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Mixed bag at Convocation

The Sunday event ended with a mad dash to claim an iTouch.

By **CHRIS CURTLAND**
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Four thousand young Hawkings crammed the Pentacrest lawn on Sunday for a welcoming Convocation to prepare themselves for becoming full-fledged Hawkeyes when fall classes start today.

UI President Sally Mason, donning her black robe of academia, invoked the autumn shade of red — a color of fervor — in her speech. She encouraged the class of 2013 to discover their passions during their first semester at the university.

But most in the sweaty, subdued crowd seemed more passionate about the

water stations scattered across the lawn than the pump-up speeches.

UI freshman Jeffrey Miller, a 19-year-old with an open major, said he was less than enthused about the speakers.

"The speeches got corny; I got sunburnt," the fair-skinned redhead said, pointing to his pink forearm. "There definitely wasn't enough water."

Aside from refreshments, the water-station line provided many with the chance to socialize. But not everyone was pleased with the chatty gatherings.

"Shush," a resident assistant who refused to

be named chided a group of giggling sorority sisters. "Some of us are trying to listen to the speech."

One speaker, Casey Koschmeyer — a UI senior in elementary education — recited the IOWA Challenge to "excel, stretch, engage, choose, and serve," encouraging the agitated crowd to repeat each point after him.

By the third tier of the Challenge mantra, the crowd's callbacks had faded into lifeless droning.

Sensing unrest, Mason urged the crowd to make its way to the intersection of Clinton and Church Streets for a block party at the President's Residence.

ON THE WEB

See *DI* reporter Chris Curtland's video feature on the convocation at dailyiowan.com.

But before dismissing them, Mason coaxed the crowd to its feet and turn around to face the Hawkeye Marching Band, which played for an emptying lawn left littered with plastic water cups.

The thousands marched to the party scene, enjoying free burgers, Blue Bunny ice cream, and Coca-Cola products. DJ Zato got the fest bumping with a rendition of the "Cupid Shuffle."

Within minutes, having obeyed Mason's request that "lots of people dance," the entire Church Street

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City on alert

Police enforcement levels will remain high to curb alcohol-related violence downtown and surrounding areas.

By **DANNY VALENTINE**
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Students returning to the Iowa City drinking scene this weekend met an increased force of Iowa City and UI police patrolling downtown bars and the surrounding residential areas.

Bar- and house-party attendees can expect more of the same well into the school year, said Iowa City police Lt. Doug Hart.

"The message is: If you choose to participate in illegal or unlawful actions, chances are you are going to get caught," he said.

Iowa City police charged 15 people with public intoxication, 14 people with PAULA, and another eight with using fake IDs between Aug. 20 and Sunday. Five were charged keeping a disorderly house, and there was one public urination.

This first weekend before classes is typically busy, but Hart couldn't say if the number of arrests sur-

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UI classes with a lot of class

First-year seminars taught by professors and administrators give new students a unique learning experience.

By **LAUREN MILLS**
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As freshmen wander the campus toting maps and schedules, there is a chance they are headed to one of roughly 100 seminars offered to first-year students.

"I thought they would be interesting ways to get credit hours," said UI freshman Asher Stuhlman, who is taking three seminars this year.

He said he is looking forward to Video Games as Learning Tools, musing that the field seems underappreciated.

In 2004 the UI offered only 13 seminars. But, because class sizes are restricted to approximately 15 people, many closed before students had a chance to sign up.

"I really wanted to take Hairitage," said UI freshman Zamira Fraire, bemoaning the closing of a seminar discussing the importance of hair to the

African American experience.

Fraire leaned against the wall of a Daum hallway on Sunday, her curly hair held back with a bright yellow scarf, ready to head to the UI block party at the President's Residence.

"My hair is a part of my identity, and I was excited to talk about it, but the class was full," she said. "I am disappointed that [the seminars] are only for one year."

UI Provost Wallace Loh wanted to increase the number of seminars this year, said Don Guckert, the UI associate vice president for Facilities Management. When Loh sent out a call for faculty and administrators to volunteer to teach a seminar, Guckert responded and decided to do so this fall.

His class, Lessons from the Flood of 2008, features firsthand accounts of UI administration, state offi-

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'Fan Cans' draw frowns

Black and gold Bud Light cans stock the shelves of liquor stores — promoting team spirit.

By **NICOLE KARLIS**
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As football season quickly approaches, UI students have another black and gold accessory with which to show their Hawkeye spirit: a can of Bud Light.

Anhesuer-Busch's "Fan Cans" hit Iowa City liquor stores this month and were quickly swept off the shelves. However, officials at the UI and other universities nationwide — including Iowa State — have balked at the association with the new promotion.

The black and gold pop tops have been a hit at local stores such as the Liquor House, 425 S. Gilbert St., said employee Wade Mitchell, a UI senior.

Mitchell said he's seen UI boozers approach the new cans with curiosity at first. Then they haul away cases full of them.



CHARLIE ANDERSON/THE DAILY IOWAN

Stacks of Bud Light sit at Liquor Downtown on Sunday. While the recognizable colors of the promotional can focus on Iowa fans, Anhesuer-Busch has released 27 different color combinations to celebrate college teams around the country.

"Everybody likes them," he said.

Everyone but UI officials, who fear the promotion might be cheering on underage drinking rather

than school spirit.

"We are not aware of any solid research that would indicate such mar-

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A note from the editor



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Dear readers,
The headlines plastering newspapers in recent days bode poorly for our business. The combination of a stinging recession and a rapidly changing industry have hit news providers with a bruising one-two punch.

Still, *The Daily Iowan* continues to provide in-depth, independent coverage of the University of Iowa and Iowa City community.

And this year, our 141st, our staff of more than 100 student-journalists is eager to embrace a number of opportunities to provide you, our reader, with the kind of material that has won us national recognition as one of the top college newspapers.

We remember our role as the public's personal check on government and look forward to learning — in our own media-organization

laboratory — just how to keep fighting for the future of journalism.

Here's what you can look forward to this year in the *DI*:

Spotlight Iowa City

Our coverage always begins at the heart of the community where the most unique and telling stories originate: the people.

We believe each student, faculty member, and person has a story and a voice worthy of newsprint. We've done our best to find the most compelling. So every day this year in the *DI* on page 7A, you can find a new feature: "Spotlight Iowa City."

We will profile ordinary people with extraordinary talents, interests, and accomplishments, and showcase one a week on Thursday night's Daily Iowan TV.

More arts

Our community is brimming with culture. We've added an extra Arts & Culture page to help keep track of musicians, authors, and local culinary wonders.

Intramurals

We love the Hawkeyes, but we've realized there is often just as much passion and perspiration pouring from the flag-football fields.

Beginning Tuesday, we will provide full coverage of Recreation Services' intramural sports, including game recaps, feature stories, and scouting reports on page 2 of Sports every day.

Prep sports

The *DI* will also team up with local high schools to provide a full page of high-school sports content in every Monday paper.

High-school reporters will serve as stringers for the *DI*, providing football game features, recaps, stats, and highlights from other sports, contributing briefs throughout the week.

With the information and photographs coached and edited by *DI* staffers, we hope to welcome new readers as we foster another place in the community for teaching future journalists.

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UI eyes saving utility funds

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UI officials are working to create a greener campus using a portion of its \$35.5 million in federal stimulus funding for fiscal 2010.

The environmentally friendly agenda, known as the Energy Hawks initiative, received roughly \$3 million in funding. It aims to reduce energy consumption at the UI.

Liz Christiansen, the director of the Office of Sustainability, said she thinks the initiative is a positive step.

"The Energy Hawks initiative will be a focused and aggressive effort to seek and act out on those energy saving methods that can be done quickly, while also identifying those measures that require further planning and coordination," she said.

The money will fund projects for both immedi-

ate and long-term improvements, said Don Guckert, the UI associate vice president for UI Facilities Management.

A team of experts from different fields will speed the changes for low-cost plans, he said. For example, inspecting heating and cooling equipment yearly and monitoring the systems constantly.

The group consists of an energy engineer, two building controls technicians, two maintenance personnel and one operations engineer.

Other energy conservation projects could also potentially work in the long run through the program, Guckert said.

The Energy Hawks initiative consists of several parts, like increasing energy savings — officials expect to shave off \$1 million in utilities each year.

They will do so by creating a new Energy Control

Center in University Services Building. The center will be a central location for monitoring energy use throughout campus, Guckert said.

Officials have purchased technology for the center, which will continue to be usable within roughly a month.

"We would be able to monitor eventually the entire energy usage across campus," he said.

The center will control the heating and cooling systems of rooms across campus, meaning if a classroom is empty, staff can cut back the air conditioning or heating of those rooms from one location. Conversely, faculty members can call the center to adjust the heating and cooling systems.

The center can also evaluate a building's overall energy performance. If part of a building is too cold and another is overheated, officials could

see the building's energy systems are not functioning properly.

"The best analogy is an automobile whose engine is out of tune," Guckert said.

Officials also plan to expand facilities for researching water-quality improvements as a part of the Energy Hawks initiative. The College of Engineering, which maintains research labs dealing with water quality, will see renovations and additions for students and staff who research in this field.

The third part of the plan is to save money by having one large virtual server replace the 30 smaller servers currently working at the UI.

This will result in a 90 percent reduction in power and cooling consumption, said Lynnette Racevskis, a business and financial analyst with UI Information Technology Services.

BLOTTER

Barry Baguss, 21, 707 Bayridge Drive, was charged Aug. 22 with public intoxication.

Bradley Bennett, 21, 313 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2014, was charged Aug. 21 with second-offense public intoxication.

Nicholas Birtcher, 29, 2554 S. Riverside Dr. Apt. 57, was charged Aug. 20 with fifth-degree theft.

David Burlingame, 45, Coralville, was charged Aug. 21 with driving with a revoked license.

Daniel Calhoun, 21, 418 S. Van Buren St. Apt. 8, was charged Aug. 22 with public intoxication.

Kyle Allen Chandler, 19, Aledo, Ill., was charged Aug. 22 with PAULA.

Jeffrey Clancy, 19, Dubuque, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and assault causing injury.

Daniel Conn, 18, Johnston, Iowa, was charged Aug. 21 with PAULA, public intoxication, interference, and using a fake ID.

Matthew Condon, 20, 426 S. Johnson St. Apt. C, was charged Sunday with using a fake ID.

Ricardo Diaz, 19, 301 Melrose Court, was charged Aug. 22 with keeping a disorderly house.

Alexander Dorman, 19, 612 1/2 E. Court St., was charged Aug. 21 with possession of a canceled, suspended, altered driver's license or ID.

Ryan Fike, 20, 217 Myrtle Ave., was charged Aug. 22 with interference and public intoxication.

Tyler Finch, 19, Rock Island, was charged Aug. 22 with possession of an open container.

Daniel Freese, 20, was charged Aug. 22 with keeping a disorderly house.

Kellie Gettings, 19, 427 Dubuque St., was charged Aug. 22 with using a fake ID.

Patrick Gray, 20, Evergreen Park, Ill., was charged Aug. 21 with PAULA.

Ashlynn Greene, 19, 1035 E. College St., was charged Aug. 21 with PAULA.

Joshua Hadley, 26, 313 Taft Ave., was charged Aug. 21 with driving with a suspended license.

Kyle Helmholtz, 22, North Liberty, was charged Aug. 22 with public intoxication.

Jamie Hendrickson, 18, 101 Hawkridge Drive, was charged Aug. 21 with PAULA and presence in a bar after hours.

Rito Hernandez, 48, 2018 Waterfront Drive Lot 1, was charged Aug. 22 with domestic assault causing serious injury and obstruction of emergency communication.

Marcia Hewitt, 56, West Branch, was charged Aug. 21 with driving with a suspended license.

Cody Hillery, 19, Dubuque, was charged Sunday with public intoxication, possession of marijuana, and simple assault.

Ryan Hood, 19, 711 E. Church St., was charged Aug. 20 with PAULA.

Corey Humphreys, 25, 926 Harlocke, was charged Aug. 20 with OWI.

Nathaniel Henderson, 29, North Liberty, was charged with third-offense OWI.

Matthew Hayes, 19, 201 E. Burlington Apt. 1531, was charged Aug. 21 with public intoxication.

Martarius Junious, 18, 2437 Petzel Place Apt. 4, was charged on with fourth-degree theft.

Shango Johnson, 19, address unknown, was charged Aug. 7 with criminal trespass.

Emily Kardell, 20, 400 S. Dubuque St., was charged with using a fake ID.

Aaron Kile, 19, 230 E. Fairchild St., was charged Aug. 22 with PAULA.

John Lato, 20, 48 W. Court St. Apt. 305, was charged Sunday with PAULA, using a fake ID, and

public intoxication.

Demetrius Lee, 22, no address, was charged Aug. 20 with assault with a dangerous weapon.

Andrew Lettow, 27, 121 N. Van Buren St. Apt. 41, was charged Aug. 20 with public intoxication.

William Lewis, 19, 711 Church St., was charged Aug. 20 with PAULA.

Wesley Lewis, 22, 2564 Sylvan Glen, was charged Sunday with public urination.

Jordan Beth Lohf, 19, Davenport, was charged Aug. 22 with unlawful use of a fake ID.

Chelsea Lorack Wildman, 25, Riverside, Iowa, was charged Aug. 21 with OWI.

Brian McAndrew, 20, Peosta, Ill., was charged Aug. 21 with public intoxication.

Dillon McCusker, 19, 332 S. Governor St., was charged Sunday with OWI.

Michael McGlauchlin, 19, Lake Zurich, Ill. was charged Aug. 21 with public intoxication.

Brendan McGuire, 23, Cascade, Iowa, was charged Aug. 22 with OWI.

James Mims, 32, 1429 Pine St., was charged Aug. 21 with driving with a suspended license.

Adunni Nobi, 28, 445 Upland Ave., was charged Aug. 21 with fifth-degree theft.

David Oolman, 20, 615 Woodside, was charged Aug. 22 with criminal trespassing and fourth-degree criminal mischief.

Jonathon Orbeck, 20, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Jessica Orseno, 20, 222 N. Dubuque St., was charged Aug. 20 with PAULA.

Raphael Robertson, 27, 705 Gblin, was charged Aug. 21 with fifth-degree theft.

Shea Roche, 21, 714 Iowa Ave., was charged Sunday with keeping

a disorderly house.

Michael Schwebach, 19, Marshalltown, Iowa, was charged Sunday with using a fake ID.

Adam Schmidt, 20, Grinnell, was charged Aug. 21 with unlawful use of authentic DL/ID of another.

Taryn Sizemore, 23, Tipton, was charged Aug. 21 with second-offense OWI.

Chase Smith, 21, Ottumwa, was charged Aug. 21 with public intoxication and third-degree theft.

Keith Smith, 28, 1100 Arthur St. J8, was charged Aug. 22 with possession of an open container, driving with a revoked license, and second-offense OWI.

Sarah Stanley, 20, 413 N. Dubuque St. Apt. 3, was charged Aug. 20 with PAULA.

Katherine Stecher, 20, Woodbury, Minn., was charged Aug. 20 with PAULA.

Zachary Stocker, 22, 1026 Kirkwood Court, was charged May 1 with forgery.

Stephen Sullivan, 19, 3215 Burge, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and interference.

Tyler Tjelmeloand, 20, 609 S. Dodge St., was charged Aug. 22 with keeping a disorderly house.

Hannah Tyrrell, 19, 806 E. College St. Apt. 23, was charged Aug. 22 with unlawful use of a fake ID.

Timothy Vanmersbergen, 34, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. 6, was charged Aug. 10 with domestic assault.

Darcy Wagner, 19, Muscatine, was charged Aug. 21 with PAULA.

Joseph Wertz, 24, 20 Valley Ave., was charged Aug. 22 with keeping a disorderly house.

Joel Wilkens, 19, 366 S. Clinton St. Apt. 2627, was charged Aug. 21 with PAULA.

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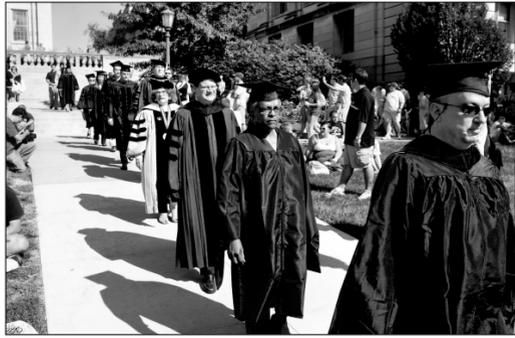
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block was popping with choreographed insanity.

Not all in attendance were dancers though — and not all were freshmen. UI sophomore Tom Kray, a 19-year-old who recently transferred from University of Miami in Ohio, was there simply to “meet new people.” He seemed weary of the grooving.

“We’ll see how it plays out first,” Kray said. “I definitely won’t be out there in the first hundred people that are dancing.”

The event wrapped up with raffle prizes for a lucky few in attendance. Among the prizes were an iPod, a



MEGHAN STEPHENSON/THE DAILY IOWAN
UI faculty march down the Pentacrest sidewalks during a convocation on Sunday. Speakers, including President Sally Mason, addressed the crowd with words of wisdom for the class of 2013.

bicycle, and tickets to Hawkeye sporting events. When no one came up to redeem the iPod after the first five tickets were drawn, DJ Zato started his own “lightning round.”

“All right, guys, I’m kind of impatient,” he mused. “Now, you only have 15 seconds to come running and screaming up here or I’m moving to the next ticket.”

Hawk fans snap up cans

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keting strategies play a role in the decision regarding alcohol consumption,” said UI spokesman Tom Moore. “However, it is a matter that we are obviously concerned about, and we will continue to monitor the situation.”

Anheuser-Busch did not consult with the UI, and the UI has no involvement with the promotion, Moore added. Nationwide, other schools were also not consulted and officials similarly distanced themselves from the campaign.

Some have reportedly asked to stop the sales at liquor stores on their campuses.

These universities have expressed legality concerns like trademark violations. The UI is currently “unclear on that matter,” Moore said. At the same time, officials have not discussed asking Anheuser-Busch to cease the promotion and are unsure if schools have the power to.

“The UI has no control over vendors and where they choose to sell,” Moore said.

“Fan Cans” are available in 26 “fan-tastic” color combinations, according to the website. College students are also

encouraged to vote for their favorite online.

But the party ends eventually; the “fan cans” are a limited-edition collection. The Liquor House can place its final order in October, Mitchell said, adding he did not know how many cases have already been sold or will be ordered.

For UI students, “Fan Cans” have really made an impression.

“[It’s] a great addition to the living room floor,” said UI sophomore Ryan Grego.

Patrols stepped up

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passed those in past years. But, generally, a heightened police presence means more arrests, he said.

Both police forces will have an increased presence in these areas for the next several months to curb alcohol-related violence, Hart said. The goal is to target people exhibiting poor “decision-making abilities” and stopping them before the behavior becomes violent.

The UI police will help out largely in the downtown area from 10 or 11 p.m. until 2 a.m., Hart said. The UI force started assisting Iowa City police in 2008, he said, and the two groups have a strong working relationship.

“[Officers] are doing everything they can to keep students and families safe downtown,” said UI President Sally Mason.

UI police pick up extra shifts, she said, particularly on weekends when students tend to party the hardest.

Extra officers will be working overtime, though Hart didn’t know how many hours. He also said it was department policy not to disclose how many officers are working at a given time.

This year seems to have seen an even more dramatic rise in the number of officers downtown, Hart said. He said he saw more patrolling on Aug. 22 than he had seen in a long time.

“I think you can expect more of that,” Hart said.

Stopping house parties is also a priority. Iowa City police will now use police units specifically designed to break up parties in residential areas.

“I can tell you this year officers are going to be more apt to issue citations so we can prevent long-term problems, Hart said.

Whether an officer opts to issue a citation is largely based on the officer’s discretion, he said.

Aside from cracking down on alcohol-related crimes, police have also stepped up enforcement on jaywalking as well as biking and skateboarding in restricted areas downtown.

Paul Gray, a UI sophomore, said he feels safe downtown, but worried for some of his friends this weekend while attending a swing dancing event downtown Saturday evening.

“I sort of felt like I had to be with some of my friends who I didn’t trust to be alone,” he said.

Gray said he thinks police might be focusing too much on drinking issues, but he wants to be safe.

“If that means cracking down on underage drinkers, then so be it,” Gray said.

DI reporter Kevin Hoffman contributed to this article.

Frosh seminars popular

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space — to superheroes. UI freshman Jake Chappelle is signed up for Fictions of Environmental Disasters, in which students study films and texts dealing with environmental disasters.

“It is very rewarding to teach a class like this and share what I have experienced,” Guckert said. “It is an opportunity for the administration to connect with students.”

Some seminars’ names require a glance at their descriptions to understand, covering unconventional subjects from outer space economics — which examines the burgeoning market for tourism in outer

space — to superheroes.

UI freshman Jake Chappelle is signed up for Fictions of Environmental Disasters, in which students study films and texts dealing with environmental disasters.

“I like that sort of scenario — the end of the world, the apocalypse,” Chappelle said.

Returning students who took the seminars their freshman year remarked on their unique teaching approach, especially compared to other lectures and general education courses.

“You learned differently,” said UI sophomore Megan

Bradley, who took two seminars her freshman year. “[The class] was more interactive, more about the students.”

Lounging in the air-conditioned lobby of Burge, she and friend Angie Campos, a UI sophomore, spent part of their night before classes snacking on treats from the cafeteria’s late night menu.

“I think everyone should take one,” Campos said, munching on a hot dog. “It is a good way to meet people and you really get to know the professor, without going to the office hours. I wish I could have taken more.”

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Editorial

New program offers positive opportunities, symbolism

As UI officials continue in their attempts to combat underage drinking, one recent move might add a fun and easy way to do just that. This fall, the university has paired with the Coralville Transit System to allow students to ride free to the Coral Ridge Mall on Thursday and Friday nights.

The new option isn't earth-shattering in its complexity, but the UI should be applauded for its effort to halt the problems associated with binge drinking. Beyond the important social concerns, this new development provides students with a great opportunity to have a safe, fun night, while reinforcing the notion that there are ways to have fun without downing Jäger bombs and Keystone Lights.

At Sunday's convocation, *The Daily Iowan* spoke with a few incoming freshmen about the new program. After initial surprise, those the *DI* spoke to were interested in using the service.

"I will probably use it now that I know about it," Reid Overton said.

The opportunity to use the service for entertainment is what appeals to Scott Thayer.

"I will use it to see movies all the time now," he said.

Nathan Shaughnessy said he was skeptical about the program's efficacy in stymieing alcohol overconsumption, but he still backed the new idea.

"It seems like a sweet option," he said. "It's not like I want to walk to the mall."

While the move is substantive in its effort to curb drinking, its significance is also symbolic: In implementing such an option, UI officials can claim with greater ease that their anti-binge-drinking rhetoric isn't empty. In addition, it promotes safety and smarter decision making among newly minted

freshmen. Drinking on college campuses should not come as a shock to anyone who has experienced or understands the cultural and social pressures college students face. Those entering freshman year are at significant risk because of the unhealthy habits that can be formed and perpetuated for years to come. Consequently, reaching college students early with opportunities can potentially make a dent in distressing statistics such as this: Young adults between the ages of 18 to 24 are more likely than any other age group to have problems with heavy or high-risk drinking, according to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

The UI Student Government and the Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students should also be commended for supporting the nascent program, regardless of its simplicity. If any amount of progress on this systemic issue is to be had, students must be on the forefront of like-minded plans in the future. The officials in charge of the Coralville Transit System should also be thanked for their cooperation with the university. When community leaders in any position of power choose to become active in socially imperative matters, the example they set in their involvement is beneficial to the city and university at large.

The problems we face regarding underage and binge drinking will take time and resources to solve. Nevertheless, it's somewhat comforting to know community members and university officials are thinking of solutions that — however small in fashion — will move dialogue forward and increase entertainment opportunities for students.

Your turn. Will you take advantage of the free bus rides to Coral Ridge Mall on Thursday and Friday nights? Weigh in on dailyiowan.com.

Myth buster

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Irrational rage and political fearmongering have drowned out the voices of truth and reason in America's health-care debate. What was once a civilized discussion now resembles downtown Iowa City after the bars close. Falsehoods and propaganda from both sides of the argument are to blame. Talk of death panels and killing grandma can raise anyone's blood pressure; political pointing fingers prevents both sides from engaging in real discussion. Real discussion — and, hopefully, a resolution to these shenanigans — won't happen until people begin weighing the facts, rather than the myths. Here are four myths debunked:

Obama and his cabal of America-hating, Europhilic liberals will replace America's free-market health-care system with a European-style, socialized one.

This is the crux of many a conservative argument, but is it true? Britain's National Health Service has become the model of socialized medicine and a supposedly nefarious case study for American conservatives skeptical of a government-run plan. Part of England's Ministry of Health, the service funds and manages health-care facilities and approves and denies medical procedures. Government spending pays for all procedures, and no patient pays up front.

All health-care bills currently up for debate have a better chance of making David Beckham starting quarterback for the Cowboys than they do of adopting a British-style system. Instead, the government would create what each bill calls a "gateway," an office or bureau that would sell a variety of insurance policies, and potentially offer a "public option" plan for individuals and families.

Republicans playing partisan politics are blocking health-care reform.

Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, lent some legitimacy to that claim by saying he'd vote against any plan

that didn't have approval from at least two to three Republicans. The reality is that Republicans don't have enough power in any branch of government to block anything Democrats want to do. The Democrats do face opposition, however, from members of their own party. Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., is leading a group of centrist Democrats called the Blue Dogs in opposition to the plan's immense cost.

The government will provide free health care for lower- and middle-class Americans by taxing the rich.

President Obama repeatedly said he wouldn't raise taxes on lower- and middle-class individuals during the campaign and after he assumed the presidency. He's also said he wants a health-care reform bill that doesn't contribute to the deficit. These are nice sentiments, so it's too bad he'll have to sacrifice one for the other. The bill a House committee passed just before the summer recess would place a surcharge on all non-public-option policies the gateway would offer. An alternative proposal the Senate Finance Committee wrote would tax any income more than \$1 million at approximately 5 percent. The Senate option is more popular, but, unfortunately, unsustainable. That bill — which Baucus has openly criticized — would contribute more than \$500 billion to the deficit, according to the nonpartisan research site Factcheck.org. If Obama wants reform to be budget neutral, he may have to go back on his word about taxes.

The dreaded death panels will kill granny.

The death-panel idea comes from, among others, former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin and her interpretation of a section in the House bill offering consultant advice for long-term care. Palin argued the consultants would be more motivated to cut costs than give an elderly person proper advice because the section is part of a cost-cutting measure. There's nothing explicitly in the section saying such a thing, and it's now officially a myth: Senate leaders have said they will remove that option from any bill. ■

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School coverage welcome

It was good reading something unique about the Iowa School for the Deaf ("Iowa School for Deaf opens up its arms," Aug. 21). I attended the school for 10 years until graduating in 1975, when there was no mainstream program in Decorah. I'm proudly in my 30th year teaching. Living in the dorms at the school prepared me for college dorms at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C., and McDaniel College in Westminster, Md., as well as for our current students to attend colleges across our country. Thank you for the article.

Wendy Rustad
Council Bluffs

Liberty in jeopardy

These are perilous times to believe in liberty. Because I

oppose Obama's expansion of government (government-run health care), people assume I was for Bush's expansion of government (wars, domestic spying, suspending habeas corpus for detainees, monitoring domestic travel, etc.).

Such is the world through the lens of left-versus-right glasses. I've been lumped together with neo-cons, called a Republican agent, and faced such comments as, "Think of [alternative-energy subsidies] this way: It's a new weapon to use against the Middle East. It's weapons research. That should satisfy your tiny repubtard mind."

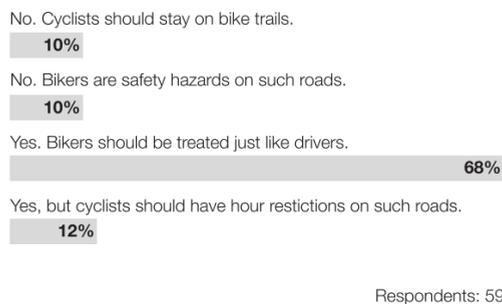
I'll note that I voted for neither McCain nor Obama — neither for the old white guy who believes in bank bailouts and expanding foreign, undeclared wars, nor for the young black guy who believes in bank bailouts and expanding foreign, undeclared wars.



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Should bikers be allowed on farm-to-market roads?



In both cases, dissenters were/are portrayed as fringe, radical, unreasonable, and irrelevant. In both cases, the conflict is crammed into a paradigm of left versus right, and, in both

cases, it's an uphill battle for those of us who oppose an expansion of government.

Roman Skaskiw
Iowa City

Guest opinion

Wrong messages have plagued Obama's health reform

By RUBEN NAVARRETTE JR.

In order to diagnose what ails President Obama's push for health-care reform, we need less heated rhetoric and more *Cool Hand Luke*.

In a memorable line from the 1967 film, a prison warden surmises: "What we've got here is ... failure to communicate."

You can have the most popular cause, the best intentions, and the strongest ideas. But if you can't share with the rest of us exactly what you want to do and don't want to do, your agenda will wind up in intensive care.

In the latest sign of trouble, Democratic

leaders in Congress are now working on a legislative strategy to get the most controversial parts of health-care reform through both the House and Senate without Republican votes.

Brilliant. You know who'd really love that idea? Republicans. They see Obama-care as toxic with voters, and they don't want their fingerprints on it. Republicans would like nothing better than to have Democrats go it alone.

But who cares what Republicans want? The Obama-adoring media is all-too-eager to blame the current stalemate on Republican opposition.

Whatever. The GOP's paltry share of congressional seats makes it irrelevant to this debate and, probably, to most others.

Obama's problem is his own party. The president is learning that herding donkeys is like herding cats and that the extremes — on the far right and far left — can't be reasoned with. If he tries to please the conservative Blue Dogs, he loses the liberal Yellow Dogs. And vice versa.

All the more reason that the Obama administration has to speak clearly and with one voice. It's both sad and ironic that an administration that in its first 100 days had a

tight grip on the script and kept everyone on message can't seem to keep its health-care reform narrative straight from day to day.

Worse, the administration is afflicted with a near-debilitating case of the flip-flops. In an attempt to placate the blue dogs, who are increasingly squeamish about supporting anything that could undermine private insurance, Obama said Aug. 15 that the "public option, whether we have it or we don't have it, is not the entirety of health-care reform." The next day, in a television interview, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen

Sebelius said a public option is "not an essential element" of overhauling the health-care system.

Those comments, which were interpreted by most pundits and political observers as the administration backing away from support for a public option, sent the far left into cardiac arrest. So they turned up the heat. The head of a powerful labor union even put Democrats on notice that it would be, in future elections, open season on anyone who supported a health-care reform plan that doesn't include a public option. Was that a threat? To quote you-know-who: "You betcha."

So the administration flipped again. Earlier this week, Sebelius insisted that she didn't really say what she said and that "we continue to support the public option." White House press secretary Robert Gibbs also tried to triage the situation by saying that Obama and Sebelius still think a public option is the way to keep costs in check but that they are open to other ideas. Glad they cleared that up.

Does anyone have something for a headache?

Ruben Navarrette Jr. is a nationally syndicated columnist. A version of this commentary originally appeared on CNN.com, Aug. 21.

Late deal at Target



DAVID SCRIVNER/THE DAILY IOWAN

UI volunteers hold goody bags for freshmen inside the Coralville Target on Aug. 22 during the Target After Hours Shopping Event. Complimentary drinks and snacks were also distributed to freshmen in the store.

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Nearing midnight on Aug. 22 — after Target had closed its doors to the public — a long, winding line extended from the cash registers as UI students waited to buy merchandise.

As part of Welcome Week activities geared toward UI freshmen, Target opened exclusively for students from 10:30 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. to give new students an opportunity to buy essential goods for their new homes.

“Obviously, this is profitable for Target,” said store manager Kurt Griebel. “But we also have a great relationship with [the UI], so we wanted to get kids out of their dorm rooms in a positive way.”

Buses sporting the red-and-white Target logo picked up students in front of the IMU and several residence halls, shuttling them to and from the Coral Ridge Mall.

The extra two shopping hours brought in 14 percent of the store’s sales that day, Griebel said.

Students picked up items ranging from school supplies to furniture on the shopping trip. Many bounced and danced around the store as the sound system blared pop music louder than normal business hour tunes.

UI freshman Mary Grier said she was disappointed when the store ran out of what she came looking to buy.

“I wanted a futon, but they’re sold out of the one I want,” Grier said.

Though the shopping spree was targeted for freshmen, plenty of upperclassmen made the voyage, too.

“I wanted to be part of Welcome Week,” UI junior Renata Cernetchi said, as she shopped for food and light bulbs. “I’m glad I came out; the music and stuff is pretty cool.”

The store’s busiest sections were Back to School and Housewares, said store employee Eric Hensel. But even Hensel, who was working in electronics, was busy helping students.

“It’s kind of like how it gets on a Christmas day,” Hensel said. “But it’s not completely out of hand.”

Event organizers used prizes as motivation to get students to come out late to shop rather than go downtown to the bars. If attendees texted “shopping30” to Target’s phone number, they had a chance to win merchandise including a Toshiba laptop, an Xbox 360, and various board games.

Nationwide, 35 Target stores participated in the first-time back-to-school event. The only other Iowa

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Watch UI freshmen storm the local Target on Daily Iowan TV and dailyiowan.com.

store to open late for students was the Ames location, near the Iowa State University campus.

First-year UI student Brienne Arnold was walking around the store, which does not sell pets, with a couple of plastic bags containing goldfish.

Arnold said she caught the Target-bound bus outside the IMU shortly after hanging out at the Black and Gold Carnival in Hubbard Park, another Welcome Week activity. She had won the fish in a ball toss game and was planning to buy them a bowl.

“We can’t have pets in the dorms except for fish, so we’re going to keep them,” Arnold said.

As she was trying to catch a bus home, a distraught UI sophomore pushed a cart full of board games she had won toward the parking lot, unsure how she would get all of her merchandise home. Finally, some store employees volunteered to help her.

“I don’t know what they’re going to do,” Taylor Chicchelly said. “I think they’re just going to load it all on a seat, and I’m going to have to sit on it.”

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5 more charged in shooting

Five more juveniles, ranging from 12 to 16, were charged Aug. 20 in connection to an Aug. 5 shooting in southeastern Iowa City’s, according to Iowa City police.

Iowa City residents Robert Armstrong, 12, Don Williams, 16, Osean Horton, 14, and Lamar Wilson, 15, were charged with rioting and criminal gang participation, a Class D felony. Mack Hartison, 15, of Iowa City was charged with rioting, which is an aggravated misdemeanor.

Horton and Wilson were also arrested in relation to a July 25 robbery of a Domino’s pizza delivery man.

These recent charges brings

the total number charged in the 11:12 p.m. incident at Lakeside Drive and Regal Lane to eight. Police believe between four and five shots were fired.

Iowa City residents Daveon Curry, 16, and Devontae King, 13 were charged on Aug. 19 with rioting. Damien Gilchrist, 15, Iowa City, were charged with rioting and criminal gang participation.

Officers received around 15 emergency calls and when they arrived met a group of about 25 to 30 teenage males and females. Several people said that one person was shot, police said, but officers were not able to locate that individual.

Police charged two people on Aug. 19 with rioting and another with rioting and criminal gang

participation. Their ages were 16, 13, and 15.

— by Danny Valentine

Diversity the focus

Several local minority groups are holding events throughout the week.

The Center for Diversity and Enrichment will hold Community of Color from 3 to 6 p.m. on Aug. 27 at Old Brick, 26 E. Market St. The event is meant to introduce UI community members to the center’s resources and provide a social setting for minorities on campus.

For example, Asian American Coalition members will provide information about its mission and plans at the UI’s Student Organization Fair.

— by Emily Busse



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Where old clunkers go to die

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An old, gold mini-van sits at Ace Auto Recyclers in Iowa City, its various missing pieces having been harvested and sold as replacement parts.

This van is not alone. It's a "clunker," or an outdated vehicle traded in through the government-sponsored Cash for Clunkers program, like those sitting next to it in a special row at the large salvage yard.

But for these clunkers, the program is a death sentence.

"That's a pretty good word for it," said Joel McCaw, manager of Ace Auto Recyclers, 2752 S. Riverside Dr.

Officially called the Car Allowance Rebate System, the billion-dollar program is intended to swap in more fuel-efficient cars.

The old vehicles' hearts — their engines — must first be disabled by the dealer. The procedure begins by draining the oil, pouring in a federally issued water-sand compound, and then running the motor until it dies.

The lifeless vehicles, their engines immobilized, are then sold to salvage yards, where they're picked over for parts.

"They have control of the cars after that," said Derrius Loveless, senior sales associate at Toyota Scion of Iowa City, 1445 Highway 1 W. A dealership that traded



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An SUV waits to be recycled on the lot at Ace Auto Recycling on Thursday. The vehicle had recorded 74,000 miles before being traded in through the Cash for Clunkers program; it will now be used for parts.

dozens of cars under the program since its start.

Many dealerships have arranged agreements with salvage yards, which then become responsible for deciding whether to sell the doomed vehicle parts or simply crush them, said McCaw, who expects to receive over 100 automobiles from the program.

After the cars are mangled and condensed by heavy machinery, they are sent to another system which shreds them and separates the metal from the other materials.

Exiting the shredder, the gas-guzzling clunkers bear little resemblance to the brand-new beauties they were years ago — instead, they emerge as shredded metal and upholstery. The remnants are melted down and recycled at a steel mill, McCaw said.

While cars harvested for parts can escape the crusher for some time, all vehicles are required to be destroyed within 180 days from receipt.

Though the transactions are handled like most normal trade-ins, none of the vehicles are allowed to be resold.

As of Aug. 20, more than 457,000 automobiles — worth a total of \$1.9 billion in rebates — had been traded in, according to a government release for the program. Cash for Clunkers will come to a close at 8 p.m. today, several months before it was set to end.

According to the government program's website, around 10 local dealerships have participated in the national trade-in, which proved so popular that Con-

gress approved an extra \$2 billion in funding after the initial \$1 billion was used up.

McCaw said the process of crushing vehicles has been part of his daily job for

years and doesn't bother him. But sometimes he's uneasy watching the clunkers be destroyed.

"I talked to someone just the other day who has a

son going to college. He said he'd like to get ahold of one of them for his boy," McCaw said. "It's pretty sad because there are some very good vehicles."

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Dealers wait for \$

Car dealers wait for their reimbursements as the popular Cash for Clunkers program comes to a close today.

By SAMANTHA HONKEN
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A small-town Iowa car dealership sold 20 brand-new cars in 44 days.

Without the government-instituted Cash for Clunkers program, the West Branch Ford dealership likely would have seen half the business it did since the program began on July 1, said sales manager Jeff Sullivan.

The initiative, which encouraged customers to swap gas guzzlers for more environmentally-friendly models, ends today at 8 p.m.

While business was boosted by the program — officially called the Car Allowance Rebate System — local dealers said they aren't necessarily sad to see it go.

On top of the hours of paperwork required for each purchase, one major

factor still weighs on Sullivan's mind: He's short \$80,000.

The government is still processing all 20 of his car sales, and Sullivan said he was sure the money would come eventually.

A local Toyota-Scion dealership has seen similar results. Senior Salesman Derrius Loveless said Toyota's Camry, Corolla, and Prius were popular with shoppers looking to cash in on the program, but the dealership has not yet seen full government reimbursement.

"The process is not as easy [for salesmen] as most people believe," Loveless said, noting the government's meticulous regulations.

The website to access the application form was frequently down, Sullivan said, making it particularly difficult because the form for each car sold took more than an hour to fill out.

Loveless agreed the time-demanding forms made work harder for Toyota-Scion dealership employees over the past several weeks.

And similar stories are true across the country. Although the program officially ends tonight, dealerships nationwide have elected to end the program early on their lots.

West Branch Ford had to do just that, stopping its rebate options last week.

"We just didn't want to run the risk of being too close to the deadline and lose the rebate opportunity," Sullivan said.

Loveless and his companions at Toyota-Scion also chose to stop participating before tonight's deadline. He did not have exact numbers as of Sunday night, but like most dealerships, Loveless said the higher fuel efficiency vehicles had been "extremely successful."

So far, \$1.9 billion has been put toward clunker rebates. The remainder of the \$3 billion budgeted by the government will go toward reimbursing claims that have not yet been filled and that continue to arrive until 8 p.m. today.

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Kirkwood faces surge

Waiting lists and new courses are among the changes Kirkwood faces in response to a sudden rush of students this fall.



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Students from Kirkwood Community College purchase books and supplies for the upcoming year Aug. 20. Because of increased enrollment in community colleges, some schools are starting to cap enrollment.

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Nationwide, community colleges have responded to soaring student populations — largely compounded by the economic recession — by capping enrollment.

Kirkwood Community College, with centers in seven Iowa counties, is an exception.

“I can’t imagine [Kirkwood] ever being capped,” said Kristie Fisher, the school’s vice president of enrollment. “We are going to meet challenges as they come to us and continue to

‘Any time there is a recession, it causes fear of losing or not being able to get a job, which makes people want to get an education.’

— Kristie Fisher, Kirkwood’s vice president of enrollment

fulfill our commitment to the community.”

As of Aug. 20, more than 16,000 students had signed up for classes, a record number that surpasses enrollment for last fall by more than 10 percent.

Kirkwood is not unique in the challenges it faces. Because of the economic slump, community colleges across the nation are experiencing a sudden demand for two-year institutions.

“Any time there is a recession, it causes fear of losing or not being able to get a job, which makes people want to get an education” Fisher said. “Also, a lot of families have tighter budgets, forcing them to choose a community college as opposed to a four-year institution.”

Fisher said Kirkwood officials are responding to the influx of students in other ways. For example, they are bringing in adjunct professors — those who work part-time — to teach new courses.

“There are waiting lists for the courses in high demand, but we are working hard towards giving each student a full schedule,” she said. “This way they can fulfill general education requirements until the classes become open again.”

In addition to scheduling arrangements, Fisher said the school is seeking to help students accommodate in several ways. For example, some grassy areas could become additional parking spaces. Officials also plan to provide support services for students on the first day of class.

Although some students are forced to attend a community college due to financial constraints, some students prefer them over the traditional four-year institution.

Mike Mohr, who plans to attend Kirkwood for his second semester this fall, said he enrolled after initially attending the UI. He said he made the switch

A gourmet of a president

She likes osso bucco, big wines, and mac and cheese — just hold the mushy vegetables.

By KEVIN HOFFMAN
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Sally Mason misses making beef stroganoff.

The UI’s 20th president is far too busy to sweat over the stove. But luckily for her, an executive chef — and a town full of phenomenal restaurants — satisfies the presidential palate.

After eating at one of her favorite new breakfast spots, the Bluebird Diner, 330 E. Market St., Mason seemed more than happy to use one of only two breaks on Aug. 21 to discuss her infatuation with food.

Although Mason doesn’t have much time prepare meals aside from the occasional grilled brat, she can count on her chef Barry Greenberg, who is also the executive chef for the UI residence halls.

Greenberg cooks for all events hosted at her house and is very good at leaving a few leftovers, Mason said.

“He is one of the best chefs I’ve ever had the pleasure of knowing,” Mason said with a cheery smile. “Which is why we don’t cook anymore.”

Greenberg has worked at the UI for 17 years and has cooked for Mason the past two and a half. He said it’s great working for the presi-

dent, and she is “very supportive” and encourages creativity.

He said Mason’s favorite meal is a veal dish called osso bucco, though he has not made that dish for her yet. And she enjoys his desserts.

“Anything with chocolate for dessert is always well-received,” Greenberg said.

Mason couldn’t settle on one favorite dish. While her top-choice cuisine is Indian food, she said, her “trapped on a deserted island” dish is macaroni and cheese from Z’Mariks Noodle Cafe, 19 S. Dubuque St.

In general, her favorite eateries are concentrated downtown including: Linn Street Cafe, OneTwentySix, Taste on Melrose, Motley Cow Cafe, and Chef’s Table.

“This may be the best restaurant town I’ve ever lived in,” she said.

Most of those places may be a little pricey for the average college student, but Mason said she also enjoys some hot spots students frequent. The place for a “killer burger,” she said, is Shorts Burger, 18 S. Clinton St.

Mason recently frequented the H.I.M. Hearth-N-Home Cooking, which opened a branch in Iowa City, and fell in love with



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UI President Sally Mason positions herself on the landing of her residence during a block party on Sunday. Thousands of students indulged in free food, a raffle, and a live DJ.

their Alsatian onion tart with smoked bacon and gruyère cheese. It reminds her of the Tarte Flambee she ate while traveling in the Alsace region in France, she said.

But with arguably little time to scope out the restaurants, Mason admitted she turns to the *Corridor Business Journal’s* weekly reviews.

“If I read a review of a restaurant we haven’t tried, I’ll almost immediately go out and put it on our list of places we have to try,” Mason said.

To round out her meals, she takes pleasure in a big,

full-bodied, glass of red or white wine.

“It’s got to be a big wine,” she says. “I don’t like wimpy wines.”

If Mason is not in the mood for a heavy wine, a Diet Coke will trade places on the table.

“I can’t think of anything [Sally] doesn’t like,” said Mason’s husband, Ken Mason.

But beware, even though there is not much that Mason doesn’t like, there is one thing the UI president hopes to never find on her plate.

“Mushy vegetables,” she said.

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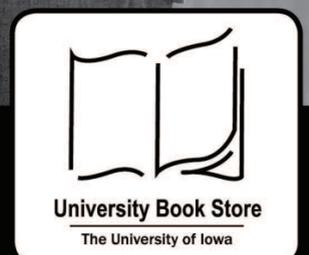
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Deafness gene found

UI researchers used mice to find a deafness-causing defect in gene.

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UI researchers have discovered a deafness-causing gene defect in mice, revealing critical information about a new protein that protects sensory cells in the ear.

When mutated, the gene — known as claudin-9 — is unable to produce normal

claudin-9 protein. UI researchers found this protein is critical to maintain proper distribution of potassium in the inner ear. When the gene is mutated, potassium floods the wrong part of the sensory cells, killing most of them and leaving remaining cells defective, according to the research.

Botond Banfi, assistant professor of anatomy and cell biology, served as the senior author of the report.

Sensory cells in the ear work in a “dangerous environment,” Banfi said.

“One side of the cells is exposed to a high potassium solution, the other to a low potassium solution, and they are insulated from each other. If the insulator is defective, sensory cells become damaged,” he said. “The discovery explains how cells in the hearing organ survive.”

Banfi said the study — which includes assistance from The Jackson Laboratory in Bar Harbor, Maine and the Kansas State University research laboratory — took nearly three years to complete.

“The study required careful characterization,” Banfi said of the laboratory collaboration. “The collaboration required technical approaches used at the [other] laboratories.”

Banfi and his colleagues, including UI assistant research scientist Yoko Nakano, are screening people with hearing impairment to see if some have the mutation in claudin-9. After screening many patients, Banfi expects to find the mutation in a small number of patients.

While Banfi said the findings will not cure deafness, the mouse models used in testing are similar to human auditory genetics, providing unprecedented research into the human hearing organ.

“The mouse has turned out to be a very accurate model in human hearing,” Banfi said. “It also provides knowledge of how the hearing organ works.”

Banfi and his colleagues are looking into future research on the protein.

“The claudin-9 protein is part of a large complex,” Banfi said. “We are interested in finding other components of the complex.”

Hereditary deafness is one of the most common birth defects in humans. According to the National Institute of Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, roughly 2 to 3 out of every 1,000 children in the United States are born deaf or hard-of-hearing, and nine out of

Highlights of the study

- Researchers discover a gene causing deafness, claudin-9.
- When the gene mutates, potassium floods the wrong part of sensory cells, causing cells to be killed or made defective.
- Discovery explains how cells in the hearing organ survive.
- Findings of the study appeared in the Aug. 21 issue of the journal *PLoS Genetics*.
Source: Botond Banfi



Banfi

Assistant professor of anatomy and cell biology

“The discovery explains how cells in the hearing organ survive.”

— **Botond Banfi**
Assistant professor of anatomy and cell biology

every 10 children born deaf have parents who can hear.

“The significance of all UI findings is enormous,” said Jeanne Prickett, superintendent of the Iowa School for the Deaf. “They’ve done excellent research in hearing impairment and the root causes of hearing impairment.”

The UI researchers’ findings appeared in the Aug. 21 issue of the journal *PLoS Genetics*. The study was partially funded by a grant from the National Institutes of Health and supported by the UI Carver College of Medicine in the UI Gene Therapy Center.

The big move hits UI

UI’s new and returning students settle in during move-in week.

By **NICOLE LUMBRERAS**
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When Lindsay Ellwood moved into Mayflower Hall, it took two to three hours to organize the room to her liking.

By Sunday, the day before classes began, the UI’s residence halls had filled up with new freshmen and returning dorm dwellers.

Outside of Currier Hall, four young and lively women — all friends from high school — stood at the sunny bus stop, talking to each other and holding their University Bookstore bags. The graduates of Buffalo Grove High School in Buffalo Grove, Ill., agreed the elevator posed the biggest challenge, forcing them to wait as other residents lugged their belongings up.

“It wasn’t that bad moving in,” said freshman Kaitlin Hillner, who agreed with her friends that the big move was exciting, as well as stressful and a bit tiring.

But for others, like sophomore Kurowsh Saatnia, the move in wasn’t such a long process, only taking her roughly half an hour.

Sitting in a lounge in Burge Hall with Saatnia, fellow sophomore Tim Vivirito said moving into their dorms was trouble-free.

“It took us awhile because I have a lot of clothes,” Vivirito said.



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Freshmen Kaitlin Hillner (left) and Jillian Kazmierczak (right) surf the Internet in their Burge room Sunday. Hillner and Kazmierczak have been friends for years, and they attended the university for numerous reasons, such as the campus and because many of their friends go here.

“Other than that it went pretty smooth.”

The Mayflower residents discussed how quiet their dorm floors were during move-in.

But some didn’t adapt as quickly to the new living quarters.

Adjusting to dorm life was an eye-opening experience for freshman Zhe Du, a new resident of Hillcrest Hall.

On Aug. 15, Du flew into Cedar Rapids from Kansas, took a shuttle to Hillcrest, and unloaded his heavy luggage and backpack with help from the residence life staff and his resident assistant Thomas Arce.

Du said he was



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Freshman Jillian Kazmierczak (right) hangs out in her Burge room Sunday. Numerous pictures are displayed on the walls and in frames in her room.

excited to live in American dorms, which house less students than standard dorms in China.

“[Chinese dorms] range from six to eight people,” Du said. “And sometimes, if you get lucky, you get four.”

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Law school sued for alleged bias

The UI College of Law hasn't hired anyone over the age of 40 in more than 10 years, a lawsuit alleges.

By REGINA ZILBERMINTS
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A seasoned immigration attorney has sued the UI College of Law, alleging that officials refused to hire him purely because of his age.



Andersen
associate dean

Donald Dobkin of West Bloomfield, Mich., was 55 years old when he applied for the position soon after it was advertised in August 2008. He asserts that the administration passed him over in favor of younger but less-qualified candidates.

UI spokesman Tom Moore refused to comment, citing the UI's policy on pending litigation.

According to the lawsuit filed Aug. 19, Dobkin responded to an advertisement seeking a

professor with interests including administrative and immigration law. Dobkin e-mailed the UI in January asking for the status of his application.

Court records show the next day, Eric Andersen, an associate dean of the law school, told Dobkin he would not be hired in spite of his "impressive academic and professional record."

Andersen, the chairman of the faculty appointments committee, could not be reached for comment.

Dobkin has worked mainly as an immigration lawyer since graduating from Northwestern University School of Law in Illinois in 1976. He was the president and founding member of Michigan's "largest independent immigration law firm" for 25 years, according to his résumé.

As an adjunct professor at Central Michigan University, Dobkin has also

taught courses such as Administrative Law and the Regulatory Process and International Law.

The job offer went to two men under age 40, though neither had legal experience in private practice. Dobkin alleges that officials' insistence that the two were the most qualified for the position was a pretext; he believes his knowledge of administrative and immigration law is "substantially greater" than that of the other candidates.

In the end, neither of the men took the offer. They currently teach at Indiana University and the University of California-Irvine.

According to the lawsuit, the UI College of Law hasn't hired a person over the age of 40 for a professor position in more than 10 years.

Dobkin's discrimination suit is not the only recent case to hit the law school. In January, Teresa Wagner also sued the school, alleging she was rejected for a full-time position because of her political affiliations.

STATE

Khrushchev's stop in Iowa celebrated

IOWA CITY (AP) — Iowa briefly became the warmest spot in the Cold War 50 years ago, when a farmer from Coon Rapids and the leader of the Soviet Union talked corn and farm equipment.

Iowans and Russians will mark the anniversary of that visit in 1959 with speeches at Drake University on Thursday, followed by three days of events, including a conference and banquet.

Participants will look back at Soviet Union Premier Nikita Khrushchev's two-day stay in Iowa during a 13-day journey through the United States that included time in New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Camp David. And they will look forward to improved relations between the U.S. and Russia.

"We think this is a good time to make a gesture of friendship and how much we value our long history of interactions and positive relations with the Russians," said event director Rachel Garst. "Sometimes, person-to-person contact is a good way to get people talking."

A conference on "Feeding a Hungry World" will begin Friday

afternoon at the Hotel Fort Des Moines, and a public banquet will include the same menu served to Khrushchev in 1959. Among the high-profile attendees expected are U.S. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack, Sen. Charles Grassley, and Khrushchev's son Sergei, now a professor at Brown University.

Garst's grandfather, Roswell

Garst, is credited with helping jump-start the agricultural relationship between the two countries, first by selling corn seed to the Soviets in 1955.

Khrushchev hosted Garst in 1955 at his vacation home on the coast of the Black Sea. They discussed corn production, raising livestock, and increasing trade between the nations.

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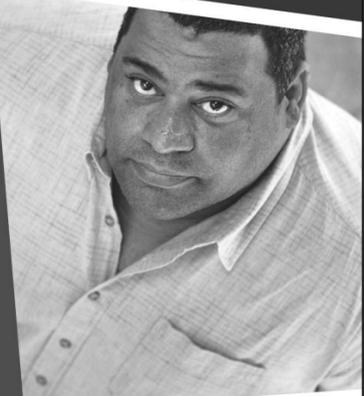
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NASA blasts off for pop

By **MARCIA DUNN**
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — When Discovery flies to the international space station this week, it will deliver a new treadmill named for a TV comedian and pick up a Buzz Lightyear toy.

In another month, a wealthy circus performer will rocket to the space station. Add that to all the Twittering astronauts, and NASA suddenly has a fresh, hip look that is attracting audiences that may have ignored the space program in the past. "More normal folks," the chief of NASA's space operations, Bill Gerstenmaier, says about NASA's newer audience. Gerstenmaier admits he's a rather humdrum engineer.

Intentional or not, the stars finally seem aligned for NASA in the pop-culture department.

"It doesn't do us any good for us just to go up there and quietly do our missions if nobody knows what you're doing up there," Discovery's commander, Rick Sturckow, said in a recent interview.

Discovery and its crew of seven are scheduled to blast off early Tuesday, carrying around 17,000 pounds of supplies and equipment to the space station. It is the second station visit in as many months for NASA, making it harder to drum up excitement.

Sturckow and his crewmates agree lighthearted touches — such as the treadmill named after

Comedy Central's Stephen Colbert, the Buzz Lightyear toy that's spent more than a year at the space station, and Cirque du Soleil founder Guy Laliberté's trip — are good ways to publicize the more workaday events unfolding in orbit.

The treadmill, for the record, is officially known as the Combined Operational Load Bearing External Resistance Treadmill, which spells COLBERT.

NASA came up with the moniker after Colbert campaigned earlier this year to have a future space station chamber named after himself. He won the online poll for naming rights to the room, but NASA went with Tranquility, as in "Houston, Tranquility Base here, the Eagle has landed."

The treadmill was the consolation prize.

NASA invited Colbert to the launch but said he will be unable to attend. Instead, a message from the comedian will be broadcast on NASA TV on Monday evening, after Discovery is fueled for liftoff.

Gerstenmaier, who appeared on "The Colbert Report" in March, punted when asked at a news conference last week if NASA should tap into its more human side.

"You should answer that yourself," he replied. "We're engineers. It's the Combined Operational Load Bearing External Resistance Treadmill."

S. Security checks to shrink

By **STEPHEN OHLEMACHER**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Millions of older people face shrinking Social Security checks next year, the first time in a generation that payments would not rise.

The trustees who oversee Social Security are projecting there won't be a cost of living adjustment for the next two years. That hasn't happened since automatic increases were adopted in 1975.

By law, Social Security benefits cannot go down. Nevertheless, monthly payments would drop for millions of people in the Medicare prescription-drug program because the premiums, which often are deducted from Social Security payments, are scheduled to go up slightly.

"I will promise you, they count on that [cost of living]," said Barbara Kennelly, a former Democratic congresswoman from Connecticut who now heads the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare. "To some people, it might not be a big deal. But to seniors, especially with their health-care costs, it is a big deal."

Cost of living adjustments are pegged to inflation, which has been negative this year, largely because energy prices are below 2008 levels.

Advocates say older people still face higher prices because they spend a disproportionate amount of their income on health care, where costs rise faster than inflation. Many also have suffered from declining home values and shrinking stock portfolios just as they are relying on those assets for income.

"For many elderly, they don't feel that inflation is low because their expenses are still going up," said David Certner, legislative policy director for AARP. "Anyone who has savings and investments has seen some serious losses."

Approximately 50 million retired and disabled Americans receive Social Security benefits. The average monthly benefit for retirees is \$1,153 this year. All beneficiaries received a 5.8 percent increase in January, the largest since 1982.

More than 32 million people are in the Medicare prescription drug program. Average monthly premiums are set to go from \$28 this year to \$30 next year, though they vary by plan. About 6 million people in the program have premiums deducted from their monthly Social Security payments, according to the Social Security Administration.

Millions of people with Medicare Part B coverage for doctors' visits also have their premiums deducted from Social Security payments. Part B premiums are expected to rise as well. But under the law, the increase cannot be larger than the increase in Social Security benefits for most recipients.

There is no such hold-harmless provision for drug premiums.

Kennelly's group wants Congress to increase Social Security benefits next year, even though the formula doesn't call for it. She would like to see either a 1 percent increase in monthly payments or a one-time payment of \$150.

The cost of a one-time

payment, a little less than \$8 billion, could be covered by increasing the amount of income subjected to Social Security taxes, Kennelly said. Workers only pay Social Security taxes on the first \$106,800 of income, a limit that rises each year with the average national wage.

But the limit only increases if monthly benefits increase.

Critics argue that Social Security recipients shouldn't get an increase when inflation is negative. They note that recipients got a big increase in January — after energy prices had started to fall. They also note that Social Security recipients received one-time \$250 payments in the spring as part of the government's economic stimulus package.

Consumer prices are down from 2008 levels, giving Social Security recipients more purchasing power, even if their benefits

stay the same, said Andrew G. Biggs, a resident scholar at the American Enterprise Institute, a Washington think tank.

"Seniors may perceive that they are being hurt because there is no COLA, but they are in fact not getting hurt," Biggs said. "Congress has to be able to tell people they are not getting everything they want."

Social Security is also facing long-term financial problems. The retirement program is projected to start paying out more money than it receives in 2016. Without changes, the retirement fund will be depleted in 2037, according to the Social Security trustees' annual report this year.

President Barack Obama has said he would like to tackle Social Security next year, after Congress finishes work on health care, climate change, and new financial regulations.

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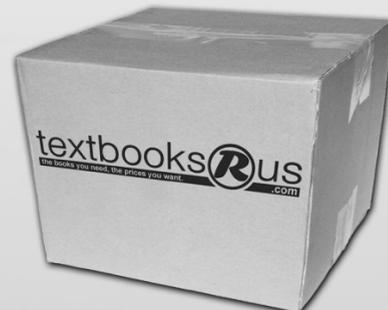
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Longtime con released

By JAMES MACPHERSON
Associated Press

BISMARCK, N.D. — During the 40 years convicted murderer James LeRoy Iverson watched from his prison-cell window, he saw a field transform from a nesting ground for geese to a Walmart Supercenter site.

A week after being paroled as North Dakota's longest-serving inmate, the 70-year-old got his first look inside the Bismarck store.

"I'd never been to a Walmart before — they have oodles and oodles of stuff in there," said Iverson, dressed in a crisp new blue jeans and shirt purchased from the retail giant. "It took me three hours to walk all the way around that place."

Four decades after his 1969 conviction for strangling two women in Grand Forks, Iverson is among a growing number of senior parolees returning to communities nationwide.

He has taken walks and taxis around town since his release earlier this month and said he's in awe of the changes. He likened it to having been in a time capsule.

"People dress different — I see a lot of people walking around in shorts and more men with beards," said Iverson, who had to abandon his first attempt at figuring out how to use a cell phone.

The U.S. prison population has grown 500 percent to 1.5 million since the early 1970s, said Ryan King, a policy analyst with the Sentencing Project, a Washington-based group that supports criminal justice reform. The number of state and federal inmates aged 55 years and up more than doubled from 32,000 in 1995 to 70,000 in 2007, the latest figures available.

"More people are in prisons and they're staying for longer periods," King said. "And more than 90 percent of them will come out at some point."

The first wave of people sentenced under stricter criminal sanctions established some 30 years ago are now being released, said Marquette University criminal-law Professor Michael O'Hear. And while long-serving inmates sometimes become dependent on prisons, cases of elderly ex-cons reoffending just to return are rare, he said.

"Most people who are in want to be out," he said.

Jeremy Travis, the president of John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York, agreed there is little danger of reoffense from older adults.

"It's not to say there is no risk but statistically, they are long past the high-crime years of their lives," he said.

Iverson, who believed he'd die behind bars, said he sees life on the outside as a short second chance.

The former taxi driver was sentenced to life in prison for killing Dianne Bill and 25 to 30 years for killing Carol Mayers. The women's bodies were found in Mayers' Grand Forks apartment in November 1968 after they failed to show up for work at a restaurant. Calls to family members seeking comment on Iverson's release were not returned.

Iverson said he was intoxicated and doesn't remember killing the women.

"I don't know," he said, looking away. "I wish they had DNA. I want to know for me and my family because this has been a stigma for them."

Iverson served several shorter jail and prison stints for burglary before his murder conviction. He said he targeted upscale homes and, most times, he was drunk.

"I came from a poor family," Iverson said. "It seemed like they had everything and we had nothing. There was a lot of anger there."

Iverson said he attended Alcoholics Anonymous and anger management classes for decades in prison.

"I wouldn't think of doing anything now because I'm sober and I've taken anger management, which has given me a feeling of more serenity," he said.

The Parole Board granted Iverson's 10th request for early release last year. John Olson, chairman of the North Dakota Parole Board, declined to say whether the families had raised objections to Iverson's release. But Iverson said they protested each time.

Iverson must wear a monitor and remain in Burleigh and Morton counties, though the former National Guard soldier may travel to Fargo for Veterans Administration services. He is barred from contact with the victims' families.

He was released to the Bismarck Transition Center to help ease the transition. If he has no problems, his parole will end Sept. 16, 2010. Without parole, his release date would have been Nov. 7, 2010.

"The object here is to provide some transition for his way back to a free society," Olson said. "Good gosh, gasoline was 15 cents a gallon when this guy went to prison. He has some major challenges."

Olson said North Dakota's prison population has grown from about 400 in the 1970s to about 1,400. He could not say how many inmates were getting on in years.

Authorities cite a supportive family as crucial to a successful transition back to society. Iverson said he has eight siblings and two children. Only one of his siblings has refused to have contact with him over the years and since his release, he said.

Army medicine goes long distance

By MICHELLE ROBERTS
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Staff Sgt. Juan Amaris lay in intensive care recovering from life-threatening burns when he got a peculiar visit from his doctor. Dr. Kevin Chung — rather, a 5-foot-tall camouflage-clad robot with Chung's face on a monitor — rolled in to check on him.

With his proxy's cameras zooming and wireless antennas beaming, Chung stood in a kitchen in Virginia and examined Amaris from 1,500 miles away, providing a connection between doctor and patient even as Chung was on vacation.

Use of the robot began as an Army telemedicine pilot project several years ago. But its success in allowing Chung to check on patients while deployed and in training nurses far away means the Chungbot — as it's been nicknamed around Brooke Army Medical Center — is here to stay.

"It became so clinically useful, it was no longer a research tool," said Chung, who oversees the Army's only burn ICU.

Using the robot allows Chung to examine wounds and interact with the patient, though someone else at the bedside takes vital signs and provides hands-on care at the doctor's instruction.

The robot arrived at Brooke three years ago after Chung sought grant funding to lease the device. Since then, he's checked on patients via robot from as far away as Baghdad.

One badly wounded soldier was brought here after Chung and others

treated him in Iraq, and the staff in Baghdad wondered how he was doing. Instead of calling for an update from a doctor here, Chung was able to log in and roll the robot over to the patient with the Baghdad staff looking on.

"This patient was very, very sick. To be able to see that this patient was breathing was powerful," he said.

The robot is controlled with a laptop and joystick and wirelessly transmits images and sound between doctor and patient. Two camera lenses and antennas sit above the screen. Sensors along the bottom keep Chung from running the robot into walls and warn him when someone is approaching it from behind.

About 250 similar robots are being used by civilian hospitals, primarily to connect satellite facilities with specialist doctors, said Jennifer Niesse, a spokeswoman for InTouch Health, the Santa Barbara, Calif.-based manufacturer. Most are leased, and she declined to say how much they cost.

The Chungbot recently began a rotation as a trainer, allowing deploying nurses from Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio to get more specialized burn injury training at a patient's bedside. Chung said without the robot, some trainees might have flown in, but many would have been forced to rely on photos and more basic instruction.

Since the arrival of the Chungbot, other military doctor-bots have been tried at Madigan Army Medical Center in Tacoma, Wash.,



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Dr. Kevin Chung moves a medical robot, nicknamed the "Chungbot," into position to be re-charged at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio on Aug. 17.

for laproscopic surgery training, and at Ryder Trauma Center in Miami for remote trauma consultations. The results have generally been good but decisions on long-term use have been left to local hospital commanders, said Col. Ron Poropatich, deputy director of the Army Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center.

Chung said the robot doesn't replace real-life interaction with patients and won't eliminate the need for specialists deployed to hospitals in

war zones, but it can provide extra access.

"It's not going to replace real presence. It extends your capabilities," he said.

Even if the robots were widely used in field hospitals, severely wounded soldiers would continue to be transported to major military medical facilities with specialists for treatment, but Chung noted that much of the work done by Army doctors and nurses involves treating wounded civilians, who aren't typically transported.

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Mr. Netanyahu's Offer (I)

Would it bring peace to the tortured Middle East?

In a complete turnabout from previous positions, but probably also yielding to enormous pressure by President Obama, Israel's Prime Minister "Bibi" Netanyahu has declared his willingness to accept a Palestinian state.

What are the facts?

A generous offer. Since the "two-state solution" has long been declared to be the Holy Grail of the Palestinians, one would have expected that Mr. Netanyahu's announcement be greeted with cheers and hosannas. That, however, not surprisingly perhaps, was not the case. In fact, the Palestinians and all others involved declared it to be an insult and a "non-starter." The principal objections were that Mr. Netanyahu insisted that the newly created Palestinian state would have to be totally demilitarized, and that

its air space would be available to the IAF (Israeli Air Force); that Jerusalem would remain undivided as the capital of the Jewish state; that the "Palestinian refugees" would, if they so desired, be returned to the newly formed state and not to Israel; that the Palestinians acknowledge Israel as the state of the Jews; and, finally, that he did not commit for the "settlements" to be dismantled. We shall address some of these objections in this message, the rest in a future message.

The "Settlements." Judea/Samaria (the "West Bank") is the ancient Biblical homeland of the Jewish people. This area is part of the Palestinian Mandate, which was declared by the Balfour Declaration and by the mandate of the League of Nations, to be the homeland of the Jewish people. After the 1948 War of Israel's Liberation this area remained in possession of the Kingdom of Jordan, which declared sovereignty over the area. The only possible rationale for the conclusion that this area is Palestinian land is that it is encompassed by the 1949 armistice line. There is absolutely no other reason. This area has never been Palestinian land. In fact, never before the creation of the State of Israel has there ever been a Palestinian people or a Palestinian country anywhere in the long course of human history. The Palestinians were never until recent times in any control over the area. At the very most, the area could be described as "disputed." In fact, a very good case could be made that Jews have a better right than the Arabs to live there. What a shame that even the leaders of our country cannot see this fundamental truth. And don't let's forget that over one million Arabs live in Israel unmolested and nobody gets exercised about that.

Demilitarization. Not so long ago, Israel

unilaterally evacuated every last Jewish family from Gaza. One would have hoped that the Palestinians, grateful for being rid of the hated Jews and no longer having to suffer their presence, would have shown their gratitude for that "liberation." Instead, almost from the very first day, they bombarded Israeli cities with thousands of rockets. Eventually, the patience of Israel snapped and it invaded Gaza to put a stop to this outrage. It has to be clear to all that having had such bad experience with Gaza, Israel is fully justified to expect that if statehood were ultimately granted to

the Palestinians, and if demilitarization were not imposed and strictly supervised, the Palestinians of the "West Bank" would be equally

inclined to attack Israel on a daily basis. Instead of being confronted by the insular Gaza, Israel would be surrounded totally by those who are sworn to destroy it. Full demilitarization would have to be a key requirement of any Palestinian statehood. Without it, virtually all of Israel — its population centers, its industries, its military installations and its international airport — would be under the gun. Life in Israel would be virtually impossible. How could anybody possibly think otherwise?

Return of the "Refugees." During the 1948 War of Liberation, about 650,000 Arabs, goaded by their leaders, fled the nascent state of Israel. They and their descendants wish to "return" to Israel. That is a bizarre request. The principal purpose of a Palestinian state would obviously have to be the ingathering and settling of the "Palestinian refugees" and not to foist them onto Israel. Injecting them into Israel would undermine the Jewish state and smooth the path to its destruction. And that is, indeed, the rub. The principal intent of the Arabs is not the creation of a state, but, as they repeat over and over, the destruction of Israel, which they call the "cancer on the Arab body." And don't let's forget that about 800,000 Jews, who escaped barely with their lives from Arab countries during the War of Liberation in 1948 and during the Six-Day War in 1967, were quickly absorbed into the state of Israel and are now at least one-half of the total population. The Arabs, in contrast, have kept their "refugees" in miserable refugee camps for the last 60+ years, on the dole of the world — mostly that of the United States.

There is little likelihood that Mr. Netanyahu's generous offer, however it might ultimately be modified, will be accepted by the Arabs. Because, if that were the objective, they could have had their own state for over seventy years. But whatever was offered was never sufficient. As Abba Eban, Israel's former Foreign Secretary, so well put it: "The Arabs will never miss an opportunity to miss an opportunity." Sadly, therefore, there is little question that Mr. Netanyahu's generous offer of a separate state for the Palestinians will again be rejected — most likely even being followed by another "intifada."

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Freshman new but eloquent

UI freshman Simone Renault touches the crowd with her words.

By ERIN PHILLIPS

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The rambunctious crowd, rippling with black and gold attire, stopped in silence.

Simone Renault, hair in curls and prim in a glowing white dress, took the stage.

Sunday's Convocation filled the Pentacrest lawn with row upon row of mostly first-year UI students, fidgeting and restless from the hot sun. But the petite and perky freshman calmed the crowd with her words.

"Class of 2013, we have the power to do anything, be anything, and soar above all expectations," she said brightly.

Renault, a Clinton native, beat out seven incoming students in a YouTube contest for the honor of welcoming the freshman Convocation speaker. Her confidence

caught the attention of Tom Rocklin, the UI interim vice president for Student Services.

"I think what made Simone stick out when watching her video was that she was articulate and genuine," said Rocklin, who proposed the contest after hearing of a similar competition on Iowa Public Radio.

It was clear the 18-year-old had an undeniable knack for public speaking. Standing at the podium in black patent leather heels, she exuded a lively and animated presence and spoke with obvious certainty.

"I thought I'd be a good candidate because I am very strong with helping people find their calling, and I wanted to convey this to my fellow classmates," Renault said.

But initially, Renault said she had reservations about entering the con-

test. She waited until the deadline loomed. It took a nudge from her mother, Laura Renault, for her to follow through.

"I told her she won't get it unless she tries to go for it," Laura Renault said.

After the convocation, the two women stood side by side, finishing each other's sentences. They pull energy and optimism from one another, they said, describing their close relationship.

Laura Renault's influence on Simone Renault reaches beyond the competition, however. Her mother is a minister at First Congregational Church United Church of Christ in their hometown, and Simone Renault spent years listening to her mother's sermons and learning those speaking skills.

"She is on her vertical voyage," Laura Renault said, congratulating her daughter with a hug and kiss.

And it appears Simone Renault is well on her

way. The neurobiology and philosophy double major also hopes to pick up a minor in global health studies.

That's in addition to a seemingly endless list of scholarships. Renault is one of three students in Iowa to receive a national award from the National Honors Society. She is also an Old Gold Scholar, a Horatio Alger Scholar, and a Pearl Hull Falk Scholar, all of which are funded by UI.

For Renault, being a Hawkeye primarily means having pride in one's school and "developing relationships with the people who help make one's own dreams a reality."

Overall, she said she hoped to inspire her classmates with a message of determination and excitement to carry them into their freshman year.

A group of anxious UI students, all former Clinton High graduates, surrounded her after the ceremony. Giddy with excitement, they proceeded to



MEGHAN STEPHENSON/THE DAILY IOWAN

Simone Renault speaks to the incoming class of 2013 on Sunday. Renault earned her chance to speak by winning a YouTube contest among first-year students.

ON THE WEB

Hear UI freshman Simone Renault's speech and watch Erin Phillips' video feature at dailyiowan.com.

pose for many photos together, all huddled up as one.

UI freshman Alex Feaster described Renault as a "go-getter."

"It was nice to hear someone our own age speak because I think her words definitely were able to impact our entire class," he said.

Simone Renault

Quick facts

- Age: 18
- Extracurricular activities: playing the flute in UI concert band
- Favorite IC restaurant: Short's
- Looking most forward to UI class Introduction to Philosophy
- Favorite sports to watch: football and baseball
- First-year seminar: how to change the world



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Baltimore 5, White Sox 4
Minnesota 10, Kansas City 3
Oakland 9, Detroit 4
N.Y. Yankees 8, Boston 4



Kirk Ferentz

FOOTBALL

AP ranks Hawkeyes 22nd

Iowa hasn't played a game since its 31-10 Outback Bowl win over South Carolina, but that didn't stop the pollsters from dropping the Hawkeyes in the AP preseason rankings.

At season's end, head coach Kirk Ferentz's squad stood at No. 20 in the AP poll, but the newest version of the AP Top 25, which was released on Aug. 22, has Iowa listed at No. 22 — ahead of Notre Dame, Nebraska, and Kansas.

The Hawkeyes were one of three Big Ten teams to be ranked by the AP. The clear front-runners in the conference, Ohio State and Penn State, were ranked No. 6 and No. 9.

The ranking shouldn't come as a surprise to Iowa fans — the team came in at No. 21 in the ESPN/USA Today* Coaches' Poll a few weeks ago. However, six of the last nine times the Hawkeyes have been ranked, they ended the season outside the top 25.

"Preseason rankings are a little bit like recruiting rankings," Ferentz said in a Aug. 7 press conference. "I don't think it really matters too much. If we let it affect us, it will affect us. But really it doesn't matter till we get to January."

— by Scott Miller

FIELD HOCKEY

Field hockey whips Kent State

The Iowa field-hockey team topped Kent State, 7-2, in an exhibition contest on Aug. 22 in Kent, Ohio.

Head coach Tracey Griesbaum's squad delivered a varied slew of scoring, with eight different women playing a role in netting the Hawkeyes' seven goals.

Junior Sarah Pergine's two goals book-ended the offensive burst, with her first goal coming fewer than three minutes into the game, and the final one occurring at the 54:45 mark.

Seniors Meghan Beamesderfer, Tricia Dean, and Jess Werley also tallied goals. Beamesderfer and Dean also recorded two assists, helping out on Werley's goal at 45:45.

Scoring was not limited to upperclassmen. Sophomore Becca Spengler scored four minutes into the second frame. Freshman Geena Lesiak assisted on Spengler's goal, then scored one herself 12:46 later.

The Golden Flashes were outshot by the Hawkeyes, 24-6.

The Hawkeyes take the field for the first time, officially, this weekend during the Big Ten/ACC Challenge. Iowa faces 2008 NCAA runner-up Wake Forest on Aug. 29 at 11:30 a.m. before facing 2007 champion North Carolina the next day at 11:30 a.m.

— by Jordan Garretson

FOOTBALL FORUM

Be sure to visit dailyiowan.com every day throughout the 2009 football season for *The Daily Iowan* Football Forum, an in-depth discussion among *DI* and Daily Iowan TV football reporters about the Iowa Hawkeyes.

Hawks buzzing about wideouts



KC MCGINNIS/THE DAILY IOWAN

Wide receivers Marvin McNutt (left) and Trey Stross pose for the cameras during the team's media day on Aug. 7. McNutt has garnered a lot of preseason attention after switching from quarterback to receiver near the end of the 2008 season.

By AMIE KIEHN
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The Iowa wide receiver garnering a staggering amount of Hawkeye football chatter is actually a quarterback — or rather was.

Former third-stringer Marvin McNutt made the transition from passer to receiver during midseason last year, which coincided with junior Ricky Stanzi's lockdown on the quarterback position. Iowa wide-receiver coach, Erik Campbell, welcomed the sophomore's offensive shift.

"Marvin, first of all, is a good athlete; so by being a good athlete, it makes his job easier to come out and make his transition to wide receiver, and also by knowing the game," Campbell said at the Big Ten media days in Chicago last month. "He's a smart young man, and he has great hands, and he's a big guy. He's a 6-3 receiver, so that helps a lot."

McNutt's ease into a wide receiver spot made quite the impression on teammate Derrell Johnson-Koulianos.

"Marv has made the transition from quarterback to receiver faster than I think anybody has," Johnson-Koulianos said at the team's media day on Aug. 8. "But I think the fact he was a quarterback in this system allowed him to make it a lot faster because he understood the offense."

Iowa ranked second in the Big Ten in scoring

offense (30.3 points per game) and significant additions to the wide-receiver position remains the Hawkeyes emphasis. Originally challenged by the departure of receiver Andy Brodell, Campbell is assured his 14 players are filling the void left by No. 80.

"The group is an experienced group coming back. You have Trey Stross, [Colin] Sandeman. You have Johnson-Koulianos, who was the leading receiver last season. [And] you have Paul Chaney," Campbell said. "All those guys have played football — a lot of football. Then you're adding a guy like Marvin McNutt to the group. That gives you a lot of depth and experience."

Although Johnson-Koulianos' hands were favored heavily last season — he led the team in receptions (44) and receiving yards (639) — coaches had the junior listed as a second-team wide receiver during the preseason. The aftereffects of Johnson-Koulianos' lineup fluctuation still linger for the Campbell, Ohio, native. But detractors' skepticism have not fazed him.

"I feel like I'm the best player for the job," he said. "Have I started here? Yes. Can I start again? Yes. Can I be productive? Yes. Now, will I be a starter by the beginning of the year? I don't know. That's not my

SEE RECEIVERS, 3B

Third in a nine-part series

The Daily Iowan will break down the Iowa Hawkeyes position by position as the 2009 season inches closer.

- Thursday — Quarterbacks
- Friday — Running Backs
- Today — Wide Receivers
- Aug. 25 — Tight Ends
- Aug. 26 — Offensive Linemen
- Aug. 27 — Defensive Linemen
- Aug. 28 — Linebackers
- Aug. 31 — Secondary
- Sept. 1 — Special Teams

ON THE WEB

Go to dailyiowan.com for video footage of Iowa wide receivers Derrell Johnson-Koulianos, Marvin McNutt, Keenan Davis, and Trey Stross during the Hawkeyes' open scrimmage on Aug. 15.

COMMENTARY

Rankled by rankings

Iowa's useless preseason ranking.



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Nothing in sports makes less sense than preseason rankings.

It's more logical to pay rookie Matthew Stafford — the No. 1 overall pick in the NFL draft last April — \$41.7 million in guaranteed money before he's ever taken an NFL snap.

And, ironically, if you can think back to last year's preseason crapshoot, Stafford's Georgia Bulldogs were the darlings of the poll.

That was good enough to get them to a few free

drinks in downtown Athens, a Capital One Bowl berth, and not much else.

It's more logical to have the MLB All-Star Game decide home-field advantage in the World Series, all while making it mandatory for every team to have a representative. (Hello, Mike Sweeney, five-time All Star formerly of the Kansas City Royals, whose team was 343-467 over that span).

It's more logical for Brett Favre to retire and un-retire and then retire again (but still throw balls to high-school kids in Mississippi) and then un-retire and sign with all four United Football League teams at once for a

SEE COMMENTARY, 7B

Year 2 for Rodriguez

Michigan head coach Rich Rodriguez has fans excited in his second year.

—By SCOTT MILLER
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If last year's Michigan team was all about transitioning and overhauling schemes and finding better, faster, more athletic players, then this year's version of the Wolverines is all about fine-tuning what's already in Ann Arbor — at least that's what those in the program will tell you.

Take, for instance, senior punter Zolan Mesko's comments at Big Ten media days in Chicago: "Besides improving everyone in his conditioning and running, and basically technique-wise and every fundamental aspect of the game, you really have this intangible-like feeling that we're starting to gel better. Things are starting to run more



FILE PHOTO/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa defensive back Jovon Johnson applies heavy pressure to Michigan's Jason Avant, who attempts to complete a lob-pass from Michigan quarterback Chad Henne during the third quarter of the Wolverines' contest with Iowa on Oct. 22, 2005.

smoothly in the offense and defense, and I really saw that in spring ball."

It's a sentiment that's echoing loud and clear from the Big House as head coach Rich Rodriguez continues to mold his team 20 months after replacing Lloyd Carr on the Michigan sidelines. At almost all times last year, the

Wolverines looked lost on offense as they moved from Carr's pro-style offense to Rodriguez's spread attack.

The result was a 3-9 campaign at a place intolerable of even the most minor setbacks. But now, if you choose to believe senior offensive tackle Mark

SEE MICHIGAN, 7B



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NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	71	50	.587	—
Atlanta	66	58	.532	6½
Florida	65	59	.524	7½
New York	57	67	.460	15½
Washington	44	80	.355	28½
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	72	54	.571	—
Chicago	62	60	.508	8
Houston	61	63	.492	10
Milwaukee	60	63	.488	10½
Cincinnati	52	71	.423	18½
Pittsburgh	51	71	.418	19
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	74	51	.592	—
Colorado	70	54	.565	3½
San Francisco	67	57	.540	6½
Arizona	55	70	.440	19
San Diego	52	74	.413	22½

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	78	46	.629	—
Boston	70	53	.569	7½
Tampa Bay	67	56	.545	10½
Toronto	57	65	.467	20
Baltimore	51	73	.411	27
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	65	58	.528	—
Chicago	63	61	.508	2½
Minnesota	61	63	.492	4½
Cleveland	69	49	.587	11
Kansas City	47	76	.382	18
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	74	48	.607	—
Texas	69	54	.561	5½
Seattle	63	61	.508	12
Oakland	55	68	.447	19½

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Preseason Glance	W	L	T	Pct
Miami	2	0	0	1.000
New England	1	1	0	.500
Buffalo	1	2	0	.333
N.Y. Jets	0	1	0	.000
South	W	L	T	Pct
Tennessee	2	1	0	.667
Indianapolis	1	1	0	.500
Houston	1	1	0	.500
Jacksonville	0	2	0	.000
North	W	L	T	Pct
Baltimore	1	0	0	1.000
Cincinnati	1	1	0	.500
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500
West	W	L	T	Pct
Oakland	1	1	0	.500
San Diego	1	1	0	.500
Denver	0	2	0	.000
Kansas City	0	2	0	.000

North	W	L	T	Pct
Green Bay	2	0	0	1.000
Minnesota	2	0	0	1.000
Chicago	1	1	0	.500
Detroit	1	1	0	.500
West	W	L	T	Pct
San Francisco	2	0	0	1.000
Seattle	2	0	0	1.000
St. Louis	1	1	0	.500
Arizona	0	2	0	.000

Friday's Games
 Dallas 30, Tennessee 10
 Atlanta 20, St. Louis 13
 Minnesota 17, Kansas City 13
Saturday's Games
 Miami 27, Carolina 17
 Washington 17, Pittsburgh 13
 Cleveland 27, Detroit 10
 Tampa Bay 24, Jacksonville 23
 Green Bay 31, Buffalo 21
 Chicago 17, N.Y. Giants 3
 New Orleans 38, Houston 14
 San Francisco 21, Oakland 20
 San Diego 17, Arizona 6
 Seattle 27, Denver 13
Sunday's Game
 N.Y. Jets at Baltimore, 7 p.m.

WNBA

Eastern Conference	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	19	7	.731	—
Atlanta	14	12	.538	5
Connecticut	14	12	.538	5
Chicago	13	14	.481	6½
Washington	13	14	.481	6½
Detroit	11	14	.440	7½
New York	11	16	.407	8½
Western Conference	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	18	9	.667	—
Seattle	15	11	.577	2½
Los Angeles	13	13	.500	4½
Minnesota	11	16	.407	7
San Antonio	11	16	.407	7
Sacramento	9	18	.333	9

Sunday's Games
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 Angela Stanford, United States, def. Becky Brewster, Europe, 5-and-4.
 Michelle Wie, United States, def. Helen Alfredsson, Europe, 1-up.
 Laura Davies, Europe, halved with Brittany Lang, United States.
 Gwladys Nocera, Europe, halved with Juli Inkster, United States.
 Catriona Matthew, Europe, def. Kristy McPherson, United States, 3-and-2.
 Brittany Lincicome, United States, def. Sophie Gustafson, Europe, 3-and-2.
 Diana Luna, Europe, def. Nicole Castrale, United States, 3-and-2.
 Christina Kim, United States, def. Tania Eisenberg, Europe, 2-up.
 Maria Hjorth, Europe, halved with Cristie Kerr, United States.
 Morgan Pressel, United States, def. Anna Nordqvist, Europe, 3-and-2.
 Janice Moodie, Europe, halved with Natalie Gulbis, United States.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Activated 3B Scott Rolen from the 15-day DL. Placed RHP Aaron Harang on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Aug. 21.
COLORADO ROCKIES—Signed RHP Russ Ortiz to a minor league contract.
FLORIDA MARLINS—Placed RHP Brendan Donnelly on the 15-day DL. Recalled RHP Cristhian Martinez from Jacksonville (SL).
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Purchased the contract of INF Miguel Cairo from Lehigh Valley (IL). Placed 3B Greg Dobbs on the 15-day DL. Transferred LHP Antonio Bastardo to the 60-day DL.
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Sent RHP Cesar Carrillo to Portland (PCL).
FOOTBALL
National Football League
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Released TE Tyson DeVree.

Gaining confidence

After severe struggles his freshman year, junior cross-country runner Sam Bailin is now miles ahead of his former incarnation.

By SEAN MORGAN
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Iowa men's cross-country head coach Larry Wiecezorek describes the ideal recruiting class as a good mix of blue-chip prospects and young runners who can be molded into veteran competitors.



Bailin junior

When Sam Bailin first came to Iowa, it didn't look like he would be either.

"When he first started, it was questionable whether or not he could compete at [the collegiate level]," Wiecezorek said.

Bailin wasn't so sure either.

After a high-school career that was decidedly average for a collegiate runner (a conference championship in the 6,000 meter race was his only major accomplishment), the Urbandale, Iowa, native admits that early in his collegiate career, he didn't feel he should be wearing the Black and Gold.

"I really wasn't sure that I could do anything [to help the team]," he said. "I didn't know what to expect."

Unhappy with his lack of success as a freshman, he worked the summer before his sophomore year to make himself into a more complete runner — one who excels physically and mentally.

To do so, he consistently ran 13 miles every day. By doing so, Wiecezorek said, he built what he called "the aerobic base."

"I look at it like a triangle," the coach said. "At the bottom, there is that wide foundation built on aero-

bics, where you log the mileage. At the top of the triangle, you have speed."

Bailin also began running with the team's fastest runner, Jesse Luciano, who holds the school record in the 6,000 meter.

"Sam was a back-of-the-packer for a while there," Luciano said, "He would be finishing well behind our second slowest guy."

As Bailin's conditioning became sounder, his confidence began to grow as well. His sophomore season saw great improvements, running career bests in the 6,000, 8,000, and 10,000 meters.

In October 2008 at the Auburn Invitational, he finished the 8,000 meter in 23:36 seconds, ranking him fourth all-time at Iowa in that event.

Now, entering his junior season, he knows what to expect from himself and the sport. With a newfound confidence, Wiecezorek sees Bailin as one of his strongest runners, in part because of a great deal of "cockidence," a term Wiecezorek coined.

"If you mix the cockiness with the confidence, that will help you get to the next level," he said. "That's what I call 'cockidence.'"

"That's what Jesse Lusiano has and what I think Sam has been gaining."

Luciano concurs. He credits Bailin's mental advantage as the biggest reason he has moved from the back of the pack to the front of the herd.

"He has a real mental talent," Luciano said. "Most guys will find a pace that keeps them from getting tired. Sam will just run until he gets tired, and then he will keep on going. He'll

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Soccer lets one slip away

By ROBBIE LEHMAN
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If soccer games were 86 minutes long, the Iowa soccer team would have began its 2009 campaign 1-0 on Aug. 21.

Unfortunately for the Hawkeyes, games are 90 minutes long.

The wheels fell off the tractor as Iowa let a 2-1 lead slip away in the last four minutes of regulation. The Hawkeyes gave up the game-winning goal with 46 seconds remaining to cap a 3-2 loss to No. 24 Missouri at the Iowa Soccer Complex.

"It's a tough one. It stings quite a bit," senior midfielder Alex Seydel said. "I really felt like we had them, like we played strong. We played well. We just got to be able to close out those last five minutes. We just got to work a little harder to clear those last couple balls and that kind of stuff won't happen."

Missouri, the reigning Big 12 champions, peppered Iowa sophomore goalkeeper Emily Moran with three-straight corner kicks that led to several shots off deflections.

Missouri's Michelle Collins scored the equalizer, then Tiger teammate Jessie Crabtree poked in the difference maker during the final minute.

Picked to tie for 10th in the Big Ten coaches' preseason poll, Iowa gave Missouri a run for its money, which sophomore forward Morgan Showalter said she was proud of.

"We're all upset. We came to play hard. You could tell that we wanted it," she said. "They happened to get a



Iowa senior Alex Seydel shoots the first of Iowa's two goals during their game against No. 24 Missouri at the Iowa Soccer Complex on Aug. 21. Missouri seized the win as Missouri sophomore Jessie Crabtree put the Tigers ahead, 3-2, with 46 seconds remaining in the contest.

shot off, and it went in. You kind of put your head down for a second, but then you look back at the game, and you realize it wasn't a bad game."

Iowa started out slowly, allowing the Tigers' Kristin Andrihetho to score in the 23rd minute. But with a crowd of more than 300 — including a quartet of male students who sported painted chests reading I-O-W-A — the Hawkeyes fed off the environment to rally back.

The momentum shifted Iowa's way just before half-time in the 44th minute, when Seydel connected on a penalty kick that was set up by freshman forward Jade Grimm, who was tackled inside the 18-yard box.

The Hawkeyes stayed hot and added the go-ahead goal 1:27 into the second

frame. This time, Showalter punched in a close-range shot with assists by freshman Dana Dalrymple and sophomore Alyssa Cosnek.

After a nearly 40-minute stalemate, the Iowa defense broke down, failing to clear the ball away from the goal and making it tough for Moran, who finished the match with five saves, to make a play in the net.

The Hawkeyes were out shot by the Tigers, 16-9, and although Iowa head coach Ron Rainey was disappointed with the outcome, he said he found a lot of positives even in defeat.

"It is tough because we came out one goal short, but these are the types of games I think that the players that come into our program want to play in," he said. "We have to take a

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lesson from them. When we're in the situation next time, we have to kill the game off.

"Overall, I'm excited about how we played against a ranked opponent. We went toe-to-toe with them and didn't flinch, and that was exciting to see."

The Hawkeyes lost 11 games in 2008, nine of which were by a single goal — including a 2-1 loss to the Tigers in Columbia last season.

Showalter is confident the Hawks will learn to put teams away in the future.

"No one wants to feel like this ever," Showalter said. "I think we'll push ourselves even beyond how we played tonight to show that we can win some close games."

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Marvin McNutt

Year: Sophomore
Major: Interdepartmental Studies
Hometown: St. Louis
High School: Hazelwood Central
Career Stats: One reception, 11 yards, 0 touchdowns



Colin Sandeman

Year: Junior
Major: Pre-business
Hometown: Bettendorf
High School: Bettendorf
Career Stats: 10 receptions, 131 yards, 2 touchdowns



Paul Chaney Jr.

Year: Junior
Major: Interdepartmental Studies
Hometown: St. Louis
High School: University
Career Stats: 21 receptions, 229 yards, 1 touchdown



Derrell Johnson-Koulianos

Year: Junior
Major: Interdepartmental Studies
Hometown: Campbell, Ohio
High School: Cardinal Mooney
Career Stats: 82 receptions, 940 yards, 5 touchdowns



Trey Stross

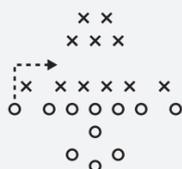
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Simple pass routes utilized by wide receivers



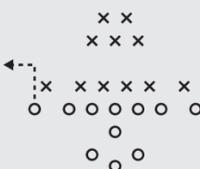
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The receiver runs a short distance, then turns sharply toward the center of the field.



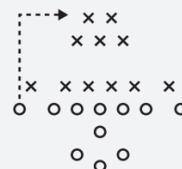
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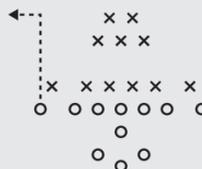
Deep in

Similar to an in, except the receiver runs more than twice as far forward before cutting in.



Deep out

Similar to an out, except the receiver runs more than twice as far forward before cutting out.



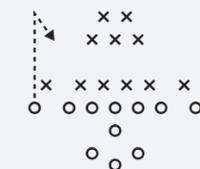
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The receiver runs a short distance, then turns sharply toward the quarterback.



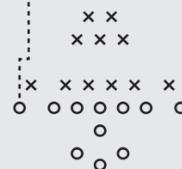
Comeback

Similar to a dig, except the receiver runs more than twice as far forward before cutting back.



Stop and go

The receiver runs a short distance, stops briefly, then sprints down the field.



Slant

The receiver runs a short distance, then turns toward the center and runs at an angle.



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Checking out receivers

RECEIVERS

CONTINUED FROM 1B
 decision. We'll have to find out — wait and see.”
 He has the added competition of a healthy Stross, who returns from a collar bone injury, in addition to two true freshmen — JoJo Pregont and Jordan Cotton — and two redshirt freshmen — Steven Staggs and James Hurt. Offensive coordinator Ken O’Keefe has been impressed by the fresh talent.
 “We’re excited,” he said.

“The new guys are learning just how to run the routes and do what they need to do. There may be a young guy that can step in and work his way into the mix a little bit also.”
 Stross has noticed the talent brimming on the field.
 “All the receivers, we worked hard in the weight room like everyone else, and we’re a lot more mature and bigger, faster, stronger,” Stross said. “This should be a special year.”

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MOVIE REVIEWS

Gloriously gory

By REBECCA KOONS
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Ladies and gentlemen, I have faith once again faith in Hollywood's ability to produce an exhilarating cinematic adventure. Director Quentin Tarantino gives the summer movie-going public what it has so desperately hungered for with his latest project, *Inglourious Basterds*.

Inglourious Basterds
When: 1:30, 5 8:30 p.m.
Where: Sycamore 12
When: 4:40, 8 p.m.
Where: Coral Ridge 10
★★★★½ out of ★★★★★



PUBLICITY PHOTO

Lt. Aldo Raine (Brad Pitt) schools his comrades in warfare and revenge in Quentin Tarantino's *Inglourious Basterds*.

Set in an alternate World War II reality, the *Basterds* are a small troop of Jewish-Americans who are hell-bent on seeking revenge on the Nazis. The *Basterds* dutifully leave their mark by scalping every Nazi soldier they kill by the request of Lt. Aldo Raine (Brad Pitt), the *Basterds*' commanding officer.

A second, separate plot of revenge is set in motion by a young Jewish woman named Shosanna Dreyfus, played by Mélanie Laurent, who three years prior managed to escape the wrath of German soldiers who murdered her entire family. She emerges as the owner of a theater that is selected to premiere a Nazi propaganda film.

The presence of strong, sophisticated female roles such as Mimieux's perfectly complements the grime and grit of the film's male counterparts. But don't expect a feminist lesson, or any other kind of lesson for that matter, from *Inglourious Basterds*. All vengeance aside, the drama and squabble never manages to present any sort of moral. Though it's hard to tell if that's how Tarantino intended it to be, the cornucopia of violence more than makes up

for it. *Inglourious Basterds* truly lends itself to the insanely creative mind of Tarantino, whose classic style and plot setup is ever apparent throughout the movie. With the film divided into chapters, some narration, and the "comic book" method of introducing various characters (think *Kill Bill*), one can instantly tell who is master behind all the madness.

Musically, *Inglourious Basterds* is rather distinct — there is very little that sounds like it originated in the World War II era. Instead, Tarantino shocks the audience with selections that seem to fit more appropriately in a modern-day film (like *Pulp Fiction*). This ultimately provides *Inglourious Basterds* with a refreshing twist, managing to enhance the mood of its respective scene.

But the squeamish at heart should be duly warned — there is no shortage of blood, guts, and gruesome glory in this film. Everything from the blood shed, spewed, and sprayed, to the characters' emotional delivery, to the impeccable sets, has clearly received special attention, and has been honed to perfection in order to have maximum effect on the audience. Only a few times throughout the film's two-and-a-half hour span does the gore become over the top in its outrageous, graphic quality — but only where appropriate.

GEEKOUT

We're all a little bit geeky, right? Well, here in the *DI* Arts Staff, we're all kinds of geeky, and we're not the slightest bit embarrassed to share our undying devotion for the pop culture artifacts that we adore.

I have a confession to make: I still buy CDs.

In an age where most people I know buy all of their music online, I still take satisfaction in going to a store and buying a hard copy of an album. Old-fashioned, I know, but that's the way I prefer it. Because I'm a sucker for tangibility, I'm also a huge fan of vinyl.

I started collecting in 2007, when my aunt gave me her records, complete with a Radio Shack player from the '70s that somehow still works. She gave me such rock classics as *The White Album* and *Led Zeppelin IV* and blues and jazz legends such as Muddy Waters and Miles

Davis, all of which I've loved since first playing them. In beginning with my aunt's unwanted collection, I started to collect records in a way different from most other people.

My collection is based almost entirely on used vinyl. I have a few newer records that are in top condition, but most of them are used, and it shows. I like it this way. It's obviously cheaper to get a scratched album than one in pristine condition, but I also prefer them that way because of the character. An album that has some scratches or has a torn cover shows that people have actually played it. It's apparent that they've

enjoyed it. And that, after all, is why we listen to music.

To me, few better things exist in the vinyl world than putting a record on and hearing that familiar scratch preceding the needle picking up the track. It's a connection to the past, knowledge that someone has enjoyed this particular pop-culture artifact, satisfaction that I'm continuing the chain.

If I ever decide that my collection needs to go, I think I'll follow in my aunt's footsteps and give it away. I cherish it, but I hope that someone else will, too, someday.

— Tommy Morgan Jr.

Graduation blues

By ERIC SUNDERMANN
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Oh my god, I'm graduating. I don't know what to do. I don't have a job. All my friends are leaving. I'm so sad. Life stinks. Blah blah. Blah blah.

Graduation — the end of an era, new beginnings, the first day of the rest of your life — namely, every cliché ever created but a reality nonetheless. This coming-of-age provides an ideal opportunity for Hollywood to make a profit by making movies. Sometimes, the films are successful (such as *The Graduate*), but most of the time, and especially with *Post Grad*, yet another awful movie that insults viewers is born.

The film opens with Ryden Malby (Alexis Bledel) sharing her life "plan," which included getting good grades in high school, going to a reputable university on a scholarship, graduating from said college, and finally — obtaining her dream job at the best publishing company in the city. After the final step falls through, she is forced to move back home with her eccentric family and search for a job, while balancing crazy home life and her complicated friendship with Adam (Zach Gilford). The movie tries to center

Post Grad
When: 1, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:40 p.m.
Where: Marcus Sycamore 12
★★★★ out of ★★★★★



PUBLICITY PHOTO

Ryden Malby (Alexis Bledel) stands ready to take on the world with her eccentric family after graduation.

on themes of growth, self-determination, and coming of age. It tries and tries — and fails. *Post Grad*'s main problem is Bledel's character. Each scene with her is a struggle. For example, in a late-night party between her and Adam, they share intimate details of their lives with each other. Not only is this a cliché moment, but the acting downright blows as Bledel decides to pause after each piece of dialogue. This is a common mistake she makes throughout the movie, which not only forces the audience to hate her character, but also makes her come off as stupid and flakey. Not every movie is perfect, and actors make these mistakes every so often, but when your lead actress can't hold a scene and is in 90 percent of the film, it makes 89 minutes feel like 89 years.

But maybe the actors aren't all to blame — *Post Grad*'s script would've made Meryl Streep look like a fool. The film doesn't know what direction to take, whether the focus is on Ryden, her family, or her friends. Moreover, each scene was not even close to reality, and because the characters live an ideal life where problems fix themselves, those of us who could sympathize with Ryden instead hope she doesn't get a job, and continues to live in the attic.

Ryden's situation is familiar to a lot of college graduates, and this movie had a chance to be culturally significant by capitalizing on the current economic environment. But instead, the film decided to piss away that opportunity and give us a predictable script, standard scenes, and bullshit characters.

If you want to watch a movie about postgraduation, *The Graduate* is showing at the Englert next weekend. But, for the love of god, do not waste your time or money on Hollywood's newest garbage.

TRENDSPOTTER

PEOPLE

Summer in Iowa City was absolute bliss. There were rarely lines downtown on the weekends, parking was always an option, and driving around the streets wasn't like playing a hard-core game of Frogger. But now people have returned for the semester, and Iowa City as we summer-dwellers had known it is officially gone.

Trying to get into any decent bar during the school year is nearly impossible, especially at 11 p.m. on any given weekend night. This wasn't an issue in the summer, when the throngs of eager just-turned

19-year-olds were at home where they should be. Older students, lucky enough to live in apartments, didn't have to wait in long-ass lines and all was right with the world.

Peaceful summer nights spent lazily drinking on stoops and porches were much more pleasant when the usual shrieks of downtown were kept to normal roars. Maybe the noise wasn't the biggest issue, but the constant desire of those who missed out on the endless hours of summer drinking is quite obnoxious. Take a tip from Iowa City sum-

mer habitants — alcohol consumption doesn't always need to be an ordeal.

The worst part about the UI campus filling up again is trying to drive around without getting arrested for accidentally running someone over. Pedestrians around town seem to think they always own the road, when, in fact, they clearly do not. Stick to the sidewalks, kiddies, and watch where you're walking.

So people, go back to where you came from. At least for another few weeks, until the weather gets crappy.

— by Rachael Lander

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Redbox hits IC



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Neal Schapman browses the movies in the Redbox terminal outside Kum & Go on Sunday. Schapman rented *Marley and Me*.

Downtown Iowa City is now part of a national wave of an affordable and simple way to rent DVDs.

By ADAM SALAZAR
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Although Redbox kiosks have been available in other parts of the country since 2005, downtown Iowa City has recently caught on to this distinct retail operation.

Redbox Automated Retail LLC, is a chain of self-service DVD kiosks. Now, the company's officials have brought the machine to Kum & Go, 323 E. Burlington St.

The Redbox strategy could be a smart one, local officials said.

Nancy Abram, a UI marketing adjunct lecturer and the IMU marketing director, said the innovation of the American retail industry continues to lean toward customer service, especially in terms of effectiveness and suitability during a harsh economic climate.

"When it comes to retail operations, Americans love convenience," she said. "They got the value equation pretty locked up and both [Redbox and Netflix] are major changes in the way that DVDs are accessed."

She said she expects to see continued growth in the high-value and high-option part of the retail-entertainment industry. Brick-and-mortar stores such as Blockbuster must become even more innovative in customer service and accessibility if they are to survive the recession, she said.

According to Redbox public-relations representative Chris Goodrich, in the second

quarter of 2009 the subsidiary amassed a profit of \$189.9 million — a 110 percent increase over the same period last year. Goodrich cited the convenience of the new method and its popularity to the general masses as a reason for the augmentation.

"Redbox's success is driven by our great value and convenience," Goodrich wrote in an e-mail. "Our unique combination of features — \$1 per night price point with no late fees, rent-and-return-anywhere policy, and online reservations — has been very well-received by consumers."

Located in select Walmart, Walgreens, McDonald's, and leading chain grocery stores, Redbox kiosks are stationed in 48 states across the country. The stations carry more than 200 titles and 500 DVDs and only require a debit or credit card and some identifying information. There are roughly 10 Redbox locations in a 5-mile radius of the UI.

Rental fees are \$1 per day, and movies are due at 9 p.m. the following day. A \$1 charge plus tax is applied for every day the DVD is not returned, and if the movie has not been returned in 25 days, customers can keep the DVD.

Students seem to be on board with the Redbox trend. Senior Marina Katsnelson has been a frequent user of Redbox since she found a kiosk at the Coralville Walmart.

"It's cheaper, and I like the convenience of

Cheap rental

Located at Kum & Go, Redbox is a cheap alternative for movie renters.



KURT CUNNINGHAM/THE DAILY IOWAN

it," said Katsnelson, a former Netflix subscriber. Katsnelson said she was not only drawn to Redbox for the low rental fee, but also because she could rent as many films as she wanted at a time, unlike Netflix.

Kum & Go store clerk Jeremy Jacobs has seen a recent surge in business flow at the downtown location since the Redbox was installed last month.

Jacobs, who uses Redbox, said he assists some customers unfamiliar with the machine during all hours of the day.

"Just yesterday, I helped a grandpa and two kids," he said.

Despite its popularity with consumers, Redbox faces corporate challenges. It is in a litigation battle with Warner Bros., Universal, and Fox studios over DVD accessibility and pricing. This Hollywood friction stems from major studios losing profit on Redbox's \$1-a-day policy.

"The biggest obstacle that [Redbox is] going to face is accessing the rights to the hottest movie properties given the fact that it is selling for \$1 a day," Abram said. "That would devalue the [artistic] property."



KC MCGINNIS/THE DAILY IOWAN

Mesrin, played by St. Olaf junior Andrew Mehegan, yells in frustration during a dress rehearsal of *The Dispute* on the Riverside Theatre Festival Stage on Aug. 18. The play, written by Pierre de Marivaux and directed by Iowa City native Kathleen Hession, ran from Aug. 20 through Sunday.

Infidelity made fun

The story line of infidelity faded into the background as the Iowa City Community Theater actors all delivered solid, entertaining performances in *The Dispute*.

By RACHAEL LANDER
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As the sun dimmed on Lower City Park on the night of Aug. 20, the friendly chatter of a much too meager crowd filled the crisp air at the Riverside Theatre Festival Stage for the Iowa City Community Theatre's production of *The Dispute*.

Flowers, plants, and strands of lights mingled together onstage, masking the naked roughness of the beautifully crafted outdoor set. And from the moment the actors took the stage for the prologue it became apparent that *The Dispute* was not going to be disappointing.

The work, written by French playwright Pierre de Marivaux, translated by Gideon Lester and directed by Kathleen Hession, centers on the idea of infidelity and ponders whether it was man or woman who first cheated. While throughout the play females were portrayed as conniving and the males were only attracted to beauty, it was hard to be frustrated with either sex. The performances by every cast member were endlessly entertaining, and their portrayals of Marivaux's characters made it hard to stop smiling.

The Dispute's genesis was laden with symbolism. The boys held flowers while the girls donned either a hat or a tie, marking the play's obvious focus on gender roles.

Women even led the men for a brief period during the opening dance, although it seemed as if the dominant positions switched toward the end of the number.

While the supporting cast delivered strong, incredibly enjoyable performances, the standouts players were the four leads.

The Dispute centers on two boys and two girls, all who have been raised in solitude and all who have only seen two members of the human race (caretakers Mesrou and Carise) throughout their lives. In an effort to decide which sex would be unfaithful first, Mesrou and Carise begin slowly introducing the characters in what can only be described as an experiment.

Emma Palermo (Églé), dressed in all white, was the first character to be introduced. Despite her character's narcissism (which was to be expected, having lived in solitude for her entire life), Palermo delivered her role in a way that made the pig-headedness wonderfully hysterical.

Palermo's character is then introduced to Azor, played by Ari Scott. The interaction between the two lovers (if one can call them that, they fall in love upon setting eyes on each other), provided the *The Dispute's* audience with laughs. Églé and Azor's over-the-top passion for each other (and for themselves) nearly stole the show. With loud

LINE UPS

The Dispute, by Pierre de Marivaux, translated by Gideon Lester

Cast

Hermaine - Rachel Korach Howell
The Prince - Kehry Anson Lane
Mesrou - Nelson Gurl
Carise - Paula Grady
Églé - Emma Palermo
Azor - Ari Scott
Adine - Kelsey Carder
Mesrin - Andrew Mehegan
Meslis - Jack Sharkey
Dina - Alicia Maxwell

Crew

Director - Kathleen Hession
Choreographer - Kelsey Carder
Stage Manager - Kim Vock
Prompter - Brett Johnson
Lights and Sound - Evie Stanske

professions of love and their constant desires to remain together, the pair easily turned obsession into comedy. The pair would have been the most entertaining if the interactions between the other two characters hadn't been just as wonderful.

Kelsey Carder (Adine) and Andrew Mehegan (Mesrin) also played two self-centered creatures (again, because they had been raised alone), who are both full of immediate desire for members of the opposite sex. Although the pair didn't have as much time together onstage as Églé and Azor, the duo was just as fantastic. Mehegan's facial expressions when shouting his character's love of Adine was a definite highlight. He was so passionately embraced in his role it was a sheer joy to watch.

Simply by watching the interactions of all the characters, it was easy to see how much enthusiasm (and how much hard work), each member put into his or her performance. The only dispute that occurred during the performance was whether to laugh at the shallowness of mankind.

IPOD PLAYLIST

Best Songs to Sing in the Shower

- "Halo," by Beyoncé
You'll step out of the shower feeling like you can accomplish anything.
- "Right as Rain," by Adele
This one is probably best if you know you'll be home alone.
- "Bohemian Rhapsody," by Queen
Ideal if you're planning on taking an extra long shower, perhaps if you're shaving your legs.
- "At Last," by Etta James
Turn on hot the water and savor the song.
- "It's Been a Long, Long Time," by Keely Smith
Don't be afraid to bust out the expensive body wash.
- "Paparazzi," by Lady Gaga
Because really, where else are you going to sing it?
- "Shazam, I'm Glamorous," by Leslie Hall
Perfect for the under-five-minute shower.
- "Gold Lion," by Yeah Yeah Yeahs
Makeshift soap microphone is usually involved.

- by Bri LaPelusa



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BOOK REVIEW

Reflections from blur-dom

Famous musician, writer, and all-around badass Henry Rollins vents his frustrations with life and politics in *A Preferred Blur*.

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Henry Rollins might just be the hardest working entertainer on Earth.

He is the author of several books, host of "The Henry Rollins Show" on the Independent Film Channel, and has acting credits in several movies. The former Black Flag and Rollins Band frontman also hosted the weekly radio show "Harmony in My Head" (and now delivers another live weekly radio show as well).

Rollins travels the world delivering spoken-word tours, in which he talks politics, pop culture, and other current events for hours on end. His latest book, *A*

Preferred Blur: Reflections, Introspections And Travel In All Directions, documents his time spent touring Iran, Syria, Lebanon, and Pakistan in 2007 in the form of journal entries.

Despite the lapse of time between the writings from 2006 to 2007 and the release of the book earlier this month, Rollins provides a take on the state of the world and life in general that is a captivating — if not bleak and depressing — read.

The book is written in a direct, straight-to-the-point style, and Rollins frequently speaks of his battle with depression and his desire to isolate himself from most forms of intimate human contact.

"Today I can barely move," he writes on Feb. 25, 2007, while in Los Angeles. "It woke me up early. Last night and this morning, I just wanted to be dead. It's awful to think these things seeing what other people have to go

through every day and I feel ashamed of myself when I'm this way. I need to stay busy to keep depression at bay. It's one of the reasons I go all the time, it's the best way I have found to deal with it."

Rollins has lived a rough life and faced numerous hardships that he explores in *A Preferred Blur*. One such example is the death of his best friend and roommate Joe Cole, who was shot in the head by a robber after the duo returned from a movie-rental store.

He also vents his frustrations over the hanging execution of Saddam Hussein, U.S. relations with the rest of the world, and the assassination of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto. Rollins was in Pakistan at the time of the Bhutto's murder and writes about the tension that ensued.

"I walked down Khayaban-E-Suhrawardy, the same street I was walking on yesterday," Rollins

wrote in an entry on Dec. 28, 2007, just a day after Bhutto's assassination. "I noticed immediately that things were different. The road was almost empty of vehicles. I saw two boys walking towards me, each one had a metal pipe in his hand. I imagined how I was going to die. I was going to see my own brains leaving my head as I was beaten to death *Clockwork Orange*-style. They looked at me and I looked back at them. They turned their attention from me to a light pole in the middle of the road, climbed up and started demolishing a large banner of some man's face."

Even people who strongly disagree with Rollins' politicism could be swayed by the insightful observations and arguments he makes in *A Preferred Blur*, a book is strongly recommended to anyone looking for a thoughtful read.

Rollins puts it best himself when he says "knowledge without mileage is bullshit" — a rule which the performer lives by in every aspect of his life.

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— Henry Rollins, author

Excerpt: Henry Rollins

02-24-07 LA CA: 2236 hrs. I went to the Spirit Awards today. I did the press line and the photo line as well. The press line was interesting. I told a nice man from the BBC that I thought Tony Blair was a douche bag and asked him if he would please put that on the radio when he got back. I stood in the general hang out area for a little while and talked to the IFC people and some others I ran into. I met Sarah Silverman and told her I thought she was great and that I had seen her the other night at Largo. I spoke briefly with John Waters and then went into the theater space. I was at the same table as last year. Sarah was funny again like she was last year. Dennis Hopper came out and reprised the role of Frank Booth for a moment, "Don't you fuckin' look at me!" which warmed my heart. He was then joined by Laura Dern and they did a tribute to David Lynch. Loretta Switt and Robert Downey Jr. did a tribute to Robert Altman. At one point, Sharon Stone was up there for way too long. Minnie Driver sang very well as did Rosario Dawson. The whole thing lasted about two hours.

Check out dailyiowan.com for additional excerpts from Henry Rollins' latest book.

FROM THE BLOG

BLOG TEASE



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It's true, I have a lot of feelings

I'm one of those super-emotional people who will never get tired of listening to sappy tunes, watching romantic movies, and reading books that bring tears to my eyes. Nauseous yet? Probably. But please, bear with me for a moment because I'm going to count-down the top-five songs, movies, and books for people with feelings. With a little bit of added snark for those who don't.

Top Five Songs

5. "This is for Keeps," by the Spill Canvas. Because I can think of nothing more romantic than running after someone with no pulse, only to run directly into the sea and drown.

4. "Anthems of a Seventeen-Year-Old Girl," by Broken Social Scene. Because teenagers have so much angst that drastic measures must occur. For example, "talking trash" and "bleaching your teeth." Two very important things.

3. "Broken," by Lifehouse. Because the similar to my pained soul, the inoperable clock is feeling a lot of hurt. Together, the two give me comfort through my tears.

2. "You Found Me," by the Fray. Because my overly emotional self can't leave the floor after you leave. Being a strong, independent, emotionless person is just something I can't do.

1. "All I Want is You," by U2. Because it's true, all I really do want is you. And Bono. Mostly Bono.

Top Five Books

5. *Dracula*, by Bram Stoker.

Because sex and blood always manages to bring tears to my eyes.

4. *The Time Traveler's Wife*, by Audrey Niffenegger. Because we all wish our men would disappear every once in a while.

3. *Jane Eyre*, by Charlotte Brontë. Because who doesn't like hearing about an ugly chick who gets a man every once and a while?

2. *STORI Telling*, by Tori Spelling. Because T.Spelling and her mom should make you feel good about your relationship with your family. Plus, inside information on "Beverly Hills, 90210" is great in soothing your pathetically depressed soul.

1. *Pride and Prejudice*, by Jane Austen. Because who doesn't like wordy Victorian literature? I mean, it'll turn your sadness into bitter anger at the excessive language.

Top Five Movies

5. *Moulin Rouge*. Because absinthe is the cure to life's problems. Well, at least it'll probably make you forget them.

4. *Dirty Dancing*. Because hanging out at camp all summer being criticized for my dancing really is the time of my life. Really.

3. *Ghost*. Because love is so powerful it makes you hang around for a bit after you're murdered.

2. *Titanic*. Because I'll never let go, Jack. Until I get married and have kids, that is.

1. *The Notebook*. Because no one really believes that shit is possible. I mean, seriously.

So for all of you out there who absolutely detest feelings, I strongly urge you to avoid all contact with any of the above mentioned items. If they do happen to fall in your possession and you partake of their contents, please maintain your bitter and angry self. Don't let my feelings affect you.

ENTERTAINMENT

LA Police probe burglary report at Lohan's home

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Police are investigating a reported burglary at Lindsay Lohan's home in the

Hollywood Hills.

Los Angeles police Officer Norma Eisenman says the possible break-in was reported to police early Sunday.

She says police are still determining whether any property was missing from the home.

Dining out?

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Bah, humbug, rankings

COMMENTARY
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combined \$20 million. (Or, for that matter, it's more logical for the 39-year-old Favre to sign with the Minnesota Vikings for \$12.5 million a year and be expected to win a Super Bowl.)

I think you get the point: Preseason rankings are about as important as the actual cause of Michael Jackson's death, the existence (or lack thereof) of Big Foot, and Paula Abdul — in that order.

It makes no sense to arbitrarily rank any teams in any sports under any circumstances before they've played a real game. (And no, spring games, intrasquad scrimmages, and Kids' Days don't count.)

In fact, if something could make negative sense, preseason polls would undoubtedly fall under that category.

Not shockingly, Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz agrees with me on this one. At Iowa's media day on Aug. 7, he said, "I mean, preseason rankings are a little bit like recruiting rankings."

Damn, why didn't I think of that analogy?

But let's talk about them anyway. After all, ESPN had Rachel Nichols stake out Favre's Hattiesburg, Miss., compound for (approximately) 157 combined hours over the summer.

The least we can do is use 700 words to cover Iowa's preseason No. 22 ranking in the AP Poll, because, let's face it, preseason polls aren't going anywhere.

In essence, this poll tells



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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, 2008. Green finished the day with 21 rushing attempts, 106 yards and one rushing touchdown. For the season, Green has 1,257 rushing yards and 11 touchdowns.

us 21 teams in the Football Bowl Subdivision are better than Iowa and 98 teams are worse than the Hawkeyes. Simple enough.

So, theoretically, the AP writers all across America are telling us that if Iowa played, say, Florida State — ranked No. 18 in the AP Poll — on a neutral field in pristine conditions, then Iowa would lose.

I guess that might happen. I don't know a whole lot about the Seminoles, and I haven't seen them play a game since they thumped Wisconsin 42-13 in the Citrus Bowl, because, well, they haven't played a game since the Citrus Bowl. (Imagine that!)

Similarly, I don't know how the Hawkeyes will play this year. I don't know how they'll replace Shonn Greene's production, or Mitch King and Matt Kroul's leadership, or Jake Christensen's pinpoint accuracy.

I don't know who will get

injured or what no-name will breakout to become a superstar (see: Greene, Shonn).

And I certainly don't know if Iowa is the 22nd-best collegiate football team in the country. If I had to guess, based the Hawkeyes' experience on the offensive line and its returning firepower on defense, I'd put them somewhere in the top 30.

But really, there's no use worrying about it — just like there's no use in worrying about whether or not Ferentz could out-duel the great Bobby Bowden.

If you want something to worry about, then think about Jewel Hampton's apparent "minor" knee injury or look at Iowa's road schedule (Ohio State, Penn State, and Michigan State) or ponder life without King and Kroul.

But whatever you do, don't look at a preseason polls. They means nothing.

Michigan looks ahead

MICHIGAN
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Ortmann, the Wolverines are a year wiser — something they hope will be enough to at least make them relevant again in the Big Ten.

"Now, I think everyone last year was a little hesitant [in] the new system," Ortmann said. "Last year was bad, but it was a learning experience. ... You just [had] players questioning everything, every move the coaches [made]. ... And that can be difficult, so it was a struggle, but I would say everyone has bought in now."

Ortmann's comments are critical, especially if Rodriguez gives the nod to a true freshman at quarterback. Currently, freshmen Tate Forcier and Denard Robinson are competing with junior Nick Sheridan, who has four career starts behind center.

Though Rodriguez still contends the job is up for grabs, Forcier became the favorite in the eyes of many after Steven Threet decided to transfer. The four-star recruit was on campus for all of spring practice, while Robinson was busy finishing up high school, and Sheridan was nursing a small fracture in his leg.

You get nervous as a coach when you talk about possibly playing true freshmen anywhere, particularly at quarterback," Rodriguez said at media days.

Rodriguez said on Sunday he planned on playing all three signal callers in Michigan's opener against



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Fans wave Blackout Saturday towels while the Iowa football team takes the field before kickoff of the game against Michigan on Oct. 22, 2005. The 23-20 overtime loss ended a 22-game home winning streak at Kinnick.

Western Michigan.

While the quarterback situation is the one grabbing all the headlines, many contend the improvement of the defense will determine how much of a jump the Wolverines make in Year Two of the Rodriguez Regime.

After finishing 87th nationally in passing defense, 67th in total defense, and 84th in scoring defense, Rodriguez replaced former defensive coordinator Scott Shafer with former Syracuse head coach Greg Robinson and his 3-4 scheme.

"Greg [does] ... a little different things scheme-wise than what Scott did defensively," Rodriguez said. "But like everybody else, defensively nowadays you have to have a variety of packages because you may play a traditional I-formation team one week and a spread team the next week."

The presence of multiple spread-style quarterbacks

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Follow along as *The Daily Iowan* makes its annual preseason Big Ten predictions for the 2009 season. Starting from the bottom:

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5. Aug. 28
6. Aug. 27
7. Aug. 26
8. Aug. 25
9. Michigan
10. Indiana
11. Purdue

and the anticipation that the defense will be reinvigorated under Robinson has Rodriguez hopeful that a little bit of fine-tuning is all it will take to return Michigan to prominence.

"I don't want to make any predictions, and I don't think our players do either, but I do expect us to be a lot better," Rodriguez said. "I think our players will expect us to be a lot better, and I think we're on our way."

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Volleyball hunts for starting lineup

Before beginning the upcoming season, the Iowa volleyball team held its annual Black and Gold intrasquad scrimmage.

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Coming out to the "Iowa Fight Song," the Hawkeye volleyball team made this season's debut on Aug. 22 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Showcasing their skills during the annual Black and Gold scrimmage, the players had a chance to tune up before heading to Chicago, where the team will open its season at the Loyola Invitational, which begins on Friday. The exhibition match also allowed second-year head coach Sharon Dingman to get a better view of where the team stands nearing the start of the season.

"We're still searching for the right lineup," she said. "This is probably as late as it's been, going into a season, that we still don't know what our lineup is going to be, so we hope that some of the questions [were] answered tonight in a different environment other than practice."

The players were divided into two teams and played a full five sets, with the Gold team eventually emerging victorious, unofficially. However, players changed sides throughout the game, and new assistant coach Ben Boldt joined in on the action.

Juniors Samantha Brannigan and Aimee Huffman put on a strong showing, as did freshmen Jordanne LeTourneau and Emma Krieger Kittle, despite the



Iowa's Mallory Husz spikes the ball during the annual Black and Gold volleyball scrimmage on Aug. 22. Husz, a sophomore from Council Bluffs, Iowa started 17 games last season and recorded 40 kills.

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nerves that generally accompany newcomers.

"It was so exciting just running out to the big fight song. My heart was beating so fast," said Krieger Kittle, an Iowa City native. "It's still really surreal. It's like we just got out of preseason, and now we're actually

playing and putting on the jersey."

Despite looking sharp in some aspects, the Hawks felt there were opportunities for improvement.

"When people needed to step up, they stepped up, and they made the plays they needed to. When a

team was down, they did a good job of coming back and not letting that affect them for too long," senior defensive specialist and setter Christina Meister said. "But we definitely have a lot to work on. We've been working on a lot of serves during practice. We definitely need

to keep working on that. It just wasn't top notch tonight. Maybe blocking a little bit, a lot of defensive stuff because we're a smaller team so defense is going to be very important for us."

Dingman also saw some things that could have been improved during the scrim-

LINE UP

Iowa Women's Volleyball

Emma Krieger Kittle	Freshman
Mallory Husz	Sophomore
Christina Meister	Senior
Lauren Friedman	Freshman
Paige Stevens	Sophomore
Katie Kennedy	Junior
Becky Walters	Junior
Samantha Brannigan	Junior
Tiffany Nilges	Sophomore
Aimee Huffman	Junior
Megan Eskew	Junior
Megan Schipper	Senior
Signe Mueller	Junior
Mara Hilgenberg	Junior
Allison Straumann	Freshman
Jordanne LeTourneau	Freshman

mage, including offensive sets.

"I was probably most disappointed in our serving and passing game. We didn't serve near as well as I think we're capable of serving," she said. "I think we just have to step up our passing. We are not built where we can set our outsides 50, 60, 70 balls a match, so we've got to be able to get our middles involved."

The Hawkeyes have focused on having more of a killer instinct on the court. Senior captain and outside hitter Megan Schipper, who started all 32 matches last season, thought the team was heading in the right direction.

"One of our big things right now that we're talking about as a team is just the value of winning," she said. "We have a lot of support for each other and we want each other to do well but in the end, we need to understand the value of the 'W.' So that's the biggest thing we're focusing on right now — going for the win. Going for the kill."

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India sparkles at Blue Top Ridge

India shot the best round of the tournament to win the Iowa Open. Two other Hawkeyes also managed to place in the top 10.

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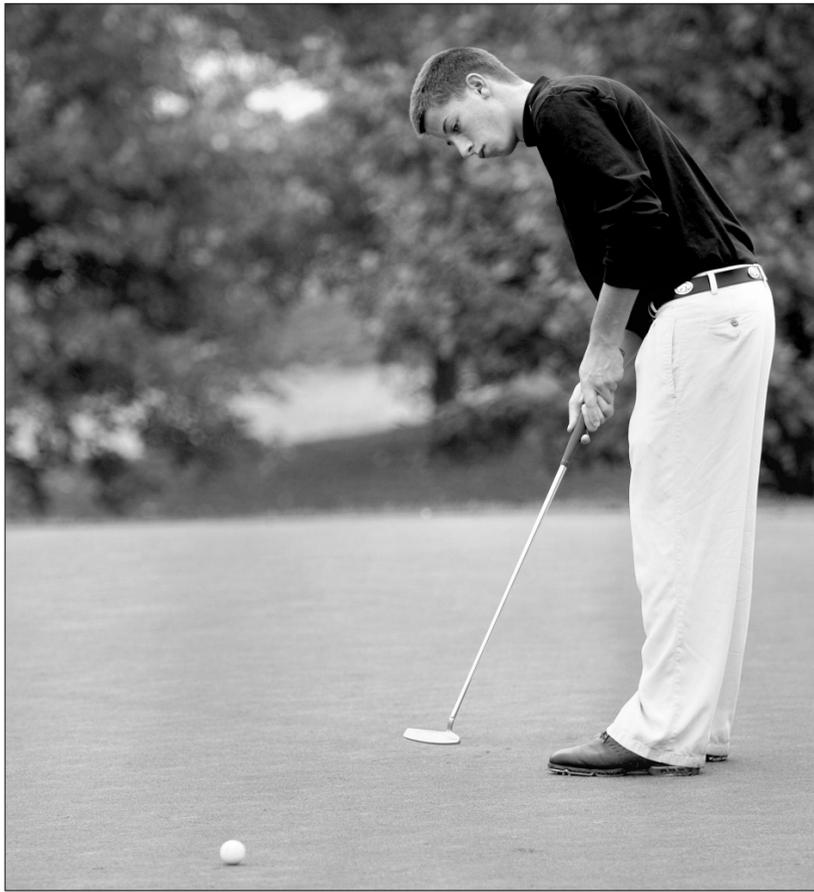
He started the final round 11 shots behind the leader, and the geography of the golf course wasn't exactly easy, either.

But Iowa junior Vince India, a Deerfield, Ill., native, won the Iowa Open at Blue Top Ridge in Riverside on Aug. 22 after shooting the best round of the tournament with a 68 (4 under) to finish the championship at 220 (4 over).

India got some help from Waukee native Tracy Vest, who began the final round at 3 under but shot an 81 for a final score of 222 — good enough for a second-place tie with Ryan McClintock of Bettendorf.

After struggling in the first round with a 78 and suffering a devastating triple-bogey during a rainy second round to finish the day with a 74, India said his driving ability in the final round was key to the low final-round score.

"I was hitting the fairways on almost every hole," he said. "I usually hit my irons well and can give myself birdie opportunities as long as I can get good drives in the fairway."



Iowa golfer Vince India makes a putt during practice at Finkbine Golf Course on Oct. 16, 2007. This past weekend, India won the Iowa Open after entering the final round 11 strokes behind the leader.

India shot five birdies in the final round before a bogey on 17.

Once the ball slipped into the cup on No. 18 for par, India had to wait for

six groups — including Vest in the final group — to finish before he knew the final standings.

"When I finished, my coach [Mark Hankins]

said the leader was having a tough day, and I should stick around," India said.

Vest, who shot six bogeys and two double-

"It's really nice to see if you go out and take care of your own business, you are rewarded with a win. A 68 is a good score anytime, and on a quality course like Blue Top Ridge, it's that much better."

— Mark Hankins, Iowa golf coach

bogeys in the final round, had a chance to force a playoff by mastering a birdie on No. 18. But the assistant pro at the Des Moines Golf and Country Club did not capitalize and finished the hole with a bogey.

India said his first "professional" victory was surreal and admitted he didn't think his final score would be good enough for a win.

"I didn't feel like a 68 would even put me in contention with how well Tracy was playing," India said. "I felt bad for Tracy, but I was proud of myself for making such a great comeback especially on such a hard course."

Iowa golf coach Mark Hankins said it was nice to see India improve his score each day as he got a better feel for the course and commended the junior for shooting the best round he could.

"It's really nice to see if you go out and take care of your own business, you are rewarded with a win," Hankins said. "A 68

is a good score anytime, and on a quality course like Blue Top Ridge, it's that much better."

Six other Hawkeye golfers participated in the tournament, and two others were able to finish in the top 10. Sophomore Chris Brant finished with a 224 for a sixth-place tie, and junior Brad Hopfinger posted a 225 for a 10th-place tie.

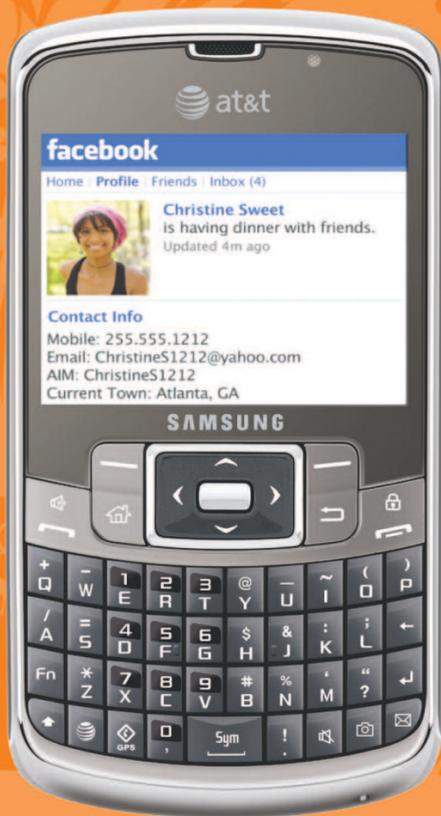
Hopfinger and India led all Iowa golfers with 10 total birdies in the tournament.

The Hawkeyes will get another opportunity to play at Blue Top Ridge Saturday through Sept. 1, when they will cohost *Golfweek's* Conference Challenge. The 54-hole event is the first collegiate tournament of the fall and consists of 15 teams from 15 different conferences.

"It was nice to do a run through and see how the scores turned out," Hankins said. "Anytime you can play the same course a couple of times, it helps with practice."

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Daily Break

By a curious confusion, many modern critics have passed from the proposition that a masterpiece may be unpopular to the other proposition that unless it is unpopular, it cannot be a masterpiece.
- G.K. Chesterton

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Freshman Advice Week (Drinking):

Note: I do NOT support underage drinking, because it is illegal. Neither do the downtown bars, which should be obvious, because they don't allow anyone underage to enter their establishments ...

- Just like high school, college will be a breeze if you remember to focus on the three Rs: booze, booze, and booze.
- Never let anyone pressure you into drinking if you don't want to. Simply explain that you enjoy being self-conscious, having inhibitions, and maintaining an elevated level of stress. Everyone will totally respect you for sticking to your convictions.
- If you do drink, then — given the current state of the economy — you should go to the bars every chance you get. Not supporting our downtown businesses is reprehensibly un-American (and everybody's package could use a little stimulus).
- Even if you're a light drinker, you should always appoint a Designated Driver.
- If you're a moderate drinker, you should also appoint a Designated Cockblocker.
- If you're a heavy drinker, you should try to lose some weight.
- Going to class with a hangover does not mean you have a drinking problem, it means you have a scheduling problem.
- Four Excedrin Migraine caplets will end any hangover. But 40 will end every hangover. So watch your dosage.
- Learn how to prioritize your budget. After paying for such necessities as rent, books, supplies, and tuition, you'll sometimes find that there's barely enough money left over for booze and food. I know it sucks, but sometimes you'll just have to go without food.

- Andrew R. Juhl says, "Check out Late Night at the IMU tonight."

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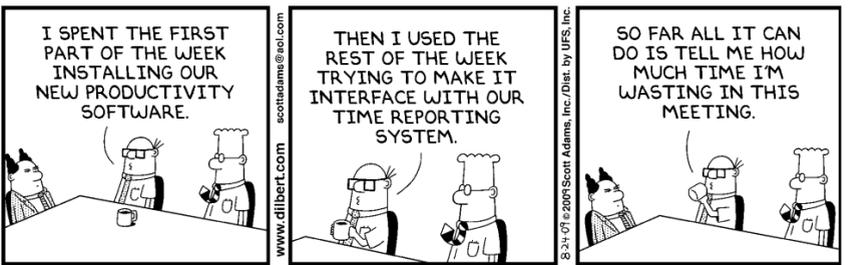
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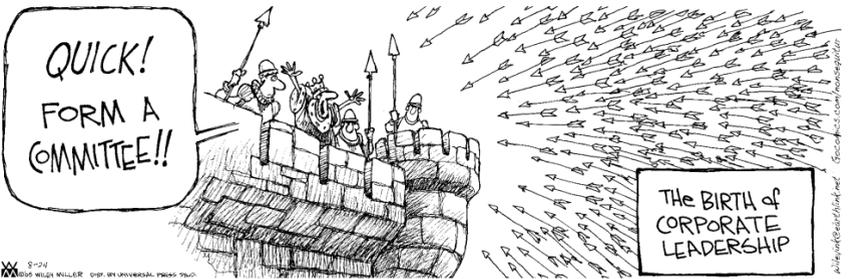
- ARIES** March 21-April 19 Your intensity coupled with your desire should bring some interesting results when dealing with partnerships. A job that requires detail, precision, or persistence will show everyone how skillful you can be and what you can accomplish.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Look for the option that offers a slow return or a chance to build something you've been interested in doing for some time. An emotional view of your past will help you make suitable choices now. Take time to do research.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 21 Be careful not to upset anyone you live with. Focus more on your vocational progress, and try to avoid any personal matter. Secrets may be difficult for you to keep, but today, it's a must.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 Don't give in to someone using emotional blackmail. A change at home will be beneficial and will lead to an opportunity for extra cash. Don't let overhead limit you.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Your kindness and generosity will be difficult to deny. Your great ideas will lead to some interesting changes at home along with the chance to invest for a great return. Let your imagination wander.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Check out what everyone else is doing before you make a decision. Do not let your personal life affect your progress at work. Focus on what needs to be done. Your uncertainty can lead to a financial loss.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 You can make some headway personally by spending time updating your look and your knowledge. A trip to obtain information or experience will pay off. You have more control than you realize.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 You may have to work quietly on your own, remaining secretive about what you are trying to accomplish. Avoid anyone who may lead you off course or take advantage of your talent. Love is on the rise.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Make a concerted effort to size down or invest in something stable and long-term. Set a strict budget. You have to be progressive if you want to get back up on top.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 You have more power than you realize. Don't be afraid to stick your neck out and say what's on your mind. You'll be surprised by the reaction you get from people you thought were immovable. A change in your direction will bring greater financial freedom.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Trying to impress or be someone you are not will be costly. This is a good time to challenge yourself and to face any demons that still haunt you regarding your past. Personal action will raise your self-esteem and confidence.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 So many opportunities are within reach, but not all of them will bring you the same results. Make sure you aren't jeopardizing your chance to do something or be with someone in the future. Your uncertainty should be a signal to stop, wait, and watch.

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by Scott Adams

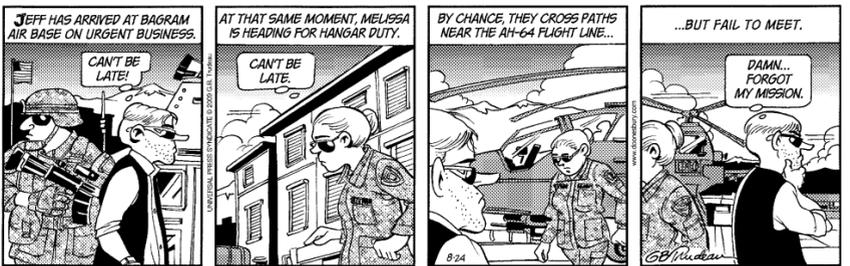
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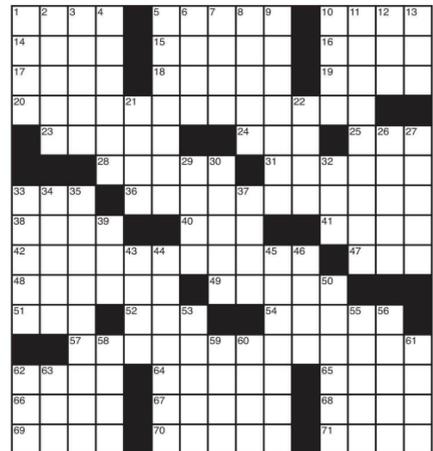
- **Welcome Week: Campus Information Booths**, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Pentacrest (Iowa Avenue and Clinton Street), T. Anne Cleary Walkway
- **Pain Management Clinic**, 9 a.m., Bickford Cottage, 3500 Lower West Branch
- **Toddler Story Time with Andrea**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 N. Linn
- **Seventh-Annual City High Dance Team Fall Clinic**, noon, City High, 1900 Morningside
- **Euchre Club**, 2 p.m., Legacy Senior Living Community, 1020 S. Scott Blvd.
- **Coralville Farmer's Market Music**, Jeff Morgan, 5 p.m., Coralville Community Aquatic Center, 1513 Seventh St.
- **Coralville Farmers' Market**, 5 p.m., Coralville Community Aquatic Center
- **Welcome Week: Wesley Center Cookout**, 5 p.m., Wesley Center, 120 N. Dubuque.
- **Kickoff Barbecue**, 5:30 p.m., Hillel, 122 E. Market
- **Crochet Amigurumi Seal**, 6 p.m., Home Ec. Workshop, 207 N. Linn
- **Walk/Run Program, Bright Futures Chiropractic**, 6:30 p.m., Kalona Public Library, 510 C Ave.
- **Christian Home Educators Fellowship Fall Kickoff**, 7-8:30 p.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth St.
- **Open Mike, with Jay Knight**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Blues Jam**, 9:30 p.m., The Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

- ONGOING**
- **Andrew D. Moeller: Iowa City Style**, Public Space One, 129 E. Washington
 - **Abstract Confections**, Alicia Brown, Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington
 - **Amana Arts Guild Presents Local Area Artists**, Amana Arts Guild Center, 1210 G St., Amana
 - **Fiber Fantasy**, Craft Guild of Iowa City, MidWestOne Bank, 102 N. Clinton
 - **Floods of 2008**, more than 40 photographs of the 2008 flood taken by Johnson County residents, Johnson County Historical Society, 310 Fifth St., Coralville
 - **Iowa A-Z**, Herbert Hoover Presidential Museum, 210 Parkside Drive, West Branch
 - **Landscape References: Altered Photography by Randy Richmond, Woodturned Vessels by Robert Wallace**, Iowa Artisans Gallery, 207 E. Washington
 - **A Legacy for Iowa: Pollock's Mural and Modern Masterworks from the University of Iowa Museum of Art**, Figue Art Museum, 225 W. Second St., Davenport
 - **Local Photography**, Julie Staub, Kelsey Cater, Michael Goedken, and Garth Conley, T Spoons Coffee Cafe, 301 E. Market
 - **Senior Center Student Art Show**, works from local senior artists, Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
 - **Twelve Views of Water**, Iowa City artist Nancy Purlington, Muscatine Art Center, 1314 Mulberry Ave.
 - **The Treasure Hunters Road Show**, Quality Inn Suites Highlander Conference Center, 2525 N. Dodge

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0713

- Across**
- "Uncle ___ Cabin"
 - Witches' faces have them
 - ___ vu
 - "Put a sock ___"
 - Writer T. S. or George
 - Midterm, e.g.
 - Sicilian spewer
 - Former British P.M. Tony
 - Surprisingly lively for one's age
 - What the love of money is, they say
 - Lop off, as branches
 - RR depot
 - "The Lord of the Rings" enemy
 - "So long!"
 - Ninth-inning pitcher
 - Squealer
 - Stop a prevailing trend
 - Gillette razor
 - "I'll take that as ___"
 - 30-second spot, e.g.
 - Quickly turn the pages of
 - That: Sp.
 - Mexican revolutionary ___ Villa
 - Check the fit of, as a dress
 - "___ Pinafore"
 - Hospital trauma ctrs.
 - "Oh, bushwa!"
 - Factory supervisors ... or a hint to the starts of 20-, 36- and 42-Across
 - Old woman's home in a nursery rhyme



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- Down**
- It may hang out in a sports stadium
 - First in the rankings
 - 17-year-old, legally
 - Condition of affairs
 - Duck features
 - ___ breve (2/2 time in music)
 - Iranian money
 - Works long and hard
 - Seventh-inning ritual
 - Amaz of "I Love Lucy"
 - First string
 - Make lemons into melons, e.g.?
 - Nitroglycerin or dynamite
 - Cookie holder
 - "The Joy Luck Club" writer Tan
 - George Washingtons
 - Low-lying area
 - 26 ___ a beet
 - Belief
 - Vintage designation
 - "___ amused!"
 - Hall-of-Famer Mel
 - Alice's mate on "The Homeymooners"
 - 34 First string
 - Make lemons into melons, e.g.?
 - Go from gig to gig
 - 39 Steelers' grp.
 - Ellington's "Take ___ Train"
 - Big stingers
 - One who mounts and dismounts a horse
 - Georgetown athlete
 - Nullify
 - Spread, as seed
 - Go-aheads
 - Great Lakes Indians
 - Cousin of an onion
 - Bog
 - Summit
 - Lead-in to masochism
 - Filming site
 - Part of 33-Down's laugh

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Luciano runs for 'completeness'

By SEAN MORGAN
sean-morgan@uiowa.edu

Jesse Luciano will enter his final Iowa cross-country season dealing with high expectations.

This is not a new feeling for the senior out of Villa Park, Ill. Many around Luciano have expected a lot since Micah VanDenand, the school record holder in the 5,000 meters, told him he could be the greatest runner Iowa has ever seen.

Don't try to lay that mantle on Luciano, though.

"I really am just running for myself," Luciano said. "I would hate to think of myself as being the greatest at anything."

Luciano finished last season as the lone runner wearing the Black and Gold at last year's NCAA championships. Finishing 43rd overall in the 10,000 meters, he narrowly missed All-American status, which is awarded to the top 40 finishers. Last season also saw Luciano set a school record in the 6,000 meter, finish-

ing with a time of 23:01.

"He's what I call a complete runner," said head cross-country coach Larry Wiecezorek. "He has the speed. He has the stamina. And most importantly he has that hunger."

Though Luciano was twice named all-state, he failed to bring home a state championship, finishing sixth and 10th his senior and junior years.

"I just couldn't stay healthy," he said. "Something always happened."

Luciano has kept himself healthy at Iowa through a consistent workout regiment, so he never has to take a day off. Instead of focusing on the intensity of his workouts, he concentrates on the number hours he spends on the course, pacing himself for a long, exhausting season.

"I just stay with a workout until it becomes easy, and then I move up from there," he said.

This simple but effective method has earned him

success as well as an all-business reputation on the course, from competitors and teammates alike.

"He just gets it done," said teammate and running partner Sam Bailin.

Luciano is hoping to finish in the top five in each meet but is far more excited about the prospect of helping Iowa return to nationals, something that hasn't been accomplished since Luciano was a freshman running in VanDenand's footsteps.

"We have an unbeliev-

able amount of raw talent," Luciano said. "One of the good things about our sport is that we are just one killer meet from nationals."

For Wiecezorek, the expectations and aspirations surrounding his star runner are deserved and possible due to the foundations Luciano has laid out for himself in his first three years at Iowa.

"You work hard, and you expect to do well," Wiecezorek said. "You expect to win. That confidence is earned."

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