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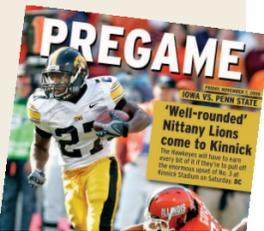
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All over but the memories

Days after the election, all that remains of the heated campaign languishes in boxes.

By ANNA LOTHSON
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Almost everything was put on hold — a paying job, school work, friends.

All that changed Tuesday night for UI junior Nora Schmiedel. The election's over, and so is her position as President-elect Barack Obama's deputy field organizer in Iowa City.

"Luckily, my parents are huge Obama fans, so they have been giving me money," she said.

On Thursday, Schmiedel stood amid piles of torn boxes overflowing with Obama posters at the Johnson County Democrats headquarters — a building that just days ago buzzed with callers scurrying to reach voters.

But all the campaign material wasn't made in vain. Schmiedel said the materials will be shipped to Iraq so other nations may show their Obama pride.

The UI junior, who began her work with the campaign during the caucus season, said the position was a full-time job — minus the pay.

"It's going to be good to get some sleep," she said. "But I woke up after the election and felt I had way too much time now."

Though she received three credit hours for her work on the Obama campaign, she said she

Bye-bye to campaign homes

Now that the election is over, local parties are clearing out of their offices.

Previous locations:

• Johnson County Democrats: 625 S. Dubuque, Iowa City
• Johnson County Republicans: 411 Second St., Coralville

had to drop a class and that her social life suffered.

"That stuff is all shallow," she added, describing the campaign

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Office aids shaken kids

An area agency provides counseling services to schools in need.

By ADAM SULLIVAN
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The death of a child can unsettle even the most level-headed. But helping other children come to terms with that loss is an especially delicate process, experts say.

Twice in the area this year, high-profile incidents have claimed school-age children as victims. And offering support to shaken classmates is, in part, the job of the Grant Wood Area Education Agency.

Since June, the agency has been called into eastern Iowa schools to help students deal with stressful situations on six occasions. It is one of 10 such organizations in the state and provides services to 33 school districts, 22 nonpublic schools, and more than 71,000 students, agency spokesman George Held said.

Specialists are currently in Regina Elementary working with students who recently learned that Michelle Kehoe allegedly injured one of their classmates — first-grader Sean Kehoe — and reportedly killed his brother.

Informing students about the death of a child is one of the most delicate steps in the crisis management process, said Katy Lee, a stress management team coordinator with the agency. Lee said announcements about such

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PRESIDENT - ELECT



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Rep. Rahm Emanuel, D-Ill. (left), huddles with then-Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama in Chicago on June 6. President-elect Obama chose Emanuel to be his White House chief of staff, his first selection for the new administration. **Read more about his choice on back page.**

County picks site for center

County officials select a justice-center committee coordinator and site this week.

By BRIANA BYRD
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In April, they were waiting. In September, they were still waiting.

Now the wait is over.

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors now have a committee coordinator and site for the criminal-justice center.

The board announced Bob Elliott as the new coordinator — though he has not yet signed a contract with the county — during a Thursday meeting.

The appointment comes after deciding on Wednesday to use a site adjacent to the Johnson County Courthouse on Clinton Street for the justice center, ending a one-year discussion on its location. Since 2000, supervisors have considered building a new center after voters decided against rebuilding the county jail.

If the supervisors had decided against using this site, it would have moved all of its public-safety services — the courthouse, the jail — to a different location, maybe out to rural Johnson County.

The board selected the site after months of waiting for feedback from the public and the Durrant Group — a Des Moines-

Locating the center

County officials plan to build a criminal-justice center near the Johnson County Courthouse.



Jacqueline Cieslak/The Daily Iowan

The site locations the board had to chose from:

- The existing Johnson County Courthouse
- North of the South Dubuque Street site of the Johnson County Administration Building
- Near Melrose Avenue and Highway 218
- Near Oak Crest Hill Road

Source: Johnson County Board of Supervisors

based firm hired to investigate site locations.

"I'm pleased that we've come to a conclusion with the primary site, but we need to move cau-

SEE SITE, 3A

Local voters trusted Obama, exit poll says

Urban Johnson County residents say they're Democratic and want more responsible drinking.

By KATIE HANSON
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Johnson County voters said they trusted President-elect Barack Obama more than his opponent in virtually every personality quality except experience, according to part of the Hawkeye Poll released Thursday.

Meanwhile, the economy reigned supreme among voters' concerns, with Obama consistently being rated higher than Republican challenger John McCain by voters squeezed by the "credit crunch."

"It's more evidence that the state of the economy drove the election," said UI political-science Associate Professor David Redlawsk.

Sixty students spent more than three hours each at area precincts conducting exit polls as part of Redlawsk's political-



CHRISTY AUMER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Associate Professor David Redlawsk delivers a lecture in 302 Schaeffer Hall on Thursday. Redlawsk touched on topics ranging from lowering the drinking age to whose responsibility it is to deal with binge drinking.

campaigning class, capturing by the end of Tuesday night more than 1,100 urban Johnson County residents' opinions on topics ranging from the election to binge drinking. Redlawsk has been directing such polling since 2000.

Pollsters requested responses from every fourth voter, but UI junior Mark Bowers said a lot more than that wanted to be polled.

"People asked me if they could fill it out anyway, even if I didn't ask them," Bowers

said. "I guess people just like expressing their opinions."

The exit poll also asked three questions about local binge drinking: Whether bars should limit access to ages 21 and over, who is responsible for binge drinking, and what priority binge drinking has compared to other issues.

"We've asked this question since 2004, and what's most interesting is that we see a

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Bringing home the bacon

Bacon spreads outside the frying pan.

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Bacon. We eat it in strips, in bits. But now, the popular pork taste can be scooped, spread, even sucked up through a straw.

With the emergence of Baconnaise, two sandwich toppings become one.

And who do we have to thank for this earth-shattering invention? UI alumnus Dave Lefkow and friend Justin Esch.

"We have grossly underestimated Americans' love for bacon," Lefkow said. "It's a gateway meat — one taste, and vegetarians will convert into carnivores."

Just one week after its public debut, more than 2,000 jars of Baconnaise have been sold, and the spreading sauce has yet to reach any stores — all sales so far are Internet orders, Lefkow said.

A dash of business-school skills, a punch of entrepreneurial thought, and a little dose of Iowa culture prompted the bacon-y twist of this 1995 UI graduate's future concoctions.

"My love of pork started in Iowa City," the Chicago native said. "Everything is pork. Pork and corn. That's Iowa."

The idea for a bacon-mayonnaise convergence emerged from brainstorming sessions in which the pair pondered new culinary compounds ranging from bacon oil or butter, to bacon ice cream, before settling on mayonnaise, and completing the flavor with the help of a chef.

But before the meaty Midwestern flavors were sealed into a mayonnaise jar, the self-titled "bacontrepreneur" duo created

"Maybe the world's not ready for Baconnaise. This might become a from-the-jar, spoon-feeding, post break-up comfort food. Oh, how we're going to be contributing to obesity rates."

— Justin Esch, co-creator of Baconnaise

Bacon Salt — an idea sparked by a bacon-garnished straight-bourban beverage called the Mitch Morgan.

"It was inspired by booze, which I guess is actually pretty funny for a former UI student," Lefkow said.

The bacon business started in July 2007, with Esch and Lefkow operating out of a garage, funded by \$5,000 won from a video submission to "America's Funniest Home Videos" — a clip of Lefkow's then-3-year-old son hitting him with a Wiffle ball.

Now, Lefkow and Esch work from a Seattle office and warehouse where the Baconnaise launch party was held last week. More than 700 attendees packed the building to chomp on free BLTs and watch wrestlers duke it out in a pool of 6,000 pounds of pure, unadulterated mayonnaise, Esch said.

But despite such heightened publicity in Washington, Esch said probably 95 percent of their sales leap outside the state, reaching customers from all over the world — maybe even to



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Baconnaise employee Trevor Essmeier poses with a clerk inside the House of Pork in Philadelphia.

Saudi Arabia.

Esch said he hopes Baconnaise — offered in regular and "lite" versions — will be available in Iowa stores by January 2009. Bacon Salt is already on the shelves at John's Grocery, 401 E. Market St. And bacon-flavored lip balm will soon debut for the holiday season, too.

"Maybe the world's not ready for Baconnaise," Esch said. "This might become a from-the-jar, spoon-feeding, post break-up comfort food. Oh, how we're going to be contributing to obesity rates."

Bacon Salt has become popular with vegetarians, and some say they're curious about the new kosher, meat-free spread.

"Wow, bacon-flavored mayonnaise is a new one for me," said Kim Petersen, a vegan employee at the New Pioneer Co-op in Iowa City. "You know, for savory sandwiches, I think it just might work," she said.

Although the vegetarian-

Baconnaise

Baconnaise is a meat-free, chemical-free concoction, with a flavor its creators say "is way more bacon than mayonnaise."

Some ingredients include:

- egg yolks
- milk
- soybean oil
- dehydrated onion and garlic
- paprika
- the secret ingredient, natural bacon flavor

Source: Baconnaise label and Justin Esch

friendly aspect has helped with sales, bringing meat flavors to the meat-free was not the original intent.

"This is made for bacon lovers, not just vegetarians. I like to call it equal opportunity bacon," Lefkow said. "We never got into this to replace bacon, we just wanted more bacon in more places."

Some items still missing from flood

A UI official said post-flood theft is an unlikely explanation for missing artwork.

By **LAUREN SIEBEN**
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The UI ceramics program is working to recover more than \$70,000 worth of artwork lost after the flood, but university officials have been unable to determine whether the items were misplaced or stolen.

The ceramics department lost a piece by Rudy Autio worth roughly \$50,000, a \$20,000 platter by James Leedy, and a large pitcher by David Shaner valued

at \$120-\$150, ceramics program Director Bunny McBride said.

He is confident the pieces went missing sometime in July.

"We didn't move anything until after I noticed they were gone," he said.

The Art Buildings were unlocked around the time the pieces were stolen, McBride said, to accommodate cleaning crews coming and going from the buildings, and ventilation hoses that would have created easy access for a looter.

Joe Kearney, a UI associate dean who oversees facilities for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, said most items presumed stolen have been recovered since the flood. The number of still-missing items is "really quite small," he added.

"There was so much chaos and disorganization, it's hard to say they were stolen," Kearney said. "They're missing, that's certain, but it's hard to know what happened to them."

Some items, including a bas-

soon from the UI School of Music, were presumed stolen but later turned up at Hancher Auditorium, Kearney said.

The department has recovered the rest of its missing instruments with the exception of a flute and "a couple of recorders," he said.

Although it is difficult to determine whether the missing artwork was stolen, Kearney said robbery has not been entirely ruled out as a possibility.

"There's so many good things that people did [after the flood]," he said. "You hate to think that somebody was in there stealing things."

METRO

Cabbie reportedly hit with gun

A local cab driver was reportedly hit in the face with a gun Wednesday in the midst of an attempted robbery.

Iowa City police responded to a reported attempted robbery at 2401 Highway 6 E. around 5:45 p.m. Wednesday.

According to police documents, a cab driver was sitting in her taxi at the above location when a man approached her with a handgun and demanded she give him her money.

The man allegedly told her to "give me everything you got" and to hand over her purse, but police said she refused.

The taxi driver then put her car in reverse and started to back out of the parking space when the assailant hit her in the face with his gun before fleeing eastbound on foot, police said.

Injuries to the victim were minor and did not require medical attention, a police report said.

The alleged assailant is described as a black male around age 20, from 5-8 to 5-1 and between 165-175 pounds. He was last seen wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, jeans, athletic shoes, and carrying a black handgun.

Investigation of the incident continues.

— by Regina Zilbermints

Man charged with 2nd-degree murder pleads not guilty

A 29-year-old Iowa City man charged with murder last month pleaded not guilty.

David Christian's court-appointed attorney, Peter Persaud, filed his written arraignment on Thursday.

Police arrested Christian on Oct. 19 and charged him with second-degree murder, a Class B felony. Officials believe Christian was intoxicated that day, when he allegedly killed 39-year-old Michael Steward over a game of chess.

Officials determined on Oct. 20 that Steward died from pressure to his neck. Steward allegedly slapped Christian, so Christian held Steward's hands while he choked him to death with his legs, according to reports.

Investigators seized drug paraphernalia, an antidepressant prescription bottle, and other items from Christian's apartment, 418 Brown St. Apt. 6, according to search warrants.

Christian is at the Johnson County Jail on a \$500,000 cash-only bond.

If convicted, he faces 50 years in prison.

— by Olivia Moran

Satterfield attorney files motion

The attorney for former Hawkeye football player Abe Satterfield filed a motion in the Hillcrest sex-abuse case on Thursday, iterating his argument to throw out statements Satterfield made to UI officials last year.

Satterfield, along with ex-Hawkeye football player Cedric Everson, is accused of sexually assaulting a former UI student in October 2007 in Hillcrest.

In the motion, Des Moines attorney Alfredo Parrish wrote that Satterfield believed his statements given to four university employees — including head Hawkeye football coach Kirk Ferentz — were confidential and private.

"The four employees gained the defendant's trust by not telling him prior to his statements that he was subject to criminal prosecution based on his statements and alleged conduct," Parrish wrote.

Ferentz, Associate Athletics Director Fred Mims, and two UI Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity employees testified about the statements on Oct. 23.

Parrish filed his first motion to suppress Satterfield's statements on Aug. 29. The state resisted the motion.

Satterfield and Everson's trial was originally set to begin this week; 6th

District Judge Patrick Grady said on Oct. 23 that he will reschedule the trial.

— by Olivia Moran

Pharmacy school to partner in study

A national partnership that includes the UI College of Pharmacy received \$1.2 million from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to create new ways of evaluating pharmaceutical products.

The FDA recruited the National Institute for Pharmaceutical Technology and Education to enact a Quality by Design measure, which will develop better practices in drug manufacturing.

In a UI press release, Associate Professor Lee Kirsch said the UI will bring leadership and expertise to the initiative, which has a "tremendous initial opportunity" to improve the quality of new drugs.

The organization's first studies will lay the foundation for developing documents FDA workers can use to regulate new medicine more efficiently.

The UI will start researching this year and will continue until September 2010.

— by Katie Hanson

POLICE BLOTTER

James Cole, 26, address unknown, was charged Tuesday with a sex-offender registry violation.

Charles Curry, 18, North Liberty, was charged Wednesday with driving while barred.

Jose Del Rio, 21, 2401 Highway 6 E., was

charged Thursday with public intoxication. **Shawn Farrenkopf**, 19, 906 N. Dodge St. Apt. 9, was charged Wednesday with domestic assault causing injury.

Daryl Gilliam, 42, 2432 Petsel Place Apt. 9, was charged Wednesday with third-degree theft.

Christine Handley, 24, Cedar Rapids, was charged Wednesday with driving while revoked.

Matthew Herrmann, 18, 529 Rienow, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

Hannah Rohde-Frank, 18, Cedar Rapids,

was charged Thursday with possession of marijuana.

Philip Semar, 18, C325 Hillcrest, was charged Sunday with interfering with a traffic-control device.

Bryan Thompson, 29, 2152 Taylor Drive, was charged Thursday with domestic abuse.

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'I'm taking a vacation until December.'

— Greg Baker, head of Iowa Federation for College Republicans



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Barack Obama staffer Maureen Donnelly works the phones at the Iowa City Democratic headquarters on Election Day. Many volunteers visited the site, only to be sent to other areas around Iowa City.

HQs pack it all up

ELECTION

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as pure "adrenaline."

But as the high from the election wears down, both local parties are now unwinding.

While the election didn't go as he had hoped, Greg Baker, the head of Iowa Federation for College Republicans, said officials need to move forward to "keep Republicans excited."

"I'm taking a vacation until December," he said.

As for the Johnson County Republican site in Coralville, a closed sign hangs on the door of the dark, abandoned room. Only a few boxes and computers are left to move out.

"We're clearing out the stables," Bill Keettel, the head of the local party, said on Thursday as he filled his Suburban with boxes.

Although Baker, a UI senior, said the campaign siphoned almost all his time — class time, mostly — he said the experience will pay dividends in the long run.

"It's time to beef up my résumé," he said.

Student loans helped Baker through the campaign, he said, but now it's time to start looking for a job.

While many UI students volunteered, the Obama team only had 10 paid full-time employees in Johnson County. McCain? One.

Johnson County Democrat head Brian Flaherty said party members had been celebrating the victory, but they are now quickly clearing out campaign offices.

Most Johnson County Democrats will now take a vacation, he said.

"We're going to get a tad more sleep," he said. "We're eating a little better. Everybody's feeling pretty good."

Among the many victories, Flaherty said there's still much to do.

"We're [now] advocating for the policies we campaigned for," he said.

Justice-center site picked

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tiously to make sure the timing is right with the state of the economy," Supervisor Pat Harney said.

But a question remains: Can the county actually obtain the justice-center site?

The county is waiting to hear if the Government Services Agency, which manages federal property, will sell the federal parking lot south of the courthouse — which is where the justice center will sit.

"I think that the biggest concern the federal government has is maintaining parking for its federal employees at the Post Office," Supervisor Rod Sullivan said. "I think there's a way for

us to provide as good if not better parking for them than they have now. We're going to try to accomplish a win-win scenario."

Harney said the county wants to buy the Government Services Agency's property, but there are public-owned houses there that the board will purchase from Iowa City.

Supervisors chose the courthouse site over three other potential locations because of its many advantages, they said.

The courthouse site will save \$190,250 per year more than the other sites considered because the existing courthouse and jail could still be used for office spaces and jail cells, whereas the other sites didn't have that option.

Horizontal or vertical additions can be put on a justice center at this site as well — and it's quite close to downtown.

"It keeps close to the bus service and close to downtown," he said. "All around it becomes more functional."

UI officials said they want the estimated \$5 million jail site because of its proximity to Facilities Management, University Services, and the Cambus garage.

Had supervisors decided on a different location, they said the courthouse would have become office space or a historical society.

"The courthouse is a landmark and has historical significance," Harney said. "It would remain the focal point of the court systems."

Agency aids children

AGENCY

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deaths should be made in a classroom by someone they know, like a teacher or administrator.

"In some circumstances, we would not be the ones to inform the students," Lee said. "We consider whether or not the information we're providing is information parents would want shared with their children."

The specialists also help students discuss their grief and help students develop ways to deal with stress independently, she said.

"We acknowledge their feelings, acknowledge that something traumatic has happened and tell them that help is available," Lee said, adding the specialists — social workers, psychologists, and school guidance counselors who serve in addition to their primary job — are specially certified to deal with critical incidents.

But dealing with traumatic scenarios can also take a toll on the experts.

"We follow our own advice," Lee said. "If I find myself dwelling on details, I have to remind myself that that's not

'We follow our own advice. If I find myself dwelling on details, I have to remind myself that that's not healthy and try to turn my thinking around.'

— Katy Lee, stress management team coordinator at Grant Wood Education Agency

healthy and try to turn my thinking around."

Crisis specialists from the agency worked with Iowa City public school students twice last school year — at Longfellow Elementary after three students were killed and at City High following a student suicide in January, said Iowa City School Superintendent Lane Plugge.

Though the district uses stress-management services sparsely, without the agency, Plugge said the district might have to go without some of the services it receives. The majority of these services are provided to schools without cost, Held said.

Grant Wood Area Education Agency

The Cedar Rapids-based agency provides crisis-management services, among others, to Iowa City schools:

- 71,000 students are served by the agency.
 - On average, around \$604 is spent on each student in the area.
 - The agency represents 33 school districts as well as 22 nonpublic schools and some home schooled students.
 - About \$7,679,540 is invested in the Iowa City area each year.
- Source: George Held, communications supervisor

The agency is funded primarily through property taxes but also with grants, federal dollars from disability legislation, and revenue from professional development services.

And while the counseling provides a necessary service to students, Plugge said schools more often use other services. Special education services, technology support, and shared teaching supplies are used on a more regular basis.

Students run exit poll

POLL

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decrease in support for limited bar access and an increased support for lowering the age to 18," Redlawsk said. The results "may be driven by differences in voter turnout," given that more students voted this year than in 2006.

But even though the 21-referendum didn't pass last year, more voters favored limiting access to bars than more lenient options, and respondents wrote students are more

responsible for binge drinking than bar owners, the City Council, or the UI.

"A lot of people go to bars whether they have specials or not," said UI junior Zach Hodges, and drink specials and the 19-age requirement at bars encourage drinking.

Hodges said he wasn't sure any plausible solution for binge drinking existed — the city has repeatedly tried to raise the age requirement, failing each time in a public vote.

"People are always going to find a way to drink," he said.

Now, after the poll, Redlawsk's students must churn out a paper based on their polling and volunteer experience.

"I've learned a lot of the insides of how campaigns work," said Bowers, who volunteered with Obama supporters. "It was good to get out and actually talk to voters about issues."

Bowers said the experience was fruitful, but the end of the election process also yields relief.

"I'm just glad it's all over," he said.

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100s protest marriage ban

Homeless-student numbers rising



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Los Angeles police officers arrest a pair of protesters as hundreds demonstrated against the Mormon Church's support of Proposition 8, the California ballot measure that banned gay marriage, in the Westwood district of Los Angeles on Thursday.

By PAUL ELIAS
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Hundreds of protesters took to the streets Thursday over California's new ban on gay marriage, amid deepening political turmoil and legal confusion over who should have the right to wed.

Legal experts said it is unclear whether an attempt by gay-rights activists to overturn the prohibition has any chance of success and whether the 18,000 same-sex marriages performed in California over the past four months are in any danger.

California voters Tuesday approved a constitutional amendment disallowing gay marriage. The measure, which won 52 percent approval, overrides a California Supreme Court ruling last May that briefly gave same-sex couples the right to wed.

On Thursday, around 1,000 gay-marriage supporters demonstrated outside a Mormon temple in the Westwood

section of Los Angeles. Sign-waving demonstrators spilled onto Santa Monica Boulevard, bringing afternoon traffic to a halt. The temple was targeted because the Mormon church strongly supported the ban on gay marriage.

"I'm disappointed in the Californians who voted for this," said F. Damion Barela, 43, a Studio City resident who married his husband nearly five months ago. He noted that nearly 70 percent of black voters and a slight majority of Latino voters voted for the ban.

"To them I say, 'Shame on you because you should know what this feels like,'" he said.

Some spectators cheered from apartment balconies; one person threw eggs at the marchers. Two people were arrested after a confrontation between the crowd and an occupant of a pickup truck that showed a banner supporting the amendment.

On Wednesday night, police in Los Angeles arrested seven people as more than 1,000 pro-

testers blocked traffic in West Hollywood. One man was wrestled to the ground by police after he jumped up and down on the roof of a squad car. Another man was clubbed by police. Hundreds of protesters also gathered on the steps of San Francisco's City Hall, some holding candles and carrying signs that read, "We all deserve the freedom to marry."

Gay-marriage proponents filed three court challenges Wednesday against the new ban. The lawsuits raise a rare legal argument: that the ballot measure was actually a dramatic revision of the California Constitution rather than a simple amendment. A constitutional revision must first pass the Legislature before going to the voters.

"Where do you draw the line between 'revision' and 'an amendment' when those are words in conversation we would use interchangeably?" asked Erwin Chemerinsky, dean of the University of California, Irvine law school. "It's a highly technical

legal question in a highly charged political atmosphere."

Andrew Pugno, attorney for the coalition of religious and social conservative groups that sponsored the amendment, called the lawsuits "frivolous and regrettable."

"It is time that the opponents of traditional marriage respect the voters' decision," he said.

The high court has not said when it will act. State officials said the ban on gay marriage took effect the morning after the election.

"We don't consider it a 'Hail Mary' at all," said Kate Kendell, executive director of the National Center for Lesbian Rights. "You simply can't do something like this — take away a fundamental right at the ballot."

With many gay newlyweds worried about what the amendment does to their vows, California Attorney General Jerry Brown said he believes those marriages are still valid. But he is also preparing to defend that position in court.

The number of homeless students is not expected to decrease anytime soon.

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School districts across the country are reporting increases in homeless students, and Iowa City schools are no different — in the last five years, the numbers have increased by one-fourth.

And school officials said the trend isn't stopping.

"It's going to be tough within the next four to five years because of the economy and people losing homes," said Donna Eggleston, state coordinator for Homeless Education. "This is just the tip of the iceberg."

In the spring of 2007 — the most recent numbers available — Iowa school districts identified 5,592 homeless students, she said. Iowa City schools went from having 283 homeless students in 2002-03 to 354 for the 2007-08 school year.

The lack of affordable housing, number of insufficient jobs that pay a living wage, and closing businesses and factories contribute to the rising statistics.

Eggleston said the state provides \$340,000 to 10 school districts to help fund homeless programs. The other 354 Iowa districts must provide these resources out of their own budgets.

"With transportation costs being up and all the limited funds and resources, that can put a pretty big bind on the districts," said Eggleston.

The Iowa City School District received more than \$26,000 to help support homeless students in its LINKS project, which provides free lunches, school supplies, and clothing for the winter season.

On Nov. 17, the U.S. Congress is expected to pass legislation that will increase funding for projects such as this.

But education officials said this amount isn't enough to combat the growing problem. In the 2006-07

How the 354 homeless students in the IC School District spend the night:

- Doubled-up - 176
- Shelters/Transitionally Housed - 125
- Unknown - 26
- Unsheltered - 11
- Hotels/motels - 8

academic year, more than 650,000 homeless students were enrolled in schools nationwide.

"We need more money," said Barbara Duffield, policy coordinator for the National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth. "Without it, kids are going to drop out of schools, and that will cost society even more."

Under the Homeless Assistance Act — a federal law that financially supports shelter programs — homeless students are driven to school, regardless of where they spend the night, and are given free bus passes.

"When they have to move, it's stressful," Duffield said. "We try and make school stable for them."

Many students can benefit from a permanent environment like school to help them deal with the stress, trauma, and loss they have experienced, officials said.

"It's one piece of child's life that can remain stable when a family is trying to piece the rest of their lives together," said Joan VanderBerg, the homeless-student liaison for Iowa City schools.

At temporary homes such as the Shelter House in Iowa City, officials said they have seen more students spending the night.

"When I started 10 years ago, we had next to no children using the shelter," said Crissy Canganeli, Shelter House executive director. "Who is homeless has changed."

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Mason praises Hawkeye athletes

UI President Mason stresses that athletes are student-athletes, not athlete-students.

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Today's Hawkeyes are tomorrow's leaders.

That was the mantra at the Presidential Committee on Athletics meeting Thursday afternoon in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, at which UI President Sally Mason appeared as a guest.

Emphasizing the successes of the athletics department, she highlighted the academic accomplishments of student-athletes.

She pointed specifically to the Hawkeye football team, which ranks third in the Big Ten in player-graduation rates. Only Northwestern and Penn State are ranked above the Hawks.

"We have a strong commitment to student-athlete balance," Mason said. "They are student-

athletes, not athlete students."

Student-athletes also have a higher graduation rate than UI students as a whole — 68 percent compared with 66 percent, UI Athletics Director Gary Barta said.

The UI president ended her address by encouraging the committee to generate more support for all student-athletics events, not just the ones covered by the media. Still, she said, she believes the Big Ten Network has successfully promoted Hawkeye athletics.

"It is a great outlet for sports fans, but also those interested in what else is happening at Big Ten schools," she said.

Also at Thursday's meeting, Associate Athletics Director Fred Mims reviewed the extensive list of student-athlete programs at the university, which



Barta
athletics director

Mason
president

would improve the college experience for students involved in athletics.

"It is about life, growth, and understanding," he said. "We want to make the student-athlete experience special."

Barta said three Hawkeye football players have been nominated to the District 7 Academic All-American Team for outstanding grades.

"Being a student-athlete is like having two full-time jobs," Barta said. "The public sometimes forgets that these people are students first."

Student-fee future cloudy

Members of the UISG and the grad-student government disagree on splitting \$1.5 million in funds.

By **MELANIE KUCERA**
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Members of the Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students discussed Thursday night how they will allocate money to student organizations from a student activity fee, if they get it.

The fee garners approximately \$1.5 million each year. Student officials have mulled how to split the fee for years, but this year discussions have been especially prevalent.

Several weeks ago, members of the UI Student Government and the Executive Council met with Tom Rocklin, the interim vice president for Student Services, to discuss the possible division again in hopes of reaching a final solution.

Because the groups could not reach a definite agreement, all parties decided on professional

mediation, which hasn't been specified yet.

But Steve Wieland, president of the graduate-student government, expected a different result from the meeting.

"We were long under the impression that, rightfully so, the vice president's office was ready to split the fee unilaterally," Wieland said.

UISG President Maison Bleam said while he "adamantly" opposes the split, he had hopes that professional mediation could produce positive answers.

"Professional mediation is just helping both of us come to the table to communicate in a cordial manner what the issues are with the fee, or even what issues we don't have," he said.

Bleam said he and several undergraduate representatives will meet with the mediator next week, but neither president knew when a final answer

could come. "Who knows, maybe we can sit down in one meeting and hash it out," Bleam said.

Meanwhile, the graduate students also prepared their side of that discussion, coming up with ways to appropriate any money they could be given.



Courtney Bleam
UISG president

Schultz, the budget director for the graduate-student government, said she wanted the process to be somewhat "informal" and suggested having student groups e-mail members of the graduate-student government about funding issues.

However, several of the members said it should be a formal process.

Formal discussion of the potential split will continue, said Wieland, and he hopes the issue will be at least partially resolved before the spring allocation process next semester.

STATE

Iowans say Obama win gives boost to caucuses

DES MOINES (AP) — Barack Obama's election as president could give Iowa an edge in its never-ending effort to remain the nation's lead-off state in the nomination process.

Obama has repeatedly given Iowa credit for launching his longshot campaign for the Democratic nomination and said he supports the state's early voting status.

"There's no question Iowa is a special place for Barack Obama," said Brad Anderson, a veteran Democratic activist who worked for Obama's Iowa campaign. "He said from the beginning that Iowa should be first in the nation and he's going to make good on that promise."

For decades, Iowa's precinct caucuses have been the first event in the presidential nominating season, prompting candidates and organizers to set up shop in the state months before the event. This time, candidates from both parties set up campaign offices and held events in the state for nearly a year — Democratic Sen. Chris Dodd even moved his family to Des Moines.

Iowa's status has long annoyed officials elsewhere who question why a rural state with a small population is lavished with such attention. In response to such complaints, especially by officials in Florida and Michigan, Democrats named a commission to study the campaign calendar and make recommendations by January 2010.

Obama supported that work but hasn't backed off his support of Iowa's caucuses, which gave him a surprising victory in January that blunted New York Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton's momentum and put him on the path to the nomination.

Mark Daley, a veteran Democratic activist who worked for Rodham Clinton's Iowa campaign, noted that in his acceptance speech Tuesday night, Obama referred to a campaign "that began in the back yards of Des Moines."

Judge sets sentencing dates in job-training case

DES MOINES (AP) — With sentencing dates now in place for its alleged architect and other leading players, a major federal fraud case involving mis-spending by a government-funded job training agency is nearing a close.

The Central Iowa Employment and Training Consortium's former CEO Ramona Cunningham and her co-defendants were accused of conspiring to mispend more than \$1.5 million on huge executive bonuses and salaries from January 2003 to April 2006. Cunningham was fingered as the ring-leader of the operation and faced the greatest number of charges.

She admitted during a plea hearing in June that she had diverted federal funds to her own pocketbook and to a handful of her colleagues. She pleaded guilty to eight of the 30 federal charges she had initially faced. Officials said the eight counts represent each of the federal funds that were defrauded or otherwise misapplied.

Prosecutors said they'll argue for Cunningham to spend seven to 10 years behind bars. She is scheduled to be

sentenced in federal court in Des Moines on Dec. 15.

Cunningham's lawyer, Bill Kutmus, wasn't immediately available for comment.

At her codefendants' trial in April, jurors convicted Karen Tesdell, a former training-center treasurer, of all 29 counts against her. Former Iowa Workforce Development supervisor Jane Barto was found guilty of one count of obstruction but acquitted of a conspiracy charge. Dan Albritton, a former board member and Cunningham's boyfriend, was acquitted of a count of conspiracy.

Tesdell is scheduled to be sentenced on Dec. 16, the day after Cunningham. The following week, on Dec. 22, Barto will be sentenced.

Board accepts Grinnell students' ballots

DES MOINES (AP) — A special precinct board decided Thursday that absentee ballots cast by 50 Grinnell College students and challenged by leaders of the Poweshiek County Republican Party will be counted.

The GOP challenged the ballots because the students listed the main campus mailing address and a post office box, not their actual residence hall, when they registered to vote.

County elections officials said the ballots didn't change the outcome of any races.

"We weren't looking for a game-changer here. We were not trying to affect the race or change the outcome, and we weren't trying to make it so that individuals couldn't vote," said GOP county co-chairman Rick Jacoby. "That was not our intent. Our intent was to see that all individuals followed the law."

He and chairman Harry Meek filed the complaints Monday. Elections officials alerted students that evening that they must clarify their residency information in time for the board's meeting on Thursday afternoon.

Poweshiek County Auditor Diana Dawley said the board believed the students responded appropriately to the complaints. In previous years students at the liberal arts college have used the school's mailing address of 1115 Eighth Ave. to register to vote without any complaints, she said.

But, Dawley said state elections officials have indicated that the policy will likely have to change after this week's challenge.

Iverson stepping down as Iowa GOP chairman

DES MOINES (AP) — The chairman of the Iowa Republican Party said Thursday he won't seek another term, setting the stage for what could be a heated debate over the GOP's future after two disappointing elections.

"It is not my intention to run again," Stewart Iverson said in an interview with the Associated Press.

Iverson, a former Senate Majority Leader, was widely viewed as an interim head of the party when he stepped in after Sioux City activist Ray Hoffman resigned shortly after the 2006 election. Few expected him to run again, and he confirmed that Thursday.

A debate has already begun among GOP leaders about how to fix a party that's fared poorly in two consecutive elections.

Democrats added to their majorities in both chambers of the Legislature this week, U.S. Sen. Tom Harkin won a fifth term in office without serious opposition, and Democrats have built a

lead of 106,000 in registered voters.

"The pendulum always swings from one side to the other," said Iverson. "I think we'll be on the upswing in two years."

Others were less certain and have urged the GOP to examine its message to voters and the political machinery the party uses to deliver that message.

Federal officials ask that Ponca case be dismissed

DES MOINES (AP) — Federal officials have asked a judge to dismiss a lawsuit in which the states of Iowa and Nebraska oppose the Ponca Tribe's plans to build a casino in Carter Lake.

The lawsuit names the U.S. Department of the Interior and its secretary, and the National Indian Gaming Commission and its chairman, among others.

The states claim the tribe shouldn't be allowed to build the casino because it deceived the federal government to get land in Carter Lake placed in trust. The tribe had previously said it planned to use the land to provide health care services.

Buck busts through collision center door

BURLINGTON (AP) — A deer caused its own collision when it crashed through the front door of an auto repair shop in Burlington.

Workers at Deery Bros. Collision Center say the six-point buck rammed its head against the glass door Thursday morning. When the glass gave way, the buck got inside the office, where it crashed into several desks and file cabinets, leaving a bloody mess.

Assistant Manager Corey Trail says they tried to get the deer to leave by opening all the office doors, but no luck. Trail says they called police, but the buck died a few minutes later from its injuries.

NATION

Rodham Clinton praises Emmanuel choice

NEW YORK (AP) — Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, in her first public appearance since former rival Barack Obama was elected president, praised his choice for White House chief of staff, a former top aide to her husband.

"President-elect Obama made an excellent choice," she said about Illinois Rep. Rahm Emanuel, noting that he "understands both ends of Pennsylvania Avenue."

"He gets things done," she said at a news conference Thursday night before she and former President Clinton were honored at a gala at the newly refurbished Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum. "Rahm is determined and effective."

She also called on Alaska Sen. Ted Stevens, the Senate's longest-serving Republican, to resign after he was convicted of corruption charges.

The event at which the Clintons spoke kicked off the opening weekend of the Intrepid after a nearly two-year restoration. President Bush next week will deliver a Veterans Day address on

the famous World War II aircraft carrier. Rodham Clinton, a New York Democrat, said she talked with Obama after his historic victory, which made the Illinois senator the first African-American elected to the White House, and promised to work with him as he faces challenging times taking office.

"I want to be a good partner with him in the Senate," said Rodham Clinton, his former rival for their party's presidential nomination. "The Senate is going to be the place that determines whether his agenda is successful. We are going to work together. We are going to work across the aisle."

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Guest Opinion

The world loves Obama

By ROSA BROOKS
Special to the *Los Angeles Times*

Hello, World!
We're back.
Right after the 2004 election, a California college student started a website called *sorryeverybody.com*, "an apology to the world for the re-election of George W. Bush." He invited Americans to submit photos with messages to the world, and thousands did. In one photo, a man holds up a handwritten note: "Sorry World (We Tried). — Half of America." Another note reads, "I'm Sorry World, I Miss You So Much." A third promises, "Dear World, It'll Get Better."

From the world's perspective, all that U.S. apologizing was only appropriate. The world used to like us a lot, but our reputation plummeted during the eight years of the Bush administration. In 2000, 78 percent of Germans had a favorable view of the United States, according to the Pew Global Attitudes Project. By 2008, that had dropped to 31 percent. During the same period, favorable opinion of the U.S. went from 83 percent to 53 percent in Britain, from 62 percent to 42 percent in France, from 77 percent to 50 percent in Japan, from 68 percent to 47 percent in Mexico, and from 52 percent to 12 percent in Turkey.

Don't be surprised or offended that the world doesn't think much of the way we've run our affairs in the last eight years. We haven't liked the way things have gone, either. More than 70 percent of us disapprove of Bush's job performance, according to a recent CBS News/*New York Times* poll, and 85 percent think our country has "pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track."

This means that President-elect Barack Obama will inherit monumental problems when he takes office. But when it comes to the rest of the world, Obama also has a monumental advantage that John McCain never would have had: The world likes him — and is prepared, once again, to like our nation.

In June, the Pew Project found that large majorities in each of the 24 countries it surveyed had more confidence in Obama than McCain "to do the right thing regarding world affairs." In late October, Gallup released a 73-nation survey finding that world citizens preferred Obama to McCain by a margin of more than 3 to 1.

If the images of ecstatic crowds in capitals around the world

are anything to go by, global enthusiasm for Obama is running nearly as high as it ran in Chicago's Grant Park on Tuesday night, and the congratulatory messages sent by world leaders to the president-elect seemed genuinely — and unusually — warm.

In the eyes of the world, Obama has a lot going for him. He's not George Bush. He's not a Republican. He's not a Clinton, either — he's untainted by the foreign-policy failures of either party. His mixed-ethnicity ancestry and his family ties to other nations (Kenya and Indonesia) give him a perspective on global affairs that no other U.S. president has had.

Substantively, Obama promises to end the human-rights abuses that marred our so-called war on terror, to end the Iraq war responsibly, to engage enemies as well as allies, and to rebuild America's diplomatic and civilian reconstruction capacities, all positions reassuring to global publics tired of a decade of unthinking U.S. bellicosity. And to foreigners fearful of a U.S. foreign policy that is either rigid or erratic, Obama's innovative and disciplined presidential campaign also was profoundly reassuring — especially as his "experienced" opponents flailed around like novices.

Far from seeking ways to "test" President Obama in his first months, world leaders likely will be eager to extend to America the hand of friendship that was so often withdrawn during the Bush administration (at times with devastating effect to our national interests). If Obama can capitalize on that global goodwill, he will have a precious window of opportunity in which his administration can make real progress.

No, Obama won't bring peace to Iraq, withdraw U.S. troops in his first month in office, or end Arab-Israeli tensions by March. He won't miraculously persuade Iran to switch from nuclear technologies to solar energy or persuade Osama bin Laden to give up terrorism and open up a chain of florist shops instead.

But if Obama puts into his foreign-policy strategy one-tenth of the talent, innovation, and discipline he put into his campaign, he'll be able to make real headway on a range of critical issues that include nuclear-threat reduction, relations with Russia and stability in the Middle East and Central Asia.

And what lies in store for *sorryeverybody.com*? Well, on Wednesday morning, the site boasted a photo of a new handwritten note — the first, I hope, of many such notes — from someone in Istanbul, Turkey: "APOLOGY ACCEPTED! THANKS FOR OBAMA."

The GOP must change



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Following the Republican Party's decisive defeat in the Tuesday elections, many of its members are busy looking for an explanation of what went wrong. It is time for Republicans to admit to themselves that it is, in fact, the issues they choose to champion that are the core of their difficulties. But most indications thus far are that they are unwilling to do so.

Reflecting on his party's failures on Nov. 4, Polk County Iowa Republican Chairman Ted Sporer posted his plan for a Republican rebirth on his blog.

"First, we must agree on exactly who we are," he wrote. "Are we anything but the party of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness? Is our purpose anything other than securing control of the government so as to apply those three foundational principles to the circumstantial needs of each successive generation? Is there any institution other than the Republican Party that stands between the American people and the Democrat [sic] agenda of amorality, authoritarianism, Marxist collectivism, and despair?"

Sporer is terribly out of touch with reality.

Over the last eight years, the Bush administration has tortured suspected terrorists, wiretapped Americans' phones without warrants, and presided over an enormous increase in the national debt. Congressional Democrats have been inexcusably complicit in all of these developments, but they hardly led the charge. Only a person who is profoundly ignorant or intellectually dishonest could still contend that today's leading Republicans are defenders of freedom and opponents of big government.

And Sporer's ideas for what his party needs to do to succeed in the future are every bit as unhelpful as his beliefs about what it stands for.

"We need to refine and reiterate our argument that the traditional values we represent brought stability and optimism to generations of Americans whereas the postmodern constructs such as the 'Right to Choose' and homosexual marriage that the Democrats promote bring nothing but social implosion," he wrote.

On Thursday, Greg Baker, the head of the State of

Iowa College Republicans, wrote a letter to the editor in *The Daily Iowan* in which he encouraged his fellow party members not to lose heart.

"We may have lost this election, but there are many more elections to come. We will win an election again," he wrote. "Stick to your principles, and always remember to fight for what you think is right for America because America is worth fighting for."

All available evidence suggests that Sporer and Baker are incredibly misguided. The Republican Party must fundamentally rethink its principles and substantially refocus its arguments. A failure to do so will only lead to an increasingly crushing series of defeats.

But don't take my word for it. Look at the polls.

Radical opposition to abortion rights is not a winning stance. Voters in the staunchly conservative state of South Dakota voted for John McCain over Barack Obama by 8 percent. However, they rejected by a 10 percent margin a ballot initiative that would have banned abortion in the state with the only exceptions being for the life or health of the mother and for rape or incest.

And even though the gay-marriage ban Proposition 8 passed in California, it did so by a mere 4 percent. Importantly, according to CNN's exit poll, voters aged 18 to 29 rejected the ban by an overwhelming 22 percent. Without the support of those over the age of 65, whose margin was 22 percent in the opposite direction, the measure may have failed. California's ban on gay marriage likely has roughly the same expiration date as the state's average retiree.

The Pew Research Center's nationwide exit poll data are equally grim for those who think politicians should run on social issues such as opposition to abortion rights and gay rights. In order, the top issues those interviewed were concerned about were the economy, Iraq, health care, terrorism, and energy.

So what should the Republicans do?

The enormous bailout bill Congress passed not long before the election is quite unpopular. A recent Kauffman Foundation poll found that only 25 percent of Americans support using federal money to prop up failing corporations.

Therefore, if Republicans want to succeed in the future, they need to end their destructive obsession with social issues and return to the path of true fiscal conservatism. ■

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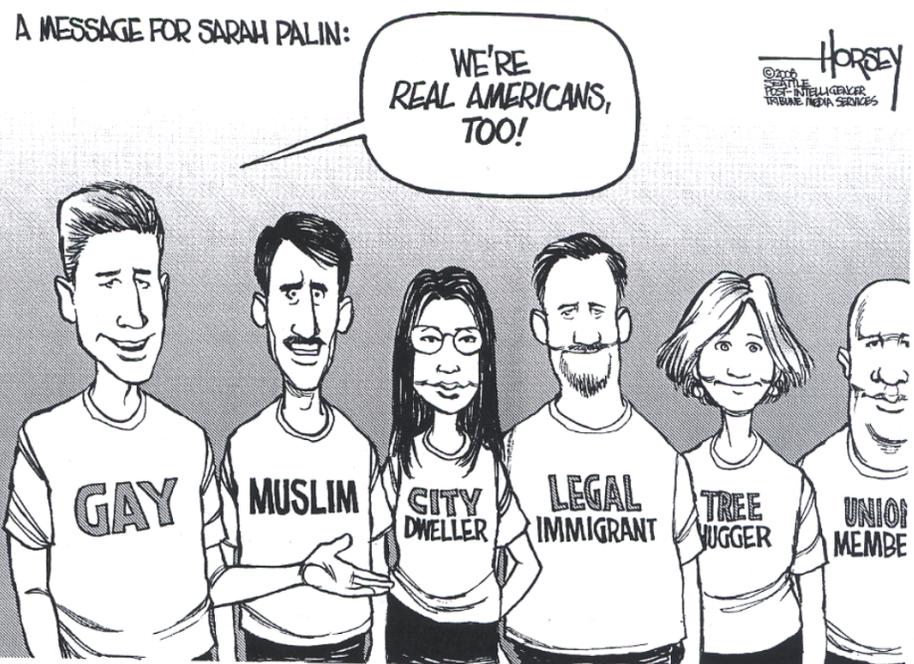
Left out of the conversation, not the process

Today, I was happy to read the headline "Capitalism Wins at the Polls" on a sheet that appeared to be a parody of *USA Today*. I was relieved to read "Anarchy Brewing in the Streets," because it speaks to me, a third-party voter who feels marginalized not only by media coverage but by close friends as well.

I am a citizen of moral conscience and consider voting part of my responsibility to the country. I object to the spectacle and the hype of two candidates whose plans aren't viable for every American.

One worry — neglecting the lower class — surfaced when I read the article in the *DI* "IC Dems fill night with cries of joy," which featured a picture of a student clutching a full glass of beer, wearing an Obama T-shirt, and wiping a "tear from her eye." I doubt the middle or upper class were the only ones at the bars that night. They were probably the ones celebrating.

Obama's record-breaking funding was charity from upper classes, and these donations made the winning campaign. Tuesday is evidence that the American democracy can be



effective. Why settle for something morally contemptible (I'm not referring to Obama) rather than the political scene which elected him. Was \$700 million worth the show?

I am not an anarchist, but I am independent. I make my choices without the aid of the system and don't think that has to mean outside of the system. For me, at least, choosing

who to vote for is a moral choice. It's unfortunate to see that in America the only "right" decision is who wins.

Elias Simpson
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Guest Opinion

Differences on diversity

By MARCELLA DAVID
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In his guest opinion of Nov. 5, Joey Schmitt questions the value of diversity in the educational environment and questions the use of resources to support the needs of minority or economically disadvantaged students in the successful transition to university. This assistance, he says, promotes discrimination, because it is based on what he believes is an unwarranted assumption: that a student who has a similar background to his, but is from

a racial or ethnic minority, has disadvantages that require additional support. He also claims that giving minority students "extra resources" is unfair.

It is wonderful that Schmitt seems to view racial and ethnic diversity as a mere "physical diversity," like being tall or having red hair. But others in our community do not share that perspective. The regrettable truth is that our minority students (and faculty and staff) report being harassed, on our campus and in our community. In the past year, there were instances of

racial graffiti being used in the dorms to intimidate students of color. Last year also saw the apartment door of two African American students being defaced with racial slurs and threats. Visitors to our campus reported having racial epithets shouted at them while they were standing outside of the student union.

In all of these encounters and others, our students were targeted because of the "physical diversity" represented by the color of their skin. While the day may come that race is treated as a negligible physical

difference, these examples demonstrate that that day is not now. In the face of that reality, I am proud that there are offices on our campus, including the Center for Diversity & Enrichment and the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity, that were able to offer assistance to those students in their time of need. And I am pleased that these offices and others take steps to reach out to students, staff, and faculty before a moment of crisis to help them connect to a community. If they indeed experience acts of hate or intolerance they are

able to lean on that community and other resources for support.

These regrettable incidents are also evidence that educational excellence requires the input of diverse perspectives of all kinds, including racial and ethnic diversity. For example, my diverse perspective, based on my experiences as a minority living in a state that is 90 percent white, has, I hope, beneficially contributed to this conversation as to whether we are in a post-racial society where race can be essentialized into a simple physical difference. This

perspective and experiences would also contribute to a discussion of human relations on a wide range of topics studied at this institution, including sociology, psychology, ethnic studies, the arts, and my own field, the law.

Finally, while the Center for Diversity & Enrichment has as its primary mission providing programs that support the needs of those from diverse backgrounds (racial, ethnic, first-generation, disabled, and low socioeconomic status), its programming is open, and I encourage all members of the community to stop by.

The glorious ride that is Chekhov

Stooges, blind mice, and Dog Night; all things that come in three. The UI's first Mainstage show of the season adds another thing to that list with Anton Chekhov's *Three Sisters*.

BY MERYN FLUKER

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Any fan of the UI theater department might be feeling slight déjà vu about this season's first Mainstage performance, Anton Chekhov's *Three Sisters*. After all, as third-year M.F.A. actor Cynthia Pohlson pointed out, it was only last November that the University Theatres Mainstage presented *Anton in Show Business*, a play about a failed production of *Three Sisters*.

"I was like, 'Didn't we just do that play?' " the 25-year old said. "But again, it was 'All right, fine, cool, that's our season.' It's amazing, and Chekhov's awesome. I've never done Chekhov before."

Pohlson plays Irina, one of the title "people" in *Three Sisters*, which will premiere today at 8 p.m. in West High's Little Theatre, 2901 Melrose Ave.

She strayed from using the more traditional word, "characters," when describing the roles in *Three Sisters*.

"It's eerily disturbing how real [Chekhov's] people are, and I specifically use 'people' as opposed to 'characters' because I think he's just a genius of a human being," she said. "It's these people. It's genuine, it's vital, it's pure."

Chekhov is a well-known and highly regarded author and playwright, called "The Master of The Short Story" by *The Guardian* in 2004. Among his most famous plays are *The Seagull*, *Uncle Vanya*, and *Three Sisters*. Chekhov remains an emblem for Russian literature, 104 years after his death, though his plays are seen as more challenging fare.

"I'll be the first to admit that Chekhov is sometimes hard to read," said M.F.A. actor Bradley Anderson, who plays the role of Vershinin. "Every

line is there for a reason. It's the hardest stuff I've ever worked on, for sure. It doesn't let you get away with anything. You can't throw the line away because it will be so obvious if you're saying a line just to get through it."

Three Sisters follows the trio of female siblings and their lone brother, who all live in the Russian countryside, as their lives progress following the death of their father. While the play was first performed in 1901, Anderson, 24, said much of the text translates and is still relevant today.

"I have a speech in there that says, 'Everything in the world will change. Little by little, it's already changing before our eyes. In two or three hundred years, life on Earth will be unimaginably beautiful. We need a life like that. If we don't have it, we must dream of it, we must prepare for it,'" he said. "I mean, you just change that around a little, and it's a presidential speech. These guys are just talking philosophy. So I think that people will relate if they're really listening, and that's the hard thing for our audience, is to really sit there and listen to what the people are saying."

Pohlson and Anderson both acknowledge the reality that many of the members of the audience will be students compelled by class credit to see the play. But Pohlson believes these members of the crowd can gain more than an A from the experience.

"My theory is, because it's a great show, they're going to be surprised," she said. "They're going to expect something boring, they're going to expect something else, some classical piece, and they're going to be taken along for this ride, and they're going to love it."



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ABOVE: The cast of *Three Sisters* rehearses at West High on Wednesday. The play, which premiered in 1901 in Moscow, will kick off the University Theatres Mainstage season on today.

RIGHT: The cast of *Three Sisters* rehearses at West High on Wednesday. The play, considered by some to be the greatest drama of the 20th century, kicks off the University Theatres Mainstage season today.

THEATER

Three Sisters

When: 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Nov. 13,14,15, and 2 p.m. Nov. 9

Where: West High Little Theatre, 2901 Melrose Ave.

Admission: \$8-\$17

ON THE WEB

The *DI* sat in on a rehearsal - with our video camera rolling - of the University Theatres Mainstage Production of Anton Chekhov's *Three Sisters*. Check out a sneak peek only at dailyiowan.com.



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TRENDSPOTTER

"THAT'S WHAT SHE SAID."

Each week, the *DI* serves its mission of being Iowa City's hot spot for culture (which includes fashion) by bringing our fabulous readers *DI* Trendspotter. This week, we're talking linguistics with a classic, but ever popular, hilarious catch phrase.

Four simple words: "That's what she said." Not since Homer Simpson's iconic "D'oh" has a phrase so extensively inserted itself into our collective consciousness. Sure, it's been around for a while (since 1992's *Wayne's World*, at least) but after Michael Scott of "The Office" appropriated it as a catch phrase of sorts, the joke has seen a remarkable rise in popularity.

College students are using the phrase on total strangers. Coworkers must choose their words with surgeon-like precision. High-school education has ground to a halt (look into a student teacher's eyes - it's almost as if they've seen war. Except replace the bullets with innuendo).

At what point has a joke gone too far? It's a question that rarely has a clear, easy answer. Despite the challenge, I believe it's important that we ask ourselves, "How long can we keep doing this?"

That's what she said.



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Palin the answer for GOP?

By MICHAEL R. BLOOD
Associated Press

WASILLA, Alaska — Is Sarah Palin the answer for defeated Republicans?

After a historic rebuke at the polls, the Republican Party is staggering into an uncertain tomorrow with the White House and Congress in Democratic hands, no certain leader in sight, and its membership divided over what it means to be a Republican.

Ever since her selection as John McCain's running mate in late August, Palin, the 44-year-old Alaska governor, was the star of the GOP ticket, though views of her vary wildly across the political spectrum. With the Republican brand corroded and the hunt on for the next Ronald Reagan, Palin could be one of many people competing to influence Republican ideas in the post-Bush era, maybe even as the party's leader.

"Conservatives are still looking for Mr. Right. And maybe Mr. Right turns out to be Ms. Right," said Bill Whalen, a fellow at the conservative Hoover Institution.

Palin "has built-in national stature and she's beloved by conservative talk radio," Whalen said. But "does she want to be a stay-at-home mom and a stay-at-home governor, or does she want to be a player on the national stage? She has to make a choice."

She has done little to discourage speculation — begun even as McCain's campaign faded — that she could return to the ballot four years from now.

In her hometown of Wasilla in the Anchorage suburbs, "Palin 2012" T-shirts are already for sale.

When she returned to Alaska on Wednesday night after losing the election, she was greeted at the Anchorage airport by chants of "2012! 2012!" Asked by reporters if she might run for president, Palin said, "We'll see what happens then."

Grover Norquist, a leading conservative and president of Americans for Tax Reform, called Palin "one of five or six people who is a plausible candidate for president in 2012," along with such familiar names as Mitt Romney, Texas Gov. Rick Perry, and former House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

"She's in the top tier, but she's not next in line," Norquist said. Running as vice president "puts you in contention."

Any number of other Republicans may step forward. Romney, the ex-Massachusetts governor who lost the nomination this year, has restarted his political action committee. Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal is



Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin acknowledges the crowd during a rally in Phoenix on Tuesday. ELISE AMENDOLA/ASSOCIATED PRESS

heading to the leadoff caucus state of Iowa on Nov. 22 to deliver the keynote address to a conservative group.

For two intense months, Palin was the youthful foil to the old, sometimes cranky McCain. She was called everything from an empty skirt to the real deal. McCain, in defeat, called her "an impressive new voice in our party."

"She's somewhat of a diamond in the rough," said former Republican National Committee member Barbara Alby, who credits Palin with energizing the ticket. "I expect she'll grow from that."

But any path toward 2012 is filled with obstacles, some of Palin's own making. She told CNN as she prepared to return home: "I don't know

what the heck's going to happen in 2012. Again, just very anxious to get back to work there in Anchorage and in Juneau, making sure that the people of Alaska are well served. ... I cannot even imagine running for national office in 2012."

Virtually unknown outside Alaska before her nomination, Palin revealed strong — even polarizing — views on religion, abortion, and gay marriage.

She became a favorite among some social conservatives, but her cringe-worthy performances in TV interviews raised questions about her competence and provided fodder for late-night comedians. Her charisma attracted tens of thousands to Republican rallies, but voter surveys

found her presence tilted a majority of independents and moderates to Barack Obama.

The governor who once won a Miss Congeniality prize was McCain's muscle, thrashing the media and her Democratic rivals in the conventional vice presidential role.

Palin said reports that she proved difficult for the McCain campaign are untrue, even laughable.

"It is absolutely false that there's been any tension, certainly from my part or my family's part," she told CNN. "In fact, my family was surrounding me here. They — they know me. They know my values, what I stand for. They know my work ethic. They know that certainly there is absolutely no diva in me."

Emanuel to lead Obama's staff

By CHRISTOPHER WILLS
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Rahm Emanuel combines political instincts, White House experience, and a Chicago tough-guy attitude — traits he's likely to need as President-elect Barack Obama's new chief of staff.

His combative style as political director in the early days of the Clinton administration earned him the nickname "Rahmbo." He didn't always produce results, though. Emanuel lost that job but stayed on as a senior adviser and oversaw the development of some of Clinton's top initiatives, including NAFTA and an ban on assault-style weapons.

After a lucrative stint in banking, Emanuel was elected to Congress in 2002 and quickly became a major power. He wound up overseeing the party's House election efforts in 2006 and won a majority for Democrats through tireless fundraising and candidate recruitment.

"He's a good tactician. He's a creative thinker. But I think what probably makes him most successful is that he has the will to follow his convictions," Rep. Danny Davis, D-Ill., said after the 2006 victory.

Emanuel grew up in the ritzy Chicago suburb of Wilmette, the son of an Israeli doctor who moved to the United States. His brother Ari is a Hollywood agent and the inspiration for Ari Gold, the Type-A superagent on the HBO series "Entourage." The congressman himself has been cited as an inspiration for presidential aide Josh Lyman on the drama series "The West Wing."

As a teenager, Emanuel was more interested in the arts than politics. He studied dance and won a scholarship to train with the Joffrey Ballet but ended up attending Sarah Lawrence College and then getting a master's degree in communications at Northwestern University.

His start in politics came after college, when he worked for Paul Simon's 1984 Senate campaign and Richard Daley's run for Chicago mayor in 1989.

Then he went to work for a little-known Arkansas governor who wanted to be president.

Emanuel's fundraising skills are credited with helping keep Bill Clinton's campaign afloat during some rocky times, particularly the scandal over whether he slept with Gennifer Flowers.

In 1999, Emanuel left the White House for Chicago to work in investment banking. The firm he joined was soon sold, and Emanuel made millions, giving him the financial security to get back into politics. His first financial disclosure statement as a House member indicated he had about \$9.7 million in earned income the previous year.

Emanuel also spent just over a year on the board of Freddie Mac, the mortgage company whose lending policies contributed to the nation's housing crisis. The presidential appointment, which ended in May 2001, paid him at least \$292,774 in director's fees, according to a financial disclosure report Emanuel filed when he ran for Congress.

He was vice chairman of the Chicago Housing Authority and also served on the boards of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, beautyjungle.com, and Slim-Fast, whose founder, S. Daniel Abraham, is a major Democratic donor.

When he was tapped to oversee the 2006 House campaign effort, Emanuel led a record fundraising effort, bringing in far more money than four years earlier. The single biggest source of money was other members of Congress, which irritated some members who faced fierce pressure to contribute.

The additional money enabled House Democrats to expand the field, going into districts that hadn't been considered competitive before. That sometimes meant recruiting more conservative candidates, an Emanuel strategy that generated some complaints.

But his success in electing a Democratic majority soothed most hard feelings and confirmed Emanuel as a major force in the House — perhaps even a future speaker.

Emanuel and his wife have three children. He told Chicago's WLS-TV on Wednesday that he needed to consider the effect of the job on his family before accepting.

"I have a lot to weigh: the basis of public service, which I've given my life to, a career choice. And most importantly, what I want to do as a parent," he said. "And I know something about the White House. That, I assume, is one of the reasons that President-elect Obama would like me to serve. But I also know something about what it means to a family."

AP writers Dennis Conrad and Sharon Thiemer contributed to this report.

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Kelsey Shaw

BASKETBALL

Men, women hoopsters both to play on Nov. 9

If basketball is your sport, then Carver-Hawkeye Arena is the place to be on Nov. 9.

Both the Iowa men's and women's basketball teams will play exhibition games that day. The first contest of the Sunday double-header will feature Todd Lickliter's squad, which will play its lone exhibition game, against Wayne State, at 1 p.m. That matchup will immediately be followed at 3:30 p.m. by Lisa Bluder's team, which will play its second and final exhibition game, against Upper Iowa.

Bluder's Bunch won its first exhibition on Sunday, 88-57 over Quincy. In that game, all five Iowa starters posted double-figures, led by senior Megan Skouby's 17 points and 15 rebounds.

This weekend will mark the debuts of seven players for the men, including freshman Matt Gatens, a native of Iowa City. It will also be the first game back for sophomore cocaptain Jarryd Cole, who tore his ACL last season.

After this weekend, both teams will open up their 2008-09 regular seasons with home games. The men's team will host Charleston Southern on Nov. 14, while Bluder's Bunch will begin with Texas State coming to Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Nov. 16.

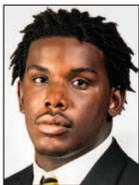
— by Brendan Stiles

FOOTBALL

Moses to leave

The Iowa athletics department announced Thursday that sophomore linebacker Dezman Moses has made the decision to leave the football team and transfer to another school.

Moses was arrested for public intoxication on the morning of Sept. 21, one day after the Hawkeyes' 21-20 loss at



Moses athlete

Pittsburgh. He was one of three Iowa football players this fall to encounter legal troubles, and he had finished serving a four-game suspension handed down to him by head coach Kirk Ferentz after his arrest.

"While I was sorry to learn of Dezman's decision, I understand his thinking," Ferentz said in the statement. "All of us with him success in the future, both academically and athletically."

— by Brendan Stiles

TV TODAY

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• Dallas at Denver, 9:30 p.m., ESPN
NCAA FOOTBALL
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NCAA FIELD HOCKEY
• 2008 Big Ten Tournament Semifinals, No. 2 Iowa vs. No. 3 Michigan State, 11 a.m., Big Ten Network

Hawks try on Lion-tamer role

Iowa would need to pull off one of the biggest upsets in school history to gain bowl eligibility against No. 3 Penn State.

By CHARLIE KAUTZ
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In a week when the standings suggest that any scenario involving Iowa upsetting No. 3 Penn State requires some imagination, perhaps Hawkeye fans can draw upon a tradition of the Beaver Stadium student section.

While the Nittany Lions' faithful form a navy letter "S" amid a swarm of white-clad supporters, it seems that Iowa students wearing green Saturday

would be best-suited to sit in the shape of a four-leaf clover.

After all, even a perfectly executed game plan against a national championship contender could use a little luck.

"The challenge again for us is for us to be at our absolute best in every area, every phase," said Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz. "All that being said, we'll still need to have some things, some breaks, whatever, happen."

"But those things happen in



Iowa (5-4, 2-3) VS. Penn State (9-0, 5-0)

When: 2:30 P.M., SATURDAY

Where: KINNICK STADIUM

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sports. That's the fun of it, and that's the challenge."

Coming off a deflating three-point loss at Illinois that dropped Iowa (5-4, 2-3) to seventh place in the Big Ten, no challenge for Ferentz's Hawkeyes will be bigger than the 2:30 p.m. kick-off Saturday.

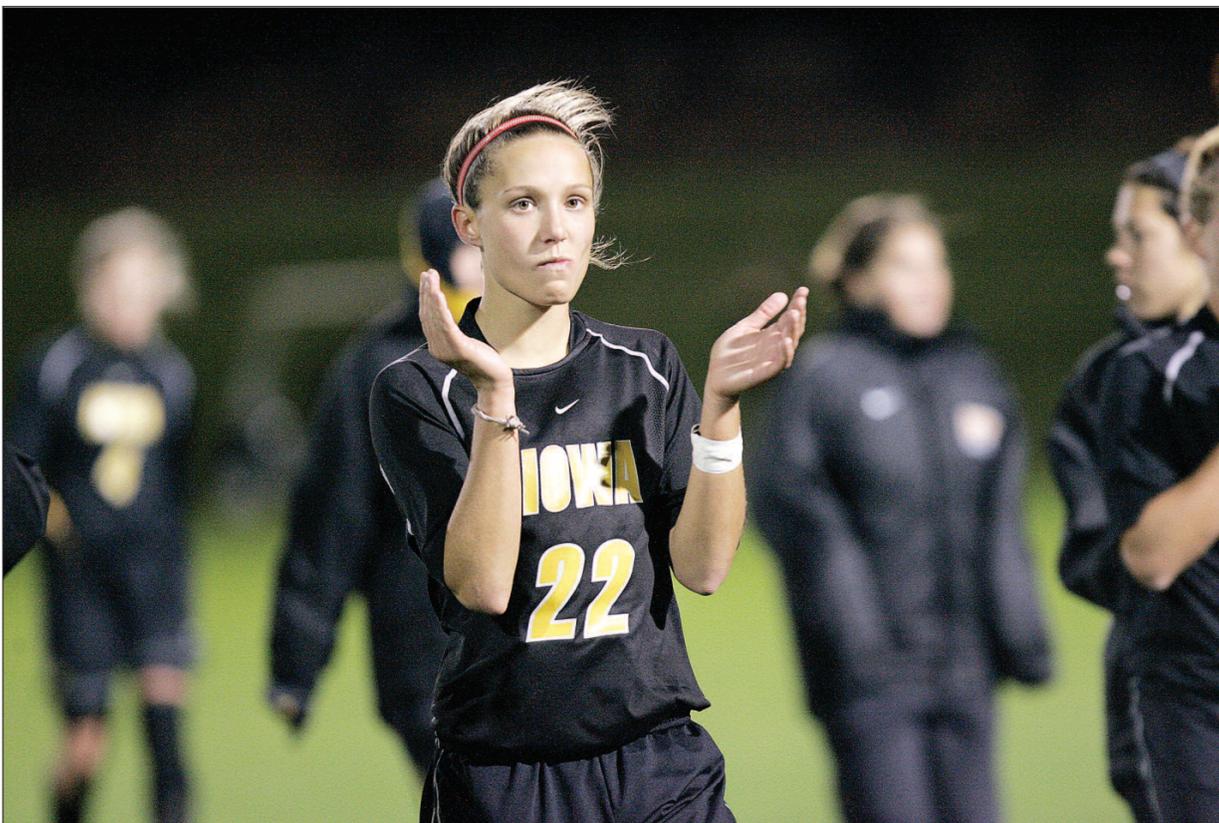
In possession of the Big Ten's top-ranked scoring offense and scoring defense, Penn State travels to Iowa City as the favorite in nearly every measure, from the statistics to the standings and everywhere in between.

Two weeks removed from a crucial 13-6 victory at Ohio State, a game that validated their label as the conference favorites and legitimized talks of a national title run, the Nittany Lions could easily look past Iowa in search of postseason dreams.

Not so, says 81-year-old head coach Joe Paterno, who expects a better Iowa team than many see on paper.

SEE FOOTBALL PREVIEW, 3B

IOWA-1, ILLINOIS-2



CHRISTY AUMER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa sophomore soccer player Mandy Heimann thanks the crowd at the Big Ten Tournament on Thursday. The eighth-seeded Hawkeyes fell to the top-seeded Penn State Nittany Lions, 2-1.

Penn St. ends Iowa's season

Iowa ends its season on a sour note, losing 2-1 to top seed Penn State.

By AMIE KIEHN
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After a nearly torrential downpour early Thursday morning, the clouds split for Illinois and left behind a picturesque afternoon — a perfect scene for an upset.

Or maybe not.

The No. 1 Penn State Nit-

ON THE WEB

Go to dailyiowan.com to check out an exclusive photo slide show from Thursday's soccer game between the Iowa Hawkeyes and Penn State Nittany Lions.

tany Lions edged Iowa, 2-1, in the quarterfinals of the 2008 Big Ten Tournament.

The Hawkeyes had walked

into the Iowa Soccer Complex expecting to advance to the semifinals.

"We were all pumped," sophomore forward Keli McLaughlin said. "We were hyped up in the locker room. Normally, some people are on their phones texting someone like, 'Last minute, come to the game,' but everyone

was zoned into the game, ready to play."

The Nittany Lions recently clinched their 11th-consecutive regular-season title, which had some Hawkeye faithful doubting whether Iowa had the ability to win.

McLaughlin had the first

SEE SOCCER, 3B

Volleyball finally comes home

Coming off four-straight road matches, the Iowa volleyball team will host a pair of them against No. 16 Illinois and No. 18 Purdue.



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Iowa senior Kiley Fister jumps to set the ball during the volleyball game against Michigan State in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Oct. 18. The Hawkeyes will host Illinois tonight and Purdue Saturday evening.

By MIKE BROWNLEE
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After a four-straight road matches, the Iowa volleyball team will return to Carver-Hawkeye Arena for a pair of home Big Ten matches. The Hawkeyes take on No. 16 Illinois this evening and No. 18 Purdue on Saturday.

Iowa had a tough time on the road, dropping three of their four matches. The Hawkeyes bested Ohio State and lost to No. 20 Michigan, Indiana, and No. 1 Penn State.

The loss to Indiana on Oct. 31 was especially brutal. Iowa took the first two sets before Indiana stormed back to force a fifth set. In the fifth frame, Iowa held a 14-11 lead but

Iowa vs. No. 16 Illinois,

When: 7 P.M. FRIDAY,

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Iowa vs. No. 18 Purdue

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could not put the Hoosiers away.

"I hope that we learned some things last weekend," Iowa head coach Sharon Dingman said. "We put ourselves in a good position against Indiana and couldn't get the job done."

Returning to Carver-

SEE VOLLEYBALL, 3B

Iowa knocks out Indiana

Iowa advances past Indiana in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament.

By JEFF PAWOLA
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The second-seeded Iowa field-hockey team ended seventh-seeded Indiana's season Thursday morning, defeating the Hoosiers, 5-2, in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament in Bloomington, Ind.

The back-to-back tournament champs, who are ranked eighth nationally, scored all five of their goals in the first half, two in the first three minutes. Sophomore Sarah Pergine opened the scoring for Iowa in the first minute and was followed up by senior Caitlin McCurdy only two minutes later. The goal for McCurdy is her 14th on the year, second most on the team, and her first since Oct. 5, against Missouri State, spanning five games.

"We came out really strong in the first half and scored two quick goals," fifth-year senior and captain Caroline Blaum said. "We need to be able to hold on a lot longer and bring it into the second half."

Senior Lauren Pfeiffer added two more goals near the end of the first half, increasing her total to a team-high 16. Beyond that, her two goals increased her career total to 49, good for ninth on the Iowa all-time goals list.

The win almost guarantees the Hawkeyes a spot in the 16-team NCAA Tournament. Currently rated as the No. 1 seed in the Midwest region, the team felt it needed only one more victory to secure its spot.

"I think the first round is going to be the most



Lauren Pfeiffer athlete

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Illinois	9	3	.750	18	5	.783
Purdue	8	4	.667	19	5	.792
Minnesota	8	4	.667	18	6	.750
Michigan	6	6	.500	18	6	.750
Indiana	6	7	.462	14	11	.560
Wisconsin	5	7	.417	15	9	.625
Iowa	5	7	.417	13	11	.542
Michigan State	4	8	.333	12	11	.522
Northwestern	2	10	.167	8	15	.348
Ohio State	1	11	.083	10	14	.417

Wednesday's Game
Penn State 3, Indiana 0
Friday's Games
Illinois at Iowa, 7 p.m.
Penn State at Michigan State
Northwestern at Michigan
Wisconsin at Ohio State
Purdue at Minnesota
Saturday's Games
Purdue at Iowa, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Michigan State
Northwestern at Ohio State
Wisconsin at Michigan
Illinois at Minnesota
Sunday's Game
Illinois at Minnesota

Carolina	6	2	0	.750	174	127
Tampa Bay	6	3	0	.667	200	147
Atlanta	7	3	0	.692	207	154
New Orleans	4	4	0	.500	216	195
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	5	3	0	.625	223	173
Green Bay	4	4	0	.500	210	178
Minnesota	4	4	0	.500	182	188
Detroit	0	8	0	.000	137	239
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	5	3	0	.625	234	184
Seattle	2	6	0	.250	151	210
San Francisco	2	6	0	.250	171	230
St. Louis	2	6	0	.250	125	235

Thursday's Game
Denver 34, Cleveland 30
Sunday's Games
Seattle at Miami, 12 p.m.
St. Louis at N.Y. Jets, 12 p.m.
Tennessee at Chicago, 12 p.m.
Green Bay at Minnesota, 12 p.m.
Jacksonville at Detroit, 12 p.m.
New Orleans at Atlanta, 12 p.m.
Buffalo at New England, 12 p.m.
Baltimore at Houston, 12 p.m.
Carolina at Oakland, 3:05 p.m.
Indianapolis at Pittsburgh, 3:15 p.m.
Kansas City at San Diego, 3:15 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia, 7:15 p.m.
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Monday's Game
San Francisco at Arizona, 7:30 p.m.

BIG TEN SOCCER

Big Ten Tournament Thursday Games
Iowa Soccer Complex, Iowa City
Game 1: #2 Minnesota 3, #7 Northwestern 1
Game 2: #3 Purdue 2, #6 Ohio State 1
Game 3: #1 Penn State 2, #8 Iowa 1
Game 4: #4 Michigan State 0, #5 Illinois 0, Michigan State advances on PKs 4-3
Today's Games
Game 5: Minnesota vs. Purdue, 1 p.m.
Game 6: Penn State vs. Michigan State, 3:30 p.m.
Sunday Championship Game
Game 5 vs. Game 6 winner, 2 p.m.

BIG TEN FIELD HOCKEY

Big Ten Tournament at Indiana University
Thursday's Games
Game 1: #2 Iowa 5, #7 Indiana 2
Game 2: #5 Ohio State 3, #4 Michigan 2
Game 3: #3 Michigan State 4, #6 Northwestern 2
Today's Games
Game 4: #1 Penn State vs. Ohio State, 9 a.m.
Game 5: Iowa vs. Michigan State, 11:15 a.m. BTN
Sunday's Championship Game
Penn State-Ohio State winner vs. Iowa-Michigan State winner, 11 a.m.

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HAWKEYE SPORTS

Women's swimming heads for city of lakes

The Iowa's women's swimming and diving team will head to Minneapolis tonight for a meet against the No. 12 Golden Gophers.

The Hawkeyes head into the meet with a 3-1 dual-meet record, most recently posting an impressive 192-107 victory over Nebraska on Nov. 1. Minnesota comes in having yet to lose at 3-0 record. The Golden Gophers beat North Carolina last weekend, 217-151.

Iowa senior captain Ashley Dell, who won the 500 and 1,000 freestyles against Nebraska, believes the Hawkeyes cannot be intimidated by the reigning Big Ten champions.

"It is important to keep your own race," she said. "There may be some events where Minnesota girls are out front by a lot, but it is important to stay within your race and if you believe in yourself, anything can happen."

Iowa will be up against a rowdy crowd in the University Aquatic Center as well - the meet is Minnesota's annual Pack the Pool event.

"Obviously, we know [the Gophers] are a really good team," Dell said. "We are just hoping to race them well and see how many points we can get against them."

- by Matt Leitzke

said she looks forward to the journey. "I am very excited about the trip to Virginia," she said. "I have never been to the East Coast."

Although traveling can tire the members of the team, she said, they try not to let that affect them come race day. Long trips also bring the team together, she said.

"We are able to spend some quality bonding time together when we travel and get to know one another even more," Miller said.

- by Mike Slusark

Men's swimming also off to Minneapolis

The Iowa men's swimming and diving team will travel to Minneapolis today to face Minnesota in a battle of Big Ten unbeaten teams.

Iowa is 3-0 for the first time in more than a decade after beating Truman State, Wisconsin, and Michigan State in consecutive weeks, and it has had two weeks to prepare for its meet with the No. 10 Golden Gophers.

Minnesota, however, is coming off a 220-146 win over No. 12 North Carolina in its season-opener last weekend. Iowa head swimming coach Marc Long knows the road trip will be difficult.

"It'll be a challenging atmosphere," he said. "But we'll be able to get some good experience for people swimming different events."

Two of the Big Ten's best sophomore swimmers will be on display when the teams hit the pool today. Iowa's Conor Dwyer has won nine events through three meets. Minnesota's Kevin Baseheart was every bit as impressive last week, winning two relays as well as his lone individual event.

The Hawkeyes will have four weeks off after today's meet to prepare for the Missouri Invitational Dec. 5-7, a long-awaited championship style meet.

"We're definitely excited about that championship format," Long said. "That's been one of our focuses all year."

- by Jon Linder

Rowers trek to Virginia

The Iowa rowing team will close out its fall season Nov. 9 at the Rivanna Romp in Charlottesville, Va.

Big Ten opponent Ohio State, as well as the hometown Virginia Cavaliers, is part of a tough field at the event.

This will be the second week in a row for the Hawkeyes to face Virginia. Last week, the two teams met at the Southland Regatta, where the Cavaliers placed first.

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Sophomore rower Haylie Miller

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NO. 3 PENN STATE AT IOWA	PENN ST. — There's a reason why Penn State's undefeated this year.	PENN ST. — UI students riot as grocers run out of Greene Kool-Aid.	IOWA — I feel obligated. And yet, still hopeful.	PENN ST. — Yeah, no way this game's an upset.	PENN ST. — The line's (-7.5). Bet all your money on the Nittany Lions.	PENN STATE — Hawks try to herd Cats, get predictable results.	PENN ST. — Lions shut Greene out.
NO. 12 OHIO STATE AT N'WESTERN	OHIO ST. — Yeah, this is where not having Tyrell Sutton hurts Northwestern.	OHIO ST. — Buckeyes win; Columbus florists report spike in rose sales.	N'WESTERN — Buckeye offense is just plain BAD.	OHIO ST. — The Wildcats' 5-0 start won't help them now.	OHIO ST. — The Wildcats have been a great surprise, but they won't sneak up on the Buckeyes here.	OHIO ST. — If only N'western alum Rahm Emmanuel were running things for Wildcats. Turns out he has a day job.	OHIO ST. — Northwestern beat Iowa. Checkmate.
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CINCINNATI AT NO. 20 WEST VIRGINIA	WEST VIRGINIA — They're beginning to burn couches again in Morgantown.	WEST VIRGINIA — Report: QB Pat White is distant cousin of Usain Bolt.	WEST VIRGINIA — Don't know much, but I know Bearcats don't exist.	WEST VIRGINIA — 1-for-3 against ranked opponents ain't bad.	WEST VIRGINIA — Wow, the Big East is horrible.	WEST VIRGINIA — Bearcats can't turn Mountaineers into molehill.	WEST VIRGINIA — You think Rich Rod has second thoughts?
NO. 21 CALIFORNIA AT NO. 7 USC	USC — Cal controls its Rose Bowl destiny ... until Saturday.	USC — Obama, Carroll agree on BCS; promise playoff system by 2016.	USC — Bad day to be in Snoopy Dogg's hood.	USC — Trojans are to football as Arnold Schwarzenegger is to Terminator.	USC — The Bears will be exposed here.	USC — Cal can't bear up - at least, not like Trojans bear up.	USC — Closer than the experts think.
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NO. 1 ALABAMA AT NO. 15 LSU	ALABAMA — Got to admit: Nick Saban's a damn good football coach.	LSU — Hand found in cookie jar; warrant issued for Saban's arrest.	ALABAMA — Roll tide, roll.	ALABAMA — Should be a bigger blowout than Florida/Georgia last weekend.	ALABAMA — The Tide wins out to all-but secure an SEC title game against Florida. Can't wait.	ALABAMA — LSU makes nothing stick in Red Stick.	ALABAMA — Saban almost returns to coaching LSU at half.

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"I just think that sometimes people don't realize how good Iowa is, because they started so slow, and were not a particularly good football team early, and they weren't good when we played them last year," he said.

"It's going to be a tough football game for us."

Pitting the nation's third overall rusher (Shonn Greene) against the Big Ten's top rush defense (Penn State), Saturday's contest promises to play out quite differently from last season's 27-7 Iowa loss in State College, Pa.

Unlike a year ago, Iowa's offensive unit has shown strong consistency in producing nine-straight 100-yard rushing performances and has found a better balance with first-year starting quarterback Ricky Stanzi. Although the sophomore's three turnovers proved costly last weekend, Stanzi knows he can't dwell on mistakes leading into a Penn State game with such magnitude.

"It'll be a big game for the whole offense," he said. "We'll see really what we can do as an offense and how well we can

move the ball against a really good defense. It's just going to be a great challenge."

Losers of nine-straight games decided by three points or less, Iowa hopes to shake its anti-clutch image Saturday by pulling one of the biggest upsets in school history in the process. The Hawkeyes are just one win away from bowl eligibility, but another loss would put Iowa in serious danger of missing the postseason for the second year in a row.

With a home date against Purdue and a trip to Minnesota remaining on the schedule, a loss would likely leave the Hawkeyes fighting Illinois and Wisconsin for what could be the Big Ten's final bowl bid.

Ferentz hopes facing a top-five team should be motivation enough for Iowa this weekend.

"You know, if you can't get excited about playing in a game like this, I don't know why you'd want to be playing football," he said. "You don't get many chances in a career or a lifetime to play an undefeated team, a highly ranked team in November."

Field hockey moves to semis

FIELD HOCKEY

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important," senior captain Roz Ellis said prior to Thursday's matchup with the Hoosiers. "As long as we can get past the first round, I think that we're good for NCAAs."

Iowa will face a familiar opponent in today's semifinals at 11 a.m. on the Big Ten Network, No. 10 Michigan State, the tournament's No. 3 seed. Following the Spartans' 4-2 victory Thursday against sixth-seed Northwestern, Iowa and Michigan State will meet up for the second-consecutive year in the conference semifinals. The Hawkeyes and the Spartans previously met on Oct. 25 in an 80-minute brawl. Iowa eventually won in overtime 4-3 and put itself into the driver's seat for the No. 2 seed it would claim.

One concern heading into today's matchup with the Spartans is that the Hawkeyes failed to hit a goal during the second half Thursday and were outscored by

Indiana, 1-0. In Iowa's previous game against Michigan State, the situation was similar. After getting out to a 2-0 lead at halftime, Iowa let Michigan State back in the game after allowing three goals.

"We're really excited. Michigan State is always a ridiculously competitive game," Blaum said. "I think we're ready for the same team as last time. Hopefully, we'll be more competitive in the second half."

The winner of the Iowa/Michigan State matchup will play in the Nov. 9 championship against either fourth-seeded Ohio State or No. 9 Penn State, the tourney's top seed.

If the Hawkeyes make it beyond their match with the Spartans, they will face an uphill battle against either of their potential opponents. Iowa lost to both Penn State and Ohio State in the regular season, managing to score only one goal in the two games.



CHRISTY AUMER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa freshman forward Alyssa Cosnek drives the ball up the field against Penn State during the Big Ten Soccer Tournament Thursday, Nov. 6, 2008. Penn State defeated Iowa, 2-1.

Soccer comeback falls short

SOCCER

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opportunity to dispel detractors' concerns with a breakaway down the right sideline in the sixth minute. Her speed beat Penn State's Jessie Davis, allowing the forward room to take a shot from 20 yards out. It seemed as if McLaughlin would net her eighth goal of the season, but the wind redirected the ball, and it grazed the far post.

"The way the ball was played, I took my touch wide instead of inside, and I just gave myself a really bad angle," McLaughlin said.

Equipped with four first team All-Big Ten players, the Nittany Lions played the 90 minutes of regulation the way many thought they would: dominating.

Their first goal came in the 19th minute, when Davis scored her first of the season, and Penn State went into halftime leading, 1-0.

Iowa desperately sought to tie the game, but Penn State's Danielle Toney was able to sneak the ball past Hawkeye goalkeeper Emily Moran in the 57th minute.

The Hawkeyes tried to come back, and Pennsylvania native Alyssa Cosnek netted her ninth goal of the season off assists from her offensive line.

"It was a great ball by Alex [Seydel] from the outside, and then Stephanie [Hyink] flicked it up," Cosnek said. "I just happened to be at right place at the right time and tried to get up for the header, and it went in."

The freshman's goal generate hope among the



CHRISTY AUMER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa junior Alexandria Seydel drives past Penn State's Zoe Bouchelle during the Hawkeyes' Big Ten Tournament game against the Nittany Lions on Thursday, Nov. 6, 2008 at the Iowa Soccer Complex. Penn State ended Iowa's season with a 2-1 win in the quarterfinal round.

"I would love to wake up tomorrow and be getting ready for a game, or getting ready for training or all those things. It is an end to a chapter, but I said that now we just have to reflect on what we did, what we need to do better, and then challenge each other."

— Zoe Bouchelle, midfielder

Hawkeyes, and they picked up the intensity.

"I liked how we played that last 45 [minutes], we went to a 4-3-3, and we were just playing with two up top in the first half," head coach Ron Rainey said. "So we really stretched our defenders to say, 'You got to

win every tackle,' and they really did very well."

The relentless closing play demonstrated by Iowa had Penn State feeling the pressure.

"It was definitely something we wish we could have avoided, but when Iowa is on the line like that, you got to

expect that [the Hawkeyes] are going to give everything they have," Penn State's All-Big Ten midfielder Zoe Bouchelle said.

But Iowa's season ended and the Hawkeyes will now be spectators as the tournament plays out on their home turf.

"I would love to wake up tomorrow and be getting ready for a game, or getting ready for training or all those things," Rainey said. "It is an end to a chapter, but I said that now we just have to reflect on what we did, what we need to do better, and then challenge each other."

Hawkeye volleyball glad to see Carver-Hawkeye

VOLLEYBALL

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Hawkeye could be the remedy for Iowa. The Hawkeyes are 7-1 at home this season — 4-1 against the Big Ten — with the only loss coming to the defending champion Nittany Lions.

"We're excited to be back at home," junior outside hitter Megan Schipper said. "Home court is such a big thing. Being home will, hopefully, give us that edge to give us two wins this weekend."

The Fighting Illini come to Iowa City with an 18-5 record (9-3 Big Ten) and in sole possession of second place in the conference. Illinois is on a five-match winning streak, and it beat Iowa, 3-1, in Champaign on Oct. 4.

Laura DeBruler leads the Illini with 395 kills, good for second place in the Big Ten.

"She has so many different shots and competes so hard. From a volleyball standpoint, she's fun to watch" Dingman said. "But she's not fun to coach against."

Hillary Haen runs the offense, collecting 566 assists on

the year. Defensively, Ashley Edinger is the all-time digs leader at Illinois and has 390 this season. Johannah Bangert leads the team with 140 total blocks and a 1.61 blocks-per-set average, good for best in the nation.

Purdue heads into the weekend 19-5 overall (8-4 Big Ten) and tied with Minnesota for third place in the conference. The Boilermakers swept

Iowa on Oct. 3 in West Lafayette, and they come to town with a three-match winning streak.

The experience-laden team is led by Stephanie Lynch, who has 328 kills and 117 total blocks. Danita Merlau follows with 279 kills, and Jaclyn Hart has 912 assists. Kelli Miller has a team-high 383 digs.

"Purdue is a senior-driven

team," Dingman said. "Their careers are winding down, and they're playing with a sense of urgency."

Iowa is 13-11 (5-7 Big Ten) and tied with Wisconsin for seventh place in the conference. Dingman and Schipper both emphasized the need for offensive improvement.

"We've been focusing on hitting. Our defense is doing well, we just need to step up the

offense," Schipper said.

The Hawkeyes are last in the Big Ten in kills per set (12.56) and ninth in assists (11.55). Individually, Iowa has no play-

ers in the top-10 in kills or hitting percentage, though senior setter Kiley Fister's 8.88 assists-per-set is seventh in the conference.



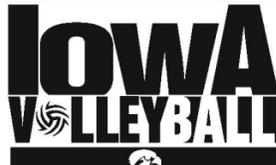
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Washington Redskin tight end Chris Cooley (right) is tackled by Pittsburgh Steeler safety Troy Polamalu (left) and linebacker LaMarr Woodley during the fourth quarter on Monday in Landover, Md. Pittsburgh won the game, 23-6.

Polamalu versus Sanders

By ALAN ROBINSON
Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Troy Polamalu's playmaking style for the Pittsburgh Steelers is one part linebacker, one part cornerback, and a lot of inventive non-conformity that makes him one of the NFL's most talented defensive players.

Or a safety much like Bob Sanders, whose Indianapolis Colts face a pivotal game Nov. 9 in Pittsburgh in which both teams may need a big play from their game-altering defensive back to win.

The kind of plays that showed up regularly on the video tape coaches Mike Tomlin of Pittsburgh and Tony Dungy of Indianapolis reviewed going into this important AFC game.

"I think they're similar in that when you turn the tape on, they're arguably the fastest people on the field," Tomlin said. "They really play with a great deal of energy and enthusiasm, and I think the people they play with feed off that."

Wide receiver Hines Ward said the Steelers (6-2) certainly do when Polamalu levels a running back at the line of scrimmage or drops into deep coverage to break up a pass.

"Right before the game, I'm always telling him, 'We need at least two or three big plays from you to really spark the team,'" Ward said. "He's a quiet leader. He's not a vocal guy on

'It's like when he lets his hair down, it's a transformation to the Tasmanian Devil. But when you take the helmet off, he's got his hair pulled back and he's just a soft-spoken, well-rounded guy. He's very religious.'

— Hines Ward, wide receiver

the team, but he's a great student of the game. He's constantly over there talking with the receivers, 'What is this guy trying to do if he's doing this?' He's constantly trying to get better."

Polamalu also owns one of the NFL's most distinctive personalities, and not only because his long hair cascades below his shoulders on game days. A Pro Bowl player the last four seasons, he lacks the ego that now seems to be a prerequisite for NFL stars and can rarely be talked into discussing his own play.

Yet when the NFL began regularly fining Steeler players, including Ward, for seemingly harmless infractions, Polamalu spoke up with a Jack Lambert-like zeal and accused the league of softening the game.

"It's like when he lets his hair down, it's a transformation to the Tasmanian Devil," Ward said. "But when you take the helmet off, he's got his hair pulled back and he's just a soft-spoken, well-rounded guy. He's very religious."

The AFC has a number of excellent safeties, Ed Reed of Baltimore among them, and two of the best will be on the same field Nov. 9.

If the Colts didn't realize how much Sanders meant to them — he was the NFL Defensive Player of the Year last season — they did when he missed five-consecutive games with knee and ankle injuries.

Sanders, a two-time Pro Bowl player, returned to make eight tackles during an 18-15 win over New England on Sunday night, helping the Colts (4-4) get back to .500 and end a two-game losing streak.

"He can chase a lot of things down," Dungy said. "But some of the problems we had earlier in the season were due to more than just him being out of the lineup."

Sanders, who grew up two hours away from Pittsburgh in Erie, Pa., and the Steelers haven't met up since Pittsburgh's 21-18 upset over the top-seeded Colts in Indianapo-

lis in January 2006, which sent the Steelers to the AFC Championship Game.

Sanders has another link to Pittsburgh. The Colts chose him with the 2004 second-round draft pick acquired when Pittsburgh moved up to take cornerback Ricardo Colclough, who is currently out of the league.

Comparing the two, the 5-8, 206-pound Sanders is fundamentally sounder and makes more spectacular hits than Polamalu, but the 5-10, 207-pound Polamalu is more reckless — he recently sustained his seventh career concussion — and might have better hands.

"It's going to be a huge challenge going against them," Sanders said. "This is a great team that we are coming to play — they are physical. Right now, I think, is about getting back and practicing and getting this thing rolling and trying to make some plays."

The kind of plays Polamalu often makes for Pittsburgh. He has three interceptions and 36 tackles in eight games although, like Sanders, statistics don't always reflect his contribution.

"He is a very important part of what we do because he has what you can't coach," Tomlin said. "He has great instincts. He's a splash playmaker. We need his kind of effort."

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Police probe drug allegation against Leaf

DALLAS (AP) — Police in the Texas Panhandle are investigating a minor drug allegation made against former NFL quarterback Ryan Leaf, who this week was placed on leave from his job as an assistant football coach at West Texas A&M.

Canyon police Chief Bobby Griffin says the investigation is in its preliminary stages but confirmed the allegation was that Leaf obtained a controlled substance by fraudulent means.

"We are trying to determine whether anything like that happened," Griffin said. "There is not enough information or facts to say we have a crime being committed or not."

Leaf did not immediately respond

to a message left by the Associated Press, and Griffin said the police have not interviewed him.

"Some allegations have been made, and some rumors are flying around. We've been asked ... to look into it," said Griffin, who declined to say why police began the investigation.

Leaf, a former Heisman Trophy finalist who led Washington State to the 1998 Rose Bowl, is the quarterback coach and men's golf coach at West Texas A&M in Canyon, around 20 miles southwest of Amarillo in the Texas Panhandle.

On Wednesday, West Texas A&M Athletics Director Michael McBroom said he and Leaf met Sunday and agreed the ex-quarterback should take a leave of absence. McBroom declined to say why Leaf is on leave and when or whether he would return.

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Study: Number of black football coaches smallest in 15 years

By MARK WANGRIN
Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — Days after the election of the country's first black president, a study shows the number of black coaches in major college football is the lowest in 15 years.

With the recent dismissals of Ty Willingham at Washington and Ron Prince at Kansas State, the number of black head coaches in the 119-school NCAA Bowl Subdivision was reduced to four.

In 1997, there were eight black head coaches, the most in history. In 1993, there were only three.

Fifty-five percent of all student-athletes are minorities.

The report by the Institute for Diversity and Ethics in Sport at the University of Central Florida polled every major college on the ethnicity of its coaches, athletics directors, presidents, faculty, student-athletes, and NCAA faculty representatives.

"While the percentages are slightly better, the general picture is still one of white men running college sport," said Richard Lapchick, the report's coauthor. "Overall, the num-

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— Richard Lapchick, report's coauthor

bers simply do not reflect the diversity of our student-athletes. Moreover, they do not reflect the diversity of our nation where we have elected an African-American as president for the first time."

The report also looked at university leadership, including presidents and athletics directors. Ninety-one percent are white. Minority representation in all positions increased less than 1 percent last year.

Charlotte Westerhaus, the NCAA vice president for diversity and inclusion, said she was disappointed in the figures, particularly considering the election.

"This moment on Tuesday reflected the best of our country," she said. "Our country showed the will and the way. We have to do the same."

Lapchick has asked the NCAA to adopt a rule to man-

date that minorities be interviewed for head coaching jobs. Calling it the "Eddie Robinson Rule," in reference to the record-setting Grambling coach, Lapchick said it would be a college version of the NFL's Rooney Rule. The NFL sanctions teams that do not interview a minority candidate.

Westerhaus said the Rooney Rule is in practice, if not rule. She noted that the NCAA cannot legally impose such penalties.

"The vast majority of institutions interviewed coaches of color," she said. "It think it's 90 percent. We're doing some of the things the Rooney Rule calls for. What's disappointing is the hiring doesn't reflect that."

Last season, 30 percent of the candidates interviewed for 22 openings were minorities. Two were hired.

Since 1996, 12 black coach-

es have been hired for 199 jobs. The only black head coaches currently set to finish the season are Miami's Randy Shannon, Mississippi State's Sylvester Croom, Buffalo's Turner Gill, and Houston's Kevin Sumlin. Florida International is coached by Mario Cristobal, a Latino, and Navy coach Ken Niumat-alolo is Samoan.

Staffers for Michigan coach Rick Rodriguez told surveyors he is not Latino.

David Czesniuk of the Center for the Study of Sports in Society at Northeastern University, a program Lapchick founded, said he was struck by who controlled the money.

"What stood out to me, is that in the biggest component of dollars in college football is the BCS, and every single commissioner of a BCS conference is a white male," Czesniuk said.

Lapchick said the election of Barack Obama — a big sports fan — will have an influence.

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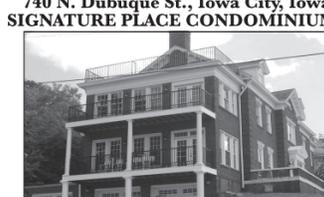
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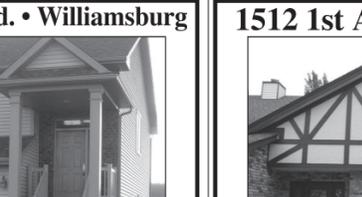
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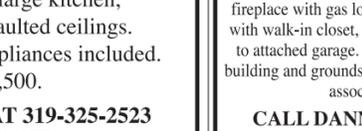


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What you should know about Penn State Nittany Lions

- Penn State and Michigan State play each year for the Land Grant Trophy, a celebration of two things: (1) colleges that, historically speaking, require government handouts and (2) only inviting two of the seven cow colleges in their conference to play.
- The Nittany Lions' home field is Beaver Stadium, also known as "Happy Valley," a spacious hollow that can accommodate 107,282 men. (Or, I guess, women. This is college, after all).
- Hawkeye fans, this weekend you might hear someone reference "The Beast from the East." Fear not! That's just another nickname for Penn State's football program; I'm pretty sure two-time WBA heavyweight champion Nikolai Valuev is currently cross-training in Petrograd.
- Joe Paterno's so old, he wrote the first "Your momma's so old" joke.
- According to a July 27 episode of ESPN's Emmy-winning "Outside the Lines," at least 46 different Penn State football players have been charged with a combined 163 criminal counts since 2002, resulting in 27 players pleading guilty to 45 crimes. That's ridiculous! What kind of self-respecting collegiate athletics program allows its players to plead guilty?!
- The coaches' poll currently has Penn State ranked as the second-best college football team in the nation. A lesser man would make a reference here about "Number 2" being a pseudonym for human excrement. A lesser man is I.

- Andrew R. Juhl heard that President-elect Obama supports a playoff system for the college-football championship, and he wholeheartedly agrees, thinking this should be a top priority for the new administration.

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- 12:30 p.m. News from China-Beijing (in Chinese)
- 1 "Prairie Lights" Archives
- 2 News from Germany (in German)
- 3 "Know the Score," Joan Kjaer hosts
- 5 Piano Sundays from the Old Capitol
- 6:30 Fine Arts Performances from the UI
- 8 "Java Blend," Encore Music videos
- 8:30 "Know the Score," Joan Kjaer hosts
- 10:30 Dance from Space/Place

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- Fourth-Annual Fall Bake-Off Contest, 9 a.m.-noon, Johnson County Farm Bureau Board Room, 2130 Mormon Trek Blvd.
- English Conversation Group, 10 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- Book Babies, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library
- Funded Retirement and Insurance Committee Meeting, 11:30 a.m., 302 University Services Building
- International Writing Program Panel, "Images of America," noon, Iowa City Public Library
- "Java Blend," Mayflies, noon, Java House, 211 1/2 E. Washington
- Noon Knit, noon, Hardin Library
- "Finding God at Iowa" forum, 1 p.m., Susie Lehmann and Mila Grady, Newman Catholic Student Center, 104 E. Jefferson
- Meeting of the National Alliance of Mental Illness - UI Chapter, 1 p.m., N293 Lindquist Center
- "The Building of Multiple Cable TV Networks: Concept to Business Plan to Launch to Sale," Nick Rhodes, 1 p.m., S307 Pappajohn Business Building
- Family Weekend Welcome Packet Pick Up, 2-8 p.m., outside University Book Store, University Capitol Centre
- Knitting Nurse, 2-6 p.m., Home Ec. Workshop, 207 N. Linn
- Houston Astro broadcaster Milo Hamilton Q&A, 2:30 p.m., 101 Becker
- Line Dancing Class, 3 p.m., Senior Center
- Book Signing, Gary Dolphin, Ed Podolak, and Michael Maxwell, 4 p.m., University Book Store, University Capitol Centre
- Holiday Craft Show, 5-9 p.m., Sycamore Mall
- "Know the Score," with Joan Kjaer, 5 p.m., Old Capitol Senate Chamber, 221 E. Washington
- Barbecue and Blues, 5:30-7 p.m., Hillcrest Market Place
- New Pioneer Co-op Annual Member Meeting, 5:30 p.m., 22 S. Van Buren
- Iowa Koran Study Circle, 6 p.m., Robert A. Lee Recreation Center, 220 S. Gilbert
- Tell No One, 6:30 and 9 p.m., Bijou
- "Live from Prairie Lights," Drake Hokanson and Carol Kratz, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- Friday Night Films, *The Sting*, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- Golden Oldies, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 225 Highway 1 W.
- An Irish Homecoming, 7:30 p.m., *Coffee and Hope*, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert
- Sarah, Plain and Tall, Iowa City Community Theatre, 7:30 p.m., Johnson County Fairgrounds, 4265 Oak Crest Hill Road S.E.
- Dance Gala: Special Edition, 8 p.m., North Hall Space/Place
- Family Weekend Student Organization Showcase, 8 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom
- Rachel Joselson, soprano, Marina Sandel, mezzo-soprano, and Casey Rafn, piano, 8 p.m., 150 Clinton Street Music
- Writers' Workshop reading, Scott Spencer, fiction, 8 p.m., Dey House Frank Conroy Reading Room
- Three Sisters, University Theatres Mainstage Production, 8 p.m., West High, 2901 Melrose Ave.
- Colin Braley and Friends, 5 in a Hand, and Mint Wad Willy, 9 p.m., Yacht Club
- Uniphonics, 9 p.m., Mill
- Friday Night Karaoke, with Gemini Karaoke, 9 p.m., American Legion Post No. 17, 3016 Muscatine Ave.
- Retro Club Night, 9 p.m., Speak Easy, 171 Highway 1 W.
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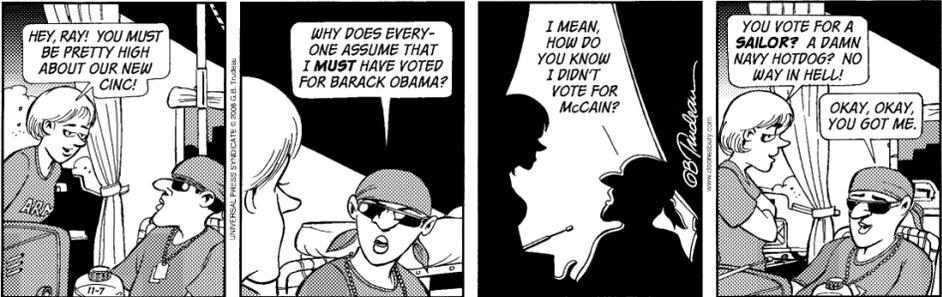
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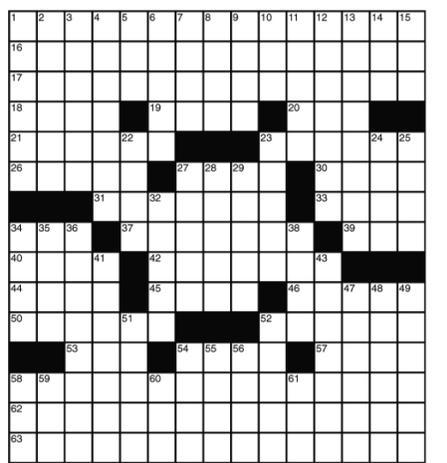
The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0926

- Across**
- 1 Unforgettable edible
 - 16 Concern of a certain federal commissioner
 - 17 Fission boat?
 - 18 Capital on the Rimac River
 - 19 Plays
 - 20 1040 amt.
 - 21 Nero's buyer
 - 23 Vehicle for an annual round-the-world trip
 - 26 Ingredient in plastics
 - 27 Mention casually
 - 30 Her theme song was a 1966 hit
 - 31 Opium product
 - 33 Pan
 - 34 Clash sharply
 - 37 Be in the red for black and tans?
 - 39 Registration agcy.
 - 40 His chariot was drawn by four fire-breathing horses
 - 42 Neighbor of Sunnyside in New York
 - 44 Indication that one is just teasing
 - 45 Occurrence after the first and third quarters of the moon
 - 46 Nirvana
 - 50 Mad specialty
 - 52 Take-out meal?
 - 53 Large copier
 - 54 Tropical fruit, in Toledo
 - 57 See 58-Down
 - 58 On account (of)
 - 62 Not so much
 - 63 They're usually even on one side
- Down**
- 1 One entering a number
 - 2 One day
 - 3 Defeats decisively
 - 4 Of blood
 - 5 Good day?: Abbr.
 - 6 Rack up
 - 7 Old name in news
 - 8 Drawing device
 - 9 Regal symbols
 - 10 Occurrence after retiring
 - 11 Advantage
 - 12 They cover the ears
 - 13 You might exchange words with them
 - 14 Order member
 - 15 "I don't know" lead-in
 - 22 ___ around (close to)
 - 23 Shoot in the garden
 - 24 Fat, to François
 - 25 Many skit actors
 - 27 Not very sharp
 - 28 Western costume accessory
 - 29 Leading
 - 32 N.F.L. cornerback
 - 34 Head pieces
 - 35 Unlikely number for a rock concert

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- Puzzle by Harvey Estes
- 36 National service film
 - 38 Actress Anderson of "Persona"
 - 41 One stuck in the snow
 - 43 19th-century literary family in Massachusetts
 - 47 They're below some chests
 - 48 2002 Al Pacino film
 - 49 Trackers' aids
 - 51 Longtime "Days of Our Lives" actress Jones
 - 52 One stripping on a kitchen counter
 - 54 City noted for its campanile
 - 55 Fingered
 - 56 Square
 - 58 With 57-Across, welcome words when the check arrives
 - 59 Kidder's word
 - 60 Historic barrier breaker
 - 61 Hacker's aid

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IOWA VS. PENN STATE

'Well-rounded' Nittany Lions come to Kinnick

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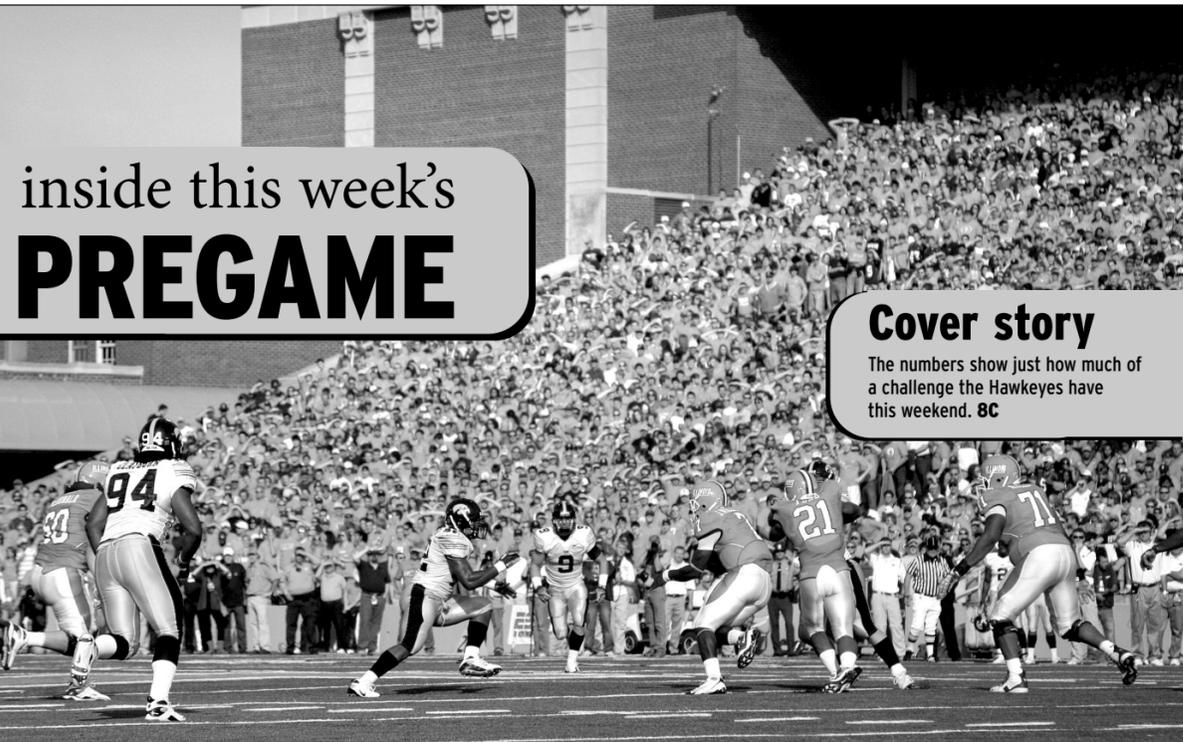
Greene looks to move on up

In front of a black, gold, and green(e) Kinnick Stadium Saturday, Iowa running back Shonn Greene has a chance to skyrocket up the single season rushing record book. **4C**



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	Record	Points
1. Alabama (46)	9-0	1,600
2. Texas Tech (12)	9-0	1,528
3. Penn St. (6)	9-0	1,525
4. Florida (1)	7-1	1,398
5. Texas	8-1	1,353
6. Oklahoma	8-1	1,324
7. Southern Cal	7-1	1,250
8. Oklahoma St.	8-1	1,198
9. Boise St.	8-0	1,030
10. Utah	9-0	1,028
11. TCU	9-1	958
12. Ohio St.	7-2	898
13. Missouri	7-2	830
14. Georgia	7-2	808
15. LSU	6-2	746
16. Ball St.	8-0	594
17. BYU	8-1	536
18. Michigan St.	8-2	456
19. North Carolina	6-2	418
20. West Virginia	6-2	303
21. California	6-2	288
22. Georgia Tech	7-2	286
23. Maryland	6-2	242
24. Florida St.	6-2	128
25. Pittsburgh	6-2	96

USA TODAY POLL

	Record	Points
1. Alabama (40)	9-0	1498
2. Penn State (14)	9-0	1437
3. Texas Tech (6)	9-0	1409
4. Oklahoma (1)	8-1	1290
5. Florida	7-1	1268
6. Southern Cal	7-1	1232
7. Texas	8-1	1227
8. Oklahoma State	8-1	1066
9. Utah	9-0	1018
10. Boise State	8-0	958
11. TCU	9-1	862
12. Ohio State	7-2	843
13. Missouri	7-2	794
14. Georgia	7-2	693
15. LSU	6-2	683
16. BYU	8-1	591
17. Michigan State	8-2	516
18. Ball State	8-0	503
19. North Carolina	6-2	359
20. Georgia Tech	7-2	289
21. Maryland	6-2	243
22. California	6-2	192
23. West Virginia	6-2	172
24. Florida State	6-2	150
25. Northwestern	7-2	120

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	ALEX JOHNSON	CHARLIE KAUTZ	SCOTT MILLER	RYAN YOUNG
1. Hawkeyes' "Pick to Click" vs. Penn State	Gang Greene. Wait, isn't that another term for gangrenous?	Ricky Stanzi. Needs a bounce-back game.	Mitch King - he has to have another huge game for the Hawks to be competitive.	Shonn Greene - can he get game No. 10?
2. One word describing Iowa's loss to Illinois last week.	Loss.	Predictable.	Backbreaking.	Dagger!
3. First thought coming to mind about Penn State is ...	81 years old.	Imagine the defense with linebacker Sean Lee.	All-around juggernaut.	JoePa is old.
4. Will the Nittany Lions go 12-0 and play for a national title?	No. They're losing Saturday.	Yes. Absolutely.	Yes on the undefeated; no on the national championship.	Yes!
5. "Greene Out" - good or bad idea?	I don't even know ...	Great idea in theory, but students won't be unanimous in attire.	Good.	Good, but I don't want to look like an underdressed leprechaun.
6. Predict the Iowa-Penn State score.	20-17 Hawkeyes. Yeah, I'm a crazy homer like that.	24-10, Penn State.	28-13 Penn State.	56-28 Penn State.
7. Upset special this week is ...	See previous answer.	Oklahoma State over Texas Tech.	LSU over Alabama.	*Bama falls to give Penn State BCS hope.
8. What bowl game (if any) will the Hawkeyes be in?	Insight Bowl is probably most realistic.	The Rose Bowl.	The Insight Bowl. A nice trip to Phoenix isn't all that bad.	Insight Bowl.

Point/Counterpoint

WILL IOWA UPSET NO. 3 PENN STATE?

YES — BY BRANDON HURLEY

I believe Iowa can pull off the tremendous upset of the No. 3 Penn State Nittany Lions because of one factor - Kinnick Stadium.

When the Hawkeyes play at home, they can beat anyone. Iowa fans are, I believe, the loudest and most passionate fans in the conference, and when you have 70,585 fans in black and gold screaming from the top of their lungs, it can be quite intimidating.

Iowa can beat Penn State because it has the defense to keep itself in the game. The 27 points that the Fighting Illini scored on Iowa was a fluke. If you think about it, Illinois should've only scored 13. One touchdown was on account of a fumble returned for a touchdown and the other was a 50-yard bomb off a blown coverage. Other than that, Iowa held its own defensively, forcing Juice Williams to turn the ball over and stripping Jason Ford in the final minutes.

I know the Nittany Lions also have a great defense, holding Ohio State to six points in Columbus. But Iowa did show some offensive burst in the fourth quarter against Illinois, driving down the field in only four plays after falling behind 24-9.

To see the Hawkeyes not give up in that situation is very important going into a game

against the No. 3 team in the nation. Once Ricky Stanzi and company start producing touchdowns in the red zone, Iowa will be a scary team.

I wouldn't call this a very winnable game, but winnable nonetheless. The Hawkeyes just need to contain Penn State's Derrick Williams on punt returns, and the defense needs to keep the offense in the game. With Shonn Greene in the backfield, anything can happen.

Greene was contained by the Illini the entire game until the fourth quarter, when the Hawkeyes needed it most. As long as Greene can get those one or two drives a game in which he just takes over, Iowa has a good chance at beating the Nittany Lions. If the Hawkeyes are still within striking distance late in the game, I can guarantee Kinnick Stadium will be rocking under the dusk sky, waiting for the biggest victory in the last three years.



NO — BY JORDAN GARRETSON

Despite my obvious bias toward Iowa, the Hawkeyes will not upset No. 3 Penn State this week. The Nittany Lions are undefeated for a reason.

At 9-0, Penn State has answered the call in every game. Its wins include a 38-24 victory over Illinois (which just beat Iowa), a 48-7 shellacking of the Badgers in Madison, and most recently, a 13-6 win against Ohio State at the Horseshoe. The Nittany Lions won their four nonconference games by a combined score of 211-40, one of those coming against an Oregon State squad that beat USC and, at this moment, controls its Rose Bowl destiny. That the Nittany Lions have managed to win in a variety of circumstances reflects just how good they really are. The best teams know how to win different types of games, something that the Hawkeyes - albeit young - struggle with.

Penn State has an offense that

is potent enough to demolish even a slightly suspect defense. QB Daryll Clark has managed the offense well, throwing for 11 touchdowns and being picked off just twice.

Hopes for a Penn State victory over the Buckeyes Oct. 25 seemed to be dashed when the junior signal-caller had to leave the game because of injury. Most teams wouldn't be able to recover from such a blow. Second-teamer Pat Devlin replaced Clark and led his team to two scoring drives, including the game-winning touchdown.

Then again, Iowa's defense is one of the best in the country. So what if the Nittany Lions' offense stalls? Their defense is one that enables them to win games, even when their offense struggles. Surrendering a measly 11.1 points per game, the Penn State defense ranks fourth in the country. And that's without its stud linebacker Sean Lee, who was next in line at "Linebacker U" before an ACL injury last April derailed his 2008 season.

Iowa may be able to keep the game close because of its defense. However, the Hawkeyes' one-dimensional offense will be exploited by the Nittany Lions and prevent any chance of an upset.



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Greene Party faces tough test

Shonn Greene can take another Hawkeye record if he keeps his momentous season rolling against Penn State.

By ALEX JOHNSON
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Shonn Greene. He's tough, he's powerful, he's breaking records.

Greene sits at 1,257 rushing yards. He has 11 touchdown runs and a 6.3 yards-per carry average. His one record so far is consecutive games — now at nine — with 100 yards rushing (which he seems to extend every week).

All Greene has to do this weekend to take another record is break 100 again. Actually, he needs only 99 yards.

Sitting at 98 yards behind Fred Russell's 2003 total of 1,355 yards, Greene could become the single-season leading rusher under Kirk Ferentz. Including all Iowa running backs, Greene would be third on the list, with Hawkeye legends Tavian Banks and Sedrick Shaw at No. 1 and 2.

"I wasn't aware of that, but I'd be all for it. I'd like to see him get 200,"

Ferentz said. "But that's not going to be easy; nothing's going to be easy this week. We just have to play well offensively as a team, and hopefully, he'll get his share of yards, too."

Facing a loaded Penn State defense allowing just 99.1 yards per game, Greene may be facing the team most likely to end that run of 100-plus.

"You know, I don't know. It's fair to say this is as good of a team we've played, that's for sure," Ferentz said. "I think just look at the statistics right now, if anybody's playing better defense in the country — I'm sure there might be somebody — but these guys are giving up 11 points, they give up under 100 rushing a game, so it's going to be a heck of a challenge for all of us."

Penn State has allowed just one 100-yard rusher on the season — Michigan's

Brandon Minor ran 23 times for 117 yards and two touchdowns. Few would argue Minor is a better back than Greene, and the Hawkeyes expect the Nittany Lions to put most of their defensive attention on Greene and the running game.

"It'll be a big game for the whole offense," sophomore quarterback Ricky Stanzi said. "We'll see really what we can do as an offense and how well we can move the ball against a really good defense. It's just going to be a great challenge, there's not a whole lot you can say, we'll just have to see how it plays out Saturday."

Although the athletics department officially announced a Black-Out with the student section in Green(e) shirts, Greene isn't likely to pay much attention.

"I don't think he'll really have anything to say about it, to be honest," Stanzi said. "Shonn's just kind of 'Eh, whatever' — you know, he's not really the kind of guy who's going to — he's not the one out there handing out fliers."

Greene has established a reputation for not talking about himself. Most of

his comments regarding his own performance are quick, uttered with a "move-on" attitude.

"That doesn't even matter," he said after the Illinois game regarding his 100-yard, one touchdown performance. "We didn't win today, so all that's irrelevant."

But when asked about the team's strong comeback after three quarters of touchdown-less play, he opened up a little.

"I think everybody's proud of the whole team," he said. "We kept fighting today, and we did what we could do. It's just unfortunate that we didn't come out on top."

So even as Greene approaches a Ferentz-era record en route to perhaps a school record and trophies at season's end, all he wants to do is win.

"I think he'd rather win the game than get the 100 yards," sophomore left tackle Bryan Bulaga said. "I think he probably would've said that last week, too. But I mean, I think it would be a great accomplishment, especially because it's against Penn State, and it has such a great defense."



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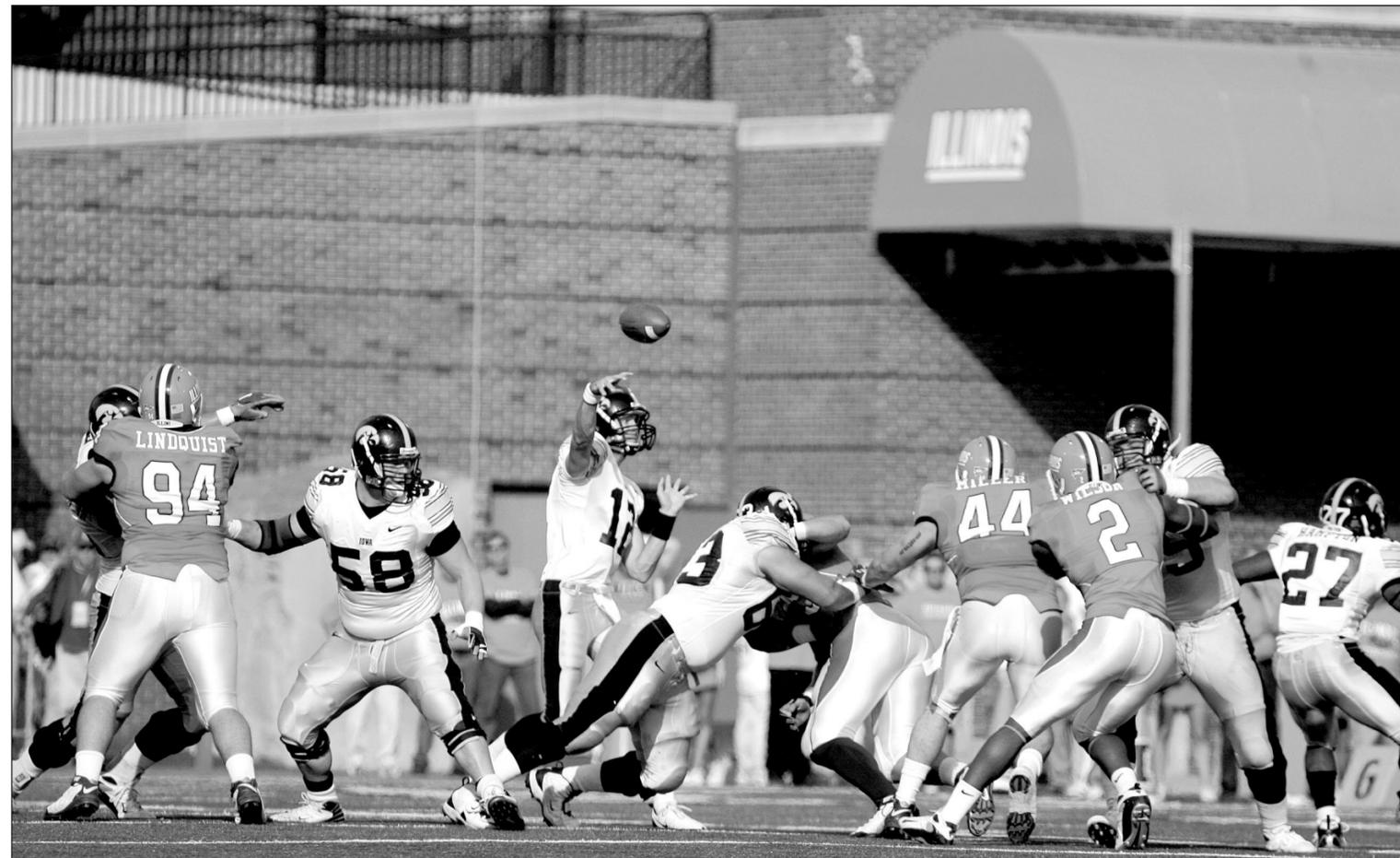


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A series of stanzas for Stanzi

Still a work in progress, Ricky Stanzi is the quarterback of Iowa's immediate future.



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During the first quarter of the Iowa-Illinois game at Memorial Stadium, Iowa quarterback Ricky Stanzi attempts to throw a pass to receiver Derrell Johnson-Koulianos in Champaign, Ill., on Nov. 1. Stanzi and the Hawkeyes hope to carry their fourth-quarter momentum from last week into Saturday's game with Penn State.

By RYAN YOUNG
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Watch Ricky Stanzi play a fragmented style of football every Saturday.

On good days, watch the gangly, shaggy-haired quarterback put his talents on display and stand poised in the pocket, fluidly delivering short and deep passes for either sizable yardage or a touchdown.

On bad days, watch the still-seasoning sophomore scramble right into the outstretched arms of beefy defensive linemen and linebackers, hurting his team during critical third-down scenarios.

Every day, though, he searches for consistency.

"I think each week is a learning experience," he said. "Each time you turn the ball over, you should definitely learn from it so you don't repeat the mistake. I know I've done that a couple

of times this year, and it's something I'm trying to fix."

More than six weeks after acquiring the starting job over incumbent Jake Christensen, Stanzi has both impressed observers and dismayed them.

He heaved three touchdowns against Iowa State, passed for 238 yards against Northwestern, and averaged nearly 146 yards per game.

But through Iowa's nine contests this season, the once-glorified backup has been sacked six times against Illinois, botched six plays under center, and thrown six interceptions — at least one in each game he's started and lost.

And while those numbers may appear more demonic than devout, Stanzi knows it's going to take more than divine intervention to manage an upset over Penn State and finish out the season undefeated.

"You don't want to come out, have three turnovers, and then play one good quarter," he said of his subpar third-quarter outing last weekend against Illinois. "That's not going to help you win."

Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz echoed Stanzi's statement following the Hawkeyes' 27-24 loss to the Fighting Illini, a game in which his young quarterback tallied 11 complete passes on 29 attempts, a touchdown, a pair of interceptions, and a fumble.

"He had some tough plays out there," he said. "That third quarter is a quarter from hell for an offensive football team. He came back and played great in the fourth quarter — just says a lot about his resiliency."

Of course, that resiliency is futile when working behind a porous offensive line, which was known for its proficiency in damming defenses before the bye week.

Sophomore offensive lineman Bryan Bulaga said the Iowa offensive line hasn't been very helpful to Stanzi as of late. "We didn't really help him out too much as an offensive line," Bulaga said. We didn't really give him the time he needed. He was making a lot of the plays, scrambling around a lot in the pocket, and doing a good job just making up for what we weren't doing out there for him."

But despite his devious play fakes and immaculate technique on the run, other teammates understand Stanzi is still ripening.

"He's a first-year quarterback," senior wideout Andy Brodell said on Nov. 1. "It's tough on the road in the Big Ten. And with all those things considered, he showed what he could do there in the fourth quarter when he was under pressure to get the job done."

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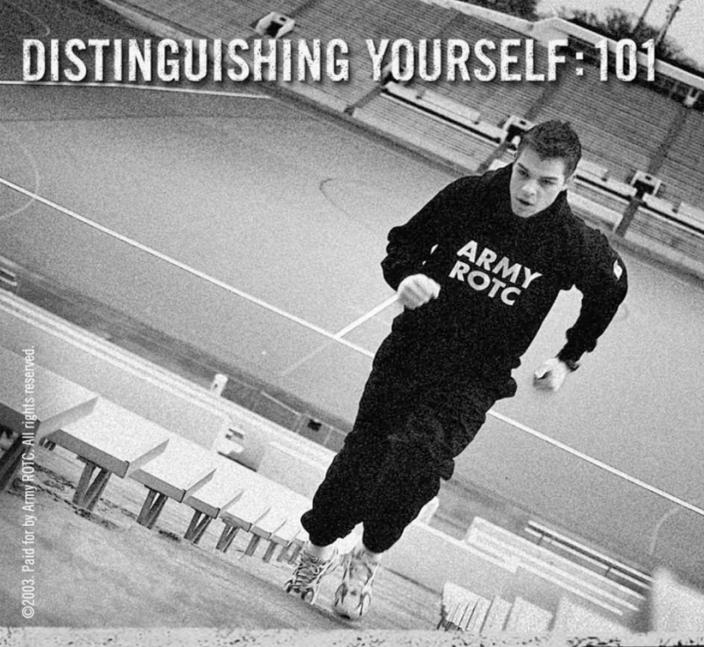
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JoePa just being JoePa

It's never boring with Joe Paterno. The 43-year head coach talked with the national and local media on Nov. 4. Here's what happened.

DI: What was your reaction to Texas Tech moving ahead of you in the BCS and what do you do or what can you do to tell your players to keep it from being a distraction?

Paterno: We've got to play Iowa. Iowa is a good football team. In fact, year in and year out, I think Iowa is as well-coached and has as tough kids as anybody that we play against. So, I haven't even thought about the other part of it. I can't do anything about the other part. The only thing my team and I can do anything about is Iowa.

DI: Just a follow-up, you have three games left and a lot of teams have four; do you think it's too early for the BCS rankings to be out for people to be talking about them?

Paterno: I haven't got the slightest idea what the BCS is — is it the BCS or the BSC? I don't know. It is going to do what it is going to do, and it won't make any difference what I say or comment

on. I'm telling you what I'm concerned about. I'm concerned about Iowa, period. I mean, you guys ask me 58 questions about something else, but I haven't got any opinion about what's going on.

DI: It looked like quarterback Daryll Clark was pretty anxious to get back on the field at the end of that Ohio State game; how has his mood been in the past week and what have you said to him since that last game?

Paterno: Well, I think his mood is fine. He's anxious, obviously, to get back in there. He's been having a great year. He's been one of the leaders on this team. ... I've not spent a lot of time talking to him, because I knew he was going to be ready. At least, I felt according to what everybody told me, he would be ready this weekend, this upcoming game against Iowa. ... He was out there yesterday and having a good day practicing. He practiced well.

DI: What exactly were doctors able to tell you about your legs or hips when you were examined last week and do you have a timetable for getting it fixed?

Paterno: "We spent most of the time figuring out how I was going to handle the press, to be frank with you ... I've got a problem with the leg. They know how to fix it. As soon as I give them enough time to take a good look at it, we'll get that done; you know, as soon as the season is over, we'll get done what's got to be done."

DI: Is there any concern that the low-scoring game of Ohio State followed by a bye week can have an adverse effect on the steady momentum you have been building as an offense?

Paterno: You know, we won the game. Unless I was at the wrong game. I had a pretty good seat for this one. I really don't even know what you guys are talking about. I know that sounds maybe not being fair to you. I just don't know what you're talking about. We played a good,

tough football game against Ohio State, and that's the kind of game we are going to have to play against Iowa. Whether it takes 13 points, 20 points, 27 points, that's neither here nor there. ... Now, how the Iowa game is going to turn out, I don't know, but if you think I'm looking back and saying, "Well, gee, holy smokes, we didn't score 50 points," you're nuts.

DI: There's a possibility that you could go undefeated and a one-loss team would be playing in the national championship game ahead of you. How would you feel about that?

Paterno: Honest to goodness, you guys are asking me a lot of things I haven't even thought about. If there's anything I've been able to do in my life, it's being able to stay focused on what I've got to do — all right? — and not get up in the morning and worry about that stuff. ... So, how am I going to react? Ask me that question if it happens. Don't ask me that now. Don't ask me something I just haven't really given any thought to. I want to try to beat Iowa. That's what I want to do right now."

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Hawkeye Trey Stross flips the ball to a ref after catching an 11-yard touchdown from quarterback Jake Christensen early in the fourth quarter against Penn State in State College, Pa., on Oct. 6, 2007. Iowa lost to the Nittany Lions, 27-7.

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Enrollment: 42,295
Nickname: Nittany Lions
Colors: Blue and White
Head coach: Joe Paterno
First year of football: 1887
Stadium: Beaver Stadium
Arena capacity: 107,282
All-time record: 789-347-42
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- Beaver Stadium is the largest stadium in the nation, with a capacity of more than 107,000.
- Prior to its dedication on Sept. 17, 1960, Beaver Stadium had been known as Beaver Field and New Beaver Field.
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Penn State traditions:

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Hawks face major challenge



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Iowa junior running back Shonn Greene rushes up the middle of the Illinois defense for a 12-yard gain on Nov. 1 in Champaign. The Hawkeyes hope to have Greene and the rest of the offense clicking against a stout Nittany Lion defense on Saturday.

No. 3 Penn State is the highest-ranked opponent to visit Kinnick Stadium since then-No. 1 Ohio State in 2006.

By **BRENDAN STILES**
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Penn State is good. Extremely good. The numbers about the No. 3 team in the land don't lie. In the Big Ten, the Nittany Lions lead the conference in 18 different categories. All three phases, offense, defense, and special teams, have been keys to Penn State's success this season.

And head coach Joe Paterno's team possesses discipline, as evidenced by its most recent contest, a 13-6 win on Oct. 25 at Ohio State. In that game, Penn State committed no penalties and no turnovers.

"I thought that was the most impressive thing out of a lot of impressive things they did," said Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz. "To play at Ohio State in a night game like that against a great opponent, not have a penalty, that really tells you a lot about that football team."

The Nittany Lions enter Saturday's contest as the first ranked opponent to face Iowa this season, but it won't be the first time for some Hawkeyes to play a highly regarded foe in Kinnick Stadium. The atmosphere in Iowa City on Saturday will be the closest it has been to extreme chaos since Iowa faced then-No. 1 Ohio State on Sept. 30, 2006.

"It will be a big game for us and a lot of exposure," junior linebacker A.J. Edds said. "It kind of shows us basically how good we are, and it's going to take a good game out of us to be in it at the end."

If the Hawkeyes are going to have any shot at pulling off a monumental upset on Saturday, Iowa is going to need to win one battle consistently more than the others — field position.

The Nittany Lion offense has posted 44 touchdowns this season. Junior quarterback Daryll Clark has 11 touchdown passes, but more impressive,

he has only thrown two interceptions in nine games. Clark also has the highest passing efficiency in the Big Ten, having completed 63 percent of his passes.

He has been a weapon on the ground, with 229 yards rushing and eight rushing touchdowns this season.

Clark attributed a lot of his success this season to Paterno and his son, Jay Paterno, the Nittany Lions' quarterback's coach.

"[Joe Paterno]s very, very critical on the little things — not forcing the ball, and if anything isn't open downfield, you know, don't be afraid to just shake it down to the back," Clark said during a conference call Wednesday. "They work together to try to mold me as a quarterback. They don't want me to be a runner. They want me to throw the ball."

"Those two have been very important. They have just helped me out a lot."

Penn State players to watch:

QB Daryll Clark - 126-for-200 for 1,652 yards passing, 11 touchdowns, two interceptions; 229 yards rushing and eight touchdowns

RB Evan Royster - 135 carries for 970 yards, 10 touchdowns

WR Deon Butler - 32 receptions, 497 yards, three touchdowns

WR Jordan Norwood - 26 receptions, 409 yards, five touchdowns

WR Derrick Williams - 28 receptions, 295 yards, one touchdown; 905 all-purpose yards; one punt return touchdown, two kickoff-return touchdowns

DE Aaron Maybin - 35 tackles (23 solo), 15 tackles for loss, 11 sacks, three forced fumbles

LB Navorro Coleman - 81 tackles (44 solo), 10.5 tackles for loss, three sacks, two forced fumbles

DB Lydell Sargeant - three interceptions

S Anthony Scirrotto - 46 tackles (26 solo)
K Kevin Kelly - 14-of-17 field goals, 44-of-44 PATs

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Hawks' chances may rest on specials

The Hawkeyes' special teams could act as the X-factor in playing spoiler against No. 3 Penn State.



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Iowa punter Ryan Donahue punts late in the third quarter on Oct. 6, 2007, at Beaver Stadium in State College, Pa. This year, Donahue and the Iowa special teams will try to keep Penn State return wizard Derrick Williams from scoring his fourth special-team touchdown of the season.

By CHARLIE KAUTZ
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From Vegas sports books to the box-of-chocolate BCS standings, Iowa finds itself the underdog in nearly every popular aspect of Saturday's home showdown with undefeated No. 3 Penn State.

Unranked, bowl-ineligible, and mentally beaten from another fourth-quarter loss, this time at the hands of Illinois, Iowa's situation nine weeks into the season doesn't seem to indicate one of the biggest upsets in school history at Kinnick Stadium.

After all, the Nittany Lions aren't just champions on paper; they are the statistical CEOs of the Big Ten, ranking first in nearly every major category, including scoring offense, scoring defense, total offense, and total defense.

There is, however, one area where Iowa can compete with Penn State and the Fortune 500s of the college football world — special teams.

And while the kicking and field-position battles will act as the undercard to the Hawkeyes' attempt at a heavy-

weight upset, Iowa's best shot at landing a knockout blow could very well come from its special teams.

Through nine weeks, Iowa boasts the Big Ten's most accurate kicker in freshman Trent Mossbrucker, a Ray Guy Award finalist in sophomore punter Ryan Donahue, and the second-leading punt returner in the conference, Andy Brodell.

Perhaps the most impressive aspect of the unit's success in head coach Kirk Ferentz's 10th year in Iowa City has been its consistency. Although Brodell's 10.9 yards per punt return ranks just 29th nationally, the senior has fielded more punts, 31, than anyone else in the top 50 statistically. Connecting on a clip of 86 percent, Mossbrucker has missed just two field-goal attempts (13-of-15), while Donahue's 41-yard average has allowed the Hawkeyes to thrive in downfield coverage.

"We're going to have to really work hard because [the Nittany Lions do] a good job with their returns," Ferentz said. "But for us to have a chance to win this football game, we're going to have to

be at top proficiency in everything, including all phases of special teams."

A week after Iowa stifled Illinois speedster Arrelious Benn in the return game, the Hawkeyes' biggest task Saturday will be containing Penn State's most explosive weapon, senior Derrick Williams. The wide receiver turned special-team threat has broken for three return touchdowns in 2008, ranking eighth nationally in kick-return average and fourth in the Big Ten among punt returners.

"We're going to have to cover him on punts, and we're going to have to cover him on defense," said Iowa cornerback Bradley Fletcher. "We got our hands full this weekend, so we're going to have to do a lot of work to give ourselves a chance."

Although some teams have opted to kick away from the dangerous Williams, the Nittany Lions haven't seen any indicators that Iowa will follow that trend Saturday.

"We watch a lot of film on punters and their specialties and see where they place the ball," said Penn State safety

Anthony Scirrotto. "I don't think they're going to kick away from [Williams]."

The return game aside, the most fascinating scenarios in this weekend's game will likely occur if Penn State marches inside the Iowa red zone.

Consider the following: The Hawkeyes rank first in the Big Ten in red-zone defense, allowing opponents to score just 68 percent of the time. The Nittany Lions have converted 93 percent of their opportunities inside the 20-yard line, ranking first in red-zone offense.

To boot, senior Penn State kicker Kevin Kelly is yet to miss a field goal inside the red zone this season and ranks second behind only Mossbrucker in conference field-goal percentage.

With the pieces in place for a battle between special teams, Ferentz knows Iowa can ill-afford to lose its most evenly matched facet of Saturday's game.

"They're capable of making big plays in any phase, special teams, offense, defense," he said. "That's kind of where you have to be at your best."

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Stiff test for offense, defense

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Running back Evan Royster is only a redshirt freshman, but he ranks third in the conference in rushing with 107.8 yards per game on the ground, behind only Hawkeye back Shonn Greene and Michigan State's Javon Ringer. Royster also has 10 of the Nittany Lions' 44 offensive touchdowns this year.

At receiver, Penn State has three talented senior wideouts in Deon Butler, Jordan Norwood, and Derrick Williams. The three have combined for 86 catches, 1,201 receiving yards, and nine touchdowns. To put that in perspective, Iowa as a team has caught 135 passes for 1,711 yards and 11 scores.

Williams is also an electrifying return man, possessing three special-team touchdowns this year (two kick-off and one punt).

"They're just kind of representative of their whole football team," Ferentz said. "Most of the guys on their team are very experienced. They're older. They know how to play, and they play well."

On defense, the Nittany Lions have stars at all over the field. Defensive end Aaron Maybin has 35 tackles (23 solo), 15.5 tackles for losses, and 11 sacks. Linebacker Navorro Bowman has a team-high 81 tackles, with 10.5 for losses. Defensive back Lydell Sargeant leads the team with three interceptions.

As a defense, the Nittany Lions have only surrendered 100 points through nine games.

One of the categories in which Penn State leads the Big Ten is rushing defense, holding opposing backs to 99.1 yards per game, good enough to be ranked 11th nationally.

Given the Hawkeyes' recent turnover struggles, which have afforded opponents short fields, the offense understands that it's going to take a 100 percent effort and then some against this defense.

"You don't want to be losing the ball and letting them get points off of you," Iowa quarterback Ricky Stanzi said. "It's definitely going to be in our minds to take care of the ball."

But the Nittany Lions know they will have a challenge of their own trying to contain Greene. The junior from Sicklerville, N.J., has rushed for 100 yards in every game this year, and he



Illinois freshman running back Jason Ford rushes for a 1-yard gain before being tackled by Iowa junior linebacker Pat Angerer during the first quarter on Nov. 1 in Champaign. The Iowa defense will have its hands full against a potent Penn State offense this week.

will have an entire student section inside Kinnick Stadium showing support for his bid at a Heisman Trophy by wearing green to Saturday's contest.

"Obviously, with Shonn Greene, his play speaks for itself," Penn State safety Anthony Scirrotto said during a conference call Tuesday. "He's just a really

good running back who not only has great speed but a lot of power as well.

"They're having a very good season, they're a very good team, and it's going to be a tough game for us to go out there and play."

Special teams could play a huge role in Saturday's game — Iowa is the Big

Ten's best in kickoff coverage, while Penn State is the nation's best kickoff return team, thanks in large part to Williams' two touchdowns.

"It's a big challenge for us as a team," Stanzi said. "We're going to have to go out there and play a really good game to beat them."

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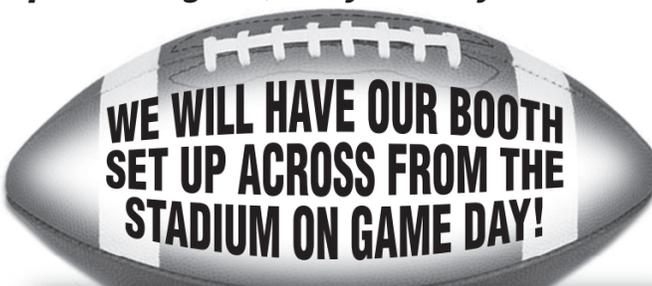
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Northwestern	3	2	7	2
Minnesota	3	2	7	2
Illinois	3	3	5	4
Iowa	2	3	5	4
Indiana	1	4	3	6
Purdue	1	4	3	6
Michigan	1	4	2	7
Wisconsin	1	5	4	5

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 Illinois vs. Western Michigan, 11 a.m., (ESPN+)
 Ohio State at Northwestern, 11 a.m., (ESPN+)
 Wisconsin at Indiana, 11 a.m., (BTN)
 Purdue at Michigan State, 11 a.m., (BTN)
 Michigan at Minnesota, 11 a.m., (ESPN)
 Penn State at Iowa, 2:30 p.m., (ABC)

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- Penn State
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Wisconsin	9.5	INDIANA
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MINNESOTA	7.5	Michigan
MICHIGAN STATE	9	Purdue
Illinois	7.5	Western Michigan
TEXAS	28	Baylor
NORTH CAROLINA	3.5	Georgia Tech
PITTSBURGH	6	Louisville
Georgia	10.5	KENTUCKY
TENNESSEE	27	Wyoming
SOUTH CAROLINA	12	Arkansas
COLORADO	9.5	Iowa State
BOISE STATE	35	Utah State
Bowling Green	3.5	OHIO
BYU	36.5	San Diego State
NEBRASKA	1	Kansas
Memphis	2	SMU
RICE	11	Army
DUKE	3.5	North Carolina State
MIDDLE TENNESSEE	4.5	UL-Monroe
TROY	16.5	Western Kentucky
Penn State	7.5	IOWA
FLORIDA STATE	5.5	Clemson
Oklahoma	27	TEXAS A&M
Southern Miss	3	CENTRAL FLORIDA
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'I don't have an Achilles' heel, and I can't hang myself, so I'm not about to have somebody come along and shoot me. We are going to play football as well as we know how to play it, and hopefully, things turn out well for us.'

— Penn State head coach **Joe Paterno**, answering a question Tuesday about his team going undefeated and not playing for a national championship.

ODDS 'n' ENDS

Stat of the Week

Penn State isn't just in first place of the Big Ten standings. The 9-0 Nittany Lions lead the Big Ten in the following 18 categories — Scoring Offense, Rushing Offense, Scoring Defense, Rushing Defense, Total Offense, Total Defense, Kickoff Returns, Pass Efficiency, Defensive Pass Efficiency, First Downs, Opponents' First Downs, Third Down Conversions, Opponents' Third Down Conversions, Sacks Allowed, Penalties, Red Zone Offense, Field Goals, and PATs.

Looking at statistics of conference games only, Penn State is first in eight of the aforementioned categories, as well as Pass Defense.

By the numbers

Penn State's ranked No. 3, but here are some other interesting 3's to consider

3 — Since Penn State has joined the Big Ten, it has won three games against the Hawkeyes at Kinnick Stadium, with its most recent victory coming in 1999.

3 — Iowa running back Shonn Greene is third in the nation with 1,257 rushing yards this season, behind only Michigan State's Javon Ringer (1,421) and Connecticut's Donald Brown (1,406)

3 — With another 100-yard effort, Greene will have accumulated the third-most rushing yards by a Hawkeye in a single season, behind Tavian Banks (1997) and Sedrick Shaw (1995).

Interceptions aplenty for Iowa

With 16 interceptions, the Hawkeyes are third nationally behind only North Carolina and California, which both have 17. Iowa picked off Illinois quarterback Juice Williams twice in its most recent game. Corner Amari Spivey made his third interception of the season during the second quarter, leading to an Iowa field goal, while corner Bradley Fletcher made his second pick of the season in the third quarter.

The Hawkeye defense has recorded at least one interception in each of its first nine games this season. Interesting, considering that Penn State quarterback Daryll Clark has only thrown two interceptions all season in as many games.

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Illinois vs. Western Michigan (at Detroit)

11 a.m., ESPN Regional
 After getting a much needed victory at home over Iowa last week, the 5-4 Fighting Illini take a step out of conference to play at Ford Field in Detroit against Western Michigan. A win over the Broncos would make Illinois bowl-eligible for the second year in a row, and it would also mark the first time since the 1991 and 1992 seasons that the Illini have gone bowling in back-to-back seasons. Western Michigan isn't a pushover, though. The Broncos are 7-2 this season and have proven they can beat Big Ten teams before, as evident by their 28-19 win last season at Iowa.

Ohio State at Northwestern

11 a.m., ESPN2
 If it isn't the biggest game of the week in the Big Ten, it's definitely the most intriguing. Both the Buckeyes and Wildcats enter Saturday's matchup in Evanston with identical 7-2 records; however, Ohio State is 4-1 in the conference, while Northwestern is 3-2. The Buckeyes are coming off a bye week and look to rebound after falling at home to Penn State, 13-6, on Oct. 25. Meanwhile, the Wildcats proved they could win without C.J. Bachér and Tyrell Sutton after upsetting Minnesota on the road last week. From that game, Northwestern came away with the Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week in Mike Kafka and Brendan Smith.

Wisconsin at Indiana

11 a.m., Big Ten Network
 In a battle of Big Ten bottom-feeders, both strangely enough have slim hopes of becoming bowl-eligible. The Badgers head to Bloomington with a 4-5 record and are coming off a heartbreaking 25-24 loss at Michigan State last week. Meanwhile, the Hoosiers couldn't build off its upset win over Northwestern and fell at home to Central Michigan, 37-34. This is the final home game of the year for Indiana, as well as the final road game of the season for Wisconsin. Fans can expect a shootout — both teams have poor red-zone defenses.

Purdue at Michigan State

11 a.m., Big Ten Network
 Both the Boilermakers and Spartans are coming off exciting home wins last week. Purdue notched its first Big Ten win of the season by beating Michigan, 48-42. The victory was highlighted by a hook-and-lateral in the final minutes to put the Boilers ahead for good. Michigan State, on the other hand, capped a fourth-quarter comeback against Wisconsin when kicker Brett Swenson made a last-minute field goal to win the game, 25-24. This is Michigan State's Senior Day, so look for such guys as Brian Hoyer and Javon Ringer to have big games if the Spartans are going to win their ninth game of the season. Should Purdue lose, the Boilermakers will not become bowl-eligible in 2008.

Michigan at Minnesota

11 a.m., ESPN
 At 2-7, Michigan will not play in a bowl game for the first time since 1974. The only thing the Wolverines will play for in Minneapolis on Saturday is pride, hoping to not relinquish "The Little Brown Jug" without a fight. Minnesota is coming off a rough 24-17 Homecoming loss to Northwestern, but the Golden Gophers have an opportunity to beat Michigan for the second time in four years after going through nearly two decades of the rivalry trophy residing in Ann Arbor.

Penn State at Iowa

2:30 p.m., ABC
 At stake for the No. 3 Nittany Lions is another win to bring them one step closer toward playing for the national championship in Miami on Jan. 8. Penn State comes into Kinnick Stadium with a 9-0 record, with its most recent win coming at Ohio State on Oct. 25. The Hawkeyes are coming off a crushing defeat at Illinois last week, and they would like to become bowl-eligible with an upset win on Saturday. Keep an eye on special teams, especially when Iowa is punting. Hawkeye punter Ryan Donahue, a Ray Guy Award finalist, will look to keep the football away from one of college football's best punt returners in Penn State receiver Derrick Williams. Iowa running back Shonn Greene will also be seeking his 10th-straight 100-yard rushing game against a Nittany Lion rush defense that ranks 11th nationally.

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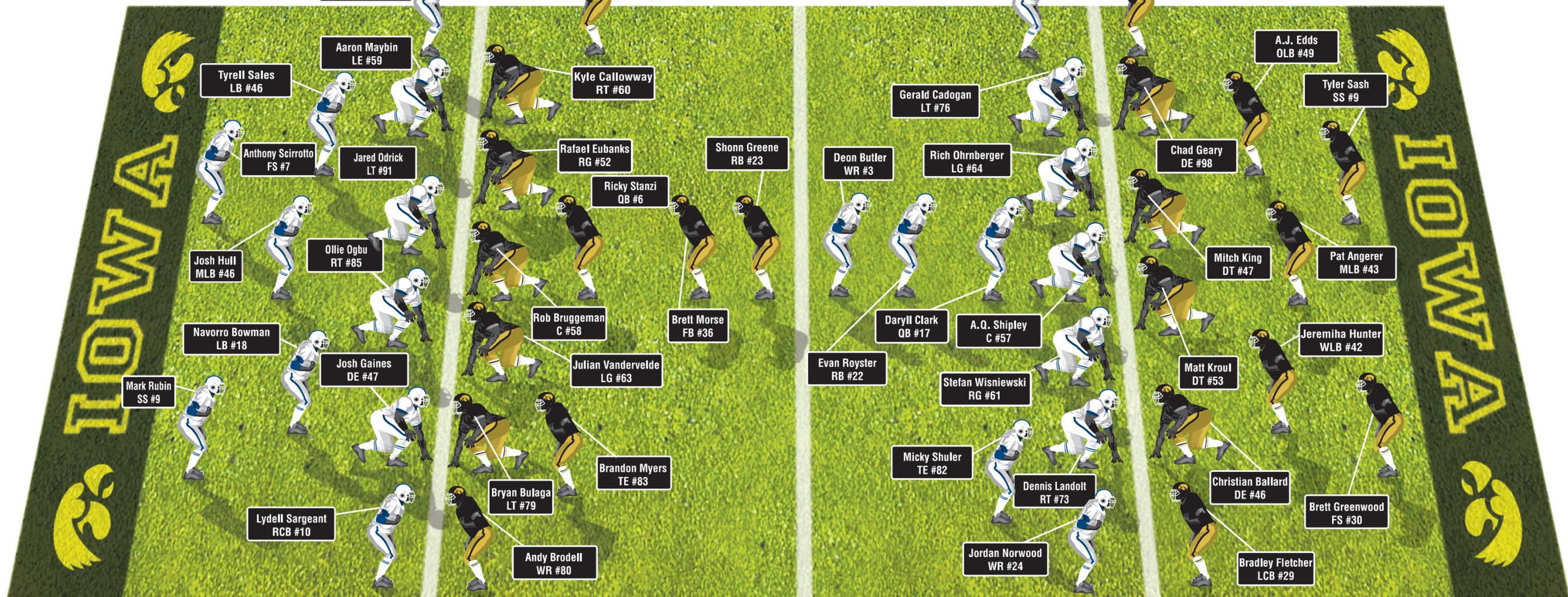
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19	Amari Spivey	DB	So.	6-0	190	Middletown, Conn.
20	Nick Kuchel	WR	So.	5-11	195	Kingsley, Iowa
20	Joe Conklin	DB	So.	5-11	200	Davenport, Iowa
22	Colin Sandeman	WR	So.	6-1	200	Bettendorf, Iowa
23	Shonn Greene	RB	Jr.	5-11	235	Sicklerville, N.J.
25	Paki O'Meara	RB	So.	5-11	210	Cedar Rapids
26	Paul Chaney, Jr.	WR	So.	5-9	170	St. Louis
26	Nick Nielsen	DB	Fr.	6-3	190	Humboldt, Iowa
27	Jewel Hampton	RB	Fr.	5-9	200	Indianapolis
28	Shaun Prater	DB	Fr.	5-11	172	Omaha
29	Bradley Fletcher	DB	Sr.	6-2	200	Youngstown, Ohio
30	Brett Greenwood	DB	So.	6-0	200	Bettendorf, Iowa
31	David Cato	DB	Fr.	5-11	190	Arlington, Texas
32	Adam Robinson	RB	Fr.	5-9	195	Des Moines
33	Jeff Tarpinian	LB	So.	6-3	231	Omaha
34	Chris Rowell	DB	Jr.	6-1	197	Warrensburg Heights, Ohio

34	Jeff Brinson	RB	Fr.	5-11	215	St. Petersburg, Fla.
35	Jared Oberland	FB	Sr.	6-0	240	Whitefish Bay, Wis.
36	Brett Morse	FB	So.	6-3	230	Willowbrook, Ill.
36	Taylor Herbst	DB	Jr.	6-1	218	Dubuque, Iowa
37	Gavin McGrath	LB	Sr.	6-2	235	Cedar Rapids
38	Jordan McLaughlin	FB	Sr.	6-0	230	Belmond, Iowa
38	Brad Herman	LB	Fr.	6-5	225	Metamora, Ill.
40	Jack Swanson	DB	Fr.	5-11	180	Naples, Fla.
41	Dezman Moses	LB	So.	6-2	215	Willingboro, N.J.
42	Jeremiha Hunter	LB	So.	6-2	230	York, Pa.
43	Pat Angerer	LB	Jr.	6-1	232	Bettendorf, Iowa
44	Greg Castillo	DB	Fr.	5-11	175	Humboldt, Iowa
45	Tyler Nielsen	LB	#Fr.	6-4	228	Mount Laurel, N.J.
46	Christian Ballard	DE	So.	6-4	184	Lawrence, Kan.
47	Mitch King	DL	Sr.	6-3	280	Burlington, Iowa
47	Wade Leppert	FB	#Fr.	6-0	235	Wauconda, Ill.
48	Troy Johnson	LB	So.	6-2	230	Lakeland, Fla.
49	A.J. Edds	LB	Jr.	6-4	244	Greenwood, Ind.
50	Khalif Staten	LB	Fr.	6-3	219	Brooklyn, N.Y.
51	Tyler Blum	DL	Jr.	6-6	285	Walnut, Iowa
52	Rafael Eubanks	OL	Jr.	6-3	285	St. Paul
53	Matt Kroul	DL	Sr.	6-3	281	Mt. Vernon, Iowa
53	James Ferentz	OL	Fr.	6-2	265	Iowa City
54	Steve Bigach	DL	Fr.	6-3	220	Cleveland
55	Jacody Coleman	LB	So.	6-3	240	Beaumont, Texas
56	Markus Zusevics	OL	#Fr.	6-5	255	Arlington Heights, Ill.
57	Bruce Davis	OL	#Fr.	5-11	235	Cleveland
58	Rob Bruggeman	OL	Sr.	6-3	287	Cedar Rapids
58	Lebron Daniel	DE	#Fr.	6-2	253	Cedar Rapids
59	Anton Narinsky	DL	Sr.	6-4	270	Chagrin Falls, Ohio
59	Nick Murphy	LS	#Fr.	6-2	220	St. Paul
60	Kyle Calloway	OL	Jr.	6-7	317	Belleville, Ill.
60	Matt Tobin	OL	Fr.	6-8	225	Dyersville, Iowa
61	Travis Meade	OL	Jr.	6-2	285	Iowa City
63	Julian Vandervelde	OL	So.	6-3	300	Davenport, Iowa

64	Cody Hundertmark	DL	So.	6-4	276	Humboldt, Iowa
65	Andrew Schulze	LS	So.	6-6	255	Woodridge, Ill.
66	Casey McMillan	OL	Fr.	6-4	295	Billings, Mont.
67	Josh Koeppel	OL	So.	6-1	265	Iowa City
68	Andy Kuempel	OL	Jr.	6-7	300	Cedar Rapids
69	Kyle Haganman	OL	So.	6-5	277	Osage, Iowa
70	Austin Postler	OL	Sr.	6-5	285	Iowa City
71	Seth Olsen	DL	Sr.	6-5	305	Omaha
72	Mark Mahmens	DL	Jr.	6-3	266	Goose Lake, Iowa
73	Adam Gettis	OL	#Fr.	6-4	270	Frankfort, Ill.
74	Dan Doering	OL	Jr.	6-6	300	Barrington, Ill.
75	Wesley Aeschliman	OL	Sr.	6-8	318	Bloomfield, Iowa
77	Riley Reiff	DE	Fr.	6-6	250	Parkston, S.D.
79	Bryan Bulaga	OL	So.	6-6	301	Crystal Lake, Ill.
80	Andy Brodell	WR	Sr.	6-3	202	Ankeny, Iowa
81	Tony Moeaki	TE	Sr.	6-4	255	Wheaton, Ill.
82	Allen Reisner	TE	So.	6-3	235	Marion, Iowa
83	Brandon Myers	TE	Sr.	6-4	250	Prairie City, Iowa
83	Steven Staggs	WR	Fr.	6-2	183	Oskaloosa, Iowa
84	Ben Evans	WR	So.	6-0	180	Iowa City
85	Michael Sabers	TE	Sr.	6-5	245	Iowa City
86	Trey Stross	WR	Jr.	6-3	200	Avon Lake, Ohio
87	J.D. Griggs	TE	Fr.	6-5	225	Piscataway, N.J.
89	Shane Prater	WR	Fr.	6-1	170	Omaha
90	Jason Semmes	DE	Fr.	6-3	218	Clarkston, Mich.
91	Broderick Binns	DE	#Fr.	6-2	250	St. Paul
92	Jonathan Gimms	TE	Fr.	6-3	235	Houston
93	Mike Daniels	DL	#Fr.	6-1	261	Blackwood, N.J.
94	Adrian Clayborn	DE	So.	6-3	282	St. Louis
95	Karl Klug	DE	So.	6-4	255	Caledonia, Minn.
97	Ross Petersen	TE	So.	6-1	235	Durant, Iowa
98	Chad Geary	DE	Jr.	6-3	261	Tipton, Iowa
99	Joe Gaglione	DE	Fr.	6-5	230	Novelty, Ohio

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1	A.J. Wallace	CB	Jr.	6-1	188	Waldorf, Md.
2	Derrick Williams	WR	Sr.	6-0	194	Greenbelt, Md.
3	Deon Butler	WR	Sr.	5-10	168	Woodbridge, Va.
5	Graham Zug	WR	So.	6-2	176	Manheim, Pa.
5	Jerome Hayes	LB	Jr.	6-2	246	Bayonne, N.J.
6	Willie Harriott	CB	Jr.	5-8	183	New Haven, Conn.
6	Derek Moyer	WR	Fr.	6-5	196	Rochester, Pa.
7	Anthony Scirrotto	S	Sr.	6-0	192	West Deptford, N.J.
7	Pat Devlin	QB	So.	6-4	220	Downington, Pa.
8	James McDonald	WR	Jr.	6-2	198	Washington, D.C.
9	Kevin Cousins	WR	Jr.	6-3	205	Richmond, Va.
9	Mark Rubin	S	Sr.	6-3	216	Amherst, N.Y.
10	Lydell Sargeant	CB	Fr.	5-10	186	Lompoc, Calif.
10	Andrew Quarless	TE	So.	6-5	252	Uniondale, N.Y.
11	Tony Davis	CB	Sr.	5-10	195	Warren, Ohio
13	Andrew Dailey	LB	Fr.	6-2	230	Massillon, Ohio
15	Paul Cionciolo	QB	Fr.	6-4	219	Charleston, S.C.
15	Bani Gbdyul	LB	So.	6-1	221	Gaithersburg, Md.
16	Shelton McCullough	DB	So.	6-0	178	Randallstown, Md.
17	Daryll Clark	QB	Fr.	6-2	231	Youngstown, Ohio
18	Navorro Bowman	LB	Fr.	6-1	228	District Heights, Md.
19	David Keisling	S	Fr.	5-11	191	Clarks Summit, Pa.
20	Devin Fretress	CB	Jr.	5-10	179	Chesapeake, Va.
20	Ryan Gmerek	RB	So.	5-8	183	Houtzdale, Pa.
21	Stephfon Green	RB	Fr.	5-10	189	Bronx, N.Y.
21	Knowledge Timmons	CB	So.	5-10	186	York, Pa.
22	Shaune Thompson	LB	Fr.	6-0	212	Bronx, N.Y.
22	Evan Royster	RB	So.	6-1	212	Fairfax, Va.
23	Kevin Kelly	K	Sr.	5-7	164	Langhorne, Pa.
24	Jordan Norwood	WR	Sr.	5-11	171	State College, Pa.
25	Brandon Beachum	RB	Fr.	6-0	212	Youngstown, Ohio
26	Nick Sukay	S	Fr.	6-1	202	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
27	Chaz Powell	S	Fr.	6-1	194	New Freedom, Pa.
28	Drew Astorino	CB	Fr.	5-10	190	Edinboro, Pa.
29	Cedric Jeffries	LB	So.	6-2	210	Egg Harbor Township, N.J.
30	Kevin Hahn	RB	Fr.	5-9	219	Dix Hills, N.Y.
30	Josh Matzkin	LB	So.	6-0	219	Tampa
32	Brent Carter	RB	So.	6-2	211	Pottstown, Pa.
33	Dan Lawlor	FB	Sr.	6-2	244	Mechanicsburg, Pa.
34	Nathan Stupar	LB	Fr.	6-1	220	State College, Pa.

35	Jesse Afreno	WR	So.	5-11	193	Grove City, Pa.
36	Kyle Johnson	S	Fr.	6-0	187	Landenberg, Pa.
36	Collin Wagner	K	So.	5-9	170	State College, Pa.
37	Joe Suhey	RB	Fr.	6-1	215	Deerfield, Ill.
38	Tyler Ahrenhold	S	#Fr.	6-0	169	Blue Bell, Pa.
39	Tom Golarz	FB	Jr.	6-1	238	Bloomington, Ind.
41	Jeremy Boone	P	Jr.	5-9	184	Mechanicsburg, Pa.
42	Michael Mauti	LB	#Fr.	6-2	220	Mandeville, La.
43	Josh Hull	LB	Jr.	6-3	231	Millheim, Pa.
44	Larry Federoff	FB	Jr.	5-11	237	Alliquippa, Pa.
44	Kevin Latham	DL	Fr.	6-2	237	Greensboro, N.C.
45	Sean Lee	LB	Sr.	6-2	234	Pittsburgh
46	Tyrell Sales	LB	Sr.	6-2	233	Butler, Pa.
47	Josh Gaines	DE	Sr.	6-1	275	Ft. Wayne, Ind.
48	Maurice Evans	DE	Jr.	6-2	264	Brooklyn, N.Y.
49	Ryan Breen	P	Fr.	6-2	194	Clarkston, Mich.
50	Andrew Pitz	LS	Jr.	6-3	235	Bettendorf, Iowa
50	Mike Lucian	CB	Sr.	6-2	290	New Market, Md.
51	Jonathan Stewart	DL	Fr.	6-2	236	North Huntingdon, Pa.
53	Chris Colasanti	DL	So.	6-2	232	Leonard, Mich.
55	Tom McEown	DT	So.	6-4	274	Feasterville, Pa.
56	Eric Latimore	DE	Fr.	6-6	262	Middletown, Del.
57	A.Q. Shipley	C	Sr.	6-1	297	Corapolis, Pa.
59	Aaron Maybin	DE	So.	6-4	236	Ellicott City, Md.
61	Stefan Wisniewski	G	So.	6-3	288	Bridgeville, Pa.
64	Rich Ohrnberger	G	Sr.	6-2	291	East Meadow, N.Y.
65	J.B. Walton	G	Fr.	6-3	293	Indian Head, Md.
66	Josh Marks	G	Fr.	6-4	315	Catawissa, Pa.
67	Quinn Barham	G	Fr.	6-3	283	Durham, N.C.
68	Doug Klopacz	CB	So.	6-3	288	Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.
71	Devon Still	DT	Fr.	6-5	296	Wilmington, Del.
73	Dennis Landolt	T	Jr.	6-4	309	Burlington, N.J.
74	Johnnie Troutman	G	Fr.	6-4	318	Brown Mills, N.J.
75	Nerraw McCormack	T	Sr.	6-5	292	Bronx, N.Y.
76	Gerald Cadogan	T	Sr.	6-5	314	Portsmouth, Ohio
77	Lou Eliades	T	So.	6-4	309	Ocean, N.J.
79	Ako Potti	T	Sr.	6-3	304	Daly City, Calif.
80	Andrew Szczerba	TE	Fr.	6-6	252	Wilmington, Del.
81	Brennan Coakley	TE	Jr.	6-4	255	Newtown, Conn.
82	Micky Shuler	TE	Jr.	6-4	251	Enola, Pa.

83	Brett Brackett	WR	So.	6-6	235	Lawrenceville, N.J.
84	Patrick Mauti	WR	Jr.	5-10	190	Mandeville, La.
85	Ollie Ogbu	DT	So.	6-1	292	Staten Island, N.Y.
87	Greg Miskinis	TE	Sr.	6-5	245	Lewistown, Pa.
88	Jon Ditto	TE	Fr.	6-3	230	Monroeville, Pa.
91	Jared Odrick	DT	Jr.	6-5	308	Lebanon, Pa.
92	Chimaeze Okoli	DT	Fr.	6-4	287	Virginia Beach, Va.
95	Abe Koroma	DT	So.	6-3	316	Hershey, Pa.