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Early retirement deadline nears

UI officials estimate \$1.6 million in annual savings.

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University of Iowa employees have until midnight Saturday to apply for the second round of the UI's Early Retirement Incentive Program.

By Thursday, 219 employees had applied for the program, and 32 had been approved, said Richard Saunders, the senior associate director of UI Human Resources. He's expecting 20 to 25 more before the deadline.

UI officials lowered the eligibility age of the program, which offers five years of medical and supplemental retirement benefits, from 57 to 55 this year in an effort to save the university more money.

Saunders said the change has not made a significant difference in the number of applicants.

"It has attracted a few more but has not made a huge difference, because most people at that age are a long way from getting retirement benefits, and the time just isn't right for them," he said.

In the first round of the program last year, officials approved 59 percent of applicants, allowing 340 employees to retire early.

At present, 2,900 employees are eligible for the program. Each department at the university has until the middle of June to approve applicants.

UI Staff Council President Amber Seaton said members of the council and UI employees are happy with the university's cost-savings plan.



Saunders
director

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RECOGNIZING MANY CULTURES

UI students, faculty, and others eat dinner in the IMU Main Lounge during the 20th-Annual Multicultural Graduation and Recognition Banquet on Thursday. Approximately 450 people attended the event, which recognized academic and leadership achievements of the diverse graduating UI student population. Iowa graduate and third-round NFL draftee Tony Moeaki received the student leadership award from Hawkeye athletics department, but he was unable to attend.

DIVERSITY OFFICER

UI picks Dodge

Georgina Dodge will also work as an adjunct professor of English.

By **SAM LANE**
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A self-described military brat, Georgina Dodge has had a string of travels that stretches from South Korea to Japan to Columbus, Ohio.

The first-generation college graduate said that unique background of experience allowed her to understand different cultures.

And after an exhaustive search, University of Iowa officials have selected Dodge, the current assistant vice provost for the Office of Minority Affairs at Ohio State University, to fill the position of the UI's first permanent chief diversity officer and associate vice president.

Pending approval from the state Board of Regents, Dodge will begin at the UI on July 1. Her starting salary will be \$200,000 plus benefits for the 12-month appointment.

In her new post, Dodge will "lead and coordinate the university's efforts in all aspects of diversity, inclusion, educational, and employment equity, affirmative action, cultural understanding and competency, and civil and human rights."



Dodge
hired

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ON DAILY IOWAN TV

Log on to dailyiowan.com to watch a video report, including clips from an interview with Georgina Dodge.

Senior's task: Follow Brokaw

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences ceremony will be held Saturday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

By **ARIANA WITT**
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Graduating University of Iowa senior Thomas Heineman had an additional responsibility on his plate during finals week: writing a commencement speech.



Heineman
speaker

The UI College of Liberal Arts and Sciences selected Heineman to deliver the student speech at the school's graduation ceremony on Saturday.

The chemistry major said he was surprised after hearing he was chosen.

"It's a daunting task to try to sum up the last four years in about five minutes," Heineman said.

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UI still negotiating on land for new music building

UI officials hope to tell the state Board of Regents in June whether they've acquired a downtown site for a new music complex.

By **GRACE SAVIDES**
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Kevin Kastens misses conducting in Hancher.

Now, the 55-year-old University of Iowa Marching Band director and professor doubts he'll have another opportunity to conduct in a concert hall on campus before he retires.

"You get spoiled conducting in Hancher and Clapp," said Kastens, who has worked at the UI for 12 years. "And now we're conducting in the IMU."

UI officials say it could be at least five years before the School of Music and Hancher have permanent homes.

SEE HANCHER, 3



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The Voxman Music Building sits in several inches of water on June 19, 2008. Sandbag efforts to line the sidewalk on the Arts Campus didn't stop the rising waters of the Iowa River. Officials still are unsure how much construction and relocations will cost.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

The Daily Iowan will go on hiatus after today for three weeks. During the break, the business office will be open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. The DI will resume publishing, with many of the usual suspects returning, on June 7.



Locals feel Nashville's pain after flooding

Fifty-two of Tennessee's 95 counties have been declared disaster areas.

By MITCHELL SCHMIDT
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Erin Powell knows firsthand the severity of Tennessee's recent flooding.

The University of Iowa medical student was in Nashville looking for a place to live earlier this month when the torrential downpours soaked the state, two years after she experienced Iowa City's record flood.

"We were kind of in the middle of the whole thing," the 26-year-old said about her trip to Tennessee.

Powell is one of two UI medical students slated to move to Nashville on July 1 to begin residency at the Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

Students at the Carver College of Medicine obtain residency positions through the National Resident Matching Program.

While Powell's future home received slight flood damage, fellow resident-to-be Shilpa Reddy's apartment was untouched by the high waters.

The children's hospital at the Vanderbilt University Medical Center — where Powell and Reddy will start their residencies — received slight flood damage and reopened those sections on May 2, said Craig



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Traffic moves Monday in Nashville on the streets that were flooded one week ago, when the Cumberland River topped its banks after two days of heavy rains.

Boerner, the national news director for the center.

"Everything at Vanderbilt is up and running," he said.

Both UI students were greeted by blue Tennessee skies when they arrived on April 31. But blue soon turned black, and record-breaking rainfall turned streets into streams overnight. Because city drainage systems became over-saturated, rising water was widespread.

"It was flooding on top of hills," Powell said.

Neither Powell nor Reddy

have family ties to the state, but UI graduate student Dawn Maddux does.

Maddux, a native of Nashville, first heard of her homestate's flood when she received a text from her mother on May 2. Soon interstates throughout the city were closing down, Maddux recalled.

"Then, I realized the whole city was in trouble," the 28-year-old said.

Of the states hit — including Kentucky, Mississippi, Alabama, and Arkansas — Tennessee suffered the most, with more than

\$1 billion in damages to Nashville alone, according to the American Red Cross website. Fifty-two of the state's 95 counties have been declared disaster areas.

Maddux, who moved to Iowa City just days before the Iowa River crested in 2008, said she could draw parallels between the two disasters.

"The Iowa flood helped me understand what Tennessee is going through," she said.

The Nashville community is pulling together to help recover from the disaster, she said.

Sam Davidson, Maddux's childhood friend and a cofounder of the Nashville-based philanthropy organization CoolPeopleCare, has been selling T-shirts since May 6, with profits going to the state's flood-relief fund. So far, more than 4,000 shirts have been sold, raising more than \$35,000, Davidson said.

Powell and Reddy also said the flooding in Tennessee was almost a case of déjà vu — having similarities to Iowa's record water levels in 2008.

But both said the flood hasn't swayed their decision to move to Nashville this summer.

"I guess it was less impressive to us," Powell said. "Because we had just been through it."

Professor emeritus replaces Young on police board

Board members say they'll miss Vershawn Young's vocal presence.

By NICOLE KARLIS
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When he was chief of surgical services at the UI Hospital and Clinics, Professor Emeritus Peter Jochimsen often dealt with complaints and disagreements.

The retired 71-year-old is ready to deal with even more as he takes a seat on the Iowa City Police Citizen Review Board this summer.

He will replace UI Associate Professor Vershawn Young, who served on the board for less than a year; he will move to take a job at the University of Kentucky.

Jochimsen has served on the city's Deer Task Force, which was commissioned to regulate the local deer

population, and the Preservation Committee.

"I felt like I owed something to the community," he said, and his past experience will be useful to the board. "I've been involved in all sorts of reviews in different areas."

Jochimsen's appointment was approved by the Iowa City City Council earlier this week.

Councilor Connie Champion said she was happy with the new member, a 37-year Iowa City resident.

"Jochimsen is not without a voice," Champion said. "He'll really complement the board well."

Joe Treloar, a member of the Police Citizen's Review Board, said he looks forward to welcoming

Jochimsen, but he will miss the vocal Young.

"I'm sorry to see Vershawn go," said Treloar, who joined the board when Young did. "My hope [for the board] is to get as many different opinions and different members of the community as possible."

Young helped mobilize a group of people in the summer of 2009 to visit the police station seeking answers following the death of John Deng. The 26-year-old homeless man was killed in a confrontation with a law-enforcement officer on July 24, and that motivated Young to apply for the board.

Young said he feels the board has been very efficient in the community,

and he isn't worried about its continuing success.

"They are so smart and committed," Young said in describing the other board members. "If I were to remain a citizen in Iowa City, I would have complete trust and faith for everyone on that board."

The board, established in 1997, is the only one in Iowa. Big cities across the country, including Las Vegas, Pittsburgh, and New York, have similar organizations.

Iowa City police Sgt. Denise Brotherton commended the group for its efforts.

"The board is a good outlet for the community," she said. The department is not involved with appointing members.

METRO

Panel to release Chemistry Building report in June

A committee charged with following up on a previous task force's investigation into health concerns at the University of Iowa Chemistry Building will release its report some time in June, according to Associate Provost Tom Rice, one of the committee's co-heads.

In November 2009, a task force from the Provost's Office found a slew of inappropriate laboratory practices occurring in the

Chemistry Building, which at least 11 occupants said caused them to become ill since 2007.

Following the report's release, many in the chemistry department contested the charges, finding issue with the fact that no members of the department served on the task force. Some talks pointed to ongoing construction in the building as a cause of the health issues.

Since the last report, the construction project has ended, and Rice said officials have received no additional health complaints. The follow-up task force does

include members of the chemistry department, notably the department's head, David Wiemer.

— by Sam Lane

Former UI provost to head ACT

ACT Inc. named a former University of Iowa provost as its new chief executive officer on Thursday.

Jon Whitmore, the president of San Jose State University, will take over the standardized-test company on Sept. 1.

Whitmore, who was UI provost from 1996 to 2003, has also

served as president of Texas Tech University.

"ACT's reputation for excellence and its mission of helping people achieve education and workplace success are needed today more than ever," Whitmore said in a statement.

Whitmore and wife Jennifer have two children who are enrolled at the UI.

A group of UI employees founded ACT in 1959. Two professors — including E.F. Lindquist, for whom the College of Education's building is named — created the first exam.

— by Brian Stewart

POLICE BLOTTER

Holly Boussetot, 23, 532 S. Dubuque St. Apt. 10B, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.
Ronald Duke, 40, address unknown, was charged Wednesday with criminal trespass.
Gustavo Diaz, 40, 2100 S. Scott Blvd. Trailer 81, was charged Wednesday with OWI.
Kassie Fisher, 18, Urbandale, Iowa, was charged Thursday with presence in a bar after hours.
Kenneth James, 23, 708 Oakcrest St. Apt. 12, was charged March 2 with domestic assault.

Jasmine Johnson, 21, 1814 Hollywood Court, was charged Wednesday with interference with official acts.
Emma Kittle, 19, S207 Hillcrest, was charged Thursday with PAULA.
Meghan Lane, 18, 1241 Slater, was charged Thursday with presence in a bar after hours.
Lana Lanoue, 57, 3202 Raven St., was charged Wednesday with fifth-degree theft.
Nicole Lumbreras, 20, 1035 Slater, was charged Wednesday

with unlawful use of another's ID.
Jordan Mullen, 20, N221 Hillcrest, was charged Wednesday with PAULA.
Jeremiah Mundorf, 31, 120 Marion St. Apt. B, was charged Thursday with third-degree theft.
Robert Renzi, 20, 308 Ridgeland Ave., was charged Wednesday with OWI.
Zabi Safi, 45, Haywood, Calif., was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.
Cleotis Windham, 58, 930 Hudson Ave., was charged March

26 with fifth-degree theft and driving while revoked.
Lucas Williams, 21, 1441 Oaklawn Ave., was charged Wednesday with OWI, possession of a controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia.
Steffan Williams, 25, Cedar Rapids, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.
Zachary Ziemer, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged March 6 with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

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DIVERSITY

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"There are a million reasons [Dodge was selected]," said UI Professor Keri Hornbuckle, who cochaired the search committee. "She has a breadth of experience in advocating for diversity."

Dodge, a cheery 49-year-old, said she's excited to begin work at the UI this summer.

"This is a tremendous offer," Dodge, who will also be an adjunct professor of English at the UI, said on Thursday. "The University of Iowa as an institution and Iowa as a state have reputations for acceptance."

Prior to breaking into academia as an English professor, Dodge served in the Navy as an electronics technician.

She earned a B.A. from the University of California-Irvine and a Ph.D. from the University of California-Los Angeles, both in English. From 2002 to

2005, Dodge was the director of Ohio State's Department of African American and African Studies Community Extension Center.

"Dr. Dodge is an outstanding person for this position," said UI spokesman Tom Moore. "The position of chief diversity officer is extremely important to the University of Iowa, and we're delighted that Dr. Dodge has agreed to serve in the post."

Dodge said that, much like in Columbus, students from Iowa may not necessarily come from the most diverse backgrounds. According to census data, the state is approximately 93.9 percent white. But, she said, providing students with the tools to understand differences brings her a "great deal of joy."

The UI has a minority enrollment rate of 10 percent, one of the lowest in the Big Ten. Ohio State University has a minority enrollment of about 14 percent.

Because Dodge said she isn't someone who "believes simply in change for change's sake," she plans to assess the UI's current diversity situation when she comes to campus. From there, she said she'll talk to faculty to understand the university's diversity priorities.

Through her visits to Iowa, she said, she's been amazed by how nice the people are. She recalled her astonishment when, on one visit, she got up from her seat to deplane, and a man removed her bag from the overhead compartment and handed it to her.

"People are very approachable," she said. "I'm not surprised to find we're very connected. There's no reason not to reach out."

Dodge also said she'll have no problem swapping Ohio State's scarlet and gray for the UI's black and gold.

"It's all Big Ten," she joked.

HANCHER

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The UI continues to negotiate with landowners for a downtown location that could house the new music complex, said Rod Lehnertz, Facilities Management's director of planning, design, and construction. The state Board of Regents gave UI officials approval in February to pursue the downtown site and build a new Hancher near its previous location.

Originally, the regents asked UI officials to negotiate for the privately owned property at the intersection of Burlington and Clinton Streets and update them in April, but complications prevented that.

While UI officials won't say what has delayed the discussions, Lehnertz said the detailed record-keeping required for reimbursements by the Federal Emergency Management Agency is one factor.

Because the UI is being partially reimbursed by FEMA, the federal agency must be kept abreast of any progress. A group of officials — including representatives from Facilities Management, the UI Office of General

Counsel, and the city of Iowa City — have worked on the land acquisition.

Progress from this point depends on whether school officials can purchase the downtown property, which would house the School of Music and place Hancher on the Arts Campus. If negotiations don't succeed, the UI will construct both facilities on the Arts Campus. Lehnertz said they expect to give the regents a plan by June.

The UI has contracted Iowa-based firm OPN Architects — which worked with the university on other projects, including the Adler Journalism Building and renovations to the Old Capitol — to serve as the local architect director for construction.

The university will also hire as many as a dozen technical consultants for the project, including Minneapolis-based Mortensen Construction.

Brian Gunning, marketing director for OPN Architects, noted the importance of building a new Hancher.

"You won't see another project like this auditorium in Iowa in terms of its complexity and potential for a long, long time," Gunning said.

FEMA spokesman Russ Edmonston said he

wasn't sure what the total cost of flood recovery, including Hancher, would be. Susan Klatt, the UI director of finance management and budget, estimated FEMA will likely cover \$477 million of the \$743 million in expected costs.

For now, UI music professors continue to make do.

William LaRue Jones, the UI director of orchestral studies, said he's eager to get back into a music building.

"I am very satisfied with the way the university has treated us," he said. "It's just the process itself is very slow and frustrating."

The lack of a building has also made recruiting freshmen somewhat difficult, he noted.

Kastens said he ends up doing a lot of work on his home computer — Voxman was insulated against noise, but the interim West Music Building is not.

But he understands recovery is lengthy.

"I really can't complain," he said. "It was a major disaster, and they've done the best they could."

GRADUATION

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He said his speech Saturday will focus on the importance of he and fellow graduates "not looking back."

"Yeah, we graduated, but so what?" he asked. "We need to think about the next step. So I see my speech as a call to students to make ourselves more relevant and prevalent in the real world."

A selection committee of six — composed of liberal-arts students and faculty — decided last week that Heineman was the one for the task.

The committee sent out invitations to its top academic students asking if they would be interested in addressing their peers at graduation, said Peter Hubbard, the director of academic programs and services for the college. Nine hopefuls applied.

"We were looking for something that makes the speech specifically a University of Iowa speech," Hubbard said. "Heineman gave us a

speech that expresses a strong support of a liberal-arts education."

During his time at the UI, Heineman said, he managed to form some bonds he knows will continue when he goes on to medical school at Cornell University, in Ithaca, N.Y.

The relationship he formed with UI chemistry Associate Professor Mark Young was his most rewarding experience as an undergraduate, and it led him to do extensive research. Heineman said making connections should be a top priority for all students.

"Thomas is the kind of student you don't come across very often," Young said.

Academically, Heineman received numerous scholarships at the UI, and he is a three-time winner of the nationally competitive Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship for science research. He said his accomplishments are a combination of long hours studying on Friday nights and good luck.

"I don't have a photographic memory or

anything," he said. "It was just about sticking with academics and not settling."

Aside from his academic and personal achievements at the UI, he said there's one thing he won't miss when he graduates: "I hated the grading curve."

Thousands of UI graduates, family members, and faculty will hear Heineman's speech in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Saturday. The ceremony starts at 9 a.m.; long-time broadcast journalist Tom Brokaw will give the keynote speech.

Theodore Lockhart, a UI senior and Heineman's roommate, said he plans to be one of the thousands.

"If you get the chance to meet him, take advantage of it," Lockhart said. "I think it'd be cool to see him up there."

And as for Heineman's nerves?

"I'm nervous about going after Tom Brokaw," he joked. "It's certainly an honor, and I'll try not to mess up too badly."

RETIREMENT

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"We are happy the program could help with the budget crisis," she said. "It seems like a win-win situation for employees wishing to retire and the rest of the staff."

Seaton said department officials are working to ensure that hiring new staff members to take retiree's places is saving money.

"I think it has been a successful program because the benefits have been enough of an incentive for people to actually accept," Seaton said.

Some members of the state Board of Regents initially expressed concern over the second phase of the plan, saying they felt the retirement packages were overly generous and noting differences in the regent universities' plans.

"I'm still concerned that we really should

have parallel retirement programs from all of our institutions," Regent Ruth Harkin, who voted against the plan, said at the board's March meeting. "I do think the University of Iowa program still is too rich in terms of retirement incentives."

Selected UI employees have until July 31 to retire early, which officials estimate will save the university roughly \$1.6 million annually.

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Editorial

For paternalistic UI program, another case of good intentions going awry

Get prepared for less freedom and more parenting, incoming University of Iowa freshmen.

UI officials are currently planning a five-year restructuring of University College, which is an amalgamation of programs meant to aid freshmen. The redesigned University College will work close with Admissions, Orientation, Residence Life, and academics. The most notable — and to us, most questionable — aspect of the revamping effort is a new housing requirement, which forces first-year students to reside in a living-learning community and take accompanying coursework.

So why the sudden haste by UI officials to control incoming students?

"This is a big university," Pat Folsom, the director of the Academic Advising Center, told *The Daily Iowan*. "When you can break it down into smaller groups of students, it helps students immediately feel they belong here."

We beg to differ with Folsom's reasoning. The UI isn't nearly as big a school as some make it seem. Next to Northwestern University, which is a private university, the UI has the smallest undergraduate enrollment in the Big Ten. Despite what Folsom said, the University College makeover is a consequence of the school's national reputation. And the UI's plan of attack is indicative of two problems encountered throughout the year: capitulation to the college ranking system and an increasingly paternalistic environment for UI students.

The UI retained 83.5 percent of its first-year students in 2009, ranking dead last among all the Big Ten schools, according to *U.S. News & World Report*. That's right — even Indiana University beat us. In light of the poor ranking, the UI is firing back by curtailing the freedom of first-year students to choose their housing and courses. School officials are shooting to bump the freshman-retention rate to 87 percent in the next five years, and they may accomplish that goal. But at what expense? Student freedom.

It's true that the university's retention statistics are alarming — especially during a period of budgetary peril, when each student lost shaves off much-needed revenue. But universities live and die by the ranking system, and the UI is no exception. Colleges will seemingly do anything it takes to boost their nationwide status, even if the

decisions negatively affect students. And constraining a student's first year may have detrimental consequences.

"The very homogeneity and extended association of the students can produce mutually reinforcing attitudes and behaviors more appropriate for high school than for college," David Jaffee, the University of North Florida assistance vice president for undergraduate studies, wrote in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* in 2004.

We don't mean to broadly criticize living-learning communities. For many, it's an advantageous way to transition to college and meet students with similar interests. Still, requiring first-year students to house in living-learning communities will give them the impression that college is nothing more than a continuation of high school, with RAs and administrators taking the place of parents. And at least a few students said the problems with living-learning communities are apparent.

"I like the idea of having living-learning communities, but I would want to keep the two separate," UI junior Sophia Lou told the *DI*.

UI freshman Judy Demoret held a similar opinion, even though she said a lot of freshmen come to college not knowing what their interests are.

"[Students] shouldn't be forced to live in a learning community and take all the same classes," Demoret told the Editorial Board.

We agree. If an incoming student wishes to join a learning community, great. But mandating that first-year students join learning communities isn't just overbearing. It's also bound to be ineffective.

Last fall, 6.3 percent of UI undergraduate students had an open major. A full 57 percent of those were first-time freshmen, according to the Registrar's Office. Requiring a large chunk of students uncommitted to a certain major commit to a learning community makes little sense.

The Editorial Board rejects the new University College initiative because its purpose serves the national ranking system rather than the good of students. Furthermore, it cheapens the college experience. Beyond education, college is meant to promote discovery and maturation among young adults. The UI should let first-year students make their own mistakes instead of coddling them.

Your turn. Do you support requiring students to join a living-learning community their first year? Weigh in on dailyiowan.com.

Considering the nomination

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President Obama announced this week, much to my chagrin, that U.S. Solicitor General Elena Kagan is his second nomination for the Supreme Court. As I stated in an earlier column, I backed federal appeals-court Judge Diane Wood for the vacancy.

Putting that aside, though, who exactly are we getting for, conceivably, the next three or four decades?

As part of what Sarah Palin likes to call "the real America," we Midwesterners might find Kagan a bit Ivory Tower. Originally from the Upper West Side of Manhattan, Kagan comes from an affluent and well-educated family. Her attendance at a high school for gifted women, as well as her success at Princeton, Oxford, and Harvard, seem to signal a personal trajectory already entrenched in the Supreme Court.

And it seems Kagan has made some calculated decisions over the course of a career that have always led in one direction (she even posed as a judge in her senior picture with a quotation from Justice Felix Frankfurter). She has been the dean of the Harvard Law School and a professor at the University of Chicago.

If she had been educated at a state school, it might put me at ease that she has an understanding of the working class. Admittedly, the Ivy League often signals the best. As University of Iowa political-science Associate Professor Timothy Hagle told me, "I'm always telling my students to attend the best law schools they can. That's not to say that an education somewhere outside of the Ivy League is less viable. It's just that the results have shown those [Ivy League] schools to have the most successful graduates." (I would like to acknowledge Hagle for providing research information for this piece.)

Another question surrounding Kagan's nomination is her sexual orientation. You might see

this as an unnecessary distraction, particularly because personal qualities such as sexual orientation, religious background, and geographic location aren't supposed to be part of the equation as an impartial judge.

But I don't buy that. Things such as race, gender, religion, etc. have to be part of how a justice makes decisions, especially when he or she has to decide whether, for example, being treated like a second-class citizen is unconstitutional.

Environment matters a great deal; just look at who Democrats and Republicans are. It's not a coincidence that certain religions/geographical locations/races vote a certain way.

That's not to say that we, and Kagan, are not incapable of separating our personal views when determining if something is against the law. But it is something that factors into decisions.

For her part, Kagan has kept many of her opinions close to the vest. On the one hand, she is a Democrat and has a history, at least in academia, of acting in a fairly progressive manner. Her lack of published opinion or a voting record has been characterized as insidious by some, particularly Salon.com's Glenn Greenwald. Some have even compared her with Harriet Miers, George Bush's failed nominee. But while Miers had no judicial experience and no published opinion/voting record, she also had little in evidence of intellect. Kagan is clearly different.

Initially, I took issue with Kagan because so little is known about her. If she is confirmed, though, she may surprise me. In particular, it is her comment that the Constitution, "as originally drafted and conceived, was defective," that really makes me take a second look.

As an atheistic, biracial female born and raised in the Midwest, I place a priority on one's ability to consider how limiting race, gender, and class circumstances can be. While I'm a big fan of gun ownership and fiscal conservatism, where civil rights and civil liberties are concerned, I take the most progressive stance possible.

I'm hoping Kagan does the same. ■

Letter

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Will alcohol-emergency training be helpful?

In response to the May 5 *Daily Iowan* story "Students trained for alcohol emergencies," even though students are prohibited from drinking alcohol at University of Iowa, students seem to be becoming increasingly alcoholic. It is no surprise that UI students go out to drink downtown during

the weekends and drink even in dormitory buildings. Students do not really consider the drinking problem seriously, even if they get caught by RAs in dormitory buildings or police officers.

The alcohol-emergency training discussed in the article will be helpful for any student at the UI. Students usually do not know how to treat their peers while drinking if peers have health problem caused by alcohol. Because

drunken people lose consciousness and do not take others' health problems seriously, they are usually confused about whether to call an ambulance or just let their peers down.

However, my concern is that even if some students are trained to meet the health problem affected by alcohol overdose, I am unsure if trained students will be capable of treating their peers quickly. Usually, trained students drink

alcohol with their peers and are drunk as well.

Trained students cannot really display their abilities based on what they have learned through training program when they are drunk. And even though this course gives us basic knowledge of how to treat our peers, it would be still best to call an emergency center as quickly as possible.

Jin Young Lee
UI student

Correction

The May 12 editorial, "After five years, Iowa Promise benchmarks see mixed results" incorrectly stated the number of

international students. The figure cited was the percentage of first-year students who are categorized as international as of fall

2009. Additionally, the 7 percent initial rating reported in the story represents the starting point of universitywide international

students; the Iowa Promise sought to increase this number to 9 percent. The *DI* regrets the error.

Guest opinion

Arizona's law and UI international students

By LAMIA ZIA

On a recent bright, colorful evening, I was walking through downtown with my husband. As we approached the corner of Dubuque Street, we passed by a man asking for pennies and change. His eyes caught us, and he asked, "Hey, do you have some coins?"

"I'm sorry; I am afraid I don't have change," my husband replied.

Looking at the color of our skin (which is not white), the beggar muttered under his breath, "You don't have anything to give, then go to Arizona. They will [expletive] you."

We stopped after hearing his derogatory words and then walked away silently, because we had nothing to reply.

Hate crimes and discrimination on the basis of skin color are not something very new in the United States. But sometimes it gets harder to digest such derogatory words when lawmakers themselves start passing discriminatory pieces of legislation, such as in Arizona. The controversial, recently signed law empowers police to check the immigration status of those they "reasonably suspect" to be in the country illegally.

At the University of Iowa,

the Office of International Student and Scholars has issued a notice to international students, recommending that students and scholars who travel to or through Arizona carry their immigration documents with them at all times.

U.S. law does not require international students and scholars to carry immigration documents while traveling inside the country, and the UI office is unsure what effect the law might have on persons who are legal non-immigrants traveling there. But something as routine as a traffic stop for speeding or running a red light could possibly

involve an immigration check. And we do not know what might happen if students or scholars do not have their immigration documents with them.

When foreign students — particularly from developing countries — decide to travel to the United States, they believe the country is heaven on Earth. They dream of a nation that is multiracial, multicultural, and one that welcomes deprived and discriminated-against people with a smiling face. At least that's what I thought the very first time I looked at the Statue of Liberty.

But when I read the news about Arizona's law,

many questions stormed my mind: Is the United States becoming a more conservative country? Are nativism, regionalism, and ethnic discrimination a part of our history or a very large part of the present? Can discriminatory laws threaten the multi-ethnic and multicultural identity of the United States?

While I was lost on all such questions, my eyes came across a group on Facebook that presented its struggle against the Arizona immigration law. While looking at the group and its increasing number of members with each passing second, I received

an answer to all of my fears about the future of the United States.

That answer is the people of the United States themselves. As long as the majority of masses are united, a few incidents or discriminatory laws will not affect the multiracial and multicultural identity of the country.

However, the recent legislation should be an eye-opener. Educators and human-rights organizations should take it as an opportunity to have an open debate before it is too late.

Lamia Zia, a freelance journalist, worked in print and broadcast journalism in Pakistan and now writes a regular guest column for *The Daily Iowan*.

Tall songs from Sweden's heart

The Tallest Man on Earth will once again travel to Iowa City for a show at the Mill.

By ERIC ANDERSEN
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Just two albums into his career and Kristian Matsson (a.k.a., the Tallest Man on Earth) is being praised as an iconic folksinger/songwriter by critics and casual listeners alike.

All of this attention could easily go to a musician's head, but that's certainly not the case for Matsson. In fact, the 27-year-old guitarist/vocalist seems most content discussing the small village "of about 30 people" in Dalarna, Sweden, where he resides when not touring. "I'm not really seen in Sweden ... I haven't played there a lot in the last couple years, so it's kind of quiet," he said. "It's kind of fun to live on the countryside ... because when I'm in the local newspaper, when I go to the store they treat me as famous person, but if I haven't been in the local paper, I can just be a normal dude."

The Tallest Man on Earth will perform at the Mill, 120 E. Burlington St., at 8 p.m. May 21 in support of his latest release, *The Wild Hunt*. Folk musician Nathaniel Rateliff, of the Wheel and Born in the Flood, will open the show. Admission is \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door.

Matsson first appeared in Iowa City last spring in a crowded show at Public Space One, 129 E. Washington St., as part of the annual Mission Creek Festival. The musician was touring in support of his debut full-length album, *Shallow*

Grave. KRUI music director Drew Ingersoll, who played guitar with opener Caleb Engstrom, was blown away by Matsson's musicianship.

"I like how basic, yet complex [the music] is," Ingersoll said. "Really, it's just a man and a guitar, but there's something so unique about both his guitar playing and his voice, which are commanding."

While Matsson, whose first language is Swedish, is fairly short (and soft-spoken) in person, onstage he transforms into a completely different being. He will move around the stage with his acoustic guitar in hand and gaze into audience members' eyes, sometimes to the point of it being uncomfortable.

"If [people] haven't been to a show, they shouldn't be scared if it ... I guess I walk around a lot onstage, and I kind of look at people a lot, and I don't mean to come out like an asshole ... it's kind of how I have to do it onstage because there's a lot of adrenaline and stuff," he said. "I hope I [come across] as a nice guy and not [as] crazy. I'm learning in the last couple of months that I can actually take it easy sometimes and sit down and play a soft song."

All of this movement onstage may be a result of the way Matsson sees the music he writes, which he views as something that is almost alive and always changing. He rarely talks about the direct meaning of

his lyrics, although he admits that they are often very personal.

"You do a lot of psychology on yourself when you're on tour and in the van all day already, so we maybe shouldn't get into that because it will be a long, long, interview," Matsson said, joking.

When he is not writing music or touring, he enjoys going home to the village he recently moved to in Sweden to relax and spend some time cooking, playing soccer or tending to his pony, named Golden Sky. He has a tattoo of the pony on his arm, and he said he misses it while away.

"I really like it [in the United States] a lot, but I like to go home, also," he said. "I consider myself lucky to get to see the whole country and meet a lot of great people."



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The Wild Hunt

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Summer of love

Iowa City summer lovin' — havin' some fun.

By ERIC SUNDERMANN
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Ugh. I hate everyone.

I hate you, man who wears his hat sideways with his sleeves rolled up and collar popped, stumbling from Brothers to Vito's on a Saturday night. I hate you, girl who is too drunk to speak clearly, slurring her words together so she sounds like a high-pitched caveman, rather than speaking English. And I definitely hate you, group of freshmen in front of me at Pancho's, unable to choose between pork and chicken in their burritos and letting everyone else in the world know how difficult that decision is.

That's why, come Monday, when the dorms close and everyone leaves, I rejoice. There ain't nothin' like summer in Iowa City. The crowds are gone. The irresponsibility leaves. It turns into a magical place.

And I'm not alone in my love.

Lee Burress, the vice chairman of the Friday Night Concert Series, believes that especially in the summer, Iowa City residents really take hold of all the advantages of the town.

"I just love that [summer] embraces

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media filtered through us brought to you

everything that is Iowa City," he said. "Everyone can go downtown to have a good time, and it really lets the community members shine."

And he's right. As I walk through the Pedestrian Mall on a typical summer Friday evening, amid the many Iowa Citians who sit outside of cafes and restaurants to chat about literature and art, I hear music from the corner by the Public Library. A group plays classic rock covers as families of all ages sit and watch, eating vendor food as the children play in the fountain.

The next morning, I rise and grab a cup of coffee from one of the many shops downtown. I head to the Farmers' Market, picking up my assortment of fresh fruit and vegetables for the week and stop to listen to some more music. Birds are chirping, people are laughing, and life is good.

That's how summer in this town works.

Look, I know what you're thinking. I'm just a bitter old man who can't remember what he was like as a freshman or sophomore. I can't remember that I went to Brothers every Thursday for mug club. I can't remember stumbling home, talking excessively loud with my excessive hand gestures. I can't remember being an idiot.

But that's where you're wrong. I do, in fact, remember these things. And I hate myself for it. Which may be why I love this town so much when the summer comes — because those memories of my youth's idiocy leave with everyone.

So maybe it's the lack of people. Or maybe the lack of class. Or maybe it's just the fact that sunshine usually makes everything in life better. But, whatever it is, I'll be happy for the next few months.

Thank you, Iowa City summer. I hope you don't go by too fast.

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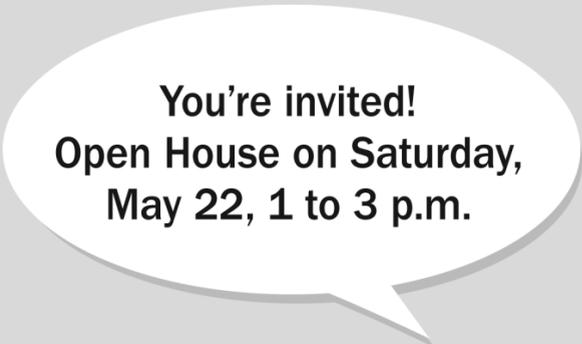
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Staying power

- Urban VII was Pope for 13 days.
- Napoleon II was Emperor of the French for 16 days.
 - Cosmonaut Valeri Polyakov spent a staggering 437.7 consecutive days orbiting Earth aboard Mir.
 - Michelangelo spent just over 4 consecutive years painting the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel.
- Andrew R. Juhl published his first Ledge column over 4 years ago.
 - Franklin Delano Roosevelt served as President of the United States of America for 12 years, 38 days.
 - Harry Potter first hit store shelves 13 years ago, this June 30th.
 - Sir Ian Fleming supported himself as an author by writing all 14 original James Bond novels in as many years.
 - Cal Ripken, Jr. played 2,632 games over the course of 16 years in Major League Baseball.
 - Sir Robert Walpole served as Prime Minister of the United Kingdom for 20 years, 314 days.
 - The Energizer Bunny has been wearing those shades and banging that drum for 21 years.
 - Muhammad Ali's professional boxing career lasted 21 years, 42 days.
 - Ed Sullivan hosted his eponymous variety show for more than 1,060 episodes over 24 seasons.
 - Christine Werling-Witkoske has been employed at the University of Iowa for 25 years this week, and could give any one of these men a run for their money.

- Andrew R. Juhl and Mycah K. hope Chris knows how very, very much we appreciate her every single day.

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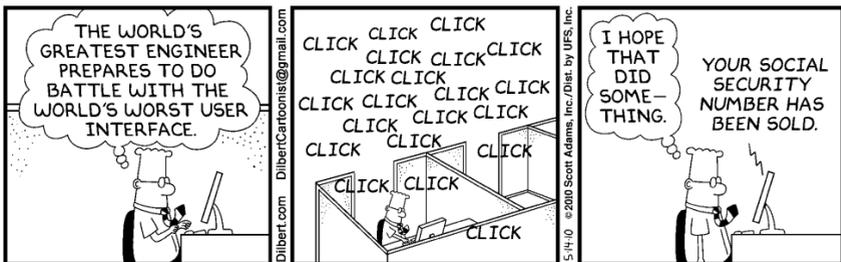
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- by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 Trust your judgment. Take the initiative to try things that will motivate you to experiment and do more. Accomplishment should be your intent, and finishing what you have left undone should be your goal.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Don't let your emotions play havoc with the decisions you need to make. You can have it all if you just forge ahead and put your know-how to good use. Don't let someone else's uncertainty bring you down.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Misrepresentation can be expected if someone has the impression you have something to offer that you don't. Be very clear about what you can do. It's best to undersell your talents right now and surprise everyone with the outcome.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 Don't hold back. Lay your cards on the table, and speak from the heart. The reactions you get will be better than you anticipate. An added responsibility at home will be favorable and will bring you greater security in the future.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 A disagreement over money will come between you and someone you are trying to make a deal with. This is not the time to be greedy but also not the time to give away too much. You will have to strike a balance, and make sure whatever you offer is fair.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Relax, and enjoy friends and activities you find inviting. Socializing will allow you to share ideas and expand plans you have for the future. Treat a lover relationship carefully, or you may face complaints.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Take in a stage production or go to the movies with a friend. You need to stimulate your mind, body, and soul by being a participant. Today should be all about you and what you want to accomplish. Plan a special evening conducive to love and romance.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Forward thinking will be required. Be progressive, and put your imagination and original ideas into play. Avoid anyone who is negative. Stick to the people who offer enlightening suggestions and positive input.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 A relationship problem must be dealt with logically if you don't want it to turn into a costly matter. A skill you learn will come naturally and be satisfying. It's time for new beginnings - personally and professionally.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Don't take chances when it comes to finances or love. Update your personal papers to ensure that you will get the highest return. What you do now will help you build a financially stable future for yourself and your family.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Don't wait to do things when you should be getting the small, detailed jobs out of the way now. Don't let the stress of owing others get you down. Pay back whatever you owe.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 There is no time to rest. Plan your actions and execute what needs to be done with precision. Putting your ideas to the test is the best way to gain support and promote your objective.

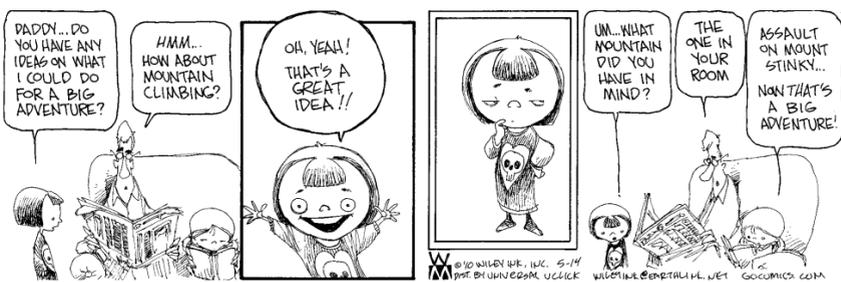
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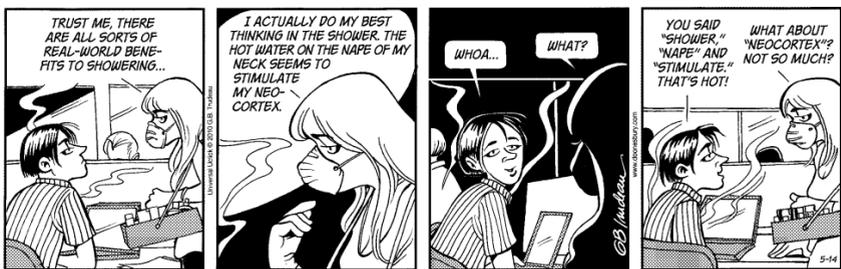
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- **2010 M.F.A. Graduation Exhibition**, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Market-Dubuque Exhibition Space
- **English Conversation Group**, 10 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn Street
- **Book Babies**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Tippie School of Management Commencement**, 10 a.m., Marriott, 300 East Ninth St., Coralville
- **Epidemiology Seminar**, "Formaldehyde Exposure and Leukemia," Laura Beane-Freeman and Leukemia," Laura Beane-Freeman, 11:30 a.m., E331 UIHC General Hospital
- **College of Law Commencement**, 1 p.m., IMU Main Lounge
- **Distinguished Alumni Presentation**, "Career Experiences and Emerging Opportunities," Frank Lisella, 2 p.m., 125 Institute for Rural and Environmental Health
- **Nate Jenkins Band**, 2 p.m., Java House, 211½ E. Washington
- **Knitting Nurse**, 3 p.m., Home Ec. Workshop, 207 N. Linn
- **After School Activities**, 3:15 p.m., Mercer Aquatic Center
- **Friends of Hickory Hills Park Plant Sale**, 4 p.m., Joan Jehle residence, 1167 E. Jefferson
- **John Manning**, tuba, 4 p.m., University Capitol Centre Recital Hall
- **College of Public Health Graduation Reception and Honors Ceremony**, 5:30 p.m.,

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- Kinnick Stadium Brechler Press Box
- **Reception for 2010 M.F.A. Graduation Exhibition**, 6 p.m., Market-Dubuque Exhibition Space
- **Carver College of Medicine Commencement**, 6:30 p.m., Marriott
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Robert Hass, poetry, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Ballroom Dance**, 7:30 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **Bells Beer Tasting**, 7:30 p.m., Hideaway, 310 E. Prentiss
- **Everybody Loves Opal**, 7:30 p.m., Old Creamery Theatre, 622 46th Ave., Amana
- **Open Mike**, 7:30 p.m., Uptown Bill's Small Mall, 401 S. Gilbert
- **Postcards from the Postapocalypse**, Red Door Ensemble, 7:30 p.m., Public Space One, 129 E. Washington
- **The Baltimore Waltz**, City Circle Acting Company, 7:30 p.m., Iowa Children's Museum, Coral Ridge Mall
- **Dueling Pianos**, 8:30 p.m., Piano Lounge, 217 Iowa Avenue
- **Deanna Devore**, with Nate Jenkins Band and Wrestling with Wolves, 9 p.m., Blue Moose Tap House, 211 Iowa
- **The Glitch**, with Mary Mo and Her Sweet Notes, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- **The Sound Thoughts**, 9 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Big D's Karaoke Jamz**, 10 p.m., Saloon, 112 E. College

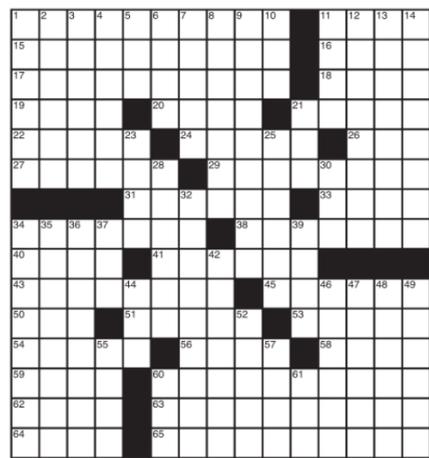
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 - It flows through Knottingley
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 - Writer who created Shrek
 - Court figure
 - Word with pain or treatment
 - Support at the top?
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 - World leader whose full name included Abdel twice
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 - Floating brown algae
 - 1970s kidnapping grp.
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 - 30 Grayish brown
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- Puzzle by Ned White
- River past Solothurn
 - They're often needed to go clubbing
 - 100 centimes
 - Where semis aren't typically seen
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Public radio sees little funds effect

Iowa Public Radio awaits an announcement of support from the University of Iowa.

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Iowa Public Radio is just one of several public-radio networks expecting a dip in financial support from state universities, but officials said they're optimistic about other funding sources.

The University of Iowa's 2011 budget plan, which was unveiled at last month's state Board of Regents meeting, calls for an \$85,000 reduction in support for IPR — approximately 1.2 percent of the network's total budget.

Regent Robert Downer said the regents will vote on the UI's 2011 budget on July 1 and that he expects changes in funding for IPR — which the regents established in late 2004 to consolidate the public-radio stations at the three universities — will be included.

Iowa isn't alone. Both the University of Kansas and the University of Nebraska are considering a slight reduction in funding for their states' public-broadcasting networks.

While the regents' funding for IPR makes up approximately 27.7 percent of its budget, NET Radio in Nebraska receives 7.5 percent from the University of Nebraska and contributions from the University of Kansas make up 23 percent of Kansas Public Radio's budget.

Jeff Beckman, the president of foundations at NET Radio, said in a typical budget cycle, the network anticipates a slight increase in funding over the

previous year.

But budget issues are forcing universities nationwide to curb spending, and networks are seeing a reduction in university funding.

"We are anticipating a slight reduction in cuts in relation to other cuts going on at the University of Nebraska," Beckman said. "But we are just a microscopic portion of its budget, and it seems as if we are talking about roughly a 3 percent decrease."

Kansas Public Radio saw a 3 percent funding reduction from the University of Kansas last year, and it is anticipating a similar cut, said Janet Campbell, the network's general manager.

Other public-radio networks receive aid from state universities, including Wisconsin Public Radio, which gets roughly 23 percent of its total funding from state universities, and Illinois Public Media, which received \$1,317,708 from

the University of Illinois, also 23 percent of its total funding.

The University of Illinois is the second-largest contributor of funding to Illinois Public Radio, following member contributions which account for roughly 40 percent of the operating revenues at the network.

But in fiscal 2011, Mark Leonard, Illinois Public Media general manager, said the University of Illinois will reduce its funding by a little more than 5 percent.

IPR officials say the effects of decrease in university funding will be small.

Funding for most National Public Radio networks comes from the state, grants through organizations such as the Corporation of Public Broadcasting, as well as donations from listeners.

"Over the years, Iowa Public Radio has gained funding in several other areas," Herrington said.

Spotlight Iowa City

Putting the kids first

A lifetime as an elementary educator has taught Charlie Towers many lessons.

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In his words, Charlie Towers is ready to focus on phase two of his life.

The 58-year-old sits comfortably in his office, leaning back in a chair with his legs crossed and hands clasped. He is thinking of how to describe retirement. He speaks softly and slowly. "I felt that it was time," Towers said.

After 18 years as the principal of Shimek Elementary, 1400 Grissel Place, he will retire following this school year. The decision was bittersweet, he said.

His first order of business is to relax.

He hasn't done much of that in his 36-year career in education, 25 as a principal. His passion for educating children kept him going through the years, and that will stay with him in retirement.

"My philosophy is always children first," Towers said. "The reason I've been in this profession as long as I have is because of kids. They motivate me every day. They are very honest. It's just a very enjoyable learning experience for me to see people developing and growing and persevering in education."

A native of Wyoming, Iowa, Towers received an undergraduate degree from the University of Northern Iowa. His first teaching job was fourth and fifth grade in Sydney, Australia, from 1974-76, and he also coached cricket.

Towers returned to the United States and taught at Lakeview Elementary in Solon for four years. He then became interested in elementary administration, so he began taking classes at the UI, eventually receiving a master's and Ph.D. in education.

In 1985, he took his first principal job, in Albany, Minn., spending two years there, then the next five in

Waseca, Minn. But Towers' roots were in Iowa, and he jumped at the chance to become principal of Shimek in 1992.

Vicki Thomae has been the office secretary at Shimek for 20 years, and she has enjoyed the 18 of them working with Towers. She also said he is the quintessential "princi-PAL."

"He's a very positive man," Thomae said. "The children have all loved him and felt very comfortable around him. It will be a different building altogether [after Towers retires], but we're happy for him. He's been a great boss, very flexible kind of man, and very effective."

John Bacon first met Towers when he worked the before- and after-school program at Shimek many years ago. Bacon, the principal at Lemme Elementary, 3100 E. Washington St., and soon to be the next principal at City High, 1900 Morningside Drive, said Towers was a major influence who got him interested in the profession. The two have become great friends throughout their years working

— Charlie Towers, spotlight

Charlie Towers

- **Age:** 58
- **Hometown:** Wyoming, Iowa
- **Hobbies:** Playing guitar and piano, landscape painting, reading, and golfing
- **Family:** Wife and two daughters
- **Time at Shimek:** 18 years
- **Has been an educator in:** Sydney, Australia, Solon, Albany, Minn., Waseca, Minn.

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together as administrators.

"Charlie Towers is one of the kindest, gentlest people I know," Bacon said. "I have the highest respect for him. He is a truly good person. He is soft-spoken, but a leader in many ways on our administrative team. He's one of those guys who listens — he doesn't always have to be talking. He's thoughtful and thinks things through."

Retirement will give Towers time for such hobbies as playing the guitar and piano, landscape painting, reading, and golfing, as well as more time with his new grandson and two daughters, both of whom graduated from the UI.

The community is invited to a retirement party for Towers from 3 to 5:30 p.m. May 16 at Shimek. It will include refreshments, accolades, student musical performances, and a ceremony to honor Towers.

"There are a lot of good memories that surround me from the Iowa City district and Shimek Elementary in particular," he said. "A lot of special people have passed through our doors, and they will always be very special to me."

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Women's tennis faces red-hot Boise

The team focuses on tourney after finals week scramble.

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After cramming a week-long finals session into two days before traveling, the Iowa women's tennis team is ready to concentrate on tennis and the national 64-team tourney.

Because of last-second final exams schedule changes for the student-athletes, the Hawkeyes were forced to make time for practice in between tests.

After a hectic scramble to reschedule test times and paper due dates the team left Iowa City on Wednesday.

"There is a lot on [the players'] plates right now," assistant coach Mira Radu said. "We are trying to be considerate about that and use time wisely and not get them exhausted before the tournament. We are not hitting as much as we probably hit during the season, but we are making sure they get enough tennis and rest as they can."

Iowa will compete against one of the hottest teams in the NCAA when the Hawkeyes (17-6, 7-5) face Boise State (22-5) in the opening round of the



Spectators watch the semifinal round of the Big Ten Tennis Tournament between Iowa and Michigan at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on May 1, 2010. Michigan advanced to the championships after defeating Iowa, 4-1.

NCAA regionals in South Bend, Ind.

After the Hawkeyes arrived in South Bend on Wednesday night, players had a night to rest and a full day of practice and preparation.

They may need every minute of it.

Boise State is riding a 10-match winning streak, which includes both a run through the WAC Tournament and a victory in the title game that earned the team an automatic spot in the NCAA Tournament.

Moreover, the Broncos have one of the top-ranked singles players in No. 46-ranked senior Pichittra Thongdach.

Sophomore Sonja Molnar said her matchup against Thongdach will be a good test of her skills.

"It's always nice to play a tougher player," 67 Molnar said. "It's a good opportunity for me to get my ranking up."

But despite Boise State's title finish, the Iowa players are confident in their ability and hope lessons

learned earlier in the season will guide them in tournament play.

Before the season started, first-year coach Katie Dougherty made it clear she wanted the Hawkeyes to improve on a weekly basis.

Based on some of their wins toward the end of the spring over ranked opponents, it seems they have.

In April, the Hawkeyes went 4-2 against teams ranked in the top 50. Those two losses came against Illinois and Northwestern, the latter team capturing the Big Ten title.

But Radu said the most noticeable progression has come in doubles play. The team is undefeated when the match is decided by one point, and the doubles point has been the difference when singles play has been split 3-3.

"Every week there has been something that's gotten better," junior Jessica Young said. "It's very rare that a team gets better every single week, and we're still getting better, and we will be stronger this weekend than we were in the Big Ten [Tournament]."

Hawk tracksters hopeful

The Iowa track and field team is hoping for hardware at Big Ten championships in Bloomington, Ind.

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Every minute of training, ounce of sweat, and exhausted breath has all been for Bloomington, Ind.

Training since August 2009, the Iowa men's and women's track and field teams will look to validate their respective seasons at the outdoor Big Ten championships.

For the men, it will take a total team effort.

"We aren't a team of superstars," head coach Larry Wiecek said. "We are more of a team where everyone has to contribute a little bit. Everyone who can get a point has to get that point."

Wiecek's statement is validated by the drubbing Minnesota put on the rest of the conference at the indoor Big Ten championships earlier this year, winning by a 48-point

margin. The Hawkeyes scored 56 points overall.

But after placing fifth at the indoor championships, the Hawkeyes have put themselves in the best position to succeed.

"You can just see [the improvement] from the performances we've had the past couple weeks," sophomore Erik Sowinski said. "As a team, I think we are peaking at the right time."

Sowinski and Wiecek both said they believe a top-three finish is not out of reach, but they must focus on Iowa and not worry about what other squads are doing.

"It's about controlling the controllables," Wiecek said. "And do what you're capable of doing."

For the women, the only way to go this weekend is up. After a last-place finish in the Big Ten last year, the Hawkeyes will try to redeem themselves in the conference standings.

And with more depth than in recent years, head coach Layne Anderson said, Iowa is going into this weekend with "cautious optimism."

"We feel good about where we are with this particular group," he said. "It's going to be a challenge, but I think we can go there and score some points this weekend."

The women are taking 28 of their top athletes to Indiana — one that Anderson said is the largest group in a long time to compete in the conference championship.

For senior Katie Ellis, the weekend signifies her first and last outdoor conference championship in which she will run the steeplechase — for only the second time in her career.

She said knowing it is her last chance to help her team score points is added motivation for her to run hard this weekend.

Graduate student Jennie Docherty will run the 800 meters this weekend, and she said she will also embrace these last laps as a Hawkeye.

"It's crazy how fast it's gone by," she said. "But I'm really excited about the possibility to score points. I'm just going to leave everything on the track, because this really will be the end."

Anderson will use the weekend as a chance to look at the program's future and its rank in the conference — especially because next year's Big Ten championship will be held in Iowa City.

"This weekend is a culmination of nine months of work," he said. "It's all about living in the moment and performing on the day. We have a lot of work that still needs to be done, but I think this will give ourselves something to aim for next year at home."

Durant, a vet at the plate

Senior outfielder Ryan Durant hopes his rising batting average catches the eyes of major-league scouts.

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Ryan Durant set a goal entering the 2010 season — eclipse the 29 RBIs he drove in last season.

With seven games left on Iowa's schedule, he has bettered that mark by 11.

The Hawkeye cleanup hitter leads the team with 40 RBIs, and his .351 batting average ranks third among the squad. He also leads Iowa in doubles (16) and is tied for first in home runs (three).

But he didn't always carry an above-.300 batting average to the batter's box. Three weeks ago, he hovered around .290.

Then the senior reeled off an impressive 11-game hitting streak to bump his average up 60 points. During that time, Durant hit .512, knocked in 10 runs, scored seven runs, and hit

one home run.

Currently, he's on a six-game hitting streak.

"Fundamentally, I'm just staying on the ball a little bit more," he said. "We changed a couple things a couple weeks ago to keep my front shoulder on the ball a little more, and it's really been working out for me."

He sat down and analyzed his swing with hitting coach Ryan Brownlee. The two compared this year's stroke with last year's and found the right fielder needed to keep his shoulder at more of a downward angle.

The change allows Durant to keep his hands above of the ball and hit line drives instead of fly balls.

But another part of his lowered batting average earlier in the season came from pitcher's throwing to Durant differently.

Last year, he saw plenty of fastballs, but his .370 batting

average proved he could hit the heater. This year, pitchers are throwing more curve balls at him.

Durant didn't get down on himself, though, Iowa head coach Jack Dahm said.

"Even when he was struggling, and his batting average wasn't there, it always seemed like he was the guy who came up with the big hit," Dahm said. "It was just seemed that Ryan was the guy in the middle of things."

Durant's success at bringing in runners home blossomed, he said, because he feels less pressure at the plate with a Hawkeye in scoring position.

He said he realized he doesn't have to get a hit in that situation — all he has to do is allow the runner an opportunity to score.

Second baseman Mike McQuillan attributed Durant's RBI total to a

knack for putting the ball in play and noted a level of maturity that has helped his teammate.

"Him as a player, nothing has really changed. It's just a difference in the maturity level, and he's a veteran out there," McQuillan said. "A year ago, maybe he would have been fighting it instead of just taking the RBI for the team."

Durant hopes his tear at the plate will catch the eye of professional scouts. He wants to end his senior season "with a bang," then see just how far baseball can take him.

"I love baseball to death," he said. "I want to play as long as I can, regardless of how little the minor-league players get paid. I love the game, and I want to be around it. I'm not ready to give it up yet, so I want to keep playing."

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the mound. He struggled particularly when the Hawkeyes called on him for relief duty.

Dahm said the 6-1 southpaw worked in the off-season, and as a result, he began 2010 as a starter when sophomore Nick Brown was unavailable.

Robertson's starts went smoothly.

Then Brown returned and was inserted back into

the rotation, leading the senior back to the bullpen. Considering Robertson's previous struggles, Dahm was initially worried about the adjustment.

That concern perhaps turned out to be foolish.

Robertson's performance in his new role has been better than adequate. Pitching coach Chris Maliszewski said it's been imperative for Iowa.

"Anytime you can turn the ball over to somebody you really trust and you know will throw strikes and has the ability to get guys

to swing and miss, that helps, and it takes the pressure off your defense," Maliszewski said. "He's shown the ability to do that."

The development of Robertson's slider, which he began working on in the summer, has been crucial to his success. The lefty commands the pitch better than the curve ball he used in the past, and Maliszewski said it's been his "go-to pitch."

It's a big reason why Robertson has struck out 48 hitters in 43 innings this season.

"It's been his equalizer anytime he faces a left-hander," Maliszewski said. "He's been able at times to make [left-handed hitters] look bad because of how good his slider has been."

And so, as he approaches the twilight of his collegiate career, Robertson has settled into a new role — even though it may not be the one he was originally expecting.

"I've kind of just welcomed [the role] this year," he said. "I had success with it early. I've found enjoyment with it and I'll do whatever it takes if it gets us to win ball games."



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Iowa defensive end Adrian Clayborn grabs Georgia Tech quarterback Josh Nesbitt during the Orange Bowl between Iowa and Georgia Tech in Miami Gardens, Fla., on Jan. 5.

ORANGE BOWL

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The Hawkeyes also lost Stanzi to an ankle sprain that required surgery.

Iowa still had a chance to win the Big Ten and go to the Rose Bowl, when it traveled to Ohio State for a de facto Big Ten championship game.

The Hawkeyes overcame a 24-10 fourth-quarter deficit in Ohio

Stadium to tie the game and force overtime. But the Buckeyes kicked a field goal to capture the conference title, 27-24.

With Iowa at 10-2 by season's end, the Hawkeyes received an at-large berth in the BCS. And on a cold evening inside Land Shark Stadium in Miami, Fla., the they jumped out to a 14-0 first quarter lead they didn't relinquish.

Linebacker A.J. Edds summed up his senior season as "pretty memorable."

"Luckily, the seniors and the whole team have been able to lean on each other the whole year and come up with plays when we needed them," he said after the Orange Bowl.

Walking off the field for the final time in a Hawkeye uniform after the Orange Bowl, linebacker Pat Angerer said, "I had high hopes coming here. That's the reason why you come to Iowa — to win football games. This is what I expected, definitely."

SOFTBALL

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The five seniors will be missed by their teammates, sophomore Liz Watkins said, adding they are a great group both on and off the field.

"The seniors mean so much to me," she said. "They were the girls who really took me under their wing my freshman year. They're my best friends. They're my sisters."

Scoring early and often will be crucial if the Hawkeyes are to end their regular season with a pair of upset wins.

After having a difficult two-week stretch at the plate, Watkins seems to have figured it out, going 6-for-14 over the last five games and recording four RBIs in the process.

While most of the players said the season hasn't gone quite the way the team had expected, they continue to stay positive.

The Hawkeyes' .543 winning percentage is the lowest for an Iowa squad since 1987 and the worst in Blevin's 31 years of coaching



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Junior outfielder Jenny Schuelke slides into second base against Indiana on April 3 at Pearl Field. Schuelke had one run in the 5-1 win.

at the Division-I level.

Iowa has also lost 10 one-run contests.

To make matters worse, it appears as if Iowa will miss the NCAA regionals for the first time since 2007.

But sweeping the No. 2 team in the country could sneak the Hawkeyes into the NCAAs, and it would

definitely give the team confidence heading into next season.

"At this point, you go out and play hard with the games in front of you," Blevins said. "We've had some tough games, and yet no one feels sorry for herself. We just have to come back and continue to battle."

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ROWING

Rowers head to regional

The Iowa rowing team will compete in the 2010 Aramark Central Regionals on Saturday on Melton Hill Lake near Oak Ridge, Tenn.

A successful run in the regional will help the Hawkeyes' chances of becoming one of the 12 teams chosen to compete in the NCAA championships on May 29 in Gold River, Calif.

But to do so, the Hawkeyes need to finish in the top three in their heats to advance to the semifinals on Saturday afternoon. Each race contains four heats on five boats.

Iowa will also need to finish in the top three in the semifinal race for a chance to compete for the regional championships in the final.

Last year, the Hawkeyes sent all five boats to the finals, finishing seventh out of the 22 teams at Melton Hill Lake with 241 points.

This year's field includes 24 teams.

"The course is great. The venue is viewer-friendly," head coach Mandi Kowal said. "All of these factors make for a great rowing experience. It's fun to race in the biggest regional championship event, in women's rowing, in the country."

— by Nick Gans

NBA

Celtics send LeBron, Cavs home

BOSTON (AP) — The Boston Celtics advanced to the Eastern Conference finals with a 94-85 victory over Cleveland in Game 6 on Thursday night, sending LeBron James and the Cavaliers into an early off-season destined to define the future of the franchise — and the rest of the NBA, too.

The LeBron watch began at 10:53 p.m., when Rajon Rondo dribbled out the last 14 seconds and the Celtics began celebrating. James is eligible to opt out of his contract this summer, a move that would make the two-time MVP — and zero-time NBA champion — a free agent and set off a scramble for his services from New York to Miami to Los Angeles and, of course, back in Cleveland.

Kevin Garnett scored 22 points and added 12 rebounds, and Rondo had 21 points and 12 assists for Boston, which will open the conference finals in Orlando on May 16. The Magic are 8-0 in the playoffs after sweeping the Charlotte Bobcats and the Atlanta Hawks in the opening rounds.

"Well, we know their team is fueled by one guy," Garnett said. "If we could somehow, some way, control the supporting cast, we had a chance"

James had a triple-double, scoring 27 points and had 10 assists and a career playoff-high 19 rebounds. He also had nine turnovers.

"I just told him, 'Keep your head up, man. I've been there,'" said Garnett, who toiled as a star without a title in Minnesota for more than a decade before winning one with Boston in 2008. "You have a very, very, very bright future. Continue to work and make decisions based on you and your family. Best advice I can give him."



Hawkeyes surround Iowa wide receiver Marvin McNutt after he caught the winning pass as time expired during Iowa's game against Michigan State at Spartan Stadium in East Lansing on Oct. 24, 2009. The 15-13 win over Michigan State put Iowa at 8-0 for the first time in school history.

Running to the Oranges

A four-month span that began with an escape and ended with an Orange Bowl trophy was the *DI*'s top story this academic year.

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Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz noted it at the beginning of the 2009 season.

For the Hawkeyes to succeed, stories needed to emerge on the field.

He could not have known his team would compose one of the biggest stories in program history.

Iowa finished 11-2 overall to tie a school record and capped the season with a 24-14 win over Georgia Tech in the 2010 FedEx Orange Bowl — the Hawkeyes' first major-bowl victory since defeating California in the 1959 Rose Bowl.

"It's a real credit to our play-

ers," Ferentz said after the bowl game. "They just stay the course out there on the field. They don't get too high, too low. ... I tell you, they're a mentally tough group, and that's what it takes to finish games."

The Hawkeye campaign began in an unusual manner, though. Iowa needed two blocked field goals to escape with a 17-16 win over Northern Iowa in its season-opener.

After the narrow victory, few outside the football program could have anticipated the Hawkeyes winning a BCS bowl game exactly four months later. But Iowa trounced Iowa State, 35-3, a week later, and managed to down Ari-

zona, 27-17, a week after that.

The 3-0 Hawkeyes then faced then-No. 5 Penn State in State College, Pa. Defensive end Adrian Clayborn single-handedly silenced the sea of white inside Beaver Stadium, returning a blocked punt 53 yards for a go-ahead touchdown that helped Iowa to a 21-10 upset.

The Hawkeyes then made history the following week in East Lansing, Mich.

On the game's final play, quarterback Ricky Stanzi found wide receiver Marvin McNutt in the end zone for a 7-yard touchdown that gave Iowa a 15-13 victory over Michigan State. The win placed the Hawkeyes at 8-0 for the first time ever.

YEAR END SPORTS AWARDS

Other noteworthy stories:

- Wrestling team wins third-straight NCAA title
- Women's basketball season turnaround
- Fran McCaffery named men's basketball coach

But after moving to 9-0 with a 42-24 win over Indiana, visions of an undefeated season evaporated when Iowa lost at home the following week to Northwestern, 17-10.

SEE ORANGE BOWL, 9

Softball digs in for final 2

Iowa will close out the regular season at home today and Saturday against Michigan.

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As if studying for finals wasn't stressful enough, members of the Iowa softball team have another important matter on their minds.

Iowa (25-21, 10-7) wraps up regular-season play today and Saturday at Pearl Field with a pair of games against No. 2 Michigan. First pitch today is scheduled for 6 p.m.

The Wolverines (44-6, 16-1) made it all the way to the College World Series last year, and they could be on their way back this year.

Michigan's 1.58 team ERA is tops in the Big Ten, and its .315 team batting average ranks second. Led by power hitters Dorian Shaw and Maggie Vieffhaus, Michigan leads the conference with 74 home runs — 34 more than Iowa.

The Hawkeyes enter the series riding a two-game winning streak after sweeping Minnesota last weekend. Although the Wolverines have taken three of the last four contests, Iowa head coach Gayle Blevins remains confident about the challenge ahead.

"I feel like our team



Iowa senior Jenny Schuelke slides home during the Hawkeyes' game against Western Illinois on April 18. Schuelke scored two runs in the 8-0 win.

has played really well in the underdog role," she said. "We're looking forward to the challenge. Sure it's a big challenge, but that's why you play at this level."

The weekend also marks the final home game for five Hawkeye seniors — Amanda Zust, Lindsey Digmann, Taylor Leichsenring, Heidi Daumen, and Katie Brown.

For Brown, her four years at Iowa fulfilled an aspiration she's had since childhood.

"Being a Hawkeye was something I always dreamed of growing up as an Iowa kid," the Spirit Lake

native said. "It's truly an experience, and you get to compete against the best."

The group of seniors have racked up numerous individual achievements, and they qualified for the NCAA regionals twice. Brown's 20 career home runs are fifth in Iowa history, and Zust's 495 strikeouts and 56 wins ranks seventh and eighth all-time.

Leichsenring is riding an eight-game hit streak, with 13 hits in her last 29 at-bats.

Zust is coming off of back-to-back complete-game wins.

SEE SOFTBALL, 9

In the middle of things

Senior Zach Robertson has embraced a new role as middle reliever after spending most of his career as a starter.

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Zach Robertson has been a starting pitcher for most of his baseball career.

But in his senior season at Iowa, the left-hander has carved out a new niche for himself as the Hawkeyes' middle-relief stopper.

Robertson's effectiveness coming out of the pen has been crucial in nearly all of the team's weekend series. Head coach Jack Dahm hopes that trend continues this weekend in Iowa's (22-25, 8-10) three-game home set against Ohio State (25-19, 9-9).

Game 1 is slated for 6:05 p.m. today at Banks Field.

"Right now, I think he's throwing the ball as well as any of the pitchers we have in the program," Dahm said.

Indeed Robertson's 4.40 ERA is the second-best

mark among the Iowa staff. Batters are also hitting .263 against him, the lowest opposing batting average on the team.

"I credit a lot of it to him being very unselfish and having a tremendous attitude of trying to help us win anyway he can," Dahm said.

Robertson doesn't look anything like the pitcher he was his junior year — a good thing for the Hawkeyes.

He arrived on campus after playing two years at Iowa Central Community College. His 2009 season — his first with Iowa — was completely different from his first two at Iowa Central, where he led the Tritons in strikeouts in his sophomore campaign.

During his first year in Iowa City, Robertson posted a 12.90 ERA, a team-worst among pitchers who saw significant time on

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