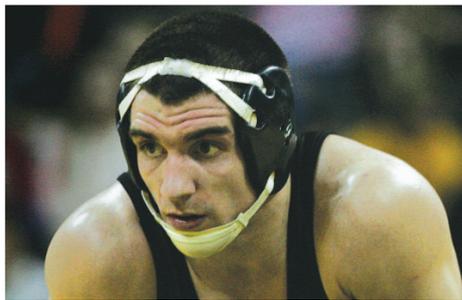


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Taking a bite out of duplication

Family-dentistry squeeze may be an example for graduate programs.

By **MORGAN OLSEN**
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While the East and West Campuses are divided by a river, both are finding new ways to operate in the face of budget cuts.

In July 2009, most of the UI Hospital and Clinics' family-dentistry program was moved from the hospital to the College of Dentistry, saving the program an estimated \$200,000 this year.



Johnsen
dean of the College of Dentistry

Officials made the change to cut down on duplicate services, such as general dentistry and orthodontics, which were being offered at both locations.

While family and general dental care is still offered at UIHC, other services have found a new home in the College of Dentistry.

"Fifty years ago, you could have whatever programs you wanted," said David Johnsen, the dean of the College of Dentistry. "Now, you have to take a hard look

SEE **DENTAL, 3**

Cornucopia of culture

The 20th-annual festival features food and music from all over the world.

By **MARLEEN LINARES**
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For Shriya Anavkar, the UI Celebrating Cultural Diversity Festival was more than a chance to express her culture.

At the Sunday festival, she and her husband stood behind a long black table embellished with beaded and wooden jewelry and other artifacts from their culture.

Anavkar brings the souvenirs, covered in color and sparkle, from her native village of Anav, India, and sells them in Iowa.

"It started out as a hobby," the 45-year old said. "People would always ask about my bangles and accessories, so I thought I would bring them back with me."

Anavkar has turned her 10-year hobby into a small philanthropic effort; she now donates all of her profits to schools in Anav.

Her table was one of many at the 20th-annual festival held in the Field House. The tables represented a wide variety of countries, including China, Mexico, the Czech Republic, and Thailand.

For Peter and Katy Hansen, this year marked their 10th festival, and they said they have yet to get tired of it.



MOHAMMED ALHADAB/THE DAILY IOWAN

Emilia Roberts of Iowa City tries on an international dress at the Celebrating Cultural Diversity Festival in the Field House on Sunday. The festival had many programs for kids including dancing and storytelling.

"It's always very interesting to try all the different kinds of food and see all the performances," said Katy Hansen, 69. "You always see a lot of friends, too."

Peter Hansen noted the flags hanging around the main deck in the Field House,

representing more than 100 countries. Behind each flag was the number of UI students from that country.

"It's incredible how many students are from other countries," said the 70-year-old, noting more than 900

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Check out video from Sunday's Celebrating Cultural Diversity Fair.



come from China.

SEE **FAIR, 3**

Salmonella spreads

Scientists at the UI Hygienic Laboratory recently identified a major outbreak of the pathogenic bacteria, a strain called Salmonella Montevideo. SEE **ARTICLE, 6.**

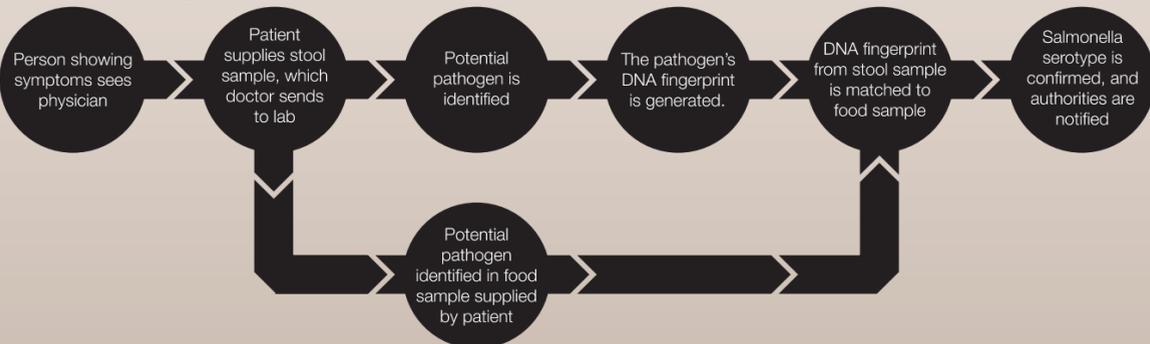
Salmonella is typically ingested by consuming food that has been contaminated by animal feces. That's why the FDA advises cooking food to a core temperature of around 165 degrees. Otherwise, most bacteria, including salmonella, can survive.

The bacteria infects the intestinal tract, causing diarrhea, abdominal cramps, and fever. In severe cases, it may reach the bloodstream, and the infection can spread to other parts of the body.

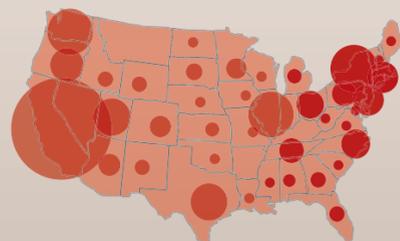
Salmonella bacteria

The Montevideo serotype that has been implicated in last month's outbreak is one of the 10 most common in the United States.

When it happens

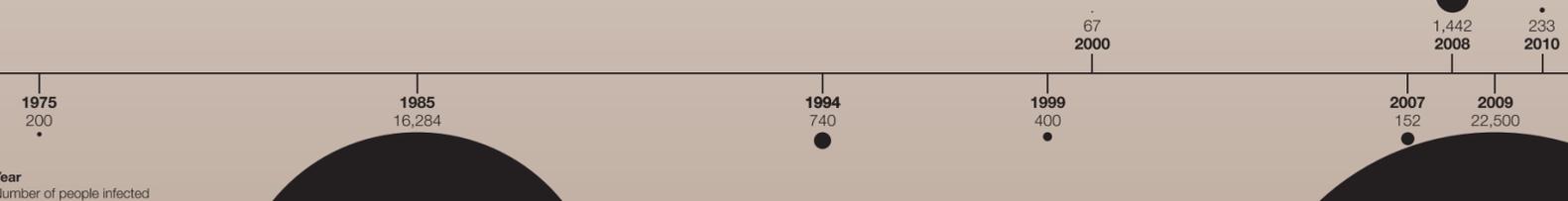


Frequency of outbreak



The recent outbreak of Salmonella Montevideo is believed to have been caused by pepper that was used to spice sausage. According to the World Health Organization, there are more than 2,500 different serotypes of salmonella.

Numbers of cases



Sources: FDA, CDC, UI Hygienics Laboratory

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The photo that ran with the Feb. 19 article "UI class sizes under scrutiny" was not David Drake, the Faculty Council president. The *DI* regrets the error.



Spotlight Iowa City

30 years of fighting sexual abuse in IC

A passion for helping others motivates Karla Miller to aid victims of abuse.

By MICHELLE HILLENBRAND
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Like many college students in Iowa City, Karla Miller spent the occasional night out with girlfriends.

One of those seemingly simple nights, however, ended up changing her life forever.

After a softball game, Miller's friends — although not Miller — were out celebrating. When they headed home, they found a man waiting to accost them.

This chilling incident spurred Miller to get involved with the Rape Victims Advocacy Program more than 30 years ago. She now serves as the executive director of the organization.

"People ask how I can do this work for so long, because its dealing with victim blaming and human-to-human evil. It's nasty stuff," Miller said. "But we work with victims, and we get to see them heal and go on that journey toward healing. There is nothing like that."

The 56-year-old began as a volunteer in 1977. Touched by one of the victims with whom she was working, she decided to go back to school to hone her counseling skills and research sex offenders in 1991.

But even after returning to school, Miller had not finished her time with the Rape Victim Advocacy Program.

"The fact that she left and came back speaks to the fact that she is really passionate," said Anne Wilson, the program's fiscal manager.

Now, after completing a master's of social work,



Laura Willis/The Daily Iowan

Karla Miller, the executive director of the Rape Victim Advocacy Program, writes in the volunteer training room of the RVAP office on Feb. 19. Miller has been with the organization since 1977, and she hopes to further educate others throughout the rape and sexual-assault awareness month in April.

Miller spends her time at the office counseling victims, and she also speaks at engagements, sits on committees at the UI, writes grants, and administers the program as a whole.

But Miller also goes beyond those duties to help others.

As an expert, she is called in to talk about victims' reactions following an assault, discuss the dynamics of sexual abuse between the perpetrator and the victim, and explain why a victim might not choose to report right away.

Miller's knowledge and expertise, along with her dedication to the cause, prove evident when she talks about what she does.

Sitting in her office, walls adorned with diplomas and honors certificates, she stressed the importance of

holding perpetrators accountable.

According to the Iowa Coalition Against Sexual Assault, between July 1, 2005, and June 30, 2006, Iowa sexual violence centers served 915 teenage and 866 child survivors of sexual abuse.

By counseling victims of abuse, Miller and other counselors are influential in jump-starting the healing process. Miller's passion for her work is what motivates her to continue, she said — a passion that "shines through," said volunteer Amy Mattson.

"You have to have passion, or it's too hard," Miller said.

This April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, a key time for Miller and the rest of the program's staff and volunteers to

Karla Miller

- **Hometown:** Coralville
- **Age:** 56
- **Favorite Winter Olympic Games sport:** Women's downhill
- **Favorite color:** Blue
- **Favorite food:** Fruit
- **Favorite vacation spot:** Boston

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increase awareness.

The clothesline project will feature 400 shirts created either by victims or on behalf of victims. In a silent witness event, men and women will stand on the Pentacrest in silence for five minutes.

"We who work here feel very fortunate to be able to do what we do," Miller said.

METRO

CR man charged with robbery

Coralville police arrested a Cedar Rapids man for allegedly stealing items from a Sears store.

Kevin Rowray, 32, was charged with second-degree robbery after video surveillance cameras reportedly caught him concealing stolen items at Sears in the Coral Ridge Mall.

Rowray reportedly began to leave the store when he was apprehended

by two store employees.

He refused to comply with the employees' demands, which led to a physical altercation, police said.

According to police reports, Rowray then escaped from the employees and fled into a waiting vehicle.

Second-degree robbery is a Class C felony generally punishable by a mandatory sentence of 10 years in prison and a maximum fine of \$10,000.

— by Jordan Fries

Man charged with burglary

An Iowa City man was charged with burglary after he allegedly entered a residence without permission and assaulted three males.

Michael Berens, 19, 313 S. Gilbert St., was charged Feb. 18 with first-degree burglary.

According to police, Berens was involved in a verbal disagreement with a resident of a Gilbert

Street residence, then entered it without permission.

Berens and two associates reportedly covered the peephole and forced their way inside the building to assault the three male victims, inflicting bodily injury on one of them.

First-degree burglary is a Class B felony generally punishable by a mandatory sentence of 25 years in prison.

— by Jordan Fries

POLICE BLOTTER

Quartez Alexander, 18, 2725 Heinz Road Apt. 5, was charged Dec. 5, 2009, Jan. 18, and Jan. 26 with criminal trespass and third-degree theft.

Trishia Babbitt, 25, 3401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 2203, was charged Feb. 20 with fourth-degree theft.

Ryan Bach, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 19 with PAULA.

Courtney Baittie, 19, 4343 Burge, was charged Feb. 20 with PAULA.

David Beaty, 20, 840 St. Annes Drive, was charged Jan. 5 with OWI.

Nichole Clarke, 20, 513 S. Van Buren St., was charged Feb. 19 with keeping a disorderly house and interference with official acts.

Kristen Deanggis, 19, 325 Burge, was charged Feb. 20 with PAULA.

Korwin Dougherty, 18, 2072 Sherman Drive, was charged Sunday with possession of marijuana and OWI.

Michael Drea, 46, 725 Walnut St., was charged Feb. 20 with possession of marijuana and OWI.

Gary Duffel, 41, address unknown, was charged Feb. 14 with assault and disorderly conduct.

Timothy Enright, 21, Woodridge, Ill., was charged Feb. 20 with disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Ronald Erving, 54, 414 Dakota Trail, was charged Feb. 20 with OWI and delivery of a Schedule II controlled substance.

Nathaniel Evett, 21, Champaign, Ill., was charged Feb. 20 with public intoxication.

Taylor Gorney, 19, 2942 N. Dubuque St., was charged Feb. 20 with public intoxication.

Shavoka Grimes, 22, 2020 Western, was charged Feb. 19 with driving with a suspended or canceled license.

Louis Harvey, 20, 1030 E. Jefferson

St., was charged Feb. 19 with PAULA.

Andrew Heinz, 22, 513 S. Van Buren St. Apt. 2, was charged Feb. 18 with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

John Hyten, 41, Davenport, was charged Feb. 17 with driving with a suspended or canceled license.

Alex Jahnke, 18, Plymouth, Minn., was charged Feb. 19 with PAULA.

Tommy Jarrett, 21, 923 E. College St. Apt. 2, was charged Feb. 20 with public intoxication.

Sara Jeglum, 18, 628 Mayflower, was charged Feb. 19 with PAULA.

Sarah Linahon, 41, Ames, was charged Feb. 19 with OWI.

Tyler Lindquist, 20, Davenport, was charged Feb. 20 with public intoxication.

Harold Lingenfelter, 20, Cedar Falls, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Amanda Liting, 18, 830 Slater, was charged Feb. 20 with unlawful use of another's ID and PAULA.

Lucky Lovan, 25, 12 Summary St., was charged Feb. 20 with possession of marijuana.

Tommy Lovan, 23, West Liberty, was charged Feb. 20 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Patrick Martin, 18, 137 Slater, was charged Feb. 20 with PAULA and presence in a bar after hours.

Terrance Martin, 31, address unknown, was charged Dec. 26, 2009, with fifth-degree theft.

Peter Martinez, 18, N326 Hillcrest, was charged Feb. 19 with PAULA.

Eric Mather, 23, Hills, was charged Feb. 19 with disorderly conduct.

Martin McCoy, 19, 604 S. Dubuque St., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Antonio McLeod, 41, address unknown, was charged Feb. 20

with public intoxication.

Michael McNabb, 19, Naperville, Ill., was charged Feb. 20 with PAULA.

Steven Meyer, 19, Omaha, was charged Feb. 10 with PAULA.

Scott Milder, 19, E422 Currier, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Corey Moore, 19, 632 S. Dodge Apt. 2, was charged Feb. 19 with PAULA.

Ann Pickart, 28, Strawberry Point, Iowa, was charged Feb. 19 with public intoxication.

Daniel Pilguy, 19, 335 S. Clinton St. Apt. 2535, was charged Feb. 20 with PAULA.

Rodolfo Plancarte, 21, Belmond, Iowa, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.

Kathryn Pucin, 18, 2426 Burge, was charged Feb. 20 with PAULA.

Robert Redlinger, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Tyler Reicks, 20, Davenport, was charged Feb. 20 with public intoxication.

Derrick Robe, 20, North Liberty, was charged Feb. 18 with driving with a suspended or canceled license.

Frederick Rumble, 34, 1037 Cross Park Ave. Apt. C, was charged Feb. 20 with possession of marijuana.

Keely Scott, 24, 1208 E. Burlington St., was charged Feb. 19 with fifth-degree theft, possession of a Schedule I controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Cortez Seals, 20, 1611 Crescent St., was charged Feb. 19 with interference with official acts.

Brandon Smalley, 22, 622 N. Van Buren St., was charged Sunday with fifth-degree criminal mischief and public intoxication.

Christopher Smead, 21, 1814 Flatiron Ave., was charged Feb. 19

with fifth-degree theft.

Jeffrey Smith, 21, 335 S. Clinton St. Apt. 2515, was charged Feb. 20 with assault and public intoxication.

Stephanie Spengler, 19, 5516 Daum Hall, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Chelsea Stanley, 20, 927 E. College St. Apt. C8, was charged Feb. 19 with PAULA.

Carmen Stuart, 19, 703B Mayflower, was charged Feb. 19 with PAULA.

Earl Surette, 49, address unknown, was charged Feb. 17 with public intoxication, littering, and possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Ramon Taylor, 22, Coralville, was charged Feb. 20 with driving with a revoked license.

Justin Thomas, 23, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 3807, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Joseph Trabucco, 20, 278 E. Court Apt. 410, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Tory Vanhoang, 21, West Liberty, was charged Feb. 20 with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

Brady Vanpatten, 20, 613 E. Court St., was charged Sunday with OWI.

Andrew Wilson, 25, Muscatine, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Christopher Youngstrom, 20, 444 S. Johnson St. Apt. 6, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Kyle Welbourne, 23, 207 N. Governor St., was charged Feb. 19 with assault.

Finola Williams, 19, 317 Camden Road, was charged Feb. 19 with assault.

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METRO

Groups join for Haiti benefit

A slew of UI organizations are teaming up to provide support for victims of the earthquakes in Haiti.

The event, titled Benefit for Haiti, will take place from 7 to 8:30 p.m. today at the Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington St. Admission is \$5 for students and youth, \$15 for others.

UI International Programs, the UI Diversity Office, the Englert, and the UI Caribbean, Diaspora, and Atlantic Studies Program are cosponsoring the fund-raiser.

The event will include performances from numerous artists. In addition, the presentation will

include appearances by Haitian-American students at the UI.

Funds generated at the event will be donated to both Partners in Health and Libraries Without Borders.

"This is truly an opportunity for everyone to come together to raise funds for two established organizations that can provide significant support to those in Haiti through providing health expertise and helping rebuild libraries," UI Associate Professor Loyce Arthur said in a statement. "But it's also a wonderful opportunity to raise awareness and help educate people about the rich arts, history, and culture of Haiti."

— by Adam Sullivan

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China is where the majority of the UI's 2,423 enrolled international students are from. The rest come from 114 different countries.

Volunteers served food from different cultures at the booths, and people lined the large eating tables in the middle of the main deck. One could sit at a table and hear two different languages trying to be heard over the loud, ethnic rhythms playing on the main stage.

For UI freshman Jackie Correa, her first experience

at the festival was so enjoyable that she plans to attend next year.

"It's really fun to see all the cultures and how they represent themselves," she said. "It's really interesting to see that, even though they have their differences, they have their similarities, too."

She will return next year just for the food, if nothing else, Correa said.

"How often do you get the opportunity to eat food from places such as Thailand or Korea at the same time?"

Participants performed 13 musical acts, including Korean traditional dance and swing dance.

"That you can get good

ethnic food and be entertained by a country's culture is enough reason to come," said UI pharmacy student Farah Towfic, who has attended the event twice before. "Plus, the money you spend on the food goes to the cause, so why not?"

UI pharmacy student Rachel Elsey, who has attended the festival four times before, said the feeling of community keeps her coming back.

"Sometimes, it feels as if everyone is separated from the rest of the university community," she said. "It's nice to have something where everyone comes together and celebrates these cultures."

DENTAL

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and see what you can do somewhere else."

Across the river, some University of Iowa officials are dealing with similar challenges. After a task force released its report last week, 14 UI graduate programs will find themselves under the same pressures.

These graduate programs must be restructured, consolidated, or face being closed in an effort to save the University of Iowa money.

"The reasons for budget cuts may be different but our problems are the same," Provost Wallace Loh said, comparing the graduate programs with the family-dentistry program. "They provide a service to the people of Iowa in the same way we provide education to our students."

The UIHC family-dentistry program previously supported five faculty and 23 staff members — none of whom were laid off in the process.

"It was a very difficult process," dentistry Professor David Drake said. "There was a lot of angst about losing jobs, integrating the programs, and dealing with space issues."

John Keller, the UI Graduate College Dean and a dentistry professor, said clinical facilities in the dental school will be renovated to expand into land on the south and west of the building — located just between Carver-Hawkeye Arena and UIHC —

'The reasons for budget cuts may be different but our problems are the same. They provide a service to the people of Iowa in the same way we provide education to our students.'

— Wallace Loh, UI provost

in the coming years. Though the project is still in the early stages of planning, he said, it will offer needed additional space.

"Instead of saying 'woe is us,' we have to acknowledge these challenges and move forward," he said.

Patients are still able to see their regular dentist or specialist, but the location of care may be different from previous visits. No dental services have been cut, only relocated, consolidated, or downsized.

The program's savings come from lower rent in the dental school. While the facility still remains a part of the hospital, it takes up only half the space it previously did.

"I'm not saying what they did in dentistry would apply directly to our graduate programs," Loh said. "But the part I think can be an example is coming together to think outside the box and get creative in order to save programs."

Plan of attack
How the UIHC family dentistry program consolidated:

- Targeted duplicate programs to one location
- Moved many services to the College of Dentistry
- Retained staff and faculty through the move
- Cut hospital space in half, saving \$200,000 in rent

Source: David Johnsen, College of Dentistry

He expects some announcements of what graduate programs propose to do in the coming weeks. In the end, it's important to protect those involved with the programs, he said.

"It's all about people — whether you're talking about doctors or faculty, patients or students," Loh said.

Your turn. Do you think the dental-school consolidations will be good examples for other program changes? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

English in mosques splits some Muslims

By RACHEL ZOLL
Associated Press

Sana Rahim was born in the cowboy country of southeastern Wyoming to Pakistani parents who had emigrated so her father could earn a doctorate.

She speaks Urdu with her family, but she can't read or write the language. She recites prayers in Arabic, but she doesn't know exactly what each word means.

Now a 20-year-old junior at Northwestern University, she, like many other American-born Muslims, is most comfortable with sermons and lectures in English, although they can't always find U.S. mosques that offer them.

"I don't really get the time to study Arabic," Rahim said. "With all the different groups in America, English is a unifying thing that ties us together."

Like Jewish immigrants who fought over English-language prayer and Roman Catholics who resisted the new Mass in English, U.S. Muslims are waging their own debate about how much English they can use inside mosques without violating Islamic law and abandoning their culture.

The issue is part of a broader discussion within the Muslim community about young U.S. Muslims and their alienation from American mosques. Houses of worship founded by older immigrant Muslims often held fast to the culture and language of their native countries. For them, English in the mosque threatened Muslim identity. Their American-born children,

however, can't relate.

"This is a constant problem talked about — young people in mosques," said Shahed Amanullah, a co-founder of salatomatic.com, which lists thousands of mosques and reviews from users. "It's not just about the Friday prayers. It's the response that mosques have to the cultural reality of growing up Muslim in America. If young people don't find what they need in the mosque, they'll find it on the Internet."

The language of obligatory Friday prayers, called juma, is not part of the debate; those prayers must

be in Arabic, the language of the Koran. The disagreement focuses on whether that requirement should extend to the sermon, or khutba, on Fridays, the Muslim day of congregational prayer, and other assemblies in the mosque.

Imams and scholars who insist on using Arabic say it's mandatory because the Prophet Muhammad gave his sermons in the language. Others say that Muhammad used Arabic only because it was what he and his community spoke and that Islam is a universal faith.

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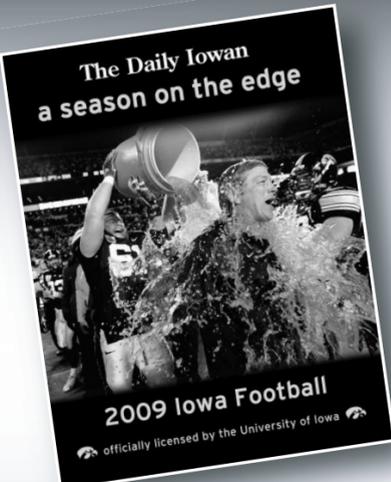
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Editorial

Recent UI budget cuts highlight longtime state defunding

How are we going to pay for this?

It's a question that is increasingly difficult for legislators and University of Iowa officials to answer and, at the same time, that is on the minds of a growing number of students and their families.

But the funding problem isn't one that has developed overnight or one that the economic downturn alone spurred. The state's higher-education system has seen funds diverted from it for some time. And the effect of this continued neglect is beginning to surface full-force.

"You see increases in class sizes, which is counterproductive, in my opinion," said Rep. Roger Wendt, D-Sioux City, the chairman of the House Education Committee, when asked about the detrimental effects of cuts to education funding. "You also see fewer offerings; instead of a university offering two sections, it might only offer one, which is also counterproductive, in my opinion."

A look at past state budgets tells the sobering tale: Since the 1999-2000 school year, state appropriations to the UI have declined 5 percent. The 5 percent decline may seem diminutive, but, when coupled with larger economic disruptions and rising tuition costs, it has proven immensely detrimental. That 5 percent drop has meant millions of dollars in lost funding, even as the cost of living has risen. Over the same time, tuition went from composing 30 percent of the UI's budget to 51 percent.

If the continued slicing of education budgets set the stage for disaster, the latest string of massive cutbacks has been the depressing show, leaving the UI's shortcomings exposed. And it has highlighted another point: Recession cuts are unavoidable. But when an area such as higher education is perennially underfunded, already painful cuts become draconian.

It is of the utmost importance for state legislators and state universities to work together to build realistic, sustainable solutions to some of the most ruinous of these problems. Most importantly,

legislators must pledge to increase state funding for higher education once the recession has subsided.

In addition, any serious discussion must address these key issues to clear the way for continued success of Iowa's education system:

- State funding versus private funding: Should UI students and their families pay for the bulk of education costs? What are the implications of having a public university increasingly funded by private dollars?

- Costly graduate-school programs: In a time in which postgraduate work is increasingly vital to finding a job, is the rising cost of graduate school forcing students to prematurely enter the workforce? What effect does this have on students, universities, and society writ large?

- Over-saturation of administrators: Is the UI's ratio of faculty-to-administrators in the right range? What effect does a disproportionately high number of administrators have on a university's quality of education?

- Increasing recruitment of out-of-state and international students: While geographical diversity is important, what effect does the recruitment of out-of-state and international students (at least partially for financial reasons) have on in-state students? How does it affect the state's economy and the accessibility of Iowa high-school students to higher education?

The Editorial Board will tackle each of these issues throughout the week. Our goal is to offer insight into the problems stemming from the UI's funding shortage and spark much-needed discourse. You will also hear from other actors in this ongoing debate, as they share their thoughts in guest opinions throughout the week.

We encourage the Legislature to take these matters as a serious indication of the concerns of students and work toward resolving these issues, reasserting higher education as a top priority for the state. As we'll outline in the upcoming week, doing otherwise could be calamitous.

Your turn. Have you been affected by the decline in state funding for the UI? Weigh in on dailyiowan.com.



Inequality at the UI

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At its core, public higher education is meant to serve as an engine of social mobility. State universities offer the hope to millions that, regardless of income, the college classroom can be a dynamic place with students from all walks of life learning alongside one other.

And this in turn creates a fairer and more equitable society. Beyond advances in technology and medicine, the democratizing of society is what we understand progress to be in our modern era.

The University of Iowa ranks fairly well among public schools in this area, but over the years, it has seen the percentage of students enrolled from low-income families decline.

The Pell Grant makes it possible for many students from low-income families to attend college and is an excellent way to measure how well a university is serving low-income students. Unlike other forms of financial aid, it is awarded solely on the base of family income and estimated family contribution. According to the Education Trust, in 2004-05, 60 percent of all Pell recipients in the United States came from families earning \$20,000 or less.

Using the Pell Grant as a measurement to determine income status, only 17.4 percent of UI students in 2007 were Pell Grant recipients — compared with 40.3 percent statewide — according to Opportunity Adrift, a report highlighting equity in higher education by the Education Trust. This puts the UI in the bottom quartile of all flagship colleges and universities.

In fact, the number of students receiving Pell Grants at the UI has decreased. In 2004, 18.6 percent of students were using Pell Grants to finance their college

education. In 1992, 20.4 percent of UI students were using Pell Grants.

Contrast that with 38.8 percent in 2004 and 35.3 percent in 1992 for the state. While Iowa colleges and universities overall have seen an increase in low-income students, it appears that the UI is bucking this trend.

If education is to serve as the great equalizer in society, is the UI opening its doors to the broadest cross-section of students possible?

We are all familiar with the problems of high schools that serve concentrations of low-income or minority students. Despite these problems, the number of high-achieving low-income and minority students attending college has increased.

So we don't just have a problem with student preparedness at the high-school level. We have important questions to ask about how this institution uses its resources to attract students from low-income backgrounds.

The economic environment that we find ourselves in has made financing college challenging for millions of students and families all across the country. It has put a particular strain on students coming from low-income backgrounds. Moreover, wealth has grown even more concentrated in the hands of fewer and fewer people.

Maybe we shouldn't care that public universities specifically draw from all races and classes. Yet public education is thought of as an institution that has enabled social mobility. Its public good is that, unlike other institutions in society, it shouldn't matter who your parents are or what community you come from.

The UI has become a more racially and ethnically diverse institution; ethnic minorities make up around 10 percent of the university's enrollment.

Still, as the numbers show, some troubling class divisions remain. ■

Guest opinion

The sustainability of Iowa's public universities

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As the governing board of Iowa's public universities and special schools, it is the responsibility of the state Board of Regents to protect and enhance the outstanding quality of our fine institutions and their commitment to teaching, research, and service for all Iowans. We have been sorely challenged in meeting our responsibilities over the past 18 months because of unprecedented reductions in state funding totaling approximately \$162 million, or nearly 25 percent of the regent institutions'

fiscal 2009 general-fund appropriations. While the institutions have done an outstanding job of managing through these difficult times, the magnitude of recent budget cuts has made it impossible to hold students harmless.

Class offerings have been reduced, programs have been eliminated, and class sizes are larger. Unsurprisingly, these steps negatively affect our efforts to preserve the quality educational experience that Iowans expect from their public universities. We recognize that we are not the only ones affected by the global financial crisis, and we have and will do our part. The Board of Regents and the presidents of the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, and the University of Northern Iowa, along with their faculty,

staff, and students, have all worked diligently to preserve the availability of a world-class educational experience for present and future generations. Together, we have reduced costs and focused on our priorities. We have worked effectively across the enterprise and with numerous state agencies. And we have, without fail, made students, and their access to an affordable, high quality education, our first priority.

But the challenge to do more with less is not new to our institutions. This latest round of cuts follows many years of reductions in state funding to Iowa's public universities. In fiscal 1991, 68 percent of our general-education funds came from state appropriations. In fiscal 2010, for the first time, the state's contribution to the general-education

budget for Iowa's public universities fell below that paid by students (41 percent versus 53 percent, respectively). In fact, measured in current dollars, fiscal 2010 state support to Iowa's public universities and special schools (\$467 million) had dropped to the same level as that of fiscal 1997. During that same period, however, student enrollment increased 7.6 percent. The net result is that our students are paying more and getting less.

We know that Iowans and our elected leaders take pride in our state's commitment to education at all levels. Each and every year our governor and Legislature must balance a growing list of competing priorities. And they have made special efforts in the last fiscal year to leverage federal funding to

minimize expense cuts to Iowa's public universities. As a result, the news for our institutions is by no means all bad. In the midst of these trying times, our institutions have achieved record enrollments (71,353 in fall 2010) and record external funding (\$774 million in fiscal 2009). Tuition increases have remained moderate — 2.4 percent in fiscal 2009, 4.2 percent in fiscal 2010, and 6 percent for fiscal 2011. And Iowa's public universities continue to be a vital engine of economic development and quality job creation.

In fiscal 2009 alone, our universities generated a more than \$6.4 billion economic impact for the state of Iowa. But the realities are clear: The future of Iowa's public universities will necessarily be one of increasing self-sufficiency, not just

during this global economic crisis but for the foreseeable future. As the financial crisis ebbs, Iowa's economy will continue to improve.

However, it is unrealistic to expect state funding to Iowa's public universities to return to the levels of 20 years ago. As demands for state funding continue to proliferate, Iowa's public universities will increasingly need to look to their own ingenuity, innovation, and resources — all qualities that have been demonstrated in abundance by our university personnel and students over the past 18 months — to ensure the future of these outstanding institutions. Together we can, and will, take the necessary steps to protect the quality, accessibility, and affordability of Iowa's public universities in the years to come.

David Miles is the president of the state Board of Regents.

MOVIE REVIEW

An uncanny thriller-drama

Director Martin Scorsese doesn't miss a beat in his new film, *Shutter Island*.

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In a crowded yet quiet theater, the audience members barely moved as they held their breath, watching the engrossing *Shutter Island*. Martin Scorsese, the famed director of such movies as *Taxi Driver*, *Raging Bull*, and *The Departed*, once again shows his mastery of film. *Shutter Island* is both captivating and suspenseful.

The narrative, based on the 2003 novel of the same name by Dennis Lehane, follows U.S. Marshals Teddy Daniels (Leonardo DiCaprio) and Chuck Aule (Mark Ruffalo) as they investigate a missing patient from an island-based hospital for the criminally insane. As the duo dives deeper into the case, it becomes apparent that more is going on than just a strange missing-person case.

What makes the movie so alluring is the way in which it gracefully mixes a detec-

tive drama with thrilling suspense and mystery. *Shutter Island* is more than just a thriller; at its core, it's a character drama about a man dealing with his past.

The film, set in 1954, explores the morality issues involved in psychiatric treatments as well as questions what insanity is. Two schools of thought are presented: One consists of lobotomies and surgeries on the brain, and the other uses prescription drugs to numb patients. As the film moves, DiCaprio's character's own sanity is questioned as he fights to understand what is fiction and what is reality.

While not downright scary, the film is creepy and uncanny. Daniels' upsetting and sometimes gory dream sequences contrast against his seemingly sound character by day. Through these actions, Scorsese is able to present a plot that twists and turns with intensity, rising to a high pitch which swallows the memorized and silent audience.

The setting aids the plot with a gray, eerie Massachusetts island as a backdrop for the story's menacing suspense. The presence of a hurricane escalates the feeling of doom on the island. As the two marshals become trapped in the unsettling asylum, Daniels' twisted character grows with the storm.

DiCaprio uses these hardships and gives a riveting performance as a man coming to terms with his wife's death. If the film had debuted in October as it was originally scheduled to, DiCaprio could have earned an Academy Award nod for this performance. Whether questioning the asylum's doctors or walking through bizarre and disturbing dream sequences, everything he does is excellent.

Each character in the film is intriguing and absorbing. Ruffalo gives an exceptional performance as DiCaprio's new, inquisitive partner. Ben Kingsley also does well as the peculiar Dr. Cawley, a compassionate yet secretive man in charge of the ward.

Still, DiCaprio's character carries the film and makes *Shutter Island* fascinating. His superb performance only enhances the already well-written and well-developed character whose hidden past is one of the movie's most intriguing aspects.

If the film had been released on its original date, it could have been an Academy Award contender. This year's nominations were nowhere near as engaging. In an award-season of blasé movies, the Scorsese-DiCaprio team shows how extraordinary and enthralling a film can be.

Prints as a family

Printmaker Sarah Smelser's work has been exhibited in the Library of Congress and Chase Manhattan Bank.

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For Sarah Smelser, art pieces with opposing values converse with each other.

And lecturers and their audiences should, too.

So while Smelser will be the focal point of a discussion at 7 p.m. today in 109 English-Philosophy Building, featuring a PowerPoint presentation of her work in printmaking — she hopes to have a dialogue with audience members who are encouraged to interrupt.

"Sometimes, the audience is very polite," Smelser said, referring to those who revere her discussions as class lectures.

The 38-year-old creates her work based on the abstract with a mindset rather than a singular piece. Often, she will work on a print with the next one in mind. She has been known to work on as many as 12 pieces at a time.

"Three-quarters of my work is a family," Smelser said. "I explore the same ideas [in my work], but in different ways."

While she was studying at the University of California-Santa Cruz, a teacher took special interest in her and sparked the California native's interest in print-

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making. She then studied abroad in Italy, which not only cemented her relationship with printmaking as her medium of choice, it also instilled the notion that it takes a certain character to do well.

"Not everybody has the patience or temperament for printmaking," Smelser said.

UI art Professor Robert Glasgow shows Smelser's work in lithography and monprint to his students. He thinks that the artist is a good model for those who wish to have a career as a printmaker because of her patient dedication to her art.

"She is a good example of a person whose work is slow and serial," he said. "She creates unique, one-of-a-kind prints."

Her work is exhibited across the United States and internationally. Her art can be seen in the Library of Congress, the New York Public Library, and Chase Manhattan Bank. Although these places are prominent in the world of art, Smelser does not think too much

of it. "Once a work is purchased, it is not mine anymore," she said. "I try not to read into it too much."

The artist is able to show her work in these places with the help of Kathryn Markel, a gallery owner in New York City. Markel is very active and energetic, helping Smelser get featured in many exhibitions.

Not only does Smelser work as a successful artist, but she also owns a printing press, Manneken Press. It produces etchings and prints from metal or woodcuts as well as monprints, which are singularly printed items. Because the company and the artist work together in creating a print, it is at no cost to the artist. This results in her or she owning the rights to only half of the edition.

Smelser also worked abroad as a resident artist in Spain and Belgium. These opportunities for her have worked in more ways than one by giving her a widened perspective on life as well as creative flow for her work.

"It is something that opens up several doors to get the artistic juices flowing by being in new surroundings," she said.

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Myths About Israel and the Middle East (2)

Should we re-examine endlessly repeated clichés?

In a previous installment in this series of clarifying messages about Israel and the Middle East, we examined certain myths which, by dint of constant repetition, had acquired currency and acceptance. We looked at the myth of "Palestinian nationhood," the myth of Judea/Samaria (the "West Bank") being "occupied territory," the myth that Jewish settlements in these territories are "the greatest obstacle to peace," and the myth that Israel is unwilling to "yield land for peace." And we cleared up the greatest myth of all, namely that Israel's administration of the territories, and not the unrelenting hatred of the Arabs against the Jews, is the root cause of the conflict between the Arabs and Israel. But those are not all the myths; there are more.

What are more of these myths?

■ **Myth:** The Arabs of Israel are a persecuted minority.

Reality: The over one million non-Jews (mostly Arabs) who are citizens of Israel have the same civil rights that Jews have. They vote, are members of the Knesset (parliament), and are part of Israel's civil and diplomatic service, just as their Jewish fellow citizens. Arabs have complete religious freedom and full access to the Israeli legal, health and educational systems — including Arabic and Muslim universities. The only difference between the "rights" of Arabs and Jews is that Jewish young men must serve three years in the military and at least one month a year until age 50. Young Jewish women serve for two years. The Arabs have no such civic obligation. For them, military service is voluntary. Not too surprisingly, except for the Druze, very few avail themselves of the privilege.

■ **Myth:** Having (ill-advisedly) already given up control of the Gaza Strip, Israel should also give up the administration of Judea/Samaria (the "West Bank") because strategic depth is meaningless in this age of missiles.

Reality: Israel is a mini-state — about half the size of San Bernardino county in California. If another, even smaller mini-state were carved out of it, Israel would be totally indefensible. That is the professional opinion of 100 retired U.S. generals and admirals. If the Arabs were to occupy whatever little strategic depth Israel has between the Jordan River and its populated coast, they would not need any missiles. Artillery and mortars would suffice, since Israel would be only nine miles wide at its waist. Those who urge such a course either do not understand the situation or have a death wish for Israel.

■ **Myth:** If Israel would allow a Palestinian state to arise in Judea and Samaria it would be a democratic state and would be totally demilitarized.

Reality: There is no prospect at all that anything resembling a democratic state could be created in the territories. There is not a single democratic Arab state — all of them are tyrannies of varying degrees. Even today, under partial Israeli administration, Hamas and other factions fight for supremacy and ruthlessly murder each other. Another Lebanon, with its incessant civil wars, is much more likely. The lawlessness and chaos that prevail in Gaza since Israel's withdrawal is a good prospect of what would happen if Israel — foolishly and under the pressure of "world opinion" — were to abandon this territory. As for demilitarization, that is totally unlikely. Because — with Syria, Iraq, Jordan and Saudi Arabia, most of which are in a declared state of war with Israel, at its borders — an irresistible power vacuum would be created. Despite pious promises, the arms merchants of the world would find a great new market and the neighboring hostile Arab countries would be happy to supply anything else that might be needed.

■ **Myth:** Israel should make "confidence-building gestures" for the sake of peace.

Reality: What really is it that the world expects Israel to do for the sake of peace? Most of the 22 Arab countries consider themselves in a state of war with Israel and don't even recognize its "existence." That has been going on for over sixty years. Isn't it about time that the Arabs made some kind of a "gesture"? Could they not for instance terminate the constant state of war? Could they not stop launching rockets into Israel from areas that Israel has abandoned for the sake of peace? Could they not stop the suicide bombings, which have killed hundreds of Israelis and which have made extreme security measures — such as the defensive fence and convoluted bypass roads — necessary? Any of these would create a climate of peace and would indeed be the "confidence-building gestures" that the world hopes for.

Countless "peace conferences" to settle this festering conflict have taken place. All have ended in failure because of the intransigence of the Arabs. President Clinton, toward the end of his presidency, convened a conference with the late unlamented Yasser Arafat and Ehud Barak, the prime minister of Israel at that time. Mr. Barak offered virtually everything that Arafat had requested, except the partition of Jerusalem and the acceptance of the so-called refugees, their descendants having swollen from the 650,000 who fled the nascent state of Israel during the War of Liberation, to an incredible 5 million. Arafat left in a huff and started his infamous intifada instead, a bloody war that has cost thousands of Palestinian and Israeli lives. Israel is America's staunchest ally and certainly its only true friend in that area of the world. It is in our national interest that reality, not myths, govern our policy.

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UI lab IDs salmonella

The UI Hygienic Laboratory solved a mystery that spread across 44 states.

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Dressed in white lab coats and purple latex gloves, University of Iowa microbiologists worked laboriously to locate and identify some of the smallest organisms on the planet.

Scientists at the UI Hygienic Laboratory search for potentially dangerous pathogens on a daily basis.

The lab most recently identified a major outbreak of salmonella, which affected 233 people in 44 states.

Michael Pentella, the lab's associate director for environmental health, said the discovery took a lot of hard work and a little luck.

"It was a fortunate set of circumstances that it was found," he said.

While identifying the presence of disease for the state of Iowa is one task of the Hygienic Laboratory, it is not the only one.

The facility is also the home of the Iowa Metabolic Newborn Screening Program, which tests most babies born in the state for health disorders.

The lab also works with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agency to test for contaminants in Iowa's air and water supplies, said Pat Blake, the public-information officer for the lab.

"The thing people don't often realize is we are the laboratory for the entire state," said Blake. The Hygienic Laboratory has facilities in Ankeny and near West Lake Okoboji.



Nancy Hall, the UI Hygienic Laboratory supervisor in environmental microbiology, displays an agar on Feb. 3 in the lab. Among other work, the laboratory runs tests for the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and the Environmental Protection Agency.

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Check out video of the Hygienic Laboratory's testing center.

UI Hygienic Lab

The lab discovered the source of a multi-state salmonella outbreak:

- July 4, 2009: first case documented
- 233 individuals infected
- 44 states affected plus the District of Columbia
- One case in Iowa
- 1 to 93-years-old: age range of infected individuals
- No deaths reported

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

While discovering infectious diseases, screening babies, and testing water samples can be difficult, Pentella said the biggest challenge in the business is the workforce shortage. The Association of Schools of Public Health expects that Iowa will be short 4,250 public-health employees by 2020. This is due in large part to expected retirees in the field, Blake said.

A well-qualified and devoted faculty is required to stay on top of disease analysis and intervention, Pentella said. Even when a discovery has been made, the work never stops.

"There's always something," Pentella said. "It's hard to predict when it will be, so you have to remain vigilant, prepared to do all kinds of testing because you don't know what might be coming down the plank."

While the work is constant, Nancy Hall,

Hygienic Laboratory supervisor in environmental microbiology, said helping discover a disease such as Salmonella Montevideo is a great feeling.

"Any time you can help a national investigation, that's pretty awesome," she said.

Longtime band director passes away

Former band director affected many in his 98 years.

By MITCHELL SCHMIDT
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Frank Piersol's son remembers him as a man dedicated to his family, his friends, and his love for music.

Piersol, a former UI band director, died Feb. 19. He was 98 years old.

The former director of the Cedar Rapids Municipal Band was a great storyteller and joker, a hard worker and had a magnificent personality, his friends and family said.

"He was an extremely friendly and kind person," said his son, Jim Piersol.

Piersol's optimistic personality never faltered in his professional career. Jim Piersol noted his father was a dedicated and tireless worker. These qualities allowed him to build and conduct bands to their best possible level of performance.

"He was a person who could get the best out of people," said Robert Sadilek, a member of the municipal band and one of Piersol's friends.

Piersol was born in Clarkfield, Minn., on Oct. 27, 1911. He graduated from Rockwell High

School and later from Grinnell College in 1933. After receiving a master's degree from the University of Iowa in 1943, he was hired as the band director at Iowa State University. He remained in Ames until taking up the same position at the UI in 1967, where he held until retiring in 1980.

Piersol's passion for music remained vibrant as he continued to serve as band director for the Cedar Rapids Municipal Band until 1993.

Sadilek first met Piersol in 1973 in the Cedar Rapids band and immediately noticed the director's charisma.

"When you talked to him, you got the impression that you were his best friend," Sadilek recalled on Sunday.

While Piersol was a hard worker, he never put his family second, Jim Piersol said. He was married for more than 60 years.

When Jim Piersol, 62, and older brother Jon Piersol were younger, they often accompanied their father during band performances, helping to set up and performing.

"He had plenty of time for us," Jim Piersol said. "He was just a very great father."

Piersol's personality and attitude in his music

Frank Piersol

The former UI band director boasts many accomplishments and much recognition:

- Has been guest conductor, lecturer, and judge for events in 40 states, Europe, Canada, and Mexico
- Served on the American Bandmasters Association, College Band Directors National Association, and Iowa Bandmasters Association
- Published more than 90 works of music and concert marches

Source: Gay and Cihra Funeral and Cremation Services

career lifted him to nationwide respect.

Nancy Piersol, Jim Piersol's wife, noted the many times people were affected by her father-in-law.

"He was so well-known and beloved by every person he came in contact with," she said.

Piersol is survived by his two sons and their wives, Jon and Melissa Piersol, and Jim and Nancy Piersol, as well as six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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Bill would aid charter schools

The discussion about magnet schools makes its way into Iowa City redistricting talks.

By **NORA HEATON**
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School boards looking to chart a new course may have more options.

If passed, a proposed state bill would create a state-sanctioned board to help create charter schools, public institutions with a niche educational focus in curriculum and extracurricular offerings.

The bill, introduced in the House of Representatives on Feb. 12, would grant more freedom for new charter schools.

Charter schools, though public, are exempt from certain state restrictions once they are approved. They are meant to offer students and school districts a novel and concentrated way to educate in their niche — for instance, a charter school in the performing arts would structure academics and activities around students' artistic pursuits.

Mostly, charter schools are innovative, said Del Hoover, a deputy administrator of the Iowa Department of Education.

"If they're really living up to their obligation of innovation, they're providing some motivation that might not have been present before," he said.

At present, local school boards in Iowa can apply to create a charter program in an existing public school or convert that school to charter status, according to the Education Commission of the States.

No charter schools or programs exist in Iowa City, but 10 are spread across Iowa.

Current law does not permit start-up charter schools in Iowa. But under the proposed bill, accredited public and private postsecondary institutions, cities, and governing boards of nonprofit or charitable organizations could apply to the state board to authorize an entirely new charter school.

Iowa Department of

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— **Del Hoover**, deputy administrator of the Iowa Department of Education

Education spokeswoman Elaine Watkins-Miller said Iowans already enjoy considerable educational freedom, which is a main goal of charter schools.

Iowa's open enrollment policy, which allows students to switch from their neighborhood school to another school in or outside their district, is a luxury that not all states have.

The Education Commission of States reports that 10 states, including Nebraska, do not have any existing legislation for charter schools.

Amid the Iowa City School District's redistricting considerations, the idea of magnet programs — a similar idea to charter schools — has floated through discussion. Magnet schools are still more bound to state education regulations than charter schools, Watkins-Miller said.

Rene Rocha, a UI assistant professor of political science, said the charter and magnet programs might be a voluntary way to create a socioeconomic balance, if they are located in lesser area schools.

"Presumably, those programs would attract high-achieving students who would come from high economic backgrounds," said Rocha, who specializes in education policy and race

Charter school, state-by-state

The dates and numbers:

- Iowa: first legislation passed 2002
10 charter schools
- Illinois: first legislation passed 1996
42 charter schools
- Wisconsin: first legislation passed 1993
232 charter schools

Source: Education Commission of States

relations.

But this would be a long and complicated process, Watkins-Miller said, and it may not be the best answer.

"A charter school may or may not serve that purpose based on the purpose of the redistricting," she said. "We have to wait and see where [the bill] goes."

Drug-resistant bugs growing in number

Common bacteria are a growing concern.

By **SAM LANE**
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For roughly two and a half years, the UI has been at the forefront of research into one of the most common pathogens affecting Americans.

Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus is a pathogenic bacteria that can be seen in both humans and animals. They are unique in that they are resistant to the antibiotic methicillin. They can cause skin infections, serious disease, and sometimes death.

In the late 1950s, when the first cases occurred, researchers mostly saw cases among hospitalized individuals and others involved in the health-care community. However, beginning in the 1990s, the bacteria have become an issue in the general community.

And as the number of cases rises nationwide, some officials are becoming increasingly concerned. In Iowa, where it has been more prevalent in pigs, officials believe Iowans should simply be aware.

"I think it's a serious problem," said Tara Smith, a UI assistant professor of epidemiology and a leader

in the University of Iowa's research. "For those of us in public health, it's something to be concerned about. The average Joe on the street shouldn't lose any sleep over it."

In 2007, Iowa saw 445 cases, a stark contrast from the 102 cases in 1999, according to data from the UI Hygienic Laboratory.

According to a study by the American Medical Association, there were more than 94,000 invasive cases in the United States in 2007, resulting in more than 18,000 deaths.

Besides the obvious toll the bacteria have taken on the population, they are taxing America financially. As of 2007, the infections cost patients and hospitals at least \$830 million, according to estimates from a National Hospital Discharge Survey.

One UI study focused on the prevalence of the bacteria in high-school athletes because of a heightened possibility for transmission.

Some who have studied the bacteria nationally are focused on getting the infection on a list of mandatory reportable diseases.

"We have to be certain we update our knowledge,"

said Ellen Silbergeld, a professor of environmental health sciences at Johns Hopkins University. "There's an urgent need for this kind of reporting."

Loreen Herwaldt, a UI associate professor of infectious diseases and one of Smith's colleagues, stresses the importance of the bacteria, but she wants to make sure its threat is kept in perspective.

"When we focus only on one organism, we can miss infections caused by other organisms," she said. "Is reporting in and of itself going to do anything? No."

As for the future of these infections, officials are hopeful.

"I hope that the future is directed much more toward prevention so we can find where it's coming from and what are the risk factors," Silbergeld said. "Then we can prevent it from increasing."

Smith and Herwaldt say members of the UI community can be proud of the university's research into the bacteria.

"There are a lot of researchers at the cutting edge," Smith said. "It's nice to have our own area of research. It's fun for us."

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Hoops team sees triple

Tom Pettis and the Heartbreakers brings flair to the intramural courts.

By **ETHAN SEBERT**
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The only thing more apparent than Tom Pettis and the Heartbreakers' players' camaraderie is the team's confidence.

"We guarantee a 20-point victory in our next two games," sophomore Logan Kutcher said.

The founders of the team, Kutcher and fellow sophomores Ben Bush, Nate Behlke, Michael Maize, and Tom Pettis met while living in the Slater Residence Hall their freshman year. The group started an intramural basketball team last season called Bawinkel's Ballers, named after Iowa guard Devan Bawinkel.

Last season, Bawinkel's Ballers was the No. 1-seed going into postseason play, but the squad lost its first playoff game. Pettis and friend Tyler Clark, took the defeat to heart when they chose a name for their intramural football and basketball teams this year.

Consequently, Tom Pettis and the Heartbreakers was born. The rest of the Heartbreakers' roster



Nate Behlke drives the lane during an intramural basketball game in the Field House on Sunday. Behlke is a member of Tom Pettis and the Heartbreakers, which defeated the Hog-Eyes, 63-46.

includes senior Cameron Harp and sophomores Danny Vogel and Drake Edwards.

The band's self-described futuristic style of play relies heavily on 3-point shooting.

"We're starting a trend," Pettis said. "Live and die by the 3."

In the second game of the season against Favre's Favorites on Feb. 14, the Heartbreakers died by the 3, taking an lead early, but losing, 41-38, after going cold.

However, the players didn't blame the loss solely on their poor shooting. During the team's first game, the squad lost one of its best players and leading rebounder, sophomore Matt Brueck, to a knee injury.

The Heartbreakers couldn't describe the squad's defensive scheme, but Kutcher did have a reason for the team's lack of boards.

"If Matt Gatens doesn't have to rebound, I don't know why I should have to

rebound," he said. Despite the setbacks and streaky shooting, the Heartbreakers members don't expect to change their game plan.

"What's the point of shooting a 2 when you can shoot a 3?" Bush said. "It's like your holding yourself back shooting 2s."

Team members also described their style as laid-back, relaxed, and focused on fun. The players are also concerned, not necessarily with their athletic performance, but with their aesthetic performance.

"We always have the best uniforms," Kutcher said of their \$26 game apparel. "That's something teams have just come to expect."

Opposing teams can also expect the Heartbreakers to maintain the pregame ritual of listening to such songs as "Ballin Boys," the Miami Hurricanes remix by No Good, and "So Futuristic," by Yung LA.

The team is optimistic about the season, but the members are also preparing for next year, when the group's futuristic offense will be more refined. The team is also looking to add some rebounding help with a 6-5 recruit lined up for next season.

With the new player, a nucleus of charismatic sophomore players, and unrelenting confidence, the Heartbreakers appears to be a mainstay on the intramural

courts at the Field House. "If the guy in front of you thinks he can guard you, you have to prove him wrong," Bush said.

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Hawks sweep Iowa State

By **JON FRANK**
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The Iowa women's tennis team continued its winning streak against Iowa State.

The Hawkeyes (5-1) dominated the Cyclones (5-3), 7-0, at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on Sunday. The Hawkeyes showed their ability to maintain a high level of play even when fatigue set in, and Iowa head coach Katie Dougherty said she was pleased with her team's effort.

"Our goal was to outwork and outlast our opponent, to test them," she said. "It worked. We knew we could hit harder than them."

The match started with a 3-0 sweep in doubles play to give Iowa its first point.

Sophomore Sonja Molnar and junior Lynne Poggensee-Wei did their part, earning an 8-3 win in the No. 1 spot. Junior Jessica Young and senior Kelcie Klockenga also won their doubles match, 8-2.

In the No. 3 slot, freshman Ally Majercik teamed with senior Merel Beelen in the No. 3 doubles spot to defeat Iowa State's Tessa Lang and Maria Fernanda Macedo, 8-6.



Iowa's Kelcie Klockenga follows through after hitting a stroke on Sunday in the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex. The senior from Overland Park, Kan., defeated Liza Wischer of Iowa State (6-3, 6-1).

Dougherty said the most impressive part of the clean sweep in doubles play was that Majercik, new to the lineup, stepped in and contribute in the team's success from the beginning.

Following a strong doubles performance, the squad continued its intense play, sweeping the Cyclones in singles competition, 6-0. The Hawkeyes' No. 1 seed, Molnar topped Iowa State's Erin Karonis (6-3, 6-2).

At No. 3, Beelen found

redemption following a loss on Feb. 19, beating Tessa Lang (6-3, 6-0).

Klockenga also followed her teammate's win, topping Iowa State's Liza Wischer (6-3, 6-1).

Junior Alexis Dorr continued her astonishing season with another victory against the Cyclones' Marie-Christine Chartier (6-3, 6-3) and improved to 5-0 on the season. Dorr credited intense practice regiments for her success.

"Our success comes from weight training and high-intensity workouts," she said. "We've gotten a lot stronger as the season's progressed."

Young also showed her grit, clawing out a victory in a three-game tiebreaker set against Cyclone Jenna Langhorst. Young's win was characteristic of the Hawkeyes' "never say die" mentality.

"If things aren't going well, you just need to stay out there and keep trying," she said. "Rough matches happen, but you never know what can happen if you don't give up."

Young won her first set 6-4, but Langhorst came back in the second set, tying the match. In the final tiebreaker set, Young re-established and iced the match with a 6-3 win.

Like Young, Poggensee-Wei also demonstrated her will to win. Her opponent, Macedo won the first set 7-5, but Poggensee-Wei responded quickly with back-to-back wins to give her team another point.

Iowa has a few days to recover before opening Big Ten play on the road against Minnesota on Friday.

Tracksters work out some kinks

The Iowa Invitational helps the track and field teams prepare for Big Ten championships next weekend.

By **MATT SCHOMMER**
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Step 1: Dominate in the weekend's Iowa Invitation. Check.

Step 2? Perform in the Big Ten Championships on Feb. 27.

In preparation, the weekend's meet consisted of several local, low-key schools, such as St. Ambrose, Coe College, and Bradley. But even with the arguably lesser competition, the Hawkeyes remained determined.

Case in point: Karessa Farley. The junior provisionally qualified for the NCAA meet in the 60-meter hurdles, posting a season-best time of 8.37.

"That takes the pressure off her now, and she can breathe a little easier," Iowa women's head coach Layne

Anderson said. "That's more like the Karessa of last year."

Farley, who has been coming back from an injury, hopes her performance at home will carry over to the Big Ten meet.

"This was extremely important," she said. "It's the first time I've really felt ready to run."

While Farley was the only athlete to provisionally qualify, there were a slew of other solid performances from both the Hawkeye men and women.

Sophomore thrower Matt Banse proved reliable in both the shot put and weight throw, recording Iowa's sixth-best performance in the latter.

"You have to train hard to get better," throwing coach Scott Cappos said. "We look

for consistency, and Matt Banse had that."

After a change in training, Banse said, he's felt better than previous meets. The throwers began doing low-repetition workouts to get more explosiveness in competition and to stay fresher for the meets ahead.

Banse noted it has worked so far. "I feel 110-percent better," he said. "Being consistent, it's only a matter of time when you hit the big one, and hopefully that's next weekend."

Hitting the big one may have already happened for freshman Kyle Reid.

The decathlete had a remarkable performance in the pole vault, beating his personal best of 15-5 by a foot on his last attempt. He

had the added pressure of the packed Recreational Building watching as the announcer turned the crowd's attention to Reid's final effort.

"This is a really big confidence boost now that I've done it," he said.

Men's head coach Larry Wiczorek was pleased with the meet, and he believes his squad should be ready to go in Minneapolis next week.

Wiczorek said despite the names on the opposing uniforms, the competition was still solid and allowed the Hawkeyes to put in the work they needed to get ready for Big Ten competition.

"It seems like we had some terrific performances," he said. "After I take a look at the official results, I think we will have accomplished some of that fine-tuning."

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Amazing, but true (but not)

- The moon landing was a hoax; it was staged on Mars.
- Sheep can read goats' minds, but they rarely do (goats think boring thoughts).
- Vultures are the only animal known to make ironic statements to prey before eating it.
- The role of Sarah Connor in the *The Terminator* was originally conceived and written for Martin Short.
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- Cap'n Crunch received a Purple Heart and two Silver Stars fighting the Soggies during the Gulf of Tonkin Incident.
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- On average, five stars are born each year in the Milky Way Galaxy, but the Sun never goes to their baby showers.
- Horses can distinguish between emotions in human speech. That and the massive size of their genitalia are the two main reasons most women prefer horses to boyfriends.
- The average person eats nine spiders during his or her lifetime: eight while sleeping and one because of a lost bet.
- McDonald's is the world's largest distributor of toys, minimum wage jobs, and diabetes.
- Lightning is afraid of the dark.
- Prostitution isn't the world's oldest profession; pimping is.
- Dr. Pepper and Mr. Pibb are the same person. THE SAME PERSON, I SAY!
- Eighty-five percent of all deer are suicidal.
- All toothpicks come from bonsai trees.

— Daniel Frana thanks Andrew R. Juhl for collaborating on today's Ledge.

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UI graduate student Evan Meaney (back) and UI junior Zane Umsted lead an open meeting at the Bijou on Sunday. These meetings, which are held once a semester, are designed to allow input from students and locals on the Bijou. At this particular meeting, the group discussed the recent cancellation of *Disco Dolls in Hot Skin*, showings for next semester, and cosponsorships with student organizations.

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Monday, February 22, 2010
— by Eugenia Last

ARIES March 21-April 19 You may feel the urge to help others, but don't do so at the expense of avoiding your own chores or missing an event or activity that you want to attend. It may seem selfish, but you must put yourself first. You can offer suggestions, but not hands-on help.

TAURUS April 20-May 20 Don't let confusion push you in the wrong direction. If you become stubborn, you will face defeat. Remain calm and offer to do your part. Love is in the stars, and if you focus on pleasing the person you care about most, you will bypass an emotional mishap.

GEMINI May 21-June 20 Your ability to know instinctively how you can make life easier for others will, in turn, bring you the backing you need to develop an idea you've been toying with. Don't let your personal life hinder your productivity.

CANCER June 21-July 22 Take advantage of any opportunity to meet new people, discuss new projects, or start something new that can turn into a lucrative pastime. An old friend will need help finding a solution to a pressing problem.

LEO July 23-Aug. 22 Uncertainty will make it difficult to make a decision that deals with your geographical location and earning a living. Someone you least expect will be able to help you see things more clearly. Avoid making assumptions.

VIRGO Aug. 23-Sept. 22 You can get all wrapped up in the melodrama going on around you, or you can distance yourself and advance beyond your expectations. An opportunity to form a business or personal partnership is apparent. Don't let your heart rule your head.

LIBRA Sept. 23-Oct. 22 You may not be able to please everyone, but that doesn't mean you should stop moving in a direction that suits your needs. Expect changes to occur at work. Concentrate on networking and entertaining the people who can influence your position.

SCORPIO Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Take the initiative, and put your creative ideas on the table. Your aggressive action will bring positive results and responses from someone you least expect. A change at home will throw you for a loop.

SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22-Dec. 21 You may want to dump your responsibilities in someone else's lap, but in doing so, you will lose control of an important project. Let your intuition guide you, not your emotions. Uncertainty at home will cause some upset.

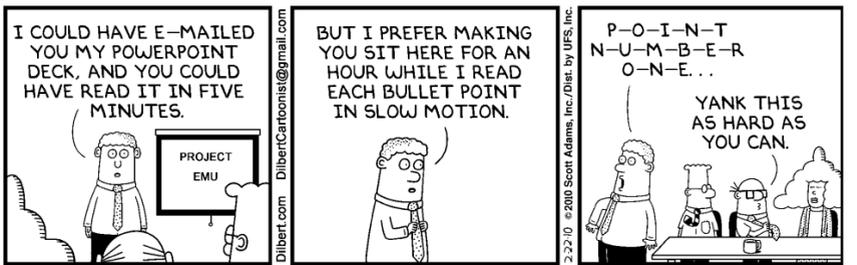
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AQUARIUS Jan. 20-Feb. 18 You won't be thinking clearly when it comes to your personal life and matters pertaining to your home and family. Get things out in the open, and you will feel better about the decisions you make. Don't let overindulgence be your downfall.

PISCES Feb. 19-March 20 Secrets are apparent. You will have to ask the right questions if you don't want to be led astray. Don't take action until you have all the facts. Focus on work, money and getting ahead.

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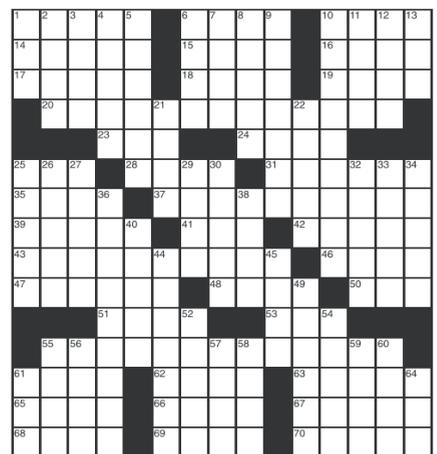
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- **Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Dance Marathon Blood Drive**, 11 a.m., 335 IMU
- **Psychiatry Research Seminar**, "Human and Rat Transgenic Studies of MED12- A Genetic Locus for Psychosis," Robert Philibert, 12:30 p.m., 1502 UIHC Colloton Pavilion
- **UI Center for Human Rights Climate Change Lecture Series**, Zachary Rogers, 12:30 p.m., 104 EPB
- **Chemistry, Physical, and Environmental Seminar**, title TBA, Kelly Gierlus, 12:30 p.m., 104 Iowa Advanced Technology Labs
- **Nuclear and Particle Seminar**, "5D Gravity and Anti-Gravity," Tuna Yildirim, 1:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen
- **Colloquium**, "Density Functional Theory and Time-Depen-

- dent Extension," Jianmin Tao, 3:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen
- **Fit 4 Fun**, 4:30 p.m., Performance Health & Fitness, 3290 Ridgeway Drive, Coralville
- **Apple Tree's Winter Wonderland**, 6 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Pitter Patters: Sewing Slippers**, 6 p.m., Home Ec. Workshop, 207 Linn
- **Spaghetti Dinner**, 6 p.m., Faith United Church of Christ, 1609 Deforest Ave.
- **"Confessions of a Pack Rat"**, Sarah Smelser, 7 p.m., 109 EPB
- **Benefit for Haiti**, 7 p.m., Englert Theatre, 211 E. Washington
- **Oscar Shorts Program 2010: Live-Action**, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **Free Pool**, 7 p.m., TCB Pool Hall, 114 E. College
- **Open Mike**, with Jay Knight, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Oscar Shorts Program 2010: Animated**, 9 p.m., Bijou
- **Blues Jam**, Yacht Club, 9:30 p.m., 13 S. Linn

The New York Times Crossword

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- Across**
- Not striped, as a billiard ball
 - Apple or quince
 - With 18-Across, the Tour de France, for one
 - Diagonal line, on a bowling score sheet
 - Carrier to Tel Aviv
 - Applications
 - Extend, as a subscription
 - See 10-Across
 - Profound
 - Game show catchphrase #1
 - When a plane or train is due, for short
 - Come out of a coma
 - Buenos Aires's country: Abbr.
 - Golf course pitfall
 - Medieval martial art
 - Ford auto, briefly
 - Game show catchphrase #2
 - Corporate raider
 - Sign before Virgo
 - Neighbor of a petal
 - Game show catchphrase #3
 - Repetitive learning technique
 - Prisoner
 - H.S. junior's hurdle
 - Thoroughfares: Abbr.
 - Save, in a way, as some shows
 - However, briefly
 - Game show catchphrase #4
 - Moccasin decoration
 - Salvador who painted "The Persistence of Memory"
 - Halloweenish
 - Ricelike pasta
 - Analogous (to)
 - Les ___-Unis
 - Comic book heroes originally called the Merry Mutants
 - Identify
 - Krispy Kreme offering



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STAGEMOM ASPIC
POTATOROT MEARA
ARETHANOW BESET
STANONONO OMA
METUP TAWNY DEW
SULNEW BOMB
STAMPEDE AABBA
BEERANDSKITTLES
REAMS HISORHER
ADRY TAXNIE
CMD MORPH ASCAP
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Down

- Belarus or Ukraine, once: Abbr.
- Org. with many Mideast members
- Turner who was known as the Sweater Girl
- Actress Cara
- Early New York governor Clinton
- Lima's locale
- Oil of ___
- Noisy bird
- Raise
- Big Super Bowl advertiser, traditionally
- "So that's it!"
- Nautical bottom
- Clairvoyant's claim
- Taverns
- Green-lights
- Firenze friends
- What a drone airplane may do, for short
- Former Texas senator Phil

Puzzle by Adam Cohen

- "___ Lang Syne"
- 30 Before surgery
- Cosa Nostra leaders
- Hilton rival
- Man and Wight
- Two-timed
- Things two-timers break
- "Reward" for poor service
- Reno resident, e.g.
- Western mil. alliance
- Kind of movie glasses
- Japanese port
- Shelley's "___ the West Wind"
- Four years, for a U.S. president
- Fog or smog
- Slight, as chances
- Merlot, for one
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- In ___ (as originally located)
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WICKERHAM

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their careers. "I get depressed at times thinking that I work for a company that makes money on the dark side of sport," Wickerham said. "But I have great passion and empathy for young people who are tempted to

smoke dope or take prescription drugs, and I think drug testing helps them say no." Aside from administering tests and results, Wickerham's company takes the responsibility of educating student-athletes and coaches on the dangers of drugs — both "street" and performance enhancing types. Wickerham noted that since the NCAA's year-round drug-testing pro-

gram started in 1990, the use of steroids and other drugs has dropped dramatically. In recent years, only 1.5 to 2 percent of athletes have received positive test results. In addition to the year-round program that randomly tests 13,500 of the 500,000 NCAA athletes, the championship drug test program collects urine samples from all athletes competing in

postseason events. This means Wickerham and her coworkers attend all college championship events for free, but they see a much different side of these competitions. "March Madness for Drug Free Sport is very different from what people think it is," Wickerham said. "We see about 15 minutes of games, then about eight hours of urinals."



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Entrepreneur students in the Bedell Learning Center on Feb. 19 listen to Andrea Wickerham, a UI alum and vice president of the National Center for Drug Free Sports.

SWIMMING

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Her time of 2:01.51 in the 200 Individual medley prelims and 2:01.88 in the finals rank as the second and third best all-time in school history. She now holds Iowa's top-three best times in the event. The same holds true in the 100 breaststroke. Tour finished with the

second and third best times in school history last weekend; she already owns the top spot. Diving also had a positive meet, thanks to Rydze. The Iowa City native finished eighth in the 1 meter and 12th in the 3 meter. Her score of 281.10 in the 1 meter stands as a personal best and ranks as the eighth-best score in school history. "I had one of my best performances in a really long time," she said. "I'm

really happy with that." Cubelic, however, said she didn't have her best performance. Despite swimming the second-best time ever in the 200 backstroke and the sixth-best in the 100 backstroke, the sophomore said she could have done better. "Other than the 200 backstroke, I was not happy," she said. "I just tried to piece it together for the relays and give it my best." While the team isn't

happy with its low overall finish, Tour said the Hawkeyes are putting the difficult conference meet in proper perspective. "We're in probably the hardest conference in the country," she said. "You have to take one step back and appreciate the team's achievement. We did really well this weekend, and I'm very proud of my team."

WRESTLING

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It's nice, but in the long run it doesn't mean anything unless we follow it up with Big Ten and NCAA championships." Four Hawkeyes also completed undefeated seasons. Borschel and fellow seniors Brent Metcalf and Dan Erekson, along with redshirt freshman Matt McDonough, finished the season without a loss. Metcalf and McDonough will bring a perfect 29-0 record into the Big Ten championships, while Borschel will stand 28-0 overall. Erekson is unbeaten in eight matches. Both Borschel and McDonough earned bonus points for the Hawkeyes in their matches. At 174, Borschel secured his ninth fall of the season against Bren-

dan Ard in 4:26. McDonough started off the dual with a major decision win over Drew Hammen at 125, 10-1, and Iowa heavyweight Erekson finished the dual with a 3-2 win by decision over Eric Bugenhagen. "They have all been great," senior Phillip Keddy said about the wins. "They go out there and get the job done every time, and that's what it's all about. They're going up there looking to dominate, and that's why they're winning all those matches." Iowa 133-pounder Daniel Dennis won a close match against sixth-ranked Tyler Graff. Dennis and Graff were tied, 1-1, at the end of the third period, but Dennis' riding time advantage gave him a 2-1 win. In one of the most anticipated matches of the day, fourth-ranked Hawkeye Ryan Morningstar fell to

top-ranked Badger Andrew Howe, 2-1. Howe, the defending Big Ten champion and national runner-up, limited Morningstar to just an escape in the seven-minute match to remain undefeated. This was the second dual in a row Morningstar was unable to muster more than an escape. But unlike when Iowa hosted No. 4 Ohio State on Feb. 19, the one point wasn't enough to secure a victory. Luke Lofthouse tallied the only other Iowa loss in the meet at 197. Wisconsin's seventh-ranked Trevor Brandvold, Chad Beatty's opponent when he broke his foot at the Midlands Championships, beat Lofthouse, 4-2. Iowa will have 12 days off before traveling to Ann Arbor, Mich., for the Big Ten championships on March 6-7. The Hawkeyes will seek their third-straight championship.

Keddy said Iowa's confidence is high heading into the first of two critical parts of the season. "This is the time of the year, you have to turn it up regardless of what's happened in the past," he said. "We can't let our guard down at all. We still have to be ready to have the most dominant performance we can." Borschel said the public doesn't remember regular season achievements, such as Iowa's tear through its schedule, and the Hawkeyes have their eyes on a bigger prize. "You have a whole team full of guys who believe they're going to be the champion at their weight class," he said. "And that makes you feel real good about the team."

GymHawks trip against Iowa St.

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In Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Sunday afternoon, the Iowa gymnastics team competed harder than it had all season by head coach Larissa Libby's standards. Unfortunately for the Hawkeyes, it still was not enough. Iowa fell to No. 15 Iowa State, 194.475-193.825. While the GymHawks were excited about their strong performances, the defeat proved to be bitter. "I felt like it was the first time they showed up as competitive," Libby said. "For me, the most disappointing aspect is that while Iowa State is a fantastic team, I don't feel like they beat us today. I feel like we beat ourselves. In my opinion, that's the worst thing that you could possibly do."

onship with the victory in gymnastics. Freshman GymHawk Emma Stevenson said she was disheartened by the loss. "We don't really try to think about who we're against, because it doesn't matter," she said. "We have a job to do. It shouldn't matter who we're competing against. We still have to do what we have to do." Stevenson was encouraged by her team's confidence, though, and agreed with Libby that Iowa gave its best shot. "We did make mistakes, but we didn't lose by a lot," Stevenson said. "Just because they're ranked 15th and we're 33rd doesn't mean anything. We're

good competition, and we held ourselves really well out there." Simbhudas rebounded from her fall in the bars to place first overall in both the vault (9.800) and the beam (9.825). Gebeshian recorded the meet's highest uneven bars score with a 9.825. Hansen then finished the Hawkeye sweep by taking first in the floor exercise with a 9.825 score as well. But there was some frustration on the side of the Hawkeyes with certain scores. "I think we did what we had to do. The judges just didn't give us the scores," Simbhudas said. "I think everyone did her job, and I'm really happy

about it." Iowa had only itself to blame, however. Libby said there were several positive things to build on during the meet, but she noted that Iowa is running out of time as the postseason creeps closer. While the Hawkeyes signed autographs for a horde of Girl Scouts and fans an hour after the meet, Stevenson put the loss into perspective. "We work really hard, and it kind of stinks when we don't win," she said. "But it's also not about winning every time. It's about what we can do as a team and how we progress throughout the season. I think we're getting there."

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BASKETBALL

Women hoopsters lose

The Iowa women's basketball team (15-12, 8-8) fell to Northwestern (16-11, 7-9), 72-66, on Sunday in Evanston, Ill.

Sophomore Kamilah Wahlin posted 22 points, and sophomore Kelly Krei added 13.

Junior Kachine Alexander also tallied 17 points, 10 rebounds, and four assists in the loss — her 13th double-double of the season.

The Wildcats shot an impressive 60 percent from behind the arc while holding the Hawkeyes to just 36.4 percent in the game.

Iowa trailed 30-28 at halftime but couldn't put together a comeback in the second half.

"I don't feel like our players really had their feet prepared to shoot today," head coach Lisa Bluder said.

The loss snaps a four-game winning streak for the Hawkeyes, and it was only their second loss in the last nine games.

Iowa will return home to host Indiana on "Senior Night" at 7 p.m. Thursday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

— by Evelyn Lau

BASEBALL

Baseball splits to open season

The Iowa baseball team opened the 2010 season 1-1 on Feb. 20 in Clarksville, Tenn.

The Hawkeyes defeated Illinois State, 19-11, then fell to Austin Peay, 13-8, during their weekend double-header.

Against Illinois State, Iowa's bats exploded for 19 runs in the game's final four innings. Sophomore Mike McQuillan led the Hawkeye comeback, knocking in seven runs and homering twice — one of which was a grand slam.

Then, Iowa outthit Austin Peay, 15-11, but couldn't manage a victory.

McQuillan's bat remained hot in the second game of the double header — he went 4-for-6 against the Governors.

Iowa center fielder Kurtis Muller extended the 12-game hitting streak he started at the end of the 2009 season, combining for five hits on the day.

The Hawkeyes will compete this weekend in the Big Ten/Big East Challenge in St. Petersburg, Fla.

— by Jordan Garretson

SOFTBALL

Softball takes 3 of 4

Winning three of four games at the Littlewood Classic in Tempe, Ariz., this past weekend, the Hawkeyes improved to 6-3 on the season.

Senior pitcher Amanda Zust tossed three complete-game victories and allowed only two earned runs in the process, lowering her ERA to 2.45.

Iowa opened the weekend with wins against Texas State, 4-1, and Rutgers, 7-0, on Feb. 19. The team then defeated Illinois State, 7-1, on Feb. 20 before dropping Sunday's game to No. 5 Arizona State, 7-4.

Junior Chelsey Carmody tallied seven hits, including three home runs, and senior Lindsey Digmann added six hits and three RBIs. Their 13 hits puts them in a tie for second in the Big Ten.

Iowa will go back on the road again against Alabama, Maryland, Arkansas, North Carolina State, and Georgia Tech at the National Fastpitch Coaches Association Leadoff Classic beginning on Friday in Columbus, Ga.

— by Mitch Smith

IOWA 31, WISCONSIN 6

Wrestlers wallop Badgers

No. 1 Iowa wins eight weights to beat Wisconsin, and four Hawkeyes complete unblemished seasons.

By J.T. BUGOS

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The Iowa wrestling team completed its second-consecutive undefeated regular season on Sunday.

The Hawkeyes pounded No. 19 Wisconsin, 31-6, to earn their 61st-straight dual victory and capture their third-straight Big Ten regular-season title.

Senior 174-pounder Jay Borschel didn't concern himself with Iowa's impressive record after the meet, however.

"To be truthful, it doesn't mean anything," he said. "There's a lot more work to be done in the next month, and that's all I and everyone else are focusing on."

SEE WRESTLING, 10



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Iowa 157-pounder Aaron Janssen wrestles Ohio State's Sean Nemec during the Hawkeyes' meet against the Buckeyes in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Feb. 19. Janssen posted a 5-2 victory over Nemec.



BRENNAN NORMAN/THE DAILY IOWAN

Soaring above the bar

Iowa sophomore Jessa Hansen performs a routine on the uneven bars during the women's gymnastic meet in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Sunday. **SPORTS, 10**

Tour, Rydze pace Hawks

Four Hawkeyes have top-20 finals finishes, but Iowa finishes ninth for the second-straight season.

By MITCH SMITH

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On paper, it seems like just another ninth-place finish.

But the Iowa women's swimming and diving team accomplished much more over weekend at the Big Ten championships in West Lafayette, Ind.

Despite finishing in the same spot as last season, the Hawkeyes not only posted better individual races but also all-time best finishes at the four-day event.

Four Hawkeyes combined for six top-20 finishes — junior swimmer Katarina Tour, sophomore Danielle Carty and Daniela Cubelic, and junior diver Veronica Rydze — to score team points for Iowa.



Carty sophomore

Carty accomplished her goal of qualifying for finals, notching a 12th-place mark in the 100 backstroke and beating her own time for second-best in program history.

"I wanted to score points for the team on an individual basis," she said. "That really made me proud to be able to do that for the team."

Tour had the best individual meet of any of the swimmers. The native of Stockholm, Sweden, finished 10th in the 100 breaststroke finals and 15th in the 200 individual medley finals.

"I'm very happy about my performance," she said. "I didn't swim any personal best, but I felt good the entire meet and had good races."

Swimming personal bests are hard to come by for Tour — not because she is struggling in the pool, but because most of her best times are already tops for the program.

SEE SWIMMING, 10

'She was the perfect person for me to talk to. I learned about how big the sports industry really is and about the direction she took to get to where she is today.'

— Eric Crawford, UI senior

Drug tester tells of success

An Iowa alum, now the overseer of NCAA drug testing, speaks to UI students.

By MICHELE DANNO

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Iowa alum Andrea Wickerham has a master's degree and a law degree, and she has held a number of administrative positions at various universities.

But for the past 11 years, she has made her living off human urine.

Wickerham, who graduated from Iowa in 1983 with a master's degree in athletics administration, is now a vice president of Drug Free Sport — a privately owned small business that oversees drug testing for the NCAA and a number of other athletics institutions.

She returned to her alma mater this past weekend and advised future entrepreneurs about starting their own businesses — especially in the sports industry.

Lynn Allendorf, the managing director of the Bedell Entrepreneurship Learning Laboratory, said Wickerham was the perfect person to speak to Iowa's aspiring entrepreneurs, and Drug Free Sport is a good example of a business success story.

The company started 11 years ago as an outsourcing program for NCAA drug testing. With the help of Wickerham and 30 other employees, the business has grown to include clients ranging from state high school programs to the NFL and NBA.

UI senior Eric Crawford, a Sports Studies major with entrepreneurial aspirations, said his meeting with Wickerham opened his eyes to different avenues of the sports industry.

"She was the perfect

person for me to talk to," he said. "I learned about how big the sports industry really is and about the direction she took to get to where she is today."

Wickerham said her background and passion for athletics sparked her interest in working for Drug Free Sport. After playing three sports at Ursinus College in Pennsylvania, she didn't abandon athletics following graduation.

She became a college coach and athletics official at a number of universities including Harvard, Michigan, and Iowa. Her firsthand experience as both a collegiate athlete and a coach made her an advocate for "clean competition."

She said administering urine tests to athletes makes her seem like the "bad cop" in the industry, but her goal is to use drug testing as a deterrent rather than a means to catch athletes and end

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