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## Miles: Don't look to gov't for \$

Regent president calls for review of tuition policies.

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The days of plentiful government funding for higher education are gone.

State Board of Regents President David Miles emphasized this point to approximately 100 members of the Iowa City Noon Rotary Club and several top University of Iowa officials on Thursday.

Miles addressed the "present and future" of the university, stating financial independence would be a critical success factor.

"The outlook is one of increasing self-sufficiency now and for the foreseeable future," he said.

For fiscal 2010, state appropriations will dip to just 41 percent of the UI's budget, according to the regents' budget.

Some members of the community and university have raised concerns about this trend, but Miles was optimistic about the UI's ability to diversify and persevere.

"We must preserve and protect the outstanding quality of this university," he said.

He outlined four areas of focus for the university in upcoming years — operations, funding, educational-delivery models, and results.

For funding, Miles iterated the need for increased private gifts and research grants to help buoy the UI. He also suggested the regents needed to review the issue of tuition, calling into question whether the UI's "bargain" price tag — which is the second lowest in the Big Ten — was realistic.



**Miles**  
regent president

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## Everclear future murky

Everclear is Iowa's No. 83 highest selling liquor.

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State officials want to limit the size of some high-proof liquor bottles and possibly require Iowans to document when they purchase them, they said in a public forum Thursday.

Around 25 people attended the forum, the second such event sponsored by the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division, in the IMU to discuss a possible ban on high-proof beverages.

The state will begin to stock only 750-milliliter bottles of liquor with proofs more than 100 after this week, said Alcoholic Division Administrator Lynn Walding.

### High-proof liquors Limitation recommendations:

- Enhancing alcohol education and awareness
- Limiting the size selection
- Requiring lower alcohol-content levels
- Raising the markup rate
- Banning high-proof beverages entirely

Source: Lynn Walding

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U.S. Army and National Guard 1st Lt. Dan Choi speaks to people about the Army's Don't Ask, Don't Tell policy in the IMU Main Lounge on Thursday. After Choi said he was gay on the "Rachel Maddow Show" in 2009, the Army moved to discharge him.

## 'DON'T ASK' MUST GO, SAYS VET

Gay rights activist addresses locals about Don't Ask, Don't Tell.

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Army veteran and gay-rights activist Lt. Dan Choi spoke to a crowd of roughly 600 on the University of Iowa campus Thursday, advocating for the repeal of the controversial Don't Ask, Don't Tell policy.

"The policy is religion-based bigotry," he told the crowd in the IMU Main Lounge. His speech was sponsored by the University Lecture Committee and the UI College of Law's *Journal of Gender, Race & Justice*. "There's a culture in the military ... that a man should be of this normative [masculine] behavior."

Choi became known for speaking out against the policy, implemented in 1994 under the National Defense Authorization Act, when he came out as gay on the "Rachel Maddow Show" in March 2009. He had concealed his homosexuality for 10 years while serving in the military.



'The policy is religion-based bigotry.'

— **Lt. Dan Choi**,  
army veteran and  
gay-rights activist

Some backers of the law contend that military morale would suffer if gays served openly.

In an interview this week with *The Daily Iowan*, Choi, who also served as an infantry officer, said he has a different view of morale in the military.

"What [unit cohesion] means to me is that we're going to go to war and that we need to know everything about each other," Choi said. "Just because you're gay doesn't mean you're attracted to every single person."

Others agree.

Ben Stone, the executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Iowa, said his organization has been advocating for its repeal.

"We believe it is a violation of equal protection," he said. "It's discriminatory, and there's no valid basis for it."

Johnson County Democrats Chairman Dennis Roseman also spoke out against the law.

"It's not working," he said. "I think that's pretty clear."

Though the Johnson County Republicans have yet to announce their stance on the issue, local party head Bob Anderson said he thinks it's a "national-security concern because it involves our armed forces."

Gov. Chet Culver has not taken a public stance, noting that it is a federal issue.

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## Students get lesson in poverty

Poverty is very much a local issue, one UI assistant professor says.

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Students drew cards when they walked into the Hillcrest dining room Thursday night, determining their income level for the night and where they would sit for dinner.

People ate in three areas — the floor for the lower-income group, a plastic table for middle income, and a white tablecloth-covered table complete with candle light and a flower for the wealthy. They were served one of three meals: rice, rice and beans,

or pasta Alfredo, depending on their assigned income level.

"I felt inferior seeing other people eat better food," said Danielle Rahja, who attended the event and was assigned the low-income food.

The Hunger Banquet was hosted by the University of Iowa's Associated Residence Halls in conjunction with the residence halls' Poverty Awareness Week. The event focused on education and awareness of the unequal distribution of

### Poverty portions

The event, hosted by Associated Residence Halls, aimed to educate students on local poverty issues.



**The wealthy plate**  
Students ate pasta Alfredo and sat at tablecloth-covered tables.



**The middle-income plate**  
Students ate rice and beans and dined at plastic tables.



**The poor plate**  
Students ate rice and sat on the floor.

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# Branstad visits IC

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Politicians aiming to capture the governorship in November aren't leaving students' interests out of the picture. The incumbent Democrat and two Republicans hoping to replace him all have plans to ease students' financial burden while maintaining the quality of education at the state Board of Regents' institutions.

It's no coincidence that Terry Branstad — a former Iowa governor who hopes to fill the seat once again — chose Iowa City, a college town, to outline his campaign priorities. He said creating jobs by boosting higher education is among the most important parts of his plans as governor.

Branstad visited the Hamburg Inn No. 2, 214 S. Linn St., Thursday to deliver his goals to locals — create 200,000 new jobs, increase family income by 25 percent, and maintain Iowa's educational excellence. All that, while reducing the size of government by 15 percent.

"I just think that education is an investment in the future, and if people get a good education, they're going to get a better job, they're going to make more income, they're going to be better off for the rest of their life," he said. "That's



CHRISTY AUMER/THE DAILY IOWAN  
Former Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad shakes hands with patrons in the Hamburg Inn on Thursday. Branstad is running for the Republican gubernatorial nomination.

## Student funds

The portion of the UI's general-education fund covered by student tuition and fees has grown in recent years:

- 2005-2006 — 44 percent
- 2006-2007 — 47 percent
- 2007-2008 — 46 percent
- 2008-2009 — 46 percent
- 2009-2010 — 51 percent

Source: UI Office of University Relations

why I think education needs to be a priority in terms of funding."

The portion of the University of Iowa's general-education fund that is covered by tuition and fees has grown over the past 30 years. This year is the first time students are responsible for paying more than 50

percent of the university's education budget.

Branstad sympathized with students' burden of ever-growing tuition. However, the former governor stopped short of committing to lowering the portion of university budgets covered by tuition.

"I want to take a look at the whole picture, and I also know that the state has severe financial issues, and it's going to be difficult, you know, to deal with it," he said.

Bob VanderPlaats, who will compete with Branstad in June's Republican primary, said all Iowa schools — K-12 as well as colleges and universities — need to focus money on classroom education, making sure administrators act efficiently. Constant tuition

increases make it difficult for Iowa college students to plan for the future, he said.

"We should be very transparent: We'll say here is what you can expect your tuition to look like each year," said VanderPlaats, who plans to visit Iowa City later in the campaign. "That way you can plan as a student with eyes wide open to what it's going to cost you to get that degree from whatever college you plan on attending."

Gov. Chet Culver has consistently touted education as a political priority. Since he took office in 2007, students' share of the UI general education fund has grown 4 percent. That number grew just 7 percent during Branstad's 16 years in office.

Jesse Harris, a representative from the Culver campaign, did not return phone calls on Thursday. Culver visited Hamburg Inn No. 2 last week.

UI freshman Nic Pottebaum, a Branstad supporter, said promoting education and pursuing other fiscal goals are related issues.

"It's all about providing opportunity, and not only just students but also other people who are out of work right now," he said. "It's jobs, it's developing the economy, it's developing opportunity for people to have a life in Iowa."

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5. Video: Officials respond to task force report

# Redistricting panel tries again

The committee reveals revamped maps in a Thursday meeting.

By NORA HEATON  
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While it can't please everybody, the redistricting committee aims to satisfy as many as possible.

The Iowa City School District's 38-member redistricting committee met again Thursday night. Based on overwhelming negative feedback on Scenario 2, the committee released two versions of its new Scenario 3.

The biggest issue before the committee, Superintendent Lane Plugge said, will be how to manage the junior highs and high schools in the district.

The community has debated this issue in past forums and redistricting events. Scenario 2 proposed that some incoming ninth-graders would stay at Northwest Junior High for the year before continuing on to the high-school building.

Under the new Scenario 3a, the city would build a new junior high. All junior highs would shift their enrollment to grades seven through nine. Grades 10-12 would attend the two exist-

## What's next?

Redistricting dates to know:

- March 4: Boundary Committee holds seventh and last meeting to reach consensus on final scenarios
- March 30: School Board receives committee recommendation during special workshop
- April 28: School Board adopts final boundary plan
- April/May: District will post final maps online

Source: Iowa City School District

ing high schools.

Junior high and high schools were again shifted under Scenario 3b. The map showed three junior highs feeding into three high schools — West, City, and one additional, smaller high school.

Rong Fan, a parent who addressed the School Board at the Feb. 9 meeting with concerns about Scenario 2's splitting ninth-graders between a junior high and a high school, said she prefers the new boundaries.

"We don't care if junior

highs are two years or three years," she said. "Students in the same grade should get the same experience."

But the committee debated the junior-high and high-school setup throughout the meeting. Some committee members, including Sue Freeman of the Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County, suggested naming the third high school as a specialty school to help make sense of its smaller population.

Several members brought up the idea of a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics magnet school serving as the third high school. However, most committee members said they disliked the idea of placing a specialty school in the district.

Elementary schools would see major change with the addition of a "paired schools" concept between Twain and Longfellow. All students who live in the combined areas of the two schools would attend Twain for grades K-2, and Longfellow for grades 3-6. This idea is

in response to community suggestions, said RSP & Associates principal planner Rob Schwarz.

Another elementary-school shift would be in the Wood attendance area. One section of Wood would feed into a new high school under the 3b plan. This would help with the committee's criterion for a more balanced free- and reduced-lunch sector throughout the district.

Freeman said it felt "morally wrong" to uproot a section of a lower-income neighborhood. Many committee members and parents alike mentioned transportation as a potential issue for parents who wished to attend after-school functions.

"All the parents are really saying the same thing," said Julie Van Dyke, a Hills parent. "People feel staying in their neighborhood is more important than free and reduced lunch."

The committee will meet again March 4 to complete scenarios to present to the School Board.

## METRO

### Ex-student gets 30 days in Clayborn harassment

A former UI student has been sentenced to 30 days in jail and must pay a \$625 fine for harassing a Hawkeye football player last fall, according to online courts records.

Britney Mears, 23, was charged with third-degree harassment after she repeatedly yelled the name of Hawkeye defensive end Adrian Clayborn during the Oct. 3 game against Arkansas State. Mears was warned twice about the harassment before she was removed from the game and charged.

In an earlier incident, Mears reportedly sent a suggestive text

message to Clayborn. On June 28, 2009, she allegedly continued to drive by Clayborn's place of work while staring at him.

Because Mears previously served 23 days in jail, she will have that time subtracted from her sentence. She was also sentenced to a year of unsupervised probation.

— by Sam Lane

### Judge rejects dismissal motion in Spence case

A U.S. district judge has denied a motion for dismissal in the case against a Minneapolis man charged in connections with the 2004 break-in at the University of Iowa's Spence Labs and Seashore Hall, according to federal court documents.

Scott DeMuth's attorneys filed motions to dismiss for numerous reasons on Feb. 4.

On Nov. 14, 2004, four masked individuals broke into Spence Labs and Seashore Hall and caused approximately \$450,000 in damage. The Animal Liberation Front has claimed credit for the break-in. DeMuth's trial is set for May 3 in Davenport.

— by Sam Lane

### Supervisors scale back budget

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors agreed to cut \$1.1 million from its budget for fiscal 2010, Supervisor Rod Sullivan said.

The budget was around \$75 million; it will be somewhere closer to \$74 million now, he said. Savings will come from two

sources, said Supervisor Janelle Rettig.

The supervisors will no longer allocate funds for bonding to start a new ambulance and medical examiner building, she said.

"We have still made a commitment to continue planning on this project, but we are holding off on taxing citizens just yet," she said.

Money for loan payments on for the Health and Human Services building will also be diminished.

"We are ahead of payments, and all this means is we will not pay off the debt as aggressively as before," Rettig said.

The budget cut will reduce the amount of taxes originally proposed by the supervisors, although county taxes will still slightly increase over last year's.

— by Michael Arriola

## POLICE BLOTTER

**Shruthi Bhatt**, 24, 2512 Clearwater Court, was charged Wednesday with third-degree harassment.

**Harold Campbell**, 37, 611 Hawkeye Court, was charged Thursday with disorderly conduct

and public intoxication.  
**Kendal Cosgrove**, 18, N267 Hillcrest, was charged Thursday with PAULA.

**Benjamin Lizer**, 19, 0246 Slater, was charged Wednesday with simple assault.

**John Murray**, 19, 538 Rienow, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

**Patrick Stremel**, 18, 4315 Currier, was charged Thursday with PAULA.

**Daniel Whitfield**, 25, Cedar

Rapids, was charged Tuesday with possession of marijuana.

**Brenda Windmon**, 41, 1001 Cross Park Ave. Apt. C, was charged Wednesday with driving with a suspended or canceled license.

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## CHOI

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At the federal level, a bill to repeal Don't Ask, Don't Tell — the Military Readiness Enhancement Act — is before the U.S. House Armed Services committee.

During a question-and-answer session Thursday, Choi read from a petition given to him by a National Guard soldier that called for a repeal of the policy in the Iowa National Guard.

Don't Ask, Don't Tell is not addressed in the UI Army ROTC classroom, Lt. Col. Dave Deyak said. Instead, teachers focus on issues and scenarios on the battlefield, said Deyak, a UI professor of military science.

No cadets in the UI Army

ROTC have been discharged because of their sexual orientation, he said.

During Choi's speech, the mood shifted from light-hearted to serious between stories about coming out to his family and condemnation of the military policy.

Choi discussed with the *DI* the difficulty of coming out to his family. A first-generation Korean American, Choi was raised in a traditional Korean household in Orange County, Calif.

When Choi's brother got married while he was home from duty in Iraq, his mother started asking when he was going to tie the knot. She wanted him to have "a dozen Korean grandbabies for her," the West Point graduate said.

Choi's father, a Baptist minister, was shaken when

Choi told them he was gay in January 2009. He pointed to Bible verses, telling him that it was "shameful" to be gay.

Over time, his father was able to come to terms. After appearances on national news shows, Choi got a phone call from his father, who told him that he accepted him as his gay son.

With several other gay West Point graduates, Choi started Knights Out, an activist group seeking the repeal of Don't Ask, Don't Tell.

A change in policy needs to be implemented immediately, Choi said. He noted Army values are what drives him to advocate for an open military.

"We've had 16 years to get to this point," Choi said. "That's a cause for major disappointment."

## LIMITS

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Iowans will be able to purchase various sizes of the 32 liquors in that range while supplies last, including Everclear, which is available in four different sizes.

The agency directed staff to investigate potential customer-registration requirements on high-proof liquors, much like the current registration required when people purchase kegs. It also suggested expanding alcohol-education opportunities.

"There is an alarming trend in the ramping up of beverages with a higher alcohol content," Walding said at the forum. "These products can cause more issues."

Before the agency discussed recommendations, it opened the floor for public comment.

Doug Alberhasky of John's Grocery, 401 E. Market St., expressed concern with the commission's possible decision to ban high-proof alcoholic beverages. He said he thought prohibit-

ing the beverage would create a "forbidden fruit" effect.

"What seems to be a good idea in theory tends to bite you in the butt," he said.

Other community members disagreed with Alberhasky, voicing strong support for the ban or imposing an increased tax.

Frank Durham, a University of Iowa associate professor, said he supported making the bottles more expensive by increasing the state's tax on them. He also advocated restricting the higher-proof beverages all together.

"Limiting the proof would lower the ceiling or Russian roulette that kids are playing when they don't know what the impact may be," he said.

Alcohol Division members and the public agreed alcohol education should remain a priority, but they varied on how to specifically limit the distribution or size of high-proof beverages.

Walding suggested developing a small public-service advertisement to promote alcohol safety, which would fit over the neck of a bottle.

Discussion on the neck piece included possibly displaying information on alcohol serving size or how to use the product safely.

UI student Simon Holoubek, who sits on the UI's Partnership for Alcohol Safety and also works at John's, said he was concerned about the ads on the bottle idea.

"I question how effective that would be for education," he said. "I also wonder if the liquor shelf-stockers would take them off the bottles."

Agency members said they plan to continue discussion on how the state will regulate high-proof beverages. They hope to host another public forum before May 1, when Walding's appointment as division administrator will end.

The Alcohol Division began looking into the issue after an incident at Drake University in which a student drank enough Everclear to be hospitalized.

Your turn. What option discussed at Thursday's forum do you think is the best for regulating high-proof liquors? Weigh in at [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

## REVIEW

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"We need to determine whether and how our present tuition levels will sustain the university," he said. "We need to educate ourselves and take the time to do the background work."

While the issue of tuition won't be addressed immediately, he said, it will be something the regents discuss before the next tuition decision is made.

"It's an incredibly tough issue," said Regent Robert Downer, who attended the event. "Our tuition is low, but income levels in Iowa are lower than most. I don't want to see mountains of debt."

While UI and state officials continue to look for

myriad funding sources, Miles admitted students' education might suffer in the meantime.

"Our students are paying more and getting less, which weighs heavily on us all," he said.

Miles has addressed the Rotary Club in the past, most recently in October 2008. Bernie Cremers, president-elect of the club, said he appreciated Miles' straightforward manner.

"He didn't mince any words," Cremers said. "He was inclusive of what we wanted to know. Things are changing."

Downer stressed the importance of obtaining perspectives from community members external to the UI.

Miles affirmed that idea

## Future of the UI

Regent President David Miles outlined four focus areas for improvement at state universities:

- Operations
- Funding
- Educational-delivery methods
- Results - measuring and reporting student outcomes

Source: David Miles

in his speech, pointing to the link between higher education and community well-being in Iowa. He noted state universities pumped \$6.4 billion into Iowa's economy in fiscal 2009.

"The future of Iowa is inextricably linked to the future of education," Miles said. "I think our best days are ahead."

## POVERTY

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wealth around the globe, said Katie Wollan of Associated Residence Halls.

Mary Campbell, a UI sociology assistant professor and board member of the Iowa City Crisis Center, was the event's guest speaker.

"What I want students to take away from this event is to realize that need is often invisible," she said. "Poverty is as much of a local issue as it is a global one."

Iowa City's poverty level is skewed because of the large student population, said Kevin Leicht, a UI sociology professor and the director of the Institute of Inequality Studies.

"It is undoubtedly true that members of the stu-

dent population affect what poverty measures look like on a local level," he said.

Most college students are considered single households, Campbell said, and poverty income levels are based on household size. One person living in a house alone with an income fewer than \$15,950 is considered at poverty level, said Steve Long, a community-development coordinator for Iowa City.

Iowa City is considered an entitlement city — a city with 50,000 or more people — which makes the city eligible for a block grant from Housing and Urban Development, Long said. The grant helps fund different programs for people living below 80 percent of the median income level.

A city's poverty levels, as determined by statistics

from the U.S. census, is one of the factors federal departments look at when distributing money.

Though the student population may have some positive influences on poverty, it also can cause problems.

Large student populations can drive up the price of low-cost housing for members of the lower-income community, Leicht said. Because many students may be superficially poor — some receive money outside of job income from sources like parents or loans — it creates an artificial demand for rental property, Leicht said. This leads to price inflation in the area's rental properties.

"It makes it hard for the low-income population to find decent rental housing because they are competing with students," Leicht said.

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## Editorial

## With recruiting focus on out-of-state and international students, UI in danger of forgetting core mission

"Be remarkable" may not be the most apt campaign slogan for the University of Iowa anymore. "Be our financial asset" seems more in line with the university's new recruitment strategy.

At least that's how it appears, as the UI increasingly emphasizes attracting out-of-state and international students. The underlying reason for the new focus is the drop-off in state funding, dipping to a new low this year. For the first time, tuition dollars funded a majority of the UI's general-education budget this year.

"Nonresidents are deliberately pursued for revenue reasons to try to preserve as much of the UI as possible," Tom Mortenson, a senior scholar at the nonpartisan Pell Institute, told the Editorial Board in an e-mail.

Because of these budget realities, it may seem only natural to recruit out-of-staters and international students — and their higher tuition rates. But the new strategy has its shortcomings.

Diversity — economic, geographic, ethnic, etc. — is undoubtedly essential to creating a superior university. But with the recruiting shift, the UI is in danger of forgetting its core mission: to deliver quality, relatively low-cost education to scores of in-state students. Approximately 52 percent of the UI freshmen enrolled last fall were from out of state, an astonishingly high figure for a school that supposedly prides itself on educating in-state students.

Earlier this month, the UI Task Force on Undergraduate Education and Success recommended several ways to buoy the university's emaciated budget. One of the task force's goals is producing at least 50 percent of growth through nonresident and international students.

UI officials need to realize a sharp influx of revenue from out-of-state students is simply a plug in the dike. These students pay three times more than in-state students, but the results of this long-term strategy to maximize tuition revenue may have unfortunate ramifications.



One such consequence is the serious "brain drain" among graduates from Iowa universities. Iowa college graduates are leaving for states with better jobs and better pay. Simply put, the intellectual outflow is greater than inflow. According to Payscale.com, Iowa is tied for fourth worst in the country for college retention.

As boomers retire in droves and Iowa retains a diminutive number of its college graduates, the state will face a real crisis in keeping up with the rest of the country, both economically and intellec-

tually. While the recruitment change may bolster the UI's bottom line, it doesn't help ameliorate the state "brain drain" problem. Out-of-state students and international students, after all, have less incentive to stay in Iowa. The UI should seriously consider reversing its long-term strategy of recruiting out-of-state students.

The gradual defunding of public universities certainly doesn't help remedy the exodus problem. Iowa must create new jobs in growing industries that employ graduates at competitive wages

to boost retention rates among young adults, Mortenson said. But, he said, Iowa has turned away from supporting its state universities and, subsequently, its state universities have turned away from serving Iowa. The *raison d'être* for state universities is to make higher education accessible and affordable to in-state students. Yet by increasingly reaching outward in its recruitment, the UI is pivoting away from that core mission.

We can't necessarily fault UI officials for chasing the almighty dollar to stave off faculty cuts, keep programs and majors alive, and aggressively advertise the school in a competitive higher education market. We even laud them for producing a campus with dynamic professors, cutting-edge research, and content students. Rather, the onus is largely on state legislators, who, in their continued defunding of public higher education, have constrained the UI and other state universities. In the last 30 years, the state has gone from funding 76 percent of the UI's budget to just 41 percent this school year. And the economic recession has only compounded the funding problem.

"All states are in fiscal trouble, but Iowa has chosen to cut its higher-education investment effort by more than all but two states in this decade," Mortenson said, citing the February issue of the monthly research letter he edits, "Postsecondary Education OPPORTUNITY."

The move to recruit more out-of-state and international students is just another troubling symptom of the underlying malady the Editorial Board has discussed throughout the week: a precipitous decline in state funding. As Mortenson pointed out, the deleterious trend is long-standing, yet has provoked little scrutiny or discussion.

We hope our series will help change that.

Your turn. Should the UI place a heavier emphasis on recruiting out-of-state and international students? Weigh in on [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

## Guest Opinion

## Thinking about studying abroad? Look outside Europe

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When I first considered studying abroad, I fantasized about touring ancient cathedrals, shopping at H&M, and gorging myself on French bread. Like most UI students who study abroad — 57 percent, according to the University of Iowa Office for Study Abroad — I pictured myself in Western Europe. Instead, this past winter break I found myself atop a camel

in northern India. The "winterim" study-abroad program I participated in lasted only three weeks, but in that short time I learned, felt, and experienced far more than I do in an entire semester back home.

The India winterim program is unique in that each class spends the majority of the trip working with a nongovernmental or social entrepreneurship organization. My gender and justice course partnered with an organization that focuses on a group of impoverished communities with a complex religious history, providing individuals rudimentary resources and information to empower

themselves in ways that they see fit. We examined this organization from a critical perspective to see how its values, mission, and actions interact with concepts such as Western imperialism and globalization.

More importantly, however, we engaged in a continual dialogue with the organization's staff. This allowed the members of our class, many of whom are interested in careers in the nonprofit sector, to gain great insight into the operation of an NGO. We also hope our constant questioning and thoughtful observations left behind something helpful for the

organization and its staff.

Despite this exciting opportunity, I was nervous to venture so far outside of my comfort zone. During our brief layover in Frankfurt, I was tempted to bolt out of the airport and spend three weeks in Germany instead. Europe certainly has its differences from the United States, but things generally look, sound, smell, and taste pretty much the same as at home. You can usually find someone who speaks English without too much trouble, chocolate is readily available, and though you may have to pay to use a public restroom, in it you'll find a toilet that you know how to use.

Not so in India.

From the moment we stepped out of the airport in Delhi, I was aware that India was unlike anywhere I'd ever been. The air smelled different, and there was a continual chorus of honking horns that would put even New York City to shame. We were unable to communicate with almost everyone around us, and the "American" food we ordered in restaurants often tasted more foreign than Indian food. As our days abroad grew, the stark contrast between the country's striking beauty and devastating poverty confounded us far more than the squat

toilets we struggled to use.

For me, however, the biggest surprise of the journey was that I got used to all these things. By the end of the trip, the geckos that shared our hotel room with us no longer fazed me. I stopped fearing for my life whenever I got in a car. We picked up some basic Hindi and fell in love with masala-flavored potato chips. Most importantly, we learned to go with the flow and expect the unexpected. I firmly believe that these are lessons I would not have learned in a more familiar environment. I encourage others to look beyond the European horizon.

I, for one, am stronger for it.

Allie Panther is a UI junior.

## Guest opinion

## Regents should do some re-organizing, too

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Last week, the Iowa House passed a massive government-reorganization bill. Senate File 2088 calls on government to operate more efficiently and effectively. Time and again, we were asked to prioritize services and

savings to Iowans over the status quo. With a \$1 billion budget shortfall, it is clear that Iowa needs to do things differently. Given the depth of this shortfall, we need to look in all areas for a better way to deliver services.

The careful balancing that the Legislature accomplished last week also needs to happen in our state Board of Regents' universities, with the goal being high-quality education that does not become tuition prohibitive.

Iowa's profound dedication to education will be severely tested in the next fiscal year. No area of education will escape a reduction, including the state universities. One of the amendments that was adopted in the government-reorganization bill would require that the Regents Cooperative Purchasing Division provide a 30-day notice if it is going to make a purchase of more than \$100,000. The division would be mandated to post its intent on the

Internet. Some additional amendments that made sense, but that were not adopted, address some of the issues at the regent institutions. They would:

- Add a new division titled "State Board of Regents-Cost Saving Task Force" to identify waste and inefficiencies.
- Require the regents to develop a biennial plan with benchmarks on measures to reduce tuition and attain higher graduation rates.
- Delay sabbaticals by

one year.

- Require the regents to conduct three public hearing before adopting any tuition or fee proposal.
- Limit tuition increases to the most recent Higher Education Price Index.
- Require all professors to teach one or more courses during each fiscal year of employment.
- Require the regents to include in their annual report the number of courses professors teach in the classroom, compared

with the number of hours teaching assistants teach.

I am sure that these ideas and more could be instituted to make the universities run more smoothly and provide a better educational product to our students. The challenge to all Iowans, including the regents, is to look for commonsense cost savings that test the status quo but benefit students.

Rep. Linda Miller, R-Bettendorf, represents House District 82 and is a member of the House Education Committee.

## Energy and grit

Lookbook performs with honest, Heartland-inspired spirit.



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Lookbook will bring its synth-infused electronic pop to Public Space One, with guests School of Flyentology and Beast Wars.

By **REBECCA KOONS**  
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Lookbook has a lot of feelings.

The duo, composed of Grant Cutler and Maggie Morrison takes a thoughtful approach to the music it creates and performs, because the band is a representation of the members' personalities. Having both grown up in the Midwest — Cutler in South Dakota, Morrison in Wisconsin — they attribute this thoughtfulness to the way and region in which they were raised.

"It definitely affects how we feel about our music," Morrison said. "Having strong family connections might also contribute to that. We definitely want to insert our own feelings into the music."

The atmospheric sound and sweet vocals of Lookbook will be on display at Public Space One, 129 E. Washington St., at 9 p.m. today. School of Flyentology and Beast Wars will open.

Todd Olmstead of Public Space One is particularly eager to see the show, because Lookbook will "bring something different" to a venue whose goal is to have diverse programming.

"It should be a very upbeat scene," he said. "Dance music is often associated with alcohol in this town, so for us to host a dance-music night at our dry venue is going to be different and exciting."

Cutler and Morrison were in separate bands prior to Lookbook, some of which played together, establishing a casual relationship between the two. When Cutler asked Morrison to do some R&B vocals for him, the project ended up being a lot more serious than they originally intended, resulting in Lookbook.

Much like the group's music, Lookbook's influences and tastes are spread out along the musical spectrum, ranging from indie/experimental group Dirty Projectors to Otis Redding and Sam Cooke.

With several studio recordings under its belt, Lookbook has found a way to work effectively while writing songs. Cutler, who also produces, writes the music, which he then passes on to Morrison. After vocals have been placed and the song

tweaked, a song will move from demo to final studio production. "It has worked pretty well for us so far," Morrison said. "We've done it that way for two albums now, and we plan to do it on the next one."

With creative endeavors come certain hang-ups. For the Lookbook members, the challenge is trusting themselves to construct something that is as original as possible without compromising the duo's natural way of making music.

"You don't want to copy other people, but you're obviously going to be influenced by what's happening around you," Morrison said. "We just really want to be thoughtful without overthinking it."

Cutler and Morrison hope to set themselves apart with Lookbook's newest album, which is still in the planning stages. The project will steer away from the '80s sound that pervades previous releases. Also, because that specific sound has become popular again in pop music, Lookbook intends to keep moving forward to create new, fresh music.

The live performance is always an opportunity for Lookbook to perform with uninhibited energy and grit, with the anticipation that the audience will connect in any way, whether it be through dancing or an emotional link.

"We all use music to get through bad times or to enhance good times," Morrison said. "If our music can mean something to somebody, then we've done our job. We just try to put on a good show and hope that will be enough."



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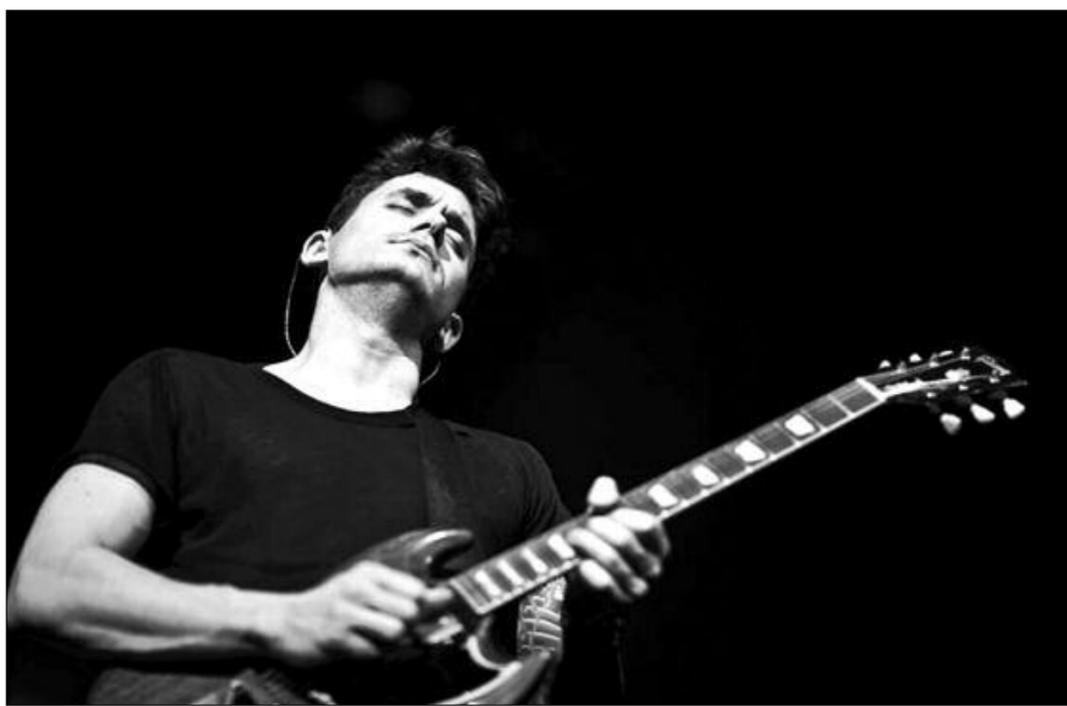
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Musician John Mayer has recently become the center of some controversy after an interview with Playboy.

## Talent trumps odiousness

John Mayer may insult many in Hollywood and beyond with his crude and crass credence, but don't forget what he's all about — music.

By **RACHAEL LANDER**  
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John Mayer is a jerk. It's not a secret. Nor is it a statement worthy of ostracizing those who dare speak it. Hell, even Mayer knows.

Two recent articles, one in *Playboy*, one in *Rolling Stone*, featured Mayer being, well, Mayer. In *Playboy's* article, the singer/songwriter (un)shockingly referred to his love-making with Jessica Simpson as "sexual napalm." Then, if that wasn't enough, he went ahead and slipped in a seriously derogatory word. Oops.

The *Rolling Stone* feature described Mayer's passion for porn and screwing chicks. But, didn't we know that? Well, didn't we at least guess?

Mayer is a classic case of crazy. He famously scares the crap out of journalists, speaks frequently about women's genitalia, and has more feelings than a 16-year-old girl. But the ques-

tion must be asked, do his fans really care?

Speaking from a personal standpoint, John Mayer's bluntness, cynicism, and high level of arrogance is incredibly entertaining. I find it an attractive quality and wouldn't mind if he took me into a back room somewhere to talk about how he's looking for a girl with more than eight crayons in her box.

But for those who find such a high level of obnoxiousness a turnoff, is Mayer's music enough to keep them from being completely repulsed from his actions? Well if it isn't, it should be.

Mayer is a remarkable guitarist, fantastic lyricist, and soothing singer. His albums, most notably *Continuum*, are groundbreaking in their own right, and he deserves every award he's ever garnered. Indeed, maybe he even deserves some he didn't.

But those are hefty statements — maybe even

to Mayer's most loyal fans — so allow me to delve into the reasons the artist should be allowed to be arrogant if he keeps making such fantastic tunes.

Mayer's first release, *Room for Squares*, gave listeners "Why Georgia," "Your Body Is a Wonderland," and "Neon," on top of many other notable tracks. But those three in particular coupled deep (and incredibly realistic and relatable) lyrics with memorable melodies. And really, it was the first introduction listeners had to Mayer's insane guitar playing. Insane of course meaning unbelievably mesmerizing.

And then, two years later, Mayer gave his fans *Heavier Things*, and with it came the tracks "Bigger Than My Body" and "Clarity," one that is well-known, the other that isn't (according to radio play, at least). The latter is such a gem in Mayer's music and a real example of the artist's uncanny ability to create

songs his fans need — writing tracks encompassing feelings so many have.

*Continuum* came next, and honestly that album speaks for itself. The 2006 release really turned Mayer into an all-out blues guitarist and brought tracks, "Waiting on the World to Change," "Gravity," "The Heart of Life," and "Dreaming with a Broken Heart."

Mayer had a lot to live up to after *Continuum*; maybe that's why he waited nearly five years before another release, but *Battle Studies* (though it didn't live up to the greatness of its predecessor) was fantastic in its own right. For anyone dealing with heartbreak, *Battle Studies* will get you through.

So for those who deign to judge Mayer solely on his obtrusiveness and public persona, go ahead, but if you're willing to look past the arrogance and focus on the music, maybe you'll find it speaks louder than him.

### FROM THE BLOG

Bazinga.

I am a huge geek. Though you don't know this yet because I'm new at the *DI* and because I'm an unobtrusive 5-1 Asian girl who likes pretty dresses, fashion blogs, and "Gossip Girl." I am, even if I can't play Mass Effect II to save my life. I spent

my high-school years shuttling between my regular school and a magnet math, science, and technology program for the "gifted." I rejoice every new Apple announcement. I wrote for a (now defunct) women's tech blog. I would much rather watch a *Star Wars* marathon

than go see that new *Twilight* guy movie.

Now an English/econ major, the Java Programming classes and world-champion robotics team days are behind me, and my inner-nerd rarely has a chance to come out. This is why Monday nights are

special. No, not football, but rather, the geeky hilarity of "The Big Bang Theory," a CBS series about a (sadly fictitious) group of awkward, Cal Tech prodigies and their hot neighbor/waitress/friend/love-interest.

— by Alyssa Marchetti

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# When a book is more

Local artist Emily Martin captures what exists beyond the page.

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Some call them books. Some call them sculptures. Some, such as Adjunct Assistant Professor Emily Martin, just let the others do the talking.

"It's constantly being defined by the people making things, and that's what interests me more than the specific word meaning," she said.

Martin is one of those definers. The Iowa City resident creates artist's books — works of art that capture the content of the book beyond writing on pages with the form of the actual object.

The 56-year-old discovered this type of art while studying painting in graduate school at the UI. With time, she gradually moved away from her M.F.A. roots and by the late-80s was creating artist's books as her primary form. In 1995, she adopted "The Naughty Dog Press" (named after her former Jack Russell terrier Gomez) as a signature on her artwork.

In her studio (located in her basement), Martin owns two types of presses: a clamshell and a Vandercook. The former is mainly used for cutouts, and the latter deals with fonts, colors, and printmaking.

With ideas constantly being generated, the studio, full of ambient light, is cluttered with papers upon papers of sketches, drawings, and paintings. Along the walls, in what initially look like bookshelves, a variety of fonts and letters.

Beyond her own work, Martin also teaches an assortment

## Emily Martin

- **Age:** 56
- **Education:** B.F.A. in drawing, 1975; M.F.A. in painting, 1979 (both from the UI)
- **Favorite song:** The Allman Brothers — "Statesboro Blues"
- **Favorite artist:** Rufus Wainwright
- **Favorite author:** Paul Auster
- **Coffee, light or dark:** Dark

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of classes in the University of Iowa Center for the Book. Colleague and book arts lecturer Julia Leonard believes that "when you see an Emily Martin book, you know it's hers."

"She is a master at finding the appropriate structure for the story she is trying to tell," Leonard said. "She has a really quirky sense of humor, and that shows in all her work."

In a type of art form that is still finding its footing in the world, Leonard said Martin is very well-known and respected. Her work is in an assortment of collections over the world, including the Musée national d'art moderne in Paris, Chelsea College of Art & Design in London, and Yale University, to name just a few.

Martin said she didn't feel the effect of having work spread out all over the globe



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Artist's book creator Emily Martin stands in her basement-turned-studio in Iowa City on Wednesday.

until she had the chance to actually see her own work at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

"That was pretty amazing. It was kind of surreal. It's a museum I've gone into time and time again, and there was my work," she said.

Surreal, it must be. Associate Professor Matt Brown, the director of the UI Center for the Book, calls Martin a "treasure."

"Her artwork makes you rethink what a book is," he said. "Her folds and structures cleverly conceal and

reveal word and image in ways that make screen-based reading banal and flat."

But, beyond all the compliments and recognition, Martin just wants to explore.

"I have to nail [my thoughts] down enough to know where to begin, but there's a discovery that happens," she said. "You want to be able to make decisions and let things happen as they come along. Sometimes things change, and they need to change."

# Legislator: Stop coddling athletes

Athletes are receiving special treatment, one legislator argues.

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Rep. Wayne Ford, D-Des Moines, addressed the House recently, alleging Iowa college athletes have been "coddled rather than punished" for criminal charges.

"I have said before and I am saying again, Iowa's three state universities are wrong when they allow players to continue to participate in sports after they have been arrested," he said.

Ford used Hawkeye defensive end Adrian Clayborn — who was charged with assault on a taxi driver in January 2009 — as an example, but he said he did not intend to single out the player.

Still, he said the fact that Clayborn played this past season is an example of how athletes are receiving special treatment.

Clayborn's attorney said last week the Hawkeye will plead guilty to the assault charges.

Ford called for the Legislative Oversight Committee to invite the state Board of Regents to discuss creating an across-the-board policy for future incidents.

"I'm not saying I'm perfect, but all of us need a rule of thumb to follow these norms," Ford said.

But other local legislators said this idea is overkill — an unnecessary addition to an already adequate process.

Rep. Dave Jacoby, D-Coralville, said the Legislature should be the last resort regarding consequences for athletes. The issue has not reached the depth yet to constitute a meeting with

legislators, he contended.

"No. 1, we already have a legal system in place," he said. "And second, I believe the athletics directors and the coaches are generally pretty good about the appropriate discipline."

Representatives for the athletics department said they were unable to comment on the topic.

Though Regent Robert Downer said he respects Ford's dedication, he had no idea if the regents would meet with legislators.

Downer said he does not recall talk of implementing set policies for the three state institutions in the past. But in the fall of 2007, UI officials immediately kicked two Iowa football players off the team after they were alleged to have been involved in a reported Hillcrest sexual-assault case.

The difference between sexual assault and assault charges is one part of the problem with Ford's proposal, Jacoby said.

"I think that that is the bottom line: Where do you draw the line?" Jacoby said.

And although Downer said he is not in favor of special treatment for athletes, Jacoby admitted that it is sometimes unavoidable.

Despite criticism that Ford is being hypocritical in playing down his own past misdeeds, he said he learned from those experiences shoplifting as a young kid. Ultimately, this problem needs to be addressed on a national level, he said.

"I'm for second, third, or even fourth chances," Ford said. "But you've got to have higher standards."

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# GymHawks look to peak

The Iowa women's gymnastics team is anxious to win against an evenly matched Minnesota squad.

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The jukebox is stuck playing the same old song, and the Iowa women's gymnastics team is sick of hearing it.

This season's theme for the GymHawks: Close, but no cigar. Iowa has been above average most meets, but the effort hasn't been enough to win.

Head coach Larissa Libby said she has tried everything in her arsenal to motivate her squad to reach a superior performance level.

During a team meeting this week, she let the Hawkeyes figure it out for themselves.

"We've been concentrating on the things that I think we need to change," Libby said. "So I said, 'Let's just open it up and figure out what you think we need to change.' We really talked about trying to let the last six meets go and starting from here. This is a new day, a new season. I want to start really hard with Minnesota."

When the Hawkeyes host the Gophers at 2 p.m. Feb. 28 in the Field House, the matchup may be one of the more even meets of the season.

The two Big Ten foes are right next to each other in national rankings, with Iowa at No. 32 and Minnesota No. 33 this week. Their overall season averages are also nearly identical; the Hawkeyes average 193.155 points per meet, and the Gophers tally 193.075 per contest.

Coming off of a home loss to Iowa State last



Iowa gymnast Jessa Hansen leans over the mat in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Jan. 31, 2009. The GymHawks will host Minnesota this weekend in the Field House.

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weekend, the GymHawks desperately want to redeem themselves.

"Without being rude to Minnesota, I think we're very similar teams right now going through inconsistencies," Libby said. "I think that my team could easily be just as good as them. It will depend on who shows up mentally. That's the biggest issue that I have with our team right now is getting that dig-deep competitor."

More than midway through the season, Iowa wants to not only start winning meets but start improving its total team scores.

To qualify for the postseason, a team's top six scores — no more than three from home meets — are taken with the highest score dropped and the

remaining five averaged together.

The top 36 teams in the country advance to the postseason with no regional affiliation. Nationally, No. 1 Oklahoma averages 196.615 a meet, and No. 36 Texas Woman's University puts up 192.210.

Libby said Iowa's current outlook for the postseason is "pretty sketchy."

Sophomore all-arounder Jessa Hansen said the team has a goal of putting up a score in the 195-196 range this weekend, and everyone understands the postseason pressure is starting to mount.

"Our coaches work on the schedule so that we peak later," Hansen said. "But it's getting to be later, so we need to start peaking and bring our scores up and

start hitting as a team, like, now."

Because of the Iowa men's basketball game in Carver-Hawkeye Arena against Indiana at 5 p.m. Feb. 28, the meet will be held in the GymHawks' practice facility in the Field House. Libby said the Hawkeyes have famously done well in that environment.

The smaller venue offers a more intimate setting for the fans, which the Hawkeyes said is always a good thing.

"We're going to be in a tighter gym, and it'll be easier than being spread out in Carver," senior Jenny Donar said. "We'll feel more at home and get the crowd involved, because they're going to be right next to us in the bleachers. I feel like we can make it work to our benefit."

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL

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Freshman guard Cully Payne tallied double-figures as well with 10 points on 3-of-8 shooting.

Iowa sophomore Aaron Fuller contributed with seven points. But Fuller fouled out of the game with 7:19 remaining.

"Give Northwestern credit, they went at them," Gatens said during a postgame radio interview regarding the Wildcats defense against Fuller and Jarryd Cole. "They tried to get those guys in a little foul trouble, and they did."

Despite the deficit, which at one point reached 25 at 54-29, the Hawkeyes managed to

'They tried to get those guys in a little foul trouble, and they did.'

— Matt Gatens, sophomore

climb to within 12 points at 65-53 with a little under five minutes left in the contest.

However, the Wildcats' lead proved insurmountable for Iowa to overcome.

Iowa will play its final home game at 5 p.m. Feb. 28 against Indiana, a team tied with Iowa for ninth place in the Big Ten as of Thursday. The Hawkeyes won the previous meeting in Bloomington, Ind., on Jan. 24, 58-43.

## SPORTS

### Duke blows away Tulsa

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Nolan Smith had 18 points, Kyle Singler added 17, and No. 5 Duke pulled away on Thursday night to beat Tulsa, 70-52.

Jon Scheyer finished with 15 points for the Blue Devils (24-4). They used an early lead in the second half to break open a surprisingly tight game and extend their decade-long nonconference winning streak at Cameron Indoor Stadium to 77.

Jerome Jordan had 12 points to lead the Golden Hurricane (19-9). In losing their fourth straight, they finished with a season-low point total and were denied the first victory against a top-five team since 1996.

Leading scorer Ben Uzoh, who entered with a streak of three-straight 20-point games, finished with eight on 3-of-15 shooting.

Brian Zoubek, a 7-1 senior who has emerged lately as one of Duke's most valuable players, had 10 points and 11 rebounds. He started the game-breaking 18-3 run with a lay-up through the 7-foot Jordan's foul with 19:05 remaining.

Smith reeled off six-straight points, and Scheyer scored eight in a row before Miles Plumlee hit a hook shot to make it 52-36 with 13½ minutes left.

That had the Blue Devils well on their way to their 18th-straight win at Cameron. They have won 41 straight at home against unranked opponents, they are 16-0 there this season with all but one of those victories by double figures, and Friday makes it 10 years since a non-Atlantic Coast Conference team beat them on their home court.

Justin Hurtt added 11 points for the Golden Hurricane and tied it at 34 with a free throw with 19:20 to play, but they missed six of seven shots after that while turning it over three times during Duke's decisive spurt.

Steven Idlet had 10 points for Tulsa, which shot 26 percent from the field during the second half and finished 1-of-10 from 3-point range.

Lance Thomas had 10 rebounds for ACC-leading Duke.

### Vanderbilt escapes Georgia

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Jermaine Beal scored a career-high 28 points, and No. 16 Vanderbilt overcame a five-point deficit in the final 33 seconds of regulation and went on to a 96-94 overtime victory against Georgia on Thursday night.

A.J. Ogilvy's tap-in with 15 seconds left in regulation tied the game at 77. Georgia's Travis Leslie then missed two chances to win the game.

The Commodores (21-6, 10-3 Southeastern Conference) took a six-point lead in overtime with 28 seconds to go. Georgia (12-14, 4-9) had a chance to tie at the end, but Leslie's toss of Chris Barnes' intentionally missed free throw fell short as the buzzer sounded.

Ogilvy had 16 points and 10 rebounds for Vanderbilt, which was playing for the first time since its 58-56 home loss to No. 2 Kentucky. Ogilvy missed a runner in the lane at the buzzer that would have tied that game.

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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"I honestly didn't have any idea I was close," she said. "I mean, it's a great honor to have, but I just want to keep on winning these games."

Despite scoring seven points on two-of-seven shooting from the field, Alexander once again found other ways to dominate the game. The Minneapolis native recorded 15 rebounds and eight assists — two assists and three points shy of her third career triple-double.

Without having a dominant scoring performance, "Kach" was still at the heart of the Hawkeye attack. And with the Hawkeyes heading to Madison to face Wisconsin for their final game of the regular season on Feb. 28 — Alexander's birthday — she has just



ROB JOHNSON/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa freshman Jaime Printy attempts to block junior Jori Davis of Indiana on Thursday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. The Hawks will leave for the Big Ten Tournament in Indianapolis next week.

one birthday present in mind: a victory, which would put Iowa as the No. 3 seed in next week's Big Ten Tournament.

"I'm so excited," Alexander said. "This is what we play for. This type of oppor-

tunity right here. It's in our hands. We can take it, or we can not. And I think we will."

The looming opportunity seems astonishing considering Iowa's 1-6 start in the Big Ten.

"If you said that six weeks ago, people would have laughed at you," Bluder said. "... Before practice, we'll lay it all out for [the players]. I think we have everything to be optimistic about."

## HAMLIN

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Instead she sat on the sideline bench for every game.

Just a couple of days prior to the start of the season, Hamlin awoke one morning with severe pain in her right leg. Diagnosed with a blood clot, she spent time in the intensive-care unit before being released, unable to return to playing.

"That was one of those things that was out of our control," assistant coach Shannon Gage said. "It came down to a life or death situation for her. ... We just had to be patient and see what the doctors said. Jo's been so

great. She's been resilient about it."

When the Hawkeyes defeated Indiana on "Senior Day" in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, it was a bittersweet moment for the team — saying goodbye to a senior who never got to play a minute this season.

"It was kind of unusual with this 'Senior Day' here," head coach Lisa Bluder said. "It's really hard just to honor her going out without her playing this year, so we're really hoping she gets that extra year."

Transferring from Kansas State after her freshman year, Hamlin sat out her sophomore season with Iowa because of NCAA rules. And with her season-ending injury, she

missed all 28 games of the 2009-10 season.

While Bluder plans to apply for a medical hardship for Hamlin, the chances of the fifth-year senior being offered a sixth season are slim.

"If everything is right and fair in the world, she should get that sixth year, and we just have to hope the NCAA sees it that way," Bluder said.

Despite not suiting up, Hamlin can still offer plenty of support and leadership to her teammates.

Freshman center Morgan Johnson, who started in her place, said she's grateful for the opportunity to play, and she attributes some of her success to Hamlin, whom she described as a "big mentor."

"It feels really good to get that [win] for her," said. "I know deep down inside, I wouldn't be in the position I'm in right now if I didn't get the chance to play against her all summer, if I didn't have her on the bench. She's just been that much of a supporter for me."

During her speech after the game, Hamlin addressed her parents, the coaching staff, teammates, and fans for their continued support of her throughout the entire season as well as career. With fans shouting "one more year," Hamlin offered a coy smile and some hope.

"Let's just go for one more year," she said.

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# Men to head to Big Ten meet

The Iowa men's track and field team is looking for paper points at the Big Ten championships on Saturday.

By **MATT SCHOMMER**  
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This is the big tamale, the granddaddy of them all for the Iowa men's track and field team.

The Big Ten championships will begin this weekend in Minneapolis, and Iowa will make its way up north to battle the conference's best in the 100th-annual running of the event.

The first meeting occurred in Evanston, Ill.; oddly enough, Northwestern is the only school in the Big Ten that does not have a track and field team.

But on the centennial anniversary of the Big Ten championships, the Hawkeyes would like to erase last year's ninth-place finish.

"I expect us to do better than we did last year for sure," senior Adam Hairston said. "I think we are peaking at the right time. Every week, we have gotten better and better."

The Hawkeyes will need to continue that trend because the Big Ten boasts some heavyweights this year.

Minnesota is the defending champion, and



FILE PHOTO/THE DAILY IOWAN  
The Iowa men's track team warms up by sprinting the length of the track in the Recreation Center on April 8, 2008. The Hawkeyes will head to the Big Ten meet in Minneapolis this weekend.

"But I think sixth or seventh place for us is realistic, and if we have a great day, crack into the top five as a team."

- Scott Cappos, throwing coach

the No. 17 Golden Gophers have a shot to retain their crown on their home track.

Indiana sits atop the Big Ten and is ranked seventh, followed by 11th-ranked Penn State, and No. 20 Ohio State.

"Minnesota and Wisconsin have always kind of been at the top of the Big Ten, year in and year

out," Hairston said. "But the thing about it is the Big Ten is really kind of wide open, so it's hard to kind of say who the favorite is."

With the aforementioned squads having success this year, it will be difficult for Iowa to place near the top of the pack.

Head coach Larry Wiecek said he believes it

will take 100 points to place in the top three, and right now his squad is a "57-point team."

"I can't recall the Big Ten ever being this tough in all events," he said. "All the teams are as tough and deep as I remember, but yet I feel good about our team going into the meet. One of our goals this weekend is to become a 100-point team on paper."

Wiecek's formula seems to be proven by history.

Last year's Minnesota team won the Big Ten championships with a 135-point performance, and no other team hit the century mark. It will take a complete team effort to get all those "paper points," including a strong showing from the throwers.

Throwing coach Scott Cappos said he thinks an outstanding meet would have the Hawkeyes finishing in the top-half of the conference.

"I feel that having the home-field

advantage is worth at least 10 or 15 points," he said. "But I think sixth or seventh place for us is realistic, and if we have a great day, crack into the top five as a team."

The indoor season is almost over and Iowa, a traditionally stronger outdoor squad, hopes to build momentum at the Big Ten championships for the season outside.

That doesn't mean the Hawkeyes are looking past this event and focused on the outdoor session.

## MEN'S BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

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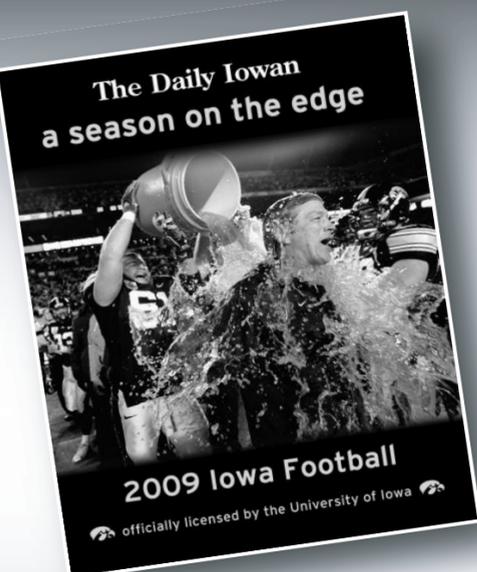
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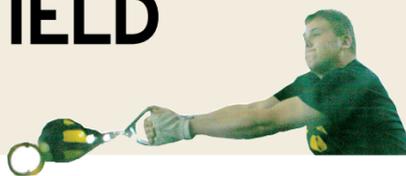
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# Hawkeyes trip up Indiana



Jarred Hippen

## BASEBALL

### Baseball heads to Florida

The Iowa baseball team will travel for a three-game road trip this weekend in St. Petersburg and Clearwater, Fla.

The Hawkeyes will face Rutgers, West Virginia, and Villanova during the Big East/Big Ten Challenge, playing in three former major league spring training venues.

Iowa sophomore pitcher Jarred Hippen is slated to start on Friday against the Scarlet Knights in Al Lang Stadium at 9 a.m. The southpaw received a no-decision in his last start, allowing four unearned runs.

At noon on Saturday, right-hander Phil Schreiber will start on the mound for the Hawkeyes against the Mountaineers at the Naimoli Complex. The sophomore threw three innings in his last start and tallied three strikeouts.

Senior Zach Robertson will toe the rubber for the Hawkeyes in their final game on Feb. 28 at noon against the Wildcats in Jack Russell Stadium. The right-hander has Iowa's only win of the season thus far, picking up the victory in relief against Illinois State.

Junior outfielder Kurtis Muller will try to continue his 14-game hitting streak, and sophomore second baseman Mike McQuillan hopes to build on his torrid start as well. McQuillan is batting .500, with two home runs and seven RBIs, and he has a 1.083 slugging percentage.

— by J.T. Bugos



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Iowa junior Kachine Alexander and freshman Gabby Machado jump for the ball during a game against Indiana on Thursday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. The Hawkeyes won, 76-64.

## The Iowa women's basketball team defeats Indiana, winning its sixth-straight home game.

By **JORDAN GARRETSON**  
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Poor long-range shooting and zero free-throw attempts in the game's first 25:30 would have spelled certain doom for the Iowa women's basketball team earlier in the season.

But the Hawkeyes (16-12, 9-8) have come a long way.

Iowa displayed its continuing maturation in a 76-64 victory over Indiana (13-15, 6-11) in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Thursday night. Knowing their NCAA Tournament bubble would likely burst with a loss, the Hawkeyes overcame 16 turnovers and

an uncharacteristic 28 percent 3-point shooting clip to win its sixth-straight home game.

The key, once again, was balance.

Junior Kachine Alexander and sophomore Kamille Wahlin only combined for 17 points, but the offensive depth Iowa head coach Lisa Bluder strives for showed up in bunches.

Freshman center Morgan Johnson tied a career-high with 18 points on 9-of-12 shooting. Sophomore Kelly Krei drained 14 points and grabbed a career-high 13 rebounds to notch her first career double-double.

Alexander couldn't compliment the progression of her younger team-

mates enough.

"I think this team has grown tremendously, from even the beginning of the Big Ten season to where we are now," she said. "I'm really proud of our freshmen."

Krei and Johnson were two of the four Hawkeyes to score in double figures, which Bluder said was "tremendous to see."

Wahlin added 10, and freshman Jaime Printy totaled 17. Printy's lay-up with 7:07 remaining in the first half made her Iowa's highest scoring freshman of all time with 428 points. Lisa Becker held the old mark of 416 points.

SEE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL, 9

# Hawkeyes honor Hamlin

The Iowa women's basketball team honors lone senior JoAnn Hamlin on 'Senior Day.'

By **EVELYN LAU**  
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This wasn't the senior year JoAnn Hamlin imagined.

Hoping to lead Iowa to another strong showing in the Big Ten and possibly a return trip to NCAA Tournament, the lone senior envisioned herself on the hardwood helping the Iowa women's

basketball team. After playing in 59 games — with 19 starts — in her time as a Hawkeye, Hamlin



Hamlin senior

planned to begin the season as the starting center.

SEE HAMLIN, 9

## BASKETBALL

### This time, Kentucky handles S. Carolina

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Patrick Patterson had 23 points, and No. 2 Kentucky avenged its only loss this season with an 82-61 victory over South Carolina on Thursday night.

The Wildcats (27-1, 12-1) need just one more victory or a Vanderbilt loss to clinch at least a share of their 44th Southeastern Conference championship. Vanderbilt beat Georgia, 96-94, in overtime Thursday, delaying the Kentucky celebration for at least another game.

Like its last meeting with Kentucky a month ago, South Carolina (14-13, 5-8) proved a pesky opponent until near the end. However, Kentucky had too much offensive firepower, and its defense gave up 26 points to the SEC's leading scorer, Devan Downey, but little else.

South Carolina never led, and every time it started to chip away, the Wildcats had an answer and usually it was from Patterson. He scored the first points of the game on a 3-pointer and didn't slow down.

Kentucky had a 15-point lead early in the second half, but twice Patterson responded when the Gamecocks cut it to six — first with a dunk, then a three-point play. South Carolina got no closer.

The veteran forward has often been overshadowed this year by star freshmen John Wall, DeMarcus Cousins and Eric Bledsoe, but this was Patterson's night to be clutch.

NORTHWESTERN 74, IOWA 57

# Wildcats bring out their claws this time

The Hawkeyes fall to 9-19 overall, 3-12 in the Big Ten, after a 74-57 loss at Northwestern.

By **BRENDAN STILES**  
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Northwestern got payback on Thursday.

Fifteen days after the Iowa men's basketball team managed a 78-65 win over the Wildcats in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, Northwestern shot lights out against the Hawkeyes en route to a 74-57 victory at Welsh-Ryan Arena in Evanston, Ill.

This loss dropped Iowa to 9-19 overall, 3-12 in Big Ten play.

But while the Hawkeyes had previously tasted success against Northwestern, they head into Thursday's contest following a lengthy lay-off. And a lot of rust emerged in the first half.

After playing back-and-forth early, the Wildcats found their shooting stroke and went on a 23-5 run to take a 29-9 lead. They kept the game out of reach the remainder of the way.

"If you have eight days, you definitely want to take a couple days off, and you want to try to freshen them up, but I think we got stale, and that's my fault. No question about that," Iowa head coach Todd Lickliter said during a postgame radio interview. "I told the guys I felt like our focus before the game wasn't where it needed to be and wasn't as good as what it should have been."

Northwestern forward

John Shurna dominated in the first half. He led all scorers with 29 points — 18 in the first 20 minutes of play. At halftime, his 18 points were only one fewer than the Hawkeyes' team total; Iowa trailed 39-19.

But Shurna alone didn't hurt the Hawkeyes. Iowa also committed 13 turnovers, nine in the first half.

Northwestern shot 28-of-48 from the field (58.3 percent). The Wildcats also had 21 assists on their 28 baskets.

Northwestern's Jeremy Nash notched 15 points, and Michael Thompson and Luka Mirkovic posted 12 apiece.

Iowa sophomore Matt



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Junior forward Jarryd Cole passes during the Hawkeyes' game against Northwestern on Feb. 7, 2009. Iowa won that game, 56-51. On Thursday, however, the Wildcats downed the Hawks, 74-57.

Gatens led Iowa on offense, scoring 12 of his 15 points during the second half. The Iowa City

native also had eight rebounds to lead the team.

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