for low-paying work.

Last week, in a meeting with the leaders of Canada and Mexico, President Bush touted NAFTA as a crucial facet of the American trading environment. With the economy in a tailspin, he barked a stern warning against reworking NAFTA or tweaking its shortcomings. But, the facts dictate that not all sectors of the United States are so enthusiastic.

History has shown that reverting to a shortsighted isolationism can have catastrophic consequences. The realities of globalization mean that capital, labor, and information blitz around the globe at warp speed, and any attempt to slow the flow is doomed to failure. With this said, what is needed are not “free trade” agreements, but “fair trade,” which take aim at environmental and human-rights issues and escape the whims of a thin cadre of special-interest forces. NAFTA, in its current form, leaves Mexican infrastructure handcuffed to the wallet of foreign investors, encourages lax environmental policies, and acts as a drag on the American manufacturing sector.

— **Nick Compton**
DI editorial writer

Duh duh

You gotta admit, any day that contains both a flood warning and a hard-frost warning will tend to make you think the Dadaists were right. Even though most of them were leftists.

That day, for those of you with short memories, was Monday. And Monday was a mere three days after we had a tornado warning. (Note to UI officials: Everyone I talked to — all three of them, a process that I admit suffers from small-sample-size syndrome — who heard the university's warning system reported that the verbal warning was so unintelligible that it could have just as well been delivered in Polish. Or Swahili. Perhaps it was.)

Either we have too many warnings (too-many-warnings syndrome is probably as rampant as small-sample-size syndrome, and scientists have yet to come up with a vaccine for either), or the weather is going totally nutso, the result of a worldwide surge in Dadaism.

I prefer the latter explanation, but that might just be Beau being Beau. (Yet another syndrome for which we have no vaccine just yet.)

You need look no further than baseball to see the effects of the Dadaism surge (which seems to be working much better than the U.S. military surge in Iraq): the Boston Red Sox are playing like the Tampa Bay Rays, and the Tampa Bay Rays are playing like the Boston Red Sox. Now, I'm generally in favor of Dada, but this seems to be taking a good thing way too far.

The Tampa Bay Rays are in first place, by the way, which can only mean that the universe is completely upside down or that it's mostly filled with dark matter. (Well, Dick Cheney is the Stealth president. Hmmm.)

Or, if weather and baseball don't tickle your trigger finger (sorry — I've got Dick Cheney on the brain), take John McCain.

The “Straight Talker” (whose campaign officials include an awful lot of lobbyists) held a campaign event in Selma, Ala., recently and, as the *New York Times* reports, managed to draw a mostly white audience in a largely black town.

Which, you have to admit, is quite a trick. But one that Republicans seem to be able to pull off with great regularity.

McCain, in some circles, is somehow still known as a “maverick,” though he largely hews to the conservative line. At least these days.

For instance, one of his centerpiece ideas is to make permanent the Bush tax cuts, which overwhelmingly favor the richest 3 percent of Americans. Oh, yes, I know — in 2001 and 2002, he ridiculed those very same tax cuts, saying they were slanted too heavily in favor of the rich.

Now he says he voted against the tax cuts because they were not accompanied by spending cuts — which is not what he actually said, but then was then and now is now, as Jerry Brown once loved to say. (And we all saw where that got him — Oakland.)

McCain also supports the war in Iraq, which I guess you could say is sort of a maverick position, given that 63 percent of Americans say they don't support the war, according to a recent Gallup Poll.

And McCain ridicules the Hillary Rodham Clinton and Barack Obama health plans, saying he doesn't want government running the health-care system. You see, like most conservatives, he wants to get government off our backs.

Forgive me for not noticing that the government was on my back. I thought that was my shirt.

In any case, McCain has a funny way of demonstrating getting government off our backs. Back in Alabama, he held a private fundraiser. As the *Birmingham News* reports, his campaign got an 80 percent discount from the city in renting the hall (in September, Democrats paid the full rate) and received the benefit of some free labor for the event: Inmates from a local jail set up the chairs and tables — which meant the campaign didn't have to pay the \$100 setup fee.

The funny thing about free labor is that, just like the mythical free lunch, there is no such animal (or syndrome for which we have no etc.). In essence, Alabama taxpayers paid to have those tables and chairs set up for the private fundraiser.

Which, you have to admit, is a rather funny way of getting government off our backs.

Almost Dada like. ■
Beau Elliot doesn't really believe the weather is Dadaist. It's more like post-post-Cubist with a dash of nihilism thrown in for diversity.



BEAU ELLIOT

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Getting HawkAlerted

Dear HawkAlert,
I have lived in Iowa for 20 years. When a tornado siren goes off, I ignore it. When you call me six times to tell me the tornado siren went off, I ignore it. Thank you for waking me up from my Friday afternoon nap.
P.S. Call me later.

Alex Ingham
UI junior

HawkAlert harries Hawkeyes

I'll preface this by saying I believe the HawkAlert is a good idea, on paper. But as

with some things that look good on paper, they tank in the real world. Of course the argument is always, “but if it saves one life, it will be worth it.” I agree, so why stop at tornado warnings? According to the national weather service, floods kill approximately 100 people a year; tornadoes, around 60 a year. Johnson County has been under a flood warning for about a month now, and I haven't received one HawkAlert about it. What about the previous week's earthquake? People in Des Moines claimed to have felt a shake. Now, of course it would be silly to send an alert

for earthquakes because they usually last for seconds. But what about those aftershocks? There was no HawkAlert to warn me of this danger. I could have had a piping hot beverage on the edge of my desk that an aftershock could have sent tumbling into my lap. It's a good thing I learned about the aftershocks before it was too late!

My real concern for writing this is possible cell-phone coverage being spotty for a few minutes. We've all experienced this problem trying to get through after a Hawkeye football game. I tried calling my

wife during the recent tornado warning and was met with a network-busy message. With thousands of people receiving HawkAlert text messages and phone messages, it clogs the network for a few minutes. It would be terrible if I couldn't get through to 911 after a tornado blew away my house and trapped me underneath some rubble. But I'll look on the bright side — at least I would get a HawkAlert 10 minutes later warning me of impending danger. Thanks, HawkAlert.

Erik Krohn
UI graduate student

Commentary

No space for dissent: Castro's answer to the women in white

In the past few weeks, Cuban President Raul Castro has introduced a handful of micro-reforms to the oppressive and bankrupt regime left behind by his brother. Cubans are now officially allowed to buy cell phones, computers, and microwave ovens, state workers may get deeds to apartments they have been renting for decades, and farmers may be able to sell part of what they grow at market prices. The measures won't have much impact (though they have evidently annoyed the officially retired Fidel Castro): The vast majority of Cubans can't afford to buy electronic goods, and the agricultural reforms fall short of steps taken years ago by North Korea.

The new leader's moves have nevertheless touched off a flurry of excitement and speculation among Cuba-watchers in the United States and Europe, some of whom have taken to comparing the 76-year-old Raul Castro to Mikhail Gorbachev. European apologists for the Castro dictatorship, led by the Spanish government, are clamoring for the European Union to restore normal diplomatic ties with Havana; Democrats such as Sen. Christopher Dodd of Connecticut have renewed their calls for a lifting of the U.S. trade embargo, even as they campaign against free trade with democratic Colombia.

Unsurprisingly, such Cuba buffs haven't had much to say about another signal Castro sent last week after the Women in White approached his office in Havana's Revolution Square. Approximately 10 members of the group gathered in a park at the edge of the square, saying they wanted to talk to the new president about their family members — independent journalists,

intellectuals, and political activists who were abruptly arrested and sentenced to long prison sentences five years ago during Cuba's “Black Spring.” Fifty-five of the 75 dissidents rounded up then remain imprisoned, along with some 175 other political prisoners.

The women were not able to talk to Castro. Instead, he dispatched police and scores of party thugs to the park to rough them up and hustle them into a bus. State media followed up with a propaganda campaign against the women, sporting the usual slogans. “There will be no space in Cuba,” said the state newspaper *Granma*, “for adversaries, fifth columnists, or internal mercenaries.”

Yes, any Cuban who can spare a year's worth of the average salary may now buy and activate a cell phone. But there's little indication that Castro intends even the sort of change that has transformed formerly communist countries such as China and Vietnam into more prosperous dictatorships, much less a political opening. Here's a fair test: Let Castro respect the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights his government recently signed, which guarantees not only freedom of assembly but the right to freely leave the country. Cuban officials recently hinted that the current ban on foreign travel by average citizens might be changed; let it be removed. Then Castro can discover just how many of Cuba's 11 million people are willing to go on enduring a regime whose idea of reform is permitting the sale of microwave ovens.

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

On the Spot

Have you ever given money to an Iowa City panhandler?



“Yeah, if his sign's funny.”

Tyler Breitbach
UI senior



“Yeah, the guy with the funny signs.”

Scott Cordts
UI senior



“No, but I've wanted to.”

Shayna Courtney
UI junior



“I have not.”

Jillean Williams
UI junior

You can thank Connie Mutel for finally giving Iowa ecology the "Where Have All the Flowers Gone" literary treatment it likely deserves. Mutel will read from her book *The Emerald Horizon: The History of Nature at Iowa* and shed light on the Hawkeye woodland world before Euroamerican settlement. It all begins at 7 p.m. today in W151 Pappajohn Business Building.

Arts & Culture

New music giants at UI

By Brigid Marshall
THE DAILY IOWAN



Steve Lexa/The Daily Iowan

Ancaza Aprodu (left) and Thierry Miroglia rehearse on Sunday for today's Center for New Music show in Clapp Recital Hall. Both members of the guest duet have won international acclaim for their solo performances.

her explanation made sense. The Romanian-born Parisian has played the piano since she was 4 years old. "For my part, [percussion] always," Miroglia said. "Percussion is the romance for me. It's very recent for percussion — since only the middle of the 20th century [was] the first piece." He's referring to the push for percussion compositions outside of the traditional full-orchestra set. The first pieces for percussion and piano cropped up during the last half-century from composers such as those highlighted in the program.

The pieces he and Aprodu selected come from as far as China with Ching-Wen Chao's "Soundstates," a prerecorded electronic sound and percussion arrangement, to pieces by French, Moroccan, Swiss, German and Argentinean composers. "It's a complete program, like a 'travel' through different music," Miroglia said. "For this time, we make two concerts in America. It's a really good pleasure to be here, because it's in the framework for different travel and different cultures." While the two mix the piano

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with various percussion pieces throughout their six-piece show, the sound still encapsulates a classical aura while showcasing contemporary music. Aprodu is the director of contemporary piano collections at Editions Jobert in Paris and teaches piano, while Miroglia is a professor of percussion at the Conservatory Darius Milhaud in Paris, vice president of the French section of the International Society for Contemporary Music committee, and director of the percussion collection at Editions Jobert in Paris. "[This music is] corresponding to life today. It's very [much] living music," Miroglia said. "The music composition with electric sounds corresponds to the extension of the musical possibilities — maybe by extension within this, and electronic music, jazz, pop music, contemporary. There is some meeting point." E-mail *DI* reporter **Brigid Marshall** at: brigid-marshall@uiowa.edu

RECORD REVIEWS



Augustana
Can't Love, Can't Hurt
★★★½ out of ★★★★★

In the liner notes, Augustana frontman/songwriter Dan Lynus thanks his "stunningly beautiful wife ... these songs are still frames of our ups and downs, our better and worse, and it's only the beginning to a timeless love story." For her sake, let's hope it's only the beginning, because Lynus and the four other members of the Southern California band have produced 10 surprisingly colorful songs about the "downs" on their third full-length *Can't Love, Can't Hurt*.

The follow-up to 2005's *All the Stars and Boulevards* — featuring standout single "Boston" — exhibits the band's lush, quieter, arrangements. "I Still Ain't Over You" and "Meet You There" are reminiscent of the previous album's angsty energy, but the new ballads are far from boring, with Lynus channeling Jeff Tweedy on "Either Way, I'll Break Your Heart."

Can't Love is cohesively stronger than *All the Stars*, but it lacks a track as instantly memorable as "Boston." The gracefully sexy "Fire" comes close, with Lynus' yearning voice crooning "There you were in your black dress/Moving slow to the sadness/I could watch you dance for hours" accompanied by a simple piano melody. The Augustana members may not be able to hurt OR love (bummer for Lynus' wife), but they make the murky area between the two so wistfully enjoyable it doesn't matter. **Susan's Picks:** "I Still Ain't Over You," "Fire" and "Sweet and Low" — by Susan Elgin



Constantines
Kensington Heights
★★★ out of ★★★★★

Some say they want to finally start running now that it's finally warm out. Some say they'll quit smoking, just as they light up a second Parliament Full Flavor. Everybody has her or his own personal aspiration that never seems to get on track, and mine has always been to get into Canada's premier-band-that-isn't-Wolf-Parade, the

Constantines. The band's latest album, *Kensington Heights*, might have finally pushed me over the edge into complete fandom, a meaty 12-song chunk of what the band does best. The Constantines is a band that simply does everything right. For example, the members recorded a 2006 split on which they covered Neil Young's ultra-rarity "Don't Be Denied." Awesome. The band continues its signature Strummer-meets-Springsteen stomps on such tracks as leadoff single "Hard Feelings" and "Trans Canada," with lead singer Brian Webb's throaty delivery intact and never sounding better. The album takes a few momentum-draining missteps along the way, yet serves a great introduction for new fans and a hearty salute to the old. **Jarrett's Picks:** "Shower of Stones" and "Our Age" — by Jarrett Hothan



Madonna
Hard Candy
★★½ out of ★★★★★

It took Madonna 25 years, but she's finally the next Nelly Furtado. Mrs. Ritchie's newly copped hip-hop pose and partnerships with Timbaland and Justin Timberlake (including the disorganized lead single "4 Minutes") on her new album, *Hard Candy*, do conjure Furtado's "Promiscuous" retooling of 2006, when she upended her folk-pop career for a bankable turn as a flirting, man-eating dance-hound. Fortunately, Madonna's no stranger to hip-hop, as her albums *Bedtime Stories* and *Music* proved with glitzy success. But for the first time ever, she seems a bit overwhelmed by her megastar production squad, an unutterable occurrence for a lady who once tamed Nellee Hooper, William Orbit, and that French wacko Mirwais.

Of course, the music is serviceably club-prepped; tracks "Give it 2 Me" and "Heartbeat" twitch and jut like we'd expect from any proper Neptunes effort (Oh yeah, they're helming material here, too). But Madonna's once hard-carved persona as an ebullient dancehall empress comes off as strained here, particularly on "Candy Shop," a sticky-sweet, solid dance tune on which we can't help but wince at such entendres as "I've got Turkish delight" and "There's plenty to eat." Madonna is an exhilarating pop star and a deserving icon with brains galore — but this is music more for ingénues, not established cultural provocateurs.

What can you do? Just follow the directions and dance, I guess. **Louis's Picks:** "Dance 2Night" and "Give It 2 Me" — by Louis Virtel

Beyond String Cheese theory

By Emily Burney
THE DAILY IOWAN

Touring the nation in a beige Vista Cruiser RV is maybe not the first place you'd expect to find former String Cheese Incident percussionists Michael Travis and Jason Hann. But the two are on a 96-day mission greater than mere sightseeing; they travel the land as a purely improvisational electronica duo called EOTO (rhymes with Kyoto), and their sole intention is to give folks a dance party they will not soon forget. The songs played have never been performed before and never will be again, because the members aren't working off written music or set list.

EOTO will play tonight with the School of Flyentology at the Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn St., at 9 p.m. The duo started as a jam session in Travis's Colorado basement during free time from practice with String Cheese.

"But little by little, we just kept adding these little toys to make this a more fun experience," Hann said. "And then we started recording ourselves and said, 'Hey this sounds pretty good. Let's try it out in front of people.'"

So try it out they did. And with the eventual breakup of String Cheese in August 2007, the men were able to give the project more time. All of their time, in fact.



Publicity Photo

EOTO plays at the Yacht Club today at 9 p.m.

"We're both taking it more seriously, as our main mode of musical expression right now," Hann said.

While a part of String Cheese, Hann was used to packing large amphitheaters and auditoriums. But with EOTO, the crowd is many times smaller.

"We're really enjoying the intimacy and meeting people," Hann said about the tour, which will wrap up May 3.

And with music as spontaneous and impulsive as EOTO's, the involvement of fans is an enormous factor. Because there is no set list, and there are no notes to follow, the men can turn on a dime and go anyway at any moment, based on the crowd's reaction.

"People tend to move differently ... so we sort of switch it around, and see what seems to be grabbing people the most," Hann said. "And then we concentrate on that style more than the others."

Such an unplanned performance might seem intimidating and undoable to many artists. But to these weathered veterans, it's just another night on stage.

"It's one of those things that if you're [improvising] every day, you find you get better at it," said the 38-year-old drummer. "And because we're improvising every night, we're in the zone all the time. It's almost like you force yourself to work through repetitive situations. And that's one of the things



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GIVE A LISTEN
EOTO
Featured Tracks:

- "Bozone: Live in Montana"
- "Dungery: Live in Colorado"
- "Mandible: Live in California"

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that keeps it really fresh, because it's absolutely 100 percent engaging."

Hann studied music in Mali, Ghana, Haiti, and Korea — all of which have affected him as a percussionist. But on EOTO's nightly performances, he is skeptical about any direct influence.

"We're really just playing music for people to dance to all night, and it doesn't necessarily get a whole lot deeper than that," he said. "But our intention is that while we are playing, we'll give people an experience that they won't be able to get anywhere else."

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Clinton bests McCain in poll



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Republican presidential candidate Sen. John McCain of Arizona (right) and wife Cindy McCain participate in a round-table discussion, Monday at Miami Children's Hospital.

By Liz Sidoti
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Hillary Rodham Clinton now leads John McCain by 9 points in a head-to-head presidential matchup, according to an Associated Press-Ipsos poll that bolsters her argument that she is more electable than Democratic rival Barack Obama.

Obama and Republican McCain are running about even. The survey released Monday gives the New York senator and former first lady a fresh talking point as she works to raise much-needed campaign cash and persuade pivotal undecided superdelegates to side with her in the drawn-out Democratic primary fight.

Helped by independents, young people and seniors, Rodham Clinton gained ground this month in a hypothetical match with Sen. McCain, the GOP nominee-in-waiting. She now leads McCain, 50 percent to 41 percent, while Obama remains virtually tied with McCain, 46 percent to 44 percent.

Both Democrats were roughly even with McCain in the

previous poll about three weeks ago.

Since then, Rodham Clinton won the Pennsylvania primary, raising questions anew about whether Obama can attract broad swaths of voters needed to triumph in such big states come the fall when the Democratic nominee will go up against McCain. At the same time, Obama was thrown on the defensive by his comment that residents of small-town America were bitter. The Illinois senator also continued to deal with the controversial remarks of his longtime Chicago pastor, the Rev. Jeremiah Wright.

"I don't think there's any question that over the last three weeks her stature has improved," said Harrison Hickman, a Democratic pollster unaligned in the primary. He attributed Rodham Clinton's gains to people moving from the "infatuation stage" of choosing the candidate they like the most to a "decision-making stage" where they determine who would make the best president.

Added Steve Lombardo, a GOP pollster: "This just reinforces the sentiment that a lot of

Republican strategists are having right now — that Rodham Clinton might actually be the more formidable fall candidate for a lot of reasons, not the least of which is that Obama can't seem to get his footing back."

The AP-Ipsos poll found Rodham Clinton and Obama about even in the race for the Democratic nomination. Underscoring deep divisions within the Democratic Party — and a potentially negative longer-term impact — 30 percent of Rodham Clinton supporters and 21 percent of Obama supporters said they would vote for McCain in November if their preferred candidate didn't win the nomination.

Obama leads Rodham Clinton in pledged delegates, but she has the advantage among superdelegates with about a third yet to make up their minds.

Democratic Party Chairman Howard Dean said Monday that one of the two must drop out of the race after the primary season wraps up in June so Democrats can unite before the late-summer convention and the fall campaign.

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FOOTBALL

Hawks get 2009 oral commitment

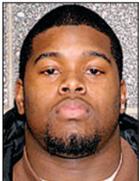
Nearly three months after head coach Kirk Ferentz received 25 letters of intent for the 2008 recruiting class, running back Brad Rogers became the first 2009 prospect to give his oral commitment to the Hawkeyes.

The 5-10, 230-pound back out of Toledo, Ohio, rushed for 634 yards on 133 carries for 12 touchdowns as a junior at Central Catholic High School, drawing comparisons with some of the Big Ten's bruisers for his size.

When he gets on campus, Rogers will certainly add more depth to the backfield — a position that has lost Albert Young and Damian Sims to graduation and Jevon Pugh to homesickness.

Sophomore-to-be Paki O'Meara and junior-college transfer Nate Guillory lead the group of tailback hopefuls for next year, with incoming recruits Jewel Hampton and Jeff Brinson also in the mix.

— by Scott Miller



Rogers
 running back

NFL-BOUND HAWKEYES

Busch, Mattison join Young



Iowa running back Albert Young splits Michigan State defenders during the first half of the Hawkeyes' contest on Oct. 27, 2007. Young learned Monday that he'll be joined by ex-Hawkeye Tom Busch at Minnesota Vikings' mini-camp; the fullback inked a deal with the franchise following the draft.

By Diane Hendrickson and Charlie Kautz

THE DAILY IOWAN

Forget the luggage and football cleats. Albert Young is bringing his favorite lead blocker to Minnesota Vikings' mini-camp on Thursday.

A day after Young inked a free-agent contract with Minnesota following the NFL draft, former Iowa fullback Tom Busch signed a contract of his own with the Vikings on Monday. Undrafted but not entirely out of luck, both will join

former Hawkeye linebacker Chad Greenway, who was a second-round draft pick in 2006.

"I talked to Chad [Sunday] night, and he was very excited," Young said. "I called Tom earlier [Monday]. He didn't know where he was going, and then he called back and told me he was going to Minnesota."

"I was really excited because Tom's somebody I've been playing with for five years already ... I think it's good that we both know each other and how we play, so that's an added advantage for both of us."

The byproducts of former Iowa running-backs coach Carl Jackson, Busch and Young are only two of the undrafted starters from last season who found a home at the next level.

The son of Baltimore Ravens linebacker coach Greg Mattison, ex-Hawkeye Bryan Mattison, has his football pedigree packed and ready for a trip to the Big Apple — the defensive end agreed to a free-agent deal with the New York Jets.

Fresh off a senior season in which he recorded 61 tackles and nine sacks,

Humpal excited for Pittsburgh

Watch Daily Iowan TV at dailyiowan.com to hear about ex-Hawkeye linebacker Mike Humpal as he prepares to join the Pittsburgh Steelers following his fifth-round selection in Sunday's NFL draft.

Mattison said he expected to be drafted in the late rounds Sunday but is thankful for the second chance he got through rookie free agency.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Hoopsters to break for St. Thomas

Once again, the Iowa women's basketball team will spend Thanksgiving in a warm climate.

Last year, it was Cancún, Mexico. This time around, Coach Lisa Bluder's Bunch will play in the Paradise Jam Tournament in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

Iowa is slated for the "Reef Division" and is scheduled to play three games. The first will come on Thanksgiving against Texas Tech.

The second contest is set for Nov. 28 against South Florida, and the Paradise Jam finale for the Hawkeyes will be on Nov. 29, when they take on California.

Texas Tech and South Florida both played in the WNIT last season, while California was a No. 3 seed in the 2008 NCAA Tournament, where it was upset by the No. 6 seed George Washington in the tourney's second round.

The remainder of Iowa's schedule will be announced this summer.

— by Brendan Stiles



Bluder
 head coach

Tennis season probably over

By Brian Cardile

THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa coach Daryl Greenan will be watching when the 64-team NCAA women's tennis tourney field is announced this afternoon, but that doesn't mean he's expecting especially good news for his Hawkeyes.

"As it stands right now, we might be just outside the bubble," he said on Monday.

This is a somewhat unexpected end for a Hawkeyes' squad that Greenan deemed the most talented in his four years as coach of the program. Iowa had both experience and young talent, and at the season's outset, players spoke of reaching the top 30 and the NCAAs.

Early on, Iowa was well on its way to both — the team opened the year 8-0, its best start in 14 years, and reached No. 36 in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association rankings on March 11. A post-season berth seemed likely, barring a letdown in conference play.

"Our goal was to be in [the NCAA Tournament], and we started really well," said senior Milica Veselinovic. "But we knew that the matches around spring break and afterward would decide whether we went."



Hawkeye senior Jacqueline Lee serves during a match against Wisconsin at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex. Lee, along with coach Daryl Greenan and other Iowa teammates, will find out this afternoon whether the Hawkeyes will earn an invitation to the NCAA Tournament.

A subpar spring break started the team's slide. Iowa went 1-3, with two narrow, 4-3 conference defeats at Indiana and Ohio State.

"Everything sort of added up," Veselinovic said. "We weren't winning those close matches, and we were maybe a little bit tired."

The Hawkeyes won win just two more Big Ten meets and

Chris Vanderwall/The Daily Iowan

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WOMEN'S GOLF

Sticking to it

By Scott Miller

THE DAILY IOWAN

It was April 25 at the Big Ten championships in State College, Pa.

Iowa women's golf standout Tyrette Metzendorf had just finished her first round — a round in which she shot one-under 35 on her first nine before making three double bogies and four bogies on the inward nine en route to a 10-over 46.

It was ugly. It was an 81 — her second-highest round all year. And, for Iowa's most consistent player, it was completely out of character.

Before the junior went out for her second round of the day, she had this exchange with her coach.



Metzendorf
 junior

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NBA PLAYOFFS
 • Western Conference, first round, game 5, Dallas at New Orleans, 6 p.m., TNT
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 • Conference semifinals, game 3, Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m., Versus
 • Conference semifinals, game 3, Detroit at Colorado, 9 p.m., Versus

SPORTS 'N' STUFF

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Table with columns: East Division, West Division, Central Division, Monday's Games, Today's Games. Rows include Florida, New York, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Washington, Chicago, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Cincinnati, Houston, Pittsburgh, Arizona, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Colorado, San Diego.

Kansas City (Tomko 1-3) at Texas (Jennings 0-4), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (G.Floyd 2-0) at Minnesota (Bonser 1-4), 7:10 p.m.
Oakland (Smith 2-0) at L.A. Angels (Saunders 4-0), 9:05 p.m.

NBA PLAYOFFS

FIRST ROUND (Best of 7)
Sunday, April 27
Cleveland 100, Washington 97, Cleveland leads series 3-1
Phoenix 105, San Antonio 86, San Antonio leads series 3-1
Detroit 93, Philadelphia 84, series tied 2-2
New Orleans 97, Dallas 84, New Orleans leads series 3-1
Monday's Games
Orlando 102, Toronto 92, Orlando wins series 4-1
Atlanta 97, Boston 92, series tied 2-2
L.A. Lakers 107, Denver 101, L.A. Lakers win series, 4-0

NHL PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
Monday's Games
Philadelphia 3, Montreal 2, Philadelphia leads series 2-1
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Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m., Pittsburgh leads series 2-0
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BIG TEN BASEBALL

Table with columns: Conference, All Games, W, L, Pct., W, L, Pct. Rows include Michigan, Purdue, Illinois, Ohio State, Northwestern, Penn State, Michigan State, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota.

BIG TEN SOFTBALL

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table with columns: East Division, West Division, Monday's Games, Today's Games. Rows include Tampa Bay, Boston, New York, Toronto, Chicago, Cleveland, Kansas City, Minnesota, Detroit, Los Angeles, Seattle, Texas.

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

GymHawks set for '09

A landmark year for head coach Larissa Libby and the women's gymnastics team ended with plenty to build on for 2009.

By Lars Headington

THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa women's gymnastics team broke out of a three-year lull this past season to post its first winning record since 2004. Behind increased and consistent team scores, Larissa Libby's squad set a high bar for next year's team to build upon in her upcoming fifth season.

Compiling a 10-4-1 (3-1-1 in Big Ten) regular-season mark, the GymHawks increased their NCAA and overall scoring averages by nearly one full point en route to Iowa's first team bid to competition at the North Central Regional meet since 2005.

It was a season four years in the making for Libby, who earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors after leading Iowa's turnaround all the way to the top-25 national rankings. In addition, third-year staffers Jeff Richards and Talya Vexler earned North Central Region assistant coaches of the year recognition.

"We'd been pushing very hard for three years to change a lot of the culture of our team in many areas as far as focus, health, cardio, determination, discipline, and team chemistry," Libby said. "All of those things I feel like now have set a precedent within the team for what they need to do."

One Hawkeye who blossomed as Iowa's anchor this year was junior Jenifer Simbhudas. After leading Iowa in the vault, uneven bars, and floor, she was named to the All-Big Ten first team. Her 39.205 all-around average was good enough for a No. 33 ranking nationally.

Iowa's emergence didn't come right out of the gate, however.

In the season's first four meets of the year — including three on the road — Iowa broke the 193 mark just once and looked to be reprising its 2007 tune. A year ago, Iowa finished 34th in the NCAA in scoring average and last in the Big Ten.

Then came a Feb. 2 trip to Southeast Missouri State, which yielded a jump in scoring

to 194.55. A week later, the Hawkeyes hit an impressive score of 195.4 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena — the first time they broke the 195 barrier since 2005.

Despite a scoring drop at the Big Ten championships on March 29, Iowa posted a 194.775 to place fifth at the event — its highest finish in three years.

Ranked No. 22 in the country on April 12, the GymHawks went into the North Central Regional meet seeded fourth. Iowa fell short of qualifying for the NCAA championships, sliding to sixth place after compiling a disappointing 193.875 team score.

Still, Libby said, the failure to advance to nationals might actually benefit the squad next year, keeping her gymnasts hungry as they look to improve on the success of their 2008 campaign.

With members of the returning 2009 team spending extra time in



Simbhudas junior



Libby head coach

the gym voluntarily this spring, Libby sees the team's new culture and sharpened mental edge.

"For the first time in a long time, they know what they have to do to be successful," the coach said. "They know the bar is here, and they can raise from that. The goal for us is if you're not at a 195, it was a bad day — we didn't even get to a 195 [in 2007]."

"It's a large change in their thought process and what they believe about themselves and what they think they are capable of doing, and I think that that is every coach's dream."

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No gloom and doom on links

By Sean Monahan

THE DAILY IOWAN

Another Big Ten golf match, another disappointing finish for the Iowa men's golf team.

Yet, even with the team's 10th-place performance at the conference tournament over this past weekend, the Hawkeyes' 72-hole scorecards can be misleading.

Ending Mark Hankins' first season at Iowa by playing the season finale at his old stomping grounds, Michigan State, Iowa still ended up in front of the 35th-ranked team in the country, Penn State. The Hawkeyes were within striking distance of several other teams, most notably Purdue — needing to shave just three strokes to move one spot up the leaderboard.

Disappointed with the outcome but not his team's effort, Hankins said the finish was a poor representative of the strides made on the course in recent weeks.

Along with true freshman Vince India's team-leading top-10 finish — he took seventh individually at six over-par for the event — senior Dan Holterhaus saw positives in the team's finish.

"Coming in to the tournament, we were ranked 11th in the Big Ten, so nobody was really expecting us to do anything, and we actually had a chance," he said. "These last couple of days, if we could have shot a little bit lower, we could have definitely past some teams and finished in the middle of the pack pretty easily."

Holterhaus had a pretty good finish to the tournament. After a less-than-stellar start to his career-ending competition, he came back to finish 19th individually. The senior wasn't ecstatic about his last performance, calling it just "OK," but he was pleased with a top-20 finish after a slow start.

Touching on the standout performance from the team's top finisher, Holterhaus said India's play is the product of an increased comfort level with the college game.

"It's really impressive what he's done the last couple weeks," he said.

Hankins saw the transition India made — continuing to improve as the season wore on — as well.

"Obviously, finishing in the top 10 in the Big Ten Tournament as a freshman is a nice



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Freshman Hawkeye golfer Vince India tracks his ball during practice at Finkbine Golf Course on Oct. 16, 2007. Leading Iowa with a seventh-place finish at last weekend's Big Ten championships, India's six-over-par finish ended the season on a high note for him.

accomplishment," Hankins said. With Holterhaus, Todd Larson, and Adam Miller graduating, India must look to carry his experience and budding confidence from late this season into next fall.

Along with India, the team's elder statesman and senior-to-be Cole Peevler will likely act as

the core around which Hankins builds in his second season guiding the Hawkeyes.

With three lineup spots up for grabs and four incoming freshmen joining the team, Hankins anticipates good competition developing for the available vacancies next year. "As I talked about a lot in the

fall, you got to have a lot of competition for every spot, and that's what makes your team good, when everyone is fighting to be the No. 1 player," Hankins said. "I think we're going to have that kind of mentality going next fall."

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SPORTS

Hill, Jones are top performers at Relays

DES MOINES (AP) — Georgia sophomore Chris Hill and U.S. hurdler Lolo Jones were named the outstanding men's and women's performers in the 2008 Drake Relays.

Hill set a Drake Relays record in the university-college javelin event with a throw of 268 feet, 1 inch. It was the best throw by a college athlete in the U.S. this spring.

Jones captured her fourth-straight Drake Relays title in the 100-meter hurdles. She was clocked in 12.74 seconds, breaking her previous Drake Relays mark she set in 2005.

Burlington senior Jarred Herring and Davenport North senior A.G. Bradford were named the outstanding high school boys' and girls' performers, respectively.

Clemens-McCready relationship scrutinized

NEW YORK (AP) — Roger Clemens had a decade-long relationship with country star Mindy McCready that began when she was a 15-year-old aspiring singer and the pitcher was a Boston Red Sox ace, the Daily News reported.

Clemens' lawyer, Rusty Hardin, confirmed a long-term relationship but told the newspaper it was not sexual.

"Mindy McCready is a longtime family friend of Roger Clemens and the Clemens family," Hardin said in a statement Monday. "At no time did Roger engage in any kind of inappropriate or improper relationship with her."

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finished 3-7 in conference play after two unexpected losses to unranked Wisconsin and No. 61 Michigan State. Greenan said the close conference losses could have affected his team's psyche.

As the seventh seed in last weekend's Big Ten Tournament, the Hawkeyes handed Penn State a loss in the first round, then fell in a rematch with Michigan, 4-0, in what will likely be the team's last outing of the season.

"It was a really tough match for us," said senior Jacqueline Lee. "They came out and played really well starting with doubles."

While the season may be disappointing overall, it produced several highlights. Complementing the team's record start, Veselinovic had one of her own, notching 13-straight dual-meet singles victories to open the spring. During that run, she set the school record for career singles wins.

"It's a great achievement, and it took a lot of dedication and effort and focus," Veselinovic said. "I think my senior season was my best so far."

Fellow senior Lee had a determined season at the No. 1 singles spot, gritting out vital wins against opponents' top



Members of the Hawkeye women's tennis team huddle up after a match against Wisconsin on April 13 at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex.

Chris Vanderwall/The Daily Iowan

players. Both she and Veselinovic made this year's All-Big Ten team.

"I think that's a great achievement," Veselinovic said. "To have two players on the All-Big Ten team is awesome."

Freshmen Alexis Dorr and Lynne Poggensee-Wei provided hope for the future — both had success in their first forays into collegiate tennis. By midseason, Dorr had moved up to the No. 3 singles position. Poggensee-Wei played as high as No. 4.

"Our freshmen definitely had some highlights," Greenan said. "They stepped up and got some wins when we needed them."

Additionally, senior Kayla Berry was honored with the Big Ten sportsmanship award.

Even with the accolades

coming late this spring, Lee says, there's the bittersweet sensation that comes with a season that ends too soon.

"It disappointing, not having made it to nationals again," Lee said. "But you never know how the team's going to perform from year to year. We did our best, and that's all we can ask for."

"I do think overall it was a good year, but we didn't do as well as I would have hoped in Big Ten matches," Greenan said. "We lost three 4-3 matches to Big Ten schools; I think any one of those could have put us as a sure thing into the NCAA Tournament."

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Busch to Vikings

NFL HAWKS

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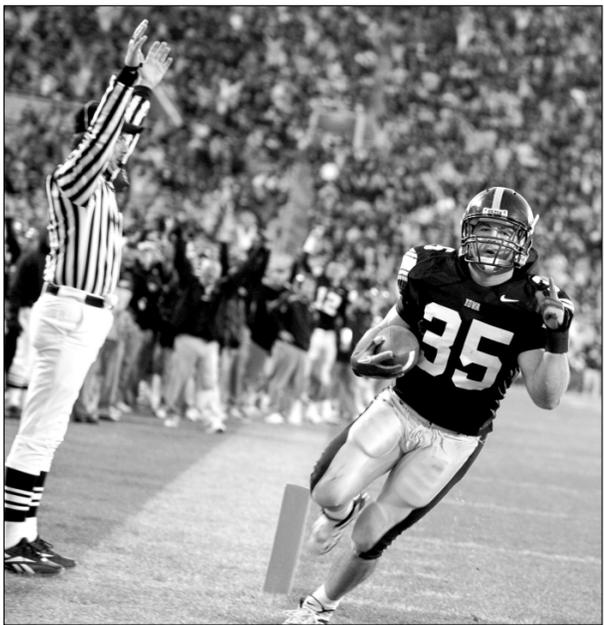
"Everyone that I talked to said that I would be drafted," Mattison said Monday. "... I thought maybe it would be nice if I got picked up in the sixth or seventh round, but that's not the way it worked out. I'm not looking for a pity party — it's just the way the NFL draft works."

"There were like 10 picks to go in the draft, and the Jets called, and we were just talking. They were trying to get me to make a decision pretty quickly, because they've got to fill their spots."

With the careful weighing of short-term options and the support of his immediate family, Mattison settled on New York — a team that spent just one of its six picks on a defensive lineman last weekend. That player, former Ohio State standout Vernon Gholston, will likely transition to linebacker in the NFL after being selected sixth overall.

"A few other teams called, and I was just going back and forth on where I would best fit the team and had the best chance of making the team," Mattison recalled. "It ended up being the Jets, and I thought that's where I could make the best impact."

Meanwhile on Sunday, Iowa's third-leading career rusher became less focused on the draft once he got a call from the Vikings in the late rounds.



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Iowa fullback Tom Busch dashes into the end zone during the third quarter of the Hawkeyes' loss to Western Michigan on Nov. 17, 2007. After going undrafted over the weekend, Busch and running back Albert Young landed free-agent contracts with the Minnesota Vikings.

"Once I knew Minnesota wanted to pick me up if I was available, I was secretly saying to myself that I didn't want to get drafted at a certain point because I liked the fit there," Young said from his home in Moorestown, N.J.

"The second the draft was over, they called and were like, 'We want to cut a deal. You're someone we're very interested in.'"

The Washington Redskins, as well as a few other teams, came calling after all the picks

were in, only to find out they were too late. Despite the unenviable task of backing up the duo of Chester Taylor and reigning Offensive Rookie of the Year Adrian Peterson, Young wanted to stay in the Midwest.

"I like the situation I'm getting into, and really, the whole opportunity I have," he said. "I know a few of the coaches there already. I've talked to them, and I know they're going to give me a fair shot."

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Metzendorf pulls off rally

METZENDORF

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"[Metzendorf] was like, 'I really don't want to go out there right now. I really don't want to play,'" head coach Kelly Crawford recounted. "And I said, 'You don't have to. You can go into the clubhouse, and your teammates can finish.' ... And she was like, 'No, I want to play.'"

Hours later, Metzendorf signed her second-round scorecard, a two-under-par 70, and the Hawkeyes posted a season-low 291 (plus 3) as a team — only one stroke away from the 18-hole school record.

The comeback was only the beginning of a remarkable turnaround in Metzendorf's weekend. The Winter Haven, Fla., native played her final two rounds at even par, securing a third place individually and Iowa's 72-hole school record with a score of 295 (plus 7).

Though the team shot 308-307 in the final 36 holes and finished tied for eighth for the second year in a row, Metzendorf's performance put a positive stamp on the tournament for the Hawkeyes.

"I was just playing really well," she said. "After [my opening-round 81], I thought I was pretty much out of contention.

"... I shot 35 on the [first nine of my first round], so I was just trying to think about 35 and stay positive ... and say, 'There's no reason you shouldn't shoot 35 again.'"

Crawford said she was impressed with how Metzendorf, aside from that conversation before her second round, stayed on an even keel.

"It was the best composure I've seen her have when she's

had some challenges," the second-year coach said.

Because of her prior success on Penn State's Blue Course — she shot her 18-hole school-record 68 there last fall — it's easy to see why Metzendorf was able to stay positive.

"I think the course just really suits my game," she said. "I was giving myself birdie opportunities on almost every hole."

Crawford says a lot of these birdie opportunities came from Metzendorf's ability to keep the ball out of the championship-length rough.

"This week what I think really helped her is that she doesn't hit the ball sideways," the coach said. "I think that, because she was able to keep it in the fairway a lot more, it kind of eliminated some of the challenges that a lot of the other athletes had."

But all of this — the school record, the third-place finish, the two-under 70 in the second round — almost never happened. Metzendorf's season was nearly defined by a dreadful nine-hole stretch in the first round instead of the brilliant three-day span in which she was two under. All she had to do was accept her coach's sarcastic offer.

"You need to kind of get over that [opening-round 81]," Crawford said. "You need to let go of what happened. You can't change it, you can't fix it, you need to get back and get competitive. ... It was sarcastic, it was a little jab, it was a 'Let's get back on track' [type of thing]."

"That's not the first time I've said that to an athlete. You've got to take it with a grain of salt and move on."

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Daily Break

horoscopes Tuesday, April 29, 2008

— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get things in writing or choose a new direction. A romantic innuendo will lead to an interesting relationship. Too much of anything will wear you out and cause you grief. Weigh carefully how you allot your time.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Emotions must not be brought into any discussion you have. Someone's motives will not be honest. Empty promises could surface. A chance to voice your opinion will help sort out problems.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Make some worthwhile changes. Take on anything that interests you, even if you aren't sure what you are doing. You're a quick study, and you will figure out how to handle things. Keep anyone forcing change on you at a distance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): There will be a change in beliefs or the way you do things, based on interaction you have with someone you find very different. Don't be vulnerable, but do consider the possibilities if it will help you further your own goals. A serious partnership can be formed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Give someone a chance before you decide to cut her or him out of your life. Love connections can be made, but do so for the right reasons. A new set of rules is likely to be put into play by someone who isn't too trusting.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Talking to someone who is open will bring about a change of events regarding your money, your health, and your legal and contractual situation. Make sure you have your facts straight so you can sidestep anyone trying to sabotage your plans.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You are the one with all the ideas, so why are you working in unison with people who are driving you crazy? Maybe it's time to do your own thing on the side and see how it goes. Start small, and work secretly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Someone is playing games with you. Don't talk about information you shouldn't share, regardless of who it's with. It is evident that you have deception within a partnership.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A little trip, a conversation with someone who makes you smile or taking time out for a little loving should all be in the mix today. Don't hold back if there is something you want to say, especially if it has to do with how you feel and your personal intentions.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Someone at an event or while networking will feed you a line. Do your homework, and pick your friends, dealings, and money ventures carefully. A partnership will cause setbacks and annoyances. Don't let love cost you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Everything may appear to be up in the air. Think things through, and you will realize someone is tampering with your emotions and causing you to feel unsure. Hard work will pay off and give you greater self-esteem.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): If you want to make changes, do so for the right reason, not because you want to impress someone or because you are impatient. Do things right the first time around. Take a moment to reassess the situation.

DANCE, DANCE, DANCE



Beth Skogen/The Daily Iowan
UI Dance Team members perform floor exercises at the Field House on Monday. The new dance squad was recently chosen for next season.

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ANDREW R. JUHL

What /know about women

- A woman doesn't like it when you're overly complimentary about your ex; it makes her wonder if there's competition for your affections, and that makes it harder to parlay the evening into a threesome.
- A woman also doesn't like it when you pillory or vilify your ex; it makes you look like a moron for staying in a bad relationship, and it makes her wonder what you might say about the relationship if it ends. Also, it downgrades the possibility of a threesome.
- Not all women get cranky for up to a week every month. Some get cranky for up to two weeks.
- If a woman asks you for your honest opinion, you should give it to her. Just remember to remain wholly honest and entirely flattering while doing so. Good luck with that one.

today's events

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- **Preschool Story Time, 10 a.m.,** Barnes & Noble, Coral Ridge Mall
- **Tot Time, this story time is geared toward infants 6 to 24 months, 10 a.m.,** North Liberty Community Center, 520 W. Cherry
- **Story Time Tuesday, 10:30 a.m.,** Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth St.
- **Biochemistry Workshop, "Drosophila Lamins: Not just structural components of the nucleus," Georgios Dialynas, 12:30 p.m.,** Bowen Science Building Spivey Auditorium
- **Free Fitness Assessments, 5 p.m.,** Field House Main Deck
- **Hawkeyes Going Global: International Seminar, Free International Food, Professional Guest Speakers, Student Panel, Study Abroad Opportunities/Internships, 5 p.m.,** W401 Pappajohn Business Building
- **Native Life in Today's Society, 5 p.m.,** Latino Native American Cultural Center
- **Rhetoric Seminar, Visual Politics: "Yes We Can," Barack Obama Music Video, Project on Rhetoric of Inquiry, 5:30 p.m.,** Iowa City Public Library Meeting Room A, 123 S. Linn
- **Fast Meals from the Plant Kingdom, 6 p.m.,** New Pioneer Co-op, 1101 Second St.,

- **Axis and Allies Miniatures, 6:30 p.m.,** Critical Hit Games, 89 Second St. No. 5, Coralville
- **Six Healing Sounds in Chinese Medicine, 6:30 p.m.,** Eastwind Healing Center, 221 E. College, Suite 211
- **Inclusive Ballroom Dance, 7 p.m.,** Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **"Live From Prairie Lights," Cornelia Mutel, nonfiction, 7 p.m.,** W151 Pappajohn Business Building
- **Mini Medical School: A four session series, Making Sense of Your Health: See More. Hear More. Do More., Session 4: Medical Student Experience, 7 p.m.,** Medical Education and Research Facility
- **Movie Night, 7 p.m.,** Alexis Park Inn, 1165 S. Riverside Drive
- **Felted Soap, 7:30 p.m.,** Home Ec. Workshop, 207 N. Linn
- **Actors Dance Theater, 8 p.m.,** Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **Concert of New Music, Guest Duet: Ancuza Aprodu, piano, and Thierry Miroglio, percussion, 8 p.m.,** Clapp Recital Hall
- **EOTO and School of Flyentology, 9 p.m.,** Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- **Free Dance Party, 10 p.m.,** Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
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- Waking a woman from a deep sleep and asking for sex will, at best, turn out only marginally better than doing the same thing to a Kodiak bear.
- Some women actually hate shopping. Especially the ones who've put on weight since the last time they were shopping.
- If you're small, she's not going to call you out on it. She's not about to tell her friends about it, either. Unless you breakup with her. Then everyone will know.
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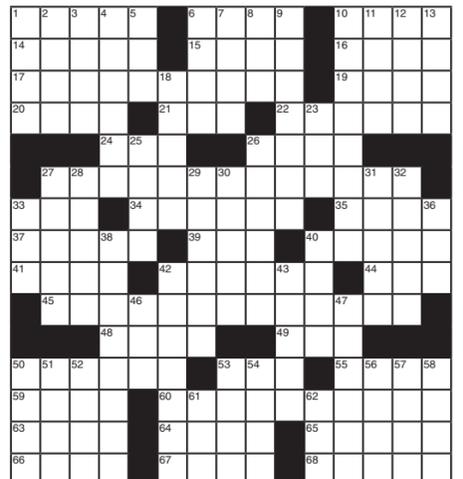
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