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A party-goer sings into an "air" microphone during a Systems Unlimited dance party hosted by Studio 13 on Feb. 22. Attendees are treated to pizza, soda, and a mix of classic and dance-club hits.

A SPECIAL NIGHT

Studio 13 has hosted the weekly dance party for three years.

By **MARY HARRINGTON**
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Iowa City's "alternative" bar opens its doors weekly to a section of the community often left on the fringe: the mentally challenged.

Every Monday night, Studio 13, 13 S. Linn St., invites clients and workers from Systems Unlimited Inc., a company offering assistance to individuals with disabilities, for two hours of booze-free fun. For \$3, attendees get pizza and unlimited soda. And the bar does not profit from the service.

At least, not financially. "This is a gay club, and our whole staff likes to come here and hang out with [Systems Unlimited's clients]," said Jared Breakenridge, a bar employee. "I think they, too, know what it's like to be outsiders or not understood."

Breakenridge began working the Monday night parties as a DJ. He arrived with a supply of music different from what he would usually play: Dolly Parton, the Beach Boys, and Elvis. He looked for older classics to serve the new crowd, but he discovered that typical dance-club hits brought in the most requests.

SEE **STUDIO, 7**

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Check out video footage from the dance party, along with a Daily Iowan TV report.



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Systems Unlimited clients and workers dance and socialize at Studio 13 on Feb. 22. For \$3, attendees get pizza and unlimited soda.

Task forces' ears open

The Provost's Office continues to accept comments on reports.

By **ARIANA WITT**
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It seems the University of Iowa community is keeping relatively quiet about six budget-related task-force reports released in February.

Provost Wallace Loh said about a "handful" of comments have been submitted on the task forces' website, in addition to roughly 12 comments e-mailed to him.

The comment site has been open to the public since the reports were completed, on Feb. 15. Of the comments Loh had received, he said about one-third are in support of the task force's approach to creating a leaner university and one-third are against cutting a certain program. The other comments are more general and aren't wholly positive or negative, he said.

The task force for Graduate and Professional Education has received the most comments.

"As anticipated, most interest has been from those affiliated with the programs that were rated in the additional-evaluation-required group," UI Graduate College dean John Keller wrote in an e-mail.

To deal with budget concerns, that task force concluded that 14 graduate programs — including some languages, film, and sports studies — must reorganize or face consolidation or elimination.

These evaluations are part of the reason this particular report has attracted so much attention, Keller said.

In addition to unsolicited comments, UI officials are gathering feedback from certain faculty.



Loh
provost



Keller
UI Graduate College dean

SEE **TASK FORCE, 7**

Push for more physicians sparks new med schools

Some officials predict that an increase of med students could put a strain on residency programs.

Nationwide increase

Several medical schools are in the process of becoming accredited for the first time. The schools with applicant school status are:

- University of California-Riverside School of Medicine
- Central Michigan University School of Medicine
- Cooper Medical School of Rowan University, in New Jersey
- Touro University College of Medicine, in New Jersey
- University of South Carolina School of Medicine, Greenville

Source: Liaison Committee on Medical Education

By **KELLIE PETERSEN**
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In the highly competitive medical-school admissions, rejection becomes a common theme even for qualified applicants.

But in response to a demand for more physicians, new medical colleges are popping up nationwide to educate more students.

Some University of Iowa doctor-hopefuls said the trend could help alleviate the shortage, but

might hurt future credibility.

"It's great for students who want to get into medical school," said Dan Gratie, a UI sophomore and prospective medical school student. "But overall for the field, though, I don't think it's helping it."

A dozen new medical schools are in the initial accreditation process with the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, which authorizes American medical-education programs.

The spike comes as a response to the Association of American Medical Colleges' push for a 30 percent increase in the number of physicians by the year 2015.

For UI senior Katie Menning, who is looking into medical schools, the news isn't detrimental to her plans. The trend likely won't have an effect for graduates looking to practice in small towns, which suffer from the shortage the most.

Despite the call for more

physicians and seeing an increasing number of applications, the UI Carver College of Medicine will keep its class size the same as the past four years.

The college will admit 148 students in the fall 2010 first-year class. Officials will select from around 3,000 applications — between 600 and 700 more than in previous years.

SEE **SCHOOLS, 7**

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Check out video interviews with Studio 13 employees to learn how they feel about collaborating with Systems Unlimited each week to host dance parties for those with special needs.



Spotlight Iowa City

Enchanted by literature

UI sophomore Ash Bruxvoort has received online awards for her literary blog.

By **EMILY BUSSE**
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Ash Bruxvoort discovered a zest for reading as a curious preschooler who perched herself every morning in the kitchen, a children's book (or newspaper) at hand, reading aloud while waiting for breakfast. "My whole life, my passion was reading and writing," said Bruxvoort, a 20-year-old with wavy hair and a contagious laugh. "I've wanted to be an English major ever since I knew what a major was."

Now, the University of Iowa sophomore, who reads at least two books a week, shares her fervor for literature with the world. She's spearheading her own blog, English Major's Junk Food, which is chock-full of literary reviews, book suggestions, and commentary on life as an English major for 78 followers.

With such weekly features as "Sunday Salon," "Ash's bookshelf," and videos of her reading children's books, her blog discusses reading in all forms. Bruxvoort explained that she launched her blog "to encourage people not to get caught up and just reading the books that are assigned in classes or already deemed worthy of you to read. ... Read what you want to read, not because this is what someone says you should be reading."

Bruxvoort's nonfiction professor, Kisha Schlegel, agrees, lauding Bruxvoort for being a talented writer as well as "wickedly funny." The blog is a way to discuss literature in a less-structured forum, Schlegel said. "Blogs can also allow writers the freedom to play with language and interpretation in ways they might not do in a more formal essay," Schlegel wrote



Laura Willis/The Daily Iowan

UI sophomore Ash Bruxvoort stands in her dorm room on Feb. 25. Bruxvoort's blog, English Major's Junk Food, presents reviews on primarily literature.

Although she originally started the blog to encourage herself to read more, she said, it could be useful as part of a résumé for a future career. Her former roommate, sophomore MacKenzie Elmer, said she has always been astounded by Bruxvoort's work ethic. "She's going places," said Elmer, 20, noting Bruxvoort works two jobs and several volunteer positions.

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in an e-mail.

According to Forbes.com, independent literary blogs such as Bruxvoort's have changed how books are discussed and sold.

Throughout school, the Altoona, Iowa, native said she has moved from creative writing to journalism to nonfiction, but found English to be her passion. Her boyfriend of two years, sophomore Jason Scholbrock, an engineering major, said though he feels "pretty stupid when it comes to all these books," he's happy to tag along to literary readings with her.

Bruxvoort can boast about her global audience.

Followers hail from New York, California, Sweden, the Philippines, Wales, and as far as Japan. The sense of community among readers is an aspect she especially enjoys.

Ash Bruxvoort

- **Age:** 20
- **Hometown:** Altoona, Iowa
- **Her style:** "Preppy meets vintage"
- **Collection:** 12 pairs of boots
- **Favorite book:** *Jane Eyre*
- **Favorite movie:** *High Fidelity*
- **Favorite band:** Belle and Sebastian

Know someone we should shine a light on? E-mail us at:

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Catch up with others from our series at dailyiowan.com/spotlight.

"It makes the world feel smaller to me," Bruxvoort said.

She has received a lot of feedback from other bloggers as well. Some promote her on their own sites, and she has received around eight online awards.

But perhaps the best perk? Free books.

Publishers and authors send her unreleased books to review on her blog. Some are good, and others not so much, she said, pulling one from her backpack with a morose-looking dog on the cover.

Although she receives a small percentage of books sold on Amazon through a link on her blog, she has only garnered \$2 from the feature.

It's not really about the money anyway.

"I just want to celebrate the books that I like," Bruxvoort said.

METRO

Sex-abuse trial to begin

The trial of Jonathan Schiefer, a man charged with kidnapping, burglary and sexual abuse will begin today.

Schiefer, 34, was charged in July 2008 amid a rash of sexual assaults near the UI campus. No similar assaults were recorded after Schiefer's arrest.

Iowa City police Sgt. Denise Brotherton said no victims of the other assaults identified Schiefer as the perpetrator in their cases. Brotherton also stressed the importance of precautions against window peeping, one element of Schiefer's case.

"It's a horrible thing to have happen to the victim," Brotherton said. "As a female, it's one of the things we fear. It's a terrifying thing."

— by Sam Lane

6 establishments fail alcohol stings

Six Johnson County establishments, including three in Iowa City, failed recent compliance checks by selling alcohol to minors.

Iowa City police cited employees at Hy-Vee, 1201 N. Dodge St., Kum & Go, 25 W. Burlington St., and Pancho's, 32 S. Clinton St.

Officials will forward the violations to the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division for liquor license-related civil penalties, according to a release.

Johnson County Sheriff's Office officials issued violations at Johnny's Liquor Store and Brown Bottle in North Liberty and Chappy's Dry Dock in Shueyville.

Fines, surcharges, and court costs associated with these violations total roughly \$740, officials said.

Twenty-one Iowa City businesses

passed the compliance checks on Feb. 25, and 22 Johnson County establishments passed the next day.

Officials determined compliance in Iowa City by sending underage youths and plainclothes officers to the establishments to attempt to purchase alcohol.

— by Holly Hines

Man charged with attempted murder

Iowa City police charged an 18-year-old Solon resident with attempted murder after he allegedly left a local man with two gunshot wounds in his hands.

Dakota Lee Williams, 18, Solon, was charged Feb. 25 with attempted murder, first-degree burglary, and going armed with intent.

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office also charged Williams with five counts of burglary to a motor vehicle

and interference with official acts.

According to police reports, Williams, entered the victim's residence while holding a handgun and wearing a bandanna across his face.

Williams allegedly pointed the gun at the man, forced his way inside the apartment, and demanded money. Williams then reportedly put the gun to the victim's head and threatened to shoot him if he resisted.

During the struggle, the gun discharged and the victim was shot in both hands, according to police.

Officers tracked Williams to where they believed he left with a vehicle. The victim was reportedly transferred to University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries.

Attempted murder is a Class B felony generally punishable by a mandatory sentence of 25 years in prison.

— by Jordan Fries

POLICE BLOTTER

Teon Adams, 29, address unknown, was charged Nov. 22, 2009, with assault.

Jonathon Ash, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 26 with PAULA. Haley Berker, 19, 1300 23rd Apt. 246W, was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Angela Bochman, 23, 2110 J St., was charged Jan. 22 with delivery of a Schedule I controlled substance.

Eliiga Bryant, 22, 1712 H St., was charged April 11, 2009, with possession of marijuana.

Matthew Bryks, 21, 311 S. Dodge St., was charged Feb. 25 with selling alcohol to a minor.

Colin Callahan, 18, 240 Hillcrest, was charged Feb. 26 with PAULA, unlawful use of another's ID, interference with official acts, public intoxication, and presence in a bar after hours.

Matthew Collins, 21, Elk Grove Village, Ill., was charged Feb. 27 with public intoxication.

Mac Coyle, 20, 35 W. Burlington St. Apt. 213, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Brendan Cronin, 18, 314 N. Clinton St. Apt. 1B, was charged Feb. 26 with PAULA and unlawful use of another's ID.

Jena Diers, 19, Gilman, Iowa, was charged Sunday with unlawful use of another's ID.

Kenneth Eifrid, 21, 714 Iowa Ave., was charged Feb. 27 with keeping a disorderly house.

Ryan Fallon, 18, Wheeling, Ill., was charged Feb. 27 with unlawful use of another's ID, presence in a bar after hours, and PAULA.

Michael Frahm, 20, Bettendorf, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Jacob Handlos, 20, Windsor Heights, Iowa, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and PAULA.

Sarah Hawker, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Evan Hayes, 20, Urbana, Ill., was charged Feb. 27 with fifth-degree criminal mischief.

Jose Hernandez-Mendez, 29, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 27 with driving while barred.

Jordan Hoerner, 26, 2230 West Lake Road Apt. 204, was charged Feb. 26 with allowing a person to drive with a revoked license.

Taylor Hopp, 20, New Hampton, Iowa, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and fifth-degree criminal mischief.

Edweana Howard, 34, 2434 Aster Ave., was charged Feb. 19 with assault.

Logan Howieson, 18, 340 Palomino Court, was charged Dec. 12, 2009, with theft and driving with a revoked license.

Drew Johnson, 19, 1329 Burge, was charged Feb. 26 with PAULA.

Michael Johnson, 31, 2153 Keokuk St. Apt. 10, was charged Feb. 19 and Feb. 28 with two counts of assault.

Pawel Kozmic, 21, Champaign, Ill., was charged Feb. 27 with fifth-degree theft.

Adam Kramer, 19, 316B Mayflower, was charged Feb. 26 with PAULA.

Patrick Kramer, 22, 335 S. Clinton St. Apt. 2532, was charged Feb. 27 with public intoxication.

Colton Larsen, 20, 413 S. Johnson St. Apt. 1, was charged Feb. 26 with interference with official acts, PAULA, and public intoxication.

Casey Leonard, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 25 with driving with a suspended or canceled license.

Chad Lieberman, 19, 35 W. Burlington St. Apt. 213, was

charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Donzell Lindsey, 25, 1011 Hudson St. Apt. 3, was charged Feb. 27 with driving with a revoked license.

Kasie Lund, 20, 1917 Gryn Dr., was charged Feb. 27 with unlawful use of another's ID.

Michael Lynch, 19, 444 S. Johnson St. Apt. 9, was charged Feb. 27 with keeping a disorderly house.

Jose Maldonado, 24, Columbus Junction, Iowa, was charged April 20, 2008, and Sunday with three counts of public intoxication.

Max Matejovksy, 19, 2218 Burge was charged Feb. 26 with PAULA.

David Maurin, 20, Normal, Ill., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Ronald McBride, 27, Davenport, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Trent Midtgaard, 19, 710 Slater, was charged Feb. 26 with PAULA.

Sarah Muntz, 20, 728 E. Washington St., was charged Sunday with unlawful use of another's ID.

Kevin Murphy, 20, Oak Lawn, Ill., was charged Feb. 27 with public intoxication.

Sarah Nager, 18, Lakewood, Ill., was charged Feb. 27 with presence in a bar after hours.

Michael Nemer, 23, 307 E. College St. Apt. 1813, was charged Feb. 27 with possession of discharging fireworks.

Kevin Newton, 19, 35 W. Burlington St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Matthew Oakley, 21, 808 Dover St., was charged Feb. 27 with selling tobacco to a minor.

George Pomfret, 49, address unknown, was charged Feb. 25 with criminal trespass.

Enrique Portillo, 23, 2018 Waterfront Drive Apt. 101, was charged Feb. 25 with selling alcohol to a minor.

Nicholas Richardson, 29, 720 N. Dubuque St. Apt. 5, was charged Feb. 27 with selling tobacco to a minor.

George Rickerl, 19, 526 S. Johnson Apt. 4, was charged Feb. 26 with PAULA.

Julianna Smith, 23, 1112 N. Dodge St., was charged Feb. 25 with selling alcohol to a minor.

Edward Spiller, 20, Ames, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Robert Stegall, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 27 with PAULA.

Michael Street, 23, Reasnor, Iowa, was charged Feb. 27 with driving with a suspended or canceled license.

Daniel Swalve, 22, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Tonya Taylor, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Feb. 26 with OWI.

Peter Thomas, 55, Blingbrook, Ill., was charged Feb. 26 with OWI.

Mason True, 20, Dekalb, Ill., was charged Feb. 27 with public intoxication and assault.

Baron Vondran, 21, 132 S. Dodge St. Apt. 5, was charged Feb. 26 with sale of fireworks.

Dakota Washington, 18, 1124 Oakcrest Apt. 6, was charged Feb. 26 with driving with a suspended or canceled license and theft.

Jerlon Wilkins, 19, 2110 Davis St. Apt. A, was charged Feb. 25 with driving with a suspended or canceled license.

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A Chopin gala

Alan Huckleberry is throwing lyrical confetti in honor of a 200-year-old piano composer's legacy.

By CAROLINE BERG
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Every famous composer receives a "Happy Birthday" decoration on Alan Huckleberry's office door. However, for the bicentennial of Frédéric Chopin's birth, the UI piano assistant professor is throwing a party.

"I've been preparing for this my whole life," he said. "I set the date last May before anyone else could snag the [recital] hall."



Huckleberry
pianist

Chopin's real birth date remains in dispute. Feb. 22 is on the composer's birth certificate. However, March 1 is the birthday Chopin insisted upon. Hence, Huckleberry will honor the French-Polish pianist today with a recital of his favorite Chopin compositions at 7:30 p.m. in the Riverside Recital Hall. Admission is free.

"Chopin is quintessentially romantic," Huckleberry said. "He led quite a few interesting relationships with women during his career, which shows through in his music."

Within a year of Huckleberry learning to play piano from a Polish woman he was introduced to Chopin's music, which left a lasting impression on him. Huckleberry compared his exposure to Chopin to

learning a foreign language at a young age.

"Musicians like Chopin transcend history and time, just like I believe the Beatles do," he said. "Now, will Beyoncé or Britney Spears have the same lasting effect? I doubt it."

Huckleberry described Chopin as a soft-spoken fellow who preferred to play for a group of three in someone's parlor rather than for a full concert hall. The composer steered away from the "bombastic" compositional trends of the time and instead mastered the art of "miniature" pieces.

Huckleberry said his only aim is to make every concertgoer leave happy. He believes this exposure to the arts is as important as sitting in on a lecture of a historical figure or event.

"Many times, students just sit there texting away on their phones," he said in describing those audience members who are obligated to attend recitals for class assignments. "It's my goal to get those uninterested students who are there just because they have to be to actually become engaged in the music."

Along with his solo recital, he has organized his students to perform an all-Chopin recital to follow on March 7.

"We're all very excited," said Ana Orduz, a doctoral candidate in piano performance and pedagogy.

Orduz will play the six-minute piece "Nocturne

CONCERT
All-Chopin piano recital
Alan Huckleberry
When: 7:30 p.m. today
Where: Riverside Recital Hall
Admission: Free

in C minor, Op. 48, No. 1," which, she said, is about love as a result of 19th-century mystical ideas of the night realm.

"It's one of the more lyrical pieces rather than technical," she said. "What I found difficult [in playing it] was being able to keep and maintain a sense of drama throughout the piece without losing its lyrical sense."

In fact, critics categorize this Nocturne as one of Chopin's most commendable emotional achievements for his skillful expression of an overwhelming grief.

During today's recital, Huckleberry will also lecture about the life and times of Chopin, including accounts of the composer's personal tragedies.

He is thrilled to share Chopin's legacy not only with the Iowa City community but also in Germany this spring break, where he has been invited to perform a recital at the Polish Embassy.

Most importantly, Huckleberry wishes to say, "Happy birthday, Freddy."

MOVIE REVIEW

Remake won't drive you crazy

The Crazies remake is enjoyable but familiar.

By ERIC ANDERSEN
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During the 1973 debut of George Romero's *The Crazies*, America was in the middle of the Watergate scandal and dealing with a loss of faith in government.

The concept of the original horror flick, in which the government accidentally

unleashed a mind-altering bioweapon into a small town's water supply, was pretty cool and original. But 37 years later, the concept is exhausted.

28 Days Later, *The Host*, and even *Planet Terror*, are just a few examples of horror movies invoking similar political commentary. And while *The Crazies* is entertaining, it doesn't add much to the genre.

Still, director Breck Eisner and writers Scott Kosar and Ray Wright (with a little guidance from *Night of the Living Dead* director Romero) have created a horror remake that succeeds where many have failed — crafting a film that actually overshadows the original — which many probably never even saw because its limited release.

The Crazies takes place in Ogden Marsh, Iowa.

The Crazies
When: 5:20, 7:40, 10 p.m.
Where: Coral Ridge 10
When: 4:30, 7:10, 9:30 p.m.
Where: Sycamore 12
★★★½ out of ★★★★★



PUBLICITY PHOTO

The remake of George Romero's political horror film takes place in the spooky setting of Ogden Marsh, Iowa.

Much of the film was shot in Lenox, and there is plenty of the small-town Iowa stereotype to go around (but you have to admit, much of it is true).

Mainly this constitutes numerous shots of corn fields, a mention of the Iowa Hawkeyes, and some good ol' American baseball to entertain the audience between murders.

The story involves the outbreak of a bioweapon, code-named Trixie, in the town's water supply. The virus transforms anyone exposed to it into lunatics within 48 hours. And of course the government's way of containing the virus is to invade and quarantine the town, with a shoot-first, ask-questions-later policy. This is where the remake breaks from the original.

The director ditches Romero's attempt to give us a direct look at the

government's reaction and instead focuses solely on the local sheriff's (Timothy Olyphant) attempts to escape from the quarantined town, alongside with his pregnant wife (Radha Mitchell) and two other stragglers.

The viewer is left to piece together the governmental response, which solves some of the pacing problems from the Romero original and adds a bit of suspense, helping the movie succeeds as a whole.

Instead of dwelling on every flesh wound or stabbing, the director knows when to leave the killing to the imagination of the audience, which is commendable in the days of the "torture porn" horror genre.

While *The Crazies* is nothing to go insane over, it is worth watching, and the film sets a strong example for directors interested in diving into the bloody sea of horror remakes.

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Editorial

Iowa Legislature should move to ban texting while driving

It's really a no-brainer: Text-messaging while driving is a bad idea.

The effects are well-documented; with texters glancing at their cell phones for an average of six seconds at a time, their car is traveling the length of an entire football field — including end zones — without their attention. It's more dangerous than drunk driving, according to a 2009 study from *Car and Driver* magazine. More than 200,000 of car accidents nationwide are caused by driving while texting, according to a report from the National Safety Council.

"Texting is really the worst of the worst," Daniel McGehee, the director of the UI Public Policy Center's Human Factors and Vehicle Safety Research Program, told *The Daily Iowan* in January.

Seeking to clamp down on this dangerous behavior, state lawmakers are considering a ban text-messaging while driving. We support legislators' efforts, with a few caveats.

The Iowa House of Representatives and Senate have both passed legislation that would ban the sending of text, instant, and e-mail messages while driving. The House's version of the bill would extend the ban to include the act of reading said messages. Under both of these bills, violators would not be issued tickets until one year after the legislation was enacted; warnings would be issued during this transitional period. Once that year was over, violators would face fines of \$30, which would balloon to \$100 with court costs.

The Senate's version will most likely be rewritten to include readers as well as writers of messages, Rep. Curt Hanson, D-Fairfield, told the Editorial Board. The Senate was reluctant to add reading to the bill because of public-transit jobs that require drivers to receive messages from their dispatchers, said Hanson, a member of the House Transportation Committee. The bill could be reworked to ban reading messages without interfering with the work of these employees, he said.

The issue looks to be a political win for legislators. A UI survey released in January found that 97 percent of parents surveyed backed a ban on texting while driving. While we also support the legislation, questions remain about its efficacy if implemented.

Any measure's effectiveness is inherently limited by the ability of an officer to discern cell-phone use that's allowed and banned. Proving that violators

were sending or reading messages may prove impossible for officers. It could even border on unconstitutional if an officer attempts to search the accused driver's text-message in box or sent-message history.

Lawmakers would be wise to include language clearly codifying the parameters of police enforcement. While we support efforts to curtail this behavior, it shouldn't be an excuse to infringe on Iowans' privacy.

There are other obvious flaws. Simply put, the legislation simply cannot block all distractions on the road.

"There are thousands of distractions," Hanson said. "We're trying to look at the worst of the worst because we can't legislate them all."

Some opponents to the legislation see this issue as a never-ending struggle for personal liberties. Citizens should, after all, have the right to make their own decisions concerning whether it is safe for them to send and read messages on their own cell phones, right? And if the government is allowed to control this decision, what is next?

This argument plays to the visceral anti-government stance but disregards the danger those who text while driving pose to others on the road. Texting while driving isn't an intrinsically victimless offense.

"We have a window here to send the message that [texting while driving] is not a good idea," Hanson said.

He's right. The proposed legislation certainly has its flaws. But lawmakers would be right to pass legislation in some form that bans texting while driving. Prohibiting this immature behavior would undoubtedly persuade some to cut down on their in-transit text messaging. In addition, legislators should include language clearly laying out how far officers can go in proving a driver was texting or reading a text message.

Still, what's perhaps most important is for UI students and other citizens to self-regulate. The repercussions of texting-related collisions are simply too astounding to be met with a passive sense of negligence. Iowans should be smart enough to realize the idiocy of driving and texting.

Your turn. Should the state Legislature ban texting while driving? Weigh in on dailyiowan.com.

The ultimate hoax?

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Is climate change not so much of an inconvenient truth after all?

For years, we have been subjected to prophets bearing witness to the incontrovertible truth of climate change and global warming. Al Gore — the world's chief Jeremiah on climate change — has made a career (including a fortune, an Oscar, and a Nobel) persuading the public that the warming of the Earth's temperature, if left unabated, will surely lead to our doom.

But if the Earth's temperature is supposed to be getting warmer because of heat-trapping gases in the atmosphere, how do you explain this winter? All across the East Coast, winter was a lot more, well, wintery. There wasn't just heavy snowfalls in New York, but in Houston. This certainly doesn't seem like global warming. In fact, here in Iowa, we probably could use a little warming to get us through this stubborn remaining month or so of cold weather.

Furthermore, a series of gross errors and scandals have called into question the very science of climate change. In 2009, we learned that scientists at the British Research Center selectively withheld information that might conflict with their findings of historical warming — otherwise known as "climategate."

And most recently, we have learned that the 2007 Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report exaggerated claims that most of the Himalayan glaciers would melt away by 2035. The report was also flat-out wrong about the susceptibility of the Netherlands to rising sea levels. The document guides most of what we understand the science to be and what effective responses to climate change should be.

Climate change could be the biggest hoax ever perpetuated. Advocates of cap-and-trade could simply be pulling wool over all our eyes to feed their zealous environmentalism. Could it be?

While critics have gained new ammunition and a new target to attack in the international climate panel, the facts of climate change have consistently remained

clear. Human activity is changing the climate in unsustainable ways. The warming of the Earth's temperature — resulting in melting glaciers and rising sea levels — threatens our ability to exist as we know it.

It's convenient for climate-change skeptics to point out regional fluctuations in weather, but the reality is that this decade has been the hottest since modern records have been kept. And 2009 registered as the second warmest year we have on record. These are not the findings of scientists in European capitals, but of NASA (not to disparage Europe or scientists from Europe). Even the U.S. Defense Department recognizes that climate change exists and poses a threat to our national security.

While many people have come to understand climate change and global warming to be synonymous, there is some difference between the two. Global warming refers to a rise in temperature; climate change refers to changes in the Earth's climate. So warming temperatures will increase the rate of evaporation from the ocean, putting more moisture in the atmosphere, creating the heavy snowfall we just saw in the Northeast. And that's exactly the point: It's not only rising temperatures, but abnormal weather that can be attributed to climate change.

But what about those errors in the climate-panel report? Well, science must be rigorous and held to a high standard. But the panel is not a body that conducts primary research; it collects and presents the scientific consensus of the overwhelming majority of the science. So errors within the report don't undermine the science of climate change at all. To disprove the science of climate change, you would have to refute the body of work that has been done on the topic for several decades from scientists all over the world.

Climate-change deniers have used recent controversies to suggest that action be shelved until later or that nothing be done at all. But the truth is that we really can't wait. The longer that we do, the more inconvenient it will be economically and politically.

The current generation — those born after 1980 — is often referred to as Millennials. And most of you, being a part of this group, get it: Climate change is a fact, and we have to act now. ■

Letter

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Allow urban chickens

I find it most unfortunate that the desire of those to have two or three egg-laying hens in carefully prescribed chicken coops and outdoor areas has generated such misunderstanding and, at times, outright hostility. Cities all across the country permit urban chickens. In the last 10 years, two Big Ten university towns, Madison (2004) and Ann Arbor (2008), have passed ordinances permitting residents to

keep chickens if all zoning criteria are met. My former city of residence, San Francisco, permits chickens as well. Why not Iowa City, of all places?

The issue of wasting precious staff time is also puzzling to me. The code language on urban chickens has been developed in many municipalities and is easily accessible on the Internet. Iowa City staff would not need to spend much time inventing new code language. I'm confident — and I hope it's sooner rather than later — that in time

we'll wonder what all the fuss was about.

John Thomas
Iowa City resident

Go with single-payer system

Most everyone agrees that reducing the costs of health care and providing affordable access for all are the most critical and primary components required for health-care reform. Since the Republicans will never sign onto any health-reform bill and the

Democrats are forced to use budget reconciliation to get any bill passed, I urge the White House and Democrats to go for the gold.

Give up the ghost of bipartisan support, and submit the plan that has the best chance of reducing costs, providing universal coverage, being the simplest to implement and least expensive to manage, and is an established, tried and true method. The best plan is a single-payer system — Medicare for all.

Mary Pat Lease
Iowa City resident

Guest opinion

UI wrong in shutting down Bijou porn movie

The following is a version of the open letter sent to Tom Rocklin, University of Iowa vice president for Student Services.

Dear Mr. Rocklin:

We, as members of the Bijou Theater Board of Directors, have a few concerns we would like to bring to your attention. Last month, a series of events led to the cancellation of our planned midnight screenings of *Disco Dolls in Hot Skin*, a 1977 3-D pornographic film, or, as our advertisements put it, "an erotic camp classic." This cancellation occurred on Feb. 9, when you were informed that the Bijou would show *Disco Dolls*. Without the opportunity to respond to your concerns or defend our choice of film,

we were forced to cancel the two midnight screenings planned for Feb. 12 and 13.

Your office then issued a public statement that, we feel, needlessly inflamed a situation that had already begun to operate counter to the spirit of open and honest inquiry that is central to the university's educational mission. We were particularly disheartened by one remark from your press release: "If showing the film were essential to an educational objective, the situation would be different. The intent in this case was to provide entertainment." To what degree does deciding the merits of individual films to be played at the Bijou fall under your purview? It is our understanding that this board alone is responsible for

those decisions.

We believe that it would have been more constructive for you to bring your concerns to us in a manner that would have allowed us the opportunity to analyze your reservations and respond in a suitable fashion. We ask that you bring any future concerns to us in a timely manner for that purpose. Had you done so in this case, you would have found that we had good reasons for choosing to schedule *Disco Dolls*, as we do with all films that we exhibit. Pornographic films in the 1970s brought in people from all walks of life — from celebrities, to homemakers, to college students. *Deep Throat*, for example, played a role in the shaping of our culture during that era,

while also becoming immensely profitable. In fact, the Bijou screened *Deep Throat* to an audience of more than 5,000 during the film's initial release.

Likewise, stereoscopic filmmaking was another minor-but-fascinating aspect of mid-20th century popular cinema — one that is currently seeing a resurgence after years of dormancy. *Disco Dolls* marks a rare intersection between these two alternative practices, making it a strange and interesting cultural artifact.

The Bijou's constitution states, "The Bijou is committed to programming independent, art-house, foreign, and classic film-related events not normally available in the Iowa City area." Because of its

peculiar pedigree, we believe we followed that mission statement by selecting *Disco Dolls* for screening. Your statement makes an assertion that there is no educational merit to showing such films. We believe this flies in the face of university practices.

In addition, classes across several disciplines — including film, communications, and art — regularly show and discuss pornography as part of their coursework. It is also our opinion that the age and kitsch level of the film would have left spectators no choice but to analyze and engage with the film on a critical level and to see it for the artifact it is.

For that reason, it is the board's position that these

screenings would not have drawn some seedy, trench-coat crowd in search of titillation; rather, they would have brought in intelligent students and community members to see and discuss the strange spectacle of 1970s 3-D pornography in a safe, alcohol-free space. In the coming weeks, the Bijou will screen *Inside Deep Throat*, a documentary that explores the history of pornography and its place in American culture and the cinema canon. We would like to invite you, or a representative from your office, to join a panel discussion after the film, so that you can add your thoughts to the debate over this complex issue.

Thank you very much for your time.

METRO

Man gets 5 years' probation for having sex with 12-year-old

A North Liberty man was sentenced to five years of probation for lascivious acts with a child. Scott Christenson, now 19, admitted to having sex with a 12-year-old girl in June or July 2008, according to police records. Christenson said

he was not aware of the girl's age at the time of the incident. He also has to register with the state's Sex Offender Registry, and he will not be allowed to have contact with the girl for five years. Christenson was also placed on Intermediate Sanctions Continuum, meaning any future charges may land him in a halfway house. Christenson, who said his ADHD medications help him

behave, fidgeted as he sat in the small courtroom on Feb. 26. "If you mess up ..." the district judge said. "I go prison," Christenson interrupted.

- by Sam Lane

UI, codefendants deny suit claims

The University of Iowa, state

Board of Regents, and a UI professor have submitted their answer in a lawsuit involving a former visiting professor. Ravi Sood, who worked in the nuclear-medicine department at the UI beginning in July 2008, sued his former employers for a breach of an employment contract, according to court documents. Less than a month after Sood gained full clinical privileges,

Michael Graham, the director of nuclear medicine in the Carver College of Medicine, told Sood he was going to revoke his clinical privileges, according to court documents. Sood was without such privileges for roughly two months. In addition, Graham allegedly forced Sood to sign a document that reduced his time commitment to 55 percent time. According to the lawsuit, Sood

is alleging Graham and the UI did not follow the correct processes outlined by the UI Hospital and Clinics before they terminated his privileges. He has since been unable to obtain employment. The defense denied most elements of the three counts against it, including that Sood performed all of his contracted obligations and that it breached the contract.

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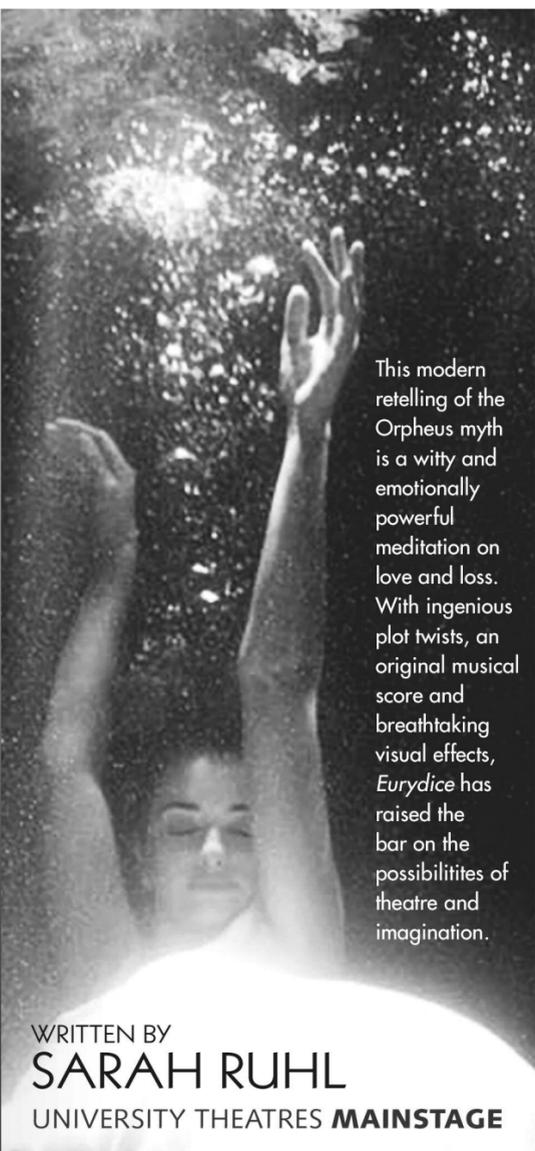
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Unsolicited advice

- When an employee manual states that one is required to dress "conservatively," it is not to be taken as an invitation to come to work wearing a Glenn Beck T-shirt.
- A good body self-image is important, so always remember that not everyone can look like Michelangelo's David or the Venus de Milo — and at least you probably have arms.
- "That's just one more way you're becoming like your mother" is rarely — if ever — going to be taken as a compliment, regardless of how it is intended.
- Commas have rules, and those rules need to be correctly employed.
- Never join a citizens' militia that holds its regular meetings in a Jo-Ann Fabrics & Crafts parking lot after hours.
- Also, never *start* a citizens' militia that holds its regular meetings in a Jo-Ann Fabrics & Crafts parking lot after hours.
- "I'll stop embezzling, if that helps" is not an effective way to avoid being downsized because of budget cutbacks.
- Whenever you can, schedule important events on Friday the 13. That way, whenever they go poorly, you'll have something to blame it on. (This goes double for weddings.)
- It's rarely a good idea to get sloppy drunk with your boss. It's also rarely uninteresting.
- Asking a comedian if he thinks your joke is funny is like asking a doctor if she thinks your lump could be cancerous.
- Never refer to your first wife/husband as your "first wife/husband" until after the divorce is finalized. And certainly never at the reception.

- Andrew R. Juhl never assesses the cost of living without first doing a standardized cost-benefit analysis.

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STRIKE



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Megan Ruplinger, 23, expresses her frustration with a near-strike during the Bowling For Kids' Sake event at Colonial Lanes on Sunday. Ruplinger's team was one of 18 during the event. She has worked as an office assistant for Big Brothers Big Sisters for nearly two years. This was her second year bowling in the event.

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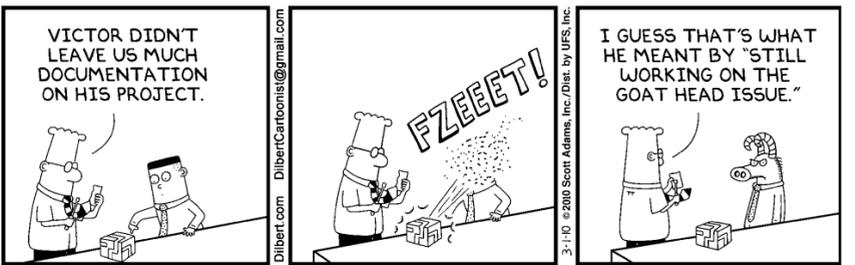
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- by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 Sit back, and watch what others do. Once you have all the facts and figures, you can make a decision. An emotional issue regarding work will remind you of a past experience. Learn from your mistakes.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 You'll have plenty of choices but not enough time to take advantage of what's being offered. You can turn a negative into a positive if you don't spread yourself too thin. A little romance late in the day will confirm that you made the right decision.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Problems when working with groups or dealing with people who want to take advantage of your talents will leave you feeling jaded. Instead, do your own thing. Someone is likely to meddle in your affairs if you share your thoughts and concerns.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 Express your feelings, and you will be able to solve a personal problem that has been bothering you for some time. A change of plans will give you an opportunity to do things differently. Make the first move.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Hold your ground, and refuse to budge if you feel you are being taken for granted. A change of plans or the way you feel about someone is evident. Act accordingly, and you can clear up a matter you have been tolerating for someone else's sake.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Too much, too soon will be the problem. Taking on responsibilities that don't belong to you or getting involved in a money matter you cannot afford must be avoided. Keep your life as simple as possible.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Keep your ideas a secret for now. Someone will meddle in your affairs if you share your thoughts. Focus on socializing with creative people and listening to what they have to say — you will be the one to benefit.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Greater discipline will come to you if you are settled in your personal life. Talk to the people who influence you the most, and you can resolve any concerns you may have. A move or change at home will lead to a better future.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 You will face opposition and people meddling in your affairs if you don't keep your thoughts to yourself. Travel and communications will lead to problems. A personal relationship will take a sudden turn.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Good fortune can be yours if you are diligent about closing deals and moving assets around. A settlement, legal matter, or pending debt can be resolved. Someone from your past can help you bring about much-needed change.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 You cannot expect matters to change unless you take action. Opposition is likely, but at least it will bring everything out in the open. Use unusual methods to clear up old problems.
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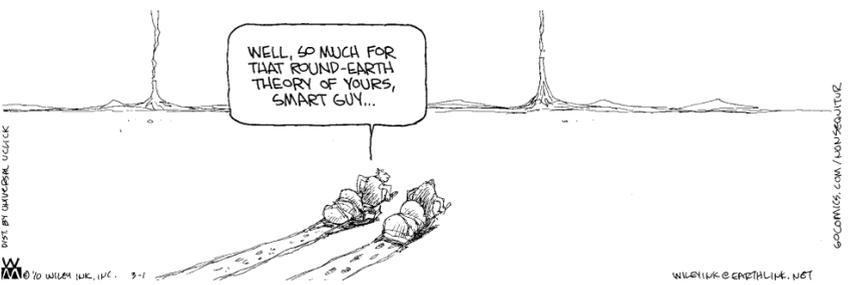
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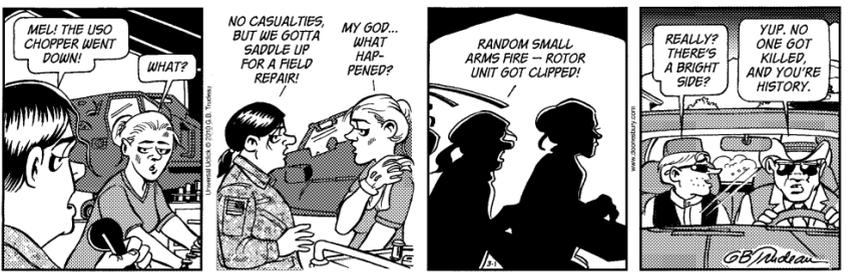
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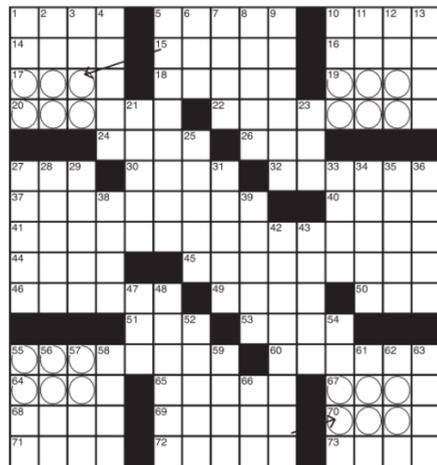
- **Sociable Seniors**, 10 a.m., North Liberty Community Library, 520 W. Cherry
- **Electronic Tax Filing**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **International Mondays Brown Bag Series**, "Life is Calling: Examining the Peace Corps after 49 Years," noon, Iowa City Public Library
- **Physical and Environmental Seminar**, "Probing Nanoscale Redox Transitions at Molecular Junctions Using Conducting Probe Atomic Force Microscopy," Lindsay Ditzler, 12:30 p.m., 104 Iowa Advanced Technology Labs
- **Three-Month Seminar**, "Evolutionary Prospective on Enzyme Catalysis: Investigation of the Nature of Hydrogen Transfer Reaction in primitive Enzymes," Atsushi Yahashiri, 3:30 p.m., C29 Pomerantz Center
- **Biostatistics Seminar**, "Estimation under Cox Proportional Hazards Model with Non-random Covariate Missing," X. Joan Hu, Simon Fraser University,

- 3:30 p.m., 1117 Medical Research & Education Facility
- **Eco Hawk Meeting**, 3:30 p.m., 2-501 Bowen
- **Ida Beam Lecture**, "If the axle breaks, what is left of their bodies? Construction Traffic in Ancient Rome," Diane Favro, University of California-Los Angeles, 6 p.m., 1505 Seamans Center
- **Uncertainty**, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **Free CPR and Alcohol Emergency Training**, 7 p.m., 339 IMU
- **Free Pool**, 7 p.m., TCB Pool Hall, 114 E. College
- **Grounds for Art, Dawn Frary**, 7 p.m., Java House, 713 Mormon Trek Blvd.
- **Alan Huckleberry**, piano, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Recital Hall
- **Open Mike**, with Jay Knight, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **"Treasure and Power: The Newfound Staffordshire Hoard and an Expanding Sense of Anglo-Saxon England,"** 8 p.m., Macbride Hall
- **Afterschool**, 9 p.m., Bijou
- **Blues Jam**, 9:30 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

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- Across**
- Placed on a wall, as a picture
 - It is ... told by an idiot. ... Macbeth
 - Went in haste
 - Butterlike spread
 - [See grid]
 - High-protein food often found in vegetarian cuisine
 - Lollapalooza
 - Make up for, as sins
 - Duos
 - The "P" in P.T.A.
 - Wrigley Field or Camden Yards
 - 24 Facts and figures
 - Envision
 - "The racer's edge"
 - Boulder's home: Abbr.
 - Tool for a trial run
 - In the poorest of taste, as a novel
 - Nozzle connector
 - Exactly what's expected
 - Sir ... Guinness
 - Device that measures gas properties
 - Ankle-related
 - Classical opera redone by Elton John
 - 180° from NNW
 - ... cit. (in the place cited)
 - "Deadly" septet
 - Geometric curve
 - Cinco de Mayo party
 - "Washingtons"
 - "Thank you, Henri"
 - Tex's sidekick
 - Luau instruments, for short
 - [See grid]
 - Having length and width only, briefly
 - Vessel in "Cast Away"
 - Creation that's almost human
 - Concorde fleet



- Down**
- Hula ...
 - Radius's neighbor
 - ...do-well
 - Like an unfortunate torero
 - Slaughterhouse
 - Onesie wearer
 - Lots
 - Singer Horne and actress Olin
 - Shoelace hole
 - Internet address opener
 - Early state in presidential campaigns
 - Get an ... effort
 - Dawn's opposite
 - Cheese-covered chip
 - Stan of Marvel Comics
 - Prince Valiant's wife
 - March 17 honoree, for short
 - Syllables in a gay refrain
 - Gadget for someone on K.P. duty
 - Milo of "Ulysses"
 - Elisabeth of "Leaving Las Vegas"
 - Legal wrongs
 - Mountain road features
 - Plow manufacturer
 - Certain NCOs
 - Easy to understand
 - Back-to-school mos.
 - Resident on the tip of the Arabian Peninsula
 - Tirana's land: Abbr.
 - Appeared on the horizon
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Iowa 9th in organic farming

Most of the organic products are soybeans and corn.

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Iowa could be getting a bad reputation for its organic growing practices, some state officials said.

Though a large portion of Iowa's organic products are sold to wholesale markets — typically out-of-state — more Iowans are growing and purchasing locally.

Iowa ranks ninth in the nation for number of organic farms but sells under 4 percent of those goods directly to retailers, according to a recent yearlong survey conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

But the majority of the state's organic products are soybean and corn, which are often sold to processors, distributors, or other wholesale markets, said Maury Wills, the organic program administrator at the Iowa Department of Agriculture.

There's still a calling for locally grown organic food as well as a strong local network in which to sell it, he noted.

Tammy Stotts, marketing specialist for the Iowa Department of Agriculture, said the demand is rising.

"The market for organic is excellent, and it continues to increase," she said.

Bob Braverman, the operator of Friendly Farms, said he insists on selling locally. In fact, Friendly Farms doesn't sell any of its products outside the Iowa City/Coralville area. Braverman said the practice is better both for the economy and the environment.

"We want to sell our food as close to the farm as we possible can," he said.

James Nisly, the owner of Organic Greens LLC, sells his mini greens and micro-greens to local outlets such as the New Pioneer Co-op, 22 S. Van Buren St. He said being local was essential for him when he began.

"It really requires a personal relationship to start selling a new product in the marketplace," he said.

And growers are not the only people feeding the trend.

Some restaurant owners are seeing a higher demand for locally grown foods, said Kim McWane Friese, general manager and co-owner of Devotay, 117 N. Linn St.

"There are enough people locally looking for this that we need more local farmers," McWane Friese said.

Even so, selling locally may not be beneficial for all farmers.

Grass Run Farm sells most of its 100 percent grass-fed beef and all-natural confinement free pork in Iowa and Minnesota — though the meat is not certified organic. Ryan Jepsen, one of the founders of Grass Run Farm, said for large organic farms it becomes difficult to sell just in the state.

"Once you get to any sort of scale, you have to export your product," he said.

For the farmers who do succeed locally, Wills said, the reason for their success is the number of resources they find in their communities — such as community-supported agriculture, which allows customers to pay money up front and get a weekly box of vegetables. "There's a strong local food network in the state," Wills said.

Shelby Elliott took advantage of that network three years ago, when she began shopping organically for health and environmental reasons.

Now, the 25-year-old preschool teacher has another concern on the forefront of her mind: buying locally.

"I've learned organic can come from everywhere but what's most important is the vicinity," she said while shopping in the New Pioneer Co-Op last week.

STUDIO

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"One of the girls requested 'Single Ladies,' and when I play stuff like that, it just makes them feel like everyone else," Breakenridge said. "They feel like they're doing stuff that everyone does on a Friday and Saturday, and it's pretty cool that they get to feel like that."

Buddy Orhd, a 40-year-old, frequents the dance parties to hear his favorite hits by Journey.

"I like the dance floor and the music," he said, swaying to "Super Freak" and sipping a soda. "And I like the people. They've all become my friends."

For three years, individuals with disabilities have marked their calendars to dance and mingle with new friends at the club.

"Everyone knows everyone's names," said bar employee Patrick West. "It's really personal, and everyone is friends."

Employees look forward to seeing favorites show up at the door: an older woman in her Elvis-bedazzled jacket and neon microphone, a man studying his dance moves in the mirror, and an upbeat couple twirling each other beneath a disco ball.

At the door, cover charges are not the only exchanges made between workers and guests. Bartenders are greeted with hugs and handshakes. People are not hurried through the line — rather,



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Partygoers watch as other Systems Unlimited clients and workers get down on the dance floor at Studio 13 on Feb. 22. The bar has hosted the weekly dance event for three years.

they are encouraged to converse. Employees grin and accept invitations to dance.

Some Systems Unlimited employees said they were initially surprised by the pairing of people at these downtown parties. But after a onetime visit, they said, they wondered why they had ever questioned it.

"Some people might not think a bar would be so open and welcoming, but this has really turned out to be such a positive environment," said UI student Lucket Kiche, who volunteers at the parties.

"The basic thing to remember is that people with intellectual disabilities and those without are a lot more alike than they are different," said Bill Reagan, the president and CEO of the Arc of Southeast Iowa, a group that specializes in the advocacy of individuals with disabilities.

And though they may

Dance party

Studio 13 throws alcohol-free dance parties for the mentally challenged every Monday night. Top music requests include:

- "Material Girl," Madonna
- "Single Ladies," Beyonce
- "Thriller," Michael Jackson
- Elvis
- Dolly Parton

Source: Jared Breakenridge

seem frequently absent from downtown dance clubs, he said, roughly 4,000 Johnson County residents live with intellectual disabilities.

"For people with or without intellectual disabilities, socialization is a very important part of life," Reagan said. "Without that, we become isolated, we become segregated, and the whole idea is that we want to knock down those barriers to independence and full inclusion."

SCHOOLS

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Christopher Cooper, the college's associate dean for student affairs and curriculum, said further increases would disrupt the current teaching style.

In 1995, the college changed its curriculum from lecture-style teaching, which could accommodate 185 students, to interactive small groups. The new setup is more intensive and engaging for students, Cooper said.

Increasing class sizes creates a bigger applicant

pool for residencies, which could create more competition nationwide, said Damien Ihrig, the medical-school registrar.

The National Residency Match Program use an algorithm to match graduates to the residency program that is the best fit. If graduates aren't matched to a resident program at first, they enter a weeklong process called "the scramble," in which they feverishly try to find residency programs, Ihrig said.

But for now, the focus for most UI students eyeing life as physicians remains on standing out in a grow-

ing pool of applicants.

"The academic standard was always there, but to go above and beyond, like a lab job and volunteering, is kind of like a prerequisite before you can even think about applying," Gratie said.

Nicholas Bedard, a first-year medical student, agreed.

"I think a lot of the difficult of getting into medical school is not that everyone is not qualified but that it is hard [for the schools] to choose," he said.

Your turn. What effect do you think will be most apparent with an increase in the number of medical schools? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

TASK FORCE

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UI geoscience Professor Mark Reagan discussed the graduate program report with Keller. Many of the faculty asked to provide mandatory feedback had opted to verbally critique the report with Keller.

Associate Provost Beth Ingram, who has worked with the Undergraduate Education Task Force, said her group has not received any comments since the release of its official report. Still, she said, she would appreciate the public's thoughts.

"If we did receive comments, we would respond to them by seeking more input and incorporating important points in the discussion leading up to the strategic plan," she wrote in an e-mail.

The Provost's Office will continue to collect public ideas for the

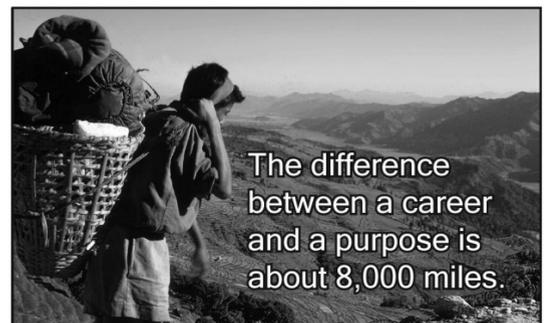
2010-2015 Strategic Plan as long as the task force website remains active, Loh said.

"The university is an 'academic democracy,' he wrote in an e-mail. "And it's essential to listen to what faculty, staff, and students ... have to say about important issues that affect the future of the university."

Loh assured people that all comments will be taken into account when deciding which task force recommendations are investigated in the final plan.

Comments may be directed to one of seven subcategories, including Undergraduate Education and Student Success or Academic Budgeting.

Loh, along with the associate provosts assigned to work with each task force, will review the comments. Some comments will also be forwarded to the appropriate task force heads.



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Thursday March 4, 2010, 3:00-5:00 p.m., University Capitol Centre 2520D Seminar Room
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Dr. Foulk and Dr. Swoboda, as the duo TubaCor, will be giving a public recital on Thursday March 25, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in UCC 1670 (Recital Hall), admission free.

Kaare Christensen
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GymHawks disappointed again

The Iowa women's gymnastics team falls to Minnesota at home, adding to numerous close defeats this season.

By **ROBBIE LEHMAN**
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Déjà vu struck for the Iowa women's gymnastics team on Sunday.

A few botched routines against No. 33 Minnesota led to a 194.625-194.200 loss for the No. 32 Hawkeyes in the Field House.

"It's hard, because you feel like no matter what we do, sometimes it just doesn't work out," sophomore Annie Szatkowski said.

Junior Rebecca Simbhudas won three events and seemed poised to take the all-around, but she had a mishap on the uneven bars that, for the second meet in a row, proved to be costly.

The Golden Gophers' Lucy Ennis earned the all-around title with a 39.100, and Simbhudas took second with a 38.900.

The GymHawks swept the top three spots in vault to open the meet. Simbhudas took the vault title, scoring a 9.850, while sophomore Szatkowski and junior Houry Gebeshian placed second and third with scores of 9.800 and 9.775.

Sophomore Jordan Eszlinger and freshman Emma Stevenson led Iowa on the uneven bars, each hitting 9.825. Simbhudas' slip-up earned her a last-place finish with a 9.325 score. Minnesota's Kristin Furukawa won

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— Annie Szatkowski, sophomore

the event with a 9.900.

This season, the balance beam has been Iowa's best event, according to national rankings. The Hawkeyes rank 26th nationally with a team average of 48.170. They came close to reaching that with a 48.100, and Simbhudas led the Hawkeyes with a 9.850.

Iowa closed on the floor exercise — the team's second-best event. The Hawkeyes average 48.595, ranking them 27th nationally. Simbhudas again won, posting a

9.875.

"We need a lot of work to do," she said. "We need to figure it out. Time is ticking, but hopefully, we'll figure it out soon enough and be able to hit 24-for-24."

Going into the meet, Gebeshian said she felt extremely sick, but head coach Larissa Libby, though apprehensive, decided to allow her to compete. However, Libby took the junior out of Iowa's final event for health reasons.

"We made a decision to

pull her from floor, even though we know that would've made the difference, so that we can all sleep knowing that she's safe and has the chance to recover and get healthy," Libby said.

Szatkowski said the team is worn down a bit mentally after many close defeats, and the gymnasts need to practice as though they are always in a meet situation in order to prevent another loss in the future.

She said one positive is that the Hawkeyes managed a higher score than in their 193.825 total they posted in their loss to Iowa State on Feb. 21.

"We can definitely build on that," Szatkowski said. "We've been trying to do that all year, just haven't quite done it yet. Now I feel like we have the momentum. We need to skyrocket to the top."

Rikki-Tikki-Tavis hold court

Mongeeese uses fan support and expert coaching to spur intramural success.

By **ETHAN SEBERT**
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What began as an infatuation with an animal is now a force to be reckoned with on the intramural courts.

"I've always liked the mongoose, and I wondered what the plural form was," junior Tom Beecher said. "So I came up with the Mongeese, and that's what I've tried to name every team I've been on since my eighth-grade fantasy football team."

Beecher, fellow junior Ben Pohl, and senior Joe Clarke formed the team last year after meeting as resident assistants in Hillcrest. Being RAs helped them meet the other members of their team, juniors Marcus Cavanagh and Calvin Clothier, and sophomore twin brothers Nick and Travis Ellerbroek.

Currently, Mongeese is 3-0 in Men's Open League play — a familiar place for the squad. Last season, the team went undefeated only

to lose its first game of the playoffs.

"We didn't show up," Travis Ellerbroek said. "This year, we're in a tougher pool, so that will help. Plus, we're more serious about it, and we know what to expect."

Other advantages the team has over last year include added fan support and some expert coaching. The Mongeese uses Facebook to help drum up followers, and so far, it's worked. The players often expect to get anywhere from 12 to 25 fans in the stands.

"It's the Mongeese fans who get all the credit for our intramural success," Beecher said. "A lot of our fans are females, so I'm trying to impress them, but I think we all kind of feed off the crowd."

A couple of fans do more than just cheer for the Mongeese. Iowa freshman basketball player Brennan Cougill and UI senior Kyle Schwarz help coach the

team and give the squad motivational support. The two take their jobs seriously and even dress up for some games.

Clarke said Cougill's involvement began when at halftime of one of their games, he came down to offer pointers to the team.

However, the Mongeese players aren't always receptive to Cougill's advice.

"Sometimes, he'll yell stuff, and some of our players will just tell him to shut up," Cavanagh said.

One thing the Mongeese and their coaches agree on is their up-tempo offense, which they liken to that of the Phoenix Suns. The Mongeese always try to get up and down the court and set a high pace with their run-and-gun offense.

"We try to drive in the lanes or kick it out and shoot 3s," Nick Ellerbroek said.

Defensively, the Mongeese usually play man-to-man, trying to pressure

their opponents.

"Our defense spurs our offense," Beecher said. "We try to get a steal and set up the fast break."

The players hope to use their high-paced offense and stingy defense to go further in this year's playoffs. They have clinched a spot in the playoffs, but they are still preparing for a big game against Ole School in their last game of pool play.

"Win or lose, that game will be a good game for us to get ready for the playoffs," Cavanagh said.

The rest of the Mongeese agreed their game against Ole School on March 7 will measure their game. They also agreed they have learned from their mistakes last year and are set to make a run in this year's postseason.

"Last year, we showed up flat," Clarke said. "This year we want to make it further. It's my senior year, and I want to play in Carver."

Killing them quickly with their feet

Teamwork helps the Murderas remain undefeated in intramural soccer.

By **KYLIE SEBERT**
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Living up to its name, the Murderas have killed every squad it has faced so far during the intramural soccer season.

Made up of eight sophomores, the squad remains undefeated entering the third round of the indoor soccer playoffs tonight.

Five players hail from Des Moines, where they played club soccer together, which forward Tane Welling said has contributed to their success.

"We are used to each other's style of play and have well understood communication, whether it is spoken or not," he said. "It also helps that we are all very talented individually."

Welling said his teammates' individual talents are showcased throughout the game, making the team strong in every area.

He said Derek Stagg, a left-footed left midfielder, gives the Murderas a different look at the goal because many defenders find it difficult to cover him.

Chris Hansen and Nathan Hentschel — who also play for the UI club soccer team — have a huge role on defense, he said, and they give challengers a major obstacle before reaching the trustworthy keeper, Brandon Van Cleave.

Van Cleave, originally from Perry, Iowa, is new to this Des Moines bunch. But Welling said he has proved to be reliable. He



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Murderas defender Nathan Hentschel takes a shot on goal during a second-round intramural game against SAE1 on Feb. 24 in the Bubble. The Murderas, consisting of eight sophomores, remains undefeated, still hanging on to the No. 1 position in intramural indoor soccer.

has only allowed one goal in four games this season.

If the defense is stable, the team's offense is exceptional. In four games, the Murderas have scored more than 20 goals and average approximately six per match.

As the eyes from behind, Van Cleave sees the teamwork flow.

"All of those guys play so well off of each other, passing the ball, playing each other's game, and ultimately scoring goals," the goalie said.

As a forward, Welling attempts to keep this sense of organization that Van Cleave sees through-

out the game by playing the middle and distributing the ball to different people.

Hansen, the captain of the Murderas, said his squad's impeccable teamwork comes from its previous playing experience. Their training also pushes it ahead of the competition.

"A lot of teams have clear weaknesses, but we don't," Hansen said. "I think this gives us a good chance at winning the championship."

Success is nothing new to the team, although, an intramural championship in indoor soccer would be.

While the young squad has dominated since stepping foot on the Bubble turf, the players didn't participate last year.

Welling said the lives of him and his teammates revolved around soccer until they came to campus. Then, they just wanted to focus on school.

Now as adjusted sophomores, they decided to pick up where they left off in high school.

"We decided to play because anytime we can, it's a lot of fun," Welling said. "Get a nice work out, a little competition, and maybe even win the championship."

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The Hawkeyes lived in the lane early, with their first 12 points coming from Cole and Fuller, their two starting post players. In the game's first eight-and-a-half minutes, the two teams combined to score 16 points on 5-of-24 shooting with seven turnovers. The reported crowd of 11,011 was so dead that Indiana head coach Tom Crean's deafening voice could be heard throughout the arena.

Crean's squad went scoreless over an eight-minute stretch as its turnovers continued to pile up.

"I thought we started the game really well," said Fuller, who also snagged eight rebounds Sunday night. "We set a tempo. I thought we just kept that going through the whole game."

An 11-2 run got the Hoosiers within four, but after five quick points from Eric May, the Hawkeyes' lead expanded to nine with 4:56 remaining in the first half.

The Hawkeyes will close out the regular season with road trips to Wisconsin and Minnesota before going to Indianapolis for the Big Ten Tournament.

"This team is disappointed,



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Iowa sophomore Aaron Fuller reaches for a rebound on Sunday during the Hawkeyes' game against Indiana in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Fuller scored 17 points in the Hawkeyes' last home game of the regular season. Iowa won, 73-57.

like I am, in the record, but I'm not disappointed in them," Lickliter said. "I've enjoyed coaching them.

They practice correctly, they work hard, and I really like the foundation that they're laying."

SWIMMING

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"We were racing them the whole time and just trying to beat them," Huff said. "It speaks volumes to the scrappiness of this team, that regardless of the situation we're in, we're going to swim our hearts out. We clearly surprised some teams that didn't see us coming, and we're really pleased with the way things turned out."

During the championships, all of Iowa's freestyle relays (200, 400, and 800) placed fourth, helping the Hawkeyes score much needed points.

"From the point-side of things, relays are important," sophomore Duncan Partridge said. "Relays kind of show who the 'big dog' teams are, and our performance shows

that we have a solid freestyle core and that we're a team definitely to be contending with in all the relay spots."

With Iowa breaking seven school records, it was only fitting it begin with the team's strength — the relay. The 800 free relay team of Huff, sophomores Paul Gordon and Duncan Partridge, and senior Brian Farris (6:27.66) bested the previous school mark by nearly two seconds.

The relay squads continued to break records with 200 medley relay team of juniors Max Dittmer and Sean Hagan, sophomore Ryan Phelan, and Gordon posting a time of 1:29.02.

The 400 medley relay team of Dittmer, Gordon, Partridge, and senior Matt Ryan earned another record with a time of 3:15.37.

Hagan then set a school record in the 200 intermediate medley (1:47.73)

followed by freshman Byron Butler in the 200 backstroke (1:45.30).

In diving, senior Michael Gilligan posted a score of 335.45 for Iowa's highest-ever platform diving score.

Gordon, who swam a personal best in the 100 free preliminaries (43.88) said the records helped the team score points to move up in the standings.

"I think we knew in the back of our minds that we were all looking at the records up on the boards, but I don't think any of us thought they were touchable until we swam the times," he said. "We knew the times we wanted to go, but when we got the school record, it was great to see. There's been a lot of great history at Iowa, and to get our names on the board is especially rewarding after a long season."

HAWKEYE SPORTS

Tracksters hit some high marks

At Penn State for the 2010 indoor Big Ten championships over the weekend, members of the Iowa women's track and field team hoped to redeem themselves after finishing last in the conference in 2009.

And they did, ending up ninth — one place better than last year.

Following the first day of competition on Feb. 27, the Hawkeyes sent six women to the finals on Sunday. Junior Bethany Praska, who competed in the 600-meter run for only the second time this season, placed first in the preliminary event with a time of 1:30 — her collegiate best and second best all-time for Iowa.

In the 60-meter hurdles, junior Karessa Farley provisionally qualified for the NCAA championships for the second week in a row with a time of 8.33. Three women — Betsy Flood, McKenzie Melander, and Lauren Hardesty — qualified for the finals in the mile.

The women moved into Sunday's finals with a third-place finish in the distance medley relay and provisionally qualified for nationals while finishing second all-time for the Iowa program.

"We want to demonstrate to ourselves more than anything that we're significantly better than a year ago," Iowa coach Layne Anderson said. "At the end of the day, we can only go with the goal to perform to the best of our abilities."

— by Michèle Danno

Softball loses 4 of 5

The Iowa softball team dropped four of its five games this past weekend at the Leadoff Classic in Columbus, Ga.

The Hawkeyes (7-7) opened the weekend with a 5-4 loss to No. 9 Alabama and an 11-1 loss to Maryland on Feb. 26, then fell to Arkansas for the second time this season, 3-2, on Feb. 27.

Iowa's lone win came against North Carolina State, 3-1, in the second game on Feb. 27. The Hawkeyes closed out the weekend with an extra-inning loss to No. 11 Georgia Tech, 9-8, on Sunday.

COMMENTARY

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Iowa sophomore Matt Gatens had one of the more solid performances of his career on Sunday, finishing with 25 points. The Hawkeyes also got 17 points from sophomore Aaron Fuller, and 13 from freshman Cully Payne.

But it wasn't just the scoring. Iowa outrebounded Indiana 30-26, with 11 of those boards coming at the offensive end.

The Hawkeyes' post presence produced as well. The game began with Fuller and junior Jarryd Cole dominating the paint, scoring Iowa's first 12 points.

And while sophomore Andrew Brommer didn't score and fouled out with more than 10 minutes remaining, he made a

huge block at the end of the first half. He also managed a couple steals.

With the win, Iowa managed to send its lone senior, Devan Bawinkel, out on a high note, too. In fact, Bawinkel had the only bench points of the game for the Hawkeyes — a free throw, which came after driving hard to the bucket.

This season has not been successful. Iowa's 10-19 record is a pretty solid indicator of that, and even head coach Todd Lickliter acknowledged afterwards how this week's slate of road games at Wisconsin and Minnesota won't be easy — nor will next week's Big Ten Tournament.

In fact, it might be hard-pressed to find anyone outside the program who thinks the Hawkeyes will win either of those road games coming up.

But heart is the one thing you can't fault with this team. Whether it's against an awful team such as Indiana or a nationally ranked foe such as Ohio State, the Hawkeyes have not quit.

This season began and has remained ugly, and I'm sure there will be more bumps along the way between now and its conclusion.

Yet unlike an Indiana squad that has now lost 10-straight contests — the last seven by double-figures — Iowa will at least show some heart and will at least be competitive in these final weeks.

And no matter what the future brings for this program, knowing there isn't any quit in these young guys now could be beneficial as they mature in the years ahead.

HAWKEYE SPORTS

Men finish 5th

After managing seven points during the first day at the Big Ten championships, the Iowa men's track and field team finished fifth in Minneapolis — an improvement over last year.

Defending conference champion

and host team Minnesota took the Big Ten crown yet again.

Solid performances from Erik Sowinski, Ray Varner, Kevin Dibbern, and Steven Willey in the 4-by-400-meter relay helped pace the Hawkeyes to a finish in the top half of the conference —

a feat Iowa throwing coach Scott Cappos had prognosticated before the meet.

The Hawkeyes will have one last chance to qualify for the NCAA meet this weekend in Fayetteville, Ark.

— by Matt Schommer

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Men's tennis sails again

The Iowa men's tennis team commanded singles play in a 7-0 victory over DePaul on Sunday.

By **SETH ROBERTS**
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Resiliency separates the good teams from the great teams.

After a sloppy start in doubles play, the No. 55 Iowa men's tennis team (6-1) stormed back in singles competition to notch a 7-0 victory over visiting DePaul (5-8) on Sunday. The victory gave the Hawkeyes their third win in a week and extended the team's winning streak to six.

Iowa won two out of three doubles matches to claim the doubles point, but head coach Steve Houghton said he wasn't happy with how his team played in the opening round.

"We came out flat in doubles," he said. "There'll be a match or two per year where that happens, but I spoke to the team in the break between doubles and singles and told them that that's not how we play tennis."

Houghton attributed his team's slow start to a lack of mental focus and, perhaps, overconfidence.

"DePaul is better than its record indicates, and it has some very capable guys," Houghton said. "It lost at Drake [on Saturday], and we had beaten Drake on Wednesday. It can be hard to see that and not get complacent. From a psychological standpoint, it's hard to not let the scores seep in."

The No. 2 pairing of Will Vasos and Tommy McGeorge defeated Vanja Grgec and Mathias Hambach, 8-6. No. 3 Reinoud Haal and Garret Dunn combined to defeat Matija Palinic and Douglas Perrin, 8-4.

However, the No. 1 team of Marc Bruche and Nikita Zotov lost to DePaul's Bartosz Jozwiak and Ben Hartman, 8-6.

Iowa rebounded after Houghton's talk, and all six Hawkeye singles players won their first sets. No. 2 Zotov



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Hawkeye tennis player Reinoud Haal serves during a doubles match against DePaul on Sunday at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex. Haal and doubles partner Garret Dunn defeated Matija Palinic and Douglas Perrin, 8-4.

finished first after his opponent, DePaul sophomore Matija Palinic, twisted his ankle and was hobbled for the remainder of the match.

Zotov took advantage to win (6-3, 6-3).

Vasos defeated Hambach in the No. 4 position (6-4, 6-4), and No. 3 Haal beat Hartman (6-1, 6-4).

No. 1 single player Bruche won the meet's deciding point, avenging his doubles loss to Jozwiak by defeating the DePaul junior (6-2, 1-6, 6-3). He screamed with emotion after scoring the final point of the match.

"I was pretty happy the match was over," he said. "I was kind of flat all day, and I was glad I could win the third set pretty quickly after dropping the second."

Sophomore Tom Mroziewicz defeated DePaul's Perrin (7-5, 6-3) in the No. 6 slot, and No. 5 McGeorge overcame Vanja Grgec in a tiebreaker set to end the meet.

Vasos' and Haal's singles victories pushed both their individual records to 6-1 on the season. Houghton said he is pleased with

the way the duo has played.

"They've been very solid," he said. "They were both good for us last year, so I think there's some confidence coming over into this season."

Sunday's meet was Iowa's first home competition in three weeks, and Houghton said it was good to be back after a string of road meets. He was also impressed with the good crowd turnout — especially because the team won't play at home again until April.

The meet was also the season debut for Mroziewicz, who took over the No. 6 slot from junior Austen Kauss.

"It was pretty cool," Mroziewicz said. "I had a little experience from last year, but there were still some nerves. It was difficult to battle my opponent and the nerves at the same time, so it was a relief to come out on top."

"I knew that if I hesitated or was doubtful, then I'd have problems. It was a pretty up-and-down match, but I kept having faith and was able to pull through."

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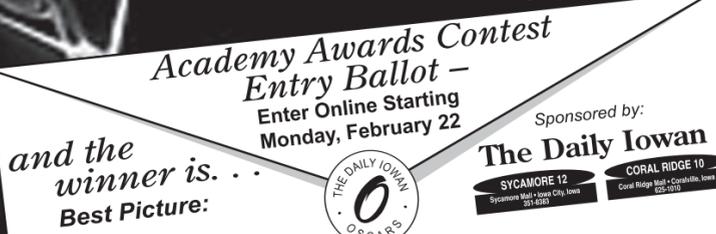
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BASKETBALL

Hawkeyes win in OT, pick up No. 3 seed

The Iowa women's basketball team (17-12, 10-8) closed out its regular season with an 86-80 overtime win on Sunday against Wisconsin (20-9, 10-8) in Madison, Wis.

With the victory, the Hawkeyes secured the No. 3 seed and a first-round bye in this week's Big Ten Tournament.

Sophomore Kamilie Wahlin scored a game-high 20 points on 8-of-16 shooting. The sophomore also went four-for-eight from 3-point range.

Junior Kachine Alexander scored 19 points and grabbed 14 rebounds to record her 14th double-double of the season.

Sunday's victory was Iowa's first overtime win of the season. The Hawkeyes had been 0-2 in overtime games.

Iowa now awaits the outcome of Thursday's Big Ten Tournament first-round matchup between sixth-seeded Penn State (16-12, 8-10) and 11th-seeded Minnesota (13-16, 6-12).

The Hawkeyes will face the winner of that game at approximately 1 p.m. on Friday. The Big Ten Network will televise all tournament matchups live until the championship game, which will be broadcast live on ESPN2 at 4:30 p.m. on March 7.

— by Jordan Garretson

TENNIS

Hawks beat No. 44 Princeton

Led by sophomore Sonja Molnar, the Iowa women's team (6-2) upset No. 44 Princeton (7-4), 4-3, in Minneapolis on Feb. 27.

Molnar's only ace of the day came in her final set, securing her victory over Princeton's Hilary Bartlett (5-7, 6-1, 6-4).

Princeton had recently posted a victory over a Vanderbilt squad ranked in the top 20.

Iowa swept the Tigers in doubles competition. Senior Kelcie Klockenga and junior Jessica Young won their match against Rachel Saiontz and Monica Chow, 9-7, and juniors Lynne Poggensee-Wei and Alexis Dorr won, 8-6.

Iowa head coach Katie Dougherty altered the lineup a bit, putting Molnar and senior Merel Beelen together in the first doubles spot.

The duo downed the Tigers' Bartlett and Taylor Marable, 8-6.

Princeton kept it close in singles play. Saiontz, Marable, and Blakely Ashley of Princeton all posted victories in their matches against Beelen, Klockenga, and Dorr.

Ashley's 6-1, 2-6, 6-3 wins ended Dorr's undefeated season in singles play.

— by Jon Frank

BIG TEN EVENTS

Both the Iowa wrestling and women's basketball teams are pursuing Big Ten titles, and *The Daily Iowan* will follow all the action this weekend.

Beginning Friday, be sure to visit dailyiowan.com for updates on the Hawkeye hoopsters and grapplers as they compete in Indianapolis and Ann Arbor, Mich.

From stories to photo slide shows to live Tweets, *The Daily Iowan* will have ample coverage.

IOWA 73, INDIANA 57



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Iowa freshman Eric May jumps over the Hoosiers' Verdell Jones III to shoot the ball on Sunday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. The Hawkeyes defeated Indiana, 73-57.

Hawks rebound, club Indiana

The Hawkeyes rebounded from last week's poor performance on Sunday.

By **SCOTT MILLER**
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Three days after getting run out of the gym by Northwestern in Evanston, Ill., Iowa (10-19, 4-12) pummeled Indiana (9-19, 3-13), 73-57, inside Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Sunday night.

With the victory, the Hawkeyes staved off losing their 20th game of the year, which would have been a school record.

Matt Gatens' career-high 25 points propelled his team to its biggest margin of victory in conference play. Sophomore Aaron Fuller added 17 in only 26 minutes, marking the fourth time in six games he scored in double-figures.

"I think it was more of a mental adjustment," junior Jarryd Cole said. "You can't dwell on losses. You can't really dwell on wins, either. ... We knew we had to get better, and that's what we did in practice."

Dominating the beginning of the second half, Gatens and Fuller scored Iowa's first 11 points. Behind the duo, the Hawkeyes stretched their lead to 15 at the 12:24 mark. Throughout the second half, Lickliter's squad continued to hold a healthy margin on the Hoosiers, despite shooting 3-of-17 from 3-point range.

Gatens' NBA-range triple with 4:47 remaining put the Hawkeyes up 20 and effectively sealed the contest.

"He was shooting it really well today in shoot around," Lickliter said. "I think he always thinks he's going to make the next

'You can't dwell on losses. You can't really dwell on wins, either. ... We knew we had to get better, and that's what we did in practice.'

— Jarryd Cole, junior

one — and he should. He's a good shooter."

Gatens, who tweaked his ankle injury late in the game, said, "I was always told, 'Shoot to get hot. Shoot to stay hot.' You've just got to keep firing until they tell you not to."

The Hoosiers quickly narrowed their nine-point halftime deficit, making two buckets in the first 56 seconds. But the Hawkeyes responded by jumping out to a 13-3 run. Indiana never got its deficit in single-digits again.

In an ugly contest that featured more fouls (55) than made baskets (40), Iowa forced 20 Indiana turnovers, leading to 23 Hawkeye points. Senior Devan Bawinkel, who played his last game in Carver-Hawkeye Arena Sunday night, scored the Hawkeyes' lone bench point.

Freshman Cully Payne netted 13 points, eight of which came from the free-throw stripe down the stretch. Cole added eight points and eight boards.

"We got contributions from everybody," Lickliter said. "It's what needs to happen."

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COMMENTARY

Iowa shows off its grit

Heart played a part in the Hawkeyes' win over Indiana on Sunday.



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Victories have been sparse during this season for the Iowa men's basketball team.

But there is one facet the team has shown plenty of this year: heart.

No, it isn't a statistical category, but Iowa's 73-57 win over Indiana Sunday

evening in Carver-Hawkeye Arena revealed major differences between the two squads.

More than a quarter of the way through the game, Iowa was up 17-4. Late in the second half, the Hawkeyes held a 60-39 lead.

Clearly, one team wanted it more.

For two teams that were and still remain nearly identical in the Big Ten standings, the separation between Iowa and Indiana is enormous.

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Swimmers/divers have best finish in 14 years

The team finishes sixth at the Big Ten championships — its best finish in 14 years.

By **PATRICK RAFFERTY**
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It's been 14 years since the Iowa men's swimming and diving team did what it just did.

The Hawkeyes sealed a sixth-place finish with 223 team points on Feb. 27 at the Big Ten championships — their highest since 1996, when they placed fifth. Ohio State placed first with 860.5 points, and Michigan was a close second.

The Hawkeyes also broke seven school records, a feat that impressed Iowa head coach Marc Long.

"I'm really proud of this team," he said. "It's something the staff and team have really worked hard to put together, to start moving up in the Big Ten. Obviously, we have larger goals in the future, but this was special."

"We had a lot of things to overcome this season, and in this meet, but we're really excited for the future."

Going into the last day of the event, Iowa was stuck in ninth place. Knowing they wanted to improve upon recent conference finishes, the Hawkeyes had to score points quickly.

With fewer than 15 points separating the sixth- through ninth-place teams heading into the final 400 free relay, Iowa finished fourth to score 30 points and secure sixth.

Freshman Jordan Huff said the Hawkeyes were there to race no matter who the opponent was, but they received an extra boost in the pool with the eventual champion Buckeye swimmers lined up next to them.

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Swimmers launch themselves backwards into the water to begin the men's 200-yard backstroke during Iowa's meet against Michigan State in the Field House on Oct. 26, 2007.