

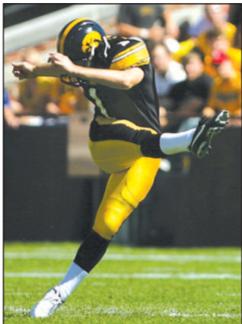
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## SPORTS

**Special Ks**

According to the recent two-deep, Iowa place kickers Daniel Murray and Trent Mossbrucker both have a chance to start in the Hawkeyes' season opener on Saturday. **1B**

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Iowa City resident Pete Hundy scans a special-education textbook at University Bookstore in the Old Capitol mall on Monday. It is likely that the bookstore will make eTextbook vouchers available next semester.

## E-texts roil market

A turbulent textbook market could mean cheaper books for students in the future.

By **DANNY VALENTINE**  
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The way students at the UI and across the country buy textbooks is undergoing a digital transition.

At Iowa Book, 8 S. Clinton St., e-textbook sales have doubled last year's numbers. While the University Bookstore offers some digital options, officials said, e-textbook sales will likely become more prominent next semester.

Digital textbook companies' sales have skyrocketed across the country — students are frequently renting or buying used books online, and some new companies are providing open-source text-

books. That means students potentially can access free text that they may customize.

New players seem to be cropping up every day, said Steven Bell, an associate university librarian for research and instructional services at Temple University Libraries who blogs about textbook prices. The website Amazon, for example, recently unveiled the Kindle, a digital reading device.

"If it catches on, we're doomed," said Iowa Book manager Joe Ziegler. The Iowa City establishment would have to sell something other than textbooks, he said.

**Digital textbooks**

**What you can do with a digital textbook:**

- Search for specific words
- Highlight
- Copy/paste sections into notes
- Keep it on your lap top or phone

Ziegler thinks digital textbooks will take over soon.

All in all, the textbook industry is in a great state of turbulence, textbook sellers agree.

"It seems to be one of the hottest areas in higher education," Bell said.

The primary reason for the changes: high prices for traditional texts.

While traditional sales still

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## Kids start H1N1 trial

Parents were eager to enroll their children in H1N1 vaccine testing at the UI Children's Hospital.

By **SAM LANE**

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Scientists at the UI say kids may need two doses of H1N1 vaccine to stay healthy.

With the start of clinical trials in children on Monday, they began to study whether this is true.

The UI Hospitals and Clinics, which has already tested the vaccine on adult patients, enrolled 100 children ranging in age from 6 months to 17 years old for the newest

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**Vaccine trials at UIHC**

**Various combinations scientists are testing using both the seasonal flu and H1N1 vaccines.**

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Source: Patricia Winokur



FILE PHOTO/THE DAILY IOWAN

Dance Marathon event director Angie Kipp practices the moral dance in the IMU Ballroom for Dance Marathon 15 on Feb. 6.

## Dance Marathon runners double

The number of people signed up to 'run for the children' with Dance Marathon in the Chicago Marathon has doubled from last year.

By **EMILY BUSSE**  
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For UI senior Sarah Rinehart, completing the Chicago Marathon mirrors the long battle children with cancer face: there are the ups, the downs, and the overwhelming relief once it's all over.

"You kind of experience every emotion while doing it because it is so long. ... You kind of feel like you're on top of the world," she said, noting that she knows a family dealing with cancer. "There's defi-

nately days when they feel on top of the world because things go really well at an appointment, and there's just other days when it's not so great."

That's why Rinehart and other UI Dance Marathon the Marathon officials are ecstatic that 250 runners tied to the UI organization are registered for the Oct. 11 Chicago Marathon — more than double last year's final tally of 88.

The dozens of runners

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## LICENSE TO SERVE

## State may back city in license denials

State authorities consider more than just a PAULA ratio when granting a liquor-license: They're looking for "good moral character."

By **NICOLE KARLIS**

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The decision to deny two Iowa City bars' liquor-license renewals ultimately falls with the state, not the Iowa City City Council.

In the past, the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division has rarely stripped bars from being able to serve liquor in Iowa City area. But officials say the City Council's recent recommendation to deny renewing two downtown bars' liquor-licenses will influence the state's decision later this year.

Et Cetera, 118 S. Dubuque St., and 3rd Base Sports Bar, 111 E. College St., filed appeals last month with the alcohol agency after the City Council denied their liquor-license renewals on July 28.

On Oct. 23, the bars will fight to keep the core of their businesses — their liquor licenses — in front of an administrative law judge from the Iowa

Department of Inspections and Appeals, who will hand down a decision within 40 days.

"Some cases they win, they lose," said Lynn Walding, the administrator of the alcohol agency. "Each case is judged by its own individual merit in the proper setting."

A judge will be looking to see if these bars possess a "good moral character," which is written into state law. The criteria making up this phrase includes status as an Iowa resident, no convictions of felonies in the past five years, and having a "good reputation," among others.

Based on Iowa City's newest guidelines, which require denial for any bars with a ratio of more than one PAULA per police visit, Jim Clayton, who serves on the Alcohol Beverages Commission, said Et Cetera and 3rd Base have shown the inability to control underage clients in their establishments. That, he said, challenges the concept of

**Second in a five-part series**

**The Daily Iowan takes a closer look at the issue of liquor-license renewals in Iowa City.**

Monday: Overview - A recap of events leading up to July's liquor-license denial

**Today: Power - A look at the state's involvement and reputation with liquor-licenses**

**Wednesday:** Motives - The reasoning behind the Iowa City City Council's new approach to curbing underage drinking

**Thursday:** History - Learn about bars that have previously had their liquor licenses denied

**Friday:** Looking forward - Hear about who will be next to go up in front of the council and what they are doing to prepare

good moral character.

The definition of good moral character is "very open to interpretation,"

SEE **LIQUOR**, 3A



# Int'l grad-student numbers fall in U.S.

International graduate-student numbers are down across the country. Money is a big part of the reason, experts say.

By **SAMANTHA HONKEN**  
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Though the campus has seen a noticeably larger population of international students this year, they are mostly undergraduates.



**King**  
director

"We traditionally recruit undergraduates for the academic benefits they bring and, to be frank, they improve the bottom line," said Scott King, the director of the Office of International Students and Scholars.

The university has engaged in an overall movement to boost undergraduate enrollment, but a tight budget means the school hires fewer teaching assistants and research assis-

tants — namely graduate students.

"[International] graduate numbers are highly affected by economic factors," King said.

Graduate students earn a minimum salary of more than \$16,000 for half-time appointment, according to the website for the Campaign to Organize Graduate Students at the UI.

This is no small amount, considering the UI employed 5,529 graduate students in 2008, according to the Office of the Associate Provost for Graduate Education. But King said their contribution is invaluable.

"They do hard work to earn the salary they get," he said.

Graduate-student work ranges from teaching classes to assisting with research and taking on research projects of their own.

Bingxuan Wang, who joined the UI toxicology program in 2007, said she is working on her dissertation. That means she's up at 7:30 a.m. every day and in the office on the Oakdale Campus by 8:30 a.m. to do research.

"Research is the most stressful part," Wang said. "You always want to get the right results and come up with the best projects with the most creative perspective."

Foreign graduate students face another challenge: the language barrier. Though Wang said she participated in an English exchange program during her undergraduate studies in China, many of her international colleagues find the oral exam "incredibly difficult to pass."

But money matters, too. Wang said the financial benefits she receives as part of her program provided a major incentive for her staying at the UI.

"If not for that, I wouldn't be able to afford it," she said.

Not only does the economy affect whether universities can afford to employ such high numbers of

research and teaching assistants, it also affects families.

King said families might set aside money to send their children to school in the United States for a bachelor's degree, but few consider saving for a master's degree as well. That financial preparation is crucial to students' applications to graduate schools.

The national advocacy group, Counsel of Graduate Schools, cites tighter university budgets, a decrease in scholarships awarded, and a decrease in international applicants — especially from Korea and India — for a drop in the number of international graduate students in the United States.

And although the UI's official statistics for international students won't be released until later this week, King suspected they will follow a similar trend.

He said he expects to see 50 to 100 more international undergraduates enrolled than last year, but wasn't sure how the graduate numbers will compare.

# Rare mussel may have been found in Iowa River

State officials say a 2001 project in the Iowa River might have saved a rare type of mussel.

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Researchers from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources say they may have found an endangered species of mussel in the Iowa River.

Officials are testing DNA to determine if what they found is an endangered Higgins eye mussel or a Hickory Nut mussel, which looks similar to the Higgins eye.

"They are 80 percent positive it is [the Higgins eye]," said Natural Resources research biologist Paul Sleeper. "They have to make absolutely sure."

But Natural Resources fisheries expert Scott Gritters said the study — which was conducted between Iowa City and Hills on Aug. 20 — has yet to be completed because of the high river levels. Researchers didn't have any technical tools to check for the mussels, which can be up to 4 inches long, forcing them to reach into the river with their hands.

"It is still a needle in a haystack finding these mussels," Gritters said, and the difficulty of locating the creatures makes the find significant.

The potential discovery would be important because of the animal's rarity and because the samples survived the floodwaters of last summer, Sleeper said.

The flood had devastating effects on the Iowa River's ecosystem, he said. Because of the fast and powerful current, animals such as mussels can be swept away to other parts of the river, and sometimes land on firm ground.

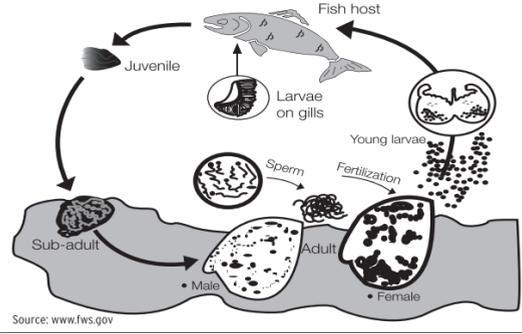
Floodwater also transports large quantities of sand and silt, which can cover areas with rocky bottoms. These areas are usually home to small animals, which in turn feed the larger fish that mussels depend on to reproduce.

After a female Higgins eye takes in sperm from male mussels upstream, it forms an egg sac protuberance called "palps," which Gritters said imitates a wounded guppy, enticing host-fish like the walleye and small mouth bass.

"The fish bites, and the young mussels blow up in the face in the fish," he said. The larvae live on the

## Life of a mussel

Researchers may have found an endangered species of mussel in the Iowa River. Mussels rely on fish to support their life cycle, hosting larvae and spreading them through the river.



Source: www.fws.gov

KURT CUNNINGHAM/THE DAILY IOWAN

fishes' gills for weeks or months, Gritters said, which distributes them through the river.

And if DNA testing confirms the species discovered in the Iowa River is a Higgins eye mussel, it could mean that a previous project by the Natural Resources was successful.

In 2001, the state Natural Resources sought to bring about a resurgence in the Higgins eye by taking advantage of their unique life cycle. Natural Resources employees stocked the Iowa River with host fish already containing the mussel's larvae.

The existence of Higgins eyes is important because

## Higgins eye mussel

- Can live up to 50 years
- Grows up to 4 inches in length
- Females have one round side and one pointed side
- Males have one round side and one square side

Source: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

the mussels are indicators of a healthy ecosystem within the river, Gritters said, noting they would be the first animal to suffer from adverse river conditions.

"A lot of people think they are just a simple little animal, but they are really complex," he said.

## METRO

### Man killed in crash

A Keokuk man was killed Sunday afternoon in Johnson County after his car crashed, according to the Iowa State Patrol.

Nathan Bowden, 20, died around 1:03 p.m. when his 1999 Saturn veered across a median on Interstate 380 and struck a light pole while he was traveling north.

The accident occurred just north of the Interstate 80 intersection.

He was wearing a seat belt; no one else was injured.

The crash is still under investigation.

— by **Danny Valentine**

### Friday the deadline for ethnic data

Students have until Friday to make changes to their ethnic information gathered by the university. Students can log onto ISIS to

make the changes before that date.

The UI recently updated its system to allow students to say they are descended from more than one ethnicity. Last week, the Registrar's Office sent an e-mail to all students informing them that the UI is required by the U.S. Department of Education to collect ethnic information from students.

The Education Department requires educational institutions

to report data using new collection procedures and reporting categories for student ethnic information no later than the 2010-11 academic year.

The federal government has officially categorized citizens by ethnicity since 1977. But until recently, the government has only allowed people to identify as being from one ethnicity.

— by **Parker Smith**

## POLICE BLOTTER

**Jamaal Carter**, 20, 328 Douglas Court, was charged Sunday with second-offense domestic assault and assault causing injury.

**Scott Doll**, 20, 404 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 833, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

**Andrew Flynn**, 20, 522 S. Lucas St., was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.

**Grant Friemel**, 20, 522 S. Lucas St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

**Jill Kacere**, 21, 5 S. Lucas St.,

was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

**Kathie Krogmeier**, 22, 218 W. Benton St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

**Ira Little**, 35, 320 S. Dubuque St. Apt. 410 was charged Monday with assault causing injury.

**Christian McKinley**, 20, address unknown, was charged Aug. 28 with possession of marijuana.

**Seth Mosbrucker**, 20, 522 S. Lucas St., was charged Sunday

with keeping a disorderly house.

**Andrew Otto**, 21, Lone Tree, was charged Sunday with possession of a controlled substance.

**Juan Quinones Nieves**, 55, address unknown, was charged Sunday with criminal trespass.

**Alex Smith**, 20, 278 E. Court St. Apt. 503, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

**Harley Stone**, 46, Keosauqua, Iowa, 46, was charged Sunday with driving with a revoked

license, possession of controlled substance, and possession of a precursor with intent to manufacture.

**Justin Wagner**, 20, 522 S. Lucas St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

**Nathan Weigel**, 21, 278 E. Court St. Apt. 503, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

**Sarah Wood**, 25, 207 Myrtle Ave. Apt. 10, was charged Aug. 28 with fifth-degree theft.

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## YOUR TURN POLL RESULTS

Results through Monday evening on [dailyyowan.com](http://dailyyowan.com)

### Have you noticed changes in enforcement at downtown bars this fall?

Yes — the bars are much stricter on fake IDs.

14%

Yes — bar employees are keeping closer tabs on underage drinkers.

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# E-texts popular

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dominate the market, such companies as CourseSmart, which sells eTextbooks, are seeing rapid growth. Between 2008 and 2009, sales increased 600 percent, said Frank Lyman, the executive vice president of CourseSmart.

Students can either download an e-textbook or access it online, saving an average of around 50 percent — typically around \$50 to \$60 per book, he said.

While numerous UI students had heard of e-textbooks, only a small number bought the digital versions.

UI sophomore Jules Pratt said her human biology book is the first time she's had the opportunity to go digital. The roughly \$50 price-tag enticed her, she said, and she grabbed one of the last ones from the University Bookstore's stack. But she said she only went digital because it's a class for non-majors.

"It's something I know I wouldn't have to rely on," she said.

Approximately 28 students in this semester's human biology class went digital, while around 131 got a hard copy, which was sold in a three-ring binder for about \$80, said Richard Shannon, gener-

al manager of the University Bookstore.

Junior Jamie Grant said he preferred a hard copy and didn't want to lug around his laptop everywhere.

But one of the perks of e-textbooks, Lyman said, is that students can do everything they could with a regular book yet also electronically search the document and copy and paste large swaths of text directly into their notes.

Students could theoretically copy the whole book into a new document and share it, but much of the formatting would be lost, Lyman said.

UI graduate student Steve Courtright used another option called Flat World Knowledge, an open-access textbook provider, for a previous Introduction to Management class.

Only three of his students chose to use the free textbook, while the vast majority opted to get the textbook in either black and white or color at a cheaper price.

Although he didn't particularly like the text, he was able to eliminate chapters and sections that weren't relevant. His students also had the option of purchasing a PDF or audio version of the book.

"I think that the students liked the variety and choices enough that I would probably go for it

"It's an attempt to take the same product, put it online and add a little bit more functionality,"

- Eric Frank, founder and chief marketing officer of Flat World Knowledge

again," he said.

Eric Frank, the founder and chief marketing officer of Flat World Knowledge, said e-textbooks are just "the first act."

"It's an attempt to take the same product, put it online and add a little bit more functionality," he said, noting that even though e-textbooks were cheaper, he still didn't think they were reasonably priced.

Flat World Knowledge has published textbooks being used in 400 college classrooms.

Approximately 65 percent of students end up placing an order for some form of the textbook, he said.

"Even if you offer a free textbook online ... given a reasonably priced alternative, a significantly large number of students will buy those other versions," he said.

Your turn. Would you consider buying an e-textbook over a traditional hard copy? Weigh in at [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

# Kids sign up for trial

H1N1  
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trial, officials said. Many parents have called the UI Children's Hospital to volunteer their children since July, said Patricia Winokur, an associate dean in the UI Carver College of Medicine and principal investigator for the trial.

The hospital put up fliers, but news of the trial spread mostly by word of mouth, she said. The children and parents involved were interested in any sort of H1N1 prevention, she said.

"Young kids need different doses," she said. "We needed to test a variety of age groups."

The kids were required to be in good health, but more specifically, they could not have the H1N1 influenza, Winokur said.

The young volunteers were assigned to one of four trial groups that tested different combinations of seasonal and H1N1 influenza vaccines.

"We hope to understand the safety of giving the vaccines together," Winokur said. "We want to make sure that the vaccines do not disrupt each other."

The patients' parents were warned of risks, which include a sore arm from the injection, flu-like illness and another potential side effect known as Guillain-Barre



POOL PHOTO/BRIAN RAY, GAZETTE  
Registered nurse Ruthann Schrock administers a standard flu vaccine to 16-year-old Will Ross during the start of a clinical trial on when the H1N1 flu shot should be given with the seasonal shot to make it most effective Monday at the UI Children's Hospital.

Syndrome. This neurological disease was seen with the 1976 swine-flu vaccine affects the patient's immune system.

The study aims to find the best number of doses — one or two — to provide patients. Winokur suspects children will need two doses to stay healthy.

"It will be difficult," Winokur said. "Some of the vaccine will be available in October, but it will likely be months before a vaccine can be produced for widespread use."

Participants received \$370 in compensation for their involvement, but some said they enrolled for the greater good, the *Cedar Rapids Gazette* reported.

"I do see it as trying to help other people figure out a vaccine," Will Ross,

16, of Iowa City, told the *Gazette's* pool reporter. Ross and mother Jill Ross both suffered through the seasonal flu last winter.

Sara Gordon, the mother of Greta Gordon, a 3-year-old trial participant, told the *Gazette* her daughter is "one of the higher risk populations, so if swine flu becomes what it's predicted to be, we can protect her this winter."

UI Children's Hospital's trial is part of a larger study funded by the National Institutes of Health. The UIHC is one of eight hospitals nationwide to participate in the vaccine trials for H1N1.

The UIHC was chosen because of past success in recruiting and retaining volunteers, Winokur said.

# State holds bars' fates

LIQUOR  
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said Iowa City Mayor Regina Bailey.

For example, Clayton said, if a bar owner threw the business' garbage in an alley rather than in a designated Dumpster, that person's good moral character could also be questioned.

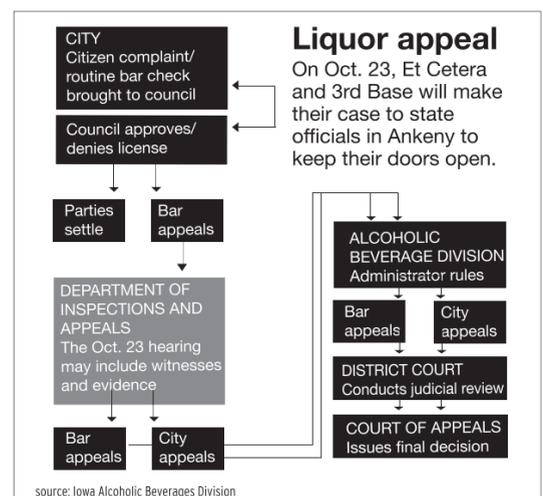
"It's not rocket science here," he said.

But state officials have one factor specifically in mind — that they will not tolerate underage drinking.

"One thing we know [good moral character] means: You will follow all local laws and ordinances," Clayton said.

If either the bar owners or city officials are unhappy with the proposed decision handed down by the Department of Inspections and Appeals, they can appeal it to Walding, who would reconsider the matter and make his own motion based on the evidence. Walding's word constitutes the agency's final decision.

Alcohol agency officials said it isn't often that they revoke licenses. The last Iowa City business to lose its license from the state



was Suburban Amoco, 1905 Keokuk St., in 2008.

Either party can appeal Walding's decision to the courts, he said.

The case would be heard by a district court. That court's decision could then be appealed to the state's appellate courts.

Walding said he couldn't comment on the appeals.

But Clayton, who also owns downtown business the Soap Opera, 119 E. College St., said the city's denial has some weight in the state's eyes.

Because Iowa's state law enforcement officers don't

typically deal with alcohol violations, complaints made by city officials are important, he said.

"We're dependent on local and county enforcement," Clayton said.

Though the matter is now out of the city councilors' hands, some said they hope their denial will be seriously considered when the state examines the appeals in October.

"I don't know what they are going to do with this particular round of bars," said Councilor Connie Champion. "At least we're sending the message that we mean business."

DANCE MARATHON  
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who finished the 26.2-mile course last year exceeded the group's original goal of 15, said UI senior Colette Forcier, the group's executive director.

Last year's success prompted organizers to bump up their goal to 100 runners. Forcier said she was shocked when Rinehart, the chairwoman of Dance Marathon the Marathon, told her 250 people were registered for the group's second year.

"I was like, 'You've got to be kidding me. That's outrageous,'" Forcier said. "It's really unbelievable. We never expected this many."

But with skyrocketing numbers came the need for more resources.

"First, it was kind of scary trying to figure out all the logistics about how to train that many people and get them to the race," Rinehart said.

Roughly 12 coaches are training the runners this year, up from the two people who organized training runs

last year. The group has also increased the number of runs per week and the amount of fundraising opportunities for runners. Additionally, organizers set up training runs in Chicago suburbs over the summer, Rinehart said.

Officials decided to drop the required fundraising amount to \$750 per runner, down from the \$1,000 expected last year. The decrease came after comparing their required amount to other charities' and accounting for the spike in runners.

The Chicago Marathon also promoted the UI group from a "participating charity" to a "partner charity," which comes with a bigger tent in the charity village at the race and other perks, Forcier said.

"You're also just in there with the top dogs," she said. "The other charities in there are nationwide and we're just our university. It's a huge accomplishment since this is only our second year doing this."

Forcier attributed the huge increase to more pub-

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Source: UI Dance Marathon

licity and recruitment, as well as encouragement from last year's participants.

But the main inspiration across the board is the knowledge that they are running to raise money for children with cancer and their families.

"We are able to run a marathon for them," Rinehart said. "Our Dance Marathon adviser told us, 'You don't want to give up fighting during the marathon because those kids can't give up their fight against cancer.'"

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# Six vie for School Board positions

The Daily Iowan has compiled information about each of the six candidates running in the Sept. 8 Iowa City School Board election. Get informed before tonight's "Meet the Candidates Night" forum, which takes place from 7 to 9 p.m. at the district's Central Administrative Office, 509 S. Dubuque St.

## April Armstrong, 33

**Background:** Armstrong moved to Iowa City from Newton, Iowa, to become a professional nanny in 1993. Her job has helped her develop strong communication and scheduling skills.

**District involvement:** Armstrong has served as Parent Teacher Association president for Weber Elementary since 2008; her term ends in 2010. She was also involved in Weber's Before and After School Program.

**Issues:** Armstrong said she believes the entire community should be involved in district decisions. Officials should reach out to citizens unable to attend School Board meetings by posting online surveys and holding additional community meetings. She said the board's recent decision to close Roosevelt Elementary underscores this issue. "People felt the decision was made before they could give any input, and that's wrong," she said.

## Mike Cooper, 61

**Background:** Cooper earned a bachelor's degree in business administration at the UI and is the vice president of national services for Pearson.

**District involvement:** As a current board member, Cooper is completing a two-year term and seeking reelection. He participated in developing a first draft for a five-year plan to address building new schools and renovating old ones.

**Issues:** Cooper said he thinks the district's budget concerns need to be addressed first. Officials should focus on funding the city's third high school, he said. Cooper would also like to take a communitywide approach to using the Roosevelt Elementary building when it closes, suggesting the space could be used as a preschool or an education center. He recalled the community's disappointment at the closing of Roosevelt but said, "I think we can change that if we do the right thing next."

## Tuyet Dorau, 31

**Background:** Dorau came to Iowa City as a refugee from Vietnam when she was a child and thinks her unique socioeconomic perspective could benefit the district.

**District involvement:** Dorau has volunteered at various district events, including teacher-appreciation meals and fall fundraisers.

**Issues:** Dorau said she believes board members should develop long-term solutions for the entire district — including contingency plans — to address current issues, such as funding a third high school. Officials should focus on keeping areas safe for children who walk or bike to school, and should address changing socioeconomic conditions. "I remember what it was like to be poor," she said referring to her days as a student in the district. "I remember what it was like to be looked at as an outsider."

## Anne Johnson, 34

**Background:** Johnson has held various leadership positions at Pearson for the past 10 years. She is also a certified project management professional.

**District involvement:** Johnson grew up in Iowa City. She helped develop a parent organization in March to advocate for the development of a third high school. Becoming frustrated after regularly attending board meetings, she said she feels it is her duty to run for School Board.

**Issues:** Johnson believes board members should commit to a plan for the new high school and avoid making quick-fix boundary changes that could require adjustments in the future, she said. She would also like to consider examining bus ridership and eliminating unnecessary bus stops to save money.

## Jean Jordison, 62

**Background:** Jordison earned master's degrees in education and library science at the UI. She has served as an early childhood educator, high-school media specialist, and junior-high media specialist and language-arts teacher.

**District involvement:** Jordison has served on several district committees. She has volunteered as both a cross-country parent and a show choir parent.

**Issues:** Jordison said she wants to achieve districtwide unity and equality. Officials should look into renovating some district schools in addition to adding a third high school, she said, and she believes it is unfair to provide some students with a new building and leave others in less modern conditions. "We need to make more decisions with the whole district in mind," she said.

## Sarah Swisher, 53

**Background:** Swisher works for the Service Employees International Union, where she has gained experience in legislative analysis and planning.

**District Involvement:** In 2002 and 2003, Swisher co-chaired a group called "Yes For Kids," which helped pass a bond referendum funding building expenses for three district schools.

**Issues:** Swisher said she would like to focus on creating equity among elementary school children, especially focusing on bringing the district into compliance with federal mandates regarding socio-economic balance in schools. "We need to help balance opportunities for [disadvantaged] kids," she said. She would also like to address budget concerns by focusing only on urgent renovations and reducing consultant costs.

# Officials hear mobile-home park complaints

State officials say they have received numerous complaints about sewage conditions at one Iowa City mobile-home park.

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A white ice-cream truck drives by the Iowa Regency mobile-home park, past week-old wreckage of demolished houses and a swampy condemned pool unevenly filled with a mound of dirt.

Children line up to buy their treats, standing near years-old abandoned homes.

The scene's unkempt background has worried many for years. Dozens of formal complaints about the area stemming back to the 1990s have related to aesthetics, sewage, contaminated water, and potentially hazardous waste.

Officials from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources recently ordered an upgrade of the Regency's wastewater-treatment center. The agency took action after a visit to the park revealed high levels of fecal coliforms and ammonia discharged into the Iowa River nearby.

Russell Royce, a Natural Resources environmental specialist, visited the facility in July. He found a manhole overflowing with sewage.

Then he found the manager at the time had no prior experience and had been on the job for two days. Royce informed the manager of her responsibilities for sending water samples to the state and abiding by its regulations.

Officials at the mobile-home park declined to comment on the wastewater problem aside from saying they are working to resolve it.

But Natural Resources has received reports of other troubles with the company, stretching back to 1996. In a document dated July 2009, the park was fined \$4,000 for numerous complaints and regulation violations.

One of the documents alleges a broken sewer lift that pumps sewage garnered two complaints in one week in June 2007, despite a visit from Natural Resources.

Agency officials found sewage flowing on the ground and under one resident's home, reports show.

However, residents are more concerned about the water flowing into the facility than the water exiting.

"The water smells like manure," said 18-year-old resident Devon Menard,

and he distinctly remembered seeing rust rushing out of his faucet.

The water looks and tastes bad, said Paul Brandt, a Natural Resources environmental specialist, because of secondary contaminants. The pollutants include such minerals as iron, which Brandt said was "very annoying" but safe to drink.

"Because of the secondary contaminants, it can taste bad, it can stain your shirt, and it makes bad coffee," he said.

The mobile-home park has struggled with water-quality issues even before 1996.

When the community was built in the 1970s, residents relied on one drinking well. It was 400 feet deep, making it more susceptible to pollutants such as radium — prolonged exposure

**Violations against Iowa Regency**

- Exceeding the limits for levels of fecal coliform and ammonia
- Failure to properly measure and report fecal coliform levels
- Improper storage of auto batteries and tires

Source: Iowa Department of Natural Resources

to such pollutants is known to cause cancer, Royce said.

Sampling revealed this well was slightly over 5 picrocuries, which is the allowed ratio of radium, Brandt said.

After digging several shallower drinking wells, Brandt said, the mobile-home park began to use the 400-foot deep well again in 2007.

Relaxing on his front porch, Menard said he feels conditions are unlikely to change in his neighborhood. "They are just basically letting it rot," he said.



Iowa Regency mobile-home park resident Cheryl Fields stands outside her trailer on Aug. 29. Several formal complaints about the area stemming back to the 1990s have related to aesthetics, sewage, contaminated water, and potentially hazardous waste.

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## CD REVIEWS

## A new creation in cliché

In an age in which independent rock groups are about as common as Wal-Mart towns in western Iowa, David Bazan — toting clichés like a thick beard with his acoustic guitar and skinny jeans — finds himself fighting an uphill battle. However, the man responsible for Pedro the Lion and Headphones uses clever songwriting and gorgeous vocals to successfully break from indie-rock standards with his first solo full-length release, *Curse Your Branches*.

Starting with "Hard to Be," Bazan sets the album's groove with a building introduction carrying clever organ-play underneath a dancing piano. After a minute of scene setting, his baritone voice roars in, sharing his take of the ancient story of Adam and Eve. His voice carries angst with lyrics that question the simplicity of life and how to fully grasp the cause for grief.

His ability to capture common themes in a new perspective speaks to his songwriting ability. He's not afraid to only use guitar, drums, and bass in a track — displaying purity in music that's been somewhat lost in this age of sampling and electronica. But at the same time, Bazan isn't afraid to use organs or synthesizers to bring the full potential out of a track. In "Harmless Speaks," a song mostly driven by guitar and vocals, he uses low pulsing keys combined with bass drumming to bring the song to climax.

Although *Curse Your Branches* is a solid full-length solo debut, Bazan does falter at times — most likely he played every instrument. An impressive feat, yes, but at times the songs seem repetitive and bland, and some of his songwriting is ultimately lost among the drone. But with time and experience, Bazan will learn to use his strengths and will, hopefully, continue to expand the limitations of independent rock.

Eric's picks: "Hard to Be," "When We Fell," "In Stitches."  
— by Eric Sundermann

## Polishing used tunes will not make them new

After seven years of recording, touring, and writing, one would think that somehow the Used would inevitably grow into something different from what it was when it started. After more than a half-decade, the music and lyrics are no more developed than the group's two previous albums.

But perhaps this isn't a bad thing — perhaps the goal was never to deepen the music or mature the lyrics. Rather, it's possible that the Used aims to polish the same musical formula over and over until it creates the catchiest tune possible. If so, it is well on its way to full self-realization.

*Artwork*, the band's fourth studio release, displays the same

ol' melancholy-drenched lyrics that the band has crafted into a calling card. This time around, however, the group's work with producer Matt Squire shines through in both its crisp vocal harmonies and irresistible choruses (which are pleasingly reminiscent of the producer's past work with the likes of Panic! At the Disco and All Time Low). This album is not made for the die-hard music connoisseur, but it will drive the scene girls crazy as the band members shout the lyrics to "Empty With You" through the sunroofs of their parents' SUVs.

To further the effectively emotional qualities of *Artwork*, the album's visual art is a perfect supplement. The cover is a grainy photo of an overturned hand bearing the word "WORK" etched in the skin and on up the wrist. Through a large, metal hypodermic needle, the other hand injects black "ART" into the O of "Work." The dark atmosphere of the art, as well as the seemingly strained attempt at significant meaning, reflects the music perfectly.

The Used, as perhaps its name implies, is not offering anything new. The contributors have created another version of the Used, perhaps a little cheesier than before, but still equally as catchy as its previous releases. Squire's finishing touch turns *Artwork* into something that will satisfy any Used fan — and slightly annoy all former Fall Out Boy fans who have finally matured.

— by Ryan Fosmark

## Lewis delves into unknown land

Juliette Lewis has been releasing albums as the front woman of Juliette and the Licks since 2006, but on *Terra Incognita*, she loses the Licks and ventures into foreign territory. Fortunately, the strength of her first solo disc proves the question of whether Lewis would have made it this far in her musical career without her acting background as completely irrelevant.

Although the crossover from silver screen actor to indie-rock musician often fails, Lewis manages to defy the stereotype by creating (for the most part) truly pleasing music. Her vocals are powerfully visual — it's easy to imagine her grasping the microphone and expressing a particular song's emotion with her entire body. Her soulful, husky voice sounds like a mixture of Courtney Love at her peak, the Distiller's retired punk princess Brody Dale, and a slightly less sleepy Maria Taylor.

*Terra Incognita's* tunes rely heavily on guitar riffs and abra-

sive vocal outbursts, and the mystical lyricism stays true to the "lost" metaphor suggested by the album's title. The entire disc exudes raw feminine power and only falls flat with a few cheesy interludes and scatterings of nonsensical spoken verses. The unsettling, flawed result is apparent in "Female Persecution," (in which Lewis repeats the eerie words "I will wear your black veil" over a transient wailing guitar), and the abrupt cut following the track into the upbeat love song "Uh Huh."

Though *Terra Incognita* is certainly worth exploring, it doesn't necessarily warrant a revisit.

Bri's picks: "Noche Sin Fin" and "Fantasy Bar"

— by Bri LaPelusa

## Crowes bring back classic sound

For nearly 20 years, the Black Crowes has consistently produced genuine instrument-based music, in a time in which much of popular music is computer-generated. But band members have always set out to do what they want to do, whether they produced a top-40 hit or not. The band's latest studio album, *Before the Frost ...*, is no exception.

Recorded live before a studio audience in Woodstock, N.Y., the album kicks off with "Good Morning Captain." Boasting an old-timey piano intro, the track seamlessly flows into a tighter, Southern-inspired sound that's indicative of *Before the Frost ...* as a whole. Listening to the album from start to finish is a nostalgia trip to the hippie-rock era.

Throw in a number of solos that are evoked a jam-session trance, along with the funky, raunchier guitar songs such as "I Ain't Hiding" and "Make Glad," and the Black Crowes has clearly nailed the formula for a solid blues-rock album. Dynamic contrast between tracks creates the perfect balance of leisurely paced songs and upbeat numbers, which is essential to the listener interested.

While *Before the Frost ...* does display a grittier side of the Black Crowes, it still feels comfortable and familiar — which is a plus for both die-hard Black Crowes fans and classic-rock buffs. However, if you're looking for something new and exciting, best wait until after the frost melts.

Rebecca's picks: "Been a Long Time (Waiting on Love)," "What is Home," "Make Glad"  
— by Rebecca Koons

## Lost in diva-land

Whitney Houston has clearly lost her inner diva — *I Look to You* is a pathetic release for the former vocal pop queen.

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Ten years ago, Whitney Houston's most-recent album, *I Look to You*, would have been as relevant and highly anticipated as *The Bodyguard 2*.

But it's 2009, and the album is drier than Joan Rivers, and Houston's pipes sounded far better when she was yelling at her ex-husband on "Being Bobby Brown."

That's not to say her vocals on *I Look to You* are awful — Houston's voice is as sultry, smooth, and sexy as always, but she doesn't push it like she used to in the days of "I Will Always Love You" and "I Wanna Dance With Somebody (Who Loves Me)."

The pop diva began singing in New York long before the days of her first record, *Whitney Houston*, in 1985. The album launched her from being the daughter and sister of superstars to being one herself. *Whitney Houston* sold millions of copies, produced three No. 1 singles, and made *The Bodyguard* star nearly as famous as her godmother, Aretha Franklin.

Although Houston's career has led her to produce numerous No. 1 singles, sell millions of copies of her albums, and star in

many films (especially throughout the '90s), the past few years have been packed with drug allegations and heartbreak for the divorcée — which is obnoxiously evident throughout *I Look to You*.

Houston's voice will always carry her career, but in order to really launch herself back to her fabulous '80s status, the star needs to improve the overall quality of her new tracks. Nearly each song in *I Look to You* is bland and repetitive, with uninteresting lyrics that seem to chronicle the relationship agony Houston is apparently facing. (Well, except for a few tunes such as "Million Dollar Bill," in which she seems to be in love, which is yet another example of just why this album is a hot mess.)

One of the biggest mistakes Houston makes on this record is to collaborate with Akon on "Like I Never Left." Though Akon's voice is as sultry as Houston's, the duo should have skipped over this duet and kept their vocal collaborations to the bedroom (we all know you want it, Whitney). Had the track been sung with Jermaine Jackson à la the 1985 hit "Nobody Loves Me Like You Do," it would have brought the album into the realm of *The Bodyguard* soundtrack fabulousness (and serious sexyness). Instead, all it does is make listeners want to cry with its fatal and seriously lame attempt at Houston gain-

ing some cred with younger audiences. Akon's not that cool, Ms. Diva.

Another mistake Houston makes on *I Look to You* is letting the track "Worth It" exist. The boastful ditty claims "I know somebody's gonna make love to this song tonight." Cut the ego on this lame excuse for a song, Whitney. There's no need to throw out pathetic tracks just to save your career from being worse than Bobby Brown's. It already is, this song proves that, so shut your mouth. Despite the errors Houston makes, she does prove that she can still whip out a ballad, and the result is one of the only tracks worth listening to (even though it's still a painful experience). "I Didn't Know My Own Strength" may be laden with angst and sadness, but it's the obnoxious song Whitney fans (if there are any left) will be waiting for. Its cheesed-out lyrics, "I didn't know my own strength / And I crashed down and I tumbled / But I did not crumble / I got through all the pain," match her pathetic-sounding voice. This worthless attempt to make fans sympathize with her pain fails harder than her new look.

If Houston proved anything on *I Look to You*, it's that she needs to stop releasing albums, suck up her feelings, and be content with her successful '80s career.

Rachael's picks: "Like I Never Left" and "I Didn't Know My Own Strength"

## BITCH PLEASE

## ENTOURAGE

## 'Entourage' infuriating

I ripped the "Entourage" poster on my wall down.

Vinny, my boy, it's over. "Entourage" was great — really, it was one of the best shows ever to be on television. But it's over now. And this awful season proves it.

It's simple — "Entourage" scribes have forgotten how to be innovative with their plots. Vinny and the boys are rich again, so what now? We focus on Eric and his relationship woes? What an awful idea. Kevin O'Connell may be one of the strongest actors on the show (aside from Jeremy Piven), but nobody watches to see E be emotional with girls. We watch for the humor — and for Ari to harass Lloyd.

Instead of thinking of new ways the characters could grow, the writers are simply pandering to the stereotypes they've created. Turtle smokes weed.

Ari gets mad. Drama is a bitch. It's all the same.

It's either time for some new ideas or to give Vince an Oscar and end the series.

— by Eric Sundermann

## 'Entourage' still enticing

After an admittedly unpleasant fifth season, "Entourage" rocked the first episode of the new season and has managed to make the show interesting again.

The writers have finally realized that the three supporting members of Team Vince deserve their own spotlight moments. Vince has always been the show's Ferris Bueller, while Eric (and the rest of the crew) plays Cameron. Anyone who says otherwise is lying.

What's really impressive is the way the writers have developed Turtle into a real person. He's been the generic pseudo-stoner horn dog for the majority of the show, and to see

him question his role, as well as his future, has been the show's biggest transformation. His relationship with über-hot Jamie-Lynn Sigler doesn't hurt, either.

Even Johnny Drama grew up this season when he stood up to the studio executive who challenged the Sigler character's integrity.

Of course, the show isn't up to the caliber set by the first three seasons, but most sitcoms don't last more than seven or eight years, anyway. But with the new focus on the full "Entourage" cast rather than just Vince, E, and Ari, I wouldn't be surprised if HBO cranks out at least two more seasons.

— by Tyler Lyon

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## Editorial

### What's the proper role of a city government in crafting a downtown for the public good?

#### Activist government can help mold a downtown

Typically, the public good is left up to the market to decide: How many groceries stores should there be in town? What varieties of vegetables should they sell? How much sausage should their meat counters cut in a given week? Americans have a propensity toward favoring less government, not more, and rudimentary commerce questions are often left up to the market.

And rightly so.

When governments intervene in portions of the economy better left to the market, the result can be food shortages and rationing. But informed citizens should also recognize the free market's ability to distort the genuine public good. In such instances, democratic governments — in this case, at the city level — are right to step in to counterbalance the market's inadequacies.

The public good is more than a simple aggregation of consumer habits or the profitability of a downtown bar. When basic safety needs aren't met or a business has a deleterious impact on a community, a city government is right to intervene. We can debate the merits of specific policies within that authority, but the authority should be there regardless.

A free-market capitalist system is typically adept at handling basic supply-and-demand issues. But citizens too often equate political with economic freedom. The loss of the former should be avoided at all costs; superfluous amounts of the economic variety can undermine the public good and democratic governance itself. While political freedom values both equality and citizen autonomy, economic freedom places a premium on one's affluence and businesses' profitability.

I won't claim a city government can effectively manage grocery stores. But with planning and zoning, ordinances, and other tools, city governments can play an important role in shaping a downtown — for the good of the community, rather than the market.

— by Shawn Gude

#### Hands-off means success

We elect city government officials to do what is in our best interest. But over the course of the last year or so, those decisions have been called into question by a large portion of our community. As it pertains to downtown issues, the local government should take a back seat to the will of consumers in constructing a downtown that will meet our needs.

Downtown is a major part of this community, and the City Council should always have a say over what happens. But prior to that, business leaders and community organizers need to better shape our downtown by giving councilors an example of what we're looking for. The public, in consultation with Iowa City Chamber of Commerce, should lead the discussion on how we want our downtown area to look.

The problems we have downtown are much larger than one particular government body to attend to. If we want to change the perception of our downtown, then the consumers have to lead the charge in bringing the resources we need. Local government can never be the ultimate answer in our problems.

If we want a particular business to augment our downtown commercial properties, then we have to lobby for it. If chain restaurants and particular shopping stores are in our sights, then we as a community need to make an effort to show them we are a viable place to come.

The City Council is not to blame for all our problems and most likely never will be. There can be a "vision" for what this community can grow to become, but consumers have to be at the front of that battle. A government, large or small, works for us. Not the other way around. As cliché as that is, it leads us to a town that is constructed by the people, not by its highest leadership alone.

— by Michael Davis

Your turn. Should a city's government play any role in shaping a downtown? Weigh in on [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

# The great deal maker



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When I was a young lad, I sat in the visitors' gallery above the U.S. Senate and heard and watched — Sen. Edward Kennedy deliver an impassioned speech about health care.

No — I misspeak. He didn't merely deliver the speech, because that would imply using e-mail, or Twitter, or Facebook, or any of the other ordinary ways we deliver what we call messages.

He spoke with great eloquence, with a fire that seemed to illuminate the whole chamber. He didn't seem to be a politician relishing the spotlight; he seemed to believe, utterly, each word he spoke with a conviction as tough as titanium.

Of course, I was a young teen then, and the world still appeared to be a quite romantic place. I mean, I read poetry. Voluntarily.

In these ironic times — well, OK, these times aren't really ironic, they're much more sardonic times. Whatever.

In these times, these days following the death of Sen. Ted Kennedy, I look back at that young boy and am appalled by his naivité. But I also realize that the older me, the more cynical, more sardonic me, didn't know Ted Kennedy much better than that kid.

From reading the reams of obituaries and remembrances, one thing struck me, something that I was aware of but hadn't fully grasped: Kennedy was the great compromiser of his day. His ability to reach across the aisle, which seems to be the requisite phrase in these times, to involve members of the opposite party in fashioning policy, is unequalled in this era.

While Kennedy was the favorite liberal whipping boy for right-wing commentators, he was working with conservative Republican senators, especially Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, to pass legislation that helped people. Did all that legislation please

liberals such as me? No. But did it make this country a better place?

Yes.

In 1997, for instance, Kennedy and Hatch worked together to create the State Children's Health Insurance Program, or S-CHIP, as it was known.

And as conservative (well, he used to be known as a conservative) *New York Times* columnist David Brooks put it:

"Kennedy never abandoned his ambitious ideals, but his ability to forge compromises and champion gradual, incremental change created the legacy everybody is celebrating today: community health centers, the National Cancer Institute, the Americans With Disabilities Act, the Meals on Wheels program, the renewal of the Voting Rights Act, and the No Child Left Behind Act."

These days, of course, in the real world of making policy, bipartisanship seems about as laughable as the quaint romanticism that pervades *Casablanca*. (Yes, I still like *Casablanca*. Who doesn't? Outside of one girl I dated. Briefly.) Conservative activist Grover Norquist's infamous words, Bipartisanship is another name for date rape, seem to be the rule of the day.

As we wallow through the health-reform debate — or screaming match, as it often more resembles — we are going to miss Kennedy's touch, his ability to forge compromises, as Brooks put it.

And this country needs some sort of health-care reform. The thousands of Americans who showed up at the Los Angeles Forum in the middle of August to get free health checkups bear testament to that (see the Aug. 15 article in the UK's *Independent*.)

And we need someone with Kennedy's attitude to make it happen. As Ted Kennedy Jr. put it in the Aug. 29 memorial service:

"Remember," the younger Kennedy said his father once told him, "Republicans love this country as much as I do."

We liberals need to remember that.

Conservatives need to remember it, too. ■

## Letter

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### Outrage over 'Fan Cans' misguided

After reading an article in *The Daily Iowan* and the *Des Moines Register* on the UI's condemnation of the Anheuser-Busch decision to make "Fan Cans," I felt inclined to stand up and speak out.

To begin with, I would like to mention that I do not encourage underage drinking. But at the same time, Lord and liver know that I do not object, either.

UI officials claim that the black-and-gold cans send mixed messages about underage drinking during a time of the university's proactive programming to stop binge drinking.

First, we need to remember that many students enrolled at UI are at least 21 years of age

and that the cans are not sold to persons under the legal age.

Second, we must get off our egotistical head-trip and realize that these cans are not just being marketed to students. This clever marketing ploy is also targeting older fans, parents, and alumni. It is conceived for the university to think that its students are the only ones the Fan Cans appeal to.

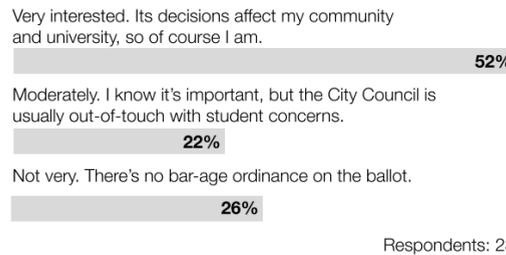
Last, the mere color of a can is not going to sell more beer. It will simply take sales away from others. I am not enticed to go get hammered because of the new color combination of Bud Light; more realistically I would probably make the switch from Coors Light, as hard as that may sound. Either way, I am going to drink.



### YOUR TURN POLL RESULTS

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#### How interested are you in the City Council race?



My final note is directed toward the university. Instead of trying to change the color of a can of (in my opinion, not that good) beer, look closer to home to fix the problem. If you are so concerned with binge

drinking, go after the greek system, with its house parties, bar crawls, and keg races and leave the nice Dutch company alone.

Slade Kemmet  
UI sophomore

## Guest opinion

# Status quo not an option; reform health system

### LYNN YODER

My son was diagnosed with lymphoma at the age of 10 and colon cancer at 17. Today, he is a healthy college student, but we know when he graduates in a few years, it will be very difficult for him to find affordable health coverage because of his "pre-existing" cancers. It bothers me that for the rest of his life, no matter where he moves in the United States or what career path he chooses to follow, his first concern will always be health coverage. He's a very talented, hard-working young man, and his future should not be limited because of our

messed up health-insurance industry. Congress must pass health-care reform that makes it illegal for insurance companies to deny coverage (or charge exorbitant premiums) for the very illnesses we need insurance for.

Employer-sponsored health-insurance premiums for families have increased 119 percent in the last decade, according to the nonpartisan Kaiser Family Foundation. The rising cost is hurting everyone. Those under private plans are being forced to take higher deductibles or less coverage. Small businesses are dropping health

coverage or shifting more of their insurance costs onto employees. And the number of people who simply cannot afford health coverage is growing every day.

Americans are so afraid of paying higher taxes, but government-sponsored plans such as Medicare and Medicaid cover millions — we are already paying for that. Congress will not pass any bill on health-care reform that includes increased taxes on middle- and lower-income Americans. But even if our taxes were raised to pay for a public-insurance option, those taxes would cost the average taxpayer much

less than purchasing a private plan.

My husband and I have kept foster children who were on Medicaid. Medicaid covers everything — vision, dental, medical, mental illness, everything. And there is no paperwork. You just show the provider your card, and it's done. Why does a person have to be unemployed (or a member of Congress) to get that type of coverage from the government? Shouldn't all hard-working Americans get the same sort of offer?

Wouldn't it be nice to live in a country where if you (or your kids) got sick or hurt you could just go to

the doctor of your choosing without having to worry that the cost will prevent you from buying groceries at the end of the week or paying your mortgage next month? We are one of the only industrialized countries in the world that does not provide health care for all its citizens.

Spokesmen for the health-insurance industry are busy trying to spread horror stories of cases in which people from other countries have had serious issues with their public health insurance. Don't be deceived — horror stories are happening here, too. We have excellent health-

care providers in the United States, but our health insurance is lousy. I'm sure in any country you can find people unhappy with some aspect of their health plan. But I doubt whether you could find many who would want to trade it for ours.

We have the best and the brightest minds working in health care. Let's pass a reform bill that will allow them to do their work. Please write, e-mail, or call your representatives and senators. We need health-insurance reform in America. If we don't fix it now, we will pay for it later.

Lynn Yoder is a resident of Kalona.

## Spotlight Iowa City

# From Kampala to UI rush

An international student finds a home in a UI sorority.

By **MOLLY BURKE**  
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A show called "Sweet Valley" inspired Bridgar Nayiga to pledge a sorority.

Except there are a few crucial differences: Nayiga is not a blond twin from California like her favorite TV characters. She is a UI freshman who arrived from Uganda a little more than two weeks ago.

Relaxing in a local coffeehouse and sipping an iced lemonade, Nayiga said moving to Iowa City is not her first foray into the United States. After several visits to extended family scattered across the country, a cousin in Minnesota recommended the UI for its actuarial-science program.

Upon her arrival in Iowa, Nayiga realized a sorority may be the best reminder of home. She comes from Kampala, Uganda's capital city, which is packed with around 2 million residents. She grew up with 11 siblings and attended a boarding school of about 50 girls.

"Maybe I want to re-create or repeat what I had," the 19-year-old said.

At Orientation, Nayiga met members of the UI Panhellenic Council, and her interest grew. After the application process, she was able to participate in traditional greek festivities, including rush.

Wearing her red "All Eyes on DZ" bid-day shirt, she said her

favorite part of rush was dressing up and meeting her future sisters.

Although she said all sorority sisters were welcoming, she chose to pledge Delta Zeta because she felt comfortable with the members and everything "clicked."

"The girls just made me feel like I shouldn't look at any other option," she said.

As the only international student to pledge Delta Zeta this year, Nayiga said joining the sorority in some ways helped her transition into university life.

"It helps her get more involved on campus and get to know a diverse group of people and enrich her college life," said Kristen Bogusz, the vice president of new member education at Delta Zeta.

And Nayiga said the women always offer to pick her up when she gets lost, in spite of spending a fair share of her time staring at a campus map.

"I've gotten lost like five times now," she said.

She's even enjoying the food here, especially anything spicy — these meals are a big change from the relatively bland dishes in Uganda, including "matoke," a mashed up vegetable inside a banana leaf.

Home for Nayiga is almost 8,000 miles away, which makes everything from travel to daily communication difficult. She said she has no immediate plans to head home for

## Bridgar Nayiga

### Fast facts:

- She is from Kampala, the capital city of Uganda
- Family's tribe is called Muganda, and the members speak Luganda
- Attended a girls' boarding school, where her and her friends called themselves the "50 Musketeers"
- Out of all the states she has visited, New York is her favorite because of its fast-pace vibe.
- She also visited Texas Tech and Stanford University but chose the UI after recommendations from family members.
- Her ultimate goal is to become an actuary.

Know someone the *DI* should shine a light on in its Spotlight Iowa City series? **E-mail us at [di-spotlight@uiowa.edu](mailto:di-spotlight@uiowa.edu).**

### ON THE WEB



See a photo slide show of Bridgar Nayiga at [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

the holidays but must return every summer to renew her visa.

She is able to talk to her family about twice a week, but that costs \$20 for three hours.

Fortunately, a scholarship from Steel and Tube Industries in Uganda covers her tuition. She also receives a monthly allowance from her parents, which she is saving to pay for her sorority dues.

She said her mother and father support her joining a sorority, but they have



RACHEL JESSEN/THE DAILY IOWAN

UI freshman Bridgar Nayiga unfolds traditional African dress in her Mayflower suite on Monday. A recent pledge to the UI chapter of Delta Zeta, Nayiga felt joining a sorority would serve as a reminder of home, where she has eight sisters and four brothers, and attended an all-girl boarding school.

"They were most surprised that the girls actually lived together in a house."

— **Bridgar Nayiga**, freshman

plenty of questions about the unfamiliar concept.

"They were most surprised that the girls actually lived together in a house," she said.

For now, Nayiga said, she will focus on finding a job and recovering from cultural shock, such as the sight of short skirts on campus. And she looks forward to another new experience: American football.



RACHEL JESSEN/THE DAILY IOWAN

UI freshman Bridgar Nayiga listens intently to her roommate in their Mayflower suite on Monday. Upon arriving at the university, Nayiga decided to pledge with the UI chapter of the Delta Zeta sorority. The sorority gives Nayiga a place at the UI, given she's 8,000 miles away from home and can't talk with her family daily.

## METRO

### Mayor's program fires Marble after arrest

The Mayor's Youth Empowerment Program board voted today 7-0 to fire leadership program director Roy Marble following an Aug. 24 arrest in Cedar County.

Marble, a former Hawkeye basketball star, was charged with driving while barred, driving while revoked, possession of marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia, according to Cedar County court documents. He was also charged with driving while revoked OWI test failure because he was operating a vehicle without an ignition interlock device required for OWI test failure, according to court documents.

Police said Marble was going 84 mph in a 55 mph zone around 8:20 p.m. Police allegedly found an open can of Budwiser in the back seat, a bag of marijuana under the driver's seat, and marijuana blunts in the ash tray and on the floor board.

Marble was hired on Aug. 25, said Roger Lusala, executive director of the program.

— **by Danny Valentine**

### Man charged with assault

A Mount Pleasant man was arrested and charged with two counts of assault causing bodily injury after an Aug. 20 attack, according to Iowa City police.

Daquan Thomas, 21, was being held Monday night at the Johnson County Jail on \$10,000 bond. Assault causing bodily injury is a serious misdemeanor that could land him in prison for up to a year and cost him a \$1,500 fine if convicted.

Police were called to the 333 S. Gilbert St. around 3 a.m. and found a person unconscious. Witnesses said the person was punched in the face and knocked to the ground unconscious, according to police. Thomas allegedly then kicked the person in the ribs numerous times and stomped twice on the victim's face.

Thomas allegedly said, "I'm not going to jail for this," and pulled the victim out of view.

The person had contusions and bruises on the left side of his face and cuts and bruises to both lips.

— **by Danny Valentine**

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For the Iowa women's golf team, a typical practice week includes playing 18 holes three days a week. **4B**

**MLB**  
Tampa Bay 11, Detroit 7  
N.Y. Yankees 5, Baltimore 1  
Minnesota 4, White Sox 1  
Oakland 8, Kansas City 5  
L.A. Angels 10, Seattle 0

Toronto 18, Texas 10  
Atlanta 5, Florida 2  
Cincinnati 6, Pittsburgh 3  
Cincinnati 4, Pittsburgh 3  
Houston 5, Chicago Cubs 3  
San Diego 3, Washington 1



### FOOTBALL

#### Football announces Leadership Group

The Hawkeyes announced their 2009 Leadership Group on Monday, which consists of 14 Iowa football players. Those named carry influence on policy- and decision-making issues surrounding this year's team.

The 2009 group features three freshmen, two of whom are quarterback James Vandenberg and defensive back Greg Castillo. Both Vandenberg and Castillo red-shirted in 2008.

The lone true freshman is wide receiver Keenan Davis, who hails from Cedar Rapids.

Also headlining the group are three seniors — tight end Tony Moeaki and linebackers Pat Angerer and A.J. Edds. All three Iowa seniors represented the Hawkeyes in July at the Big Ten football media days.

The group is rounded out with four juniors and four sophomores. The junior members are quarterback Ricky Stanzi, offensive tackle Bryan Bulaga, defensive end Adrian Clayborn, and safety Brett Greenwood.

The sophomore class consists of wide receiver Marvin McNutt, defensive end Broderick Binns, linebacker Tyler Nielsen, and safety Tyler Sash.

— by Brendan Stiles

### GOLF

#### Men's golf jumps into first

After a few bumps on day one, the Iowa men's golf team played nearly spotlessly at Blue Top Ridge in Riverside to claim first place with one day remaining in the Golfweek Conference Challenge on Monday.

All five Hawkeyes finished either below par or even to take the team's score down from even to 8 under par — four strokes ahead of second-place Florida State.

Leading the way for Iowa was junior Brad Hopfinger, who shot a one-day course record for competitive competition with a 67.

The Lake Forest, Ill., native sank seven birdies, and he sits in first place after a two-day total of 137 (7 under). His 14 birdies for the tournament leads all golfers in the 15-team match.

Sunday's leading Hawkeye, sophomore Barrett Kelpin, turned in a two-day total of 141, good enough for an eighth-place tie.

Junior Vince India, who held the previous one-day course record at 68, shot a 71 to bring his score to 144 for a 13th-place tie.

Sophomore Chris Brant is tied for 33rd after firing a 72, taking his score to 148.

Freshman Ryan Marks, who struggled on Sunday with a 79 (7 over), shot 2 under on Monday for a 40th place tie at 149.

All teams will tee off at 9 a.m. today, with Iowa golfers paired with Florida State and third-place Baylor, which sits at 1 under.

— by Clark Cahill

### FOOTBALL FORUM

Be sure to visit [dailyiowan.com](http://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.

The daily videocasts can be viewed exclusively online. Today's Football Forum focuses on Iowa place kickers Daniel Murray and Trent Mossbrucker, junior Ryan Donahue, and whether it's wise to have junior cornerback Amari Spivey as both punt and kick returner this season.



FILE PHOTO/THE DAILY IOWAN

Hawkeye Daniel Murray kicks an extra point after running back Shonn Greene's touchdown in the first quarter of the Outback Bowl at Raymond James Stadium on Jan. 1. Murray finished 1-for-2 in field goals and made all of his extra-point attempts.

# Kick-starting

Iowa place-kicker Daniel Murray may have added a clutch field goal to his résumé last November, but sophomore Trent Mossbrucker remains in contention for the starting spot.

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The man behind one of the most famous kicks in Iowa football history has one simple philosophy this season: produce under pressure.

Junior place-kicker Daniel Murray, now a name etched in the massive granite pages of unforgettable Hawkeye lore, did it last November against then-No. 3 Penn State.

And every time he lined up for a field goal this off-season, the former Regina standout revisited his career-defining moment.

"I think the thing with that is trying to reproduce the focus and everything that I had during that kick because it was a big pressure moment," he said. "Even if it's a PAT, you can't slack off a little bit. You have to be able to treat every kick with the same focus."

Focus, in addition to a

nationally televised game-winning boot, has certainly helped him land in his coaches' good graces during the off-season.

Following the conclusion of spring practice, Murray had secured his spot as the first-team place kicker, with sophomore Trent Mossbrucker assuming the back-up role.

SEE KICKING, 3B

#### Ninth in a nine-part series

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

- Aug. 20 — Quarterbacks
- Aug. 21 — Running Backs
- Aug. 24 — Wide Receivers
- Aug. 25 — Tight Ends
- Aug. 26 — Offensive Linemen
- Aug. 27 — Defensive Linemen
- Aug. 28 — Linebackers
- Aug. 31 — Secondary
- Today — Special Teams

#### ON THE WEB

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### COMMENTARY

## No cause for alarm

The Iowa field-hockey team may be 0-2, but parallels can be drawn to the Hawkeyes' 2006 season, which ended with a Big Ten title.



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The Iowa field-hockey team started its season 0-2 after losing to No. 2 Wake Forest and No. 4 North Carolina this past weekend.

Despite that, no one should be alarmed.

Seeing the team open the year with two-consecutive blemishes might raise some eyebrows from those who don't follow the program closely

SEE COMMENTARY, 3B

## Hawks want to improve

The swagger gained by the Hawkeyes at last season's end should carry over to 2009.



#### Ninth in an 11-part series

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

1. Sept. 3
2. Sept. 2
3. Iowa
4. Michigan State
5. Northwestern
6. Minnesota
7. Illinois
8. Wisconsin
9. Michigan
10. Indiana
11. Purdue

Expectations are sky high in Iowa City this fall, and why wouldn't they be?

The Hawkeyes enter 2009 ranked 22nd nationally and ended 2008 with four-straight victories to finish with a 9-4 record, including a 31-10 victory over South Carolina in the Outback Bowl. In fact, Iowa was the only Big Ten team to win a bowl game last winter.

Combine that with the number of players returning on offense, defense, and special teams, and the Hawkeyes appear poised to play in another New Year's Day bowl game this season.

"Last year, we experienced some success, but we definitely wouldn't call a nine-win season successful," senior linebacker Pat Angerer said. "There's a lot of improvement that needs to be done. We need to work a lot harder to get to where we want to be."

Among those returning on offense for Iowa this

SEE HAWKS, 3B

## V-ball off to perfect start

The Iowa volleyball team is off to its best start since the 2002 season after going 3-for-3 at the Loyola Invitational in Chicago last weekend.

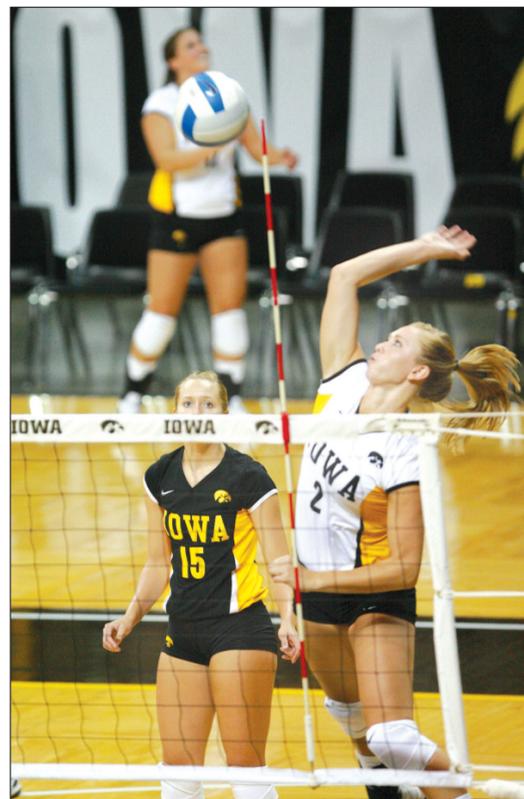
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Perfection can give a team a lot to smile about. Sitting at 3-0 after the first weekend of the season, there is plenty for the Iowa volleyball team to be beaming about.

The Hawkeyes dominated Loyola of Chicago, Marquette, and Eastern Kentucky en route to winning the Loyola Invitational over this past weekend, dropping only one set throughout the entire tournament.

"It felt great," coach Sharon Dingman said. "I think winning always feels good, but to start the season the way we did, I think it says a lot about some of the goals we want to accomplish and that the players are pretty serious about getting some good things done this year. ... It was nice to see some of the players step up and play so well."

Many players not only stepped up and saw action for Iowa, a few made their Hawkeye debuts. Megan Schipper, a



ROB JOHNSON/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa's Emma Krieger Kittle spikes the ball during the Black and Gold volleyball scrimmage on Aug. 22. Krieger Kittle, a freshman from Iowa City, was an All-State honoree twice for West High.

senior outside hitter and one of the Hawkeyes' two captains, was excited to see the freshmen get their first taste of collegiate competition.

"It was really good to see them on the court," she said. "They weren't too nervous, they were really excited to be out there, and they fit in really well with us. Lauren [Friedman] and Emma

[Krieger Kittle] both did great this weekend."

Junior Aimee Huffman, an outside hitter, earned tournament MVP honors with 29 kills, 19 digs, 10 total blocks, and seven assists. The Texas native felt honored to receive the accolade but believed the team's consistency played an integral role in winning.

SEE VOLLEYBALL, 3B



# Intramurals

## SPORTS 'N' STUFF

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	75	53	.586	—
Atlanta	69	62	.527	7 1/2
Florida	68	63	.519	8 1/2
New York	59	72	.450	17 1/2
Washington	46	86	.348	31
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	77	55	.583	—
Chicago	65	64	.504	10 1/2
Milwaukee	64	66	.492	12
Houston	63	68	.481	13
Cincinnati	58	73	.443	18 1/2
Pittsburgh	53	77	.408	23
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	78	54	.591	—
Colorado	72	59	.550	5 1/2
San Francisco	70	59	.550	5 1/2
Arizona	60	72	.455	18
San Diego	57	76	.429	21 1/2

### Monday's Games

Cincinnati 4, Pittsburgh 3, 1st game  
Cincinnati 6, Pittsburgh 3, 2nd game  
Atlanta 5, Florida 2  
Houston 5, Chicago Cubs 3  
San Diego 3, Washington 1  
Arizona 5, L.A. Dodgers 3, 10 innings  
**Today's Games**  
San Francisco (J.Sanchez 6-10) at Philadelphia (Hamels 7-8), 6:05 p.m.  
Atlanta (Hudson 0-0) at Florida (A.Sanchez 2-5), 6:10 p.m.  
Pittsburgh (Morton 3-6) at Cincinnati (Lehr 3-1), 6:10 p.m.  
Houston (Moehler 8-9) at Chicago Cubs (R.Wells 9-7), 7:05 p.m.  
Milwaukee (Looper 11-6) at St. Louis (Pineiro 13-9), 7:15 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets (Pellfrey 9-9) at Colorado (De La Rosa 12-9), 7:40 p.m.  
Washington (J.Martin 3-3) at San Diego (Richard 3-1), 9:05 p.m.  
Arizona (Y.Petit 3-8) at L.A. Dodgers (V.Padilla 1-0), 9:10 p.m.

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	83	48	.634	—
Boston	79	52	.605	4 1/2
Tampa Bay	71	59	.546	11 1/2
Toronto	59	70	.457	23
Baltimore	54	78	.409	29 1/2
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	69	61	.531	—
Minnesota	66	65	.504	3 1/2
Chicago	64	68	.485	6
Cleveland	58	72	.446	11
Kansas City	50	81	.382	19 1/2
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	78	52	.600	—
Texas	72	58	.554	6
Seattle	68	64	.515	11
Oakland	58	73	.443	20 1/2

### Monday's Games

Tampa Bay 11, Detroit 7  
N.Y. Yankees 5, Baltimore 1  
Toronto 18, Texas 10  
Minnesota 4, Chicago White Sox 1  
L.A. Angels 10, Seattle 0  
Oakland 6, Kansas City 5  
**Today's Games**  
Toronto (Tallet 5-8) at Texas (Nippert 4-2), 4:05 p.m., 1st game  
Cleveland (Carrasco 0-0) at Detroit (E.Jackson 10-6), 6:05 p.m.  
N.Y. Yankees (A.Burnett 10-8) at Baltimore (Da.Hernandez 4-9), 6:05 p.m.  
Boston (Lester 10-7) at Tampa Bay (Sonnanstine 6-7), 6:08 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox (Danks 12-8) at Minnesota (Manship 0-0), 7:10 p.m.  
Toronto (Rzepczynski 2-3) at Texas (McCarthy 5-2), 7:35 p.m., 2nd game  
Kansas City (Davies 5-9) at Oakland (Ed.Gonzalez 0-1), 9:05 p.m.  
L.A. Angels (E.Santana 7-7) at Seattle (Fister 1-1), 9:10 p.m.

### WNBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	20	8	.714	—
Atlanta	15	14	.517	5 1/2
Washington	14	15	.483	6 1/2
Chicago	14	16	.467	7
Connecticut	14	16	.467	7
Detroit	13	15	.464	7
New York	12	17	.414	8 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	20	9	.690	—
Seattle	18	11	.621	2
Los Angeles	15	14	.517	5
Minnesota	12	17	.414	8
San Antonio	12	17	.414	8
Sacramento	10	20	.333	10 1/2

### Monday's Games

No games scheduled  
**Today's Games**  
Seattle at New York, 6:30 p.m.  
Phoenix at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.  
Minnesota at San Antonio, 7 p.m.

Connecticut at Sacramento, 9 p.m.  
Atlanta at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

### US OPEN AT A GLANCE

A look at Monday's play at the \$21.6 million U.S. Open tennis championships:  
**ATTENDANCE:** Day: 36,085 (opening day record)  
**MEN'S SEEDED WINNERS:** No. 1 Roger Federer, No. 5 Andy Roddick, No. 8 Nikolay Davydenko, No. 12 Robin Soderling, No. 14 Tommy Robredo, No. 20 Tommy Haas, No. 21 James Blake, No. 23 Philipp Kohlschreiber and No. 31 Lleyton Hewitt  
**MEN'S SEEDED LOSERS:** No. 26 Paul-Henri Mathieu and No. 28 Victor Hanescu  
**WOMEN'S SEEDED WINNERS:** No. 2 Serena Williams, No. 3 Venus Williams, No. 7 Vera Zvonareva, No. 8 Victoria Azarenka, No. 10 Flavia Pennetta, No. 12 Agnieszka Radwanska, No. 14 Marion Bartoli, No. 15 Samantha Stosur, No. 17 Amelie Mauresmo, No. 20 Anabel Medina Garrigues, No. 26 Francesca Schiavone and No. 31 Elena Vesnina  
**WOMEN'S SEEDED LOSERS:** No. 25 Kaia Kanepi

**TOP PLAYERS ON COURT TODAY:** Men: No. 2 Andy Murray and No. 4 Novak Djokovic. Women: No. 1 Dinara Safina, No. 5 Jelena Jankovic and No. 29 Maria Sharapova.  
**STAT OF THE DAY:** 1,370 — the ranking of Roger Federer's opponent, NCAA champion Devin Britton, who managed to break Federer's serve twice before losing 6-1, 6-3, 7-5.  
**QUOTE OF THE DAY:** "I thought that for, you know, 10, 15 seconds before he broke me at love the next game. You know, it was fun for the 10, 15 seconds. It was probably the best seconds of my life." — American wild card Devin Britton, on whether he thought he might be able to beat Roger Federer after breaking Federer's serve to go up 3-1 in the second set.

**TODAY ON TV:** Tennis Channel, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., ESPN2, 12.5 p.m., 6-10 p.m.  
**ON THIS DATE:** Sept. 1, 1977: Renee Richards, the 43-year-old transsexual who had fought for more than a year for the right to play in the women's singles draw of a major championship, loses in the first round to Virginia Wade.

### TRANSACTIONS

**FOOTBALL**  
**National Football League**  
ARIZONA CARDINALS—Released S Keith Lewis and OT Brandon Pearce. Waived WR Michael Ray Garvin and LB Pago Tofoau. Placed LB Cody Brown on injured reserve.  
BALTIMORE RAVENS—Placed CB Samari Rolle on the physically-unable-to-perform list.  
CAROLINA PANTHERS—Released PR Rynne Robinson. Waived DT Lorenzo Williams and T Carlos Adogon. Placed G C.J. Davis on injured reserve.  
CLEVELAND BROWNS—Released DB Rod Hood and TE Nate Jackson. Waived LB Robert McCune. Signed OL Brandon Braxton.  
CINCINNATI BENGALS—Placed TE Ben Utech on injured reserve. Waived TE Matt Sherry.  
DALLAS COWBOYS—Released T Andre Douglas.  
DETROIT LIONS—Released WR Delmir Boldin, LB Robert Francois, S LaMarcus Hicks and DE Ryan Kees. Placed CB Dexter Wynn on injured reserve.  
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Placed DB Michael Coe, DE Rudolph Hardie and DE Curtis Johnson on the waived-injured list. Waived TE Colin Coherly.  
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Fired offensive coordinator Chan Gailey and announced coach Todd Haley will assume the role.  
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Announced the retirement of LB Tedy Bruschi. Released QB Kevin O'Connell and C Nathan Hodel.  
NEW YORK GIANTS—Activated LB Michael Boley from the physically-unable-to-perform list. Released CB Stoney Woodson, WR Taye Biddle and OL Terrance Pennington.  
OAKLAND RAIDERS—Released OL Jonathan Compass, OL Marcus Johnson, WR Shawn Bayes, WR Will Franklin and DT Joe Coehn.  
PITTSBURGH STEELERS—Signed DE Brett Keisel to a five-year contract. Placed G Darnell Stapleton on injured reserve. Released WR Martin Nance, WR Steven Black, S Derrick Richardson and C Alex Stepanovich.  
TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS—Released WR Dexter Jackson.

## INTRAMURAL SPORTS

### Swimming club holds registration

The Iowa Flyers swimming club will hold its fall registration from today through Thursday at the Field House pool from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Interested students are welcome to join the club after the registration period and at any point during the season, as long as they drop off registration and payment forms at the Field House.

The Flyers are a brand-new competitive age-group swim club available to all members of the UI community, as well as to the general public.

The club is a registered member of the USA Swimming. The Flyers is named after a former Iowa swim coach who created the butterfly stroke in 1934.

The club offers a wide variety of participation and skill levels. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend a one-week trial period for free.

For more information regarding costs, groups, and team schedules, log on to [www.recserv.uiowa.edu](http://www.recserv.uiowa.edu), or contact the Iowa Flyers directly by calling 319-384-1165 or by e-mail at: [iowaflyers.uiowa.edu](mailto:iowaflyers.uiowa.edu).

— by Mitch Smith

### Outdoor rental center to drop prices for Labor Day weekend

UI students who want to kick back, relax, and spend a long weekend in the great outdoors can do it at a reduced price.

The outdoor rental center is offering a 25 percent discount on all rentals during the Labor Day weekend.

The rental center is connected to the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex, just west of the Karro Athletics Hall of Fame.

"We're trying to encourage people to rent gear and get outside," said Dave Patton, an assistant director of Recreational Services. "We can also direct people where to go, how to get to the best outdoor locations."

Because the outdoor rental center will be closed on Sept. 7 for the holiday, all weekend Labor Day rentals need not be returned until Sept. 8.

The outdoor rental center offers everything from canoes and tents to sleeping bags, bicycles, and outdoor cooking sup-

plies at a low cost.

A full list of all the equipment available can be found on the Rec Services website. Those interested should call (319) 384-1225 for more details.

— by Mitch Smith

### Sand-volleyball registration continues

Not interested in flag football? Recreational Services has another sport for students who would rather spend a day on the beach instead of on the gridiron.

Registration for intramural sand volleyball will continue until Thursday. Students can turn in their registration forms at the intramural office, E216 Field House.

Intramural sand volleyball is a six on six co-rec event that will begin on Sept. 8 on the volleyball courts at the Hawkeye Recreation Fields, located on Hawkeye Park Drive.

Six-on-six volleyball is a pool play event in which teams will play two matches on the first night of competition. The top two teams in each division will advance to tournament play.

As with all intramural sports, the winning team will receive intramural sports champion T-shirts. Last year, DPT 09 was the sand-volleyball champion.

Students can find registration forms, game rules, and other information at [www.recserv.uiowa.edu](http://www.recserv.uiowa.edu).

— by Mitch Smith

### Flag-football registration continues

Registration for flag football continues today and will be held in E201 in the Field House from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Forms are available for download at [www.recserv.uiowa.edu](http://www.recserv.uiowa.edu) and can be found outside E216 in the Field House.

The event is instantly scheduled, and a roster list must be provided at the time of registration. Registration forms will not be accepted without a completed roster. There is also an \$80 entry fee for every squad.

Teams can either sign up to participate in the men's, men's open, women's, or co-recreational league. There is also a special league for interested fraternities.

Leagues last five weeks with a single-elimination tournament at the end of that time period.

Following registration, mandatory captain's meetings will be held today at both 5 and 6 p.m. There will also

be one meeting on Wednesday at 4 p.m.

Games will be played at the

Hawkeye Recreation Fields beginning on Sept. 8.

— by Ryan Young

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# Hawk fan for the ages

Mike Widen, an associate director of Recreational Services, truly bleeds Black and Gold.

By **ROBBIE LEHMAN**  
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Mike Widen is so passionate about Iowa athletics, he has a tattoo on his leg to prove it.

The former Iowa women's basketball manager, current referee, and also Recreational Services associate director has an Iowa basketball logo inked on the outside of his right ankle. His college roommate talked him into the artwork.

"We were a part of the original women's gray team where we would round up four, five, six of our buddies and go scrimmage against the women in practice," the 1997 UI graduate said. "My roommate was one of those, and he was a big Hawkeye fan, too. I guess it was his idea. He got a Tigerhawk, and I got the old-school Iowa basketball logo. I've had it ever since."

Widen enrolled at Iowa as a freshman in 1993, but he began bleeding Black and Gold long before then.

As a junior in high school, he helped at a women's basketball camp run by former Iowa head coach C. Vivian Stringer. While coaching fifth- and sixth-graders at the camp, Stringer took notice of Widen's potential and asked if he was interested in coming to Iowa to be a

team manager.

He was a manager for the women's team during his undergraduate years at Iowa while also working in Recreational Services as a referee for a variety of intramural sports.

Of all the memories of Iowa basketball, two stand clear in his mind: clinching the Big Ten regular-season title at Wisconsin in 1996 and winning the Big Ten Tournament championship in Indianapolis in 1997. However, the everyday grind was what really satisfied him — knowing that he contributed to the team's accomplishments.

"You put your heart and soul into practice every day, from the start of school when off-season workouts start. Then, October practice starts, and you're there 20 hours a week," Widen said. "So it was neat to see something pay off like that."

After four years as a manager, he accepted a job as a graduate assistant in Recreational Services, heading the officiating section and training officials. Harry Ostrander, the director of Rec Services, recognized Widen's talent



Widen associate director

Iowa intramurals fall 2009 schedule		
EVENT	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	START
• Flag football	Aug. 31, Sept. 1	Sept. 8
• 6-on-6 sand volleyball	Sept. 3	Sept. 8
• Golf	Sept. 18	Sept. 27

Source: [www.recserv.uiowa.edu](http://www.recserv.uiowa.edu)

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— Mike Widen, Recreational Services associate director

at the position, eventually promoting him to be his associate.

"He was an outstanding hiring for us," Ostrander said. "He did an outstanding job with our intramural officials as a grad student that it made sense to convert that into a full-time job, which we did. He does a great job for us, and he is a great fit."

As a graduate student, Widen also began officiating junior-high football and basketball games around the Iowa City area. He currently refs high-school football and all levels of college basketball including the Prime Time and Game Time Leagues that Iowa players participate in over the summer.

League director Randy Larson called Widen a "mainstay" of the leagues and a "top-notch" ref.

"He's one of those guys who not only is passionate, but he's very competent," Larson said. "It's about helping the players

get better for him. He does it for the players, and that's exactly the attitude we want."

Officiating gives Widen another way to stay connected with sports.

"I like the camaraderie with the other officials. It sounds kind of corny, but we are like the third team out there," Widen said. "My dad was a coach growing up, so I've been around the game my whole life."

There was a point in time where Widen wasn't a Hawkeye. Wanting to branch out, he took a marketing internship with the New York Mets after grad school. But he realized rather quickly, with the tattoo as a constant reminder, that his heart belonged to the Iowa campus.

"I'm so involved with the university, it's kind of a pride thing," he said. "I like being involved in athletics in a university setting. It's a good atmosphere to work in. It's a fun job to have."

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# Kickers are even

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But the Iowa kicking competition has become significantly more opaque over the last four months, according to the recent two-deep released on Aug. 28.

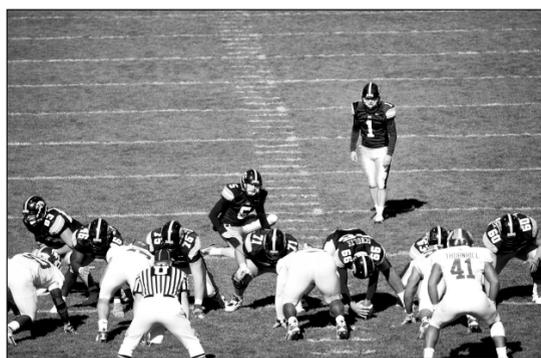
With four days left until the Hawkeyes' season opener against Northern Iowa, Murray and Mossbrucker now stand even with only a backlash dividing the two.

"It's going to be a competition between those guys to see who wins it here in the fall," Iowa special-teams coach Lester Erb said during the team's media day in early August. "Those guys know that every day they go out, it's going to be important because both those guys are pretty good and pretty competitive."

This year, however, Erb and the rest of the Hawkeye coaching staff hope the starting kicker is determined early in practice rather than late in the season on the game-day gridiron.

But if Murray clearly stands out before Sept. 5, Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz said he is open to the idea of giving Mossbrucker a redshirt option this season.

"I think it's possible," Ferentz said following the



FILE PHOTO/THE DAILY IOWAN  
**Hawkeye place-kicker Daniel Murray sets up to kick a 47-yard field goal during the fourth quarter of Iowa's contest against Michigan State on Oct. 27, 2007. Murray hit two field goals, both from more than 40 yards out in Iowa's double-overtime victory.**

Hawkeyes' open scrimmage on Aug. 15. "If [Murray] clearly wins it, that would be something we would discuss for sure."

As a true freshman, Mossbrucker held on to the starting reins for much of the 2008 season. He led the conference in field goal percentage (86.7), making 13 of 15 attempts.

However, his 70 total points in 2008 were mediocre at best in relation to the rest of the Big Ten. Ranked seventh among conference kickers by season's end, Mossbrucker's 93.9 PAT kicking percentage (31-for-33) kept Murray in contention.

Murray also displayed the strongest leg last season, splitting the uprights

twice from between 40 and 49 yards — his longest being a 45-yarder — in addition to one failed attempt beyond the 50.

Mossbrucker on the other hand, safely stayed between 30 and 39 yards, going 6-for-8 from that distance.

But the battle between Murray and Mossbrucker goes beyond last season's numbers.

"The ability to put pressure on yourself is what sets most kickers apart," Murray said. "Probably the biggest part of our game is being able to get through the ups and downs. ... If you're struggling, can you put it past you and be mentally strong enough to go and make your next one?"

# Field hockey is OK

**COMMENTARY**  
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— those who only know that Iowa appeared in the NCAA Final Four last season or that it has won three-consecutive Big Ten championships.

And still, there are some who follow the program more closely but chalk up the 0-2 start as the beginning of a rebuilding year. Losing eight seniors would qualify the new season as a "rebuilding" one for most programs. But Tracey Griesbaum's team doesn't plan on lowering its expectations because of a younger roster — and it shouldn't.

Examine a similar scenario for Iowa: the 2006 season. Griesbaum's gang entered the season with a considerably younger team than the year before. At the time, the Hawkeyes fell to both No. 2 Wake Forest and No. 5 North Carolina in that year's Big Ten/ACC Challenge.

Iowa also played 10 games against teams ranked in the preseason top-20 that year. And by the end of this season, Iowa will have played 10 games against teams ranked in the preseason top-20

as well.

It gets creepier, though.

Iowa's starting lineup for its first two games in '06 included three freshmen you may have heard of — Meghan Beamesderfer, Tricia Dean, and Jess Werley — all of whom are now senior starters for the Black and Gold.

Freshmen Jessica Barnett, Sarah Drake, and Geena Lesiak all appeared in the Hawkeye starting lineup this past weekend.

So how did that '06 season turn out?

Iowa went on to win its first of three-straight conference tournament titles before making an appearance in the NCAA Tournament.

Obviously, just because the Hawkeyes entered both seasons facing similar adversity and lost games to the same teams doesn't mean they will magically finish this season the exact same way.

But it should serve as a comforting reminder for a team that will undoubtedly (and already has started to) face some growing pains this season.

Yes, Iowa is 0-2 right now. Still, those two losses came against teams expected to vie for a national championship this season,

including Wake Forest, who will be looking to appear in its 10th-straight Final Four.

Griesbaum likes it that way, though.

"Wake Forest and North Carolina are really, really good this year," she said on Aug. 30 following her team's loss to North Carolina. "I want to play the best teams possible. It's a little rough the first weekend, but we bought into it, we committed to it, so it's not changing."

When November rolls around and Grant Field is starting to feel a little more like an ice rink, that policy will insure that the Hawkeyes are battle-tested.

After enduring both a grueling conference and non-conference schedule, the team's youngsters will be looking more like experienced veterans and less like true freshmen.

Meanwhile, the team's more experienced leaders will be at the top of their game, having already seen what it takes to win a Big Ten Title — let alone three times in a row.

There's a good chance a fourth one is on the way.

# Hawks face rough slate in Big Ten action

**HAWKS**  
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"He's always getting after guys. He's always finishing through the whistle. You see a guy play with that kind of heart, and you really want to step up your game and play the same way."

The biggest loss offensively is in the backfield, with Shonn Greene bolting for the NFL. Sophomore Jewel Hampton looked like a lock to replace the Doak Walker Award winner, but a lingering knee injury has opened the door for junior running back Paki O'Meara, who will get the start on Sept. 5 against Northern Iowa.

Defensively, the Hawkeyes lose two valuable leaders along the defensive line in Mitch

King and Matt Kroul. To fill the leadership void, each part of the defense consists of players being counted on to have big seasons.

Among them are Angerer and fellow senior linebacker A.J. Edds, junior defensive linemen Adrian Clayborn and Christian Ballard, and junior defensive backs Amari Spivey and Brett Greenwood.

"We have eight guys returning, so in theory, if every guy is better than he was last year, which he should be ... they should all be better," Iowa defensive coordinator Norm Parker said. "I think we have a chance to be decent."

The pieces are in place for a monumental campaign, but the obstacles in the way are daunting. Perhaps nothing is more chal-

lenging for Iowa this season than the road portion of the team's schedule.

After a battle with Iowa State in Ames next week, the Hawkeyes have about as tough an away slate in conference play as one could ask for, playing all of the Big Ten's preseason top three — Ohio State, Penn State, and Michigan State — plus a trip to Wisconsin and a rowdy Camp Randall Stadium in Madison.

In addition, the games at Penn State on Sept. 26 and at Michigan State on Oct. 24 will be played under the lights.

"If you're going to be a good team, you're going to have to handle the road," Ferentz said. "We know every one of those environments will be tough."

# Volleyball starts hot

**VOLLEYBALL**  
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"I was really excited," Huffman said. "I just went out there and had fun and just wanted to play confident and start off the season well. I think our communication and energy were really important. We kept it up and were pretty consistent all three games, I think that was the key factor."

Despite having the best start to a season since 2002, the Hawkeyes haven't become arrogant or overconfident. The Big Ten

boasts five teams in the top 25, including defending NCAA champion and No. 1 Penn State. While the Hawkeyes realize confidence is important, they also realize it's still early in the season.

"Our confidence is up, but at the same time, the coaches don't want it to get too high," Schipper said. "It was a good tournament, but we have Big Ten's starting pretty soon, so we have to get ready for that and stay grounded."

With over a month left before conference play starts, Dingman would like to see the team focus on making better

decisions during play.

"We have to work on our offensive efficiency," she said. "I think that's probably our biggest thing right now. Part of that is hitters making better choices with the balls, setters setting a little bit better. Everybody is involved with that, it's not just the hitters but certainly I would like to see our hitters make some better choices than what we made this weekend."

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# From lag-putting drills to playing 18

The Iowa women's golf team uses competitions during drills to make improving fun.

By J.T. BUGOS  
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The sun was still slowly creeping just partly above the horizon, and all was quiet at the Finkbine Golf Course pro shop around 6:30 a.m.

Then, the sharp, metallic crack of eight tee shots broke the early morning silence, signifying a fresh season.

Practice had officially begun. On this first morning of practice, the members of the Iowa women's golf team did what they do best: played.

A typical week of practice for the Hawkeyes includes playing 18 holes on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. On Tuesday and Thursday, short-game drills are the norm.

Players said the days they only play 18 is the best part of practice.

Sophomore Chelsea Harris said the round allows her to work on all the things she has been practicing, helping her reap the benefits of the drills she does between rounds.

Junior Lauren Forbes also said playing is her favorite part of practice because it is the best way to learn shots one doesn't hit on the range.

Fellow junior Laura Cilek agreed.

"We get to be out in the morning when no one is out here," the Iowa City native said. "It's nice to be able to do what we all love doing, which is playing."

Iowa head coach Kelly Crawford said some of her favorite days involve putting drills. One of her favorites is lag-putting drills, which is designed to develop feel on longer putts.

Players, starting anywhere from 30 to 50 feet away, have to knock the ball within 3 feet of the pin. Not only do they have to get it to the hole, they must keep it around the cup.

Competitions are also big on the team. Coaches and players alike love days they compete against each other.

Crawford allows the women to pick the consequence for losing. Things like push-ups, not



FILE PHOTO/THE DAILY IOWAN  
Iowa sophomore golfer Lauren Forbes practices in the Bubble on March 3. Over the past three months, the team has held the majority of practices in the Bubble working on mechanics, hoping to improve consistency and focus.

stacks of cash, are put on the table. The head coach believes letting the team choose motivates the golfers.

"The competitive games we play are great because it keeps you focused and in the competitive mode, which then transfers to tournaments," Cilek said. "So you've been in those competitive situations before and have the

confidence to know you can carry those out in tournaments."

As with their favorite part of practice, there was a large agreement among the players

on their least favorite: playing an 18-hole round but only being allowed two putts or better each hole.

The catch is they have to start outside of 30 feet on every green except two. If you three-putt, you start at hole No. 1 again. Crawford's favorite lag-putting drill comes into play heavily during this drill.

She always tries to keep things entertaining. There are no "punishment drills," and players aren't forced to climb hills with their bags on their back after a bad round.

The goal of practice is not only to improve, but to continue to love the game when the day is over.

"I don't want them to dislike the game or feel like the game they love is a punishment," Crawford said. "If any part of this is something they don't want to be here for, they won't get better. We want them to keep loving the game."

# Bright future seen for frosh golfer

Iowa freshman Kristi Cardwell brings a big stick to the women's golf team and a desire to perform.

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New Hawkeye Kristi Cardwell has been playing golf since she was 5. In eighth grade, she started playing competitively. After a successful prep career, she will enter her first season on the Iowa women's golf team as a heralded prospect.

Cardwell, from Noblesville, Ind., was the first female golfer in Kokomo High history to go to the state tournament all four years of her career, and she holds nine of 10 individual records for the school's golf team. She also was named Indiana's top female Pepsi Junior Golfer of the Year in 2008.

She has proved she can handle the golf course, so it makes sense her biggest worry entering collegiate golf is juggling academics and golf.

Cardwell said she decided to attend Iowa because the players and coaches were very welcoming during her official visit. The campus and downtown also appealed to her — easy to navigate, she said.

Head coach Kelly Crawford said she had recruited Cardwell for years before the golfer committed, and she sees the freshman contributing immediately.

"She's got a great resumé. She's very athletic and a long-ball hitter," Crawford said. "She's got a great personality. I felt she'd be a really good fit and also be the kind of player who's going to make an impact and help advance this team from the very beginning."

Cardwell has similar goals, and she also wants to be the Cal Ripken Jr. of women's golf.

"I want to play well all season long and place well in the Big Ten championship," she said. "I want to play all season and not miss one match."

Those are attainable goals, Crawford said. The head coach expects Cardwell to shoot low scores as well as travel with the handful of golfers selected from the seven-women roster to play on the road.

Crawford has seen great improvements in Cardwell's game that will make her competitive this season.

"She seems to have a good temperament on the course," Crawford said. "From last year to this year, she's making better decisions on the course, and she

seems to be keeping her emotions in check a lot better."

Although Cardwell's game has improved, Crawford wants the golfer to make even better decisions and manage the course better. Other aspects of the new Hawkeye's game the coach will focus on are the short game and putting. Cardwell has power in tee box, Crawford said, but the coach has never seen a player who didn't need to work on her short game.

Expectations are high for the freshman. Crawford said Big Ten Freshman of the Year honors should be within reach for Cardwell, as well as all-conference and

All-American distinctions in the future.

Cardwell is looking forward to accumulating new memories on the golf course. Her favorite memory from high school is beating her sister in an invitational.

"She came in with the school record of 74, and I came in right after with a 73," Cardwell said. "So I beat her, and she wasn't very happy. I kept those bragging rights for a while."

If she has little mercy for family members, one can only imagine what she might have in store for Iowa's opponents.

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## the ledge

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### A partial list of things I should probably tell every prospective girlfriend

• Whether you prefer skim or 2 percent milk, I will claim to prefer the opposite, even though I really couldn't care less. This allows me to make the 1 percent compromise, and gives me one free make-you-compromise-on-something later.

• If we have an argument, and I somehow prove you are horribly incorrect, I will never hold your ignorance against you during future discussions. I may remind you of it often and repeatedly, but I will never hold it against you.

• I've never been a superstitious person because being a superstitious person is bad luck.

• My mother was adopted; I have no idea who my real mother is.

• Sometimes, when I poop, I push so hard that I get a headache. When this happens, I will act like a child and expect you mollycoddle me.

• I use words like "mollycoddle." Often.

• Don't make the mistake of thinking that, when I'm gazing transfixed into your eyes, this is because I am in love with you; I'm practicing to be a Scanner.

• Having a child with me equates to consenting that I may dress it in funny clothes and race it against other neighborhood kids down the sidewalk while all of fathers watch. And take bets.

• I like cute underwear, but not as much as tiny underwear, and definitely not as much as no underwear. But if you must insist, I'll wear them.

- Andrew R. Juhl sometimes wonders if he has OCD. He thinks about it daily.

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## POSTER HUNTING



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**UI juniors Ben Pohl (left) and Tom Beecher flip through hundreds of posters during a poster sale at Hubbard Park on Monday. The sale, which will end on Friday, includes posters and prints priced around \$8.**

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## horoscopes Tuesday, September 1, 2009 - by Eugenia Last

**ARIES** March 21-April 19 The more you step out on a limb for someone or something you believe in, the better you will do. There is plenty of potential coupled with opportunities if you work alongside people with the same goal or point of view. Don't fear the unknown.

**TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Don't count on anyone who is trying to pressure you. Even if promised, you aren't likely to get what you want in the end. Instead, go it alone. You will be able to capture attention by giving the most for the least.

**GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Someone critical will be waiting for you to make a mistake. Your insight and ability to do things with finesse should be enough to keep everyone happy. Love and romance will lead to a chance to travel.

**CANCER** June 21-July 22 If you overload your agenda, you will end up feeling anxious. An argument will harm a relationship you have with someone from work or with whom you have to deal regularly. Make your home more adaptable for the responsibilities you have taken on.

**LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 You'll be able to express your feelings effortlessly. The talks you have will clear up any misconceptions. Plan a vacation that will allow you some time to relax.

**VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 A serious attitude will help you persuade others to take a chance on you. Uncertainty regarding someone you love can be cleared up with a few simple questions. Don't make assumptions, or you will make a poor decision.

**LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Love is on the rise, and a chance to share your emotions with someone special will develop. It's time to make new friends and to find new hobbies. Idle time will lead to anxiety.

**SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Watch your back. Someone you think you can trust will let you down. Focus on work, helping others, and visiting friends. Creative collaboration will pay off. Avoid overindulgence in any form.

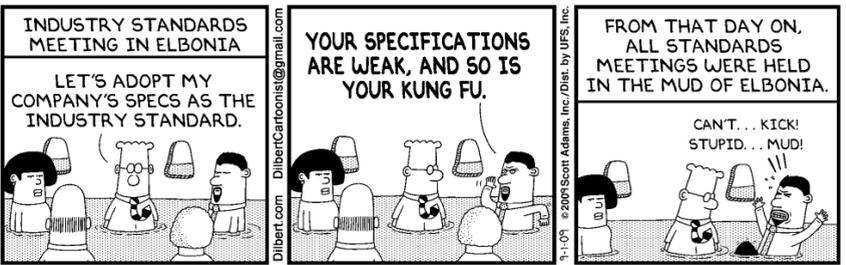
**SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 You will discover alternative ways to make more money. A love relationship can lead to an easier lifestyle and less pressure on you. Follow your heart; it will not lead you astray.

**CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 You may be under a little pressure; don't let anyone push you to do something before you are ready. A serious deal will require more time and effort if you want to maximize the outcome. Find out everything you can.

**AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 You can clear matters up by talking about the way you feel and what your plans are for the future. Don't hold back when so much depends on being truthful about your concerns and intentions. Love and romance will take a favorable turn.

**PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 Don't get caught up in the hoopla when there is so much more to the events taking place. Do your research, and find out what and who is behind a project or event you want to be a part of. There may be a change of heart regarding a partnership.

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## 'NON SEQUITUR



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## Doonesbury



BY GARRY TRUDEAU

## today's events

- Bicyclists of Iowa City Tuesday Morning Ride, **9 a.m.**, Hy-Vee, 1201 N. Dodge
- Molecular Physiology and Biophysics Fall Seminar Series, "Presenilins and neuronal calcium signaling: implications for AD," Ilya Bezprozvanny, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, **9:30 a.m.**, 5-669 Bowen Science Building
- Poster Sale, **10 a.m.**, Hubbard Park
- Story Time, **10 a.m.**, Barnes & Noble, Coral Ridge Mall
- Tot Time, **10 a.m.**, North Liberty Community Library, 520 W. Cherry
- Toddler Story Time, **10:30 a.m.**, Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- Biochemistry Research Workshop, "Controlling RNA polymerase II elongation with P-TEFb and Gdown1," David Price, **12:30 p.m.**, 283 Eckstein Medical Research Building
- Caregiver Stress Workshop, **1 p.m.**, Iowa City Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- Farmers' Market, **3-6:30 p.m.**, Sycamore Mall
- Farmers' Market, **3-7 p.m.**, Lone Tree North Park
- Community Writing Center, **4 p.m.**, Iowa City Public Library
- Iowa Track and Field Club, **6 p.m.**, West High, 2901 Melrose
- Jazzercise Open House, **6 p.m.**, Robert A. Lee Recreation Center Social Hall, 220 S. Gilbert
- Aviation Movie Night, **6:30 p.m.**, Alexis Park Inn and Suites, 1165 S. Riverside

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- **Outrage, 7 p.m.**, Bijou
- School Board Meet the Candidate Forum, **7 p.m.**, Central Administration Office, 509 S. Dubuque
- Iowa Friends of Old-Time Music Tuesday Night Jam Session, **8:30 p.m.**, Hilltop, 1100 N. Dodge
- **Sin Nombre, 9 p.m.**, Bijou
- Tuesday Night Social Club, with Impediments, Buzzer, the Black Slacks, **9 p.m.**, Mill, 120 E. Burlington

### ONGOING

- Iowa A-Z, Herbert Hoover Presidential Museum, 210 Parkside Drive, West Branch
- **A Legacy for Iowa: Pollock's Mural and Modern Masterworks from the UI Museum of Art**, Figge 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
- **Mauricio Lasansky**, Cedar Rapids Museum of Art
- **The Museum Goes to the Fair**, Old Capitol Museum
- **Recent Ceramics: John Neely and Jill Lawley**, AKAR Art, Architecture, Design, 257 Iowa
- **Senior Center Student Art Show**, works from local senior artists, Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **skinofawave**, Emily Harris, Jenny Assaf, Eleza Jaeger, Hil Jaeger, Katie Parry, Eva Wylie, Julia Schwadron, Geoff Hilsabeck, Eliza Fernand and Ben Estes, Public Space One, 129 E. Washington
- **Grant Wood: In Focus**, Cedar Rapids Museum of Art

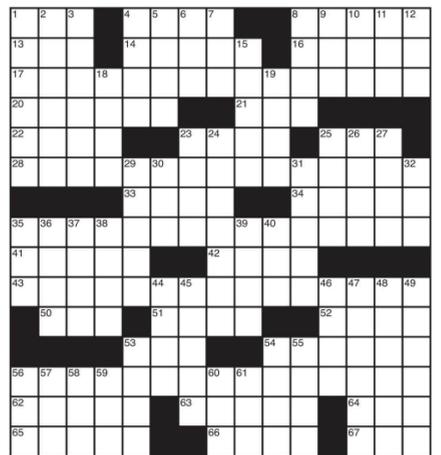
## The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0728

- Across**
- 1 Tight-lipped
  - 4 "Stat!"
  - 8 Seven-up and crazy eights
  - 13 Lennon's second wife
  - 14 Jane of "Monster-in-Law"
  - 16 Disco-era suffix
  - 17 "Sure thing"
  - 20 Note in an E major scale
  - 21 Word before sheet or music
  - 22 Loughlin of "90210"
  - 23 Bygone despot
  - 25 Outfielder's asset
  - 28 "Chances are good"
  - 33 "\_\_\_ Said" (Neil Diamond hit)
  - 34 \_\_\_ Lama
  - 35 "It could go either way"
  - 41 Like dessert wines
  - 42 Water co., e.g.
  - 43 "Doubtful"
  - 50 Turned on
  - 51 Studio constructions
  - 52 Close by
  - 53 Gitmo mil. branch
  - 54 Counselor's clients, perhaps
  - 56 "Forget it!"
  - 62 Perfect
  - 63 Fluctuates wildly
  - 64 Ill temper
  - 65 Apt to pout
  - 66 Had a bawl
  - 67 Ballpark fig.
- Down**
- 1 "The Jungle Book" hero
  - 2 Oneness

### ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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L O U I S I A N A P A R I S H  
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B E T S H I N E E A R L S



Puzzle by Tony Orbach

- 3 Insect monster of Japanese film
- 4 Get an \_\_\_ effort
- 5 Borscht, e.g.
- 6 Amazon \_\_\_ (aggressive insect)
- 7 "Stat!"
- 8 Shocked reaction
- 9 F.B.I. worker: Abbr.
- 10 "You don't mean ME?"
- 11 Self-esteem
- 12 Sequel title starter, sometimes
- 15 Surrounding glows
- 18 Precipitation that may be the size of golf balls
- 19 Banjoist Scruggs
- 23 The so-called fourth dimension
- 24 Attire on the slopes
- 25 Melville's obsessed captain
- 26 Thing to play
- 27 Haunted house sound
- 29 More than deceive
- 30 Put down
- 31 Pastoral poems
- 32 God, in Roma
- 35 AOL alternative
- 36 Whom an M.P. hunts
- 37 Hukling Himalayan of legend
- 38 Asteroid area, e.g.
- 39 Range units: Abbr.
- 40 Bailed-out co. in the news
- 44 \_\_\_ buco
- 45 "South Park" boy
- 46 "Movin' \_\_\_"
- 47 Cheech or Chong persona
- 48 Gawking sorts
- 49 Where one might see "OMG" or "TTYL"
- 53 Hideous
- 54 Dojo blow
- 55 Brewery dryer
- 56 Deadeye's skill
- 57 Words said after "... so help you God?"
- 58 Keanu's "The Matrix" role
- 59 Wee bit
- 60 "Stat!"
- 61 Floor vote

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