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Partly sunny, turning cloudy later, breezy, 60% chance of rain/T-storms.

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Prof renowned for work on stuttering



Patrick Larkin/The Daily Iowan

Tricia Zebrowski, a UI associate professor of speech pathology, demonstrates the technology she uses in her research in a therapy room at the Wendell Johnson Speech and Hearing Center on Aug. 28. Zebrowski uses tiny sensors called irids placed on the lips of patients to create three-dimensional models of their speech patterns.

A UI professor uses demonstration videos, among other techniques, to treat stuttering.

By **Melanie Kucera**
 THE DAILY IOWAN

A fascination with communication was all it took. Tricia Zebrowski, a UI associate professor of speech pathology, cites that fascination as the trigger for her more than 30-year career assisting those with speech and language disorders. "I'm interested in the whole area of communication and how we communicate, but also what can go wrong with communication," she said.

Roughly 3 million Americans stutter. And while most people outgrow stuttering, approximately 1 percent of the adult population does not, according to the National Organization of Deafness and Other Communication Disorders. Zebrowski is a well-known speech pathologist in a growing field. Because of her national reputation, she was tapped in 1996 by the Stuttering Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping people who stutter,

SEE **STUTTER**, 3A

Stopping stuttering

Annual UI stuttering events:

- UI Speaks: A weeklong program to help teenagers with stuttering problems, June 8-14, 2009
- UI Friend's Day: A one-day workshop, bringing children, teenagers, families, and speech pathologists to campus, Oct. 4.
- Stuttering Foundation Workshop for Specialists: A weeklong workshop bringing speech pathologists from all over the world, June 21-28, 2009

Source: Tricia Zebrowski, UI associate professor of speech pathology

Shooter program has critics

A training program will address safety threats in and out of the classroom.

By **Peter Gustin**
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Some members of the UI community don't like the idea of taking part a program that will teach how to react to an on-campus shooter. But the wheels are in motion for the training program, which will be similar to the UI

police's Rape Aggression Defense Program.

"[The program] will happen," said Charles Green, the associate vice president for the UI police. "But with the flood, everything just got pushed back."

While information for the program is being researched, and it has no specific launch date, some officers around

campus are already training for a situation involving a shooter.

"Some of the training will be to try to identify anyone in the community who exhibits behavior that is disturbing and to have well publicized resources to go to for help," Green said. "It will also help to relate a story and see if we can give some help to this person

in distress."

The program will also help with assessing problems, he said.

The initiative, however, has made some students and professors feel uninterested, uncomfortable, or even paranoid.

SEE **GUNMAN**, 3A

First of a seven-part series of home-game citation counts

This year's first home football game yielded high numbers on and off the field.

While the Hawkeyes beat Maine, 46-3, officers doled out at least \$16,050 in fines and more than 100 drug- and alcohol-related citations over the weekend of Aug. 29 to Sunday — \$3,000 more than last year's first home game.

Police gave out 38 PAULAs and 39 public-intoxication citations this past weekend, compared with the 25 PAULAs and 25 public-intoxication citations handed out last year.

Authorities also issued 12 open-alcohol-container possessions, six OWIs, five unlawful uses of others'

IDs, two counts of presence in a bar after hours, two disorderly house complaints, two marijuana possessions, and one drug-paraphernalia possession.

Fifty-five underage individuals — 48 who are 18 to 20 year olds — got tickets this weekend.

During last year's first home game weekend, 37 tickets issued to that age group.

Iowa City police Sgt. Vicki Lalla said she didn't know if more police were on duty to monitor the large influx of people.

— by Kurt Cunningham and Ashton Shurson

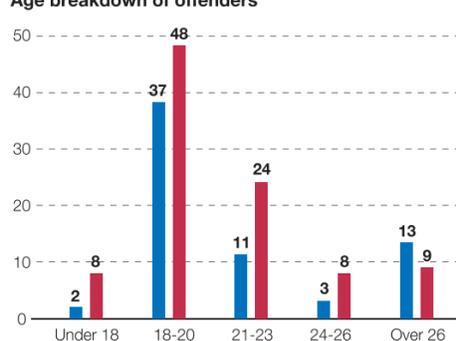
Busted

Because football and tailgating seem to be synonymous, Iowa alcohol- and drug-related fines are never far behind. When the Hawkeyes are home, the *DI* will track just how hard people party and make monetary cents of the weekend's blotter. Revelers at this past weekend's home football game racked up more than 100 alcohol- and drug-related violations, which total at least \$16,050 in fines.

Alcohol- and drug-related violations

	2007 first home game, Sept. 7-9	2008 first home game, Aug. 29-31
Public intoxication	25	39
PAULA	25	38
Possession of open containers	10	12
OWI	7	6
Unlawful use of another's ID	5	5
Marijuana possession	4	2
Disorderly house	3	2
Presence in a bar after hours	2	2
Possession of drug paraphernalia	1	1

Age breakdown of offenders



Jacqueline Cieslak/The Daily Iowan

IC's Myrtle reach

Myrtle Avenue tailgaters remain loyal to Hawkeye football and their hotspot.



First in a seven-part series

Every season, the Black and Gold faithful flock to Kinnick Stadium with beer, brats, football, and family, transforming the typically tranquil residential roads surrounding the stadium into raucous roosts. For many Hawks, it's tailgating season. Keeping checking back with *The Daily Iowan* and dailyiowan.com after every home game as we add additional sites, sounds, and stories.

By **Lauren Sieben**
 THE DAILY IOWAN

With the exception of a few cars belonging to UI hospital employees, the Myrtle Avenue parking lot sits mostly empty on Friday nights. That is, unless it's the night before a Hawkeye football game.

Tailgaters leave their cars in the lot starting as early as 7 p.m. the day before a home game. By 8 a.m. the next day, the lot is full.

Latecomers — anyone who tries to park after 6:30 a.m. — must maneuver slowly around the dense sea of black-and-gold clad Hawkeye fans, tents, and steaming grills. Most of the empty parking spots have been taken over by beer-pong tables and lawn chairs, posing another parking challenge for the latecomer.

Although parking spaces are rare by the time the sun rises, Myrtle's loyal group of tailgaters comes back for every home game.

"Tailgating is waking up, having a beer for breakfast, getting with your friends, and having a good time," Morningside College graduate Casey Gibbs said. "I think it's just the camaraderie of everybody being together. It kind of extends the day a little bit."

UI junior Rich Guidolin and sophomore Chris Tank woke up at 4:30 a.m. on Aug. 30 to make it to the lot in which they had left three cars the night before. Guidolin and

SEE **TAILGATE**, 3A



Dem Convention thrills some students

By Briana Byrd
THE DAILY IOWAN

It wasn't the lights, heat, or crowds that stuck in their minds.

For the six UI students who attended the Democratic Convention in Denver last week, it was the chance to meet and learn from those they had only heard about on the news or in their textbooks.

"It was an opportunity of a lifetime," UI junior Mitchell Livingston said. "Not too often do you get the opportunity to go to a convention, especially a historic one."

The students, led by UI political-science Associate Professor Cary Covington, met with state and national politicians, attended forums, and witnessed Democratic nominee Barack Obama speak.

"There were people everywhere," UI junior Tina Weinert said. "It was crazy how many people there were — from

UI student reflects



To read a student's firsthand account of the Democratic Convention, check out dailyiowan.com.

protesters to police, it was hard to know who was who."

John Pearson, also a UI junior, said he got an e-mail from the UI's political-science department about the opportunity, prompting him to apply.

"It was not cheap, but it was worth it," he said.

The six students paid for the trip to the nonprofit organization Washington Center for Internship and Academic Seminars.

The group — which also included Bryce Parker, Kyle Treat, and Chathan Vemuri — met with such politicians as Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa, Gov. Chet Culver, Rep. Bruce Braley, D-Iowa, Sen. Dick Durban, D-Ill., and Pennsylvania Gov. Ed Rendell.

Meeting the influential figures allowed the political-

Learning firsthand

Whom UI students met at the convention:

- Iowa Rep. Dave Loebsack
- Gov. Chet Culver
- Iowa Rep. Bruce Braley
- Sen. Dick Durban, D-Ill.
- Pennsylvania Gov. Ed Rendell

Source: UI junior John Pearson

science students to further their opportunities in the field through networking.

"I set myself up so if I wanted to do anything in the future with campaigns or internships, I would have the opportunity," Livingston said. "I got to know a lot of people so for any future endeavors that I have, I can go to them to get started. Meeting all the elected officials helped to jump-start me."

The group also heard Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi speak, Pearson said.

"It was really cool to see the

stuff we read about in books firsthand," he said. "We were actually talking to the politicians we read about — not just reading about them or seeing them on TV. We were actually there."

Obama's acceptance speech was memorable, said the students, who showed up six hours before the speech.

"We were sitting there just waiting and anticipating, and finally, he came out," Weinert said. "The historic aspect of it was awesome. Finally he won, and the Clintons came out to support him. To see all that support and to see him do so well was really cool."

Pearson, who worked for the Obama campaign, said his experience at the convention was almost surreal.

"You see him on TV, and you don't think you'll actually be there," Pearson said. "It was magical. Everyone was excited and motivated to do whatever they could to help the campaign."

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POLICE BLOTTER

Jennifer Alcock, 18, G39 Hillcrest, was charged Aug. 22 with PAULA.

Michael Altebrando, 21, 626 S. Van Buren St., was charged Aug. 30 with criminal trespassing and public intoxication.

Stephanie Amend, 18, Waterloo, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Justin Bahnsen, 22, Charles City, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

William Baker, 18, 2107 Quadrangle, was charged Aug. 29 with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

Michael Baldino, 18, 927 Slater, was charged Monday with PAULA.

Eric Barfels, 19, Dunkerton, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Jami Becker, 23, address unknown, was charged Aug. 30 with interference with official acts and public intoxication.

Taylor Bombei, 20, Keota, Iowa, was charged Aug. 31 with public intoxication.

Mark Booth, 25, 626 Diana Court, was charged Aug. 31 with bribery and OWI.

David Boussios, 20, Mount Vernon, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Scott Bower, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Aug. 29 with PAULA.

Jason Bowling, 22, Davenport, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Kaitlin Brooks, 20, 820 E. Burlington St. Apt. 8, was charged Monday with PAULA.

Jason Buckner, 28, 401 Hawk Ridge Apt. 4305A, was charged Aug. 31 with OWI and possession of marijuana.

Justin Bucklin, 18, 511 Slater, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Zachary Burris, 18, 412B Mayflower, was charged Aug. 29 with public intoxication.

Michael Carrero, 19, Midlothian, Ill., was charged Aug. 29 with public intoxication, PAULA, and unlawful use of another's driver's license/ID.

Michael Carroll, 19, 320 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 1031, was charged Aug. 28 with PAULA.

Michelle Chase, 20, 73 Amhurst, was charged Aug. 29 with PAULA.

Christopher Cirillo, 20, 515 E. Burlington St. Apt. 6, was charged Aug. 29 with PAULA.

Fred Crump, 30, address unknown, was charged Aug. 30 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Tyler Dailey, 21, 5540 Kirkwood Blvd. S.W. Apt. 6, was charged Aug. 30 with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

Curtis Decker, 19, 200 Kirkwood Blvd. S.W. Apt. 6, was charged Aug. 22 with PAULA.

Jacob Delong, 21, Muscatine, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Craig Dock, 25, Coal City, Ill., was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Kristin Dunne, 18, 712 E. Market St. Apt. 1, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA, possession of an open alcohol container in public, and interference with official acts.

William Elmer, 23, West Union, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication and criminal trespassing.

Darin Evangelista, 19, 333 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2121, was charged Aug. 28 with keeping a disorderly house.

Ryan Fangman, 23, Cedar Falls, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Eric Fisher, 19, 221 Iowa Ave. Apt. 1931, was charged Aug. 29 with PAULA.

Ryan Foley, 21, 402 S. Lucas St., was charged Aug. 30 with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

David Frideres, 18, Algona, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Adam Garza, 19, Wacott, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Christopher George, 32, West Des Moines, was charged Aug. 30 with

OWI.

Sean Gertler, 20, 444 S. Johnson St. Apt. 7, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Jessie Glenn, 18, Palo, Iowa, was charged Aug. 29 with PAULA.

Kyle Glenn, 19, 319 E. Court St., was charged Aug. 30 with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

Matthew Gonzalez, 22, Cedar Rapids, was charged Monday with public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Issac Graham, 25, Waterloo, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Jacob Grein, 18, Wesley, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Justin Grover, 25, Waterloo, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication and fifth-degree criminal mischief.

Jonathan Heideman, 20, 703 N. Dubuque St., was charged Aug. 22 with PAULA.

Kenneth Hekemann, 19, Carbondale, Ill., was charged Monday with PAULA.

Andrew Hejlik, 29, Webster City, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Jeffrey Henderson, 39, Cedar Rapids, was charged Aug. 28 with possession of an open alcohol container in public and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Christopher Horras, 23, 120 Shannon Drive Apt. 7, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Kyle Howald, 21, 922 E. College St. Apt. A1, was charged Aug. 30 with assault on emergency personnel, public intoxication, and disorderly conduct.

Harold Howard, 20, 1131 Third Ave. Apt. 2B, was charged Aug. 27 with public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Tracy Humphrey, 29, 405 Dakota Trail, was charged Aug. 30 with fifth-degree theft.

Peter Jahn, 20, Palos Park, Ill., was charged Aug. 31 with PAULA, possession of an open alcohol container in public, and public intoxication.

Brandon Janss, 18, Belle Plaine, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Justin Janss, 19, Belle Plaine, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Johnathan Kilmer, 24, Brooklyn, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Phillip Kircheloe, 18, Cedar Rapids, was charged Aug. 29 with OWI.

Christopher Kirkpatrick, 26, 401 Hawk Ridge Drive Apt. 4206, was charged Aug. 30 with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

Danielle Kitsis, 19, H452 Hillcrest, was charged Monday with PAULA.

Andrew Knebel, 19, Gilbertville, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Christopher Knowlton, 19, Des Moines, was charged Aug. 30 with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

Joshua Koenig, 21, Muscatine, was charged Aug. 30 with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

Colby Kreips, 18, Algona, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Dustin Krogman, 21, Clinton, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Ryan Kurovski, 19, Belle Plaine, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Anna Lassaux, 20, 525 S. Johnson St. Apt. 4, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Brady Loper, 20, 219 E. Church St. Apt. 13, was charged Monday with OWI.

Briana Manrique, 19, 504 S. Johnson St. Apt. 2, was charged Aug. 31 with PAULA.

David Macdonald, 20, 406 S. Gilbert

St. Apt. 917, was charged Aug. 22 with PAULA.

Nathan Mann-Wilson, 24, 510 E. Benton St., was charged Aug. 28 with disorderly conduct.

Matthew McCurdy, 23, Marion, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Tasha McKaughan, 18, 729 Michael St. Apt. 80, was charged Aug. 29 with unlawful use of another's driver's license/ID.

Killie McKenzie, 19, 919 E. Burlington St. Apt. 5, was charged Aug. 31 with PAULA.

Jose Mendieta-Rodriguez, 28, Coralville, was charged Aug. 31 with public intoxication.

Wesley McNabb, 19, 404 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 811, was charged Aug. 28 with PAULA.

John Meloy, 19, C226 Hillcrest, was charged Aug. 28 with public intoxication.

Tina Messick, 22, address unknown, was charged Aug. 28 with OWI and possession of prescription drugs.

Adrian Michel-Cuevas, 22, 4494 Taft Ave. S.E. Lot M27, was charged Aug. 27 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Brett Monthei, 18, 2129 Quadrangle, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA and presence in a bar after hours.

Jeffrey Moreland, 20, 960 Arlington Drive, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Vincent Morello, 21, 327 E. College St. Apt. 1738, was charged Aug. 28 with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

William Morio, 18, Palo, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Ryan Mulnix, 19, Coggon, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Sean Murphy, 21, Cedar Rapids, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Jakub Palka, 22, 319 E. Court St. Apt. 2, was charged Aug. 29 with keeping a disorderly house.

Ritesh Patel, 22, Omaha, was charged Aug. 31 with OWI.

Brett Patrick, 21, 509 S. Linn St. Apt. 7, was charged Aug. 29 with public intoxication.

Jeffrey Pawola, 21, 218 N. Lucas St., was charged Aug. 31 with keeping a disorderly house.

Robert Payne, 24, 221 S. Van Buren St., was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Brian Perkins, 44, 2018 Waterfront Drive Apt. 136, was charged Monday with fifth-degree theft.

Michael Peterson, 37, Coralville, was charged Aug. 31 with public intoxication.

Joshua Pickering, 19, Davenport, was charged Aug. 30 with OWI.

Jack Pierce, 20, 313 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2014, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Blake Reis, 21, Cedar Rapids, was charged Aug. 20 with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

Joshua Renes, 28, Des Moines, was charged Aug. 30 with third-offense domestic abuse.

Shelley Reus, 27, Des Moines, was charged Aug. 30 public intoxication.

Christopher Richmond, 18, N321 Hillcrest, was charged Aug. 31 with possession of a controlled substance.

Jessica Rischer, 18, Cedar Rapids, was charged Aug. 29 with PAULA.

Mark Rittenbacher, 20, Western Springs, Ill., was charged Aug. 31 with possession of an open alcohol container in public, PAULA, and public intoxication.

Phineas Robinson, 22, Hiawatha, Iowa, was charged Monday with public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Brittany Rose, 20, 530 N. Dubuque

St. Apt. 6, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Nicholas Rossino, 19, 618 E. Court St. Apt. 4, was charged Aug. 29 with PAULA.

Charles Ruess, 29, 20 Cherry Lane N.E., was charged Aug. 29 with driving while barred.

Robert Ryan, 25, Coggon, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Pete Sarich, 20, 321 S. Linn St. Apt. 125, was charged Aug. 30 with keeping a disorderly house.

Gerhard Schmidt, 58, address unknown, was charged Aug. 29 with third-offense public intoxication.

David Schriener, 51, Coralville, was charged Aug. 30 with disorderly conduct.

Dionte Shaw, 30, 2021 Taylor Drive, was charged Aug. 29 with domestic abuse.

Alex Smith, 22, Cedar Rapids, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Skylar Smith, 21, 1308 Tracy Lane, was charged Aug. 30 with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

Stephen Smith, 20, Davenport, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Matthew Stanford, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Tyrone Stewart, 31, address unknown, was charged Aug. 30 with distributing to persons under age, possession of marijuana, preventing apprehension, destroying evidence, and obstructing prosecution.

Willard Strauss, 44, Janesville, Min., was charged Aug. 31 with public intoxication.

Aaron Surber, 28, Des Moines, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Derrick Szegda, 30, Davenport, was charged Aug. 30 with disorderly conduct.

Christopher Taramelli, 19, Carol Stream, Ill., was charged Aug. 21 with PAULA.

Michael Thomas, 22, Carol Stream, Ill., was charged Aug. 28 with public intoxication.

Alisha Thompson, 20, 713 Bowery St., was charged Aug. 29 with PAULA.

Dean Thompson, 18, Livermore, Iowa, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Joseph Thorngren, 20, 2407 Petsel Place, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Amanda Tousignant, 23, 1313 Keokuk St., was charged Aug. 29 with possession of an open alcohol container in public.

Michael Trainor, 26, Chicago, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Jonathan Ulmes, 20, 515 E. Burlington St. Apt. 6, was charged Aug. 29 with PAULA.

Alicia Unkrich, 19, 200 Hawk Ridge Drive Apt. 2107, was charged Aug. 22 with PAULA.

Asaf Vaknin, 20, 503 N. Van Buren St., was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Kaleb Walker, 20, Cedar Falls, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Kody Whittington, 18, Montgomery, Ill., was charged Aug. 29 with possession of an open alcohol container in public, unlawful use of another's driver's license/ID, PAULA, and presence in a bar after hours.

Jason Wilcox, 25, 321 N. Johnson St. Apt. 10, was charged Aug. 30 with public intoxication.

Lucy Williams, 19, 648 S. Dodge St. Apt. 5, was charged Aug. 29 with PAULA.

Michael Winek, 20, 115 S. Governor St., was charged Aug. 29 with public intoxication.

Jonathan Wolfe, 18, 427 S. Johnson St. Apt. 6, was charged Aug. 30 with PAULA.

Daniel Zieker, 18, Arlington Heigh, Ill., was charged Aug. 30 with unlawful use of another's driver's license/ID.

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4. Big Ten, Mediacom say yes
5. Ferentz expects tough game against Maine

Prof works on stuttering

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to share her research throughout the field.

"Our most important purpose is providing direct help to people who stutter because most people do not know really where to start," said Jane Fraser, president of the foundation.

Fraser, who has worked with Zebrowski for more than 20 years, knows Zebrowski's skills in the field.

"One area where she is really strong is knowing the research and being up to date on it," Fraser said. "[The research] helps motivate people who stutter to make changes; it is easier to do therapy when you know why you are doing it."

Through the Stuttering Foundation, Zebrowski has contributed her knowledge to books, workshops, and demonstration videos.

The videos, which are unique to the field, address various topics and concerns regarding stuttering, feature well-known speech pathologists and people who stutter, Fraser said. Zebrowski has participated in six of the 44 videos. And while Zebrowski's efforts have had an obvious effect at the Stuttering Foundation, she has stood out at the UI's top-ranked graduate speech-pathology department for the past 20 years as well.

"She is an amazing teacher, researcher, and clinician," said Linda Louko, the director of the Wendell Johnson Speech and Hearing Clinic. "She has always, even though she is a researcher, maintained her interest in the clinic."

In addition to the behind-the-scenes work Louko cited,

Zebrowski leads two of the leading stuttering events on campus: UI Speaks and UI Friend's Day.

UI Speaks hosts teenagers for a week in Hillcrest and provides individual and group therapy in the Johnson Speech and Hearing Clinic.

Zebrowski said that a residential program working with teenagers is a rare combination to come across.

"Teenagers are a traditionally underserved population, and they often don't receive therapy," she said, adding that it may be because of their lack of motivation.

This event is being held in June 2009, the UI's 10th year hosting the program.

The other occasion, UI Friend's Day, takes place in early October and brings people of all ages to campus, allowing them to meet others who stutter, take part in self-help groups, and hear from other speech pathologists.

Though this is only the second year the program is being held at the UI, Friends is a national volunteer organization that has been connecting people who stutter, their families, and experts for years.

"There is so much more that we know about stuttering and how to help," Zebrowski said. "In previous years, we used to think the best treatment was to just not pay attention to it in the hopes that it will go away, but now we know that early intervention has a great benefit."

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TAILGATING TURF SERIES

Myrtle loyalists keep returning

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Tank have tailgated at Myrtle for every home game for nearly three years.

"We feel like [Myrtle] is more secluded, and I haven't seen a lot of cops around," Guidolin said.

By 7:30 a.m. Aug. 30, the entire lot smelled of grilled bratwurst and beer, stereos hung out the backs of cars blasting AC/DC and Journey from every corner of the lot, and drinking games abounded.

Beer-soaked pong tables were a centerpiece of nearly every group of tailgaters' camp. Later, they were easily converted into a surface for flippy cup games.

Guidolin's and Tank's group took to the less-conventional "bat bong," a drinking game that brings together hollowed-out plastic baseball bats and beer.

"[Myrtle] has a little more rowdy of an atmosphere that I like," said Lance Johnson, a Luther College graduate who has tailgated at Myrtle for around three years. "This is definitely a little bit younger crowd, not your older, best season-ticket holders. This is kind of your working-class, college-student crowd."

Although families and individuals of all ages come to Myrtle before the game, college



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Matt Kemp (right) throws a bag in a game of bags with Tom Smith on Aug. 30 while tailgating at the parking lot near the Boyd Law Building. Many people showed up to the lot to begin tailgating around 6 a.m. before the Iowa-Maine game.

students make up the majority of tailgaters.

This younger crowd can lead to a higher number of citations, Iowa City police Officer Greg Humrichouse said.

Police officers are stationed at all major tailgating sites to watch for underage drinking, public intoxication, and disorderly

contact, among other offenses. Humrichouse said Iowa City police regularly write these citations on weekends, but they are "much more pronounced on football [game days]."

But Myrtle tailgaters maintain that drinking isn't the only reason they tailgate — it merely

supplements the experience. "[Tailgating] is awesome," Josh Jensen said. "It's not so much about drinking; it's just good to be around other Iowa fans and people who love the game as much as you do."

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Not all thrilled by shooter program

GUNMAN
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"It's good that they are trying to get something going in case the situation would happen, but I don't like the idea of it," UI senior Zach Alexandres said.

He isn't alone in opposing the program.

UI senior Chris Dunlay doesn't like having to be wary of someone he might go to study with, he said.

"It's just weird to think about someone like that, especially if it's a TA or a friend you think you know really well," he said.

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mandatory, some students and faculty don't like the thought of following one specific safety strategy. If not mandatory, attending would not be their first choice, some said.

"We should work much harder instead to eliminate the possession of guns in the U.S.," UI English Asso-

ciate Professor Laura Rigal said. "I've encountered threatening students [not with guns], and I don't think there's such a thing as perfect safety."

Rigal, who does not support pursuing the program, thinks the gun culture in the country shouldn't be addressed in this way but

rather through changing gun laws.

"I don't intend to create a classroom where I view my students as potential threats, and students view each other as potential dangers," she said. "It's damaging to the university's culture and a waste of money."

As the first step toward the new program, Green sent out an e-mail to all UI students, faculty, and staff on Aug. 28 detailing how to deal with armed subjects or situations with active shooters.

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Iowa Guard heads to Louisiana

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — The Iowa National Guard is sending 245 guardsmen to Louisiana to help with the aftermath of Hurricane Gustav.

Iowa National Guard spokesman Lt. Col Gregory Hapgood says the units are from units based in Johnston, Sheldon, Davenport, and Sioux City, including a Chinook helicopter from Davenport.

Hapgood says Louisiana asked for the support under an agreement among the various state National Guard operations in which they help each other respond to disasters.

The CH-47 Chinook helicopter from Davenport, capable of lifting 20,000 pounds, arrived on Sunday.

Hapgood says Iowa units are helping with evacuations and supply transportation and general recovery support.

Anti-casino group forms in N.W. Iowa

ROCK RAPIDS, Iowa (AP) — A group has been formed to oppose a \$90 million casino and resort near Larchwood, in extreme north-west Iowa — just eight miles from Sioux Falls.

The Lyon County Citizens for Casino Truth hopes to get the project voted down Sept. 23.

Local voters must approve of the casino complex near Larchwood before developers can apply for a state license.

Opponents say the casino will result in reduced sales tax revenues and increased unemployment.

Eugene Ver Steeg of Citizens for Casino Truth said gamblers would have to lose \$52 million to generate \$1.5 million in tax revenues.

"I realize that our communities could use that \$1.5 million. It could go to fire departments, schools. This could benefit our

community. However, losing \$52 million dollars in our community is not good, even if that money comes from Sioux Falls.

"We understand at least 10 percent of that money will come from Iowa. Even 10-percent of \$52 million is an awful lot of money."

Kehl Management, which has a similar casino south of Iowa City, would build the gambling complex.

The casino would have 400 employees, 800 slot machines and 24 card tables.

It would be accompanied by a 100-room hotel, buffet, restaurant, lounge, indoor pool, and an event center.

Fish kill traced

FOREST CITY, Iowa (AP) — The Iowa Department of Natural Resources says silage leachate reaching a tile line in Silver Creek was the cause of a massive fish kill.

The fish kill extended about 13 miles along the Winnebago River in north-central Iowa. Natural Resources has not released an estimate on how many fish were killed but has called the kill "extensive" and has said tens of thousands of fish were killed.

The agency's investigation has found that fluid from a containment basin at a cattle farm owned by Monroe Branstad of Forest City somehow reached an underground line that led to the creek and eventually the river.

Agency officials say the line has since been cut.

Natural Resources says its investigation is ongoing and that it will decide if enforcement actions should be taken.

Too much attention for this Shawn Johnson

DES MOINES (AP) — Shawn Johnson wishes the attention would stop.

No, not that Shawn Johnson. Dr. Shawn Johnson, a 35-year-old osteopathic doctor in Des Moines, says he is getting tired of people confusing him for the 16-year-old Olympic gold-winning gymnast from West Des Moines.

Johnson the doctor says he has received dozens of late-night calls from people looking for the gymnast.

"People were calling me at home and asking for the gymnast while she was competing in China," said Johnson the doctor.

He also says his Facebook page has been deluged with friend requests, although his page shows a picture of a bespectacled man — not the girl who won three silver medals and one gold medal during the Beijing Olympics earlier this month.

Some of the gymnast's classmates at Valley High School, say they're getting similar requests from fans on their Facebook pages.

"Oh, yeah, I've had a lot," said Avery Elizabeth Kozar, a junior at Valley. "People tell me they're transferring to Valley and then ask a bunch of stuff about her. I just don't answer because I don't know the people, but it's so lame — they lie to get information."

Valley students say they shrug off requests for information about their classmate, such as her phone number. Others say they get irritated.

"At first I tried responding to them, explaining that I didn't have her contact information, that I would not help them obtain it," said Alex Kramer, another Valley junior. "After this didn't work, I eventually started to just ignore anyone who asked about her and delete them from my friends. It works fairly well."

The doctor Johnson said he had his phone number removed from WhitePages.com, which has cut down on the misdirected voice mails. They have saved a few, he said, including one from a young gymnast seeking advice.

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Iowa faces labor crunch

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MASON CITY — Iowa will add around 2,000 jobs a month for the next several years while its boomer population begins to retire. The combination leaves the state in a labor crunch, with an expected loss of 200,000 workers during the next 25 years.

An Iowa Workforce Development survey released in January says health care, computer science, social services, manufacturing, business, and finance will suffer the most.

To counteract the losses, the state is trying different strategies for the different fields.

Denise Siemers, a recruiter for Mercy Medical Center-North Iowa, said she is traveling to more than a dozen job fairs a year to sell candidates on the Midwest's lifestyle and cost of living.

"We know if we can get them here, they love it," Siemers said. "Getting them here is the issue."

The hospital is also doling out as much as \$10,000 to successfully refer a physician to the hospital.

The hospital is also enacting flexible schedules, perks for working weekend hours and tapping more part-time or retired workers to help fill the ranks.

In manufacturing, which is projected to suffer the same kinds of losses as the healthcare field, companies are turning to colleges for labor. In northern Iowa, businesses are looking to North Iowa Area Community College, Kaplan University and others to offer internships, curriculum and placement.

Another Iowa Workforce Development report said Iowa's low unemployment rate, combined with high labor force participation rates have resulted in fewer workers for most of the past decade. That same report said immigration contributed to two-thirds of Iowa's 5.4 percent population growth between 1990 and 2000.

An Iowa Workforce Development "workforce needs assessment" showed that healthcare, personal services, wholesale and retail and manufacturing accounted for 57 percent of the state's job vacancies in 2006.

NATION

U.S. panda born in zoo now in incubator

ATLANTA (AP) — The only panda born at a U.S. zoo so far this year was placed in an incubator on Monday for closer monitoring by zookeepers after visitors flocked to watch mother and child on a live video feed at Zoo Atlanta.

Zoo officials said in a release they wanted to more closely watch the tiny, hairless cub — which is the size of a stick of butter — based on the behavior of the cub and its

mother, Lun Lun, in the zoo's birthing den.

Zoo spokeswoman Simone Griffin wasn't able to provide further information about the situation but said the video feed has been suspended.

The Panda cub, the sex of which hasn't yet been determined, was born Aug. 30, just a week before the second birthday of Mei Lan, the zoo's first panda cub.

"You can go to every zoo and see elephants, but you can't go to every zoo and see pandas," said Christy Moonan.

Up close at Olympics

By Amanda McClure
THE DAILY IOWAN

After two months of culture shock, rigorous work schedules, and life on the other side of the world, 23 UI students returned to campus after working at the Beijing Olympic Games.

The first international students to arrive in Beijing to prepare for the Olympics, UI's students were also the most prepared, said UI journalism Professor Judy Polumbaum.

"Being at an international sporting event of that caliber was an amazing experience," said Anna Frisk, a UI senior who participated in the media internship at this summer's Olympics. "Nothing compares with the culture shock and professional training that we got."

For the past three years, Polumbaum has been working with the UI and the Beijing Organizing Committee for the Olympic Games to set up the internships for the UI students who volunteered at the games.

The students worked in various media outlets throughout the Olympic base, conducting on-site reporting and data entry with journalists from across the globe. "This has been a very long project, but I'm extremely happy with the students and faculty who were involved," Polumbaum said. "There was a high level of support and interest from departments across the UI as well as students looking to expand abroad. This is the experience of a lifetime, it changes and shapes you in every way."

And though they worked among the dozen other U.S., Australian, and British university students, Polumbaum said the UI students were acclaimed for their preparation and dedication to their field.

"These students have been extremely dedicated and prepared for a long time," she said. Participating UI students



Photo courtesy of Anna Frisk

UI senior Anna Frisk, one of 23 UI students who traveled to Beijing for the Olympics, tries the local cuisine. Frisk said it was great to interact with athletes while improving her skills as a journalist.

studied basic Chinese and media skills at the UI before going through additional training in Beijing.

Sterling Bacher of the UI Study Abroad Office worked with Polumbaum to prepare the UI participants. Bacher stayed in Beijing for three weeks, corresponding with Tsinghua University, where the students lived for the summer.

"I could see a lot of myself as

an undergrad in these students," said the UI alum. "It was such an interesting experience to be there for the preparation of the games and to see everything firsthand."

Frisk, a journalism and mass communications major, was stationed as a flash quotation reporter for the tennis competition, interviewing athletes after their matches and entering their quotations into a database for reporters around the globe.

Beijing and back: An Olympic tale

UI students worked for nearly three years in order to prepare for their Olympic internships.

- Who: Twenty-three UI students, majoring in areas from journalism to political science and international relations.
- Students were required to take basic Chinese language classes as well as work with experienced sports reporters from around the country.
- Five UI participants went to Beijing months in advance to take part in an Olympic dry run for sporting events.

Source: Professor Judy Polumbaum

"It was great because I got to interact with the athletes as well as to work on my skills as a journalist," she said. "Everything goes so fast, you have to be prepared at every moment." Students also had downtime throughout the games, giving them opportunities to see other sports, leaving them with first-hand memories of world record-setting events.

"It was such a thrilling experience; the energy throughout the stadium was thrilling," Frisk said.

Frisk, who has already signed up to volunteer for the 2010 Winter Olympic Games in Vancouver, said culture clash and professionalism are what set her experience apart from anything she's done before.

"This summer has given me the confidence in both journalism and my personal life to do things outside my comfort realm," she said.

For Polumbaum, the satisfaction comes from seeing the students succeed at such a demanding level of reporting.

"Aside from my two children, out of everything I've done in my life, I am proudest of this," she said.

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A true body of work

The UI's Deeded Body Memorial Service honors donors' contribution to science.

By Katie Hanson
THE DAILY IOWAN

For Stacie Pleis, the pictures in her medical textbooks don't match actual muscle tissue and organs. "Without [donor research], you don't know what anatomy really looks like in the body," said the second-year medical student. "Just being able to put something together and being hands-on is a remarkable experience and something you can't learn from a book."

This year, the Deeded Body Memorial service honored 214 individuals who donated their bodies for research at the UI.

Family members and graduate students gathered Aug. 29 in a corner of Oakland Cemetery designated for the annual service. Five medical students from various programs at the UI related their experiences to the audience through prepared statements.

"Life is a great gift we're given to share with each other," Samantha Humke, a UI graduate student in dentistry, told the audience. "Your loved ones made the choice to give their one last, dearest gift from this Earth for the good of others."

Themes of gratitude and reverence pervaded as students discussed the relationships they developed with their research subjects.

"I wished I could have known more about the man whose body became my guide to the human body," said



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Ann Roberson of Cedar Rapids lays flowers with granddaughter Sara Kretz in honor of her mother, H. Deane Williams, at the Oakland Cemetery on Aug. 29. Forty-seven donors were honored during this year's ceremony.

Lauren Peranich, a UI graduate student in physical therapy. "The day we took off the dressings that covered his face, he was undeniably human, and I wouldn't have had it any other way."

Robert Rasmussen observed the service under the shade of an oak tree with his brother, wife, daughter, and granddaughter. The family came to honor Rasmussen's mother, Elvera Rasmussen, who donated her body in the hopes that it would further medical education.

Numerous statements from UI students and faculty indicate that she got her wish.

"My donor let me know things about himself that no one ever had, and I knew his body more deeply than I will

ever know another, including my own," said medical student Shandhini Raidoo.

The UI works with roughly 220 donors every year, said Darrell Wilkins, the director of the UI Deeded Body Program and memorial-service coordinator.

After one or two years, the bodies are returned to their families. If the families choose to do so, the donor's cremated remains can be interred in Oakland Cemetery.

"The service is more for the families than the donors," Wilkins said. "This is their final goodbye ... We feel like this is the least we can do."

Following medical student Ben Chaon's rendition of "Taps" on the trumpet, family

Facts about the Deeded Body Program

Each year, around 220 donors benefit various UI research programs, including cancer biology, gene therapy, and neurobiology. Before individuals donate their bodies to UI research, they must fulfill a few requirements.

- Be at least 18 years of age.
- Have a Deed of Disposition and a copy of medical history on file at the anatomy/cell biology department.
- Receive an identification card following an acceptance from the department.
- Have someone contact a funeral director and arrange transportation to the UI at the time of the donor's death.

Source: Anatomy/Cell Biology Department

members exchanged hugs and laid bouquets of lilies and daisies in front where the remains are interred, then slowly made their way up a slope nearby.

Amid the soft murmur of cicadas punctuated only by an occasional bird call, the students' words continued to echo.

"My understanding of what it means to be human has been taken to an entirely different level," said medical student Samantha Fawcett. "I feel very honored to see what I have seen."

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NATION

Study links older fathers, bipolar children

CHICAGO (AP) — Children born to older fathers face a greater chance of developing bipolar disorder, according to one of the largest studies linking mental illness with advanced paternal age.

Previous research has connected schizophrenia and autism with older fathers, and a Danish study published last year added bipolar disorder to the list. The new study led by researchers at Sweden's Karolinska Institute strengthens the evidence.

The leading theory is that older men's sperm may be more likely to develop mutations. Even so, the odds of a person becoming bipolar are so low that the study's

authors said it shouldn't dissuade older men from becoming fathers.

Researchers analyzed Swedish national registry data from more than 80,000 people, including 13,428 with bipolar disorder who were born between 1932 and 1991.

The risks started increasing around age 40 but were strongest among those 55 and older. Children born to these dads were 37 percent more likely to develop bipolar disorder than those born to men in their 20s.

They also faced more than double the risk of developing bipolar disorder before age 20. Scientists call that early onset disease, and while they have long known that bipolar disorder tends to run in families, early onset disease has been thought to be most strongly linked with genetics.



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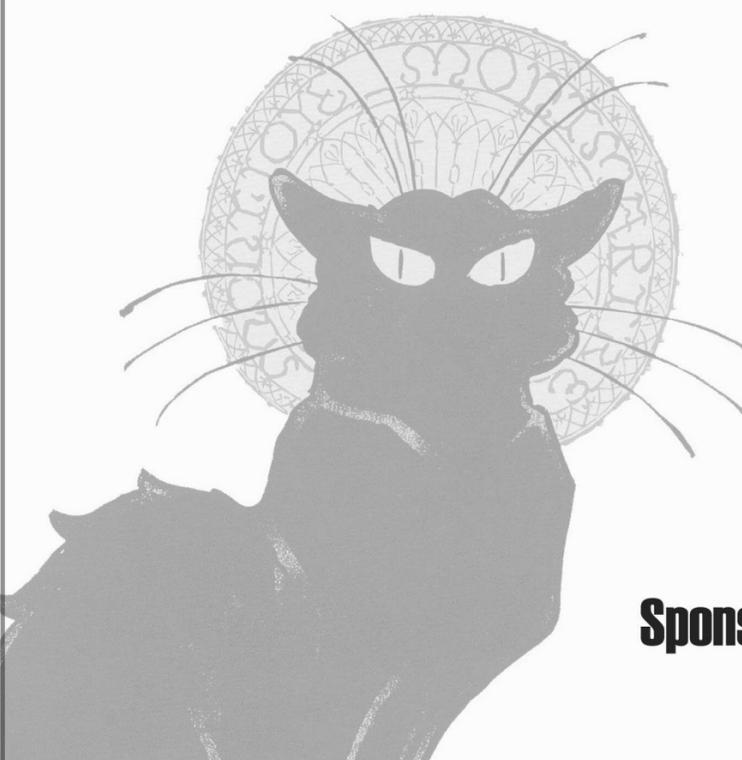
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Parents feeling the bite of lunch

By Emily Fredrix
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MILWAUKEE — Kids may be worried about homework, teachers, and that pesky bully this school year. But parents? They're leery about lunches.

With food prices rising and packages shrinking, parents are wondering how they'll stretch their food budgets. Children are going to get an unwitting lesson in economics, analysts say, as parents change their food-buying habits to keep costs down.

Some kids will eat more hot lunches this year. Some will carry baggies full of snacks, such as home-packed chips and crackers rather than prepackaged ones. Maybe there will be more peanut butter, if it hasn't been banned in school because of allergies, instead of lunch meats, or cheaper items such as Spam.

This year's lunchroom will be less about convenience and more about the bottom line, said Marcia Mogelonsky, senior research analyst with Mintel International in Chicago. Parents will be shopping for deals but still wanting all the basics — fruits, veggies, proteins and fun things like chips and cookies. It won't be easy, she said.

"Parents are sort of entering this with trepidation," she said. "It's not how much it costs. It's how much more it costs relative to what they're used to spending."

The costs for key ingredients — such as corn, wheat, soybeans, and other items — are high and eating into food companies' profits. So such big names as Kraft Foods Inc., Sara Lee Corp., and Hormel Foods Corp. are passing along price increases as they try to keep making money.

Some companies are also shrinking products or getting rid of certain lines to lower their costs. Skippy peanut butter, made by Unilever, now sells in 16.3-ounce jars that look the same size as the previous 18-ounce jars because of a larger indentation at the bottom. Kraft is reducing the number and in some cases the size, of items in its Deli Selects cheese line, for example. Sara Lee has reduced the size of some of its Hillshire Farm deli-meat packages from 10 ounces to 9 ounces. The prices, for the most part, don't go down.

Some stores — such as supermarket chain Save-A-Lot — are advising parents on what to buy. The chain, which targets bargain shoppers, has a new campaign telling parents how to make such meals as turkey slices wrapped in tortillas that cost around a \$1 a serving.

In Los Altos, Calif., Hollis Bischoff's two children have been packing their own lunch-

es for years. It saves money because they know what they'll eat, she said, and it teaches them a lesson in how to spend and save. Jordana, 12, and Nate, 14, have never bought milk because they think it's too expensive at school, she said, and they ask teachers if they can use the microwaves in their lounges when they want hot food.

The kids also buy food at the stores or leave lists for their parents if they run out — always with costs in mind, Bischoff said. They get some money from their parents for lunches; if they go over a set amount, it comes out of their allowance. Bischoff said they'd rather save their money for more fun things, such as a Nintendo Wii, so they opt to skip the \$2 slices of pizza, for example.

"They've learned the meaning of saving money and spending money because they've seen what's happened during the years in the stores," said Bischoff, 49, who owns a yarn shop and works a full-time job as a market analyst.

The cost of food is soaring. In the United States, retail food prices rose an average of 6 percent this year. That's three times the normal inflation rate. Prices are rising because companies are paying more for key ingredients because of increased demand around the world, the weak U.S. dollar, and weather that destroyed crops.

Economists say the high prices won't be coming down anytime soon.

The pinch consumers are feeling is affecting their shopping habits, said Harry Balzer, vice president of consumer research firm NPD Group and an expert on American eating patterns.

"These rising food costs

have to be paid for by somebody," he said. "The question is how are you going to pay for them? Are you going to pay for them in keeping your out-of-pocket cost constant by buying smaller portions, or are you going to be paying more for what you paid last year?"

People typically spend 10 percent of their income on food and that won't change, he said, so instead they're looking for deals, eating less or changing brands.

Mogelonsky said many parents will have to put more thought into what they're giving their kids. Lots of changes will be in the snack realm, she said, because people are more price-sensitive for snack foods.

One way many parents will save is to stop buying prepackaged snacks, especially the 100-calorie ones that hit the market a few years ago, Mogelonsky said.

Kids should probably expect to see fewer treats this year, as well, she said, since that'll be seen as a luxury. Parents will have to talk to them about what they want to eat and why — and explain why those cookies may be gone this year.

"It's a good time to teach economics, nutrition,-- and budgeting. It could become a major focus in parent-child relations, making lunches," Mogelonsky said.

She said there could also be a benefit to childhood obesity rates, much like traffic fatalities are coming down because people are driving less. If people cut back on their food spending, they may end up eating better, she said.

Parents say they won't be giving their kids less food — so don't expect hunger pangs in the afternoon. They just say they're approaching it differently and buying with cost more in mind.

Local Republicans applaud Palin

By Shawn Gude
THE DAILY IOWAN

Mirroring a nationwide trend, several UI Republicans were elated to hear Republican presidential hopeful John McCain had selected Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin as his running mate.

UI political-science Associate Professor Tim Hagle's initial reaction: "Woo-hoo."

And UI College Republicans secretary Derek Bohlke's thoughts were similar.

"Very pleased," the junior said. "I'm pretty conservative, and she fits right in line with those beliefs that I have."

Although it was a highly unconventional pick because of the relative obscurity and inexperience of Palin, the Alaska governor undeniably appeals to the all-important conservative base. She's a lifelong member of the National Rifle Association, staunchly anti-abortion rights, and opposed to gay marriage.

"She's down-the-line conservative," UI College Republicans Vice Chairman Mike Currie said, and she will "appeal to average Americans, no matter what they do or what their sex is."

In addition, Palin has the reputation of a reformer and maverick in her party, an

image McCain continually looks to exude.

Hagle said Palin's sex could also play a role in the election.

"There were a number of those 18 million votes that [former Democratic presidential hopeful Hillary Rodham Clinton] got that were undoubtedly from people who were voting for her on the basis of wanting to break that glass ceiling," Hagle said. "And they may have been independents, they may have even been some Republicans. Those people are going to come back, and they're going to be looking hard at Palin and McCain."

One potential downside to the pick, however, is Palin's lack of experience. Besides being a governor for fewer than two years, Palin has served as mayor of Wasilla, Alaska — population 6,715 — and as a city councilor for the same city.

It's that lack-of-experience argument that such Democrats as Luke Oglesbee, the president of the UI Democrats, have latched onto.

"Why he picked her is kind of a mystery to me," said Oglesbee, who characterized the pick as "risky" and "a little desperate."

"We're talking about not even a one-term governor here, we're talking about a two-year

governor who has virtually no executive experience."

Oglesbee also argued that the value of the Barack Obama-Joe Biden ticket's senatorial experience would be apparent when the two would have to work with Congress to pass legislation.

But UI College Republicans Chairman Eric Rossow asserted that Palin's background was legitimate.

"She is the governor of a state where she must make executive decisions every day, compared to Barack Obama, who was a community organizer, who was eventually elected to the U.S. Senate, where he didn't vote on some critical issues, and he has spent most of his time running for president," Rossow said in an e-mail.

Two other potential problems for Palin: She's being investigated for allegedly pushing for the firing of a state trooper, who had divorced Palin's sister. In addition, revelations surfaced on Monday that Palin's 17-year-old daughter is five months pregnant and unmarried.

Whether they will have any effect on the race remains to be seen.

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— Oscar Wilde

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ANDREW R. JUHL

Ways to annoy your wait staff

- Order your water on the rocks, request your salad be medium rare, and make sure to ask whether the potatoes are free-range.
- Complain that your side dishes all have poor feng shui.
- “Yar, I’ve come t’settle me bill with yonder salty land wench. How many pieces of eight will ye be wantin’ for that scrumptious Grand Slam, yarrrrgh?”
- Very politely ask that your waiter spit in all of your food.
- As an answer to ‘Can I get you anything to start with?’: “Two spoons, a knife, four straight whiskeys, and as many napkins as you can spare.”
- Order items clearly not on the menu, such as a 1946 Indian Chief motorcycle with retooled exhaust.
- Order a rum and coke. When your drink is delivered, ruefully ask for an explanation on why your rum and your coke are in the same glass.
- Request that the chef prepare your meal just as your grandpa did: wearing nothing but an apron.

— Andrew R. Juhl once walked out on an expensive bill, but it was an abusive relationship, and his friends supported the decision. E-mail him at: andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu.

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horoscopes Tuesday, September 2, 2008

— by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You’ll feel emotionally up and down because of what you are told and how you are treated. Nothing will be as bad as you think, so don’t react. A connection you have to someone who motivates you may be questionable.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Take a break. You need some time to put things in order and decide what you want to do with the rest of your life. New places will intrigue you, and a job you never considered in the past will interest you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): A unique proposal based on your qualifications and ability to multitask will interest you. Don’t be too slow to accept an opportunity, or you’ll have regrets. Love is in the stars, and a social event will be geared toward romance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Stick close to the people you trust and respect. The older and more experienced people will give you good advice and stand behind your every move. Your personal relationships, however, will give you mixed messages, leading to misunderstandings and breakups.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Doing things that are unique will give you connections with interesting people who are inspirational and can add a spark to your ideas. Love is growing with someone who wants to spend more time with you. Try to accommodate this person.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): There will be a lot riding on how much you do. The expectations will be high and the willingness on your part to add detail and precision will seal a deal. A partnership with someone very different from yourself will form if you aren’t adamant about working alone.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don’t get into a fight with someone. It won’t be worth your time, and the backlash you face will be hard to rectify. You may want to rethink your relationships and consider whether or not some of them are good for you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don’t rely on others. You can get some good advice on a job you want to do at home, but do the actual work yourself, if possible. Hiring someone to do something you can do yourself will be a waste of money, and the job won’t be done to your satisfaction.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can position yourself professionally in such a way that the demand for your talents will skyrocket. Offer a new innovative idea, concept, or service. Some of the older people will fight the change, but you will surpass any interference.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don’t underestimate the power of communication. Someone can and will twist your words around. Explain your ideas concisely.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Personally and financially, you are coming into an interesting and unusual development that will make your life easier. A commitment or promise will help you achieve your dreams, hopes, and wishes. Love is on the rise.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don’t get labeled passé because you are using old, outdated methods. Look to someone younger who is a little ahead of her or his time to inspire you to move in the right direction. It may be time to take on a younger partner.

PICNIC IN THE PARK



Patrick Larkin/The Daily Iowan
Friends from Iowa City and Muscatine enjoy conversation and beverages at a Labor Day picnic in Upper City Park on Monday. The group included Elsa and Arnie De La Paz, who brought chicken from their restaurant, Mami’s Authentic Mexican Food in Muscatine.

today’s events

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

- **Bicyclists of Iowa City**, 9 a.m., Napoleon Park
- **Office of Student Life Poster Sale**, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Hubbard Park
- **Story Time**, 10 a.m., Barnes & Noble, 1451 Coral Ridge Ave., Coralville
- **Tot Time**, 10 a.m., North Liberty Community Library, 520 W. Cherry St. North Liberty
- **Preschool Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth St.
- **Toddlers Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Community Library Writing Center**, 4 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Microsoft Publisher 2007**, 5:30 p.m. Kirkwood Community College, 6301 Kirkwood Blvd., Cedar Rapids
- **Aviation Movie Night**, 6:30 p.m., Alexis Park Inn & Suites, 1165 S. Riverside Drive
- **Free Pool**, 7 p.m.-close, Ugly’s, 210 N. Linn
- **Inclusive Ballroom**, 7 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **“Live from Prairie Lights,” David Hamilton, Iowa Review reading**, 7 p.m., Prairie Light Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Public Meeting on the Conservation Bond Issue**, 7-9 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Songwriters in Residence**, 7 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Flamencos for Beginners**, 8 p.m., Old Brick
- **Actors Dance Lab**, 8:30 p.m., Old Brick
- **Free Dance Party**, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

ONGOING

- **A Community of Writers: Creative Writing at the University of Iowa**, Old Capitol Museum
- **All Stars, American Sporting Prints from the Collection of Reba and Dave Williams**, Cedar Rapids Museum of Art, 410 Third Ave. S.E.
- **Chineses Brush Painting and Ink**, US Bank, 204 E. Washington
- **Children in the White House**, Featuring Caroline Kennedy’s Dolls, Herbert Hoover Presidential Library-Museum, 210 Parkside Drive, West Branch
- **DinoMania**, Iowa Children’s Museum, Coral Ridge Mall
- **Jemerick Art Pottery**, Steve Frederick and Cherie Jemsek, Art Mission, 114 S. Linn
- **Meandering: Paintings & Drawings by Reuben Merringer**, Bella Joli, 125 S. Dubuque
- **River of Words**, Cedar Rapids Museum of Art
- **Rooster Flour Sack**, Herbert Hoover Presidential Library-Museum
- **Sara Slee Brown, Chait Galleries Downtown**, 218 E. Washington
- **School House Rocks**, Iowa Children’s Museum
- **Spontaneous Dance: the Raku Sculpture & Pottery of Barbara Harnack & Michael Lancaster**, Iowa Artisans Gallery, 207 E. Washington
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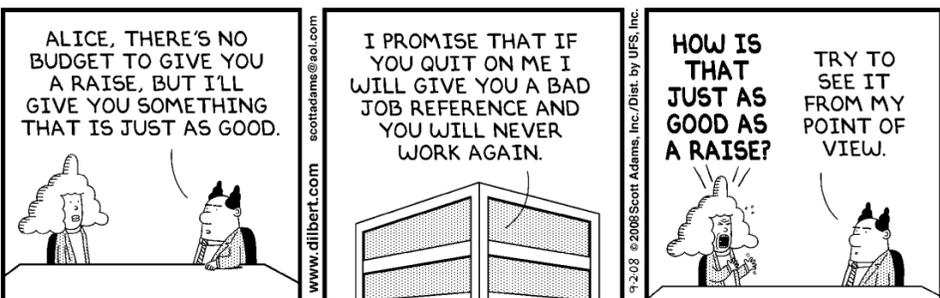
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- 4** Faculty & Guest Lectures
- 5:30** Fine Arts Performances Dance, music and other arts events at Iowa
- 6:30** Kirk Ferentz News Conference
- 7** Women at Iowa Series, Lola Lopes
- 8** Deep Vein Thrombosis Seminar, Melanie Bloom, April 2007
- 9:30** Daily Iowan TV News
- 9:45** “Java Blend” Encore, Bo Ramsey
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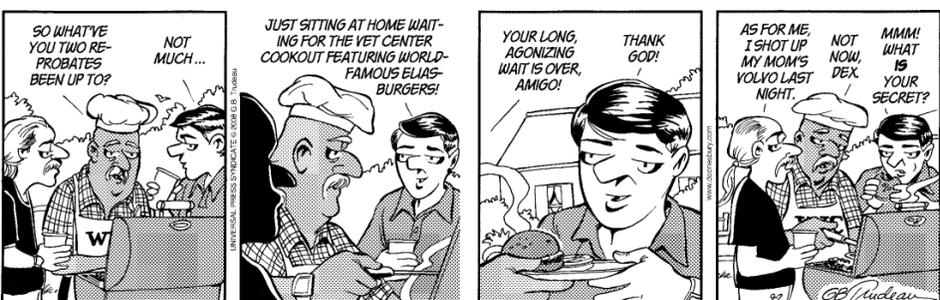
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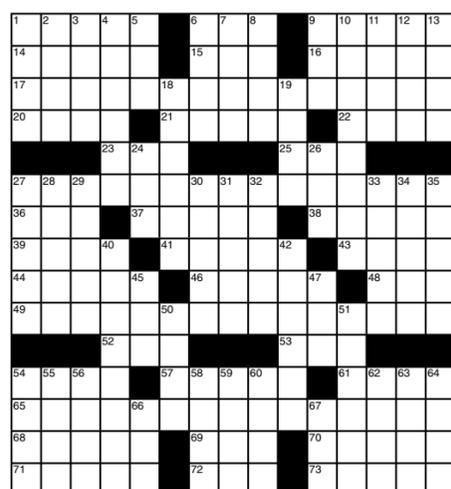
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- 20 Whopping
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- 22 Gas company that sells toy trucks
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- 27 Mediocre place to scuba?
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- 37 Yarn buy
- 38 Atoll makeup
- 39 Bow-wielding god
- 41 Quick-witted
- 43 “Lovely” Beatles girl
- 44 Sony competitor
- 46 Cold war-era blast, in headlines
- 48 Mean mutt
- 49 Mediocre Steve McQueen film?
- 52 Unlock, to a bard
- 53 Kiev’s land: Abbr.
- 54 Like a trim lawn
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- 65 Mediocre Jerry Lee Lewis hit?
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- 71 Zesty dip
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- 1 “Little Women” woman
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- 3 Kiss near of “Little Miss Sunshine”
- 4 “For sure!”
- 5 Suffix with journal
- 6 See 29-Down
- 7 Actress Skye
- 8 1998 animated film with a queen
- 9 Group that usu. meets at a school
- 10 “Take your pick”
- 11 Scope out, pre-heat
- 12 Planets or stars
- 13 Comes out with 18 items of apparel for Dracula
- 19 Willing to go along
- 24 Barbell abbr.
- 26 ___ welder
- 27 Spare room user
- 28 First name in book clubs
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- 51 Cunningly evil
- 54 Unruly dos
- 56 BanShee’s sound
- 58 Types
- 59 High spirits
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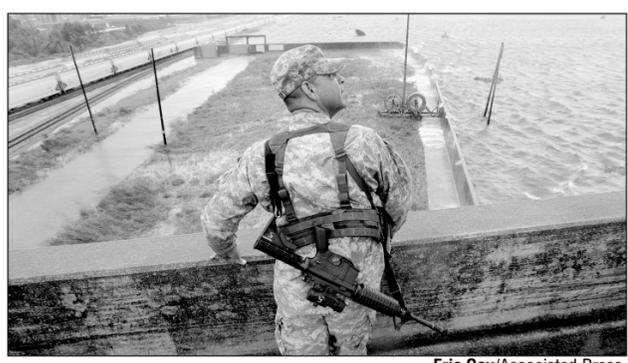
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Gustav sideswipes New Orleans

By Robert Tanner and Vicki Smith
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A member of the National Guard watches as water breaks over a wall along the Industrial Canal in New Orleans on Monday.

NEW ORLEANS — A weaker-than-expected Hurricane Gustav swirled into the fishing villages and oil-and-gas towns of Louisiana's Cajun country Monday, delivering only a glancing blow to New Orleans that did little more than send water sloshing harmlessly over its rebuilt floodwalls.

It was the first test of New Orleans' new and improved levees, which are still being rebuilt three years after Hurricane Katrina. And it was a powerful demonstration of how federal, state, and local officials learned some of the painful lessons of the catastrophic 2005 storm that killed 1,600 people.

"They made a much bigger deal out of it, bigger than it needed to be," 31-year-old security worker Gabriel Knight said in New Orleans' nearly empty French Quarter. "I was here with Katrina. That was a nightmare. This was nothing."

There was growing optimism late Monday that New Orleans would soon reopen for business. Mayor Ray Nagin cautioned that today would be too early for residents to return to a city largely in the dark, but their homecoming was "only days away, not weeks."

"I was hoping that this would happen, that we would be able to stand before America, before everyone, and say that we had some success with the levee system," Nagin said. "I feel really good about it."

A mandatory evacuation order and curfew remained in effect, and nearly 80,000 remained without power after the storm damaged transmission lines that snapped like rubber bands in the wind and knocked 35 substations out of service.

The city's sewer system is damaged, and hospitals worked with skeleton crews on backup power. Drinking water continued to flow in the city and the pumps that keep it dry never shut down — two critical serv-

ice failings that contributed to Katrina's toll.

Crews will comb the city today to fully review the damage, Nagin said, with the goal of having residents return later in the week. Buses are in place and ready to bring residents back, he said.

"I would not do a thing differently," Nagin said. "I'd probably call Gustav, instead of the mother of all storms, maybe the mother-in-law or the ugly sister of all storms."

The sense of relief did not mean the state came through the storm unscathed. A levee in the southeastern part of Louisiana was in danger of collapse, and officials scrambled to fortify it. Roofs were torn from homes, trees toppled and

roads flooded. A ferry sunk. More than 1 million homes were without power. And the extent of any damage to the oil and gas industry was unclear.

But the biggest fear — that the levees surrounding the saucer-shaped city of New Orleans would break — hadn't been realized.

Wind-driven water sloshed over the top of the Industrial Canal's floodwall — the same structure that broke with disastrous consequences during Katrina — and several Ninth Ward streets close by were flooded with ankle- to knee-deep water. Still, city officials and the Army Corps of Engineers expressed confidence the levees were holding.

Gustav blew ashore around 9:30 a.m. near Cocodrie, a low-lying community 72 miles southwest of New Orleans.

Forecasters had feared a catastrophic Category 4 storm on the 1-to-5 scale, but Gustav weakened as it drew close to land, coming ashore as a Category 2 with 110 mph winds. It quickly dropped to a Category 1 as it steamed inland toward Texas.

Authorities reported seven deaths related to the storm, all traffic deaths, including four people killed in Georgia when their car struck a tree. Before arriving in the U.S., Gustav

was blamed for at least 94 deaths in the Caribbean.

In the days before the storm struck, nearly 2 million people fled coastal Louisiana under a mandatory evacuation order — a stark contrast from Katrina. Those evacuated included tens of thousands of poor, elderly, and sick people who were put on buses and trains and taken to shelters and hotel rooms in several surrounding states.

It could be days until the full extent of the damage is known, especially in the fishing villages and oil-and-gas towns of bayou country, where rapid erosion in recent decades has destroyed swamps and robbed the area of a natural buffer against storms.

Keith Cologne of Chauvin, not far from Cocodrie, looked dejected after talking by telephone to a friend who didn't evacuate. "They said it's bad, real bad. There are roofs lying all over. It's all gone," said Cologne, staying at a hotel in Orange Beach, Ala.

In St. Mary Parish, to the west, Deputy Sheriff Troy Brown cleared roads with a chain saw as he went out to assess damage. He found uprooted trees and houses without some shingles, but he saw few signs of monster hit. "Even the mobile homes are sitting there in one piece," Brown said.

Jude Duplantis, 52, who lives near Bayou Terrebonne, was outside with a push broom trying to clear leaves out of a gutter to keep runoff from backing up. Duplantis had spent part of the day driving around, surveying damage and dodging debris.

"Everything's like playing Nintendo when you're driving 'cause there's all this stuff in the road," he said, holding up his hands as if turning a steering wheel back and forth.

One community in southeastern Louisiana feared its levee wouldn't hold. The parish president called a local TV station to plea with any residents still there to flee, and crews moved sandbags and moving equipment into place to reinforce the levee and its metal floodgate. Though it was stressed, it didn't break.

It could be a day or more before oil and natural gas companies can assess the damage to their drilling and refining installations. Gov. Bobby Jindal said as much as 20 percent of oil and gas production that was stopped because of Gustav could be restored by this weekend, stressing that it was a rough estimate.

AP writers Becky Bohrer, Cain Burdeau, Allen G. Breed, Janet McConaughy, Alan Sayre, Doug Simpson, Michael Kunzelman, and Holbrook Mohr contributed to this report.

NATION

GOP backs Iowa's, N.H.'s spots

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Republican Convention delegates have adopted a rule to keep the Iowa caucuses and the New Hampshire primary at the front of their presidential nominating calendar.

The binding rule bans any states other than Iowa, New Hampshire, and South Carolina from holding their 2012 primary or caucus votes before the first Tuesday in March.

The rule approved during Monday's truncated opening session of the convention also says those three states can't hold their own votes before the first Tuesday in February.

Certain nominee John McCain favored the changes to preserve the states' grass-roots politicking. Republicans also want to prevent a repeat of this year's crowded calendar, when other states moved up to gain clout.

Culver offers hurricane aid

DES MOINES (AP) — Gov. Chet Culver says Iowans stand ready to help Louisiana in the aftermath of Hurricane Gustav and will take evacuees if needed.

Culver says the people of America stood by Iowa during June's record flooding and that Iowa would stand by the people of the Gulf Coast as needed.

Culver says he's offering Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal his full support.

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Editorial

Full equality now

Del Martin, a founding member of the gay rights movement in America, died recently at the age of 87. She is survived by her partner of 55 years and spouse since June 16 of this year, Phyllis Lyon.

As a new widow, Lyon faces a difficult period of mourning. However, that she and Martin were able to experience the life of a married couple at least so long desired before death parted them must provide her with at least some amount of solace. But because marriage equality for gays and lesbians only became politically feasible recently and because Martin's health had been declining for some time, these women's ability to spend any time together as spouses was never a certainty.

Martin herself summed up the issue perfectly. "We're not getting younger," she told the *San Francisco Chronicle*, expressing her appreciation that the California Supreme Court ruled in favor of marriage equality earlier this year.

Thankfully, Martin was able to live long enough for her and Lyon to get married. But if California law had changed even a few months later, that never would have been possible. And not every couple is as fortunate as Martin and Lyon.

Of the 50 states, only Massachusetts and California have yet granted full marriage equality to gays and lesbians. Several other states provide official legal protections for such couples, however, allowing same-sex marriage without calling it by that name. But several more states, including Iowa, do not provide any such legal protections. This must change as soon as possible.

Though right-wing activist groups such as the Iowa Christian Alliance fight ferociously in their war against gay rights, an honest assessment of public-opinion trends suggests that they do so quixotically. Support for gay rights, including marriage equality, has grown steadily over the years. Progress in this direction is no doubt due in significant part to increases in the general public's understanding of gays and lesbians and identification

with them as ordinary people. But there is also a strong generational component to this ongoing shift.

Opinion polls, such as one the Pew Research Center conducted last May, show that a strong majority those under the age of 30 support full marriage equality. The only reason this group of people is that tip of the balance of general public opinion decidedly in that direction is that a majority of those over 60 oppose marriage equality with equal fervor. However, the end result this disparity will have is quite clear. In fewer than 30 years, most of those against allowing gays and lesbians to marry the people whom they love will be dead.

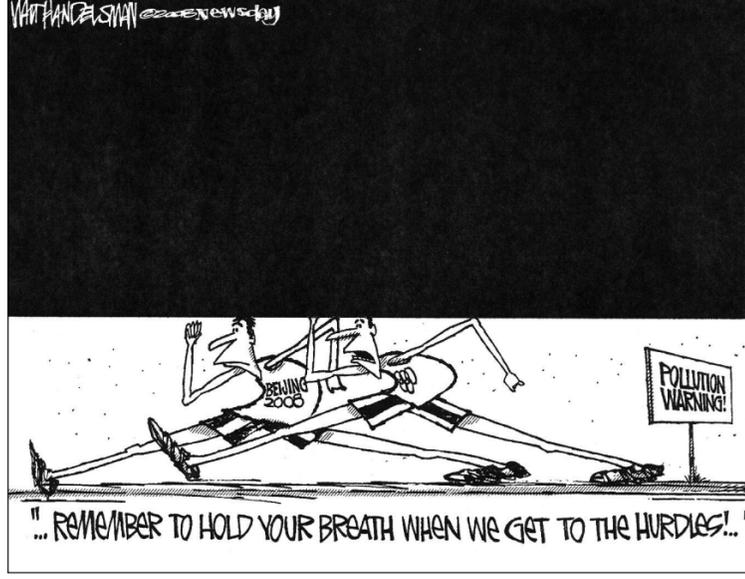
Any notion that today's young people will become less tolerant as they age is highly dubious. After growing up alongside openly gay friends, relatives, and acquaintances, Americans under 30 simply get it. They understand that homosexuality is a normal part of life, that a small percentage of people are naturally sexually attracted primarily to members of their own sex. The thought of denying such people the right to marry those they love doesn't make sense to most young people — and it never will.

Even though marriage equality will likely come in the next 30 years, people today cannot afford to be complacent in the struggle to make that happen. It's not for the sake of the young that progressives must work to end discrimination against gays and lesbians, but for the sake of the old. Most Americans now under 30 will still be alive in 30 years. But most of those currently over 60 will not be.

Loving couples such as Martin and Lyon don't deserve to suffer because too many of their peers are unable to overcome the prejudices. That's why granting legal recognition to gay marriages all across America is driven by what a certain 47-year-old presidential candidate calls the fierce urgency of now. Elderly gays and lesbians have done the hard work of creating a society in which people are accepted for who they are. Those fortunate enough to come in that society ought to finish the job.

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Guest Opinion

Experience? Never mind

In a famous example of ideological flexibility, the American Communist Party changed its mind completely about Adolph Hitler in 1939, when he signed a deal with Joseph Stalin. Previously, they hadn't cared for him much. Suddenly, he looked pretty good. Two years later, when Hitler ratted on the deal and invaded the Soviet Union, the Communists changed their minds again. Both times, it took only days.

Now, thanks to the Internet, the same kind of conversion can take place in hours or even minutes. And although it's hard to find many Communists around these days, we happen to have just the party for the job.

It seems like only yesterday that the Republican Party was complaining about Barack Obama's lack of foreign policy "experience." (As a matter of fact, when I started writing this, it actually was yesterday.) Even now, the Republican National Committee's main anti-Obama website has the witty address www.notready.com. The contrast in experience, especially foreign-policy experience, between John McCain and Obama was supposed to be the central focus of McCain's campaign.

But that's so five minutes ago, before Sarah Palin. Already, conservative pundits have come up with creative explanations for McCain's choice of a vice-presidential running mate with essentially no foreign-policy experience. First prize (so far) goes to Michaela Barone, who notes on the *U.S. News & World Report* blog that "Alaska is the only state with a border with Russia. And it is the only state with territory, in the Aleutian Islands, occupied by the enemy in World War II." I think we need to know what Sarah Palin has done, in her year and change as governor of Alaska, to protect the freedom of the Aleutian Islands before deciding how many foreign-policy experience credits she deserves on their account.

The official response to the question of experience emerged within hours and is only slightly more plausible: She may not have foreign-policy experience, but — unlike Obama, Joe Biden, or even McCain — she has executive experience. Why, before her stint as governor of Alaska, population 670,000, she was mayor of a town of 7,000. Remember when the Republicans mocked Bill Clinton for being governor of a "small state"? That would be Arkansas, population 2.8 million. As it happens, 670,000 is the population of metropolitan Little Rock.

The whole "experience" debate is silly. Under our system of government, there is only one job that gives you both executive and foreign-policy experience,

and that's the one McCain and Obama are running for. Nevertheless, it's a hardy perennial: If your opponent is a governor, you accuse him of lacking foreign-policy experience. If he or she is a member of Congress, you say this person has never run anything. And if, by chance, your opponent has done both, you say that he or she is a "professional politician." When Republicans aren't complaining about someone's lack of experience, they are calling for term limits.

That's why the important point about Palin's lack of experience isn't about Palin. It's about McCain. And the question is not how his choice of Palin might complicate his ability to use the "experience" issue or whether he will have to drop experience as an issue. It's not about the proper role of experience as an issue. It's not about experience at all. It's about honesty. The question should be whether McCain — and all the other Republicans who have been going on for months about Obama's dangerous lack of foreign-policy experience — ever meant a word of it. And the answer is apparently not. Many conservative pundits woke up this morning fully prepared to harp on Obama's alleged lack of experience for months more. Now they face the choice of either executing a Communist-style U-turn ("Experience? Feh! Who needs it?") or trying to keep a straight face while touting the importance of having been mayor of a town of 7,000 if you later find yourself president of a nation of 300 million.

We all know that modern political campaigns choose their issues from the cafeteria line, after market-testing them and then having them professionally framed. Rarely, though, are we offered such a clear and unarguable example. How could anyone truly believe that Barack Obama's background and job history are inadequate experience for a president and simultaneously believe that Sarah Palin's background and job history are adequate? It's possible to believe one or the other. But both? Simply not possible. McCain has been — what's the choice? — lying. And so have all the pundits who rushed to defend McCain's choice.

This is especially damning to McCain because his case for himself (besides not being Obama, a standard under which many of us might qualify) has rested on his honor and integrity. The North Vietnamese couldn't break him, and neither could the Brahmins of his own party in the Senate. He was a maverick who always told it straight.

So much for that.

Michael Kinsley is a columnist for the *Washington Post*. This column appeared in Monday's *Washington Post*.

Half-full Monty

I have to admit, when I first heard that John McCain had selected Palin as his running mate, I was excited. Joyous, even.

I might even vote for a Republican for the first time, I thought.

Well, OK; I was groggy: waking up, NPR not yet firing on all its neurons, NPR banging on ear drums not quite fine-tuned to NPR listening, still coffee-less — a treacherous condition for a guy whose first motto is, You can't wake up and smell the coffee, Einstein, until you wake up and make the coffee.

(So it's not much of a motto. You try to come up with a motto when you haven't had any coffee yet. Besides, it's better than, Wake up and smell the coffee, which would be truly moronic, because vodka has no odor.)

So you can understand joyous confusion. Or confused joy. Or whatever.

I thought McCain had picked a member of Monty Python to be his VP candidate. How perfect, I thought.

That's just what this campaign has been missing — a bit of Monty Python. And here I thought McCain was a stodgy, old, white guy who hadn't had an exciting idea since he was in his early 40s (yes, I know — some of you might consider that old. Ahem, I say. And I ahem that as a guy who got carded.) — when, according to his first wife, he ran around and acted as if he were 23.

But my joy was short-lived. Reason, not to mention coffee and NPR, returned, and it turned out McCain had not, in fact, chosen a Monty Python guy, he had picked the governor of Alaska. Her first name was not Michael, it was Sarah.

Well, that's half-baked, I thought. What fun we could have had. Nobody expects the Spanish Inquisition, and all that.

Michael Palin could not have chosen Michael Palin, said myself, who seemed to be getting the lion's share of the coffee. That Palin is British. Americans fought a war to throw off British rule a few years back.

Oh, right. Besides, myself said, McCain is just about old enough to expect the Spanish Inquisition all on his own. And, myself said (myself can be very annoying in the morning when he's getting all the coffee), picking Sarah Palin is, in its own way, kind of bit of Monty Python.

No, no, not the comfy chair. But she's got all this experience, I said. She's the governor of the biggest state in the Union.

She's been governor for a whopping two years, myself said, of a state that has more moose than people. What is this, the Bull Moose Party? McCain's probably old enough to expect that, too.

But she was also a mayor, I said. And she cut property taxes by three-quarters.

She was mayor of Wasilla, a town of 7,000, myself said. That's about the size of Coralville. The mayor of Coralville is no doubt a great guy, but do you want him to be the proverbial heartbeats away from the Oval Office? And, myself said, the only reason she could cut property taxes was that sales-tax revenues exploded. And she cut funding to the Wasilla museum and tried to halt the expansion of the local library. And she tried to raise the sales tax in order to build a hockey arena. Not that I'm against hockey, necessarily, but I do agree with Donald Kaul's assessment: a fight marred by skating.

But, I argued, she was against the Bridge to Nowhere, a boondoggle if we ever saw one.

Not exactly, myself said. In 2006, while campaigning for governor, she traveled to Ketchikan (site of the proposed bridge) and pronounced that she was in favor of the Bridge to Nowhere. Only later, as governor, did she divert the funding elsewhere, a move that Ketchikan Republican leaders described as a blindside, according to the *Anchorage Daily News*. The move was announced in a predawn (Alaska time) press release. Curious timing, you have to admit.

With that, I cut myself off from any more coffee.

I had to admit, though, I was thinking, Can the Ministry of Funny Walks be far behind? ■

Beau Elliot admits he's always wondered why you'd call a fish Wanda. He can Wanda with him at beauelliott@gmail.com.



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Being a writer for *The Daily Iowan* isn't a tough gig. I get to review Dinosaur Jr. shows, listen to Ghostface Killah albums, and potentially interview My Morning Jacket. Sometimes, however, you have to take one for the team. My journalistic duties for the weekend were to see *College*, a rollicking titties-and-beer comedy. Could it be that bad? The short answer is yes, and the long answer is that I've lost my faith in humanity.

The less-fat half of Nickelodeon comedy duo "Drake & Josh," Drake Bell stars as Kevin, a high-school senior lamenting that he's been dumped for not partying enough. A weekend trip to Fieldmont University could prove an excellent opportunity to up his rager certification. The friends who accompany him on the trip are cast as a direct result of *Superbad*'s popularity. If you thought Jonah Hill was slightly abrasive in the aforementioned film, Andrew Caldwell takes and eats the cake as the rotund Carter, who impressively manages to make a masturbation-referencing motion about every 6.3 seconds. Former "American Idol" contestant Kevin Covais plays the "McLovin," nerdy friend role as Morris, a meek geek hoping the trip will ensure his academic scholarship to Fieldmont.

The three arrive with no place to stay and wind up at a rowdy fraternity run by Teague, played by ex-MTV talking head Nick Zano. The frat brothers end up making their stay a nonstop torment, while throwing massive parties that involve live bands with stripper cages suspended above stage. The boys also meet some cute college girls and struggle with the shame of their high-school status being revealed. Did I mention you see boobs, too? That's pretty much the gist of the movie, and as every awful joke and breast flew by on screen, I had to remember that most bad comedies average only 90 minutes.

There have been countless lowbrow comedies in the past that have endured in the pop-culture lexicon, a lot of them revolving around the same premise: college life and "scoring" with da ladies. Such movies as *Animal House* and *Revenge of the Nerds* were at least unique in certain respects, with great comedic performances and somewhat creative premises making them memorable. And *American Pie* functioned on the characters behaving like normal guys, unlike the caricatures portrayed in *College*.

As strange as it is to say, I'm a senior. I've been to countless house parties, bars, tailgates, you name it, so I know what an authentic collegiate rager looks like. The movie's party scenes are the fantasies of bored high-school sophomores. Or 59-year-old movie studio big wigs who want to hire 20-somethings to take off their tops because their wives of 27 years are repulsed by them. Call me an outcast, but I've never been to a party where Verne "Mini-Me" Troyer has been rented for the evening as he is in the film.

There are lots of awful movies floating around in the universe, but I'd rather go back to high school than see *College* again. My friend who sat through the movie with me deserves a special shout-out for not walking into *The Dark Knight* instead. In retrospect, that would've been a better idea.

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Going beyond what if

Iowa-friendly rock band the Nadas confronts the Ghosts that follow it Wednesday at the Picador.

By Jake Jensen
 THE DAILY IOWAN

The classic quandary "What if?" is a popular theme in the world of entertainment. From the feel-good sentiments of *It's a Wonderful Life* to Joan Osborne wondering "What if God were one of us," the age-old conundrum of uncertainty usually makes for a promising story.

And by titling its latest album, *The Ghosts Inside These Halls*, the Nadas has joined the ranks of said ponderers.

Currently in the midst of an Iowa tour, the Nadas will make a stop in Iowa City on Wednesday at the Picador, 330 E. Washington St., at 9 p.m. Singer/guitarist/Des Moines native Jason Walsmith says the title for his band's newest record comes from the constant questioning people do while coasting through life.

"There are 'what ifs' about anything," the 34-year-old said. "What if we had moved to LA, put out more records, and tried a different approach to the industry. I've settled in a good place — with my life, my career, and my music. It's down the line when you reflect and review the 'what ifs.'"

"We used to write to cater to others but not so much anymore. No matter what we write, [we want it to be] meaningful. People identify for different reasons."

Though Walsmith promises that *The Ghosts Inside These Halls* (which is also the album's opening lyric) is "right in line" with the alt-country/rock sound fans have come to expect, he also points out that it is the band's most personal work to date. With inspiration coming from new parenthood to divorce to growing up in general, the album is certainly not short on intimacy.

Having released its first record in 1995, the Nadas has had plenty of time to evolve its sound. Walsmith met fellow singer/guitarist Mike Butterworth while they were both students at Iowa State University. And in college, Walsmith says, his mind first became



Iowa band the Nadas will hit the Picador, 330 E. Washington, at 9 p.m. Wednesday during a tour across its home state. The group's singer/guitarists Jason Walsmith and Mike Butterworth met while attending Iowa State University.

open to the possibility of playing music as a career.

"For me, my mind was stifled until college. It's kind of cliché, but the world is your oyster," he said. "The secret to our success is the fact that we keep doing it. Our career is built around a college town."

Not to be mistaken for an egomaniac, Walsmith, a proud father of two boys, makes it imperative for his use of the word "success" to be surrounded by quotation marks and a note of laughter, signifying his laid-back, humble attitude — a style that also lends itself to his music.

Growing up in Des Moines, where he still resides, Walsmith is familiar with the Iowa music scene. The Nadas' current tour takes it all over the Hawkeye State, from Ottumwa to Cedar Falls to Des Moines. Walsmith said his band tries to hit up the back-to-school markets every year.

"I'm bad with sports analogies," he prefaced with a laugh. "But there is a home-court advantage. There's a



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as the following goes, but there are good venues and support."

Whether the group plays for its loyal collection of fans or in uncharted waters, the Nadas has a full — and a bit surprising — upcoming schedule. Walsmith said he is devoting much of his time to Authentic Records, the label he and his bandmates started. The band continues touring throughout the rest of the fall, and the members are mulling a covers record and, in true music-making-parent style, a children's record.

"I hope that doesn't take away our street cred," Walsmith said, then laughed. "[Kids are] easy to entertain. It's pretty exciting. We're always thinking of what's next."

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Hawks look to improve

The Hawkeyes expect to build off of their 46-3 victory over Maine when they entertain Florida International on Sept. 6.



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Fans enthusiastically greet the Hawkeyes as they take the field in Kinnick Stadium for their game against Maine on Aug. 30. The sold-out game drew a crowd of 70,585. The Hawks beat the Black Bears, 46-3.

By **Brendan Stiles**
 THE DAILY IOWAN

A theme developed among the members of the Iowa football team after the Hawkeyes trounced Maine 46-3 on Aug. 30.

Everyone — from head coach Kirk Ferentz to numerous players — talked about what the team can do better this coming week against Florida International, as well as the remaining 10 games that follow.

From an offensive perspective, the Hawkeyes' 46 points was their largest output since a 47-17 win over Purdue in 2006. The offense was thrilled to build a commanding lead from the start, scoring touchdowns on its first

"If you look at last season, [scoring early] was an area we struggled in, and we definitely looked to improve in that area. We did, but we got to keep it going though. We can't let ourselves stall in the red zone."

— **Seth Olsen, offensive guard**

two possessions of the game, but the players also felt as though some opportunities slipped through the cracks.

"If you look at last season, [scoring early] was an area we struggled in, and we definitely looked to improve in that area," senior offensive guard Seth Olsen said. "We did, but we got to keep it going though. We can't let ourselves stall in the red zone."

The defense, meanwhile, also

had minute problems it determined to fix, even after allowing three points. Among the areas of emphasis the Hawkeye defense seemed bound to improve upon was stopping the run. As inept as the Black Bears' offense may have appeared, Maine's total of 137 yards on the ground didn't sit well with senior defensive tackle Matt Kroul.

"We still got the win, but there are a lot of mistakes that

we need to correct," he said.

If there were any low moments for the victorious Hawkeyes, the majority of them came in the second quarter. Iowa outscored Maine 8-3, but a safety by linebacker A.J. Edds came right after quarterback Jake Christensen threw an interception, and the Black Bears' field goal followed as time expired in the first half, thanks in large part to Iowa defensive penalties.

"We squandered good field position several times in the second quarter, three personal fouls on defense in that second quarter," head coach Kirk Ferentz said. "You can't expect to

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VOLLEYBALL

Hawks win, then drop 2

Sharon Dingman got a win in her first game at the helm of the Iowa volleyball team on Aug. 29, but the celebration was short-lived.

Her squad dropped two matches the following day at the Hampton Inn/Bama Bash in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

The Hawkeyes rolled over Nicholls State on the first day, 3-0, taking the sets with scores of 25-12, 25-20, and 25-19. Senior Catherine Smale and junior Megan Schipper led a balanced Iowa attack with eight kills apiece, and senior Laura Kremer added seven. Senior Kiley Fister led the team with 23 set assists.

"It was nice to come out and get a solid win the first time out," junior Christina Meister said. "We played well, things were clicking."

Iowa then took on Western Kentucky, a NCAA Tournament team a year ago, and fell, 3-1.

After dropping the first set 26-24, the Hawkeyes knotted things up with a 26-24 win of its own. Iowa dropped the next two sets, 25-17 and 25-17.

Later in the day against the Crimson Tide, Iowa fell 3-1. The host school won, 26-24, 17-25, 25-17, and 25-14.

— **by Mike Brownlee**

FIELD HOCKEY

Hawkeyes split

The Iowa field-hockey team came home with a split this weekend following the Big Ten/ACC Challenge in Winston-Salem, N.C., with the weekend being highlighted by a 3-2 victory over top-ranked North Carolina, field hockey's defending national champion.

The Hawkeyes lost their first matchup, 3-2, against Wake Forest on Aug. 30, despite going into the half leading 2-0. However, they flipped the switch on Sunday against the Tar Heels after overcoming a 2-0 deficit early in the second half to win 3-2.

Iowa's comeback was anchored by senior Caitlin McCurdy, who scored two goals including the game-winner with fewer than two minutes remaining. The loss ended North Carolina's 25-game winning streak.

McCurdy was named the Big Ten's Offensive Player of the Week on Monday, the fourth time she has received the award.



McCurdy senior

— **by Jeff Pawola**

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Soccer wins, then loses steam

Iowa soccer won decisively against Western Illinois but lost to South Dakota State Sunday afternoon, giving the Hawkeyes their first loss of the season.

By **Amie Kiehn**
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Stephanie Hyink stomped her black cleats deep into the grass seconds before the ref blew the whistle on the evening of Aug. 29; she was letting Western Illinois know who ruled the turf.

The rest of the Hawkeyes followed Hyink's intensity, and Iowa started off showing the Westerwinds who was the big bad wolf in this storybook.

One word best describes Iowa's play: relentless.

The team aggressively pursued every opportunity to send the ball into Western Illinois' backfield and succeeded. Iowa's persistent hustling was key in its 1-0 win on 29. The team's freshmen sensations continued to shine — frosh forward Alyssa Cosnek sank her third goal of the season in the first six minutes of second half.

The Hawkeyes' assertiveness



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Western Illinois' goalkeeper attempts to block a shot against the Hawkeyes at the Iowa Soccer Complex on Aug. 29. Iowa's Alyssa Cosnek scored a goal in the second half, giving the Hawks a 1-0 victory.

for most of the 90 minutes of play led to 18 shots. However, coach Ron Rainey recognizes that those chances need to

become numbers on the scoreboard if Iowa wants to have a successful season.

"We had some chances there

in the first and second half [against Western Illinois] to make the game into a two-goal game; we need to finish on," he said.

"We have got to be better at putting away chances, or we are going to be in a lot of tight games this year."

That "tight" game came when the Hawkeyes turned around to play South Dakota State on Sunday.

Fatigue showed right away as the Hawkeyes opened up with a significant drop in intensity from previous starts.

Sophomore Keli McLaughlin helped to rev Iowa's engine though by weaving through South Dakota State defenders to convert Morgan Showalter's cross into a goal in the first eight minutes. Unfortunately for the Hawkeyes, that goal was not enough to keep the Hawkeyes from losing momen-

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MEN'S CROSS-COUNTRY

Frosh paces Iowa

The Hawkeye men's cross-country team outlasts both Texas A&M and Wichita State at the Hawkeye Invitational on Aug. 29.

By **Zach Smith**
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Larry Wieczorek and the Iowa men's cross-country team had a few questions still to be answered before embarking on its 2008 campaign. All week leading up to showtime, Wieczorek stressed pack running to his team and how it was more important for the team to win than for an individual to break out.

On Aug. 29, Iowa not only won its Hawkeye Invitational over Texas A&M and Wichita State, but the Hawkeyes received some dominating performances as well.

Freshman Nick Holmes, taking part in his first collegiate competition, delivered a more than superb performance, winning the race with a time of

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WOMEN'S CROSS-COUNTRY

Harriers run to first

By **Matt Leitzke**
 THE DAILY IOWAN

Layne Anderson expected that his freshmen would be good.

After having three of them place in the top 10 at Iowa's Hawkeye Invitational on Aug. 29, good is an understatement. Iowa won the meet with a score of 24 to top Texas A&M's 56 and Wichita State's 61.

Betsy Flood led the freshman scorers with a strong fifth-place finish at 10:41.55. Brooke Eilers was right behind her in sixth at 10:43.21.

McKenzie Melander, Danielle Berndt, and Lindsay Anderson also started off their collegiate careers well, finishing eighth, 12th, and 13th respectively.

"[The freshmen] definitely did what I anticipated they could do in terms of being right up front in the action," Layne Anderson said. "It was great pack running, and as the season goes on, we are going to need them and others to step it up."



Anderson coach

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	77	61	.558	—
Philadelphia	75	63	.543	2
Florida	70	68	.507	7
Atlanta	59	79	.428	18
Washington	53	85	.384	24
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	85	53	.616	—
Milwaukee	80	57	.584	4½
St. Louis	74	64	.536	11
Cincinnati	72	66	.522	13
Houston	61	76	.445	23½
Pittsburgh	57	79	.419	27
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	70	67	.511	—
Los Angeles	68	70	.493	2½
Colorado	65	74	.468	6
San Francisco	59	78	.431	11
San Diego	53	84	.387	17

Monday's Games
 Florida 4, Atlanta 3
 N.Y. Mets 4, Milwaukee 2
 Colorado 4, San Francisco 0
 Washington 7, Philadelphia 4
 Houston 3, Chicago Cubs 0
 Arizona 8, St. Louis 6
 L.A. Dodgers 5, San Diego 2

Today's Games
 Atlanta (Morton 4-8) at Florida (A. Sanchez 2-3), 6:10 p.m.
 Philadelphia (Hamels 11-8) at Washington (Lannan 8-12), 6:10 p.m.
 Pittsburgh (Snell 5-10) at Cincinnati (Harang 4-14), 6:10 p.m.
 N.Y. Mets (Niese 0-0) at Milwaukee (Parra 10-6), 7:05 p.m.
 Houston (Babe 9-12) at Chicago Cubs (Zambrano 13-5), 7:05 p.m.
 San Francisco (Lincecum 15-3) at Colorado (L. Hernandez 1-3), 7:35 p.m.
 St. Louis (Wainwright 7-3) at Arizona (Petit 3-3), 8:40 p.m.
 San Diego (Baek 4-8) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 2-5), 9:10 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Tampa Bay	84	51	.622	—
Boston	80	57	.584	5
New York	73	64	.533	12
Toronto	70	66	.515	14½
Baltimore	63	74	.460	22
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	77	60	.562	—
Minnesota	77	60	.562	—
Cleveland	66	70	.485	10½
Detroit	66	71	.482	11
Kansas City	57	79	.419	19½
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	83	53	.610	—
Oakland	67	72	.482	17½
Texas	63	74	.460	20½
Seattle	54	83	.394	29½

Monday's Games
 N.Y. Yankees 13, Detroit 9
 Boston 7, Baltimore 4
 Cleveland 5, Chicago White Sox 0
 Seattle 12, Texas 6
Today's Games
 Baltimore (Liz 5-3) at Boston (Lester 12-5), 6:05 p.m.
 L.A. Angels (Saunders 14-7) at Detroit (Lambert 0-1), 6:05 p.m.
 Chicago White Sox (Danks 10-7) at Cleveland (Carmona 7-5), 6:05 p.m.
 Minnesota (Perkins 12-3) at Toronto (Purcey 2-5), 6:07 p.m.
 N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 16-7) at Tampa Bay (Garza 11-7), 6:10 p.m.
 Seattle (Feierabend 0-1) at Texas (McCarthy 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
 Oakland (Gonzalez 1-2) at Kansas City (Greinke 9-9), 7:10 p.m.

WILD CARD GLANCE

National League	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	80	57	.584	—
Philadelphia	75	63	.543	5½
St. Louis	74	64	.536	6½
American League	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	80	57	.584	—
Chicago	77	60	.562	3
Minnesota	77	60	.562	3
New York	73	64	.533	7

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WEATHER: Sunny, warm and very pleasant. High of 85.
ATTENDANCE: Day: 37,180. Night: 23,763. Total: 60,943.
MEN'S WINNERS (Fourth Round): No. 1 Rafael Nadal, No. 6 Andy Murray, No. 17 Juan Martin del Potro and Mardy Fish.
MEN'S LOSERS: No. 10 Stanislas Wawrinka, No. 32 Gael Monfils and Sam Querrey.
WOMEN'S WINNERS (Fourth Round): No. 4 Serena Williams, No. 6 Dinara Safina, No. 7 Venus Williams and No. 16 Flavia Pennetta.
WOMEN'S LOSERS: No. 9 Agnieszka Radwanska, No. 32 Amelie Mauresmo, Anna-Lena Groenewald and Severine Bremond.
TOP PLAYERS ON COURT TODAY: Men (Fourth Round): No. 2 Roger Federer vs. No. 23 Igor Andreev, No. 3 Novak Djokovic vs. No. 15 Tommy Robredo, No. 5 Nikolay Davydenko vs. Gilles Muller, No. 8 Andy Roddick vs. No. 11 Fernando Gonzalez. Women (Quarterfinals): No. 2 Jelena Jankovic vs. No. 29 Sybille Bammer, No. 5 Elena Dementieva vs. No. 15 Patty Schnyder.
TODAY ON TV (All Times EDT): USA, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (live), 6-10 p.m. (live).

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

	Conference		AllGames	
	W	L	W	L
Iowa	0	0	1	0
Indiana	0	0	1	0
Minnesota	0	0	1	0
Northwestern	0	0	1	0
Ohio St.	0	0	1	0
Penn St.	0	0	1	0
Wisconsin	0	0	1	0
Purdue	0	0	0	0
Illinois	0	0	0	1
Michigan St.	0	0	0	1
Michigan	0	0	0	1

Saturday's Games
 Iowa 46, Maine 3
 Northwestern 30, Syracuse 10
 Wisconsin 38, Akron 17
 Indiana 31, W. Kentucky 13
 Ohio St. 43, Youngstown St. 0
 Penn St. 66, Coastal Carolina 10
 Utah 25, Michigan 23
 Minnesota 31, N. Illinois 27
 California 38, Michigan St. 31
 Missouri 52, Illinois 42

Saturday, Sept. 6
 Fla. International at Iowa, 11 a.m.
 Ohio at Ohio St., 11 a.m.
 N. Colorado at Purdue, 11 a.m.
 E. Illinois at Illinois, 11 a.m.
 Miami (Ohio) at Michigan, 11 a.m.
 E. Michigan at Michigan St., 11 a.m.
 Marshall at Wisconsin, 11 a.m.
 Oregon St. at Penn St., 2:30 p.m.
 Murray St. at Indiana, 6 p.m.
 Northwestern at Duke, 6 p.m.
 Minnesota at Bowling Green, 6:30 p.m.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Thursday's Game
 Washington at N.Y. Giants, 6 p.m.

Sunday's Games
 Detroit at Baltimore, 12 p.m.
 Cincinnati at Baltimore, 12 p.m.
 Seattle at Buffalo, 12 p.m.
 N.Y. Jets at Miami, 12 p.m.
 Kansas City at New England, 12 p.m.
 Tampa Bay at New Orleans, 12 p.m.
 St. Louis at Philadelphia, 12 p.m.
 Houston at Pittsburgh, 12 p.m.
 Jacksonville at Tennessee, 12 p.m.
 Dallas at Cleveland, 3:15 p.m.
 Carolina at San Diego, 3:15 p.m.
 Arizona at San Francisco, 3:15 p.m.
 Chicago at Indianapolis, 7:15 p.m.

Monday's Games
 Minnesota at Green Bay, 6 p.m.
 Denver at Oakland, 9:15 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

FOOTBALL
National Football League
NATIONAL BRONCOS—Claimed S Calvin Lowry off waivers from Tennessee. Waived S Roderick Rogers. Signed DE Ryan McBean, RB P.J. Pope and WR Travis Wilson to the practice squad.
GREEN BAY PACKERS—Released LB Abdul Hodge and P Jon Ryan. Signed P Derrick Brud and LS Brett Goode.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Claimed LB Buster Davis off waivers from Detroit and DT Daniel Muir off waivers from Green Bay. Waived S Jamie Silva and LB Ramon Guzman.

Astros dump Cubs

Oswalt stymies Cubs, Astros win 6th straight.

By Rick Gano
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Roy Oswalt allowed four hits and came within two outs of a shutout, and the Houston Astros ran their winning streak to six games with a 3-0 victory over the Chicago Cubs on Monday.

The Cubs have lost three straight, all at home — their first three-game skid at Wrigley Field since August of last year. They remained 4½ game ahead of the Brewers in the NL Central after Milwaukee lost, 4-2, to the Mets.

Oswalt (13-9), who has won seven of his last eight decisions, took a two-hit shutout into the ninth. But pinch-hitter Daryle Ward and Alfonso Soriano hit back-to-back singles with one out before Jose Valverde was summoned from the bullpen.

Valverde got his 38th save in 44 chances when Kosuke Fukudome hit into a force-out and Derrek Lee flied out to the right field warning track to end the game.

Chicago hasn't had an extra base hit since Soriano homered in the seventh inning of the Aug. 29 game against the Phillies. The Cubs' last 27 hits have all been singles.

Miguel Tejada tripled to start the fourth against Jason Marquis (9-8) when he hit a line drive off the ivy-covered left-field wall, and Soriano couldn't retrieve the ball. Lance Berkman walked, and Geoff Blum hit a liner to center for a sacrifice fly with Berkman alertly taking second on the throw. Berk-

man then stole third and scored on Hunter Pence's RBI single for a 2-0 lead.

The Tejada/Berkman combination worked again in the seventh when Tejada singled and went to third on Berkman's single. Tejada scored on rookie Jeff Smardzija's wild pitch and Berkman made it all the way to third on an error by Cubs catcher Geovany Soto, who threw wildly past Samardzija as he covered the plate.

But the rally fizzled when Hunter Pence walked and was thrown out trying to steal.

Marquis went six innings and allowed five hits and two runs with a season-high eight strikeouts.

Notes: The Astros lead the season series 7-6. ... Houston has the fewest errors in the majors this season (58). ... Carlos Zambrano, scratched from his Sunday start to get extra rest for a tired arm, will pitch tonight against Houston's Brandon Backe. ... Houston 2B Kaz Matsui, on the 15-day disabled list since Aug. 13 with an irritated disk in his back, went through pregame drills. Manager Cecil Cooper is optimistic Matsui can return in the next few days. ... Battling the sun, Astros right fielder Pence made a great sliding catch of Mark DeRosa's sinking liner in the eighth.



Oswalt pitcher

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Wells held out of practice

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Ohio State tailback Chris "Beanie" Wells did not practice with the second-ranked Buckeyes on Monday.

Wells, who injured his right foot in the Buckeyes' 43-0 victory over Youngstown State on Aug. 30, continued to wear a protective boot on his right foot.

He fell to the turf on a carry at the Penguins 2-yard line in the third quarter. After lying on the field in pain, he was helped off

and then carted to the locker room. He returned to the bench to watch the final few minutes before cautiously walking back to the locker room.

X-rays after the game did not show any broken bones.

"He has been diligent in taking as many treatments as possible from our trainers the past two days," Ohio State football information director Shelly Poe said in an e-mail late Monday afternoon. "Other than that, [there is] nothing definitive to report on his diagnosis or prognosis timeline."

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POINT/COUNTERPOINT

Which Iowa QB was more impressive on Saturday?

RICKY STANZI

While neither quarterback commanded the offense with extreme precision on Aug. 30 against the over-matched Maine Black Bears, it's what Jake Christensen didn't show that made Ricky Stanzi the more impressive quarterback. Namely, quarterback.

Christensen looked just as inaccurate and uncertain as he did last year, missing numerous open receivers and serving up an easy interception in the end zone. A quarterback with his résumé should have shredded an obviously inferior opponent. Instead, he performed like the same quarterback who had the worst completion percentage in the Big Ten last year.

Enter Stanzi. The redshirt sophomore with no starting experience ran the offense with impressive poise. Stanzi displayed mobility seldom seen from Christensen, rushing for 22 yards and a first down, and hit

ting a receiver with a strike while eluding oncoming defenders. Although the offensive line deserves some of the blame for last year's 46 sacks, Christensen's inability to escape pressure certainly didn't help. Stanzi, at least on Aug. 30, appeared more adept.

Christensen exhibited no progress as a returning starter, a bad sign for a quarterback who was barely passable last season.

Stanzi, who has less experience, showed versatility and composure. It will be a telling sign how the snaps are divided against Florida International.

One player, "Slick Rick" Stanzi, looks to have upside and athleticism, two things the Iowa offense needs. The other appears to be the same passer who overthrew Tom Busch in the flat against Northwestern last season.

— by Mike Slusark

JAKE CHRISTENSEN

I'm not going to lie to you. Ricky Stanzi looked pretty damn good against Maine on Aug. 30. His nine completions for 90 yards made a lot of Hawkeye fans feel comfortable with the thought of seeing No. 12 taking snaps under center.

But I wouldn't call for Jake Christensen's head just yet. This will be Christensen's second year as a starter, and I do have to admit, he didn't look too shabby on Aug. 30, either. Yeah, he had an interception; there were plenty of quarterbacks who threw picks across the nation over the weekend.

Did you notice his pretty toss to tight end Brandon Myers in the first quarter? You know, the one where he was on the run and then zipped a pass that went needle and thread through two defenders? Wait a second — I'm getting too far ahead of myself.

I seem to have forgotten to mention the way that Christensen played the drill sergeant during the 10-play, 69-yard first-possession score that saw Shonn Greene trot into the end zone for an easy 1-yard touchdown. Mind you, it was the first time the Hawks scored on their first possession since the 2006 Alamo Bowl.

Some of you may quip that it took Christensen a whole year to get that monkey off of his back; I just think it's another example of the strides of improvement that the QB has made during the off-season.

With Christensen at the helm, the Hawks slapped 24 points on the scoreboard, and the offense simply looked comfortable with him calling the shots. He knows the system and has the ability to run it well.

It also seems as if head coach Kirk Ferentz likes what he sees in Christensen, and who can argue with our own sovereign leader? Ferentz admits that the starting position is "tilting" in Christensen's direction.

It's time for Hawkeye fans to jump on the scale with Christensen and tilt him toward sole possession of the starting position that he deserves.

— by Krisanne Ryther

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Soccer splits

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tum, and South Dakota State scored two late second-half goals to take a 2-1 victory.

Veteran Hawkeyes agreed that the difficult transition from Aug. 29 to Sunday was a unpleasant reminder of previous hardships.

"I don't think we stressed the importance to people that it is tough. It's a tough sport," senior forward Kelsey Shaw said. "It's tough playing two games in one weekend, especially when Friday's game was a tough game [against Western Illinois], and then you come back here and you have [South Dakota State] that won't let down and is not going to let you in."

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Women dominate

"The pace was definitely a bit different from what I was used to. I went out faster, and I just had to get used to it. It was the first race, so I did not expect to feel great."

— **Rachel Marchand, senior**

WOMEN'S X-COUNTRY

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Senior Racheal Marchand led all Iowa scorers, coming in second with a time of 10:25.83. Graduate student Sarah Perry finished in fourth at 10:40.43

Wichita State's Kellyn Johnson, who won the Missouri Valley title last season, won the race comfortably with a time of 10:18.86. Texas A&M's Christina Munoz rounded out the top three with a time of 10:35.52. Marchand was close with Johnson for most of the race, before Johnson pulled away down the final stretch of the Ashton Cross-Country Course.

"[Johnson] was strong from the beginning, and I wasn't sure if she was going to stay strong for the whole race," Marchand said. "I am probably in about 70 percent shape right now, so if I was 100 percent, I think I could have been up there with her."

Marchand also acknowledged that the 3,000 meter race was a little tough after a track season in which she ran the 10,000 meters.

"The pace was definitely a bit different from what I was used to," she said. "I went out faster, and I just had to get used to it. It was the first race, so I did not expect to feel great."

Layne Anderson still liked most of what he saw out of Marchand, and he also noted that she is much better in distance events.

"I know she does not like the 3K race in particular," he said. "It just gets to the point where she feels like she is just starting to race toward the end."

"She looked good and strong out there. This is her best start to a season, and I am pleased with where she is. If she comes along as she does most seasons, I think by season's end she will be an All-American and have a good shot at a top finish at the national meet."

Marchand was pleased about how the meet went for the team as a whole.

"We are definitely learning how to run in packs and how to run together," she said. "I would say for it being the first meet we did an excellent job just as an overall team."

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Hawkeyes Eric MacTaggart (35) and Nick Holmes (29) run at the Hawkeye Invitational on Aug. 29. The Hawkeyes beat Texas A&M and Wichita State.



Becky Mnuk/The Daily Iowan

Freshman shines in debut

MEN'S X-COUNTRY

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18:33.23. Jesse Luciano finished second overall at 18:40.3, and course record holder [an 18:18 in the 6K set in 2005] Eric MacTaggart crossed the finish line in 18:51.05, giving the Hawkeyes all three top spots in the meet. "The veterans knew what they could do," Wiczorek said. "But to have the freshman step in and show them he can do it as a freshman was really special."

Tallying a total of 18 points among their top-five runners — each of whom finished in

the top 10, Iowa turned in an average time of 18:50.55, 30 seconds faster than the Aggies' average time. Texas A&M came in a distant second place with 43, and Wichita State followed with 79.

From the starting gun all the way to the finish line, the freshman from Bartonville, Ill., was the leader throughout, pacing the Hawkeyes through the 6,000-meter journey.

"I feel like I'm not in the greatest race shape yet," Holmes said. "We didn't talk a lot of strategy [before the meet]. My goal was run the first few miles and see where I'm at."

As Holmes approached the 4K mark, Wiczorek shouted, "Keep pushing, Nick. You're doing great."

"He just went out there and did his thing," Wiczorek said. "I think Nick showed that he's the guy to round out the lineup. Every week the competition is going to get tougher. This is only going to tighten up our top three runners."

Wiczorek was well aware of the potential of his veteran runners. With four runners possessing valuable NCAA experience, the Hawks went into their home-opener expecting a stern challenge from visiting Wichita State and Texas

A&M.

Though Iowa went into the meet without senior co-captain Andy Napier — who opted not to run because of a sore foot — they were still loaded with plenty of experienced runners to carry the load.

Holmes may have won the individual race, but even he recognized everyone else's efforts in contributing to a Hawkeyes win.

"[Wiczorek] didn't talk a lot about individual things," Holmes said. "We know now that we have a really good team."

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Boom, go Hawks

FOOTBALL

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have success doing those things. We gave up a big play right off the bat, too, which, you know, those kinds of things we just can't have during the rest of the season."

That "big play" Ferentz referred to was the Black Bears' very first offensive play from scrimmage, a 37-yard completion by Maine quarterback Adam Farkes to Michael Brusko that placed the Black Bears at the Iowa 39. The Hawkeyes did make up for it later in the drive when senior cornerback Bradley Fletcher picked off a Farkes pass that was batted up by Edds.

Now the Hawkeyes have are looking to Saturday, when the Golden Panthers come to Kinick Stadium. Florida International enters with an 0-1 mark, losing its over the weekend to No. 13 Kansas, 40-10.

Iowa expects the Golden Panthers to be a bit better than Maine, but at least as the Hawkeyes go through the week, they can hold their heads high.

"It was a good win all-around for us," senior wide receiver Andy Brodell said. "We have a lot of things to improve upon, but this was a good way to start out."

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Iowa 46, Maine 3

Hawkeyes pummel Black Bears

After missing out on a bowl trip last year, the Hawkeyes appear to be on the right track with one game already in the books. Iowa won its season-opener Aug. 30 with a 46-3 victory over the Maine Black Bears of the Football Championship Subdivision.

SLIDE SHOW

For more coverage of the Iowa-Maine game, go to dailyiowan.com and view an exclusive game audio slide show.

BREAKDOWN

Key
Iowa Maine

FIRST DOWNS
27
15

RUSHING YARDS
245
137

PASSING YARDS
212
83

COMP-ATT-INT
18-29-1
9-23-2

KICK/PUNT RETURN YARDS
123
74

AVERAGE PUNTS
1-36.0
1-36.0

LOST FUMBLES
1-0
0-0

PENALTY YARDS
4-50
4-44

TIME OF POSSESSION
32:02
27:58

BOX SCORE

IOWA 46, MAINE 3

Maine	0	3	0	0	-	3
Iowa	14	8	3	21	-	46

First Quarter
Iowa - Greene 1 run (Mossbrucker kick), 10:09
Iowa - Myers 4 pass from Christensen (Mossbrucker kick), 5:27

Second Quarter
Iowa - Edds safety, 12:31
Iowa - FG Mossbrucker 35, 3:39
Iowa - FG Murray 44, 1:33
Maine - FG Haney 40, 0:00

Third Quarter
Iowa - FG Mossbrucker 33, 6:50

Fourth Quarter
Iowa - O'Meara 1 run (Murray kick), 14:58
Iowa - Hampton 19 run (Murray kick), 14:43
Iowa - Hampton 22 run (Murray kick), 3:29

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING - Maine, Fluelen 21-104, Session 4-21, Farkas 9-11, Brusko 1-1, Iowa, Greene 22-109, Hampton 9-68, Brodell 1-24, O'Meara 7-23, Stanzi 2-22, Christensen 3-(minus 1).

PASSING - Maine, Farkas 9-22-83, Iowa, Christensen 9-15-122, Stanzi 9-14-90.

RECEIVING - Maine, Fluelen 3-10, Brusko 2-40, Williams 1-12, Jones 1-9, Kelley 1-9, Session 1-3, Iowa, Myers 4-43, Johnson-Koulianos 3-29, O'Meara 2-27, Evans 2-20, Chaney 2-19, Sandeman 1-29, Reiner 1-24, Brodell 1-16, Paine 1-15, Greene 1-(minus 3).

QUOTED

"I love football. Football is my life. It was a great sigh of relief when I stepped out on the field and played the game today. It felt really good."
— Iowa junior running back Shawn Greene

"Every game, you build a little something, and we built a little continuity. We just need to build off of it."
— Iowa senior guard Seth Olsen



Fans congratulate the Iowa football team after its victory over Maine in Kinnick Stadium on Aug. 30. The Hawkeyes treated their fans at the sold-out season-opener to a 46-3 victory.



A fan congratulates Iowa defensive back Brett Greenwood after the Hawkeyes' victory over Maine in Kinnick Stadium on Aug. 30. The Iowa defense played a large role in Iowa's 46-3 win.

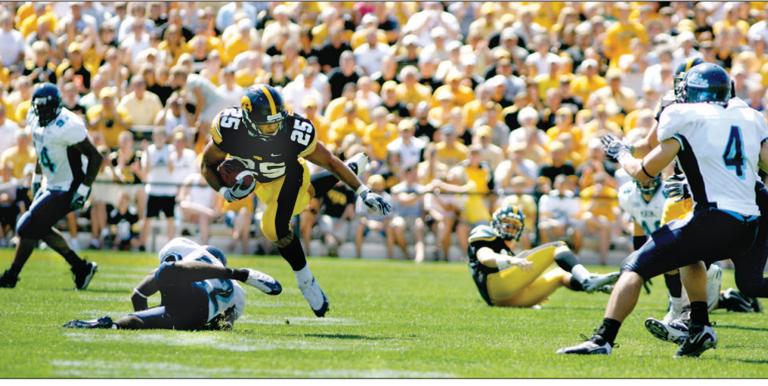
BELOW: Iowa running back Paki O'Meara tries to score deep inside Maine's territory late in the third quarter on Aug. 30. Fans and Hawkeye Marching Band members watched as he scored his first Iowa touchdown on the next play.



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Black Bears' Jonathan Pirruccello tackles Hawkeye running back Jewel Hampton during the fourth quarter in Kinnick Stadium on Aug. 30. Hampton scored two touchdowns during the fourth quarter in the Hawkeyes' 46-3 win.



Hawkeye running back Paki O'Meara avoids a Maine defensive tackle in Kinnick Stadium on Aug. 30. O'Meara rushed for 23 yards, rolled up 27 yards in pass receptions, and scored his first Iowa touchdown, and the Hawkeyes easily defeated the Black Bears, 46-3.

RIGHT: UI senior Angela Bryant (right) plays the clarinet with the Marching Band during the Hawkeyes' Aug. 30 football game. Iowa defeated the Maine Black Bears, 46-3.



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Iowa quarterback Ricky Stanzi throws a pass to tight end Dan Myers during the second quarter of Iowa's game against Maine in Kinnick Stadium on Aug. 30. Myers scored a touchdown in the first quarter and led the Hawks with 43 receiving yards, helping the Hawkeyes defeat the Black Bears.



Iowa wide receiver Paul Chaney Jr. maneuvers around a Maine defender after catching a pass from quarterback Jake Christensen during the first quarter of Iowa's game against Maine in Kinnick Stadium on Aug. 30. Iowa passed 212 yards in the 46-3 victory.



Iowa running back Jewel Hampton celebrates with the offensive line-men in Kinnick Stadium after scoring his second touchdown on Aug. 30. His were the final points scored as Iowa defeated Maine, 46-3.

BY THE NUMBERS

Hawkeye punter Ryan Donahue only had **one punt** the entire contest. It went 36 yards and was downed at the Maine 3 yard line.

Although the Black Bears got the ground game going against the Hawkeyes, the Iowa defense only surrendered **83 total passing yards**.

PRIME PLAYS

Iowa quarterback Jake Christensen and Ricky Stanzi both **threw nine completions** against Maine.

Running backs Shawn Greene, Paki O'Meara, and Jewel Hampton combined for **200 yards rushing on 38 carries**.

IOWA GAME BALL

A.J. EDDES

The junior linebacker had a mammoth game for the Hawkeyes, recording seven tackles (two for losses), assisting on Bradley Fletcher's first-quarter interception, and recording the Hawkeyes' lone sack that gave Iowa a safety.

MAINE GAME BALL

JHAMAL FLUELLEN

The Black Bear running back was one of the few bright spots for Maine, rushing for 104 yards on 21 carries against a stingy Hawkeye defense.

THUMBS UP

The Iowa offense — The Hawkeyes scored a touchdown on their opening drive for the first time since the 2006 Alamo Bowl, then scored again on their second possession of the contest, putting them up 14-0 in the first quarter.

THUMBS DOWN

The Hawkeyes' run defense — Although Iowa only gave up three points, the Hawkeye defense did allow 137 yards on the ground against the Black Bears' offense.

LOOK AHEAD

The Hawkeyes will play their next two games at Kinnick Stadium and look to continue the home cooking on Sept. 6 against the Florida International Golden Panthers of the Sun Belt Conference. This will be the first meeting ever between Iowa and Florida International. Last week, the Golden Panthers played at Kansas and lost to the 13th-ranked Jayhawks, 40-10, in Lawrence.

SCHEDULE

Aug. 30 — Iowa 46, Maine 3
Sept. 6 — Iowa vs. Florida International
Sept. 13 — Iowa vs. Iowa State
Sept. 20 — Iowa vs. Pittsburgh
Sept. 27 — Iowa vs. Northwestern
Oct. 4 — Iowa at Michigan State
Oct. 11 — Iowa at Indiana
Oct. 18 — Iowa vs. Wisconsin
Nov. 1 — Iowa at Illinois
Nov. 8 — Iowa vs. Penn State
Nov. 15 — Iowa vs. Purdue
Nov. 22 — Iowa at Minnesota



Staff Sgt. Patrick Abair of the National Guard (left) and an unidentified trooper help protect the entrance to the Superdome in New Orleans on Monday.

Superdome seems OK

By Brett Martel
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Louisiana Superdome, for now still scheduled to host an NFL regular-season opener Sept. 7 between the New Orleans Saints and Tampa Bay Buccaneers, appeared to be in good condition after the worst of Hurricane Gustav had passed, the stadium's operator said.

"We're in good shape," said Doug Thornton, the vice president of SMG, the company that manages the Superdome and neighboring New Orleans Arena. "We've got some exterior signs ripped and things like that, downed fences and light poles blown over, but nothing major, nothing structural or nothing that would affect the interior condition of the building."

Thornton, who spearheaded the ambitious \$200 million, eight-month renovation of the Superdome following Hurricane Katrina, remained in the stadium with a handful of staff during the storm Sunday night and Monday.

Thornton said there was no noticeable structural or interior damage, but he stressed that a more thorough inspection still needed to be done. The stadium had yet to lose normal power as of Monday afternoon, he said.

While the dome may be in good shape, whether or not the Saints play there depends on several factors that may be out of stadium management's control.

Thornton said those matters include:

- When the city allows residents to return, which affects not only the number of fans who can attend but also the staff of approximately 2,500 needed to stage an NFL game, including police who handle security and may still be needed for post-hurricane patrols.
- Whether suppliers can ship in needed food and drink for concession stands, suites, and lounges. Thornton said all food had been shipped out before the storm for fear it could spoil if the power went out.
- "Just based on my gut right now, all of it looks pretty positive," Thornton said. "But again, we don't have a full report on damage out in the community and how long it may take to restore power and all those things that may influence the decision."
- If officials decided it was not practical to play the game in New Orleans Sept. 7, it was not clear what the backup plan would be.
- "We are continuing to monitor the situation in close coordination with the Saints," NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said. "Our focus today is on the brave people of the Gulf Coast. We have great admiration for them and for the public safety and emergency personnel who are tirelessly working to protect lives and property in that region. We will make an announcement at the appropriate time about the status of the Saints' game scheduled for Sunday in the Superdome."

Ravens to start rookie quarterback

By David Ginsburg
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

OWINGS MILLS, Md. — Rookie quarterback Joe Flacco will start in the season opener Sunday for the Baltimore Ravens, who he's the healthiest player at the position.

Flacco, the 18th pick overall, will launch his NFL career against the Cincinnati Bengals. There is a chance the two other quarterbacks competing for the job, Troy Smith and Kyle Boller, will not be available as backups.

"It wouldn't be realistic to have one of those two guys as a starter, for sure," coach John Harbaugh said on Monday. "If they can back up, I think that would be an upset."

Smith is still feeling the effects of infected tonsils, and Boller has a sore shoulder that could ultimately require surgery. In an effort to add depth, the Ravens worked out quarterback Chris Simms, Joey Harrington, and Todd Bouman on Monday.

"We need a backup quarterback for the game," Harbaugh said.

But for now, the focus is on Flacco, who was labeled the team's "quarterback of the future" by general manager Ozzie Newsome on draft day shortly after the Ravens traded up to get the former University of Delaware standout.

Well, the quarterback of the future is now the quarterback of the present.

"This is what I wanted all along," Flacco said. "Things happen funny. I've gotten my opportunity, and now it's up to me to go out there and play."

After two preseason games, Harbaugh essentially eliminated Flacco in what began as a three-way competition to be Baltimore's starting quarterback. The plan was to start Smith in the third game, against the St. Louis Rams, then take a look at Boller.

But neither Smith nor Boller was

available to play against the Rams or the preseason finale against Atlanta. Flacco started both games and played well enough to maintain the role in the opener.

"If one of you guys wrote this in a movie script, no one would believe it," Harbaugh said.

Flacco went 35-for-67 for 284 yards and no interceptions during the preseason. His quarterback rating was better than that of Boller or Smith, and he threw Baltimore's lone touchdown pass.

Now, however, it's for real. If he plays well, Flacco might be able to keep the job. But that's not what motivates him.

"The thinking is to win some games. That's the first thing I'm thinking about and the only thing I'm thinking about," the 6-6 rookie said.

The Ravens probably would have preferred to let the 23-year-old Flacco learn from the sideline before thrusting him into a game that counts. But the way the situation played out, that wasn't an option.

"To me, it doesn't even matter. Joe's our guy. We think he can win for us," Harbaugh said. "He had a heck of a practice, and we're excited to go out there and play with him."

Smith, meanwhile, was just glad to be back with his teammates. He may not be able to practice this week, but at least he can be surrounded by friends in the locker room.

"I'm not thinking about starting at all. My health comes first in any situation, and then my team comes," he said. "Just being back around the guys, laughing and joking and being a part of something special here, is what's most important."

Notes: The Ravens waived cornerback David Pittman after reaching an injury settlement with the third-year player. Baltimore also signed four players to its practice squad: tight end Nate Laurie, running back Marcus Mason, wide receiver Bryan Mattison, and wide receiver Matt Willis.

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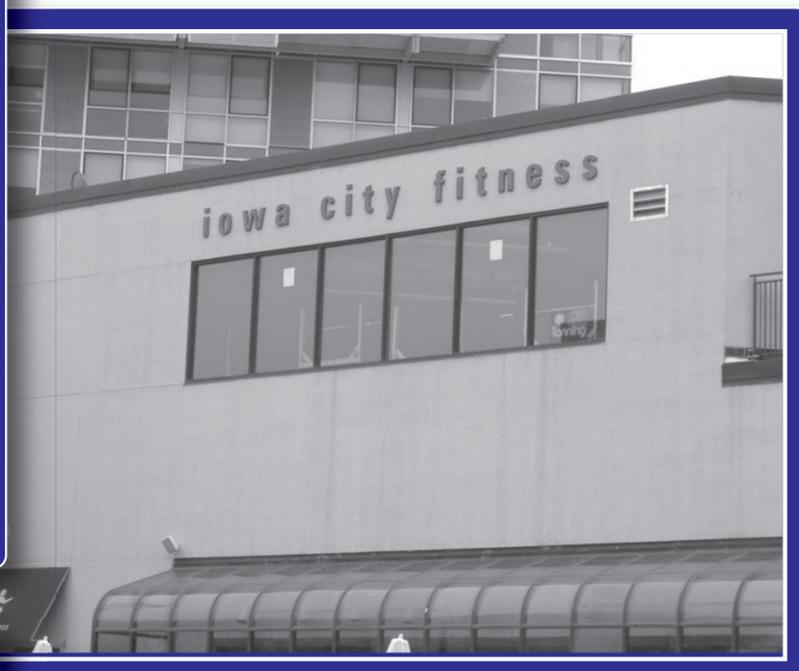
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