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Iowa walk-on guard Jordan Stoermer is living out a dream.

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No witnesses for Everson

Everson now faces up to 10 years instead of 25 after the judge reduced his charges.

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The defense didn't call a single witness. The defendant didn't testify, and his attorney didn't present a single piece of evidence to the jury Tuesday.

Instead, Leon Spies, defense attorney for former Hawkeye football player Cedric Everson opted to go straight to closing arguments after a judge decided to reduce Everson's charges from second- to third-degree sexual abuse but not acquit him.

Now, Everson could face up

to 10 years in prison, as opposed to the 25 his original second-degree sexual-abuse charge held.

The decision to present no witnesses was described as "unusual" by one expert.

"In a high-profile rape case, you typically expect for the defense to have a theory of the case," said University of Colorado law Professor and former defense attorney Aya Gruber. "Including why it is that the jury should believe that

SEE **EVERSON**, 6



Former Iowa football player Cedric Everson talks with his sister prior to a motion hearing during his sexual-abuse trial Tuesday. Everson is accused of sexually assaulting a female student-athlete in a Hillcrest dorm room in October 2007.

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IC to host Olympic trials

The wrestling event will bring economic benefits and put Iowa City in the national spotlight.

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Iowa City will officially host the next U.S. Olympic wrestling trials, and area officials expect the event to bring an influx of thousands of visitors and millions of dollars to the area in April 2012.

USA Wrestling officials announced Tuesday they selected Iowa City — known for its historic wrestling program and large fan base — over Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Columbus, Ohio. The event will determine who will represent the United States at the 2012 Olympics in London.

Josh Schamberger, the president of the Iowa City/Coralville Arena Convention and Visitor's Bureau, said the economic effect of the trials would be



Brands
coach

SEE **WRESTLING**, 6



KATHLEEN WILLEM/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa City police Officer Greg Humrichouse plays a game of foosball with a group of kids at the junior high after school program at the Mercer Aquatic Center. The kids played games against Humrichouse and received cans of soda if they won.

Beating a cop could mean pop

About 15 to 20 local junior-high students attend the activity per day.

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A small group of local junior-high students gathered around a uniformed policeman at a pool table Tuesday afternoon, watching in quiet awe as he sank the eight ball in a corner pocket. A passing student, curious, asked what they were doing.

"Watching a cop win," one young boy said bluntly.

The banter may have been bleak, but the atmosphere was playful as local students battled Iowa City police Officer Greg Humrichouse in games of pool, foosball, and carpetball.

Their goal? To win a can of soda.

The "Beat a Cop, Win a Pop," program meets twice a week after school from January through March in the Mercer Aquatic Center, 2701 Bradford Drive. Though students earn a free soft drink if they win a game, organizers said the interaction is rewarding in more substantial ways.

Matt Eidahl, program supervisor for the

Beat a Cop, Win a Pop

Local junior-high students have the chance to win cans of soda by beating police officers at games like foosball and Ping-Pong:

- Every Monday and Wednesday
- Mercer Aquatic Center, 2701 Bradford Drive
- 3:15-5:15 p.m.
- One Iowa City police officer is present

Source: Matt Eidahl, program supervisor

center; created the program to keep students active during winter, when schools typically offer fewer extracurricular activities. But the games also open a healthy dialogue between adolescents and law-enforcement officers.

"It's a good chance to have positive interaction with youngsters," Humrichouse said. "It shows them we're human."

The program began six years ago but collapsed quickly because of a lack of funds. Hoping to revive his idea, Eidahl appealed to the Community Foundation of

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Check out a photo slide show from Tuesday afternoon's "Beat a Cop, Win a Pop," and a Daily Iowan TV report on the event.

Johnson County in October, which gave him a \$2,000 grant last week.

Six years ago, students played against Mercer staff, but now they can afford to hire an officer. Officers who volunteer at the program are paid overtime.

Eidahl agreed exposure to law enforcement was important for area youth.

"It's a great chance for them to see the police officers in a different setting," he said.

The first game of pool on Tuesday revealed how different this setting was for Humrichouse, a University of Iowa graduate and 18-year veteran of the local force. He scratched when breaking the rack, and he sent the cue ball skittering off the table and onto the floor on his second shot.

SEE **COP POP**, 6

2 more programs face ax

Officials in the Graduate College may next consider changes to the German department.

By **ARIANA WITT**
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University of Iowa Graduate College officials will seek permission to terminate two programs and consolidate another department at the state Board of Regents meeting in February.

The M.A. in comparative literature and the Ph.D. in women's studies could be eliminated in the next few years pending approval by regents, said John Keller, the dean of the Graduate College.

Seven students are still enrolled in those two departments. If approved, these areas would join six other programs that were closed last semester due to waning interest.

Officials also wish to merge the graduate department of health and sports studies with American studies and health and human physiology, he said.

"It took us a while to come to this decision because of the students," Keller said, noting students were still enrolling in those programs when officials decided to cut other ones last year.

Keller said some faculty members were moved to other areas, and he doesn't foresee any firings as result of the department closing.



Keller
dean

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MLK WEEK

Strongly backing diversity

A UI alumnus urges students to place more importance on diversity.

By MICHELLE MCCONNAUGHEY

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Dennis Shields spent the first five years of his life in an Iowa orphanage. But with the help of caring volunteers in his community and scholarships from the University of Iowa, Shields was able to reach goals he never thought possible.

Today, he is the chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville and makes it his daily mission to stress the importance of diversity in higher education.

"Education and training of young people is crucial, and this depends on their access to higher education," said Shields at the Boyd Law Building Tuesday.

His guest lecture, part of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 2011 Human Rights Week, touched on the troubling indifference of universities toward diversity as well as Dr. Martin Luther King's inspiring writings, including the Letter from Birmingham Jail.

Though his visit was positive, Shields had critical commentary on higher education's handling of diversity.

"Much of the education system is uneven in equality, and the same opportunities aren't available for everyone," Shields said.

With his experience in diversifying education, Shields said he wanted to



ROB JOHNSON/THE DAILY IOWAN

Chancellor Dennis Shields of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville speaks in the Boyd Law Building as part of the 2011 Human Rights Week on Tuesday. Shields, an Iowa native, was the dean of admissions at Michigan and defendant during the *Grutter v. Bollinger* case, which upheld the affirmative-action policy in the Michigan Law School.

inform UI students of ways to create a more "inclusive environment."

Georgina Dodge, the UI chief diversity officer and an associate vice president, called Shield's lecture "wonderful."

"I really appreciated him including his own personal story to explain the importance of a diversified society," Dodge said.

A 1982 graduate of the UI College of Law, Shields said he was glad to be back on his old campus.

While working as the dean of admissions for the University of Michigan Law School, Shields defended the school in the 2003 U.S. Supreme Court case *Grutter v. Bollinger*, in

which a white woman said admissions unfairly denied her a spot due to the school's preference for diversity. In a 5-4 decision, the jury upheld the use of "narrowly tailored" ethnic preferences in admissions decisions.

Shields said the memories of selfless volunteers and their effect on his young life inspired him to give back to students.

Despite his administrative career, he also manages to make time to talk to students at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville a couple hours every week in the residence halls about the importance of becoming more diversified.

Steps to diversity

Dennis Shields, guest lecturer, said diversifying the UI campus can be easy for students.

- Taking a class they wouldn't normally take
- Going to a social event they have not attended before
- Talking to peers they would not normally interact with

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Log on to check out footage from Dennis Shields' speech.

"Students today are as segregated as they have ever been," he said. "Even if campuses are more diverse, [students] haven't been exposed to the diversity before."

Marcella David, the UI associate provost for diversity, said social progress can be easier than students think.

"The important thing to realize is that students can do a lot without having to interact with the administration," she said.

Ultimately, Dodge said, she thinks the UI can spread the message of King's legacy in small steps.

"[Get] students to go out of their comfort zone, but that doesn't mean it has to be uncomfortable," Dodge said.

City scales back some funding

No community group received all the funding it asked for.

By EMILY HOERNER

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Representatives from the Summer of the Arts and the Riverside Theatre, among others, met at City Hall Tuesday night and pleaded for one thing from the Iowa City City Council.

More money.

As the council continues to discuss the fiscal 2012 budget, boards, commissions, and community groups came to request funding from the City Council.

Ron Clark, the production manager of the Riverside Theater, asked the council for more help after the

theater's audience had fallen because of flooding in 2008.

"We are deserving of the city's support," said Clark during the meeting. "Funds from the city will help us as we rebuild our audience."

Others like Mary Blackwood, creative director of the Landlocked Film Festival, assured the councilors that her festival was a good investment by flashing a magazine article in which the festival was mentioned.

In the end the councilors decided to stick to their original budget plan, and allocated more than \$110,000 towards community groups. Both groups were funded, but neither was given exactly what it had requested.

Funds for commissions will be discussed at a later date.

"Many times, groups get less than they ask for," said City Councilor Mike Wright.

The fiscal 2012 budget proposal would also cut funding to both the Police and Fire Departments, which was discussed earlier in January.

Each department will need to cut roughly one position if the proposed budget isn't amended.

Fire Chief Andy Rocca said his department will

Fiscal 2012 budget proposal

City officials said the fiscal 2012 budget proposal was especially tight for a number of reasons.

- Property taxes not increasing at historic rates
- Low federal interest rates
- Pension cost increases

Source: Mayor Matt Hayek

lose its captain of inspections position. City officials could cut the department's budget by about \$75,000, said Rocca.

The inspections position is largely responsible for installing fire alarms and automatic fire sprinklers, and the person also takes care of many duties in establishments that serve alcohol such as crowd control, Rocca said.

"Somebody else will absorb these duties," he said. "But the delivery time will be affected."

The Fire Department will use attrition to deal with the cuts.

Iowa City police will lose a roughly \$75,000 officer position through retirement, said Iowa City Police

Chief Sam Hargadine.

"Our patrol units patrol for 24 hours, that's three different officers," he said. "It's not like any 9-to-5 city job."

Iowa City police Sgt. Denise Brotherton said the cut will limit some proactive projects, such as foot patrolling and traffic reinforcement.

"We never know what's going to happen. We may need several officers," she said. "That's where that person makes the difference."

Last year, the police gained six officer positions, three of which are being vacantly held for officers serving in Iraq, Hargadine said. This year, the force will lose one of those six positions if the proposed budget stays intact.

Wright doesn't see the police and fire budget cuts as an issue, especially with three officers returning in the summer.

"Even with this position gone, they'll still have more officers on board this summer," Wright said. "I see this as a one-year cut. Next year, the city manager will have been on board for one year and see where we can make more thoughtful and targeted reductions."



Rocca
fire chief



Wright
city councilor

METRO

Man charged with 3rd OWI

Johnson County deputies have arrested a Cedar Rapids man for allegedly driving drunk.

Jononathan Neal, 44, was charged Monday with third-offense OWI.

According to police reports, deputies saw Neal driving westbound on 120th Street near Swisher. Neal reportedly pulled over to the side of the road but was still on the street without caution lights on.

A deputy pulled over to see if the driver needed assistance, and Neal allegedly drove away as the deputy approached — suspicious behavior that prompted the deputy to follow and stop Neal, authorities said.

Neal reportedly admitted he had been drinking and failed field sobriety tests and breath tests.

Third-offense OWI is a Class D felony punishable by up to five years in prison and a maximum fine of \$9,375.

— by Regina Zilbermints

Changes to the UI Sexual Harassment Policy

According to a campuswide e-mail from Tom Rocklin, the UI vice president for Student Services, changes made to the UI Sexual Harassment Policy went into effect Tuesday.

Officials revised the policy in order to "reflect national best practices, clarify several key areas, and ensure consistency," according to the e-mail.

The policy changes also aim to

strengthen the function of the university's coordinator of sexual-misconduct response by boosting assistance to reported victims of sexual harassment.

The older version of the policy is still applicable to events occurring on Monday or before, according to the e-mail.

The e-mail also listed John Keller, the dean of the Graduate College, and Beth Ingram, associate provost for undergraduate education and dean of the University College, as contributors.

— by Jade Donaghy

BLOTTER

Marques Brooks, 26, 1027 Rider St., was charged Monday with domestic abuse and violating a no-contact protective order.

Travis Egan, 28, 1508 Esther St., was charged Tuesday with domestic assault with injury.

Hannah Hoppe, 20, Milwaukee, was charged Sunday with presence in a bar after hours.

Joshua Kelley, 27, North Liberty, was charged Jan. 8 with assault.

Jeffrey Klopfenstein, 49, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sunday with assault causing injury.

Kevin Lake, 22, 3022 Cornell Ave., was charged Jan. 15 with public intoxication.

Fanta Mallard, 21, Coralville, was charged Dec. 10, 2010, with fourth-degree theft.

Gabriela Martinez, 20, 278 E. Court St., was charged Jan. 15 with presence in a bar

after hours.

Emile Rey, 31, Chicago, was charged Jan. 15 with OWI.

Yshan Rogers, 19, 227 E. First St., was charged Jan. 5 with fourth-degree theft.

Ford Schick, 19, 702 N. Dubuque St., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Salif Sharma, 23, 422 Bowers St. Apt. 2, was charged Sunday with public urination.

Jacob Steinback, 26, Ankeny,

Iowa, was charged Jan. 15 with OWI.

Orlando Trimble, 51, address unknown, was charged Tuesday with forgery and fifth-degree theft.

Bruce Troyer, 42, Dyersville, Iowa, was charged March 10, 2010, with third-degree harassment and criminal trespass.

Courtney Waickus, 20, 522 N. Clinton St., was charged Jan. 15 with PAULA.

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Spotlight Iowa City

There is a free lunch

One local woman devotes her time to making sure everyone in Iowa City has access to a good lunch.

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Mary Palmberg only makes \$5,600 a year at her job — and she gives most of that back.

As the director of the Iowa City Free Lunch Program, she is the only paid employee in the group, and she uses most of the salary to help out with its expenses.

The 68-year-old stressed that the program heavily relies on the generosity of others to keep the program going.

“[Donations are] how we survive financially,” Palmberg said as cases of cranberry sauce, fruit, and Triscuits were unloaded into the pantry at the Wesley Center, 120 N. Dubuque St.

The program, which started nearly 20 years ago, serves lunch six days a week.

One of the ways Palmberg raises money for the program is simply doing something she loves: biking. Through rides around the country, people have heard about her story and donated to the cause.

Her first long trip was from St. Paul to New Orleans in 1999, during which she raised \$7,000. That one trip bought a new stove, dish sanitizer, and an air conditioning unit for the program's home.

The program's biggest costs are rent and milk, which is served with every meal, Palmberg said. Churches and other organizations frequently donate food and supplies to help.

Turkey noodle casserole, salad, fruit, and cookies were on the menu Jan. 14 at the Wesley Center, where roughly 45 people showed up for lunch.

Typically, Palmberg said, nearly 120 meals are served per day at the center, and there's no need to sign up: Everyone has access to a free lunch.



ALEX CRIDER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Mary Palmberg, director of the Wesley Center's Free Lunch Program, stands in the food pantry at the Wesley Center on Jan. 14. Palmberg said around 120 free meals are served at the Wesley Center each day.

Mary Palmberg

- **Age:** 68
- **Hometown:** Burlington, Iowa
- **Education:** B.A. in Spanish from University of Wisconsin. MA in Spanish from Stanford
- **Favorite food:** Dark chocolate
- **Favorite hobby:** Biking
- **Career:** Retired from UI provost's office

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Check out a photo slide show of Mary Palmberg giving out free lunch.

solutions,” he said, recalling a day in which Palmberg had to recruit a new group of volunteers when one fell through in 15 minutes, providing a tasty meal of soup and sandwiches in time for lunch.

Palmberg said she runs the Free Lunch Program out of her house, using her laptop, because she does not have an office.

Her sons, Mark and Scott, help with the technological side of the program by running the website.

Ava, Palmberg's 6-year-old granddaughter, helps out by cleaning tables, handing out plates, and refilling salt shakers.

Palmberg credited much of the success of the Free Lunch Program to the roughly 900 volunteers who donate their time.

But volunteers attribute the good work environment to Palmberg.

“She's so organized, so affirming,” said Bonnie Penno, who volunteers the second Friday of every month. “We're a community; it's not just serving.”

Bus use surges in area

Some bus employees are worried a Iowa City-Chicago rail service would negatively affect their business.

By **KATIE HEINE**
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Local bus companies say business is good — but the future Iowa City-Chicago rail line could change that.

For now though, bus service is the fastest growing mode of intercity transportation for the third consecutive year, increasing faster than air or rail transit, a DePaul University study found.

In an annual study of America's intercity transportation, Joseph Schwieterman, director of the Chaddick Institute for Metropolitan Development at DePaul University, found intercity bus services grew 6 percent in 2010. The three bus companies providing service in Iowa City — Megabus.com, Greyhound, and Trailways — agree area business is faring well. Since Megabus began operating in the area in May 2010, 42,000 have used the option to travel to or from Iowa City.

“The Iowa City location is trending very well so far,” said Dale Moser, president of Megabus.com, a curbside operation that forgoes the traditional use of a station in favor of online ticket sales.

So far, ridership has “exceeded expectations,” he said.

Eugene Hibbs, the independent contractor of the Greyhound and Trailways station in Iowa City, said business has been relatively stable.

“Business is brisk,” Hibbs said. “We're not immune to the economic downturn, but we're doing quite well.”

Hibbs said he was unable to release precise information regarding ridership rates.

But Hibbs is also concerned the Amtrak rail could have an effect on business.

“The I-80 corridor is where most of the profit comes from,” said Hibbs. The proposed passenger rail would cover the same route, and could ultimately have a negative effect on the busing industry in the Iowa City area, he said. The rail is set to be built



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A pedestrian walks past the Greyhound Station on East Court Street on Tuesday. According to a DePaul University study, intercity bus service, rather than air or rail transit, is the fastest growing mode of transportation for the third-consecutive year.

Changes in intercity buses

Over the last 50 years, the popularity of buses has fluctuated:

- 1960-80: -1.4 percent
- 1980-2002: -1.8 percent
- 2002-06: -8.0 percent
- 2006-07: 6.9 percent
- 2008: 9.8 percent
- 2009: 5.1 percent
- 2010: 6.0 percent

Source: Chaddick Institute for Metropolitan Development, DePaul University, Joseph P. Schwieterman

whether Iowa will accept the money.

But until the Amtrak decision is made, bus business will continue as usual, Hibbs said.

“People of all walks of life take the bus,” Hibbs said.

The service has proved useful for out of state students at the University of Iowa.

Rachel Zeitlin, a UI sophomore who doesn't have a car on campus, has taken Megabus six times within the last two years to and from her home in Gurnee, Ill.

Overall, Zeitlin has had a pleasant experience with Megabus.com.

“The only problem I've had is that the check-in process is sort of unorganized,” she said. “When I want to go home, the bus is really my only option.”

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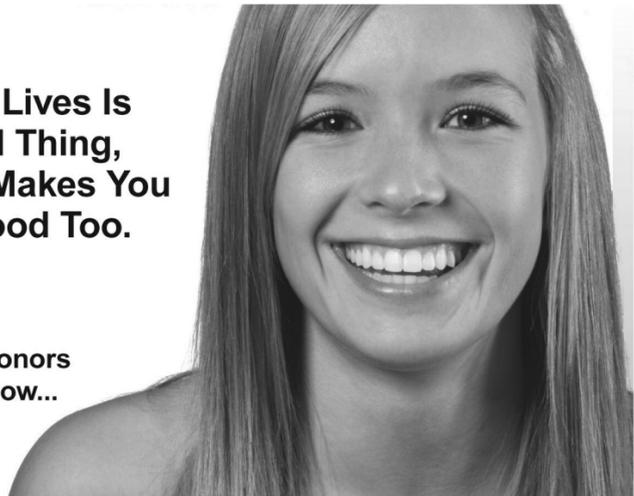
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Editorial

Iowa City's response to new gun regulation is just, sensible

Like it or not, guns are here to stay.

Whether they inspire thoughts of John Wayne or Elmer Fudd, there is no denying that guns are a quintessentially American cultural prop; for many people, owning a gun embodies the independence and individualism central to the American narrative. Our Constitution itself codifies firearm possession as a right, but states and cities have long regulated their use, operating out of a vested interest in the public welfare and distribution of deadly weapons.

The recent shift in state gun laws has prompted the Iowa City City Council to consider a resolution banning firearms on city property. The Iowa City Public Library is planning a similar measure. Even with the understanding that the U.S. Constitution allows for citizens to arm themselves, both of these restrictions are eminently reasonable and deserve the support of Iowa City residents.

Standardized permit regulations took effect earlier this month, preventing sheriffs from both using their best judgment to deny carry licenses and restricting those licenses to concealed-only. This shift in gun laws clears the way for citizens who pass a background check and required training (which does not necessitate actually firing a weapon) to display firearms openly in public.

Many proponents of open-carry laws cite the Second Amendment, which has become far more contentious than it must have been when originally envisioned. On one side of the debate, some gun-control advocates argue that the amendment is an obsolete relic referring only to militia. On the other end of the spectrum, groups such as the National Rifle Association argue that the right to bear arms means citizens can carry any gun, anywhere, anytime. "There are always restrictions that can be put on these types of rights," UI political-science Associate Professor Tim Hagle told the *DI Editorial Board* on Tuesday. He said that the primary question is how much the government can judiciously regulate to serve a compelling interest.

Compelling interest, of course, depends heavily on local needs. In some areas of Iowa, particularly rural ones, it may be inconvenient or unnecessary to prohibit citizens from openly carrying their

firearms into town. But there is no reason a citizen needs to carry a gun into the Iowa City Public Library, to City Council meetings, or even on the Pedestrian Mall.

Open carry, in particular, can have a devastating effect on the public sphere. A gun openly displayed on the hip is a visual display of dominance over your unarmed peers; the presence of a weapon makes every disagreement potentially dangerous and creates an overwhelming power dynamic.

This is not, of course, an argument in favor of a blanket ban on the open carrying of firearms — that would constitute a clear violation of Second Amendment rights. But local governments should and do have the authority to determine whether open carry of firearms on government-controlled property is detrimental or beneficial to their community. The Iowa Attorney General's Office recently circulated a memo to county attorneys, explicitly stating that the new gun laws do not supersede local regulations on where individuals are allowed to carry weapons.

The City Council, therefore, can proceed with its efforts to ban firearms in City Hall, the Ped Mall, and the Iowa City Public Library, where there is no good reason to carry a weapon. These efforts have become especially important with the removal of firearm-proficiency requirements, as a gun in the hands of a legal, inexperienced user can be just as dangerous as one in the hands of a criminal.

There are some situations where Americans should have the right and the ability to defend themselves, but the open wearing of guns in peaceful public places can do more harm than good, especially if gun owners do not know how to use them. Firearms are a cornerstone of American culture and freedoms, but that does not mean they should be immune from regulation; instead, local governments should feel free to enact reasonable restrictions that benefit their communities. Barring guns from libraries and city halls certainly counts as reasonable.

Your turn. Is it sensible to ban firearms on city property? Weigh in on dailyiowan.com.

An unforgettable trip

ZACH WAHLS
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Just when I'd thought my younger years were behind me, Cory Petersen, the cocordinator of the INdIA Winterim classes, informed my section that, for logistical reasons, our upcoming visit to India was technically a "field trip."

Best. Field. Trip. Ever.

If you have ever wanted to travel outside of the United States, but weren't sure how to go about doing so, take this class.

The INdIA Winterim program, a collection of three-week study-abroad courses, just concluded its fifth year; it can boast of helping more than 100 students in 10 different areas. (We got back Sunday-Monday, and I'm still pretty jet-lagged, so I apologize if some of this doesn't make sense.) The classes are worth three credit hours, there are some great study-abroad scholarships available, and I can't think of a more personally enriching experience.

I'd never traveled outside of the Western world before. Like many of you, I've grown accustomed to the comforts of a developed nation; to spend three weeks in a developing country was abruptly different, to say the least.

After all, I don't consider running water a luxury, and I take for granted that it's clean and safe. When my Internet stops working, I fume at Mediacom and offer a few choice words to the 404-error page, having grown used to immediate accessibility. Power outages here are rare and almost always brief. Our roads are well maintained. The list goes on.

We stayed with a relatively well-off Indian NGO studying rural development. Even on the incredible campus, we were unable to drink tap water, experienced a number of blackouts, and had an Internet connection that was temperamental at best. Of course, the villages we visited didn't have to worry about any of these inconveniences, because they didn't have running

water, access to an electrical grid, or Internet.

Turns out the occasional blackout is a good problem to have.

Despite the advances of humankind in the 20th century, and the extraordinary development the Western world has witnessed, a vast number of people still live in small, technologically primitive villages. It's one thing to read about these conditions, but it's another to see them. I can't even imagine having to actually live in them.

After arriving in New Delhi, we took a train to Allahabad and then journeyed four hours by automobile to our final destination. A classmate of mine mused that he had learned more about the world from looking out of that window than from all the textbooks he had ever read.

I wouldn't disagree.

Even as the world changes and "developing" nations continue to modernize and progress, it's hard to imagine a future in which there is little to be gained from travel abroad.

Westernization is an increasingly powerful force, but although the world seems to be converging on a similar ideal, there is much to be learned from those who are different from us.

Calling the last three weeks "life changing" would be like calling the pyramids "impressive" or referring to Bob Dylan as "pretty good." It wouldn't be so different from describing skydiving as "exciting" or *The Great Gatsby* as "decent."

A quote often attributed to the Prophet Mohammed goes like this: "Don't tell me how much you know. Tell me how much you have traveled." Wise words from a wise man. With this program, I traveled halfway around the world. I had a great professor and amazing classmates and learned more in this three-week span than any other similar stretch of time in my life.

If any of my fellow students are interested in studying abroad, I highly recommend this program. My entire class had a ton of fun, but we learned even more. I'm sure any of my fellow students would tell you the same thing in a heartbeat. ■

Letter

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Sleep campaign wasteful

I am disappointed that the Nanny State has reached Iowa City. The management of the University of Iowa has decided to expend resources to tell people to get more sleep.

Doesn't every adult know that if he or she is tired, more sleep is needed? Must the university expend scarce resources in such a ridiculous manner?

As a modest contributor to the university, it is distressing to see that its funds are spent so foolishly.

Mike Norton
UI alum

Passenger rail has many benefits

As our state, our cities, and our entire region strive to emerge from these economic times, it is critical we remain viable, economically sound, and connected. Rail has long been an enviable transportation backbone overseas; trains run frequently, comfortably, and on time. Such infrastructure offers a platform for growth and regional emergence.

Rail is an alternative to our cars; train passengers can work, socialize, or relax. Rail fosters development at hubs

along its routes; real development means jobs, retail, and industry. There is a studied and expected vibrancy that emerges where trains are central to both freight and passenger travel. The annual operating budget for passenger rail is dwarfed by the billions Iowans pay in road and highway construction and maintenance.

Federal funding — \$230 million — is ensured now. Illinois is in for \$60 million. Iowa's share is \$20 million. Should we wait, the cost to Iowa would be exponentially greater, time would be lost, gas burned, and

the opportunity for economic development stalled.

Rail may also encourage a return of educated young adults to our state; those who see access across the midsection of the country and economic energy, resulting in real job options, may just cast a fond eye on Iowa as they investigate options.

It would be truly shameful to make rail a partisan issue. I hope our new governor does study rail, as promised, and makes it a hallmark of his administration. This is our time.

Kate Minette
Cedar Rapids resident

Guest opinion

Don't forget election; prioritize fiscal responsibility

Quick recap: Back in November, America made a statement at the polls. Nationally, Republicans gained six seats in the Senate and picked up a remarkable 63 seats in the House of Representatives. Here in Iowa, Gov. Terry Branstad moved back into Terrace Hill, and he will have a strong majority in the State House. The Senate will be more flexible.

Americans and Iowans spoke loud and clear, and they voted for results, not just for Republicans. They voted to hold our representatives accountable.

Now the session begins, and we will find out if gov-

ernment officials will honor their November promises.

So here's a Republican "wish list" for the 84th Iowa General Assembly and the 112th United States Congress; priorities are different on the local and national levels, but the principles can be exactly the same.

It's simple: Rein in spending. Any 16-year-old with their first job knows that people can only spend as much as they take in. Inexplicably, this logic does not apply to the government. The 111th U.S. Congress, under the guidance of Speaker Nancy Pelosi, added more debt to the U.S. Treasury than the first 100

Congresses combined. Students now leave college burdened not only by student loans but also by the almost \$45,000 that constitutes every American's stake in the national debt.

Many in Congress say it is not possible to pay back our debt. Many say that the pork-barrel spending is insignificant compared with the entire budget's size. In my opinion, they are not trying hard enough. Americans have had to make the tough decisions for years, and now is the time for our elected leaders to do the same. In rough economic times, we must repudiate excess.

Here in Iowa, the federal government offered hundreds of millions of dollars to construct a high-speed passenger rail line from Chicago to Iowa City. After the initial cost, the states are expected to put up the rest of the operating costs. The rail transportation would take longer than flying, driving, or riding a bus, and it is more expensive than traveling by car and bus. This investment would be a waste of time and money; its elimination is a simple cut, especially during economic downturn.

This past week, the Iowa House Appropriations Committee passed the

Taxpayers First Act, which aims to save Iowans \$500 million over three years. The bill accomplishes many of the promises Republicans made along the campaign trail and makes some tough decisions in order to restore fiscal responsibility.

Items incorporated in the bill include the creation of a Tax Relief Fund to return any positive balance to the taxpayers, elimination of sabbaticals at the state Board of Regents' universities for 18 months, reductions in state spending on office supplies, and a requirement that all state employees pay a premium

for their health coverage. These kinds of sacrifices must be made to compensate for the budget shortfall.

November was months ago. The Tea Party is not yelling as loudly, the political commercials have ended (thank God), and everything could settle back to politics as usual. We cannot succumb to the inertia of runaway spending. We must stand up and remember November, making the tough sacrifices necessary to insure the financial security of our state and our nation.

Natalie Ginty is the chairwoman of the UI College Republicans.

UI represented among court hopefuls

One-third of 61 applicants for three Iowa Supreme Court vacancies graduated from the UI College of Law.

By **KENDALL MCCABE**
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The University of Iowa appears to be a breeding ground for applicants to the Iowa Supreme Court.

More than one-third of the 61 applicants for the three vacancies — created when voters ousted Justices Marsha Ternus, Michael Streit, and David Baker in November — graduated from the UI College of Law. And if only one of these 26 individuals is selected for the position, he or she would be the sole UI graduate on

the Supreme Court.

Joel T.S. Greer, an applicant and partner at Cartwright, Druker, & Ryden in Marshalltown, said it is common for UI graduates to apply for the appellate courts. Greer received a bachelor's degree in political science from the UI and also graduated from the UI College of Law.

"My first semester in law school, I cloistered myself in a one-bedroom apartment and had all of two dates. It was miserable," he wrote in an e-mail. "By the third year of law school, I

really enjoyed intramural sports and working in a law firm. My grades went up as I loosened up."



Greer
applicant

He attributed the high percentage of UI graduates in the applicant pool to the UI being one of the state's two law schools. The other is at Drake University — which graduated the second most Supreme Court applicants.

"It would be logical for a group of Iowa attorneys to have a sizable UI contingent," said applicant Joseph M. Barron, a UI

graduate and attorney with Peddicord, Wharton, Spencer, Hook, Barron, & Wegman in Des Moines. He said the most valuable skill he acquired at the UI was his ability to write.



Barron
applicant

The lack of UI graduates on the current court is slightly abnormal, said Tim Hagle, a UI associate professor of political science who specializes in judicial politics and behavior, but it doesn't mean much considering the court has only four justices at present.

"It's odd that it just hap-

pens to be that way," Hagle said. "It's more coincidence than anything else."

The nominating commission will begin to interview the applicants — a mix of current judges, law professors, and attorneys — on Jan. 24 in Des Moines. That process is expected to take numerous days.

Then the commission will send Gov. Terry Branstad the names of nine finalists. He will have 30 days to appoint the three new justices.

Hagle said the high percentage of UI applicants "is not surprising."

The 15-person nominating commission will look for candidates who are knowledgeable about Iowa

law, are members of the Iowa Bar, and are open-minded, Hagle said. A strong precedent also exists for candidates to have previous judicial experience, he said.

The remaining justices are coping with the expansive caseload, with only four justices available to write opinions rather than the normal seven.

According to its online schedule, the Supreme Court will not issue any decisions in the month of January. For the past five years, the court issued at least three decisions each January.

The court's next ruling will come Feb. 3.

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Branstad joins health lawsuit

Gov. Terry Branstad signed a federal lawsuit Tuesday challenging President Obama's health-care legislation, according to a press release.

Iowa now joins 27 other states in the effort to challenge the law "that would force Iowans to buy the federal government's mandated health insurance," the press release states.

"As we begin constructing our five-year budget, there is no doubt that the current federal health-care law will shackle Iowa taxpayers for billions in unfunded mandates," Branstad said in the release.

— by Sam Lane

Branstad to evaluate state workers

Gov. Terry Branstad will review and evaluate the positions of more than 1,000 state employees hired in the past six months, said Tim Albrecht, the governor's communications director.

Albrecht said he is unsure if Branstad's review will include state Board of Regents' employees.

— by Sam Lane

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[the alleged victim] is not telling the truth about what happened and would present some evidence on it in support of the theory.”

She also said the reduction in charges was unlikely to influence the jury's deliberation.

Everson, 21, and former teammate Abe Satterfield, 22, were originally charged with second-degree sexual abuse after allegedly sexually assaulting a former Hawkeye athlete in an unoccupied Hillcrest dorm room more than three years ago. Satterfield later entered a plea bargain in exchange for his testimony against Everson.

Sixth Judicial District Judge Paul Miller said the state didn't provide enough evidence to prove Satterfield aided and abetted Everson in the crime, the key difference between the two levels of sexual abuse.

Johnson County assistant prosecutor Anne Lahey began her hourlong closing argument by describing each element of the charges and summarizing each witness' testimony, using an oversized drawing pad with handwritten notes in black and red marker.

Lahey's argument centered on the accuser's emotional testimony. The prosecutor reminded the jury the alleged victim, who testified she never gave Satterfield consent, didn't know Everson was involved until authorities told her

they found his DNA in her rape kit — meaning she could not have given him consent, Lahey said.

“[The alleged victim] cooperated with everyone at the University of Iowa, she had interviews with several people, and what is key here is that she never mentioned Cedric Everson,” Lahey said. “She had no knowledge at that time that he was involved.”

But while Lahey painted the incident as an attack, Spies — aided by a PowerPoint presentation — portrayed the night as a series of mistakes.

“What happened on the evening of Oct. 13 and in the early morning hours of Oct. 14 resulted from a toxic mixture of alcohol, prescription drugs, hormones, immaturity, and bad choices,” Spies said.

He focused on inconsistencies in the testimony of the state's witnesses, asking the jury if they would bet their “entire life savings” or “send a child into surgery” based on the evidence presented by the state.

“Amnesia does not mean helpless,” he said. “[The alleged victim's] purposeful, voluntary actions show that she was in functional blackout. She was able to walk, talk, communicate, laugh, run without any memory.”

In her rebuttal, Lahey told the jurors Spies wanted to portray the alleged victim as a “sexual siren,” and Everson and Satterfield were merely her “beneficiaries.” Countering that portrayal, Lahey said all witness'

testimony portrayed the woman as a goal-driven student who rarely went out or drank alcohol. While Lahey admitted Satterfield got a good deal for his testimony, he never changed his story.

At the end of her rebuttal, Lahey pointed to Everson.

“Football is and should be a team sport,” she said. “Sexual assault is not ... and when [Everson and Satterfield] saw [the alleged victim] in that room that night they just saw a body of a young woman that was something that they could use. What they didn't see was her inner guts and her maturity to say this was wrong.”

The jury will continue deliberation at 9 a.m. today in the Johnson County Courthouse.

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Several of these programs have stopped accepting new students.

The regents closed the health and sports studies graduate department last spring while Graduate College officials discussed possible changes.

Sports studies moved into the American studies department in the fall, said Kim Marra, the head of the department. Graduate students in the program are taking courses that emphasize sports studies, but transferring the degrees into the American studies department still needs approval, she said.

The Ph.D. in the UI German department might be

next up for termination, Keller said.

All the recommended cuts and interdepartmental changes are the result of a lack of interest from potential students, he said, as well as faculty shortages.

“I think our program being eliminated makes our lives easier because we didn't have enough people to take care of the students in the program,” said Ellen Lewin, director of graduate studies for the department of gender, women's, and sexuality studies. “But in the long run, it's a terrible thing, because they're downgrading the university.”

Students failing to achieve their Ph.D. after entering the program is part of the reason UI officials want the program gone, Lewin said.

“I actually think that

makes absolutely no sense,” she said. “A lot of people get into Ph.D. programs and realize they're not for them or they want to study something else.”

Like the health and sports studies department, Lewin said, the Graduate College is working to redouble its studies, making the program available in other majors with an interdisciplinary graduate certificate.

Graduate College officials plan to send recommendations for removal of the German program to the UI council of provost to review at its Feb. 2 meeting. The proposal would be presented to the regents during their March meeting, Keller said, pending approval.

Regents could not be reached for comment Tuesday.



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“significant.” Indianapolis and Las Vegas — the last two cities to host the event — reported an economic impact of \$8 million to \$10 million.

While the event would draw fewer visitors than a Hawkeye home football game, Schamberger said, an advantage to hosting it was its national draw, as opposed to the regional draw of a football game. He pointed to the number of people from outside the state and region who would fly in and fill up area hotels.

But Schamberger said the event's impact would go beyond dollar amounts.

“It will also put Iowa City in the national spotlight for the weeks leading up to the trials,” he said. “Excitement will be high. We'll be essentially witnessing firsthand the team that's assembled to go on and represent the U.S. in London.”

A local organizing group that included Iowa wrestling legend Dan Gable and current Hawkeye head coach Tom Brands traveled to Colorado Springs to give a presentation to a selection committee on Jan. 12. Among others joining Gable and Brands to make the presentation was Matt Getz of the UI athletics event management. Getz said the group's pitch centered on a wrestling fan base he called “incredible, excited, and knowledgeable” and that it was received even better than he had anticipated.

“We got a lot of positive feedback,” he said. “You could see some heads turn and eyebrows go up when we presented.”

Rich Bender, the executive

U.S. Olympic Team Wrestling Trials, April 21-22, 2012

Will include three styles of competition:

- Men's freestyle
- Greco-Roman
- Women's freestyle

director of USA Wrestling, said in a statement they picked Iowa City for its track record of hosting large wrestling events — the area has hosted the NCAA wrestling championships four times and the Big Ten championships three times — and its history of drawing large fan support for the sport.

The event will take place in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, which will by then have completed a \$47 million renovation, on April 21-22, 2012.

A number of former Hawkeye wrestlers will get a chance to compete once again in Carver-Hawkeye, including Hawkeye assistant coach Mike Zadick. Zadick lauded Iowa City's wrestling fans and expressed excitement about returning to the mat in front of them.

“It's nice to know [I] can be back in Carver-Hawkeye arena competing again, not for the Black and Gold but for the Red, White, and Blue,” Zadick said. “I've been so many places around the world, but there's nothing like Carver. Not even remotely close.”

Brands said hosting the event would be “huge” for the city and the university, and he praised the organizing team.

“It was a slam-dunk if we communicated, and we communicated,” he said. “Now we've got to do our part, and our part is to put guys on the [Olympic] team.”

Around 15 students came and went between 3:15 and 5:15 p.m. While this year has been slow, Eidahl said the program drew between 40 and 50 students a day six years ago.

For now, Eidahl is focused on ensuring the future of the program, and said he believes it will continue to grow.

“We'll continue to seek funding,” Eidahl said, noting finances are a recurring priority.

Humrichouse also said he hopes the program continues, though perhaps for other reasons.

“I want a rematch,” the officer said.

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“Ping-Pong is my game,” he said after a tough loss.

His opponent, Southeast student Nasim Salih, didn't hear Humrichouse's excuses — he had already headed off for his free soda.

Humrichouse extended his losing streak to three games before improving and coming out on top against Emmanuel Hooper, an eighth-grade student at Southeast.

“He's really good at angles,” Hooper said after the match.



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ANDREW JUHL
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Know your Ledge author:

- I really want to write a screenplay based on that one “Twilight Zone” with the tiny spaceship that invades a farmhouse and the farmhouse lady fights them off and then at the end you learn that the aliens will actually be aliens but the other planet will be like mini versions of us and it’ll be really easy to conquer, but then the twist is that we weren’t actually the aliens and everybody will be all like, “WHOA.”
- I’ll never understand why some Christians are so adamantly against gay rights. I know that (arguable translations of) Leviticus says it’s a sin, but even then it’s not a sin important enough to warrant inclusion in the Ten Commandments. Those are supposedly the BIGGIES. Yet I’m not familiar with any campaigns to keep the covetous from marrying or to force the military to stop fighting wars on the Sabbath. I mean, let’s have a little parity, people.
- I am pretty much the opposite of every person ever: I always keep my New Year’s Resolutions, I’m great with names, I am a morning person, I don’t really mind the humidity, I feel that the drivers in my area are generally competent, and I believe that children’s programs today are of the same quality they were when I was a child. But, hey, I still put my pants on one arm at a time, just like everyone else.
- I used to like video games, but then I turned 25 and was like “You know? I’m an ADULT now. It’s time for me to do ADULT-LIKE things and really MAKE SOMETHING of my life.” And that’s when I started having Nerf Wars with my fellow ADULT friends.

— Andrew R. Juhl thanks Matt Gorman for supplying material for today’s Ledge.

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Students hurry out of the University Bookstore on the first day of classes Tuesday. Even with all the cash registers manned, the lines inside were long as students made last-minute purchases to prepare for the semester.

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 Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2011
— by Eugenia Last

ARIES March 21-April 19 Don’t take chances if they might create a negative influence on your personal or professional status. If you are too vocal, you will limit the possibilities. Keen perception and diplomacy will be required.

TAURUS April 20-May 20 Talks will lead to decisions that will allow you to move ahead. Do not let anyone upset your plans. Change is your friend, not the enemy, so embrace what comes your way and make it work for you.

GEMINI May 21-June 20 Focus on your future and on stretching your money. If whatever you are spending your money on is not going to help you earn more, don’t do it. Prudence will make you feel better; spending on frivolous items will not.

CANCER June 21-July 22 If you feel you cannot accomplish something on your own, get some help. A partnership can make all the difference. Compromise may be required but will be worth your while. Now is a good time to implement the changes you’ve been talking about.

LEO July 23-Aug. 22 You don’t need to have a meltdown to get others to listen. Put your plan together, and present it with dignity and diplomacy. Anger will only cause you to overlook something or someone important to your future.

VIRGO Aug. 23-Sept. 22 The effort you put into your home will pay off. Socializing more will bring you in contact with someone who can help you make positive changes to your future. Be a participant instead of a spectator.

LIBRA Sept. 23-Oct. 22 There will be plenty of turmoil going on around you, and it’s important to be the friendly observer who can bring peace and order to the chaos. Focus on your own creative endeavors while you oversee what everyone around you is doing.

SCORPIO Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Get back to basics. Once you get rid of any unnecessary items and chores, you will have more time to spend on what really can make a difference in your life. It’s your life, so take control and do what’s best for you.

SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Go at your own pace financially, emotionally, and physically if you want to get to the finish line. Love is in the stars, but you have to be honest about whether you are able to give what’s required to make it work.

CAPRICORN Dec. 22-Jan. 19 You’ve got the right attitude, and you can make a difference. Try to be upfront about what you expect from others and what you are willing to give back. An unusual change will come as a surprise.

AQUARIUS Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Slow down. Acting in haste will cause more harm than good. It’s better to work as a team player and be included. Make the right choice, and love will flourish; making the wrong one will alienate you from those you care about most.

PISCES Feb. 19-March 20 You may think you have all the answers, but when faced with pressure or even a little forceful action, you will second-guess some of the decisions you’ve made. Concentrate more on personal changes and with whom you can connect socially.

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by Scott Adams



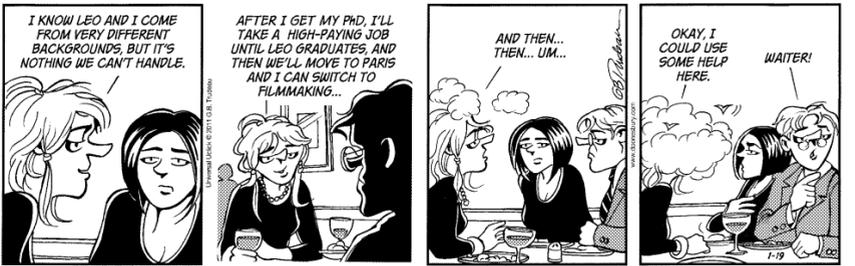
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- **Poster Sale**, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., IMU Hubbard Commons
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- **Preschool Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
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- **Brown Bag Lunch**, *Tuskegee Airmen* Film Screening & Discussion, 2390 University Capitol Centre
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- **Cmiel-Funded Internship Information Meeting**, 2:30 p.m., 1117 University Capitol Centre
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- **Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration of Human Rights**, free film and discussion, *Pushing the Elephant*, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library Meeting Room A
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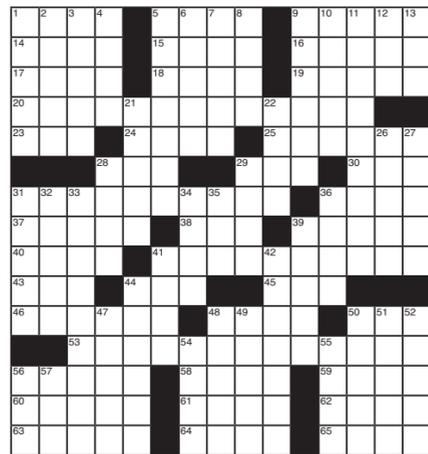
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- Across**
- Friends and neighbors
 - Bend one’s elbow, e.g.
 - Cornered
 - Start of an incantation
 - Wash up
 - “On the Beach” author
 - Hard-boiled crime genre
 - Aesir ruler
 - Perfect Sleeper maker
 - Athlete who has piggied out on snacks at a bar?
 - Interstate-championing prez
 - Strippers’ tips, often
 - Explosive of old
 - Special treatment, for short
 - “___ geht’s?” (German “How are you?”)
 - ___ pro nobis
 - Chief heckler?
 - Skewer
 - Place for a Dumpster
 - Juan’s “what”
 - Lavender, for one
 - Pesky arachnid
 - Skydiver’s amended plans?
 - Troop-entertaining grp.
 - Cara ___ (Italian term of endearment)
 - Performer yukking it up
 - Friend from afar
 - Tickled
 - Indy letters
 - Insulation from jokes?
 - Rodeo ride
 - Astronomy’s ___ cloud
 - Brand for woofers, but not tweeters?
 - Cultural prefix
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 - Take on
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 - Truly, in the Bible
 - Unwise undertaking
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 - Barista’s offering
 - Back into a corner
 - Boo-hoo
 - Copier malfunction
 - Beethoven dedicatee
 - “Rocket Man” rocker
 - Pastel hue
 - Scat syllable
 - Bernie Madoff’s hedge fund, e.g.
 - Parasol’s offering
 - Leave high and dry
 - Say “Hey, batter batter” and such
 - Mr. Met, for one
 - Tubular pasta
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Driving force in gym

Mike Jiang, a returning All-American in the pommel horse, sets an example for his teammates.

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As one of only three seniors on Iowa's young men's gymnastics team, Mike Jiang is a natural leader.

That he's an All-American doesn't hurt, either.

Coming off a season in which he finished seventh in the pommel horse at the 2010 NCAA Championships, the Littleton, Colo., native is obviously regarded highly by his coaches and his teammates.

"It's somebody to look up to," sophomore Anton Gryshayev said. "You strive to be like Michael Jiang on [pommel] horse."

"There's not many good pommel horse swingers, and he's one of them," head coach JD Reive said. "His technique is pretty flawless."

Jiang attributes his success to "commitment, motivation, persistence, and the support of my teammates."

Reive gives a much simpler answer to his success: talent.

The first-year coach said that having an All-American in the gym gives his team a guide on what championship-level gymnastics looks like.

"It's good for the rest of the team, especially the young guys who don't have any NCAA experience, to see what he's doing and say, 'That's what All-American is, that's the kind of gymnastics we need to be doing,'" Reive said.

Jiang's leadership shows up in big spots, Gryshayev said.

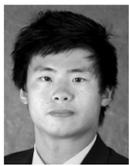
"He's definitely clutch when it needs to be done," he said. "If we need a hit on horse, he'll provide it. Not many people can hold under pressure, and Mike Jiang seems to do it pretty well."

The clutch abilities of Jiang showed up in the NCAAs last season, where, he said, it was "hit or miss" to become an All-American.

"I saw a lot of guys fall, and I knew if I hit, I would be an All-American," he said.

His score of 14.550 in the event earned him seventh place.

Jiang said he feels Reive's arrival has given him "a push" in his senior season. Gryshayev said



Jiang senior

that if Reive had been the Iowa coach for Jiang's entire career as opposed to just his final season, he believes Jiang would have achieved All-American status more than once.

Jiang's status as an All-American drives the rest of the team to improve, Gryshayev said.

"If we get the mentality of wanting to out-do each other, we will be a [much] stronger team," he said.

Along with being a national contender on the pommel horse, both Jiang and Reive look at the high bar as another event in which he can excel in his final season. Jiang is happy with his development and believes he can make an impact at NCAAs with more progress.

"He's been improving quite a bit in high bar," Reive said. "If he continues to perform well, it's a good set."

Jiang's gymnastics is appealing not just to judges, the coach said, but to a person who knows little about the sport.

"He stands out," he said. "Even if you don't know gymnastics, you can look at him and his routine and say, 'That looks nice.'"

TOUR

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in December.

"Tour was right in that limbo of whether she should pursue another area or come on over," Long said. "She was very accomplished as a swimmer but needed to make that choice."

Because Swedish high schools and colleges do not have any athletics, swimmers are limited to competing on club teams. This makes it difficult for them to stay competitive in the sport.

"I would have continued swimming because it has always been a big part of my life," Tour said. "But here you are given the opportunity to combine school with a very high level of swimming."

"You don't get that anywhere else in the world."

While Tour, an international-studies major, has a long list of accomplishments to show her success at the university, she admits it was not an easy transition at the start.

"It was a lot of adjustment in the beginning," she said. "I remember feeling that I was just thrown into this new life with so many obligations."

In addition to a strenuous practice schedule, hefty class schedule, and the hours spent with a mandatory tutor, she had to learn a new culture.

The language was especially challenging for Tour, who said she knew next to nothing about the United States prior to living here.

"So much of your identity is in your language and how you use it," she said. "It took a while to adjust to

that and to figure out the social rules."

She has since found an identity as a versatile swimmer and a leader among her teammates.

"Overall, it's gratifying from my perspective to see someone come in as a freshman and see them develop individually as a person as well as an athlete," Long said. "And that's what she has done."

Tour's teammates have great respect for her, and they believe the entire team benefits from her presence as a captain.

"Katarina has high standards for herself and for the team," said junior co-captain Danielle Carty. "She knows what it will take to be successful."

"She motivates the team on a daily basis and encourages all the women to always perform at their best."

BASKETBALL

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He rebounded nicely against Minnesota on Sunday, though, and arguably played a better game than star Gopher Trevor Mbakwe.

"Ever since the [first] game against Ohio State, when he played well against Sullinger, he became more of a marked man than he was prior to that," McCaffery said in a teleconference Monday. "He has to understand that now and play the same way every time out."

Although the Hawkeyes lost to Minnesota on Sunday, Basabe's 20-point, 13-rebound effort allowed the outspoken freshman to regain some confidence after being bullied the previous two games.

"I knew I was going to be able to get around [Minnesota's post players]," Basabe said in a radio interview Sunday. "I knew I was going to be able to shoot, and I knew I can play just as hard as they can and use my athleticism just like [Mbakwe] uses his. I just came into the game ready to attack."

Even if the 20-point Basabe shows up, though,

beating the No. 1 team in the country will be a tall order. Ohio State boasts the eighth-best scoring defense in the nation and shoots 50 percent from the field, and McCaffery stressed the importance of playing smart basketball.

"All of our mistakes [against Minnesota] came in one stretch of about six or seven minutes," McCaffery said. "That, against the No. 1 team in the country, isn't going to get it done. We have to minimize those mistakes and get a little more production off the bench."

STOERMER

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off the bench. And while this season he's averaging just 2.4 points per game, he dropped an impressive eight points in just 11 minutes against Northwestern on Jan. 12.

Stoermer seems to have the team-first attitude Wagemester mentioned in spades. Growing up a Hawkeye fan for most of his childhood — save for seven years in Kansas where he also learned to appreciate the Kansas Jayhawks — he has a double interest in the fate of the revived team as a player and a fan.

He said the prospect of someday playing at Iowa was one of his big motivating factors, especially at Kirkwood.

"If I had a whole bunch of offers from a bunch of different schools, I would have probably chosen Iowa," he said.

And in the middle of two seasons on nationally ranked JuCo teams, he improved to the point that he was named the 2010 All-Regional Most Valuable Player. Yet while he was one of the best players at Kirkwood, he understands where he fits into the new puzzle that Iowa is trying to solve. He simply wants to be an example of a hard worker and be an example of how anybody can play for the program.

"We're willing to out-work people," Stoermer said. "That's a good aspect, I think, of our program."

So whether Stoermer is sitting on the bench at Iowa or next year's breakout star, the humble engineering major could seem to care less — he's just enthusiastic about basketball. He said he's always calm, likes playing in front of crowds, and he likes playing with his former high-school rivals in Matt Gatens (Iowa City High) and Eric May (Dubuque Wahlert).

Most of all, though, Stoermer just seems content that his hard work is finally paying off, and he's reaping the benefits of showing his unnoticed, junior-college-built game off to those given more opportunities than he.

"It's pretty sweet to sit there and be like 'This is a future NBA player' that I might get to guard," he said. "It sounds cliché, but it's a dream come true."

TRACK

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biggest chunk of the indoor season approaches in the next couple of weeks before the Big Ten championships, the distance runners can get back into group training and begin to push their fitness levels higher to prepare for tougher races.

"No matter how well you train, the one thing you can't train is race fitness," Anderson said.

The upcoming weeks begins the process of the athletes becoming "race sharp," as Anderson said. They will also complete speed work to prepare for their upcoming meets.

Looking at the results from the Iowa Open and looking ahead, the Hawkeyes were most pleased that they saw the work they put in over winter break carry over to the results at the Iowa Open. Senior Amanda Hardesty said the work will also be beneficial down the road during longer races.

"We all ran faster times than we did the previous year [at the Iowa Open], so that's a good sign," she said.

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New Hawk gets jump-start

Troy Doris is already an asset to the track team.

By **BEN SCHUFF**

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Troy Doris said he doesn't like to "shine" or "be outstanding." Instead, the College of DuPage transfer said he came to Iowa because it was "low-key" but "really good."

But if the junior continues to perform like he has in his first two meets as a Hawkeye, three of those four adjectives will describe him. And low-key isn't one.

Look no further than horizontal jumps coach Clive Roberts' comments for proof.

When asked what the coach's expectations were, he instantly listed some high aspirations.

"Being a Big Ten champion — that is the first goal," Roberts said. "Then being an All-American."

During his time at DuPage, Doris was a two-time junior-college national champion in the triple jump.

In his first meet as a Hawkeye, the Bolingbrook, Ill., native jumped 15.37 meters for first place — also good enough to rank second among Iowa's all-time top performers.

Last weekend at the Iowa Open, Doris even surprised head coach Larry Wiecek by winning the 60-meter dash in 6.83 seconds.

But for other coaches, Doris' continued success isn't as surprising.

"It's probably the smoothest transition that

I've seen for someone of his caliber and what he's done in the past," Roberts said. "The first day he stepped on campus, he made us better."

Doris didn't start a serious weight training program until this past summer.

His older brother, Ryan Doris, runs track at Northern Illinois and is also a body-builder. He worked with Troy to get a lifting program started.

He was also responsible for getting Troy Doris into the triple jump and teaching him technique early on in high school.

The brothers watched video of their jumps for hours, noticing any flaw in their motion immediately.

Those years ingrained some imperfections into Doris' technique that he is working out as a Hawkeye. Before this year, he could rely on his natural ability. Now, he knows that isn't the case.

There was a time in his career when winning was everything. Now at Iowa, he feels he needs a sense of humility and knows he might not win every time out.

But it's not a lack of motivation.

Ryan Doris said "hard work, genetics, and a healthy obsession" will continue to lead his younger brother to great things.

"I think God had blessed him, and he works hard at it, too," Roberts said. "That's a lethal combination."

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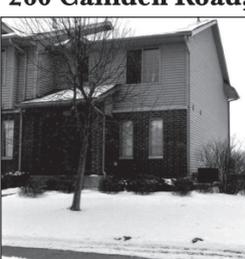
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Iowa guard Jordan Stoermer gives an interview following their game against Northwestern on Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2011 at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Stoermer finds 'dream' team

Iowa City native Jordan Stoermer is living a 'dream come true' by playing for Hawkeys.

By IAN MARTIN
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In all the shuffle of new faces for Iowa basketball this past off-season, a local former high-school star quietly signed to play for the Hawkeys, albeit as a walk-on. It was certainly a compelling story on paper — Iowa City West's second

all-time leading scorer and career steal leader returning home.

But oddly, there was seemingly no media attention about it.

It's especially odd if you talk to anyone who has coached Stoermer during his path to the Hawkeys.

Take, for instance, the words of Doug Wagemester,

the head coach at Kirkwood Community College, where Stoermer spent two years in between Iowa City and, well, Iowa City.

"He's a 'Steady Eddie,'" Wagemester said. "He's a good teammate. He can be looked up to in terms of effort and in terms of basketball IQ. He genuinely cares about the team before himself."

Stoermer could be easily compared with former Northern Iowa standout Ali Farokhmanesh, who was also a star player at West High before ending up at a state school after turns at other colleges. And while Stoermer hasn't had the national or even local attention Farokhmanesh garnered at Northern Iowa,

the potential is there for him to break out this year or next.

With Stoermer having played in 12 games this season, Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said he would have been more of a regular in the team's rotation if not for an early season back injury. But now he's close to 100 percent, and that

means more minutes.

"Now that he's got his legs back underneath him, he's going to play because he can make shots," McCaffery said.

Stoermer may be best known for his near-perfect form 3-point shot and the potential he can be a threat

SEE STOERMER, 9

Tour becomes Hawks' leader in the water

Senior Katarina Tour is a standout performer for the women's swimming and diving team.

By MAGGIE CUNNINGHAM
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Senior swimmer Katarina Tour had no intention of moving from her home in Stockholm, Sweden, to the United States to pursue a swimming career.

Though she was a highly decorated young swimmer and competed on the Swedish junior national team, she had no plans to continue swimming competitively. And she was not recruited by Iowa.

Hawkeye Head coach

Marc Long was interested in a Swedish swimmer named Therese Bergstrom, who he found via standings on the Internet. But when Bergstrom, a teammate of Tour's, decided not to swim at Iowa, she recommended Tour as a possible recruit.

"I was actually not recruited by any other school," Tour said. "It was always Iowa or staying in Sweden."

Four years later, the NCAA championships hopeful holds three school records in individual



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Iowa senior swimmer Katarina Tour (left) warms up in the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center during practice on Monday. Tour hails from Stockholm, Sweden.

events and has also contributed to two school records in relays. Her name appears many other times in the archive of Iowa's top-

10 times in various events, and she was named Big Ten Swimmer of the Week

SEE TOUR, 9

Basabe, Hawks face No. 1 Ohio St.

The matchup between Basabe and Sullinger will be key tonight when Iowa battles No. 1 Ohio State.

By SETH ROBERTS
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Every great heavy-weight bout has a sequel. Ali beat Liston twice, Tyson fought Holyfield on two occasions, and Balboa versus Creed was fodder for a pair of movies.

The fight will be taken to the hardwood tonight when two of the Big Ten's best freshmen square off for the second time this season. Melsahn Basabe and the Iowa men's basketball team (7-10, 0-5) travel to Columbus, Ohio, to take on Jared Sullinger and No. 1 Ohio State (18-0, 5-0).

On paper, the matchup looks lopsided. Basabe is two inches shorter and 55 pounds lighter than Sullinger, who was ranked as one of the premier high-school players of his graduating class.

Still, Round One was surprisingly even. The Buckeyes escaped Carver-Hawkeye Arena with a narrow five-point victory on Jan. 4, and Iowa even led Ohio State at half-time.

Basabe and Sullinger posted similar statistics across the board: The Hawkeye forward finished with 22 points, 13 rebounds, and six blocks, and the Buckeye standout recorded 24 points, 12

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"He had a tremendous game against us, and obviously he's a great player," Ohio State head coach Thad Matta said in a teleconference Monday. "We have to do the job on him ... we gave a lot of easy points to him in that game, and that's something we have to get corrected."

Iowa needs Basabe to have the same kind of night tonight if it wants to pull off what would be the upset of the decade. First-year head coach Fran McCaffery has given his star forward glowing reviews throughout the season but has also touched on his inconsistency.

The freshman from Glen Cove, N.Y., has had a tumultuous couple weeks. He appeared to be frazzled by the extra attention he drew after his performance in the Ohio State game and had poor outings in losses to Purdue and Northwestern.

SEE BASKETBALL, 9

Hawk runners' work paying dividends

The Iowa women's track and field team only saw minor setbacks in winter training, and the work is producing improved race times.

By AMY TIFFANY
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For Midwesterners, this year's winter weather may not be out of the ordinary — snow, freezing temperatures, and ice have mapped out the forecast.

Maneuvering around it, however, never becomes less tricky.

This can be especially true for the Iowa women's track and field distance runners, who faced some weather-related difficulties over winter-break while training.

Lack of plowing was the main reason athletes were forced to take their training

inside, but head coach Layne Anderson said the individual training the long-distance runners put in over winter break was still solid.

"I felt like all the feedback I was getting was very positive," he said.

Distance runners are most accustomed to running outside, so none of them want to be stuck inside on a treadmill.

Some made it through the time at home without any setbacks. Others were not so fortunate.

McKenzie Melander, a junior from Apple Valley, Minn., was one of the athletes who faced

weather-related setbacks. Minnesota has been hit with one of its snowiest winters in years.

"It was challenging at times to get somewhere that was plowed," she said.

Melander said she had to complete two of her workouts on the treadmill, as well as a few other easy runs.

Anderson said he was pleased that those who faced setbacks were able to adapt to them and improvise.



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SEE TRACK, 9