Another tired stereotype falls

Interfraternity council’s new policy promotes acceptance of gay members.

BY ASHLEY GERMAN
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Joseph Diaz is one of a few men in the UI’s Greek community to come out while still active in his fraternity.

“I could not imagine still being in the closet,” the 21-year-old said. “I want to be able to advocate for people to come out.”

In mid-November, the UI Interfraternity Council updated its bylaws to include an anti-discrimination policy that protects gays and other minorities.

Chase Bottorf, former president of the council, said even though fraternity chapters and potential new members were already covered by university policy and state laws, they put the act in place to display the fraternity’s character.

Bottorf, 21, introduced the clause to the council, and he wanted to show that the 700 men in the UI’s Greek community, often seen as austere, are open-minded.

He hopes the policy will encourage more gay students to join fraternities, he said.

Diaz said the policy is evidence of a cultural shift toward greater acceptance.

Nicholas Flynn, the author of The Company He Keeps A History of White College Fraternity, said tolerance of gay members is a new trend for fraternities.

Though not specific to sexuality, the North American Interfraternity Council — which oversees the UI’s 13 fraternities — states in the constitution and bylaws that member chapters should not prohibit any good-standing male enrolled full-time from joining or registering.

During his freshman year, while he was still “in the closet,” Diaz decided to take part in fraternity recruitment or “rush,” a process that introduces potential new members to each fraternity or chapter.

After accepting an invitation to be a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Diaz decided to hide his sexuality because he was not at a stage in his life in which he was comfortable coming out.

“I always told myself I wasn’t coming out until after college,” he said.

The Johnson County Ambulance Service looks to expand along with demand.

BY DANNY VALENTINE

The Johnson County Ambulance Service has seen a spike of nearly 200 calls to downtown in the last five years. A large percentage of those calls occur during the late night and early morning.

Joey Diaz stands in the lobby overlooking Barlow Street on Monday. Diaz joined the fraternity during his freshman year. When, in his junior year, he told the brothers he was gay at a weekly meeting, they gradually started clapping, he said.

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UI using NIH funding for research on women's health

It is the largest grant awarded to the UI this year.

By JORIE FRED

The UI is becoming a research powerhouse. It received $12.2 million in National Institutes of Health grants in 2009, $2 million more than in 2008. In 2009, the university received roughly $250 million in research funding.

The grant was also made possible by the National Institutes of Health's Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA), which allows for $25 million in funding over a five-year period. The UI received the award in 2006.

The Clinical Translational Science Award was the first of its kind to be awarded in the country. The UI's award was the largest NIH grant awarded to the UI this year.

UI received $10 million in research funding from the NIH in 2008 and $15 million in 2007.

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The franchise fee will impose a tax on MidAmerican Energy which the company pany will pass on to the cus- tomer. Revenue from this tax — which officials esti- mate will be around $745,000 annually — will go towards improving fire sta- tion equipment, including funding a new fire station.

The council delayed the franchise vote at last Tuesday’s meeting in antici- pation of more firm num- bers on property-tax rev- enue. Those numbers could have indicated if any addi- tional property taxes could cover the cost of the fire sta- tion, in turn only requiring a 1 percent franchise fee.

Interim City Manager Dale Helling told the City Council that with the city’s projected tax revenue, a franchise fee of less than 2 percent, such as what MidAmerican Energy had a problem with in the amendment. He said the city could cover the franchise fee tax station even if the franchise fee were lower. He added that he would prefer the franchise fee tax station than the fire station.

The franchise fee vote at the meeting on Tuesday was 5-0 and 1 abstention. He said if the franchise fee is lower, he would support the franchise fee tax station.

“The more information we have for the 2 percent fran- chise fee, the better,” he said. “I just feel I don’t have enough information to vote for an amendment at this time.”

Many agreed they would try to decrease the fee by 1 percent before it goes into effect this spring.

“The more openness to dampening the effect on those entities that would be hit hardest by the fran- chise fee,” Helling said. “I think there is so much openness to dampening the effect on those entities that would be hit hardest by the franchise fee.”

But when UI freshman Thomas Paulsen decided to rush this fall, he had a different experience.

“It’s a sad fact, but there are definitely chap- ters that would be more hesitant to accept [Paulsen’s] membership because he is gay,” he said.

Bottroff wanted to create a partnership between the greek community and the UI’s Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, queer, gender variant, or other community.

Mark Rigby, recently elected president of the Interfraternity Council, said this could be more difficult for someone openly gay.

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Councillor Mike O’Dow- nell noted it will be easier for UI chapter members to be with the 1 percent later on.

Havsek said he would favor the former.

“I’m of the mind that we should do 1 percent and we can have that to revise it,” he said.

“Champion said she was unsatisfied with the results of the meeting and still supported 1 percent fran- chise fee.

Dale has worked for the city for years,” she said. “We think we can cut away with 1 percent, then I can do it.”

Ambulance

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Paramedics said they had responded to at least 50 calls during peak hours, because many young Iowans and City men and women are drinking at dangerous levels.

“The more expensive a binge drinkable, the better,” Helling said. “I think that is just frus- trating to see one of the command to subsidize that,” he said.

Many UI students are get- ting more drunk, according to health line. Those arrest- ed for public intoxication are also increasing.

“Now because of the high vol- umes of calls, many of which are alcohol-related and occur in rapid succes- sion, service members say sleep only happens back there and there.

The new shift would cost around $77,000, said John- son County Ambulance Director Steve Smoker.

Because of budget expo- nes, supervisors have said in the past they want to keep expenditures down, and they are asking for a 2 percent reduction. There’s another problem with getting funding at the state level, because the majority of the state’s budget is for drug and alcohol funding.
Letters

To the editor:

Although I am a registered Libertarian, I oppose the war in Afghanistan. This is not the way to defend our country.

[Signature]

The Editor

Editor's note: Comments are sometimes edited for length and clarity.}

The fallacies of... values.

To the editor:

I am writing in response to published Editorial writers on the Pedestrian Mall on the University of Iowa campus.

My question is whether we or any other tax payers' dollars will be spent to illustrate the fabric of democracy even in a town dominated by a large university. I wonder if the funds are available to fund Cardella for her open-spokeed campaign of this American process.

I just question whether the process will be continued as usual, that is, with a candidate A, B, C, D, ... E, a Democrat or a Republican. Since Cardella is a strong candidate for the position, her background in community affairs, would make her a suitable candidate. She has devoted her time to her family and needs to provide solid leadership. If only those who were the whole. It seems to be a right to dicate the future of democracy in even a town dominated by a university.

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Dear Editor:

I was one of those collecting signatures for my candidate, Cardella. I have full confidence that Cardella will be chosen for print publication when she is deemed to be well-written and to forward public discussion.

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Guest opinion

GOP's focus on 'values' digs its own grave

By WILL NATTESS

For years, the Republican Party has expressed a firm ground of values and familial responsibility, with an extraordinary interest in American values, and is now many Americans. Ronald Reagan, George W. Bush and George W. Bush both promised to exhibit a strong commitment to American moral values.

However, the reality is that the party, as well as its leadership, have strayed away from its platform and toward the interests of the billionaires and super-rich, and did not say what it stood for. As a result, the Republican leadership, the candidates and the voters are left with this question: How did we get here?

And this is where the answer lies: Republican leaders and the candidates have abandoned their commitment to American moral values. This is not new, but it is now more apparent.

The Republicans, for instance, have abandoned their commitment to American moral values by supporting abortion, gay marriage, and increasing the deficit.

In the end, the Republican Party has abandoned its commitment to American moral values, and has dug its own grave. And it is not too late to dig it out of.
BENEFIT
Magician David Casas
When: 7 p.m. today
Where: Student Loft
922 E. Washington
Who: tickets accepted

Comprehensive Cancer Center at the University of Iowa Hospital and Medical Center, and the American Cancer Society created Hope Lodge. It provides free lodging from cancer patients and their families, and the quality itself, which aims to help people overcome the list of their treatments. There are 20 Hope Lodges across the United States, and one is in Iowa City for patients at UI Holden.

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By SAN NAO

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“President Obama sending envoy to North Korea

By LAURA WILLIS

WASHINGTON — The White House plans to dispatch a veteran diplomat to North Korea on Tuesday for the highest-profile talks about the nuclear crisis that led to the creation of the six-party talks.

The two Koreas remain in a state of war, their border a slight increase in students facing the stress of final exams, belief focused on the essence of human experiences.

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Hunting leads to chip and goodwill

UI student Dustin Gaskill’s hunting passion led to an innovative creation.

By PATRICK RAFFERTY

UI student Dustin Gaskill shows off a tree stand that he uses during bow hunting in front of a large collection of hats in his East College Street apartment on Wednesday. Gaskill has designed a microchip specifically for bow hunters that he hopes will hit the market this coming year.

Gaskill will finish his entrepreneurship certificate this winter — he graduated last spring with a degree in business management — and within five years, he’s hoping his business will allow him to travel the world hunting.

“I’m going to live in and around my passions, not around my job,” he said. “Some people don’t understand that. It’s my favorite thing in the world. Why leave something that I love to do so much and be unhappy somewhere else?”

Dustin Gaskill

• Age: 26
• Hometown: West Des Moines
• Hobbies: A bow setup worth $5,800
• Favorite meat to eat: Venison
• Favorite MC3 item: Wildlife Forum
• Dustin hunted: 11
• Hops into the house a pheasant set up to release the first population and help ready local

Jennifer Robertson, Gaskill’s fiancée, can attest to his obsession with hunting.

“That’s pretty much the first thing I learned about him,” she said. “I definitely think it’s his passion in life.”

Until the proof comes in some of Robertson’s ancestors set up a tree stand with his fiancee in the frigid air for hours at a time.

Robertson’s birthday also falls on the first day of pheasant hunting in Iowa, which can lead to some tough choices.

“Every year on my birthday, I always tell him he better go out with me. And he always jokes, ‘I don’t know… it’s hunting season,’ “the 24-year-old said.

At home, Gaskill’s deep freezer is full of deer meat, and he’s already won the proof this winter.

He presented his idea to the UI. In Entrepreneurial Innovation, taught by adjunct lecturer Robert Gattamy a couple years ago, Gaskill’s peers selected his invention as a top product. Now, he’s working on publicizing the invention and hopes to release it soon.

Gaskill said he was impressed to hear Gaskill continued to develop his chip idea.

Dustin is a great young man. He’s got a lot of passion for what he’s doing, a lot of eagerness,” said Gattamy, who is also an avid hunter. “Having the chip ensures you don’t waste the animal.”

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Inside-outside play lifts UISSC

Hot hands help UISSC handle Team Esteban in straight contests Monday night in the 3-on-3 tournament.

By MATT SCHOMMER

The Hawkeye defense held the third-ranked Orange Bowl trophy as the team hoisted the Orange Bowl trophy. This game will be no different — the Hawkeye offense matching up with a stout defense should determine who gets to hoist the Orange Bowl trophy.

In spite of all this, defense coordinator Norm Parker thinks all it has to do is “crack its heads. The Buckeyes don’t compare with an offensive coordinator. Defense thinks all it has to do is to slow down the offense.”

With Ricky Stanzi and Jonathan Dwyer at “a-back,” Josh Nesbitt at quarterback and a versatile offense, it has a lot of things it can do. Without a doubt, be up to the challenge.

“Georgia Tech’s yards after contact is the best in the country if they can get the ball in the right person’s hands,” Parker said. “They’ve got great athletes, so we could slowly get our feet wet and be able to put in a lot of different rotations and combinations,” he added. “We’ve got enough powerhouses in the defense to get them.”

Kron said. “We’ve played intramurals together for a long time. It’s about being able to stop Iowa.”

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Oklahoma moved up to 11th after the Sooners followed by Kansas, Marist and Army this week. The defense coordinator of the Sooners, Bob Stoops, led by Vanderbilt, Virginia Tech, Georgia Tech and Florida, who entered the poll after running low on energy. The Buckeyes fell off to ninth. After the loss at Duke, they had to rally to beat Wisconsin in their Big Ten opener. Texas A&M remained in 10th.
**INTRAMURALS CONTINUED FROM 12**

Blue Chips, a group of students who met while playing basketball at Augustana College, now moves on to the title game on Wednesday. The squad will face whichever team wins in the losers' bracket championship tonight.

If Blue Chips wants to continue its undefeated championship run, it will need to win all three of its games.

In Monday's game, Mark Smith, the scoring leader, made the first move for Blue Chips in the first game of the championship. Along with a rebound, Smith scored a field goal and made a basket for Blue Chips in the second period. At the end of the second period, the Blue Chips led 33. Points, including the final bomb, were scored by the teams on the board's total, Brian Larson, hit the game-winning shot for Blue Chips.

Yet, as the scores indicated, the game was a tough fight from the provos. The team's seniors, a group of star students held up 13-2 last year, won't be back for the final game, as well as a 12-kid team. Both squads shot well, and the Omelettes made it to the big dance. Now, he's got his blue chips to use.

**BOWL GAME CONTINUED FROM 1**

While Iowa may not have played a big opponent field during the second half of the season, it was clear that the Hawkeyes have plenty of talent.

Iowa fans were thrilled when the Hawkeyes announced the sale of the 25th extra ticket for the final game of the Big Ten.

Iowans could buy tickets for $20 at theUI athletic director's office at 210 E. Washington St. at the corner of E. Washington and N. Gilbert St.

Tickets sold approximately 4,000 for the Iowa game.

**SPORTS**

**KANSAS, TEXAS: **

**Nova top poll**

Top 3 stay the same, 4 newcomers in AP Top 25

By JIM O'CONNELL

KANSAS, Texas, and Villanova tied for the top three spots in the Associated Press college basketball poll for the second-straight weekend Monday. For the third-consecutive weekend, at least three teams moved into the Top 25.

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Tickets for the game priced at $135 each, can be purchased on hawkeyesports.com, or by calling 1-800-IA-HAWKS.

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### Horoscopes

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- **02 Book**: 1:30 p.m., 283 Eckstein Medical Research Building.
- **03 Web Basics**: 6:30 p.m., IMU Ballroom.
- **04 Market**: 7 p.m., 221 E. Washington.
- **05 Market**: 8 p.m., Studio 13, 801 E. Washington.
- **06 Market**: 9:30 p.m., Bijou.
- **07 Market**: 10 p.m., Bijou.
- **08 Market**: 11 p.m., Bijou.
- **09 Market**: 12:00 a.m., Bijou.

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### Daily Break

"You can’t wait for inspiration. You have to order it.

— Jack London"
By BRENDAN STILES

For the second straight year, Iowa’s defense has been the difference maker. The Hawkeyes have the nation’s best total defense and are among the top 10 in just about every major category of defense. Iowa held Georgia Tech to 14 points that were spread out over four quarters. The Hokies couldn’t seem to get anything going against a strong, versatile defense.

It was the fourth straight shutout for the Hawkeyes, solidifying their spot in the No. 1 ranking in total defense. Iowa certainly wasn’t perfect, as it was flagged for 13 penalties for 105 yards, tying its season high and the highest yardage total in an NFL game. The Ravens (7-5) were flagged in coverage without star safety Ed Reed, who sat out for the second-highest NFC wild-card race. But it wasn’t much for the Panthers, who ended up with one of the interceptions, only the sixth and seventh of the season.

While Reed’s replacement, safety Anthony James, came up with one of the interceptions, he also missed two crucial coverage in the second half.

BASKETBALL

Sparks hold back Citadel

Ashley Jones scored 18 points, had 10 rebounds and 10 assists as No. 12 Southern Methodist University held off upstart Citadel 69-56 on Monday night.

Jones, a 5-foot-11 senior, gave her team a lift on defense as she knocked down a huge three-pointer to secure a 1-point lead. Jones finished 12-of-20 for the game.

The Blue Chips suffered a 9-point loss to the Trojans. Ferentz gets 2nd Orange chance

Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz has experienced three bowl losses during his 13-year career in Iowa City, but none more devastating, none more cringe-worthy, none more embarrassing than the 21-point drubbing handed over by USC in the 2002 Orange Bowl. It’s not even close, Ferentz said.

That season marked his first 10-plus win season as a head coach. But one-stud-tailed team failed to deliver in the program’s first trip to a BCS Championship Series bowl game.

And despite two conference titles in 2001 and 2004, the Hawkeyes haven’t been on the nation’s premier college football scene since their 1981 appearance.