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Hawks win Big Ten opener

Despite dropping the doubles point, the Iowa women's tennis team pulled off a 4-3 victory over Minnesota on Sunday in its first Big Ten dual meet of the season. **1B**

Iowa locks up No. 4 seed

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

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Today's webcast

See coverage of UI ceramics students and faculty lighting their old kilns for the first time since the June 2008 flood.

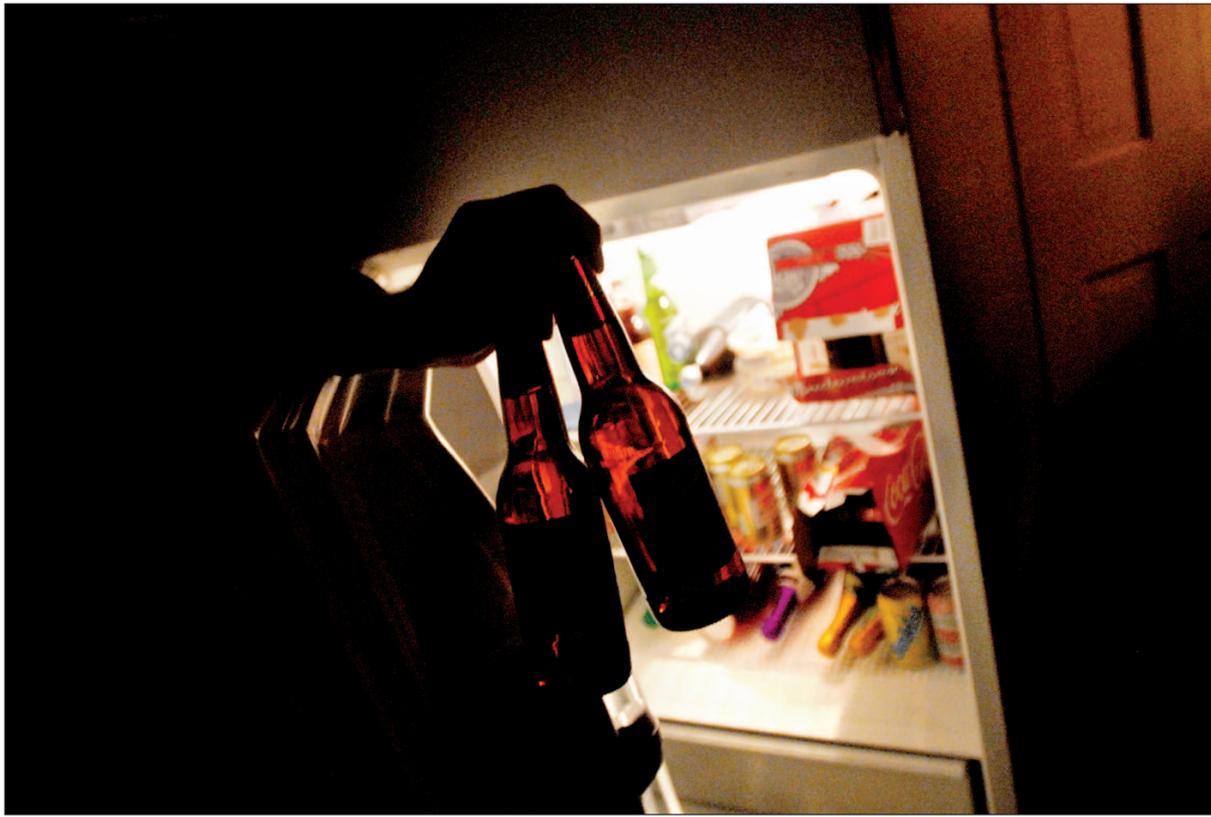
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LOCALLY, no lag in beer sales



BENJAMIN ROBERTS/THE DAILY IOWAN

People enjoy beer at a house party on Feb. 28. While beer sales are down across the nation, Iowa City consumption remains steady.

Despite economic turmoil across the country, beer keeps bringing in the bucks locally.

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Iowa City drinkers may be upgrading rather than cutting down on beer consumption during an economic recession.

National alcohol sales dropped an unprecedented 9.3 percent during the last quarter of 2008, with a majority of the drop in beer, accord-

ing to data from the Bureau of Economic Analysis. It was the first time in half a century that alcohol did not appear to be recession-proof.

Yet Iowa City seems to be immune to the booze decline.

Local liquor stores and grocery markets did not experience the nationwide trend in recent months, employees said.

"[Iowa City] is a college town, so it's a relatively insu-

lated community where the income of college students is not really going to change much at a time like this," UI economics professor Gabriele Camera said.

Although the drop in drinks is not happening locally, a different trend seems to be sneaking up on some store shelves. Area distributors say cheap cases of domestic beers are sometimes

getting neglected as locals shift towards higher quality brews when the option is available.

"Less but better is the trend right now," said Doug Alberhasky, the "Bier Guy" and store manager at John's Grocery, 401 E. Market St. "We've really seen our customers pushing us into the direction of the better stuff."

Hy-Vee grocery stores in Johnson County are seeing another trend.

SEE **BEER**, 3A

No raise for Mason

UI Provost Wallace Loh believes forgoing the president's salary raise will set an example for UI officials.

By **TESSA McLEAN**
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UI President Sally Mason will not receive a bonus or raise because of the proposed extensive UI budget cuts, officials recently announced.

Mason's salary will remain at \$450,000 for fiscal 2010. She also won't get the \$80,000 bonus she was expected to receive for the end of fiscal 2009.

Leaders at other regent schools across the state — such as Iowa State University, University of Northern Iowa, and the schools for the deaf and blind — will also forgo performance bonuses this fiscal year and raises for fiscal 2010.

"In my personal opinion, I think even if the regents had not asked, President Mason would have done it anyway," UI Provost Wallace Loh said. "It is leadership by example. Once the president sets the example, then I think vice presidents and deans may very well want to follow that example."

The savings from the salary cut itself will have very little effect on overall UI budget savings, he said, but not giving



Mason
president

Loh
provost

the raise is "symbolic" of what needs to be done in an economic crisis.

If Gov. Chet Culver's proposed budget cuts are approved the regents could see a 9 percent budget cut from last year, or \$62 million less in state appropriations. This would mean a \$26 million cut for the UI.

Regents did not return calls seeking comment Sunday, but Regent President David Miles released a statement Feb. 27 saying the decision was a joint conclusion by the regents and institutional leaders.

"This is a tremendous undertaking, and I applaud the institutions for their initiative, creativity, and quick turnaround in responding to this difficult task," Miles wrote.

SEE **SALARY**, 3A

'I was excited because my mom hasn't had that window of opportunity to be seen for a long time.'

— Brandie Gallardo, Myers' daughter

Recession doesn't bite

Dentistry in Iowa hasn't felt much of an effect from the recession.

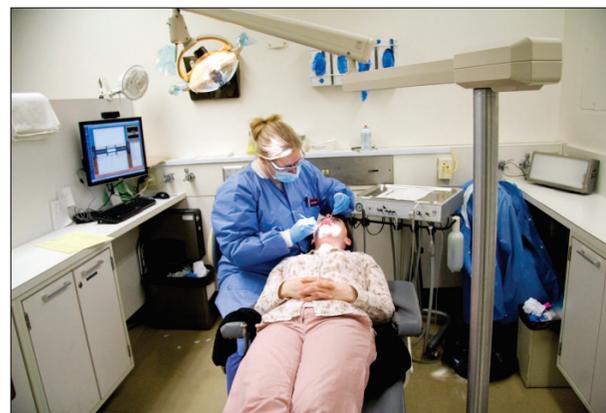
By **LINI GE**
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Brenda Myers, 69, hasn't had her teeth cleaned for nearly 20 years, weathering a broken tooth and some cavities all because she doesn't have health insurance.

Myers was among roughly 100 people who signed up to potentially be patients for senior students at the UI College of Dentistry. Approximately 50 of those patients will receive dental treatment for free from the students, who are required to complete certain procedures as part of their board exams.

"I was excited because my mom hasn't had that window of opportunity to be seen for a long time," said Myers' daughter Brandie Gallardo.

But many patients similar to Myers may never have this rare opportunity to enjoy free dental care. And when they need the services, they have to



WHITNEY WRIGHT/THE DAILY IOWAN

Jessica Eastmen has her teeth inspected by fourth-year dentistry student Kyra Monson at the Dental Building on Feb. 25. The school sought out people with certain dental conditions to act as patients for dental students working to pass their boards.

pay — keeping dentistry strong even during tough economic times.

Dental profit margins across the nation rose nearly 1.5 percent in 2008 over the previous year, according to *Time*. The dental-school clinics saw a 4 percent increase in patient visits from July 1, 2008 to Feb. 1, compared with the same period a year ago, said Michael

Kanellis, the dental school's associate dean for patient care.

Kanellis attributed the increase partially to the student clinics.

"The big incentive for most patients seeking care in our student clinics is the cost," he said.

SEE **DENTISTRY**, 3A

Work-study aided

The new \$200 billion in stimulus funding may give the UI's work-study program some relief.

By **ANNA LOTHSON**
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Out of the \$53 billion set aside in the federal stimulus package for education, work-study programs will receive a hefty \$200 million — an allocation many expect to pave the way for more UI students in the universitywide program.

Based on financial need, the work-study program at the UI always has more applicants than the number of available jobs, said Cindy Seyfer, an associate director of the Office of Student Financial Aid.

"Work-study may become more popular over the next year as employers are looking at ways to crunch budgets," she said, noting that last year 1,757 UI students were enrolled in the program and nearly 1,200 are so far this year — a number she expects to rise.

"It encourages those students to work as opposed to taking out more loans," she said.

Last year's numbers showed a savings of \$2.6 million for the university, because the federal government covers 50 percent of the wages a student earns.

"It's always a program that people have a lot of faith and respect for," Seyfer said. "It's working to cover the costs of education, and that's something to be commended."

SEE **WORK STUDY**, 3A



Program addresses frosh sexual misbehavior

One incoming freshman said he feels the program is unnecessary.

By **KATHLEEN SERINO**
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In addition to the sexual-harassment education mandated by the UI for faculty and staff, an online program addressing sexual misbehavior for freshmen will soon be introduced.

"The goal is that all the freshmen starting this fall will have exposure to sexual-harassment education," Provost Wallace Loh said.

He stressed the importance of campus exposure to the certain harassment procedures refined by the UI — specifically, the sexual-assault policies approved in December by the state Board of Regents after investigation into the university's handling of an alleged Hillcrest sexual assault. "The laws surrounding [sexual misconduct] are changing very quickly, even in university policy," Loh said.

dean of students, said his colleagues are looking to provide a freshman sexual-misconduct program to complement AlcoholEdu, an alcohol education and prevention course implemented in fall 2006.

Already in use by St. Cloud State University, the University of Illinois-Springfield, Ohio University, among 22 others, nformd.on.sexual.assault is the mandatory sexual-misconduct program aimed at incoming UI freshmen to complete beginning this fall.

The hour-long program features a pre-test, followed by a video and a multiple-choice post-test created by the online education company nformd.net. The module is research-based, peer-driven, and gender-specific, according to the company's website.

Monique DiCarlo, the director

of the Women's Resource and Action Center, said the program will address sexual harassment, dating and domestic violence, stalking, and sexual assault.

UI nformd coordinator Kristin Wyant said university officials have worked on this provision since last September.

The module will cost the UI roughly \$3.95 per freshman, Wyant said, noting that the company's research has shown positive effects on students who've used the program. The UI enrolled 4,246 freshmen last fall.

UI junior Amber Louros said she was unsure how a sexual-misconduct course will be received by incoming freshmen, but said she thinks it would be more effective than the "survey-based" AlcoholEdu program she completed her freshman year.

"It might be more effective than the alcohol program just because a lot of students don't know that much about the sexual harassment policies the university has," Louros, 20, said.

But incoming freshman Jacob

Yeates said he finds the idea somewhat "ridiculous," and he thinks his future classmates will be apathetic toward the program.

"We know that it's wrong," Yeates, 17, said about sexual misconduct. "Another voice saying that won't hugely affect anything."

The City High senior said he thinks the money spent on the nformd.on.sexual.assault program would be more worthwhile if put toward a support group or if it was geared toward younger age groups.

On top of the nformd.on.sexual.assault costs, Equal Opportunity and Diversity Director Jennifer Modestou said the UI is spending \$103,448 for a two-year deal with Global Compliance's online sexual harassment education program.

The online program is one of the three options university faculty and staff are required to fulfill by June. One-third of faculty and staff had already completed their education in some form as of last week.

Digging into UI architecture



By **ASHLEY HAUGO**
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What do a guitar, a computer punchcard, and an open book have in common?

For the careful observer, they can all be uncovered in the walls of UI buildings.

The most notable of this trio is the contemporary architecture of Art Building West (which is at present closed because of flooding last June). Striving to

make this building for art a building of art, renowned architect Steven Holl modeled the structure after Pablo Picasso's 1912 sculpture *Guitar*.

Indeed, with its fret board reaching out over Hutchinson Quarry Pond (yes, that little body of water does indeed have a name) and the soundbox resting near Riverside Drive, the uniqueness of this building resounds on campus. As construction for the new building was about to get underway in 2003, UI architect and project manager Rod Lehnertz said in a *DI* article, "This is going to be an architectural highlight on campus. It will be nationally recognized for its design."

Not far from this, geometrical waves in the roofline of Hardin Library links function with feel.

Poised on a slope that dips from the medical campus down to Newton Road, white skylights draw in sunlight and the stepped interior of the library makes visitors feel as if they are stepping into a book (an inspiration to hit those science books, maybe?).

Across the river, the former home of the Tippie College of Business, Phillips Hall, trades artistic inspiration for standardization and functionality of the Modernist design. Windows are set back from the external wall to help block out direct sunlight, but for some, the grid of these indentations brings to mind an antiquated computer punchcard. However, this interpretation seems to be more based on campus lore than a specific intention of the architect.



REBECCA MNUK/THE DAILY IOWAN
The Art Building West extends over Hutchinson Quarry Pond on Riverside Drive on Sunday.

METRO

Satterfield requests delay

The attorney for former Iowa football player Abe Satterfield requested a judge reschedule his sexual-abuse trial.

Satterfield, 20, is set to attend his trial on March 30. He is charged with second- and third-degree sexual abuse for allegedly assaulting a former Hawkeye student-athlete in a Hillcrest dorm in 2007.

Des Moines attorney Alfredo Parrish wrote in a motion depositions have been tentatively scheduled for April 3, 10, 17, and 30, after the set trial date.

Parrish stated assistant Johnson County prosecutor Anne Lahey did not oppose a continuance.

— by Olivia Moran

Fire causes \$15,000 in damages

The Iowa City Fire Department responded to a house fire that caused an estimated \$15,000 in damages Feb. 28, authorities said.

According to officials, the first responders to 2920 Muscatine Ave. saw smoke coming from the roof of a house. Fire crews discovered a smoldering fire in the attic and had controlled it within an hour, reports said.

Damage is limited to the attic and kitchen ceiling; no one was injured. One person was displaced, authorities said.

According to the Iowa City firefighters,

the blaze is believed to have been accidental in nature, though the origin and cause are still being investigated.

— by Regina Zilbermintz

IC woman charged in child-porn case

An Iowa City woman was one of 11 individuals charged in connection to child pornography after a statewide, multiagency investigation, officials said.

Jennifer Abbott was charged with possession of child pornography.

According to the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa, all 11 defendants were arrested

after a coordinated effort dubbed "Project Wirebreaker."

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a Department of Justice nationwide initiative aimed at combating child sexual exploitation and abuse, said Mike Bladel, a law-enforcement coordinator with the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Officials said using the same technology the perpetrators of these crimes use has given them a new tool to fight child exploitation online.

Possession of child pornography is punishable by up to 10 years in prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.

— by Regina Zilbermintz

POLICE BLOTTER

Heidi Aschbacher, 19, 1125 Quadrangle, was charged Feb. 28 with PAULA.

Clay Baker, 20, LeClaire, Iowa, was charged Feb. 28 with PAULA.

Samantha Balmer, 19, Fort Madison, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Jarrett Bertog, 19, 363 N. Riverside Drive, was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Laney Bremner, 18, 447 Slater, was charged Sunday with presence in a bar after hours.

Colleen Burmeister, 20, 720 E. Market St. Apt. 7, was charged Feb. 26 with PAULA.

Jesse Bushnell, 25, 321 S. Linn St. Apt. 327, was charged Feb. 28 with keeping a disorderly house.

Victoria Calderon, 20, 820A Mayflower, was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

William Conwell, 34, 41 N. Scott St., was charged Feb. 27 with delivery of a controlled substance.

Devon Crouse, 18, Swisher, was charged Feb. 27 with unlawful use of another's ID, criminal trespass, and PAULA.

Nathan Cummings, 27, 526 S. Johnson St. Apt. 2, was charged Feb. 25 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Sergio Davila, 19, Loves Park, Ill., was charged Feb. 22 with PAULA.

Nicholas Dawe, 19, 922 E. College St. Apt. B5, was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

John Deng, 26, address unknown, was charged Feb. 26 with public intoxication and fifth-degree theft.

Yuri Dudik, 18, Colorado Springs, Colo., was charged Feb. 28 with possession of a fictitious ID, PAULA, and presence in a bar after hours.

Drew Evans, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 28 with possession of

marijuana and fifth-degree theft.

Tyler Feldman, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 27 with OWI.

Peter Fischer, 19, 630 Kirkwood Parkway SW, was charged Feb. 27 with public intoxication and interference with official acts.

Zara Gercz, 20, Kewaskum, Wisc., was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Michelle Goldberg, 18, 644 Rienow, was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Eric Goodwin, 21, 114 Wright St. Apt. 3, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.

Porsha Green, 29, 2416 Park Ave. Apt. 5, was charged Feb. 28 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Daniel Haight, 20, 630 N. Dubuque St., was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Thomas Haslam, 18, Poenixville, Penn., was charged was charged Feb. 28 with unlawful use of another's ID and presence in a bar after hours.

Glenn Higginbotham, 20, 840 Maggard St. Apt. 6, was charged Feb. 27 with public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Aaron Holmes, 19, Ames, was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Anthony Horton, 23, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 28 with disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Nathan Howard, 36, 2109 Western Road, was charged Feb. 25 with illegal dumping.

Natasha Ignatowski, 20, 5504 Kirkwood Boulevard SW Apt. 4, was

charged Feb. 27 with OWI.

John Ingersoll, 20, Evergreen Park, Ill., was charged Sunday with unlawful use of another's ID.

Anthony Johnson, 47, 302 Cherokee Trail, was charged Feb. 28 with driving while revoked.

Sean Johnson, 31, Rock Island, Ill., was charged Feb. 27 with violating a no-contact protective order and domestic assault.

Tia Johnson, 26, Coralville, was charged Dec. 22 with tampering with records.

Shivon Jones, 29, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. P4, was charged Feb. 26 with keeping a disorderly house.

Pierre Jordan, 21, Chicago, was charged Feb. 28 with public intoxication.

Casey Kidwell, 18, 4549 Jenn Lane N.E., was charged Feb. 28 with unlawful use of another's ID.

Alex Lake-Garcia, 20, Muscatine, Iowa, was charged Feb. 28 with public intoxication.

Eric Lekwa, 19, 630 N. Dubuque St., was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Austin Madison, 19, 35 W. Burlington St., was charged Feb. 28 with PAULA.

Kelsey Mayher, 19, S433 Currier, was charged Sunday with unlawful use of another's ID.

Tamika McCue, 20, 846 Maggard St. Apt. 16, was charged Feb. 28 with domestic assault.

Jacob Meyer, 27, 711 E. Burlington St. Apt. 11, was charged Feb. 27 with disorderly house.

Austen Naeve, 20, Camanche, Iowa, was charged Feb. 28 with PAULA and unlawful use of another's ID.

Casey Nauman, 24, Epworth, Iowa, was charged Feb. 28 with fifth-degree theft and public intoxication.

Cassidy Patterson, 20, 366 S. Clinton St. Apt. 2634, was charged Feb. 28 with PAULA.

Lisa Pelzer, 21, 3509 Burge, was charged Feb. 27 with public intoxication.

Andrew Peterson, 28, Kalona, was charged Feb. 27 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Harry Rayton, 22, address unknown, was charged Feb. 28 with criminal trespass.

Joe Robinson, 20, 722 Stanley, was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Roger Ruble, 52, Milford, Iowa, was charged Feb. 28 with public intoxication and urinating in public.

Andy Small, 39, 25 N. Van Buren St., was charged Feb. 27 with possession of marijuana.

Ryan Smalley, 20, 622 N. Van Buren St., was charged Feb. 27 with public intoxication.

Jordan Wagner, 19, Colorado Springs, Colo., was charged Feb. 28 with PAULA and possession of a fictitious ID.

Elise Walz, 19 E318 Currier, was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Nicholas Waymire, 19, 238 Slater, was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Valentine Williams, 25, Coralville, was charged Jan. 27 with fourth-degree theft.

Charles Woods, 25, 2121 Davis St., was charged Feb. 26 with OWI.

Naomi Wright, 22, 411 Highway 1 W. Apt. 6, was charged Feb. 27 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

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METRO

Final pretrial confab set for Fry

The final pretrial conference for Curtis Fry was rescheduled again and set for Wednesday, just five days before the beginning of his murder trial.

Sixth District Judge Mitchell Turner addressed attorneys in the case over the weekend during a conference call, setting Fry's pretrial conference for 1:30 p.m. Wednesday. Turner set a new date because he was unable to attend the set hearing for Feb. 27.

Fry, a 22-year-old from Wilton, Iowa, is charged with second-degree murder for allegedly beating a 75-year-old man to death in February 2008.

Peter Persaud, one of Fry's attorneys, told Turner he will file one final motion in the case.

Johnson County chief prosecutor Janet Lyness said the trial will definitely begin on March 9 as scheduled, and Persaud said he expects the trial to last no longer than four days.

Fry will face a judge only. He filed a motion to waive his right to a jury trial in September 2008.

Second-degree murder is a Class B felony, punishable by 50 years in prison.

— by Olivia Moran

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Work-study benefits

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Since 2005, the appropriations allocated each year have been reduced by more than \$9 million, according to the U.S. Department of Education's website, but the \$200 billion increase will make available funding for the program topple well over the \$1 billion mark.

Mark Warner, the director of Student Financial Aid, said the additional increase could mean vast savings for many university employers, because increasing the number of students in the work study program would decrease the amount of wages they are responsible for.

And because the university has no control over how much the federal government's allocation increase for the program will be, without the additional funding, the UI would foot more of the bill — which could have taken away grant or scholarship money.

'It's always a program that people have a lot of faith and respect for. It's working to cover the costs of education, and that's something to be commended.'

— **Cindy Seyfer**, an associate director of the Office of Student Financial Aid

"Given the economic downturn, we may see a larger number of students applying for financial aid," Warner said, and tuition increases — such as next year's hike of \$232 to \$1,500 for residents and out-of-state UI students respectively — amplify the demand for federal resources.

While Warner said the amount available for student aid correlates with tuition raises, his department is constantly hoping for more federal assistance.

In fact, he said, when determining budget scenarios for the university's financial-aid sector, they anticipate benefiting from the federal stimulus allocations.

As a result, Warner said, the funding increases in the recently passed stimulus plan were a fac-

tor in determining budget scenarios for student financial aid next year, noting the \$200 billion increase for work-study will, without a doubt, positively affect the UI's ability to both save money and offer need-based students more opportunities.

Overall, UI Provost Wallace Loh said, financial-aid options will most likely increase despite budget crunches.

"It's not going to flatline; it actually will go up," he said, noting increased funding for some financial aid programs may affect other areas of the university. "Other things might have to be cut more deeply."

Mason sets salary example

SALARY
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"The Board of Regents offers its sincere thanks to its institutional leaders for their additional contribution to their institutions, their personal recognition of the needs of the state, and their fine example of the importance of an individual response to the state's fiscal challenges."

Linda Maxson, the dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, announced to the Faculty Assembly last week that officials are also considering furloughs, among other options, to cut spending. A hiring freeze, down-

'We want to do anything we can. We will take any small cutbacks we can to save the jobs of our colleagues.'

— **Wallace Loh**, provost

sizing programs, and suspending travel are additional options.

UI freshman Jason Zeman said he thinks all UI officials should take pay cuts.

"I think it would really help and Mason is doing the right thing," the physics major said. "Truman State University in my hometown [Kirksville, Mo.] is doing it, and everyone is taking a cut."

Loh said ultimately, savings like these could save university positions.

"We want to do anything we can," Loh said. "We will take any small cutbacks we can to save the jobs of our colleagues."

This is the second year in a row Mason has not received a raise. Regents denied her a raise last year because of the UI's mishandling of an alleged Hillcrest sexual-assault case. Mason was not available for comment Sunday.

Locals look to imports

BEER
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"There's been a bit of a trade-up in beers," said Jim Funcke, manager of Hy-Vee Wine and Spirits in Coralville. "People lately have been buying less beer but at a higher quality, and the people who were already inclined to the nicer brews are certainly not going to switch to a Miller High Life."

Alberhasky stressed that people are catching on to the idea of fully enjoying the flavor of the alcoholic beverages they choose to spend their money on, especially when

every cent counts. So while some locals may be buying less beer, the upgrade to higher-quality brews evens out the costs, Alberhasky said. As a result, local business managers said incomes from alcohol sales since last year remain unchanged.

But with beer, the costs are typically much lower than other alcoholic choices, such as hard liquor and some wines, Funcke said.

Since the economy began to spiral downward, many local Hy-Vee shoppers have downgraded their liquor purchases, he said, and he has witnessed customers switch from Absolut vodka to cheaper varieties,

such as Popoff, since the last quarter of 2008.

UI counselors stressed the steady alcohol sales during a recession do not necessarily point to signs of addiction. Rather, the numbers represent conscious decisions by individuals to make room for alcohol consumption in their budgets.

But Camera said he understands the national drop.

"Usually, something like alcohol is going to be one of the first items cut from a budget since it is more of a luxury than a necessity," Camera said.

For now, though, it looks like beer will remain in the budgets and on the shopping lists of local drinkers.

No hard times for dentists

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The cost is what prompted Kelly Massner to drive one and a half hours to send her daughter, 16-year-old Paige Pennington, to the college for wisdom-teeth surgery.

Living in Mediapolis, Massner's family used to visit a private dental office in Burlington. But when Massner found out Pennington's surgery will only cost around \$1,400 at a student clinic, nearly half the price at the private business, she quickly made her decision.

"Normally, I wouldn't be worried about the out-of-pocket just for convenience," Massner said. "But you know what, times are tough. I'm just going to take off work and come here."

But Coralville dentist Greg Gilbaugh said convenience often keeps his patients coming back to his clinic. Because his office flooded last summer, Gilbaugh moved his business

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— **Kelly Massner**

to the dental school, farther away from most of his clients. As a result, he sees around 40 people daily instead of the normal 50 to 60, he said, attributing the decline to his location rather than the economy.

"I don't think the recession has really affected the industry at this time. In our area, we are a little more insulated and protected," Gilbaugh said.

Several adjunct professors in the dental school — who run their own private practices in Amana, Washington, Davenport, and Wayland — agreed with Gilbaugh.

James Harris said although he had heard of patients skipping cleanings and checkups in other parts of the country, it's not the case in Iowa.

"Maybe we communicate better with our patients so they understand that coming regularly helps them avoid those major problems and save them money in the long run," said Harris, who runs a clinic in Washington.

It is still too early to tell how the recession will impact dentistry in Iowa and the major effect will probably be felt in the upcoming year, Kanellis said.

But Gilbaugh said he's confident about the future of the business.

"I think we are going to be pretty stable. I'm not really concerned," Gilbaugh said. "There will always be people who have needs, and we are going to be available to serve them."

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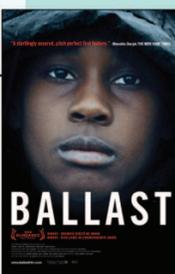
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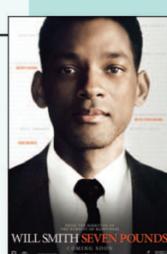
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Official warns of Iran nukes

By STEVEN R. HURST
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WASHINGTON — The top U.S. military official said Sunday that Iran has sufficient fissile material for a nuclear weapon, declaring it would be a "very, very bad outcome" should Tehran move forward with a bomb.

Adm. Mike Mullen, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, offered the assessment when questioned in a broadcast interview about a recent report by the U.N. nuclear watchdog on the state of Iran's uranium-enrichment program, which can create nuclear fuel and may be sufficiently advanced to produce the core of warheads.

However, Defense Secretary Robert Gates, who like Mullen appeared on the Sunday talk shows, did not go as far as Mullen. The Iranians, Gates said, are "not close to a weapon at this point and so there is some time" for continued diplomatic efforts.

Mullen was asked if Iran now had enough fissile material to make a bomb. He responded, "We think they do, quite frankly. And Iran having a nuclear weapon I've believed for a long time is a very, very bad outcome for the region and for the world."

State Department spokesman Robert Wood said Sunday that it was not possible to say how much fissile material Iran has accumulated.

"There are differing view not only outside government but also inside the government" on how far Iran has gone, Wood said. While he was not suggesting Mullen was incorrect, he said, "We just don't know" exactly how much fissile material Iran now holds.

"We are concerned they are getting close" to having enough to build a nuclear weapon. Wood spoke to reporters traveling with Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton in Egypt.

The International Atomic Energy Agency said Iran has processed 2,222 pounds (1,010 kilograms) of low-enriched uranium. But the report left unclear whether Iran is now capable, even if it wanted, of further processing that material into a sufficient quantity of highly enriched uranium to arm one weapon.

And the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, Susan Rice, recently told National Public Radio that the nuclear agency report "confirms what we all had feared and anticipated, which is that Iran remains in pursuit of its nuclear program."

Iran, now subjected to various penalties by the U.N., the U.S., and others over its nuclear program, denies it wants to build a bomb. It asserts its program is intended to provide the country with the homegrown

ability to generate electricity from nuclear reactors.

So far, the U.S. has not relented in its claims that Iran has ambitions to join the club of nuclear-armed nations. Mullen seemed to restate that position in his remarks on CNN's "State of the Union." He was not asked to elaborate.

Under an international nuclear treaty it has signed, Iran has the right to develop a civilian program for the nuclear generation of electricity. But any such program must be open to international inspection. Iran has balked at that after it became known in past years that the country had hidden portions of its nuclear effort that could be linked to a weapons program.

At issue now is Iran's uranium enrichment efforts. The Bush administration insisted that was a precursor to making weapons-grade materials. President Barack Obama has sought to change course with Iran, offering diplomatic engagement in a bid to prove Tehran has more to lose by ignoring the wishes of other countries than it has to gain through its nuclear efforts.

"The question is whether you can increase the level of the sanctions and the cost to the Iranians of pursuing that program at the same time you show them an open door if they want to engage with the Europeans, with us and so on if they walk away from that program," Gates said. "Our chances of being successful, it seems to me, are a lot better at \$35 or \$40 oil than they were at \$140 oil because there are economic costs to this program, they do have economic challenges at home."

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Communicating quite well

An \$8.9 million grant for the UI communication sciences and disorders department highlights the program's prestige.

By ASHLEY HAUGO
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Though a rookie among disciplines such as physics, chemistry, and theology, the UI's communication sciences and disorders department reigns as the grandfather among programs of its kind.

"Speech pathology was invented here at the University of Iowa," said Paul Abbas, the head of the department, which was formerly known as speech pathology and audiology.

The discipline was born out of the psychology department in the 1920s as the brainchild of Carl Seashore, Abbas said.

According to the communication sciences' website, the area of study gained independence in 1956 when it was recognized as its own department in the College of Liberal Arts.

And today, the program still stands at the forefront. In 2008, *U.S. News & World Report* ranked the UI department's two graduate programs, speech pathology and audiology, as first in the nation.



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UI Professor Bruce Tomblin and graduate student Beth Walker work on an audiometer in the Wendell Johnson Speech and Hearing Center on Feb. 26. The UI was one of three facilities that received a grant of \$8.9 million from the National Institute on Deafness.

The department is continuing its leadership in the field by coordinating a multisite study, which recently received a five-year, \$8.9-million grant from the National Institute on Deafness.

The study combines researchers at the UI, the University of North Carolina, and Boys Town National Research Hospital in Nebraska to track 45 children with mild to severe hearing impairments as well as 150 children with normal hearing. Researchers hope to discover the developmental outcomes for children who have poor hearing, said communication sciences Professor Bruce Tomblin, noting that little work has ever been done in this area.

"There's a fair number of children out there who are hard of hearing," said Tomblin, one of the principal investigators for the grant. "But there has been little research on the impact of these impairments on their lives and developments."

And it is this innovative research that brings the UI's program such recognition — a prestige that attracts prospective students, said Laura Romey, a second-year speech pathology graduate student.

"[Speech pathology] is first in the nation, and that's a really big reason a lot of people come here," she said.

The 24-year-old completed her undergraduate degree at the UI and, with knowledge of

the program's quality, decided to continue her studies at her alma mater.

While Romey hopes to stay in Iowa to work after she completes her internship next year, Abbas noted graduates of the UI programs are have spread across the nation, carrying the reputation of the program with them.

"You get your reputation on a national basis from research activity and that is very much related to the students," he said. "The training of those students who go out and work around the country enhance our reputation because we get identified with the research."

And trends foreshadow a strong future for these disciplines.

Both Abbas and Tomblin have noticed increasing interest in speech pathology and audiology, particularly at the undergraduate level.

Further, the *US News* ranked audiology as one of the 30 best careers for 2009.

With this auspicious job market and the interdisciplinary nature of the field, Tomblin said he believes speech and hearing studies hold exciting possibilities.

"This is a field that offers a tremendous number of opportunities that you would never think of coming into it," Tomblin said. "It's a great area if you want to bring biology, psychology, physics, and engineering together, and that's what makes [the field] particularly exciting."

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Legislators talk stimulus

Iowa legislators meet to discuss stimulus-package spending and speak with citizens.

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The future of Iowa's funding from the federal stimulus package became a little clearer for Johnson County voters on Feb. 28.

In the second of four legislative forums sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Johnson County, Iowa City and Johnson County residents packed the Iowa City City Hall to question elected officials on a number of current topics.

Rep. David Jacoby, D-Coralville, said in his opening statement that the economic burden rests on the backs of Iowa's legislators.

"Today, the budget is very serious and we will have some serious challenges in Iowa," he said.

Jacoby also told local citizens where he and his fellow representatives were looking to spend the stimulus money that they hope will arrive within the next month.

"When it comes to spending the stimulus money, we're looking at unemployment, the economy, and the fifth-largest natural disaster in U.S. history," he said.

Rep. Larry Marek, D-Riverside, said it is difficult to spread the money to all the places that need it.

"The budget is tough, we are in a spot where we need this economy to turn around," he



Rep. Vicki Lensing, D-Iowa City addresses the crowd at a legislative forum at City Hall on Feb. 28. Officials from the local and state level gathered to discuss the budget cuts.

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said. "This is a serious thing."

Some attendees requested that more money be put into local school districts, but the officials reported the difficulties they face on that matter.

"No money for education is available in the federal stimulus package," Sen. Bob Dvorsky, D-Coralville, said. "We are trying to be prudent with our budgeting."

UI political-science Associate Professor David Redlawsk asked legislators to remember the flood damage when discussing ways to spend money.

"This is a challenge that is

quite different from what we've ever faced," he said.

UI urban and regional planning Professor Peter Fisher said the stimulus money should be put into the economy sooner than later. But he expressed some doubt over whether the stimulus money was being spent appropriately.

"We are taking stimulus money and using it the way it was called to be," he said. "We need to spend that money now."

Discussion on the prevailing-wage bill was a bit more heated. The House bill, which would

require a "prevailing wage" for state projects, fell one vote shy of passing Feb. 20.

Each representative at the forum except Marek was in favor of passing the bill.

Bill Gerhard, the president of the Iowa State Building and Construction Trades Council, met with Marek after the forum was over to discuss the prevailing-wage bill.

"All I know is the contractors I have spoken with in my area are not in favor of this, and I need to represent the people who voted me here," Marek said.

Budget cuts worry Iowa courts

Court employees are worried about maintaining the good reputation of Iowa's court system with the budget getting tighter.

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Iowa's court employees will take seven additional days of unpaid leave, the Iowa Supreme Court recently ordered.

Also known as furloughs, each temporary layoff day will save the Iowa judicial branch \$335,009. The first furlough for Iowa's courts was on Feb. 16.

Judges, attorneys, and court employees met with state senators at the Johnson County Courthouse on Feb. 27, expressing concerns about the anticipated \$3.8 million in judicial cuts this year and a possible \$15.4 million cut for fiscal 2010.

"Our system here is pretty cut to the bone already," said Lori Klockau of the Bray & Klockau law firm in Iowa City. "It just doesn't make sense to me that we would take the brunt."

Sixth District Judge David Remley discussed numerous budget-cut scenarios at the

meeting, including permanent employee layoffs, fewer judges, and fewer magistrates.

At the meeting, Klockau urged Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City, and Sen. Bob Dvorsky, D-Coralville, to push for an exemption to the cuts. Currently, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Public Safety, the Victim's Compensation Fund, and others are exempt.

Johnson County Clerk of Court Lodema Berkley argued the state should reward hard-working court employees rather than punish them.

"There has to be more funding some place," she said. "We beg you to realize we're not just the bottom line of everything."

In a recent study by the National Center for State Courts, Remley said researchers determined Iowa is short 27 district judges. He added Johnson County is short 1.3 district associate

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judges and 3.8 district judges.

And Johnson County's workload is larger than most, thanks to flood litigation and leftover tornado cases, Remley said.

Fewer judges and fewer court days "means less time judges can be doing what judges do," Iowa Supreme Court Justice David Baker said. "It's the ramifications on the public we need to focus on."

Beginning March 24, the public will have even more limited access to the courts. Also announced Feb. 27, the clerk of court offices across the state will close at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays rather than the usual 4:30 p.m. closing time.

Berkley said the Johnson County staff's biggest fear is

facing more work with less time to do it.

Daniel Bray, also of Bray & Klockau law firm, told the senators at the meeting "at least give us a status quo budget."

Remley also expressed the need for a status quo budget, but presented a second option of doubling Iowa's \$100 filing fee. Kansas recently doubled its filing fee, and states such as Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota enact fees more than double what they are in Iowa, Remley argued.

The Iowa House of Representatives approved the \$3.8 million judicial budget cut for fiscal 2009 on Feb. 26. Officials are waiting for the Senate to agree. Official cuts for fiscal 2010 are still unknown.

NATION

States face budget woes

Even after \$135 billion in federal aid gets spent, many states will be staring down budgetary black holes unless they initiate dramatic spending cuts or tax increases, or both.

In the short-term, the massive stimulus will help balance budgets and keep key services, such as Medicaid, going. But economists agree the money will not quickly eradicate high unemployment, low consumer spending, or distress in the housing market — the triple threats behind a nationwide tax-collection shortfall that is expected to drag on even after the economy begins to rebound.

Without higher taxes, bigger cuts to government services — or yet more federal funding — states face budget gaps that could reach \$120 billion nationwide in their 2011 budgets, according to an analyst at the Rockefeller Institute, a think tank in Albany, N.Y. James Diffley, managing director of Global Insight's U.S. Regional Services Group, says it's unlikely budget gaps will close before 2013.

"States' budget problems lag the economy," Diffley said. "What we see in budgets will get worse for at least another year."

Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke last week told Congress that the recession might end this year if the government is able to prop up the shaky banking system.

Some nonprofits have money

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — The North Carolina Symphony has all the money it needs. But in this economy, the orchestra isn't allowed to touch it.

The value of its endowment stands at nearly \$6.9 million, a fund the symphony planned to tap this year to help pay its musicians and put on concerts. But because of the slump on Wall Street, the endowment is worth less than the original donations that created it. That means, under North Carolina law, that the money is off-limits.

It's a frustrating quandary for universities, orchestras, and other nonprofit organizations in two dozen states. They have the money they need to save jobs, offer scholarships, and put on a solid schedule of programs but face state laws that keep them from using any of it.

"I don't imagine the donors anticipated a situation where the market would fall so dramatically that the money would be held hostage and unable to support the symphony at all," said David Chambless Worters, the symphony's chief executive.

Rules governing how nonprofits in North Carolina and 23 other states use their endowments date to the 1970s, when most states adopted a uniform law that prohibits withdrawing money from endowments that fall below their "historic dollar value" — the money given to create the endowment, plus any later gifts.

Merkel, EU reject blanket bailout for Eastern Europe

BRUSSELS (AP) — German Chancellor Angela Merkel and other European Union leaders flatly rejected a new multibillion euro bailout for Eastern Europe on Sunday, suggesting that additional aid be given to struggling nations only on a case-by-case basis.

Germany and the Netherlands also shot down suggestions that Eastern European countries that have seen their currencies plummet be given a quick entry to the euro, which has remained strong against the U.S. dollar and Japanese yen. But French

President Nicolas Sarkozy said the EU could look at reviewing the stringent euro currency membership criteria and two-year waiting period once the global economic crisis ends.

Germany, the region's largest economy, has been under rising pressure to take the lead in rescuing eastern EU members staggering from sinking currencies, shrinking demand for exports and rising debt, but Merkel insisted a one-size-fits-all bailout was unwise.

"Saying that the situation is the same for all Central and Eastern European states, I don't see that," she said. "You cannot compare" the dire situation in Hungary with that of other countries.

That tough stance came even as Hungarian Prime Minister Ferenc Gyurcsány warned that the global credit crunch was creating a widening economic chasm in the 27-nation bloc which threatened to rend Europe.

Davenport voters to decide college tuition issue

DAVENPORT (AP) — Some Davenport officials want taxpayers to foot the bill to offer free college tuition to local grads in an effort to draw more families and businesses to the city.

Voters have the final say on the plan on Tuesday, deciding whether to use a third of the profits from the city's local option sales tax to pay for the plan. It would offset tuition for students who enroll in college or training programs after high school.

Supporters of the Davenport Promise plan say the investment will draw jobs to the area, but critics fear it's too much of a gamble with taxpayer money.

"Build a labor force that's trained, well-educated, skilled, and that in turn will attract businesses," said Gene Meeker, a city alderman. "That's what we're shooting for."

The plan would provide up to \$20,000 in tuition breaks for each student from Davenport, a city of about 99,000, and cost taxpayers about \$1.9 million a year. The money would be good at any school.

"It's a risk," said Barb Markham, 42, a Davenport mother. "If that money is going to send my kids to college, but it's going to ruin my car because they're not going to fix the streets as quickly as they would — that's kind of a silly example — but there are things that are taken away that somehow we'll be expected to foot the bill for."

David Swenson, an Iowa State University economist, said communities across the country have examined whether helping pay for college tuition can spur growth in their areas.

"It's local governments hoping against hope that they can have influence over great big economic forces over which they have virtually no power," Swenson said.

The central Iowa city of Newton pitched a similar idea for its high-school graduates, but the idea never got off the ground after a huge local employer, appliance manufacturer Maytag, shut down in 2007.

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Editorial

Local store attempts to limit bag waste

On Earth Day, the New Pioneer Co-op will become a deeper shade of green.

Customers who wish to carry their purchases out of the store in paper or plastic bags will be charged 5 cents per bag. Proceeds from the bag fee will be donated to the Iowa City Crisis Center. According to the *Press-Citizen*, co-op marketing manager Jennifer Angerer says customers have been requesting a change in the bag policy since the Whole Foods Market banned plastic bags and since Iowa City city councilors have been discussing a similar ban.

Marcia Soldat, 65, who has been shopping at the co-op for nearly four years, doesn't mind the store's new bag policy.

"It will remind me to bring my own reusable bags," she said.

Judy McRoberts, 57, thinks that charging customers for paper and plastic bags is a wonderful idea. She has been carrying her own reusable bags for several years now. She only hopes that the policy will be able to accommodate low-income shoppers.

Jeff Maske, 48, says he tries to be green, but it doesn't always work so well. He's not too upset by the new policy.

"If I have to pay a little more for my bags, it's not the end of the world," he said.

Plastic bags are a nuisance. On windy days, they somersault through the streets and get caught behind fence posts. They flutter nosily from tree branches and gather at the bottom of storm sewers. But shopping bags have become more than a nuisance — they are hazardous to our environment

and the creatures that inhabit it. Because plastic is not biodegradable, shopping bags don't just disappear after they've been tossed in the trash. According to an article in *Slate*, scientists are unsure how long it takes a plastic bag to break down. Because plastic bags have only been around for 50 years or so, it's too soon to tell. However, some scientists have estimated that it may take anywhere from 500 to 1,000 years.

Salon reports that every year, Americans throw away 100 billion bags. This is equally harmful to the environment as dumping 12 million barrels of oil. The Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation reports that more than 1 million birds and 100,000 marine mammals and sea turtles die every year from eating or getting caught in plastic. Even paper bags are damaging to the environment. To produce the ten billion paper bags Americans use every year, 14 million trees must be cut down.

These numbers are sobering. We consume billions of bags, only to use them for a short time, then toss them in the trash. But shopping with reusable bags can easily prevent this wastefulness. Reusable bags are relatively inexpensive, and they are available at a variety of grocery and retail stores.

More stores in the area should follow the co-op's lead. Fewer paper and plastic bags will make for a cleaner city and a healthier environment. We praise New Pioneer for its environmental ingenuity and for moving one step closer to becoming fully green.

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As the first spring of the worst recession in 25-plus years approaches, I've been nursing a giddy knot in my stomach, like a drawn-out Xmas Eve. Every day above 40 degrees, there's a little hop in my step, but this year it's not for the usual baseball, beaches, apple pie, picnics, and the transition from whatever cancer fluorescent lights produce to good ol' Melanoma.

What I'm really looking forward to is that peculiar animal often seen roaming the Pentacrest during the first and last few months of school: the crazy preacher guys.

Oh, the delights of the crazy preacher guys. Bored between classes? Check between Schaeffer and Macbride for the most fun money can't buy. I have many fond memories of horseshoe-shaped crowds all silently watching a sputtering, raving figure pace and proselytize.

There's an even bigger bonus when a self-righteous grad student jumps in and tries to out-shout him with detailed refutations. The whole thing adopts the can't-look-away pull of a slow-motion car crash.

Even the less interesting crazy preacher guys who can't get more than a handful of sinners to observe end up being entertaining after you stop out of pity (because crazy preacher guys have to start somewhere).

I'm not sure exactly what makes the crazy preacher guy so fascinating. Maybe it's the unconscious recognition of the sheer will and conviction it must take to make your way into this hotbed of secular humanism and scream at a bunch of kids who, at best, think you're crazy. If people are going to recklessly throw themselves upon dozens of "wtf?" faces, it's hard not to watch.

I also like to imagine them kicking themselves for forgetting some obscure Leviticus verse on the drive home.

Maybe it's that basic human instinct to innocently ask "why?" when told you're going to Hell.

Whatever it is, I think the

recession will provide us plenty of opportunities to indulge this spring.

Aside from Iowa City's usual allure of more visible sins of brazen sexuality, a godless aesthetic, and science (as opposed to the boring old alcoholism and child/spouse abuse elsewhere in the region), the economic downturn has started to prove these guys right.

Don't you remember from May of last year: "And if you do not repent, God will strike your decadent, rotting house down!" Clearly he was talking about how our long history of being unable to resist artificially deflated interest rates for consumption spending would create a credit culture, ultimately leading to the collapse of the financial markets, which had their structural weaknesses exposed by the housing bubble.

Of course, his premise is ludicrous (the housing bubble popped nearly two years before that particular rant), but you try citing the S&P Home Price Index to a man throwing Revelations back at you.

To be fair, he did call the fallacy of trying to dissipate risk through overly intricate securitized mortgages with "no matter how you hide your sins, God will find you!"

Also, the established correlation between economic slumps and the embrace of more simplistic worldviews has to be tempting for all those vigilante evangelists (vigilantelists?). I have to admit, there's a part of me that says: "Why complicate life by adding unnecessary categories beyond People Exactly Like You and People Going to Hell?"

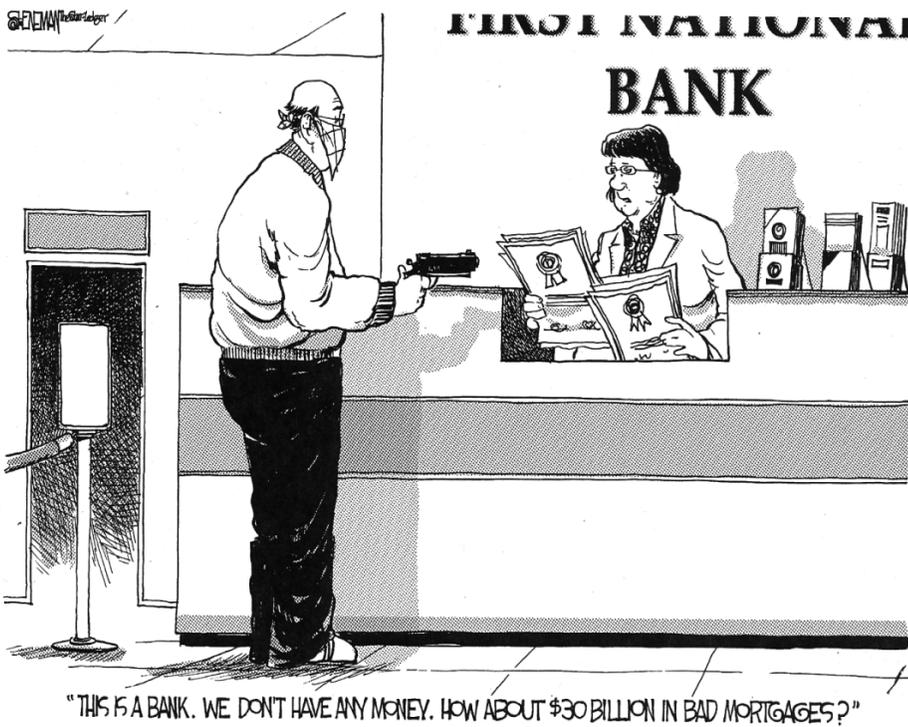
But what I'm really hoping for is that we can bring in some doomsday prophets this year. Maybe I just missed them, but I've never seen an Armageddoneer on campus. I have caught a couple while visiting larger cities and let me tell you, it's like the difference of seeing the Chicago Cubs after years of only the Des Moines variety.

I mean, these people believe the world's ending, and their reaction is to go out and tell everyone with PVC pipe and canvas. Awesome.

Anyway, it's been my personal dream lately to see a sign floating around the Pentacrest that reads, "I told you The End is near." ■

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Guest Opinion

Our science fictions, from Genesis to echinacea

JOEL STEIN
LA Times

Nobody likes science. You can tell by the fact that they teach it in school. There aren't any high-school courses in pizza, pot smoking, or car chases.

I don't like science, either. I mean, it sounds good when you're a kid with the fingerprint kits and the baking-powder volcanoes, but by 10th grade, you realize it's just math with special effects.

But for some reason, only conservatives get blamed for hating science. Which is weird, because conservatives are, by definition, the ones who are supposed to hate strange new things. They hate foreigners, video games, rap, and — from what I could gather from Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal's speech Feb. 24 —

talking to adults.

People on the far right don't believe in evolution, global warming, or doing stem-cell research. Most of their opposition is rooted in the fact that these ideas challenge the Bible, which is the oldest book they know. I'm guessing Greek conservatives are OK with killing your dad and making love to your mom.

But since I moved to LA, I've discovered that liberals hate science just as much as conservatives, and they talk about it a lot more. They'll reject any study that contradicts their Mother-Nature-is-perfect myth, which is oddly similar to the conservatives' thesis: Both sides think the past was purer than the technologically corrupted present. Except the liberal vision of the idealized past is a pre-insec-

ticide, pastoral paradise where loving animals ran free and people had shameless sex. So, basically the same as the conservatives' version, plus untainted apples and some gay stuff.

Liberals have an irrational fear of inoculation and genetically engineered food, no matter how conclusive the science is on these topics. They believe that the body needs to be detoxified with foot pads, colonics, mud wraps, and maple-syrup-and-cayenne-pepper fasts. They take echinacea and Emergen-C, heal themselves with crystals and magnets, and believe that energy flows through different "centers" of their bodies. They practice, I swear, a form of healing massage called reiki in which the masseuse usually doesn't even touch you. I believe my wife and I have a reiki marriage.

They suspect modern medicine is part of a corporate conspiracy, while dangerous recreational drugs are OK because they come from stuff that grows in the ground, man. These are people who will feel virtuous about drinking Kool-Aid as long as the bottle has the words "vitamin water" on it.

I've been in rooms where a normal discussion of organic versus local food suddenly turned into an engineering analysis of how the Twin Towers could no way have fallen just because two giant jets hit them. That's the part of the conversation when I suggest we run an experiment in which we see what happens when two giant jets hit the two idiots talking.

Facts are weak things when they face personal philosophies. It's scary to let go of your

assumptions of how the world works to be left with only a set of incomplete, seemingly unconnected data points. It is far easier to ignore or dispute a study from Princeton's physics department than to readjust your core beliefs about where the universe came from. Especially when the Princeton study is impossible to read and Genesis tells two awesome, different stories.

And science is vulnerable to being disputed, because, as Nietzsche argued in "Human, All Too Human," we've mistakenly elevated it to another form of salvation, so it's just a watered-down religion: "Modern science has as its goal: as little pain as possible, as long life as possible — thus a kind of eternal bliss." An eternal bliss that is full of hanging out in a lab and never meeting girls, so real-

ly more eternal than bliss.

Maybe the best we can do is join in a bipartisan agreement to engage only in the harmless type of science-hating everyone can love: UFOs, psychics, and underwater kingdoms that appear on Google maps.

Sure, the right's aliens are anal-probing, cattle-vaporizing invaders, and the left's are giant-headed, soil-sampling messengers of peace, but there's room for compromise. Maybe, for instance, we keep the anal probing but flick on some didgeridoo music, throw in some scented oils, and call it detox. If nothing else, those rules would keep any sane alien from landing here.

Music school celebrates Bach

By **RACHAEL LANDER**
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J.S. Bach is to the Baroque era what the Beatles was to the '60s. Not only did Bach help define the time period, but, UI associate professor and violist Christine Rutledge said, Bach is one of the greatest composers of all time. This reason, along with a pure love of Bach, is why Rutledge created a week dedicated to his music.

The Bach Festival will take place Tuesday through Friday. The days will feature an array of free performances, lectures, and master classes, dedicated to teaching students, faculty, and the community about Bach styles through the use of Baroque period instruments and music.

"To play Bach on modern instruments, it transfers quite well," Rutledge said. "But to play [the music] in the way that Bach ideated it, created it, and heard it brings a new life to it."

Rutledge also said her goal for the Bach Festival is to integrate period instruments into the UI music program. The differences between Baroque era instruments and modern ones vary according to materials. UI music Professor Emeritus Betty Bang Mather, who will lecture and teach a master

class during the fest, described the Baroque flute as significantly different from one manufactured today.

"The baroque flute is wooden instead of metal and also has a lower pitch," she said. "It's not as perfect as a modern flute because it doesn't have any keys. You put your fingers on top of holes to play it. It has a much more mellow, much more personal sound."

Rutledge noted that to appreciate and understand Bach's music, a period instrument isn't necessary, but it adds to learning.

"Not only does it enhance performance on a modern instrument to know about the style, but if you know about it, the music becomes much more understandable," she said. "You're playing the music the way it should be played, not superimposing modern ideas on something old. It's approaching [the music] not from a point of ignorance but a point of information, so that you have an idea of the style."

Rutledge set up the week with a goal of integrating numerous areas of music to appeal not only to students but the community as well. She incorporated viola, flute, and voice, as well as numerous other instruments, to further

CONCERT
Iowa Bach Festival
When: Tuesday through Friday
Where: See schedule available at www.uiowa.edu/~music for locations.
Admission: Free

enhance learning and appeal of the festival. The week also includes a lecture from Harvard University professor and Bach expert Christoph Wolff.

He's written a lot about Bach," Rutledge said. "His biography of Bach was a finalist for a Pulitzer Prize, and it's one of the books that I consider to be my bible on Bach. I wanted to have not just performance but have the academic side of music involved as well to talk about period style so it wasn't just one-sided."

With a lineup of music professionals from around the country, the Bach Festival will be anything but one-sided. The experts range from some of the UI's own faculty to Seattle Baroque Ensemble violinist and director Ingrid Matthews, and soprano Sherezade Panthaki.

To fund the festival, Rutledge said, she was lucky to receive a grant through the College of



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Violist and UI Associate Professor Christine Rutledge is the mind behind this week's Bach Festival.

Liberal Arts and Sciences Excellence in Innovation Fund. She hopes to be able to form an event similar to this again soon,

despite the taxing work involved. "It's definitely a labor of love," she said.

MOVIE REVIEW

Logic, acting early victims in this fight

The latest installment in the *Street Fighter* movie series is nothing more than a high-kicking afternoon nap.

By **REBECCA KOONS**
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In light of Oscar season, I would like to present *Street Fighter: The Legend of Chun-Li* film with an award for Worst Movie I Have Ever Paid to See.

I believe the film was supposed to be an action-packed, emotional thrill ride (based on the classic video game) as Chun-Li seeks revenge for the kidnapping and murder of her father. This, however, is not what is portrayed.

Kristin Kreuk stars as Chun-Li but doesn't quite come across as the "star" one would anticipate. Her performance tends to blend in with those of her costars, which does not help her case in being heroine of the day. What's more, the death of her parents — which is obviously devastating for her — does not translate to the audience as

such. We never see just what kind of connection Chun-Li has with her mother, so her untimely death does not quite pack the punch that it should.

The Legend of Chun-Li severely lacks the emotional depth to be at all moving, because many of the cast members deliver their lines in a horribly unconvincing manner. The delivery is considerably dull, among the likes of awkward high-school students plodding through a skit.

The worst offender of this crime is Chris Klein. Klein, who plays Charlie Nash, erases any "oomph" the movie

could have possibly had. I actually laughed out loud when he showed up. His attempts at being a smooth, wise-talking badass flounder throughout the movie. I'm quite surprised Klein is listed second in the film's end credits, because his role surely did not garner such immense attention.

To top it off, the pseudo-sexual tension between Nash and his cohort, Detective Maya Sunee (Moon Bloodgood) is enough to make anyone squirm.

Now, I spent this much time criticizing Klein only because his absence of acting prowess was the most striking. His partners in crime include basically everyone else featured, with very few exceptions. Gen (Robin Shou), Chun-Li's source of knowledge and wisdom, is by far the most believable figure in *The Legend of Chun-Li*. While Gen alone does not make up for the incompetence of his peers, his parts of the movie are the most bearable.

The plot of *The Legend of Chun-Li* intends to be intriguing but sadly fails to



PUBLICITY PHOTO

Gen offers Chun-Li sound advice in *Street Fighter: The Legend of Chun-Li*.

live up to expectations. It suffers from a case of the trailers showing all the good stuff, leaving a jarring, slightly confusing spectacle for the two-hour running time.

I went into *The Legend of Chun-Li* knowing virtually nothing of *Street Fighter* at all, and that's basically how I left. One of the biggest mistakes this movie made is not being informative enough. What's the "Order of the Web"? I still don't know. Any

story behind any of the other characters that made the leap from game console to silver screen is completely beyond me. This would have added much needed depth and a greater understanding of *Street Fighter* as a whole, especially for newcomers like me.

I'd much rather watch my boyfriend play *Street Fighter* for two hours than be subjected to this cinematic disaster again.

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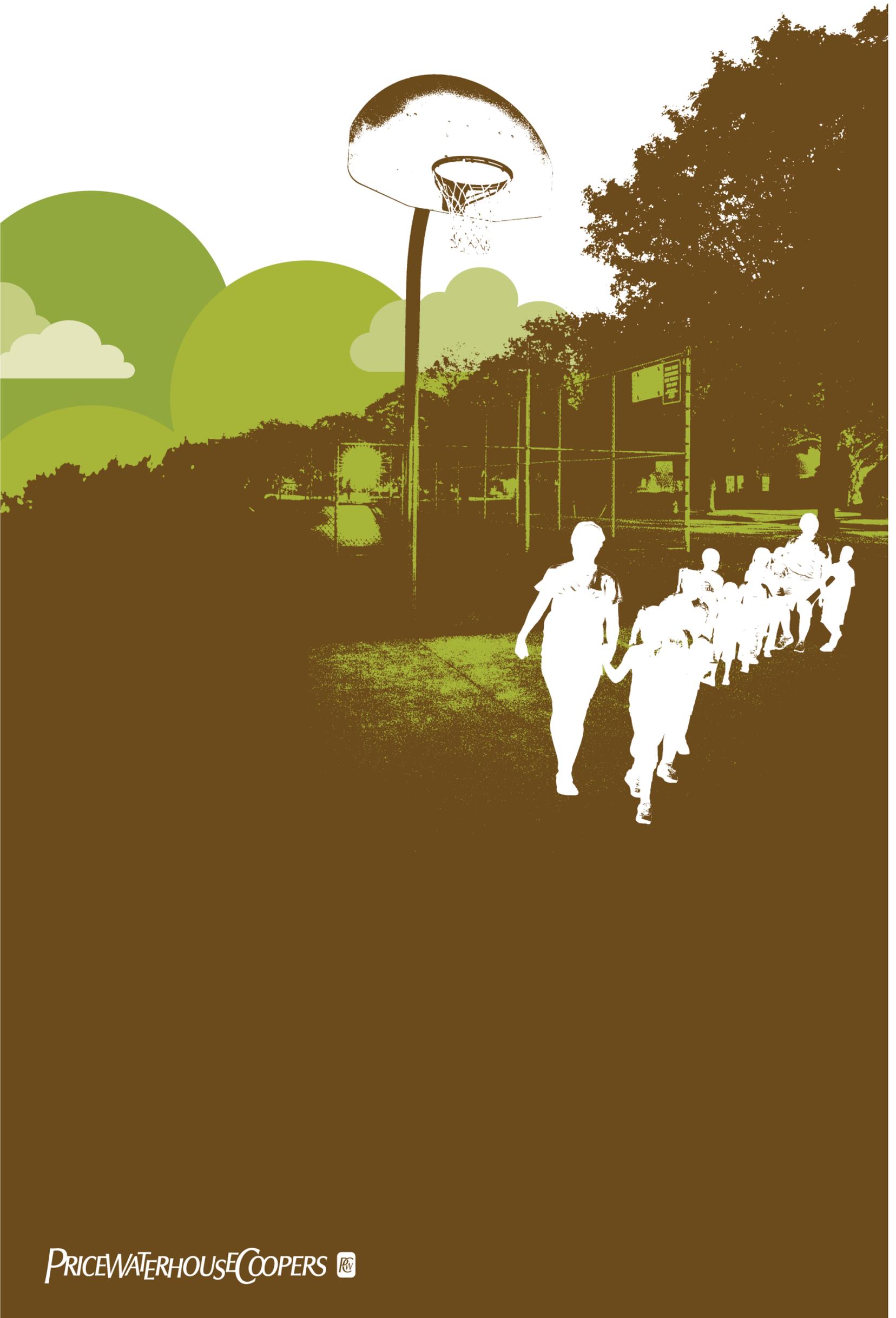
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Matt Gatens

BASKETBALL

Coble leads Northwestern to 55-49 win over Iowa

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP) — Kevin Coble had 16 points and nine rebounds as Northwestern beat Iowa 55-49 on Feb. 28.

Michael Thompson had 14 and four assists for the Wildcats (16-11, 7-9 Big Ten), who are trying to reach the postseason for the first time in a decade with two regular-season games remaining.

Craig Moore scored 11, and John Shurna added seven for Northwestern, which hit 7-of-14 3-pointers in the second half and finished 13-4 at home.

Jake Kelly scored 23, and Matt Gatens added 11 for Iowa (14-15, 4-12), which lost for the 11th time in 14 games. The Hawkeyes fell to 1-11 on the road, 0-9 in the Big Ten.

Iowa, which beat the Wildcats 56-51 on Feb. 7 in Iowa City on the strength of 14 3-pointers, hit 7-of-25 3-pointers and only 10-of-30 second-half shots.

Kelly hit a lay-up to tie the game at 47 with 4:29 remaining. Coble's jumper 16 seconds later gave the Wildcats a two-point advantage, and Craig Moore hit a 3-pointer with 53 seconds remaining to put Northwestern up 52-47.

FOOTBALL

Ferentz suspends DB

Iowa football head coach Kirk Ferentz suspended Iowa defensive back Shaun Prater indefinitely on Feb. 28. The announcement came shortly after Prater was arrested for OWI on that day.

According to Coralville police, officers stopped Prater because no registration information was visible on the rear of the vehicle he was driving.

Prater had bloodshot eyes, slurred speech, and smelled strongly of alcohol, police said.

He admitted under Miranda that the bartender must have put alcohol in his Coca-Cola, police reports show.

In a released statement, Ferentz said Prater "will be required to serve numerous internal obligations," which will be set by the head coach. Ferentz also said the sophomore-to-be will be suspended for numerous games when the Hawkeyes' season begins in September.

Prater, a native of Omaha, Neb., had eight tackles while playing in all 13 of Iowa's games in 2008.

OWI is a serious misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year in jail and a maximum fine of \$1,250.

— by Regina Zilbermintz

TV TODAY

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IOWA 4, MINNESOTA 3

Women's tennis comes back



PATRICK LARKIN/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa freshman Sonja Molnar serves to Minnesota's Alessandra Ferrazzi during the No. 1 singles match of the dual meet between the Hawkeyes and Golden Gophers on Sunday in the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex. Molnar won the match (6-2, 6-1), and she now has a 10-1 singles record this season.

The Iowa women's tennis team won its conference-opener Sunday, defeating Minnesota, 4-3.

By **ROBBIE LEHMAN**
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Fans at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex cheered with joy and applauded the hard work of the Iowa women's tennis team Sunday as it came from behind to upset No. 52 Minnesota, 4-3, in its first Big Ten match of the season.

The dual meet was the most competitive of the year for the Hawkeyes (6-5, 1-0), both in terms of scores and emotions. Players from both teams expressed themselves with either a yell or a fist pump after nearly every point. The momentum shifted for each team several times throughout the meet.

Iowa didn't have any momentum after dropping all three doubles matches. Yet somehow, the Hawkeyes managed to find some to win five of the six first sets in singles. Hawkeye head coach Daryl Greenan, now 5-0 against the Golden Gophers, was extremely pleased.

"We did something special after being swept in doubles," he said. "We came back on fire in singles. That set the tone right there."

Iowa sophomore Jessica Young made fast work of Minnesota's Magdalena Wiecha in the No. 5 match, winning (6-0, 6-3). Next to finish was No. 98 ranked freshman Sonja Molnar, taking down her No. 1 counterpart Alessandra Ferrazzi (6-2, 6-1) to improve her singles record to 10-1 on the season. Sophomore Alexis Dorr lost (7-5, 6-3) in the No. 2 match to Karina Chiarelli to set the score at 2-2.

SEE TENNIS, 3B

Hoops wins finale

The Iowa women's basketball team wraps up the regular season with a victory at Northwestern.

By **MIKE BROWNLEE**
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Seniors Wendy Ausdemore, Megan Skouby, and Kristi Smith entered the Big Ten record books Sunday afternoon as the Iowa women's basketball team beat Northwestern, 86-79, in Evanston, Ill.

A Skouby 18-foot jumper with 15:06 left in the game gave the senior trio the record for most points by one class in conference history.

SEE BASKETBALL, 3B

IOWA 86, NORTHWESTERN 79

IOWA (20-9, 13-5)

Ausdemore	4-11	2-2	11
Skouby	7-9	5-5	19
Smith	4-10	10-11	19
Wahlin	6-9	1-2	16
Alexander	5-10	3-5	13
Draxten	0-1	0-0	0
Hamlin	4-10	0-0	8
Totals	30-60	21-25	86

NORTHWESTERN (7-22, 3-15)

Cartwright	4-10	4-4	12
Jaeschke, E.	7-9	0-0	14
Jaeschke, A.	7-12	2-3	16
Dickerson	3-3	0-0	7
Eckhart	3-5	2-2	10
Hung	0-0	0-0	0
Reed	1-3	0-0	2
Mocchi	0-1	0-0	0
Orban	4-9	9-10	18
Totals	29-52	17-19	79

Halftime — Iowa 36-29

3-Point Goals — Iowa 5-14 (Ausdemore 1-5, Smith 1-2, Wahlin 3-6, Draxten 0-1), Northwestern 4-11 (Cartwright 0-1, Dickerson 1-1, Eckhart 2-3, Reed 0-1, Mocchi 0-1, Orban 1-4)

Fouled Out — None

Rebounds — Iowa 28 (Alexander 8), Northwestern 29 (A. Jaeschke 6)

Assists — Iowa 16 (Wahlin 6), Northwestern 19 (Eckhart 5)

Total Fouls — Iowa 15, Northwestern 16
 A — 1362

GymHawks hang on to win on Senior Night

The No. 21 Iowa women's gymnastics team got a big spark from underclassmen on Senior Night to defeat No. 25 Maryland.

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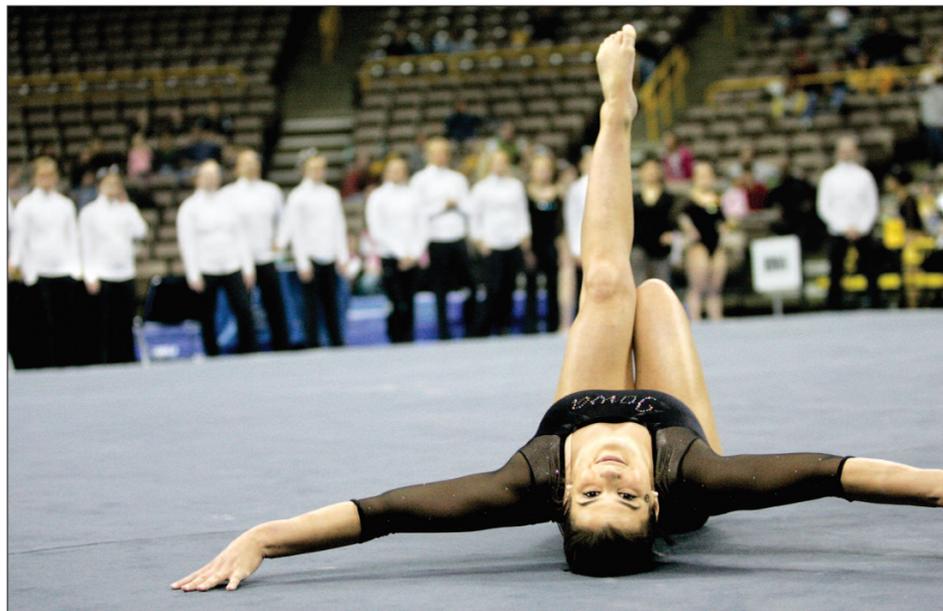
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team, and for our staff," Libby said. "I think it has been almost refreshing for us to see how much the underclassmen can give and are willing to give. I think the future looks really bright for us with these kids."

"They are dedicated, they're passionate, they're focused, and you can always do wonders with that."

The GymHawks (9-4, 2-1) got out to a fast start with six solid performances on the vault, scoring a 49.225, the highest mark on the event this season. Five of six gymnasts scored season-highs ranging from Jenifer Simbhudas' 9.900 to a 9.825 by freshman Annie Szatkowski. After the first rotation, Iowa built over a two-point lead on Maryland.

During the second rotation, Iowa moved on to bars, but a fall by Hansen and a misstep from freshman Jennie Schurman



REBECCA MNUK/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa gymnast Arielle Sucich performs a floor routine during the GymHawks' dual meet against Maryland in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Feb. 28. The 21st-ranked GymHawks defeated the 25th-ranked Terrapins, 194.875-192.175.

opened the door for the Terrapins. However, strong performances from Gebeshian (9.800) and Rebecca (9.800) and Jenifer (9.750) Simbhudas helped secure the GymHawks' 97.525-96.375 lead.

Turning to the balance beam for the third rotation, Iowa got off a solid start with junior Andrea Hurlburt scoring a 9.725. Jenifer Simbhudas (9.825) and Gebeshian (9.800) also put up high scores for Iowa. Howev-

er, falls by senior Brandi Loffer and Rebecca Simbhudas allowed Maryland to close the gap, trailing the GymHawks, 145.900-145.150.

SEE GYMNASTICS, 3B

SPORTS 'N' STUFF

WOMEN'S BIG TEN BASKETBALL

Table with columns: Conference, All Games, W, L, Pct, W, L, Pct. Lists teams like Ohio State, Michigan State, Purdue, etc.

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NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Table with columns: Eastern Conference, Western Conference, Central, Pacific. Lists teams like New Jersey, Philadelphia, etc.

HAWKEYE SPORTS

Tracksters see some good results

The Iowa women's track and field capped the first half of the season at the Big Ten indoor championships in Bloomington, Ind., with several exciting performances.

Sophomore Karesa Farley continued to run well, provisionally qualifying in the 60-meter hurdles for the second time this season with a time of 8.35, but she did not finish in the finals.



Marchand senior

Fellow sophomore Bethany Praska made it to the 600-meter finals with a seventh-place finish at 1:31.33 in the prelims, and she took sixth place in the finals with a time of 1:31.80.

Sophomore sisters Amanda and Lauren Hardesty did well in the 3,000 and 800 meters, and both achieved collegiate bests.

The Hawkeye distance medley team of freshmen Betsy Flood and Mckenzie Melander, sophomore Tiffany Hendricks, and senior Racheal Marchand, earned third place with a time of 11:27.34.

Marchand also took second place in the 5,000 meters with a time of 16:18.23.

Iowa finished 10th as a team.

— by Jake Krzeczowski

Men's track wins some honors

Competing in the Big Ten indoor championships in State College, Pa., over this past weekend, a handful of Hawkeyes walked away with All-Big Ten honors, and the team finished ninth with 43 points.

John Hickey was one athlete to garner all-conference honors. Despite throwing yet another NCAA indoor championships qualifying throw of 60-5 1/4, the senior was unable to defend his Big Ten crown, finishing second to Minnesota's Aaron Studd (62-11 1/4).



Hickey senior

Paul Chaney Jr., also earned All-Big Ten honors, placing fifth in the 200-meters in 21.45 (a collegiate best). The multi-sport athlete also finished sixth in the 600 meters.

Junior Adam Hairston finished third in the 800-meters (1:51.34) repeating as an All-Big Ten finisher.

Senior Ryan Kelly added a fifth-place finish in the high jump, and freshman Patrick Richards placed fifth in the 400-meters.

The Hawkeyes have only one chance left to qualify for the NCAA indoor championships and will split

athletes between a pair of meets. Iowa competitors will be headed to either the Alex Wilson Invitational in South Bend, Ind., or the Iowa State Last Chance Meet in Ames. Both meets are scheduled for March 7.

— by Zach Smith

Men's gymnastics falls short

The Iowa men's gymnastics squad failed to capture its first Big Ten victory of the season in its final opportunity on Feb. 28, falling to No. 5 Illinois on the road, 353.00-337.50. The Hawkeyes' loss came despite their score improving over the 335.90 posted in their recent dual meet against Oklahoma.



Reins senior

Iowa senior Geoff Reins was once again the top performer for the Hawkeyes, finishing in first on both the vault and the floor exercise. Reins' 16.05 on vault topped his previous mark this season of 15.95. Tying for second place on rings was junior Reid Urbain with 14.40.

Sophomore Ben Ketelsen tied for second on vault with 15.70 in addition to a 13.90 on pommel horse that earned him fifth in the event. Junior Captain Jonathan Buese finished fourth on horizontal bar and tied for fifth on rings with 13.80 and 13.85, respectively.

The Hawkeyes' next dual meet is against the U.S. Military Academy on March 14 at 5 p.m., in West Point, N.Y. It is their final competition until the Big Ten championships, April 3 and 4 in Ann Arbor, Mich.

— by Jordan Garretson

Men's swimming finishes 9th

The Iowa men's swimming and diving team finished ninth at the Big Ten championships in West Lafayette, Ind., over this past weekend. The Hawkeyes' team score of 144 was down from last year's 187, which also garnered a ninth-place finish.



Dwyer sophomore

Iowa was led throughout the three-day meet by Conor Dwyer's three individual NCAA provisional qualifying times. The sophomore took home 12th in the 500 freestyle (4:22.35), fourth in the 200 freestyle (1:35.27), and 11th in the 100 freestyle (43.82). Dwyer broke a school record in the 100 free (43.67) in the preliminaries — a mark that Krzysztof Cwalina set in 1994.

Junior Mike Gilligan had a solid weekend for Iowa in the diving well,

placing in all three diving events. Gilligan finished 11th on the platform, breaking his own school record (335.45) on Saturday. He also finished 15th on the 3-meter and 13th on the 1-meter. Junior Frank Van Dijkhuizen finished 12th on the 1-meter.

Iowa posted two provisional qualifying relay times over the weekend as well, taking fifth in the 400 freestyle relay and seventh in the 800 freestyle relay.

— by Jon Linder

Baseball drops 3

In its second-straight weekend trip to the Sunshine State, the Iowa baseball team went 0-3, with losses to Stetson, South Alabama, and Southern Illinois at the Stetson Tournament in DeLand, Fla. The three defeats drop the Hawkeyes to 1-5.



Toole senior

Iowa started out slowly in an 11-0 loss to tournament host Stetson on Feb. 27, followed by an 11-9 loss on Feb. 28 to South Alabama and an 8-3 loss against Southern Illinois.

One of the lone bright spots for the Hawkeyes was senior shortstop Justin Toole. The third team All-American, according to Ping!, finished 8-for-10 over the weekend with two RBIs and two runs scored.

The losing pitchers for Iowa were junior Michael Jacobs (0-2), senior Wes Freie (1-1) and senior Nick Erdman (0-1).

Iowa will return to action on Friday in Clarksville, Tenn., with a three-game series against Austin Peay.

— by Jeff Pawola

Tour sets more marks

Another swimming race, another record.

Iowa sophomore Katarina Tour swam in the NCAA Last Chance Qualifying Meet in West Lafayette, Ind., this past weekend.



Tour sophomore

She competed in the 100 butterfly and broke a school record with a time of 54.61, knocking off the 2005 mark set by Kelly Werner (55.49). She also swam the 100 breaststroke and finished with a time of 1:02.64.

This marks the fifth time this season that Tour has broken a school record. During the Big Ten championships the weekend of Feb. 20-21, she set a school-record in the 200 individual medley (2:01.33) and 100 breaststroke (1:01.45), and she was a part of the school-record-breaking 200 medley (1:41.33) and 400 freestyle (3:21.27) relay teams.

Tour is hoping her times will be strong enough to allow her to qualify for the NCAA women's swimming and diving championships, March 19-21 in College Station, Texas.

— by Evelyn Lau

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Men's tennis dominates

Iowa men's tennis dominates DePaul, 6-1.

By AMIE KIEHN

After the Iowa men's tennis team clinched its sixth win of the season against DePaul on Feb. 28, the Hawkeyes say they feel elated.

"The team is on cloud nine right now," Iowa freshman Will Vasos said. "We've had a great week."

The Hawkeyes beat Drake, 5-2, on Feb. 25 and saw that momentum continue in their 6-1 victory over the Blue Demons.

"Everybody feels real good about the wins," Iowa head coach Steve Houghton said. "I think in a lot of ways the Drake win was good, but this win [against DePaul] may be even better. The team has beaten some really good teams."

Although the final score underscores Iowa's domination, it doesn't reveal that the dual meet was a contentious battle. DePaul's head coach is former Hawkeye assistant Matt Brothers, who has extensive knowledge about the Hawkeyes' skill sets.

DePaul's preparation showed on the court.

"At one time on the scoreboard, Christian [Bierich] was



Iowa senior Christian Bierich (left) gets set with doubles partner Nikita Zotov (center) during their match against DePaul in the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on Feb. 28. Iowa won the dual meet, 6-1.

basically winning, but every other match was 6-5 at the time of the first set," said Houghton, who is in 28th season as Iowa's head coach. "We did a really good job after we won a close first set in really destroying our opponents in the second set. I was really impressed with all that."

Despite losing 8-4 in doubles with partner sophomore Nikita Zotov, Bierich adjusted his strategy in singles and dominated opponent Austin Doerner (6-2, 6-1). Doerner's exceptional volleying skills were diminished because of injury in the pair's second matchup in singles. Doerner's upper thigh was

aching from being hit with one of Bierich's powerful returns in doubles and he called for an injury time-out during the second set in singles.

The time-out acted like a switch for Bierich — his play immediately intensified.

"If you see someone a little bit weaker, you need to jump on him," he said. "[You] just go at him and win as quick as possible when he is hurt. [Doerner] was a little mentally off, couldn't move as well so it was tough for him, very frustrating."

Vasos' intensity also increased in his singles match. After winning the first set, 7-5,

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the Fort Collins, Colo., native fell to Bartosz Jozwiak in the second set, 7-6, which forced the match into a tie-breaker.

"[My strategy] was to keep balls in, but then I realized that I needed to be more aggressive, so I kind of amped it up a little bit and it seemed to be working," Vasos said.

Vasos tired out Jozwiak and won the tiebreaker, 16-14, while his family cheered from the observation deck.

"I am very happy with Will to win a really, a big understatement, but really a close one in his match," Houghton said. "He really came up with some big shots when he needed to."

While Vasos play was exceptional, Houghton was equally impressed with each of his six starters.

"Christian's really got it going now," Houghton said. "Reinoud [Haal] for all his close matches — which is about every one of them — has won a big majority of them, so I am happy with him. Tommy [McGeorge] is as steady as can be, Greg [Holm] is steady as can be and we haven't lost a doubles point yet. So yeah ...

"We really feel like we are on a high right now."

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Tennis bounces back

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The final three matches were filled with suspense. Iowa sophomore Lynne Poggensee-Wei battled in an up-and-down No. 3 match with Niltooli Wilkins, going deep into the third set to pull out a 7-6, 0-6, 6-0 win that put Iowa up 3-2. Then junior Kacie Klockenga sealed the victory for the Hawkeyes when she overcame her No. 4 opponent, Tijana Koprivica (6-4, 0-6, 6-2).

In the No. 6 match, freshman Ally Majercik sprained her knee early on and struggled while continuing to play. With the score at 6-1, 3-6, 1-2, and the meet already determined, Majercik decided to retire due to injury.

Greenan gave credit to the Golden Gophers, but he more admired his team's effort.

"Minnesota did not go away," he said. "It is a good team. [The Gophers] were very scrappy. I'm impressed with the way the women stepped up and finished them."

Iowa knows how important winning the doubles point is, but the players also understand that there is still a lot of tennis to play in the six singles matches.

"Winning the doubles point is kind of a momentum thing," Poggensee-Wei said. "Because then you know you only have to split in singles. But overall, it's just one point."

She had confidence in herself to keep playing her game even though she experienced some difficulties in the second set of her match.

"I had a little lull in the middle," she said. "I felt a little shaky, but I knew I was up a set. I was able to get it back together in the end."

Klockenga didn't practice on Feb. 27 because of illness, and she played through a cold on Sunday, having to take a break in the middle of her match. This didn't stop her from giving Iowa its first Big Ten win of the spring.

"I started to regroup and cool down," she said. "I told myself to fight it out. Once I got the momentum in the last set, I was able to capitalize and finish it off."

Injuries and illness (even Greenan was coaching with a cold) couldn't stop Iowa. Up next for the Hawkeyes is a road trip to Notre Dame on Friday. Majercik hopes she'd be ready to go by then, but if not, junior co-captain Jen Barnes will fill the No. 6 spot. Senior cocaptain Merel Beelen, out with an abdominal injury, is hoping to make a return to Iowa's lineup soon after spring break.

GymHawks triumph

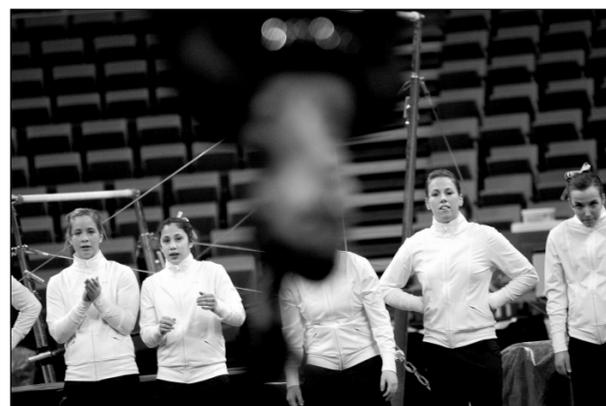
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Heading into the final rotation, Iowa turned to the crowd for an additional lift on the floor exercise. The GymHawks took the top three spots securing the team victory with Hansen taking first (9.875), while Gebeshian (9.850) and Jenifer Simbhudas (9.800) following closely behind. Gebeshian began her routine by trying to get the crowd members on their feet. While she didn't quite get the response she was hoping for, she appreciated the effort.

"I was trying to get them to stand up, but I got like one person," she said. "But next time, if the crowd is having fun, we're having fun. I think it goes both ways."

After the meet, Iowa had a special presentation honoring the seniors — Loffer, Jenifer Simbhudas, Kara Pinjuv, and Brittany Logan.

Despite the emotions the meet carried, Jenifer Simbhudas tried not to think about it too much during competition.



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The GymHawks watch teammate Jenifer Simbhudas perform a floor routine during their dual meet with Maryland in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Feb. 28.

"It's bittersweet," she said. "I can't believe it's been four years already, doesn't even feel like I'm going to be done. I still want to do gymnastics, but I mean, I didn't really think about it too much because I didn't want it to get to me or my gymnastics."

Libby also holds a special place in her heart for this sen-

ior class — as it was the first she recruited on her own.

"To think about not having them is devastating to me," Libby said. "Just to see their faces every day, their passion and dedication they bring to our program. They've truly changed the culture of our program and they're the reasons why we are as good as we are today."

Hoopsters tie for second

BASKETBALL
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The three seniors teamed up for 49 points against the Wildcats and now sit at 4,134 points combined in their careers, moving past the 2004 Purdue senior set of Shereka Wright (2,251), Erika Valek (1,219), and Beth Jones (640), for a combined 4,110 points.

"That's a pretty amazing accomplishment," Iowa assistant coach Jenni Fitzgerald said in a postgame radio interview. "It's nice to have individual records, but to have it as a group is special."

Iowa is the first team in Big Ten history to have three players with 1,250 points or more in their careers. Smith leads the bunch with 1,421, followed by Skouby at 1,416, and Ausdemore at 1,297. Smith and Skouby are in eighth and ninth place on the all-time Iowa scoring list.

"It just shows you the quality of these three players and what they've done for us in their careers," Iowa head coach Lisa Bluder said in a postgame radio interview. "All three are tremendous players and they'll be missed next year. But we're hoping they'll be playing a lot more games this season."

The Hawkeyes finish regular-season play with the same record overall and in the conference as last season, 20-9 (13-5).

Iowa finishes in a three-way tie for second-place in the Big Ten with Michigan State and Purdue, but loses both tiebreakers and will have to settle for the No. 4 seed at the Big Ten Tournament, which will begin Thursday. The Hawkeyes' first game will be in the quarterfinals on Friday night against the fifth-seeded Golden Gophers.

Big Ten Tournament

The Hawkeyes' women's basketball team has been seeded No. 4 in the Big Ten Tournament.

Tournament bracket



Source: Big Ten Conference

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Ohio State clinched the outright Big Ten title when Purdue lost against Michigan State on Sunday.

Against the Wildcats, Iowa led most of the contest but never pulled away. The Hawkeyes held a 16-point lead midway through the second half, but the Wildcats used an 8-0 run to trim the Iowa lead to six points, punctuated by a Jenny Eckhart jumper with 3:58 to go.

The teams traded points for the next three-and-a-half minutes, with Northwestern closing the gap to four points as late as the 1:25 mark, after a Brittany Orban lay-in.

But Iowa didn't let the Wildcats get any closer, hitting its free throws down the stretch. The Hawkeyes went 10-for-11 from the line over the final five minutes of the game.

"When we get to the free-throw line, it certainly helps," Fitzgerald said. "It's important to our game that we get there."

The two teams combined for 31 fouls and the Hawkeyes finished 21-for-25 from the line. Iowa is the leading free-throw shooting team in the Big Ten.

"The game was physical, and that's what you expect this time of year," Fitzgerald said. "You have to expect the bumps and crashes."

All five Hawkeye starters finished in double-figures, led by Smith and Skouby, who each scored 19, with Smith adding four assists. Freshman guard Kamille Wahlin had 16 points and six assists, and sophomore guard Kachine Alexander scored 13 points and grabbed a game-high eight rebounds. Ausdemore finished with 11 points and four assists.

Four Wildcats finished in double-figures, led by Amy Jaeschke's 16. Cousin Ellen Jaeschke scored 14, followed by former Chicago Bull Bill Cartwright's daughter, Kristin, who scored 12.

SPORTS

Agency to fund lab's quest for urine-based HGH test

MANASSAS, Va. (AP) — The U.S. Anti-Doping Agency has agreed to fund research by a Virginia-based lab seeking a urine-based test for human growth hormone.

The deal with Ceres Nanosciences will use a technology developed at George Mason University that could make it possible to detect HGH in urine.

HGH is considered one of the toughest performance-enhancing substances to catch because, to this point, it is only detectable through blood tests. Even then, the window of time to detect it is so short it's nearly impossible to catch cheaters during competition.

Urine tests are much cheaper than blood tests. But less than 0.01 percent of growth hormone end up in the urine at any one time, which is not considered enough to detect its presence.

In an interview last year, anti-doping agency's lead scientist, Larry Bowers, said it would be "10 years until they have a urine test for growth hormone."

In a news release sent by Ceres on Sunday night, Bowers applauded the new partnership.

"We are excited about the opportunity to assist with the promising evolution of this great technology into a sound and practical anti-doping test to detect HGH through urine-based diagnostics," he said.

Don Catlin, America's foremost anti-doping expert, has also been working to find a urine-based test for HGH, with some funding from baseball and the NFL.

The anti-doping agency will provide funding and research support for the study, which Ceres said could be completed within six months, at which time they'll decide how to proceed.

Clayton re-signs with Bucs

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Michael Clayton signed a five-year contract worth nearly \$26 million on Sunday to remain with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Clayton, the 2004 NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year who has struggled since that strong debut, agreed to the contract two days after becoming an unrestricted free agent.

As a rookie, Clayton, a first-round draft pick from LSU (15th overall) had 80 catches for 1,193 yards and seven touchdowns — the fifth-best first season in league history.

But Clayton's production fell off after that and he lost his starting job at times. He did start nine games last season after Joey Galloway was injured.

In the last four years, he's been plagued by injuries and inconsistency, and his best year was 2008, when he had 38 receptions for 484 yards and one touchdown.

Clayton did play well in the season finale, though, with two catches for 87 yards, one a 58-yard TD — his only score of the season.

Mavericks' Kidd hits 10,000 assists

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Mavericks guard Jason Kidd became the fourth player in NBA history with 10,000 career assists during the third quarter of Sunday night's game against the Toronto Raptors.

The 14-year veteran handed out his 13th assist of the night when he passed to Brandon Bass for a 10-foot turnaround with 1:04 left in the quarter. Kidd received a standing ovation when the milestone was announced to the sellout crowd.

Kidd trails John Stockton (15,806), Mark Jackson (10,334) and Magic Johnson (10,141) on the career list.

Thunder's Smith free to sign with contender

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The Oklahoma City Thunder have agreed to release veteran forward Joe Smith, setting the stage for him to sign with a playoff contender such as the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Smith, who was acquired from Cleveland in an August trade, had been relegated to the bench in Oklahoma City but could be a valuable asset for a team making a playoff push. Rumors have circulated that the Cavaliers would be interested in pursuing Smith, particularly after they lost Ben Wallace to a broken leg.

Smith averaged 8.1 points and five rebounds in 27 games down the stretch with Cleveland last year.

He was averaging 6.6 points and 4.5 rebounds this season with the Thunder, but hadn't played in the last eight games.

Smith could clear waivers as early as Wednesday.

Pistons 105, Celtics 95

BOSTON (AP) — The Detroit Pistons are back to their old mainstays and back to their old, winning ways.

Richard Hamilton had 25 points, Tayshaun Prince scored 15, and each hit a 3-pointer in the final 80 seconds to help the Pistons beat the Celtics, 105-95, on Sunday. Hamilton also had nine assists in his second-straight start since Allen Iverson returned to Detroit because of a stiff back.

"You can tell they're playing the system they played before Iverson got there," said Celtics forward Paul Pierce, who scored 26. "When Iverson is out there, they're still trying to figure out how to use each other, how to all be successful. But that group that's out there is definitely comfortable because they've played together for years."

LeBron leads Cavaliers

By PAUL NEWBERRY
Associated Press

ATLANTA — LeBron James scored 26 points, including the winning free throw with 1.6 seconds left, and the Cleveland Cavaliers won for the seventh time in eight games, 88-87 over the Atlanta Hawks on Sunday night.

The Hawks, after rallying from a 13-point deficit, squandered a five-point lead in the final 1:42. Delonte West hit a jumper, Mo Williams sank a 3-pointer, and James won it for the Cavaliers on their final possession. He drove from the top of the key and was fouled by Al Horford with 1.6 seconds remaining.

James missed the first free throw but swished the second. The Hawks had a last chance, but Joe Johnson's jumper over James clanked off the rim as the horn sounded.

Johnson led the Hawks with 21 points.

The teams met on a day that should have made Cleveland feel right at home — a freak March storm left downtown Atlanta with a light blanket of snow.

As always, the celebrities turned out for King James. Bill Murray, in Georgia filming a

movie, sat courtside along with director Spike Lee, who was trying to sell Murray on another project while they both took in the game.

Triple-teamed at times, James made eight of 20 from the field, including a pair of 3-pointers, and dished out 11 assists.

The Cavaliers led 62-49 around five minutes into the third, but the Hawks closed the quarter on a 21-7 run. Johnson, Zaza Pachulia and Flip Murray scored five points to lead the spurt.

On its final possession of the quarter, Murray gave the home team its first lead since 2-0. Isolated with Daniel Gibson, the Hawks guard drove into the lane and hit the jumper while drawing a foul. Even though he missed the free throw, failing to complete the three-point play, the Hawks went to the final period up 68-67.

James' best move came in the first half. He stepped back on Johnson, then suddenly blew by him to the right and made the shot despite being fouled by Josh Smith.

Smith dazzled the crowd, too. He blocked Mo Williams shot at one end, took off down the court, and dunked off a miss by Joe

Johnson.

Williams had 20 points for the Cleveland, while Zydrunas Ilgauskas had a double-double with 17 points and 11 rebounds. The Hawks had five players in double figures, including Murray and Marvin Williams with 14 apiece.

Atlanta looked to be in good shape when Joe Johnson missed a dunk, but the ball went straight to Williams in the corner. He stepped behind the line and sank the 3 to make it 87-82. But the Hawks missed their final three shots.

Notes: The Cavaliers improved to 2-1 in the season series with the Hawks, becoming the first to win on the road. The teams meet for the final time in the regular season at Cleveland on March 21. ... Both teams struggled at the foul line. The Hawks made 22 of 31 (71 percent), while the Cavaliers were even worse at 16 of 24 (67 percent). ... Even though Atlantans are usually reluctant to travel in the least bit of winter weather, the crowd of 19,639 was the largest of the season and the eighth sellout at Philips Arena. There appeared to be few no-shows.

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2 NFL players missing at sea

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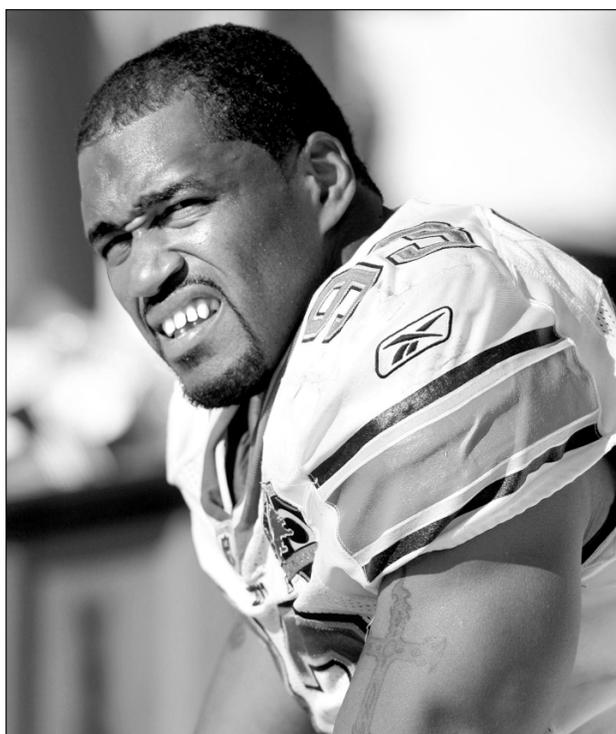
CLEARWATER, Fla. — The Coast Guard searched off Florida's Gulf Coast on Sunday for a fishing boat carrying NFL players Corey Smith and Marquis Cooper and two other men missing more than a day in choppy seas.

Smith, a defensive end for the Detroit Lions, and Cooper, an Oakland Raiders linebacker, were on a 21-foot vessel that left Clearwater Pass for a fishing trip on the morning of Feb. 28 and did not return as expected, the Coast Guard said on Sunday. Crews used a helicopter and an 87-foot ship to search a 750-square mile area west of Clearwater Pass, but poor weather made the search difficult. Officials did not receive a distress signal from the missing craft.

Cooper owns the boat, and he and Smith have been on fishing trips before, said Ron Del Duca, Smith's agent. The pair were teammates on the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 2004. Two others were aboard: Will Bleakley and Nick Schuyler, both former University of South Florida players.

Coast Guard Capt. Timothy Close said the weather early on Feb. 28 was fair, but it worsened toward the evening as a front moved in. The National Weather Service said seas were about 2 to 4 feet in the morning and increased to 3 to 5 feet in the afternoon. Late on the night of Feb. 28, a small-craft advisory was issued, when winds were around 20 knots and seas were up to 7 feet or more. There were no thunderstorms in the area.

Close said the men were traveling in a boat manufactured by Everglades. At least one of the men was an experienced boater, and relatives provided the Coast Guard with GPS coordi-



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Detroit Lion Corey Smith sits on the bench during an NFL football game against the San Francisco 49ers in San Francisco on Sept. 21, 2008. Smith and Oakland Raider linebacker Marquis Cooper were among four boaters missing Sunday off Florida's Gulf Coast, the Coast Guard and Smith's agent said.

nates from previous fishing expeditions.

Close said there was no communication with the men even before the weather started to pick up. They were expected home by early evening. No sign of them or the boat had been spotted by Sunday evening. Relatives told the Coast Guard the men had lifejackets and flares onboard.

Poor weather conditions could be dangerous for a boat the size of Cooper's.

"A 21-foot boat is a relatively

small vessel to be 50 miles off shore in bad weather conditions, certainly the current weather conditions," Close said.

Close said there was no sign yet that the men sent a distress signal.

"That's not to say they didn't send one out," he said. "We didn't receive anything."

Danielle Mayes, the owner of Jaxson's Bait House near the ramp where the men departed, said Feb. 28 was deceptively beautiful. The weather was warm, and boaters had packed

the small parking lot overlooking seaside condominiums and light blue waters.

Mayes said many of the boaters who returned on the evening of Feb. 28 said they were surprised that the water had gotten so rough.

The Coast Guard search was mainly by air, and was hampered by the poor weather, Close said. He said there were 14-foot seas offshore and wind gusts of up to 30 mph. Water depth in the search area ranges from 20 to 50 feet. The Coast Guard originally sent a 47-foot ship to search for the men around 2 a.m. Sunday. It returned to dock about eight hours later and was replaced by a larger ship, in part because of the weather.

Smith, 29, had 30 tackles, including three sacks, and an interception in 12 games last season for the winless Lions. Smith, who is 6-2, 250 pounds, also played for the San Francisco 49ers and played college ball at North Carolina State. He lives in Richmond, Va.

Del Duca said Smith is one of the "good guys" of the league and was planning to start visiting teams as a free agent this week. He said he has spoken with Smith's family and is also in touch with Coast Guard officials. "They've assured me that they're deploying all available resources to look for these guys and get them back," he said.

Cooper, 26, has played five seasons with the Buccaneers, Seahawks, Jaguars, Steelers, and Raiders. He appeared in 26 games with the Buccaneers in 2004 and 2005, recording 30 tackles. He has played sparingly since as he has bounced between teams, appearing in 13 games and recording 10 tackles. Cooper, who is 6-3, 230 pounds, played college ball at Washington. He grew up in Gilbert, Ariz., and his father, Bruce Cooper, is a prominent sportscaster for KPFX-TV in Phoenix.

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Santana throws, says he's fine

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PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. — New York Met ace Johan Santana said he was OK after throwing a bullpen session Sunday morning, and the team decided against sending him to snowy New York for an MRI on his bally left elbow.



Santana
New York Met

"He felt he was fine, so he's not going to New York as planned," general manager Omar Minaya said. "He'll be seen by our doctors when they come down. It was the weather also."
Santana long-tossed with new

closer Francisco Rodriguez before heading to the bullpen for a 15-minute session with catcher Omir Santos. The 29-year-old left-hander threw 31 pitches hours before New York's 13-1 win over the Houston Astros.

"This is the first time in the last four days that I've thrown, but I feel fine and don't think there should be any problems," Santana said.

"I just tried to throw some fastballs and changeups to see how my arm feels. Everything was fine. The more pitches I threw, the better I felt."

Before the bullpen session, Minaya said Santana was heading to New York on today's off day for an MRI on his left elbow, calling the exam "precautionary."

After the team decided to keep him in Florida, Mets spokesman

Jay Horwitz said Santana wasn't scheduled for an MRI.

Doctors have told Santana that an irritated triceps tendon is causing the discomfort in his elbow, but pitching coach Dan Warthen said the two-time Cy Young Award winner didn't appear to be favoring anything during his bullpen session.

"He had his normal delivery and long stride, probably working at 80-85 percent," said Warthen, who stood in the batter's box during part of Santana's session. "I thought he was right where he should be."

Santana said coming in to training camp he had hoped to pitch for his native Venezuela in the World Baseball Classic.

"Somehow you have to find a way to get ready," he said. "But at the same time, I was throw-

ing bullpens every other day. It was too much throwing too soon.

"Once [the Mets] said I wasn't going to participate in the WBC, we backed off a little bit. But there's been a lot of throwing the last couple of weeks. That was part of the plan we had."

Santana said he will take a few days off before pitching again, making him more unlikely for opening day on April 6 in Cincinnati.

"I think he tried to push too hard too soon," Warthen said. "I don't think the workload made any difference. It was the same for everyone else — throwing 30-35 pitches every other day and then two days off."

The Mets signed Santana to a \$137.5 million, six-year contract last February after acquiring him in a trade with Minnesota.

Behind O'Neal, Suns drain the Lakers

By **BOB BAUM**
Associated Press

PHOENIX — Shaquille O'Neal scored 33 points, and the Phoenix Suns overcame a 49-point performance by Kobe Bryant to beat the Los Angeles Lakers 118-111 on Sunday.

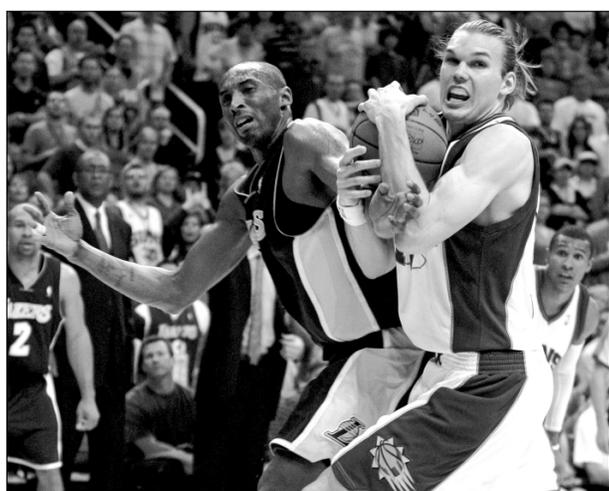
Matt Barnes added 26 points, 10 rebounds, and seven assists as the Suns, without Steve Nash for the third-straight game because of a sprained right ankle, beat the Lakers for the first time in four tries this season.

Pau Gasol added 30 for the Lakers, who have lost two in a row for just the third time this season.

After his 45-point game against Toronto on Feb. 27, O'Neal has consecutive 30-point games for the first time since March 5-7, 2004, when he and Bryant were dominating teammates in Los Angeles.

Bryant made 18 of a season-high 38 attempts in the 96th 40-point game of his career. He scored 17 points in a span of less than four minutes early in the second half.

Leandro Barbosa added 22 points and Grant Hill 17 for the Suns, who improved to 6-2 since Alvin Gentry replaced the fired Terry Porter and returned the team to Mike D'Antoni's fast-paced style. It was the Gentry-



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Los Angeles Laker guard Kobe Bryant (left) reacts to being called for a foul against Phoenix Sun center Louis Amundson (right) in the fourth quarter Sunday in Phoenix. The Suns won, 118-111.

led Suns' first win, though, over a team with a winning record.

Phoenix is 1 1/2 games behind Dallas for the eighth and final playoff berth in the West.

Barnes scored seven in a row to put Phoenix ahead 114-103 with 1:26 to play. He started the spurt with two free throws, sank a 3-pointer from the top of the key, then added two more from the foul line.

The Lakers finished with an 8-1 spurt but ran out of time in a game they trailed most of the way.

Phoenix led by as many as 15 in the first half and was up by 10 at the break.

Then, Bryant scored his remarkable 17 in a 19-2 Lakers' outburst that erased a 12-point deficit and put Los Angeles ahead 75-70 on his 3-pointer with 6:24 left in the third quarter. Bryant made two 3's and converted a three-point play on a driving lay-up and foul by O'Neal during the surge.

It was a short-lived advantage. After a time out, Phoenix

scored the next 13 to go up 83-75 on O'Neal's three-point play with 3:33 left in the quarter. Robin Lopez blocked Jordan Farmar's lay-up try, leading to a break-away lay-up by Barbosa at the buzzer that put the Suns ahead 91-81 entering the final quarter.

With Bryant on the bench, the Lakers started the fourth with a 11-2 run. Trevor Ariza made to 3-pointers and Sasha Vujacic one. Josh Powell's 14-footer cut Phoenix's lead to 94-92 with 10:26 remaining.

Los Angeles cut the lead to three on three occasions before Jason Richardson over-his-head lay-up and O'Neal's basket over Gasol put the Suns ahead 106-99 with 4:45 left.

The Lakers' Lamar Odom fouled out with 8:31 to play after scoring four points on 2-for-3 shooting in 23 minutes.

Notes: Nash planned to give the ankle a try, but he was scratched from the lineup shortly before tipoff. ... The Lakers' only first-half lead was at 2-0. ... The Suns begin a four-game, six-day road trip Tuesday night at Orlando. ... Phoenix is 4-4 without Nash this season. ... The Lakers last lost two in a row Jan. 14-16, at San Antonio and home against Orlando. ... The Lakers won the season series with Phoenix 3-1 for the second year in a row.

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100 Shots of Beer in 100 Minutes:

- Shot 1: Hrm. It appears as though a standard shot glass holds 1.5 ounces. At that volume and this rate, considering my weight and sex, my pre-calculated BAC after 100 shots in 100 minutes will be .226, which is inebriated-enough to cause stupor and significant motor impairment, but not enough to cause loss of consciousness, blackouts, or death. Thank goodness nobody will write me letters about how dangerous or irresponsible this humor column was.
 - Shot 2: Is it odd that seeing the 98 remaining shot glasses doesn't daunt me, it just makes me thirsty?
 - Shot 3: Also, where the hell did I get this many shot glasses?
 - Shot 4: As a precaution, I should probably turn off my phone now.
 - Shot 5: And throw it against the pavement.
 - Shot 6: And stomp on it a few times. Yep. There we go. I feel safer now.
 - Shot 7: Oh crap, what if I need to call an ambulance?
 - Shot 8: Not feeling anything yet, other than serious regret over my choice of Miller Lite for this experiment.
 - Shot 9: I have begun turning the spent glasses over and building a pyramid à la Marion Ravenwood in *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, proving that — even while trying to do something badass or cool — I cannot help but be a little nerdy about it.
 - Shot 10: I'm sucking in a lot of air with these shots of already-carbonated beer, I wonder if this will produce any side effects?
 - Shot 11: Buuuuuuuuuuurp.
 - Shot 12: The equivalent of 1.5 quick bottles of beer in, and I'm starting to feel a little tipsy. Or, as my dad would call it, "That ready-to-go-to-work feeling."
 - Shot 13: Maybe I should write all this down and turn it into a Ledge — instead of just a fun way to spend a Sunday afternoon. Yeah, I think I'll do that.
- Andrew R. Juhl continues his odyssey to join the Century Club tomorrow.

'ONLY-NESS' OF THE LONG-DISTANCE RUNNER



STEVE LEXA/THE DAILY IOWAN

A runner finishes a lap at the Recreation Center on Sunday afternoon. The Iowa City area should be seeing warmer temperatures as the week goes on, giving runners more opportunities to run outdoors, if they're willing to brave the squirrels.

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SOLUTION TO FRIDAY'S PUZZLE

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7	8	2	6	1	5	9	4	3
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today's events

- **Intermediate Yoga with Chadima**, 9:30 a.m., County Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **College of Law Blood Drive**, 10 a.m., Boyd Law Building Student Lounge
- **Toddler Story Time with Nancy**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **International Mondays, "The Archaeology of Social Collapse,"** Katina Lillios, noon, Iowa City Public Library Meeting Room A
- **Native American Law Students Association Informational Meeting for the Santa Fe conference**, 12:40 p.m., 115 Boyd Law Building
- **Euchre Club**, 2 p.m., Legacy Senior Living Community, 1020 S. Scott Blvd.
- **Lifelong Learning**, 2 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Meeting Room A
- **Distinguished Visitor Lecture, Maxim Kontsevich**, 3:30 p.m., Van Allen Lecture Room 1
- **"Tropical K3 Surface" Maxim Kontsevich**, 3:30 p.m., Van Allen Hall Lecture Room 1
- **Basic Tap Technique and Style**, 4 p.m., Arts à la Carte, 408 First Ave., Coralville
- **League of Women Voters Board Meeting**, 4 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Meeting Room E
- **United Action for Youth Parenting Skills Workshop**, 5:30 p.m., Penn Elementary, 230 N. Dubuque St., North Liberty
- **Adult Theater Workshop**, 6 p.m., Grant Wood House, 800 Second Ave. S.E., Cedar Rapids
- **Johnson County Coalition for People with Disabilities**, 6 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Meeting Room C
- **Marvelous Monday**, 6:30 p.m., Coralville

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- Public Library Schwab Auditorium
 - **Adult Open Studio Weekly Classes: Drawing**, 7 p.m., Weinstein Studio, 3880 Owl Song Lane S.E.
 - **Ballast**, 7 p.m., Bijou
 - **Executive Board Meeting of the Iowa City Genealogical Society**, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Meeting Room E
 - **Travelogue: Spain**, 7 p.m., Senior Center
 - **Open Mike, with Jay Knight**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
 - **School of Music Performance, Rossitza Jekova-Goza and Jeffrey Lastrapes**, 8 p.m., Trinity Episcopal Church, 320 E. College
 - **Silent Light**, 9 p.m., Bijou
 - **Blues Jam**, 9:30 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
 - **Pool Night**, play pool for 50 cents all day, Charlie's, 450 First Ave., Coralville
- ONGOING**
- **Close Caption**, Public Space One, 129 E. Washington
 - **Collecting Lincoln: Three Collectors' Perspectives**, Herbert Hoover Presidential Museum, 210 Parkside Drive, West Branch
 - **Family Portrait**, Iowa Artisans Gallery, 207 E. Washington
 - **Fresh Paintings**, Chait Galleries Downtown, 218 E. Washington
 - **Lincoln's Legacy in Iowa: A Bicentennial Celebration**, UI Main Library
 - **Lorna Larson's photographs and needlework exhibit**, Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
 - **Mary GrandPre: Harry Potter and Beyond**, Cedar Rapids Museum of Art, 410 Third Ave. S.E.

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Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

- 12:30 p.m. News from Québec (in French Newcast)
- 1 "Prairie Lights" Archive, Gregory Johnson
- 2 News from Germany (in German)
- 3 University Lecture Committee, Inga Muscio
- 3:55 University Lecture Committee, E.O. Wilson
- 5 UI Antiwar Committee Gaza Strip Panel, 2/5/2009
- 6:10 Lunar New Year Festival highlights
- 6:30 Iowa Basketball with Todd Lickliter
- 7 University Lecture Committee, Inga Muscio
- 7:55 University Lecture Committee, E.O. Wilson
- 9 Iowa Iris, Journalism student reports, spring 2008
- 9:30 Daily Iowan TV News
- 9:45 "Java Blend" Encore, The Damwells
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- 10:45 UI Antiwar Committee Gaza Strip Panel, 2/5/2009
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DILBERT

by Scott Adams

DIRECTOR OF MARKETURE

IT IS BETTER TO SEEM GOOD THAN TO BE GOOD.

BEING GOOD (OVERRATED)

A MISLEADING BENCHMARK TEST CAN ACCOMPLISH IN MINUTES WHAT YEARS OF GOOD ENGINEERING CAN NEVER DO.

IS IT OUR MATURITY THAT MAKES THAT CONCEPT SOUND OKAY?

I HOPE SO.

'NON SEQUITUR'

BY WILEY

TELL ME AGAIN HOW NO ONE WILL BE ABLE TO DETECT ANY SIDE EFFECTS...

THE FIRST STEROID SCANDAL

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

OMIGOD — DAVID GREGORY JUST ATE A HAM SANDWICH!

WOW... SAYS WHO?

HE JUST TWITTERED HIS FAN BASE. I FOLLOW THE TWEETS OF ALL MY FAVE NEWS PERSONALITIES!

AS A FOLLOWER, YOU NOT ONLY LEARN WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW, YOU SOMETIMES GET A HEADS-UP ON WHAT'S ABOUT TO HAPPEN!

"ABOUT TO SCRATCH MYSELF, STAND BY."

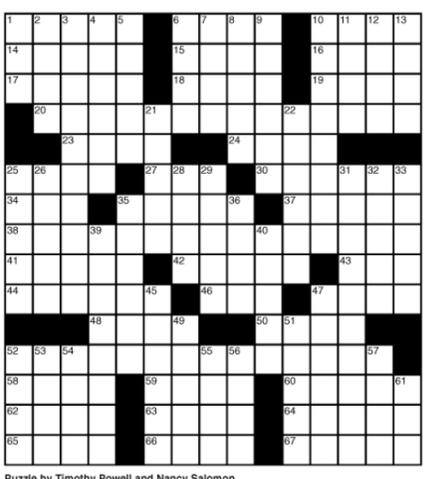
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- Across**
- 1 Bother persistently
 - 6 Airing
 - 10 Zilch
 - 14 Lots of screaming and shouting
 - 15 Gleeful giggle
 - 16 Ploof team
 - 17 Distrustful
 - 18 Loretta of "M*A*S*H"
 - 19 Aida of "M*A*S*H"
 - 20 "Bad idea!"
 - 23 Archibald or Thurmond of the N.B.A.
 - 24 His and ___
 - 25 6-1, 3-6 and 7-5, in tennis
 - 27 Race, as an engine
 - 30 Sunken ship's locale
 - 34 "Oh!" in Österreich
 - 35 Steps between floors
 - 37 "My sweetie" in a 1957 hit for the Bobbettes
 - 38 "Bad idea!"
 - 41 "___ River" (song from "Show Boat")
 - 42 Passover meal
 - 43 Hush-hush org.
 - 44 Offer advice from around a card table
 - 46 Barfly
 - 47 Ice cream brand
 - 48 Babe in the woods
 - 50 Cornerstone abbr.
 - 52 "Bad idea!"
 - 58 Couturier Christian
 - 59 Elaborate April fool
 - 60 Hall's singing partner
 - 62 Are, in Argentina
 - 63 "You're something ___!"
 - 64 Center Shaquille
 - 65 Kind of carpet
 - 66 Woodwind item
 - 67 Bothersome
- Down**
- 1 Org. for Patriots and Packers
 - 2 Jean who wrote "The Clan of the Cave Bear"
 - 3 Gardener's gift
 - 4 Arterial trunks
 - 5 Romantic rendezvous
 - 6 Very
 - 7 Small salamander
 - 8 Chicken piece
 - 9 Presidential noes
 - 10 Two-by-two vessel
 - 11 Car bar
 - 12 Letter starter
 - 13 One of the Brontë sisters
 - 21 "Phooey!"
 - 22 Cause of a low Richter reading
 - 25 Give the go-ahead
 - 26 Undercooked meat danger
 - 28 Has dinner
 - 29 Aura, informally
 - 40 Shortstop Derek
 - 45 Instrument with 30+ strings
 - 47 Flammable gas
 - 49 Cello feature
 - 51 Bend to go through a doorway, say ... or what may be in front of the door
 - 52 Fateful day in March
 - 53 Satellite signal receiver
 - 54 Letter after theta
 - 55 Lighten, as a burden
 - 56 Pink-slipped
 - 57 Wood for shipbuilding
 - 61 Wiley

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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