

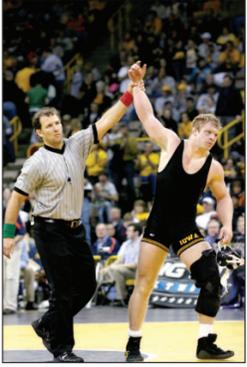
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SPORTS



Wrestlers pound Illini

The top-ranked Iowa wrestling team clobbers No. 7 Illinois, 32-4, in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. **1B**

Bluder's Bunch looks to connect four

The Iowa women's basketball team will face Michigan tonight in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, with general admission for the game costing only \$1. **1B**

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Winterfest is pretty cool

Ice sculpting was one of many wintertime activities highlighted in the second festival. **2A**

Magistrates overworked

Johnson County magistrates have a heavier caseload than other Iowa counties. **6A**

ARTS & CULTURE

Oscars, and Grammys, and Ickys, oh my

Just in time for award season, tonight the Iowa Cultural Corridor Alliance will hand out its Ickys, which celebrate the year's best local arts entertainment. **11A**

OPINIONS

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See today's edition of Daily Iowan TV at dailyiowan.com to find out why UI students are eligible for special tax exemptions. Also, see the first airing of "Courtside," a preview of Hawkeye basketball and other sporting events happening this week.

WEATHER

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Mostly cloudy, breezy, 20% chance of light snow, wind chills -11 in the morning, -7 at night.

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Two-year-old Thomas Schenk exams the dumpling-making area during an event for the Chinese New Year celebration in Phillips Hall on Jan. 23. Dumplings symbolize abundance and wealth, and they were found on nearly everyone's plates during the gathering.

UI rings in Chinese New Year

The UI Chinese program and the Chinese Students and Scholars Association host celebrations of the Chinese New Year.

By **LINI GE**
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Two-year-old Thomas Schenk rolled a piece of sticky rice paste in his little palms, engaged and content in his production of Chinese rice balls.

The toddler's mother, Jessica Schenk, brought the whole family — including husband Brent Schenk and her 4-week-old son Oliver Schenk — to the Chinese New Year celebration Jan. 23 in Phillips Hall. It was part of a weekend of events celebrating one of the most important festivals in the Chinese culture.

Jessica Schenk said the event is beneficial for Thomas, who has started learning Chinese.

"It's kinda cool for Thomas to come pick up some Chinese ... and to immerse him in the Chinese culture," said the UI senior in international studies, who is also enrolled in a second-year Chinese class.

ON THE WEB

To see an audio and photo slide show of the UI's Chinese New Year celebration, check out dailyiowan.com.

The event was organized by the Chinese program of the Asian and Slavic languages and literature department. Helen Shen, a UI associate professor of Chinese, said the Chinese program has been hosting celebrations for the Chinese New Year and the Moon Festival — which occurs when the Moon is fullest — every year since 2002.

"The major purpose is to promote the Chinese culture, to let our students get involved with those cultural activities, and also to motivate them to learn the Chinese language," Shen said.

The celebration attracted roughly 60 people, including Catherine Fillebrown. Fillebrown, a UI graduate student in the teaching Chinese as a foreign language, is celebrat-



A dancer prepares for her performance in the Chinese New Year celebration on Sunday in the IMU. The event drew hundreds of attendees to celebrate the Chinese New Year.

ing her ninth-consecutive Chinese New Year.

But this year, she learned something new.

"I was looking at the traits of the people who are born in the Year of Ox on the day of the inauguration," she said. "I read that the ox is a very good speaker who works hard for the society, but is occasionally stubborn. I thought, wow, this sounds just like President [Barack] Obama. So I looked it up, and he was born in the Year of the Ox."

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SEE **NEW YEAR**, 3A

Event honors Weiger

Late UI Professor Mark Weiger is honored for his contributions by friends and colleagues.

By **JENNIFER DELGADO**
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Friend. Master reed maker. Life of the party. Father figure. These were just some of the words students, colleagues, and friends used to describe late UI Professor Mark Weiger.

Laughter, tears, and music filled the IMU ballroom on the afternoon of Jan. 24 as UI community members remembered Weiger's life and contributions to the school at a memorial concert. More than 100 people attended the event that featured numerous musical pieces and performances.



Weiger
former professor

Weiger, an oboe professor, committed suicide and was found on Nov. 12, 2008, after accusations of sexual harassment arose from former UI graduate student Melissa Rose Walding Milligan. She filed a federal sexual-harassment lawsuit against Weiger and the UI, which continues today against a representative of Weiger's estate.

Some coworkers and students said they grieved immensely after hearing the news.

"I spent a couple of days just

SEE **WEIGER**, 4A

UI oboe Professor Mark Weiger

- Found dead on Nov. 12, 2008, amid allegations of sexual harassment
- Remembered at a memorial concert at the IMU for his contributions to the UI Jan. 24
- More than 100 attended
- Was also recognized in a November 2008 memorial concert in which 250 attended

Source: *DI* archives

Miss Iowa 3rd in pageant

Miss Iowa 2008 Olivia Myers wins second runner-up in the Miss America Pageant.

By **ALEX BRADY**
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Not only can Olivia Myers speak backwards, she can also tap dance — well enough to help her shimmy into third place at the Miss America Pageant Jan. 25, earning the Iowa native a \$20,000 scholarship.



Myers
3rd place finisher

"I thought she was going to take the whole thing," said

Steven Baldrige, Myers' speech and body-language coach and a professor of speech at Black Hawk College in Moline, Ill.

When the annual contest aired live, Myers advanced far enough to reach the final interview round, where questions were posed by citizens on the streets of Las Vegas. Myers was asked to answer the question, "Should college be free?"

"I do not think college should be free," she said. "I think the United States government

SEE **MISS IOWA**, 4A

'We wanted to open by giving something back. So many families have been displaced by the flood, it just made sense to go to the Shelter House.'

Maureen Mondanaro, co-owner of Mondo's Sports Cafe

Shelter House fundraiser draws hundreds from area

Community members show their support for the new Shelter House by attending a fundraiser at Mondo's Sports Cafe.

By **KASSIE FRIEDRICHS**
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Delicious hor d'oeuvres and drinks of every color — along with a good cause — attracted an estimated 350 Iowa City and Coralville community members to Mondo's Sports Cafe on the night of Jan. 24.

The Iowa City Shelter House, the only homeless shelter in Johnson County, had a fundraiser for its new facility;

Jim and Maureen Mondanaro, the owners of Mondo's Sports Cafe, 516 Second St. in Coralville, offered to have the Shelter's event coincide with their grand reopening. Mondo's closed after it was hit by the flood in June 2008.

"We wanted to open by giving something back," Maureen Mondanaro said. "So many families have been displaced by the flood, it just made sense

to go to the Shelter House."

Guests attending the philanthropic gathering paid at least \$50 for admittance — though could offer more — with all proceeds going to the Shelter House.

Shelter House Director Crissy Canganelli said the Mondanaros' generosity describes the community in general.

"It is acts of kindness such as this that really feed my spirit," she said.

The event left many in awe, including Gay Mikelson, who has served for more than half a decade on the Shelter House

SEE **SHELTER HOUSE**, 3A



Winterfest romps in the cold

Local residents participate in winter fun at the second Coralville Winterfest.

By **TESSA MCLEAN**
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Two tall, brown, long-haired horses with large snow shoes clip-clopped along Quarry Road in Coralville pulling a short red trolley full of smiling children in heavy winter gear.

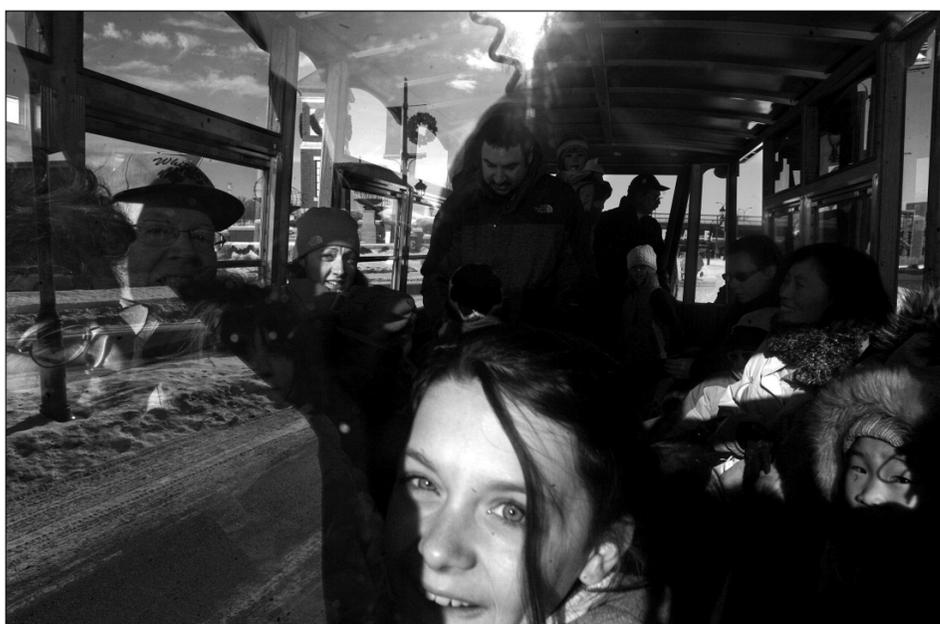
Just feet away, in front of the Antique Car Museum, 52-year-old Dave Jensen sculpted a sleigh resembling Santa's out of a 300-pound block of ice using a chain saw.

Inside the museum, children made candy out of maple syrup and snow.

These events for children and adults were just some of the reasons more than 1,000 people attended Sunday's Coralville Winterfest at the Iowa River Landing, near Interstate 80 Exit 242, said Shaner Magalhães, the executive director of the Johnson County Historical Society.

He organized the event for the second year, adding several new festivities and trying to improve upon the success of last year.

"We were a little nervous because the temperature is a lot lower than last year," Magalhães said as he walked around the festival with his son and daughter. "It is fantastic. The easiest way to gauge success is by all the kids having fun, high-fiving, and smiling."



Riders climb aboard a horse-drawn carriage during the Coralville Winterfest activities on Sunday. Other events included live music, an ice-sculpture carving, and an indoor snowball fight.

PATRICK LARKIN/THE DAILY IOWAN

The event has grown since last year, and the committee hopes to keep the festival an annual event in Coralville.

Jensen, who began ice sculpting 28 years ago, was happy to lend his services to the occasion. He answered questions from festival-goers about his work, including how the low temperatures affect the ice.

"At this temperature, the ice is harder than steel," he said. "It is quite an amazing God-given creation."

He considers ice sculpting a form of culinary and community

education, especially in his position in the culinary world. He is the executive chef at Iowa Health in Des Moines.

Attendee Dani Moore said she heard about the event from her father, who lives in Coralville. She traveled from Davenport to enjoy the event with her fiancé and future step-children.

"I think the ice-sculpting is really cool," she said while looking over her future step-daughter's Little House on the Prairie crafts. "The kids are looking forward to the indoor snowball fight."

Other events included musi-

ON THE WEB

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ON THE WEB

For a photo slide show of Coralville's second Winterfest, visit dailyiowan.com.

cal performances by Kevin Burt and Nick Stika, arts, crafts, and games by the Iowa Children's Museum, KCJJ recordings, and a free tasting of wassail, a hot punch, at the Vesta restaurant.

METRO

3 fail alcohol sting

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office conducted alcohol compliance checks on Jan. 23, and three businesses failed.

Deputies charged Joensy's employee Lisa Joens of Solon, Savvy employee Danielle Wallace of Lafayette Co., and Shuey's employee Allison Roemig of Solon. The three employees at those businesses were charged for selling to an underage person.

The charge, a simple misdemeanor, costs \$715.

Twenty businesses in Solon, Shueyville, rural Johnson County, Swisher, and North Liberty were found in compliance.

The Sheriff's Office conducted its

last compliance check in December, charging four employees from businesses in Hills and Tiffin.

- by **Olivia Moran**

Nurse's trial set back

A local nurse accused of stealing \$8,000 in medicine from a nursing home in Coralville is now set to attend trial on March 30.

Heather Jackson, 33, of Marshall, Ark., was originally scheduled for trial on Feb. 2.

Police charged Jackson with second-degree theft, seven counts of prohibited acts, and tampering with records.

Reports say she stole 658 tablets

and 668 milliliters of solution - totaling \$8,017.10 - from residents at Windmill Manor in August, September, and October of 2006. Police said she either forged other employees' signatures or didn't complete destruction orders.

Jackson's charges range in punishment from five to 10 years in prison each. She also faces nearly \$100,000 in fines.

- by **Olivia Moran**

Area man charged with 3rd OWI

Police arrested a Wellman, Iowa, man over the weekend for

allegedly driving drunk.

Reggie Patterson, 49, was charged with third-offense OWI.

Police reported receiving a complaint from a "concerned citizen" at Wal-Mart, 218 Highway 1, describing Patterson's white truck. Officers eventually stopped Patterson, who allegedly smelled of alcohol, had bloodshot eyes, and was slurring his speech.

Reports show he failed a preliminary breath test at the Iowa City Police Department, registering a .219.

Patterson was also cited for an open container.

Third-offense OWI is a Class D felony, punishable by up to five years in prison and a fine of up to \$9,375.

- by **Olivia Moran**

BLOTTER

Guillermo Alcantara, 22, Marion, Iowa, was charged Jan. 23 with public intoxication.

Ryan Arp, 19, 2280 Mayflower, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Joseph Battenburg, 20, 201 E. Burlington St. Apt. 1516, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Hannah Bees, 18, 306B Mayflower, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA and presence in a bar after hours.

Thomas Bellagamba, 19, 604A Mayflower, was charged Jan. 24 with PAULA.

Matthew Birkhofer, 19, 2141 Quadrangle, was charged Jan. 23 with using an ID to obtain alcohol and PAULA.

Annie Blaser, 18, 838 Slater, was charged Jan. 22 with presence in a bar after hours.

Matthew Bryks, 19, 14 N. Johnson St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Mark Calcott, 21, 527 Rienow, was charged Jan. 23 with public intoxication.

Brett Canfield, 19, 702 N. Dubuque St., was charged Jan. 24 with using an ID to obtain alcohol and PAULA.

Benjamin Castaneda, 19, N358 Hillcrest, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Gary Chambers-Wright, 21, 130 E. Jefferson St. Apt. 12, was charged Dec. 11 with possession of marijuana with intent to deliver.

Steven Clow, 20, Libertyville, Ill, was charged Jan. 21 with PAULA.

Michael Croce, 20, 327 E. College St. Apt. 1721, was charged Jan. 24 with public intoxication.

Scott Curry, 19, 514 Rienow, was charged Jan. 23 with possession of drug paraphernalia, public intoxication, and possession of marijuana.

Kacie Cysewski, 19, 606A Mayflower, was charged Jan. 24 with PAULA.

Eric Derby, 18, 201 Hawkridge Drive Apt. 2204, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Kelsey Dillon, 19, 1216 Quadrangle, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Timothy Filarski, 20, 702 N. Dubuque

St. Apt. 8, was charged Jan. 21 with PAULA.

Leonard Finck, 70, West Branch, was charged Jan. 24 with fifth-degree theft.

Thomas Flood, 20, 12 N. Dodge St., was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Cameron Frick, 19, 513 Rienow, was charged Jan. 23 with public intoxication.

Trey Gartner, 19, 302 Ridgeland, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Michael Gatto, 19, 131 E. Davenport St., was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Anthony Greenwood, 49, address unknown, was charged Jan. 24 with trespassing.

Tyrone Harris, 19, address unknown, was charged Sunday with assault and public intoxication.

Brent Heddens, 20, 521 S. Johnson St. Apt. 10, was charged Jan. 24 with PAULA.

Kevin Hoffman, 19, 535 Rienow, was charged Jan. 23 with possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of marijuana.

Sam Jelinek, 19, 210 E. Davenport St., was charged Jan. 22 with public intoxication.

Milton Jones, 23, 1025 E. Burlington St., was charged Oct. 17, 2008, with second-degree burglary, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of marijuana, and Jan. 21 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Brandy Joynes, 28, 1910 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2, was charged Jan. 18 with false imprisonment.

Colleen Kennedy, 18, 3320 Burge, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Michael Law, 20, 313 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2033, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Nikolas Lapelusa, 19, Long Grove, Ill, was charged Jan. 21 with PAULA.

Letitia Libman, 61, 801 3rd Ave., was charged Jan. 22 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Russell Mack, 20, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 3605, was charged Jan. 23 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Dominick Marcott, 34, Bettendorf, was charged Oct. 13 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Anita Martin, 34, 1131 Third Ave., was charged July 24 with fourth-degree theft.

Antonio Martin, 29, 1946 Broadway Apt. E, was charged Jan. 22 with possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, obstructing an officer, and OWI.

Constance McKinnon, 20, Kenilworth, Ill, was charged Jan. 24 with PAULA.

Branko Miljovic, 20, 302 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 1218, was charged Jan. 21 with PAULA.

Matthew Miller, 20, 600 S. Capitol St. Apt. 207, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Alexander Monany, 21, 719 Bloomington St., was charged Jan. 24 with public intoxication.

Jesus Montero Molendez, 20, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 2808, was charged Jan. 24 with interfering with official acts.

Taccara Moore, 25, 3544 Shamrock Place, was charged Jan. 15 with disorderly conduct.

Logan Morrow, 18, 731D Mayflower, was charged Jan. 23 with possession of marijuana.

Sarah Mueller, 18, 3317 Burge, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Steven Murdock, 20, 313 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2033, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Joseph Nevin, 19, 416B Mayflower, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Betsy Norman, 18, 4428 Burge, was charged Jan. 24 with presence in a bar after hours.

Alexander Pajor, 18, Glen Ellyn, Ill, was charged Jan. 24 with presence in a bar after hours, PAULA, interference with official acts, and public intoxication.

Jayson Perez, 20, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 1003, was charged Jan. 24 with disorderly conduct and interfering with official acts.

Timothy Person, 18, 710 Slater, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA, presence in a bar after hours, and unlawful use of another's ID.

Benjamin Powers, 19, 100 Hawk Ridge Drive Apt. 1306, was charged Jan. 22 with PAULA.

Daniel Salazar-Alvara, 23, Marion,

was charged Jan. 23 with OWI.

Austin Schmidt, 20, 14 N. Dubuque St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Jeremy Schmidt, 29, 1107 Prairie Du Chien Road, was charged Jan. 22 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

John Scully, 19, Dubuque, was charged Jan. 23 with interfering with official acts, public intoxication, and urinating in public.

Chelsie Senf, 18, 4349 Yorik Place, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and presence in a bar after hours.

Derrick Shack, 31, 1053 Cross Park Apt. G, was charged Nov. 23 with possession of marijuana with intent to deliver.

Anthony Sorrentino, 20, 601 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 620, was charged Jan. 23 with PAULA.

Marvin Spivey, 31, address unknown, was charged Jan. 22 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Andrew Staudt, 23, 3 Expo Drive, was charged Jan. 23 with public intoxication.

Shelby Stingley, 18, 610 Slater, was charged Jan. 24 with using an ID to obtain alcohol and presence in a bar after hours.

Adam Streeter, 21, 121 E. Davenport St. Apt. 19, was charged Jan. 24 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Laura Theyn, 33, 544 Elkhorn Trail, was charged Jan. 20 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Jacob Tjaden, 18, 721 Slater, was charged Jan. 23 with presence in a bar after hours and public intoxication.

Michael Uhler, 36, 1910 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2, was charged Jan. 17 with false imprisonment and assault causing injury.

Emily Wallace, 18, 238C Mayflower, was charged Jan. 22 with presence in a bar after hours.

Gavin Wilson, 21, Cedar Falls, was charged Jan. 23 with public intoxication.

Warrell Wright, 28, 921 N. Dodge St., was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

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NATION

Portland gunman kills 2

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) - A gunman opened fire outside an under-21 nightclub in Portland, Ore., killing two girls and wounded several other people in an apparently random act, police said.

Five victims were students from other countries and another was a Portland resident planning a trip as an exchange student; they were going to the Zone club to celebrate a birthday.

The man did not have any known relationship to the victims beforehand, and he didn't appear to have been in the club or a nearby bar before the shooting on the night of Jan. 24, police Detective Mary Wheat said on Sunday.

Police late Sunday identified the alleged gunman as Erik Salvadore

Ayala, 24. He was in critical condition after shooting himself in the head, Wheat said.

"At first blush, this incident appears to be a random act of violence, of the kind that makes you despair for America," Police Chief Rosie Sizer said.

Most of those shot were on the sidewalk outside the Zone but it was unknown if they were waiting to enter the club. A bullet also hit a manager inside a neighboring bar.

Ashley L. Wilks, a 16-year-old from Portland, was killed. The other victim has not been identified, but Miguel Velasquez of the Peruvian Consulate in Seattle said she was a 17-year-old girl from Peru in an exchange program. He said her host family lives in White Salmon, Wash.

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UI sophomore Dani Haugland was the first one up to the calligraphy table in Phillips Hall during the Chinese New Year celebration on Jan. 23. The winners of the contest received coins or the choice of a decoration in the room.

New Year celebrated

NEW YEAR
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William Heathershaw had his first taste of the festival in China before returning to Iowa.

Heathershaw, who graduated in 2008, volunteered at the Beijing Olympic Games and headed south afterward to Shenzhen City. The city, with migrant workers constituting 80 percent of its more than 12 million population, almost empties when the migrants return home for the Chinese New Year. Red lanterns are nonetheless hung on city street light poles and Wal-Mart replaced Christmas decorations with scads of red, Heathershaw said, although

the celebration may be less exhilarating than in other areas of China. He also saw less excitement among younger Chinese compared to the elder ones.

"Another sign that Chinese tradition is fading while more western influences are being adapted," Heathershaw said.

But many Chinese in Iowa City still try to maintain the tradition of Chinese New Year celebration. Nearly 700 people, mostly Chinese, gathered at the IMU Sunday evening for the 2009 Chinese Lunar New Year Celebration organized by the UI Chinese Students and Scholars Association.

The audience cheered when six students from the Chinese School of Iowa City zigzagged through the hall with a giant

golden dragon, launching the celebration. The students, all in white Chinese martial-arts outfit, then jumped onto the stage and performed a dragon dance, which was followed by a group of third-graders singing Descendants of the Dragon.

Xin Feng, a Chinese UI graduate student in journalism, was among roughly 70 people who performed in 18 shows at the event. She played a Chinese piece, "Spring Celebration," in a violin duet.

"The music has some vivid mimicking and description of children setting fireworks and family members getting together," Feng said. "I think it represents all the good memories as well as hopes I have for the Chinese New Year."

Shelter holds fundraiser



JOE SCOTT/THE DAILY IOWAN

Guests at the current Shelter House lounge in a crowded living room watching television on Jan. 24. The same night, a fundraiser for a new Shelter House took place at Mondo's Sports Café; guests paid at least \$50 for admittance.

SHELTER HOUSE
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Board of Directors.

"I just think this is a fantastic party," she said, shouting over the loud music. "That Mondo's did it, that so many people came. [The new Shelter House] definitely is a community project."

Maureen Mondanaro agreed. The restaurant was full in the first half hour, she said, and people were still coming in the door two hours later.

"I'm blown away," she said. "I think everyone's blown away."

Al Axeen, a former Coralville mayor and housing operations director for the Hawkeye Area Community Action Program, Inc., said he and his wife, Pam, are great supporters of the new shelter. Shelter House and the community program have worked together for many years, so it is fitting that the location of

the new shelter will be across the street from the program, he said.

Canganelli stressed that the new facility will be important and noted that the existing shelter's physical layout was its main limitation.

"It is a single-family home," she said. "There are no designated areas."

The lack of beds is also an issue, Canganelli said. There are 29 beds, a majority of which are bunked to maximize storage space. Two of the beds are sleeping mats for the floor, and four are couches in the common area.

The new \$4 million facility will hold 70 beds and will include separate wings for men, women, families, and veterans. The two-story shelter will include 11 bathrooms and two dining areas.

At this point, Shelter House has raised \$1.6 million; it must raise at least \$1.9 million more in pledges and commitments

Benefits of a new Shelter House:

- The current Shelter House holds 29 beds; the new facility would hold 70 beds.
- The new facility would have 11 bathrooms, more than triple the number in the existing shelter.
- Play and study areas will be added.
- Adequate kitchen, dining, and sleeping space.

Source: Shelter House

before it can break ground.

"Donations have been slow, to be honest," Canganelli said, blaming the struggling economy. "It's becoming more difficult for people to give."

That made the event at Mondo's all the more important, she said.

"If we're able to get the \$3.5 million by spring, we'll be able to break ground then," she said.

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Lissa Stolz, a UI visiting instructor in music, performs Bach's *Double Concerto in C Minor* at the memorial concert for Mark Weiger on Jan. 24 in the IMU. Approximately 100 attended the concert for the professor, who killed himself amid allegations of sexual harassment.

Weiger remembered

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being numb about it," said Angela Lickiss, a UI doctoral student in oboe performance. "And incredibly sad."

That sentiment was heard throughout the many homages paid to Weiger during the concert. Those influenced by his art spoke about his accomplishments and highlighted his work for helping students and younger faculty.

"I came here six years ago, and he took me under his wing," said Alan Huckleberry, a UI music assistant professor who helped organize the dedication. Weiger often helped him, Huckleberry said, and offered advice, showed him where to go, and found him concerts to play in. "Anything he could do for me, he'd do unasked."

Weiger often rearranged his schedule and attended late-night rehearsals to help students achieve success, colleagues said.

"He was very interested in the growth of all students, whether they were studying to

'He'll leave an effect on every single oboe player who ever picks up one of his records or reads any of the things he's written. I've learned so many things from him that I've already passed on to my students - it's invaluable.'

- Angela Lickiss, a UI doctoral student in oboe performance.

become a high-school band director or to become international concert artists," Huckleberry said.

For 20 years, Weiger taught oboe and chamber music at the UI. Besides his award-winning oboe talent, friends and colleagues said, Weiger's personality and character will be missed. "He was always happy, always extending a hand, and going out of his way to help somebody," said Benjamin Coelho, a UI bassoon associate professor.

Huckleberry said he received e-mails from around the world expressing remorse for not being able to attend the memorial.

He, with others, is in the process of creating a scholarship fund for undergraduates

studying oboe in order to honor Weiger's legacy and dedication to students.

Lickiss said she believes his renowned music will honor his legacy, especially for younger musicians who may not even know him.

"He'll leave an effect on every single oboe player who ever picks up one of his records or reads any of the things he's written," she said. "I've learned so many things from him that I've already passed on to my students - it's invaluable."



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NATION

College aid may be tough to find

CHICAGO (AP) - Finding financial aid for college this year promises to be tougher than any final exam.

The quest for money that begins for students and parents every January has taken on new urgency in 2009 amid fears that loans and grants will be scarcer than in the past due to the recession.

"The financing system for college is in real crisis," said Barmak Nassirian, associate executive director of the American Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers. "Every one of the participants in the system is experiencing hardship -

higher education institutions, states, aid donors and families all are cash-strapped."

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needs to take further steps to make college more affordable for young adults. But I do think we need to focus on the public-school systems, from grades K through 12, because there are so many inadequacies, and that's where we need to begin so we can actually prepare our students for college and beyond."

Jessica Burgus, who attended the same school as Myers from kindergarten through the UI, said "she answered that question better than any of the other women in the top five."

Diana Reed, a former UI Hawkeye Golden Girl and Miss Iowa 2007, was also impressed with Myers' performance.

"Last year, I felt really honored bringing Iowa back into the limelight. It is really exciting to see that kind of tradition kept up," she said. "It is exciting for the whole state of Iowa. You have to be very driven, educated, and talented to handle that situation well."

Baldrige said Myers is a great communicator and, after suggesting more variety in her gestures, she "absolutely blossomed."

"All of her body language comes straight from the heart," he said. "She is sparkling. It's her empathy for other people. It's incredible. When I was first meeting her, it was like I knew

her for years."

In the Miss America pageant, contestants must choose a platform - an issue they connect with that also holds importance for the country. Myers chose Teaching Tolerance: Fostering a Just and Caring Culture from the Classroom Out. The choice didn't surprise Burgus, who said Myers took a lot of leadership roles in high school on student council and in the National Honor Society.

"She is very outgoing; she is always very smart," she said. "I always saw her as a leader."

UI student Kayla Bassett met Myers on a mission through Campus Crusades for Christ and was her roommate on the trip. Bassett said Myers never really told anybody she was in pageants, but after Myers told her she was competing in the Miss Iowa competition, Bassett attended the state pageant.

"It was really exciting. She won a fur coat, a Jeep for a year, and a furnished apartment in Davenport," Bassett said. "She really deserved it."

Originally from the northeastern Iowa town of Sperry, Myers gained pageant momentum by beating five other contestants to be crowned Miss Burlington 2007 - which carried a \$1,500 scholarship - and progressed to grab the Miss Iowa crown in 2008. Myers, a history major at the UI, hopes to become a second-

regret, she says, is that she can't be extradited to her home state of Florida, where she could face the death penalty.

But what seems like a simple case has been complicated and is nowhere near completion because the 53-year-old woman apparently suffers from Huntington's disease, a progressive genetic disease that degenerates brain cells.

Miss Iowa Bio Box

- **Name:** Olivia Myers
 - **Age:** 22
 - **Education:** Mediapolis High School, UI
 - **Platform Issue:** Teaching Tolerance: Fostering a Just and Caring Culture from the Classroom Out
 - **Scholastic Ambition:** To obtain a doctorate in educational policy and leadership
 - **Talent:** Tap dance
 - **Scholastic Honors:** President's List; Rhodes Dunlap Collegiate Scholarship; Writing Fellow for UI Honors Program
 - **Career Ambition:** To become a secondary social-studies teacher and educational policymaker
- Source: Miss America official website

ON THE WEB

See a Daily Iowan TV report on Olivia Myers at dailyiowan.com.



ary social-studies teacher, and she is a writing fellow in the UI Honors Program, according to the Miss America website. With her scholarship money, she hopes to work toward a Ph.D. in educational policy and leadership, according to the site.

"I expect her to be who she is. She is a very humble person," Bassett said. "I know that whatever she does she is going to be great at. She is really caring - I see her doing a lot of stuff for children."

That has led the court to question her mental competency. A judge has ordered a competency evaluation and threatened to obtain medical samples by "nonconsensual means" if Olson doesn't cooperate.

Olson of Sarasota, Fla., faces charges of first-degree murder and willful injury in the killing of Mauricio Droguett, her husband of about 20 years.

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Some Iowa magistrates being run ragged

Iowa's magistrate system may undergo major changes for the first time in decades.

By OLIVIA MORAN
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Johnson County Magistrate James Martinek examines his Wednesday case load — he is scheduled for court at 8 a.m., again at 1 p.m., and for the third time at 3 p.m.

"This is a light day for me," he said after presiding over initial appearances last week.

Martinek is one of four magistrates in Johnson County, juggling tens of thousands of cases each year. The number of cases in Johnson County is higher than that in many other counties — a disparity Iowa judicial officials say is severely affecting the state's magistrate system.

Last month, Iowa Supreme Court's Limited Jurisdiction Task Force completed the 34-year-old magistrate system's first investigation in nearly 30 years.

"We have concluded there are significant problems with the existing system that, if unaddressed, could jeopardize the quality of magistrate services," members of the task force wrote in the report.

Iowa magistrates handle

A look at Iowa's magistrates

Iowa Supreme Court's Limited Jurisdiction Task Force investigated the state's magistrate system for the first time in 30 years, concluding the following:

- Magistrates in different counties work a variety of hours each week.
- There is a limited pool of magistrate applicants.
- Some magistrates may be inadequately trained for the increasing complexity of Iowa laws.
- Many magistrates have quality-of-life problems.
- The mental-health system has some urgent problems.

Source: The Final Report and Recommendations

initial appearances, adult mental-health and substance-abuse commitment cases, seized-property cases, small claims, and simple misdemeanors — which include citations such as PAULA.

During the investigation, the task force highlighted five potential serious problems: a limited pool of qualified magistrate applicants, possibly unqualified magistrates



ROBIN SVEC/THE DAILY IOWAN

Johnson County Magistrate James Martinek sits at the bench in the Johnson County Courthouse on Jan. 22. A recent report highlighted five potentially serious problems with the magistrate system in Iowa.

because of an increasing complexity of laws, job dissatisfaction, the emergency mental-health commitment system, and an uneven case load among Iowa counties.

Johnson County Clerk of Court Lodema Berkley said Johnson County magistrates,

unlike those in some counties, are nearly always on the bench.

"They're busy five days a week," Berkley said, blaming Iowa City's unusually high number of PAULAs and other alcohol-related citations. "And there are no options at this

point for more magistrates."

Johnson County's district has 15 magistrates — the second lowest number in the state when compared with the 33 in the 2nd Judicial District and 24 in the 5th.

Martinek said his daily schedules are hectic, and he

'They're busy five days a week. And there are no options at this point for more magistrates.'

— Lodema Berkley, Johnson County clerk of court

works at a fast pace to be sure his day ends by 4 p.m. Periodic on-call sessions don't help, he said.

One of 13 recommendations from the task force includes capping on-call hours to 50 percent of the calendar year. Magistrates in western Iowa are sometimes on call every day for 24 hours.

"I've had as many as five to seven [calls] between 7 and 10 in the morning," Martinek said. "It's hard on you."

Other recommendations in the report include assigning less busy magistrates to different counties, converting part-time positions to full-time ones, and creating an advisory committee for limited jurisdiction courts.

Martinek said although it takes every resource to fully operate in Johnson County, the work always gets done.

"The people here adapt very well," he said. "If people have a problem, people are there to help."

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Farming riskiest

By CLARK CAHILL
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When it comes to dangerous occupations, farming in Iowa is still the riskiest, according to a Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation report released last week.

The program found farmer fatalities accounted for the most work-related deaths in Iowa. Farming fatalities made up almost one-third of the 87 work-related fatalities, with 28 farmers dying on the job in 2008.

The most common fatal farm accident was tractors overturning, especially older tractors that were not equipped with a rollover protective structure, the evaluation showed.

"In agriculture, there is a big problem with tractor overturning," said Risto Rautiainen, the organization's co-investigator. The problem exists even with newer tractors that have the protective structure, said the UI clinical assistant professor of occupational and environmental health.

Farmers who own older tractors without a protective structure should put them to different uses, such as stationary power sources — a practice that may be easier said than done, Rautiainen said.

"It is hard to try to tell someone to find other uses for a tractor or to buy a new one," he said, noting that new tractors range from \$70,000 to \$90,000.

The farm economy has been good for the past few years, he said, and there have been many

new machines purchased. Ten years ago, only one-third of tractors had protective devices, but the number is now around one-half, Rautiainen said.

"I have some tractors with [the protective structure] and some without," said Lyle Remmerde, who farms near Souix Falls, S.D. Safety is important to him, he said, and he tries to avoid any situation that could result in a fatal overturn.

Remmerde, who has been a farmer for 35 years, said most farmers are aware how dangerous their profession can be.

"It is a daily operation, and if you don't pay attention to what you are doing, you can easily get hurt," he said.

Another contributing factor to farming fatalities occurs when farm equipment and motorists share the same roads during harvest season.

"Sometimes, motorists will be driving very fast, and they do not appreciate how slow the farm equipment is going," said Murray Madsen, the Iowa Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation's trauma investigator and a UI program consultant in occupational and environmental health.

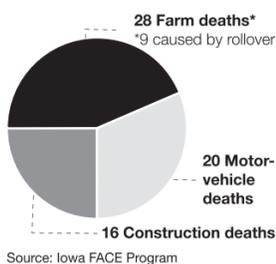
There are around 1,000 motor vehicle and farm-equipment accidents in the upper Midwest every year, he said, although only a handful of the accidents are fatal.

The fatality-assessment program, which is funded by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, collects

Work fatalities

Iowa work-related deaths are above the five-year average, and they are expected to rise.

Common causes of death



Source: Iowa FACE Program
Dan Ambrisco/The Daily Iowan

basic information on all occupational facilities in the state, according to its website.

The Iowa Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation's main objective is to prevent fatalities in the workplace.

"We aren't looking at who is at fault or trying to point any fingers, we just analyze the fatal situation and figure out ways that it can be prevented in the future," Madsen said.

The 87 work-related fatalities in 2008 were two more than the five-year period average of 85, Madsen said.

Other significant fatality numbers by profession included 20 fatalities for motor-vehicle operators, mostly truck drivers, and 16 fatalities for construction workers, according to the program.

STATE

Out-of-wedlock births rising

CEDAR RAPIDS (AP) — The number of babies born out of wedlock is at a record high, and experts expect the trend to continue.

According to the latest vital statistics report from the Department of Public Health, Iowa's out-of-wedlock births climbed to 14,018 in 2007.

That means slightly better than one out of three deliveries involved a baby born to unwed parents. It is the 32nd time in 34 years the figure has increased, dating to 1974, when the number was 2,959.

Iowa State University Assistant Professor Teresa Downing-Matibag, who teaches a course on intimate relationships, says Iowa's out-of-wedlock figures mirror national trends.

The data reflect a society in which casual sexual encounters are more common, she said, and there is inadequate knowledge of how to guard against unintended pregnancies or sexually transmitted infections.

"The research is showing young people are somewhat ambivalent about out-of-wedlock births," she said.

Teen charged with forcing kids to smoke pot

COUNCIL BLUFFS (AP) — A Malvern teen has been arrested after allegedly making three small children smoke marijuana.

Council Bluffs Police charged the 16-year-old with three counts of administering harmful substances and three counts of child endangerment on Thursday.

Police allege the teen smoked marijuana while caring for three children, ages 3, 5, and 8, on Jan. 9. Criminal Investigation Division Sgt.

Ray Mabbitt says the teen was related to the children and watching them while their mother was away from their Council Bluffs home.

Mabbitt says police were alerted to the case after a referral from the Iowa Department of Human Services.

The teen told investigators he did not give the children marijuana; he was charged and transported to the Southwest Iowa Juvenile Detention Center.

Meth law lowers prison population

DES MOINES (AP) — A new state report shows Iowa's methamphetamine law is helping bring down the prison population.

According to the report from the Iowa Division of Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning, Iowa's efforts to clamp down on methamphetamine have led to a 24 percent overall drop in drug offenders sent to prison compared with four years ago.

That decline is one reason for revised forecast projecting significantly less growth for Iowa's prison population over the next decade.

Iowa's prisons now hold approximately 8,700 inmates, a number that's expected to increase to around 8,900 inmates by midyear 2018. As recently as 2002, Iowa's prisons had been on a pace to exceed 12,000 inmates by 2012.

The revision still means plans should proceed for \$199 million worth of prison construction at Fort Madison and Mitchellville, state officials said.

But Beth Lenstra, a senior fiscal analyst with the nonpartisan Iowa Legislative Services Agency, said that the numbers mean additional new state prisons beyond those two projects shouldn't be required.

"There has been a significant stabilizing of the prison population," Lenstra said.

Culver to unveil tight budget

DES MOINES (AP) — Gov. Chet Culver will take center stage at the Statehouse this week when he submits a scaled-back spending plan to the Legislature that will dominate debate for the remainder of the session.

Devastating flooding and natural disasters last summer and a deepening recession this winter have combined to leave the state with a yawning budget shortfall. Lawmakers arrived thinking next year's budget gap was about \$600 million, but some budget experts now predict it could be as high as \$779 million.

Against that backdrop, Culver will offer a proposed budget that cuts most state programs. The governor does not plan to deliver a speech to the Legislature outlining his budget.

"What is there to say?" said spokesman Phil Roeder. "It's not rocket science; there are going to be cuts everywhere."

The current state budget is slightly more than \$6 billion, and Roeder said the proposed new budget would be smaller than \$6 billion.

The law requires Culver to submit his budget by Feb. 1, but aides said he likely would submit it on Wednesday. He's likely to begin previewing it in speeches earlier in the week to begin sounding the warning that there are tough times ahead.

Legislative leaders would say little about the budget until they see details, but they made clear they understand the state's problem.

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Construction materials sit in the UI Museum of Art on Oct. 21, 2008. Works that once hung on the walls have been moved to a storage location in Chicago — and some will be moved again to Davenport in April — until officials can find them a permanent home on campus.

UI moves some art to Davenport

Some UI art moves to Davenport where it will be stored and hang indefinitely in the Figge Art Museum.

By **CAITLIN LOMBARDO**
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UI officials have finally found a home for much of the UI Museum of Art's collection — the Figge Art Museum in Davenport — but a homecoming date for the campus is still unknown.

Since the June flood, a large portion of the UI Art Museum collection was held in an art-storage facility in Chicago.

Officials will now move an undetermined number of pieces in April to the 100,000-square-foot Figge, which will hold the works until a more permanent location can be found in Iowa City. Figge reorganized its storage space to offer as much room as possible for the UI collection, and it will display some works, including Jackson Pollock's Mural.

"It makes sense that these treasures be on display for the public to view," UI President Sally Mason said in a news release. "Especially one of Iowa's most beautiful

riverfront art museums."

While about 250 pieces of the UI art collection have been returned to campus, more than 11,000 remain in Chicago.

"We wanted to bring back what we could find space for and make it available for use and for classes to use," said Margaret Anderson, the Art Museum's marketing and media manager (and a former DI staffer). "The Jackson Pollock piece is 20 feet long, so we couldn't easily find space for that."

The pieces that have already returned to the UI are hundreds of small-format pieces: 197 prints, 38 photographs, and 18 drawings. The UI Libraries Special Collections stored the small-format pieces that were required for a print class in the fall.

All the pieces will eventually make it back to Iowa City, but their new location is still unknown.

"The Museum of Art will not return to the old building by the river," Anderson said. "The idea is to eventually get more space

Move it

UI officials will transport some of the university's art collection to Davenport in April. Some pieces have been returned to campus.

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on campus; we are still working with insurance agents to find an appropriate space."

Working with things such things as temperature changes and lighting specifications, Anderson and other Art Museum staff members have partnered with Lloyds of London to find suitable locations in Iowa City to house the collection, which in total consists of 12,000 pieces.

"It's kind of cool that Iowa art is back in Iowa," said Ian Crawford, a UI freshman. "It's good that they're recouping from the flood this quickly."

A 2010 exhibition is being planned at the Des Moines Art Center that will feature mainly pieces from the UI Art Museum.

UI students, faculty, staff and Art Museum donors will receive free admission at the Figge while the collection is there.

Daniel Dugan said.

Assistant Superintendent James Jackson said the ruse was discovered only after the boy's patrol with an actual officer ended Jan. 24. Officers noticed his uniform lacked a star that is part of the regulation uniform.

Police said they were investigating how the deception went undetected for so long in what they described as a serious security breach.

Police didn't identify the boy

because of his age. He has been charged as a juvenile with impersonating an officer.

Dugan said the boy looks older than 14 and was motivated by a desire to be an officer, not malice or "ill intent."

The boy once took part in a Chicago program for youth interested in policing, so he would have been familiar with some procedures, perhaps helping him blend in, police spokeswoman Monique Bond said.

Portland mayor refuses to resign despite scandal

By **WILLIAM MCCALL**
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — The mayor of Portland, Ore., told city commissioners Sunday he will not resign despite calls for him to do so after he admitted he lied and asked a teenager to lie about their sexual relationship.

Mayor Sam Adams publicly apologized this past week for lying early in his campaign about the relationship with an 18-year-old man in 2005.

City Commissioner Randy Leonard told the Associated Press that Adams left him a phone message Sunday morning saying he had decided to remain in office.

Two other commissioners told The Oregonian newspaper that Adams told them so as well.

Adams did not immediately respond to calls from the AP seeking his comment.

He met separately with the

four city commissioners on Jan. 24 to privately discuss his political future just three weeks after being sworn in.

The scandal has resulted in an investigation by the Oregon attorney general and has divided the city and its gay and lesbian community. But Adams has found strong support to remain, including a Jan. 23 rally on his behalf at City Hall that drew more than 400 people.

The teenager, Beau Breedlove, was a legislative intern when he met the mayor at age 17. He and the mayor both say their sexual relationship started after his 18th birthday, in June 2005.

Breedlove, now 21, told The Oregonian on Jan. 24 that the relationship was consensual.



Adams
Portland mayor

"I do not see any relationship that I ever had with Sam as me being taken advantage of," Breedlove told the newspaper. "I do not feel like I was ever a victim."

When Adams confirmed the relationship this past week, he said it was inappropriate because of the age difference; Adams is now 45.

He also said he lied early in his mayoral campaign and asked Breedlove to lie as well because rumors at the time falsely suggested the relationship involved a minor.

Leonard said the City Council planned to meet today. He has been in charge of the city as president of the City Council, and he told AP he would like to get the issue resolved as soon as possible to make sure city business gets done.

"At a minimum, this is very distracting," he said.

NATION

When the going gets tough, the tough get gambling

ATLANTA (AP) — A tell-tale sign America's chips are down: States are increasingly turning to gambling to plug budget holes.

Proposals to allow or expand slots or casinos are percolating in at least 14 states, tempting legislators and governors at a time when many must decide between cutting services and raising taxes.

Gambling has hard-core detractors in every state, but when the budget-balancing alternatives lawmakers must consider

include reducing education funding or lifting sales taxes, resistance is easier to overcome, political analysts said.

"Who wouldn't be interested if you're a politician who needs to fund programs?" said Bo Bernhard, the director of research at the International Gaming Institute at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas — a government-funded program.

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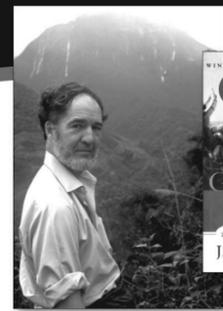
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Legal teams ready to defend Israelis

By JOSEF FEDERMAN
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Special legal teams will defend Israeli soldiers against potential war-crimes charges stemming from civilian deaths in the Gaza Strip, the prime minister said Sunday, promising the country would fully back those who fought in the three-week offensive.

The move reflected growing concerns by Israel that officers could be subject to international prosecution, despite the army's claims that Hamas militants caused the civilian casualties by staging attacks from residential areas.

"The state of Israel will fully back those who acted on its behalf," Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said. "The soldiers and commanders who were sent on missions in Gaza must know that they are safe from various tribunals."

Speaking at the weekly Cabinet meeting, Olmert said Israel's Justice minister would lead a team of senior officials to coordinate the legal defense of anyone involved in the offensive.

"That decision is not going to prevent all these organizations and countries to pursue their efforts through legal means," Palestinian Foreign Minister Riad Malki said at talks with European Union foreign ministers in Brussels. "So there is no immunity even if the decision was taken by the Israeli government."

Malki is a member of moderate Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas' government, whose authority extends only



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A Palestinian aid worker from an Islamic charity (left) distributes food aid to residents as they line up in the devastated area of Atatra in Beit Lahiya, in the northern Gaza Strip, on Sunday. International aid organizations and the United Nations say the priority of truce talks between the Palestinians and Israelis must be to ensure the reopening of Gaza to provide relief and reconstruction help for its 1.4 million people.

to the West Bank after rival Hamas violently took over Gaza in 2007.

Israel launched its 22-day offensive to try to halt Hamas rocket fire on southern Israel. The assault killed 1,285 Palestinians, more than half of them civilians, the Palestinian Center for Human Rights counted. Thirteen Israelis, including three civilians, were also killed.

At talks Sunday in Cairo aimed at solidifying the truce, Hamas official Ayman Taha said the Islamic group offered a one-year truce to Israel, including the reopening of border crossings to allow vital supplies into Gaza. He said Israel offered an 18-month truce, which Hamas rejected. Israeli officials refused to comment.

A low-level delegation from

Abbas' West Bank government was also in Cairo for talks, but was not expected to meet with Hamas.

The European Union, Egypt, Jordan, and Turkey appealed to Hamas and the Palestinian Authority to form a unity government.

Israel and Hamas are bitter enemies and do not talk to each other, relying instead on Egyptian mediation.

In addition to the civilian death toll, Israel has faced international criticism for its use of white phosphorous, and for shelling attacks that struck United Nations schools and installations that were serving as shelters.

AP writers Ibrahim Barzak, Alfred de Montesquiou, Dalila Nammari, and Amy Teibel contributed to this report.

Biden: Long road ahead

By STEPHEN OHLEMACHER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The White House warned Sunday that the country could face a long and painful financial recovery, even with major government intervention to stimulate the economy and save financial institutions.

"We're off and running, but it's going to get worse before it gets better," said Vice President Joe Biden, taking the lead on a theme echoed by other Democratic officials on the Sunday talk shows.

At the end of the Obama administration's first week, the party in power at both ends of Pennsylvania Avenue sought to lower expectations for a quick fix despite legislation expected to pass by next month that would pump billions of dollars into the economy. Democrats also opened the door for even more government aid to struggling banks beyond the \$700 billion bailout already in the pipeline.

Congress has given President Obama permission to spend the second \$350 billion of a Wall Street bailout package even though lawmakers have criticized the Bush administration for the way it spent the first half. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., said she is open to additional government rescue money for banks and financial institutions. But, she said, taxpayers must get an ownership stake in return.

Biden said Obama's choice for Treasury secretary, Timothy Geithner, will recommend whether more money is needed for the banks. Geithner could be confirmed by the Senate as early as Monday.

Congress is working on an \$825 billion economic recovery package that dedicates about two-thirds to new government spending and the rest to tax

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— Lawrence Summers, a top economic adviser to Obama

cuts. Separate proposals making their way through the House and Senate would combine tax cuts for individuals and businesses, help for cash-strapped state governments, aid for the poor and unemployed, and direct spending by the federal government.

The goal is to infuse money directly into the economy in the hope of bringing the nation out of recession, while creating 3 million to 4 million jobs. It would be largest economic recovery package ever enacted; the White House says the scope rivals the construction of the interstate highway system after World War II.

Its success or failure could define the first years of Obama's term. On Sunday, Democrats sought to temper expectations, at least in the short term.

"These problems weren't made in a day or a week or a month or even a year, and they're not going to get solved that fast," said Lawrence Summers, a top economic adviser to Obama. "So even as we move to be as rapid as we can in jolting the economy and giving it the push forward it needs, we also have to be mindful of having the right kind of plan that will carry us forward over time."

Republicans want the recovery package tilted more toward tax cuts and have questioned whether government spending programs will revive the economy in the short-term.

"I just think there's a lot of slow-moving government spending in this program that won't work," House Republican leader John Boehner of Ohio said. "We can't borrow and spend our way back to prosperity."

The administration has pledged to spend three-quarters of the proposed money in the first 18 months after it is approved.

Obama met with Republican and Democratic congressional leaders at the White House last week to listen to Republican concerns about the package. Obama plans to meet with more Republican lawmakers this week, though Boehner said there is little support among House Republicans for the package in its current form.

A House vote is expected Wednesday. Democrats, if united, have a large enough majority to pass it without GOP backing. But Obama is seeking bipartisan support on this critical early test of his presidency. Senate Republicans could block the package but they would have to be united to do so.

Summers said Obama has inherited the worst economy since World War II, coupled with a federal budget deficit of more than a \$1 trillion and soaring costs for entitlement programs such as Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid. The nation lost a total 2.6 million jobs last year as the housing market contracted and financial markets collapsed.

Blagojevich compares himself to Mandela, King, Gandhi

By CHRISTOPHER WILLS
Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — If there's such a thing as a "normal" impeachment trial, the one that starts today in Illinois doesn't qualify.

The defendant, Gov. Rod Blagojevich, won't participate. He'll be talking to Whoopi Goldberg and Larry King instead of facing the state Senate. And while the Democrat acknowledges his conviction is certain, he refuses to resign.

Blagojevich complains that the trial rules are unfair, but he and his lawyers didn't try to influence the rules as they were written or afterward.

After weeks of near-silence, Blagojevich has begun an energetic public-relations campaign, comparing himself to the hero of a Frank Capra movie and a cowboy being lynched for a crime he didn't commit.

He told NBC's "Today" that when he was arrested on federal corruption charges, he took solace from thinking of other jailed leaders — Nelson Mandela, Martin Luther King, and Mahatma Gandhi.

He also said his 5-year-old daughter, Annie, has asked whether he'll still be governor on her birthday in April.

"If I were a betting man, I'd say I probably won't be," Blagojevich said, according to a transcript released Sunday. "I think the fix is in and ... they've decided essentially to do a hanging without even a fair trial."

The full "Today" interview will air today, the same day the impeachment trial starts and Blagojevich is scheduled to appear on "Good Morning, America," "The View," and "Larry King Live."

Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., said Sunday that Blagojevich should be defending himself at the trial because the extra media attention won't impress the state senators who will be judging him.

"Barbara Walters is not on his jury," Durbin said, referring to "View" co-host.

Legal experts see little benefit to Blagojevich from boycotting the trial while refusing to resign. The decision means he'll still be leaving office soon,

but only after proceedings guaranteed to put him in a bad light.

Senators, and thus the public, will hear details of the criminal charges against Blagojevich. They're likely to hear recordings that allegedly reveal the governor talking about signing legislation in exchange for campaign contributions. And in addition to simply removing Blagojevich, the Senate could vote to bar him from ever again holding public office in Illinois.

"This man mystifies me," said Ann Lousin, a professor at Chicago's John Marshall Law School.

The governor's decision to cling to office also surprises Dean Pagani, former chief of staff to Connecticut Gov. John Rowland, who resigned in 2004 rather than be impeached.

The stain of being convicted and removed from office would be far greater for Blagojevich than the stain of resigning, Pagani said. A resignation would allow Blagojevich to claim he stepped aside for the good of the state, not because he was judged unfit to hold office.

"It's unfortunate for the state," Pagani said. "Whether you like it or not, when a governor is in this kind of situation, everything grinds to a halt. There's only one issue the capitol building can deal with, and that's impeachment."

Resignation might even help Blagojevich with jurors in any future criminal trial, said one expert.

"If I were his lawyer, I would say, 'Why don't you make yourself a little less offensive to people? Why not make yourself a little more sympathetic?'" said Leonard Cavise, a law professor at DePaul University.

Yet Blagojevich says that's not an option.

"I'm not going to resign, of course not," he told The Associated Press. "I've done absolutely nothing wrong."

Whatever the Senate decides, the criminal case against Blagojevich, 52, won't be affected.

With Blagojevich refusing to mount a defense, the impeachment trial could wrap up within days, ending a bizarre political and legal spectacle that began Dec. 9 with Blagojevich's arrest by FBI agents.



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Editorial

Steve King's tired antics continue in '09

It's a new year, and America has a new president, but Iowa is still blessed with the same old Rep. Steve King — a bizarre breed of bigot who besmirches the good name of Iowa further with every day he spends representing the state's 5th District in Washington, D.C.

Last March, King warned that Al Qaeda terrorists would take to the streets and dance in celebration if Barack Obama were elected president. Not long after making this incendiary claim, King appeared on Fox News and reaffirmed it. He even went so far as to suggest he would apologize if Obama won and his prediction didn't come true.

Following up on this story, Politico, an online political-news outlet, contacted King a few days before Obama's inauguration and asked him about his previous statements. Though he offered no apology, King was willing to acknowledge that the terrorists' celebrations that he had prophesied have thus far failed to come to pass.

"They have made statements against Obama," Politico reported he said. "This thing has shifted, and now I think Obama's position of immediate withdrawal [from the war zone] has changed."

However, rather than leaving well enough alone and refraining from offering any new offensive remarks, King went on to suggest to the Politico reporter that Obama's choice to include his middle name, Hussein, in the swearing-in ceremony was "bizarre" and "a double-standard." Apparently, it's King's view that because various right-wing commentators suffered criticism for highlighting the new president's full name, the president himself should also be barred from referencing it publicly.

The disingenuous nature of such a complaint is entirely transparent. Using Obama's full name simply to refer to the president has never been considered offensive. Complaints about highlighting that his middle name is Hussein only

arose when it was clear from the context or tone of the usage that the speaker was attempting to draw some sort of connection between the president and former Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein.

Further evidence of King's ongoing hostility toward the president can be found in his refusal to attend a post-inauguration reception that Iowa's congressional delegation held for residents of the state who were in Washington, D.C., at the time. Radio Iowa has reported that a King aide asserted that the congressman's snub was a result of his opinion that his campaign donors wouldn't approve of him contributing the required funds toward refreshments at the reception. However, classy Republicans such as Sen. Charles Grassley and Rep. Tom Latham apparently had no objection to ponying up their \$100 contributions.

Regardless of the extent to which King is an embarrassment to Iowa, it's highly unlikely he can be defeated by a Democratic challenger. Even with a spirited candidate such as Rob Hübner under the Obama-Biden ticket, which won the state so commandingly, Iowa's 5th District was simply too conservative to elect anyone who wasn't a Republican.

But there remain two plausible scenarios under which King could be dethroned. First, a challenger who looked more like reasonably rational Iowa Republicans such as Grassley or Latham could go after King in the primary. Second, given demographic trends, Iowa may well lose a U.S. House seat after the next census. Though such a development would unfortunately reduce the state's legislative clout, it seems unlikely that a candidate as far out in the wilderness of right-wing madness as King would be able to survive following any such redistricting.

One way or another, hopefully, a more serious politician who is actually interested in effectively lobbying for the people of Iowa will eventually succeed in sending King back to Kiron, where he belongs.

The poetics of journalism



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I had my first poetry reading this weekend.

That's right, poetry.

It feels a little strange to me to write that, because my life for the past seven years has revolved around newsrooms, cop reports, and fact-checking. But as it turns out, poetry and journalism have a lot more in common than you might think.

First, a quick glance over the 100 wealthiest people in the world, surprisingly, turned up not one journalist nor poet. What this means is, you'll be hard pressed to find a craftswoman from either genre who doesn't have deep appreciation for a good bar special or delicious diner — recently, I visited one in Vancouver. The concierge at my hotel directed me to my requested "reasonably priced" lunch, which also happened to be in between two *adult* stores.

Second, expressing interest in poetry is the only thing that's left my family — as I suspect it would the general public — more nonplussed than saying I'm hoping to make it big in journalism in 2009.

Genuinely interested friend/family member: "Hmmm. Booming job market in that field?"

Not unless Google or Ikea have plans to hire a few thousand staff poets.

But getting to the meat of this column, I'd like to dispel some misconceptions about both genres.

First of all, poetry does not revolve around poles. From the conversations I've had, a surprising number of people tend to think it's either opaque, inaccessible, and esoteric, or an acrostic that goes something like:

*Soft and sparkly
Never too warm
Oh! how I love it,
When winter does come*

Or, for a second example, let's look at Elizabeth Alexander's (Obama's inaugural poet) recent appearance on "The

Colbert Report."

Colbert, in jest, asks her, "What is the difference between a metaphor ... and a lie?" And then goes on to use one, "I have a mountain in my pants." Too bad, though, that he's echoing what a large segment of America feels about poetry, because, as it happens, poems can be just as much fun to read as a good short story.

I have a poet friend, Dan, who composes the most hilarious poems, about snowmen, about dinosaurs, about aliens visiting the Earth. Or there's Josh, who wrote a brilliant dramatic poem that included both "hip-thrusting" and "I have pissed myself."

In terms of "famous" poets, there's someone to fit any reader's tastes. People just don't know where to look beyond Shakespeare and whoever else they happened to read in 11th grade.

At the same time, journalism is not necessarily catered to a sixth-grader. We are not in the business of talking down to our readers, if it's at all avoidable. We're just trying to cut through the bull, and that does not mean eschewing four-or-more syllable words, when they are precise and appropriate.

Admittedly, this can get lost in the grind of terrifyingly fast-approaching deadlines (which feel a lot like a grandfather clock being dropped on you from four stories up), but pick up almost any newspaper on any given day, and I'm betting you can find at least one fabulous sentence.

It turns out, for me, truth and beauty are integral aspirations in both segments of my writing; I just hadn't realized the poetry part until I got to the UI.

And so, this weekend a fabulous group of writers that I'm proud to be a part of, read poetry, at a bar no less. I was surrounded by an even more amazing and patient group of friends and roommates (many of whom are journalists), and about an hour before I took the stage, I took on a "reasonably priced" burger and fries. ■

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Guest Opinion

Lookin' for work in all the wrong places

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At long last, after enduring eight harrowing years of head scratching and barely suppressed curses, I've finally discovered something I have in common with George W. Bush.

We're both unemployed. That's right, Georgie. You and me, we're like one big happy family now. Brothers in unemployment, comrades in destitution. And don't worry, No. 43, I know what you're already wondering: "Do y'all still let unemployed folk own guns?"

The answer is yes. A most definite yes. Without that clause, Alabama would've bristled with indignation and seceded many, many winters ago.

But even lacking the small-munition arsenal surely at W's disposal — and despite the fact that the most valuable thing I

own is probably my plasma — I've managed to make unemployment manageable. Wait, scratch that. I've managed to make joblessness for myself everything I always thought and hoped it could be — totally cool. Think all those hipsters at the Mill, but cooler. (Editor's note: Nothing is cooler than the hipsters at the Mill. Nothing.)

So how can you be just like me? It's simple really.

Do. Absolutely. Nothing.

Second, and I really can't stress this enough, you need to actively not look for a job.

Actively not look for a job, you ask? Yes. Actively not look for a job; it's harder than you may think. Don't be duped, resist. Those people out there, they actually want to employ you. The fools!

Ready yourself. This shan't

be easy. You must endure fits of self-doubt, cash fallout, and I'm pretty sure erectile dysfunction. (Commercials coming soon to meet the swelling ranks of the unemployed: A ruggedly handsome man gets out of red pickup truck, clutching football. "When I lost my job months ago, I never thought it would lead to E.D. Let me tell you about ExtenZe." Man throws football to buddy; it's a perfect spiral.)

For a brief moment a week or so ago, I buckled and broke my rule, or "fell off the wagon," as the workaholic somewhere deep down would call it. I went looking for a job, preferably employment at some downtown bar. This ended disastrously.

Obstacle numero uno: I am, the last time I checked, a male. Usually, it ain't a bad gig being a guy. For one, I can write my name in the snow and not give

birth. But when looking for employment at a bar, being a guy is an inescapable handicap.

"No bro, no dudes are getting hired here," one neckless door guy informed me mournfully.

Obstacle numero dos: I have zero bar experience. It used to be that my newspaper acumen failed to impress just the women at the bars, now's it's failing to impress the actual bars.

Obstacle numero tres: Animal Planet just picked up and is airing constantly "Planet Earth," that nature show that brazenly takes the viewer to the heart of Africa or some other mythical made-up place. How are we possibly expected to venture out to look for employment when TV history is being made practically every hour?

Still, let's be serious. Joblessness is a very serious problem facing not just the

United States but all those other places as well on "Planet Earth." And this column, with its rather serendipitous joking, isn't meant to trivialize the plight of these people.

Because, after all, I have it pretty easy. My parents, God bless them — and their wallets — were kind enough to take care of most of my schooling bills, freeing me of much of that pesky student debt.

This is unusual. The average college student in the United States emerges from the annals of academia with more than \$20,000 in tuition debt, according to the Washington-based U.S. Public Interest Research Group. For them, unemployment isn't so easy. For the middle-aged man with two kids and a mortgage, unemployment isn't so easy.

For all the reporters I know who've lost their jobs in the last year because of dwindling

revenues at newspapers and the greed of people such as Chicago real-estate tycoon Sam Zell, the owner of the Tribune Co. and a man who had no idea how to run a news organization — unemployment isn't so easy.

One year ago at this time, roughly 64,000 people in Iowa's nonfarm industries were without jobs, according to Iowa Workforce Development statistics released late last month. Today, that figure has risen 12.5 percent and hovers around 72,000. Nationally, 7.2 percent of the country's populace were jobless in December, reports the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

For almost all these people, unemployment isn't so easy.

But if there's any consolation in this mess: Off now at his Texas ranch and quickly receding into the obscurity of U.S. history, George W. Bush is among the unemployed.

Icky, and proud of it

With the Academy Awards just around the corner, the Ickys Awards aim to bring a bit of that Oscar magic to the local arts community.

By **BRIAN DAU**
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Red carpets. Acceptance speeches. Joan Rivers. These signs can mean only one thing: Awards season is well underway. And with last week's announcement of this year's Oscar nominees, the awards talk has increased to a near-frenzy pitch.

But it's not just the nationally recognized members of the artistic community who are being appreciated. It's also time to spotlight some of the local artists for their hard work over the past year, and that's what the Iowa Cultural Corridor Alliance plans to do with tonight's third-annual "Ickys" Awards at the Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington St.

The Ickys consist of 13 awards given to local artists recognizing programming excellence in such categories as theater, dance, and music. The presentations will be interspersed with 12 performances by various artists offering a look back at some of the entertainment provided by the arts community in 2008. The performances include a photography exhibit, live music, theater, a poetry reading, and storytelling.

"This is the one night of the year when we treat our cultural community like the stars that they are," said Joe Jennison, the executive director of the cultural alliance. "I think everyone looks forward to this."

The Ickys are "very much like an Oscar-type event," Jennison said, complete with a red carpet, limousine, tuxedos, and "faux paparazzi." The awards themselves also add to the overall award-show experience. Designed by local artist Tom Newport, Jennison described the statues as "a series of metal spokes holding up a single colorful ball."

The awards will be given out in a "sealed-envelope" format,



REBECCA MNUK/THE DAILY IOWAN
Celine Hartwig (left) and Shelby Baker work with other volunteers to fill gift bags at the Englert on Jan. 23. The "shwag" will be distributed at the Ickys Awards, which will be held at the Englert tonight.

'This is the one night of the year when we treat our cultural community like the stars that they are.'

- **Joe Jennison**, the executive director of the cultural alliance

meaning the nominees for each award are known, but the winners won't be until they are announced onstage tonight. The nominees were selected through ballots given to the 149 members and organizations that make up the cultural alliance, which was formed in 2005 with the merging of the Johnson County and Cedar Rapids Cultural Alliances. Each member gets one vote in every category, and the ballots are then tallied by the group's accountant, Denny Redmond, who guards the results until they are

announced at the show. "For this event, each organization gets to act as an academy of arts and sciences," Jennison said. "These are peer-recognized awards." Jennison maintains that this "academy" of artists keeps things interesting around town. "In my opinion it is these people, the volunteers and performers in the arts and cultural community, who are responsible for creating the quality of life in this corridor," he said. "This is the night we get to thank them for the work they do all year-round."

EVENT

Ickys Awards

When: 6:30 p.m. today
Where: Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington
Admission: \$20

MOVIE REVIEW

Losing most of the magic

If you're looking for an edge-of-your-seat, thrilling theatrical adventure, *Inkheart* may not be it. If, however, you're just looking for something to do, you're sure to be satisfied.



PUB PHOTO (INKHEART)

Mo'Nique and company dodge a twister of Kansas-like proportions in *Inkheart*.



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Inkheart had the potential to be absolutely fantastic.

The premise of the movie, adapted from the novel by Cornelia Funke, is interesting enough — a bookbinder, Mo'Nique, (played by Brendan Fraser) can bring literary characters to life simply by reading stories aloud. This supposedly incredibly rare talent is called "silvertongue." At first impression, it's hard to see why anyone wouldn't want those kinds of skills.

There is, unfortunately — and fairly obviously — a sad twist to this tale. As a silvertongue brings a character to life, someone in existence must be traded into the story — in this case, Mo'Nique's wife. He subsequently spends nearly an entire decade never reading to his young daughter, Meggie (Eliza Bennett). Now, after this revelation,

one may anticipate a bevy of odd twists and turns for the next hour and a half. But I must give fair warning — don't expect too much of it from *Inkheart*, or you may be sorely disappointed.

Inkheart

When: 4:40, 7:00, 9:25 p.m.

Where: Coral Ridge 10

★★ out of ★★★★★

'Inkheart is an injustice to the true magic of books.'

Throughout the film's numerous adventures to save "mum" Resa (Sienna Guillory), nothing truly shocking or mind-boggling happens. Ever. *Inkheart* had all the right elements to be much more intriguing, or mysterious, or anything of the sort, but it fell a bit flat and was entirely predictable. The movie clearly brands

itself as fantasy, and flaunts it with plenty of CGI. Countless classic characters are brought to life, including Toto and the flying monkeys from *The Wizard of Oz*. However, I felt cheated out of the complete "fantasy" experience, which one would expect to involve a bit of imagination and thought-provoking instances for the audience. Quite the opposite — there was never a sense of being in a far-off, make-believe world. It seemed that everything worth building suspense upon was immediately handed to the viewer.

The characters are good but not great. The film's moving moments didn't quite pack the punch they should have (i.e., the family reuniting after nine years apart). This lack of passion is quite disheartening, because it would have added much-needed dimension and a clearer "moral" to the story.

In short, *Inkheart* is an injustice to the true magic of books.

COOK IN PROGRESS

SIMPLE SYRUP



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Using simple syrup is a fun way to make cakes and cocktails better by enhancing foods while curbing that sweet-tooth.

Simple syrup is a consumption-enhancer consisting of water, sugar, and peels from citrus fruits if you

desire. Simple syrup can moisten a dry cake or sweeten a bitter drink. Adding citrus peels to this concoction provides even more flavor. While simple syrup will not do much on its own, try adding it to anything that could use sweetening.

Start by grating the peel of a citrus fruit until you have 1 tablespoon of finely grated peel.

Next vigorously mix the grated peel and 1 cup of sugar together until the sugar becomes slightly moist. Cover and let this sit for several hours.

After that, bring one cup of water

to a boil in a saucepan, then add the sugar/peel mixture.

Remove from heat and let it cool. Use a strainer to cull the pieces of peel.

Be sure to seal well and store in the refrigerator.

To make this recipe without the citrus peel, simply boil one cup of water, then add one cup of sugar.

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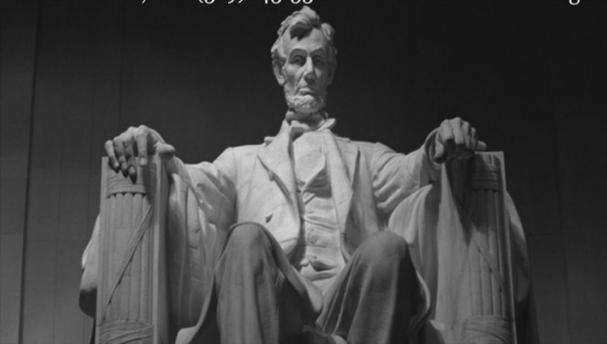
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GYMNASTICS

The Iowa men's gymnastics team defeats the Illinois-Chicago Flames in its first home meet of the season.

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 LA Lakers 99, San Antonio 85
 Phoenix 104, Atlanta 99
 Toronto 113, Sacramento 97
 Houston 108, Detroit 105
 Minnesota 109, Chicago 108, OT

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GYMNASTICS

GymHawks upset Illini

The Iowa women's gymnastics team (4-2, 2-0) managed to stay perfect in the Big Ten with an upset road victory (194.950-194.400) over No. 14 Illinois on Jan. 24.

Hawkeye sophomore Houry Gebeshian won the all-around with a score of 39.050, and senior teammate Jenifer Simbhudas came in third at 38.725.

Despite the Fighting Illini winning three out of the four events, the GymHawks came out on top in the hard fought matchup.

Iowa had the top four finishers on the floor exercise in Simbhudas (9.925), senior Kara Pinjuv (9.900), freshman Jessa Hansen (9.825), and Gebeshian (9.825).

Head coach Larissa Libby praised her squad's effort at the meet and the members' ability to stay focused.

"I think they are figuring out how to function a little better knowing that those nerves are going to be there and to calm themselves down enough to duplicate what they do in practice every day," she said.

Iowa will host Texas Woman's University and University of Wisconsin-Whitewater in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Jan. 31 at 7 p.m.

— by Evelyn Lau

FOOTBALL

2 more orally commit in football

With national signing day slightly more than a week away, the Iowa football team added two more oral commitments to its class, according to HawkeyeReport.com's Tom Kakert.

Matt Murphy, a 6-6, 255-pound offensive lineman from Clinton and Micah Hyde, a 6-1, 170-pound defensive back from



Murphy offensive lineman

Fostoria, Ohio, both committed to the Hawkeyes after visiting Iowa City over the past weekend.

Both players are rated as two-star prospects by Rivals.com. Kakert said Iowa coaches began to take interest in Murphy when they noticed him while watching film of a different prospect playing against his team. He was originally given a grayshirt offer, but it was upgraded to a full scholarship over the weekend. Murphy also holds offers from Iowa State and Northern Iowa.

Hyde played numerous positions in high school, including quarterback, but he will join the Hawkeyes as a defensive back. Hyde also holds offers from Ball State, Bowling Green, Eastern Michigan, Miami University, Ohio University, and Toledo.

Conor Boffelli, a three-star tight end from West Des Moines, who orally committed to Iowa State, also visited this past weekend.

— by Mike Slusark

TV TODAY

NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

• No. 11 Marquette at No. 19 Notre Dame, 6 p.m., ESPN
 • No. 6 Oklahoma at Oklahoma State, 8 p.m., ESPN

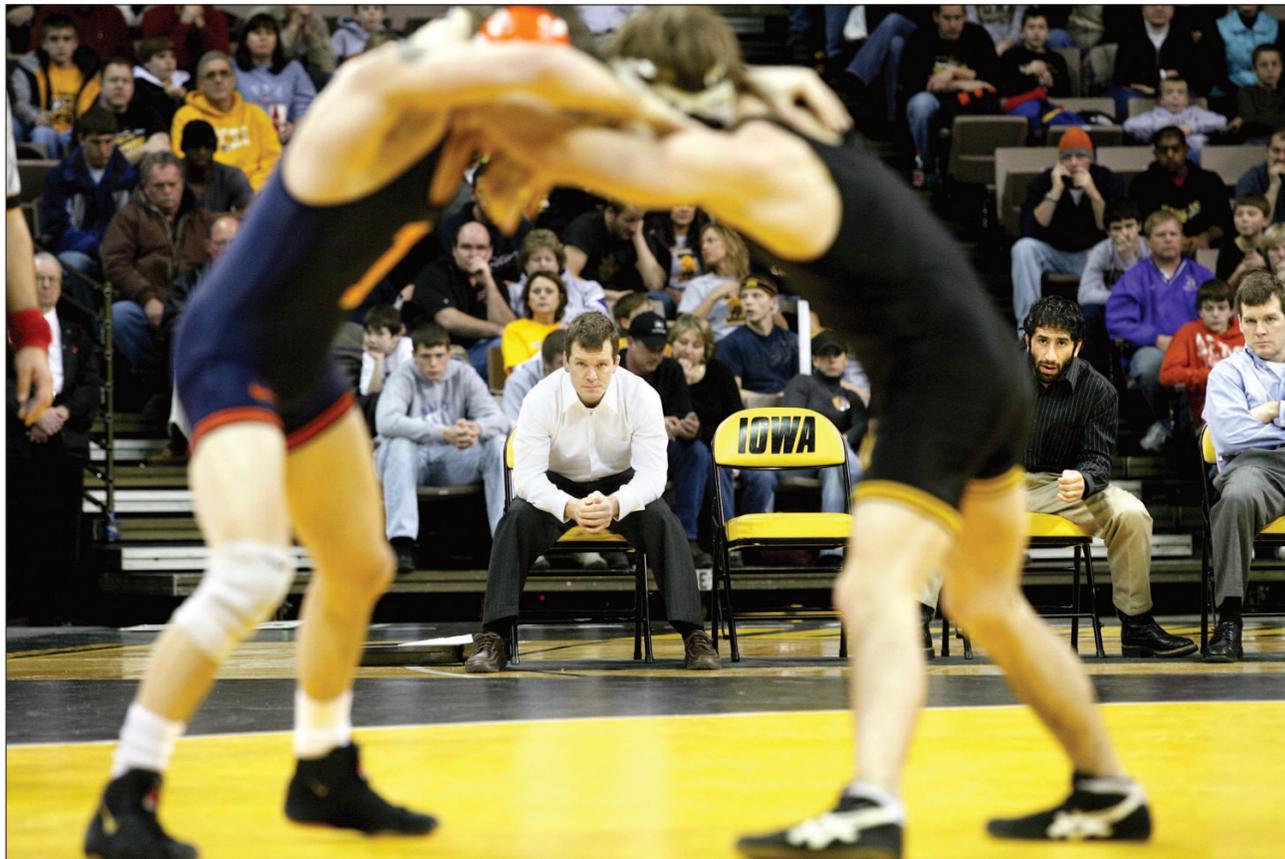
NCAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

• Michigan at Iowa, 7 p.m., BTN
 • No. 7 Louisville at No. 1 Connecticut, 6:30 p.m., ESPN2

TENNIS

• 2009 Australian Open, men's and women's quarterfinals, 8:30 p.m., ESPN2

Wrestlers roll over Illini



ROBIN SVEC/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa assistant wrestling coaches Terry Brands (left) and Mike Zadick (center) and head coach Tom Brands (right) look on as Iowa's Daniel Dennis takes on Illinois' Jimmy Kennedy in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Sunday. Dennis defeated Kennedy, 5-0, helping the top-ranked Hawkeyes secure a 32-4 victory over the Fighting Illini.

No. 1 Iowa topped No. 7 Illinois, 32-4, in a border battle featuring two undefeated Big Ten foes.

By RYAN YOUNG
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All season long, Iowa seemed to be on the brink of a breakout victory. It finally happened on Sunday.

In a marquee meet between two Big Ten unbeaten teams, the top-ranked Hawkeyes went 9-for-10 against No. 7 Illinois at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, toppling the Fighting Illini, 32-4, to

stretch their dual-meet winning streak to 31.

The Hawkeyes' only loss came midway through the dual at 157, when sophomore Matt Ballweg dropped a 15-5 major decision to top-ranked Mike Poeta.

It was a stark contrast to Iowa's meet with No. 15 Wisconsin two days ago, which ended in the Hawkeyes' favor, 24-12, but featured just two dominating performances.

That left Iowa head coach Tom Brands slightly worried. But against Illinois, there was a bit more buoyancy.

"We have continue to attack and be tough in tough situations," he said. "We have to continue to be able to score and represent this program how this program needs to be represented. If we can wrestle how this program is defined and how we want to define it ... then we'll be in a good place."

Iowa rolled through its first four matches of the night to take a 16-0 lead, beginning at 125,

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No. 1 Iowa 32, No. 7 Illinois 4

- 125 - Falck (I) dec. Futrell (III), 11-5
- 133 - Dennis (I) dec. Kennedy (III), 5-0
- 141 - Tsrtsis (I) major dec. Prater (III), 11-3
- 149 - Metcalf (I) pin Terrazas (III), 3:52
- 157 - Poeta (III) major dec. Ballweg (I), 15-5
- 165 - Morningstar (I) dec. Smith-Bergsrud (III), 3-0
- 174 - Borschel (I) major dec. Dergo (III), 10-1
- 184 - Keddy (I) dec. Blanton (III), 11-4
- 197 - Beatty (I) dec. Bond (III), 2-1
- Hwt. - Erekson (I) dec. Wise (III), 9-8

Hoopsters to host Wolverines on 'Buck Night'

The Iowa women's basketball team looks to improve its winning streak to four games in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

By JEFF PAWOLA
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The Iowa women's basketball team (11-7, 4-3) hopes to continue its winning streak against a team at the bottom of the standings when it faces Michigan (9-10, 2-6) at 7:05 p.m. today in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

The Hawkeyes' current three-game winning streak includes two consecutive victories against the two worst teams in the conference — Illinois on Jan. 15, 11th place, and Northwestern on Jan. 18, 10th place. The gradual progression of difficulty brings in Michigan, which comes in as the ninth-ranked team in the conference.

"Michigan had a very tough nonconference schedule," Iowa head coach Lisa Bluder said, noting that the Wolverines beat Kentucky, North Carolina State, No. 17 Vanderbilt, and No. 13 Notre Dame, in addition to hav-

ON THE WEB

Go to dailyiowan.com to hear what members of the Iowa women's basketball team have to say about playing Michigan this evening at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

ing a close losses to No. 9 Texas A&M and No. 4 Duke. "They did a terrific job in their nonconference season. In the conference season, they haven't done quite as well. They're [2-6] right now."

Despite Michigan's recent shortcomings, having lost four straight games, Bluder still feels the Wolverines provide a viable challenge.

"The Wolverines are a very balanced team, they've got great size, they shoot a lot of 3's, probably more than anybody in our conference," she said. "They have five seniors, and four of them are a very big part of their team, so they're very experienced as well."

Michigan may be experienced, but its experience in recent

IOWA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS. MICHIGAN

When: 7:05 p.m.

Where: Carver-Hawkeye Arena
 Where to watch or listen: Big Ten Network; radio - KXIC 800-AM
 Admission: "Buck Night" - \$1 general admission; UI students admitted free

PROJECTED STARTING LINEUPS

Michigan (9-10, 2-6)			
G Jessica Mimfield	5-5	Sr.	10.6
G Veronica Hicks	5-9	So.	8.1
F Stephany Skrba	6-2	Sr.	8.2
F Carly Benson	6-2	Sr.	9.5
F Melinda Queen	6-1	Sr.	6.9
Iowa (11-7, 4-3)			
G Kristi Smith	5-6	Sr.	11.6
G Kachine Alexander	5-9	So.	8.2
F Wendy Ausdemore	6-2	Sr.	9.8
F JoAnn Hamlin	6-3	Jr.	9.0
C Megan Skouby	6-6	Sr.	13.8



ROBIN SVEC/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa sophomore Kachine Alexander leaves the court after the Hawkeyes defeated Northern Iowa in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Dec. 11, 2008. The Hawkeyes will face Michigan at 7 p.m. today on "Buck Night," in which general admission for this evening's contest is \$1.

30, 2007 in Ann Arbor.

Also working in Iowa's favor is the lay-off from its previous game. The Hawkeyes have had eight days off between their last game and today.

"It's been really nice having this week just to prepare for everything," freshman Hannah

Draxten said. "We've been able to do a lot of different things to prepare, just to fine-tune everything and fix the little things that we need to fix."

Despite Draxten's positive look on the lay-off, Bluder would have

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SPORTS 'N' STUFF

MEN'S BIG TEN BASKETBALL

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Michigan St.	6	1	.857	16	3	.842
Illinois	5	2	.714	17	3	.850
Purdue	4	2	.667	15	4	.789
Minnesota	5	3	.625	17	3	.850
Penn St.	5	3	.625	16	5	.762
Michigan	4	4	.500	14	6	.700
Ohio St.	3	4	.429	13	5	.722
Wisconsin	3	4	.429	12	7	.632
Iowa	2	5	.286	12	8	.600
Northwestern	2	5	.286	10	7	.588
Indiana	0	6	.000	5	13	.278

Saturday's Games

Penn St. 63, Iowa 59
 Illinois 64, Wisconsin 57
 Michigan 68, Northwestern 59

Sunday's Games

Minnesota 67, Indiana 63
 Michigan St. 78, Ohio St. 67

Tuesday's Game

Purdue at Wisconsin, 8 p.m. ESPN

Wednesday's Games

Michigan at Ohio State, 5:30 p.m. BTN
 Indiana at Northwestern, 7:30 p.m. BTN

Thursday's Games

Michigan State at Iowa, 6:05 p.m. ESPN or ESPN2
 Illinois at Minnesota, 8 p.m. BTN

Saturday's Games

Michigan at Purdue
 Ohio State at Indiana
 Wisconsin at Northwestern

Sunday's Games

Iowa at Illinois, 1 p.m. BTN
 Penn State at Michigan State, 11 a.m. BTN

WOMEN'S BIG TEN BASKETBALL

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Ohio State	7	1	.875	16	3	.842
Indiana	7	2	.778	14	6	.700
Michigan State	7	2	.778	14	6	.700
Minnesota	6	3	.667	14	6	.700
Purdue	6	3	.667	13	7	.650
Iowa	4	3	.571	11	7	.611
Wisconsin	5	5	.500	15	6	.714
Michigan	2	6	.250	9	10	.474
Penn State	2	6	.250	7	11	.389
Northwestern	1	7	.125	5	14	.263
Illinois	1	9	.100	5	16	.238

Sunday's Games

Michigan State 59, Wisconsin 50
 Michigan 43, Northwestern 40
 Illinois 61, Indiana 52
 Ohio State 71, Purdue 60

Thursday's Games

Iowa at Michigan State
 Illinois at Northwestern
 Ohio State at Michigan
 Penn State at Indiana
 Purdue at Wisconsin

TOP 25 COLLEGE BASKETBALL

- #4 Pittsburgh 79, West Virginia 67
- #7 Michigan State 78, Ohio State 67
- #9 Louisville 67, #8 Syracuse 57
- #10 Clemson 73, Georgia Tech 59
- Seton Hall 65, #12 Georgetown 60
- #21 Minnesota 67, Indiana 63
- #24 Florida 94, Vanderbilt 69

Other Scores

Northern Iowa 78, Missouri State 69

WOMEN SCORES

#12 Maryland 77, #2 North Carolina 71
 #3 Oklahoma 89, #14 Texas 69
 #4 Duke 60, Georgia Tech 34
 #6 Auburn 82, #10 Tennessee 68
 #15 Florida 75, Mississippi 54
 #17 Vanderbilt 66, South Carolina 56
 #19 Ohio State 71, Purdue 60
 #20 Marist 71, St. Peter's 63
 #23 New Mexico 75, TCU 67

Other Scores

Drake 70, Northwestern Iowa 60

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Atlanta	29	15	3	61	145	118
New Jersey	28	16	4	60	127	125
N.Y. Rangers	25	12	9	59	151	137
Philadelphia	23	21	4	50	144	146
Pittsburgh	13	29	5	31	115	164

West Conference

Team	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	34	8	5	73	168	106
Montreal	27	13	6	60	145	127
Buffalo	24	18	5	53	135	133
Toronto	17	22	8	42	136	168
Pittawa	16	21	7	39	108	129

Southeast

Team	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	30	15	3	63	153	138

PENN ST. 63, IOWA 59

Furious rally nips Hawks

By GENARO C. ARMAS
 Associated Press

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — With every bucket, Jamelle Cornley got more vocal and animated, riling up the crowd while getting Penn State closer to erasing a 14-point deficit.

Cornley's lay-up cut Iowa's lead to five, and a 3-pointer got it to three before a tough jumper in the lane got Penn State within two with 2:53 left.

A hobbled Talar Battle took over from there with an open 3 with two-plus minutes left to finally give Penn State the lead, and the Nittany Lions never looked back in a 63-59 win over the Hawkeyes on Saturday night.

"What turned it around? Jamelle Cornley. He put us on his back and carried us," Battle said.

Cornley, sitting two seats away at the podium, mumbled, "Whatever."

Whatever indeed — the win allowed Penn State (16-5, 5-3 Big Ten) to break the 15-win plateau for the first time in coach Ed DeChellis' six seasons on the bench. It also extended the Nittany Lions' best start in conference play since 1999-2000.

Battle, the Big Ten's top scorer, finished with 20 points, while Cornley led Penn State with 24, including 10 straight at one point late in the second half.

Jake Kelly led Iowa (12-8, 2-5) with 19 points on 7-of-20 shooting, and Aaron Fuller finished with 16.

Jeff Brooks grabbed an offensive rebound and found Battle for the 3-pointer to make it 60-59 with 2:14 left.

Battle followed with two free throws after a steal to make it 62-59 with 1:39 left.

"It's fairly simple ... down the stretch they were efficient, very productive," Iowa coach Todd Lickliter said in a soft voice afterward.

Penn State was nearly done in again by missed foul shots, a season-long problem. But the Hawkeyes squandered several opportunities to tie in the



STEVE MANUEL, CENTRE DAILY TIMES/ASSOCIATED PRESS
 Penn State guard Talar Battle (12) shoots as Iowa's Devan Bawinkel (15) comes in for the block on Jan. 24 in State College, Pa. Penn State defeated Iowa, 63-59.

game's frantic final seconds. David Palmer missed an open 3 with 14 seconds left after Battle missed a free throw.

Battle missed another foul shot, then Stanley Pringle blocked Jeff Peterson's 3-point attempt with five seconds left. Pringle went 1-of-2 from the line to finally seal the game.

DeChellis couldn't brag enough about how his squad fed off the energy of Cornley and Battle.

"Those two kids are such competitive kids, you can't teach what they have," he said.

While Battle didn't admit he

was hurt, DeChellis said his point guard has been nursing a sore hip and groin in recent weeks.

Good thing Penn State gets a week off before returning to action Feb. 1 at Michigan State. "The break couldn't have come at a better time for us," DeChellis said.

The 6-5 Cornley plays with strength and athleticism that allows him to make up for any height disadvantage he may have against taller opposing power forwards.

Iowa, minus leading rebounder Cyrus Tate for the

PENN ST. 63, IOWA 59

IOWA (12-8)

Palmer	2-5	2-2	6
Fuller	6-11	2-2	16
Gatens	2-5	4-4	9
Peterson	3-10	3-4	9
Kelly	7-10	4-4	19
Bawinkel	0-0	0-0	0
Davis	0-3	0-0	0
Cole	3-6	0-2	8
Totals	20-44	15-16	59

PENN ST. (16-5)

Cornley	11-17	1-3	24
Brooks	1-2	0-0	3
Jones III	1-2	0-1	2
Pringle	3-8	3-4	11
Battle	4-12	9-11	20
Babb	0-0	0-0	0
Jackson	0-0	0-0	2
Morrissey	1-6	0-1	3
Ott	0-0	0-0	0
Totals	21-47	13-20	63

Halftime - Iowa 29-27
3-Point Goals - Iowa 4-17 (Fuller 2-5, Kelly 1-3, Gatens 1-3, Palmer 0-1, Davis 0-2, Peterson 0-3), Penn St. 8-25 (Battle 3-10, Pringle 2-6, Brooks 1-2, Cornley 1-2, Morrissey 1-5)
Fouled Out - None
Rebounds - Iowa 28 (Palmer 8), Penn St. 27 (Battle, Cornley 6)
Assists - Iowa 9 (Gatens, Peterson 3), Penn St. 15 (Battle 6)
Total Fouls - Iowa 21, Penn St. 16
Technical - Cornley
A - 12,210

fourth-straight game because of a high ankle sprain, looked helpless inside late as Cornley twisted and turned his way to the hoop.

"If I read it right I think he benches 370 pounds," Lickliter said. "I don't think my whole team benches 370."

The Hawkeyes appeared to have solved any problems during the games first 30-plus minutes, they they were physical inside and rarely allowed Penn State room on the perimeter.

The Nittany Lions shot just 35 percent in the first half, including 2-of-11 (18 percent) from 3-point range. Iowa was moving the ball well and hitting open shots.

"We were just lackadaisical, and execution-wise, we just weren't very good," DeChellis said.

Enter Cornley's second-half sprint.

He was on such an emotional high that he was whistled for a technical foul midway through the half after talking back to an official. The referee had asked him to tuck in his shirt.

Women AquaHawks fall to powerhouse Northwestern

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No. 20 Northwestern (10-2, 3-2) proved to be every bit the challenge Iowa head coach Marc Long thought it would be.

In a dominant effort, the Wildcats easily defeated the Iowa women's swimming and diving team (6-3, 2-3), 192-99, in front of a rowdy crowd at the Field House this past weekend.

"As a team, Northwestern was clearly the stronger team. So hats off to [the Wildcats], they're well on their way to having a very, very good season," Long said. "We just wanted to see some people race well, and we got a chance to see that."

With six Big Ten teams in the Top 25 rankings, Long knew the meet was going to be a tough one, but he hoped it would give his young squad an idea of what the Big Ten championships were going to be like.

"We want to face these teams. It certainly is a measure of where we are," he said. "There's a lot of improvement we need to make to really compete as a team in the Big Ten. But we have certain attitudes that are developing and performances that will still make this a special year, we'll keep progressing."

Long was quick to praise his relay teams, which finished second in the 200 medley with a time of 1:45.30 and second in the 400 medley at 3:32.78.

"We were always the underdog here; we knew that going in," Long said. "[However], the championship format is totally different. You do need a lot of depth, but it becomes very individual, as relays become very important. So we have set goals within the Big Ten conference as far as the championship meet."

The AquaHawks showed some fight; sophomore Katarina Tour finished first in the 200



STEVE LEXA/THE DAILY IOWAN
 Iowa and Northwestern swimmers take off in the 200 butterfly on Jan. 24 meet in the Field House. The Hawkeyes' Laura Mozdzen took third place.

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individual medley with a time of 2:07.20, with junior teammate Julie Feingold close behind at 2:10.31. In the 100 backstroke, Iowa freshmen Danielle Carty (56.86) and Daniela Cubelic (57.20) took second and third.

The efforts of the Iowa divers highlighted the afternoon for the AquaHawks. Sophomore Veronica Rydze earned her first victory of the season in the 3 meter with a score of 302.62. Junior teammate Deidre Freeman came in second with a 267.90.

"It was one of my best diving meets," Rydze said. "I've been practicing a lot, and just relaxing, and just focusing on myself, and doing the dives I needed to do."

In the 1 meter, the roles were reversed: Freeman captured first (270.45), just edging Rydze at 267.30.

Freeman praised her team-

"We have certain attitudes that are developing and performances that will still make this a special year, we'll keep progressing."

- Marc Long, Iowa head coach

mates and the effort they put into the meet.

"Everyone else had really good dives today, and normally, that doesn't happen," she said. "Normally, someone is off somewhere, and today it was me, but everyone else did really well."

Despite the disappointing team loss, senior captain Ashley Dells felt that one positive of the meet was the team's ability to maintain a positive attitude.

"We never stopped racing hard," she said. "I mean, it's tough when they're getting first in every event and second in a lot of events. I think everyone was still able to keep her head up, keep cheering, and then keep racing as hard as she [could]."

Men stun Wildcats

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This has been a season of redemption for the Iowa men's swimming and diving team. Ask Wisconsin, which fell victim to Iowa's resurgent team on Oct. 17 for the first time in more than a decade.

This past weekend was Northwestern's turn. Iowa downed the Wildcats, 171.5-128.5, on Jan. 24, keeping its preseason goal of an undefeated home record alive.

"We know what Iowa swimming and diving used to be," sophomore Conor Dwyer said. "We're trying to get back to that level."

Despite the abundant youth on this year's squad, the Hawkeyes are fully aware of what the program was in its heyday — and they are determined to return Iowa to its status as a force in the Big Ten.

Dwyer again was the catalyst on a day that saw him reinforce his reputation as an elite swimmer in the conference. As has become the theme this season, a plethora of teammates stepped up to complement his four-victory afternoon.

Iowa surprised the Wildcats in the meet's first event — freshman Duncan Partridge chased down Northwestern's Truman Liang in the final leg of the 200-medley relay to secure victory. Sophomore Max Dittmer, junior Matt Ryan, and senior James Dragon joined Partridge, whose finish was eerily similar that of U.S. swimmer Jason Lezak in running down France's Alain Bernard this past summer in Beijing.

"Really, the exact same thing happened against Wisconsin. We weren't supposed to win that first event, but we came through," Partridge said. "We set the tone for the rest of the meet."

Junior Nick Divan kept the pedal down for the Hawkeyes, winning the 1,000 freestyle

(9:27.50), and Dwyer beat Northwestern's five-time All-American Eric Nilsson to win the 200 freestyle (1:37.37). Dittmer added a first in the 100 backstroke (50.91), and it looked as though Iowa was pulling away.

The Wildcats clawed back, claiming the top two spots in two-straight events and leaving Iowa in search of another swing in momentum.

In dramatic fashion Partridge entered. Coming through once again in the 50 freestyle (21.23), Partridge just out-touched fellow Iowa freshman Ryan Phelan, giving the Hawkeyes something to build on going into the break.

Junior diver Frank Van Dijkhuizen continued a successful Big Ten dual campaign by winning both the 1-meter and 3-meter springboard competitions.

Dwyer beat Nilsson again in the 100 freestyle (45.86), then Northwestern flexed its muscles for the final time, winning four-straight events. The winless stretch for the Hawkeyes did provide one positive — freshman Paul Gordon gave Nilsson all he could handle in the 500 freestyle. Gordon was just out-touched by the senior, who has garnered four career Big Ten Swimmer of the Week honors.

Dwyer stopped the Wildcats' run and all but sealed the victory for Iowa by winning the 200 individual medley (1:52.15). Minutes later — with the meet in hand — Dwyer stepped up to anchor the 400 freestyle relay to close out the meet.

"We're proud of the way they stepped up to the challenge and defended their home," head swimming coach Marc Long said. "This was great for our team development, but we've still got some big meets ahead."

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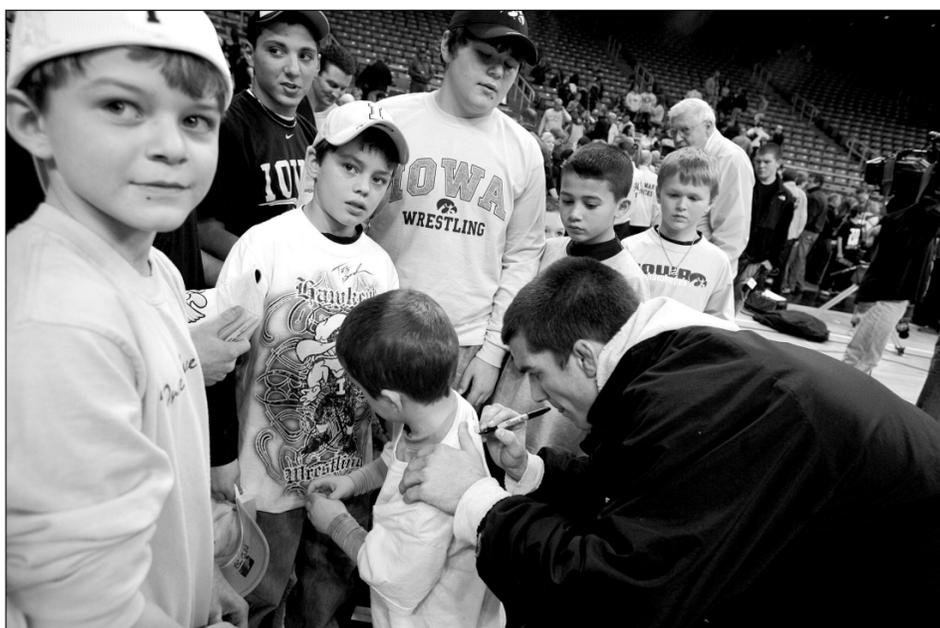
where senior All-American Charlie Falck defeated unranked Illini freshman B.J. Futrell, 11-5.

The victory was Falck's second straight since returning to the lineup against Wisconsin on Jan. 23, having sustained a leg injury nearly a month ago during his quarterfinal bout with Clarion's Jay Invalco at the Midlands Championships.

At 133, Hawkeye junior Daniel Dennis once again upended Illinois' Jimmy Kennedy, shutting out his former Grant Community High School teammate, 5-0, by riding out the final period-and-a-half. The two had previously met last month in the Midlands semifinals, where Dennis handed Kennedy his first loss of the season with a 5-3 decision in double overtime.

"It was a step up from the last time we wrestled," Dennis said. "I think I could have been a little bit more aggressive, but it was taking a smart route and staying in a solid match."

Meanwhile, Iowa registered bonus points in both the 141- and 149-pound bouts. Senior Alex Tsirtsis managed an 11-3 major decision over Illini sophomore Ryan Prater, and defending NCAA champion Brent Metcalf pinned Eric Terrazas in 3:52 to remain undefeated this



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Iowa fans wait for autographs from wrestler Brent Metcalf following Iowa's 32-4 victory over Illinois in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Sunday.

season.

After the loss at 157, Iowa dominated the final five matches.

Following a 3-0 victory by junior Hawkeye Ryan Morningstar at 165, Jay Borschel garnered more bonus points for Iowa in a 10-1 major decision that effectively put the meet out of reach

for Illinois, which trailed at that point 23-4.

But No. 11 heavyweight Dan Erikson kept fans in the stands. The 285-pounder capitalized on a reversal midway through the final period to take a two-point lead that capsized No. 9 John Wise with a 9-8 decision, which

ignited hysteria amongst the crowd.

"There were two tests there for us with Dennis and Erikson, and I think we stepped up well to both of them," Metcalf said. "We put up a lot of points on the scoreboard too, so it was a good performance."

Days of rage in Carver-Hawkeye

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was all that stood between both Howe and Morningstar — the Hawkeye hometown hero of the night — and a white-knuckle win.

But after the full minute expired, the score remained deadlocked at 1-1. So the wrestlers went to the mat for a pair of 30 second tiebreaker periods.

Morningstar earned an escape after choosing down. Howe countered with an escape of his own to level the score at 2-2, sending the match into another one-minute sudden-victory period.

After a second-straight scoreless period, Morningstar and Howe again traded escapes leaving the match tied 3-3.

Mayhem ensued. Badger head coach Barry Davis worked the Hawkeye faithful into a frenzy — a lot like he used to as an Iowa

wrestler — as he stormed back and forth between the Wisconsin coaches' corner and the scorer's table, arguing that his wrestler was the winner.

However, Brands and the Hawkeye coaching staff objected.

"If you're going to have those types of things, then you do it both ways," Brands said after the Wisconsin meet. "We're sitting down. We're in compliance. OK. Then they have to be, too. I'm not going to let him run the show, that's the first thing."

On a few instances, the public-address announcer had to call for both coaches to remain in their respective corners so a decision could be made.

"Second thing is that I don't know if there is such a thing as 0.8 seconds riding time," Brands said. "To me, it looked like it was 0.8. Not eight. 0.8. And if it's 0.8 sec-

onds of riding time, then we win the bout. That's the only question there was from my point of view."

For the sake of clarity, head official Mike Allen had the rules on breaking a tie dug from the depths of the NCAA rule book.

After a long, drawn out deliberation, Allen determined Howe was the winner because of his eight seconds of riding time in the final pair of 30-second overtime periods.

Where the confusion came from, according to Brands, is that the scoreboard read .8 under advantage time rather than :08.

"That's why my question was because there was about two or three seconds where if the clock started late, it would have been one [second] for us, and the 0.8 came into play — in my head," Brands said. "I mean, I'm not conceding that match if there's 0.8."

Regardless of whether or not the riding time was eight seconds or 0.8 seconds, the fact of the matter was Davis was the coach making a scene and contesting the original ruling. Brands and the Iowa corner were accused simply of defending their wrestler.

"The only difference is we're not over here trying to run the doggone match. We're coaching our athletes, and they want to referee, and that's fine," Brands said. "I'm hot under the collar because of the double standard for how they call our program for coming off the bench. We have to sit there like we're in doggone church."

"That referee is calling it two different ways. And I'm not talking about Mike Allen, I'm talking about across the country. I'm talking about Midlands. I'm talking about every place we go."

Hoopsters shoot for fourth in a row

BASKETBALL

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preferred to continue playing. "After you're on a three-game win streak, you just kind of want to keep playing," she said. "You really don't want to take any breaks right now."

Sophomore Kachine Alexander agreed with the coach, noting that the lay-off has not come at the most opportune time, but the Hawkeyes have made the most of it.

"I don't really like the whole time off, but you can use it wisely," she said. "We're on a roll right now ... I would have rather just kept going."

An extra day was added to

the time off, with the scheduling of a nationally televised Monday night game on the Big Ten Network. In order to attract more fans, tonight's game will be selling tickets for \$1, in the "Buck Night" promotion.

Traditionally, the Hawkeyes play most of their games on Sunday, but the Monday night games provides a great opportunity for exposure of the Iowa program.

"We just want to create a great atmosphere for the Big Ten Net-

work," Bluder said. "The opportunity to be on national television and show your recruits what style of play you are playing, how they would fit in. I think that's a good asset for your program as well."

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WINTER X-GAMES

Crew of friends bonded by passion for snowboarding

ASPEN, Colo. (AP) — They're a bunch of young buddies bonded by the board. They ride together, party together, plan to make a big splash in the sport together.

They're "Friends," — minus the "I" because there's no individual in this crew made up of snowboarders Kevin Pearce, Danny Davis, Jack Mitrani, Keir Dillon, Luke Mitrani, Mason Aguirre and Scotty Lago.

This fraternity of "Friends" is talented — real talented. They're the present and future of snowboarding, the names you'll soon recognize like you do Shaun White.

Just don't compare them to White. They're not White, nor want to be him, preferring to carve out their own identities.

"We're just a group of dudes that are coming up together, snowboarding and making a name for ourselves," Aguirre said. "It's really all about friendship and having each other's backs."

When one wins, the party is on, because they feel as they all win. Like when Davis knocked off White

in slopestyle and Pearce beat the "Flying Tomato" in halfpipe at a recent event in Switzerland. That was reason to raise a raucous.

"It's easy to be stoked for your homies when they do well," said Pearce, who finished second to White in the superpipe on Sunday night. "Ability wise, we're all similar."

Yeah, but who's the king of the hill? "You can't ask that question!" Pearce said. "Everyone has the same talent. We're a crew."

Like any good entourage — "Ocean's Eleven" jumps to mind — they all bring different personalities.

There's Aguirre, he's the pop star, loaded with ability. The 21-year-old from Mammoth, Calif., has two Winter X medals on his resume, including a silver in superpipe in 2006.

"Super funny dude," Pearce said. "Mason knows how to have a good time."

Pearce is the mellow one, always willing to roll along with the plan of the moment. He was recently featured on the cover of ESPN magazine, lauded for his skills on the slope. He's just 21 and known for his diverse skills, becoming the first boarder last season at Winter X to compete in the slopestyle final, superpipe elimination and big air competition on the same day.

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Men gymnasts bounce back

The Hawkeyes had an impressive home-opener on Jan. 24, ousting Illinois-Chicago at the Field House.

By **JORDAN GARRETSON**
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The Iowa men's gymnastics team was able to gain some retribution from a disappointing performance a week ago by defeating Illinois-Chicago, 329.55-326.55, on Jan. 24 in the Field House.

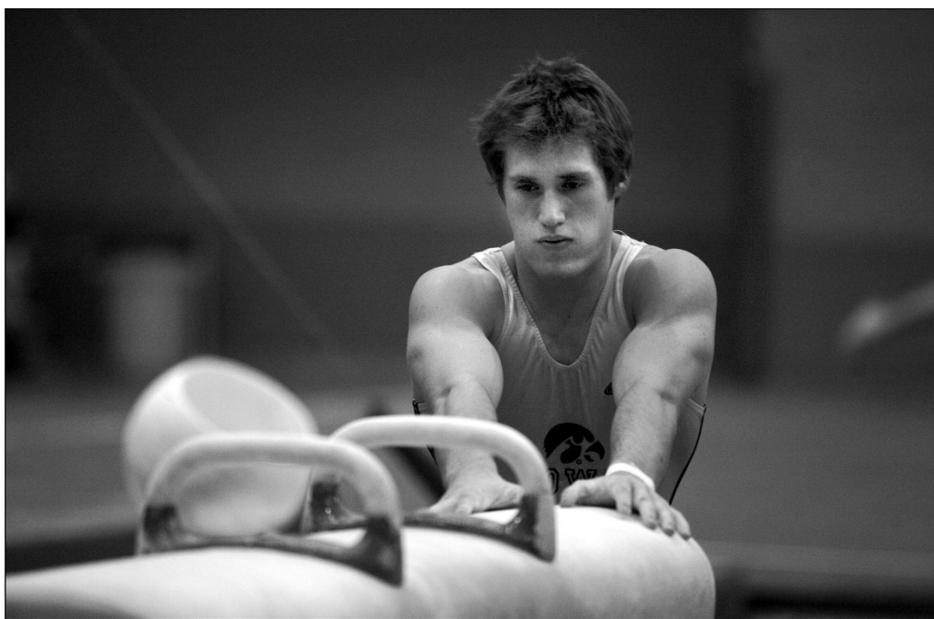
Iowa's score improved by almost four points from its 325.9 last-place finish at the Windy City Invite on Jan. 17.

According to GymInfo, Iowa was ranked No. 13 nationally, and Illinois-Chicago was ranked 11th going into the meet. Although the Hawkeyes won only three of six events, their dominant team scores of 57.4 on the floor and 61.2 on the vault proved to be too much for the Flames to overcome. The win was Iowa's first of the season.

Leading the Hawkeyes to victory was senior Geoff Reins, who captured two first-place finishes with scores of 15.1 on the floor and an impressive 15.8 on the vault.

"I was beginning to worry a little about Geoff, because he's had rough practices since Christmas," Iowa head coach Tom Dunn said. "But this is the old Geoff we were waiting for."

Junior cocaptain Jonathan Buese was also a key contributor. His 81.55 was tops in the all-around, with his best event coming in the vault, where he posted a 14.85.



STEVE LEXA/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa junior Jonathan Buese prepares to mount the pommel horse during the Jan. 24 men's gymnastics meet against Illinois-Chicago in the Field House. Buese took first in the all-around with a score of 81.55.

Iowa's other all-around competitor, freshman Zach Cazon, showed last week's debut wasn't a one-hit wonder. Cazon's 79.35 in the all-around, which included a first-place tie on the parallel bars with 14.05, was only second to Buese's performance.

Other top performances for the Hawkeyes included sophomore Ben Ketelsen's 15.4 on the vault and junior Reid Urbain's 14.25 on the rings.

"I think this performance went a lot better than last week," Urbain said. "Having a few guys miss and we were able to regroup — that's something we weren't able to do last week. It was pretty satisfying to see that."

While happy with the victory, Dunn recognizes that his team still has a ways to go.

"My feelings are mixed," he said. "We improved in some areas. We made some stupid mistakes today. We're not a good enough team that we can have a lot of mistakes and still expect to beat a good team like Michigan next week."

That will be especially true considering the Wolverines are coming off a backbreaking defeat. The No. 2 team in the country was toppled on Jan. 23 at No. 3 Penn State, 348.9-348.35. It was Michigan's first meet since blowing everyone away and grabbing first place with a 346.1 at the Windy City Invite.

"It's a better team, so we know we have to work harder to be ready to go against [Michigan]," senior cocaptain Diego Mercado-Austin said. "But right now, we just got to focus on getting our routines in practice and nothing about them so much."

While Dunn recognizes Michigan poses a great challenge, he knows the meet won't make or break his team's season.

"Small improvements won't be enough to beat Michigan unless [the Wolverines] help out a little bit and have some problems themselves," he said. "Our goal is to just keep improving and be at our best in April."

Iowa's Big Ten dual with Michigan is slated for 6 p.m. on Jan. 30 in Ann Arbor.

Women's tennis rolls twice

The Iowa women's tennis team started its season strong with two 7-0 wins this past weekend.

By **ROBBIE LEHMAN**
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The Iowa women's tennis team capped off its first weekend of dual meets by shutting out Western Illinois and Northern Iowa, winning both meets by 7-0 scores. The performance left head coach Daryl Greenan extremely pleased.

"It was nice we could sweep them both," he said. "It was nice to see the women really focused. There were matches that could have been a lot closer, but we just didn't let them in. We got them down and just didn't let them up."

The Hawkeyes handled the Bulldogs relatively easily on Jan. 24 in the first dual meet of the season. Iowa showed no signs of rust only one week back from winter break. It gave up only 11 games on the day, dropping five in doubles and six in

singles. The No. 1 doubles team of freshman Sonja Molnar and sophomore Alexis Dorr won, 8-2.

Sophomores Lynn Poggensee-Wei and Jessica Young also won 8-2 in the No. 2 doubles match, and junior Kellie Klockenga and freshman Ally Majercik earned an 8-1 victory in the No. 3 match.

No Hawkeye was tested in singles, either. The closest match came when Poggensee-Wei won her No. 3 match (6-3, 6-0). Molnar dropped one set to her opponent as she won (6-1, 6-0). In the No. 4 match, Young won by the score of 6-1, 6-1. Dorr, Klockenga, and Majercik all stayed perfect to win in straight sets in the Nos. 2, 5, and 6 matches.

"We definitely played well," Greenan said. "It was a pretty dominant performance. I kind of figured that was a possibility, but we had to play well and be focused to do it, so I was happy with the way they did that."

Greenan was especially proud that half of the players were competing in their first career dual match. Majercik is a true freshman, as is Molnar, who joined the team a little more than a week ago. Young sat out her freshman season

with a leg injury. All three gained valuable experience, Greenan said.

"It was nice for them to get that one under their belt and get a little boost of confidence," he said.

Sunday's meet against the Panthers proved to be a tougher test, which was not reflected in the final score. Greenan went with the same lineup, and Molnar and Dorr won, 8-1. Klockenga and Majercik earned an 8-4 decision, but Poggensee-Wei and Young fought a much closer battle that needed a tie-breaker to win, eventually prevailing 8-7 (7-3).

Molnar, Klockenga, and Majercik continued their domination, each winning their singles match in straight sets (6-0, 6-0). Dorr and Young both had victories of 6-3, 6-3. The most suspenseful singles match came in the No. 3 pairing. The meet was already decided by this point, but Poggensee-Wei found herself in a tight match after dropping the first set, 3-6. She was down early in the second set but came back to tie it at six games apiece. She won the tie-breaker, 8-6, then rode that momentum to finish off her opponent in the third set, 11-9.

"It's the beginning of the season, so I'm just trying to get

back into the swing of things," Poggensee-Wei said. "If they play well or you don't play as well, you never really know how it's going to go."

Greenan praised Poggensee-Wei for staying focused after getting into some trouble early.

"Lynn had a slow start, but it was nice for her to hang in their and save five match points to get the 7-0 win," Greenan said.

Majercik walked away from her first career dual meets happy, yet a little surprised that she didn't surrender a single game.

"I felt like it went pretty well," she said. "I didn't expect it, but then once you get going, you don't really want to lose a game if you start like that."

The Hawkeyes will take a day off today before getting back to practice to prepare for the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Kickoff in Waco, Texas, where they will meet Virginia Tech on Jan. 31 and either Baylor or Princeton on Feb. 1.

"I think we built some confidence, and I think we got better this weekend," Greenan said. "We did what we needed to do this weekend to get ready for what's going to be tougher competition next weekend."

Lakers lower the boom on Spurs

By **JOHN NADEL**
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — After a month of playing short-handed, the Los Angeles Lakers are back to full strength. If Sunday is an accurate indication, that means trouble for every other NBA team.

Kobe Bryant scored 22 points before sitting out the fourth quarter, Pau Gasol added 16 points, five rebounds, and four assists, and the Lakers beat the San Antonio Spurs, 99-85, in a matchup of the Western Conference's best teams that turned out to be a mismatch.

The win was the fourth straight and 14th in 17 games for the Lakers (35-8), whose .814 winning percentage is the best in the NBA, although the defending champion Boston Celtics (37-9) lead them by a half-game in the overall standings by virtue of their 124-100 victory over Dallas earlier Sunday.

Backup point guard Jordan Farmar returned after missing 18 games because of an injured left knee and scored 14 points. Luke Walton played in his third game after missing nine with an injured foot, and Lamar Odom (knee) and Sasha Vujacic (back spasms) were also sidelined for brief periods.

HAWKEYE SPORTS

Hickey leads Hawk men

The Iowa men's track and field team sent split squads at a pair of competitions over the weekend.

Head coach Larry Wiecezorek accompanied 17 athletes to Minneapolis for the Jack Johnson Classic, hosted by the University of Minnesota.

The Hawkeyes got a championship performance from senior All-American John Hickey, who won the shot put with a throw of 58-6. This marks the second time in as many weeks the Piermont, N.Y., native has had a provisional NCAA qualifying throw.

"John Hickey was the winner in the shot put, and that was a highlight for

us," Wiecezorek said. Redshirt freshman Ryan Lamparek finished in third for Iowa in the shot put. The Cedar Rapids native had a throw of 55-1/2, making him one of five Hawkeye throwers to place in the top 10 in the shot put. The others were Hickey, Mark Schaapveld, Matt Banse, and Nick Brayton.

The other squad traveled to Fayetteville, Ark., to compete in the Razorback Invitational.

Though the Hawkeyes had limited results, Wiecezorek said the experience of running on a 200-meter banked track is good for his athletes.

"It's a good meet at a good facility," he said. "We're going to Penn

State for the Big Ten championships on a 200-meter banked track, and so I think that [assistant] coach [Joey] Woody thought it would be good for them to get that experience."

— by Zach Smith

Women tracksters perform well

With collegiate-bests across the board, the Iowa women's track and field team had another strong showing at the Jack Johnson Classic and Razorback Invitational over the weekend.

In Fayetteville, Ark., Iowa was led

by sophomores Bethany Praska and Tiffany Hendricks, with both earning collegiate bests in the 400 meters with times of 56.58 and 57.66.

At the Jack Johnson in Minneapolis, senior thrower Mandy Chandler had a collegiate best throw of 52-5/4, earning her fourth place.

The middle- and long-distance portion of the team ran well, with freshman Betsy Flood earning a collegiate-best time of 2:16:67 in the 800 meters to finish sixth.

"The season is a work in progress," Iowa head coach Layne Anderson said. "We are trying to build confidence going forward."

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How to survive a weasel attack

- First, find and provoke a weasel. The easiest way to find a weasel is MySpace. The easiest way to provoke a weasel is a misleading profile pic.
- Confirm that you are being attacked by a weasel and not a wolverine. The easiest way to tell the difference is that weasels often have biblical first names, such as "Lazarus" or "Zerahiah," whereas wolverines often bite out your voice box to stop you from screaming.
- Do NOT insult the weasel's mother. While this is an arguably effective tactic for gaining the upper hand, it's not cool, dude. Not cool.
- Tell the weasel you will punch it in with your right fist, but instead punch it with your left — weasels always fall for that one.
- Posit to the weasel that Riemannian manifolds might better be expressed in terms of Lagrangian — rather than Hamiltonian — mechanics. While the weasel is busy formulating a response, kick it in the balls. (All weasels have balls because all weasels are hermaphroditic. I'd be willing to bet that you didn't know this before now, based primarily on the virtue that I just made it up.)
- While the weasel is incapacitated, plunge the Spear of Longinus into its heart, for that is the *only* known way to banish a weasel. (Did I not mention you needed to have researched, found, and unearthed the Spear of Longinus? Oh well, pretend I said that first.)
- Savor your victory; it will be short-lived once the weasel mafia learns of your malfeasance. Be warned: Their influence is potent and far-reaching.

Andrew R. Juhl dedicates this Ledge to Shawn and Sami — because they told him to.

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

SOLUTION TO FRIDAY'S PUZZLE

4	9	1	6	3	7	2	5	8
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3	2	5	8	9	1	7	6	4
7	6	9	2	1	8	3	4	5
2	3	4	5	7	9	8	1	6
5	1	8	3	6	4	9	7	2
9	4	3	7	5	2	6	8	1
6	8	2	1	4	3	5	9	7
1	5	7	9	8	6	4	2	3

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UITV schedule

Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

- 12:30 p.m.** News from Québec (in French)
1 "Prairie Lights" Archive, Amy Bloom
2 News from Germany (in German)
3 "The Exchange," 1/9/2009
3:45 Viola and Friends Fine Arts Performance
5:10 Flute and Piano Concert Fine Arts Performance
6:20 Order of Eagles, Diabetes Ceremony, donation to research at the UI
- 7** "The Exchange," 1/9/2009
7:45 Viola and Friends Fine Arts Performance
9:10 Go Red for Women, UI Health Care
9:30 Daily Iowan Television News
9:45 Grabbing the Globe Mike Foley, Bluetooth, College of Engineering Seminar
10:30 Daily Iowan Television News
10:45 Iowa Basketball with Coach Todd Lickliter
11:15 "The Exchange," 1/9/2009

horoscopes

Monday, January 26, 2009
- by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 Getting angry will not get you what you want. You have to set your own standards and stick to your plan of attack if you want to be successful. Too much involvement from outsiders will set you back.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Take a powerful approach to whatever you do, but don't give away your secrets. You have to walk a fine line today if you want things to move in your favor. Someone will use emotional tactics to cause you to lose focus.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Don't get involved with poor choices made by others. You don't want to be blamed by association. Focus on work, your position, your family, and the improvements you can make in all areas.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 You can make some interesting changes at home that will improve your life and your outlook. Be careful not to let someone talk you into spending money on things you don't really need. Keep it simple.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 You may be talked into doing something that is far beyond your means or that can lead to trouble within partnerships. Overreacting toward someone you work with or must interact with will set the stage for the next phase in your life.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 A change in a partnership will be to your advantage, so don't fight the inevitable. Observe others' actions and follow your own path in order to achieve the most. Don't be fooled by a big talker or a tempting offer.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Not everyone is going to get what it is you are trying to do, but that cannot slow you down. Arguments can wait — what's important is accomplishment. Conservative individuals should be kept in the dark until you have something concrete to share.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 You may have to be a little aggressive in order to bypass the obstacles in your way. Too many questions will leave you in an awkward position. Keep things simple, and push as hard as you can to make things happen.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 There are changes to be made and options to be put into play. Be adventurous and try something new. The more inventive you are, the further you will go. If you aren't true to yourself, nothing will satisfy you in the end.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Tie up any loose ends before you decide to move on. If you need to make a point, now is the time to do so. Right now, the money you make or have should be kept in a safe place for your own benefit and security.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 You'll be a little out of control emotionally, physically, and financially. Don't take on too much or promise what you cannot deliver. Keep things small and within your reach if you want to be successful.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 There has been too much left unsaid to move forward with your plans. Your patience will bring you the answers and the approval you need. Once you have everything and everyone in position, you will be able to move fast.

today's events

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- **Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
 - **Euchre Club**, 2 p.m., Legacy Senior Living Community, 1020 S. Scott Blvd.
 - **Contemporary Bookworm**, 4 p.m., Iowa Artisans Gallery, 207 E. Washington
 - **Jazzercise Open House**, 5:30-7 p.m., North Liberty Recreation Center, 520 W. Cherry
 - **Cross-Country Ski Wax Clinic**, 6 p.m., Touch the Earth Outdoor Rental Center, Hawk-eye Tennis & Recreation Complex
 - **Ickys, third-annual Iowa Cultural Corridor Innovative Excellence Awards**, 6:30 p.m., Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington
 - **Join the Peace Corps**, 7 p.m., Lindquist Center Jones Commons
 - **"Mitigation and Human Rights: How Global Apartheid Keeps the Developing World Poor,"** Kerry Howley, 7 p.m., 1505 Seamans Center
 - **Theatre Cedar Rapids auditions for Fences**, 7 p.m., Theatre Cedar Rapids, 4444 First Ave.
 - **Timecrimes**, 7 p.m., Bijou
 - **Curumin**, 8 p.m., CSPS, 1103 Third St. S.E., Cedar Rapids
 - **Open Mike with Jay Knight**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
 - **A Christmas Tale**, 9 p.m., Bijou
 - **Blues Jam**, 9:30 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
 - **Pool Night, 50-cent pool all day**, Charlie's, 450 First Ave., Coralville
- ONGOING**
- **Collecting Lincoln: Three Collectors' Perspectives**, Herbert Hoover Presidential Museum, 210 Parkside Drive, West Branch
 - **Mary GrandPre: Harry Potter and Beyond**, Cedar Rapids Museum of Art, 410 Third Ave. S.E.
 - **MidWestOne Bank's Kids' Art Exhibit**, MidWestOne Bank, 102 S. Clinton
 - **New York City Series**, Julie Staub, 2180 Norcor Ave., Coralville
 - **No: Palestinian Artists Confront Violence Against Women**, Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
 - **No Roads Lead to Buxton**, African American Museum of Iowa, 55 12th Ave. S.E., Cedar Rapids
 - **Passages**, Kathleen Rash, Midwest One Bank, 10030 Highway 149, North English
 - **The Fantastic Ride of the Abernathy Boys**, Antique Car Museum of Iowa, 860 Quarry Road

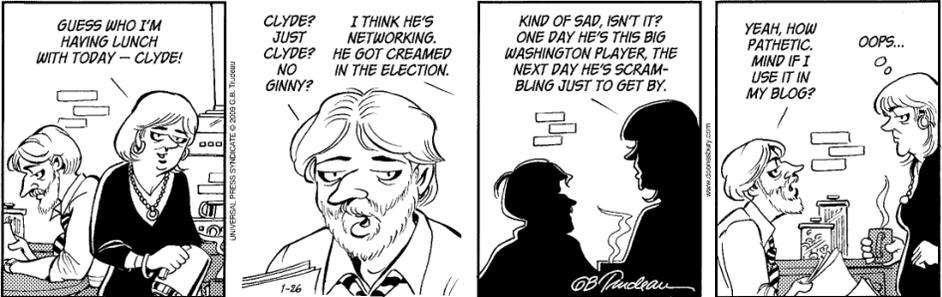
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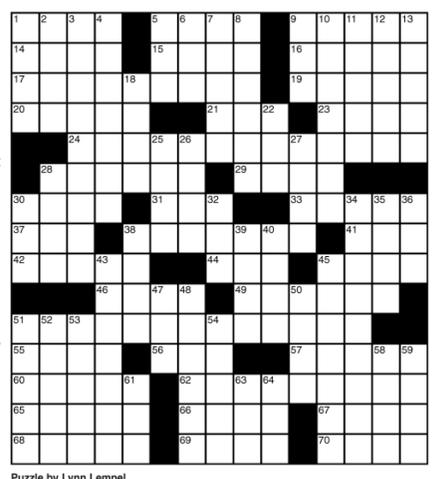
The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 1222

- Across**
- Sidewalk Santa worker, e.g.
 - Bugler's bedtime tune
 - Vagrant
 - Felipe or Moises of baseball
 - Sahara irrigator
 - Site of the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum
 - First in a John Updike novel series
 - Confess (to)
 - Twin Mary-Kate or Ashley
 - Deface
 - Info on a pill bottle
 - Batsman at a wicket, say
 - Spunk
 - Give forth
 - Turn down
 - Tree popular in street names
 - Gross
 - "The loneliest number," in a Three Dog Night song
 - "Get going!" and a hint for the starts of 17-, 24-, 51- and 62-Across
 - Little Jack Homer's dessert
 - Zest
 - Hydrotherapy provider
 - Places for holsters
 - Bedouin, e.g.
 - Long-necked waders
 - Holder of an unfair trial
 - "Oh, woe!"
 - Fish-sticks fish
 - Hearty steak
 - Breads with pockets
 - Umbrellalike fungus
 - Theodore Roosevelt, to Eleanor
 - Humorist Bombeck
 - Extremities
 - Giggly laugh
 - Channel for football and basketball games
 - Out with the fleet
- Down**
- Root used for poi
 - Carrier to Tel Aviv
 - Crowded, frenzied gatherings
 - Middle school stage, commonly
 - Grenade filler
 - Balloon filler
 - Large feather
 - House mate?
 - However, briefly
 - Numbers yet to be crunched
 - Vex
 - Computer attachment
 - Peter the pepper picker
 - "What's ___ for me?"
 - Meas. of engine speed
 - Queenly role for Liz
 - Large brown algae
 - Bits of fluff
 - Restaurant posting
 - One enrolled in obedience school
 - Washington and McKinley; Abbr.
 - Receptacles for tobacco chewers
 - Household downsizing event
 - Chamomile product
 - Israeli dance
 - Grp. in which many of the leaders wear robes
 - Othello's underoer
 - Skirt with a flare
 - "But of course!"
 - Signs of decay
 - Knotty swelling
 - Designer Schiaparelli
 - Visit
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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- Puzzle by Lynn Lempel**
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