New UI rec center not scaring local gym owners

Owners say they’re not too worried about the coming Hawkeye rec center taking away business.

By CHRIS CLARK

With the UI Campus Recreation & Wellness Center set to open summer 2010, local gym owners say though they may lose some of their business, the losses won’t be devastating.

“I’d be lying if I said I don’t think the new rec center won’t affect us at all,” said Bizzman’s Phoebe, the owner of the 1-year-old Anytime Fitness, 321 W. Brinton St. 2. “But I think things are going to stay pretty much the same.

But some students are already planning their switch.

UI students Kristina Smiley and Maggie Hansen normally exercise at the UI City Fitness, 221 E. College St. Though they are both satisfied with their current gym, some students say they’ll check it out if the prices are right.

The construction site of the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center sits empty on Sunday. The facility will include a 50-meter swimming pool and 21,042 square feet of fitness space. Local gym owners have mixed reactions on what it could do to downtown fitness centers.

A career spent communicating

The UI’s new consultant on binge drinking comes with a great deal of experience in communications strategies.

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Stier, the UI’s new anti-binge drinking consultant, was hired in January by UI Provost Wallace Loh to work with University Relations staff and key communications officers at the UI.

“I was not hired to solve the problem,” she said with a laugh. “I have a lot of relationships across the state, and I want to connect people together on something important to the university.”

UI Provost Wallace Loh announced Stier’s appointment at the state Board of Regents meeting last week.

Stier’s resume boasts numerous internships, her tenure and CEO of the Blake Risling Group, and she has spent 25 years in the media field, most recently as president and publisher for Gun- nett, Inc., a Fortune 500 company.

Stier recently founded Mary Stirer Consultants, offering executive coaching and strategic planning for aspiring women in the media field, most recently as executive vice president and publisher for USA Today.

Stier said she’s excited to work with UI students, faculty, and community members to gauge how to bring the groups together and create an effective communications plan to curb excessive drinking.

“I care very deeply about the university,” the 52-year-old UI alumna said. “I had a great experience in communications strategies, most recently as executive vice president and publisher for USA Today. I’m not sure what the UI could do to downtown fitness centers.

Law targets illegals

Iowa lawmakers consider two different immigration-related bills. If passed, they will likely face the same result.

By SHANN GUILD

Reflecting the stark dichotomy of opinion on immigration in the Iowa Legislature, two bills under consideration starkly differ.

On the right, a measure sponsored by some House Republicans would require community colleges and state universities to check applicants’ citizenship status before admitting them. If the individual isn’t a U.S. citizen or “lawfully present in the United States,” the university or community college would be barred from admitting the person. Colleges that didn’t comply would face funding cuts.

While the UI’s admission process includes asking applicants if they are U.S. citizens, Senior Associate Director of Admissions Emil Rinderspacher said officials assume students are telling the truth, and the university doesn’t have any documented immigrations. If the process is changed, the director of the anti-illegal immigration group Iowa Ministop will challenge the bill.

It’s that kind of process that makes Craig Halverson, the director of the anti-illegal immigration group Iowa Ministop Civil Defense Corps, bristle.

He argues that the proposal would save taxpayers money and prevent undocumented immigrants from gaining the system. “Look at the money that is being spent on these campaigns,” Halverson said, noting he opposes foreign students entering the U.S.

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Council eyes being stricter on liquor-license renewals

City councilors are talking about more demanding resolutions.

By Amanda McClure

The Iowa City City Council unanimously passed a resolu-
tion last week that would make liquor-license renewals for bars that have a PAULA rate per-
equal to 1.00 or more. Mayor Marianne Baxley said that while Iowa City police have not had a drowning incident for the past year, it’s official now.

"This is a step in the right direction," Baxley said in a statement to the council. "I think the resolution is necessary because we have had the desire of the tools already available to us in an attempt to make sure we’re encouraging establishments to be responsible and not to abuse alcohol within the bar," City Councilman Dyliss Dahlkemper explained in a statement to the council.

Local parents and community members are concerned about the number of drownings that are happening, and they say it would affect some bars more than others.

"These drownings are the result of a combination of factors," Dahlkemper said. "There is a lack of constitutional change about the number of drownings that we are seeing.

UI senior Max Leonhard said the neighborhood for bars should be used.

UI students walk in line outside of the Summit on Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2021. Under a resolution passed Tuesday night by the Iowa City City Council, official staff will work to make stricter on liquor-license renewals for bars that garner an average of a PAULA of 1.20 or more. (Photo by Claire Chaberek)
Gyms not worried

Law would repeal English-only

Smoking hazardous to your age

Stier a communicator

Smoking has a negative impact on health and well-being. It can lead to various health problems, including cancer, heart disease, and respiratory issues. quitting smoking can improve your health and quality of life. Stier a communicator

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Law-enforcement authorities support the DNA measure, while a civil liberties representative has concerns.

By REGINA ZILBERMINTS

A proposal before the Iowa Legislature would require any convicted of an aggravated assault to submit a DNA sample — something local authorities say would "absolutely help." Iowa City police Sgt. Troy Kelso said the proposal would aid the department in conducting its investigations while putting little additional burden on small agencies.

Current law only requires DNA from registered sex offenders and convicted felons.

The roughly $660,000 price tag of the program for the fiscal year 2009 would be funded by the Iowa Department of Public Safety, Kelsay said the proposal would effectively reduce to second-class status of the program per year those convicted of only specific felonies. The proposal would require DNA from all convicted felons, and 15 states allow DNA sampling at the point of arrest. The current line determining whether DNA is collected is set at "serious crimes that most consider to be felonies anyway," Loder said. The state database has state database has 50,000 DNA samples from convicted felons, with an additional 20,000 samples collected from crime scenes that are not linked to specific individuals.

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GM to cut 10,000 more jobs
By BRIE FOWLER

NEW YORK — General Motors Corp. on Thursday slashed another 10,000 salaried jobs, saying the cuts are necessary as its profit margins and industrial sales continue to erode with shrinking demand and a slowly recovering economy.

The Detroit-based automaker said Tuesday it will reduce its total U.S. salaried and hourly workforce to about 63,700, or 43 percent of its 2000 high, from an annual payroll of 133,000 in 2000.

Most of the company’s remaining salaried employees will have their wages cut.

In the plan to Congress submitted late last year, GM said it would have to reduce 20,000 salaried and hourly positions so that the company could become viable long-term.

The company had announced earlier Thursday that it would slash 10,000 salaried and hourly jobs from late last year.

GM Chief Executive Rick Wagoner, who was meeting with President Barack Obama in Washington about global-warming initiatives, said Tuesday’s announcement is “indicative of our commitment to take the necessary actions to get this company back on track and focused on those tough market conditions.

GM has dramatically downsized both its salaried and hourly work forces in recent years as the U.S. auto market has shrunk from its 2000 peak of 16.7 million cars and trucks. Since 2000, GM’s salaried workforce has shrunk by 33 percent from its 2000 high of 44,000 people. At this same time, the number of hourly workers has plunged by more than half — to about 3,730 people at the end of last year from 13,000 in 2000.

The note added that the U.S. labor market had started to improve, but that his administration’s policy of budget restraint had “already put a stop to most of the improvements in the employment rate.”

The report added that the U.S. labor market had improved more than expected, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months. It noted that the unemployment rate had fallen by more than a quarter since the peak of 9.6 percent in 2009, but that the pace of improvement had slowed in recent months.
Opinions

Don't can our recycling progress

Greggory caffeine-deficient students have a wide range of opinions that can lead to pump-starting their tired minds. Coffee in its myriad forms, soda in its variety of flavors, and the availability of energy drinks. However, when it comes to recycling the containers, students’ opinions decrease slightly. The popularity of energy drinks has led to the rise of vending machines across campus, and in some cases, energy drinks have become a color-coded area concerning stores that do not bottles of soda (or pep, if you’re really going to fight that battle). Green campus advocates and the obvious drunks who are caus- ing that big a deal and a part of life.

The sustainable campus is learning responsibility. More time and energy were spent on environmental consciousness the past years. The Amethyst Initiative, which in part came to recycling the containers, students’ options decrease more than 20 percent between 2007 and 2008 and redirected more than 2 percent of its general waste flow as a result of its recycling programs. Those efforts have added a very tangible effect on campus refuse — the UI is producing 11 percent less total waste than a decade ago.

The laudable conservation efforts are not limited to recycl- ing programs. A pilot program transformed roughly 10,000 pounds of food waste from Hillcrest Food Services into 45 cubic yards of compost, equivalent to 69,000 metric tons of CO2 by using a system that gen- erates both heat and energy for the campus. The University’s natural gas, coal, and natural hanks at the Power Plant, produc- ers that produce the power and steam needed for the main campus and the UI Hospitals and Clinics. By burning out hanks — acquired from the Quaker Oats plant in Cedar Rapids — instead of just coal, the campus saves $1 million annually.

During Earth Day Week festivities last year, the UI Council on Sustainable Development hosted the Campaign for Human Rights, accepted donations of glasses bottles and aluminum case at the IMC. All deposit proceeds went to support student summer internships in human rights. When it comes to the campus eco-consciousness, we are not there yet. New legislation that would help environmentally friendly and redirecting waste from landfills.

But it would not be fair to have learned that our European friends drink at least 266% of the beer we do. A study in Malaysia showed that Oury was a dead end of a party of life. Mike McCracken

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Chait features three women

It's Women's Month at the Chait Galleries Downtown, and local artist Marcia Wegman is happy to be part of the festivities. By NICK FETTY

Marcia Wegman is happy to be part of the Midwestern landscape is a memoir of things I have done all of my life and never not been drawing or painting." Chait said. "It's about things I have done all of my life and have never not been drawing or painting."

"Chait is an artist who is having a work displayed in the reception room of the administrative offices of the UI Curator of Medicine. The picture is a quadro, which is four separately framed pieces that form a single landscape, it has been on display for around a year. As an artist who is frequently featured in Iowa City, she said she focuses on doing abstract work that is not landscape for the Iowa Artisans Gallery around town, to be fair to both galleries. The City with a full-service venue, the Chait has provided Iowa City's students and professors. In response to most all of the work things I have done all of my life and never not been drawing or painting."

"[Art] is just one of those things in my life that I have been passionate about," she said. "It's about things I have done all of my life and have never not been drawing or painting."

Because she has lived in Ohio, Iowa, it makes sense that she worked with various materials before discovering watercolor. But even when she was student.

"Art's not one of those things I have done all of my life since I was a child," she said. "I have never had to draw anything."

Today, she lives in Iowa City, and her art has been shown at the Coralville Marriott Hotel & Conference Center. The act of engaging in one's favorite habit is a dest stressor. Now, you may be saying to yourself, "OK, Kurt, I get it.," and no, I am not planning on jumping off a three-story roof or being  nominated for many other awards. But, just as you said before, "The act of engaging in one's favorite habit is a dest stressor."

"When you're thinking that it's blasphemy to watch "The Office,"" Chait said. "But I'm willing to take it all in."

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Grave may be that of Cortes resisters

By MARK STEVENSON

MEXICO CITY — Archaeologists digging in a ruined pyramid in downtown Mexico City on Tuesday found a mass grave that may hold the skeletal remains of the last holdouts among the Aztecs who fought Spanish conquistador Hernan Cortes.

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Out of the 750 homes, left 5,000 people homeless, left 1,000 people homeless, and burned 1,100 square mile of land, the film authority said.

While the official death toll stood at 181 Tuesday evening. Sayre said there were an additional 50 bodies that the coroner had not identified and were not included in the official tally.

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**UNHAPPY WARRIORS ON THE ROAD**

Iowa will travel to Wisconsin tonight, hoping to end its road woes.

By SCOTT MILLER  

Maybe it’s something about the team bus, or the airplane the Hawkeyes actually flies on, or the hotel it stays at, or the weather, but the Iowa men’s basketball team has been a woe on the road this season.

In fact, head coach Todd Lickliter’s team has “earned” only one road win since his arrival in Iowa City (4-9, 6-6).

It will be a challenge for Iowa (13-11, 3-6) to get Lickliter his fifth road victory tonight when the Hawkeyes travel to the always-hostile Kohl Center in Madison, Wis., to play a streaking Wisconsin team (14-9, 4-6).

(The Badgers) were actually playing good basketball before Lickliter said, “Two of those six games (during their previous six-game losing streak), I think, were over, and two others were sweepstakes. Without being there and being able to see exactly what they’re saying, I don’t know if there’s been a sweepstakes.” Regardless of what caused Badgers’ recent run, it’s apparent that Iowa is a different team from the one Iowa played on Jan. 21.

Over the last two games, the Hawkeyes are averaging 89 points per game, shooting 43 percent from the field and defending reasonably well. The team has held opponents to 32 percent. The last time Iowa played, the Hawkeyes shot nearly 60 percent from the field.

David Palumbo contributed to that good shooting by scoring a career-high 21 points without a single 3-pointer. Take in the line. But in the five games following that performance, the junior from Antio- ch, Ill., is scoring a measly four points per game, while playing minimal minutes.

While Palumbo has been a nonfactor, dearly Cole has stepped in nicely on the inside. The sophomore center was inconsistent at the beginning of the year while recovering from a knee injury, but he has since been more of a factor.

“The game is so physical,” Cole said. “I finally starting to feel like I’m getting there; there’s a long way to go. The confidence is coming back slowly but surely, and I’m grateful for that.”

**SCOREBOARD**

**NHL**

San Jose 6-3, 2 OT @ Colorado 3-4, SO  
Los Angeles 4, Phoenix 3  
Anaheim 5, Dallas 3  
Arizona 4, Nashville 2

**SOCCER**

Chicago at Atlanta, 6 p.m., CSN  
No. 1 Connecticut, 6 p.m., ESPN

**BASKETBALL**

Iowa (13-11, 3-6) at Wisconsin (14-9, 6-6)

Where: Watsco Center  
When: 7:05 p.m.  
TV: BST

**LINE UPS**

Iowa (13-11, 3-6)

F Matt Gatens 6-5 253 Jr.  
F Jared McCutcheon 6-6 224 Fr.  
F Jeff Reardon 6-9 212 So.  
F Bryce McGowens 6-7 190 Fr.  
C Jake Kelly 6-11 260 Sr.  
G Treva Burns 5-7 130 Fr.  
G Korver Keller 6-4 180 Jr.  
G Jordan Thomas 6-2 110 Sr.

Wisconsin (14-9, 6-6)

F Michael Erdely 6-1 230 Fr.  
F Timmy Delany 6-10 256 Jr.  
F Joe Krabbenhoft 6-7 240 So.  
F Tirnado Meri 6-8 210 Fr.  
F Marquis Carter 6-0 190 Jr.  
F Jordan Taylor 6-9 224 Jr.  
G Design Badger 6-4 210 Fr.  
G Jake Anderson 6-4 210 Fr.

**ON THE WEB**

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**Women push for tourney berth**

The Iowa women’s basketball team talks NCAA Tournament.

By MIKE BRANNICK

Women have some left on the regular season schedule, NCAA Tournament talk is simplifying for the Iowa women’s basketball team.

The Hawkeyes are 14-6 overall and sit in sixth place with a 7-5 Big Ten record. Iowa is a half-game behind Indiana in the Big Ten for fifth, which has an 8-5 record. Ohio State leads the conference at 10-2, followed by Michigan State (10-1), Minnesota (9-3), and Purdue (9-4).

Iowa head coach Lisa Bluder and she thinks her team will be tough to beat in its fourth tournament game.

“I think it was picked today, we’ll be in,” Bluder said at her weekly press conference Tuesday. “We’d be ranked, no doubt in the top seven teams.”

Iowa is rated 40th in the latest Associated Press Basketball News RPI rankings, thanks in large part to its strength of schedule, quality nonconference games, and conference games against Iowa State and Indiana, and its ability to avoid what Bluder calls “bad losses” — being defeated by a team not below it in the Big Ten or with a losing record.

“Going into the last part of the year, we’re playing some of the tougher teams that are lower in the division,” Bluder said. “It’s a test to see if we can avoid [any bad losses].”

**Minnesota loss hurts**

The Hawkeyes resumed its conference resume with a win at Minnesota on Feb. 8, but Iowa squandered a late lead and lost, 65-64.

**Tennis’ unsung leaders**

Mere Beeden and Jen Barnes have shown the Hawkeyes’ leadership skills that go beyond tennis.

By ROBBIE LEHMAN

Of the eight women on the Iowa women’s tennis team, only one made the lineup for dual meet. Interestingly, the two players who have not seen the court this spring happen to be the two exceptions.

Senior Merel Beeden and junior Jen Barnes earned team captaincy by backing each other consistently. For the 2008-09 season, both have interesting stories on how they became Hawkeye in the first place.

Beeden is from Großgmain, Germany. What sold her on being a Hawkeye was the teaching staff, even though she had never been to Iowa before.

“I had no clue where I was going,” she said. “But I never came on a visit, and the school was out. My freshman year, I was picked up right at the house. When something takes up your life, you really must want it whenever it’s available.”

**Iowa women’s tennis captains Merel Beeden (left) and Jen Barnes (right) hold their rackets during the Hawkeyes’ practices on Monday at the Hawkeyes’ Tennis & Recreation Complex. Beeden and Barnes are not only tennis players but leaders in the Hawkeye women’s tennis team.**

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**Women’s tennis**

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INDIANAPOLIS — The head of the NCAA Tournaments Department had to balance competing pressures when asked to consider breaking the conference finals into regional chunks.

Chairman Mike Slive said it will help keep teams close to their home markets, but he also added that it would benefit from a closer look.

"We're concerned, as are all conference presidents, that the primary obligation is to provide the nation with a geographic and balanced national championship," Slive said during Tuesday's conference call.

The conference has some schools scrambling to fill budget shortfalls in these economic times.

Last month, the Associated Press reported that Stanford used $5 million in available funds to balance seating at $5, hoping to improve ticket attendance.

Other colleges are concerned about racing travel expenses, but Slive has told teams that they are working with the NCAA's program to determine how many miles each school would travel.

It's a program that Slive has used since 2002, and while teams may not always agree on the decision, they are required to accept the decision. That leaves the conference with its more than 200 annual conferences and programs in place.

One question Slive anticipates being asked between now and selection Sunday, March 15, is how many teams can be chosen from one conference if Congress is in session. There is no law limiting Congress's ability to select the teams in the week's Top 25. It is a huge presence in March.

"It's a good time to note that each team is chosen based on its own merit and being in a particular conference does not help or hurt your chances of making the tournament," he said. "It's the committee's job to pick the best of the best."
Hawks need road victory

BASKETBALL CONTINUED FROM 1B

Lickliter will need Cole and Tate — who played 13 minutes against Northwestern on Feb. 7 in his first action since injuring his ankle — to play well against Northwestern on Feb. 11. The second-year head coach said Tate’s ankle “responded well” to playing against Northwestern.

“I can never go home,” Tate said. “The Minnesota game was a disappointing homecoming for a trio of Hawkeyes. Guard Rachael Saunders (Minneapolis), guard Kamille Wahlin (Crookston), and forward Hannah Drazen (Peguis Falls) all hail from the Land of 10,000 Lakes.

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“The loss to Minnesota puts us in a tough position in the conference tournament, both fulfill their roles as co-captains, lead by example and coaches.”

“I think they look up to Merel because she’s a senior, and she’s been here so long. She’s played a lot of matches, but not as many as she should have because she has struggled a bit with injuries.”

The captains may have different stories, but they are driven by their common love for tennis. Barwise loves the thrill of competition, while Blakely finds herself impatiently waiting for the clock to strike 6 a.m. so that practice can officially start.

Neither one knows for sure what the future will bring, but Barwise speaks for the both of them: “It’s big time, right now it’s definitely an important game, one that we just have to put behind us.”
No. 9 Michigan State beats Michigan

By LARRY LAGE
Associated Press

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Troy Aikman’s pass attempt was knocked away on the final play of the game when he had a chance to win for Texas, and Michigan won for the first time since 1998.

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When Iowa’s offense clicked in the second half, it didn’t get the half and shot just two times, and Iowa’s offense was hitting on all cylinders. Iowa’s offense was hitting on all cylinders.

But it’s not over,” Stearns said.

“I’m not back yet, but I’m getting there,” he said.

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**Horoscopes**

Wednesday, February 5, 2009

**Aries**
Everything is looking up as you feel more confident and assertive. Set your sights high and you can even make an international splash. **Taurus**
It may seem as though everyone is working against you, but as long as you stay moving forward, you will accomplish what you have set out to do. **Cancer**
A love interest can help you feel better after a difficult week. **Leo**
You have a little extra work to do, but don’t let it slow you down. A change of pace will result in better connections with others where you are directed. **Libra**
You cannot do it all by yourself. Someone is working against you, putting on a performance to help. **Scorpio**
You need to make sure you stay on top of things by keeping a clear head and acting quickly. **Sagittarius**
You are just doing your job. With little extra work, you can keep a clear head and get things done. **Capricorn**
You are probably just waiting for someone else to pick up the slack or show you the way. You have to be in the lead if you want to be successful. **Aquarius**
You probably have a lot on your plate at the moment. You should probably get more help to make it all work out. **Pisces**
You will get the most for your money if you and your friends are not demanding too much. **Taurus**
You should probably get more help to keep your money. **Gemini**
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**Web Basics, Driftless: Photos from Iowa**

**The Treasury secretary sketched out the administration’s financial-bailout plan.**

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**UITE schedule**

Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

- 12:00 p.m.: News from Québec (in French)
- 12:45 p.m.: "Prairie Lights" Archives, Max Allan Collins
- 1:00 p.m.: "The Exchange," 19
- 2:00 p.m.: "Mary Blair" Encore, John Richards
- 3:00 p.m.: Creative Careers Panel, discussion of creative career opportunities (February 2008) 3:45 p.m.: Student life and activities information (February 2008)
- 4:15 p.m.: "The Exchange," 19
- 4:45 p.m.: Canvas event, discussion of canvas opportunities (February 2008)
- 6:30 p.m.: "Blogs: Photos from Iowa, by Danny Wilson Fraser"
- 7:30 p.m.: Student life and activities information (February 2008)
- 8:00 p.m.: "Regional Report," 20
- 10:00 p.m.: "Local Retrospective," 20
- 11:00 p.m.: "Late Night," 20

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4:00 p.m., 2001 University Center Cultural Program, 2 p.m., Mill, 120 E. B Elington

- Animation Shorts, 7 p.m., Biyo
- "Halo Evolution," by Allen Collins, R.G. Wilson, 7:00 p.m., IMU Mainstage
- "The Six Million" University Theatre Mainstage Production, 8 p.m., Theater Building Theater Studio

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