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DANCE MARATHON 2011



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People dance and play as the kids in the mini-Dance Marathon at the University Preschool on Jan. 21. The disco ball and bubble machine also provided entertainment for the people.

'Mini' in name, big in spirit

More than 50 children and parents attend a the mini-Dance Marathon, Friday night.

By **EMILY HOERNER**
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Earth Wind and Fire's "Shining Star" blared as preschoolers danced, wearing glowing necklaces and metallic star-shaped sunglasses underneath a bubble machine and disco ball.

Carter Phillips, sporting necklaces and a green Dance Marathon shirt, only took a long enough break from the dance floor to say he liked dancing before running into the crowd again.

Carter, a leukemia patient, is the inspiration behind the University Preschool's mini-Dance Marathon, which was held for the fourth time Jan. 21.

The 7-year-old's mother, Robin Phillips, is on the preschool's school board and suggested a shorter dance for the kids after her son was diagnosed with cancer at 17 months.

"The board was totally like, 'Let's do it.' It already had a disco room upstairs," she said. Carter underwent treatment for more

Upcoming Dance Marathon Events

For the 17th-annual Dance Marathon there are a series of activities for dancers and families to attend:

- Fourth dancer meeting at 9 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday in the IMU Main Ballroom
- Rough Riders community night in Cedar Rapids Saturday
- 24-hour "Big Event" on Feb. 4 and 5

Source: Dance Marathon website



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Check out a photo slide show and video from this weekend's pre-Dance Marathon activities.

than three years; today, he is "healthy as a horse," his mother said.

"We're a Dance Marathon family," Phillips said.

With 11 days until the University of Iowa Dance Marathon's 24-hour "Big Event,"

organizers are arranging a few more activities for families and dancers. UI Dance Marathon holds similar events throughout the year.

Dan Gratie, the Dance Marathon family-relations head, put together a sledding event at West High on Sunday afternoon.

"Dancers come here and realize what they're all dancing for in a few weeks," said Gratie, amid shrieks from children sliding down the hill.

Despite the 13-degree weather, dozens of people attended.

"The families, and especially the kids, are much stronger people than I'm ever going to be," Gratie said. "If that's not motivation in itself, then you aren't looking in the right places for it."

UI Dance Marathon dancers were also on hand at both events.

"It's just cool to come and see kids dance and enjoy it," said UI senior Abbi Arp, who was at the mini-marathon for the first time.

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Satterfield deal won't be opposed

The victim is not expected to make a statement at Abe Satterfield's sentencing.

By **HAYLEY BRUCE**
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Johnson County prosecutors have decided not to challenge their plea bargain with former Hawkeye football player Abe Satterfield, even though they said his testimony deviated from their agreement.

Satterfield, 22, was originally charged with second- and third-degree sexual abuse and assault with intent to inflict serious injury following an incident in which he and his former teammate Cedric Everson, 21, were accused of sexually assaulting a female University of Iowa athlete more than three years ago.

In April 2010, Satterfield pleaded guilty to the non-sexual charge — which carries a punishment of up to two years in jail — as part of a plea bargain in exchange for his testimony against Everson. And although Satterfield took the stand Jan. 13, prosecutors said "he did not testify what he said he was going to testify."

"We aren't going to try to challenge [the agreement]," said Johnson County assistant prosecutor Anne Lahey. "We believe it wasn't honored, but for closure for the victim, we won't challenge it."

David Siegel, a professor of law at New England Law Boston, said the decision is not uncommon, because a prosecutor is left with few options when a codefendant does not testify as expected.

"The prosecution really does not want to impeach the testifying codefendant with his or her testimony in the middle of the trial because that undermines his or her effectiveness as a witness," Siegel said.

Additionally, the prosecution would need to look back at the proffer — a written statement of what is to be testified — and determine whether Satterfield's testimony was inconsistent enough to be considered perjury, Siegel said. And to try the codefendant for perjury would require everyone involved in the original case to become involved, including the victim. The case would also need to be retried, Siegel said.

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UI eyes study abroad in Cuba

The University of Iowa hopes to offer study abroad programs in Cuba by 2012.

By **NINA EARNEST**
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University of Iowa students could soon have the chance to study abroad in once off-limits Cuba because of recent federal policy changes.

President Obama's administration lifted restrictions on study abroad programs to Cuba on Jan. 14, overturning limits put in place by then-President George W. Bush in 2004.

Janis Perkins, the UI Study Abroad director, said studying in Cuba as a student lets

young people visit a nation that is difficult to access after graduation.

"You can go as a student, but Cuba is not being opened up just for vacations and tourism yet," she said.

The UI discontinued its 2003 Afro-Cuban drum and dance workshop in Cuba, but now, the Study Abroad Office is looking into creating new programs.

Perkins said the Study



Thomas
dean

Abroad Office is working on a proposal for a winter literature program in Cuba — likely to be the UI's first program offered in the country since the president's decision. The university hopes to offer an official study abroad program in Cuba by 2012.

Sarah Griebel, a senior Spanish and English major, said Cuba appeared to be a place fewer students would be willing to visit.

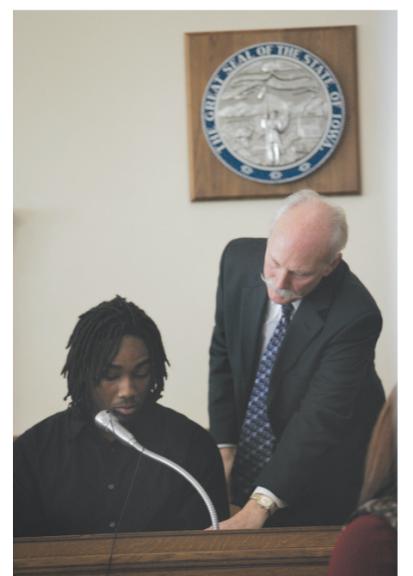
"I think it could be an interesting and different approach to studying Spanish," the 22-year-old said.

Downing Thomas, the dean of International Programs, said many UI students and staff members expressed interest in completing Cuba-centered research in the past few years.

The interest led the UI — and 27 other universities — to sign a letter organized by the Association of International Educators asking the president for the "removal of current restrictions on academic travel to Cuba."

The Oct. 28, 2010, letter argued the restrictions lowered

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Leon Spies (right), the attorney for former Iowa football player Cedric Everson, examines a transcript with former Hawkeye Abe Satterfield during Everson's trial on Jan. 11 in the Johnson County Courthouse.

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Spotlight Iowa City

Passion & fire in the gym

A UI student reaches out to area high-school athletes in the gym to promote healthy training.

By **MOLLY IRENE OLMSTEAD**
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In 2009, University of Iowa junior Jake Eikenberry was No. 33 — a running back for the St. Ambrose football team. But this year, he's changed his focus.

Now, the 21-year-old can be found in the Got Strength gym spotting a 15-year-old football player who bench-presses 110 pounds.

"And up ... and up ... and up ..." Eikenberry says, never taking his eyes off the athlete as he bench presses on Jan. 21.

As a Got Strength intern, he helps train dedicated teenage athletes from various high schools around Iowa City.

The walls of Got Strength's front office are papered with newspaper clippings from the Iowa City West Trojans and West Branch Bears. The headlines celebrate improvements, upsets, and championship games: "Sweet repeat," "Top of their game," "Bears perfect."

The goal of Got Strength, owned and managed by UI graduate Phil Johnson, is to "develop quality and high-caliber athletes," Johnson said.

Eikenberry attended Bettendorf High, a school known for developing successful athletes, especially in football. He then played football for St. Ambrose but decided to quit after an old ankle injury

Jake Eikenberry

- **Age:** 21
- **Hometown:** Bettendorf
- **Favorite movie:** *The Replacements*
- **Favorite Sports teams:** Green Bay Packers
- **Favorite food:** Steak

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Check out a photo slide show of Jake Eikenberry at work with the high-school athletes.

continued to flare up. Valuing his health above the game, he transferred to the UI to pursue a health-promotion major, noting the importance of injury prevention in training.

"I think any athlete who has had to stop competing, as I did, because of injury understands why it's so important a little bit more than everyone else."

Intense passion and an impressive history in sports make Eikenberry stand out from the other college interns at Got Strength. Johnson said he trusts him with the same amount of responsibility as the head coaches he employs.

"With the internships, we give what you're willing to take on and what you're capable of taking on," Johnson said. "Jake has more responsibility because he worked for it."

Eikenberry's experience and his work ethic aren't the only things that set him ahead of his peers in the gym; there is also his ability to build relationships with



DAVID SCRIVNER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Jake Eikenberry spots West Branch High sophomore Drew Walter as he lifts inside Got Strength Gym on Jan. 21. Eikenberry played football for St. Ambrose until an ankle injury caused him to stop.

the athletes he coaches.

Johnson said Eikenberry demonstrates a "perfect credibility" that allows him to gain the trust and respect of athletes almost immediately.

"Jake is a really good coach," said Garrett Lynch, a sophomore football and track athlete at West Branch High. "He'll show you how to do something instead of just telling. When he can do it himself really well, it makes you want to respect and listen

to him more."

While he's racking weights and spotting and demonstrating lifting techniques, the passion he has for the work is obvious in his eyes.

"There's more to sports and training than just getting big and strong," Eikenberry said. "They're also about developing yourself as a person and challenging yourself and figuring out what you can do. I want to be a part of that. I want to help people with that."

Officials: Hills not on chopping block

The school district is reviewing all 19 elementary schools, not just Hills.

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Though a review of Iowa City elementary schools could lead to discussion of closing Hills Elementary in the future, district officials emphasized there are no immediate plans to shut down the school.

Michael Shaw, an Iowa City School Board member, said the board is asking administrators to compile criteria that will determine the viability of each elementary school.

Areas officials will examine many topics, including building costs, personnel costs, and utilities, said district Superintendent Steve Murley. The board will review information about all the schools to compare

the operational costs.

Reviewing the schools' viability has been a year-long discussion in the district, Murley said, because some of the older schools cost more money.

"It's not just about Hills Elementary," he added.

The School Board will continue the discussion at its meeting Tuesday, and talks will concern all 19 elementary schools, not Hills specifically.

But Hills — which is roughly 10 miles away from Iowa City — has the smallest enrollment in the district, and it is declining.

This year, the school has an enrollment of 98, down from 126 last year, according to district enrollment reports. The school was designed to accommodate

300 students.

Discussions on whether to keep Hills open are ongoing, and the board does not know when a final decision will be made.

"No decision has been made on whether or not close Hills Elementary," Shaw said.

Throughout discussions, Murley said, officials will consider where the students will be five to 10 years, not just in their elementary years.

Heather Stevens, the vice president of the Hills Parent-Teacher Organization, said — while the organization has not discussed the possibility — if Hills closed, the result would be most likely be a redistricting of the area, possibly moving students

to Iowa City schools.

This will be the case for students after the closing of Roosevelt Elementary this year.

For now, the board is still deciding what action to take. "No plans as of yet; they are far away from that point, because no decision has been made," Murley said.

Though Murley said rumors of Hills' closing have understandably stirred concern among parents, it's been an ongoing issue since he became superintendent last year.

The board is expected to look at the issue continuously, he said, because it's never going to go away completely.

"It's not a case of saving a school," Murley said. "It's looking at long-term viability."

METRO

Sex-abuse trial pushed back

The trial has been reset for an Arkansas man charged with second-degree sexual abuse and two

counts of third-degree sexual abuse, according to court documents.

Travis Lee Porter, 43, allegedly sexually abused a Johnson County girl on numerous occa-

sions between 1999 and 2005. The victim was between 6 and 12 years old when the abuse allegedly occurred.

Second-degree sexual abuse is a Class C felony punishable by up

to 10 years in prison and up to \$10,000 in fines.

Porter's trial is now set for May 2; a pretrial conference is scheduled for April 21.

— by **Josh Quinnett**

BLOTTER

Shireen Amehdi, 19, 439C Mayflower, was charged Jan. 22 with PAULA.

Tyler Baumbach, 19, Dixon, Iowa, was charged Jan. 19 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Derek Bristol, 21, 600 S. Capitol Apt. 208, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Kevin Butler, 30, 1002 Friendly Ave., was charged Sunday with OWI.

Richard Campbell, 46, 320 S. Dubuque St. Apt. 514, was charged Jan. 14 with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

Deaira Dutler, 23, 2018 Waterfront Drive Apt. 110, was charged Jan. 25 with disorderly conduct.

Jesus Garcia, 38, 2001 Keokuk St. Apt. 2, was charged Jan. 20 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Alex Hannam, 22, Marshalltown, Iowa, was charged Jan. 21 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Cory Hanson, 20, 402 S. Gilbert St., was charged Jan. 22 with

public intoxication.

Nicholas Herrick, 19, 402 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 726, was charged Jan. 20 with assault causing injury.

Bret Hruby, 21, 417 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2322, was charged Sunday with assaulting a police officer.

Mitchell Hruby, 19, 417 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2322, was charged Sunday with interference with official acts, assault on emergency personnel, and keeping a disorderly house.

Chendi Hu, 20, 246 S. Johnson St. Apt. E, was charged Jan. 20 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Mitchell Hundman, 19, 531 S. Van Buren St., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Thomas Jones, 42, 2100 S. Scott Blvd. Lot 109, was charged Jan. 20 with driving while revoked.

James Migliore, 18, 522 S. Clinton Apt. 309, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Michael Mize, 28, 118 E. Washington St. Apt. 4, was charged Jan. 22 with interfer-

ence with official acts.

David Munz, 61, address unknown, was charged Jan. 20 with public intoxication and fifth-degree theft.

Brett Murdock, 24, Wilton, Iowa, was charged Jan. 21 with OWI.

John O'Connor, 20, 430 N. Dubuque St., was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Ismael Orozoco, 17, 2806 Sterling Drive, was charged Jan. 22 with driving while revoked.

Stefforn Perkins, 27, 2827 Heinz Road Apt. 4, was charged Jan. 20 with possession of an open container of alcohol in vehicle and OWI.

Randal Porch, 32, 401 Emerald St. Apt. E7, was charged Sunday with assault.

Melanie Reece, 39, 840 St. Anne's Drive, was charged Jan. 21 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Zachary Schuler, 20, Coralville, was charged Dec. 27, 2010 with possession of marijuana.

Cortez Seals, 21, 1116 Crescent

St., was charged Jan. 21 with driving while barred.

Ryan Shadden, 26, 436 Southgate Ave. Apt. 205, was charged Jan. 21 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Victoria Speake, 19, 415 Woodridge Ave., was charged Jan. 22 with fifth-degree theft.

Ashena Tucker, 22, Urbandale, Iowa, was charged Jan. 20 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Adam Vogel, 23, 2411 Crestview Ave., was charged Sunday with possession of marijuana and OWI.

Babacar Wade, 26, Coralville, was charged Jan. 22 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Gail Washington, 54, 914 Benton Drive Apt. 13, was charged Jan. 21 with fifth-degree theft.

Mistyn Wilharm, 24, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 2608, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Matthew Wood, 26, 430 E. Bloomington Apt. 1C, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

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SATTERFIELD

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He said broken plea bargains often cause defendants to be less likely to accept a prosecutor's agreements in the future.

According to court documents, the state suggested no jail time and a suspended sentence with no terms of probation for Satterfield, but a judge will have the decision about his punishment.

However, experts said judges consider the state's sentencing recommendations with "great weight," Siegel said, and it would be unusual for a judge to sentence differently.

Satterfield was scheduled to be sentenced Jan. 21, but he and his attorney did not show up because of a miscommunication on whether the sentencing would be handed down in person or through a written statement.

Satterfield's sentencing has been continued to March 11, the court documents said, and his personal appearance is required unless he receives special permission.

And while there are still three civil lawsuits pending involving the October 2007 Hillcrest incident, it is unlikely the outcome of the criminal case will affect the civil suits, said University of Iowa criminal law Professor Margaret Raymond.

In July 2008, the state Board of Regents hired the Stolar Partnership, a third-party investigator, to look into the incident after the accuser's mother

Timeline

Satterfield's sentencing has been rescheduled for March, after he and his attorney failed to appear Jan. 21:

- May 2008: Satterfield and Everson are charged in connection with alleged sexual assault in Hillcrest
- April 2010: Satterfield enters a plea agreement and pleads guilty to assault with intent to inflict serious injury
- Jan. 13, 2011: Satterfield testifies against Everson
- Jan. 20: Prosecutors consider challenging plea agreement
- Jan. 21: Prosecutors say they will not challenge agreement; Satterfield's sentencing hearing is continued for two months

Source: DI Archives

contended that the UI had mishandled the case. The Stolar Report placed blame on two UI administrators, who were terminated, and later filed separate wrongful termination and defamation lawsuits against the UI, university President Sally Mason, and the regents. The *Iowa City Press-Citizen* also filed a suit against the UI after it cited federal privacy laws to withhold documents related to the incident.

Everson is scheduled to be sentenced Feb. 25; a jury found him guilty of simple assault last week.

Richard Friedman, professor of law at the University of Michigan, said the jury's conviction could be introduced in the civil case to prove fact but nothing further.



CHRISTY AUMER/THE DAILY IOWAN

19-month old Alli Williams (left) and Jason Sanchez converse during a kids Dance Marathon at the University Preschool on Jan. 21. This is Sanchez' third year participating in Dance Marathon.

MARATHON

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As the clock neared 6 p.m., some of the youngsters started to wind down.

"For preschoolers, two hours is just perfect," said Colette Szeszycki, one of the school's teachers.

"We're all pooped at the end of those two hours."

Szeszycki said the school has integrated the mini-marathon into the curriculum. The school has the kids practice in the disco room upstairs two weeks before the event, she said.

"It's so fun, and they get all their energy out," she said.

The teachers also put out a jar for the students to donate pennies to Dance Marathon. It teaches them to think of others instead of themselves, Szeszycki said.

The mini event has grown a little bit each year because of current preschool students and former

families who return, Phillips said.

Carter, who also attends the UI's Dance Marathon each year, said his favorite part of the mini marathon is dancing with the college students.

"He likes the big one better," Phillips said. "But it's a good warm-up."

CUBA

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the number of U.S. students making their way to Cuba.

According to the Open Doors Report, only 251 U.S. students studied in Cuba during the 2008-09 school year, compared to 1,279 in 2001-02.

Ursula Oaks, a spokeswoman for the association, said educational exchanges were a key part of opening

Studying in Cuba

The number of U.S. students who have studied abroad in Cuba:

- 2004-05: 169
- 2005-06: 140
- 2006-07: 220
- 2007-08: 249
- 2008-09: 251

Source: Open Doors Report

a society.

"I think really the point is that American students can travel just about any-

where in the world, and they should be able to travel to Cuba," she said.

But not everyone approves of the decision.

Frank Calzón, the executive director of the Center for a Free Cuba, said he thought it was "shameful" for a university to support study-abroad programs in Cuba, where academic repression is constant.

Calzón said Cuban leaders only reform policy when the Cuban regime is short on money — but an

influx of study-abroad dollars will prevent reforms.

"You think you're helping the Cuban people, but you're not," Calzón said.

Yet Thomas said the UI presence in Cuba would be "very limited."

"We're not giving money to the Castro regime," he said. "We're giving opportunities for students to study abroad and opening up cultural exchanges between the people of Cuba and Iowa."

DI reporter Ariana Witt contributed to this article.

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Editorial

Should felons be forced to pay restitution before voting?

Yes

If you do the crime, pay the time — voting rights and privileges included.

I see no harm in supporting Gov. Terry Branstad's decision to force felons to fulfill certain conditions before being allowed to vote. Offenders would need to complete their financial obligations, such as court costs and other related fines, to regain the right to vote.

Those against this proposal need to see that it is not permanently taking away felons' voting rights. Those who have served time behind bars will eventually be able to regain their rights, in accordance with their completion of restitution.

There is nothing wrong with this.

In fact, (while this is a long shot) I hope that those who are adamant voters would see this as motivation and encouragement to pay their dues.

And while I am hardly authoritarian, those who have knowingly disobeyed the law rightfully lose some of their privileges; voting should be no different.

If people break the law once, who's to say they won't do so repeatedly and do so soon after being freed from prison? This decision ensures they have had time and some resolution before regaining their rights.

Furthermore, I think this largely lies on the individual case.

Those who see this executive order as an act of discrimination need to look at the big picture. Felons are exceptions to the rule. The right to vote is not the first privilege that is taken from them after committing a serious crime, and it certainly won't be the last.

Those who have rightfully served their time, come to a full absolution, and paid the time can easily reclaim their rights at a later date; people who exhibit antisocial behavior should not receive such social privileges as voting.

— Taylor Casey

No

All criminals are not, as the saying goes, created equal.

In theory, it makes sense to deny felons' voting rights if they have not paid their debt to society (a

nebulous concept, but we'll go with it for now). The extremely antisocial, the thought goes, should not determine our nation's future.

But as sensible as Gov. Terry Branstad's abrogation of Gov. Tom Vilsack's executive order may seem, in practice it would amount to disenfranchising voters because of their socioeconomic status: Only ex-convicts with the monetary resources to pay off their court costs and fines can regain the ability to vote.

Branstad seems to believe that this will serve as an incentive to pay back financial obligations, but rights, and particularly the right to participate in our democracy, should not be used as carrots to encourage good behavior — particularly when that behavior is more easily accessible depending on one's socioeconomic class.

White-collar criminals, who serve shorter sentences in cushier prisons, have nothing to fear from Branstad's executive order; it only affects those who are already disenfranchised by society.

Which brings another issue to light: This policy requires an idealized notion of our criminal-justice system, which is often senselessly brutal and serves no correctional function. The epidemic of rape and violence in the prison system and the economic exploitation of prisoners belie the notion of prison as a place where people learn to become productive members of society; further denying the rights of ex-convicts is hardly an appropriate step.

Our criminal-justice system incarcerates people of color for longer than white people and at disproportionate rates. The addition of economic requirements to regain democratic rights introduces a level of socioeconomic discrimination as well. The NAACP is right to decry this order, and Branstad should take notice: It is by no means judicious.

— Shay O'Reilly

Your turn. Do you agree with Gov. Terry Branstad's restrictions on voting rights for felons? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

Sudan's messy divorce

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In a rare turn of events, Africa's largest country — and possibly its newest — captivated international media attention as 3.8 million southern Sudanese voted overwhelmingly to bisect their country. From Jan. 9 to Jan. 15, people flocked to the polling booths in the country and around the world, taking their chance to sever ties with an oppressive and inaccessible government in the north.

While violence and political turmoil have been the unfortunate norm, this referendum may be historic in more than one way: It is the latest and greatest chance for the Sudanese government and warring tribes to rise above the warfare that has beleaguered the country for so long and finally take steps toward enacting a lasting and prosperous peace.

"Sudan is one of the most diversified regions in Africa, with thousands of tribes, two major religions, Islam and Christian, and many different ethnicities," wrote Mahmoud Siddig in an e-mail. Siddig is a University of Iowa undergraduate originally from Rufa'a, a small city in northern Sudan. "If one group tries to rule this largest country in Africa using one form of ideology and ignoring that of the others, Sudan can be expected to break in hundreds of pieces."

Preliminary results show that some 98.8 percent of voters opted to form a separate Sudan, one free from the dictatorial (and genocidal) rule of President Omar al-Bashir and the poorly drawn territorial borders imposed on the continent some 110 years ago. The sitting president of south Sudan, Salva Kiir Mayardit of the Sudan People's Liberation Movement will become its official head of government. And, despite recent reports of some instances of ballot stuffing, it appears that succession will proceed following the official announcement of results expected in early February, according to the Southern Sudan Referendum Commission.

Apparently, 2011 is a good year for shaking up

the status quo in Africa.

Because Siddig is one of the roughly 32 million Sudanese born in the northern half of the country, he was unable to vote in what has been called a "historic referendum."

Yet many international observers and Sudanese citizens predict that the results will only serve to exacerbate tensions. Sara Mitchell, a UI associate professor of political science and an expert on civil wars, predicts that a return to violence is inevitable.

The south is home to some 80 percent of the nation's oil supply, and the oil-rich region of Abeyi has yet to vote on which side it will join. To complicate matters, the major oil pipeline runs through the north, and the country as a whole has an outstanding external debt of \$35 billion.

Siddig feels that the best solution for a peaceful future in Sudan involves not only a true re-democratization of the government but a more democratic mindset in its people. "We need a newly 'educated' democratic government that respects and recognizes everyone else's beliefs and ideologies, culture and background, and so on and evolve to a much more developed state," he said.

This sentiment is echoed by many, both the residents of the tumultuous country and international observers, and most prominently the United Nations, which has prepared for a "worst-case scenario." The "resource curse" that has plagued African nations for so long is positioned to yet again throw a wrench in the cogs of progress. Yet thanks to the increased media presence, international awareness, and the relatively uneventful nature of the voting process, there remains a glimmer of hope that the secession may occur sans violence.

"This is the first time I have seen the U.S. government devote so many high-level resources to preventing violence before it happens rather than responding to it after the fact," Samantha Power, an Obama administration adviser and expert on genocide, told Michael Abramowitz of the *Washington Post*.

Until the official tally is released in February, there's not much to do but sit and wait. By July 9, the planned day of South Sudan's independence, the world may welcome country 193 into existence. ■

Letter

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A 2nd Amendment parody

I used to think the right to bear arms meant that I didn't have to wear a long-sleeve shirt if I didn't want to, but apparently not. It seems to be a very precious privilege these days. I thought I'd better look into it, and I'm glad I did. The Second Amendment states: "A well-reg-

ulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to bear arms shall not be infringed."

Gun-lovers have been using this as an excuse to be irresponsible.

With that in mind, I'm gonna start exercising my rights — and I'm not messin' around, friends and neighbors. Yes sir, I'm looking into getting my hands on a fully activated surplus tank

from the Army. Seriously, folks, it's getting scary out there. The next time some old windbag like Rush Limbaugh says something stupid like, "Kill all the liberals and start over," I'm calling to arms!

And I'm not wastin' a nickel on these sissified rifles, pistols, or shotguns either. They're not practical anymore, and my eyesight's goin' to hell. However, I'll

bet I could still wing a burglar or a hostile Republican with a rocket-propelled grenade or an M16.

Finally, I'm going to see if my congressmen can get me a quote from the U.S. Defense Department on some nuclear weapons. I want to be prepared when our tyrannical government turns on me. It's my right. Am I right?

Marty Kramer
UI student

Guest opinion

The Tunisian revolution matters, even here

During the first day of class, I asked students enrolled in my survey course on the Islamic civilization to think of an important event from around the world. The first student to speak pointed out the return of a dictator to Haiti. The second student said that China flying its first Stealth airplane was a very significant event. Three other students spoke, pointing out various events, before a student mentioned the ongoing Tunisian revolution. I asked how many students had even a vague idea about what has happened in Tunisia since Dec. 18, 2010; around 10 percent of them raised their hands.

Sure, there is no shortage of significant events that have taken place in the last month or so. However, a revolution

taking place in Tunisia ought to be compelling even for those with benign interest in international affairs. So why is it, then, that only 10 percent of students taking a course on the Islamic world were aware of this revolution?

The answer is simple: lack of media coverage — or, should I say, selective coverage — and therein lie serious ethical, political, and security problems for the United States.

I am sure that more than 10 percent of students and the public remember that, a year and half ago, elections were held in Iran, and supporters of the losing candidates protested violently against results that gave the current president a second term in office. Then, cable-news channels, major television networks,

and the print and online press provided around-the-clock coverage. The Obama administration, too, came out in support of the Iranian people. It was all done in the name of supporting democracy and human rights in the Islamic world.

In Tunisia, thousands of people revolted against one of the most brutal dictators of the Arab world, Zine el-Abdine Ben Ali, and his corrupt regime.

For 54 years, two despots ruled the country with iron fist. They banned credible political parties, tortured political prisoners, exiled opposition figures, curtailed the freedom of the press, limited access to the Internet, embezzled state funds, and increased poverty to subhuman levels. An unemployed youth was so unbear-

ably desperate that he set himself on fire in protest, an act that triggered the revolution that forced Ben Ali out and put the country on a path to the unknown.

So, why should students and the American public care?

Ethically, they should care because the killing of 78 innocent people, wounding of hundreds, and imprisonment of many more by a dictator's security forces is a big deal. The shared humanity, the common aspiration to pursue life and happiness, and the universal capacity to mourn the loss of innocent life should move anyone to sympathize with the Tunisian people.

Politically, if the suppression of protest in Iran was

deplored by the U.S. administration and reported as a lead story by the US media, the killing of people who rise up against oppressive rulers in Tunisia should receive the same attention. Short of that, it becomes a double standard, exposing the West to allegations of selectively highlighting human-rights issues to achieve political goals. Tunisians feel that the West's affinity with Ben Ali's regime made it ignore the plight of people fighting corruption, brutality, and usurpation of national wealth.

When Western media and governments stand by regimes at the expense of the freedom-seeking peoples, global security is compromised. Supporting dictators and ignoring the people's right to self-rule puts

the lives of Americans abroad at risk and builds walls between nations. Countries of the West ought to recall their ill-advised support of the shah of Iran or the apartheid regime in South Africa to grasp the long-term implications of misplaced support.

In today's interconnected world, what happens on the other side of the planet can and will affect the way we live at home. When civilian lives are lost at the hands of dictators, the least we can do is to follow their news and sympathize, instead of ignoring the shameful brutality of rulers who happen to be serving our short-term interests.

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UI student Grace Nyoma sits in the Adler Journalism Building on Jan. 21. Nyoma is from the South Sudan.

Local Sudanese split on split

After a referendum vote, the African county is set to split.

By **AUDREY SMITH**
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University of Iowa student Aisha Elshafie came to the United States from the Sudanese region of Jazeera in 2004. There, most of her family is imprisoned for refusing to support the government. Like Elshafie, many Sudanese refugees have suffered oppression from the nation's current government. The situation — steeped in ethnic and religious conflict — has led to a referendum calling for the country to split. And as North and South Sudan prepare to become separate nations, Sudanese living in Iowa City have mixed opinions about the divide.

Grace Nyoma, a UI student of clinical laboratory science from Juba, the capital of South Sudan, favors secession.

"Let's try to be on our own and try to build ourselves and see how we are going to make it," she said. "We want to try to be on our own."

But Imaeeden Hamed, a UI student in the School of Social Work, originally from North Sudan, described the referendum as a bitter resolution to a decades-long conflict, and he expressed pain over the inevitable results.

"My feelings [about the referendum] are really ambivalent," said Hamed, a native of Khartoum. "The whole is my country."

According to the Associated Press, more than 98 percent of voters in and around Juba have voted for secession.

Because of the large numbers of southern Sudanese refugees living abroad, poll stations were set up in numerous countries, including eight in the United States.

UI freshman Shayma Elsheikh said that while the people of Sudan differ in their opinions of the referendum, most agree the existing government is in need of a change.

"The central issue [in the country] is corruption and racism," she said.

The Sudanese government has imposed Islamic code on both the predominately Muslim North and the Christian and animist South, one of the many reasons the South has voted overwhelmingly in favor of secession.

UI eyes 2 new certificates

By **JADE DONAGHY**
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University of Iowa officials are in the process of adding two new certificate programs that may start accepting students as early as this fall.

The two new programs — which would bring the UI's total to 21 — are in the areas of disabilities studies and writing, both of which are pending approval by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences' Faculty Assembly and the provost.

"Certificates appear to be the wave of the future," said Helena Dettmer, the associate dean for academic programs and student development in the college. "They enable students to require expertise in a particular field that often enhances their degree of study."

The certificate in disabilities studies will have two core courses.

The first, taught by Professor Stephen Kuusisto, will examine the ways in which the understanding of disability has functioned and evolved over time.

The second core course, taught by Associate Professor Douglas Baynton, will cover the history of deafness.

"Having a profound understanding of disability in this era is a great thing," Kuusisto said. "Disability only exists when we don't have proper accommodations. When we take away obstacles, whether they're physical, technological, or attitudinal barriers ... then disability ceases to be a problem."

The certificate will include a variety of relevant issues facing people with disabilities today, including sports and recreation, special education, issues in technology, and architectural obstacles.

Dettmer said the certificate in writing will offer skills to students, regard-

less of their field of study.

"We have so many writers in Iowa City doing so many different things, [but] we don't have any [classes] for undergraduates to connect them to this wealth of people," said Kathryn Hall, a director of academic programs and student development for the liberal-arts school.

The certificate will be designed to correct that problem by providing undergraduate students with writing resources that

would otherwise be difficult to access, Hall said.

"We thought if we presented [these courses] as a certificate, it would give students the support they needed to seek those really necessary skills," she said.

The certificate will offer a diverse list of courses, including creative writing, screenwriting, writing for business, grant writing, and writing about arts.

Some students find certificate studies appealing because of the number of

hours required — more than a minor but less than a major — allows them to pursue the certificates in addition to double majors.

"[Certificate programs] are designed to teach what we think are critical skills necessary for students to be successful, regardless of their career path," said David Hensley, executive director of the Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center, which has the certificate in entrepreneurial management.

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Words I recently learned, their definitions, and what I originally thought they meant:

- underexposed** (insufficient for proper or full development, as negatives in photography): not wearing pants.
- tendentious** (biased): roughly halfway between onedentious and twentidentious.
- unsettle** (to put into confusion): to get a divorce.
- whipsaw** (to victimize in two opposite ways at once): the COOLEST WEAPON EVER!!
- wisenheimer** (a smart aleck): a shrewd virgin.
- urbanity** (refined or elegant courtesy): how poor a politician considers you.
 - rapsallion** (rascal, ne'er-do-well): a species of alliumizzle, also commonly referred to as a "shallotizzle."
- zeroth** (being numbered zero in a series): He's going to be the bad guy in Final Fantasy XIV. He has white hair and looks distinctly feminine. A stretch, I know.
- rectilinear** (moving in a straight line): rectilinear? Hell, damn near killedilinear!
- ineffable** (taboo): Ellen DeGeneres. By me, at least. Unless I got her really drunk. Hmmm.
- jawboning** (the use of spoken persuasion): really bad form fellatio.
- tittup** (to move in a lively manner): near-antonym of "ass up, face down."
- clitic** (a word that is treated in pronunciation as forming a part of a neighboring word and that is often unaccented or contracted): OK, OK, now you're just baiting me.

- Andrew R. Juhl thanks Merriam-Webster and his own bad vocabulary for helping with today's Ledge.

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Ava Su GanWei practices yoga on Sunday in the Main Library. The library had few patrons Sunday; UI students have just completed their first week of the semester.

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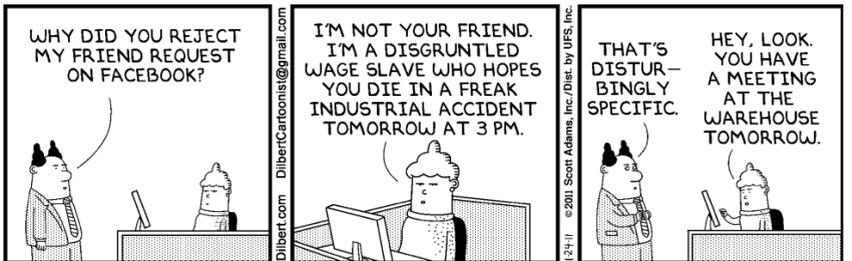
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- by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 Don't limit what you can do because you are afraid to make a move. Refuse to let anyone rain on your parade. Once you've managed to do what must be done, you should enjoy a little celebratory fun with the people you enjoy most.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Nothing will stand in your way if you exhibit the determination required to get the job done. You can enhance your reputation through your actions, but expect your competition to try to undermine your plans. Prepare well.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Don't keep what you have to offer locked up when you should be showing the world what you can do. Your unique approach to any problem will separate you from the crowd. Stand tall and act fast - you will get the respect and results you are looking for.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 You have too many choices, and the wrong one will set you back. Taking on someone else's responsibilities may seem like a nice thing to do, but if it will cost you emotionally, professionally, or financially, think twice.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Look at what and whom you have to work with, and it will become apparent what you need to do next. Combine what you have with what you need to get, and you will come up with a plan that will lead to your success and a better future.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Believe in yourself. Now is not the time to wait and watch while someone else steals your thunder. Take action, and network all you can to make your dreams come true. Don't be just a bystander.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Not everyone will be on your side. Keeping things simple and sharing what you know will lure the right people. Once you have all the kinks ironed out, you can present your full initiative.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Talk to the people who share your ideas. Don't let your emotions or possessiveness overshadow what needs to be done. Sometimes it's necessary to let go of a little in order to make greater gains. Look at the big picture.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Take a leadership position. Be a little trendy and outgoing; it's your originality that will count. Don't let someone with less vision stifle your plans. You have too much at stake to give in to pressure.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 You'll be judged by your performance. Show what you can do, and don't let anyone shut you down. If you must go it alone to get what you want, do so with your head held high.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Secure your position, and stabilize your life. You can make significant alterations to your lifestyle by taking on more responsibility. It's how success makes you feel that will truly make a difference to how you live your life in the future.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 This is a day of give and take. Don't waste time chasing someone or something negative. A partnership will limit you now if you cannot get past what you feel you are owed. Look forward.

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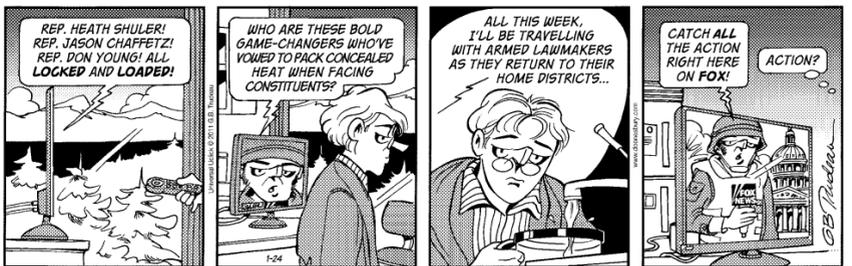
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- Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- IC Secular Homeschool Group: Gymnasium Fun**, 1 p.m., Robert A. Lee Recreation Center
- European Royal Families**, 2:30 p.m., Iowa City Johnson County Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- Beat a Cop, Win a Pop**, 3:15 p.m., Mercer Park Aquatic Center, 2701 Bradford
- UI DeGowin Blood Center Blood Drive**, 4 p.m., American Legion, 3016 Muscatine Ave.
- Stanley Award Information Workshop**, 5 p.m., 1117 University Capitol Centre
- ZUMBA**, 6 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Society, 10 S. Gilbert
- The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest**, 6:30 p.m., Bijou
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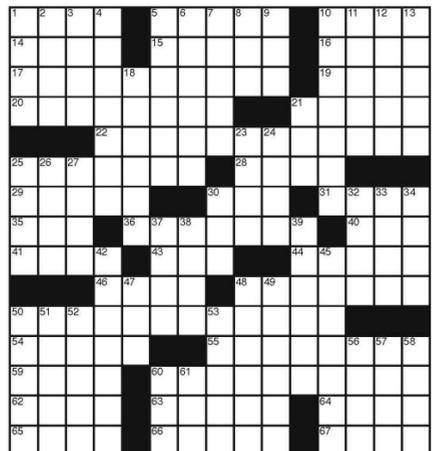
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- Web Basics Computer Class**, 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- Open Mike, with J. Knight**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington,
- Monsters**, 9:30 p.m., Bijou
- ONGOING**
- The Photography of Todd Adamson**, Alberhasky Eye Clinic, 2346 Mormon Trek Blvd
- Chaos and Creation on the Pentacrest**, Old Capitol Museum
- Iowa City School District Artist Educators**, Midwest-One Bank, 102 S. Clinton
- Diane Blair Kunzler Paintings**, Herbert Hoover National Site, 104 Parkside Drive, West Branch
- Memory Series: New Work by Ali Kirsch**, Red Avocado, 521 E. Washington
- Dena Tollefson: Abstracts**, Project Art, UIHC
- Nathan Wetherell: Heart Glass and Henry Herrera: HerrerART**, Bella Joli, 125 S. Dubuque

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- Across**
- Jump
 - 1960s-'70s R&B singer Marilyn
 - Observe the Sabbath
 - Norway's capital
 - Thin as ___
 - "Beetle Bailey" bulldog
 - Game played with strings looped over the fingers
 - Spicy Asian cuisine
 - Shaking a leg
 - Feather pen
 - Self-description of someone who's surprised
 - Farmer-turned-con man in a 1960s sitcom
 - Not much
 - Designer Geoffrey
 - Oklahoma city named for the daughter of its first 4-Down
 - Many miles off
 - Docs' org.
 - Long time
 - Hole in one
 - Song for one
 - Electrocute, in slang
 - Former name for Congo
 - Big hauler
 - Called balls and strikes
 - Taro
 - Bosc and Bartlett
 - Move to another job, say
 - Smarting
 - What a greedy person may grab
 - The "O" in CD-ROM
 - Disney mermaid
 - Prayer starter



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- Down**
- ___ Ness monster
 - Biblical twin who sold his birthright
 - Cockpit readings: Abbr.
 - One who "always rings twice," in an old movie
 - Jarhead
 - Ill-tempered
 - Bum, as a cigarette
 - OPEC supply
 - Cheer for a Toreador
 - Capitol feature
 - Body of values
 - Suddenly stop, as an engine
 - French fabric
 - Like Dolly the sheep
 - Sine ___ non
 - When said three times, "and so on"
 - Fawn's father
 - Many corp. hires
 - San ___, Italian resort on the Mediterranean
 - "Physician, ___ thyself"
 - Nile snake
 - Place to buy cotton candy
 - Farming unit
 - Wetlands plant
 - Princess in L. Frank Baum books
 - Loss's opposite
 - Modern toll-paying convenience
 - Fish-eating birds
 - Event for stunt pilots
 - Quizzical utterances
 - Early computer forum
 - Pathetically small
 - 50 ___ salts
 - Africa's Sierra
 - Some English nobles
 - Un + deux
 - Othello's betrayer
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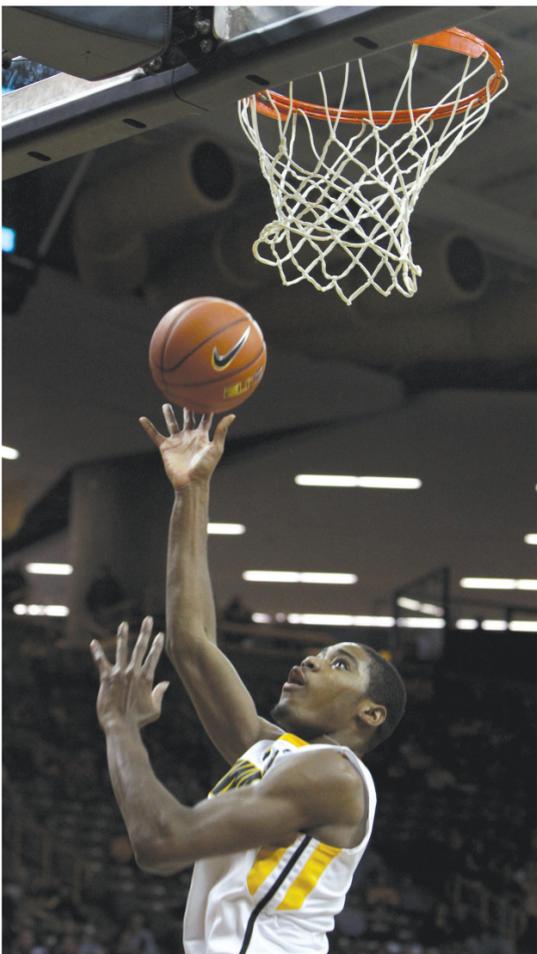
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Iowa freshman diver Osvel Molina dives from the 3-meter platform during a meet against Northwestern on Jan. 22 at the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center. Molina took first place in the 1 and 3 meter dives.



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Iowa forward Melsahn Basabe goes up for a shot during the Iowa/Indiana basketball game on Sunday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Basabe scored 20 points to lead the Hawkeyes to their first Big Ten win of the season, 91-77.



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Divers watch on as another diver practices during the Hawkeyes' meet against Northwestern on Jan. 22 in the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center.

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— Iowa head women's gymnastics coach **Larissa Libby** on the Hawkeyes' victory over No. 7 Michigan



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Iowa junior Jessa Hansen performs on the uneven bars in Field House on Jan. 22. "I couldn't be more happy or excited," said senior Rebecca Simbhudas about beating Michigan on Jan. 22.



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Hawkeye freshman Roy Devyn Marble passes the ball during the Iowa-Indiana basketball game on Sunday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Marble scored 18 points to help the Hawkeyes beat the Hoosiers, 91-77.



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Iowa's Derek St. John wrestles Ohio State's Sean Nemeck on Jan. 22 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. St. John won the match, 9-3.

WRESTLING

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"Coach [Tom Brands] has been talking to us recently about opportunities and making opportunities," McDonough said. "The only way you're going to score is if you make attempts and you attempt again and again. I think that's something I'm trying to do more of, and I think everyone is

trying to do more of that.

"We have to keep going until we get those huge blowout matches every single match."

The key match of the dual came at 165 pounds, when Aaron Janssen and Colt Sponseller took the mat. Janssen jumped out to a 3-1 lead over the eighth-ranked Buckeye, but Sponseller scored a takedown with 37 seconds left to tie the score. The match went into sudden victory, and

with 8,976 fans on their feet screaming for a Hawkeye victory, Sponseller was able to secure a takedown and take the air out of the arena.

"I tell you what, when a guy gives full effort, I don't get upset too much," Iowa head coach Tom Brands said. "And Janssen gave full effort, but I'm upset because when you give full effort and you need one point and you can bring the house down with one point

MENS BBALL

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They've worked way too

hard to continue to struggle... to play from the lead, from out in front, was something we haven't had a lot of experience with this year, so

that was good to see. We earned it."

The Hawkeyes next will travel to Penn State on Wednesday.

WOMENS BBALL

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rest of the Big Ten. At the same time, you got to stay focused and you got to keep pushing."

In the Hawkeyes' first matchup with the Buckeyes — who boast All-American Jantel Lavender and a feisty point guard in Samantha Prahalis — solid shooting was the key to victory. Iowa posted season-highs in field-goal (.492) and 3-point (.421) percentages.

Head coach Lisa Bluder said her squad did a good job limiting Lavender's inside game and Prahalis' outside shooting, and she would like to place an emphasis on that yet again in the second

meeting between the two ranked teams.

"You're probably not going to stop them both," Bluder said. "I think that's really hard to do. I think we've got to contest the 3-point shooters, because the rest of them really open up the inside. If they're [making the 3-pointer], hopefully we can get out and contest the shooters if we play zone again, which we will [do]."

Jaime Printy led Iowa in that game with 25 points, and she led all scorers in the Hawkeyes' most recent win, a 71-51 tally over Indiana on Jan. 16. The 5-11 guard recorded 18 points against the Hoosiers.

While Bluder said Iowa had trouble getting in a flow against Indiana, Printy said the 20-point thrashing is beneficial with 10 Big Ten games remaining.

"Any team you beat in double figures is a great win in the Big Ten," Printy said. "So I definitely think that will help us down the road." Because of the unusual eight-day layoff between games, Bluder said, the additional practice time could be an advantage at this point in the season.

Iowa hopes the extra repetitions pay dividends this week — it could be in second place before hitting the road again to play Illinois on Jan. 30.

"It's [a big week], but every week in this conference is big," Printy said. "You never know who's going to get beat when or what's going to happen, but I definitely think we are all really excited. We know we're playing two great teams, and we'll need to play two great games in order to win."

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MORE WRESTLING: Iowa heavyweight Blake Rasing didn't hesitate to use an aggressive approach against Ohio State's Zach Stolarsky.

— that's something. Find the point."

Matt Ballweg also stood out on a day full of dominating Hawkeye wins. The Waverly, Iowa, native had struggled in his career in Big Ten dual competition — he had just one career Big Ten win — but he notched a major decision victory over Mike Fee. Ballweg scored five takedowns in the match to win, 12-3.

"He got crisper as the match went on, and sometimes he gets sloppier," Brands said. "He was sloppy on that first takedown, but he actually got less

sloppy as the match went on, and that's important. He's a senior; we want that success. You've only got so many more opportunities."

Not every Hawkeye was happy with his result. Despite his 6-4 win, Luke Lofthouse said he was disappointed in his performance. He noted a lack of first period scoring and a need to get on his attacks earlier.

Brands said the Hawkeyes should have been able to dominate an Ohio State team that isn't as formidable as years past. He expected to widen the gap — though he noted he expects that regardless of the opponent.

Still, the team showed it

can put together a strong performance against a tough foe, and the Hawkeyes demonstrated an edge Brands will want for the rest of the year.

"If we can be hard like that, we give ourselves a chance to win," the fifth-year head coach said. "And that's what we have to be, we have to be hard. We have to be a bitch. We have to be tough like that on our opponent. And it needs to be consistent."

"In a way, we haven't done it all year, but we need to be bullies in those tough matches. And if we can be bullies in those tough matches, then we got a team."

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Swimmers fall

The Hawkeyes were all but shut down by the Wildcats' depth in Jan. 22's dual meet at the Campus Recreation and Wellness Center.

By **MAGGIE CUNNINGHAM**
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The 200-medley relay event kicked off the matchup between Iowa's women's swimming and diving team and Northwestern on Jan. 22 in the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center. Because all of Northwestern's relay teams were disqualified, the Hawkeyes took the top two spots.

Iowa was the first to put points on the board, but that was the only time the Hawkeyes led.



Long
head coach

"We knew it was going to be a challenge having them come in," head coach Marc Long said. "And overall, we have a lot of work to do here before Big Tens."

Iowa was dominated, 191.5-104.5, by the Wildcats' depth in the Jan. 22 dual meet. In an impressive fashion, the Wildcats won all but three events and swept a few as well.

"There were some bright spots, but there was some tough racing today," associate head coach Frannie

Malone said. "We could be a little sharper coming off the training camp and last weekend, but this was a nice prep."

"I think it was a good eye opener for what we have to do next weekend."

The quartet of junior Daniela Cubelic, freshmen Karolina Wartalowicz and Aiste Dobrovolkaite, and senior Katarina Tour won 200-medley relay with a time of 1:45.40.

The only other victories for the Hawkeyes were Cubelic's first-place finish in the 100 backstroke (56.86) and senior Veronica Rydze's first-place finish in the 3-meter dive (319.80).

"I think that once championship season comes and the Notre Dame Invitation- al next weekend, some people are going to swim a little bit faster there," Cubelic said. "So we are definitely expecting better swims as the season progresses, but we did well today."

The loss exposed major problems in Iowa's depth, and with some strong swimmers out with injuries, that has become more troublesome.

"It's always hard on the mentality of the team," Malone said. "But it isn't something that you can use

as an excuse. You have to come back and find ways for the B, C swimmers to step up in those events."

Junior Danielle Carty, junior Sophie Borchers, and senior Kelsie Neubauer did not swim in the competition because of various injuries.

With so many swimmers out of the lineup, the team has been struggling to fill events, but Long said that will soon change.

"We are missing one of our key swimmers," Malone said. "[Carty] is not only a star in her events, but she lets us mix up more parts of our lineup that we aren't able to do as much without her, and that's hard."

Despite the recent setbacks, the future looks bright for the Hawkeyes as they move into the championship part of the season. The structure of the larger meets calls more on the individual than the depth of the team.

"The championship meet is very individually based, so the top athletes are going to be scoring," Long said. "Sixteen of about the 70 people in an event count, so if you have kids who can get in there, it eliminates some of that depth."

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GymHawks stun Michigan

The GymHawks defeat the Michigan Wolverines for the first time since 2004.

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The Iowa women's gymnastics team's meet against Michigan on Jan. 22 began with senior Arielle Sucich sticking her landing on vault. It ended with three nearly perfect floor routines from junior Jessa Hansen and seniors Rebecca Simbhudas and Houry Gebeshian.

The entire meet wasn't perfect, but despite losing sophomore Kaitlyn Urano to concussion during her floor routine warm-up, despite some shaky dismounts and a few wobbles, and despite facing the Big Ten's toughest competitor, the GymHawks won, 195.375-194.9, in the Field House.

For head coach Larissa Libby, the victory isn't the 0.475 point difference that lifted Iowa above the reigning Big Ten champions but the way the team accomplished the upset.

"What I'm excited about is the trust, the teamwork, the ability to hit, to not give in," Libby said. "That's just not where we've been in the past. The mentality they're carrying now, I can see it. They're determined to be champions."

The victory can easily be attributed to the GymHawks' teamwork. After losing Urano during warm-ups, the Hawks had to compensate with depth. Freshman Tesla Cox was thrown unexpectedly into the bars lineup and junior Annie Sztakowski into floor, but

instead of buckling under the pressure, both athletes delivered personal bests of 9.75.

"To step up and help my team, knowing that my routine counted, was the greatest experience I could really ask for," Cox said.

Hansen also delivered crucial routines that contributed to the victory. After struggling with her vault for the past two weeks, she found the courage to plant her feet and stick the landing, finishing with 9.725.

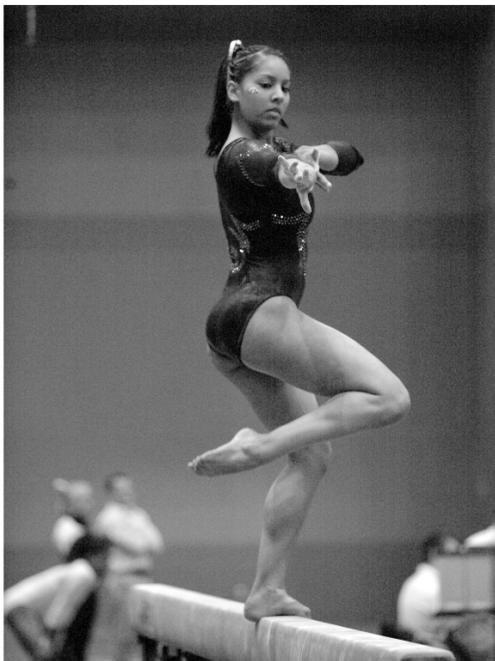
From the first rotation on vault, the GymHawks knew the meet was winnable if they worked hard enough, and the excitement continued throughout the competition. By the time they stepped onto the floor exercise mat for the meet's final rotation, the adrenaline had climbed to a peak.

"I thought I was going to be sick," Libby said. "But when I saw Jessa [Hansen]'s floor routine, I knew we had it. There was no way we were going to come down from that."

Hansen scored a career-best 9.925 and was followed with remarkable scores from Simbhudas (9.8) and Gebeshian (9.725).

The Hawkeyes had defeated the four-time reigning conference champ and created a promising season for themselves.

"I hope [the Big Ten] will see us as a threat," Hansen said. "We're good this year. We have this fire, and this pas-



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Iowa senior Rebecca Simbhudas works on the beam in the Field House on Jan. 22. The GymHawks shocked No. 7 Michigan, 49.025-48.300; it was the Hawks' first victory over the Wolverines in 11 tries.

sion, and this determination. This is going to be a good season."

The No. 17 GymHawks' upset of the No. 7 Wolverines precludes more than a "good season." Coming into the meet, the Hawkeyes felt they had an opportunity to prove themselves as worthy competitors to Big Ten rivals who don't consider the Hawkeyes a threat.

"These kids are killing themselves and working so hard just to have themselves seen as equals — not even better, just equal," Libby said. "They deserve that and

they proved it tonight."

Libby admits that the upset might not change anything in the eyes of Iowa's critics, and she will ensure that the victory will not change the way the Hawkeyes train. They hope to maintain the same mentality during practice, to focus on one day, one routine, and one skill at a time.

Winning against Michigan doesn't change who the GymHawks are, it merely shows their audience what they can do.

"We're just ... Iowa," Libby said. "And that's the way we like it."

Men swimmers take down Northwestern

Iowa's 'A' relay team steps up and takes down Northwestern in a close dual meet.

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As the Iowa men's relay teams took their places on the blocks for the final event of the afternoon, the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center was loud and raucous. The team members not in the event stood and chanted "Hawkeye Relays" at the top of their lungs. It had come down to this race — the scoreboard read, Iowa 141, Northwestern 140.

"I was very excited [before the relay started]," junior Ryan Phelan said. "I know my relay [team] and how pumped up we get for things like this."

Freshman Devon Meeks led off for the "A" relay team as fans from both schools screamed at the top of their lungs at the Jan. 22 meet.

Meeks was followed by sophomore Jordan Huff, and then Phelan. Junior Duncan Partridge anchored for the team.

The Hawkeyes' "A" relay squad was even with the Wildcats' "A" squad until Huff started

to gain some ground. That gap widened when Phelan got a great jump off the blocks and extended the lead. Partridge finished the race, his teammates screaming and cheering louder while jumping up and down at his every turn.

At the end of the meet, Partridge touched the wall first as the squad finished with an overall time of 3:01.71 and the Hawkeyes basked in their victory.

The Wildcats' "A" team was disqualified during the race, and the Iowa "B" team took second place with an overall time of 3:06.82, cementing a 156-142 Hawkeye victory.

Iowa's relay squads have been the team's strength so far in this dual meet season, and this meet was exemplary of that.

"This is a very resilient, very hungry team," associate head coach Frannie Malone said. "The 400-free relay is an event where we have a lot of confidence, and it's really built over the last couple of years."

Besides a win for the men's swimming team,



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Iowa freshman Osvel Molina dives from the 3-meter platform during the meet against Northwestern on Jan. 22 in the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center. Molina took first place in the 1 and 3 meters.

the diving team also had a good showing. With freshman diver Arsen Sarkisian out with a shoulder injury, the task fell on freshman Osvel Molina to take on the Northwestern diving squad alone.

Molina performed admirably in Sarkisian's absence, finishing first in the 3 meter with a score of 286.65. He also took first in the 1 meter with a 305.48.

The No. 23 ranked Hawkeyes men's team will compete Friday and Saturday in the Shamrock Invitational in South Bend, Ind. Its last dual meet of the season

will be at home against Western Illinois on Feb. 4, and the Big Ten championships will follow on Feb. 23 in Minneapolis.

At this point, members of the squad say they're ready and excited to begin the championship-format meets.

"The men's team is shaping up pretty nicely for championship season," Huff said. "We're going into it with a racer's mentality, we're just getting after every race and trying to beat the kid next to us."

"That's what we're doing now, and that's what we hope we keep doing."

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Iowa freshman Roy Devyn Marble guards Hoosier senior Jeremiah Rivers during the Iowa/Indiana basketball game on Sunday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. The Hawkeyes won, 91-77.

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Iowa men bury Hoosiers

The Hawkeyes record their first win of 2011 by beating Indiana on Sunday.

By **SETH ROBERTS**
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The losing streak is over. The Iowa men's basketball team won for the first time in 2011, throttling Indiana, 91-77, on Sunday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. The 14-point victory ended a six-game skid and was the Hawkeyes' 700th Big Ten victory since joining the conference in 1900.

Iowa (8-11, 1-6) shot 57.7 percent from the field, including 40 percent from beyond the arc. Indiana (10-10, 1-6) had more difficulty finding the basket, shooting just 37.1 percent despite pulling down 17 offensive rebounds.

Four Hawkeyes finished in double-digits. Melsahn Basabe scored 20 points, Matt Gatens used the free-throw line heavily on his way to sinking 19 points, Roy Devyn Marble recorded 18 points, and Eric May added 11.

Iowa's balanced attack appeared to fluster the Hoosiers, and Indiana head

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MORE MENS BASKETBALL: Two stellar games from Iowa's usual suspects - Melsahn Basabe and Matt Gatens - were complemented by a combined 29 points from Roy Devyn Marble and Eric May.

coach Tom Crean said he wasn't happy with his team's defensive effort.

"We weren't good defensively at all," he said. "Our transition defense was poor ... our big guys were nonexistent in transition defense today. We just weren't as good [as Iowa], and it started from there. We gave up too much middle drive, and we weren't as physical as we needed to be."

The Hawkeyes took full advantage, running the floor well and scoring in the paint seemingly at will. Iowa finished with a 14-point advantage in fast-break points, four of which came from thunderous back-to-back dunks by May early in the second half.

May's slams put Indiana in a

16-point hole, but more importantly, they helped restore the struggling sophomore's confidence. The Dubuque native suffered a groin injury and didn't play against Ohio State on Jan. 4. He was scoreless in two of his past three contests, and his first dunk ended a streak in which he went without a field goal for almost 50 game minutes.

"His struggles of late were a direct reflection of his injury," Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said. "He got a little rusty, and you know, I just keep thinking: He's too good [to have bad games]."

While May's dunks brought the crowd of 11,860 to its feet, no Iowa player had a better game than Marble. The freshman reserve came off the bench to score a career-high 18 points in 20 minutes. He did most of his scoring in the lane and from mid-range jumpers and shot 8-of-13 with a free throw.

"The holes just kept opening — it was like the seas were parting," he said. "[Every time] I

saw a hole, I took it. The shots were falling, I felt good, the team felt good, and things were happening."

Crean agreed with Marble, and he blasted his team for letting the lanky guard from Southfield, Mich., penetrate with ease.

"We gave him a lot of opportunities," Crean said. "He did a good job. We gave him too much opportunity to get to his right hand and drive [the lane], and he capitalized on it."

Iowa's win was a milestone for the program, but McCaffery said there are more important lessons to take from the victory. The Hawkeyes raced out to a lead and, unlike most recent games, were able to stay in front. Even Hoosier forward Christian Watford's game-high 30 points weren't enough to topple the Black and Gold.

"[We're] just going to keep on plugging," McCaffery said. "It's more important for [the players]."

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Hoopsters face tough road trip

Following an eight-day layoff, the Hawkeyes hit the hardwood today to begin a week that features two ranked opponents.

By **MATT COZZI**
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If this isn't a make or break week for the Iowa women's basketball team, it's close.

Seven teams in the Big Ten have a record of .500 or better, leaving the conference up for grabs with a majority of league games still to play.

No. 12 Michigan State sits atop the conference standings, and No. 18 Iowa and No. 25 Ohio State are just two games behind the Spartans.

And wouldn't you know it — the Hawkeyes face off against the current conference leader and their closest foe this week, an immense opportunity for Iowa to set itself apart from the Buckeyes, Spartans, and the four other teams that are legitimate contenders for the Big Ten title.

The Hawkeyes (15-4, 3-3 Big Ten) will travel to Columbus to take on Ohio State (12-6, 3-3) today at 6 p.m. CST. They will play Michigan State (18-2, 6-1) on Thursday. Those contests are on ESPN2 and Big Ten Network, respectively.

Senior Kachine Alexander understands the significance of this week for Iowa, considering the squad has already played this week's opponents earlier this season. The Hawkeyes defeated Ohio State, 89-76, on Jan. 8 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena and lost on a last-second shot to Michigan State, 63-60, in East Lansing, Mich.

"We pretty much play the top couple of teams right off the bat," Alexander said. "Which is nice, because we can get them out of the way and go through the



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Wrestlers blow out Buckeyes

Iowa wrestling runs its unbeaten streak to 71 matches in dominating performance over Ohio State.

By **J.T. BUGOS**
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The Iowa wrestling team won the first eight matches and nine out of 10 on the day to cruise to a 33-3 victory over Ohio State in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Jan. 22. After not recording a single bonus point victory against Oklahoma State on Jan. 16 in a 15-15 tie, the Hawkeyes scored four bonus-point victories against the Buckeyes.

Iowa 125-pounder Matt McDonough pinned Bo Touris in 4:37, and Blake Rasing, Mark Ballweg, and Matt Ballweg all won by major decision.

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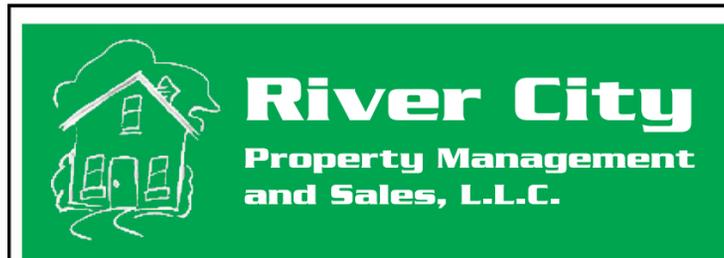
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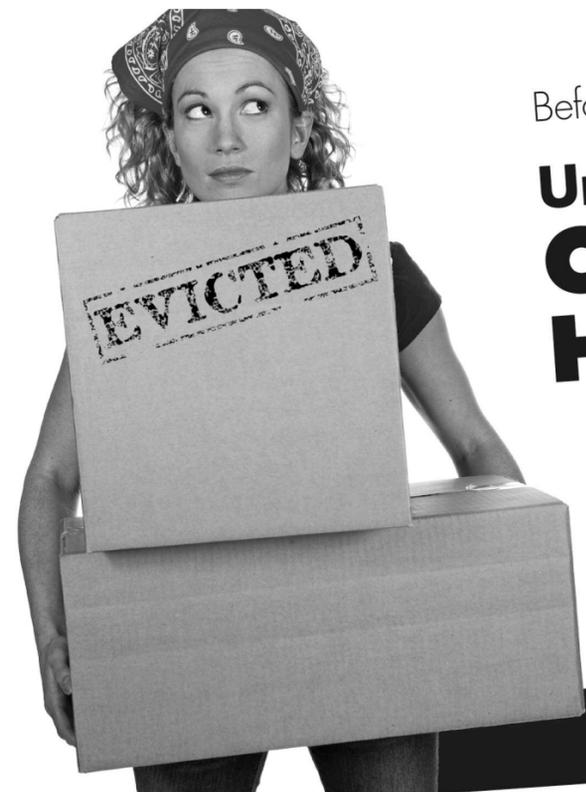
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