Many at UI saddened by deaths

UI graduate faculty and students remember ‘the perfect couple.’

By KELLI SHAFFNER

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State politicians look to break party lines in the upcoming
session to dig out of financial burdens.

When the new Iowa legisla-
ture convenes in January,
lawmakers say they will focus
almost exclusively on Gov. Chet
Culver's recently announced
budget plan.

Culver announced Thursday
that the state will see an addi-
tional 1.5 percent across-the-
board reduction in general-fund expenditures to address the
economic downturn — bringing the total reduction to $10 billion in
budget cuts for the current fiscal
year.

Still, it's undergoing fund
recovery in many parts of the
date, Iowa might need to re-
evaluate the effectiveness of
deficit-reduction measures,
Raife said. Rep. Dave Jacobs,
D-Des Moines, said.

"We're not hurting as much as
some other parts of the state," he
said. "We do want to take care of
the residents behind the
residents because we tend to be
more cautious.

Regardless, he acknowledged
he needs the governor's cut.
"Every month, everyone will
feel bad," he said, noting

By RACHEL GODDELL

Lori Raife’s corner of the Studi-
ous Arts Building is filled with
the ceramic sculptures she's
created. Dressed in an over-
ized blue sweater, jeans,
and cowboy boots, Raife, 51, printed a total of 31 pieces
describing pregnant bodies.

"It seems natural in a way
that I find the pregnant form
beautiful and comforting, be-

ing the mother of four
children, she said. She will receive a
master's degree in ceramics this
May.

Raife said she got a start late
on college because her husband
went to school when their chil-
dren were young and she wasn’t
until they were older. The younger
dughter, Sydney, will graduate in
May with a degree in art history.

"You kind of become one
with the ceramic," she said.
"They all play off each other
art work changes with this
experience at the college level.”

Raife was one of 31 pro-
ducers at AKAR, a group of
fellow graduate students.

Fellow graduate student Ben
Jacoby er DNA, police reports show.

On Nov. 9, Cox allegedly robbed a
store in Coralville, 904 Iowa Ave.,
taking $1,000 from the register,
the police said.

The Legislature must address
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Cox went through the pockets of a female cus-
tomer and took $1,000 from the register,
the police said.

The two men fled, and officers found
Cox on Nov. 9, allegations of

First-degree robbery is a Class B
felony, punishable by up to 25 years in
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GRADUATE STUDENT SHOW
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Grad student reflects on art
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Lawmakers are expected to make another attempt to lower the legal blood alcohol concentration for boaters this session.

The move would bring the boating level in line with the automotive level. “If it’s impaired for operators of a motor vehicle, it should be impaired for operating a boat,” Sen. David Johnson, R-Des Moines, said. “Boaters did not have the ability to recreate on the water until recently and we rewrite the rules as they go along.”

Sen. David Johnson, R-Des Moines, acknowledged the bill’s odds are slim this year; 13 percent of those involved alcohol. None of them resulted in fatalities, but there were 23 drunken boating arrests this year. Johnson attributed the drop in accidents to the year’s intense flooding.

“Boaters did not have the ability to recreate on the water until recently and we rewrite the rules as they go along,” said Johnson. “Boating is a serious thing on most Iowans’ minds.”

Sen. Johnson remains determined. “I hope we get a vote on it,” he said. “If it comes to a vote, I think it will pass.”

“Sometimes you have to be persistent rather than patient, and I’m just going to keep moving on this as long as it takes,” he said.

“The Iowa Legislature will reconvene on Jan. 12, 2009.”

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Some at UI find 2nd Life

By CAITLIN DICKSON
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The UI has a Second Life Second Life is a 3-D virtual world owned by the Linden Labs Co. The UI rents one of these islands. Members, or “residents,” build their own businesses and houses on virtual land. “Residents can buy, sell, and trade anything they create with one another,” said Steve Loxton.

“A lot of the same issues that have to do with library in real life have to do with libraries in Second Life, such as how to get people to come to the library,” he said. “It’s kind of a parallel to the real life profession.”

Elmborg often organizes poetry readings, music events, and guest speakers to come to the Second Life library, trying to see what attracts the avatars in the virtual world. “I don’t think it’s better than doing it in person, in fact, I’m sure it’s not. But people can participate in ways they couldn’t if they didn’t do it in Second Life,” he said. He noted that one speaker who came to the Second Life library from the National Institutes of Health in real life, left.

“Alas! Here’s a visiting instruc- tor in the UI School of Library, Work, incorporated Second Life into her interpersonal skills lab course for the first time this semester. Instead of regular in- person mock counseling sessions, her students made appointments and counseled one another through the site’s messaging capabilities. “It helps force the students on the skills they’re using, because they have that log time to think of what they’re going to say,” Oliver said. “There’s more presence in the way they’re sitting in front of the person and get performance anxiety.”

Oliver said the virtual coun- seling sessions were more real- istic because in Second Life, physical appearances can be easily changed to reflect different scenarios. “In (real-world) role playing, you would have a 22-year-old woman who is pretended to be a 72-year-old African-American female,” she said, and making an avatar some of those characteristics in Second Life is “more realistic.”

In November, Tomblin and fel- low SIS staffers Ken Schauwecker pre- sented the UI’s educational use of Second Life at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology “Rays of Change” conference. Mary Herring, the president of the association, said Second Life is beneficial for educators from large districts, for example, who can conveniently hold conferences without having to travel. “As a professor at the University of Northern Iowa, Herring said Second Life to take her students on virtual field trips from the Sistine Chapel in Italy to NASA head- quarters in Washington, D.C.”

“I give you the freedom to be creative about education, to do things you couldn’t do in the real world because you can’t afford it,” she said.

Three faculty members have requested space in the UI’s Sec- ond Life server for next semester. Tomblin said. Elmborg said he will definitely use it again. “Anything that is inherently enjoyable and makes it fun to figure out a problem, that’s edu- cational to me,” he said.

Authorities detonated a “suspicious package” at 4:45 p.m. Thursday at Burge Hall. Counseling was set up in a 3-D open space in Second Life to help students who were affected. A technician said it was going to take a few more hours.

UI Associate Professor Jim Embrey stands next to his avatar, Anody Kula, near the UI’s virtual School of Library and Information Science building on Thursday. Embrey, as well as other UI faculty and staff, have embraced the virtual world of Second Life as a tool for helping without the boundaries of the classroom.

Christmas Workshop 2008

By KATIE HANSON

UI students are interested in “Second Life” as an alternative educational outlet.

UI renting an island

UI Information Technology Services is currently renting an island in the virtual world of Second Life. The UI bought a private island through the site’s messaging software.

UI students can receive a free, but private server space, in Second Life. They can do it in Second Life, “because we don’t have access to Burge Mar- ket Place.”

“I’m in shorts and flip flops,” she said. “The library comes into us in a room in a scene panic. We had to leave right away.”

Steve Zarnikov finished his finals Wednesday and was supposed to be in Chica- go at 9 p.m. last night, but he studied in Second Life because he was going to be ready to go. Zarnikov said he randomly got screwed. “I was supposed to be leaving,” he said. “I actually went to the campus chapel at 6 p.m. Thursday. I just told my ride to leave,” he said. (Office sources said it was going to take a few more hours.)
Police not issuing smoking citations

“I think we have an obligation to allow people to know what this law is and let them know where they can and cannot smoke before issuing citations. I think that’s fair because the rules are all very new.”

— Charles Green, assistant vice president for UI police

BUDGET

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more budget cuts in store

“Maintaining a balanced budget and staying in front of this national economic crisis requires sacrifice throughout the government, as well as business, workers, urban, rural, and all of Iowa.”

— Chuck Culver, Governor

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are invited for participation in a research study.

Researchers are studying the effects of chronic marijuana use on brain structure, function, and mental abilities. The study involves a lengthy screening appointment, followed by two observations at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. Volunteers are compensated for participation (and for out-of-town travel). Brain imaging studies are done and volunteers take achievement tests and tests of various mental abilities. Volunteers must be current marijuana users up to 60 years old, be right-handed and be within commuting distance from Iowa City, Iowa. Information about the identity of volunteers will be treated confidentially.

For further information about the study and to see

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"We’ve gone through all of this before, so we have some processes in place to deal with this the right way," he said. “We just need time to sit down and get our heads together."
Opinions

Live and Let Hate

CHRISTOPHER PATTON

Editorial

What’s your problem, City Council?

UI students pump a huge amount of money into Iowa City. Thus, rather than continually looking for ways to alienate all those young people, the city leaders should focus on making the community more attractive to such residents.

The most recent anti-student measure to come out of the council is the newly established municipal code allowing the city to seize property should the city government feel that property owners are not paying enough property taxes. The city has no idea how large a portion of UI students pay rent. Furthermore, a large percentage of UI students pay rent in cash or on time. There is no official list of UI students and that is one reason why the city government feels that UI students are not paying sufficient property taxes.

There are also rumors that some Iowa City residents should be happy to see as many students as possible living in the downtown area. First, the shorter distance students need to travel to get to their classes on the UI campus, many of whom choose to live as close to campus as possible, is not a bad thing for the students. Second, or as author Chris Prentiss tells us, “The mighty is the pen.”

NATE WHITNEY

Commentary

Making proverbial lemonade from shit

I assume it’s the weather, but honestly, it’s likely a combination of everything. I’m talking about life. Specifically, about the past summer in my life and all you can see is the shit and waste that surrounds you. Being able to make decisions about sex for themselves. Adult incest

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We were this broken-down band who managed to make something really awesome, really big, and textural. We don’t want to lose too much of the same

— Bennett Johnson, percussionist, Daughters of the Sun

Minneapolis psychedelic-folk outfit Daughters of the Sun brings its balancing act to Public Space One tonight.

by JAREET NOTMAN

Maintaining the perfect balance in music today is tough. You don’t want too much bravado in your egging, or you might tell Granny what you really think about her great pretzel recipe over Christmas dinner. Or take finals week, for example. You still have to balance sleep and studying, or else you’ll run up and end up as that kid sledding down his Organic Chemistry exam as time expires.

Most music is a key example of some strange, counterproductive, bands either sheddingCamps or gaining. Bands either shred to the far edges of the Universe and bring back their thundering amps at 11 or singer-songwriters quickly strumming through a long list of confessions. Steve Urkel.

An exception is Minneapolis’ Daughters of the Sun, a band that manages to keep things in perspective while still working in eager psychedelic-funk mix to perform today at Public Space One, 129 E. Washington St., at 8 p.m.

Formed as a five-piece in 2005, the Daughters of the Sun are known for their tight, coming Minneapolis act Vitamin Flaks (no hard feelings) and saw a guitarist move away. After the shakeup, the remaining three members decided to make something really awesome, and the songs are a

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— Bennett Johnson, percussionist, Daughters of the Sun

Minneapolis-based Daughters of the Sun brings its psychedelic-funk mix to Public Space One, 129 E. Washington St. The concoction, which is more than just a moody synth, is a lot more than just a moody synth, and the songs are a lot more than just a moody synth.

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**NFL**
- Indianapolis 31, Jacksonville 24

**NBA**
- Orlando 90, San Antonio 78

**NHL**
- Carolina 2, Florida 1, OT
- Boston 8, Toronto 5
- Washington 4, St. Louis 2
- Pittsburgh 6, Atlanta 3
- Montreal 5, Philadelphia 2
- Detroit 6, San Jose 0
- Colorado 2, Tampa Bay 1, SO
- Phoenix 2, Nashville 1

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2008**

**NBA**
- Chicago at Boston, 6:30 p.m., CSN
- LA Lakers at Miami, 7 p.m., ESPN
- Cleveland at Denver, 9:30 p.m., ESPN

**NHL**
- Chicago at Calgary, 8 p.m., CSN+

**NCAA FOOTBALL**
- Football Champion Series, national championship, Montana vs. Richmond, in Chattanooga, Tenn., 7 p.m., ESPN2

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**SPECIAL REPORT**

**Welcome to Tampa**

Jan. 1, 2009 Outback Bowl

Tampa Bay Times

Rejoice, football fans. As you've surely heard, the Hawkeyes are headed to Tampa to take on South Carolina in the 2009 Outback Bowl. So you booked your flights (or snapped together some gas money from between the cushions of your car), ordered your tickets, and purchased a new pair of swim trunks.

But how are you going to spend your time in Florida beyond the three hours in Raymond James Stadium? Relax, we're here at the Daily Iowa to help you out. Below is a map detailing the best places around the Tampa area that has to offer. So, ahead out and take it with you. We won't be mad, that's what it's there for. Enjoy your trip, and go Hawkeyes!

**Places to eat**
- Bahn Mi House
  - Rated as one of the best steakhouses in the U.S., it also boasts the world's largest wine list.
- Skipper's Smokehouse
  - Enjoy "Fibberbee" food and nightly Bea music.
- Columbia Restaurant
  - Established in 1905, this is the largest Spanish restaurant in the U.S.
- Queen of Sheba
  - Traditional Ethiopian food, rated among America's top restaurants by Zagat in 2005.

**Places to drink**
- Four-leaf clover
  - A beachside Irish pub featuring traditional Irish music and sports.
- Prime Sports Sports Bar
  - All of the sports outside the Outback Bowl at this sports bar.
- O'Briens Irish Pub
  - Beachside atmosphere with live music on the weekends.
- Green Iguana
  - Voted Tampa's best by the Weekly Planet with live music every night.
- Blue Marlin
  - Florida's "finest" mini-bar lounge, for those of you with a little class (and a big wallet).

**Cultural attractions**
- 1. "Light Up Tampa Dec. 30," live entertainment and a midnight balloon drop with "30 Rocks show over the bay of water.
- 2. Lowry Park Zoo
  - Featuring Africa-inspired exhibits and animals.
- 3. Florida Aquarium
  - Located in Tampa, Dec. 30
  - Break out, 20,000 aquatic plants and animals.
- 4. Everglades
  - Located in the 1866 cigar by manufacturer, "Tampas Latin Quarter."

**For Iowa fans**
- 1. Busch Gardens Dec. 30,
  - The African-themed park provides your in-car coaster and teak bar.
- 2. Hilton Clearwater Beach Resort Dec. 30
  - Enjoy the hoe-down Manchester Band and cheerleaders for a day at the beach.
- 3. Team night at Raymond James Lightning game Dec 27
- 4. Play at the Paramount Macedonia Dec. 30
  - The team will compete on the actual field before they compete on the real turf.
- 5. New Year's Eve Parade & Pro Rodeo in Your City
  - Featuring floats and twenty marching bands, starts at 5:30 p.m.

**Beaches**
- Clearwater Beach
  - Take in the Florida sunset at Pier 60 at least once before you leave.
- Clearwater Beach
  - "St. Pete" or St. Petersburg, spread it as the watercolor beach in America this year.
- Sand Key Park
  -教材参考[32]，但因为没有更好，所以这是一个很好的地方来躲避人群。
ON THE LINE:

MATCHUPS

OCTOBER BOWL

IOWA vs. MIAMI

ALAMO BOWL

MARYLAND vs. FLORIDA

CAPITOL ONE BOWL

MISSISSIPPI STATE vs. PURDUE

ROSE BOWL

USC vs. OHIO STATE

ORANGE BOWL

ALABAMA vs. FLORIDA

SUGAR BOWL

TENNESSEE vs. MEMPHIS

FIESTA BOWL

FRISCO BOWL

OSU vs. AIR FORCE

SPORTS "N" STUFF

BY CHARLIE KAUTZ

Second-year coach Todd Lickliter could give Hawkeyes fans an early Christmas present if his team manages to upset sharpshooter Anthony Tucker on Saturday at Carver-Hawkeye.

Eleven days after a 16-13 overtime win over Iowa State, Lickliter's team heads to Columbus to hear the final college basketball selection show. Expectations for the Iowa men's basketball team are generally lower than past years, but the team has bought into the framework Lickliter has laid out. Lickliter said Hawkeyes fans should expect a team that plays unselfish basketball with a strong combination of young and experienced talent.

"I really respect his leadership and his maturity," said Iowa senior guard Mike Geslca. "He's had every part of the responsibilities. Lickliter said. "He was suspended from team participation, but he's always been a part of the practice. He's been at every practice and been there for us.

Lickliter says he really appreciates Geslca's presence.

After a grueling stretch of schedules that included six games in two weeks and a trip to Las Vegas, players enjoyed a week of light workouts and heavy workouts to prepare for final exams. If Tucker returns to action this week, he could prove especially beneficial.

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Tucker, who has been regularly contributing to Iowa's winning streak, says he's eager to return to the lineup.

"I think some time off is going to help," sophomore guard John Kelly said. "It's a week to get in some games so far, and maybe some legs were a little time consuming."

At 9-2 overall, Iowa is just four wins away from matching last year's total of 13, and IOWA

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Before he became South Carolina's head coach in 2005, Steve Spurrier spent 12 seasons in Florida, where he was considered one of college football's elite coaches and his Gators dominated the SEC competition.

During Spurrier's tenure in Gainesville, Fla., Iowa defensive coordinator Norm Parker was at Vanderbilt, trying to concoct schemes to slow down the run-and-gun implementation by the Ole Miss Rebels.

A decade later, the man senior defensive tackle Mitch King ominously calls a "panacea" will try to devise a plan for the Hawkeyes to slow down Spurrier's Gamecocks in the 2009 Outback Bowl.

While South Carolina may not be as talented now as any of the Southeastern Conference teams, Parker believes the Gombeck-coached Gators can pull off anything at any time.

"Steve's an indefatigable guy, so he's not a threat to line up in any kind of empty formation," Parker said during a press conference.

So why not go in the trap and throw a hit in the trap, he goes in the trap and drugs plays in the sand."

Those members of the defense Parker looked at, noted by exemple this season are the three starting seniors who are playing their final games as Hawkeyes going into Jan. 1, there's something extremely well," O'Keefe said. "Tell you exactly what the line- man did and what the defender did in most situations."

Meanwhile, offensive coordinator Ken O'Keefe got to publicly praise his star running back on Thursday, emphasizing how his biggest attribute as a runner are getting yards on his own, making defenders miss tackles, and most importantly, being able to finish plays.

"When you can score a touchdown out of 75 yards out, that makes things a lot easier for everybody," O'Keefe said. "The one thing that makes him different to me is that he has great patience in the run game and he sees things extremely well."

"South Carolina is in the same type of state as Iowa as a one-on-no-professional teams," Parker said. "The Gamecocks are the team, and they get all the support in place. They have the same type of fans. They got great support, a great following."

Iowa quarterback Ricky Stanzi is congratulated by Hawkeyes fans at the Metrodome in Minneapolis on Nov. 22. Stanzi will lead the Hawkeye offense against a stingy South Carolina defense during the 2009 Outback Bowl on New Year's Day in Tampa, Fla.

A reunion of sorts is in store for Iowa defensive line coach Rick Kaczenski.

As football teams, Iowa and South Carolina are as unfamiliar to one another as it gets. So when the Hawkeyes and Gamecocks square off in Tampa on New Year's Day, it'll be the first meeting between the two programs in the 2009 Outback Bowl on New Year's Day in Tampa, Fla.

"It's going to be great. It's going to be a great experience," Parker said during a press conference.

"As a coach, he's a young guy, he's energetic, he's a motivator, and he's just an amazing coach."

"He's not going to make it a personal vendetta against [South Carolina] or nothing like that. He's just going to try to make us better every day. That's what kind of guy he is."
No break for the Hawkeyes just yet — the Iowa women's basketball team will face off against Drake in its final non-conference game of the year Saturday at 11:05 a.m. in Des Moines.

The Hawkeyes (6-4) will match up against Drake (6-3) in the second game of its three-game stretch against an in-state team. Having won the first two games against Wisconsin State and UNI — the Hawkeyes' previous in-state foes — the people bringing the ball up the wall first on five occasions in the Big Ten.

"We know they're going to have a lot of pressure on them and Kanzie (Wahlin)," senior Wendy Ausdemore said. "But they're great at breaking the press and other times we have been burned up the court in practice."

"We have goals, (this) first goal that we have to be the state champions," senior Kristi Smith added. "It's a great motivation for us. We really can't afford to get it accomplished that.

"Iowa's in at a great start. (The Big Tens) are doing very well — we have to be ready to put it in," Ausdemore said. "They're playing with a lot of confidence right now, so we have to bring it."

With only one day separating Iowa's two final games before the Christmas holiday, the Hawkeye women will play Drake in Des Moines on Saturday.

**Projected starting lineups**

**Iowa Hawkeyes**

- **F Kristin Turk** 5-8  Sr. 14.2
- **F Jordann Plummer** 5-6  Jr. 11.2
- **G Kachine Alexander** 5-9  So. 7.2
- **G Lauren Dybing** 5-9  Jr. 8.7
- **G Morgan Sherbey** 5-6  Fr. 0

**Drake Bulldogs (6-3)**

- **F Jeffery Pawola** 5-11  Jr. 11.5
- **F Siera Smith** 5-10  Jr. 3.5
- **F Katja Marczek** 5-10  Jr. 1.3
- **G Rachel Propst** 5-7  So. 3.2
- **G Rachel Bilbrough** 5-5  Jr. 5.3

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In the Knapp Center this season, standing 4-0. Despite that, Iowa has never accomplished what members of the women's basketball team have to say about their showdown with UNI in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Dec. 11. The Hawkeyes will play Drake in Des Moines on Saturday.
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• I resolve not to contract polio.

ARIES Jan. 20-Feb. 18
• Love and romance are looking positive — plan to get out with the one you love or relax and start putting things in order. A to-do list will help you organize your day.

TAURUS May 21-June 20
• You’ll be torn between what you should do and what you really want to do. Someone you respect will offer help or suggestions.

GEMINI June 21-July 22
• You need a change now more than ever. Find a new direction that will lead you in the right path.

CANCER July 23-Aug. 22
• This is the time you need to make some moves before the year comes to a close. Don’t wait for tomorrow to make your decision.

LION Aug. 23-Sept. 22
• You’re likely to leave you feeling distant or out of touch. Find a way to improve your communication skills.

VIRGO Sept. 23-Oct. 22
• Socialize if you are single.

LIBRA Oct. 23-Nov. 22
• You’ve got some great ideas that could parlay into a partnership.

SCORPIO Nov. 23-Dec. 21
• Relax and start putting things in order. A to-do list will help you organize your day.

SAGITTARIUS Dec. 22-Jan. 19
• Make sure that your ideas are feasible and you don’t follow through for the wrong reasons.

CAPRICORN Dec. 22-Jan. 19
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PISCES Feb. 19-March 20
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Horoscopes Friday, December 19, 2008

DAUGHTERS of the Sun, Sarah Johnson, 11:30 a.m., Public Space, 120 E. Washington
FRIDAY NIGHT KARAOKE with Gemini Karaoke, 9 p.m., Coralville Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, 330 E. Ninth St., Coralville
MAYFLIES, 9 p.m., iPlay, 310 Main St., Iowa City
TOP SHELF KARAOKE, 9:30 p.m., Old Cockeye Pub, 245 Beaver Creek Center, North Liberty
RETRO Club Night, 9 p.m., 171 Highway I W.