

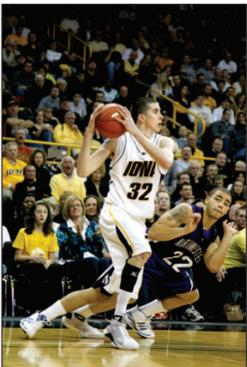
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CORRECTION

In a Feb. 2 article, the *DI* incorrectly reported that former UI President David Skorton is now the president of Cornell College. He is, in fact, the president of Cornell University. The *DI* regrets the error.

ASK THE DI

Have a question or a curiosity? Want to know the fastest way to get to the newly opened Theatre Building or where to go to get help on this year's taxes? Wondering what's going on with that construction in the Iowa River or why dining halls don't stay open later? Send a question to us at daily-iowan@uiowa.edu, we'll find the answer, and then we'll publish it for you, right here on the front rail.

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Law Dean Jones to step down

UI College of Law professors said officials may have trouble finding a new dean as the economy worsens.

By **OLIVIA MORAN**
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UI College of Law Dean Carolyn Jones announced over the weekend she will step down from her position and begin teaching again at the law school by 2010.

Jones, the first female UI law-school dean, has led the college for five years. She succeeded William Hines, who served as dean for 28 years — the longest amount of time served by a dean of a law school

in the United States.

"The transition between my stepping down as dean for a very long time and her becoming dean was very smooth," Hines said. "She has overseen a lot of important changes in the law school over the past five years. She's led that reform very effectively."



Jones
law dean

In a statement, Jones — who specializes in tax law — said she plans to teach and participate in research and expressed the need to spend more time "to attend to those close" to her. Jones graduated from the UI in 1976 and received a UI law degree in 1979. She then earned a master's in law from Yale Law School in 1982, according to her faculty biography.

The announcement comes around three weeks after a UI law school employee filed a

lawsuit against Jones, alleging she was rejected from a position at the college because of her conservative views. The suit is pending.

Eric Andersen, a professor and the associate dean of the UI College of Law, called Jones "dedicated" and "committed" to the school.

"She's a very optimistic, positive person, even when she faces challenges at the university," he said.

SEE **DEAN**, 5A

Carolyn Jones

Carolyn Jones, the UI College of Law dean for the past five years, will step down by 2010 to teach and participate in research.

Undergraduate: UI, 1976
J.D.: UI College of Law, 1979
LL.M.: Yale Law School, 1982
Specialty: Tax law
Other accomplishments: Former *Iowa Law Review* employee, assistant city attorney, law firm associate, professor, dean of academic affairs, and book contributor.
Source: UI College of Law faculty biography

Dancing the night and day away

Beyond the noise and commotion, dancers at the 15th-annual UI Dance Marathon kept their real purpose in mind: the kids.

By **ADAM SULLIVAN**



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Ella Smith dances with morale captain Jessie Urban onstage at Dance Marathon 15 in the IMU Main Lounge on Feb. 7. Ella was attending the event with her sisters Rayelynn and Kiara.

As dancers filled the IMU Main Ballroom on the evening of Feb. 6, a mass of bright green shirts took over the hotel-style carpet. The dancers sat cross-legged on the floor to save every ounce of energy possible — the next nine minutes would be their last chance to sit for 24 hours.

"You're going to be hurting today. I'm not gonna lie. Those of you who've danced before know that," Brian Martin said from the stage in his pep talk. Martin, the UI Dance Marathon's family-relations coordinator, acted as the event's emcee throughout the night.

"We don't sit 'cause cancer doesn't quit," he screamed as the room of nearly 2,000 volunteer dancers erupted with applause.

A full day later, after dancing for 24 hours, the Dance Marathon participants learned they had helped raise \$1,030,428.15 this year. That sum beats last year's mark of just more than \$1 million.

But long before that dollar amount was announced — before dancers even took to their feet — participants were nothing but excited, despite the challenge they would face throughout the night and into the next day.

"It's exciting. A lot of good energy going on," said Dan Halfman, a first-time dancer, as he sat on the ballroom's rough carpet waiting for the event to start. "I've never been here before, but I'm pumped to get it started."

Minutes before 7 p.m. Feb. 6, the organization's Executive Director Katie Guckert took the stage to lead the countdown to the event's official kickoff.

"This isn't easy. But you don't have to get through it alone," she said. "Look how many people are here."

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PATRICK LARKIN/THE DAILY IOWAN

Morale captain Justine Schmelzer does the train in the IMU Main Ballroom at 12:54 a.m. on Feb. 7.



JOE SCOTT/THE DAILY IOWAN

Tom Harris and Tyler Harris pose in the IMU during Dance Marathon on Feb. 7. Dance Marathon raised more than \$1 million this year for children with cancer.



LINDSEY WALTERS/THE DAILY IOWAN

UI student Alysse Flynn runs her fingers through her hair after getting it cut off onstage at Dance Marathon in the IMU to donate to Locks of Love at 7:11 a.m. on Feb. 7. Approximately 25 women with hair more than 10 inches long had their hair cut by stylists from the Buzz.



Law school a leader in diversity

By **CLARK CAHILL**
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When it comes to diversity, the UI College of Law has consistently been a forerunner in the movement.

In 1873, UI law graduate Mary B. Hickey Wilkinson became the first woman to earn such a degree in America. This came less than a decade

after the school was founded by Judges George G. Wright and Chester C. Cole.

And the college's tradition of diversity did not end there. In 1879, Alexander Clark Jr. became the first black American to earn a law degree.

Even today, the university's law facilities continue a tradition of excellence.

The Boyd Law Building, built in 1985, is home to many

facilities, such as its Writing Resource Center, which opened in 1989. The center provides writing and editorial guidance to students and faculty. Located on the fourth floor of the law center, it is the only law program of its kind in the country.

The college's prestigious law library, located on four floors in the Boyd Law Building. According to American Bar Association and Association of

American Law School statistics, the UI Law Library has the second or third largest number of unique individual cataloged volume and volume equivalent titles among all law school libraries.

The law school was ranked as the 27th best law school in the United States in the 2009 *U.S. News & World Report* rankings.

METRO

Police hand out slew of drug-related charges

A Fairfield, Iowa, man was charged with 19 drug-related offenses after police found allegedly drugs, distribution materials, and a weapon at his residence more than a year ago.

Flannery Kennedy-Meier, 21, faces numerous drug-related charges ranging from serious misdemeanors to Class C felonies.

According to Iowa City police, officers executed a search on an Iowa City location Dec. 17, 2007, during a narcotics investigation.

They allegedly found drugs, \$4,237, a police scanner, packaging materials, a ledger, a safe, and a 12-gauge shotgun with ammunition, officers said. The entrance door was also fortified, police reports show.

The drugs police found include three pounds of marijuana, more than one ounce of cocaine, ecstasy, and numerous prescription drugs, authorities said.

Kennedy-Meier admitted to dealing cocaine, marijuana, ecstasy, and prescription pills, according to police reports.

He is charged with 10 Class C felonies, which are generally punishable by up to 10 years in prison and maximum fines of \$10,000. He is also charged with five Class D felonies, generally punishable by up to five years in prison and fines of up to \$7,500. He is charged with one aggravated misdemeanor, punishable by up to two years

in prison and a fine of up to \$6,250, and three serious misdemeanors, generally punishable by up to one year in jail and a maximum fine of \$1,500.

- by Regina Zilbermints

44-year-old faces burglary, theft charges

UI police arrested a Hedrick, Iowa, man after he allegedly attempted to steal a laptop left in a car as bait by officers.

Bryan Jordan, 44, was charged Feb. 6 with third-degree burglary and fifth-degree theft.

According to police, Jordan entered an unmarked police vehicle at the UI Hospitals and Clinics and stole a laptop from the dashboard of the car.

The laptop was left there as bait by officers, authorities said.

After being read his Miranda rights, Jordan admitted to stealing the computer and also stealing keys from the car, police reports show.

Third-degree burglary is an aggravated misdemeanor, punishable by up to two years in prison and a maximum fine of \$6,250. Fifth-degree theft is a simple misdemeanor, punishable by up to 30 days in jail and maximum fine of \$625.

- by Regina Zilbermints

Man charged with meth possession

An Iowa City man has been accused

of possessing meth after police allegedly found the drug in his home.

Kenneth Emerson, 34, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. H4, was charged Feb. 6 with possession of a controlled substance.

According to Iowa City police, officers conducted a search at Emerson's residence and found a white powdery substance believed to be meth.

Emerson identified the substance as meth, according to police reports.

Possession of a controlled substance is a serious misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year in jail and a fine of \$1,875.

- by Regina Zilbermints

Father charged with indecent contact

An Iowa City man is accused of inappropriately touching his 13-year-old daughter while driving.

Randy Cole, 43, 1509 Aber Ave., was charged Feb. 3 with indecent contact with a child.

According to Iowa City police, Cole was driving his daughter to her mother's house when he placed his hand on his daughter's inner thigh, then moved his hand farther up her thigh.

He stopped when his daughter asked him what he was doing, police said.

Indecent contact with a child is an aggravated misdemeanor, punishable by up to 2 years in prison and a maximum fine of \$6,250.

- by Regina Zilbermints

Man faces drug charges

An Iowa City man was arrested after police allegedly found drugs and more than \$6,000 at his residence.

Joseph Lipichok, 18, 510 S. Johnson St. Apt. 9, was charged Dec. 10, 2008, with two counts of a controlled-substance violation, failure to affix a tax stamp, and possession of marijuana and permitting its use in a structure.

According to Iowa City police, during a search of Lipichok's home, officers found a bag with three Ecstasy pills, more than 160 grams of marijuana, several digital scales, packaging materials, and more than \$6,000.

Lipichok reportedly admitted the drugs seized were his and that he sells large quantities of drugs, police said.

He also admitted he has people who assist him in selling marijuana and said he and his friends frequently use marijuana in his apartment, police reports show.

Lipichok was arrested for delivery of cocaine fewer than 24 hours after this warrant was served, authorities said.

A controlled-substance violation and failure to affix a tax stamp are both Class D felonies, generally punishable by up to five years in prison and a maximum fine of \$7,500. Possession of marijuana is an aggravated misdemeanor, punishable by up to two years in prison and a fine of up to \$6,250.

- by Regina Zilbermints

NATION

Oil sludge spills near Chicago

ROCKDALE, Ill. (AP) — A holding tank at a Caterpillar facility in a Chicago suburb broke Sunday, spilling approximately 65,000 gallons of oil sludge and contaminating a 3-mile section of the Des Plaines River, officials said.

The substance was reported to be hydraulic and cutting oil, said Maggie Carson, a spokeswoman for the Illinois Emergency Management Agency.

"It is being contained, and there is no evidence of a fish kill or harm to water fowl," Carson said in an e-mail.

Most of the sludge spilled on land, but 6,000 gallons seeped into Des Plaines River water, U.S. Coast Guard

Petty Officer William Mitchell said. He said the oil waste poses no risk to human health but could be dangerous to animals in the contaminated area.

The Coast Guard said barge and boat traffic along the river had been stopped.

Caterpillar Inc., the Peoria-based maker of mining and construction machinery, confirmed in a statement Sunday that "an undetermined amount of waste oil" overflowed from a storage area at the company's manufacturing facility in Joliet.

"Caterpillar has notified appropriate authorities about this overflow, and the company immediately began corrective action when the overflow was discovered," the statement said. "The compa-

ny is coordinating efforts to contain and remediate this overflow."

Study says pregnancy doesn't worsen breast cancer

ATLANTA (AP) — Pregnant women who develop breast cancer do not have worse odds of death or of cancer returning than other young breast-cancer patients, a new study has found.

The study is one of the largest to look at whether breast cancer hits pregnant and recently pregnant women harder than other women. It contradicts some smaller, earlier studies that suggested maternity made

things worse.

"If we can get them early, we can treat them aggressively and have good and promising outcomes for both woman and child," said the study's lead author, Dr. Beth Beadle of the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center.

The Houston hospital has the world's largest registry of pregnant breast cancer patients and their children.

Frightening for any woman, a breast-cancer diagnosis is particularly terrifying for a pregnant woman. It presents complicated decisions about how to treat the mother and not harm the fetus. Some doctors recommend abortion so they can focus on treating the mother.

POLICE BLOTTER

Brett Appleton, 20, 36 W. Court St. Apt. 410, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Ryan Ashley, 21, 313 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2013, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Chase Burtness, 20, 516 S. Lucas St., was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Tyrelle Campbell, 21, 19 E. Burlington St. Apt. 104, was charged Feb. 5 with keeping a disorderly house.

Annette Crittenden, 48, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 4806, was charged Feb. 7 with obstructing an officer.

Timothy Cole, 28, 2309 Taylor Drive, was charged Feb. 7 with OWI.

Heath Cunningham, 19, 736D Mayflower, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

William Cyr, 24, 1022 Newton Road, was charged Feb. 6 with public intoxication.

Tia Davis, 26, Kalona, Iowa, was charged Feb. 7 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Geraldo Dejesus Campos, 37, 1205 Laura Drive Apt. 42, was charged Feb. 7 with domestic assault causing injury.

Carlton Dick, 19, 2216 Quadrangle, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Daniel Dillard, 26, Ottumwa, Iowa, was charged Feb. 6 with OWI.

Nicholas Downey, 18, 728D Mayflower, was charged Sunday with presence in a bar after hours.

Ramon Duron, 32, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 2803, was charged Feb. 7 with possession of marijuana and Nov. 13, 2008, with possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Timothy Dwyer, 20, 1064 Newton Road Apt. 4, was charged Feb. 7 with public intoxication and PAULA.

Daniel Elder, 20, Lone Tree, Iowa, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Mitchell Emerson, 30, 730 Brown St., was charged Feb. 7 with possession of marijuana.

Tanner Gage, 18, 335 Rienow, was charged Feb. 5 with PAULA and presence in a bar after hours.

Parker Gibson, 26, 320 E. Benton St. Apt. 3, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Erika Goodrich, 19, 2530 Burge, was charged Feb. 7 with public intoxication and PAULA.

Andrew Grimm, 25, 919 Boston Way Apt. 4, was charged Feb. 7 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Panayiotis Halkias, 18, 338 Rienow, was charged Feb. 5 with PAULA and presence in a bar after hours.

David Heffernan, 20, 414 S. Dubuque St. Apt. 10, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Nicholas Justen, 20, Woodstock, Ill., was charged Feb. 7 with PAULA and unlawful use of another's ID.

Susan Kim, 20, 313 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2034, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Craig Latsa, 48, 520 Ernest St. Apt. 201, was charged Feb. 5 with assault causing injury.

Peter Lower, 20, Riverside, Iowa, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Amy Malmstead, 19, Moline, Ill., was charged Feb. 7 with PAULA.

Collyn Mashek, 19, 2229 Quadrangle, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Shane Massel, 20, 333 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2123, was charged Feb. 6 with keeping a disorderly house.

Colin McCammack, 18, 314 Slater, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Kilie McKenzie, 19, 919 E. Burlington St. Apt. 5, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Wesley McNabb, 20, 404 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 811, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Matthew Merideth, 19, Emmetsburg, Iowa, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Michael Mitchell, 19, 301 Hawk Ridge Road, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Matthew Momony, 21, 719 E. Bloomington St., was charged Feb. 7 with OWI.

Kevin Moore, 32, Coralville, was charged Feb. 7 with OWI.

Matthew Mores, 20, 130 N. Linn St. Apt. 2420, was charged Feb. 7 with PAULA.

Mallory Morse, 19, 5315 Hillcrest, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Breanna Novak, 20, 528 S. Van Buren St. Apt. 8, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Justine Nuguid, 19, Moline, Ill., was charged Feb. 7 with PAULA.

Justin Pardekooper, 36, 2025 A St., was charged Feb. 6 with OWI.

Riley Perlen, 19, 337 Rienow, was charged Feb. 7 with public intoxication and PAULA.

Elenzie Porter, 37, 136 Appanoose Court, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Ryan Rice, 21, 221 Iowa Ave. Apt. 1921, was charged Feb. 7 with keeping a disorderly house.

Jordan Rinehart-Claussen, 21, 1956 Broadway St. Apt. A10, was charged Feb. 5 with having an open alcohol container in a vehicle.

Sarah Schmidt, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Brian Schultz, 41, Mount Pleasant, Iowa, was charged Feb. 7 with OWI.

Aaron Scott, 19, Bloomfield, Iowa, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Corey Sharman, 19, 3522 Burge, was charged Feb. 7 with public intoxication and PAULA.

Steven Shimp, 18, 314 Slater, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Austin Stegall, 21, 330 S. Dodge St. Apt. 1, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Matthew Stillman, 19, N311 Currier, was charged Feb. 6 with unlawful use of another's ID.

Amanda Stockstell, 33, 1011 Hudson Ave. Apt. 2, was charged Feb. 6 with OWI.

Zachary Strouth, 19, Davenport, was charged Sunday with public intoxication, PAULA, and possession of an open alcohol container in public.

Cameron Stul, 20, Bettendorf, was charged Feb. 7 with public intoxication, PAULA, and unlawful use of another's ID.

Cole Subject, 21, 2025 Taylor Drive, was charged Feb. 6 with disorderly conduct.

Randolph Tate, 51, address unknown, was charged Feb. 6 with third-degree burglary, possession of burglar's tools, and public intoxication.

Tyler Telford, 18, Lone Tree, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

Patrick Titus, 26, 333 Finkbine Lane Apt. 5, was charged Feb. 7 with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Joseph Townsend, 18, 916 Maplewood Lane, was charged Feb. 7 with PAULA and presence in a bar after hours.

David Trizzino, 19, 3128 Quadrangle, was charged Feb. 7 with PAULA.

Anthony Vellema, 30, Coralville, was charged Feb. 7 with public intoxication.

Bryan Wagschal, 21, 720 E. Market St. Apt. 2, was charged Feb. 6 with public intoxication.

Bailey Walker, 19, 2446 Lakeside Drive Apt. 7, was charged Feb. 6 with PAULA.

David Ward, 49, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 2806, was charged Dec. 2 with fifth-degree theft.

Kimberly Wauters, 22, 335 S. Clinton St. Apt. 2514, was charged Jan. 30 with selling alcohol to a minor.

Adam Wilson, 35, Spring Lake, Mich., was charged Feb. 6 with public intoxication.

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TUTOR REFERRAL SERVICE

'For the kids' keeps them going

DANCE MARATHON

CONTINUED FROM 1A
Guckert, with help from Herky and a roomful of dancers, roared into a countdown to begin the 15th-annual Dance Marathon.

Shortly after, the crowd was reminded of what they had come for: the families. Cancer patients and their families paraded down the center of the room to an explosive welcome.

"It was really kind of emotional," said UI freshman Eleni Cade, a first-year dancer. "It was nice to see that part of it, too, not just the fun side."

One of the family members taking the stage Feb. 6 was 10-year-old Andrew Engelhardt. His sister lost her battle with cancer in 2000.

Being on stage "was pretty awesome," he said, burying half of his face into his green snowcone.

Another family member, Jessica Sutton, was nearly speechless after coming off stage. Her son Bryce is a pediatric cancer survivor.

"This is just awesome," she said as an ear-to-ear smile spread across her face.

Between live music acts and tunes from a DJ, families acted as the stage's centerpiece throughout the night. When a family took the stage, the ballroom's rowdy dancers fell silent as projection screens at either side of the stage were illuminated with photos commemorating children's battles with cancer.

As the clocked neared midnight, Connor Muston and his mother, Amy Johnson, shared their story and paid appreciation to the volunteers.

"You guys are incredible. You mean the world to us," Johnson said. "Keep doing what you're doing because it's amazing and the impact you have on these

kids you will never know. You will never, ever know."

Johnson said the family has been a Dance Marathon family for six years. She and her kids constantly look forward to the event.

"The energy, you can just feel it," she said. "You can't go many places and have a gathering this large and have that feeling of love and friendship. It's intoxicating."

Brent VanWey and his daughter Mikayla shared Johnson's sentiment.

"You don't have to be here, but you choose to be," VanWey said.

As the event crept past the halfway mark at 7 a.m. Feb. 7, dancers were fighting the forces of heavy eyelids and sore feet.

Off the dance floor, people took shifts in the mood room — an area designated for 20-minute naps and massages. In another room, the green-clad volunteers waited in line for half an hour or more to get foot massages.

"It's actually putting me to sleep," Colleen Kearns said about the hands rhythmically rubbing her feet.

Aside from trips to the mood room, dancers were not allowed to sit or lie down. Even more, caffeine consumption was forbidden.

Melanie Miller massaged her legs in an effort to keep her limbs fresh.

"My feet are really tired," she said. "I just keep walking around and keeping the blood flowing."

Jams blaring from the amplifiers was an audio energy drink of sorts.

"The music? It's awesome. I love it," Jason Sanchez said. "It keeps us moving all night. It's pandemonium."

At around 4 a.m. Feb. 7, Sanchez got a boost of energy

when Journey's "Don't Stop Believing" came on.

"It's such a great song," he said. "All the energy — it's all rising the whole time."

A motivation boost for the weary dancers was on the way; as morning broke, children and parents — many of whom had left for hotels and homes the previous night — trickled back into the IMU. Dancers, still fighting fatigue, said the families' presence re-energized them.

"It's awesome seeing all the families and hearing their stories," Angela Marquard said. "It makes me feel glad I did this."

Bridget Dolan said she was feeling a little sore as the sun rose on the morning of Feb. 7, but seeing and hearing the stories about the children she had come to support gave her a second wind.

"It gives me more energy," the first-time participant said. "It gives me a boost."

By mid-morning, an older crowd of dancers joined the party: UI officials, including Provost Wallace Loh, University Librarian Nancy Baker, and College of Dentistry Dean David Johnsen, climbed on stage to show off their moves. Dance Marathon leaders were then faced with the daunting task of teaching the faculty members to dance the Soulja Boy.

Loh said he felt the energy of the crowd while he was on stage for his admittedly amateur performance.

"I'm out of shape," he said. "I need to go to the gym before I can do all this dancing."

Still, he was unabashedly positive about his first Dance Marathon experience.

"I think it's fantastic. It's fabulous," he said. "Thank you to all the students for doing this."

'You guys are incredible. You mean the world to us. Keep doing what you're doing because it's amazing, and the impact you have on these kids you will never know. You will never, ever know.'

— Amy Johnson, patient parent



STEVE LEXA/THE DAILY IOWAN
(From left to right) Rayelynn, Kiara, and Ella Smith pose for a photo during Dance Marathon at the IMU on Feb. 6. The family was inspired by how much the organization gives to cancer patients and their families.



WHITNEY WRIGHT/THE DAILY IOWAN
Chad Behnke holds his daughter while watching a jumbo screen at Dance Marathon 15 in the IMU Main Lounge on Feb. 7.

Another record fundraising year

This past weekend's UI Dance Marathon ended with the organization's leaders announcing the group had raised more than \$1 million for the second-consecutive year. The total, \$1,030,428.15, beat last year's sum, which was just over the \$1 million mark.

The record amount rolled in despite Dance Marathon leaders not setting a specific dollar goal this year. Instead, the organization aimed to enlist one dancer for each of the 1,600 pediatric cancer patients at UI Hospitals and Clinics.

Kate Lindsay, the Dance Marathon public-relations/marketing director, said the event's infectious nature helped spur another record-setting year.

"We grow every year; people come and fall in love with it and then they tell their friends," she said, noting hard work from the group's leaders helped push donations up.

Except in 2005, Dance Marathon has set a fundraising record each year since its first event in 1995. In all, the group has earned more than \$7.5 million to support pediatric cancer patients.

Becca Schwartz, the group's public-relations chairwoman, said the money will go toward supporting the diverse programs the group supports throughout the year, including funds to help families cover pharmacy and funeral costs.

"The smallest things that we provide, though, are often more helpful," Schwartz said, noting that the group also provides things like parking passes and massages for patients and their families. "It's the day-to-day things that people don't think of."
— by Adam Sullivan

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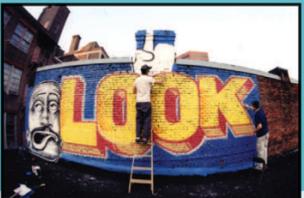
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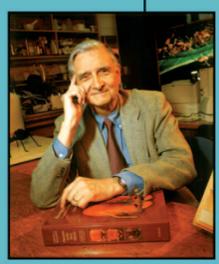
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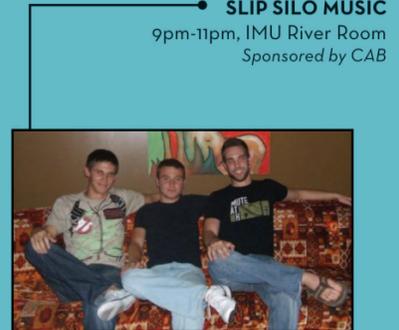
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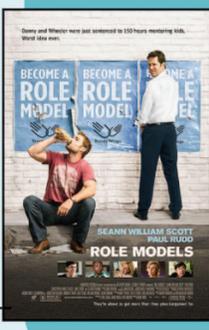


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'It's just a fun group all around, and tonight, everyone gets to join in. It's a good night to be Irish.'

Lorin Dudley, group president

Éireann go brách

Locals warm up for St. Patrick's Day at an Irish event.

By MARY HARRINGTON
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With clovers dangling from the ceiling and Guinness foam sloshing onto the floor, locals brought Ireland to Iowa City this past weekend.

On Feb. 7, hundreds gathered at the Eagles Club, 225 Highway 1 W., for a celebration of heritage. It was all Irish, everywhere: The food, the beer, the music, the dance, and even the dirt hailed from the European country — with canisters of the Irish soil displayed, a token meant for sprinkling on the castles of loved ones.

Since its formation in 1980, the County Johnson Irish group has grown from a handful of Irish card players to more than 300 beer-drinking, shamrock-wearing locals, proud of their heritage and eager to share it.

"This is only just the warm-up for St. Patrick's Day," member Steve Denny said.

Although a majority of the Irish group members are 40 years or older, both old and young found fun at the event.

At age 17, Daniel Vaughn took center stage, playing the Irish flute and Irish tin whistle, a craft that earned him the second-place ranking in the world for his age group in 2005.

His music act was followed by a night of rambunctious pub tunes from Cedar Rapids band Wylde Nept. Audience members pounded on table tops with fists and mugs, singing along to the traditional Irish songs many know my heart.



REBECCA MNUK/THE DAILY IOWAN

Audrey Thompson gives an impromptu performance at Eagle's Club on Feb. 7. The event at the club is an annual evening of live music and dancing, organized by the County Johnson Irish group.

"You never forget how good it is being Irish," said Mike Donnelly, wearing a green "drinking glove," while nursing a bottle of Guinness. The 63-year-old tries to catch as many Irish festivals as he can, including some larger celebrations outside of the state. The Iowa City event is always a cozy celebration, he said, where the music and friendly people keep him coming back.

Stories of ancestors from Ellis Island, memories of trips to Belfast or Dublin, and oral battles over the smoothness of Irish whiskey varieties swarmed the tables. The chairs remained full with such names as Murphy, O'Neill, and O'Leary.

Eight large roasters of Irish stew and ten cases of Guinness were in demand for the crowd of roughly 250 people.

Money raised from the event's ticket sales will be donated to 10 local charities to be selected later in the year, combined with proceeds from some of the group's other yearly activities.

ON THE WEB

See video from the weekend's celebration of all things Irish at dailyiowan.com.



The Celtic club has been very active with charities in the past, making stew for the Ronald McDonald House in Iowa City on St. Patrick's Day. The recipe is a group tradition, and long-time members have memorized the lengthy list of measurements and ingredients, down to the last pinch of salt.

The food of the night was chased by high kicks and twirls on the dance floor, as well as in-house shopping for drinking gloves, shamrock buttons, and green glasses, among the various accessories of Irish pride available.

"It's just a fun group all around, and tonight, everyone gets to join in," group president Lorin Dudley said. "It's a good night to be Irish."

City High pushes ID use

BY CLARK CAHILL
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Monitoring students' out-of-class movements at City High tightened today as students are denied access to parts of the building without first scanning their school ID card.

In a more direct attempt to make sure students are always carrying their identification, students will no longer be able to access the library or the commons area without an ID card, which is electronically scanned.

Students are also required to carry an ID to sign into the health and attendance offices and the study hall, but they will not be denied access to these places without a card.

"Signing in and out of these areas is not new to our school," Dean of Students Doug Lestina said, and changing the system from paper to electronic makes the process more convenient and efficient.

Convenience and efficiency are not the only benefits of this new system, though. With the paper sign in, students could forge names or lie about where they were, Lestina said. This system allows for the school to know if a student is skipping class or if they are actually in one of the five locations.

When a student's ID card is scanned, her or his name goes into a computer and no further documentation needs to be made. Before, faculty would have to submit reports with the paper sign-in lists.

"I had seen a system like this way back when I was in college," Lestina said, and he proposed the idea to the rest of the administration at the start of the school year.

After the school's administrators accepted the idea, Lestina went to work figuring out the logistics and money — funded by the school with less than \$2,000 — that were necessary to implement the system.

Lestina said he spoke with school officials in out-of-town districts who had implemented similar systems to analyze the different options available before deciding on what he called a simple and cost-effi-



AMY ANDREWS/THE DAILY IOWAN

City High junior Corey Rhodes holds his student identification card during his lunch hour on Feb. 6. A new policy requires students to scan their ID cards for access to some areas at the school.

cient system.

But some students question the necessity of the system, and they aren't so sure it will keep kids from skipping classes.

"It might be easier for the staff to see where some students are, but the kids who skip class are going to skip class no matter what," City High senior Aaron Wilder said. Some students have said it is a hassle to have their IDs with them, he said.

City High junior Alex Sullivan agreed that students who decide to skip will find other ways, and he "thinks it is unnecessary to make students

have their IDs to do things that they were allowed to do before."

School officials have been lenient since starting the system about a month ago, allowing students to adapt to the new rules. Lestina hopes denying access to the library and commons area without an ID will encourage students to always keep their identification cards.

"It isn't always easy convincing every student that they must have their IDs on them at all times," Lestina said, and the school is considering implementing the rule for school dances and sporting events.

Thanks UI Dance Marathon!



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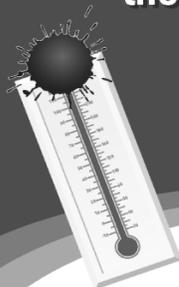
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Dean to leave post

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Jones has created the Legal Analysis, Writing and Research Program in addition to revising the first-year curriculum and implementing a new externship program for UI law students.

"Dean Jones truly is a trailblazer in university history, and we thank her for advancing the academic excellence of the college," UI Provost Wallace Loh said in a statement.

Hines said the UI law school has abandoned several of its

"trademarks" in the past five years, a necessary move to bring the school into the 21st century. But he said Jones handled what could have been "heartrending changes" extremely effectively.

Now — during such tough economic times — it will likely be difficult to find a new dean, he said.

"Any dean is going to be coming into a university, like most universities, in a state of crisis," Hines said. "Nobody wants to be the dean that comes in and essentially oversees the melting down of an

academic unit. Your opportunity to hire new faculty and start new programs is going to be very suppressed."

Andersen agreed, saying any law school would face a challenge these days in finding a new dean.

Hillary Sale, the UI College of Law's F. Arnold Daum Chair in Corporate Finance and Law, said she thinks Jones will be a "great colleague" when she becomes a member of the law faculty, also agreeing it is a tough time for a dean search.

"But I think Iowa will rise to the challenge," she said.

STATE

Grants have some wondering

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two drugmakers spent hundreds of millions of dollars last year to raise awareness of a

murky illness, helping boost sales of pills recently approved as treatments and drowning out unresolved questions — including whether it's a real disease at all.

Key components of the industry-funded buzz over the pain-and-fatigue

ailment fibromyalgia are grants — more than \$6 million donated by drugmakers Eli Lilly and Pfizer in the first three quarters of 2008 — to nonprofit groups for medical conferences and educational campaigns, an Associated Press analysis found.

NATION

108 killed in Australia's deadliest-ever wildfires

HEALESVILLE, Australia (AP) — Entire towns have been razed by wildfires raging through southeastern Australia, burning people in their homes and cars in the deadliest blaze in the country's history. The number of dead Monday stood at 108, a grim toll that rose almost by the hour as officials reached further into the fire zone.

Searing temperatures and wind blasts created a firestorm that swept across a swath of the country's Victoria state, where at least 750 homes were destroyed and all of the victims died.

"Hell in all its fury has visited the good people of Victoria," Prime Minister Kevin Rudd said. "It's an appalling tragedy for the nation."

If any of the deadly fires were deliberately lit, "There are no words to describe it other than mass murder," he said on Nine Network television.

The skies rained ash and trees exploded in the inferno, witnesses said, as temperatures of up 117 F (47 C)

combined with blasting winds to create furnace-like conditions.

Krauss/Plant raise Grammys

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Robert Plant and Alison Krauss' unorthodox partnership yielded rich rewards on Grammy night, as the pair nabbed five Grammys for their haunting CD *Raising Sand*, including record and album of the year honors.

But their Grammy sweep was overshadowed before the show even began when police announced that Chris Brown, himself a double nominee and scheduled performer, was being investigated for allegedly assaulting an unidentified woman the night before. Brown turned himself in to authorities and was briefly held before posting \$50,000 bail Sunday night, jail records showed.

Brown and longtime girlfriend Rihanna, also nominated, were both slated to perform in different slots of the show, but they separately dropped out at the last minute. The victim of Brown's alleged assault wasn't identified, and it wasn't immediately clear whether Rihanna's absence was related to Brown's.

The pairing of the former Led Zeppelin rocker and Krauss, a bluegrass queen, may have seemed downright weird on paper, but the T Bone Burnett-produced album was universally acclaimed and highlighted Krauss' unique talent of mastering different musical styles. Subdued but emotionally stirring, **Raising Sand** was an artistic triumph for both artists, and perhaps demonstrated why Krauss is the most decorated female artist in Grammy history with 26.

"We are thrilled and very grateful to everybody who's been excited for us," she said. "It's been a wonderful time."

Meanwhile Plant, once revered as a hard-partying god of rock and the owner of a lifetime achievement Grammy for his work with Led Zeppelin, was sanguine about his new trophies.

"I'm bewildered," he said before rattling off a long list of thank-yous as crowd shuffled out. "In the old days we'd have called this selling out, but it's a good way to spend a Sunday."

Lil Wayne entered the evening with the most nominations with eight, and ended the night with four, including rap album of the year.

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Mike Saeugling (right) and son Aaron Saeugling fill bags of food inside the Johnson County Crisis Center on Feb. 4. While some food is donated by community groups and families, stores such as Hy-Vee sell food to the Crisis Center at wholesale.

Crisis strains center

Flooding and hard economic times has put the Crisis Center in need of food and volunteers.

By KASSIE FRIEDRICHS
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The Johnson County Crisis Center requires more food donations and volunteers to keep up with an increase in families in need.

The center's food bank provides for an estimated 900 families a week, a 20 percent increase compared with the 750 families per week last year.

"We have definitely seen an increase in clients, especially in the last six months," said Sarah Benson Witry, the food-bank and emergency-assistance program director. "It's hard to say how much is flood and how much is economy, because they're linked."

But a noticeable increase in new clients began in January, she said — which has been particularly noticeable in the past two weeks.

"A lot of people are getting fewer hours," Benson Witry said. "They just can't quite make it."

The food bank serves all of Johnson County, providing a weekly food sack to families

based on their family size. The sack is not meant to be the sole source of food — it's intended to be a supplement, Benson Witry said.

"We wouldn't have the resources to provide that on a daily basis," she said.

The center also provides single-ride bus tickets supplied by the Iowa City government, diapers, vouchers for the Crowded Closet and Goodwill, and extremely limited financial assistance, Benson Witry said.

The demand for these provisions is higher than the food bank can provide, she said, and the provisions run out before demand is met.

But Benson Witry doesn't believe shortages are due to a lack of donations.

"Our community has been very generous," she said, noting sponsored food drives by larger organizations have kept up food donations. But she does worry that over time it may not be as easy for people to give.

Mark Pedersen, the Crisis Center's director of volunteer services, also expressed a need for volunteers. The current

number of trained helpers is close to 300.

"In the food bank, the number we like to have continues to grow," he said, and more volunteers are needed with an increased demand.

The Crisis Center's helpers are expected to do need assessments of the families that come in, record what families pick up from the food bank, and stock shelves, Pedersen said.

Being nonjudgmental is one of the most important qualities the center looks for in its volunteers, he said.

"We get people of all sorts of life," he said. "And just because someone is different from you does not mean you can treat them with disrespect."

To become a trained helper, one must first apply to the program to be interviewed. The center then does a background check along with other screenings.

UI sophomore Katie Duffy recently became a Crisis Center volunteer.

"I liked what it was working for," she said. "It doesn't turn anyone away."

Irani reformer to run again

By NASSER KARIMI
Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran — Former Iranian President Mohammed Khatami declared Sunday he would run again for president, setting the stage for a major political showdown in coming months between the popular reformist leader — who made dialogue with the West a centerpiece of his eight years in office — and the country's ruling hard-liners.

Khatami's candidacy poses a serious challenge to President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, whose mixture of anti-Western rhetoric and fiery nationalism sharply contrasts with Khatami's tempered tones and appeals for global dialogue.

"I seriously announce my candidacy in the next [presidential] election," Khatami announced Sunday after a meeting with his supporters.

He said he decided to seek the presidency in the June 12 vote because it was impossible for someone such as himself who was interested in the fate of Iran to remain silent. The 65-year-old liberal cleric said he is "attached to the country's greatness and the people's right to have control over their own fate."

Khatami's decision to run against Ahmadinejad could significantly shake up Iran's politics, appealing to citizens disillusioned by the country's failing economy and Ahmadinejad's staunch anti-U.S. foreign policy.

Relations between the United States and Iran improved marginally during Khatami's eight years in office, and he encouraged athletic and cultural exchanges. But it deteriorated after the 9/11 attacks when former President George W. Bush declared Iran belonged to an "axis of evil." Ahmadinejad widened that gap after he was elected in 2005.

But Khatami's decision to run comes as President Obama has signaled a willing-

ness for a dialogue with Iran, particularly over the Islamic Republic's controversial nuclear program.

Khatami has not publicly commented on Obama's November win, but during a 2006 visit to the United States, he said relations between the United States and Iran should be resolved through dialogue.

In 1997, Khatami defeated hard-liners who had ruled Iran since the 1979 Islamic Revolution in a landslide presidential victory. He is credited with relaxing some of Iran's rigid restrictions on cultural and social activities, including bans on music bands and on certain books and movies that previously were deemed un-Islamic. But he left office in 2005 widely discredited among his political base after hard-line clerics stifled the bulk of his reform program.

He had been considered a long shot to return to politics after turning his attention to religious and cultural exchanges in recent years. But his candidacy could boost Iran's dispirited reformists, who have not had a political heir emerge since he left office.

"Khatami has the biggest chance to challenge Ahmadinejad. He is the most popular figure in Iran," said Saeed Laylaz, a Tehran-based political analyst.

But his candidacy could also reinvigorate conservatives to support Ahmadinejad, whose popularity has waned — even among his supporters — as Iran's economy has unraveled.

"Khatami's candidacy will make conservatives united behind Ahmadinejad," Laylaz said.

Hard-liners have vowed they would never again allow reformists to take control of the government and have used the Guardian Council, an election watchdog that vets candidates, and other institutions they control to block reformists from gaining power. It is unclear if the Council will move to block Khatami's candidacy.

Reformists have suffered setbacks in past years as hard-liners and conservatives have consolidated power. Hundreds of reformist newspapers have been shut down, and the Guardian Council barred thousands of reformist candidates from running in parliamentary elections in 2004 and 2008.

The months ahead are critical for Ahmadinejad, who is seeking his second term in June. The 52-year-old promised to bring oil revenues to every Iranian family, tackle unemployment and improve living standards but increasingly has been criticized for his failure to do so.

Under Ahmadinejad, Iran has suffered international isolation, skyrocketing prices and disputes over the country's nuclear program, which the U.S. and some of its allies fears masks a nuclear weapons pursuit. Iran denies the charge.

In recent months, Ahmadinejad has been trying to rebuild his political base and answer critics. But unemployment and inflation continue to burden the economy, and Iran was unable to bask in record-high oil profits, which are needed to cover domestic gas subsidies. That left one of OPEC's giants in the embarrassing position of rationing the reduced-price fuel because of a lack of refinery capacity.

So far, the only other candidate to announce an intention to run in the June vote is moderate Iranian cleric Mehdi Karrubi, 71, who is considered a long shot in the race.

Other possible candidates who have not announced whether they will run include Parliament speaker and former nuclear negotiator, Ali Larijani, who is considered a close ally of the country's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei; current Tehran mayor, Mohammad Bagher Qalibaf; and Mir Hossein Mousavi, a former hard-liner turned reformist who served as prime minister in the 1980s.

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Local teacher on the rise in politics

Teaching and politics go hand and hand, she says.

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Sue Dvorsky foresaw herself pursuing her two passions through two very different outlets from an early age — working for the Iowa Democratic Party and teaching.

“I was in the generation of young women where it was beginning to open up to a broader range of careers,” she said. “I always saw myself teaching, and politics was a natural part of that.”

And now, she has again shown her passion for politics after being named the first vice chairwoman of the Iowa Democratic Party.

Dvorsky has taught seventh- and eighth-graders with learning disabilities at Southeast Junior High School in Iowa City for 15 years, and, in total, she’s taught locally for 29 years. Dvorsky is also the Iowa City Education Association’s rights chairwoman.

She said she feels the professional leadership, in respect to education, that the association provides is an important part of teaching. Political opinions, especially those in education, have always been a part of her career.

“Every decision that affects education is a political decision,” Dvorsky said. “It matters who wins elections and it matters what politicians think of education.”

Her involvement in politics extends beyond the two organizations she has championed — the local education association and the Iowa State Education Association. She has continually lobbied at the State Capitol for the two groups, asking



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The new first vice chairwoman of the Iowa Democratic Party, Sue Dvorsky, is shown at her other job as a special-education teacher at Southeast Junior High on Feb. 3.

legislators to consider teachers when they appropriate money.

“She has done a lot for the community,” daughter Caroline Dvorsky said. “She pushes for the things teachers need and helps them out by pushing for reform.”

Her two daughters have followed in her footsteps. Caroline and Ann Dvorsky both volunteered time for the Johnson County Democrats and Obama campaigns.

“It was wonderful to get to be a part of something like that,” said Caroline Dvorsky. “My mom has always gotten us involved.”

And Sue Dvorsky has never chosen just one of her passions to call her occupation.

“I consider both positions my jobs,” she said. “My teaching job pays Annie’s tuition and our bills, but my political activism and teaching are connected and interwoven.”

Dvorsky’s political activism with the state education association even brought her and her husband, Sen. Bob Dvorsky, D-Coralville, together on the steps of the State Capitol.

“She came to Des Moines

and was lobbying me, actually” Bob Dvorsky recalled. “That was when I was in the House; she was lobbying for the teachers’ union.”

As a couple so deeply steeped in politics and the Democratic Party, he appropriately proposed to her in the House Chamber at the State Capitol.

“That’s a good iconic story about our marriage,” Sue Dvorsky said. “It’s a great political relationship, and I’m grateful for the privileges I’ve had and the work we’re able to do together.”

Perhaps her position as first vice chairwoman of the Iowa Democratic Party will allow Sue Dvorsky to challenge Washington on issues that matter to Iowa, she said, which will allow her to continue her passion of helping teachers and the education of students in Iowa.

“When you have kids you begin looking at the world in a broader way, you become invested in what the world is going to be like,” she said. “I’d always had a thought about a job that was a community-enhancement thing.”

NATION

Obama’s Afghan plan gives antiwar Dems pause

WASHINGTON (AP) — After campaigning on the promise to end one war, President Obama is preparing to escalate another.

Obama’s dual stance on the two wars is not lost on congressional Democrats, many of whom also ran on antiwar platforms. In coming weeks, they expect to have to consider tens of billions of dollars needed for combat, including a major buildup of troops in Afghanistan.

While increasing the military’s focus in Afghanistan was anticipated — it was a cornerstone of Obama’s campaign — many Democrats acknowledged in recent interviews that they are skittish about sending more troops, even in small numbers.

The concern, they say, is that the military could become further entrenched in an unwinnable war on their watch.

“Before I support any more troops to Afghanistan, I want to see a strategy that includes an exit plan,” said Rep. Jim McGovern, a Massachusetts liberal who at one point wanted to cut off money for the Iraq war.

Obama confronts economy on two fronts

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Obama plunges into a difficult test of his leadership this week, struggling to get a divided Congress to agree on his economic recovery package while pitching a new plan to ease loans to consumers and businesses.

The Senate’s \$827 billion stimulus legislation seems assured narrow passage by Tuesday. Harder work for Obama and the Democrats comes in the days ahead, when the House and Senate attempt to reconcile differences in their two versions.

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Life not all bitter among unemployed

By RYAN J. FOLEY
Associated Press

FOND DU LAC, Wis. — Jay Capelle would give anything to get back his factory job of 32 years. At the same time, he's grateful to have extra time on his hands these days to care for his ailing wife, stay in shape, and work on a long-planned baseball documentary.

The unemployed are stressed out about unpaid bills, dashed retirement plans, and the loss of workplace camaraderie. But many say life minus work also has its bittersweet upsides, including more time with family and friends, learning new skills, focusing on their health and pursuing hobbies.

There is a wide range of opinions, of course, about just how sweet, or bitter, the experience has been.

An idled auto worker in Wisconsin cherishes extra time with his kids and his guitar. A former communications worker in Virginia finds time for hiking as a distraction from the job search. But two jobless friends in North Carolina who've played plenty of golf together say enough is enough: They're ready again for the joy of earning a paycheck.

All of these people said they would give up their newfound free time in a heartbeat if they could land jobs. And most spend hours each day trying. But as unemployment spells drag on longer than anticipated, they have allowed themselves to enjoy activities not directly related to the job hunt without feeling guilty.

Alex Swain, 36, of Leesburg, Va., said his fruitless search for work has been discouraging. Since losing his job in April



Jay Capelle speaks in his Fond du Lac, Wis., home on Feb. 3. Capelle has been unable to find a job since losing his maintenance-mechanic position at Mercury Marine in May 2008.

2008 at a wireless communications company, Swain has applied for more than 200 jobs, gone on 10 interviews, and has not had a single offer.

But rather than sulking in front of the television when he's not searching online job postings, Swain forces himself to keep up with such hobbies as playing music, painting, and hiking.

"You can't stay in the house all day or you'll lose your mind," he said.

Others are spending time in

the classroom.

Andre Lovato, 55, of Waukesha, Wis., who was laid off from his job at a sign-making company in 2006, earned a degree in printing and publishing from a technical college in December. Lovato, who has applied for 35 jobs since then without any luck, devotes his free time to woodcarving, sketching, and computer illustrations.

AP writers Emery Dalesio, Christopher Rugaber, Jacob Adelman, and Rose French contributed to this report.

Iraq's minister for females quits in frustration

By KIM GAMEL
Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Iraq's state minister for women's affairs has quit to protest a lack of resources for a daunting task — improving the lives of "a full army of widows" and other women left poor or abandoned by war.

In an interview Sunday with the Associated Press, Nawal al-Samarrāie described how her office's budget was so tight that she often found herself dipping into her own pockets for the women who came begging for help.

She said she finally submitted her resignation last week in part because her budget was slashed from \$7,500 to \$1,500 per month — part of overall government spending cuts forced by plunging oil prices. The figure didn't include staff salaries.

"I reached to the point that I will never be able to help the women," said al-Samarrāie, whose job lasted just six months. "The budget is very limited ... so what can I do?"

Al-Samarrāie's resignation has cast a spotlight on the overwhelming problems facing Iraqi women, tens of thousands of them left poor or widowed by war.

An untold number have lost their husbands or other male relatives to violence or detention since the 2003 U.S.-led invasion, often leaving them alone with children and virtually no safety net or job opportunities.

Al-Samarrāie claimed Iraq has 3 million widows, calling it "a full army of widows, most of them not educated." The figure, which she said came from a government survey, includes those who lost their husbands under Saddam

Hussein's regime and was impossible to verify.

All Iraqis have undergone difficulties, but women face the additional danger of being sidelined in a male-dominated society. Widows in Iraq, for example, traditionally move in with their extended families, but many families find it increasingly difficult to care for them.

Other problems for women include homelessness, domestic violence and the random detention of women caught up in U.S.-Iraqi military sweeps.

Female lawmakers Sunday urged al-Samarrāie to change her mind, and demanded that the government get serious about helping women.

"Iraqi women need a national strategy to empower them and support their constitutional, legal, health and social rights," Safiya al-Suhail, a lawmaker from a secular party, said at a news conference.

Al-Samarrāie, a 47-year-old gynecologist and mother of five, said things quickly went downhill after she assumed her post on July 22, when her Sunni political party ended a boycott to rejoin the Shiite-dominated government.

The former lawmaker, who previously served on the Iraqi Parliament's health committee, was full of ideas about how to help Iraqi women, from establishing regional offices and vocational programs to building a women's center that would double as a mall.

But her office — with a staff of 18 — was not a full ministry and had insufficient authority or resources to help women facing great hardship after nearly six years of war, she said.

She gave some of her own money to one woman who

was left homeless with her four children after her husband was detained, her two brothers were killed, and her father died.

"She's not educated, so she and her four children were in the street," al-Samarrāie recalled. "I felt if I did not help her she would go in a wrong way. So I tried to help her to make a small shop."

Al-Samarrāie warned of the desperate Iraqi women who have become suicide bombers.

"Many of them are widows, or homeless or hopeless," she said. "No one opened the door for them."

Other Iraqi ministries have faced the same, steep budget cuts, but al-Samarrāie insisted women should be given priority because they make up 65 percent of the population and because so many have been stranded by the war after their husbands and brothers were killed or detained.

Al-Suhail, the female lawmaker, urged Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki to refuse al-Samarrāie's resignation and instead work with her to create an independent commission for women, with a larger budget.

But al-Samarrāie said al-Maliki signed her resignation the day she submitted it.

A government spokesman could not immediately be reached for comment.

"It's not such an important issue for him," she said. "It doesn't have the priority in the Iraqi government and not even the second or third."

But she said she planned to travel to Turkey for an international conference on Iraqi women soon and would think about the pleas for her to return to the job.

"Maybe with the next government it will be a priority," she said.



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University Staff Council is an elected body that represents approximately 5,500 non-bargaining professional and scientific and merit supervisory exempt/confidential staff members. As a university-wide representative body, Staff Council members promote communication among staff, central administration, Faculty Senate and Student Government.

Staff Council Committee of the Month

Committee on Committees:
Mary Lee Neuberger, Chair

- Members:
- Martha Greer
 - Pat Mason-Browne
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 - Mike Schueller
 - Karen Shemanski
 - Diane Wasson
 - Rhonda Weaver

Mission:
Yes, the name makes us chuckle too, though the Committee on Committees' work impacts the entire campus community in important ways. This committee solicits applications for and selects the staff membership of University of Iowa charter and non-charter committees and other standing committees such as Safety and Security, University Libraries, Human Rights and Research Council. The membership of these committees in turn helps shape policy and practice at the UI. Applications and a complete list of committees and openings are available at: <http://survey.uiowa.edu/wsb.dll/staff/0910cocapp.htm> and the deadline to apply is February 13, 2009.

Charter Committee of the Month

Research Council

The Research Council Charter Committee advises in the formulation, review, and application of policy and guidelines for University research and its funding both from within and without the University; advises on questions concerning the compliance of research with University policies; advises on developing methods for informing University members about research opportunities and for stimulating, evaluating, and rewarding good research and provides a forum to which faculty and students may refer questions and recommendations concerning University research policies and procedures.

Staff Council Agenda

Wednesday, February 11, 2009 • 2:00pm-4:30pm
Seebohm Conference Room (EMRB 283)

- 2:00pm Attendance
- 2:05pm Review/Approval of Minutes
- 2:15pm Resignations and Appointments
- 2:25pm Announcements, Martha Greer
- 2:40pm Staff Council Committee Reports
 - Elections—Amber Seaton, Chair
 - Diversity—Helen Jameson, Chair
 - Committee on Committees—Mary Lee Neuberger, Chair
- 3:00pm Charter Committee Reports
 - Faculty/Staff Budget Committee—Hazel Kerr, co-Chair
 - Funded Retirement and Insurance Committee—Barbara Spence, co-Chair
- 3:30pm Update on Comp & Class Redesign Project—Karen Shemanski, Compensation and Classification Specialist
- 3:45pm Proposed Bylaws changes—first reading
- 4:15pm Sue Buckley, Vice President for Human Resources
- 4:30pm Adjourn

Support IPTV!

Every year The University of Iowa sends a group of faculty, staff, and students to Des Moines to participate in the IPTV annual pledge drive. This year the pledge drive runs February 28 – March 15 and we typically sign up for a 4-6 hour Saturday afternoon shift. Please consider representing the University of Iowa in IPTV's fundraising drive—it's a unique opportunity to support education outside our walls and a fun day with your colleagues.

For more information or to volunteer please contact
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Meet Your Councilor



Mary Lee Neuberger earned her undergraduate and graduate degrees in nursing from the University of Iowa and has been employed at UIHC for over 25 years in positions including Staff Nurse, Assistant Nurse Manager and Nurse Manager in the dialysis program. In her current position as an Advanced Practice Nurse in Pediatric Nephrology she works with infants and children who had acute and chronic kidney disease.

Mary Lee is in her 6th year on Staff Council, including 3 years on the Executive Committee, 2 years as Secretary, 2 years as chair of the Committee on Committees, and service on Education, Elections, UIHC Ad Hoc, and University/Government Relations committees.

Of her service on Staff Council Mary Lee says, "Staff Council has given me an opportunity to meet, interact with and learn from a diverse group of staff from other departments within the University of Iowa. Staff Council has shown me that staff input is valued by the University administration and does impact many major decisions that are made. I encourage all staff to consider serving on Staff Council."

Opportunities Abound to Recognize Your Colleagues!

Are you all feeling like you could use just a few more hours in each day? As we juggle home, work, family and community activities, with little time to contemplate the whole picture, it can often feel as if we are each in this alone. Of course, we know that we rely on the help from and collaboration with others in order to accomplish our daily tasks and long-range goals. Whether a trusted colleague who went above and beyond on a project, a fellow committee member spearheading a major initiative, a supervisor accommodating a special need, or that co worker who, smiling through adversity, finds innovative solutions to complex problems, we all make it through the day with a great deal of help. The University of Iowa provides us many opportunities to show appreciation to our colleagues, and the season of recognition is upon us! Staff Council will announce its annual awards nominations in March. The Committee on the Celebration of Excellence Among Women is accepting nominations for the 2008-2009 Distinguished Achievement Award—nominations are due February 16, 2009 and more information can be found at: <http://www.uiowa.edu/celebrationofexcellence/>. Hancher-Finkbine Medallion nominations for professional and scientific staff, in recognition of leadership, learning and loyalty, are due March 3, 2009: <http://student-services.uiowa.edu/students/awards/finkbine.php>. The IOWA - Improving Our Workplace Award! nomination deadline is March 15, 2009: <http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/iowa/>. These are just a few of the many options for giving your colleagues a meaningful pat on the back. Please take a few minutes out of your own rat race to recognize that special person who makes it possible for you make it to the finish line!

Message from the UISC President

Dear UI Staff Members,
The University of Iowa community experienced unprecedented challenges in the past year and with the increasingly grim economic outlook we face more challenges ahead. Like many of you, I'm an Iowan and was instilled with the 'pull yourself up by your bootstraps' Iowan mentality. While in difficult times it is easy to retreat into our corners to tug at those bootstraps, weathering the next year or two is going to require a community-wide effort as we strive to uphold our core mission of teaching, research and service. Each one of us contributes to that core mission in important ways and as UI Staff Council continues to work with the other governance groups, the administration and campus committees to plan for the future I encourage you to contact your Councilors with your ideas, questions and concerns.

Sincerely, Martha Greer, UISC President, 2008/09

Did You Know...?

- Hancher-Finkbine Medallion nominations for professional and scientific staff are due March 3, 2009.
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- Free confidential financial counseling is available to UI staff. To begin the process, contact Faculty and Staff Services at 335-2085 to schedule an appointment.
- The University of Iowa Employee Discount Program (UIEDP) offers discounts or other incentives to University of Iowa employees. For more information on how to save, see: <http://www.uiowa.edu/~cqi/uiedp.html>
- Individualized wellness plans are here! liveWELL is a comprehensive wellness program for faculty and staff with the overall goal of enhancing the health and well-being of UI faculty and staff. <http://www.uiowa.edu/livewell/>
- What's New? The first-ever Research Staff Professional Development Program - Biomedical Series is scheduled to begin in March 2009. Registration will begin at the end of February and more information is located at <http://www.uiowa.edu/~fustfdv/>

Get Involved!

It takes each one of us to build a strong campus community. UI Staff Council encourages staff to find ways to engage on campus.

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Community-college admissions shoot up

By DAVID TIRRELL-WYSOCKI
Associated Press

CONCORD, N.H. — College freshman Elizabeth Hebert's choice of a four-year school suddenly got too expensive. George Haseltine already has a business degree, but he concluded after several layoffs that he needed more training to get work.

So, in the middle of this school year, both landed at New Hampshire Technical Institute, which, similar to other community colleges across the country, has suddenly grown a lot more crowded.

The two-year schools are reporting unprecedented enrollment increases this semester, driven by students from traditional colleges seeking more bang for their buck and by laid-off older workers.

But community colleges aren't exactly cheering in this down economy: Tuition doesn't come close to covering costs, and the state funds used to make up the difference are drying up.

Final figures aren't in for this semester, but a national group representing community colleges says the average increase from spring-to-spring is dramatic, and similar to what New Hampshire is reporting at its seven schools — a range of 4 percent to 19 percent.

The figure is 20 percent in Maine and South Carolina. One school in Idaho has more than twice the number of students this spring over last.

Last fall, Hebert, of Antrim, began her first semester at Eastern Nazarene College in Massachusetts. But as the economy fell, she began rethinking the thousands of dollars in loans she was carrying — at age 18.

"It was the realization of paying \$30,000 a year for four years, and then to take that in loans, it was just way too much," said Hebert, who is now paying \$3,000 a semester at New Hampshire Tech.

Haseltine, 25, of Rochester, said he was tired of being laid off from various jobs, so he drives almost an hour for his two-year criminal-justice program. He hopes to become a police officer.

"The economy being in shambles pretty much; being constantly laid off; and not having lucrative job offers," he said. "They are three reasons why."

Nationwide, the average annual cost of community college is \$2,402, compared with \$6,585 in tuition and fees at in-state public four-year schools, according to the College Board. Average tuition and fees for private four-year schools: \$25,143.

Factoring in financial aid, the College Board estimates the average net cost at community colleges is only about \$100.

"We have seen it even more and more, mom and dad saying, 'Come back home, we can't afford it,'" said Jim McCarthy, the admissions director at Pennsylvania's Northampton Community College, where spring enrollment is 10.4 percent higher than a year ago — and for the first time is higher than it was in the fall semester.

New Hampshire is marketing the transfer trend.

"I was going to a much larger school out of state and paying \$45,000 a year to go there," straight-A business major Elizabeth Leone says in a TV ad. "I am getting a better experience here at New Hampshire Tech, and it's more affordable and closer to home."

Leone transferred last fall after racking up \$20,000 in loans and putting \$5,000 more on credit cards for her first year at college in Pennsylvania. She couldn't imagine how much more she would have had to borrow to return.

Going to a community college doesn't require giving up on hopes for a bachelor's degree, because credits often transfer to four-year schools. States including New Hampshire, Maryland, and New Jersey have made it easier for students to begin their higher education at a community college and end it at a university.

Several community colleges can trace a bump in enrollment



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Students at New Hampshire Technical Institute walk to class in Concord, N.H., on Jan. 29. Across the country, community colleges are reporting unprecedented enrollment increases.

to area layoffs. In Boise, Idaho, after semiconductor maker Micron Technology laid off 1,500 workers, 243 students enrolled at the Larry Selland College of Applied Technology for this spring, more than double last spring's enrollment.

Northampton waives a semester's tuition for people laid off in the last 12 months because of the economy. This semester, 260 students enrolled

through the program, more than twice what the school expected.

So why, with enrollment skyrocketing, are many community colleges hurting?

"I get that every place I go," said John Fitzsimmons, president of Maine's community college system. "People can't understand, with more customers, why that isn't good news."

Stimulus may aid students

By JUSTIN POPE
Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C. — The stimulus plan emerging in Washington could offer an unprecedented, multibillion-dollar boost in financial help for college students trying to pursue a degree while they ride out the recession.

It could also hand out billions to the states to kick-start idled campus construction projects and help prevent tuition increases at a time when families can least afford them.

But cuts of \$40 billion for state and local governments in the Senate version were a big disappointment for college leaders. House-Senate negotiations will determine whether education aid to the states is relatively modest or massive — and how much gets directed to high-need institutions for building projects, versus elite universities that would benefit if the final package spends more of the money on scientific research.

Students are big winners. Both the House and Senate bills call for the largest-ever funding increase for Pell Grants, the government's chief college aid program for low-income students.

It will take much of the proposed \$15.6 billion increase in the House version (slightly less in the Senate) just to erase the existing funding shortfall and meet the surging demand as the economy sours and more students enroll.

But the package would also

increase next year's maximum award by up to \$500, to \$5,350, starting July 1. That's the biggest increase in history and would cover three-quarters of the cost of the average public four-year college.

Most Pell recipients come from families earning less than \$40,000. And supporters note the new Pell dollars would be spent almost immediately — students can't save them — while also paying off down the road.

"Long-term, if we want a better economy, we need more people going to college," Education Arne Duncan told the Associated Press last week.

College leaders meeting in Washington this week for the American Council on Education's annual meeting will be grateful for the student-aid boost. But they'll be closely watching how Congress bridges the huge gaps between how much the House and Senate versions propose spending to bail out state budgets and prevent drastic education cuts.

The House bills call for \$79 billion to prevent cuts to local school districts and public higher education. But it's not yet clear how the money might be divided between K-12 and higher education, and a portion could go to things besides education. The Senate version calls for \$39 billion.

Meanwhile, colleges are hoping Congress will agree restarting idled building projects is an efficient short- and long-term investment. As they

lose revenues from state support, endowments and tuition, hundreds of projects are on hold nationwide, from a library extension at Fresno State to new dorms at Washington University in St. Louis and a biology lab at Yale.

The California State University system alone has halted 130 projects, which it values at \$850 million and says account for 13,000 jobs. Meanwhile, the system may have to cut 10,000 enrollment slots.

The House bill has \$6 billion for such projects, while the Senate has none.

"We're ready to go, there's great jobs involved, and we're educating kids who wouldn't have other opportunities if we weren't there," Chuck Middleton, president of Roosevelt University in downtown Chicago, said Sunday. His university has a \$135 million new building with classrooms, labs, dorms and offices on hold after financing dried up. Construction could be under way in six months, he says, providing 600 jobs for two years while helping Roosevelt's diverse student body.

Also helping students, the House and Senate both call for expanding the Hope tuition tax credit from \$1,800 to \$2,500 and making it partly refundable. Now, almost half of families with children pay no income tax, so the current tuition tax-credit system doesn't help them (the full benefit kicks in for families earning at least \$43,000).



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Editorial

Welcome to Sioux City

The Sioux City city councilors recently adopted a resolution branding the residents of their city with glowering labels of hatred and intolerance. In a 3-2 vote, the sizzle of the city's branding iron left behind two words stamped to municipal leaders like wandering cattle: homophobic bigots. Pack leader Brent Hoffman and the other two pro-resolution councilors who pushed to legally define marriage in Sioux City as a union between one man and one woman can now bask in the glory of their monumental (yet completely hollow) victory.

But we say, why stop at the resolution, Sioux City? Now that the municipality has declared itself as a community unfit for the likes of those people who identify as gay or lesbian, why not advertise this declaration proudly? Why not change the city motto from "Successful, surprising Sioux City" to "Narrow-minded, gay-bashing Sioux City." Or how about constructing a large wooden welcome sign visible to Sioux City newcomers: "Welcome to Sioux City (unless you're gay or lesbian, and in that case, go back to where you came from)." Either way, the city should make it clear to its residents, just like it did in passing the resolution, that not all people and ways of life are welcome in Sioux City.

Besides ignorance and intolerance, this resolution screams pointlessness. Sioux City is one small blip on the radar, and as it stands in the national debate and even the statewide debate regarding gay marriage, there's a pretty good chance that very few people care about how Sioux City councilors feel about the issue. If debating religious and moral standpoints regarding marriage is the only constructive thing the councilors have to do at meetings, it's obvious that taxpayers in Sioux City are wasting their tax dollars funding the salaries of city employees who clearly have nothing better to do than sit around and draft resolutions to exclude and isolate members of their own community. It's alarming to think how many issues must have slipped past the councilors while they were so caught up with this senseless resolution, asleep at the city wheel.

So if the resolution is totally pointless, then why did Hoffman and his crew decide to pursue it? The *Iowa*

Independent reports that Councilor Dave Ferris told the *Sioux City Journal* that he didn't want to wait for legal opinion regarding the validity of the proposed resolution because he had an "obligation to his Roman Catholic faith to pursue the matter." This Editorial Board wonders: Since when does his faith supersede his position as a representative of Sioux City? Ferris was elected by the citizens of Sioux City — all the citizens of Sioux City, not just the Roman Catholic ones. Ferris wasn't elected to represent the Vatican, and we doubt whether he has ever conferred with the pope. Ferris is a city representative from the state of Iowa, a state that (in theory) practices acceptance and equality. If he and the rest of the Sioux City councilors want to follow some other religious or moral code, we are certainly willing to offer Sioux City to Nebraska. But until Sioux City secedes from the state, the city councilors should move forward with the state of Iowa in the pursuit of equality.

The *Iowa Independent* also reports that in March 2008, the Sioux City council voted to add sexual orientation to its list of citizen protections in order to bring the city's Human Rights Commission in line with the state civil-rights code. This seems quite hypocritical for a city that just decided that its gay and lesbian citizens don't deserve the same rights as its heterosexual citizens.

This is the perfect time for Iowa City to stand up and serve as a progressive role model for the state. If the Sioux City councilors are willing to paint themselves as bigots and prove that excluding members of their community is more important than uniting them, Iowa City should also step up to the plate and take a stance on same-sex marriage to show Sioux City that the state of Iowa doesn't practice intolerance and hatred. Unlike Sioux City, Iowa City guarantees protection for its citizens, then actually follows these codes of protection. Iowa City doesn't offer its citizens protection, only to then rip this safety net away by discriminating against the people it promised to protect. Sorry Sioux City — you may think you're fooling the gay and lesbian inhabitants of your community by accepting them as citizens in some respects and then by turning around and denying their rights, but no one is fooled by your intolerance.

These boots are made for walking

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Here's the thing about walking outside — if you do it enough without the sole purpose of enjoying it, well, it can feel like a burden.

Take for example a typical day in my life. You could probably find me huffing and complaining for at least three miles on a treadmill at my gym, moving uphill at a meager jog.

Or, put yourselves in my shoes for a walk to class in the frigid Iowa winter. You probably forgot your hat or gloves or both at work, and are already going to be six minutes late, so you're scurrying through the cold. Now's a good time to wonder if it's really negative 10 outside or if the Earth's atmosphere has dissipated and you're enjoying the balmy warmth of empty, terrifying outer space.

Or, if you're me walking to class the week the Theatre Building reopened, you're an idiot.

The embarrassing truth about me: When I see a fence taken down and tracks leading through it, I'm sort of overcome by the herd mentality (imagine here a thousand lemmings being chased off the so-far-ill-fated chilled water crossing) and I follow them. I thought I'd cut across the back of the IMU, cross the bridge, and end up pretty close to my class. Other people were clearly doing it, right? All the cool people, right?

Unfortunately, the farther I followed the tracks, the fewer and fewer there were (don't ask me how that happened) and the narrower and deeper the snow became.

Interesting pile of black cords over here, I thought.

Nice clump of important, menacing, expensive-looking machines over there, I thought.

And all of a sudden, I realized 15-foot fences surrounded me.

I was stranded on a peninsula of ice and snow. Already late to class, I considered taking my chances and just walking across the somewhat frozen river. I didn't. I tried to scale the fence. Embarrassment and wide-toed boots stopped me.

Finally, I opted for clawing my way across the IMU bridge and praying I didn't get some sort of "you are a terrible person for crossing this closed bridge" ticket, or fall through the metal walk below me. Or the parts of the metal walk that were covered by scary-looking wooden boards.

Relieved to be on the other side, it took me about two minutes to realize, again, I was surrounded by astoundingly tall fences. This time, I saw a man talking on his cell phone. I thought about asking him where the heck I could get out, but he looked very important, and seemed to be relaying something to someone else that probably had to do with the future of the West Campus.

I did eventually find my way out, but by that time I was so delirious with wounded pride and hypothermia that the details remain kind of black around the edges. (Imagine here a sweaty and yet still freezing me mumbling about how I'll never walk again, or something like that.)

And I didn't walk again. Until I did, an hour later.

But this weekend, for the first time in a long time, I walked just to go on a walk. With my family. We went on an Owl Walk, hosted by the Cedar Rapids Indian Creek Nature Center. It was dark and chilly, with tall trees and their long shadows casting across the ground. And we were outside for almost an hour, just to see if we could hear an Iowa owl. And let me tell you, the call of the barred or great horned owl are not much like the "who who" we're taught to make from the spinning, animal noise, kid toy wheel thing. And standing in nature, away from houses and heavily driven roads, walking across un-closed wooden bridges is absolutely breathtaking — even if the small owl calls I thought I heard may have been wishful thinking.

That night, walking around didn't feel like such a burden.

And on my way back to the nature center, I felt a little ashamed to be living in a place, while spending so little time enjoying it.

So forget the treadmill, I'm going to spend more days outside, particularly if it stays as nice as it was this weekend. And I hope you'll all join me. Let's just try to avoid the West Campus. ■

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Guest Opinion

Iowa City, throw a shoe at John Yoo

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The UI is getting into a bad habit of paying war criminals to lecture on our campus. Last year, it was former presidential adviser Karl Rove, a man who, as head of the Iraq Study Group, orchestrated the neoconservative, far-right agenda to deliberately and intentionally mislead the American people into a war for oil in Iraq.

Rove was driven out of town by the largest student protest movement Iowa City has seen since the Vietnam War. But apparently the university didn't take the hint.

This year, the UI College of Law has invited University of California-Berkeley Professor

John Yoo to deliver a private lecture to law-school faculty this Thursday at 12:40 p.m. Yoo is the former deputy assistant attorney general who, in 2002, wrote or cowrote the infamous "Torture Memos" that attempted to give legal justification for the torture of enemy combatants held at Guantánamo Bay and Abu Ghraib.

The United States is bound by the Geneva Conventions, the Convention Against Torture, Article VI of the U.S. Constitution, the U.S. War Crimes Act, and the Uniform Code of Military Justice to not engage in torture. But Yoo doesn't see it that way. In his memos, he narrowly defined torture as inflicting pain "equivalent in intensity to the pain accompanying death, organ failure, or serious impair-

ment of bodily functions."

By Yoo's definition, then, long-term sensory deprivation, sticking needles under a suspects' fingernails, beating them on the balls of their feet, shocking them with electric cattle prods, dunking their heads in buckets of feces and urine, waterboarding them to the point where they lose consciousness, reviving them, then waterboarding them again, none of these are torture. In lawyer speak this is known as an "interpretive denial." What we do isn't torture, it's "enhanced interrogation."

Yoo even went so far as to say that the president has the right to crush the testicles of a child. During a debate in Chicago on Dec. 1, 2005, international human-rights lawyer Doug Cassel asked Yoo, "If the president

deems that he's got to torture somebody, including by crushing the testicles of the person's child, there is no law that can stop him?"

Yoo's response? "No."

Yoo also cowrote the USA Patriot Act and drafted memos approving warrantless wiretapping.

"Our office recently concluded that the Fourth Amendment had no application to domestic military operations," he wrote in a footnote to one of the torture memos.

President Obama signed an executive order after taking office that, for the most part, abolishes the Bush administration's torture policies favored by Yoo. But the question remains, why would the UI law school pay a man such as this to come

here? Yoo's lecture on Thursday is behind closed doors and is a faculty-only event. No information about the purpose of his visit, the content of his speech, or the amount he is getting paid has been released by the law school. Something sketchy is going on here.

The UI law school obviously doesn't want students or Iowa taxpayers, both of whom are paying for Yoo to come here, to ask the man any tough questions about his role formulating public policy. But that doesn't mean we have to let officials get away with it. At a minimum, the law school needs to explain itself in a public forum immediately. It's not too late for the school to cancel the invitation.

Iowa's congressional repre-

sentatives should also respond to the National Lawyers Guild's call to open a criminal investigation against Yoo under the U.S. War Crimes Act. Although some argue that the country should move on and forget about prosecuting former Bush administration officials for war crimes, this is a mistake. Our country needs to know the full extent of the crimes that were committed in our name lest we develop collective amnesia. If perpetrators of human-rights violations are not held accountable, if they are able to act with impunity, we risk the danger of repeating the mistakes of the past.

Barring these prescriptions, somebody ought to throw a shoe at the bastard.

MOVIE REVIEWS



PUBLICITY PHOTO

Drew Barrymore and her coworkers struggle with the limitless ways to be contacted by a guy post-date — thanks to technology — in the new flick *He's Just Not That Into You*.

The 'scoop' on guys

The new flick *He's Just Not That Into You* offers painful, yet much needed, insight on men's inner workings from the first date to marriage, and everywhere in between.

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"He doesn't give a shit." From Justin Long's mouth to audiences' ears, this phrase is one that nobody actually wants to hear. *He's Just Not That Into You* offers harsh reality for those still desperately waiting for the phone to ring 10 days after a date. But the advice isn't meant to be a painful slap of reality, it's meant to be helpful — and it is.

He's Just Not That Into You, based on the 2004 *New York Times* best-seller by Greg Behrendt and Liz Tuccillo, is a tender-hearted flick that gives a heaping pile of useful information while entertaining. With a cast that rivals the fame of the *Ocean's Eleven* crew, the actors of *He's*

He's Just Not That Into You
When: 4:15, 7:10, and 10 p.m.
Where: Sycamore Cinema 12
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

Just Not That Into You have the tough job of spelling out the different ways women get rejected, but they do it with humor.

For those hoping for a Drew Barrymore/Justin Long on-screen reunion, prepare to be disappointed. While the two are both in the film, their characters aren't connected in any way. In fact, the interactions between all of the famous names are rather lackluster. The central story belongs to Long and Ginnifer Goodwin, with the other actors — Ben Affleck, Jennifer Aniston, and Scarlett Johansson among them — following their own side stories.

Each story offers different twists on dating life. For example, the cheating husband, the women who induced the cheating and the couple who have been together for seven years but can't seem to make it to the altar. The outcomes of these stories aren't exactly predictable, nor are they always pleasant, but they do have the ability to warm viewers' hearts.

Every once in a while, the movie breaks to offer blunt dating

advice — think season one of "Sex and the City." The guidance comes from seemingly real people discussing things they have learned throughout their years of dating, with the intention of alerting those who are just starting out.

But the constant heartbreak adds an unfortunate depressing layer to *He's Just Not That Into You*. Despite all of the different ways to tell if a guy is uninterested in you, it's rather disheartening to actually be let in on this information and bluntly remember that guys and women think on completely different levels. But one of the things the film states clearly is that there is an exception to every rule.

The dating fine print in *He's Just Not That Into You* helps audiences remember that even though a guy may not call, it could be because he isn't letting himself think about just how much he really likes you. Viewers shouldn't let that stop them from thinking about how much they like this movie.

Stunningly off-kilter



PUBLICITY PHOTO

Dakota Fanning voices the title character in *Coraline*, Hollywood's latest stop-animation film to cast a dark shadow on childhood whimsy.

Don't be fooled by the PG rating, *Coraline* is a darkly conceived, visually stunning masterpiece that will delight the inner adult in us all.

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To watch *Coraline* is to re-experience a childhood nightmare. There was that time you dreamed that your next-door neighbor was actually a monster in disguise. You tossed and turned after 7-foot spiders that wanted to capture you in their webs. And the worst dreams, the ones in which you imagined that your parents had abandoned you forever, forced you awake in a cold sweat. In *Coraline*, it's as if director Henry Selick (of *Nightmare Before Christmas* fame) has journeyed into our collective childhood fears and re-created them for the big screen in 3D stop-motion animation. *Coraline* is a visual masterpiece, flawlessly straddling the realms of beauty and darkness for a children's film that's very much for adults.

Coraline
When: 4:30, 6:50, 9:10 p.m.
Where: Coral Ridge 10
★★★★ out of ★★★★★

Based on British author Neil Gaiman's 2006 horror novella, the movie revolves around young Coraline Jones (voiced by Dakota Fanning), who feels lonely and unloved by her parents after a recent move into a creepy old house. When she discovers a door leading to a parallel universe, Coraline is thrilled by what she finds — until she realizes that there are very real and terrifying costs to living in a world in which all is not as it seems.

The plot may be delightfully creepy, but the dazzling visuals are the best features of *Coraline*. Selick has created a world in which gardens come alive, colorful paper dragonflies enchant a bedroom, and a sly black cat has the power to disappear into thin air. The medium of stop-motion animation — which exists in a world somewhere between cartoons and reality — fits the eerie story perfectly, allowing the characters to teeter around their off-kilter world in a slightly imbalanced way. Each new scene offers the viewer an entire bagful of intoxicating and delicious eye candy, creating what might

be the best sugar coma ever experienced.

Despite its spectacular visual presence, *Coraline* suffers from not going far enough into the realm of the perverse. Near the end, its complex story line narrows into a linear resolution that's great for kids but feels a bit shallow for adults who've become invested in the multifaceted design sketched out at the beginning.

To place the film in recent stop-motion animation history, this flaw ranks *Coraline* a firm two notches below 1993's *Nightmare Before Christmas* (but a solid three notches above 2005's *Corpse Bride*).

Though Tim Burton's twisted sense of humor could have added another layer to *Coraline's* impressive three dimensions, the movie remains, without a doubt, one of the best animated films of the new millennium. *Coraline* may toy with the stuff that used to hide under our beds and go bump in the night, but pain and pleasure go hand in hand. And as any kid who has stayed up late to watch a monster marathon on Sci-Fi will tell you, it's fun to be scared.

COOK IN PROGRESS

BALSAMIC REDUCTION

College students, as a rule, like to keep their food simple. This policy is great when you're ducking home in between classes for a quick sandwich, but if you're trying to impress somebody for a special occasion (say, Valentine's Day), boiling a pot of pasta just won't cut it. If you want something a bit more sophisticated, why not try making your own sauce with this simple balsamic reduction. Sounds fancy, doesn't it? Go ahead, say it out loud. Drizzle this over meat, vegetables, fruit, almost anything really, and your significant other can't help but be impressed by your skills as a saucier (assuming he or she doesn't know how easy it is to make).

What you'll need:
1 cup balsamic vinegar
3 tablespoons brown sugar

1-2 pats of butter



Combine these ingredients in a skillet over high heat. Bring the mixture to a boil, and then let it simmer until it's a little more watery than chocolate syrup. Remove from heat, and let it continue to thicken for three to five minutes. Now it's ready to add flavor to almost any food. Any leftover sauce can be refrigerated.

— by Brian Dau

ARTS

Slumdog wins 7 British film awards

LONDON (AP) — Rags-to-riches story *Slumdog Millionaire* continued its fairytale journey Sunday, winning seven prizes, including best picture, at the British Academy Film Awards and sealing its place as favorite for the Oscars later this month.

Kate Winslet and Mickey Rourke also gained Oscar momentum with acting wins — Winslet for her role as a former Nazi concentration camp guard in *The Reader*, Rourke for his career-reviving performance as a washed-up athlete in *The Wrestler*. Heath Ledger won a posthumous supporting actor award for *The Dark Knight*. "It's such a pleasure to be back

here, out of the darkness," Rourke said.

After her onstage emotional meltdown at the Golden Globes last month, Winslet was a model of composure, thanking her parents, sitting in the audience, "who I will not look at right now, otherwise I will burst into tears."

Slumdog, Danny Boyle's film about a Mumbai street boy's rise from poverty to game-show triumph, went into the ceremony with 11 nominations and won prizes for best film, best director, original screenplay, music, cinematography, editing, and sound.

The low-budget film, shot partly in Hindi, has gone from rank outsider to Academy-Award favorite since it won four trophies at the Golden Globe awards last month and became a box-office hit.

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Brittany Weil

SOFTBALL

Up-and-down weekend for softball

The Iowa softball team finished with a 3-2 record at the Time Warner Cable Texas Invitational in Austin, Texas, over this past weekend.

The Hawkeyes beat Stephen F. Austin, 3-1, on Sunday, finishing 2-0 against the Ladyjacks after a 8-0 win on Feb. 6.

Iowa lost to Texas 3-2 on a walk-off home run in the tournament semifinal on Feb. 7, which set up the second meeting against Stephen F. Austin.

Iowa defeated the Longhorns, 4-1, earlier in the day but couldn't beat the host school again to advance to the tournament final against Florida State. The Seminoles had crushed Iowa, 6-0, on Feb. 6.

Junior outfielder Taylor Leichenring led the Hawkeyes at the plate, batting .333 and capitalizing on two stolen-base attempts.

Senior pitcher Brittany Weil started two games and finished with a 3-1 record at the tournament. Last year's team-MVP pitched 21 innings over the weekend, recording a 0.67 ERA and 19 strikeouts. Opposing batters hit .119 against her.

The Hawkeyes will take the field against Idaho State on Friday at 10 a.m., as part of the Littlewood Classic in Tempe, Ariz.

— by Mike Slusark

TENNIS

Women's tennis takes two

The Iowa women's tennis team had a solid weekend in Milwaukee, defeating both Louisville and Marquette to improve to 4-2 this season.

Trailing Louisville 3-2 on Feb. 7, the Hawkeyes needed two singles wins from Lynne Poggensee-Wei and Alexis Dorr. Both players delivered — Poggensee-Wei won her match in three sets (4-6, 6-3, 6-2), and Dorr took hers in two (6-2, 6-3). Iowa also earned wins at Nos. 1 and 5 by Sonja Molnar (6-0, 6-1) and Kelcie Klockenga (7-5, 6-4), who continued their strong play this season. Molnar and Dorr won the No. 1 doubles match, 8-6.

Iowa had it easier against the host Marquette on Sunday, downing the Golden Eagles, 5-2. Jessica Young and Klockenga both dropped their first set but battled back to win in matches No. 4 (4-6, 6-4, 6-3) and No. 5 (4-6, 7-5, 6-0).

Molnar was victorious (6-3, 6-3), and Poggensee-Wei won (7-6 [7-5], 6-1). Iowa netted the doubles point by winning Nos. 1 and 2. Molnar and Dorr won (9-8 [8-6]), and the new combination of Poggensee-Wei and Klockenga was effective in their 8-5 win.



Greenan head coach

— by Robbie Lehman

TV TODAY

NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

• West Virginia at No. 6 Pittsburgh, 6 p.m., ESPN
• No. 21 Kansas at Missouri, 8 p.m., ESPN

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• No. 4 Duke at No. 8 North Carolina, 6:30 p.m., ESPN2

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• N.Y. Rangers at New Jersey, 6 p.m., VERSUS

IOWA 56, NORTHWESTERN 51

Hawkeyes dial up long distance



PATRICK LARKIN/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa sophomore guard Jeff Peterson grabs a loose ball and leads a fast break midway through the first half of the Hawkeyes' game against Northwestern in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Feb. 7. Peterson's 16 points led Iowa in a 56-51 victory over the Wildcats.

Iowa defeats Northwestern, 56-51, riding 12-for-30 shooting beyond the arc.

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It took 24 games, but Iowa matched its win total from all of last season.

The Hawkeyes (13-11, 3-8), with an 8-for-8 stint from the charity stripe down the stretch and Jeff Peterson's 16 points, outshot Northwestern (13-8, 4-6) on their way to a 56-51 victory over the Wildcats at Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Feb. 7.

Battling the Northwestern coach Bill Carmody's 1-3-1 extended zone, Iowa opted to shoot over the defense, taking 30 3-point attempts in the contest. In front of an announced attendance of 12,555, The Hawkeyes went the first nine minutes in the first half without even attempting a two-point basket. During that time, head coach Todd Lickliter's squad went six-of-10 from behind the arc.

"We only shot 30 of them," the

second-year head coach said, followed by a laugh. "You just don't have very many opportunities. ... [Against this defense], your driving lanes are so difficult. ... I have watched a lot of tape on them, and we aren't the only team that ends up playing a lot on the perimeter."

The Hawkeyes ended up playing on the perimeter so often that in the game's first 20 minutes, they attempted 20 shots, 17 of which were from long distance. It took Lickliter's squad 25 minutes to make a two-pointer. Five Iowa players made a triple in the contest.

Lost in all the hubbub about

the two teams' 56 combined 3-point attempts was the Hawkeye defense. With the return of senior forward Cyrus Tate, Iowa held Northwestern to 18-of-48 shooting (37.5 percent) in the contest.

"I thought our defense was great all night," said freshman Matt Gatens, who had 13 points in 25 minutes. "We stuck to our principles and forced them outside. ... It was a great team effort, and we definitely need to keep it up."

Iowa's defense, however, wasn't enough to subdue the frisky Wildcats. With Northwestern leading 46-45, freshman Devan

IOWA 56, NORTHWESTERN 51

NORTHWESTERN (13-8)			
Shurna	2-5	0-0	4
Coble	4-8	0-1	8
Rowley	0-3	1-2	1
Moore	6-18	2-2	20
Thompson	0-3	0-0	0
Capocci	0-0	0-0	0
Ryan	0-1	4-4	4
Mirkovic	4-4	1-1	9
Fruendt	0-1	0-0	0
Nash	2-4	0-0	5
Curletti	0-1	0-0	0
Williams	0-0	0-0	0
Totals	8-48	8-10	51

IOWA (13-11)			
Gatens	3-6	4-4	13
Tate	0-1	2-2	2
Bawinkel	3-10	0-0	9
Peterson	3-10	7-8	16
Kelly	2-8	2-2	8
Davis	2-3	1-1	6
Fuller	0-0	0-0	0
Cole	1-2	0-1	2
Totals	14-40	16-18	56

Halftime — Iowa 24-21
3-Point Goals — Northwestern 7-26 (Moore 6-18, Nash 1-1, Thompson 0-1, Shurna 0-3, Coble 0-3), Iowa 12-30 (Peterson 3-6, Gatens 3-6, Bawinkel 3-9, Kelly 2-7, Davis 1-2)
Fouled Out — Nash, Thompson
Rebounds — Northwestern 26 (Mirkovic 6), Iowa 33 (Cole 7)
Assists — Northwestern 9 (Ryan 4), Iowa 12 (Peterson 5)
Total Fouls — Northwestern 21, Iowa 13
A — 12,555

ON THE WEB

Go to dailyiowan.com and check out an exclusive photo slide show from Iowa's 56-51 victory over Northwestern on Feb. 7 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Bawinkel hit a 3-pointer deep in the left corner with 1:05 remaining. Peterson then stole the ball from sophomore Michael Thompson with 28 seconds left to essentially seal the victory.

"Well, he got it back for us on that one," said Lickliter, referring to Peterson's steal. "There were probably a number of defensive plays that you could look at and compliment. I really thought that Matt Gatens' defense while he was in there was good. I thought he did a great job, but he wasn't the only one."

SEE BASKETBALL, 3B

No. 1 wrestlers roll over Penn State

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It was originally billed as a marquee matchup featuring two of the nation's top teams from a year ago. With No. 1 Iowa making a guest appearance at Rec Hall in State College, Pa., fans packed the stands to watch a pair of NCAA heavyweights exchange blows.

What they didn't want to see was Iowa head coach Tom Brands and the Hawkeyes turn the meet

from a high-impact thriller into a belly-busting comedy.

Iowa did just that, claiming victory in eight out of 10 matches en route to a dominant 31-6 win over No. 22 Penn State, extending the Hawkeyes' dual meet winning streak to 34 and winning away from Carver-Hawkeye Arena for the 27th-straight time.

The meet started at 165, matching Ryan Morningstar against a familiar foe, Penn State's Dan Vallimont — Morningstar lost to him twice last year when each wrestler competed at 157.

SEE WRESTLING, 3B

NO. 1 IOWA 22, MICHIGAN STATE 15

125 — No. 4 Charlie Falck (I) maj. dec. Eric Olanowski (MSU), 25-13
133 — No. 1 Daniel Dennis (I) dec. No. 6 Franklin Gomez (MSU), 3-2
141 — No. 2 Alex Tsirtsis (I) dec. Collin Dozier (MSU), 6-2
149 — No. 1 Brent Metcalf (I) pinned David Cheza (MSU), 4:41
157 — Anthony Jones (MSU) dec. Matt Ballweg (I), 1-0

165 — Rex Kandle (MSU) dec. No. 3 Ryan Morningstar (I), 5-4
174 — Ian Hinton (MSU) dec. Colby Covington (I), 3-2 TB
184 — No. 3 Phil Keddy (I) dec. Nick Palmieri (MSU), 8-2
197 — No. 18 Chad Beatty (I) dec. Tyler Dickenson (MSU), 12-5

Hwt. — Alan O'Donnell (MSU) injury default No. 7 Dan Ereksion (I)

NO. 1 IOWA 31, No. 22 PENN STATE 6

165 — No. 3 Ryan Morningstar (I) dec. No. 20 Dan Vallimont (PSU), 5-4
174 — Colby Covington (I) dec. No. 16 Quentin Wright (PSU), 3-2
184 — No. 3 Phil Keddy (I) major dec. Jake Decker (PSU), 25-10
197 — No. 18 Chad Beatty (I) pinned J.R. Brown (PSU), 5:26
Hwt. — Cameron Wade (PSU) dec. Brodie Ambrose (I), 4-0
125 — No. 4 Charlie Falck (I) dec. Brad Pataky (PSU), 9-3
133 — No. 1 Daniel Dennis (I) dec. No. 9 Jake Strayer (PSU), 6-3
141 — No. 2 Alex Tsirtsis (I) dec. Frank Molinaro (PSU), 6-2
149 — No. 1 Brent Metcalf (I) pinned Colby Pisani (PSU), 2:18
157 — Tim Darling (PSU) dec. Matt Ballweg (I), 5-4

Men's tennis wins, loses

Men's tennis nabs Steve Houghton his 300th win on Feb. 6 but then loses to Denver.

By AMIE KIEHN
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While the Iowa men's tennis team clinched win No. 300 for head coach Steve Houghton on Feb. 6, the celebration was brief.

Two days after beating Indiana State with ease, 6-1, the Hawkeyes found themselves in a rigorous matchup against Denver, which they lost, 4-3. The defeat dropped Iowa to 2-1 this spring.

At the beginning of Sunday's match with the Pioneers, Iowa's immaculate doubles play gave the Hawkeyes a one-point advantage after sweeping the three matches.

"I was impressed how hard we played," Houghton said. "I thought the doubles were great. It was by far the best doubles we've played in probably two or three years."

"I was hopeful that would carry over into singles, but the reality is, Denver, I think, is probably better in singles than it is in doubles."

Perhaps no singles match proved Houghton's case more than the battle between Iowa freshman Will Vasos and Denver's Yannick Weihs.

After Vasos won the first set, Weihs pulled away with the second set, 6-2. Vasos made



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Iowa senior Christian Bierich serves during his No. 1 doubles match against Denver at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on Sunday. Though the Hawkeyes swept the doubles matches, Denver came out on top, 4-3.

minor changes in the third set and incorporated quick volleying that Weihs could not

counter for a while.

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MEN'S BIG TEN BASKETBALL

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Michigan St.	9	2	.818	19	4	.826
Illinois	7	4	.636	19	5	.792
Ohio St.	7	4	.636	17	5	.773
Purdue	6	4	.600	17	6	.739
Minnesota	6	5	.545	18	5	.783
Penn St.	6	5	.545	17	7	.708
Michigan	5	6	.455	15	9	.625
Wisconsin	5	6	.455	14	9	.609
Northwestern	4	6	.400	13	8	.619
Iowa	3	8	.273	13	11	.542
Indiana	1	9	.100	6	16	.273

Saturday's Games
 Michigan St. 75, Indiana 47
 Connecticut 69, Michigan 61
 Iowa 56, Northwestern 51
 Ohio St. 64, Minnesota 58

Sunday's Games
 Illinois 66, Purdue 48
 Wisconsin 54, Penn St. 44

Tuesday's Games
 Michigan State at Michigan, 6 p.m. ESPN
 Indiana at Minnesota, 8 p.m. BTN

Wednesday's Games
 Iowa at Wisconsin, 7:30 p.m., BTN
 Penn State at Purdue, 5:30 p.m. BTN

Thursday's Games
 Iowa at Penn State, 8 p.m. ESPN or ESPN2

Saturday's Games
 Purdue at Iowa, 3:05 p.m. BTN
 Minnesota at Penn State, 12:30 p.m. BTN
 Ohio State at Wisconsin, 8 p.m. ESPN

Sunday's Games
 Illinois at Indiana, 12 p.m. CBS
 Michigan at Northwestern, 2 p.m. BTN

Today's Games
 N.Y. Rangers at New Jersey, 6 p.m.
 Montreal at Calgary, 8 p.m.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

EASTERN CONFERENCE			
Team	W	L	Pct
Atlanta	42	11	.792
Boston	25	24	.510
Philadelphia	24	28	.462
New Jersey	21	29	.420
New York	19	34	.358
Toronto	19	34	.358
SOUTHEAST			
Team	W	L	Pct
Orlando	38	12	.760
Atlanta	29	21	.580
Miami	27	23	.540
Charlotte	19	31	.380
Washington	11	40	.216
CENTRAL			
Team	W	L	Pct
Cleveland	39	10	.796
Detroit	27	22	.551
Milwaukee	24	29	.453
Chicago	20	29	.431
Indiana	20	28	.417
WESTERN CONFERENCE			
Team	W	L	Pct
San Antonio	34	15	.694
New Orleans	30	18	.625
Houston	31	20	.608
Dallas	30	20	.600
Memphis	14	36	.280
NORTHWEST			
Team	W	L	Pct
Denver	34	17	.667
Portland	31	19	.620
Utah	29	23	.558
Minnesota	17	33	.340
Oklahoma City	13	38	.255
PACIFIC			
Team	W	L	Pct
L.A. Lakers	41	9	.820
Phoenix	28	21	.571
Golden State	17	35	.327
L.A. Clippers	12	39	.235
Sacramento	11	41	.212

Sunday's Games
 San Antonio 105, Boston 99
 L.A. Lakers 101, Cleveland 91
 Orlando 101, New Jersey 84
 Washington 119, Indiana 117
 Miami 96, Charlotte 92
 Portland 109, New York 108
 Oklahoma City 116, Sacramento 113
 New Orleans 101, Minnesota 97
 Phoenix 107, Detroit 97
 Golden State 116, Utah 96

Today's Games
 Phoenix at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
 L.A. Clippers at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
 Houston at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
 New Orleans at Memphis, 7 p.m.

WOMEN'S BIG TEN BASKETBALL

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Ohio State	10	2	.833	19	4	.826
Michigan State	10	3	.769	17	7	.708
Minnesota	9	3	.750	17	6	.739
Purdue	9	4	.692	16	8	.667
Indiana	8	5	.615	15	7	.682
Iowa	7	5	.583	14	9	.609
Wisconsin	4	9	.308	14	10	.583
Penn State	3	8	.273	8	13	.381
Michigan	3	9	.250	10	13	.435
Illinois	3	10	.231	7	17	.292
Northwestern	2	10	.167	6	17	.261

Sunday's Games
 Minnesota 64, Iowa 58
 Illinois 66, Indiana 59
 Michigan State 52, Ohio State 46
 Purdue 66, Wisconsin 49

Today's Games
 Penn State at Michigan, 6 p.m.
 Ohio State at Iowa, 7:05 p.m.
 Michigan State at Indiana, 6 p.m.
 Northwestern at Illinois, 7 p.m.
 Penn State at Wisconsin, 7 p.m.
 Purdue at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Sunday's Games
 Iowa at Penn State, 2 p.m.
 Northwestern at Ohio State, 10 a.m.
 Illinois at Purdue, 12 p.m.
 Minnesota at Michigan, 4 p.m.

TOP 25 COLLEGE BASKETBALL

#5 Louisville 60, St. John's 47
 #7 Wake Forest 93, Boston College 76
 #23 Illinois 66, #12 Purdue 48
 #24 Washington 75, Stanford 68

Other Scores
 Creighton 77, Northern Iowa 71

WOMEN'S SCORES
 #2 Oklahoma 93, Oklahoma State 75
 #3 California 77, Washington State 51
 #6 Auburn 81, Alabama 54
 #7 Stanford 76, Washington 54
 #10 Texas A&M 86, Nebraska 43
 #11 Florida 66, #12 Tennessee 57
 Michigan State 52, #14 Ohio State 46
 #15 Florida State 75, Miami (Fl) 59
 #16 Texas 77, Texas Tech 46
 #17 Virginia 69, Virginia Tech 61
 #19 Notre Dame 82, #25 DePaul 59
 #20 Vanderbilt 72, Kentucky 62

Other Scores
 Drake 66, Missouri State 60

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Team	W	L	OT	Pts
New Jersey	33	17	3	69
Philadelphia	28	15	9	65
N.Y. Rangers	29	19	5	63
Pittsburgh	26	24	5	57
N.Y. Islanders	16	31	5	37
NORTHEAST				
Team	W	L	OT	Pts
Boston	39	8	7	85
Montreal	29	18	6	64
Buffalo	28	20	6	62
Toronto	20	25	9	49
Ottawa	18	24	8	44
SOUTHEAST				
Team	W	L	OT	Pts
Washington	34	16	4	72
Carolina	27	22	5	59
Florida	25	19	8	58
Tampa Bay	18	24	11	47
Atlanta	18	31	5	41
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Team	W	L	OT	Pts
Central	35	11	7	77
Detroit	29	14	8	66
Chicago	23	23	5	55
Columbus	25	25	3	53
Nashville	22	24	6	50
NORTHWEST				
Team	W	L	OT	Pts
Calgary	30	18	4	64
Minnesota	27	22	3	57
Edmonton	26	23	4	56
Vancouver	24	20	8	56
Colorado	25	27	1	51
PACIFIC				
Team	W	L	OT	Pts
San Jose	36	7	7	79
Anaheim	27	24	5	59
Dallas	26	19	7	59
Phoenix	24	25	5	53
Los Angeles	23	21	7	53

Sunday's Games
 Detroit 3, Pittsburgh 0
 Philadelphia 3, Atlanta 2
 Minnesota 3, Edmonton 2, SO
 Dallas 4, Nashville 1

MINNESOTA 64, IOWA 58

Gopher rally sinks Hawks

A late Minnesota rally hands Iowa its fifth conference loss of the season.

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The Iowa women's basketball team missed out on a n opportunity to move up in the standings Sunday, falling to Minnesota, 64-58, at "The Barn" in Minneapolis.

The Hawkeyes (14-9, 7-5) gave the game away in the final 3:58, as the Golden Gophers (17-6, 9-3) closed out with a 15-2 run.

MINNESOTA 64, IOWA 58

IOWA (14-9, 7-5)			
Player	Points	Rebounds	Assists
Alexander	0-1	2-2	2
Ausdemore	6-13	0-0	13
Skouby	10-14	1-1	21
Wahlin	2-10	2-2	8
Ellis-Milan	6-13	0-0	14
Krei	0-1	0-0	0
Draxten	0-3	0-0	0
Totals	24-55	5-5	58

MINNESOTA (17-6, 9-3)			
Player	Points	Rebounds	Assists
Ohm	1-6	0-0	3
Voight	2-4	5-6	9
Ellis-Milan	9-16	2-2	21
Fox	2-14	0-0	5
McCoy	1-3	2-2	4
Sylvia	3-3	0-0	8
Harper	1-3	2-2	4
Buford	3-9	3-4	10
Totals	22-58	14-16	64

Halftime - Iowa 29-23
3-Point Goals - Iowa 5-20 (Ausdemore 1-6, Wahlin 2-6, Smith 2-6, Draxten 0-2), Minnesota 6-23 (Ohm 1-4, Voight 0-1, Ellis-Milan 1-1, Fox 1-8, McCoy 0-1, Sylvia 2-2, Buford 1-6)
Fouled Out - None
Rebounds - Iowa 38 (Skouby 11), Minnesota 31 (Voight, Ellis-Milan 7)
Assists - Iowa 20 (Wahlin 6), Minnesota 16 (Fox 4)
Total Fouls - Iowa 13, Minnesota 10
 A - 7,848

"[Williams Arena] is a tough place to play. Not many people come in here and win," Iowa assistant coach Jenni Fitzgerald said during a postgame radio interview. "Unfortunately, this was a missed opportunity for us, but it wasn't like we didn't go down fighting and playing extremely hard."



Skouby senior

Minnesota took the lead for good with 42 seconds remaining with junior Ashley Ellis-Milan's jumper, but Iowa had its chances to get back into the game. However, several missed 3-point field goals by guards Kamille Wahlin and Kristi Smith prevented the Hawkeyes from coming back.

"[Minnesota] did a good job making plays the final couple minutes," Smith told Minnesota media. "We had some open looks, but they just didn't fall."

collegiate games in their home state — Wahlin is from Crookston and Draxten from Ferguson Falls. Following the Feb. 5 victory at home against Indiana, Wahlin estimated that the two would each have several coach buses full of people making the trip to watch them play.

The trio of Iowa seniors kept the Hawkeyes in the game, with Smith, Wendy Ausdemore, and Megan Skouby accounting for 48 of Iowa's points. Skouby finished with a double-double at 21 points and 11 rebounds, leading the Hawkeyes in both categories.

"[Skouby] shot the ball well. We wanted to keep getting her the ball in side cause she was in that zone, with 21 points and 11 rebounds," head coach Lisa Bluder said during a postgame radio interview. "That's a great rebounding night for Megan; she did a really good job there."

After going down 60-58, Wahlin missed an open 3 that would have put the Hawkeyes in front. After Minnesota extended its lead to four, Wahlin missed another 3 on Iowa's ensuing possession and was followed by Smith barely missing a 28-footer, going halfway down, then coming back up.

"We did get really good looks. We made the right decisions on the shots; we didn't take a poor shot," Fitzgerald said. "We did everything right; unfortunately, it just didn't go in."

Had Iowa secured a victory, the Hawkeyes would have moved up three rungs in the Big Ten standings, but Sunday's loss keeps Iowa in sixth place. The Hawkeyes will have another opportunity to move up in the standings when they host No. 12 Ohio State on Thursday. The Buckeyes sit atop the conference; last season, Iowa finished tied for first place in the Big Ten with the Buckeyes.

"Let's go out and beat Ohio State on Thursday night," Fitzgerald said. "We just have to learn from this game and move on to that one."

The game was even more meaningful for Wahlin and freshman teammate Hannah Draxten, who played their first

HAWKEYE SPORTS

Men's golf starts off hot

The Iowa men's golf team got its spring season off to a good start with a match-play victory against Scottsdale Community College in Phoenix, Ariz., on Feb. 7.

Despite the event being an exhibition for Iowa, the Feb. 7 results indicated the Hawkeyes are on the right track coming out of the break.

All six Iowa golfers won their matches, and none of them needed 18 holes to do so. Senior Cole Peevler's seven-hole lead with five holes remaining was the most dominant. Sophomore Vince India was impressive, finishing early with a six-hole lead with five holes left. Freshman Chris Brant and sophomore Brad Hopfinger both held four-hole leads with three holes remaining. Capturing victories with two-hole leads through 17 were freshmen Brad George and Barrett Kelpin.

"I thought overall, it was a good competitive experience for our guys," Iowa head coach Mark

Hankins said. "Obviously, it was nice to win all our matches — that helps with confidence and we'll use that next week at our next tournament."

Iowa's first spring competition will be the inaugural Big Ten Match Play Championships, which will begin Friday in Coral Springs, Fla.

- by Jordan Garretson

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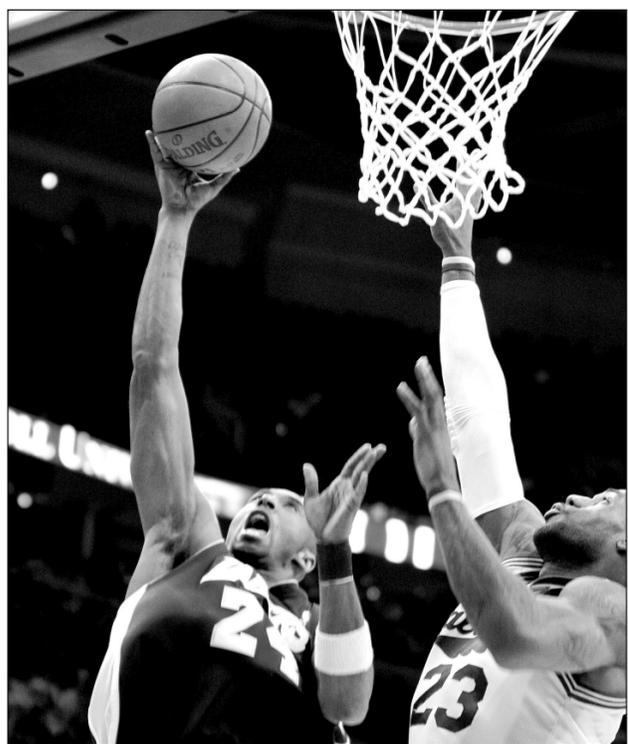
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With Kobe ill, Lakers whip Cavs

By TOM WITHERS
 Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Kobe Bryant was sick. The Cleveland Cavaliers just looked it.

With Bryant suffering from the flu, Lamar Odom scored a season-high 28 points — 15 in the third quarter — and Paul Gasol scored 18 as the streak-busting Los Angeles Lakers dominated the second half and handed Cleveland its first home loss this season, 101-91 on Sunday to complete a 6-0 road trip.



Los Angeles Laker Kobe Bryant (24) shoots over Cleveland Cavalier LeBron James (23) during the second quarter Sunday in Cleveland.

Bryant was not himself. The superstar vomited before the game, shivered with chills throughout, and needed intravenous fluids at halftime. But Odom picked up the offensive slack, helped contain LeBron James on defense, and was the biggest factor in the Lakers outscoring the Cavaliers 50-30 after halftime.

"That was one of the best games he's played for us," Laker coach Phil Jackson said of the enigmatic Odom. "He's had some spectacular games, but that was a terrific game. It was the total package of his game. He broke people down with his speed and quickness to the basket and got some easy shots."

It's been a tough few days for Cleveland. First, guard Mo Williams was bypassed for the second time as an All-Star. Then, James had his apparent

home stripped by the road-weary Lakers.

"You have to give the Lakers credit," said James, who scored

16 but missed 15 of his 20 field-goal tries. "I missed a lot of easy looks that I usually make."

The Cavaliers came in 23-0 at Quicken Loans Arena but were stopped by the Lakers, who are gaining a reputation for stopping streaks.

They ended Boston's 19-game winning streak on Christmas Day and halted a 12-game run by the Celtics earlier this week. This was Cleveland's first loss at home since Game 5 against Washington in the first round of last season's playoffs.

"I didn't want it to happen," James said. "But I'm glad it's over."

The Lakers weren't intimidated in one of the NBA's rowdiest arena and went undefeated on a road trip that also included stops in Minnesota, Memphis, New York, Toronto, and Boston. Los Angeles' trip started rocky with center Andrew Bynum injuring his knee against the Grizzlies, but it couldn't have ended any better.

Beginning with Bryant's record-setting 61-point performance against the Knicks, the Lakers have gone 4-0 without Bynum. They didn't commit a turnover in the final 19:28 against the Cavs.

"We're playing for perfection," Odom said, "and in order to do that, it takes a lot of energy, focus, and commitment to winning and doing whatever it takes. We got production from everyone."

Men pull out win

BASKETBALL
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Wildcat guard Craig Moore was one of the reasons Carmody's squad hung around for so long. The senior had 20 points in 37 minutes, single-handedly keeping Northwestern in the game with his 3-point shooting.

But all the 3-point shooting in the world wouldn't have dampened the eagerness of the Iowa fans, who were excited from the start, when Tate — who missed the team's last seven games with an ankle injury — was introduced as a starter.

Lickliter said he wanted to play the senior seven minutes per half, and Tate ended up getting 14 minutes of court time, scoring two points and grabbing five rebounds.

"[I decided to start him] about 12 minutes before the game," the coach said. "I knew that we were going to play him, but I kept going back and forth. I thought that if he warms up, I am not sure that I want him sitting over there and [getting stiff]. I also thought it might be fun to introduce him, and it was. ... It is nice that somebody who cares so much, like he does, was shown appreciation."

On Feb. 11, Tate and Company will head to Wisconsin and attempt to sweep the Badgers. Right now, however, the Hawkeyes — who are 2-9 on the road — would like to bask in their victory over Northwestern for a little longer.

"The Big Ten is really strong this year — maybe stronger than last year," Kelly said. "To get 13 wins already means a lot for our program."



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Iowa senior Cyrus Tate goes up for his only attempted field goal in the second half of the Hawkeyes' game against Northwestern in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Feb. 7. Tate, who made his first appearance in eight games after spraining an ankle, was fouled on the play and sunk both his free throws. Iowa defeated Northwestern, 56-51.

Hawks drop tough match

TENNIS
CONTINUED FROM 1B

But despite Vasos' solid final play, he lost 6-4.

"We had three other guys who lost, too, who I am sure they are kicking themselves thinking they could of won their matches, too," Houghton said. "So those are always hard to take and were certainly down to the wire."

After four demanding singles matches, Denver led, 3-2, giving Iowa senior Greg Holma a chance to even things up.

"When our assistant coach [Steve Nash] came over, he told me to change how I was returning a serve, so I started to go for more," Holm said. "On my service return, I started going for more, and it put pressure on [Johan Gunnarsson], and he started to miss more, and the match completely turned, and I won the second and third sets, 6-2, 6-2."

After Holm's triumph, the spectators and the 25 members of the two teams turned their attention to court eight and the final match.

After more than two hours of competition, Iowa junior Reinoud Haal and Denver's Benny Althaus were tied, 1-1. Althaus defeated Haal in the first set, 7-6, but after Haal adjusted his returns and ground strokes, he came away with the second set, 6-3.

However, Althaus won third and final set, 6-3, giving the victory to Denver.

Although Haal led the set 3-2 early because of his rallies and his keen forehand, Althaus made adjustments and shot back with three swift points.

"It was a very good college



PATRICK LARKIN/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa senior Christian Bierich volleys during his No. 1 singles match against Denver's Martin Zimmerman at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on Sunday. Bierich lost the match in two sets (6-3, 7-5), and the Hawkeyes were defeated, 4-3.

match any way you look at it," Houghton said. "If you came over to watch that match and didn't really care who won, I think you probably would come back and watch again — a lot of drama to it."

"I told our guys after that the

last match is the always the one remembered in a 4-3 match, but Reinoud [Haal] played hard and just lost a tough match to a good guy."

The Hawkeyes' next match will be Friday against Illinois State at 3:30 p.m.

Wrestling steamrollers on

WRESTLING
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It looked like more of the same from Vallimont, as he lead 2-1 after the first period.

After a Morningstar escape was the only scoring in the second period, the Hawkeye junior had to dig deep to pull off the win.

Trailing 3-2 in the third period, Morningstar hit a sweep-single to Vallimont's left leg and scored the takedown giving him his first lead of the match at 4-3 with less than a minute remaining. But Vallimont fought Morningstar with everything he had, getting an escape to tie the score at 4-4 with seven seconds remaining in the match.

In the end, Morningstar captured the 5-4 win with riding time.

"Morningstar did a good job of going out and getting the win. I don't think he wrestled satisfactorily to himself, meaning he probably wanted more out of that," Brands said. "The biggest thing with him is he's pretty good when he goes to offense. I'm not sure that he gave himself enough opportunities. He gives himself a lot more opportunities, and he'll widen those matches and widen those gaps."

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— Tom Brands, Iowa head coach

Colby Covington made the most of his third-straight start at 174 filling in for the injured Jay Borschel, downing 16th-ranked Quentin Wright, 3-2.

Phil Keddy was up to his usual tricks, hammering Penn State's Jake Decker, 25-10, and pushing Iowa's advantage to 10-0 after three matches. Keddy led 23-10 with well over a full minute of riding time when he was awarded a takedown as time expired. However, because the takedown came with no time left on the clock, Iowa was only allowed four points for a major decision instead of five points for a technical fall.

Chad Beatty kept things rolling for the Hawkeyes, pinning J.R. Brown in 5:26.

Charlie Falck scored a 9-3 win over Brad Pataky at 125. Falck, ranked No. 4, improved his record to 17-1 with the win; he remains undefeated against Big Ten opponents.

"[Falck] looked good. He needs to do more in the third period, but he looked good," Brands said. "He is hitting holds where he gets the hold and then

hits the shot, and that's how he's got to wrestle."

Top-ranked 133-pounder Daniel Dennis scored his second win of the weekend against a ranked opponent, using a trio of takedowns to defeat Jake Strayer — avenging a 10-7 loss in the pair's only collegiate meeting dating back to the 2006 Iowa-Penn State dual.

After Alex Tsirtsis' 6-2 win at 141 pushed the Iowa lead to 25-3, Brent Metcalf picked up a pin in his fifth-straight match, sticking Penn State's Colby Pisani in 2:18. Metcalf, who was expecting to square off with No. 2 Bubba Jenkins in a rematch of last year's NCAA finals, racked up a 9-3 lead in the first two minutes of the match before using a bent-leg turk-step to force Pisani onto his back for the second and final time of the match.

The Hawkeyes will return home next weekend for their final two home dual meets of the season when Purdue visits Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Friday, followed by the "Border Brawl" with Minnesota on Feb. 15.

IOWA BASEBALL

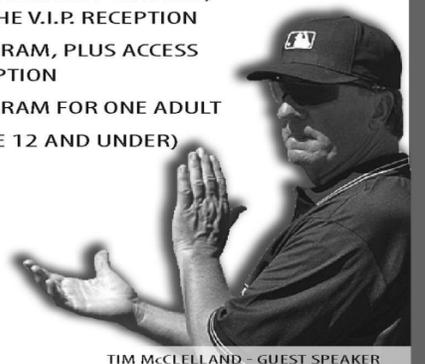
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Fitzgerald leads NFC rally in Pro Bowl

By JAYMES SONG
Associated Press

HONOLULU — Larry Fitzgerald played as if the Super Bowl never ended.

Fitzgerald caught five passes for 81 yards and two touchdowns, 44-year-old John Carney kicked two fourth-quarter field goals, and the NFC rallied to a 30-21 victory over the AFC.

The Arizona Cardinals' All-Pro receiver, coming off a record-breaking postseason and a spectacular Super Bowl in a loss to the Pittsburgh Steelers, earned MVP honors. He caught a 46-yard scoring pass from Drew Brees before the half and a 2-yard TD pass from Eli Manning for the go-ahead score with 4:07 to play.

The NFC defense took care of the rest.

Manning, making his Pro Bowl debut, was 8-of-14 for 111 yards. While big brother Peyton Manning had better stats, 12-of-17 for 151 yards and a TD, Eli Manning got the win.

The Manning brothers were the first quarterback brothers in Pro Bowl history. And Carney, who was a perfect 3-for-3, became the oldest player in the game's history.

Sunday's all-star game ended a successful 30-year run at Aloha Stadium, with a sellout every year. The Pro Bowl will be played in Miami next year, a week before the Super Bowl. The NFL, which has been looking to increase the profile of the game back to Hawaii.

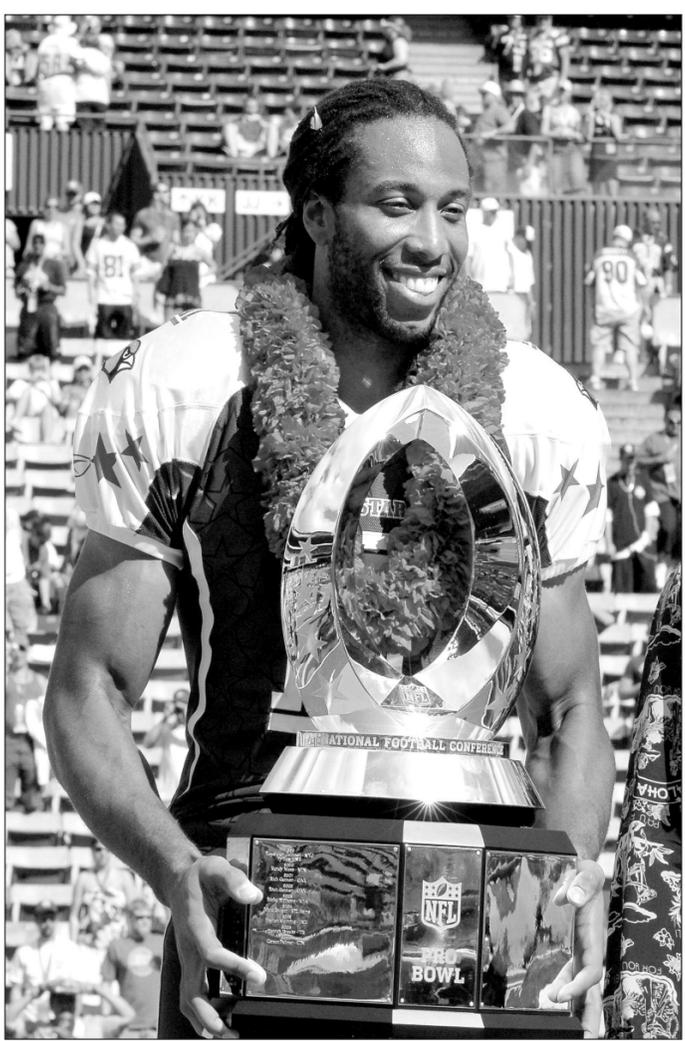
The players, who spent most of the week by the beach and sipping umbrella-adorned mai tais, were pretty unanimous in wanting the game to return.

On a sweltering day, with 60 percent humidity, Kurt Warner started for the NFC and played just one series before making way for Brees. Warner was just 1-of-2 for 8 yards. The question now is whether this was Warner's final game in the NFL or, as a free agent, will he opt to continue playing at age 38?

The AFC was looking to hula dance into halftime with a comfortable 14-3 cushion after Kerry Collins connected with Owen Daniels on a 9-yard scoring pass with 28 seconds left in the half.

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RONEN ZILBERMAN/ASSOCIATED PRESS
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fellow All-Pro Cortland Finnegan on his back as time expired to pull the NFC to 14-10.

It made for two huge end-of-the-half plays in consecutive weeks for Fitzgerald. But this time, rather than trying — and failing — to chase down James Harrison on his 100-yard interception returned for a TD, Fitzgerald was the one celebrating.

TRACK

Women's track competes well

Battling sickness as well as some stiff competition, the Iowa women's track and field team was able to perform well over this past weekend, with several collegiate-bests.

Senior Racheal Marchand continued a strong season by barely missing qualifying for the NCAA championships with a time of 9:35.25 in the 3,000 meters. Her 11th-place finish at the meet was the seventh-best time in school history.

Sophomore Karesa Farley placed fifth in the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 8.48, followed by senior Renee White, who finished eighth.

In the 200 meters, Rhonda-Kaye Trusty placed fifth with a time of 24.44. She also got sixth in the 60 meters with a time of 7.61. Both times were collegiate bests for the Hawkeye junior.

Following the strong performances of her teammates, sophomore Bethany Praska placed 10th overall in the 400 meters with a time that ranks 10th in school history, 56.42.

"We did a goo job competing," head coach Layne Anderson said. "I feel this was our best meet of the season."

- by Jake Krzeczowski

Men's track shines

The Iowa men's track and field team sent split squads to a pair of competitions this past weekend.

The men's throwers were in New York competing at the New Balance Games. Senior John Hickey finished second in the shot put with a throw of 60-7/4, marking the third time during the indoor season that he has had a provisional NCAA-qualifying throw.

Fellow senior A.J. Curtis competed there as well, after sitting out the first part of the indoor season with back injuries. Curtis' throw of 56-7/4 was good for eighth place overall.

Iowa also sent a squad to compete at the Meyo Invitational in South Bend, Ind. Hawkeye junior Jesse Luciano finished sixth in the 5,000-meters with a time of 14:20.99, and sophomore Josh Bean finished sixth in the triple jump with a leap of 48-10 — a collegiate best for him. The Iowa 4x400-meter relay team finished third in a time of 3:11.36.

"We had a good meet. We also got to see a lot of Big Ten competition and other good teams," head coach Larry Wieczorek said. "You start to realize that you've got to step it up and go here for the Big Ten championships, which are three weeks away."

- by Zach Smith

GymHawks fall to Ohio State

The No. 25 Iowa women's gymnastics team suffered its first Big Ten loss of the season against No. 17 Ohio State on Feb. 7.

Traveling to Columbus, Ohio, the GymHawks put in a solid team effort but fell short 194.250-195.225 to the Buckeyes. After senior Kara Pinjuv went down with an undisclosed injury after practicing on the floor exercise, the underclassmen showed great resiliency. Freshman Annie Szatkowski tied for first on the vault with a 9.850, and sophomore Rebecca Simbhudas won the uneven bars (9.850) and balance beam (9.875) events.

The duo of senior Jenifer Simbhudas and sophomore Houry Gebeshian once again had a good meet by tying for second in the all-around with a score of 39.050.

However, the lack of consistency on the floor exercise cost Iowa (6-3) the team victory. The GymHawks had won the other three events, but scored only a 47.725 on the floor, a score far below their season average.

Despite the disappointing loss, head coach Larissa Libby was impressed at how well her team managed to bounce back.

"I don't think I've ever been more proud of the team than I was [Feb. 7]," she said. "We handled the adversity very, very well."

- by Evelyn Lau

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Dear Abby:

I hope this letter finds you well. I know that things between us didn't end on the greatest of terms, but I do wish you luck during your upcoming sentencing (and eventual appeals procedures). Sure, you hurt me emotionally, but as Miguel de Cervantes wrote: "Let us forget and forgive injuries." You know, from *Don Quixote*? It was that fantastic piece of Golden Age Spanish literature I lent you last semester and which you charmingly used to prop open your window when smoking pot in your dorm room.

Anyway ... I was meditating, and I sort of realized that our relationship took several turns paralleling the great love of Jay Gatsby and Daisy Buchanan. You know, from *The Great Gatsby*? It was that hardback book you borrowed from me during finals week when you needed a clean surface to do lines of coke off of. I mean, the only real difference is that I turned you in to the police (along with numerous pieces of evidence alluding to your culpability), rather than attempt to cover up your drunken vehicular homicide.

Well, that and I'm not a bootlegger. Anymore. It just goes to show that you can never really know what to expect from a person. It's the same lesson I learned from Nietzsche. You know, in his book *Thus Spoke Zarathustra*? It was that battered paperback I lent you because you said you wanted to take an interest in the things I liked, but instead you went to Chicago for the weekend and had sex with those three other dudes.

Yeah, that was a hard lesson to learn. Almost as complicated as learning all the lessons and skills necessary to successfully frame a person for drunken vehicular homicide, as can be gleaned from the textbook *Investigation & Prosecution of DWI & Vehicular Homicide* (Lexis Law Publishing, 1998). I guess what I'm trying to say is: I can have my books back, please?

— Andrew R. Juhl thanks Abby D. for inspiring today's Ledge.

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DOG WALK



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- Noon** News from Russia (in Russian)
12:30 p.m. News from Québec (in French)
1 "Prairie Lights" Archive, Marissa Handler
2 News from Germany (in German)
3 Human Rights Week Advocates of Liberty, Kerry Howley
4:30 Distinguished Lecture Series, Thomas Linsmeier Accounting Lecture
6 Java House Encore, the Recliners
6:10 Iowa Basketball with Coach Todd Lickliter
- 6:30** Todd Lickliter News Conference
7 Human Rights Week Advocates of Liberty, Kerry Howley
8:30 "The Exchange," Jan. 23, the Awful Purdies
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today's events

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- **Electronic Tax Filing Training Lab**, 10 a.m.- 8:30 p.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Hat and Mitten Drive**, noon-4 p.m., Riverside Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert
- **Johnson County Task Force on Aging**, 1:30 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **"Live from Prairie Lights," Doug Powell and Jane Mead, poetry**, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Animated Shorts**, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **Sopro Brasil Woodwind Quintet**, 8 p.m., Old Capitol Senate Chamber
- **Live Shorts**, 9 p.m., Bijou
- **50-Cent Pool Night, Charlie's**, 450 First Ave., Coralville

- **Fresh Paintings**, Chait Galleries Downtown, 218 E. Washington
- **Lincoln's Legacy in Iowa: A Bicentennial Celebration**, UI Main Library
- **Mary GrandPre: Harry Potter and Beyond**, Cedar Rapids Museum of Art, 410 Third Ave. S.E.
- **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
- **Pack Your Bags, Journey to America, National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library**, 30 16th Ave. S.W., Cedar Rapids
- **Photography Exhibit**, Lorna Larson, Senior Center
- **Recent Ceramics**, Margaret Bohls, AKAR, 257 Iowa
- **Student Exhibitions**, UI School of Art and Art History, Studio Arts Galleries, 1375 Highway 1 W.
- **The Fantastic Ride of the Abernathy Boys**, Antique Car Museum of Iowa, 860 Quarry Road

DILBERT

by Scott Adams

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MY WIFE HATES ME AND I LIVE BETWEEN AN ARCHERY RANGE AND A NEST OF RABID BADGERS.

IS THAT A REASON FOR NOT PAYING YOUR BILLS?

I'M JUST SAYING YOU CALLED AT A BAD TIME.

'NON SEQUITUR

BY WILEY

TRUDGE TRUDGE TRUDGE

WINTER HAS MY PERMISSION TO LEAVE NOW!

I'LL ALERT THE MEDIA

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

SEE, LACEY FORCED GINNY OUT OF A THREE-WAY RACE, AND SHE NEVER GOT OVER IT.

I SUPPOSE.

YEARS LATER, SHE STILL HAS THIS AURA OF TRAGEDY ABOUT HER — A HAUNTED, WOUNDED WAY OF BEING!

YOU CAN TELL ALL THAT FROM A 1-SECOND CLIP?

WATCH AGAIN. I'LL FREEZE IT.

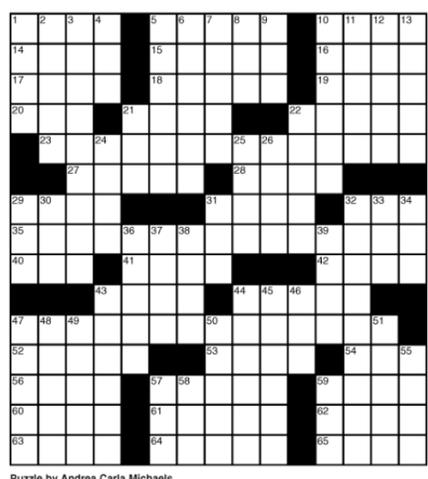
I... THERE!

OH, NOW I SEE IT! AROUND THE EYES, RIGHT?

The New York Times Crossword

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- Across**
- Flexible, electrically
 - Desert plants
 - For fear that
 - Prisoner's knife
 - Be ___ in the neck
 - "Even ___ speak ..."
 - Cab
 - Window features
 - One at the computer
 - Agent Gold of HBO's "Entourage"
 - Japanese sleuth Mr. ___
 - Prize
 - 2000 De Niro/Stiller comedy
 - "Mighty" man who struck out
 - Not written, as a test
 - Makes mistakes
 - Pleased
 - "___ Pinafore"
 - 35 Basic, as issues
 - Toddler
 - Land west of Vietnam
 - Chooses
 - West Germany's capital
 - Alternative to singles, in figure skating
 - What judges do in court
 - First name in W.W. II infamy
 - Commedia dell'___
 - Gold, in Guadalajara
 - Color lightly
 - So yesterday
 - Editing mark
 - Suffix with kitchen
 - Parisian love
 - No. on a bank statement
 - Like show horses' feet
 - Bedsheets, e.g.
 - "___ be in England"
- Down**
- "The Thin Man" dog
 - The third time's said to be one
 - Strom Thurmond follower of 1948
 - 106, to Trajan
 - Truman who wrote "Breakfast at Tiffany's"
 - Lack of interest
 - Something to paddle
 - Even score
 - Ones who are elected
 - Winner's wreath
 - German steel city
 - Bonbon, e.g.
 - Shorebirds
 - The Appalachians, e.g.: Abbr.
 - "The Devil Wears ___"
 - Auto gizmo that talks, in brief
 - Sidewalk game with chalk
 - Big Apple museum, with "the"
 - Chase
 - To the rear, on a ship
 - Suffix with Israel or Manhattan
 - Suffices
 - Singer Piaf
 - The Lone Ranger's faithful friend
 - Bourne of "The Bourne Identity"
 - Build
 - Sgt. Snorkel's four-legged friend
 - Friend
 - French friend
 - ___ Paulo, Brazil



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