Despite a number of changes, officials say they're pushing ahead with the hotel/conference center project

By Steven M. Kinning

CORALVILLE PROJECT TO PROCEED

The University of Iowa plans to build a $70-million hotel and conference center project, university officials said Wednesday.

The hotel, located in the Coral Ridge Mall, will be the largest hotel in Coralville and will feature meeting rooms, a ballroom, restaurant and bar.

"The project is moving forward," said UI Chancellor Phillip D. gradient, who said the university will seek approval from the Iowa Board of Regents to move forward with the project.

UI President Bruce Harreld announced the project during a press conference Wednesday, saying the university was "excited about the potential this project offers for the university and the community." He added that the hotel will provide revenue for the university and help support its mission.

The hotel will be located on the site of the Coralville Center for Performing Arts, which opened in 2008. The center is currently used for concerts, conferences and other events.

UI officials said the hotel will be part of a larger development plan for the Coral Ridge Mall that includes the construction of a new retail center and other improvements.

The hotel is expected to create about 200 jobs and generate an estimated $10 million in annual revenue for the university.

"We are pleased to see this project move forward," said UI Foundation President John E. Eccleston. "This project will help support the university's mission and provide a much-needed economic boost to the Coralville area."
Groups form to stop Wal-Mart
Some Iowa City residents believe that a proposed Iowa City Wal-Mart Supercenter will drive out other business.

BY ELAINE FABIAN

A handful of Iowa City residents are uniting against Wal-Mart plans to move into the city. The initiative is part of the national coalition of local residents against the retail giant's plans to build a Supercenter. The coalition started two years ago when residents of Prince Avenue in Urbandale learned that the corporation had plans to move into the area.

"Wal-Mart is an organized crime operation," said Anne Jones, a member of the coalition. Jones' husband, Tom, is a retired police captain who worked for 30 years in law enforcement. "Now everyone has seen what the effect of Wal-Mart is in the smaller communities, and I believe that if it comes to a very large community such as Iowa City, it will do damage."

The group consists of local residents who have joined together to form a coalition to prevent Wal-Mart from entering Iowa City. The organization is currently organizing themselves and planning their next steps.

The residents are expressing concern about the impact that Wal-Mart will have on the local economy and the environment. They fear that the company will drive out local businesses and create a negative impact on the city's economy.

The group is planning to hold a public meeting to discuss their concerns and to gather support from the community. They are also looking into legal options to prevent Wal-Mart from entering Iowa City.

The group is encouraging other residents to join and get involved in the coalition. They believe that together they can make a difference and prevent Wal-Mart from moving into Iowa City.

Some question need for new elementary school

BY KELLY REHAN

A new elementary school is needed in the Cedar River school district to accommodate projected jumps in student enrollment, district administrators said.

"I think it's good future placing, but I interpret that some community members think we have to spend the money now," said Superintendent Largen.

Some community members, however, pointed out that the district would need to spend the money elsewhere or at least postpone the purchase until officials are certain that a new school is needed. Under the agreement, the district would contribute $300,000 to the project, with the cities of Iowa City and Cedarville each adding an additional $15,000. The board will review approximately $30,000 for fees, but the board is looking to $220,000.

The city's estimate for the construction of the new school is $600,000. Largen said that the district would need to spend $270,000 to $300,000 to complete the project.

RAG ATTENTION

CITY

Supervisors eye land-use plan

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday with city council members and a consultant to discuss a possible land-use plan. The supervisors are currently working on a comprehensive land-use plan for the city.

Before reaching any conclusions, the County Land Use Plan, the Illinois City Plan, and the county comprehensive plan will be completed. The supervisors will then make the plans for the city council and the Johnson County Comprehensive Plan of Government. The supervisors will make an attempt to integrate some of the ideas developed in these plans.

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"It will look like a lot of people in the future volunteering meetings," said Supervisor Salty Stutsman. The supervisors have not made a decision on how to proceed with the comprehensive land-use plan.
Bush thanks U.S. troops

BY JIM VANDEHEI

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NEWS

C’ville project goes on

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The Iowa River Landing Devel­

Bruckell, told officials at a landmark hotel groundbreaking ceremony in Coralville, has his sights set on shaving the hotel and conference center.

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The state Board of Regents unanimously approved the contract in August, after which UI off­

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We've received more than a few letters lately about the high gas prices. Here are a few opinions on the matter.

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**OPINION QUESTIONS**

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact us. For more information, please visit our website.
By Arina Wilkinson

It’s a Friday night, and 19-year-old Cherie Brown is in the floor, her gymnasium-like body contorting into impossible positions. There are looks of admiration and a few shouts from the people around her, hardly audible over the incessant beat pounding from DJ Bernies. At 6:45, the music starts to build. As James Brown solo-ed and was eliminated, she started dancing. She was wearing a white shirt and black pants, with “Hip-Hop” written on the front. Brown is a member of the Distinctive Professionals Crew, one of the most recognized crews in Iowa City. The crew is known for its elaborate and colorful stage setups, which often include pyrotechnics and special effects. The group has established a strong following in the mid-80s, and now its dancers are popping and locking the Latino community in Iowa City. Renteria, a member of the Distinctive Professionals Crew, is one of the main performers. There are looks of admiration and a few shouts from the people around her, hardly audible over the incessant beat pounding from DJ Bernies. At 6:45, the music starts to build. As James Brown solo-ed and was eliminated, she started dancing. She was wearing a white shirt and black pants, with “Hip-Hop” written on the front. Brown is a member of the Distinctive Professionals Crew, one of the most recognized crews in Iowa City. The crew is known for its elaborate and colorful stage setups, which often include pyrotechnics and special effects. The group has established a strong following in the mid-80s, and now its dancers are popping and locking the Latino community in Iowa City. Renteria, a member of the Distinctive Professionals Crew, is one of the main performers.
China toughens stance on Japan

China has toughened its stance on Japan, warning that relations between the two countries will be strained unless Tokyo apologizes for its past aggression.

Tensions have been building for months over Japan’s decision to purchase the Senkaku Islands, a group of islands also claimed by China, from private hands.

China's Foreign Minister Mo Ibrahim said the United States should play a role in resolving the dispute.

"We are willing to engage in dialogue if Japan shows a genuine commitment to resolving the issue," Mr. Ibrahim said. "But we cannot accept any actions that are based on unilateral decisions."
Hawks rain on Panther parade

The Hawkeye baseball team comes back in the seventh inning to beat UNI 9-7

Spring football ends with a lot of work left for fall

We have a lot of improvement to make. There are a lot of questions to be answered. I would anticipate a lot of those things will go right through August and possibly the September.

NCAA considers adding 12th football game to season
By BYRAN LONG

The HAWKEYE BASEBALL TEAM takes on Northern Illinois today before heading back into Big Ten action this weekend.

Northern Illinois is a program that's really been on the rise, and its playing very similar to the way that we were playing before this past weekend.

—we coach Josh Dahn

IOWA (10-15) VS. NORTHERN ILLINOIS (9-18)

LEFT FIELD: CLAY TATE, IOWA CITY, IOWA 200

WEEKEND MOMENTUM

IOWA MEN’S BASEBALL continued...
Hawks inch it out in seventh

Baseball

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The win Saturday recorded the first of six straight games the Hawks took the lead for good.

The Hawks' first game in the series was the second of two to win in a row by 1-0 scores. The first was in the fifth inning, when they scored on a triple to lead the game at Michigan. And before that, Huskies had beaten Iowa the long ball. Coaching staff and players are famed to get made.

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"If we did think with the intensity and the focus that we needed, we would have made a mistake," he said.

After a disappointing April, Iowa is setting at a surprising third place in the Big Ten.

"The humble has always been there — everybody has always been there, except for the clutch hit," Peterson said. "And lately everybody wants to be in that attention right now, and we're all getting it done."

BY TIM DAHLBERG

Sports are a great diversion, but sometimes they're tragic, too

The day was picture perfect, but few could see the joy in Tiger Woods' face. He had just lost in the 14th hole of the Masters, the title he has coveted for years. It was a moment of heartache for those who had followed him so closely, especially his fans.

With the score tied after 18 holes, Tiger Woods played an extraordinary 19th hole to win the Masters. His scintillating 66 was the lowest score ever recorded in a major championship.

"I'm very happy for Tiger, but I'm also very sad for the fans," said Scott Verplank, who finished second.

Tiger Woods' win in the Masters sends a powerful message to the golf world and the world at large. It is a reminder of the staying power of passion and the strength of the human spirit.

The world is much better for Tiger Woods' win, and we can't help but think about the future of this great sport. Who knows what the future holds for Tiger Woods? Only time will tell.

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SPORTS

Second-place finish (by Chris Dimarco)

A BRIGHT FUTURE WITH NO GUARANTEES

BY DOUG FERDINAND

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Chris DiMarco had a solid week in the Masters, and a long list of television and radio interviews to do, the kind of treatment afforded a Masters champion.

DiMarco was only the runner-up. The guy with the green jacket — Tiger Woods — was on the other side of the map. Not that there was anything wrong with 48-21, 19-2 in the playoffs.

"It was so much fun," DiMarco said after his playoff loss to Tiger Woods. "It was an absolute dream."
Colorado hires San Diego State AD

Director Mike Bobo has agreed to return to Iowa and fill the position vacated by athletic director Tuey Jones in order to work within Colorado's troubled department, the university announced Wednesday. Bobo will be introduced as the school's new athletic director on Friday.

The 45-year-old Boulder, Colo., native was defensive coordinator at Air Force in 1994-2004 and was a defensive line coach at Colorado State in 1990-98. He also was the school's athletics director from 1998-2002 before leaving for San Diego State.

Bobo also worked for Colorado's two other major Division I programs — as an offensive assistant, defensive coordinator at Air Force from 1994-2004 and as an offensive line coach at Colorado State in 1990-98.

Bobo, who graduated from Boulder, met with university officials in Colorado on Monday to discuss the possibility that he would return to Iowa State, where he served as AD for about 18 months. He quit that job after he was delayed by the problems in the Colorado athletics department.

"In these positions, you look for somebody who is the best person and has the skills to lead the department," said university president Bruce Harreld. "I think Mike Bobo is that person."
**quote of the day**

"From time to time, you come across a circumstance with which you are unique—in even a bizarre—circumstances."

—National police spokesman Dan Aaron, in describing a case in which a Nashville man was beaten to death after catching his wife's lover living in a closet in their home. The lover had been there around a month without the husband's knowledge.

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**horoscopes**

**Wednesday, April 13, 2000**

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**: Some of you may have some areas to start looking at. You may have some parts of your body that are in need of some extra work to get them in tip-top shape. Be sure to start thinking about your health. You will be able to do this more easily if you take the time to do something nice for yourself.

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**news you need to know**

**April 15**: Last day for undergraduates to withdraw entire registration, 4:30 p.m. — Summer and fall full-semester registration (April 15-29)

**April 15**: Last day for undergraduates to submit work to faculty for removal of incompletes.

**April 15-21**: Last day for students to request a change in final-exam schedule

**Winter 2000-01 spring course offerings call for copy**

**DMU University Box Office.**

- Staff Council Meeting, 2:30 p.m., 1st floor, Union.
- 2001 Strategic Taskforce Meeting, 8:30 a.m., 1st floor, Union.
- Friday Night Rodeo, 9:15 p.m., Cultural Hall.
- Saturday Night Rodeo, 9:15 p.m., Cultural Hall.
- 10,000 Hours Show ticket pickup forIowa State Fair, 10 a.m., Union.
- Iowa State Fair, 1 p.m., Union.
- Iowa State Fair, 3 p.m., Union.
- Iowa State Fair, 5 p.m., Union.
- Iowa State Fair, 7 p.m., Union.
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**happy birthday to . . .**

**April 13**: Chad Parson, 20, Appleier, Minnesota.

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**UTV schedule**

**5 p.m.** Live from Prairie Lights, Thomas Coot

**6 p.m.** The Search for Extraterrestrial Life, Thomas Coon

**7 p.m.** The Search for Extraterrestrial Life, Thomas Coon

**8 p.m.** Break the Mold: What is the Event Center Center? Business 10 am, Union.

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