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UI staff member Mike Donnelly feeds pygmy goats at his Squier Squash and Donnelly Farms on Sunday. "The girls," as Donnelly and fellow UI staff member Shelley Squier call them, are an "essential part of the farm," Donnelly said.



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BENJAMIN ROBERTS/THE DAILY IOWAN

Top: UI junior Brian Baskin holds his 6-year-old bearded dragon in his room on Monday. He got the lizard for free when he was 14 because the animal's tail was partially chopped off.

Above: Ruthie, who lost her rear leg to cancer, sits in her home on Sunday. Ruthie is the pet of UI journalism Professor Carolyn Dyer.

Menagerie heaven

UI students, staff, and faculty get exotic with their pets.

By **MARY HARRINGTON**
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They met in college. Decades later, they still spend most days just feet apart. Their relationship withstood changed addresses and many state border crossings. Today, the two remain a lasting duo: Linda Maxson and her 35-year-old frog.

The frog has no name. Maxson, the dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, did not think the animal would live long enough to need one. The African claw-toed frog is referred to instead as "lady," "woman," and sometimes "Miss Froggy."

Blending in with the water she occupies, the elderly amphibian swims in its tabletop tank, excited by special-occasion earthworm dinners and skittish around camera flashes — Maxson asked she not be photographed for this article.

The unusually old frog was born during Maxson's college research, when she fertilized the egg herself.

"She's become an experiment in longevity," she said.

Most African claw-toed frogs live for around five years in a lab setting, she said, so she never foresaw her lifetime spent with the slimy creature.

ON THE WEB

Check out dailyiowan.com to see videos of UI staff members showing off their pygmy goats and a UI student with his bearded dragon.

Maxson is just one among many UI community members who have found lasting companions in the most exotic of critters. Bearing in spikes, horns, scales, and fur, unusual animals take on the roles of office mates, coworkers, and irreplaceable friends.

UI junior Brian Baskin was 14 when he was introduced to his current roommate, Frank, a 6-year-old bearded dragon. Engulfed in the chirping of his live cricket dinners, the spiky desert-colored lizard casts a prehistoric aura into the otherwise typical college apartment he now resides in.

SEE **ANIMALS**, 3A

Some artwork to return to UI

UI art may finally be on display again on campus, UI officials say.

By **REGINA ZILBERMINTS**
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Thanks to nearly \$1 million in grants, UI Museum of Art officials will begin moving artwork back to campus this spring.

A permanent collection of the university's art will be on display in the 4,000-square-foot IMU Richey Ballroom, UI Museum of Art interim Director Pamela White said.

There will also be an exhibition

of African art in the Levitt Center's Stanley Gallery and rotating exhibits in the IMU's 1,600-square-foot Black Box Theater.

The project has a budget of slightly more than \$1 million, with around 90 percent coming from a Federal Emergency Management Agency grant and an additional \$30,000 is provided by the National Endowment for the Humanities,

SEE **ART**, 3A

A cure for the 'study blues'

Social-networking sites used for studying are 'reinventing' the educational experience, one official said.

By **MAGGIE PETERS**
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When UI senior Emili Panio had the stomach flu and missed a week of class, she was overwhelmed with makeup work. But she found relief in StudyBlue, which allowed her to scan others' lecture notes online.

"I was able to find a woman in my Leisure in Contemporary Society class on the site, and she ended up giving me all the notes I had missed from lecture," said Panio, 21.

She is among 1,570 UI members registered on the education-based social networking site. It allows users to upload and share class notes and chapter outlines, study flash cards, join study groups, and use peer tutors.

Gerry McKiernan, a science and technology librarian at Iowa State University, said educational networks such as StudyBlue are reinventing the whole educational experience.

SEE **STUDY**, 3A

StudyBlue: Study 'better,' not 'harder'

Some details about StudyBlue:

- Joining, using, and contributing to the site is completely free.
- Tools include class notes, flash cards, reminders, textbook outlines, calendars, and study groups.
- The site has recently added networks available to high-school students and teachers.
- StudyBlue's content has tripled in the past six weeks as a result of a Spring Rewards Trial Program.

Source: StudyBlue



Group's funding under fire

It's a matter of discrimination for some, but a First Amendment issue for others.

By ADAM SULLIVAN
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Student groups are at odds over funding for an allegedly discriminatory group.

More than 100 UI law students and faculty members have signed a petition calling for UI administrators and student government officials to stop funding the campus chapter of the Christian Legal Society.

That group's constitution calls for its executive members to abstain from sexual conduct outside of traditional marriage, including homosexuality. That violates the UI Human Rights policy, said Rita Bettis, a member of Iowa Campaign for Human Rights at the UI College of Law.

"It's not the group itself. We don't take issue with their private religious beliefs," she said. "What we are opposing is the [UI Student Government's]

decision to disperse public funds" to the group.

The UI's Human Rights policy outlaws "differences in treatment of persons because of ... sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other classification that deprives the person of consideration as an individual." That policy is extended to extracurricular activities.

But members said the Christian Legal Society operates within the UI's antidiscrimination policy.

All people — regardless of sexual orientation — are invited to attend the organization's events, said Jonathan Landon, one of the society's leaders. The sexual-practice agreement only pertains to the group's leadership.

"In respect to the issue, the standard for leadership that we have, that's part of our free speech, really," Landon said. "In order to proclaim the message,

it's important to have leaders that believe in traditional Christian values."

Landon said he's frustrated that some are paying too much attention to what he calls "fine print" on the society's constitution.

Beyond the controversy, the group organizes Bible discussion groups and charitable events.

"We really have a very service-oriented group," Landon said. "It's kind of frustrating, but people are entitled to have their viewpoints, too, just like we hope they respect ours."

A similar situation sprang up last year when the UISG's allocating committee initially froze funding to the Christian Legal Society. The controversy was squelched after a review of the society's constitution by the UI general counsel found the society was not in violation of university policy and the group's funding request was approved.

Next week, student organizations will submit budgets to the UISG's allocating committee.

ON THE WEB

Check out a PDF of the petition and signatures at dailyiowan.com.

UISG officials said there is no indication the Christian Legal Society will be cut off from university funding.

"Their constitution has been reviewed by the university's general council and it is their recommendation that the constitution does not violate the human rights policy," he said. "As an agent of the university, the funding committee is in agreement and will follow that recommendation unless notified otherwise."

UISG President Maison Bleam said even if the student senators voted to disapprove funding the Christian Legal Society, UI administrators could allocate the money to the group anyway.

"If they're not violating any policy, there's no reason they can't apply for student funds," he said. "We're stuck between a rock and a hard place."

Dow hits nearly 12-year low

By TIM PARADIS
Associated Press

NEW YORK — A relentless sell-off in the stock market Monday blew through barriers that would have been unthinkable just weeks ago, and investors warned there was no reason to believe buyers will return anytime soon.

The Dow Jones industrial average plummeted below 7,000 at the opening bell and kept driving lower all day, finishing at 6,763 — a loss of nearly 300 points. Each of the 30 stocks in the index lost value for the day.

And the Standard & Poor's 500 stock index, a much broader measure of the market's health, dipped below the psychologically important 700 level before closing just above it. It hadn't traded below 700 since October 1996.

Investors were worried anew about the stability of the financial system after insurer American International Group posted a staggering \$62 billion loss for the fourth quarter, the biggest in U.S. corporate history — and accepted an expanded bailout from the government.

But beyond daily headlines, Wall Street seems to have given up the search for a reason to believe that the worst is over and the time is ripe to buy again.

"As bad as things are, they can still get worse, and get a lot worse," said Bill Strazzullo, chief market strategist for Bell

Curve Trading, who said he believes the Dow might fall to 5,000 and the S&P to 500.

The Dow's descent has been breathtaking. It took only 14 trading sessions for the average to fall from above 8,000 to below 7,000. For the year, the Dow has lost 23 percent of its value.

Its last close below 7,000 was May 1, 1997 — a time when the market was barreling to one record high after another because of the boom in technology stocks but often suffered big drops as investors worried about inflation and rising interest rates.

This time around, Wall Street analysts seem to believe that a stock market recovery will first require signs of health among financial companies, and on Monday those signs seemed further away than ever.

AIG, whose reach is so vast that the government warns letting it fail would cripple the very world financial system, will get another \$30 billion in loans on top of the \$150 billion already invested by the government.

HSBC PLC, Europe's largest bank by market value, said it needs to raise about \$18 billion, reported a 70 percent drop in earnings for last year, and announced plans to scale back U.S. lending and cut 6,100 jobs.

The banking sector helped drive the market lower. Citigroup stock lost 20 percent of its value and fell to a paltry \$1.20

per share. HSBC lost 19 percent. Bank of America lost 8 percent.

While the root of the problem for the financial firms is the bad bets they made on mortgages and mortgage-backed securities, now the recession is exacerbating their problems, forcing job cuts.

"The economy definitely has deteriorated since November," said Sean Simko, head of fixed income management at SEI Investments. "It's just the fact that we haven't seen signs of improving or stabilizing, per se, which is adding to the morass of the market."

Mixed economic readings provided little reason to expect a turnaround. Personal spending and incomes both rose for January, but construction spending fell 3.3 percent, more than twice what economists expected.

And coming later this week is much bigger, and more unnerving, data. The government on Friday will report the national unemployment rate and job losses for February. Those figures have been worse month after month.

So far, the economic readings and news coming out of financial companies are still so alarming that investors feel no alternative but to sell.

"I don't think we find a bottom in the market until we see some sort of increased level of optimism and confidence among consumers and investors," said Jim Baird, chief investment

strategist at Plante Moran Financial Advisors.

Both the Dow and the S&P have lost more than half their value since the market peaked in October 2007. In that time, about \$11 trillion in wealth has vanished, according to the Dow Jones Wilshire 5000 index, which tracks nearly all stocks traded in America.

Last week, the Dow and the S&P 500 fell below the levels they had reached Nov. 20 and 21 — to that point their lowest since Lehman Brothers imploded in September and set off the financial meltdown.

Investors had hoped those levels might mark a market bottom, but it hasn't happened.

Big-name investors are just as cautious. Billionaire Warren Buffett predicted in his annual letter to investors Saturday that "the economy will be in shambles throughout 2009 — and, for that matter, probably well beyond." He cautioned that did not determine whether the market would rise or fall.

And even when the market finally reaches a bottom, it probably faces a long, long recovery.

"We do feel that things can improve, but it is going to be years before we get back to levels we saw in the markets a year ago," said David Chalupnik, head of equities at First American Funds.

METRO

Man charged with 3rd OWI

A Fort Madison man was arrested early Monday morning after allegedly driving drunk.

Chevy Frueh, 26, was charged with third-offense OWI, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and driving while barred.

According to UI police, officers pulled Frueh over because he was swerving into the oncoming traffic lane.

Frueh admitted to drinking, smelled of alcohol, had watery eyes, and swayed while standing, police said. He failed field sobriety tests and a preliminary breath test, police reports show.

When officers searched him, they found a "one-hitter." Frueh admitted it was marijuana and admitted to

smoking it earlier that night, authorities said.

Third-offense OWI is a Class D felony, punishable by up to five years in prison and a maximum fine of \$9,375. Possession of marijuana is a serious misdemeanor, punishable by up to six months in jail and a fine of up to \$1,000.

Possession of drug paraphernalia is a simple misdemeanor, punishable by up to 30 days in jail and a fine of up to \$625. Driving while barred is an aggravated misdemeanor, generally punishable by up to two years in prison and a maximum fine of \$5,000.

— by Regina Zilbermintz

Fry's attorneys request testimony prohibition

The attorneys for 22-year-old Curtis Fry are requesting the judge prohibit

prosecutors from using testimony of 13 witnesses in Fry's second-degree-murder trial next week.

Iowa City Chief Public Defender Peter Persaud and Public Defender Quint Meyerdirk filed the motion on Monday.

The attorneys requested to omit "hearsay" from conversations with Fry's brother, Cory Fry, including testimony from his speaking with Iowa City police Officer Kevin Berg and men named Kevin Anson, Kevin Kieras, and Kyle Gayman.

Persaud and Meyerdirk also requested the judge not allow testimony from Iowa City police Officer Gabe Cook, who, the attorneys say, may testify about Fry's alleged victim — 75-year-old Patrick McEwen — being beaten to death. Testimony from other police officers about their conversations

with McEwen's neighbors should also be considered hearsay and omitted, the attorneys wrote.

Finally, Persaud and Meyerdirk wrote the judge should not consider testimony from four of McEwen's health-care providers, who may testify about McEwen's character.

Iowa City police Officer Carlos Trevino, Iowa City police Investigators David Gonzalez and Scott Gaarde, and Rabbi Jeff Portman were also named as witnesses in the motion.

Fry, of Wilton, Iowa, is accused of beating McEwen to death in the early morning hours of Feb. 7, 2008 — Fry's 21st birthday.

Fry is charged with second-degree murder; he faces 50 years in prison if convicted. His trial is set to begin March 9.

— by Olivia Moran

POLICE BLOTTER

Ann Antolik, 42, 308E Burlington St. Apt. 103, was charged Feb. 28 with public intoxication.

Jason Brown, 19, Dubuque, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Chelsey Bullock, 19, 72 Westside Drive, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Anthony Castro, 19, Elk Grove Villa, Ill., was charged Feb. 28 with public intoxication.

Jose Duran, 19, 129 Hawkeye Court, was charged Feb. 27 with public intoxication.

Lyle Gardner, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 27 with OWI.

Wyota Godfrey, 50, Hills, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Seth Hanson, 20, 625 S. Dodge St. Apt. 3, was charged Feb. 28 with PAULA.

Calvin Hartz, 19, 1110 Rienow, was charged Feb. 27 with public intoxication.

Jennifer Hauser, 18, 4538 Burge, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Charles Jennings, 27, 2502 Bartelt Road Apt. 1D, was charged Nov. 20 with third-degree burglary, Dec. 22 with credit card fraud and fourth-degree theft, and Feb. 28 with possession of marijuana.

Sheena Johnson, 25, 2502 Bartelt Road Apt. 1D, was charged Feb. 28 with

possession of marijuana.

Kevin Longo, 21, 302 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 1221, was charged Sunday with urinating in public.

Steven Palmer, 21, 821 N. Gilbert St., was charged Feb. 27 with criminal trespass and public intoxication.

Christopher Perry, 20, 202C Hillcrest, was charged Feb. 27 with public intoxication.

Ciro Poblete, 46, Coralville, was charged Feb. 24 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Ashley Schoebelen, 21, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sunday with OWI.

David Smith, 20, 331 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 1216, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Erik Smith, 19, 941 E. Jefferson St., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

James Smith, 29, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 28 with OWI.

Tyler Vander Meer, 20, Mundelein, Ill., was charged Sunday with unlawful use of another's ID.

Sandra Weber, 41, 8 26th Ave. S.W., was charged Feb. 26 with fourth-degree theft.

Ryan Williams, 18, Muscatine was charged Sunday with presence in a bar after hours.

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5. Program addresses frosh sexual misbehavior

NATION

Deputies say man tried to 'mellow' cat with bong

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — A man who tried to cool out his hyper cat by stuffing her into a boxlike homemade bong faces cruelty charges — and catcalls from animal lovers.

Lancaster County sheriff's deputies responding to a domestic disturbance call Sunday alleged they saw 20-year-old Aacea Schomaker smoking marijuana through a piece of garden hose attached to a duct-taped, plastic glass box in which the cat had been stuffed.

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Far from the ordinary pet

ANIMALS

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Though the bearded dragon may look a little frightening, his aloof attitude is charming. Like a pirate's parrot, the roughly foot-long lizard will sometimes perch on Baskin's shoulder as the 20-year-old studies at his desk. Sometimes, Frank will rest on his owner's forearm with eerily watchful eyes swiveling from side to side in his still, spiked head.

When it's time to return to his terrarium, Frank puts up a fight, pushing with his four limbs to stay out of the tank.

"It's like trying to put a crying baby in a car seat," Baskin said, chuckling as Frank crawled up his forearm, long-curved claws clinging to sweater fibers.

He is a strange pet, not soft like a kitten and lacking any puppy-like playfulness. But Frank's personality is uniquely his own with a charming, bearded smirk and shifty eyes. And he is dear to Baskin's heart.

"Ever since I was 14, Frank's slept just feet away from me," he said. "He'll be a tough one to replace."

UI staff members Shelley Squier and Mike Donnelly share a similar bond with some very different animals: pygmy goats. They call them "the girls," four small hooved and horned family members who trot by their owners' sides like trained pups on leashes.

Named Oreo, Flour, Cindy, and Gretta, the 1-year-old goats were meant to be workers, eating

insects and weed seeds on Squire and Donnelly's organic farm. But since their arrival, they've become pets with personalities.

"It's kind of like having four dogs — just a whole new breed of dog," Donnelly said.

Visitors are often greeted on the front porch of the farm house by the black and white goats, their hooves clip-clopping up and down the steps. They prance freely with other animals, including guinea fowl, chickens, dogs, and cats.

"We were never planning on animals like these, but now, they're the essential part of the farm," Squier said.

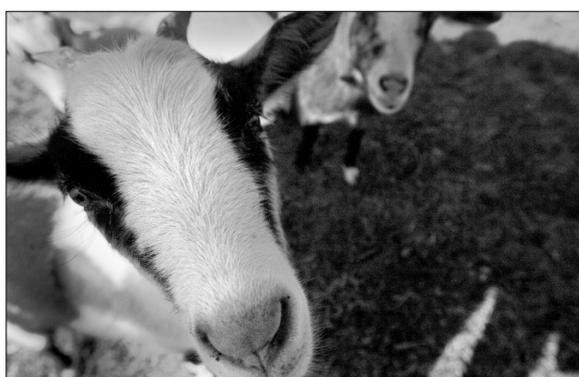
An essential member of UI journalism Professor Carolyn Dyer's home is her cat, Ruthie.

At first glance, Ruthie seems to be a typical feline: wide-eyed, frisky, at times hissing. But when she stands on her paws and glides across Dyer's hardwood floors, Ruthie's uniqueness is all but subdued.

She is a three-legged cat. Ruthie lost a rear leg to cancer, because the only cure was amputation. But the cat quickly recovered from the surgery, and she now gets around as well as her four-legged feline roommate, Kitty Drew.

"I was really concerned after the surgery and carried her home in a hinged-lid picnic basket," Dyer said. "But she just popped her head out of the lid and ran up the stairs."

She may look unusual, but Ruthie is a capable cat, fulfilling her pet duties as a companion and, much like fellow UI community pets, as a friend.



CHRISTY AUMER/THE DAILY IOWAN

UI staff members Shelley Squier's and Mike Donnelly's 1-year-old goats stare at the camera on Sunday, trying to decide whether to eat the lens.



PATRICK LARKIN/THE DAILY IOWAN

UI junior Brian Baskin's 6-year-old bearded dragon sits in its tank in Baskin's room on Monday.



CHRISTY AUMER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Sophomore Tyler Anderson (right) gets ready for a presentation in his Leisure in Contemporary Society class on Monday. It is one of the many classes offered at Iowa that intertwines social networking sites for studying and homework help.

Sites 'reinvent' education

STUDY
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He lectures nationally on the topic of social networking, most recently "niche" networking.

"My view is that social networking can create, foster, and facilitate the creation of virtual communities not limited by time or space," he said. "Communication can now become broader than local communication could be."

The mixed use of messaging, audio, and video all come together to create a more dynamic and advantageous environment, especially when it comes to learning, McKiernan said.

Another benefit of educational networks is their helpfulness to students who are less assertive in class, he said. His research found that shy students feel more comfortable contributing online, and social networks can even facilitate face-to-face communication.

Despite StudyBlue's use on campus by some — it started at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 2006 — many students and professors are unaware of these sites.

UI Associate Professor Scott Robinson, who teaches elemen-

"My view is that social networking can create, foster, and facilitate the creation of virtual communities not limited by time or space."

— Gerry McKiernan, a science and technology librarian

tary psychology, said he had never heard of educational networking sites, despite his course being one used by students on StudyBlue.

He has no problem with students utilizing the service as long as they are not selling notes or papers, he said.

"Sharing notes is no different from what students have been doing for 100 years," Robinson said. "As long as information is not being misrepresented, I do not view it as cheating."

Panio said she would like to see more UI students using StudyBlue. She has noticed many classes in her majors — communication studies and theater — don't have a section on StudyBlue, unlike many of her general-education courses.

"The more students, the better," she said.

Some UI art to return to campus

ART

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UI spokesman Steve Parrott said. The remaining money will come from the UI budget.

The exhibit in the Levitt Center is slated to open this spring. The Richey Ballroom gallery should be ready by the fall, officials said.

Though the exhibits will have public hours, officials said, they are focusing on bringing back the artwork for UI students.

"It's nice the public will be able to see it, but the main thrust is providing the students in art history with the academic experience they expect," Parrott said.

The art had to be evacuated before last summer's flood,

and it has been stored in four locations around Chicago, White said.

"We've had a lot of disappointed people this year," she said.

Through the spring and summer, museum officials will work on transferring all the art to the Figge Art Museum in Davenport, White said.

From there, they will move art to the UI campus. Art will continue to be stored in Davenport to allow for rotating exhibits, but the proximity of the new location will make it easier on the museum to work with the art, White said.

Renovations dealing with climate control, lighting, and security will be made to prepare the space to house artwork, White said.

"It's nice the public will be able to see it, but the main thrust is providing the students in art history with the academic experience they expect."

— Steve Parrott, UI spokesman

UI junior Brian Kelly, an art student, said having the art here gives students a sense of what they are supposed to be working toward. Kelly was influenced by the famous UI-owned Jackson Pollock painting *Mural*, among other modern works, making sketches based on them, he said.

"It's been tough not having [the art]," he said.

Parrott said any events that have been scheduled in the Richey Ballroom will be moved to other locations in

the IMU or on campus. The recently acquired University Athletics Club will be able to host events that may otherwise have been held in the ballroom, he said.

The move is a temporary solution, and officials are still hoping to move the art back into a UI museum, White said. Even though development of a new museum could take three to five years, she said, she is excited the artwork will again be available for students' education.

NATION

Mother recalled to Army duty to be discharged

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — The North Carolina mother who reported for Army duty with her two young children will be discharged from the military, her attorney said Monday.

Attorney Mark Waple of Fayetteville

said it wasn't yet clear if Lisa Pagan would receive an honorable discharge or a general discharge under honorable conditions. It also wasn't certain when she would be discharged.

The reason for the discharge will be that she doesn't have, and cannot have, an adequate family care for her two young children, he said.

"There is definitely some feeling of relief, especially since she has been led to

believe that the command at Fort Benning is going to do everything to expedite this so she can return to Charlotte, North Carolina, with her children," Waple said of Pagan's reaction to the decision.

She has received no time line "except they are trying to process it as quickly as possible," he said.

He advised Pagan against talking to reporters until after the discharge is official.

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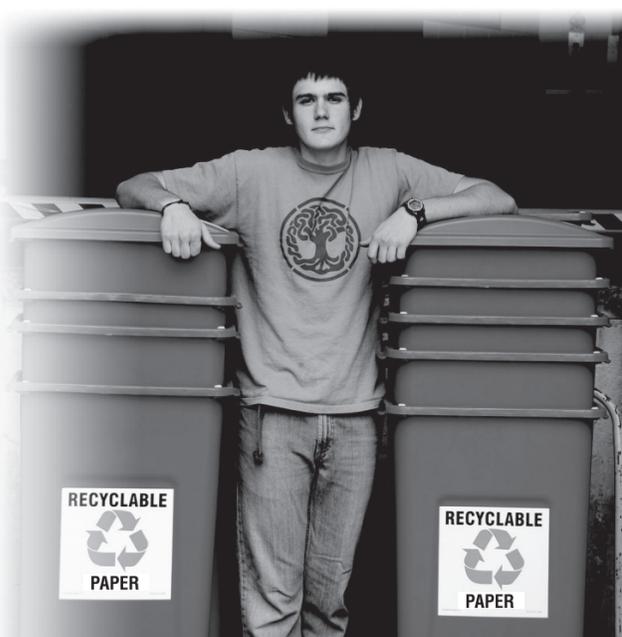
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Roosevelt proposal still drawing many questions

A school panel answers questions about moving Roosevelt Elementary.

By **CLARK CAHILL**
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Around 100 community members flocked to West High on Monday night hoping to get some answers about the fate of Roosevelt Elementary.

A seven-person-panel — which included Superintendent Lane Plugge, School Board President Toni Cilek, Roosevelt Principal Mindy Paulsen, Horn Principal Kristen Cannon, and three community members — answered questions about the proposal to move Roosevelt Elementary, 611 Greenwood Drive, to the Crossings, a residential development near West High.

A common theme in the questions concerned what effect moving Roosevelt would have on Horn Elementary, 600 Koser Ave. Horn's population would increase from 280 to 400 students if the proposal is put into effect.

"My biggest concern is making the transition for all of the new students to Horn smooth and providing the same services and needs of all other students," Cannon said, adding she does not foresee any negative effects if the students transferred.

If Horn were to enroll around 120 new students, a \$2.3 million addition — including six additional classrooms and a gymnasium — would be added to the school to accommodate the growth, Plugge said.

More students were a concern for Horn parents because of the small, congested nature of the school's parking lot during pick-up and drop-off times.

Plugge said the district will look at a few options, such as adding more parking spots and possibly adding an access point on the west side of the school from Emerald Street.

Another common concern among community members is the timeline for the decision on Roosevelt. Plugge initially said he wanted the board to vote by March 24, which, to many, seemed like a rushed decision.

"When I said that date, I was working backwards from the time that I thought we would open the new building, which would be the 2011-2012 school year," Plugge said. "In order for that to happen, with selecting an architect, planning construction, and beginning construction, I think we need that much time."



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Roosevelt Elementary is shown while classes are in session on Monday. Roosevelt is the oldest school in the district, and the School Board is considering closing it.

He doesn't think the board needs to make a decision by March 24, he said, as long as he can continue figuring out the logistics of a new school.

Leading up to the forum Monday night, many community members had voiced concerns that the School Board was not accepting enough community input about what to do with Roosevelt. Although the forum's goal was to receive community feedback, some said they think the board members have already made up their minds.

"The board [members] are saying they are being open with their plan and they want input, but it sounds like their decision has already been made," said Kari Gibson, a Horn parent.

Despite the controversy over the fate of Roosevelt, staff members are staying positive.

"No matter what the decision is, we will adjust and be supportive of one another," Paulsen said.

The board will host another public forum on the same topic Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Northwest Junior High theater.

County supervisors announce budget

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors announce the fiscal 2009 budget.

By **JUSTIN SUGG**
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Included in Johnson County's \$84 million budget for fiscal 2009 is the Joint Emergency Communication Center, consolidating county and city emergency services and coordinating them in one facility.

Though construction of the facility will be completed later this summer, it will not be operational until early 2010, Supervisor Chairman Terrence Neuzil said.

The money allocated to build the center will come from the county's General Supplemental Fund and from a bond for \$4.1 million over 10 years.

Equipment for the center will be financed through an \$11 million bond, Neuzil said. Financing for the equipment bond will run over 11 years.

The supervisors also reviewed a tax rollback for 2009.

Exasperated whistles met the announcement that residential properties will be taxed in fiscal 2009 at 45.85 percent of their assessed value, while commercial and industrial properties will be

taxed at 100 percent. Iowa City City Councilor Amy Correia, who attended the meeting, said rental properties fall under the commercial assessment and will be taxed at 100 percent as well.

Before opening the floor to public discussion, the supervisors announced its request for a 3 percent, or \$19,500, increase to their staff budget — a development that concerned Iowa City resident Roger Anderson.

"What goes into that?" he asked the supervisors. "Is the entire \$650,000 split among the board?"

The supervisors replied that the \$650,000 staff budget was distributed to more people than just them.

The supervisors are also announced they are in discussion with the state Legislature about whether to hire the part-time director of veteran affairs, Leo Baier, as a full-time employee.

The Legislature is asking the supervisors to hire a full-time director, while the supervisors are soliciting an exception to the request in a letter, hoping to keep the current director employed part-time.

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Obama troop plan has skeptics

Some see President Obama's troop-withdrawal program as redeployment rather than an exit.

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Contending that Iraq's future is its own responsibility, President Obama pledged an 18-month timetable for troop withdrawal last week, but he will leave potentially 50,000 soldiers in Iraq for up to a year after the August 2010 deadline.

"I don't think leaving that many troops and permanent bases is exactly what his supporters had in mind during the election," said Lori Nelson, a volunteer coordinator for Peace Iowa. "It's better than what we have now, but a couple years down the line, if we still have a significant number of troops abroad, some people may become disillusioned."

Though the withdrawal schedule is consistent with Obama's campaign, the troops that could stay behind in Iraq for an additional year isn't.

Nelson said an incomplete removal of U.S. troops and organizations would garner suspicions that the United States is trying to control the Iraqi government or its oil resources.

The Iraqi Status of Forces agreement requires all troops to be out by 2011, but some of those troops may be relocated to other countries throughout the region, such as Afghanistan.

"Redistribution is probably the most likely thing to happen: As we draw down in one theater, we're going to put troops in another," said John Mickelson, a UI Veterans Association adviser.

UI Antiwar Coalition member David Goodner said getting troops out of Iraq can't be a haphazard process for the United States.

"The peace movement needs to start balancing its attention between Afghanistan and Iraq," he wrote in an e-mail. "It needs to be tied to domestic concerns back here at home like the global economic crisis and catastrophic climate change."

Despite Democrats' worries that Obama is veering away from his original campaign, UI Antiwar Coalition member Robert Ehl said Obama's campaign was always loose on a timetable for troop withdrawal.

"Obama was framed as an antiwar candidate throughout

the election, but if you listen to him during his campaign, he was specific about not removing troops too fast," Ehl said.

Greg Baker, the Iowa Federation of College Republicans chairman, agreed that Obama's current goals are consistent with his message during the general election.

"He's sending more troops to Afghanistan as Iraq is beginning to stabilize," Baker said. "Afghanistan has been spending time on the back burner, but it's a center of the war on terrorism at this point."

A similar troop-redistribution strategy was initiated in Iraq after the 2006 election, he said. Obama's call for up to 30,000 troops in Afghanistan is consistent with strategy in the Iraq war after Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld stepped down.

Ehl said a complete withdrawal of troops is imperative to ending violent activity in the area.

"Unless they're taking hammers and saws instead of M16s, we're not interested in further troop deployments," he said. "Their job is combat and nothing else."



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Robert "Ajax" Ehl, a founding member of the UI Antiwar Coalition, stands in his workplace, the kitchen of Hamburg Inn on Monday.

NATION

Memos: CIA destroyed 92 interrogation tapes

(AP) WASHINGTON — The Obama administration threw open the curtain on years of Bush-era secrets Monday, revealing antiterror memos that claimed exceptional search-and-seizure powers and divulging that the CIA destroyed nearly 100 videotapes of interrogations and other treatment of terror suspects.

The Justice Department released nine legal opinions showing that, following the 9/11 terrorist attacks, the Bush administration determined that certain constitutional rights would not apply during the coming fight. Within two weeks, government lawyers were already discussing ways to wiretap U.S. conversations without warrants.

The Bush administration eventually abandoned many of the legal conclusions, but the documents themselves had been closely held. By releasing them, President Obama continued a house-cleaning of the previous administration's most contentious policies.

"Too often over the past decade, the fight against terrorism has been viewed as a zero-sum battle with our civil liberties," Attorney General Eric Holder said in a speech a few hours before the documents were released. "Not only is that school of thought misguided, I fear that in actuality it does more harm than good."

The Obama administration also acknowledged in court documents Monday that the CIA destroyed 92 videos involving terror suspects, including interrogations — far more than had been known. Congressional Democrats and other critics have charged that some of the harsh interrogation techniques amounted to torture, a contention President George W. Bush and other Bush officials rejected.

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Editorial

The Czech-Slovak Museum, our flood-weakened heart

Tales of the Cedar Rapids flood have shifted from horror stories of the disaster itself to drawn-out epics of trudging through recovery purgatory. Accompanying anecdotes of struggling with the destruction, usually on the following breath, is a lament of the ongoing economic crisis, and the issue bends its way finally to how recovery aid and funding should be doled out. Among the top priorities are the some 1,300 properties that need to be repaired or rebuilt and the installation of necessary infrastructure against future flooding. But the physical healing of Cedar Rapids, Iowa City, and the wider community is only a complement to the societal, the cultural. One of the most important hearts of Iowa history and culture is in danger of failing.

The National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library was hit pretty hard by the storm, and like the rest of the affected area, it has worked exhaustively to stagger back to its feet. The expected costs of reinstating this heart of local Czech and Slovak heritage is \$25 million. The museum/library is making efforts to return in small moves, such as an interactive exhibit in the old Kosek building, but the main museum building stands gutted. Only a fraction of the amount needed for full rebound is being met. Benefactors in the Czech Republic have donated \$400,000 to the cause, and help from insurance, Jump-Start, and FEMA is being worked out, but

it won't be enough. It is time for state and federal elements to take notice of the importance of the facility — 35,000 people visit annually, and the annual money brought in is around \$1 million. The American Association of Museums has granted the museum/library its accreditation, something only 5 percent of the nation's some 17,000 museums can claim. Among other things, the accreditation was awarded for the museum coordinators' response to the flood but also for the quality of the contributions made to the Cedar Rapids neighborhoods of Czech Village and New Bohemia in their efforts to recover.

Now, the importance of rehabilitating this part of town over another can be debated. There's a lot of work to do, and for several years on, we will feel the effects of June 2008, so the issue of which segments of the community to devote time and money to cannot be made in a rush. Elements of city planning, damage removal, housing and shelter, all of it can be weighed against the funding dribbling down to us. But a vital part of our strength in facing these challenges is a sense of real community, something that's ours. Without a grounding in our history we won't make it. The museum/library is necessary, and maybe it needs a few louder voices to get the attention of people who can help.

Imagining



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Imagine, if you can, a world in which financial guru Warren Buffett compares the financial markets to an STD.

Well, OK, that's not exactly imagining the way John Lennon imagined imagining.

I'm just guessing, of course. (Imagine that.)

But that is the world we're stuck with. And Buffett really did compare the financial mess to an STD — VD, to be exact.

So apparently, we've had all these money geniuses running around as if it were the financial Summer of Love. Whoopee, seems to have been the guiding motto.

Yeah, that makes me feel so much better, too. I mean, hadn't any of these guys ever heard of condoms?

(Well, OK, Warren Buffett did — a few years back, he called those "exotic" financial instruments that everyone in the biz was so in love with financial weapons of mass destruction. That was one of the reasons I never got into any of the markets. The other being my landlord expects the rent to be paid each month. And John's Grocery expects me to pay for the hummus I want. And MidAmerican, it turns out, doesn't give away energy for free. If only I could bundle up all these expenses and sell them to — say — AIG. I, too, could achieve toxicity. Imagine.)

Dream on, little dreamer, as a friend of mine once wrote.

Oh, well. At least, we'll always have Bobby Jindal.

Yes, the Republican governor of Louisiana last week managed to make himself such a laughingstock that even the adventures of Blago were pushed to the national sidelines. And interestingly enough, most of the critics of his response to President Obama's national address on Feb. 24 were conservatives — not people like me, as you would expect.

So I'm not going to pile on. Too much. But what's his

beef with monitoring volcanoes?

I mean, just because Louisiana doesn't have volcanoes (at least, not since Huey Long, anyway) doesn't necessarily mean we shouldn't keep an eye on them. I hear there's one doing some rumbling in Alaska, for instance. I'll bet Alaskans would kind of like to know if it's going to go off.

And given that there's no profit to be made from monitoring volcanoes — at least, none I can think of — you can't expect the private sector to do the monitoring.

In any case, it's a bit unseemly for the governor of a state that's received billions of dollars of federal aid following Hurricane Katrina to pooh-pooh federal spending.

(Speaking of Blago, did you hear that he's going to get a six-figure book deal? Yeah, I know — turns out he did hit a big payday off that Senate seat after all. As Yogi Berra said when he learned that Dublin, Ireland, had elected a Jewish mayor, Only in America.)

Of course, we don't have to go to Louisiana to find Republicans with what you might call odd ideas. Or imagination, depending on how you see it.

One of our own Johnson County Republicans has a novel idea for flood relief: Mac and Cheese.

Well, to be fair to Deborah Thornton, who was speaking against the local-option 1-cent sales-tax increase before the City Council last week, let's quote her in full:

"Flood mitigation is admirable, but the city and the county need to do what the rest of us are doing. We're tightening our belts and eating Mac and Cheese."

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Not to poke any fun at Mac and Cheese, of course. So all you Mac and Cheese fanatics out there don't need to write me extolling the benefits of Mac and Cheese in flood recovery and pointing out that's exactly what Bobby Jindal used in the Katrina recovery.

And besides, somebody such as John Freyer could probably do something quite imaginative with Mac and Cheese.

Just imagine. ■

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Guest Opinion

How to fight a Depression – not a drop at a time

MARK NELSON
Special to the Los Angeles Times

In recent months, it has become almost a reflex for Republicans to dismiss President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal as a dismal failure of the Democrats — a "jihad against private enterprise" as Fox News' Britt Hume put it recently.

But Roosevelt's spending plan, unlike President Obama's, had widespread Republican support. In fact, he was criticized in some quarters for not spending more. And one of his chief critics was a prominent Republican.

On March 6, 1935, the head of the Federal Reserve, Marriner Eccles, issued a stern warning to Roosevelt: Given the "totally inadequate" amount of money that the administration was prepared to spend to jump-start the economy, there was no reason "to expect any substantial improvement."

Eccles, a self-described "child of the Republican Party," then sounded a prophetic note: "If we spend some every year, but not

sufficient to give the required stimulus to private expenditures, we can build up a large debt and still not be out of the Depression."

Thus, Eccles suggested, "the safest policy is the boldest policy."

Those words came to mind in February when not a single Republican member of the House of Representatives and only three Republicans in the Senate voted for the stimulus package pushed by Obama.

FDR named Eccles to the Fed in 1934 and designated him as the central bank's first chairman in its newly reconstituted form in 1935. Eccles personally drafted the bill that brought this about.

Eccles — a successful Mormon businessman from Utah, a self-described "tame millionaire" and capitalist — had a knack for issuing economic pronouncements that appeared to possess the ring of old-fashioned horse sense. He was that rarest of animals — a New Dealer who could meet a payroll.

Eccles derived the bulk of his intellectual sustenance, he would insist, not from the pro-

gressive theorists of his age but from that patron saint of free-market enthusiasts, Adam Smith. By titling his seminal work *The Wealth of Nations*, Smith "asserted the paramount standard of the national welfare, and not the wealth of men, as the one by which all economic activity was to be judged," Eccles said.

Eccles entered the national spotlight in early 1933, when he testified before the Senate Finance Committee as a private citizen. There, he deemed it "incomprehensible" that Americans continued to suffer from an economic collapse that the federal government surely could end. Still, a reporter from the *New York Times* observed that the only time the intense banker smiled was when he announced, "I am a capitalist."

Indeed, it was Eccles' credentials as a rough-and-tumble member of the American business scene that furnished his confidence while confronting his favorite audience: hostile Republicans.

In the spring of 1935, Eccles addressed the American Bankers

Association and castigated the bankers' hesitancy to loan. The Reconstruction Finance Corp. had purchased preferred stock in half the U.S. banks. If they wanted the government to get out of business and banking, Eccles told his audience, they must themselves get in.

Eccles was difficult to categorize. A *Fortune* magazine article in April 1934 described him accurately as a "Utah banker with a special point of view." But in the end, his credo for government's proper role in an economic downturn was quite simple: "generating a maximum degree of private spending through a minimum of public spending."

He was aware, of course, that this "minimum" amount could well necessitate massive government deficits.

Indeed, within months of his arrival in Washington, Eccles, then working for the Treasury Department, oversaw the creation of a program that might possibly be considered the most successful example of this principle in all of American history: the National Housing Act.

Eccles estimated that nearly 30 percent of the nation's unemployed were directly engaged in construction activities. He recognized that renewed housing construction would have an enormous ripple effect on related industries — everything from lumberyards to drapery manufacturers stood to benefit.

The National Housing Act set the stage for this possibility by revolutionizing the home financing structure. By the close of the 1930s, a low-interest, 30-year mortgage with a 10 percent down payment — terms that were virtually unheard of previously — was becoming commonplace.

Throughout the decade, however, the reluctance of the Federal Housing Administration to even remotely approach the act's full potential was a source of unending frustration to Eccles. Before an assembly of Ohio businessmen in the late 1930s, he publicly took the government to task by noting that had U.S. residential construction kept pace with Britain's, some 3.5 million homes would have been built instead of 700,000. Had this been

achieved, and had the Works Projects Administration paid its work force considerably more than subsistence wages, Eccles was convinced, full employment could have been achieved years before the onset of World War II.

The Depression, he would lament in his memoir, was fought "a drop at a time" when what was needed was "a tidal wave."

One suspects that Eccles would be disheartened that far too many Republicans have seen fit to meet today's economic crisis with some of the same shopworn shibboleths that resounded throughout his day (witness Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal's response on behalf of the Republican Party to Obama's address to Congress and the nation).

Eccles would remind them, no doubt, that "fighting a depression is like jumping an abyss." "If the left is 10 feet wide," Eccles pointed out, "even a 9-foot jump is worse than no effort at all."

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CD REVIEWS

Case album lacks verve

Neko Case's *Middle Cyclone* is her first solo release since 2006's critically acclaimed *Fox Confessor Brings the Blood*.

Like all the greatest country divas, Case is the quintessential tough cookie, with a reluctantly vulnerable quality. Whether it's posing in *Playboy* or posing with a sword on the album cover, she has always been a woman with grit.



Neko Case
Middle Cyclone
★★ out of
★★★★

She said that with this album, she is aiming for a more rock-influenced sound. Slower songs dominate *Middle Cyclone*, resulting in what seems to be the exact opposite of her intent. It sounds as though she has been influenced primarily by '90s alternative rock, with a lot of guitar effects.

Middle Cyclone starts out pretty strong, with "This Tornado Loves You." It's pretty rocking for the generally mellow Case. "People Got a Lotta Nerve" is an especially jaunty little tune which is sure to become a live favorite.

The album is atmospheric. Recording in a 200-year-old barn on her new Vermont farm must have made her feel terribly nostalgic and melancholy, because these two themes permeate the album.

Eventually the songs all start to sound the same, and that's when *Middle Cyclone* flames out. When the album works, it sounds dusky, like a summer day worn out. "Maggie to the Morning" is great at evoking a lovelorn quality for listeners, but it's one of the few standout tracks on the album.

Mostly, *Middle Cyclone* just sounds like it's tired after a long day and content to phone it in. Songs such as "Vengeance is Sleeping" and "Middle Cyclone" sound like they're half asleep. "Pharaohs" just begs for the skip button. The album ends with "Marais La Nuit," a more than 30-minute-long field recording. The track, much like the bulk of *Middle Cyclone*, fades into aural oblivion. It's a place the album is best left.

Jed's Picks: "Maggie to the Morning," "I'm an Animal," and "This Tornado Loves You"

— by Jed Miller

The Irish indie rockers produce another average album

For Bell X1's fourth album, *Blue Lights on the Runway*, the group varies its sound enough from track to track to give Bell X1, also called Bell Ex Wan, a different sound than most of its indie contemporaries.

The Irish indie band has played with Bon Jovi and the late Elliott Smith. The group has also been featured on "Late Night with Conan O'Brien" and "The Late Show with David Letterman" as well as "The OC" and "Grey's Anatomy."



Bell X1
Blue Lights on the Runway
★★★ out of
★★★★

Blue Lights on the Runway starts off strong with the keyboard-produced vocals and electronica sound of "The Ribs of a Broken Umbrella." The exposed bass line, bright guitar part, and catchy chorus make "The Defector" a likely college radio hit. "Amelia," the album's longest song, clocking in at just under seven minutes, features piano chords that accompany the moving bass part well.

Some songs are a bit slow and boring, such as "Blow Ins" and "Light Catches Your Face." However, the three members deserve credit for trying to vary their sound with a couple of acoustic ballads.

After *Blue Lights on the Runway*'s steady first half, the album's last tracks, "One Stringed Harp" and "The Curtains Are Twitchin'," feel especially anticlimactic.

Although the album won't likely reach the acclaim of Bell X1's previous effort, *Flock*, *Blue Lights on the Runway* is proof that contemporary music isn't entirely bad.

Nick's Picks: "The Ribs of a Broken Umbrella," "The Defector," "Amelia"

— by Nick Fetty

The Prodigy dabbles in the past with *Invaders Must Die*

It is often strange, yet fun, to look back at the musical magic of the 1990s. Sure, you may have scoffed at some of its cheesier

acts, but deep down, you know you loved them.

UK punk-rave outfit The Prodigy exploded onto the U.S. scene in the mid-90s and took hold of Generation X with its keyboard riffs, powerful lyrics, and thumping rave style. I am proud to announce the Prodigy is back — not to mention doing what its best at doing.

Invaders Must Die is the band's fifth studio release and its first on Cooking Vinyl Records. The album kicks off with the title track, which is a sound reminder to anyone who doubts this British trio's grit and power. It explodes with its techno keyboard sound, paired with crunching guitars. Usually I am one prone to looking down upon the first single of an album being the first track, but in this situation, it is completely justified. "Invaders Must Die" sets the tone for the 10 tracks to come.

The second track (and coincidentally second single), "Omen," is an adrenaline rush that lets you know these guys mean business, and they are certainly not afraid to put everything out there. The entire album follows along the same line but does not allow itself to become repetitive. Each song has its own distinctive elements that all help contribute to *Invaders Must Die*'s overall chaotic atmosphere.

"Take Me to the Hospital" is a very back-to-basics track, that will be sure to have longtime fans of The Prodigy dreaming of seizure-inducing strobe lights.

Dancing between euphoric electronica bliss and darker rave-oriented blasts of sound, old and new fans of the Prodigy will surely feel the passion — and the bass — behind this 40-minute trance.

OK, you can put down the glow sticks now.

Rebecca's Picks: "Omen," "Take Me to the Hospital"

— by Rebecca Koons



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The Prodigy
Invaders Must Die
★★★★ out of
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Featured Tracks:

- "Take Me To The Hospital"
- "Omen"

ALBUM REVIEW

Stretching horizons

U2's latest CD *No Line on the Horizon* is well worth the five-year wait. The band is back, and it's stronger than ever.

By **RACHAEL LANDER**
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U2 lead singer Bono's pleasing sex voice has returned with more force than ever. The band's latest album, *No Line on the Horizon*, is everything fans have been drooling in anticipation over. With lyrics and melodies that offer more than just Bono's vox, *No Line on the Horizon* is nothing if not a gift from God.

In the '80s, when U2 released its album *Boy*, it was more than apparent that these lads were going places faster than Britney Spears' sanity. The Irish hunks' album debuted to fabulous reviews, earning them the attention of people around the world.

With their ability to take on heavy subjects, including religion, in their lyrics, Bono, the Edge, Adam Clayton, and Larry Mullen Jr., threw convention away and took on their own style. With the band's ESP-like ability to morph itself to fit what its fans crave, U2 has been able to keep itself alive and successful for the past 30 years.

One of the remarkable things about U2, which holds true to its newest CD, is its drive to create new styles. The band is known for releasing an album (take *War*, for instance) with a hard-rock sound, and then turning around releasing its next CD (in this case, *The*

Unforgettable Fire) with lighter tunes.

Had almost any other band messed with its sound as much as U2 has, it would have failed immediately. Bono and the boys can pull it off as well as they do because they're more than just a band — they define three generations of rock.

"No Line on the Horizon," the title track, opens the album with force. Bono's intense voice carries on a sweet melody that foreshadows the brilliant album to come. As the CD flows through each song, the passion behind the words is unmistakable, and U2 draws listeners in to another piece of art with each track.

No Line on the Horizon is U2's 12th studio album, and without a doubt is the band's 12th success. With tunes that weave in the band's mellower side and lyrics that touch on weighty subjects, U2 stays true to itself by dabbling in religion, love, and war.

One standout, "White As Snow," has lyrics which include the phrase "Once I knew there was a love divine / Then came a time I thought I knew me not / Who can forgive forgiveness when forgiveness is not / Only the land as white as snow." Only U2 can pull off using subtle religious references mixed with forgiveness as a lyrical theme and do it with a sultry

and classy melody.

While some of the band's albums (notably *War* and *All That You Can't Leave Behind*) feature a number of upbeat melodies, *No Line on the Horizon* offers a slower vibe similar to 1987's *The Joshua Tree*. While U2's latest still has fast-paced tunes, such as the single "Get On Your Boots," many of the songs are slow, sexy, and just plain beautiful.

The boys have remastered and rereleased many of their albums, as well as greatest-hits compilations, but the band has never taken so long to put out a new album. *No Line on the Horizon* is the band's first release since 2004's *How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb* (two new songs on *U218 Singles* does not satisfy the U2 craving). Yet with a classic band such as U2, it can take all the time it needs to produce a new album, because with the wait comes the payoff of an album that rivals all its past releases.

Rachael's Picks: "No Line on the Horizon," "Magnificent," and "Get on Your Boots"



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U2
No Line on the Horizon
★★★★ out of
★★★★

GIVE A LISTEN

Featured Tracks:

- "Get On Your Boots"

ARTS

A literary dream

Yiyun Li is living the dream, as far as most writers are concerned. After publishing only one collection of short stories, 2005's *A Thousand Years of Good Prayers*, she signed a two-book deal with Random House for \$200,000. Even after the completion of her first novel, *The Vagrants*, Li still can't quite believe her luck.

"I was extremely fortunate," she said. "[The book deal] wasn't something I was looking or hoping for. There are things in life you go out and seek, but others you just have to let happen to you."

Li will read from *The Vagrants* at 7 p.m. today at Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St. Admission is free. The novel, based on real events and set in the '70s, centers on the execution of a young woman in a small Chinese town and the ensuing effect on the townspeople.

Li has three master's degrees from the UI, including M.F.A.s from both the fiction and nonfiction workshops. However, when she first came to graduate school at the UI, it was to pursue a doctorate in immunology. But once Li got a sense of the town's literary culture, full of "good readers" and "fond memories" for her, she dropped out of

the doctorate program to begin her career in writing.

"In a way, Iowa City really changed my life," she said. "If I hadn't been in Iowa City, I would not have changed my career."

Although she was born in Beijing, she writes entirely in English and considers it to be her "working language." Still, her home country plays a large part when it comes to her writing. She said she often draws on the culture and philosophy of China as "a way to look at the world."

Li is at work finishing up on a second collection of short stories.

— by Brian Dau

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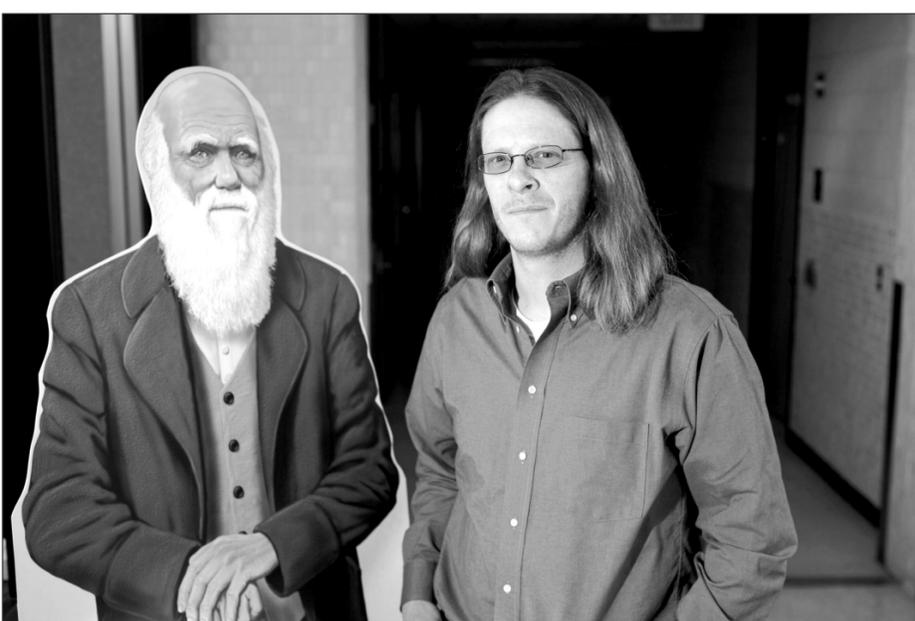
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UI profs suspicious of 'evolution' bill



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UI Associate Professor John Logsdon, pictured with a cardboard cutout of Charles Darwin on Monday, is one of more than 50 UI professors who have signed a petition opposing a state bill related to how evolution is taught in public schools and universities. The Evolution Academic Freedom Act would reportedly protect instructors from being reprimanded for teaching alternate views of evolution. The petition states that the bill could serve as a means to introduce "religious or non-scientific doctrines" into science curricula.

A controversial bill is disguised as 'academic freedom,' some UI professors say.

By MEGAN DIAL
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More than 50 UI professors have signed a petition against a recent state measure related to the teaching of evolution in public schools and universities.

The most contentious aspect of the act, introduced by Rep. Rod Roberts, R-Carroll, on Feb. 3 as the "Evolution Academic Freedom Act," would protect instructors from being reprimanded for teaching alternative views of evolution.

John Logsdon, an associate professor of evolutionary molecular genetics, was one of the 56 UI professors to sign the petition. In total, more than 200 people have signed it.

"The bill is an underhanded way to impose an alternative view into science curriculum," Logsdon said. "It's shrouded in an academic-freedom method that is neither necessary nor appropriate."

The bill is proposed as a "teach the controversy" of evolution method of instructing, he said, and this type of instruction is inherently flawed.

"There is no controversy to be taught in a science class in regard to evolution," Logsdon said.

Roberts disagreed, contending

that the bill serves an important purpose.

The legislation is aimed to give professors and teachers the ability to teach different views of evolution without fear of intimidation, he said, noting the bill provides legal protection for instructors.

UI Associate Professor of biology Bryant McAllister, who also signed the petition against the measure, said he is worried about the potential motivations behind the proposed legislation.

He believes the specific goals of the act are not very well defined, he said, which could allow too much religion in science classes.

But Roberts said he thinks the bill is clear and does not extend any protection to religious beliefs.

"It's important that professors actually look at the language of the bill," he said. "It expressly prohibits the introduction and promotion of any religious doctrine or religious discrimination."

The bill clearly explains that students will be evaluated based upon their understanding of the course material presented by the instructor, he contended.

However, some UI professors are worried about another statement in the bill, which states students will not be penalized for expressing a particular position regarding evolution.

"If a student says that what I teach them is garbage, and they have evidence for another point of view, I would not be able to penalize them, and that's not how science works," Logsdon said.

McAllister said he is also worried about this section. Specifically, he is concerned students might

Evolution Academic Freedom Act

Some controversial sections of the proposed legislation.

- "This section shall not be construed to promote any religious doctrine, promote discrimination for or against a particular set of religious beliefs, or promote discrimination for or against religion or nonreligion."
- "Students shall not be penalized for subscribing to a particular position or view regarding biological or chemical evolution."
- "The bill requires students to be evaluated based upon their understanding of course materials through standard testing procedures."

Source: Iowa General Assembly Bill Book

be able to present a religious view on exams that would contradict the evolution teachings, but he would not be allowed to penalize the answer.

Roberts said professors should understand his intent with the bill is not to undermine their teachings. He said students will be required to follow what has been taught in class, whether it is the science of evolution or anti-evolution.

"Their grade is based on what they've been taught," he said.

Similar bills relating to the instruction of evolution have failed to pass in Florida, Oklahoma, Mississippi, and Alabama.

Louisiana recently passed a similar bill.

The Iowa bill has been in subcommittee since Feb. 5.

NATION

Madoff seeks to keep penthouse, \$62 million

NEW YORK (AP) — Bernard Madoff and his wife claim they are entitled to keep a \$7 million Manhattan apartment and an additional \$62 million in assets.

Court papers filed on Monday state that Madoff and his lawyer say the Manhattan penthouse and money held in accounts of Madoff's wife, Ruth, are not subject to seizure.

The court papers say Madoff claims the apartment and the \$62 million are unrelated to a \$50 billion fraud Madoff has been accused of carrying out.

The \$62 million includes \$45 million in municipal bonds on deposit in an account held by Ruth Madoff and \$17 million in her name at Wachovia Bank.

Madoff has been confined to the apartment under house arrest as the government investigates how he allegedly carried out the sweeping fraud.

Jindal defends his national speech

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Widely panned for his national TV address, Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal offered

his first defense of the speech Monday, saying he sticks by the message, while acknowledging shortcomings in his delivery.

"Look, I get that people thought I could have spoken better. I get that. That's fine ... What's important to me is the content. I'm a policy guy. You guys know that. I've always been a policy guy, always will be a policy guy. The ideas are important. The substance is important," Jindal told reporters in the state Capitol, a day after returning from a family vacation.

The 37-year-old governor, regularly touted as a presidential contender, said he outlined a critical philosophical distinction between the views of Democrats and Republicans as he gave the national GOP response to Obama's first address to Congress last week.

Republican party leaders have touted the Oxford-educated Jindal, son of Indian immigrants, as the future of the GOP, generating lofty expectations for his debut national address. Jindal said he wrote the speech himself.

But the address has been the target of political commentators, comics

and bloggers who called it amateurish and out of step with the American public. Some critiqued Jindal's delivery as too "sing-songy" and compared it with the late children's television host Mister Rogers. Some critics asserted the speech — which was many Americans' first view of Jindal — could have damaged the governor's long-term political aspirations.

Trade-rep nominee to pay an estimated \$10,000 in back taxes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ron Kirk, nominated as U.S. trade representative by the Obama administration, owes an estimated \$10,000 in back taxes from earlier in the decade and has agreed to make his payments, the Senate Finance Committee said Monday.

The committee said the taxes arise from Kirk's handling of speaking fees that he donated to his alma mater and for his deduction of the full cost of season tickets to the Dallas Mavericks.

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Hawks still seeking improvement

Iowa (14-15, 4-12) vs. Ohio State (18-9, 8-8)

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As the conference tournament nears, the 10th-place Hawkeyes seek to build momentum with a win over Ohio State tonight in Iowa City.

By CHARLIE KAUTZ
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Iowa head coach Todd Lickliter isn't losing his patience. He admitted Monday he didn't have very much to begin with. Now in his 23rd month leading the Hawkeye basketball program, Lickliter's calendar has again changed with the arrival of March, but his staff's overarching challenges remain much the same this week.

Struggling through a shooting slump, junior Devan Bawinkel still won't have a practice facility to smooth his confidence and stroke individually. The team trainers won't find a fast-healing regimen for the bruised right forearm of freshman Aaron Fuller, the latest Hawkeye to join in Iowa's medical misfortunes. The Big Ten won't do Iowa a solid favor by moving tonight's game against Ohio State (18-9, 8-8) to a later date, saving the Hawkeyes from scrambling on



PATRICK LARKIN/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa sophomore Jarryd Cole goes up for a lay-up during the first half of the Hawkeyes' game against Michigan on Feb. 22 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. The Hawkeyes will return home to face the Ohio State Buckeyes at 8 p.m. today.

two days' rest after a six-point loss to Northwestern. Such are the realities of life for Lickliter nearing the end of his second full year with the Iowa program, one that will play another basketball game this evening despite its compounding obstacles. "It's been such a challenge," he

said. "It's hard to express the way you feel. I'm really proud of some of the things these guys have done. ... I just think we've not been able to demand of ourselves what it requires to win in this league." Losing has offered little solace for Iowa, whose biggest incen-

tive in the final week of the regular season is to try to build momentum leading into the Big Ten Tournament. At 4-12 in conference play, the Hawkeyes are deadlocked in the No. 10 seed for the league's post-season bracket.

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Ohio State (18-9, 8-8)			
F Dallas Lauderdale	6-8	So.	255
G P.J. Hill	6-1	Jr.	170
G Evan Turner	6-7	So.	205
G Jon Diebler	6-6	So.	205
G William Buford	6-5	Fr.	190
Iowa (14-15, 4-12)			
F Aaron Fuller	6-6	Fr.	210
F Jarryd Cole	6-7	So.	250
G Matt Gatens	6-5	Fr.	215
G Devan Bawinkel	6-5	Jr.	210
G Jake Kelly	6-6	So.	185

SEE BASKETBALL, 3B

WRESTLING

Wrestling seeds announced

The preliminary seeds are out for the 2009 Big Ten wrestling championships. Conference officials announced the tournament seed chart Monday afternoon, and all but one Iowa grappler was seeded third or better. Juniors Daniel Dennis (133), Brent Metcalf (149), and Dan Ereksen (heavyweight) lead their respective weight classes as No. 1 seeds, and seniors Charlie Falck (125) and Alex Tsirtsis (141) and junior Jay Borschel (174) each stand as No. 2 seeds for the Hawkeyes. Ryan Morningstar (165), Phillip Keddy (184), and Chad Beatty (197) are third-seed selections. Sophomore Matt Ballweg is Iowa's only unseeded wrestler for the upcoming tournament, which will begin Saturday in the Bryce Jordan Center in State College, Pa. "I think they are where they earned themselves to be," Iowa head coach Tom Brands said. "Whatever our matchups are, we have to be ready."

— by Ryan Young

BASKETBALL

Smith All-Big Ten

Iowa women's basketball senior Kristi Smith was named All-Big Ten for the second year in a row Tuesday. The point guard earned first-team honors from conference media and coaches. The Thornton, Colo., native is averaging a team-best 13.4 points-per-game, with 3.2 assists per game. Her 15.2 points per game in Big Ten games is good for fourth in the league. Joining Smith in garnering All-Big Ten accolades were sophomore Kachine Alexander, seniors Wendy Ausdemore and Megan Skouby, and freshman Kamille Wahlin. Alexander was a second-team choice by the coaches and a third-team choice by the media. The guard averages 9.6 points and a team-high 8.7 rebounds per game. The Minneapolis native was named Big Ten Player of the Week twice during the season. Ausdemore was named to the coaches' third team and was honorable mention by the media. The senior forward is third in scoring for Iowa at 12 points per game. The Neola native is also the team's Big Ten Sportsmanship Award nominee. Skouby earns All-Big Ten recognition for the fourth year after being named honorable mention by the coaches and media. The Mentor, Ohio, native was Big Ten Freshman of the Year in 2006, honorable mention for both as a sophomore, and Big Ten Sixth Player of the Year last season. Wahlin was named to the all-freshman team. The guard is averaging 7.2 points-per-game, including 11.6 points-per-game since joining the starting lineup on Jan. 26.

Smith
point guard



— by Mike Brownlee

TRACK

Several medal for Iowa

The Iowa men's track and field team got a handful of strong individual performances at the Big Ten indoor championships in State College, Pa.

By ZACH SMITH
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Despite a ninth-place finish at the Big Ten indoor championships last weekend at Penn State's Ashenfelter Multi-sport Facility, the Iowa men's track and field team managed to put several athletes on the medal stand. The Hawkeyes only finished with 43 team points overall but did get strong individual performances from Big Ten veterans, including John Hickey and Adam Hairston.

Hickey, the two-time defending Big Ten indoor champion, fell just short of a third-consecutive conference crown, finishing second to Minnesota's Aaron Studt. For the senior, second place was certainly disappointing and even slightly alarming — Feb. 28 was the first time this season Hickey did not finish first in the meet he was competing in. However, head coach Larry Wiecek said, Hickey was a "highlight of the weekend," and the senior is as determined as ever about the

upcoming NCAA indoor championships. "I know he was disappointed with second place, and yet he competed well," Wiecek said. "That's going to happen at a Big Ten championship with a guy like Studt. He's a tough guy and can throw far. John competed well. Studt just had a little more that day." Hickey wasn't the only Hawkeye to score points in the shot put. A.J. Curtis finished fourth with a throw of 57-9/16, and freshman Ryan Lamparek's throw of 56-8/16 was good for sixth. Hairston, on the other hand, was the conference runner-up a year ago in the 800 meters and was hoping to win it all this time.

SEE MEN'S TRACK, 3B

Finding some bright spots

The Iowa women's track and field team ends its indoor season on a disappointing note with a last-place finish.

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Finishing last at the Big Ten indoor championships is not what Iowa women's track and field head coach Layne Anderson expected when his squad left for Bloomington, Ind., on Feb. 26. But with a team short on experience and numbers, that

is what happened over the weekend. The meet was not a total loss for the team, though. Sophomore Bethany Praska scored



Anderson
coach

SEE WOMEN'S TRACK, 3B

Young swimmers see a very bright future



FILE PHOTO/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa men's swimmer Conor Dwyer practices in the Field House pool on Jan. 28, 2008. Dwyer was among the top performers for the Hawkeyes at the 2009 Big Ten championships last weekend in West Lafayette, Ind.

A young Iowa men's swimming and diving team places ninth at the Big Ten championships after a resurgent dual meet season.

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The Iowa men's swimming and diving team took home ninth place at the Big Ten championships over this past weekend in West Lafayette, Ind., with a team score of 144. Sophomore swimmer Conor Dwyer led the Hawkeyes throughout the three-day meet, picking up where he left off with 28 wins during the dual-meet season.

"We're still probably the youngest team in the conference," Dwyer said. "We did a lot this year, but we've got a bright future ahead. I'm pretty excited." Dwyer's posted three individual NCAA provisional qualifying times and ended up with three scoring finishes for the Hawkeyes. He 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). His

qualifying time in the 100 free (43.67) broke former Iowa standout Krzysztof Cwalina's 15-year-old record. Junior diver Mike Gilligan broke his own record on the platform (335.45) Feb. 28, after scoring in both springboard events; he finished 15th on the 3-meter and 13th on the 1-meter. Fellow junior Frank Van Dijkhuizen took 12th on the 1-meter for the Hawkeyes.

SEE SWIMMING, 3B

TV TODAY

NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL
No. 8 Michigan State at Indiana, 6 p.m., ESPN
Kansas State at Oklahoma State, 6:30 p.m., ESPN2
Ohio State at Iowa, 8 p.m., BTN
Auburn at Alabama, 8 p.m., ESPN
NHL
Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m., VERSUS
Anaheim at Chicago, 7:30 p.m., CSN+
NBA
Chicago at Charlotte, 6 p.m., CSN

SPORTS 'N' STUFF

1 missing boater rescued

MEN'S BIG TEN BASKETBALL

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Michigan St.	13	3	.813	23	5	.821
Purdue	11	5	.688	22	7	.759
Illinois	11	6	.647	23	7	.767
Penn St.	9	7	.563	20	9	.690
Wisconsin	9	7	.563	18	10	.643
Minnesota	8	8	.500	20	8	.714
Ohio St.	8	8	.500	18	9	.667
Michigan	8	9	.471	18	12	.600
Northwestern	7	9	.438	16	11	.593
Iowa	4	12	.250	14	15	.483
Indiana	1	15	.063	6	22	.214

Colorado	28	35	1	57	171	204
Pacific	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	42	10	9	93	205	148
Anaheim	31	28	5	67	180	188
Dallas	29	26	7	65	179	191
Los Angeles	26	27	9	61	160	179
Phoenix	27	31	5	59	159	193

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

EASTERN CONFERENCE					
Atlantic	W	L	Pct	GB	
Boston	47	14	.770	—	
Philadelphia	29	30	.492	17	
New Jersey	26	33	.441	20	
New York	24	35	.407	22	
Toronto	23	38	.377	24	
Southwest	W	L	Pct	GB	
Orlando	43	16	.729	—	
Atlanta	34	26	.567	9½	
Miami	31	28	.525	12	
Charlotte	25	35	.417	18½	
Washington	14	46	.233	29½	
Central	W	L	Pct	GB	
Cleveland	47	12	.797	—	
Detroit	29	29	.500	17½	
Milwaukee	29	33	.468	19½	
Chicago	27	33	.450	20½	
Indiana	26	36	.419	22½	
WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB	
Southwest	W	L	Pct	GB	
San Antonio	40	19	.678	—	
Houston	38	22	.633	2½	
New Orleans	37	22	.627	3	
Dallas	36	24	.600	4½	
Memphis	15	43	.259	24½	
Northwest	W	L	Pct	GB	
Denver	37	22	.627	—	
Portland	37	22	.627	1½	
Utah	37	23	.617	2	
Minnesota	18	41	.305	20½	
Oklahoma City	15	45	.250	24	
Pacific	W	L	Pct	GB	
L.A. Lakers	48	12	.800	—	
Phoenix	34	25	.576	13½	
Golden State	20	39	.339	27½	
L.A. Clippers	15	46	.246	33½	
Sacramento	13	48	.213	35½	

Monday's Games
 Atlanta 98, Washington 89
 New Orleans 98, Philadelphia 91
 Cleveland 107, Miami 100
 Oklahoma City 96, Dallas 87
 San Antonio 106, L.A. Clippers 78

Today's Games
 Phoenix at Orlando, 6 p.m.
 Chicago at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
 Denver at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
 New Jersey at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
 Golden State at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
 Toronto at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
 Indiana at Sacramento, 9 p.m.
 Memphis at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
 KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Reassigned C Kiel Thibault to their minor league camp.
National League
 ATLANTA BRAVES—Agreed to terms with RHP Manny Acosta, RHP Jeff Bennett, RHP Blaine Boyer, RHP Buddy Carlyle, RHP Jorge Campillo, RHP Charlie Morton, RHP Peter Moylan, INF Yunel Escobar, INF Martin Prado and OF Gregor Blanco on one-year contracts.
 HOUSTON ASTROS—Renewed the contract of OF Hunter Pence.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
 NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed TE Chris Baker, Re-signed OL Puss Hochstetler.
 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Re-signed FB Moran Norris to a three-year contract.
 SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed DT Colin Cole to a multiyear contract.
 WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Released DE Jason Taylor.

By **CHRISTINE ARMARIO AND MITCH STACY**
 Associated Press

CLEARWATER, Fla. — The Coast Guard on Monday narrowed the search area for two NFL players and a third man missing since a weekend fishing trip off the Florida Gulf Coast after crews rescued a fourth man clinging to their capsized boat.

Survivor Nick Schuyler, a former University of South Florida player, told rescuers that the boat the four good friends were aboard was anchored when it flipped on the evening of Feb. 28 in rough seas, said Coast Guard Capt. Timothy Close. Schuyler, who was wearing a life vest, had been hanging onto the hull that a Coast Guard cutter discovered 35 miles off Clearwater.

The 21-foot boat belongs to Oakland Raiders linebacker Marquis Cooper, who, along with free-agent defensive lineman Corey Smith and former South Florida player William Bleakley, were missing.

The Coast Guard wouldn't speculate on the men's chances of survival, but Petty Officer Robert Simpson said their size and good health were advantages. Cooper, 26, is 6-3, 230 pounds, and the 29-year-old Smith is 6-2, 250 pounds. The 25-year-old Bleakley had played tight end.

"With all of these men being past, present football players, they do have a much larger physique than a lot of people," he said. "So their odds are going to be definitely in their favor."

Their families have said they had life vests and flares aboard.

Schuyler was conscious but appeared weak as he was being taken off a helicopter at Tampa General Hospital and placed on a stretcher. His father said his son was in serious but stable condition and that he "looks OK."

"He's got some cuts and bruises. He's dehydrated," said Stuart Schuyler.

Schuyler's mother, Marsha Schuyler, said her son told her that he survived by thinking about how he didn't want her to go to his funeral.

The family's joy at him being found alive was tempered by the search for his friends.

"We still have three men missing, and we're not going to talk too much until we find these guys," said his father, Stuart Schuyler. "We're all praying for them. These guys are all very close friends."

Searchers had previously covered 16,000 square miles of ocean but the area being searched was much smaller since they found Schuyler, Close said.

Smith's family planned to drive to Florida from Richmond, Va., Tuesday, after the snowy weather in the East made getting a flight impossible, said Yolanda Newbill, one of Smith's sisters. She said they have been in contact with the Coast Guard every few hours since the search began.

"We have never lost hope," Newbill said. "We have total faith that [he] will be coming home."

Ray Sanchez of Tampa, a cousin of Cooper, said the family was confident the Coast Guard would find them.

"My cousin's a powerful swimmer," he said.

James Allen, a marine-safety consultant who once worked search and rescue operations with the Coast Guard, said the chances of finding survivors diminish after people have been in the water three days.

Survivors have been found who were floating for days, but he said "you just can't swim forever."

After 18 hours in 64-degree water, hypothermia will set in, Coast Guard Petty Officer 2nd Class James Harless said.

The four men left Clearwater



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In this still image taken from video, Nick Schuyler is taken from a Coast Guard helicopter to Tampa General Hospital in Tampa, Fla. on Monday. The Coast Guard says former University of South Florida player Schuyler was rescued Monday off the Florida coast. Oakland Raider linebacker Marquis Cooper, Detroit Lion free agent Corey Smith, and former South Florida player William Bleakley remain missing, authorities say.

Pass early Saturday in calm weather, but heavy winds picked up through the day and the seas got heavy, with waves of 7 feet and higher, peaking at 15 feet on Sunday. A relative alerted the Coast

Guard early Sunday after the men did not return as expected. The Coast Guard said it did not receive a distress signal.

AP writer Ileana Morales contributed to this report.

WOMEN'S BIG TEN TOURNAMENT

Conseco Fieldhouse, Indianapolis, Ind.
All games except Championship televised on the Big Ten Network
Thursday, March 5
 Game 1: #7 Wisconsin vs. #10 Northwestern, 11 a.m.
 Game 2: #6 Indiana vs. #11 Michigan, 25 minutes after Game 1
 Game 3: #8 Penn State vs. #9 Illinois, 25 minutes after Game 2
Friday, March 6
 Game 4: #2 Michigan State vs. Wisconsin-Northwestern winner, 10:30 a.m.
 Game 5: #3 Purdue vs. Indiana-Michigan winner, 25 minutes after Game 4
 Game 6: #1 Ohio State vs. Penn State-Illinois winner, 5 p.m.
 Game 7: #4 Iowa vs. #5 Minnesota, 25 minutes after Game 6
Saturday, March 7
 Game 8: Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner, 5 p.m.
 Game 9: Game 6 winner vs. Game 7 winner, 25 minutes after Game 8
Sunday, March 8
 Tournament Championship Game: Game 8 winner vs. Game 9 winner, 4:30 p.m. ESPN2

TOP 25 COLLEGE BASKETBALL

#10 Villanova 77, Notre Dame 60
 #25 Texas 73, Baylor 57

WOMEN'S SCORES
 #1 Connecticut 69, Rutgers 59
 #7 Louisville 66, Marquette 61
 #14 Pittsburgh 79, St. John's 60
 #17 South Dakota State 71, Oral Roberts 64
 #20 Notre Dame 72, West Virginia 66

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE						
Atlantic	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	41	19	3	85	196	153
Philadelphia	33	18	10	76	198	178
N.Y. Rangers	32	24	8	72	159	175
Pittsburgh	32	26	6	70	195	196
N.Y. Islanders	20	36	7	47	154	206
Northwest	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	42	12	9	93	215	142
Montreal	34	22	7	75	194	189
Buffalo	31	25	7	69	182	175
Toronto	25	26	12	62	191	227
Ottawa	23	28	10	56	152	176
Southwest	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	40	19	5	85	213	188
Florida	32	23	8	72	177	175
Carolina	32	27	5	69	169	186
Tampa Bay	21	30	12	54	164	204
Atlanta	23	34	6	52	188	221
WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	41	14	8	90	234	187
Chicago	35	17	9	79	205	155
Columbus	31	26	6	68	168	176
Nashville	31	28	4	66	159	172
St. Louis	28	26	8	64	173	181
Northwest	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	37	19	6	80	201	183
Vancouver	32	22	8	72	186	175
Edmonton	31	26	5	67	173	188
Minnesota	30	26	5	65	155	144

POINT/COUNTERPOINT

Which Iowa wrestling team is better—2008 or 2009?

2008
 Is it really fair to compare the two teams?

Last year's wrestling team actually won both the Big Ten and NCAA championships. This year's squad has yet to do either, and by default, it is the lesser of the pair.

It's nitpicking, really. I won't deny that Iowa's current lineup, with ranked wrestlers at every weight class but 157, is significantly more adept than a year ago — Alex Tsirtsis has done nicely at 141 after redshirting, Ryan Morningstar has improved substantially since his move up from 157 to 165, and Dan Erektion is quite an offensive spectacle at heavyweight.

But the firepower Iowa boasted last season still yielded two title-winners, a finalist, seven All-Americans, and the 10th-largest margin of victory in NCAA championship history.

Granted, this year's undefeated Hawkeyes are the undeniable favorite to win another pair of prestigious team trophies heading into the postseason. However, it's important to highlight one crucial point — this year's dominance is ultimately grounded in last year's struggles.

Not even ranked No. 1 at the beginning of the 2007-08 season, Iowa had to upset and uncrown No. 1 Iowa State in Ames before anyone would consider the team as a legit championship contender. Even after that, some skeptics lingered as the Hawkeyes lost to Oklahoma State at home and edged both Wisconsin and Michigan, but went 21-1 overall before managing a late comeback to win the Big Ten championships in Minneapolis. That was where the team seemed

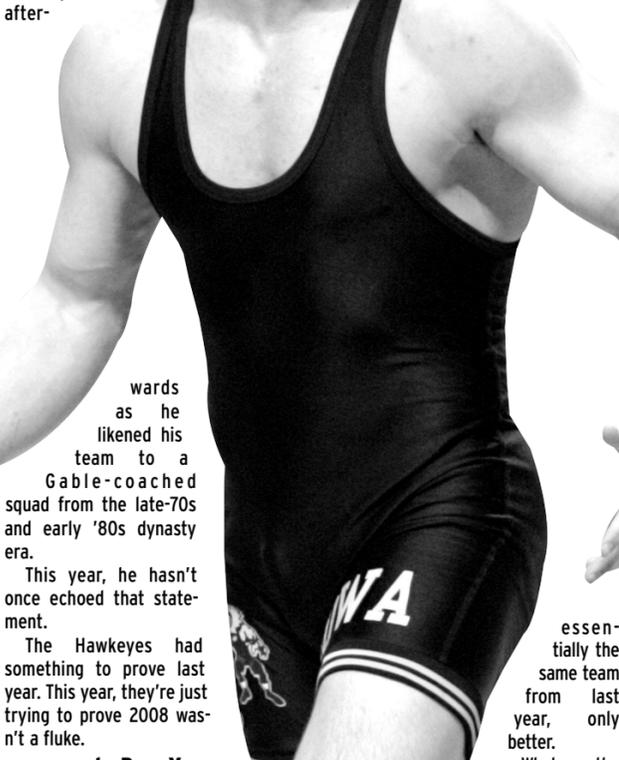
destined to collapse, though, as Iowa trailed defending NCAA champion Minnesota by 12.5 points at the end of the first day of the competition.

But under a fusillade of questions, head coach Tom Brands vowed his team would take the tournament. And it did, and Brands smiled boyishly after-

2009
 The simple fact that a repeat is looming leads me to believe the 2008-09 Hawkeyes are better than the 2007-08 squad, but only by the slimmest of margins.

I'm not taking anything away from last year's team — it was a great team. It will always be the team that re-established Iowa as the premier wrestling program in the nation.

This season's Hawkeyes are



differences between this year's team and last year's team?
 Other than the departures of national champion Mark Perry at 165 and All-American heavyweight Matt Fields, as well as exchanges for Joe Slaton at 133 and Dan LeClere at 141, everyone is back.

Certainly the emergence of Daniel Dennis — ranked No. 1 at 133 — has been the biggest surprise for the Hawkeyes this season. Dennis wasn't even in the lineup last year as he wrestled behind Slaton. Now, he the favorite to win the Big Ten and national titles.

Charlie Falck, Ryan Morningstar, Jay Borschel, and Phillip Keddy are all a year older, wiser and stronger on the mat.

All-American Alex Tsirtsis returned to his spot at 141 after taking a redshirt year in 2007-08, giving Iowa yet another weapon.

Then there's Brent Metcalf, who has been "Mr. Automatic" this season; he lost once last year. Still, the defending national champion has been every bit the MVP he was last season and then some, sporting an unblemished 29-0 record.

What's more, Metcalf has scored bonus points for the Hawkeyes in 27 of 29 matches. Nobody strikes more fear into his competition than this guy, and he's only a junior.

Toss in No. 7 heavyweight Dan Erektion and No. 15 197-pounder Chad Beatty, and what do you know? A more solid group of Hawkeyes go undefeated through dual competition for the first time in nine years; they lost once last year and struggled to find a consistent competitor at 197.

This year's team is pound-for-pound a better team.

— by Ryan Young

— by Zach Smith

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Hawks seek to break streak

BASKETBALL
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To win, however, would be to show continued progress in Lickliter's belief that every game is meaningful and reflect the players' growth in a pyramid of goals set by the Iowa coaching staff.

The pyramid's peak shows two seemingly distant goals this season — winning the Big Ten and NCAA Tournament — but a more consistent attitude about the structure's base is a vital building block for Iowa.

Lickliter said on the bottom is the phrase "team first, improve daily," and the second section harps on playing each game one possession at a time. After losing its eighth Big Ten game decided by eight points or fewer on Feb. 28, Iowa has found the latter to be crucially important.

"You have to play every possession as if that is the one that dictates whether you win or lose," Lickliter said. "If we're going to expect to win, we have to expect it to be a single-possession game."

The coach expects to again be without injured guard Jeff Peterson tonight, leaving the point guard duties in sophomore Jake Kelly's hands for the fifth-straight game. The

Hawkeyes are just 1-4 in Peterson's absence, but Lickliter has been extremely pleased with Kelly's ability to be effective in a new role this late in the season.

Kelly has scored at least 20 points in each of Iowa's last three games.

"I told [Kelly] the other day, I'm really proud of the way he's adjusted," Lickliter said. "He's really open to coaching. You can be critical of Jake, and he respects and appreciates it. I think he's going to continue to grow in that position."

With its road schedule concluding last weekend, Iowa would like to avenge a loss to an Ohio State team that needed all 40 minutes to edge the Hawkeyes by three points, 68-65, on Dec. 31.

Iowa's roster is much shorter than it was two months ago, but Lickliter knows the Hawkeyes cannot expect sympathy. Iowa is just 4-11 since its initial meeting with the Buckeyes, and injuries are only one part of the team's tribulations.

"When you acknowledge that there are obstacles, it's considered an excuse," he said. "I do think that injuries have obviously made it more difficult for us."



PATRICK LARKIN/THE DAILY IOWAN
Iowa sophomore Jarryd Cole wins the overtime tip for the Hawkeyes against Michigan on Feb. 22. Iowa will play Ohio State tonight in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Tracksters look to improve

WOMEN'S TRACK
CONTINUED FROM 1B

points for Iowa, finishing sixth in the 600 meters with a time of 1:31.08. Senior Renee White earned three points for her team with a third-place finish in the long jump. Sophomore Karessa Farley made it to the finals of the 60-meter hurdles after posting a time of 8.35 in the prelims but failed to finish the final race when she fell going over a hurdle.

Also scoring in the meet was the distance-medley squad of freshmen Betsy Flood, McKenzie Melander, sophomore Tiffany Hendricks, and senior Racheal Marchand. The Hawkeye relay team came in third place with a time of 11:27.34.

Marchand, competing in the final Big Ten meet of her career, blazed past the field for second in the 5,000 meters with a collegiate-best time of 15:55.70 that also serves as an automatic qualifier for the NCAA indoor meet.

The time was only 0.07 of a second behind Wisconsin's Gwen Jorgensen, who took first.

"I was going out to win the 5K," Marchand said. "But I was happy getting second because the woman I lost to was very good."

Iowa's finish was a reflection of the work still left to be done by this young Hawkeye squad.

Anderson feels as though the addition of some more experience to the team will help them become more competitive going into the outdoor portion of the season.

"It's hard to enjoy individual achievements when the team doesn't do well," he said. "We've got to develop everyone and improve in a lot of different areas."

Certainly looking forward to the second half of the 2009 season are the Hardesty sisters, Amanda and Lindsey. The two posted collegiate bests, Amanda Hardesty in the 3,000 meters and Lauren Hardesty in the 800. The two make up a core of the team Anderson hopes will continue to improve.

The rest of the Hawkeyes will be looked to even more with the departure of a major point scorer such as Marchand, who is now deciding between whether to continue her running career post-college.

So far, Iowa has recruited eight scholarship athletes and hopes to have two more to go along with the 10 non-scholarship athletes it hopes to bring in during the fall semester.

Marchand leaves with some words of wisdom for both the incoming and current Hawkeyes.

"It never gets easy in the Big Ten," she said. "It only gets harder."

Hickey, Hairston lead Hawkeyes

MEN'S TRACK
CONTINUED FROM 1B

The junior made the best of a crowded track, bumping elbows and finishing third in a time of 1:51.34.

If there is one thing Hairston took away from his second-straight All-Big Ten performance, it is the belief in himself to compete at a high level.

"I think it was a good performance," he said. "I really

competed hard. I'm not upset with my effort.

"I think, even though I got third, I was the best runner in the race. You know, sometimes things happen — I got a little tripped up — but I rebounded from that and was still able to medal."

Adding to strong performances were multisport athlete Paul Chaney Jr., freshmen Patrick Richards and Eric Sowinski, and sophomore Josh Bean.

Sowinski broke the school record during his preliminary heat of the 600 meters with a time of 1:18.05 and went on to finish eighth in the finals (1:19.10) behind teammate Steven Willey, who finished seventh (1:19.03).

Chaney earned All-Big Ten honors by placing fifth in the 200 meters with a time of 21.45, a collegiate-best for the junior and third fastest in school history. The time provisionally qualifies him for the

NCAA indoor championships. He also scored points for the Hawkeyes finishing by sixth in the 60 meters (6.84).

Richards was the only freshman to garner All-Big Ten honors for Iowa, placing fifth in the 400 meters with a time of 47.94, and Bean placed sixth in the triple jump (48-7 1/2).

Ryan Kelly added fifth place in the high jump. The leap cleared 6-10 3/4, a collegiate-best for the senior.

SPORTS

Field hockey racks up another honor

Its season has been over for several months, but the Iowa field-hockey team continues to grab awards following its Big Ten Tournament championship and Final Four appearance. On Monday, the Hawkeyes were honored academically, receiving the 2008 National Field-Hockey Coaches Association National Team Academic Award.

The award goes out to programs that finish with a team GPA of at least a 3.0 during the first semester of the 2008-09 academic year.

"I am very pleased with the team's academic performance this past fall," head coach Tracey Griesbaum said in a statement. "[The team members] have a team goal every semester, and they achieved this marker. It is the highest team GPA for a semester that we have had in over seven years. I am extremely proud of this accomplishment and am appreciative that our coaches' association recognizes such excellence."

This is the second-straight year the Hawkeyes have been honored with the academic achievement.

Individually, freshman Becca Spengler, junior Tricia Dean, and seniors Lissa Munley and Lauren Pfeiffer were named to the 2008 Division-I National Academic Squad. The award recognizes the athletes who achieved a GPA of 3.30 or higher.

— by Jeff Pawola

Reins honored

Iowa's Geoff Reins was selected on Monday as Co-Big Ten Gymnast of the Week, joining Penn State's Casey Sandy. This is the second time the Buffalo Grove, Ill., native has been selected for the award, having been previously honored on March 19, 2008.

The honor follows the senior's performance in a dual with Illinois in Champaign on Feb. 28. He took first place on the vault (16.05) — a season high for the Hawks — and floor exercise (15.25). The two wins also improved his season total to four vault victories and three floor victories in just six meets this year.

Reins and the rest of the Hawkeyes will try to close out their dual schedule with a victory on March 14, when they compete against the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N.Y. The meet is slated for a 5 p.m. start, and it will be Iowa's last before the Big Ten championships, April 3 and 4 in Ann Arbor, Mich.

— by Jordan Garretson



Reins senior

Youth movement points to next year

SWIMMING
CONTINUED FROM 1B

Iowa's youth flexed its muscles in the final event of the meet, claiming fifth in the 400-freestyle relay. Dwyer was joined by a trio of freshmen in the event — Duncan Partridge, Ryan Phelan, and Paul Gordon.

The group sent a message that the young Hawkeyes will be a force at next year's conference meet by claiming one of the highest Iowa relay finishes in recent years. The time was the second fastest in school history and an NCAA provisional qualifying time.

"We're a couple guys away from being right there at the top," Dwyer said. "There's some guys on the team right now that I think could step up and make that difference, and we've got some good guys coming in."

Partridge, Phelan, and Dwyer complemented their 400-free relay with eighth place in the 200-freestyle relay with sophomore Sean Hagan. Dwyer and juniors Nick Divan and Brian Farris were joined by senior Ryan Evans in Iowa's oldest group, the seventh-place 800-freestyle relay.

Divan also finished 10th in the mile for Iowa, posting the fourth-best time in school history. The Hawkeyes collected a total of 55 collegiate bests and nine NCAA provisional qualifying times over the weekend.

Head swimming coach Marc Long is excited about the depth that will return next year after the time drops the team experienced at the end of the season.

"I know we're going to have development from our freshmen," he said. "There's always a big difference when you go back for your second Big Ten meet."



DAVID SCRIVNER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa sophomore Conor Dwyer practices in the Field House pool on Oct. 16, 2008.

Iowa saw vast improvements in almost every individual and relay event from a year ago, despite a comparison to the final team score from the 2008 conference meet. The Hawkeyes scored 187 points last year, but the scoring format was tweaked this year because

lane assignments were restricted at host Purdue's pool. Consequently, Iowa's increase

'We're still probably the youngest team in the conference. We did a lot this year, but we've got a bright future ahead. I'm pretty excited.'

— Conor Dwyer, UI sophomore

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Chiefs mum on Cassel deal

Chiefs not talking about deal for Cassel, Vrabel.

By JOHN MARSHALL
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Scott Pioli pulled off a big deal in his first major act as Kansas City's general manager, landing quarterback Matt Cassel and linebacker Mike Vrabel for a second-round draft pick.

Not a package of draft picks, not the second-rounder and another player, not even with cash thrown in. A potentially franchise-building quarterback and a starting linebacker for one second-round draft pick. That's it.

The obvious question is, how did he get so much for so little?

Sadly, there's still no answer. Two days after the trade with New England was announced, the Chiefs were again mum on what seems like a monumentally lopsided deal.

Pioli? Unavailable. Coach Todd Haley? Evasive. Cassel? On speaker phone for his introduction to the Kansas City media. Vrabel? Also not available.

"I won't get into specifics of that. I'm glad we have both players on the team," Haley said Monday.

That's it. No discussion of how the trade came together, not even a "we got a good deal." It was calculated, tidy, somewhat mysterious. In other words, very Patriots-like.

Of course, that's no surprise. As vice president of player personnel in New England, Pioli helped turn the Patriots into a dynasty, gathered all the pieces

for coach Bill Belichick to win three Super Bowls.

Those ties to New England clearly played some role in the trade to get Cassel and Vrabel. How much? It's hard to tell since no one's talking about the deal.

Cassel was talking, but not in person and not about specifics of the trade. Calling in from somewhere in Kansas City, he was thrilled at the chance to be the man after eight years of being the man behind the man.

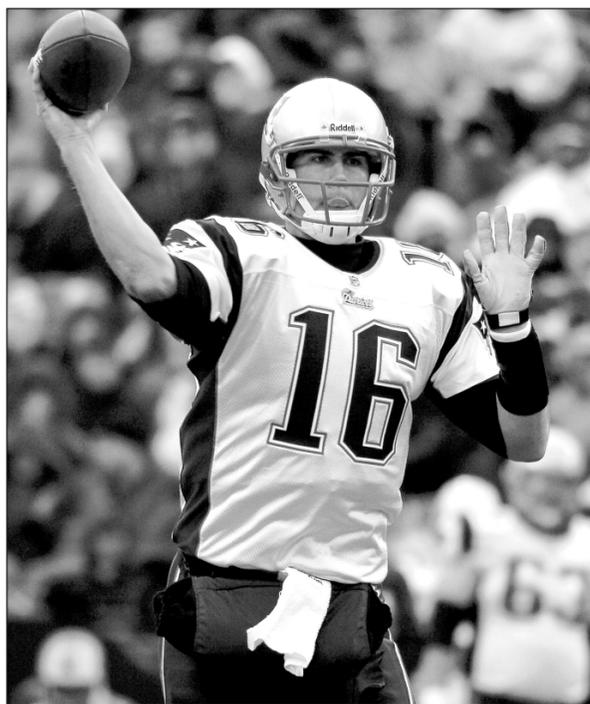
"I've been working really, really hard for a long time, and I finally had an opportunity last year and got a taste of what it's like to be out there and play and be on the field every snap," he said. "I'm excited that I'll have the opportunity to do the same thing here and try to get this thing going and get on the right track and win ball games."

On paper, the Chiefs clearly got the better end of the deal.

Cassel, after three years as Tom Brady's backup and five more on the bench at Southern California, proved to be a more-than-capable starter, leading the Patriots to an 11-5 record after Brady suffered a season-ending knee injury in the opener against Kansas City.

Cassel would have become a free agent in the off-season, so the Patriots hit him with the franchise tag as insurance in case Brady didn't fully recuperate. With Brady's recovery going well, New England opted to trade Cassel instead of paying the 2007 MVP's backup \$14.65 million for one year.

Cassel was reportedly part of a proposed three-team trade that would have sent him to Denver and Bronco starter Jay Cutler to Tampa Bay — a rumor that left Cutler feeling a little



Don Heupel/Associated Press
New England Patriot quarterback Matt Cassel throws a pass against the Buffalo Bills in Orchard Park, N.Y., on Dec. 28, 2008. The Kansas City Chiefs acquired Cassel and linebacker Mike Vrabel from the New England Patriots in a trade for their second-round draft pick.

sour. That deal apparently fell through, and Kansas City was the beneficiary, getting a quarterback who threw for 3,693 yards and 21 touchdowns for what amounts to half a second-round draft pick.

"He's a guy with just one year of experience, but he's coming from a good system and a place where they've done a good job of winning games in the NFL," Haley said. "Anytime you can get a player that's been around winning, I think that's a good thing."

Cassel for a second-round draft pick probably would be seen as a steal. Adding Vrabel, too? That seems like tunnel-under-the-floor bank-heist stuff — again, on paper.

Though on the downside of his 12-year career, Vrabel will provide a veteran presence to a 2-14 team that was the youngest in the league last year. He also should give the Chiefs some help with a pass rush that had an NFL record-low 10 sacks a year ago.

A's, Cabrera close to a deal

Associated Press

PHOENIX — The Oakland Athletics are close to signing free agent Orlando Cabrera to a \$4 million, one-year contract, likely ending former AL Rookie of the Year Bobby Crosby's disappointing tenure as the team's starting shortstop.

The Athletics said there would not be an announcement Monday. The deal is contingent on the 34-year-old Cabrera's passing a physical.



Cabrera shortstop

Cabrera, a two-time Gold Glove winner, hit .281 with eight home runs and 57 RBIs in 161 games with the Chicago White Sox last season.

He's also played for the Montreal Expos, Boston Red Sox, and Los Angeles Angels over a 12-year career.

Crosby, the 2004 AL Rookie of the Year, came to camp as the A's incumbent shortstop, but it was widely known the

A's were looking elsewhere.

Crosby, who has a lifetime batting average of .239 and has missed considerable time to injury, spent six weeks during the off-season working with former major leaguer Mark McGwire.

"I want to get better," Crosby said recently. "I know I haven't played as well as I can. I'm changing my approach, my

stance. For the most part, I think there's always something I can improve upon. I know I have the support of the guys. I take the attitude I'll go out and play."

Crosby finished with an on-base percentage under .300 in each of the past three years. He has cut down on his strikeouts, but he has also cut down on his walks, and he hits into

too many double plays.

A's manager Bob Geren told the media earlier in the spring that Crosby "is going to be in the lineup and he's going to play."

Crosby hit a home run in his first spring at bat, a towering drive off Milwaukee's Manny Parra. He's hit safely in his first three starts and was batting .429 through Sunday.

BASEBALL

Marlins' new park stalled

MIAMI (AP) — The Florida Marlins' bid to build a new ballpark in Miami has stalled again.

Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos Alvarez on Monday said that until city officials can decide whether they want the new stadium in Miami's Little Havana neighborhood, county officials will no longer work on the deal. Alvarez called the political climate that surrounds the proposal "toxic."

City commissioners are expected to take up most of the stadium agreement on Friday. In February, city commissioners met for 7½ hours without reaching a final decision on the plan to build a 37,000-seat stadium.

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the ledge

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100 Shots of Beer in 100 Minutes

- Shot 14: I'm suddenly hungry. I could really go for some eggs.
- Shot 15: I wonder why eggs don't taste like chicken.
- Shot 16: I guess it's probably for the same reason that milk and cheese don't taste like beef.
- Shot 17: I wonder why milk and cheese don't taste like beef.
- Shot 18: I wonder if you could make cheese out of breast milk.
- Shot 19: If you could make cheese out of breast milk, that'd be tits.
- Shot 20: I shouldn't be allowed to have this much time alone with my thoughts.
- Shot 21: Maybe I should've brought some porn along.
- Shot 22: You'd think February would be a better retail month than November. You know, February has four Black Fridays.
- Shot 23: Yep, definitely should've brought some porn along.
- Shot 24: Nothing gross, though — just some normal, everyday girl-on-guy-on-girl-with-a-midget-introduced-into-the-scene-at-some-point-pornography would be nice.
- Shot 25: ... Though I'd hate for the paramedics to find me dead of alcohol poisoning with porn on freeze-framed on the TV.
- Shot 26: I don't wanna die like that, and I don't wanna die before visiting New Zealand.
- Shot 27: And I don't wanna die before visiting Japan.
- Shot 28: And I don't wanna die before visiting the hospital.
- Shot 29: Man, all this thinking about death is harshing my buzz; it's reminding me of Uncle Ralph's passing.
- Shot 30: Yeah, Ralph's death was really difficult on me — especially the making it look like an accident part.
- Shot 31: Wow, I should NOT be allowed this much time alone with my thoughts.

- Andrew R. Juhl continues his odyssey to join the Century Club tomorrow.

Think you're pretty funny? Prove it. The *Daily Iowan* is looking for Ledge writers. You can submit a Ledge at daily-iowan@uiowa.edu. If we think it's good, we'll run it — and maybe contact you for more.

CLEANING UP



DAVID SCRIVNER/THE DAILY IOWAN

UI freshman Madison Fontana works on homework while waiting for laundry in Slater on Monday. With the cold weather and upcoming midterms, the laundry room often becomes a popular place to study.

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SOLUTION TO MONDAY'S PUZZLE

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UITV schedule

Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

- 12:30 p.m.** News from Québec (in French)
1 "Prairie Lights" Archive, John T. Price
2 News from Germany (in German)
3 Women at Iowa, Carole Peterson
4 Build a Library, CIC Lecture, October 2008
5:30 Faculty Jazz Concert 1/25/2009
6:30 Hawkeye Athletics
- 7** Women at Iowa, Carole Peterson
8 Build a Library, CIC Lecture, October 2008
9:30 Daily Iowan TV News
9:45 "Java Blend" Encore
10 Hawkeye Athletics
10:30 Daily Iowan TV News
10:45 "Java Blend" Encore
11 Women at Iowa, Carole Peterson

today's events

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- **UI Student Health Fair Blood Drive**, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Field House Main Deck
- **Story Time: Happy Birthday, Dr. Suess**, 10 a.m., Barnes & Noble, Coral Ridge Mall
- **Tot Time**, 10 a.m., North Liberty Community Library, 520 W. Cherry
- **Preschool Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth St., Coralville
- **Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Rhetoric Seminar**, 10:30 a.m., 106 Bowman House
- **Department of Microbiology Seminar, "Persistence pays off: Understanding the mechanisms of antibiotic tolerance in Salmonella,"** Gregory Phillips, Iowa State University, 3 p.m., Bowen Auditorium III
- **Information Session about the Russian Politics and Foreign Affairs Study-Abroad Program (Summer 09)**, 4 p.m., 1124 University Capitol Centre
- **"Arnold Bocklin's Mountains, Art in the age of Psychology,"** Hubertus Kohle, 5:30 p.m., 70 Van Allen
- **Colon Cancer Awareness Evening**, 6 p.m., Bickford Senior Living, 3500 Lower West Branch Road
- **Aviation Movie Night**, 6:30 p.m., Alexis Park Inn and Suites, 1165 S. Riverside Drive
- **DivorceCare**, 7 p.m., First Mennonite Church, 405 Myrtle Ave.
- **Inclusive Ballroom**, 7 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Yiyun Li, fiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Silent Light**, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **Duncan Sheik**, 8 p.m., CSPS, 1103 Third St. S.E., Cedar Rapids
- **Iowa Bach Festival, "The Bach Expedition: New Perspectives on J. S. Bach's Life and Works,"** Christoph Wolff, 8 p.m., Pappajohn Business Building Buchanan Auditorium
- **Tuesday Nigh Jam Session**, 8:30 p.m., Hilltop, 1100 N. Dodge
- **Big D's Karaoke Jamz**, 9 p.m., Big Ten Lounge, 707 First Ave., Coralville
- **Tuesday Night Social Club**, 9 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Ballast**, 9:30 p.m., Bijou

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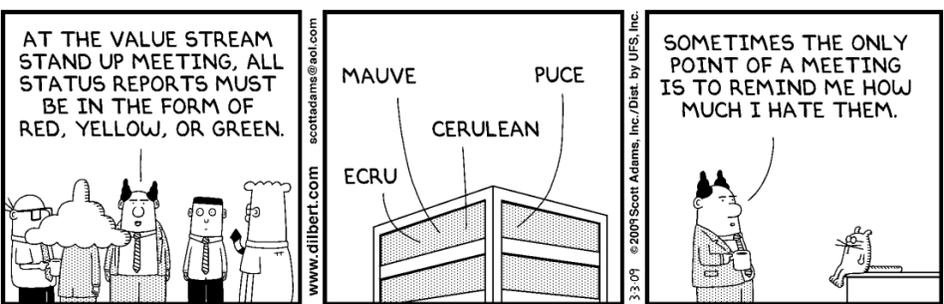
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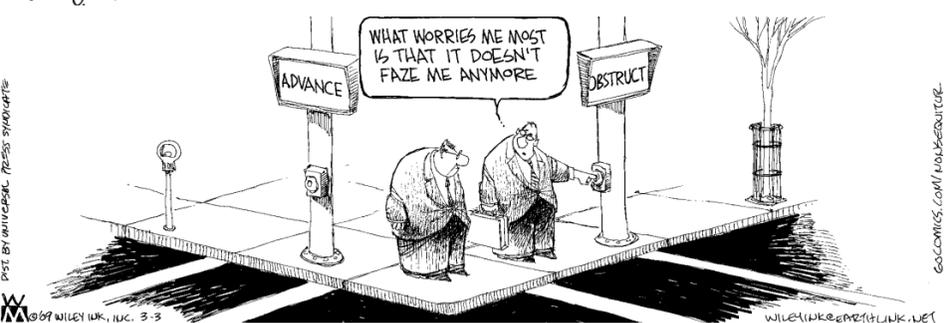
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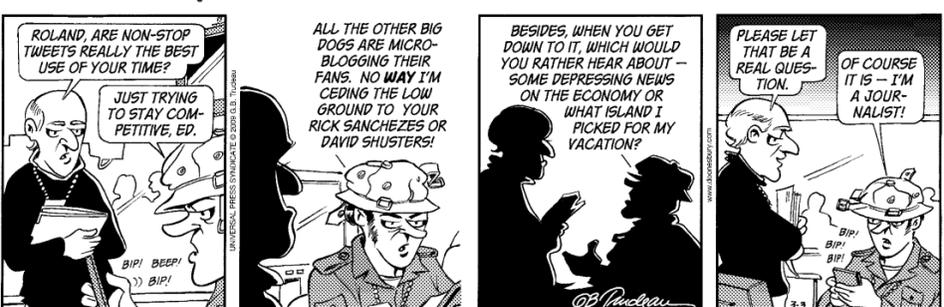
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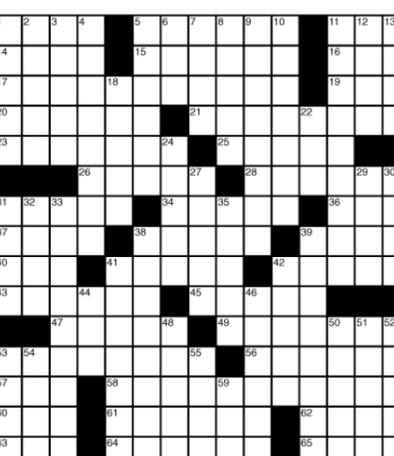
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 - 5 China shop purchase
 - 11 Seminoles' sch.
 - 14 Baseball's Moises or Felipe
 - 15 Play starter
 - 16 "___ only money!"
 - 17 Game with "Out of Gas" cards
 - 19 Certain whiskey
 - 20 Spots for spats
 - 21 High-voltage weapon
 - 23 Had a yen
 - 25 Word with double or free
 - 26 Furrier John Jacob ___
 - 28 Classic Isaac Asimov short-story collection
 - 31 Popular fabric softener
 - 34 Big name in retail jewelry
 - 36 Gives the thumbs-up
 - 37 Composer Satie
 - 38 Some mailings to record execs
 - 39 Go sprawling
 - 40 AOL alternative
 - 41 Nation once known as Dahomey
 - 42 Horses' locks
 - 43 Like newly laid lawns
 - 45 Alternative to a station wagon or convertible
 - 47 Contradict
 - 49 Convertibles, informally
 - 53 Cop's cruiser
 - 56 Check out of a library, e.g.
 - 57 Place for a plug
 - 58 Robert Ludlum protagonist
 - 60 Ugly as ___
 - 61 Former British P.M. Clement ___
 - 62 Larry who won the 1987 Masters
 - 63 Poem of Sappho
 - 64 Start over with, as a lawn
 - 65 Salon sound
- Down**
- 1 Bar soap brand
 - 2 Flared dress
 - 3 Oomph band tune
 - 4 Exert one's superiority
 - 5 Typewriter formatting feature
 - 6 Prefix with system or sphere
 - 7 Gillette razor
 - 8 Braga of film
 - 9 Vigorous feelings
 - 10 Lab personnel
 - 11 Heir to a throne, typically
 - 12 Eyelid woe
 - 13 Tech's customer
 - 18 ___weensy
 - 22 "I'll take that as ___"
 - 24 Dunkin' Donuts order
 - 27 Harold of "Ghostsbusters"
 - 29 Depression-era migrant
 - 41 Sylvia Plath novel, with "The"
 - 42 Myopic Mr.
 - 44 Mountain ___ (soda)
 - 46 Applied gently
 - 48 Some bridge seats
 - 50 Sen. Hatch of Utah
 - 51 ___ scheme (investment scam)
 - 52 Remove dust bunnies
 - 53 Colombian cash
 - 54 Drug bust, e.g.
 - 55 58-Across, for Matt Damon
 - 59 Bridal bow word

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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