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When he lived in Burge, former UI student Ben Alexander played the video game World of Warcraft up to 17 hours a day.

By **HOLLY HINES**
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BLACK HAWK, Colo. —

THE dusty, shrub-dotted Utah desert, a deeply furrowed terrain, returned Ben Alexander to reality after he had spent 10 months in a fantasy world.

There, the words of the former UI student's mother hung heavily in the air: "It's hard for me to say this, but if you choose gaming, you will have to live on your own and support yourself."

The 19-year-old began to sob. His father sent a letter, too: "I am terrified and despondent that you will throw all of your advantages away for something that is not even real."

The letters carried a message Ben could no longer avoid. He was lost amid a virtual landscape limited by the snaking wires of the Internet and the two dimensions of a humming computer screen.

Ben was addicted to Internet gaming.

IN the fall of 2008, he first sought treatment for a condition he would only later be able to name.

The search for help was difficult. Though several professionals agree that many may suffer from unhealthy Internet use, they disagree about how to define and address it.

Ben and his family tried numerous treatment options, and finally in July, he became the first person in the nation to undergo in-patient treatment for Internet addiction at the

Washington-based reSTART Internet Addiction Recovery Program.

The letters from his parents prepared him for that journey.

"The impact letter ranks right up there with the hardest things I've had to do," said Ben's mother, Linda Alexander, inhaling to brace herself for the force of the memory in her Colorado living room.

Ben's counselors in Utah had advised both Linda and her husband, Peter Alexander, to be excruciatingly honest about how Ben's addiction had affected them. So they filled their letters with hard-hitting descriptions of relationships Ben shattered, lies he'd told, money he'd wasted, and academic opportunities he'd left behind.

"They told us this needed to be the equivalent of hitting him on the head with a 2-by-4," Linda said.

Her and her husband's worries had begun months earlier.

Linda watched Ben, who once loved animals and spent hours enthralled with reading, become fascinated only with things captured on a computer screen.

"I saw his whole world just narrowing," she said.

World of Warcraft eclipsed the rest. Users of this internationally popular computer game create personas that interact to complete quests and conquer enemies. Ben began playing during the summer between his City High graduation and his first semester at the UI.

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The story of Ben's addiction

Summer 2008 — Begins to play World of Warcraft

August 2008 — Moves into Burge for his first semester

Early October 2008 — After his schoolwork suffers because of increased gaming, Ben calls his father for help

Late October 2008 — Begins treatment at UI counseling for depression and time management

January 2009 — Alexanders seek treatment for Ben at the UIHC

Spring 2009 — Ben travels to Utah and journeys through the desert as part of the Wilderness Quest treatment program

July 2009 — Ben becomes the first patient at the reSTART Internet Addiction Recovery Program

September 2009 — Successfully completes treatment at reSTART and moves to Colorado to recover with parents

In the next year — Ben hopes to come back to the UI and continue his biology major

What are signs of computer and Internet addiction?

- Increased amounts of time spent online
- Failed attempts to control behavior
- Heightened sense of euphoria while involved in online activities
- Craving more time on computer and Internet
- Neglecting friends and family
- Feeling ashamed, anxious or depressed as a result of behavior

source: reSTART Internet Addiction Recovery Program

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Watch footage of interviews with Ben Alexander and his parents in Black Hawk, Colorado.



BUDGET CRISIS

UISG backs surcharge

President Sally Mason encouraged UISG to support a surcharge and tuition increase.

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The UI Student Government Senate voted overwhelmingly in favor of supporting a \$100 spring tuition surcharge on Tuesday night.

Senators also voted to endorse a 6 percent tuition increase.

But the Senate wasn't fully on board with the extra fees, aimed at helping the UI trim \$24.7 million from its budget.

Sen. Michael Appel proposed legislation calling for the Senate's opposition to a midyear surcharge, a 6 percent tuition hike for the next academic year, and a \$60 retention fee.

"A hundred dollars could be the cost to heat your apartment or a trip to the grocery store," he said. "The surcharge is only a Band-Aid to the unavoidable cuts we will have to make."

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Balancing sports' books

Athletics department would pay the tuition surcharges for 500 athletes on scholarship.

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Despite a multimillion dollar budget, the Hawkeye athletics department has still faced budget challenges this year.

Since 2007, the athletics department has been completely self-sustaining — meaning its budget receives no money from the UI's general fund and no state tax dollars. Athletics funding is made up entirely of revenue from the university's 24 varsity sports.

Athletics Director Gary Barta said there are only 15 to 20 universities that do not rely on state dollars. He acknowledged the switch, which took nearly a decade, has presented added challenges to the department.

"It was a big move for the university," he said. "The country's and state's economies are going through a challenging time."

In fiscal 2010, the athletics department's budget will total roughly \$65.6 million. The main source of revenue for this budget comes from ticket sales, which generate more than \$21.6 million.



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Check out a photo slide show of Spotlight Iowa City focus Nicole Jensen, who twirls flaming batons for the West High marching band. The 16-year-old has taken her talents across the country and internationally.



2-week trip to health

College slackers need not apply.

By **JORDAN FRIES**
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Freshmen can now better avoid gaining their destined 15 pounds.

In fact, all UI students can focus on slowly transitioning into a healthier lifestyle with the help of UI Student Health's new program, the Two-Week Health Challenge.

Starting this semester, students can register for the program to focus on a single, realistic health goal they can reach in the brief time span.

Around 40 students have signed up for the challenge, with roughly 10 completing their goals so far, said Amy Fletcher, a program associate in Student Health Service who developed the UI's program, noting she thinks that number will jump once the office can more aggressively publicize it.

Those who achieve their goals in two weeks receive small prizes, such as a stress ball or knapsack, but those involved said the real reward is the satisfaction of knowing their health goals can be accomplished.

UI junior Emily Ambrosy, who recently completed the program, said she chose to focus on stress management, trying to sleep 7 to 8 hours each night.

"The other objectives were already applied in my daily routine, and I

Student fitness

Recent study by Washington University shows weight trends among colleges students:

- Recruited 764 freshmen for initial measurements
 - Around 290 returned for reassessments during their sophomore year
 - Researchers found 70 percent students gained weight from their freshman to sophomore years, with an average increase of nine pounds
- Source: Journal of American College Health

knew that sleep was very important," she said.

But not every goal is as relaxing. Other potential targets include running a mile each day or incorporating healthier foods into your diet, Fletcher said.

Ambrosy said she felt the two-week period was a perfect length of time, noting it allows students to try out a fitness aspect without a long-term commitment.

Throughout the two weeks, workers at Health Iowa — the student-oriented branch of the UI's three main health departments — send e-mails to students encouraging them to keep up with their goal.

"A person's confidence in herself and readiness level are assessed and reinforced by the amazing Health Iowa team," Ambrosy said.

Iowa State University



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UI junior Emily Ambrosy checks a grip dynamometer at a free fitness assessment put on by Health Iowa in the Field House on Tuesday. Ambrosy recently completed the Two-Week Health Challenge, a program encouraging students to reach a realistic health goal.

has a similar program, Students 2 Students, where certified students lead peers in physical exercises.

Fletcher said the UI's challenge appeals to students and their busy schedules.

"It is short and easy to commit to," she said. "It is important to let students

know not to do too much before they are ready. It's OK to start with a walk on campus if a student isn't ready to go to the gym but is still inspired to participate in physical activity."

Fletcher said she plans to continue the program throughout the year as long as students are interested.

2 ex-frat brothers plead guilty in drinking death

By **BEN DOBBIN**
Associated Press

GENESEO, N.Y. — Two former members of a banned college fraternity at a western New York campus admitted Tuesday they pled a student with so much beer, champagne, and vodka during a three-day hazing that the young man died of alcohol poisoning.

Arman Partamian, 19, a biology sophomore from New York City, was found dead March 1 after drinking excessively to gain membership in the off-campus fraternity at State University of New York-Geneseo. His blood-alcohol level was 0.55 percent, nearly seven times the legal limit for driving.

Fellow student Alex Stucki, 21, who was later expelled, and Devin McClain, 22, who lost his job at a college cafeteria, pleaded guilty to criminally negligent homicide, a felony. Stucki, of

Rochester, also pleaded guilty to misdemeanor tampering with evidence for removing a pledge T-shirt from Partamian after discovering his body in an upstairs bedroom at the frat house.

In return for the pleas, the two were sentenced to four months of weekends in jail. Stucki must complete 500 hours of community service, and McClain must complete 250.

If convicted after a trial, the pair could have drawn up to four years in prison.

Livingston County prosecutor Thomas Moran said he agreed to the plea deal because the defendants' showed remorse and because Partamian's parents wanted to be spared the anguish of a trial. As part of the plea deal, the prosecution dropped a misdemeanor hazing charge.

"The four months of weekends, is it light? It probably is," Moran said.

"But take everything into the totality of the circumstances — the parents' wishes, the fact both defendants are branded for a lifetime [as felons] — mitigates what I think might be perceived as a little light on the jail time."

Another student, Daniel Wech, 21, of Buffalo, pleaded guilty last month to unlawfully dealing with a child for allowing alcohol to be served to Partamian. He was sentenced to three months of weekends in jail.

Investigators say Partamian was one of three pledges who drank heavily for two days at the fraternity, known as the Orange Knights, and at another location in the village where some club members live. They resumed drinking the afternoon of Feb. 28 and Partamian was helped to bed late at night by Stucki after he passed out.

"I'm extremely sorry. ...

I never thought that would happen," Stucki told the judge.

Stucki's lawyer, Lawrence Andolina, told reporters afterward: "He feels terrible. He lost a friend."

McClain also apologized and offered his condolences to the family.

The prosecutor said the two probably learned their lesson.

"Obviously, no one intended Arman to die," Moran said. "This was people drinking and not thinking, and we need to get the message across that out-of-control drinking can lead to tragic, tragic circumstances."

The fraternity, also called the Pigs, was banished from campus in 1996 after two students were hospitalized for drinking. It has since been dissolved. Nearly 5,600 students are enrolled at the school in Geneseo, 35 miles south of Rochester.

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Recession officially over

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's about to become official: The recession is over — but not the pain.

The government will release figures this week expected to show that the economy has awakened from its deepest slump since the 1930s and is in the early stages of a recovery. But the following week, the government will issue another set of figures expected to show unemployment continuing to rise toward and possibly above a clearly recessionary 10 percent.

How can both be possible? The government releases third-quarter Gross Domestic

Product figures on Thursday. Many forecasters say they will show GDP growing at an annual rate of about 3 percent, validating a widely held belief among economists that the recession ended in June or July.

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UI Researcher Invites Participants for Election Campaign Study

Interested American citizens aged 18 and over are invited to participate in an election campaign study being conducted by Professor David Redlawsk, of the University of Iowa Department of Political Science.

Participants will spend approximately 2 hours involved in a presidential election campaign simulation where they will learn about candidates and decide which candidate they favor. Participants' decision making processes will be recorded and used to understand the processes voters use to make choices during a campaign.

Compensation is available.

For more information or to enroll, please contact Nicholas Martini at 541-0921/
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NATION

Kehoe trial to open

The trial for a Coralville woman accused of killing one son and attempting to kill another will begin today.

Michelle Kehoe, 36, is charged with first-degree murder, attempted murder, and child endangerment causing serious injury.

The trial, which is expected to last up to two weeks, will be held at the Grundy County Courthouse in Grundy Center, Iowa. A judge charged the venue from Buchanan County after concerns over pre-trial publicity. The majority of members of a mock jury assembled in Buchanan County last

month said they could not be unbiased if they were called to the jury for this case.

Authorities allege that Kehoe killed her 2-year-old son, Seth Kehoe, and tried to kill 5-year-old Sean Kehoe in October 2008.

Police arrested her on Nov. 5, 2008, after she was released from UI Hospitals and Clinics. A restraining order prevents her from contacting her son and anyone related to him.

Kehoe's attorneys will argue an insanity and diminished-capacity defense.

Jury selection will begin today at 9 a.m. Opening statements are

expected as early as Thursday morning.

— by Regina Zilbermintz

Reid takes chance

WASHINGTON (AP) — The focus of the health overhaul debate now shifts to whether Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid can persuade a handful of moderate senators to get behind his new proposal for a government-sponsored insurance plan.

That's no sure bet. Even Reid, D-Nev., didn't claim to have the 60 votes needed to pass his proposal when he ended weeks of speculation by announcing that the

Senate version of sweeping health care legislation would include a provision for the government to sell health insurance in competition with private insurers.

The issue has been the biggest flash point in the health care debate, and government-sponsored insurance had been seen as unlikely to be included in Senate legislation because of opposition from moderates. The House's health care bill, expected to be released as early as this week, is certain to contain a strong provision for a so-called public insurance option, though details aren't final.

POLICE BLOTTER

Maurice Graham, 41, 445 Highway 1 W. Apt. 20, was charged Monday

with driving with a revoked license. **Bryan Hinds**, 21, 986 Oxen Lane,

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William Roe, 46, address unknown, was charged Tuesday with public intoxication.

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The challenge and creativity the game required enticed him. He could strategically enhance his characters and equip them with the ideal weaponry. To Ben, the challenge of school often didn't measure up to the rigor of gaming.

"Ben didn't have to work hard in school to do well, which is a blessing and a curse, I think," said his mother, her hands placed gently in her lap as she spoke.

Ben also felt more comfortable connecting to people online, using the chatting function in World of Warcraft. The prospect of giving up the game, then, was more disturbing to him than one may imagine.

Frantic, angry, bored, and withdrawn, he spent his time off-line planning his next moves online.

"It occupied a lot of my brain space," the former biology major said matter-of-factly. Precise and reserved in his speech, Ben avoids personal details.

During his senior year of high school, he took several advanced science classes in addition to Honors German and orchestra. His first-semester UI schedule was significantly lighter.

He also had to adjust to dorm life in Burge, a world that lacked parental limits. The increased freedom he encountered was key, leading him to use the Internet excessively.

As the semester continued, Ben neglected schoolwork, preferring World of Warcraft to assignments. And with no one watching over him, his habits turned to excess.

Feeling helpless and confused, Ben called his father in October 2008. The family eventually agreed an appointment at the University Counseling Service was necessary. His counselor diagnosed him with depression and time-management problems.

Around the same time, his father found a website called Online Gamers Anonymous and read accounts of people suffering from an affliction he hadn't yet considered: Internet gaming addiction. Some descriptions of sufferers on the website paralleled

Ben's experience.

Eager to address the issue, Ben and his father approached his counselors to suggest addiction as a possible factor. However, University Counseling Service officials were not prepared to treat Internet-related addictions.

Sam Cochran, the director of the Counseling Service, said little information about Internet addiction is available. This may be because the condition is not listed in the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Disorders*, an 886-page book published by the American Psychiatric Association, he said. The manual is a guidebook for professionals to help them diagnose and treat disorders.

An increasing number of UI students have been coming to the University Counseling Service with complaints about excessive computer use, Cochran said, and officials are looking into available research to help.

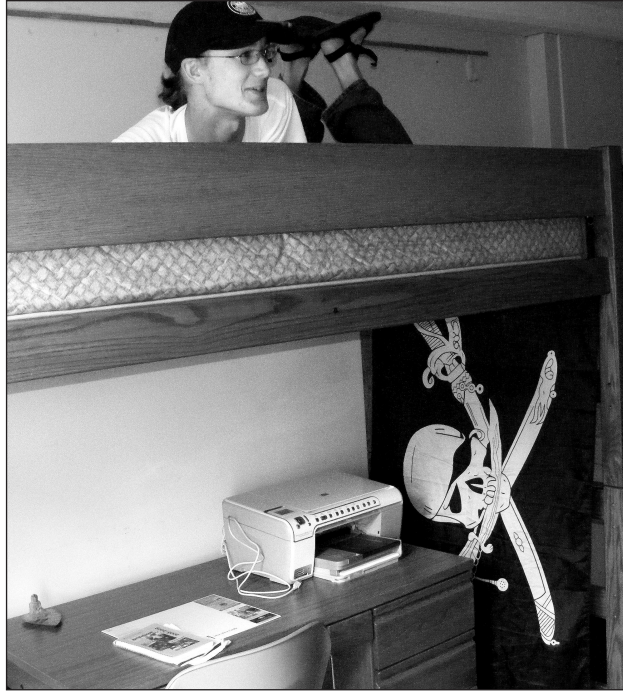
Some have proposed adding a category for Internet addiction to the updated version of the manual, due out in 2012.

Including a diagnosis to better address Internet addictions may make sense, said Gregory Gullickson, a psychologist at Anderson Arnold and Partners LLP, 209 E. Washington St. Though Gullickson never worked with Ben, he and his colleagues have also recently seen an increasing number of clients with concerns related to the Internet.

However, because conditions such as anxiety and depression commonly occur alongside excessive Internet use, some practitioners believe it suffices to treat those problems alone, Gullickson said.

Lee Anna Clark, a UI psychology professor involved with updating the diagnostic manual, said officials should be careful not to add unnecessary disorders. A condition called "impulse control disorders not otherwise specified" already exists to diagnose those who engage in excessive amounts of a single behavior, she said.

Until more research becomes available, students using the Internet excessively who come to the University Counseling Service will likely be



Ben Alexander relaxes in his bed at Burge after moving in for his freshman year. Ben left the UI in April to undergo treatment for Internet addiction.

referred to other professionals.

In Ben's case, counselors referred him to the UI Hospitals and Clinics.

The methods they used for treatment came closer, but still didn't work. UIHC therapists recommended in-patient treatment in Washington, so Ben withdrew from classes, gave up the game, and boarded a plane in April.

The abrupt cut-off from World of Warcraft put Ben through an extremely irritable withdrawal.

"I didn't want to listen to anyone, or do anything anyone told me," he said. His next attempt at getting better was again unsuccessful.

Still, the Alexanders had hope, despite the thousands of dollars they'd already spent.

Ben moved on to Wilderness Quest in Utah, a program in which participants combat addictions by learning survival techniques in the desert.

Linda said the program helped him learn to socialize face-to-face again. In Utah, he was unplugged entirely from technology. A knife was the most advanced tool at his disposal.

With a bandana restraining his long, curly hair, Ben and the others in his group carried bare essentials in tarps on their backs. They hiked up to 9 miles a day, learning how to build traps

and start fires with wood and a tinder bundle.

It had a strong effect on Ben.

"There's nothing like being out in the desert for 10 weeks to make you realize there are things outside your control," he said, his eyes downcast at the floor near his desk, his fingers constantly in motion.

THE next stop for Ben was the reSTART Internet Addiction Recovery Program, a recently founded treatment center focused entirely on helping people with Internet addiction.

Hilarie Cash, a psychologist who has spent 15 years researching Internet addiction, began the center with fellow psychologist Cozette Ray. They set up on a plot of lush, green land Ray owned in Falls City, Wash., and charge \$14,500 for 45 days.

Ben was their first client. Cash said addicts should abstain from the Internet while they deal with the

problems that led them to addiction in the first place. She believes professionals should treat the problem with specialized methods and that it should be added to the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Disorders*.

Based on her research, she said, it is likely that more people in the country suffer from Internet addictions than one may expect.

The numbers agree. According to a 2009 study published in *Psychological Science*, roughly 8 percent of people aged 8 to 18 who play video games likely meet criteria for video-gaming addiction.

Doug Gentile, a psychology professor at Iowa State University, obtained the results by issuing surveys to 1,178 children. The surveys questioned whether the children met criteria for addiction based on guidelines laid out in the manual for pathological gambling.

According to a study in progress with a similar structure, he has found roughly 5 to 6 percent of college students at ISU who play video games likely meet criteria for addiction as well.

At reSTART, counselors helped Ben work through his problems, in part, by encouraging him to reconnect with former interests. The staff developed a running regimen with him, who had loved his time on the City High cross-country team. Initially, the staff members ran along. However, they eventually found they couldn't keep up and brought in a marathon runner as a replacement.

At the end of Ben's treatment, his mother noticed an uplifting change.

"I could look at him and see that Ben was back inside his head," she said.

Ben and his parents empathetically agreed: Treatment at reSTART worked well.

NOW living roughly 8,700 feet up in the Rocky Mountains in Black Hawk, Colo., Ben is recovering with both his parents and their dog, Kobi. He said he has neither gone back to gaming nor thought about playing World of Warcraft.

Ben can use the family's desktop computer to access the Internet — but no gaming sites — for up to two hours a day; he mostly uses the time for Facebook. Ben works at a Halloween store in the Denver area and volunteers at a nearby high school. And most mornings, he can be found on the winding, tree-lined roads that surround his home, jogging. He's still learning to adjust his breathing in the thin mountain air.

Still, Ben looks forward to coming back to the UI once he's earned enough money to cover his living expenses for a semester.

UI sophomore Owen Sessions, who has known Ben since junior high, looks forward to the return of his longtime running partner.

"It seems like he's doing a lot better," Sessions said, noting they talk several times a week. Ben and his parents hope he'll be ready to move back within a year.

In the meantime, Peter and Linda said they are happy to see Ben thriving again as a more mature version of the quirky, intelligent boy they remember.

Over dinner at a remote mountain restaurant the Alexanders frequent, Ben and his parents joked about his favorite sitcom and poked fun at the eccentric décor adorning the walls around their booth.

Linda said she enjoys watching Ben make goals for his future. And Peter has been happy to witness his son's self-realization process, trusting that Ben understands he can't go back to gaming — even just a little bit: "I think he's learned so dramatically how much he lost by being in that world."

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Editorial

Athletics department should help university's budget woes

The strength of the athletics department extends beyond its players' muscles. The department's budget is also mighty, and it continues to do well while the sour economy drives the university into the red. Gov. Chet Culver's recent budget cuts have only made the situation worse, leading university officials to consider a surcharge and tuition hike.

The athletics department should rescue the school by opening its vast coffers.

Explaining the university's financial situation as dire is an understatement. This is the worst fiscal crisis the school has faced in years. The governor's order that the state's budget be slashed 10 percent is only the latest in a series of financial setbacks the UI has faced. Last year, departments across the state also faced budget constraints, and next year looks even grimmer. Dwindling state revenue will force the regents and the university to make even deeper cuts. There appears to be no quick turnaround in sight.

But the university doesn't have to bear its \$24.7 million midyear budget cut alone, nor should it. Unlike its academic counterpart, the athletics department is flush with cash. The football program alone brought in \$19 million in revenue from ticket sales to games at Kinnick Stadium last year and expects to bring in even more this year. The Hawkeyes sold out every game last year — an impressive feat considering the country is experiencing the worst recession since the Great Depression. Licensing the Hawkeye logo alone brings in around \$2 million a year in fees.

Then there are donations to the athletics department from private donors, which have increased steadily in recent years. The athletics department asks season-ticket holders for gifts ranging from \$50 to \$600, depending on the section they choose.

This revenue is only a small part of the athletics department's fiscal 2010 budget, which will be approximately \$65 million.

Would it really be imposing, considering the disparate situations between the two, for the university to request aid from athletics?

This request is not an attempt to play down the benefits the UI already receives from athletics, the least of which is financial independence. Hawkeye athletics is the only Iowa public university athletics department not receiving money from the regents' general fund, freeing up money for academic programs. The free advertising the UI gets from football games saves the university hundreds of thousands of dollars a year, and the \$8 million Hawkeye athletics pays in tuition for athletes is



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Carver-Hawkeye Arena is shown on July 20. Former Iowa basketball legend Ronnie Lester donated \$100,000 to support enhancements for the Arena.

also welcome revenue.

All these measures are much appreciated, but what the university needs now is some altruism on athletics' part. The biggest expenditure for the athletics department is salaries — which, at approximately \$23 million, makes up 35 percent of the budget. Athletics could follow Culver's voluntary 10 percent salary cut and cut 10 percent from the salary budget. The \$2.3 million the UI would receive may not seem like much relative to the athletics department's \$65 million budget, but it could go a long way and perhaps save the jobs of a couple professors or a handful of teaching assistants.

The move wouldn't be completely selfless, either. Student-athletes suffer as much from the declining quality in education as non-athletes. For every Dallas Clark or Shonn Greene who makes it to the NFL, there are countless student-athletes who will pursue a career in fields other than the sports. A more significant investment in education would help these athletes.

A voluntary pay cut is only one suggestion. Hawkeye athletics could try a variety of different options, such as diverting some donations to the university's general fund, if possible. Any method the department could help the university would be significant in these troubled times.

Athletics is a big department that does a lot of good for the UI and the community. In these times, however, the department should flex more of its mighty muscles to put the Black and Gold back in the black.

Your turn. Which UI area would you be most likely to donate money to?
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The heightened atmosphere is palpable. Students are bracing for the first hard hit, their knees buckling. This is not the picture of Pat Angerer about to demolish an opposing running back.

This week's opponent is the state Board of Regents. With the power of the regents' pens, they will decide the fate of our university. Tuition increases and layoffs are highly likely as the state tries to find ways to stave off our banishment into budgetary hell.

Students have little voice in this decision. The current UI Student Government made promises about freezing tuition last year, but the only thing frozen is the members' courage. In this democratically run country, we vote for major decisions in our many levels of government. So it comes as a shock that students, faculty, and staff — those affected most — do not vote on proposals to fix budget woes.

UI officials have stated they will do as much as they can to prevent these cuts from hurting the quality of our education. I'm sure they feel that's possible, but the effect of this crucial decision will say otherwise.

If layoffs — temporary or permanent — are implemented, great teachers will be out on the street, and more and more TAs will be left to fill the educational gaps. TAs are often the most underrated cogs in this machine we call "Higher Education," but even they can't withstand the pressure they will be under.

The voting could be as follows: someone would send all students, faculty, and staff a document via e-mail with a list of questions regarding each issue and whether to implement the changes. To promote fairness, the regents, in consultation with UI leadership, could come up with the list of questions for people to vote on.

For example: "Would you be in favor of a tuition surcharge for the spring semester, an increase in tuition in 2011, both, or neither?" "Would you be more inclined to support an increase in temporary layoffs to halt any permanent dismissals, or would permanent layoffs be more practical?"

Right about now, I can guess what you're thinking: "Michael, no one is going to vote in favor of layoffs or an increase of tuition."

In most cases you might be right, but assuming that we have no logical thinkers in this hub of education is a bit naïve. We all understand that officials will spread out these tough choices among all employee groups and students.

To counteract these worries, we could require not just a simple majority, but a supermajority of 60 percent of the voters.

Obviously, officials would give more weight to the opinions of faculty and staff regarding layoffs and students in regard to tuition.

Part of me wishes that as students, we could revolt and march the streets of Iowa City in protest. But the days of civil disobedience have long been squashed by the average citizen's worries about its repercussions. The Man is stricter than when my father went to this university.

The sentimentalist in me hopes that one day very soon students and faculty members will stand up and shout out their windows: "I'm mad as hell, and I'm not going to take it anymore."

God, I love *Network*.

To be honest, "mad" is not the right adjective to describe my intense dislike for tuition increases.

In the last 25 years, American colleges and universities have raised tuition 440 percent, according to *Harper's*. That's four times the rate of inflation, twice the increase in health-care costs, and even more than the housing collapse.

These figures kind of make you want to join a commune or even move to Canada.

Has education increased in quality four times over in the last 25 years? Would these cuts and layoffs really provide a better educational experience for UI students?

The short answer is no, but a terrible feeling in the pit of my stomach says it won't matter.

The university wants us to take pride in our education. I don't believe that there is a better way than voting for the future of our university. Recent events have shown that UISG is not working in our best interests. We must look to ourselves for leadership.

The regents will decide our fate, but my hope is that our voices won't end on a whimper.

Instead, let's make it a loud cry of "no." There's courage in that response. ■

Letter

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Editorial on UISG off-base

As a response to the Oct. 20 editorial regarding the UI Student Government-sponsored City Council forum, the Governmental Relations Committee would like to pose a question to *The Daily Iowan's* Editorial Board: Why is the positive coverage of our work on behalf of students continually overlooked?

While you were writing an accusatory editorial about an event that "verged on explicit conflicts of interest," the committee was

busy working on the following tasks: organizing a statewide conference in Des Moines for student leaders to come together to discuss pressing student issues, forming a tuition task force to research and address the recent tuition concerns of students, and informing and galvanizing students about the upcoming City Council election.

We have yet to see these successes covered.

Why discourage student participation in local government when you could partner with

UISG to ensure the student voice is heard — not just the *DI* Editorial Board's? As elected student leaders, we are aware that our lives are in the public eye. But it seems as though this publication only reports on us when it benefits its image by criticizing ours.

The concerns on the minds of the majority of students is that of affordable tuition — not who is dating whom in student government — which is why UISG is fighting to ensure students' interests are not cut along with the state budget.

If both of our objectives are to empower and promote the voices of students, why does it seem that you are working against us to achieve that goal? We consider the *DI* an asset to the UI community and a tool for truth. Therefore, we are giving you the opportunity to report without personal bias or agendas, and we sincerely hope you embrace that opportunity.

Whitney Carson

UISG senator and Governmental Relations Committee chairwoman

Guest opinion

Curb the drinking problem: Make the campus wet

By WILL MATTESSICH

One definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting a different result. Every year, the administration discusses the UI's binge-drinking problem, recycling the same failed solutions.

Solution one: Make UI dry through a campuswide form of prohibition. Solution two: AlcoholEdu, an attempt to educate students about responsible ways to drink and relieve peer pressure. And one of the pet projects, solution three: Provide alcohol-free alternatives to a wasted

night on the town. This final approach tries to solve the problem through economics: The UI and UISG feel that if attractive options besides drinking are available, students will not drink themselves to the ground every weekend.

This theory is seriously flawed.

Two types of pairs of "goods" (things that consumers value) in economics, are "substitute" goods, and "complementary" goods. Substitute goods are two goods that, when demand for one increases, demand for the other decreases. Two goods are

complements if, as demand increases for one, demand for the other also increases.

The UI administration makes a night spent drinking and a night spent sober into substitute goods. This would mean the reason Iowa students drink is because they have nothing else to do. Evidence seems to show that alcohol is not a substitute but a complement to sobriety. Hawkeyes don't want to have fun being drunk or being sober; they want to have fun being drunk sometimes and sober at others. Most of the students who go to the alcohol-free alternatives wouldn't be drinking anyway, and

the students who get blackout drunk every Friday and Saturday would not change their ways unless all of Iowa's liquor stores suddenly closed. (Even then, I wouldn't bet on it.)

If creating alternatives will not solve the problem, what will? The first thing that should be done is repealing the policy of dry residence halls. Hall coordinators tell residents, "The UI doesn't tell you not to drink, we just don't want you doing it here." If the administration cares about student safety, why is it enforcing a policy that encourages students to go

drink downtown until 2 a.m. instead of in their home environment, where they won't get assaulted?

Resident assistants are an untapped resource in solving this problem. The current policy is for RAs to report residents who drink, causing hefty fines. If students were allowed to drink in the dorms, they would have their RA, someone whose job is to be their friend and mentor, to ensure their safety. The RAs doing rounds could knock on residents' doors occasionally to check on them. If university officials can't stomach entirely wet

dorms, milder policies could be put in place.

We've all heard the saying "actions speak louder than words." The UI administration needs to pick up this mantra. Instead of hollow rhetoric about working hard to keep the university safe and dry through draconian, ineffective policies that do nothing but deny the problem and exacerbate issues with student safety, let's accept alcohol in college as a reality and try to make it safer.

I'll drink to that.

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Golf's loss is songwriting's gain

Griffin House brings his storytelling abilities to the Picador tonight.

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At the age of 18, Griffin House made a decision that would change his life forever.

The now-29-year-old musician turned down a golf scholarship at Ohio University and went to Miami University, where he picked the guitar. Ever since, House has been writing songs that have the feel of classic musical storytellers such as Bruce Springsteen, Bob Dylan, and Tom Petty. "I got really burned out with sports, so I decided to try something new," House said. "I got involved with theater and started playing music in my time at Miami University."

He will perform along-

side guitarist Clint Wells at the Picador, 330 E. Washington St., at 7 p.m. today. Singer/songwriter Thad Cockrell will open the all-ages show.

Although House abandoned his shot at playing professional golf, he was featured at No. 10 on *Golf Digest's* 2008 list of top musician golfers.

"One of the editors of *Golf Digest* came through Nashville the other day and took me out for a round of golf," he said. "I was joking with him and was like, 'Man, if I had never put down the sticks and picked up the guitar, I would never have gotten into *Golf Digest*, but somehow I played guitar and got in [the magazine]. It's a weird, weird thing."

He was proud that he beat out Alice Cooper — an avid golfer who is ranked No. 11 — to make it into the top 10, he said.

The solo artist recently released a collection of B-sides and musical commentary called *42 and a half minutes with Griffin House*. House said he came up with the idea after listening to various bands' live sessions and thinking it was interesting to hear what was going on in these different artist's lives at the time each song was made.

He plans to release a new album in the spring of 2010 called *The Learner*. The recording features a guest vocal appearance by Alison Krauss and is a little bit

more upbeat than previous albums, he said.

Despite releasing eight albums of recorded material, House said people have told him he excels in the live setting.

"Well, apparently it's better than the record because everyone tells me that I need to get my act together and make the records better — get the energy of the show on there," he said. "I try to put the live feel into my recording, but sometimes it's tough to translate."

Longtime fan and San Francisco native Jen Wasson said House is a great performer because of his strong ability to connect to the audience through his music.

"Griffin's performance reminds me almost of the way Woody Guthrie used to go around and kind of captivate an audience and actually move people in a personal way," she said. "His songs have a lot of storytelling as well as soul in them, which the audience really responds to."

Shortly after performing in Iowa City, House will go solo and play an opening set on the Cranberries reunion tour.

"I'm half excited and half nervous," he said. "There are going to be big audiences to play with just me and my guitar. I've had a little bit of practice doing that, so at least I'm not going to do it for the first time."

Making musical collages

Alternative-indie group Hallelujah the Hills will make its Iowa City debut tonight.

By DEE FABBRICATORE
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Ryan Walsh makes collages.

Not with craft scissors, construction paper and magazine cutouts but with music. He takes a guitar, a trumpet, a cello, a keyboard, a bass, a sampler, and glues it all together with his soothing, trembling voice.

It all started with a vision born while Walsh sat in a cinema class at Boston University, watching the 1963 film *Hallelujah the Hills*, directed by Lithuanian filmmaker Adolfas Mekas. The film pays homage to cinematic genres with a patchwork of film noir, avant-garde, and slapstick comedy. From this quirky, slightly absurd film, Walsh decided, he would inherit his new indie-rock band's moniker.

Tonight, Walsh and the rest of Hallelujah the Hills will adhere chunks of wry humor to chorus hooks while overlapping mixed instrumentation to create the group's signature sound pastiche. The show will start at 10 p.m. at the Mill, 120 E. Burlington St. Admission is \$6.

When not composing, lead singer Walsh is also a collage artist in a more literal sense: He designs the



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Hallelujah the Hills relax and enjoy the company of a cat, a pet both singer Ryan Walsh and cellist David Bentley adore.



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David Bentley said. "Ever since the beginning of college, he knew this was his vision. And he finally got his way."

Bentley said the ensemble's diverse instrumentation blends with purpose.

"Sometimes, bands will have a violin or a cello or a nontraditional instrument," Bentley said. "And they have it just for the sake of having it."

However, he reserves his cello's potent sound for songs with distinct melodies — such as "Echoes of Sequence," featured on *Colonial Drones*.

Bentley described the band's live show as "a wall of sound" with "a lot going on onstage." But lead singer Walsh said having a six-piece band simply means "more sounds."

"Plus, if there's any trouble in the crowd, there are six of us, so we could probably fight our way out," Walsh said. "A couple instruments could be used as weapons."

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FEMA office aids UI

Some flood-recovery efforts could take up to two years.

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A new Federal Emergency Management Agency and Iowa Homeland Security office in Iowa City is helping the UI with roughly 250 flood-recovery projects.

UI officials said the new location, funded by federal disaster-relief money and situated on Gilbert Street, has increased organization regarding the university's flood-recovery progress.

The first plans officials will tackle are for Art Building West and the IMU, said Donna Percy, the chief risk officer for the UI Risk Management Office.

Having a federal assistance team set up in a long-term location with close access to university officials will help the recovery process run more smoothly, Percy said.

"Already we're seeing communication improved," she said.

The recovery process entails numerous steps.

First, officials from UI Facilities Management and the Risk Management Office examine details about rebuilding, taking into consideration the costs and flood-prevention measures, Percy said. Officials often contact potential occupants of the UI buildings to ensure precision in their planning, she said.

After choosing the best option, officials submit the plans to the FEMA/Homeland Security office for review.

FEMA staff ensures the plans are eligible for grants and carry a reasonable price tag, Percy said.

The review process for the project worksheets continues at the state level, after which UI officials must garner approval from federal officials before advancing.

"You have a lot of info and detail, and people have to agree on that detail," Percy said.

The entire process could take two years or more, said Vincent Clark, a FEMA public information officer. He said the office will likely remain open in Iowa City until most of the local recovery projects are completed.

"It made sense to set up satellite offices," Clark said, noting others were opened in Des Moines, Cedar Rapids, and Davenport.

UI spokesman Tom Moore said the office has helped make the planning process run smoothly.

"We know everyone is anxious to get back to their facilities," he said.

Rod Lehnertz, UI Facilities Management's director of planning, design, and construction, said the new office will likely expedite the process.

"We felt we needed that extra on-site attendance of FEMA," he said.

Lehnertz said officials have garnered advice from architects and historical experts to produce thorough flood-recovery solutions.

NATION

US military deaths in Iraq war at 4,352

(AP) - As of Tuesday, at least 4,352 members of the U.S. military had died in the Iraq war since it began in March 2003, according to an Associated Press count.

The figure includes nine military civilians killed in action. At least 3,475 military personnel died as a result of hostile action, according to the military's numbers.

The AP count is two fewer than the Defense Department's tally, last updated Tuesday at 10 a.m. EDT.

Spotlight Iowa City

Twirling in a burning ring of fire

From fire batons to international travel, Nicole Jensen can twirl.

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Nicole Jensen keeps cool, even with fiery batons encircling her.

As the featured twirler for West High, Jensen is always a bright spot in the marching band's halftime show. But beyond just a few Fridays in the fall, she also twirls in competitions locally, nationally, and internationally.

"Twirling has opened a lot of opportunities for me — I've been able to travel all over the world," said Jensen, a junior at West High, before starting practice in the Field House.

Aside from traveling in the United States to Las Vegas and South Bend, Ind., Jensen has twirled on two other continents.

The seemingly always upbeat 16-year-old competed in the World Baton Championships in Belgium in 2009 after winning her division at nationals in 2008. Jensen also went to Peru recently with the Lions Club, twirling to raise money for charity.

It started as a hobby. When Nicole was 5, mother Michelle Jensen was looking for something to

Nicole Jensen

- **Age:** 16
- **Favorite performance:** Last year's City-West game, her first "big game" with fire
- **Practices:** 10-20 hours/week
- **Other activities:** Runs track, doing both the 100-meter and 400-meter hurdles
- **Favorite eats:** Pancho's, Z'mariks, and Saloon

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complement Nicole's gymnastics and dance. She began twirling lessons with then-Golden Girl Julie Canterbury-Rietz, who pushed her to try it beyond practice. By 7, Nicole was competing, and by 9, she had made it to the advanced division at nationals.

"I think that was the first time when Nicole realized that being a national champion was a realistic goal for her," Michelle Jensen said.

While she continued to compete into her teenage years, Nicole Jensen had always thought about performing "for fun" in high school. Though she was



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Nicole Jensen practices baton twirling at the Slater basketball courts on Tuesday. Jensen's twirling is a highlight of the West High marching band's halftime performances.

initially interested in percussion, she eventually started twirling.

And no one's complaining about that choice.

"Nicole adds a unique visual aspect to the band's performance," West High band director Rob Medd said. "She's able to enhance and accent the music and the movements of the band, and she really connects with the audience."

Because Jensen is the foremost twirler at West, she also has a lot of freedom

when it comes to performing. She learns the formations but is trusted with choreographing the routine. And it is the finale that almost always lets people see the best of her ability.

Jensen can juggle three batons burning fire on both ends. While she makes it look easy, it was tough to learn.

"I was so nervous at first," she said. "I just threw it up and let it fall because I was just so scared."

But now that she has the

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Check out more photos of Jensen twirling on dailyiowan.com.

trick down, it's just another twirl to add to her ever-expanding résumé.

"It's always so tricky to not get drawn into what she's doing that I miss a beat or something," said West High drum major Mary Mysnyk. "Especially when she twirls fire batons ... it can be very distracting because she's so good."

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But by the time Appel suggested the bill, most of the senators seemed to favor the surcharge, seemingly because of an influential hourlong appearance by UI President Sally Mason.

She opened the Senate session by justifying her support of both the midyear surcharge and tuition increase.

"It's not comfortable for me to ask you to pay more," she said. "But the 6 percent increase is necessary to maintain our institutional quality."

Mason did not reveal other details about her budget-cutting plan, which she will present to the state Board of Regents at a meeting Thursday in Cedar Falls.

She assured the Senate the potential increases for students would work to preserve UI faculty positions and departments.

Of the nearly \$25 million the university needs to trim before the end of the year, approximately 20 to 25 percent of the funds will come from UI faculty and staff, Mason said. Students would supply roughly 10 percent of the UI's reduction, or around \$2.4 million, through the midyear surcharge.

Students who cannot afford the \$100 will be exempt, she said, noting that decision is based on financial-aid factors.

"The proposed surcharge and tuition hike won't fix the budget problem," Mason said. "But it will help."

After her speech, 30 senators, a majority of those present, voted against Appel's bill to oppose the surcharge.

"A few people can stop going to Brothers or the Union for the night and pay for this," Sen. Chris Page said. "I think the UI can afford this."

One senator who pays his own tuition took the floor in support of the surcharge, too.

Cody Shafer, a UI senior, said he would write a check for \$100 in order to preserve the UI's quality and faculty and staff jobs.

Sen. Caitlin Ross agreed. "I believe the administration has our interests at heart," she said. "One hundred dollars is a bang for your buck."

But Sen. Whitney Carson, who initially supported Appel's drafts, noted the student governments from both the University of Northern Iowa and Iowa State University said they oppose the surcharge.

"We are elected by the students to represent the students," she said. "This surcharge does not represent the students."

Some students not at the meeting agreed with Carson.

UI sophomore Christina Rittgers said a 6 percent jump in tuition is too high, noting the Higher Education Price Index for this year recommends a 2.7 percent increase in tuition.



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UI President Sally Mason speaks at a UI Student Government Senate meeting in the IMU Black Box Theater on Tuesday. Mason told UISG her reasons for supporting a \$100 spring surcharge at the meeting, where senators voted overwhelming to endorse the one-time fee.

"I feel betrayed by my student government," she said.

Julie Jennings, a sophomore, said she is concerned that more of the university's

funding is from students instead of the state, causing the UI to seem more like a private college. "We are losing our grad

students, who bring new knowledge to our university," she said. "I am not a fan of our student government's decision."

ATHLETICS

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The department's main expenses come from employee salaries, which cost around \$23.2 million.

This year, the athletics department gave roughly \$8.5 million to the university's general fund to pay for student-athlete scholarships.

Richard Klatt, an associate athletics director, said that if some of the proposed measures, such as the \$100 tuition surcharge, were implemented as a result of the state's budget crisis, the athletics department would have to adjust, too.

Approximately 500 of the 700 student-athletes on campus are on scholarships, meaning the athletics department would have to pay the surcharge fees for those students.

"If that's approved, [the department] will have to write another check for the surcharge," Klatt said. "It's one of those things — when we learned it was an option, we began to determine how it will affect the budget."

Besides scholarship funding, the department does not donate other money to the general fund, though Klatt sees the possibility as a "worthwhile" objective.

"Right now, it's not set as a goal," he said. "But we hope to be so successful that it's something we can do [in the future]."

The University of Michigan-Ann Arbor's athletics department is also self-sufficient, and it plans to donate \$1.6 million to the school's general fund this fiscal year.

Like the UI, Michigan receives the majority of its sporting revenue from ticket sales, with a total revenue of more than

\$94 million. The university also donates money to the general fund to pay for athletes' scholarships.

Though affected by the current economic difficulties, factors such as steady ticket sales have helped anchor both Michigan and the UI's athletics budgets.

"So far, we are fortunate to have similar attendance revenues as in prior years," Michigan athletics department chief financial officer Jason Winters wrote in an e-mail. "Our corporate sponsorship revenue stream is guaranteed via our out-sourcing relationship with [sports marketing company] IMG."

At the UI, officials have braced for a difficult year financially.

Athletics department officials decided last spring to cut 5 percent from their budget to com-

pensate for a predicted slump in ticket sales. Barta said such cuts were made in every area including athletics department administration. Officials did not grant salary increases this year as a way to minimize expenses.

"The reduction is a direct byproduct of the economic situation," said Klatt. "It's 100 percent attributable to the expectation that ticket sales would be down because of the economic situation. We know that tickets are a luxury, not a necessity."

However, he said, the football team's success has led to higher-than-expected ticket sales.

Your turn. Should the athletics department help out with the UI's budget problems by donating money to the general fund? Weigh in on

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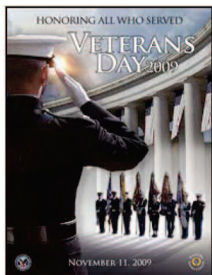
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Community colleges feel cuts

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Iowa's community-college instructors could see smaller salaries as officials at the schools face a 10 percent cut in state funding.

The Department of Education is looking to cut \$91,668 from community colleges' salaries fund, potentially undermining schools' ability to support salaries competitive with other states, according to preliminary plans released by the department. The colleges will also see roughly \$15.8 million cut from their general aid funding.

But competing with other states' average salaries isn't the focus for most colleges, said Sandy Bruns, the director of human resources at Northwest Iowa Community College.

Instead, Bruns said the college concentrates more on making salaries competitive with other Iowa colleges and pay ranges in the instructor's career fields.

Though most colleges do not anticipate troubles this year with stimulus funds filling in the gaps, uncertainty about future budget levels could make hiring difficult.

The 10 percent trim in salary funding should not affect how much instructors receive because most are on annual contracts, said Steven Ovel, the executive director of governmental relations at Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids. To deal with the cuts, some colleges will have to provide money from general education funds.

However, Kirkwood received 15 percent of the original \$916,680 funding for salaries, and a 10 percent cut on that 15 percent



Art students draw during a class at the Iowa City Kirkwood Community College campus Oct. 20. Community colleges in the state are dealing with limited budgets after Gov. Culver announced a 10 percent cut across the board.

is not really a large amount, Ovel said.

Hiring and maintaining faculty levels is especially important because community colleges across the state saw increases in student enrollment this year that require staff to take on more students.

"It is stretching people thin," said Kristie Fisher, the vice president for enrollment at Kirkwood, which saw about a 17 percent increase in students this year. "It is going to get tougher. The 10 percent cut was more than we expected. We run very lean already and don't have a lot of fat to be cutting."

The cut in salary funding could hurt Northeast Iowa Community College not only in attracting instructors but in keeping them as well, said John Noel, the vice president for finance at the school, and it could restrict hiring in new fields,

such as wind technology.

"With the budget cuts, it is difficult for us to start programs when we are pinched in regard to getting support from state," he said.

The new programs are important because they would help the college continue to attract students when the economy begins to improve and fewer people are looking at community colleges, he said.

Most institutions are not considering midyear tuition increases or cutting positions to deal with cuts to general and salary aid, though many have phased out positions as faculty retire or leave.

Also, students' wallets might grow a little thinner next year as the colleges consider raising tuition. Kirkwood is eyeing an increase of roughly 10 percent. However, Dale Simon, associate vice president of

Spreading out the cuts:

The Department of Education plans on reducing funding to various community college programs:

- Interpreters for the Deaf
- Community College Salaries
- Community College General Aid

Source: Preliminary plans for Department of Education

the college's Iowa City campus, cautioned it is still too early to make a definitive statement regarding next year's tuition.

Despite challenges from increasing campus enrollment, colleges may see another student surge next year.

"It is always hard to guess," Fisher said. "But if the economy stays as it is, I think a lot of families will be looking at more affordable alternatives to higher education."

NATION

Dean, Rove face off in health-care debate

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — It sounded like the makings of raucous political theater: Former Democratic Party chief Howard Dean and former Bush administration official Karl Rove sharing a stage to discuss health care.

They didn't disappoint people, even if the students who brought the political heavyweights to Penn State on Tuesday night were looking for something a bit more cerebral than a town-hall tussle.

The hour-plus event ended up being a primarily lively political debate complete with good-natured one-liners, with a sprinkling of town-hall-like verve provided by a smattering of anti-Rove audience members.

"Liar! Liar!" some in a crowd of mainly students yelled at Rove toward the end of the night, when the former deputy chief of staff to President George W. Bush brought up the No Child Left Behind education legislation as an example of an issue that could attract bipartisanship.

"These people must be from Michigan — or they must be from Ohio State, I don't know," Rove quipped, referring to Penn State's biggest football rivals.

The verbose pair hammered each other with arguments familiar in the fractured health-care fight.

Rove lambasted Democratic proposals as being modeled on what he labeled as "broken" government programs such as Medicare. Dean implored that it was imperative that all Americans have the option to obtain affordable health care.

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Since its inception at Stony Brook University in March 2009, approximately 40 schools across the country have signed on to implement this lifesaving program.

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Vince India

MEN'S GOLF

Hawkeyes finish 3rd

Rainstorms and a postponed round couldn't keep the Iowa men's golf team from finishing in the top three at the Baylor Intercollegiate in Dallas on Tuesday.

Iowa shot five-over-par in the final round, finishing 17 strokes behind first-place Texas A&M and 14 strokes behind second-place SMU.

After rain suspended play halfway through the second round on Monday, the Hawkeyes entered Tuesday in first place, one stroke ahead of Texas A&M.

Iowa's two top scorers, juniors Brad Hopfinger and Vince India, finished tied for 10th place with scores of 214 (1 over) after combining for 14 birdies through the tournament.

Hopfinger, who was averaging a score of 72.1 per round before heading to Dallas, improved each round, shooting 73 (2 over), 71, and 70.

India shot one-over par in the first round before shooting even-par in the final two.

Sophomore Barrett Kelpin finished tied for 23rd with a score of 219. Kelpin tied Hopfinger for the lowest score in a round on the team with a 70 in the second round.

Sophomore Chris Brant shot 223 and tied for 40th. Brant began the third round tied for seventh place, but shot eight bogeys and one double-bogey to finish the tournament.

Sophomore Brad George ended the tournament in 45th place after shooting 225.

— by Clark Cahill

NBA

Celtics thump Cavs

CLEVELAND (AP) — The reunited Big Three — and Rasheed — are one up on the Big Two.

Paul Pierce scored 23 points, Ray Allen 16, and Kevin Garnett 13 in his first regular-season game since last March as the Boston Celtics beat Cleveland, 95-89, on Tuesday night in the NBA season-opener, spoiling the much-hyped debut of the Cavaliers with LeBron James and Shaquille O'Neal.

Pierce made two crucial jumpers and two free throws in the final 1:03 to pace the Celtics, whose drive to a second-straight title was derailed when Garnett injured his knee late last season. Rasheed Wallace, added as a free agent during the off-season, had 12 points.

James scored 38, and O'Neal added 10 points and 10 rebounds for the Cavaliers, who won their first 23 home games last season but are already 0-1 on their floor. Boston's road win also snapped a 16-game winning streak at home in games between the Celtics and Cavaliers.

FOOTBALL FORUM

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

The daily videocasts can be viewed exclusively online. Today's Football Forum discusses how the loss of both running back Adam Robinson and offensive lineman Dace Richardson will affect the Hawkeyes on Saturday.

Richardson, Robinson out



JULIE KOEHN/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa running back Adam Robinson is tackled after getting the ball just yards from the end zone during the Hawkeyes' game against Michigan State on Oct. 24 in East Lansing. Robinson suffered a high ankle sprain during the game and will be out for the rest of the regular season.

Leg and ankle injuries keep the guard and running back sidelined.

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KIRK Ferentz's Tuesday morning injury meeting with team doctors didn't last any longer than usual. It was just more extensive.

Four key players — guard Dace Richardson (leg), running back Adam Robinson (high ankle sprain), safety Brett Greenwood (neck), and wide receiver Colin Sandeman (concussion) — all left Iowa's game against Michigan State with apparently serious injuries.

At his weekly press conference, Ferentz confirmed both Richardson, who suffered a broken bone in his lower leg, and Robinson would miss the rest of the regular season.

But, the 11-year head coach said, there's a better-than-average chance the two will be back in time

for Iowa's bowl game.

"Right now, we just have to plan like they are not going to be with us and take that approach mentally," Ferentz said.

Sandeman's and Greenwood's injuries, however, will not cause the two to miss significant time. Ferentz said he's not "overly optimistic" that Sandeman would be back this weekend against Indiana.

Ferentz said Greenwood — who was injured when fellow safety Tyler Sash inadvertently collided helmet-to-helmet with him in the third quarter — is "a little sore right now," but he should make a full recovery in time for Saturday's game.

"We're not going to get upset, and hold a meeting, and not practice because a couple of guys are out," junior quarterback Ricky Stanzi said. "We've just got to get back to practice. Those guys aren't going to be there, so there's nothing to stop and sit and wait for. We have to keep moving."

Even though his foot was in a



JULIE KOEHN/THE DAILY IOWAN

The Iowa offense huddles as offensive lineman Dace Richardson lies on the ground injured after a play during the first quarter of the Hawkeyes' game against Michigan State on Oct. 24 at Spartan Stadium. Richardson suffered a broken bone in his lower leg and will be out for the rest of the regular season.

boot after the Hawkeyes' last-second win, Robinson remained optimistic his ankle sprain was nothing more than a temporary setback. But on Tuesday, the redshirt freshman running back said he woke up Sunday morning with more pain than he expected.

He then went to meet with the team doctors, who told him he'd be

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out four to six weeks with a high ankle sprain.

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COMMENTARY

Comebackers a Hawkeye hit

The familiar helps the Hawkeyes with the unfamiliar.



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I have no idea what it is like to play college football.

For some of you, that might be obvious, despite my incredible foray in creating awesome touchdown celebrations. (I got it on lock Ochocinco.)

I don't go through a roll of pre-wrap and athletic tape on the left side of my body alone each game, and then afterward, soak in a tub of bone-chilling ice water to recuperate.

I'm not repeatedly asked about a national championship when four games remain on the regular-season calendar.

I am not a football player. I am just a witness.

On Oct. 24, I witnessed the power of the recognizable in East Lansing, Mich. — an older sister's smile that still attains a your-still-my-little-brother aura, the hair swoop of a doting father, and the rapid snapping of a proud mother's new digital camera.

Enveloped by the unfamiliar, it takes just one person to settle the unnerving feeling clawing up the spine.

SEE COMMENTARY, 3B

Hoosiers excited about playing Iowa

Each week, the *DI* takes you Around the Big Ten to check out some of Iowa's conference brethren.

By **BRENDAN STILES**
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When the No. 7 Iowa Hawkeyes take on Indiana on Saturday at Kinnick Stadium, they might face a desperate opponent.

Last week, the Hoosiers watched a 28-3 lead on Northwestern evaporate as the Wildcats pulled off an incredible comeback to win, 29-28, in Evanston, Ill. The loss dropped Indiana to 4-4 overall, 1-3 in the Big Ten.

The Hoosiers come into Iowa City a 17.5-point underdog and know facing an unbeaten

Hawkeye squad sitting at No. 4 in the BCS standings will be a challenge.

"This is a great opportunity for our football team," Indiana head coach Bill Lynch said during the Big Ten football teleconference on Tuesday. "Not often in the ninth week of the season [do] you get to play the fourth-ranked team in the country that's undefeated ... and I'm sure our guys are going to be excited."

In discussing Iowa, the poise of Hawkeye quarterback Ricky Stanzi stood out to Lynch. The third-year head coach admired

Stanzi's ability to lead the Hawkeyes toward a game-winning touchdown drive against Michigan State last weekend.

"I think anytime you have a great year, you usually have a quarterback who plays his best football, and to me, on tape, Stanzi's having a great year," Lynch said.

Northwestern

The Wildcats' chances of becoming bowl-eligible for the third-straight year took a positive spin last weekend after overcoming a 25-point deficit to defeat Indiana at Ryan Field.

Northwestern sits at 5-3 overall, but difficult games remain, starting with No. 12 Penn State

SEE BIG TEN, 3B



Defending champs roll along

Solid defense helps lead defending flag-football champion UISC to victory.

By MITCH SMITH
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UISC looks poised to make another run at the flag-football All-University Championship — and the players aren't hiding it.

"We assumed we would be here," UISC player Reed McManigal said. "I see us winning it all. I don't think many people can argue with that."

The defending champions extended their play-off run in the Nile Kinnick region Tuesday night, defeating There is Nothing Funny, 26-6, and improving to 6-0 on the season.

The victory brings UISC within two games of returning to the All-University Championship tournament, which is made up of the champion from each of the flag-football leagues — two from the Men's Open League.

With the loss, There is Nothing Funny finished the season with a 6-1 record.

UISC set the tone right from the get-go. In the squad's first series, UISC quarterback Clark Anderson orchestrated an 11-play drive, connecting with four different receivers and capping the

'Clark had just told me to move up. I just jumped it and read it perfectly. But it was all about communication.'

— Chris Alrich, UISC defender

drive off with a touchdown pass to Caleb Recker.

There is Nothing Funny responded with a quick touchdown reception by Kyle Merten to make the score 6-6 early in the second quarter.

It looked as though There is Nothing Funny would give UISC all it could handle — until a crucial interception by Chris Alrich in the second quarter.

The second-year dental student and UISC defender picked off a shovel pass in the red zone and returned it for a touchdown, giving UISC a 12-6 lead.

Alrich and fellow defender Anderson had just called a defensive audible right before the play.

"Clark had just told me to move up," Alrich said. "I just jumped it and read it perfectly. But it was all about communication."

The pick-six gave UISC the wake-up call it needed, and the team was relentless on both sides of the ball in the second-half.

The squad's defense

forced a turnover on downs on both of There is Nothing Funny's second-half possessions.

Nick Kron blitzed on nearly every play, notching two sacks in the game.

Using a series of laterals on offense, UISC sustained several long drives to wear down the There is Nothing Funny defenders.

Anderson completed 20-of-29 passes, tossing two touchdowns and running for another.

McManigal led the UISC receiving corp with two touchdowns, including a diving grab in the back of the end zone.

After the game the defending champs complimented their opponents.

"They were the best defense we've seen all year," Alrich said. "They made it difficult for us to move the ball."

Although there was nothing humorous about the team's 20-point loss, There is Nothing Funny appeared upbeat about the season.

"We figured since we were the cutest team, we



GEORGE POTERACKI/THE DAILY IOWAN

There is Nothing Funny quarterback Josh Doyle releases the ball just before UISC lineman Nick Kron gets to his flags at the Hawkeye Recreational Fields on Tuesday. UISC moved one step close to repeating as intramural flag-football champions with a 26-6 victory.

might be able to distract them," joked Josh Doyle, There is Nothing Funny's quarterback. "But that didn't work out for us. They are a talented team, and they took it to us tonight."

Cricket arrives in Hawk Nation

A sport popular in Britain and some of its former colonies, cricket is now on the UI campus after becoming an official club sport.

By IAN MARTIN
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"I was born Hindu, but converted to cricket," says Ankush Bhasin.

A UI graduate student, Bhasin is one of the millions of people who have fallen in love with one of the most popular sports on Earth.

But after playing the game since childhood in India, he had no cricket team to play on at the UI. Until now.

Last month, the university became the last school in the Big Ten to approve a club team for the bat-and-ball game.

Vaibhav Yadev, also a UI graduate student who helped found the club with Bhasin, said the club was long-awaited after years of pickup games.

"We were just 15 to 20 guys, and we used to play at Roosevelt [Elementary School]," Yadev said. "But then, we realized that the University of Iowa is the only university around that does not have an official cricket club."

The two prepared a presentation to get sanctioning for the new club. Since attaining the official status, the group has 20 to 25 members who will make up the team following second-semester tryouts.

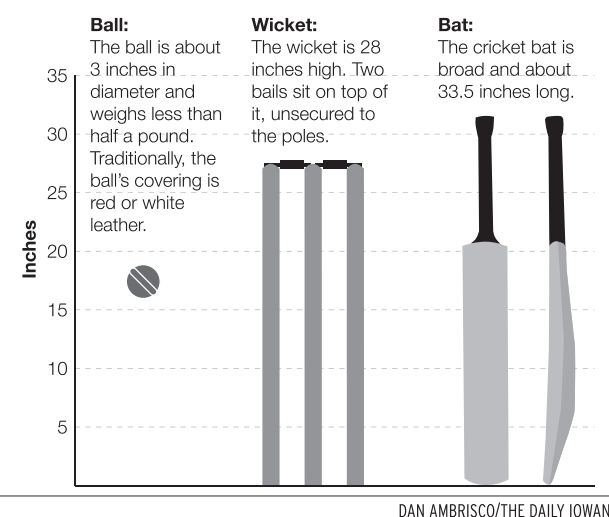
The majority of those players won't be from the United States.

Arvind Namasivayam, a sophomore at the University of Michigan who helped found the school's cricket club this year, said the same applies to his campus squad. Most of the players are from India, Pakistan, or Sri Lanka — countries where cricket is popular.

Namasivayam said he's been playing cricket since he was young, and to sell

Getting equipped for cricket

The bat, wicket, and ball are the primary equipment in cricket.



'[The five-day] format cannot be very popular. It does not have the excitement. In a T20 situation, [momentum] might tilt in either team's favor even after a single ball is pitched. You just are glued to your seats as you are watching it.'

— Vaibhav Yadev, UI graduate student

his sport, he compares it with a game many Americans have played since childhood: baseball.

The comparison isn't far-fetched. Cricket requires a bat and a leather ball and is composed of innings.

But the scoring, number of players, and protective gear is all different.

"It's very comparable with baseball, but the ways in which you bat and throw to pitch the ball are done in a lot different manner," said Doug Burkhart, an Ohio State senior who supervises intramural indoor cricket.

Burkhart, who hadn't played the sport before college, said that while he enjoyed playing pickup games, most Americans may not catch on because children in the United States may choose to play other sports.

Bhasin said many Americans have dismissed the sport because of its notoriously long nature. Traditionally, a game can take up to five days to complete.

But with a new version on the rise, schools and clubs are taking up the game like never before.

Twenty20 was introduced in 2003 as a faster form of the game meant to last three-and-a-half hours. Those who champion the game believe this may gain popularity in America.

"[The five-day] format cannot be very popular. It does not have the excitement," Yadev said, and he thinks Twenty20 is also much more exciting for spectators. "In a T20 situation, [momentum] might tilt in either team's favor even after a single ball is pitched. You just are

Basic rules of Cricket

- Players use a flattened willow bat to hit, and the ball is made of leather.
- There are 11 players on the field for the defense, including the bowler (much like a pitcher) and the wicketkeeper (much like a catcher). The offense has two players on the field at all times — one hitting and one at the opposite wicket.
- A bowl is thrown on a bounce with the batter trying to defend the thin pipes (wickets) set up behind them.
- Runs are scored when hitters put the ball in play, allowing them to sprint to the opposite wicket located across from them. Simultaneously, their teammate runs from that wicket to theirs. If you are safe, you keep hitting.
- Batters are out when a pitch hits a wicket, if a hit is caught, or when the wicket is tagged before a hitters can manage a run.
- Once a player is out, a new player replaces him on offense. This system continues until all but one batter remains (there is no extra player to run only).
- An inning is completed after both teams have batted through their lineup.

Source: The Sports Book

glued to your seats as you are watching it."

Playing the new form of the game may be helpful in attracting first-timers to the sport as well. The UI cricket club will offer clinics for newcomers and will play a tournament using a tennis ball instead of the regulation hard leather ones.

Those who have played the sport for much longer say club cricket is one of the best way to spread their favorite game.

"The U.S. has a great potential for cricket," Namasivayam said.

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Iowa wide receiver Colin Sandeman is helped off the field after being clocked by Michigan State cornerback Jeremy Ware during the Hawkeyes' game against Michigan State on Oct. 24 at Spartan Stadium in East Lansing, Mich. The referee slapped Ware with a personal foul for the hit.

INJURIES

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Robinson's absence will vault Brandon Wegher into the starting lineup. Wegher has rushed for 321 yards and three touchdowns as a true freshman.

Though Sandeman's absence won't be nearly as long as Robinson's, Ferentz is concerned with who will fill Sandeman's role as the team's punt returner. In the last two weeks, the head coach has lost his two main punt returners — Sandeman and Paul Chaney Jr.

"Anybody who wants to get back there," Ferentz said with a chuckle about who would be returning punts. "You've got Sash [and Amari] Spivey — those two guys would probably be the two top candidates. We might have a guest appearance from somebody. We'll see."

Computer rankings

Looking at the BCS, the computers ranked Iowa No. 1 overall — ahead of Florida, Texas, and Alabama. The Hawkeyes were



Iowa defensive back Brett Greenwood is taken off the field during the Hawkeyes' game against Michigan State on Oct. 24 in East Lansing, Mich. Greenwood collided head-to-head with teammate Tyler Sash; he eventually returned to the sideline after the hit.

ranked No. 8 by the two human polls, putting them at No. 4 overall in the BCS standings.

"Computers have not seen us play," Ferentz joked. "If they had eyes and could see us play, they would say, 'Are you kidding me?'"

Stanzi reflects on final drive

In Iowa's trilling 15-13 win over Michigan State on Oct. 24, Stanzi drove his team 70 yards in 97

seconds — with only one time-out. On Tuesday, the quarterback had a chance to reflect on his mindset before that drive.

"If worst comes to worst, we lose the game," he said. "No one is going to get shot over it. We're all still Americans. Thank goodness. Nothing bad is really going to come out of it. You might lose the ball game, but hey, [you] go out there and do what you can. If you put the ball in the end zone, you put the ball in the end zone."

BIG TEN

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coming to Evanston this weekend.

The Nittany Lions will venture into Ryan Field riding a successful swell after dismantling Michigan, 35-10, in Ann Arbor, Mich.

"We're going to play a team this week that for years has taken advantage of people making mistakes," Northwestern head coach Pat Fitzgerald said during the Big Ten football teleconference on Tuesday. "[The Nittany Lions] make you pay, and they make you pay dearly. They execute well, and they don't make many mistakes."

Minnesota

Things have taken a turn for the worse in Minneapolis.

The Golden Gophers are coming off back-to-back losses at Penn State and at Ohio State — neither of which was close.

Furthermore, Minnesota head coach Tim Brewster announced on Tuesday his squad would be without the services of senior wideout Eric Decker, highly touted as the best receiver in the Big Ten, for the rest of the regular season with a foot injury he suffered last week against the Buckeyes.

"Hopefully, we'll get him back for a bowl game, but he will be out," Brewster said on Tuesday during the Big Ten football teleconference. "All 11 guys on offense will have to step up

to replace a guy like Eric Decker. I truly believe he is the most complete wide receiver in college football today, and you don't just replace that guy easily."

If there is a positive for Minnesota, it's that its next three games are all at TCF Bank Stadium before closing the season at Iowa. But coming to Minneapolis this weekend is a 4-4 Michigan State squad coming off a painful defeat at home last weekend to the Hawkeyes.

"Obviously, there's no surprises when you're playing Michigan State," Brewster said. "You know exactly what type of fight you're getting into, and you better be prepared to be in that type of battle, or else they'll expose you."

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Cowboys' Bryant suspended for season

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Oklahoma State wide receiver Dez Bryant will remain suspended for the remainder of the football season for lying to NCAA investigators.

The NCAA ruled Tuesday that the junior All-American will not be eligible to play until September 2010, possibly bringing his college career to an end if he enters the NFL draft.

Oklahoma State plans to appeal the decision, but athletics department spokesman Kevin Klintworth declined further comment. The university said it could receive a decision on the appeal as early as next week.

The university announced on Oct. 7 that Bryant was ineligible because he lied to the NCAA about his relationship with former NFL star Deion Sanders. He has sat out the last four games for the No. 13 Cowboys (6-1, 3-0 Big 12), who will host No. 3 Texas on Saturday night in a game that will likely determine which team plays for the Big 12 championship.

The NCAA said in a news release that Bryant's penalty actually constituted "relief" from even more severe penalties for breaking the agency's rules for ethical conduct and preferential treatment. Bryant could have been forced to miss as few as six games or be permanently ineligible.

The NCAA said mitigating factors presented in Oklahoma State's case resulted in a lighter penalty for Bryant. The decision was based on whether Bryant "actively and deliberately concealed, omitted, or provided inaccurate or false information" to the NCAA and whether he had numerous chances to provide accurate information but did not do so.

E-mail exchanges between an Oklahoma State compliance official and the NCAA indicate that there was concern that Bryant's meeting with Sanders was a way to connect him to an agent, something Sanders has denied. Bryant claimed in a letter of apology to the NCAA that he jogged briefly with Sanders at a Texas athletics center without breaking a sweat and then went to Sanders' house for dinner but did not eat.

Oklahoma State said in its reinstatement request that it would classify the meeting as a violation of NCAA rules prohibiting preferential treatment.

Bryant caught 87 passes for 1,480 yards and 19 touchdowns last season while also scoring twice on punt returns. This season, Bryant led the team with 17 catches for 323 yards and four touchdowns through Oklahoma State's first three games.

COMMENTARY

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For Joe Montana, it was comedian John Candy.

"There, in the stands, standing near the exit ramp, isn't that John Candy?" Montana told tackle Harris Barton with the San Francisco 49ers down by three points with 3:20 left in the 1989 Super Bowl. Ninety-two yards later, a 'Niner touchdown.

Montana may be the "Comeback King," but Iowa has seized the "Comeback team" crown without the need to ask for world peace like a beauty queen. (You listening, BCS?)

Quarterback Ricky Stanzi led the Hawkeyes down field and hit teammate Marvin McNutt perfectly as the game clock expired, putting a No. 8 in the win column.

Immediately following the much-needed dog pile atop McNutt in the

end zone, Stanzi ran off, helmet in hand to the section where his adoring parents watched their son become a Hawkeye hero. He wanted to share the moment and his enthusiasm with the two people who have known him the longest.

His dad sports the same hot pink "Princess Jenna" bracelet, a reminder of a 4-year-old Hawkeye fan with cancer. He also shares the long surfer-like hair that Stanzi once had and won't grow back.

"I tried it. I didn't think I looked too good in it," he said. "It's just not the look I was going for."

Former Hawkeye and current Denver Bronco guard Seth Olsen sat next to Stanzi's parents. In the opening minutes, the Iowa offense line struggled to create holes for tailback Adam Robinson (his first three carries netted only three yards).

Olsen might have recognized the first-play

tenseness in his old buddies and couldn't take it. Only a season removed the regiment of college ball, the 6-5 Olsen went down to the railing, rocking back and forth on the balls of his feet and clapping his palms together.

During a TV time-out, Iowa center Rafael Eubanks saw his friend in denim jeans using his hands as if to communicate, "Hold on. You got this. Calm down," with every thumbs up and gesture.

Eubanks responded by moving his gloved hands up and down as if to say, "I know. We've got this."

The O-line played, in my opinion, its best in East Lansing, and Stanzi's drive catapulted the Hawkeyes into the record books.

So maybe sometime soon, Stanzi may say in the huddle on third and long with 1:38 left, "Hey, isn't that Ashton Kutcher above the tunnel?"

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Carroll wary of USC's second-half lapses

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Southern California's defense has been among the nation's most dominant, except in the second half of its last two games — and for coach Pete Carroll, that's not dominant enough.

That formidable unit became ordinary after halftime against Notre Dame and Oregon State, leaving Carroll a bit concerned about his defense's finishing skills heading into the No. 4 Trojans' showdown with No. 10 Oregon on Halloween night.

"We haven't done very well," Carroll said Tuesday. "We have been really susceptible to them throwing out the football. Being out ahead didn't help us any. We didn't play well with the lead when the teams threw the football a bunch."

Indeed, Notre Dame quarterback Jimmy Clausen and Oregon State's Sean Canfield excelled while attempting to lead comebacks against the Trojans (6-1, 3-1 Pac-10), whose quest for a seventh consecutive Pac-10 title would be all but ended by a loss to the Ducks (6-1, 4-0).

Carroll is well aware defenses are at a disadvantage when a trailing team abandons the run during a

comeback attempt. He knows yardage can get chewed up during come-from-behind surges — but he still doesn't like it.

"When the teams decided they needed to throw the foot-

ball to win, they did very well, and I think a lot has to do with the quarterbacks," Carroll said. "The quarterbacks that we just played were fantastic throwers. They showed that."

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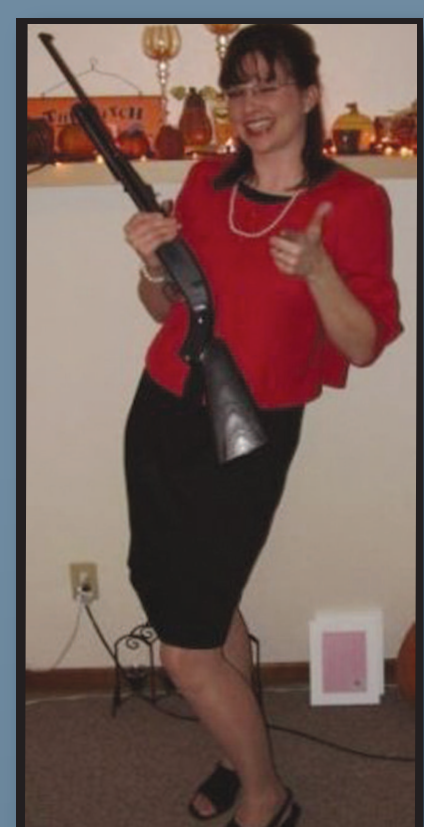
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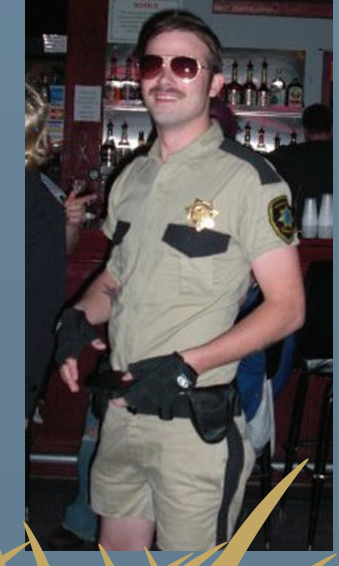
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Which catch had more significance?

Stanzi-to-McNutt

Drew Tate's touchdown pass to Warren Holloway will always have a special place in Hawkeye fans' memories. But Ricky Stanzi's touchdown pass to Marvin McNutt in the final seconds will go down in the annals of Iowa football history as even more significant than "The Catch."

McNutt's reception made history on many levels for the Hawkeyes, giving the team and its fans something that has never happened before — an 8-0 start.

"The Catch" capped off a season, giving Iowa a Capital One bowl

victory over LSU, but "The Grab," as I will from now on refer to it as, prolonged and perpetuated perfection.

While both games ended on game-winning receptions, the 2005 Capital One Bowl is different because of Iowa's offensive success.

The Hawkeyes moved the ball at will. Tate completed 20-of-32 passes for 287 yards.

Before Iowa's final drive against Michigan State, Stanzi had completed only seven passes for 79 yards. Iowa was unable to successfully move the ball on offense, until Stanzi and McNutt led the Hawkeyes on a sensational game-winning drive.

It was the first time in the team's 120-year football history that an Iowa squad started a season

with an 8-0 record. The victory also gave Iowa its highest BCS ranking ever at No. 4.

And it gave Iowa its first win at Spartan Stadium in 14 years, and Kirk Ferentz his first win ever at Michigan State.

Furthermore, it continues to legitimize the team to the rest of the country. The victory over the Spartans was the seventh come-from-behind victory for Iowa this season.

This further illustrates Iowa's resiliency, showing this group can come back to win even when nearly all hope is lost.

"The Grab" keeps Iowa's undefeated season alive and gives Hawkeye fans the opportunity to dream of a Big Ten championship and a certain flower that grows abundantly in Pasadena, Calif. Or possibly something even bigger than that.

— by Mitch Smith

Tate-to-Holloway

OK, I'll admit I took part in the frenzy of celebration that

took place after Iowa's improbable victory. But what I won't admit is that the grab by Marvin McNutt was more significant than "The Catch."

Some fans probably remember Gary Dolphin screaming, "Touchdown Iowa! Touchdown Iowa! No time left on the clock! I don't believe what I just saw!"

I couldn't believe it, either. Drew Tate's 56-yard hurl to "The Forgotten Man," Warren Holloway, has been immortalized in countless posters and YouTube videos.

But let's look at the two plays in a historical context.

The Tate-to-Holloway pass came in 2005 at the end of the Capital One Bowl against the 12th-ranked and defending BCS national champion LSU Tigers. And all Big Ten fans love beating a pretentious SEC team.

Stanzi-to-McNutt was during a regular-season game against an unranked and now .500 Michigan State team.

Yes, this marks the first time in program history that Iowa is 8-0, but what does that mean at this point?

If the season ended today, McNutt's catch could possibly be more

important. But there are still four more

games left.

If Iowa loses the rest of its games to finish 8-4 overall, what does the catch mean then?

It means nothing. Players and teams are often measured by their success in the postseason. Yeah, Dan Marino was a heck of a quarterback, but he will never be called the best because he couldn't win a Super Bowl.

Right now, a lot of people are probably still on a euphoric high from last weekend, which is why Stanzi-to-McNutt may seem like a more significant play in Iowa's history. But depending on how the rest of the season goes for this year's team, there is no way McNutt's catch should be crowned as the better one.

Tate-to-Holloway was done under more pressure, against a better team, and on a bigger stage — a bowl game.

— by Matt Schommer

COMMENTARY

Just give Rush a chance



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Rush Limbaugh is a despicable racist and, as such, has acquired a small fortune by hate-mongering, spewing vitriol, and pandering to and encouraging ignorance.

So what, exactly, disqualifies him from NFL ownership? Nothing.

The NFL should be ashamed of driving Limbaugh out of ownership contention.

First, let's clarify one part of this controversy: Limbaugh's proposed stake in the St. Louis Rams would have been as a limited partner.

If NFL owners and management are going to object to anyone, maybe they should object to Dave Checketts, the lead investor in the group that

included Limbaugh, because he is the one who considered Rush to be a sound business partner.

Additionally, one of the key tenets of the Checketts group is keeping the team in St. Louis — no doubt a comforting thought in the minds of Rams' fans.

Limbaugh's bigoted tendencies aren't exactly welcome in a fan base that Fox Sports' Jason Whitlock called "10 percent black," but I imagine the same fans aren't too fond of the idea of the Rams leaving town.

Celebrity ownership of professional sports teams isn't a new development. Marc Anthony, Fergie, and Emilio and Gloria Estefan all have stakes in the Miami Dolphins.

Jay-Z, Nelly, and Usher have investments in NBA teams. Even a good ol' boy such as Gene Autry made the move to the owner's box when he bought the Los Angeles Angels in 1961.

Again, what's the prob-

lem with Rush's money?

The one legitimate strike against Limbaugh occurred in 2003 when, as an out-of-place commentator for ESPN's Sunday Night Football, he said, "I think what we've had here is a little social concern in the NFL. The media have been very desirous that a black quarterback do well" while discussing Philadelphia Eagles star quarterback Donovan McNabb.

As a result of this quizzical, inappropriate comment, Limbaugh was pressured into resigning, and he hasn't appeared as a sports commentator since.

The reason this comment, among the many nauseating gems that have fallen out of his mouth, is the only one worth considering is because it deals directly with race and football.

But let's take a quick poll of other NFL owners. The vast majority of them are extremely wealthy, older white men — members of

the same demographic that constitute Limbaugh's ideological fan base.

I'm not trying to accuse the other owners of racism, but why should Limbaugh come under attack?

Shouldn't other NFL owners be required to give complete disclosure of their personal views regarding race, politics, and other hot-button issues?

How does the NFL explain its sudden preoccupation with morality? The league's roster includes liars, cheaters, drug users, wife beaters, and animal abusers.

While NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell has made a point of enforcing good conduct, criminal behavior has not been a negating factor in league membership for many individuals. Given this precedent, it's unfortunate the league chose to persecute Limbaugh for exercising his right to free speech.



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Sophomore Chris Brant holds out one of his golf balls during practice at Finkbine Golf Course on Oct. 21. Brant started marking balls with a straight line after seeing how Tiger Woods marks his.

Making their mark

Iowa men's golfers use unique ball markings during play.

By CLARK CAHILL
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Though golfers mostly succeed by having exceptional mental toughness mixed with physical ability, it may surprise some to learn a tiny detail on a golf ball can make a significant difference.

Not only do ball markings help differentiate one ball from another during a tournament, it can help golfers concentrate and make more accurate shots than they would without them.

Iowa junior Vince India started marking his ball with a cross this summer. The cross, which resembles cross hairs of a rifle scope, helps the Deerfield, Ill., native line up his putts and drives.

Because a player is allowed to pick up his ball when it is on the putting green, India can use the lines to point a direct path to the hole. He matches the lines with a thick line in the middle of his putter for more accurate putts.

"I didn't really do a good job of lining up my club correctly on putts and drives before," India said. "The first time I tried it this summer, I shot amazingly, and I have been doing it ever since."

Sophomore Chris Brant uses a similar tactic, but only marks one singular line down the side of his ball.

"I saw a lot of the pros like Tiger [Woods] doing it when I was younger, so it kind of made sense for me

to try it," he said.

Sophomore Barrett Kelpin uses three large dots in the form of a triangle around the ball number. Kelpin had an incident in seventh grade when he mistook another competitor's ball for his own and ended up hitting it. The mistake was costly — he was taken out of contention for the tournament win.

"It made a big impression on me," he said. "Once that happens to you, you never let it happen again."

Sophomore Brad George marks his ball with five tiny dots. The design resembles the No. 5 side of a die.

He knew he needed a marking, and he decided to sketch his favorite number.

"To be perfectly honest, I don't really remember how I came up with it, but I knew I wanted to get a five on there somehow," he said. "I guess what I came up with was the best way possible at the time."

But not all golfers on the Iowa squad care about what is written on their ball.

Junior Brad Hopfinger said he doesn't use any specific designs on his ball, though he does make sure to mark something so his ball will be unique during tournament play.

"I just kind of go with whatever is working, but I always do dots," he said.

"Some people are really superstitious about it, but I don't think it makes any difference."

Harriers fight through injuries

Runner Mark Battista thrives in the absence of injured teammates.

By SEAN MORGAN
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Through a quick analysis of the Iowa men's cross-country team, one might assume the Hawkeyes are somewhere near the bottom of both the national and Big Ten barrels.

Injuries this season have hampered three of Iowa's top five finishers. The squad's No. 1 runner is a true freshman. First-team All-Big Ten performer Jesse Luciano has yet to have a dominating performance.

But the Hawkeyes stand in the middle of the Midwest Regional, and with the Big Ten championship coming this weekend, they can still earn a spot at nationals.

Much of Iowa's success has stemmed from an incredible freshman campaign by Jeffrey Thode. The other runners who have taken over for the injured Nick Holmes, Sam Bailin, and cocaptain Brendan Camplin cannot be overlooked, though.

"Coach [Larry] Wiczorek always talks to us about being a team with interchangeable parts, that you compete with the runners you have," said

fifth-year senior and cocaptain Tommy Tate, one of the two longest-serving Hawkeye runners. "Jeff and Jesse will be up in the front. We have to keep a tight pack and run as well as possible."

Wiczorek said Tate, along with junior James Paul and sophomore Chase Kadlec, has performed admirably this season.

Although, aside from Luciano and Thode, no one has progressed more than junior Mark Battista, the 23-year headman said.

"He's not taken one step forward, he's taken a couple steps forward," Wiczorek said. "He's been capable all along. He really just went to work. Mark has been a real bright spot for us."

With the wave of injuries hitting the Hawkeyes during the heart of the championship portion of their season, Battista has become a top-three finisher for Iowa all season. In 2008, he was a consistent top-seven finisher as a sophomore.

"I knew I had to come in and step it up," Battista said. "Last season, I was up around Jesse and Sam. I just want to keep running [personal records] in



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Iowa senior Tommy Tate finishes seventh at the Hawkeye Invitational on Sept. 4 at Ashton Cross-Country Course.

every meet."

During the Hawkeyes' third meet of the season earlier this month, Battista did just that. At the Wisconsin Adidas Invitational, he ran a time of 25:07 — his collegiate best.

His personal record only stood for two weeks, though. He bettered the time at the Pre-National Invitational in Terre Haute, Ind., finishing in 25:02.

"I haven't really changed my goals," Battista said. "I want to run a sub-25-minute 8,000-meter race. Hopefully, that will put me in the top 20 guys at the Big Ten championship. It's a 10,000-meter race, though, so it will be different."

Iowa may need Battista

and the rest of the Hawkeyes to bring their best efforts to State College, Pa., this weekend if the team wants a shot at scoring in the conference championship.

A boost in production could come if Iowa's walking wounded make the strides in recovery Wiczorek expects them to during the week.

"Nick Holmes and Brendan Camplin should get a chance to compete at the Big Ten championship this week," the coach said. "Sam Bailin looks like he's further away from recovery. These are all what we call 'overuse injuries.' Sometimes, it's hard to get over the hump, to get back."

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Injured Gators may return

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Top-ranked Florida could have four key defenders, including linebacker Brandon Spikes, back against Georgia.

Spikes and defensive tackles Lawrence Marsh and Jaye Howard practiced Tuesday for the first time in more than a week, and coaches expect them to play Saturday against the Bulldogs.

"If they continue to work like they did tonight, they will definitely play in the game on Saturday," defensive line coach

Dan McCarney said.

Marsh has played just two games this season because of a high ankle sprain, and Howard missed the last two games because of a knee injury.

Spikes, the team's defensive captain, injured his groin Oct. 10 at LSU and played only a series of the following week against Arkansas. He sat out Saturday's game at Mississippi State.

"He looked really good today," coach Urban Meyer said. "He probably could have played Saturday. He told us before the game he was ready to go. He hadn't practiced all week."

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- Kurt Vonnegut

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ANDREW R. JUHL
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Wednesday haiku:

Walked into a tree
while playing Marco Polo.
Boy, are my friends dicks.

Things are so hard now.
I wish things were black and
white.
Except for bathrooms.

When I was seven
I almost burned the house
down.
'Twas Jiffy Pop's fault.

"Passed out on the john."
Not as embarrassing as
"passed out in the john."

Clothes in the dryer,
But need these pants dry for
work!
Wait, I've an oven...

High school reunion:
why would I bother with
that?
Oh yeah! Open bar.

No, son, you can't join
a political party;
wait until you're six.

Who do I miss most?
It's not my dad or my mom.
It's the carefree me.

I drove all the way
across the country to hear,
"Why didn't you fly?"

I failed my midterm.
Not from lack of knowledge,
but
lack of an alarm.

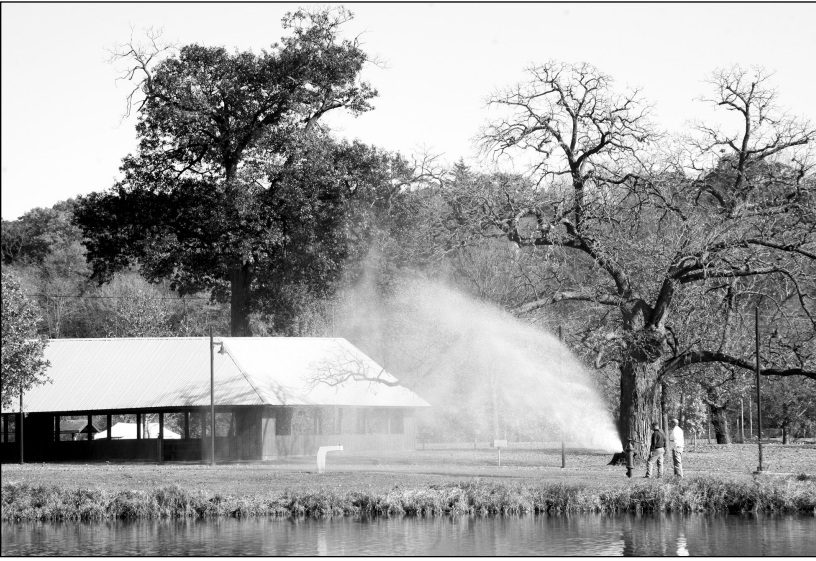
"It'll never work."
Don't take that as a warning,
but as a challenge.

- Andrew R. Juhl,
you should write him a haiku.

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horoscopes Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2009

- by Eugenia Last

ARIES March 21-April 19 There is plenty going on behind closed doors that you may want to look into. If anyone around you is being secretive, you should question why. Being left out of something that may influence your life personally or professionally is apparent.

TAURUS April 20-May 20 You'll be in the limelight if you aren't careful. Choose your battles and refrain from talking about something you know little about. You will receive poor information and may be blamed for meddling if you pass along what you hear.

GEMINI May 21-June 20 Use your insight and charm to weather any storm brewing at work or with your peers. Be careful not to offer too much to someone looking for a handout. This person may also want to take credit for something you contributed.

CANCER June 21-July 22 Don't hold back when you have so much to gain by sharing and pushing your ideas. An emotional encounter will help you clarify where you stand and what your options are. Be forward-thinking, and take action.

LEO July 23-Aug. 22 Don't take anything or anyone for granted. The time to lay your cards on the table honestly and openly is now. Alterations at home can bring financial gain. Look into changes that will save you emotionally and financially.

VIRGO Aug. 23-Sept. 22 You'll be attracted to someone who may be off-limits. Keep things simple, and avoid letting anyone know how you feel. Mixing business with pleasure may be enticing, but it's certainly not practical.

LIBRA Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Your past performance may be brought out into the open now by someone looking for attention. Offer friendship, help, and courtesy, and you will avoid a situation that will make you nervous.

SCORPIO Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Use your wit to come out on top when dealing with personal situations that can alter the way things are done at home. You can't let anyone persuade you to do things that don't suit your needs.

SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Avoid any serious pursuits. You need to recharge and to put things in perspective. Have some fun with someone you enjoy spending time with, and you will find it much easier to face the responsibilities that you have taken on.

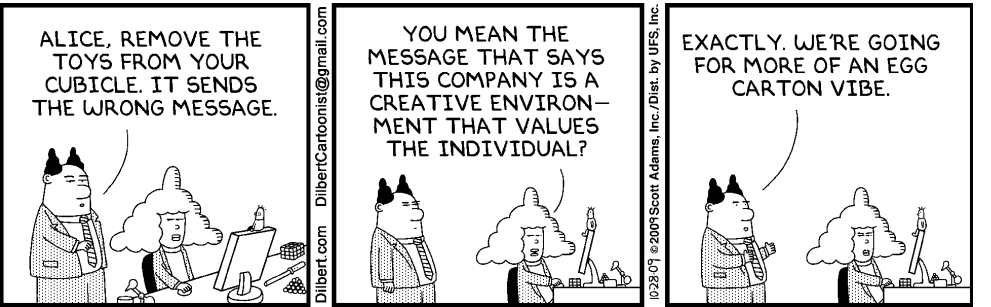
CAPRICORN Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Reviving treasured memories will help you realize what you have given up and what you should try to incorporate back into your life. Go after jobs that allow you to put your skills, talents, and things you enjoy to the test.

AQUARIUS Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Don't let someone's anger stop you from doing what you feel is best for you. There is money to be made or saved. Someone from your past will be able to shed some light on a situation that makes no sense to you.

PISCES Feb. 19-March 20 Your emotions will be difficult to control, but if you follow your heart, you can sort out differences regarding money, contracts, or negotiations. Don't let your own uncertainty ruin a good partnership.

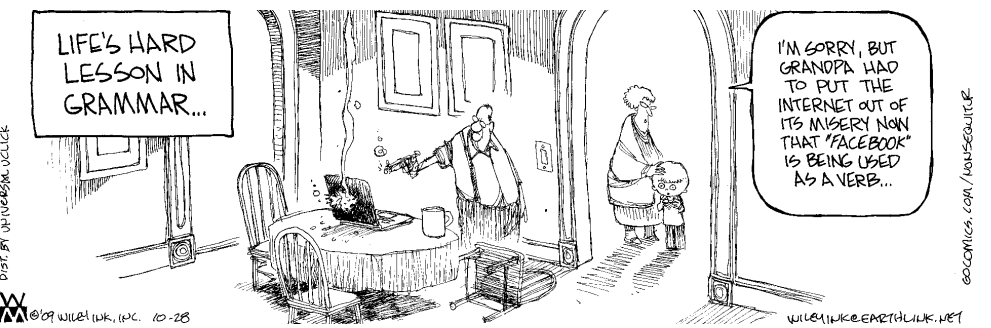
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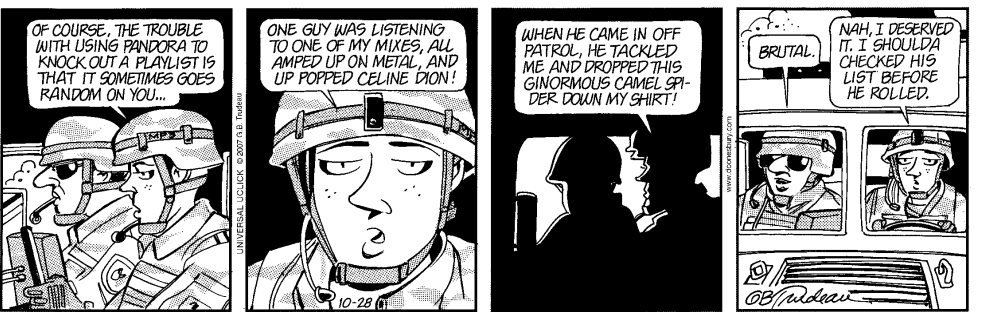
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today's events

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- **Preschool Story Time**, 10 a.m., North Liberty Community Library, 520 W. Cherry
- **Preschool Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **UI Women's Health Fair**, 11 a.m., Old Capitol
- **Office of Student Life Leadership Development Series**, noon, 339 IMU
- **Philosophy Department Colloquium**, Ida Beam Distinguished Visiting Professor Lecture, "Animal Pain," Colin Allen, Indiana University, 1:30 p.m., 109 EPB; reception to follow in 304 EPB
- **Farmers' Market**, 5:30 p.m., Chauncey Swan parking ramp
- **"100 Days Out Celebration: A Mini Dance Marathon,"** 5:30 p.m., IMU second-floor ballroom
- **Welcome Home Wednesdays**, 5:45 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Society, 10 S. Gilbert
- **Iowa City Area Development Group 25th Anniversary Dinner**, 6 p.m., Sheraton, 210 S. Dubuque
- **PJ Story Time**, 6 p.m., North Liberty Community Library
- **Unwind Wednesdays**, 6

- p.m., Muddy Creek Wine Co., 100 E. Oakdale Blvd., Coralville
- **Bingo**, 6:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 225 Highway 1 W.
- **Board Game Night**, 6:30 p.m., Critical Hit Games, 89 Second St., Coralville
- **Thirst**, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **Burlington Street Bluegrass Band**, 7 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Chris Martin and Ted Mathys poetry, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Drop-In Meditation Classes**, 7 p.m., Lamrim Kadampa Buddhist Center, 708 Sunset
- **Griffin House**, 7 p.m., Picador, 330 E. Washington
- **"Housing Matters: Can Building Green Be Affordable?,"** 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Be a Contestant on "The Smartest Iowan,"** 8 p.m., Public Access Television, 206 Lafayette
- **International Writing Program Cinémathèque**, *Mabrouck Rachedi, Still Walking* (Japan, 2009) or *Adieu Gary* (France, 2009), 8 p.m., E105 Adler
- **The Cove**, 9:30 p.m., Bijou

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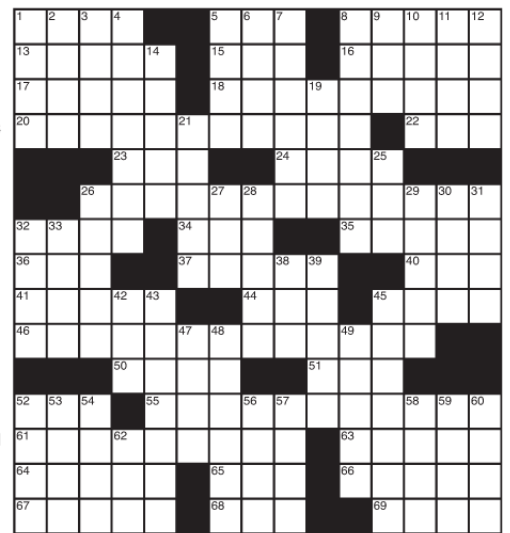
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- Across**
- With 69-Across, ship of 55-Across
 - 5 ___ d'esprit (witty remark)
 - 8 See 67-Across
 - 13 Less receptive
 - 15 Part of some garden statuary
 - 16 Sum of any two opposite faces on a standard die
 - 17 Gossipy type
 - 18 Aptly named ship on a later voyage of 55-Across
 - 20 Body of water sailed in by 55-Across
 - 22 Quenit letters
 - 23 "Quien Te Dijo ___?" (2003 Latin hit)
 - 24 Cornstarch brand
 - 26 Like most of the voyages of 55-Across
 - 32 ___ scale
 - 34 Salon supply
 - 35 Citizen alternative
 - 36 Vernal mo.
 - 37 Top players
 - 40 Apology starter
 - 41 Copenhagen's ___ Bohr Institute
 - 44 Palm Pilot, e.g.
 - 45 Bigfoot photo, e.g.
 - 46 See 55-Across
 - 50 Pins and needles holder
 - 51 ___ Carlos, Brazil
 - 52 War stat
 - 55 Explorer who sailed into 46-Across in 1809
 - 61 55-Across's destination when returning to Europe
 - 63 Top players
- Down**
- Informal greeting
 - Expert server
 - Nickname for someone who shares a name with the 16th president
 - Chains
 - Sport with throws
 - Attorney General Holder
 - Defeat, as an incumbent
 - 1992 presidential aspirant Paul
 - Excite, with "up"
 - Declare
 - Laura of "Jurassic Park"
 - "A Day Without Rain" singer
 - Mrs. Gorbachev
 - Psychologist Jung
 - It might produce a line at a party
 - Cosine of zero degrees
 - Hosted
 - Having everything needed
 - Hebrew leader?
 - Island east of Java
 - Swedish retail giant
 - 64 More precious
 - 65 Series ender: Abbr.
 - 66 Reach in total
 - 67 With 8-Across, business of 55-Across's backers
 - 68 Stephen of "V for Vendetta"
 - 69 See 1-Across

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Puzzle by Jonathan Gershwitz

- Say "Pretty please?," say
- Educator Horace
- Mayberry boy
- Nabokov title heroine
- Fen
- Caustic substance
- Italian wine region
- Tough
- Regretful type
- German children
- "24" agent Jack
- Bubs
- "You don't need to wake me"
- 54 Italian wine region
- Miles per gallon, e.g.
- "A place you can go," in a 1979 #2 hit
- ___-Tibetan languages
- Hall-of-Fame QB Graham
- ___ lamp
- Gumshoe

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