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Trendy trifectas?

Todd Lickliter's Hawkeye hoopsters have rained 3-point shots down on opponents this season. But in the Big Ten, Iowa's not alone in the fashionably fabulous shooting form. Is it likely to last? **1B**

Silent suspension stopped

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The theory of why he matters

Writers' Workshop grad Andrew Porter returns to Hawkeye country tonight to read from his award-winning short-story collection, *The Theory of Light and Matter*. **7A**

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One-track mind

Despite tight financial times, budget cuts, and a string of tuition hikes, the university's prohibitionist obsessions shine brilliantly with the wasteful hiring of a binge-drinking consultant. **6A**

ASK THE DI

Q: "How many football players are suited up on the sidelines at a typical Hawkeye home game? How many for an away game?"

A: Phil Haddy, the Iowa sports information director, said that for road games, the Hawkeye football team can normally bring 68 players. "For home games, there is no limit," Haddy said. "But we normally dress somewhere in the mid-80s to 90 players."

—by Michele Danno

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Sunny, windy, near record high; turning cloudy in the evening, 50% chance of rain.

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Nite Ride to get new ride

After a semester of increased UI Nite Ride use, the service will lease a new shuttle.

By **EMILY MELVOLD**
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Women packed into the 15-passenger van to get a safe ride home on a cold Saturday night. While half the women sported stuffed backpacks, the rest donned tight-fitting and weather-inappropriate tops, paired with heels. As each female made her way through the mishmash of peers, the passengers shifted to make room, though climbing,

crowding, and stumbling were often unavoidable.

It may seem like an unusual sight, though not atypical for the increasingly popular late-night service Nite Ride, which is set to upgrade to a larger vehicle this semester, more than 16 months after giving its first rides in September 2007.

Brad Allison, a UI police crime-prevention specialist, said the university is leasing the new shuttle — or "limo bus"

— in order to provide better accommodations for Nite Ride's exclusively female passengers.

"The layout of the current van makes it difficult to get in and out," Allison said.

UI freshman Liza Bray agreed, saying the current vehicle leaves something to be desired, and she is accustomed to the sight of female "shenanigans" in the shuttle during its downtown runs.

"Sometimes, it can be pretty crowded or tight-fitting," Bray said.

The limo bus will feature an unoccupied aisle for the crowd

ON THE WEB

Go to dailyiowan.com to hear more about Nite Ride on Daily Iowan TV.

New shuttle features.

What to expect:

- Vinyl floor
- Vinyl seating
- Walkway aisle
- More seating

of women continually hopping in and out — a feature the current shuttle lacks, Allison said.

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Host law nixed

The City Council kills a proposed host ordinance, which would have targeted house parties.

By **AMANDA MCCLURE**
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With just one councilor supporting an ordinance that would have held hosts liable for illegal activity in their residences, the Iowa City City Council decided to cut discussion on the proposal Monday night.

Councilor Amy Correia said she felt "dismissed" after the council shelved the "social host ordinance."

"This is an opportunity to have a tool to deter this type of activity," she said. "We hear about the issue of neighborhood parties, and this could be another solution."

Councilor Matt Hayek was hesitant to support the ordinance because of Iowa City police resources, as well as the unlikelihood of officials successfully prosecuting accused hosts. The ordinance would require proof, for instance, that the host knew some attendants imbibing alcohol were underage.

"It wasn't that long ago I was that age, and if you're having a problem, chances are you're the person who started the party," Hayek said. "I think this is more about the absentee parents, which I'm not sure we have a large problem with."

SEE **HOST**, 3A



REBECCA MNUK/THE DAILY IOWAN

Students in a weekend Chinese class taught in the University Capitol Centre learn how to make dumplings on Feb. 7. Chinese classes have been gaining popularity at the UI.

MORE INSIDE Families learn Mandarin — the "now" language — through a program offered by the UI's Confucius Institute on **5A**.

UI eyes degrees at junior colleges

The UI may expand four-year degrees to community colleges statewide.

By **ANNA LOTHSON**
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In an effort to aid more students in obtaining a coveted four-year UI degree, the university may soon complete its plan to extend programs to two community-college districts in the state.

The Des Moines Area Community Colleges and the Eastern Iowa Community College District could reap the benefits of three UI programs — bachelor's degrees in social work, nursing, and applied entrepreneurial studies, said Chet Rzonca, the UI associate provost for continuing education.

"A lot of people who graduate at community colleges become place-bound," he said. "They are very able people, but they are not about to pick up their roots and come to Iowa City."

So the program allows more people to continue on their path for higher education, making them more competitive in the job market, Rzonca said.

Unlike relying on online classes, he said, the program would enact on-site courses on the community college campus, at least 85 percent of which will be taught by UI faculty.

The courses for this program



Rzonca
associate provost

Loh
provost

would come from the UI School of Social Work, College of Nursing, and Tippie College of Business — nationally ranked programs — another factor that expands benefits to the students at the community colleges, Rzonca said.

"We have a stronger ability to deliver, and make sure people in Iowa who pay taxes take advantage of [UI] classes," he said.

The students would pay the same tuition rates as those at the UI for their degrees, he said. That's the only financial benefit for the UI, he said, because the colleges will not pay the UI for the program.

UI Provost Wallace Loh, who has been an avid supporter of the program, said the UI has an obligation to serve the rest of the state.

SEE **COMMUNITY**, 3A

'It is not a lack of the state wanting to support higher education — the state would probably support us more if it could. All states are in the same situation across the nation; the size of support has diminished.'

— **Patrice Sayre**, the state Board of Regents' chief business officer

Tuition catching state \$

UI tuition almost equals the state appropriations in funding the General Education Fund.

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When Molly Slaughter attended the UI from 1995 to 1998, her education was funded primarily by state appropriations, with the rest supplemented by in-state tuition and other financing. But with state revenues declining each year across the nation, the structure of the UI's General Education Fund has been forced to rely more heavily on tuition.

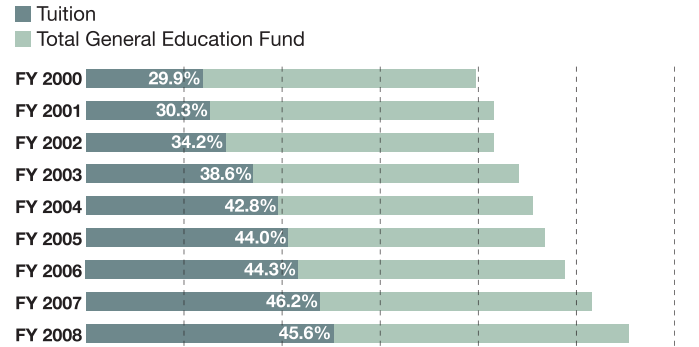
Since 1970, the portion of the total budget coming from tuition has grown by almost 18 percent. Until 2000, tuition accounted for around 29 percent of the budget each year. Since then, it has increased about 2 to 4 percent each year, amounting to almost half the fund in 2008.

The UI General Education

Tuition in the General Education Fund

While the UI General Education Fund has increased over the years, the percentage of the fund coming from tuition has increased even more.

Percentage tuition makes up in the General Education Fund



Source: UI Office of the Registrar

Jacqueline Cieslak/The Daily Iowan

Fund is divided into state appropriations, tuition, and other financing to make up the total budget.

Patrice Sayre, the state Board of Regents' chief business officer, said Iowa is not alone in how the General Education Fund's current structure has changed.

"It is not a lack of the state wanting to support higher education — the state would probably support us more if it could," she said. "All states are in the same situation across

the nation; the size of support has diminished."

She emphasized that the UI still maintains the lowest tuition in the Big Ten despite declining state revenue in recent years.

The money the university receives through donations, though high, may not see its way directly into the General Education Fund. UI President Sally Mason has said donors to the university often commit their money to specific endeavors.

SEE **TUITION**, 3A



Culver eyes Iowa City office

Working out of a new Iowa City office, Gov. Culver could spend more time near, or at, the UI.

By MARY HARRINGTON
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The Old Capitol may house a new office for the governor in the heart of the UI campus. Gov. Chet Culver plans to work once a month from a new Iowa City office to monitor and advance flood relief in the area, he announced Feb. 6 to a crowd in Coralville.

"He wants to spend more time in the Iowa City area and see for himself some of the ongoing work and also what still needs to be accomplished," said Phil Roeder, a spokesman for Culver.

Culver expressed desire to house the new office inside the Old Capitol. It would be the first time in a little more than 150 years that a sitting governor worked in the building.

"I think its a terrific idea — it makes sense to have a presence here after the flood," Iowa City Mayor Regenia Bailey said. "It's always good to have eyes on the ground and leaders in the area."

Although the governor is serious about his decision to hold office hours on the UI campus, Roeder said,



ROBIN SVEC/THE DAILY IOWAN

Traffic passes the Old Capitol and the Pentacrest on Madison Street on Monday. Iowa Gov. Chet Culver plans to open an office in Iowa City to monitor flood-relief efforts, and the Old Capitol is one proposed location.

planning is still just that.

The governor's office has been working with UI officials to accommodate a new office location. Within the next week or two, they will decide whether the Old Capitol would be feasible, he said.

"We're working with the Old Capitol staff to see if this is logistically possible still," UI spokeswoman Linda Kettner said. "We're still very early on in the process, but we'll be looking at the space to see if that will be the best fit."

The first full-day visit to the proposed office will likely happen in the first week of March, and that would be followed by monthly visits.

"It will be pretty cool to be a student at the UI and know that the governor is holding office hours right in the middle of campus," UI Student Government President Mai-son Bleam said.

Roeder said scheduled visits and itinerary information will be made public to the UI and Iowa City community.

"The governor wants to raise accessibility and create a presence in the Iowa City, Cedar Rapids area," Roeder said.

On Feb. 5, Culver opened an office in Cedar Rapids. He will work from a new office branch of Rebuild Iowa, which deals with storm and flood relief efforts.

"This is just one additional way to keep things moving forward," Roeder said. "Culver is excited to spend full days in Iowa City and work with everybody firsthand."

STATE

Iowa treasurer says lottery should bring \$1B cash

DES MOINES (AP) — Iowa Treasurer Michael Fitzgerald says any deal to lease the Iowa Lottery should include at least \$1 billion in cash up front.

Fitzgerald says any lower offer should be rejected.

The leasing proposal comes as the state looks to reduce spending to offset an estimated \$700 million shortfall in the state's budget for the year beginning July 1.

Supporter says leasing the lottery could fix short-term financial problems, but critics say the state would lose an important long-term source of cash.

The lottery generated about \$57

million in revenue last year and more than \$1 billion since it was created in 1985.

Fitzgerald says he opposes any leasing deal until someone shows him it's good for the state.

Homeland security chief plans E. Iowa flood tour

DES MOINES (AP) — Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano plans to tour flood-damaged areas of eastern Iowa.

Napolitano plans to visit Cedar Rapids on Wednesday, where she is expected to tour flood-damaged neighborhoods and meet with local officials.

She also has scheduled a news conference with Gov. Chet Culver.

Culver says he will use Napolitano's visit to push for additional flood assistance for Iowa.

Culver says he wants to emphasize to Napolitano that the state continues to face challenges and that the needs of some victims remain unmet eight months after the record flooding.

During her visit, Napolitano will also tour sections of Iowa City and Coralville.

Council Bluffs newspaper to stop Monday paper

COUNCIL BLUFFS (AP) — The Council Bluffs Daily Nonpareil has announced that it will stop publishing a Monday edition to offset the rising costs of supplies. Publisher Tom Schmitt said Monday

that the newspaper will suspend indefinitely publication of its Monday edition beginning Feb. 16.

He said the move is an effort to avoid passing substantial increases on to advertisers and subscribers.

Schmitt said readers will get the same amount of local news in six days that they did in seven days.

"We're simply going to repackage how we deliver our local news reports the first of the week," he said.

The Nonpareil decided to suspend the Monday edition because it generally contains the least amount of local news. The newspaper will continue to produce an online version on Monday.

He said news of weekend events will be on the newspaper's website by noon on Monday, with the stories being updated for the Tuesday edition.

METRO

2 fail tobacco stings

Two Johnson County businesses failed tobacco compliance checks conducted by the Johnson County Sheriff's Office on Feb. 6.

Cara Ferguson of Solon, working at Casey's General Store in Solon, and Erica O'Malley of Coralville, working at Bob's Place in North Liberty, were charged with providing tobacco to a minor and face a fine of \$187.

Twenty-four businesses passed the compliance checks.

— by Regina Zilbermints

Supervisors discuss budget

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors met Monday to discuss the fiscal 2010 budget, which includes allocations for the conservation-bond tax initiative, the Joint Communications Center, and reconstructing parts of the Johnson County Jail.

The 2010 budget — the fiscal year will begin July 1 and end June 30, 2010 — is projected at \$84,077,466. This is a slight decrease from fiscal 2009's \$84,195,707 budget. The budget had increased 13 percent from fiscal 2008 to 2009, supervisor Chairman Terrence Neuzil said.

Included in the 2010 budget is the voter-approved conservation-bond tax initiative, which will raise property taxes for the next 20 years in the county. Also proposed in the budget is funding for the Joint Emergency Communications Center and radio towers, reconstruction of the county

jail intake area, partial funding for a new joint law-enforcement shooting range, and a new emergency management rescue vehicle, according to a press release from the supervisors.

The supervisors also discussed the effect on taxpayers for fiscal 2010 compared with fiscal 2009. Tax payers would pay 1 percent less for rural agriculture land taxes in fiscal 2010, but the budget increases taxes for every other category, including a 4.7 percent increase for Iowa City residential land taxes, according to the release.

A public hearing for the proposed budget will be held at the County Administration Building March 2 at 5:30 p.m. An official vote on the budget will be conducted during the supervisors' formal meeting on March 12.

— by Clark Cahill

Council drops breath-testing bar employees

The Iowa City City Council voted unanimously to dismiss a proposed ordinance that would have allowed police to breath-test on-duty bar employees.

Under the proposal, an employee could have been fined as much as \$500 for having a blood-alcohol concentration of .02 or higher.

Part of the concern is the language in the ordinance, Councilor Matt Hayek said. "It would be exceedingly difficult to

sweep up a whole mound of people in that category who shouldn't be affected by the ordinance, such as musicians or off-duty employees," he said.

City Attorney Eleanor Dilkes noted Iowa City police's resources may be put to better use in other areas.

Councilor Mike O'Donnell agreed binge drinking is an issue but said it's up to the bar owners to monitor their staff, not the city.

"I don't know of any other job in the country where you can drink where you work, but I agree that it's up to the owners, who seem to be doing a good job."

Amy Correia, the lone councilor in favor of the ordinance, said the breath tests would be a tool the city could use to help lower the amount of drinking in Iowa City.

"I don't know the extent to which it's a problem, but it seems that it makes sense that people who are tasked with making good judgment are constrained from consuming alcohol while they're at work," she said.

— by Amanda McClure

1-cent tax would target public needs

Any money generated from a potential 1-cent sales tax increase in Iowa City would be put toward publicly affected flood areas — such as streets and city buildings — not private neighborhoods, the Iowa City City Council decided on Monday.

Councilors unanimously decided to put the measure on the ballot, provided that language is included.

"While there are a lot of needs, the challenge with creating a broad spectrum of initiatives is that it gets lost in translation for the public," City Manager Michael Lombardo said. "We need to choose one specific area to use the money."

Also attached to the measure is a five-year sunset for the tax. If passed, the sunset would bring an end to the tax after five years of implementation, meaning Iowa City could make approximately \$45 million from the potential tax.

Lombardo said he didn't think a sunset is best for the sales-tax increase but said he felt it was the only way the measure would pass.

"Our needs far exceed anything we can raise in a sunset period of time," he said. "My advice is to keep the bill clean and keep it focused."

Other towns in the county must wait for Iowa City officials to decide what to use the money for and the wording they will place on the ballot before they can move forward with the bill.

Councilor Mike O'Donnell said it is essential that flood projects including elevating North Dubuque Street and reconstructing the Park Road bridge and the northwest Water Treatment Plant be dealt with as soon as possible.

"Make no mistake, it's a tax, and people are not fond of taxes in this community, but there are some things that must be fixed to benefit the community," he said.

The council will vote Feb. 24 to put the measure to a May vote.

— by Amanda McClure

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4. UI law dean to leave post
5. Men's basketball team pulls out win against Northwestern

STATE

Iowa may seek new laws after turkey plant reports

DES MOINES (AP) — Iowa Gov. Chet Culver said Monday he'll likely call for tougher state laws after the discovery that mentally disabled men from Texas had for years been lodged in an unsafe and poorly heated house while working at an eastern Iowa turkey processing plant.

The governor said local officials were going to court to allow the state to take guardianship of the men and would launch an investigation of how the situation in Muscatine County was allowed to continue for 20 years.

"It's too soon to know the extent of the potential criminal and civil penalties and fines," Culver said at a Statehouse news conference. "This is going to be a very extensive

and thorough legal process."

Culver appeared with Department of Human Services director Gene Gessow, who said the state first became aware of the situation last Thursday when a caller to a Human Services hot line reported the abuse.

The 21 men were all from Texas but had lived in Iowa for 20 years or more while working at a Muscatine County meatpacker, Henry's Turkey Service. They lived in a 106-year-old building with boarded-up windows that relied only on space heaters.

The house was on a hilltop in Atalissa, a town of about 300 people five miles east of West Liberty.

Culver said several state agencies, including Human Services, the Department of Inspections and Appeals and the Labor Services Department, would investigate the matter and whether other similar arrangements are operating in Iowa.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Shaneka Alexander, 21, 2404 Bartlett Road Apt. 2A, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.
Alexander Fanning, 22, 725 1/2 Bowery St. Apt. 3, was charged Monday with OWI.
Brian Gallagher, 18, 729D Mayflower, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.
Shango Johnson, 18, 1053 Cross Park

Apt. F, was charged Dec. 28 with third-degree criminal mischief.
Kortney Ketelsen, 19, 316 Ridgeland Ave. Apt. 12, was charged Feb. 7 with public intoxication.
Michael Kuhn, 52, Davenport, was charged Feb. 7 with public intoxication.
Michael Kyrillis, 20, 7072 N. Dubuque St., was charged Jan. 23 with assault

causing injury.
Michael Lee, 26, 1406 W. Benton St. Apt. 1, was charged Feb. 7 with public intoxication.
Andrew Lettow, 27, 121 N. Van Buren St. Apt. 41, was charged Monday with public intoxication and fifth-degree theft.
Sean Marks, 18, 417 Mayflower, was charged Sunday with possession of a

fictitious ID, possession of an open alcohol container in public, and PAULA.
Brian McNabb, 19, 541 Slater, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.
Alexander Orozco, 20, Evanston, Ill., was charged Sunday with OWI.
Alex Smeltzer, 22, Davenport, was charged Feb. 7 with public intoxication.

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Nite Ride driver Larry Harmsen awaits for the bar crowd around 2 a.m. on Sunday. Nite Ride's Downtown Route runs Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m., and the Academic Route Sunday through Wednesday from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m.

Ride to get new van

RIDE

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He assisted in choosing the new seating layout, which will allow for easier traffic flow within.

The new vehicle will also contain more seating, Allison said. This could mean good news for people using the increasingly popular Academic Route, which, Allison said, has seen the most significant increases over the school year. The route, which operates Sunday through Wednesday from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m., assists around 50 women each night.

"The Academic Route has seen the raised, and that is what is

really encouraging," Allison said, and he credits increasing public knowledge about the service for its growth in passengers.

The service also runs an even busier Downtown Route, which operates Thursday through Saturday from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m., transporting around 90 women a night.

While Jessica McCarty, a UI sophomore, said she doesn't usually take Nite Ride because she either doesn't typically stay up late or walks home with her boyfriend.

"It's nice to know it's there in case I ever need it," the 19-year-old said.

Cleanliness was also a factor in the decision to lease a new shuttle. Allison said the interior

of the current vehicle has experienced much wear and tear, while the vinyl floors and seats that will occupy the limo bus will be much easier to keep clean.

A UI Student Government grant and the UI Parents' Association fund the current vehicle's lease and gas, and they will also fund the lease and gas for the new shuttle. The UI police covers the on-duty officers' salaries.

Allison said the department is not sure when the new shuttle will arrive.

"We're never sure until it's sitting in the drive," he said, though he hopes the limo bus will be out on the streets in six to eight weeks.

UI, jucos may pair up

COMMUNITY

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"If they can't come to the university, we will go to them," he said, and the program would most likely benefit students with families or job obligations they cannot leave.

Loh also said the program should have been started sooner, but he is pleased about having the possibility to implement this new option.

He also said officials still need to address the question of whether UI professors would have to commute across the

state or if the program would use professors who already live in the needed areas.

Loh said the program would likely be completed if approved by the state Board of Regents in March.

Nancy Kothenbeutel, the executive director of continuing education at the Eastern Iowa Community College District, said offering a new avenue to blend technical and entrepreneurial skills to students will be an excellent opportunity.

Kothenbeutel said in past years the UI has attempted similar programs, but attract-

ing students wasn't always easy.

"That was a different time economically, the chances for success is much better this time," she said, adding UI officials see the need to reach out to outlying communities.

"The economic situation may make more students open for continuing their education," Kothenbeutel said.

Council kills host law

HOST

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UI junior Sarah Danley said she found the ordinance to be unnecessary and unfair.

"Just because someone hosts a party doesn't mean it was her or his idea to allow underage drinking," she said. "And if the [host] can in trouble for that, that's really dumb."

Correia said there are places in which legal drinkers are selling and serving alcohol to minors.

City Attorney Eleanor Dilkes said the problem is downtown, and not in the neighborhoods, despite a steady decrease in bar visits since 2002.

"I just don't think it makes a whole lot of sense to put more rules on alcohol," she said. "When the police are telling you this is a problem they need to address, then it might help, but we need to allocate to resources that would have an effect, such as PAULAs and stings."

Iowa City Police Chief Sam Hargadine acknowledged there are neighborhood parties, but he said it's not a major issue when looking at alcohol



DAVID SCRIVNER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Beer cans and alcoholic beverages are set out on a table at a house party in Iowa City. The City Council on Monday killed a proposed ordinance that would have held hosts of social events liable for illegal activities in their residences.

problems in Iowa City.

"If we would have passed the 21-ordinance, this would be stronger, but if we look at the drinking problems, it's in the downtown area," he said.

With the exception of football weekends and the beginning of the school year, there aren't many neighborhood parties, Hargadine said.

Washington and Keokuk Counties have adopted similar resolutions, but Hargadine

said rural areas are more likely to have problems with residential parties and violations.

UI senior Darren Bryan agreed the ordinance would be "a little excessive."

"I do think the house owner should be responsible for what goes on, but before putting new ordinances into effect, the city should enforce the ones it already has," he said.

DI reporter Chris Clark contributed to this article.

Tuition almost half of fund

TUITION

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The UI was forced to cut \$2 million from the General Education Fund in response to statewide budget cuts recently announced by Gov. Chet Culver. The 6.5 percent cut for most state programs will not affect student financial aid, library acquisitions, student success, safety, utility costs, and departments that are still under going flood recovery.

Slaughter, 31, said she is concerned that with tuition being so much higher than when she attended the UI, it could prevent people from attending four-year colleges, especially for those paying out-of-state tuition. This wasn't as serious when she attended the school, she said.

UI sophomore Caroline Murphy, who has to pay for her education, believes that the UI should come up with

"With state money decreasing it is that much more stressful for me and for my parents that help me as much as they can."

— Caroline Murphy, sophomore

ways to keep tuition down for students like her.

"It is really important for [the UI] to come up with ways to make tuition more affordable for students," the dance major said. "With state money decreasing it is that much

more stressful for me and for my parents that help me as much as they can."

Murphy funds her schooling through loans, scholarships, and grants; she has a twin sister that is paying for school in the same manner.

They call themselves "a classically trained garage band."

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Police using 'prop' not that common

Police say 'baiting' is not the first technique they turn to.

By REGINA ZILBERMINTS
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For some, a laptop left in an unlocked parked car is a tempting target. So is a young woman walking alone after dark.

And local police are using these to apprehend suspects when other means fail.

The UI Hospitals and Clinics safety and security force had indicated to the UI police that it was having problems concerning a specific individual's actions, said Bill Searls, a UI police associate director.

So on Feb. 6, police left a laptop in an unmarked police car in the Family Care Center parking near the UIHC.

That individual, Hedrick resident Bryan Jordon, allegedly took the bait — stealing the computer as officers watched, authorities said.

"I don't care for the term bait, because it implies that we're out fishing," Searls said. "If we have a problem area that is seeing a lot of thefts, we could put some sort of prop out."

It is not an uncommon technique with various police departments, he said, and it's becoming more typical as video technology improves.

Iowa City police also use it as an

investigative tool, though it's not one of the first techniques investigators turn to, Iowa City police Sgt. Troy Kelsay said.

Terry Tobin, an assistant chief of the Dubuque police, agreed, saying that while police may stake out locations experiencing high levels of crime, they have only used bait once every two or three years.

Searls and Kelsay agree that success using bait is difficult to quantify. Sometimes officers have great success, though often it doesn't pan out, Searls said.

If a department has the resources to persist with surveillance and baiting, it can be successful, Kelsay said. It can be difficult to determine whether people in a ramp are walking to their cars or "window-shopping" — so, to increase the possibility of catching a thief, police may put an item out that is likely to get taken, Kelsay explained.

"Criminals look for an opportunity, and if the opportunity is there, they usually act," Searls said.

Kelsay also pointed out that baiting is not only used for property crimes, such as theft or burglary, but is also commonly used when conducting drug or prostitution investigations. The

Cases where baiting may be used:

- Burglary
 - Theft
 - Drugs
 - Prostitution
 - Sexual assault
- Source: Iowa City police Sgt. Troy Kelsay

technique can be successful in these cases if police have the manpower and resources to persist with the investigation, he said.

It is labor-intensive, but so is any investigative technique, Kelsay said.

A high-profile example of baiting in Iowa City occurred last year, when police put female officers on the streets to try to catch the man or men groping women near the UI campus and downtown, Kelsay said. The spree of sexual assaults had gone unabated for months.

In that case, however, it was not the use of baiting but other investigative techniques that led officers to the suspects and allowed them to make arrests.

Kelsay cautioned that police using bait have to be careful so they don't create a situation where they are coercing or compelling people to do something they wouldn't otherwise do.

Australian fire toll hits 173

By TANALEE SMITH
Associated Press

WHITTLESEA, Australia — Disaster teams found charred bodies on roadsides and in crashed cars — grim signs of the futile attempt to flee raging wildfires fed by 60 mph winds, record heat, and drought that caught even fire-savvy Australians by surprise.

As the death toll rose Tuesday to 173 in Australia's worst wildfire disaster, suspicions that some of the 400 blazes were caused by arson led police to declare crime scenes in some of the incinerated towns, Victoria police said.

The fires near Melbourne in southeastern Australia destroyed more than 750 homes, left 5,000 people homeless, and burned 1,100 square miles of land, the Victoria Country Fire Service said.

Whole forests were reduced to leafless, charred trunks. Farmland was in ashes.

The scale of the disaster shocked a nation that endures deadly firestorms every few years. Officials said panic and the freight-train speed of the walls of flames probably accounted for the unusually high death toll.

"It was very quick and ferocious and took everyone by surprise," said Jack Barber, who with his wife, a neighbor, six cats, and a dog sought refuge with five other people on a cricket field surrounded by trees in Kinglake.

"All around us was 100-foot



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A dead horse that was trapped by raging fires lies at the side of the road near the community of Kinglake, north east of Melbourne, Australia, on Monday. Officials believe arson may be behind at least some of the more than 400 fires that tore a destructive path across a vast swath of southern Victoria state over this past weekend.

flames ringing the oval, and we ran where the wind wasn't. It was swirling all over the place," he said. "For three hours, we dodged the wind."

Firefighters battled more than a dozen blazes that burned out of control across Victoria state, although conditions were much cooler than on Feb. 7. Forecasters said temperatures would rise later this week, posing a risk of flare-ups.

Blazes have been burning for weeks across several states in southern Australia, which is common for this time of year. But the worst drought in a century in the south had left forests extra dry, and the Feb. 7 temperature was 117 degrees, the relative humidity was 7 percent, and

the wind was gusting to 50 mph. "I cannot fathom in my mind anything more hellish, firewise," said Jim Andrews, senior meteorologist at accuweather.com. He noted that Australia's vegetation, such as eucalyptus and gum trees, contain inflammable aromatic oils.

Flags across Australia flew at half-staff, and Parliament suspended its normal sessions to hear emotional condolence speeches by legislators.

Prime Minister Kevin Rudd was visibly upset during a TV interview and reflected disgust that arsonists may be to blame.

"What do you say about anyone like that?" he said. "There's no words to describe it, other than it's mass murder."

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For Iowa City, China no longer far away

Chinese programs thrive on campus and in the community.

By LINI GE
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Eight-year-old Katelyn Luong and 5-year-old Myan Luong, sitting in front of hanging lanterns and a whiteboard pasted with pictures of five national flags, repeated out loud with the instructor, "wo cong ai he hua lai" — the Chinese translation of "I'm from Iowa."

Twelve children, whose ages range from 4 to 9, are enrolled in the family Mandarin Chinese class, offered by UI's Confucius Institute, Saturday afternoons at the University Capitol Centre. Geared toward elementary-school students, the class requires participation of at least one parent with each child.

"If the parents can show their passion for Chinese, it's very good for the kids to have the motivation to study another language," said Youxin Fan, the instructor of the class.

Yasuko Akiyama, an adjunct instructor of education at Grinnell College, always attends to the class with her husband, Russel Valentino, and their two sons, 7-year-old

Chinese programs thrive nationwide

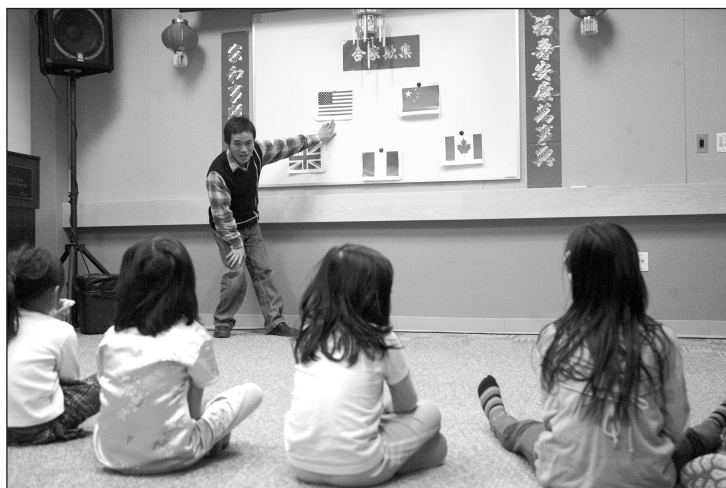
- A 2000 study estimated roughly 24,000 seventh- through 12th-grade students studied Chinese nationwide.
- A 2002 survey indicated 34,153 students were studying Chinese in higher education, fewer than 3 percent of the total enrollment in foreign-language courses.
- In 2006, 51,582 students at the higher-education level were studying Chinese, a 52 percent increase over 2002.
- Data collected by the College Board show there were 779 Chinese programs at the K-12 level in 2008, a nearly 200 percent growth from the 263 programs indicated by the 2004 Asia Society data.

Source: "Chinese in 2008: An Expanding Field," released by the Asia Society and College Board

Peter and 4-year-old Dante. "It's a great way for me to learn Chinese," Akiyama said. "And it can involve the family."

Chuanren Ke, the director of UI Confucius Institute and a professor of Chinese and second-language acquisition, attributed the increasing popularity of the Chinese language programs to China's booming economy.

"The sense now people have is that the economic future of the United States is tied to East Asia, particularly China," Ke said. "By learning



REBECCA MNUK/THE DAILY IOWAN
Youxin Fan teaches his students how to talk about their nationalities in Mandarin on Feb. 7 in the University Capitol Centre. The class is for families, and each student attends with a parent.

Chinese and understanding Chinese culture, people can have an extra edge for their career development."

The number of Chinese programs in the United States has increased by nearly 200 percent since 2004, according to "Chinese in 2008: An Expanding Field," an Asia Society and College Board report released last April. The report also indicated a 52 percent increase in the number of students learning Chinese at the higher education level.

Helen Shen, the UI Chinese language-program coordinator, has witnessed a steady increase of the program's

enrollment since she joined the UI. A total of 205 students were enrolled in 2008, more than tripling the 60 people in 2001.

The program offers Chinese courses at different levels, including conversational Chinese, beginning Chinese, and first-year through fifth-year Chinese. In addition, classical Chinese, Chinese literature, and Chinese culture courses are also available through the program.

To expand the East Asian programs at the UI, Ke helped found the Confucius Institute in March 2006, a collaborative effort among the UI, the East China Normal University, and



REBECCA MNUK/THE DAILY IOWAN
Young children and their parents attend a Chinese class taught in the University Capitol Centre in on Feb. 7. The students are taught Mandarin, and they learn about Chinese culture as well.

Hanban, also known as the Office of Chinese Language Council International.

Besides the for-credit beginning Chinese classes offered through collaboration with UI's Chinese language program, the Confucius Institute also promotes Chinese learning in the community through community classes in Iowa City and the Quad Cities.

In the past, the institute had offered Chinese classes to fifth through eighth graders in Des Moines, through a partnership with the UI's Belin-Blank Center for Gifted Education and Talent Development.

Ke said he is confident about

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the development prospect of Chinese programs in the Iowa City area.

"The potential is there. I think the Chinese programs will continue to thrive," Ke said.

Akiyama said she and her family will continue studying Chinese language.

"It's convenient. It's useful," she said. "It's sort of the 'now' language, the language of the current period."

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Editorial

Continuing to beat the drunken/dead horse

Regardless of the budget difficulties facing the UI, the university's administration is once again planning to throw away money in a bid to curb students' alcohol consumption with the hiring of a binge-drinking consultant.

Certainly, drinking too much alcohol can lead to numerous problems. Individually, students who drink to excess can cause great harm to themselves and, at times, to others. In the short term, they risk alcohol poisoning or arrest as well as making themselves more vulnerable to assault. And the long-term dangers are no less daunting, including alcoholism and its attendant health problems. But college students are well aware of all of these issues, and they choose to drink anyway. Those who think they can use social engineering to substantially alter the choices these young adults are deluding themselves.

The supply-side interventions UI and Iowa City officials seem to favor are particularly misguided. A rudimentary understanding of market economics is all that is required to know that where there is demand, supply will almost always follow. Those who blame Iowa City's bars for its cultural fixation on intoxication are confusing causation with correlation. This community has a robust alcohol-focused nightlife because many of its members enjoy drinking, not the other way around.

One need not commission resource-intensive studies to understand college students' motivations in including alcohol in their social lives. It's as simple as going downtown and asking people why they go out drinking. For the most part, one will get the same, simple answer: Because it's fun. Humans have been ingesting intoxicating substances for thousands of years. This is not a new phenomenon, and any effort to get people stop is doomed to fail.

As an example, consider marijuana use. Unlike alcohol, marijuana is not openly available for sale in downtown Iowa City. In fact, marijuana possession is prohibited by federal and state law, and this prohibition is actively enforced by Johnson County, Iowa City, and UI

law-enforcement authorities. Those who traffic large quantities of marijuana into Iowa City or are involved in its distribution within the community are all risking arrest and potentially lengthy imprisonment for felonious activity. And although mere end-users who are unlikely to possess marijuana in greater than misdemeanor quantities are unlikely to suffer any consequences, if such people are unlucky enough to be picked up by the police, they still risk arrest. But regardless of the enormous amount of federal, state, and local resources put into enforcing the prohibition against marijuana, smoking this substance remains a popular pastime among a substantial percentage of UI students.

Given the abject failure of marijuana prohibition in Iowa City, it is nothing short of irrational to assume that alcohol consumption can really be decreased in the community through far less draconian measures.

Attempting to crack down on students' alcohol consumption closely resembles the classic Whac-A-Mole arcade game in which the player earns points by using a mallet to hit animatronic rodents as they pop up from the game machine — but regardless of how many moles the player whacks, more always pop up. Make all bars 21-only? There will be more house parties. Make it harder to get kegs? People will buy more cases of beer or bottles of hard liquor. End drink specials at bars? Students will just drink more before going out.

The UI should maintain its focus on its primary mission, which is providing its students with the education they are paying for. Iowa City government officials should focus on maintaining a safe community. If young people drink to excess and thus harm themselves and their futures, that's their problem. And if anyone acts in such a way as to endanger the public, local law-enforcement authorities should arrest them. Broader attempts at remaking youth culture in Iowa City via top-down intervention simply won't work. People who seek intoxication now will continue to do so in the future. That's simply not going to change.

Dream landing



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The news that the *DI*, following the lead of President Obama, had capped my salary at \$500,000 rather than my breath away, I have to admit.

But once I started breathing again, 20 or 25 minutes later (my girlfriend later confided that she got worried enough after around 15 minutes that she hopped on the Internet to look up some CPR tips, then Twittered a girlfriend who's a nurse for advice but didn't get Twit back), I decided things wouldn't be all that bad. Oh, I'd have to get rid of the customized Hummer (with its LED bumper sticker "Bashing Bush Bought This Tub"), but then, pretty much, I've been too embarrassed to drive it for a year or so. I mean, it's a *Hummer*. Though I kind of liked the LED bumper sticker.

And, I decided, one of the Caddies would no doubt have to go. But I reasoned with myself: Actually, I can only drive one Caddie at a time, try as I might to prove differently. Although, that little experiment on Jewish Cemetery Road was interesting, if nothing else, even if it did result in a \$27,000 repair bill for the red one (and some other fines and expenses — really, I still can't believe that measly garden and picture window and some maple sticks of furniture were worth \$375,000 in "emotional damages"). Anyway, if I'm being honest with myself, the Wifi in the red one kept going wacky ever since then, so the red Caddie often just sat in the driveway for months, and then the battery would go dead.

Stupid battery. Jetting off to Tahoe every weekend would also have to be axed, I decided; I'd cut it down to every other weekend. I mean, who needs Tahoe when you can have North Dodge. Probably selfish of me to use the *DI*'s private jet every weekend, anyway.

Then I learned the *DI* had sold the private jet. Well, that's a fine kettle of fish, I thought. Or cuttlefish. Or something. How are you supposed to get by on a mere \$500K if there's no private jet? I mean, I already cut my Tahoe trips by 50 percent. And I've got kids to send to private schools and ballet les-

sons and something else that I keep forgetting to pick them up at.

We have no children, the girlfriend says. Hmmm. That sounded like a hint of petulance.

I woke up as a pilot named "Sully" or something was landing the private jet in the Iowa River to the cheers of an adoring crowd standing on the banks where the Arts Campus used to live.

That was all delusional, naturally. (For one thing, the Arts Campus still lives on the banks of the river. It just lives differently.)

But then, I was trying to think like a Republican — so of course I was being delusional.

(Of course, you'd be fair in saying I was being delusional like a Democrat attempting to pay his taxes. Talk about a kettle of fish.)

But these Republicans — sheesh. I mean, their approach to economic stimulus seems to be to run away from it as fast as possible. Cut taxes, they say. Make the federal government smaller.

We tried that for eight years. Everything worked out just swell.

And that's the message the American people sent the GOP last November. Apparently, they didn't have their hearing aids turned on.

I mean, it's as if, after eight years of gleefully raiding the chicken house of every last bird and poultry feather, the Republicans are claiming, The Democrats are trying to steal the chickens.

Oh, I know — we're supposed to be in the post-partisan age. Well, trying to be bipartisan has hurt President Obama, because Republicans seem to view bipartisanship the way conservative guru Grover Norquist once described it: the equivalent of date rape. (Norquist has also described Obama as "John Kerry with a tan.")

So, because of this shot at bipartisanship, we're going to wind up with a stimulus package much too small — around \$800 billion (not the \$1 trillion the Republicans keep talking about), with many of the good parts left on the cutting floor (aid to state governments, for instance, and school construction, and extended unemployment benefits).

Sure, \$800 billion sounds like real money. But the Congressional Budget Office says the economic abyss over the next three years will be \$2.9 trillion.

And the Republicans wanted \$3 trillion in tax cuts over the next decade.

Who's being delusional? ■

Letter

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Dance Marathon: more than a fundraiser

This past fall, the UI Foundation defined a new vision statement that will help set its priorities and keep its focus on what matters most: "Inspire generosity. Exceed expectations."

No one exemplifies the spirit and substance of this vision better than the nearly 2,000 student volunteers who participated in the UI Dance Marathon over this past weekend. We applaud their success, admire their drive and generosity, and look forward to a future when these inspired — and inspiring — young people are the leaders of communities across Iowa and the nation.

Dance Marathon, the largest student-run organization on campus and one of the most successful philanthropic student groups in the nation, is celebrating its 15th year at the UI. In its first year (1995), the organization raised \$31,000 to support UI pediatric cancer patients and their families. Last year, the event surpassed the million-dollar mark for fundraising, and the organization broke its own fundraising record again this year with gifts and pledges totaling \$1,030,428.15 — that's \$27,000 more than the fundraising total for last year's Dance Marathon.



These UI students are doing more than raising money. By participating in support activities year-round, they raise the spirits of UI Children's Hospital cancer patients and their families. Because of their commitment to a cause, generosity of spirit, and their drive to make the world a better place

— through Dance Marathon and other student-led philanthropic organizations on campus — these UI students raise our hope for the future.

And thanks to another heartwarming and record-breaking Dance Marathon, they've also raised the bar when it comes to inspiring generosity

and exceeding expectations. We could all learn from their example.

Congratulations, UI Dance Marathon students!

Lynette Marshall
president and CEO, UI Foundation

Guest Opinion

Diplomacy in lieu of suspicion

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Iran has launched its first satellite, conspicuously named Omid meaning "hope." Both the satellite and the two-stage rocket were Iranian built, and it is quite the accomplishment, punctuated by the newly opened Iranian Space Center. President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad spoke with determination

and pride about the accomplishment when, according to the *New York Times*, he said, "Dear Iranian nation, your children have placed the first indigenous satellite into orbit."

National pride based on technological prowess is not so foreign. It harks back to the Russians and their Sputnik and the ensuing U.S.-Russian space race. So who is Iran racing? From the response the news of the launch garnered, you might

assume the United States, Israel, Italy, and Britain were behind in the space race.

An Israeli ballistic-missile expert at the Institute for National Security Studies said it was already understood that Iran had this missile capability, this is "nothing new" — a strangely disparaging tone to strike about a satellite's launch, although it points to national-security worries. President Obama's State Department rep-

resentative, Robert A. Wood, seemed to echo the worry that "Iran's development of a space-launch vehicle establishes the technical basis from which Iran could develop long-range ballistic-missile systems." But really, why not pat Iranians on the back? If they are working on a space program, should we not encourage that, even use it as an entry into diplomatic relations? Hell, even the United States and Russia found some

equanimity during their space programs' competition.

The Iranians' space program may be merely a façade for continued rocket-development research to parallel their nuclear-enrichment program. But at least they've gone through the trouble of putting up a nice front. That's considerate, right? Either way — façade or legitimate endeavor — this news, along with the nuclear program, is a continued attempt

to sound international respect. So instead of ceaselessly disparaging them (harks back to U.S. relations toward the Soviet Union during the Cold War), let's congratulate them on the accomplishment. I'll be the first to extend an American hand, because to be honest no one wants to push Iran to destructive shows of power. Let's reinforce the constructive ones, and take Omid as a beacon of hope.

CD REVIEWS

Multiple Personalities, All Bitches

Much like the little curly haired girl with the split personality issues from the fabled nursery rhyme, when Lily Allen is good, she is very, very good — but when she is bad, she's horrid.

And luckily for us, Allen, known as much for her 2006 debut, *Smile*, as she is for telling Elton John that she could "snort [him] under a table," has elected to showcase her mean-spirited flare on her latest album. *It's Not Me, It's You* pairs the British tabloid sweetheart's delicate, feminine vocals with biting ironic lyrics — and her slight temper problem. From bashing on celebrity culture to ditching men who can't bring her to orgasm, she refuses to hold back, resulting in an outwardly honest portrait of one very witty woman.

Through the disc, she shines most brightly when she's being, well, a bitch. "22," "Not Fair" and "Everyone's At It" are shamelessly cheeky, reveling in the Blondie-esque territory of toting tough lyrics over a smooth and funky dance beat. *It's Not Me, It's You's* standout tracks, "The Fear" and "Fuck You," are contrapuntal masterpieces that boast solid cottoncandy arrangements and Allen's sweetly satirical delivery of expletive after expletive.

It's too bad that she doesn't stick with this brilliant formula consistently. Such tracks as "Who'd Have Known" and "Back to the Start" are so full of weepy, self-loathing confessionals that they are nearly intolerable. Though its often a welcome treat when a badass pop siren reveals her softer side (think Christina Aguilera's "Beautiful"), Allen's sensitive persona is a hollow shell of her smart sardonicism. When saccharine instrumentals are accompanied by equally saccharine lyrics, it's all just another bubblegum sugar rush.

She may not have a diagnosed case of split-personality disorder, but it's obvious that *It's Not Me, It's You* suffers from a Dr. Jekyll/Mr. Hyde complex. But even in its flaws, the album remains a fun, solidly sarcastic romp through an impolite society.

Melea's Picks: "The Fear," "Fuck You," "Not Fair"

— by Melea Andrys

Aging Englishmen can still play

Time Waits for No Slave, the 14th studio album by UK outfit Napalm Death, is oddly reminiscent of the movie *Speed*. The album's 14 tracks hurtle at breakneck pace to the listener's eardrums, and it's not hard to imagine the band's producer in the recording studio screaming at the musicians to keep the tempo somewhere above "blistering."

Fortunately, the guitars and drums come out of the redline often enough to lay down some infectious mid-tempo grooves, asserting *Time Waits for No Slave* as one of the must-have metal albums of 2009.

Napalm Death is known for two things: having the shortest song in the world ("You Suffer," at 1.316 seconds) and fathering the metal subgenre known as "grindcore." Grindcore is an absurdly fast style of music based in punk and death metal, with a melting pot of other genres thrown in for fun. Vital to grindcore is the "blast beat," a drumming technique in which the kick and snare drums are struck simultaneously with a cymbal, essentially as loud and as rapidly as humanly possible. The effect is a disorienting assault on the senses only appropriate to such an aggressive style of music.

The band's 1987 debut album, "Scum," contained 28 tracks and clocked in at a mere 30 minutes in length. More than 20 years later, Napalm Death has cut the number of songs in half and stretched the length out to 50 minutes, but that doesn't mean the band has gone soft. The frenetic guitar riffs force the instrument's range to its limits, and the drumming is utterly berserk yet remains atomic-clock accurate throughout. Each song oscillates between incredibly tense blasts of speed and grooving, head-banging riffs. *Time Waits for No Slave* leaves the listener exhausted, exhilarated, and wanting more.

If the terms "grindcore" and "blast beat" sound completely foreign, *Time Waits for No Slave* is probably not the album to begin a foray into the realm of extreme metal. However, for those already familiar with the intricacies of the genre, the album is undoubtedly worth a listen.

Brian's picks: "Life and Limb," "Work to Rule," "Diktat"

— by Brian Dau

Shake it like a pompom?

Missy Elliott's newest CD, *Block Party*, is a step away from her usual sound. *Block Party* has more emphasis on club-style music than her usual rap vibe. In fact, one of the tracks on the album is featured in *Step Up 2: The Streets* — and it can't get more dance-theme than that.

Block Party is Miss E's seventh album, and it holds the potential to earn her the opportunity to add a sixth Grammy to her mantle, or at least another platinum album for her wall. She stays true to her fast lyrics and upbeat tunes with tracks such as "Ching-a-Ling" and "Best, Best."

If Misdemeanor intended for *Block Party* to be a departure from her creative past, she failed. But her fans won't be disappointed, because she still displays the characteristics that made her a star,

including her trademark lyrical swagger. The words tend to focus on sex, alcohol, and partying. These three raunchy themes carry *Block Party* through from the beginning to the end, without too much variation in between. BORING.

Although Elliott's songs may not exhibit unique creativity, she does get snaps for thinking of clever song names that go with the album's dance vibe, including "Shake Your Pompom" and "Act a Fool" — if only because shaking your pompom will make you look a fool.

Her latest is nothing out of the ordinary, but it holds the capability to be a great pre-gaming dance mix.

Rachael's Picks: "Milk & Cookies," "Shake Your Pompom," and "Ching-a-Ling"

— by Rachael Lander

The Black Keys guitarist keeps it diverse

Akron, Ohio, native Dan Auerbach, is best known as the guitarist and singer for the Black Keys. On his debut solo album, *Keep It Hid*, he surpasses the quality of even his best work with the Black Keys.

The blues-rock influence of the Black Keys is heavily incorporated in this album, although Auerbach manages to create his own sound. For the most part, *Keep It Hid* is colorful and fresh, though it falls short with the three acoustic pieces "Trouble Weighs A Ton," "When the Night Comes," and "Goin' Home."

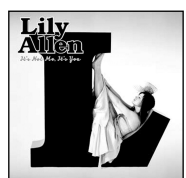
Diversity is a common theme throughout the album, with each track sounding different from the previous. Bass plays a prominent role, with deep bass drum punches and heavy bass guitar lines sounding similar to Gov't Mule.

The drum machine and organ featured on "Real Desire" differentiates it from the rest of the album's tracks, but as soon as Auerbach's voice comes in the listener is reminded who it is. "The Prowl" features a bass line with fuzzy distortion, with Beck-style instrumentation. "My Last Mistake" tells of a love story and showcases Auerbach's guitar skills.

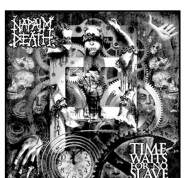
His John Fogerty-esque vocals and Clapton-like guitar licks give Auerbach an enjoyable sound. While it isn't quite as heavy as the Black Keys, *Keep It Hid* is a worthy alternative.

Nick's Picks: "Real Desire," "The Prowl," "Keep It Hid,"

— by Nick Fetty



Lily Allen
It's Not Me, It's You
★★★½ out of
★★★★★



Napalm Death
Time Waits for no Slave
★★★★ out of
★★★★★



Missy Elliott
Block Party
★★★ out of
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Dan Auerbach
Keep It Hid
★★★½ out of
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Guided by physics



PUBLICITY PHOTO

Iowa Writers' Workshop alumnus Andrew Porter's latest book, *The Theory of Light and Matter*, was named one of the "Five Best Books of 2008" by the *San Antonio Express-News*. In November 2008, actors including Eric Stoltz, Rainn Wilson, and Justine Bateman, read from the short-story collection at an event in Hollywood.

For the first time in 10 years, Iowa Writers' Workshop graduate Andrew Porter will head back to Iowa City. This time, however, he comes complete with an award-winning published work of fiction.

By RACHAEL LANDER
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Anyone looking to be a great engineer looks to MIT. Those hoping to be great performers go to Juilliard. If people want to be great writers, often Iowa City is their destination.

The Iowa Writers' Workshop has spewed out authors who have gone on to receive Pulitzers, National Book Awards, and many other honors. As graduate Andrew Porter receives a Flannery O'Connor award for his short-story collection, the Writers' Workshop can share in yet another honor.

He will read and discuss excerpts from his award-winning work, *The Theory of Light and Matter*, today at 7 p.m. at Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St.

The Theory of Light and Matter is something Porter has been working on since graduation, but it's only been in the past few years that he decided to turn it into a book.

"I started writing stories long before I had thought of a book," he said. "And after I had written a certain number, I realized I wanted to put them together."

After graduating from the Workshop, he received a fellowship that enabled him to focus solely on writing for a year. He almost immediately relocated to Houston, and he now teaches fiction writing at Trinity University in San Antonio.

Although *The Theory of Light*

and *Matter* is an accumulation of short stories, they all contain common links — most notably setting. The stories all lodge themselves in suburban neighborhoods throughout the United States.

"They are about the types of conflict that arise in that setting," Porter said. "They're also largely about memory, and the way that we reconstruct memory, and the way we remember events of our past."

He got the idea for the title *The Theory of Light and Matter* from reading a book about physics. He found that the words worked well with the concepts that he was trying to convey within his stories.

It's been 10 years since he has been in Iowa City, and he is thrilled at the prospect of returning to a place that houses the program he poured so much of himself into. He notes that he attended numerous readings at Prairie Lights while he was a student at the Workshop, and that it is a remarkable thing to be able to come back as the featured author.

"I've been looking forward to this reading perhaps more than any other simply because Iowa is such an important place for me in terms of my development as a writer," Porter said.

He looks back on his time at the Workshop fondly, with high regard to the education he received there.

"I think my experience in the

From *Theory of Light and Matter*, by Andrew Porter

"It's naïve to assume that another person can fulfill you, or save you, if the two things are, in fact, different, and I have never felt that way with Colin. I simply believe that he fulfills a part of me, an important part of me, and that Robert fulfilled another equally important part of me. The part of me Robert fulfilled is a part which I imagine Colin, even now, doesn't know exists. It is the part of me that can destroy as easily as it loves. It is the part of me that feels safest and most at home behind closed doors, in a dark bedroom, that believes that the only truth lies in the secrets we keep from each other. Robert is the secret that I have kept from Colin for almost ten years. I have imagined telling him sometimes. It has been ten years, and in that time we have lasted through a miscarriage, near bankruptcy, and both of his parents dying, and I feel at this point that there is almost nothing we can't weather together. But it's not that I'm afraid of how he will react. I know him well enough to know that he will internalize it. He may hate me for it, but he would never show me. His whole life, it seems, he has gone out of his way to spare me pain and I know that even as I told him of my feelings for Robert, he would be thinking how not to hurt me. Guilt is the reason we tell our lovers these secrets, these truths. It is a selfish act, after all, and implicit in it is the assumption that we are doing the right thing, that bringing the truth out into the open will somehow alleviate some of the guilt. But it doesn't. The guilt, like any self-inflicted injury, becomes a permanent thing, as real as the act itself. Bringing it out into the open simply makes it everyone's injury. And that is why I never told him. I never told him because I knew he would have never told me."

READING

Andrew Porter

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workshop really was a very transformative experience for me," Porter said. "It was during those two years that I went from being somebody who liked to write short stories to someone who thought of himself as a writer."

His advice to Workshop participants is to persevere through whatever hurdles that come their way.

"It's a matter of whether or not they can keep going when they face obstacles in the outside world and life after the workshop."

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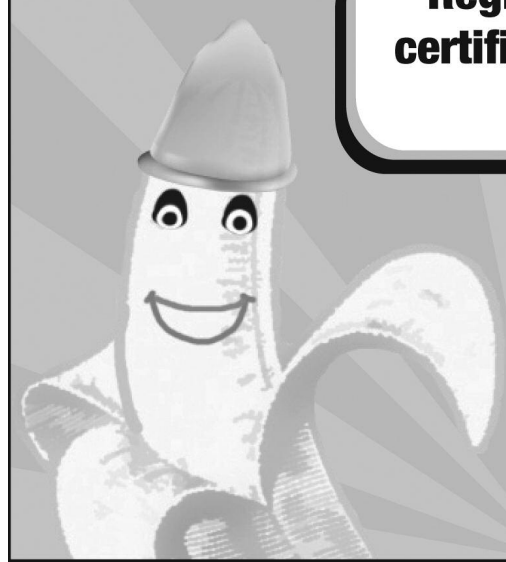
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Obama: Quit playing games

By JENNIFER LOVEN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama, pressuring lawmakers to urgently approve a massive economic-recovery bill, turned his first prime-time news conference Monday night into a determined defense of his emergency plan and an offensive against Republicans who try to “play the usual political games.”

He said the recession has left the nation so weak that only the federal government can “jolt our economy back to life.” And he declared that failure to act swiftly and boldly “could turn a crisis into a catastrophe.”

He said the country could be in better shape by next year, as measured by increased hiring, lending, home values and other factors. “If we get things right, then, starting next year, we can start seeing significant improvement,” Obama said.

With more than 11 million Americans now out of work, Obama defended his program against Republican criticism that it is loaded with pork-barrel spending and will not create jobs.

“The plan is not perfect,” the president said. “No plan is. I can’t tell you for sure that everything in this plan will work exactly as we hope, but I can tell you with complete confidence that a failure to act will only deepen this crisis as well as the pain felt by mil-



Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., arrives for the cloture vote on the Stimulus Bill on Capitol Hill on Monday. The cloture vote passed, 61-36.

lions of Americans.”

Obama spoke from the East Room of the White House in a news conference that lasted almost exactly one hour. He hit repeatedly at the themes he has emphasized in recent weeks, including at a town hall meeting to promote his plan earlier in the day in Elkhart, Ind.

Obama seemed cool and unruffled as he addressed the nation for the first time from the White House. He ducked several questions, for example refusing to say if his administration would alter the Bush administration’s policy of refusing to allow photographs of flag-draped coffins of America’s war dead.

He also refused to say how long U.S. troops would be in

Afghanistan after his planned troop buildup there. And he refused to reveal details of new rules governing the bailout of financial firms.

When the stimulus bill passed the House last month, not a single Republican voted for it. On Monday, an \$838 billion version of the legislation cleared a crucial test vote in the Senate by a 61-36 margin, with all but three Republican senators opposing it.

Obama said he had made a deliberate effort to reach out to the GOP, putting three Republicans into his Cabinet, and “as I continue to make these overtures, over time, hopefully that will be reciprocated.”

“So my bottom line, when it comes to the recovery package is,

Send me a bill that creates or saves 4 million jobs.”

Obama acknowledged the difficulty of mending political divisions between Republicans and Democrats.

“Old habits are hard to break,” he said. “We’re coming off an election, and people sort of want to test the limits of what they can get. There’s a lot of jockeying in this town and who’s up and who’s down, testing for the next election.”

Still, he said, “I am the eternal optimist. I think that over time people respond to civility and rational argument.”

Obama said the federal government was the only power that could save the nation at a time of crisis, with huge spending outlays and tax cuts.

“At this particular moment, with the private sector so weakened by this recession, the federal government is the only entity left with the resources to jolt our economy back to life,” he said.

Rejecting criticism that the emphasis on federal action was too great, he said that 90 percent of the jobs created by the plan would be in the private sector, rebuilding crumbling roads, bridges and other aging infrastructure.

“The plan that ultimately emerges from Congress must be big enough and bold enough to meet the size of the economic challenge we face right now,” Obama said.

NATION

Judges: Calif. must release prisoners

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — A special panel of federal judges tentatively ruled Monday that California must release tens of thousands of inmates to relieve overcrowding.

The judges said no other solution will improve conditions so poor that

inmates die regularly of suicides or lack of proper care.

The panel said it wanted the state to present a plan to trim the population in two to three years.

“There are simply too many prisoners for the existing capacity,” they wrote. “Evidence offered at trial was overwhelmingly to the effect that overcrowding is the primary cause of

the unconstitutional conditions that have been found to exist in the California prisons.”

The state can change parole and other policies to cut the population of its 33 adult prisons without endangering the public, the judges said.

Reducing the number of inmates might have a positive effect as well, they said. “This is particularly true

considering that California’s overcrowded prison system is itself ... a public-safety hazard,” the San Francisco-based panel said in its order.

The three federal judges said a final population figure would be set later and they may hold more hearings before making their decision final.

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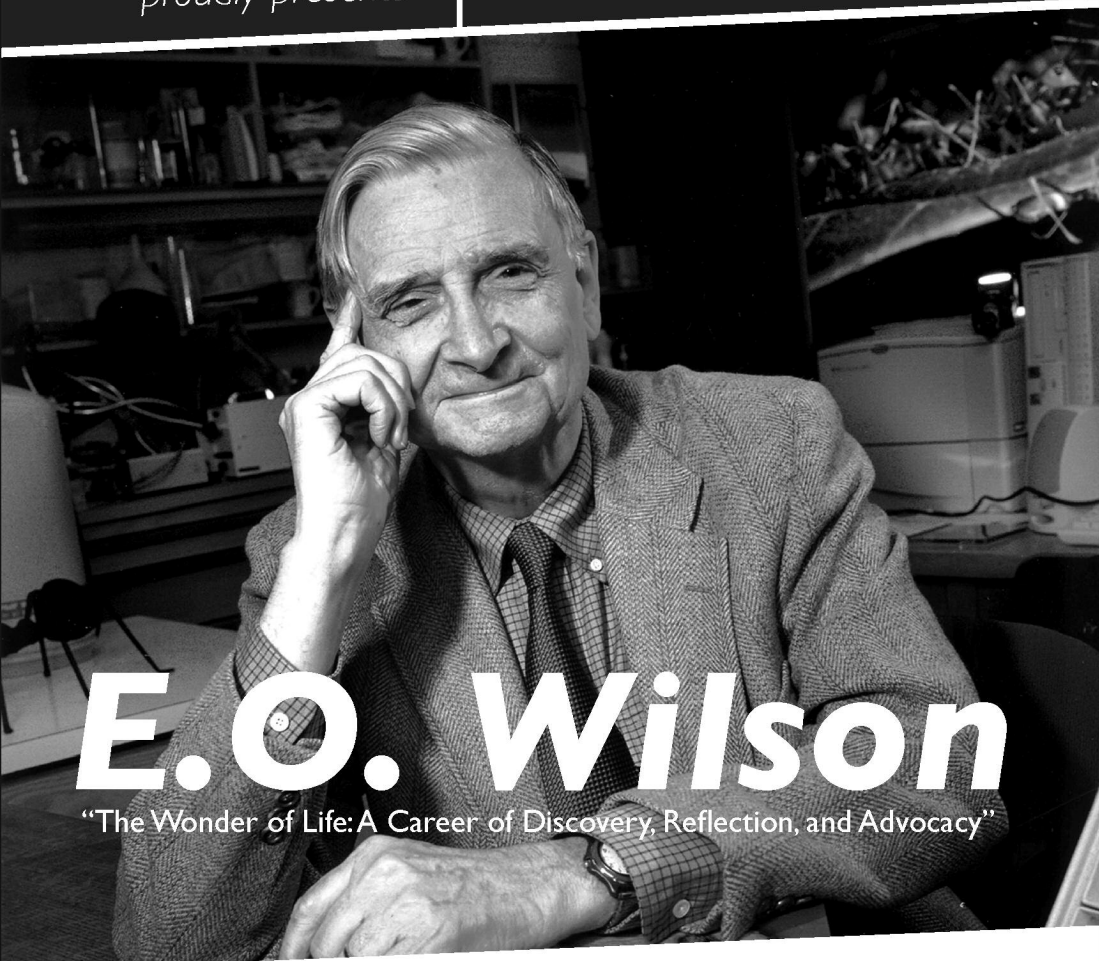
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FOOTBALL



Former Falcon Jamal Anderson released

ATLANTA (AP) — Former Atlanta Falcons running back Jamal Anderson has been released from jail following his arrest on drug charges.

Anderson is charged with felony cocaine possession and misdemeanor marijuana possession.

Fulton County Jail spokeswoman Tracy Flanagan says he was let out on \$6,000 bond Sunday evening.

The 36-year-old played eight seasons for the Falcons before leaving with a knee injury in 2001. He worked as an NFL analyst for ESPN this past season.

Atlanta police say Anderson is accused of having powder cocaine and a marijuana cigarette in his possession at an Atlanta tavern. The Fulton County Superior Court clerk's office says charges have been dropped against 20-year-old Mark Daniel Hudson, who police say was with Anderson.

Utah lawmakers call for football playoff system

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah's state Legislature is calling for a playoff system to determine college football's national champion.

With University of Utah football players on hand, the state senate adopted a resolution Monday it wants sent to President Obama urging the NCAA to abandon the Bowl Championship Series in favor of a playoff system.

BASEBALL

Feds make last plea to keep Bonds' steroids tests

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Federal prosecutors are again asking a judge to let them show a jury three drug-test results they say show Barry Bonds used steroids.



Bonds
baseball player

The judge said last week she was inclined to throw out those results unless someone could directly testify to collecting the slugger's urine samples. The likeliest candidate to be able to do so is Bonds' former trainer, Greg Anderson. A lawyer for Anderson has said his client won't testify at Bonds' upcoming trial.

In a court filing Monday, prosecutors included snippets of Bonds' grand-jury testimony saying Anderson collected the samples. It also included testimony from a former BALCO executive saying Anderson dropped off urine samples labeled with Bonds' name.

Bonds is charged with lying to a grand jury about alleged steroid use.

TV TODAY

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• San Jose at Boston, 6 p.m., VERSUS

The 3 has lots of company



DAVID SCRIVNER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Hawkeye freshman Matt Gatens shoots one of the many Hawkeye 3-pointers this season, against Charleston Southern on Nov. 14, 2008, in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Against Northwestern in its last outing, Iowa attempted 30 shots from beyond the arc.

Iowa's latest win over Northwestern — highlighted by 56 attempts from downtown by the two teams combined — reflects a new dynamic in Big Ten basketball.

By CHARLIE KAUTZ
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Threes are trendy.

Early in 2009, the number is a symbol of efficiency, opportunity, and successful business strategy, among other associations.

Multinational mobile providers tout cellular phones and e-mail devices with the claim as the "world's fastest 3G network." One of the U.S.'s leading fast-food chains is luring customers with a newer, broader value menu and a tag

line of "3conomics."

According to national ratings data released by Nielsen Media Research, an estimated 151.6 million people tuned into the Super Bowl, all of who were encouraged to watch a handful of commercials in

stunning 3-D. A character on NBC's hit TV show "The Office" recently took a fictional \$3 bill out of his wallet.

Try this one.

The Iowa men's basketball team combined with Northwestern for 56 attempts beyond the 3-point line over the weekend — in a single game.

"That's a lot of 3's," Penn State head coach Ed DuChellis said Monday.

Or is it?

ON THE WEB

Go to dailyiowan.com to hear more about men's basketball on Daily Iowan TV.



"I mean 56 is, what, 28 apiece? To us, that's not a high number," said second-year Michigan head coach John Beilein. "Eighty 3's in that game together would be a high number."

SEE BASKETBALL, 3B

Golfers improving, wish facilities would, too

Mark Hankins won 2 Big Ten titles at Michigan State; to get the same result at Iowa, he'd like the facilities be on par.

By JORDAN GARRETSON
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What kind of difference can facility upgrades make for a golf program?

Michigan State made such improvements when Mark Hankins was the men's golf head man, and the Spartans took home a Big Ten title the next year.

Hankins is now the head coach at Iowa. He hasn't forgotten how beneficial the upgrades in East Lansing were — he's hoping for the same in Iowa City.

"It just goes hand-in-hand with trying to do things better," said Hankins, now in his second season with Iowa. "First-class and giving these kids what they need to succeed."

Hankins hasn't waited long to bring change to the program in his less than two-year tenure. Following the 2006-07 season,



DAVID SCRIVNER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Sophomore Brad Hopfinger waits at the first hole of Finkbine with his teammates and coach on Sept. 9, 2008. Hopfinger and the Hawkeyes have improved dramatically since the arrival of head coach Mark Hankins before the 2007-08 season.

SEE GOLF, 3B

Tucker works on academics

Freshman guard Anthony Tucker speaks publicly for the first time since being declared academically ineligible on Jan. 21.

By CHARLIE KAUTZ
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Freshman guard Anthony Tucker said Monday he has a simple solution for his inability to remain academically ineligible during his first season in Iowa City.

Work harder.

"I just think it was a lack of focus at the beginning of the semester," said Tucker, who was declared academically ineligible on Jan. 21. "I just need to work harder to make sure I don't put myself in those situations."

In his first interview since the announcement, Tucker showed remorse, saying he let



Tucker
freshman guard

ON THE WEB

See more of what the Hawkeyes are saying about Cyrus Tate, Anthony Tucker, the meaning of the remaining games and more at dailyiowan.com.

teammates, coaches, and supporters down by failing to maintain the minimum grade-point average designated by the Big Ten: a 1.65.

Despite Tucker remaining in an appeals process, disputing one of his fall-semester grades — "I kind of got a surprise," he said — the team's third-leading scorer will miss the remainder of the season.

"That's gone," Tucker said. "It's a good lesson for me in that had I worked harder, I wouldn't be in this situation. I think it will just be a wake-up call."

Working out four times a week with assistant coach LaVall Jordan, Tucker said he has gained eight pounds in the last month, up from 195 to 203. Outside of getting stronger, he continues to participate in all team activities excluding games and says he feels "great" physically despite his absence from competition.

While many in his situation consider transferring, the Minnetonka, Minn., native said his loyalty to Iowa hasn't wavered.

SEE TUCKER, 3B



SPORTS 'N' STUFF

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
Penn State	4	8 .333	9	13 .409
Wisconsin	4	9 .308	14	10 .583
Michigan	3	10 .231	10	14 .417
Northwestern	2	10 .167	6	17 .261

Monday's Games
 Penn State 64, Michigan 56
Thursday's Games
 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.
 Penn State at Michigan, 4 p.m.
Monday's Games
 Indiana at Wisconsin, 6 p.m.

MEN'S BIG TEN BASKETBALL

	Conference		All Games	
	W	L PCT	W	L PCT
Michigan St.	9	2 .818	19	4 .826
Ohio State	7	4 .636	19	5 .792
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

Today'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 Game
 Illinois at Northwestern, 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

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

EASTERN CONFERENCE			
Atlantic	W	L	Pct
Boston	42	11	.792
Philadelphia	26	24	.520
New Jersey	24	28	.462
New York	21	29	.420
Toronto	19	34	.358
Southeast			
Orlando	38	12	.760
Atlanta	29	21	.580
Miami	27	23	.540
Charlotte	20	31	.392
Washington	11	40	.216
Central			
Cleveland	39	10	.796
Detroit	27	22	.551
Milwaukee	25	29	.463
Chicago	22	29	.431
Indiana	20	32	.385
WESTERN CONFERENCE			
Southwest	W	L	Pct
San Antonio	34	15	.694
New Orleans	30	19	.612
Dallas	30	20	.600
Houston	31	21	.596
Memphis	15	36	.294
Northwest			
Denver	34	17	.667
Portland	31	19	.620
Utah	29	23	.558
Minnesota	17	33	.340
Phoenix City	13	38	.256
Pacific			
L.A. Lakers	41	9	.820
Phoenix	28	22	.560
Golden State	17	35	.327
L.A. Clippers	12	40	.231

Sacramento 11 41 .212 31
Monday's Games
 Philadelphia 108, Phoenix 91
 Charlotte 94, L.A. Clippers 73
 Milwaukee 124, Houston 112
 Memphis 85, New Orleans 80
Today's Games
 Washington at Atlanta, 6 p.m.
 Cleveland at Indiana, 6 p.m.
 Denver at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
 San Antonio at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
 Toronto at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
 Detroit at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
 Sacramento at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
 New York at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.
 Oklahoma City at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE					
Atlantic	W	L	OT	Pts	GF GA
New Jersey	34	17	3	71	169 134
Philadelphia	24	15	9	65	167 153
N.Y. Rangers	29	20	5	63	135 149
Pittsburgh	26	24	5	57	167 168
N.Y. Islanders	16	31	5	37	128 174
Northeast					
Boston	39	8	7	85	188 121
Montreal	29	19	6	64	164 159
Buffalo	28	20	6	62	161 148
Toronto	20	24	9	49	157 193
Ottawa	18	25	8	44	122 149
Southeast					
Washington	34	16	4	72	178 155
Carolina	27	22	5	59	142 156
Florida	25	19	8	58	146 146
Tampa Bay	18	24	11	47	134 164
Atlanta	18	31	5	41	153 190
WESTERN CONFERENCE					
Central	W	L	OT	Pts	GF GA
Detroit	35	11	7	77	199 154
Chicago	29	14	8	66	172 133
Columbus	25	23	5	55	142 152
Nashville	25	27	1	51	146 163
St. Louis	22	24	6	50	150 161
Northwest					
Calgary	31	18	4	66	167 157
Minnesota	27	22	3	57	134 118
Edmonton	26	23	4	56	146 166
Vancouver	24	20	8	56	154 152
Colorado	25	27	1	51	146 163
Pacific					
San Jose	36	7	7	79	172 119
Anaheim	27	24	5	59	156 156
Dallas	26	19	7	59	162 164
Phoenix	24	25	5	53	136 164
Los Angeles	23	21	7	53	134 142

Monday's Games
 New Jersey 3, N.Y. Rangers 0
 Calgary 6, Montreal 2
Today's Games
 San Jose at Boston, 6 p.m.
 Colorado at Columbus, 6 p.m.
 Los Angeles at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.
 Toronto at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
 Atlanta at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
 Detroit at Nashville, 7 p.m.
 Vancouver at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
 OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Agreed to terms with RHP Edgar Gonzalez on a minor league contract.
National League
 LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Agreed to terms with RHP Jeff Weaver, LHP Shawn Estes, RHP Ronald Belisario, RHP Charlie Haeger on minor league contracts.
 ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Released 2B Adam Kennedy.
 SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Agreed to terms with INF Rich Aurilia on a minor league contract.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
 CLEVELAND BROWNS—Released QB Ken Dorsey, QB Bruce Gradkowski, LB Artwan Peek, CB Terry Cousin, P Mike Dragosavich, PK Jason Reda and OL Eric Young.
 DALLAS COWBOYS—Released CB Adam Jones.
 DETROIT LIONS—Released CB Leigh Bodden, WR Mike Furrey, G Edwin Mulitalo, S Dwight Smith, TE Dan Campbell and OT Jon Dunn.
 NEW YORK GIANTS—Re-signed QB David Carr. Released DB Sam Madison, DB Sammy Knight and RB Reuben Droughns.
 TAMPA BAY BUCCANERS—Re-signed QB Luke McCown.
Canadian Football League
 SASKATCHEWAN ROUGHRIDERS—Re-signed OL Gene Makowsky to a one-year contract.

Group to U.S. track: Change

By EDDIE PELLIS
 Associated Press

They asked for a candid review of their problems and they got it — 69 pages of unflattering details, uncomfortable advice, and a laundry list of possible solutions for the U.S. track team.

A task force commissioned by USA Track and Field released its report Monday, lashing out at the American relay system, recommending streamlining Olympic trials, and calling for a more stringent policy for dopers who want to be reinstated.

The report came in the wake of a disappointing showing at the Beijing Olympics. Americans led all countries with 23 track and field medals but their seven golds were the fewest since the 1997 world championships.

The task force is called "Project 30," a nod to the goal of winning 30 medals at the 2012 London Olympics.

"We're headed toward having single digits in the next few Olympics if we don't make the changes," said Carl Lewis, one of the nine members of the task force.

The panel decried an overall "lack of accountability, professionalism, and cohesion" among staff, coaches, and athletes. The group suggested athletes focus more on winning Olympic medals, acting like professionals, and possibly creating a union, and less on things such as appearance fees and access to TVs in the Olympic village.

To spearhead the changes, the task force called for the hiring of a general manager to

oversee all aspects of U.S. track. Chief executive Doug Logan said he would decide how to respond to the panel's 10 key recommendations by the time of the next U.S. track board meeting in March.

"This report has and will produce a significant amount of discomfort and the change that comes with it will produce a significant amount of discomfort," he said. "But it's the only way the institution can change and get better."

The task force covered the doping issue even though it wasn't asked to, saying it was the single most important issue in the sport.

It called for current anti-doping standards to be augmented by the U.S. track, saying cheaters should be reinstated only if they provide depositions under oath "detailing what went into their decision to cheat, how they obtained and used their drugs, and who contributed to their cheating."

The U.S. Anti-Doping Agency said it was pleased to see the task force take such a strong stance but noted that some of the recommendations now exist in the anti-doping program.

"Of course, we look forward to assisting the U.S. track Task Force in developing specific programs that they believe will address and improve their unique sport issues," U.S. Anti-Doping Agency spokeswoman Erin Hannan said.

Officials at the U.S. Olympic Committee applauded the report. "If the analysis was sharp, it's only because the committee recognizes what U.S. track and field athletes are capable of achieving," spokesman Darryl Seibel said.

POINT/COUNTERPOINT

In any NCAA sport, who is the No. 1 coach?

Augie Garrido

I'm starting at a disadvantage here. If you follow sports in even a cursory manner you know who Dan Gable and Pat Summitt are. But you probably don't know who Augie Garrido is.

Let me tell you about him.

Garrido, currently the head baseball coach at Texas, is the winningest coach in Division-I college baseball history, compiling a 1,668-755-8 record over a 40-year career that includes tenures with four different programs.

He's been as consistent as any coach in any college sport, guiding teams to a national championship in each of the past four decades, with titles in 1979, 1984, 1995, 2002, and 2005. He's taken 12 teams to the College World Series and won national Coach of the Year six times.

The first three titles came at Cal State-Fullerton, where Garrido put his and Fullerton's name on the college baseball map. The last two have come in his stint with the Longhorns, making him the only coach to lead two different teams to national crowns.

The sage likes a challenge. He built the Fullerton program from nothing (its first year in D-I was 1975, and he won a title four years later) and returned the Texas program to national prominence after some down years.

But his biggest challenge came in the Big Ten. College baseball is dominated by schools in warm-weather climates, so he had a built-in advantage at Fullerton and Texas. Garrido proved he could coach in the North as well, guiding Illinois from 1988-1990 before

returning to Fullerton. He led the Illini to two Big Ten Tournament titles, including their first in 26 years, and a pair of NCAA postseason appearances.

That's Augie Garrido. No matter what the situation is, no matter what the odds are, he just wins.

He is the best college baseball coach in history. And the greatest Division-I college coach of all time.

- by Mike Brownlee

Pat Summitt

There's no questioning Pat Summitt's dedication to Tennessee women's basketball. Entering her 35th year with the program, she has helped the Lady Vols win eight NCAA women's basketball championships, 14 SEC championships, and 13 SEC Tournament championships, all the while posting a 1,000-187 career record. She is the only basketball coach — men's or women's — to reach the 1,000-win plateau.

Perhaps one of the more impressive things about her career is how consistent her teams have been.

While some may argue her victories have come because of having such outstanding players as Candice Parker (2005-2008) and Chamique Holdscrow (1995-1999), it should be noted the Lady Vols have not lost more than 10 games in a season dating back to 1975, when they went 16-11.

Hell, the last time Tennessee lost even more than five games in an entire season was in the 1996-97 season. The team went 29-10 but still ended up winning the NCAA championship.

As if that stretch of greatness isn't remarkable enough, the very next year, during the 1997-98 season, she coached one of the greatest college teams in history — Tennessee went 39-0 en route to its third-consecutive national championship.

All of these accomplishments have

led her to being named the NCAA women's basketball Coach of the Year seven times as well as be honored with the Naismith Coach of the 20th Century Award.

Let's face it, Summitt wouldn't have won 1,000 games if she was anything less than the best. But perhaps it's her contribution to bettering women's basketball that makes her the greatest. She's been a part of helping women's basketball garner better coverage and attention for over 30 years to become a premier college sport.

In 2006, she was rewarded by earning the first million-dollar contract given in women's basketball coaching.

Her road to 1,000 wasn't easy, but with a new contract extension through 2014, who knows how much more she'll accomplish, not just for herself but for women's basketball as well.

- by Evelyn Lau

Dan Gable

Dan Gable is the greatest college coach of all time.

This debate is about who is the greatest field general in Division I college athletics. Thus, I think we should throw the numbers and stats out of the window.

Toss out Gable's all-time record as the head wrestling coach at Iowa of 355-21-5, which translates to a winning percentage of 93.1.

Forget that in 21 years (1976-1997) as the head Hawk, Gable's teams had an average record of roughly 17-1 (I say roughly because Gable had seven

teams go undefeated).

Disregard Iowa's 21-straight Big Ten championships under Gable.

Certainly don't mention the 15 national titles Gable-coached teams brought to Iowa City.

Also I probably shouldn't mention only the Hawkeyes won the national championship for almost an entire decade from 1978-1986.

Forget that in Gable's 21 years, he coached 29 individual national champions who compiled 45 individual national titles.

While I'm at it I should (or shouldn't) mention the 10 Olympians he mentored and trained, four who claimed gold — including Iowa head coach Tom Brands — and four others who earned medals.

See why I wanted to throw out the stats?

None of these coaches compare with Gable on a level of sheer and utter domination because none of them can say they won the national championship at least every other year. Gable can say he was better than two out of three.

I think coaching is all about maximizing the potential of the athletes which a coach has at his disposal, regardless of talent.

But when it comes right down to it, how bad would any of those coaches really want to argue with Gable?

Say you take this thunderous threesome, lock them in a large room, and let them duke it out. Who do you think is going to walk out of that room?

My guess is, after Gable walked out of that room — albeit, hardly sweating — you would probably find the other two coaches battered, bruised and looking something like a pretzel.

In the battle of the NCAA's greatest coaches, Gable wins by fall.

- by Zach Smith

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Hawks play hail to the 3

BASKETBALL

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But if each of them shoot 25, that's really not a high number."

The contrasting opinions reflect an increasing divide in the traditional notions of Big Ten basketball, an ever-changing beast that has seen an influx of new coaching styles, offensive schemes, and this season in particular, shooting habits.

Where Beilein and the Wolverines may find comfort in a 40-minute basketball game with more snipers than the CIA, others still see a "wow" factor in unorthodox stat sheets.

In Iowa's latest win, the Hawkeyes didn't secure a two-point basket until 14:55 remained in the game, and Wildcat guard Craig Moore attempted more 3-pointers (18) than six Big Ten teams average in a game.

"I haven't been part of one like that, to be honest," said Illinois head coach Bruce Weber.

Before the 2008-09 season, the NCAA moved the 3-point line back 1 foot to 20 feet, 9 inches, and many questioned its possible effect on both attempts and shooting percentage numbers. But how would it affect the Big Ten?

Two-thirds of the way into the season, it depends mostly on who you ask.

The statistics alone suggest Michigan, above all else, has

been most dependent and least accurate from behind the arc, shooting 108 more triples than anyone else in the conference but ranking last in shooting percentage (32.5).

Four of the top five teams in the standings — Michigan State, Illinois, Minnesota, and Ohio State — rank in the bottom half of 3-point field goals made, indicating that winning quality isn't a direct byproduct of long-range quantity. Seven teams, including Iowa, find themselves shooting above last season's NCAA average for 3-point percentage (35.23).

For some teams, Iowa's average of 3-point attempts (22) per game is high; others suggest head coach Todd Lickliter's lineup and system suits the strategy.

"If we get up in the 20s, we're thinking that's too many, probably," Weber said. "At the same time, it's kinda Todd's system that he has been running. They run a lot of ball screens and put you in a bind."

Without ineligible freshman guard Anthony Tucker, one of the team's best deep threats, Iowa has spent most of the last month using a shoot-by-committee strategy. Against Northwestern on Feb. 7, four different players attempted at least six 3-pointers.

"We don't have a plethora of great shooters, but we have guys who are great at a lot of other things and are doing their best to make plays,"



JULIE KOEHN/THE DAILY IOWAN
Iowa freshman forward Aaron Fuller swings the ball around the 3-point line against Oakland in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Nov. 23, 2008. In 24 games this season, the Hawkeyes have shot 529 3-pointers (more than 22 per game); their opponents have attempted 395.

Tucker said. The shift in style is indicative of a year where dominant, deep-interior scorers have become underpopulated in the Big Ten.

As of Monday afternoon, the conference's top-10 leading scorers included just two traditionally sized power forwards — Northwestern's Kevin Coble (6-8) and Michigan's Deshawn Sims (6-8) — and a 5-11 point guard, Talor Battle, leading the way with 18.2 points per game.

"[The 3-pointer] is an equalizer when your team does not have a dominant inside force," Beilein said.

Now in his sixth season with the Illini, Weber said that

unique coaching styles such as Lickliter's have infused the Big Ten with a new dynamic and perhaps, one that will shape the development of conference play in years to come.

"There are a lot of competitive teams," Weber said. "We have a variety of styles, which is, I think, it's kind of new. We have so many different coaches, new coaches over the last couple years that brought in some different styles."

"There's not a game that's easy. That's why we have a big mess in the middle there; because of the balance and the competitiveness of the conference."

Tucker sorry about troubles

TUCKER

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"As long as the coaching staff wants me here, I want to be here," he said. "I've had a rocky start, but the coaches and players have been supportive, and this is where I want to be."

Games 'definitely' meaningful down stretch

If the Big Ten season ended today, Iowa (13-11, 3-8) would finish 10th in the conference, but that doesn't mean its players are treating games with any less concern than those with championship implications.

"Every game matters, whether you're playing for a championship or not," said freshman guard Matt Gatens. "Every game, we're fighting to get up those standings. Every game is very important to us."

Sophomore guard Jeff Peterson pointed to the Big Ten's parity as reason to continue scrapping late into the regular season.

"In this conference, anybody can beat anybody," he said. "It's just a matter of who wants it more that night and I

think we're still playing meaningful games."

Still two games out of ninth place, the Hawkeyes appear poised for a date in the opening round of the Big Ten Tournament on March 12. Last year, Iowa was bounced by Michigan in the first round, 55-47, to finish 13-19 overall.

"Every game means something, and we're just trying to get as many wins as we can here before the end of the season," said sophomore Jarryd Cole.

Tate's minutes could increase

Lickliter said Monday senior forward Cyrus Tate could see more minutes against Wisconsin on Wednesday as he continues to rehab from an ankle injury that kept him out of six games.

"We can increase a few more minutes if he does his job," Lickliter said. "It's great just having him in the mix to be honest."

"I think that having him available gives our guys a lift and plus, he can be verbal."

Tate last played 13 minutes on Feb. 7 in Iowa's win over Northwestern, recording two points and five rebounds.

Men's golf dreams of new facilities

GOLF

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the men's golf squad was ranked a measly 152nd — a norm under past coaches — nationally out of 293 teams, according to *Golfweek*.

In Hankins' first year with the program, the Hawkeyes rose to the 104th spot at the end of the 2007-08 season.

Iowa was No. 45 in the country as of Feb. 8.

The golfers could easily bask in the improvements they've made, improvements that once were unimaginable just two years ago.

However, Hankins has instilled an insatiable competitive desire in his team, and it has translated to success — which has come without premier facilities.

The Hawkeyes' newfound grit might be even more productive given a boost to their training grounds.

"It would have a huge impact," said senior and top golfer Cole Peevler. "Just to always, always practice, we would never lose focus. It would help [the team] a lot."

Since returning from break, the team has practiced at the football program's indoor practice facility, known to most as simply the "Bubble," as well as in their putting room at the Field House. Sophomore Brad Hopfinger, a former Kansas Jayhawk, feels these things, plus Riverside Casino's indoor hitting bay the team occasionally travels to and practices at, meet the basic needs of the program — but improvements would increase ease of use.

"I think timing would be easier," he said. "We wouldn't

'Both of our golf teams need the facilities. But we're just going to be the best team we can be — and we can get it done, it's just not as convenient.'

— Mark Hankins, head coach

have to worry about everyone's class, we could just get out there whenever we wanted."

While convenience is one of the main reasons for facility upgrades, there are other dimensions of the golf program that would benefit.

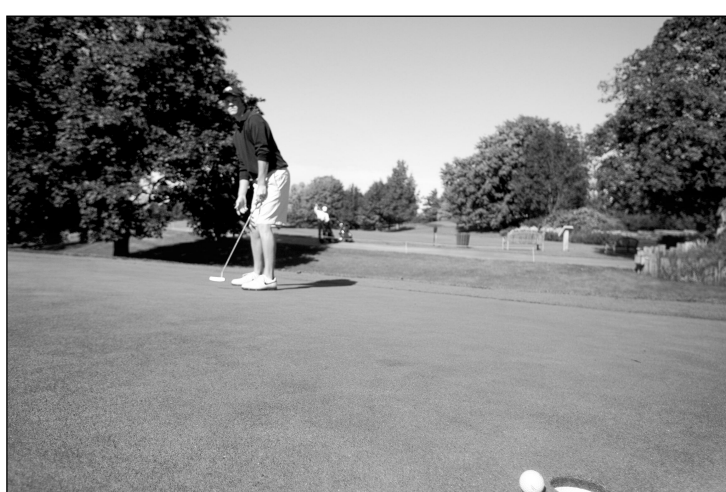
"It would probably help in recruiting quite a bit," said senior Zack Anderson. "Not saying that we need players from the South, but it might allow us to broaden our scope on players we can target just because they're able to work on their game all year."

The benefits are endless, and as for specific ideas, Hankins has a good grasp of what he wants to do.

"I really want to do an indoor-outdoor facility with locker rooms right out at Finkbine Golf Course," said Hankins. "So we have all those putting greens, an indoor hitting facility, be able to watch tape — kind of a one-stop shop."

Hankins is excited about explaining his plans to alumni and donors.

"Both of our golf teams need the facilities," said Hankins. "But we're just going to be the best team we can be — and we can get it done, it's just not as convenient."



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Sophomore golfer James Reiss putts before practice on Oct. 9, 2008, at Finkbine. The Aldeburgh, UK, native has helped contribute to Iowa's newfound drive on the golf course.

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Rodriguez 'fesses up

By RONALD BLUM
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Already the highest-paid player, Alex Rodriguez wanted to prove himself one of the greatest. Instead, he wound up atop another list: the highest-profile player to confess to cheating in baseball's steroids era.

The All-Star third baseman, responding to a weekend *Sports Illustrated* report that he flunked a drug test, told ESPN on Monday he used banned substances while playing with the Texas Rangers from 2001-03 to justify his 10-year, \$252 million contract.

"Back then it was a different culture," Rodriguez said. "It was very loose. I was young. I was stupid. I was naive, and I wanted to prove to everyone that, you know, I was worth, you know — and being one of the greatest players of all time."

He said he didn't do it before that and quit during spring training in 2003, before the first of three AL MVP seasons, because "I've proved to myself and to everyone that I don't need any of that." He was traded to the New York Yankees before the 2004 season, and said he hasn't used since.

The admission came two days after *Sports Illustrated* reported on its website that Rodriguez was among 104 names on a list of players who tested positive for steroids in 2003, when testing was intended to determine the extent of steroid use in baseball. The results weren't subject to discipline and were supposed to remain anonymous.

"When I arrived in Texas in 2001, I felt an enormous amount of pressure. I felt like I had all the weight of the world on top of me and I needed to perform, and perform at a high level every day," Rodriguez said.

"And I did take a banned substance and, you know, for that I'm very sorry and deeply regretful. And although it was the culture back then and Major League Baseball overall was very — I just feel that — You know, I'm just sorry. I'm sorry for that time. I'm sorry to fans. I'm sorry for my fans in Texas. It wasn't until then that I ever thought about substance of any kind."

In his first prime-time news conference, President Obama called Rodriguez's admission "depressing" news.

"And if you're a fan of Major League Baseball, I think it tarnishes an entire era, to some degree," Obama said. "And it's unfortunate, because I think there were a lot of ballplayers who played it straight."

Rodriguez said part of the reason he started using drugs was the heat in Texas.

"Can I have an edge just to get out there and play every day?" he said to himself. "You basically end up trusting the wrong people. You end up, you know, not being very careful about what you're ingesting."

Though Rodriguez said he experimented with a number of substances, he never provided details.

"It was such a loosey-goosey era. I'm guilty for a lot of things. I'm guilty for being negligent, naive, not asking all the right questions," Rodriguez said. "And to be quite honest, I don't know exactly what substance I was guilty of using."

Sports Illustrated reported Rodriguez tested positive for Primobolan and testosterone.

He said he stopped using during spring training 2003, when he sustained a neck injury. It was just as baseball started its drug-testing survey.

Rangers' owner Tom Hicks said the admission caught him by surprise.

"I feel personally betrayed. I feel deceived by Alex," Hicks said in a conference call. "He assured me that he had far too much respect for his own body to ever do that to himself. ... I certainly don't believe that if he's now admitting that he started using when he came to the Texas Rangers, why

should I believe that it didn't start before he came to the Texas Rangers?"

During those three seasons, Rodriguez averaged 161.7 games, 52 homers, 131.7 RBIs, and a .615 slugging percentage. In the other 10 full seasons of his career, he averaged 149.2 games, 39.2 homers, 119 RBIs, and a .574 slugging percentage, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

"This is three years I'm not proud of," Rodriguez said.

The 33-year-old Rodriguez ranks 12th on the career list with 553 homers, including 52, 57, and 47 in his three seasons with the Rangers. He is 209 behind Barry Bonds' record 762.

Rep. Elijah Cummings, a Maryland Democrat who sits on the House committee that brought Roger Clemens, Mark McGwire, and other baseball players to Capitol Hill in recent years, favored a congressional hearing with Rodriguez.

"It would be good perhaps for us to sit down and talk to him," Cummings said in a telephone interview. "I would think that he would want to cooperate with us so that the Congress would have the information it may need."

AP writers Dan Gelston, Stephen Hawkins, Tim Reynolds, and Howard Fendrich contributed to this report.



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New York Yankee third baseman Alex Rodriguez glances back at fans while warming up during spring-training workouts in Tampa, Fla., on Feb. 20, 2008. On Monday, Rodriguez admitted to ESPN's Peter Gammons that he had used banned substances from 2001 to 2003.

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Indiana suspends leading scorer Dumes

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) Indiana men's basketball coach Tom Crean suspended leading scorer Devan Dumes indefinitely Sunday, one day after Dumes was ejected against Michigan State for a flagrant foul.

Dumes has been a key part in the Hoosiers' progression this season by becoming more deliberate with his shots and making a better effort to find open teammates, and his loss will be felt.

But late in the Feb. 7 loss at Michigan State, Dumes was ejected after drawing a flagrant foul when he threw an elbow at Spartans center Tom

Herzog. He was ejected with around two minutes left in the game.

"After coming home and having the opportunity to review the game film, I believe that discipline is necessary and deserved in this matter," Crean said in a statement released by the athletics department. "A line was crossed that was unacceptable."

Crean said he hoped Dumes would learn a lesson, and the Big Ten issued a statement in support of Crean's action.

Dumes, in his first season at Indiana, acknowledged he had made a mistake.

"I truly regret my actions, and I will learn from this situation," he said. "I apologize to everyone involved for doing something that is uncharacteristic of how I play the game."

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Thoughts on Thoughts for a Bad Hair Day, by Mary Ellen Edmunds

- "Decide what a beautiful day it's going to be before checking the weather." Message: Delusion is the true path to happiness. And soggy pants.
- "If everyone in the world would gain 10 pounds, we'd all be closer together." Let's hear it for leading the way, America.
- "When you've got all the merit badges, there's not much worth sticking around for." Message: Success and camaraderie are overrated.
- "Pure gold fears no fire." Pure gold has no emotions, you silly twit. Maybe if you'd quit likening yourself to anthropomorphized precious metals, you'd understand why your skin is so thick and coarse.
- "Tell someone you plan to love them for a long, long time." Message: Set someone up for disappointment by promising them things you have no way of knowing whether or not you'll be able to come through on.
- "You cannot hide a change of heart." True. Unless you wear a shirt over the large, disfiguring scars on your chest and abdomen.
- "Always be at least an inch nicer than is expected." OK, but that's going to require some pretty low expectations from a lot of women.
- "New friends don't happen that often." Message: You should feel seriously sad for this lady.

- Andrew R. Juhl bought the pocket-sized book *Thoughts for a Bad Hair Day* at a consignment store for 25 cents. It was almost worth the money.

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- 12:30 p.m. News from Québec (in French)
- 1 "Prairie Lights" Archive Mark Blumberg
- 2 Lisa Bluder News Conference, live
- 2:30 News from Germany (in German)
- 3 Women at Iowa, Carralee Sueppel
- 4 University Lecture Committee Inga Muscio
- 5:30 Saxophone Quartet Concert, Fine Arts Performance
- 6:30 Lisa Bluder News Conference 7 Women at Iowa, Carralee Sueppel
- 8 University Lecture Committee, Inga Muscio
- 9:30 Daily Iowan Television News
- 9:45 Lisa Bluder News Conference
- 10:15 Ueye, Student life and activities
- 10:30 Daily Iowan Television News
- 10:45 "Java Blend" Encore, 56 Hope Road
- 11 Women at Iowa, Carralee Sueppel

today's events

Want to see your super special event appear here? Simply e-mail the name, time, date, and location information to: daily-iowan-calendar@uiowa.edu

- **Digital Cameras Made Simple for Those 50-plus**, 8 a.m., Kirkwood Community College Iowa City Center Continuing Education, 1810 Lower Muscatine Road
- **Molecular Physiology and Biophysics Spring Semester Seminar, "Electrical function of dendritic spines," Roberto Araya, Columbia University**, 9:30 a.m., 5-669 Bowen
- **Electronic Tax Filing**, 10 a.m.-3:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **The Day It Rained Valentines**, 10 a.m., Barnes & Noble, Coral Ridge Mall
- **Pharmacology Visiting Seminar, "A New Paradigm for GPCR Signaling: CXCR4 Signaling via the T Lymphocyte Antigen Receptor (TCR)," Karen Hedin, Mayo Medical and Graduate Schools**, 10:30 a.m., 2117 Medical Education & Research Facility
- **Tippie College of Business Lecture, Tom Kloet, Toronto Stock Exchange CEO**, noon, C435 Pomerantz Career Center
- **Department of Biochemistry Research Workshop, "Determination of the Ligand Selectivity Mechanism in Amt/Rh/MEP Superfamily Using MD Simulations," Ugur Akgun**, 12:30 p.m., Bowen Spivey Auditorium
- **Department of Microbiology Seminar, "Extracellular respiration of insoluble**

- substrates by Shewanella," Jeffrey Gralnick, University of Minnesota**, 3 p.m., Bowen Watzke Auditorium
- **"The State of the African American Athletes, Coaches and Administrators in the 21st Century," conferences and workshops**, 4:30 p.m.; keynote address, Billy Hawkins, University of Georgia, 6:30 p.m., IMU
- **Winter Weekend Brunch**, 6-8 p.m., New Pioneer Co-op, 1101 Second St., Coralville
- **Aviation Movie Night**, 6:30 p.m., Alexis Park Inn & Suites, 1165 S. Riverside Drive
- **Community Abortion Conversation**, 6:30 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **"Live from Prairie Lights," Andrew Porter, fiction**, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Inclusive Ballroom**, 7 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **Live Shorts**, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **Undergraduate Philosophy Club Informational Meeting**, 7 p.m., 345 IMU
- **Time for Three**, 8 p.m., Java House, 211½ E. Washington
- **Iowa Friends of Old-Time Music Tuesday Night Jam Session**, 8:30 p.m., Hilltop, 1100 N. Dodge
- **Animated Shorts**, 9 p.m., Bijou

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by Scott Adams

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MY WIFE LEFT ME, MY TRUCK CAUGHT ON FIRE, AND ALL OF MY ORGANS ARE FAILING.

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WINNING ISN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE.

YOUR FIVE-MINUTE BREAK IS OVER!

'NON SEQUITUR

BY WILEY

HEY, JEFFREY... WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO GLOBAL WARMING?!

WELL, THE CORRECT TERM IS CLIMATE CHANGE...

...WHICH IS A RESULT OF GLOBAL WARMING. IT LEADS TO HOTTER SUMMERS, COLDER WINTERS, MORE SEVERE STORMS, AND EVEN ANOTHER ICE AGE! IT'S ALL VERY COMPLICATED

I DON'T WANT TO UNDERSTAND IT! I JUST WANT WINTER TO BE OVER!!

WHOA...

I THINK YOU JUST INVENTED MICRO-CLIMATE CHANGE

Doodlesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

STILL EDITING?

NOPE - IT'S DONE! JUST SENT IT TO MY ADVISER!

I'M GOING OVER TO GET HER INPUT BEFORE I SEND IT OFF TO TELLURIDE. WHAT DO YOU THINK I SHOULD WEAR?

TO SEE YOUR ADVISER?

NO, TO THE FESTIVALS! ALL I'VE GOT ARE BORING LITTLE ENGINEER OUTFITS!

UM... YOU MIGHT BE GETTING A BIT AHEAD OF...

YOU KNOW WHAT? I SHOULD RE-SOLVE MY HAIR FIRST.

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 1230

- Across**
- 1 Fiber-___ cable
 - 6 Milan's La ___
 - 11 Sun or moon, to birds
 - 14 "Be-Bop-___" (Gene Vincent hit)
 - 15 Is visibly frightened
 - 16 Zilch
 - 17 They're hard to believe
 - 19 Eerie sighting, for short
 - 20 PT boat
 - 21 Adoptees from shelters
 - 22 Initial stage
 - 24 Beach atmosphere
 - 26 Have the nerve
 - 28 1939 Bette Davis drama
 - 33 Former U.N. chief Kofi ___
 - 36 Take five
 - 37 Free of clutter
 - 39 Claycock
 - 40 Playcheck extra
 - 41 Word before Charles or George
 - 42 ___ John's (Domino's competitor)
 - 43 Years, in the Yucatán
 - 44 Not loyal
 - 45 Big pile of cash
 - 48 Top-___ (best)
 - 49 Series beginners
 - 53 Garlic-crushing tool
 - 56 Tumbled
 - 58 Bearded pres.
 - 59 CNN's Dobbs
 - 60 Figure described by the first words of 17-, 28- and 45-Across
 - 64 Galley need
 - 65 Bird-related
 - 66 Potbelly ___
 - 67 Old hand
 - 68 Gossipy sort
 - 69 Vocal qualities
- Down**
- 1 Hall's partner in pop
 - 2 Make smooth
 - 3 Arkansas River city
 - 4 "___ bite"
 - 5 Sea fed by the Volga
 - 6 Dick and Jane's dog
 - 7 Dodgem units
 - 8 Boxer Laila
 - 9 Ann of the Shakers
 - 10 Place into cubbyholes
 - 11 Burden of proof
 - 12 In widespread use
 - 13 Bad mark on one's reputation
 - 18 The U.S. Virgin Is., e.g.
 - 23 Source of orange-red light
 - 25 Unbreakable stones of legend
 - 26 Cause of atrophy
 - 27 Takes steps
 - 29 Swedish currency
 - 30 Black mamba's secretion
 - 31 Flesh-and-blood
 - 32 Chews the fat
 - 33 Bernese peak
 - 34 Wordsmith Webster

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Puzzle by John Greenman

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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