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## Football probe launched

Former offensive lineman Julian Vandervelde says head strength and conditioning coach Chris Doyle is 'very knowledgeable about how much the human body can handle.'

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The state Board of Regents has launched an investigation into the events that led to the hospitalization of 13 Iowa football players. Regent President David Miles and University of Iowa President Sally Mason agreed Thursday morning to a 90-day timeline for "completion

of a root-cause analysis." Miles and Mason said in a joint statement that the incident was "cause for grave concern," and the investigation would use independent medical experts. An analysis got underway shortly



**Miles**  
regent president

after the players were hospitalized, they said. "Going forward, it is essential that we take the necessary steps to understand the factors that led to this to ensure that it never happens again," Miles said. Mason said the analysis' primary aim will be to identify the cause of the incident and effective preventative measures. "It is an essential responsi-

bility of the university to determine what is likely to have caused this rare condition among so many young men at one time and to share those findings," she said. Once the investigation is completed, results will be presented to the regents. UI spokesman Tom Moore said it's possible the

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## Branstad slashes education funding

Legislator: Branstad's budget proposal could mean tuition hikes, layoffs.

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Iowa's regent universities will receive \$75 million less in state appropriations than they previously requested for fiscal 2012 under Gov. Terry Branstad's budget released Thursday.

The proposed \$6.16 billion budget which Branstad called "honest, frugal, and balanced" also includes a freeze on state spending for K-12 education and wide-ranging cuts that could cost hundreds of state employees their jobs.

"Education took a devastating blow today," said Sen. Daryl Beall, D-Fort Dodge, noting the proposed cuts will most likely lead to layoffs across all levels of education, increased tuition, and a reduced quality of education statewide.

But Sen. Shawn Hamerlinck, R-Dixon, said while legislators don't like to cut education funding, he believes the governor's reductions are necessary for balancing the state's budget.

"We cannot follow the lead of other states, where when they had problems, they just decided to dig a bigger hole and hide in the shadows," he said. "I would rather have a painful decision today than debate state bankruptcy four, five, six years from now."

University of Iowa Student Government Sen. Lee Henely, who met recently with state legislators regarding budget issues, said the cuts are "concerning" and would pose a problem for career training and preparation.

"If [the government] wants to retain students in the state, I think a stronger commitment to public higher education is something the governor should consider," he said.

Officials said primary education will also suffer this year if the governor's budget is approved. Branstad proposed zero allowable growth for K-12, meaning no school districts would receive additional money.

While the cut is expected to cause layoffs in other districts, Iowa City School District Superintendent Steve Murley said Iowa City has a unique caveat in its increasing enrollment.

Because Iowa City enrollment has been



**Beall**  
Democratic senator



**Hamerlinck**  
Republican senator



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UI graduate student Abbie Kramer uses puppets such as David Franklin, who has autism, to teach about diversity in the Lindquist Center on Thursday.

## Diversity research to be presented

One graduate student will use puppets to teach kids about diversity.

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Abbie Kramer wants to teach kids about diversity using skits. But instead of actors, she wants to use puppets.

The University of Iowa Ph.D. candidate envisions kindergartners sitting cross-legged on the floor as they listen to the puppet onstage, a boy named Nam who feels torn

between his American and Vietnamese cultures. In another skit, a puppet explains living with deafness.

Kramer said skits such as these are a great way to teach children about diversity.

Kramer is one of 13 graduate students who will display diversity-related research projects at this afternoon's Martin Luther King Jr. Research Symposium. For her project, she

utilizes skits from Kids on the Block Inc., an organization that uses puppet shows to help kids discuss topics related to diversity. Like the others in the presentation, Kramer's project embodies the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the inspiration for the two-week celebration culminating in today's symposium.

"Although my project isn't about race, it's about teaching

children that just because someone looks different or talks different, they can still play together, and that's OK," she said.

Georgina Dodge, the UI's chief diversity officer and the keynote speaker for the Research Symposium, said she hopes the presentation will allow participants to embrace

SEE **DIVERSITY**, 6

## UIHC to unveil many projects

UI officials will present designs for the \$271 million new Children's Hospital to the regents next week.

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Officials at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics are asking for approval of numerous projects totaling more than \$1.1 billion.

The state Board of Regents will review the proposals by UIHC officials during its Feb. 3 meeting. Those

requests include a new medical center on the Hawkeye campus, a primary-care clinic in North Liberty, and design plans for the new Children's Hospital.

Children's Hospital pediatrics head Tom Scholz said the hospital renovations are part of an overall

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## New park to highlight development

Recreational park may spur further development for Riverfront Crossings

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The proposed renewal of the Riverfront Crossings District will likely feature a recreational park with bike trails, water access, and open space that could be used for outdoor concerts or other events.

Other plans include a revamping of the Gilbert Street corridor, implementing a light-rail system, and creating an array of affordable housing.

Iowa City residents discussed these and other possibilities Thursday night at an open house at the Iowa

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Check out a video of Thursday night's public forum on the Riverfront Crossings development.

City Public Library, 123 S. Linn St.

The redevelopment of Riverfront Crossings — a neighborhood between Burlington Street and Highway 6 and Gilbert Court and the Iowa River — became needed after the 2008 floods caused extensive damage in the area.

Although one of the goals of the proposed park will be

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ARTIST'S RENDERING

Development plans for the Riverfront Crossings District include a recreational park with bike trails, access to the river, green space, a light-rail system, and an array of affordable housing.

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# UI preps for fundraising

The UI raised more than \$1 billion during its last campaign.

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The University of Iowa is set to launch another universitywide comprehensive fundraising campaign in the next two years.

Officials said the campaign — which is at least a year away from launching — will raise money for general education expenses, such as faculty hirings and student scholarships. The money would also be used for renovating and replacing flood-damaged properties like Hancher Auditorium, the Museum of Art, and studio arts facilities.



Mason  
UI president

UI President Sally Mason told *The Daily Iowan* earlier this month officials are conducting studies to determine more

details of the campaign. A specific monetary goal hasn't been set yet.

"Many public universities like the UI are either in a comprehensive campaign, or if they are not in one, they are planning the next one," said Forrest Meyer, executive director of strategic communications at the UI Foundation.

The last UI comprehensive campaign was a seven-year initiative that began in 1999. The campaign, titled "Good. Better. Best. Iowa! The Campaign to Advance Our Great University," raised \$1.05 billion for the university. An official brand has not yet been decided for this coming campaign.

"We're still planning the studies, and we're still gathering together people who will help us with this campaign, and it will also incorporate some of the smaller campaigns that are going on around the university now," Mason said.

University officials said this universitywide initiative would coincide with other campaigns at the university, including fundraising for Carver-Hawkeye Arena, University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics, and the Colleges of Medicine, Law, Public Health, and Dentistry.

Administrators from the UI Foundation will work with other university officials — including deans and faculty — as well as donors to plan the effort.

Meyer said the campaign is anticipated to last until 2016; most campaigns last three to eight years.

Though the university is continually raising funds for various reasons, the purpose of the comprehensive campaign is to "re-prioritize the mission of the university" and include priorities stated in former Provost Wallace Loh's strategic plan, said Dave Triplett, the vice president

of development resources at the UI Foundation.

"We certainly want to build on those beliefs," said Triplett, who worked on the UI's last comprehensive plan.

One tactic to raise funds is to focus on attracting new donors.

"People make gifts because they believe in the organization and have a passion for it," Triplett said.

He anticipates "going public" with the campaign by the end of 2012 or the start of 2013.

As early as this spring, Mason — who Triplett said is "the face and voice of the campaign" — will reach out to donors and alumni to spark interest and sponsors, though some gifts have already started to come in.

"The key thing is not how much we raise but what the impact [is] on campus," Triplett said.

# UI seeks regent OK to buy bank

The space would house the flood-damaged School of Music recital hall.

By ARIANA WITT  
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Officials at the University of Iowa are seeking approval from the state Board of Regents for a \$4.6 million land purchase as part of the project to replace the Voxman Music Building and Clapp Recital Hall.

MidwestOne Bank, 325 S. Clinton St., occupies the site on which officials hope to construct a new recital hall.

The regents have already approved the purchase of the Bank of the West, 301 N. Clinton, for \$3.1 million, with an additional \$350,000 in relocation costs.

The purchase of MidwestOne is the next step in

relocating the School of Music, which was displaced in the summer 2008 floods.

The potential purchase price was agreed upon about a month ago after nearly a year of negotiation, said Charlie Funk, the president and CEO MidwestOne Bank.

"We're ready to move forward with the university on this," he said. "We've been working hard for a number of months, and it's nice to see things moving."

The proposed deal would also allow the bank to purchase space in the Iowa City School District Administration Building, 509 S. Dubuque St., for \$80 per square foot.

UI officials said they wanted to give the two banks ample time to relocate before purchasing the properties.

Funk said the bank planned to relocate its mortgage center and drive-through branch to the administration building.

Regents approved the UI's purchase of the administration building at their August 2010 meeting.

Regent Robert Downer said last year he had great confidence in the plan, which he approved of because of the building's location and availability.

Funk said the bank branch cannot be moved until current tenants vacate

the space — something he thinks could take time.

Kristin Thelander, the director of planning for the music school, said she's excited to see things progressing.

"We've waited a long time to feel like we had the green light, and now, things are happening," she said.

UI spokesman Tom Moore said UI officials will continue to anticipate concerns that may arise following the potential purchase and determine the next steps to take.

"Right now, we're not thinking about starting any building," Thelander said. "The whole music faculty is just enthusiastic about going forward."

## METRO

### UI sees higher retention rate

Officials at the University of Iowa report the one-year retention rate for UI students is up over the previous year.

According to a report submitted to the state Board of Regents, the UI retained 86.6 percent of students in 2010, compared with 83 percent in 2009.

The UI has offered many retention programs for students, in which 30 percent of first-year students participated, officials said.

The one-year retention rate for entering classes at the three regent institutions in 2009 was 85.6 percent; the national average was 74 percent.

— by Ariana Witt

### Faculty resignations up

The University of Iowa experienced a 27 percent increase in faculty resignations from fiscal 2009 to fiscal 2010, according to a report school officials sent to the state Board of Regents.

The number of resigning faculty at the UI jumped from 48 to 61. Faculty from the Colleges of Medicine, Nursing, and Public Health were over-represented according to the report, relative to all colleges.

Over the last 10 years, an average of 68.7 faculty members resigned each year.

Resignation numbers for the three state universities included data for tenured, tenure-track, or clinical track faculty only.

— by Ariana Witt

### 4 with UI ties among justice finalists

Three out of the nine finalists to fill the vacant seats on the Iowa

Supreme Court graduated from the University of Iowa and a fourth is a current UI law professor.

They were narrowed down from 60 applicants to fill the spots left empty after the November vote ousted three justices, who left the bench Dec. 31.

John Gray of Sioux City, Arthur Gamble, and Thomas Waterman of Pleasant Valley, all graduated from the UI. Angela Onwuachi-Willig of Grinnell is a UI law professor.

According to a press release, Gov. Terry Branstad has 30 days to appoint the justices.

— by Allie Wright

### Gay-marriage ban fails procedural vote

A procedural vote relating to banning gay marriage in Iowa failed today in the state Senate.

The bill, Senate Joint Resolution 8, would have cleared the path for a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage. The proposed legislation comes months after Iowa voters ousted three Supreme Court justices who were part of an April 2009 unanimous decision allowing same-sex marriage in Iowa.

Sen. Kent Sorenson, R-Indianola, asked to suspend Senate rules and bring up the bill for a vote. After the Senate president ruled the motion out of order, Sorenson asked for a vote appealing the decision. The vote failed, 24-26.

— by Regina Zilbermints

### House passes voter ID

Iowa representatives approved a bill requiring voters to provide government-issued photo identi-

fication at polling sites.

Backers of the controversial change say the move is needed to prevent voter fraud; opponents argue it alienates people who generally don't have a reason to get a driver's license, such as the elderly or disabled.

The bill passed the House 60-40.

— by Regina Zilbermints

### UI employee number drops

The number of University of Iowa employees decreased by 224 from 2009 to 2010, according to a report UI officials sent to the state Board of Regents.

Tenure-track employees decreased by 38 faculty members.

The report also showed the percent of female tenure track faculty members at the UI increased from 30.5 percent to 32 percent, reaching a UI goal. Minority representation of tenure track faculty also increased to the highest UI number to date at 18.6 percent.

UI granted tenure promotions to 67 faculty members for the 2010-11 year, of which 28 were women and 17 were minorities.

— by Ariana Witt

### Fleming selected for journalism Hall of Fame

Former *Daily Iowan* employee and longtime member of the paper's advisory board Phyllis Fleming will be inducted into the University of Iowa School of Journalism and Mass Communication Hall of Fame.

Fleming, 75, worked for the *Cedar Rapids Gazette* for more than four decades; she retired in 2002 as its deputy managing editor. She has served on Student Publications Inc.

board, which oversees the *DI*, for more than 20 years.

UI faculty voted to induct Fleming into the Hall of Fame and presented her a plaque on Thursday.

*Daily Iowan* Publisher Bill Casey said Fleming has great integrity, wisdom, and common sense.

"It's well-deserved," Casey said. "She was a great newspaper woman and someone that people at the *Gazette* depended on."

— by Allie Wright

### Council to get affordable-housing input

The Iowa City City Council will consider a proposed computer model to determine where affordable housing should be located.

The Johnson County Council of Governments will present its proposal for affordable housing in Iowa City at the Jan. 31 City Council meeting.

The analysis model will be based on: 40 percent distance to existing assisted rental housing excluding Section 8 vouchers, 20 percent elementary-school mobility rate, 10 percent median household income, 10 percent change in residential sale prices, 10 percent crime density, 5 percent elementary-school Iowa Test of Basic Skills performance, and 5 percent elementary-school free- and reduced-lunch rate.

The proposal comes after a discussion in November about possible data inputs that could be used for the model.

The project will be funded through the Community Development Block Grant and HOME programs.

— By Allie Wright

## BLOTTER

**Matthew Chandler**, 19, 516 Rienow, was charged Wednesday with PAULA.

**Lisa Farr**, 50, 402 Crestview Ave., was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.

**Thomas Fernandez**, 19, 2218 Quadrangle, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

**Alex Fischels**, 22, 4760 Highway 6 E., was charged Jan. 14 with pos-

session of marijuana.

**Cory Hanson**, 20, 801 Gilbert Court Apt. 312, was charged Jan. 22 with unlawful use of another's driver's license/ID.

**Korey Kletschke**, 20, 804 S. Van Buren St., was charged Thursday with PAULA.

**Rebecca Kusy**, 20, 728 E. Washington St., was charged Thursday with unlawful use of

another's driver's license.

**William Mckean**, 35, 249 Haywood Drive, was charged Thursday with public urination.

**Matthew Morrison**, 20, 127 Iowa Ave., Apt. 2, was charged Thursday with presence in a bar after hours.

**Phoenix Paintin**, 21, 2530 Clearwater Court, was charged Wednesday with OWI.

**Oren Schwartz**, 19, 516 Rienow,

was charged Wednesday with PAULA.

**David Walton**, 22, 302 Finkbine Lane, Apt. 8, was charged Wednesday with assault, child endangerment, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

**Teresa Wilson**, 39, Burlington, was charged Wednesday with forgery, prohibited acts, identity theft, and third-degree theft.

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# The UI's glass-bender

Peter Hatch has been glassblowing at the UI since 1976.

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Two men entered a small, cramped office on the ground floor of the Chemistry Building, looking helpless.

"We broke some stuff," said one of the men, peering into his box of glass.

They stood near the entrance of the office amid a carefully cluttered mix of boxes, machinery, and books. They were trying to avoid scattered pieces of glass.

"Well, good," said Peter Hatch, standing in the middle of the room with a grin stretched across his face. "You came to the right place."

The 70-year-old glassblower for the Chemistry Department repairs broken glassware used in University of Iowa science experiments. But at the end of this semester, after 34 years at the university, he'll close the door to that cramped office for good.

Hatch wore work boots, a white T-shirt loosely tucked into navy blue boot-cut slacks, and tinted wayfarer glasses. The ensemble made him look like a rebel from the 1950s. But the garb is practical for a glassblower.

His framed glasses protect from flames' sodium carbonate when spindling glass around an intense fire. His clothes are loose and made of cotton so as not to ignite.

"I'm pretty much injury-free," Hatch said. "Had a cut a couple of years ago, but nothing too serious. You develop respect for heat and the sharpness of glass."



ALEX CRIDER/THE DAILY IOWAN  
Peter Hatch, the UI Chemistry Department's resident glassblower, repairs a flask on Jan. 19 in the Chemistry Building. After 34 years at the university, Hatch will leave his job at the end of the semester.

## Peter Hatch

- **Age:** 70
- **Hometown:** Penn Yan, N.Y.
- **Years at the UI:**
- **How he met his wife:** 45 years ago on a blind date.
- **Family:** three children and five grandchildren — and is expecting another any day.

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So after almost a half-century of fixing dozens of boxes of broken beakers and flasks, he can look back at his UI tenure with satisfaction.

"Some come in with a sad face and go out with a smiling face," he said. "Not many jobs have that instant feedback."

Hatch is one of fewer than 500 glassblowers in the country and one of only a handful in Iowa. As a

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Watch a multimedia feature of Peter Hatch.



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Get a look into Peter Hatch's office and watch the glassblowing veteran in action.



member of the American Scientific Glassblowers Association, Hatch and his skill set are uncommon luxuries for the UI.

"He's able to fit the needs of everyone," said Garrett Lee, a graduate student studying electrochemistry. "From organic chemists all the way to us."

Not only can he do repairs for a fraction of a company's cost, Hatch can look at drawings or blueprints and communicate with students and faculty directly.

Martin Minelli, a chemistry professor at Grinnell College, says he often makes the hour trip to Iowa City.

"Instant service," Minelli said. "Let me tell you."

Lee praised the service, too.

"You bring in an idea, throw it back and forth, and he comes up with a solution," Lee said.

Hatch's glassblowing process includes heating up glass to its annealing temperature — the point at which glass softens to a plastic-like quality— and molding it almost like cake makers make sugar decorations.

Glassblowing was a skill unfamiliar to Hatch 45 years ago when he was just looking for a way to support his wife, Lois, and later their three boys.

Once he retires, Hatch said he likely won't have the opportunity to continue glassblowing because he never brings his work home, including any of his equipment.

But Hatch's mastery may not all be lost. If presented the opportunity, he said, he might help train his replacement next fall.

## UIHC

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modernization of the UIHC, with the first major piece being the Children's Hospital.

"Without this first piece, you can't move on to the others down the road," Scholz said. "This is a great opportunity for the entire state of Iowa."

Plans on the near \$271 million Children's Hospital will continue without a competitive \$100 million grant through the Infrastructure to Expand Access to Care Program.

"We viewed that funding as a long shot going in," Scholz said. "But financing is airtight without the award."

Last week, Regent Robert Downer said having the fund would have been beneficial, but he didn't think the loss posed a major setback.

Officials at the UIHC are also considering possibly adding an additional floor to the 11-story children's hospital tower after the Federal Aviation Administration authorized construction of the new Children's Hospital 34 feet taller than the planned eight stories above grade portion, according to the regents.

UIHC officials will also present regents with a \$14.6 million project to rebuild the Family Medicine Center.

If approved, the new facility would replace the current Family Center on the lower level of the Pomerantz Family Pavilion. The UIHC Department of Family Medicine patient care, research,

## UIHC plans

Officials are seeking approval for:

- Family Medicine Center**
  - Cost: \$14.6 million
  - Area: 45,000 square feet
- Primary Care Clinic**
  - Construction cost: \$6 million
  - Location: North Liberty
- Children's Hospital designs**
  - Cost: \$270,750,417
  - Projected completion: 2015

and departmental offices would be relocated to the center upon completion.

The center would provide educational opportunities for UI medical students in areas such as sports medicine and geriatrics.

UIHC officials are also hoping to move forward on a December land purchase approval by the regents, seeking project planning approval for the Community-Based Primary Care Clinic in North Liberty.

The clinic would be housed on 40 acres of land at the intersection of Forevergreen Road and Highway 965, which UIHC officials acquired last December.

"The original facilities in North Liberty is exceeding its occupancy," said UI spokesman Tom Moore. The facility built to see 25 patients daily now sees around 100, he said.

The construction of the hospital will be funded through the University Hospitals Building Usage Fund.

UIHC officials will present design plans for the new hospital as well as revised bond resolution for the project to be housed north of the Pomerantz Family Pavilion at next week's regent meeting in Iowa City.

## METRO

### County OKs hiring 2 new medical examiners

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors approved the addition of two deputy county medical examiners.

Marcus B. Nashelsky and Dennis J. Firchau will be paid a flat rate when on call, which wouldn't cause the department any additional expenses.

A deputy examiner left the department this year, which left room for the two to be hired.

— by Gibson Berglund

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Editorial

## Regents should investigate contracting policies, construction

Monday's death marked the second construction-related fatality at the University of Iowa in the last five months.

Kevin Dean Hammons was trapped underground by a collapsed beam while working on the Art Building West construction site; at the conclusion of a four-hour rescue, he was declared dead at the scene, with ambulances and medical personnel standing ready.

In August, Lawrence Fosdick fell 24 feet off a ladder while working on the Boyd Law Building. He died two days later.

A year with two construction deaths is highly unusual, said Bill Gerhard, the president of the Iowa State Building & Construction Trades Council. While the Iowa Occupational Safety and Health Administration investigation is still ongoing, and tragic coincidences have been known to occur, two deaths in five months is disquieting. Particularly if the OSHA inquiry does find that the contractor was at fault, the state Board of Regents must launch its own investigation into how construction projects are contracted and overseen.

Because a large amount of construction related to flood recovery, Hancher replacement, and a new residence hall, among other items, will take place in the next five years, immediate action is particularly important.

The current process for assigning construction contracts favors the lowest bidder — but not, UI spokesman Tom Moore said, at the expense of safety. "All builders have to be insured and bonded," he said. "Companies with poor safety records cost more to insure."

Construction contracts are awarded through the "competitive-bid process," which is dictated by Iowa law. Any project costing over \$1 million must be approved by the regents. They look for the most cost-effective option, though Moore maintained that unsafe contractors are not cost-effective.

In addition, a report is filed after every safety incident a contractor experiences. These reports are available to the regents during the bidding process, so they can ostensibly avoid builders with unsafe practices. Once the contract is signed, Moore said, the contractor is responsible for maintaining a safe work site.

While it is too soon to assign blame in the most recent accident, it's worth mentioning that Iowa Bridge and Culvert Inc., the subcontractor that employed Hammons, received \$5,450 worth of citations from OSHA in March 2009. If OSHA's investigation uncovers further safety violations at the site, as

it did at the Boyd Law construction site (contracted by Swanson Glass Inc.), the regents must pay closer attention to the number and type of violations a builder has received and weigh that information heavily during the bidding process.

Even if the contractor is ultimately responsible for the safety of its sites, the university has a moral obligation to ensure that its construction projects do not result in harm to workers. Enforcement of workplace safety standards can be difficult when it falls on the shoulders of numerous subcontractors and contracting firms, and relying on punitive measures is not a sufficient strategy for preventing injury during a period of much construction.

Even with improved safety standards, some deaths will occur in the construction industry. "It's a dangerous occupation," Gerhard said. "But when people go to work, they need to be able to come home at night." The state, the regents, and the UI should make a detailed inquiry into their contracting practices and construction policies. While they may not be legally liable for workplace injuries, all of these institutions are responsible for the way they sign contracts: Those contracts should only go to companies that preserve the welfare of their employees.

And whatever the results of the OSHA (and, hopefully, regent) investigation, the two deaths so close together should prompt regents to consider new ways of improving safety at the UI's construction sites.

The regents could commit to awarding contracts only to builders who require safety training above and beyond the minimum 10-hour class that OSHA requires. A 30-hour class is available, and several contractors have begun using this standard — though for now it remains optional. Contracts could also include clauses forcing a contractor to forfeit a contract for severe safety violations, including grievous injuries and deaths. Most importantly, the regents ought to emphasize a culture of safety among the contractors they hire, clearly communicating that safety violations will not be tolerated.

Tower cranes and dump trucks will be fixtures in Iowa City construction sites for the next several years, but ambulances should not be.

Your turn. Should the state Board of Regents launch an investigation into the recent construction fatalities? Weigh in at [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

# Finding the country's conscience



**SHAWN GUDE**  
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Forget the much-mythologized vanguard party.

We young people have often been the ones at the forefront of political movements, the courageous catalysts for social change. Free of the jaundiced inertia that can accompany old age, students and other youths around the world have repeatedly positioned themselves as the conscience of their respective nations, speaking out against injustice and mobilizing for democratic freedom.

And now?

As Egypt erupts after years of latent indignation (Thursday's *New York Times*: "Youth Upend Cairo's Taming of Opposition") and Tunisians revolt, our campus — and, for the most part, our age cohort — is largely silent.

Little public outrage over Republican attempts to slash state funding for higher education. A relative absence of opprobrium over an ever-metastasizing national-security state. And no broad-based, multi-ethnic youth alliance pushing for humane immigration reform.

I don't mean to equate America's shortcomings with the autocratic dictators and venal institutions that plague such countries as Egypt and Tunisia. Anti-21-only histrionics aside, Iowa City isn't governed by a tyrannical City Council. And citizens don't have to bribe crooked officials in order to receive rudimentary services.

But while blind patriots and adherents of American exceptionalism might have you believe otherwise, our country does have its fair share of foibles. We have perfidious politicians, rather than dictatorial rulers; mass incarceration of nonviolent drug offenders, rather than jailing of government dissidents; and Big Business-Big Government collusion, rather than quid pro quo corruption.

In the past, American students have protested such invidiousness.

The 1960s saw the zenith of student activism in the United States. The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee

and the Students for a Democratic Society protested some of the country's worst anti-democratic tendencies — white supremacy, militarism, and economic injustice. The nation saw North Carolina A&T students display an astounding amount of sangfroid during the Greensboro sit-ins.

International youths have often done the same.

Sophie Scholl and others in the White Rose resistance group were executed for producing and distributing anti-Nazi literature. In 1989's Tiananmen Square massacre, Chinese students and other citizens rose up and demanded reform. Twenty-six-year-old Iranian Neda Agha-Soltan became a symbol of resistance after being gunned down following 2009's fraudulent presidential election.

Throughout the years, numerous youths — Roger Allen LaPorte, Jan Palach, and Romas Kalanta, to name a few — have even set themselves ablaze in protest. Last month, 26-year-old Tunisian Mohamed Bouazizi joined that list.

I don't mean to lecture (or suggest students should resort to self-immolation to protest potential tuition hikes). But as young people, we have an obligation — not just to turn out for or against the 21-ordinance, but to hold our elected officials accountable for the policies they support.

Robert Maynard Hutchins, an education philosopher and administrator, put it well: "The death of democracy is not likely to be an assassination from ambush. It will be a slow extinction from apathy, indifference, and undernourishment." And with an emasculated democracy, indignities (or, at the very least, ill-conceived policies) are more likely to go unchallenged.

Democratic agency is more than voting every couple years or supporting a charismatic politician. It means mobilizing, protesting, and resisting for the policies and causes we hold dear.

Our nation isn't incorrigible. Progress, while possible, isn't inevitable. The rapidity of reform is malleable.

We just have to shake off our lethargy and reclaim our role as the "conscience of the nation." ■

Letters

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**Anti-gay disconnect**

The anti-gay advocates in the Iowa Legislature are not truly interested in protecting children. I moved to Iowa six months ago, and although I have frequented many malls, restaurants, and cafes, I have not seen a gay person or a gay couple. Given the frequency of gay couples among the population, the

influence of Iowa gays on children is an illusory menace.

It is badly behaved, incorrigible children who expose your child to filthy language, bouts of anger, and violent behavior. This has become routine in many classrooms due to "give them another chance"-style leniency. All those chances have a lot more to do with how your child turns out than some gay bogeyman.

**John Clayton**  
Grinnell

**Research: Vital to hospital services**

It is surprising that Mercy Hospital would run a full page ad in the *DI* (Jan. 24) bragging about its lack of teaching and research. Isn't this another way of saying that it's not interested in being on the cutting edge of health-care advancements?

My study subjects at the UI Hospitals and Clinics appreciate both the opportunities to access

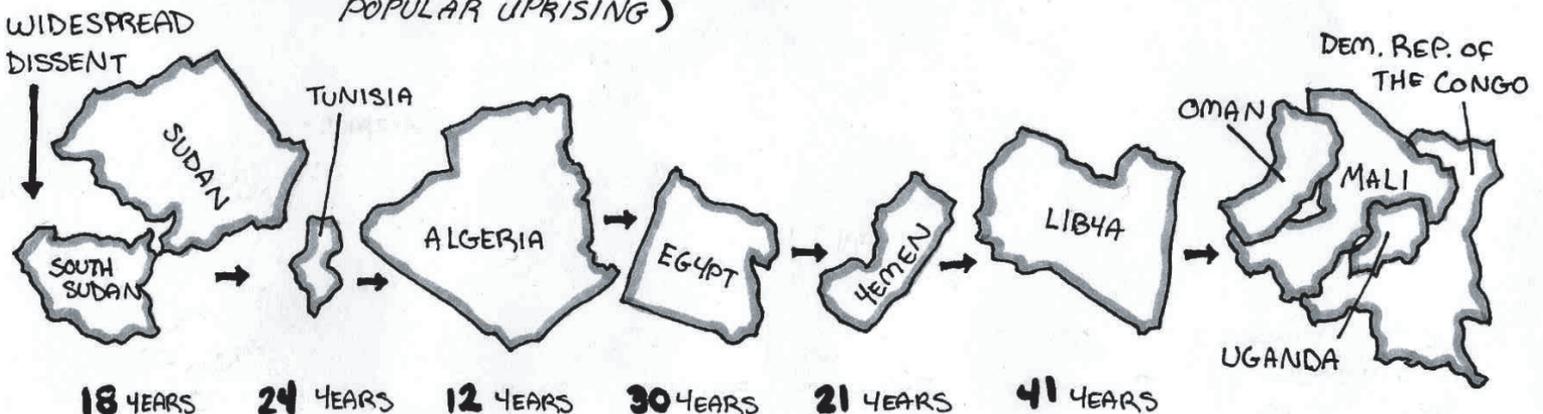
the newest cancer treatments and the satisfaction of knowing they are contributing to the advancement of cancer treatment. When they are faced with a miserable illness, they find some satisfaction knowing they may help someone in the future who walks in their shoes.

I'm sorry Mercy Hospital patients don't have the same opportunities.

**Karen Parrott**  
UIHC research coordinator

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# Survey reports college stress up

Freshman students' emotional health has dropped to a record low.

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First-year students on university campuses are more stressed than ever, according to a recent study.

Whether the curriculum, financial aid, or the grim economy are to blame, college freshmen can't seem to stop stressing.

The Cooperative Institutional Research Program's Freshman Survey, an annual survey of first-year students at four-year colleges and universities, shows self-reported emotional health dropped to record lows in 2010.

The trend appears to be local, too.

Sam Cochran, the director of University Counseling Service, said more new students are coming through his doors at Westlawn.

"Students seeking services are more knowledgeable," he said. "They don't have the same stigma barrier that I have seen years ago."

The national study, administered by the Higher Education Research Institute, found only 52 percent of students reported their emotional health was "above average" in 2010, a 3.4 percentage points drop from 2009.

The study also found male students are more likely than female students to report high levels of emotional health by more than 13 percentage points.

Cochran said he's noticed a gender gap between the men and women who seek help at the University of Iowa. He said he believes women are more inclined to seek help and talk about how they feel.

"There is a stigma barrier of the male gender role," Cochran said. "Young men aren't as constrained by gender roles as they used to be, but they still aren't coming in and talking. There's a gender gap there."

UI freshman Aaron Schill said his parents do not pay for his tuition or housing, and that lack of money causes him great stress.

"A lot of my friends' parents are paying for it, but I have to have a job and pay for student loans," he said. "It's a bigger deal for me."

UI freshman Erin Muncer said though she's not stressed about finances, she can definitely see the need for a counselor for difficult academics.

"Definitely in high school I knew that a lot of teachers would give you the right answer, but here you get more embarrassed if your answer is

## Survey results

**First-year students' self-ratings of their emotional health dropped to record lows in 2010:**

- 51.9 percent of students reported emotional health is above average.
- A drop of 3.4 percentage points from 2009.
- A significant decline from the 63.6 percent first measured in 1985.
- Female students less likely to report high levels of emotional health than males by 13 percent.

Source: Cooperative Institutional Research Program's Freshman Survey

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wrong, which is another stressor," she said.

And UI sophomore Kayla Bastien said she actually feels more stressed as a sophomore than she did as a freshman.

"A lot of it is because classes are getting more advanced," she said. "Another part is just worrying about the future."

Cochran said it's hard to say whether more difficult curriculum is a cause of increased stress, but said academics are contributors.

"I wouldn't pin it on [curriculum] alone," he said. "I don't have any notion that the curriculum is harder now or not. I think competition for classes is a difficult thing to cope with."

# Senator: Raise speed limit

Sheriff: The legislation could increase the number and severity of accidents.

By GIBSON BERGLUND  
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Driving in Iowa may get a little faster this year — and maybe a little more dangerous — thanks to a bill proposed by Sen. Steve Kettering, R-Lake View, that would raise the speed limit on two-lane state highways.

Currently set at 55 mph for such roads, the bill proposes to raise that speed limit to 60 mph. Though the change has been rejected in past years, the Transportation Committee is reconsidering it this legislative season.

"It makes sense," Kettering said. "It's a common-sense bill."

Johnson County Sheriff Lonny Pulkrabek said he neither endorses nor opposes the bill, though he said a higher speed limit comes with added danger.

"It likely would lead to additional crashes and the possibility of each crash being worse," he said.

The current speed limits are the result of the Emergency Highway Energy Conservation Act, a nationwide Congressional mandate enacted in 1974, according to the Energy Citations Database.

Intended to reduce fuel consumption during the oil embargo of the 1970s, the law was repealed in 1995, allowing states to set their own speed limits, but Iowa officials chose to keep the statewide limits at 55 mph for two-lane highways.

"Iowans have already voted to raise the speed limit," said Kettering, referring to the high number of speed-limit violations on Iowa highways.

"They do it every time they step out their doors and into their cars."

Though similar bills were met with resistance in past years, Kettering said the opposition to the bill has been marginal this year.

"The folks who always wave the banner of 'you'll kill 10 more people' are still putting up resistance," he said.

Pulkrabek said he wishes each state highway could be assessed for its own speed limit because 60 mph might be safe on some roads but not on others.

"I would want the Department of Transportation to have the input on specific highways and roads, but unfortunately I don't think that will happen," he said.

Iowa City natives Randy and Susan Endresajk, who often drive between Iowa City, North Liberty, and the Quad Cities, said they feel a 5 mph increase would have little effect on state highways.

"Most people go 5 over, anyway," said Randy Endresajk. "It won't do too much."

A major question raised by the bill is whether a higher speed limit would reduce speeding violations or simply allow people to speed faster.

"[Most drivers are] always going to be a few miles per hour higher than the posted speed limit," Pulkrabek said.



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A speed limit sign is shown on Highway 6 in Coralville on Thursday. A bill proposed by Sen. Steve Kettering, R-Lake View, would raise the speed limit on two-lane state highways from 55 mph to 60 mph.

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## DIVERSITY

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King's idea of the "beloved community" and become truly aware of diversity.

"We hear [the word diversity] often enough that we don't think about what it really means," she said.

And graduate students in the symposium will show the meaning of diversity not only through puppet shows for kindergartners but also with enrichment programs for UI international students.

Hong Ryun Woo, a UI doctoral student in counselor education and support, will present a project on international students whose

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unique issues she feels the university should address. After surveying UI international graduate students and identifying the problems they face, Woo decided to create an enrichment program for Korean international students, especially those with spouses and children, to help them adjust to life in the United States.

UI graduate research assistant Sharon Lee, the organizer of the symposium, wrote in an e-mail

the projects will be evaluated by a panel of judges prior to the presentation on criteria such as the topic's relationship to diversity and the student's presentation skills.

She also said she felt the symposium was a sound conclusion to this year's celebration of King.

"I think it is fitting, because the symposium is really about the future leaders and researchers," she said. "We are showcasing their work and where research on diversity issues are going. It is this research that will help shape the interventions, methods, and thinking about diversity in the future."

## BRANSTAD

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growing rapidly, funding for the district has already increased for this year and next year. Some of that funding could continue to carry over into future years, Murley said, offsetting any losses.

"We will probably be able to preserve most of our staff," Murley said. "But assuming we get new kids next year, it's not unlikely that our class size might go up as a result of that."

Branstad's budget also

proposes allocating \$43 million annually to providing preschool to underprivileged families — a far smaller amount than advocates had asked for but still more than cuts proposed in a budget bill debated in the House last week.

On Thursday, Branstad called for an "education summit" in which he would bring state and national education leaders together this summer to discuss changes to Iowa's education system. He also plans to convene a special session of the Iowa Legislature next fall to approve the changes.

"We must provide financial stability to our schools

while we engage in a historic effort to reform our schools and restore preeminence in educational performance," Branstad said in his budget address in Des Moines.

Despite the cuts in education, legislators agreed on the importance of retaining graduates for Iowa's economy.

"I would say all education is a priority in the fact that it's your ability to turn around the most immediate workforce," Hamerlinck said. "We are phenomenal at educating [students], and the minute [students] graduate we export [them] like crazy."

## RIVERFRONT

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to help manage future flooding, the recreational features were popular feature among the crowd.

Iowa City resident Carol Spaziani said she was pleased to see the plans include easy access to the river.

"This seems to be the first civic attempt to utilize the waterfront area," she said. "It's like we pretend it's not there, so I am very happy with these plans."

Resident Harriet Woodford agreed.

"I loved all that green space," said Woodford, an owner of the Leaf Kitchen, 301 Kirkwood Ave. She especially endorsed the innovative tools to manage the effects of flooding; her business just missed the flood of 2008.

Doug Bisson, community planning manager for HDR Inc., one of the consulting firms involved with the development, said creating the park would provide opportunities for further development.

But the first part of the project involves knocking down the city's north wastewater-treatment plant, which will cost \$63 million from various city funds.

"Decommissioning the wastewater-treatment plant will act as the catalyst to rebuild the area," said Karen Howard, a city planner. "Who really wants to live next to a wastewater-treatment plant?"

Local officials, who had been looking to a train depot for the proposed Chicago-Iowa City rail line as a catalyst for development in the area, said they would move forward even if

Gov. Terry Branstad doesn't fund the train, as he indicated this week.

"Ideally, a passenger rail would be a boost, but the area would still function without it," said Robert Miklo, senior planner with Iowa City.

David Doyle, the EPA consultant involved with the planning and designing of the area, agreed. The current plan doesn't rely on the railway to provide funding.

Jeff Davidson, the director Iowa City's Planning and Development Department, said the plans show the area's potential.

"Think of this as not what is but what can be," he said.

Davidson said the flood created great opportunities for an area already in need of assistance.

"Don't let a good disaster go to waste," he said.

## FOOTBALL

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investigation could be shorter than 90 days.

Twelve football players were admitted Monday night suffering from rhabdomyolysis — a muscle injury syndrome — following NCAA-permitted off-season workouts. A 13th student-athlete experiencing the same symptoms was admitted Tuesday evening. All continue to get treatment in the hospital and are in stable condition, Moore said.

Former offensive lineman Julian Vandervelde said from what he has heard about the workouts, they included "nothing out of the ordinary," based on both his experience and what he had heard from players before him.

Iowa began its winter workouts on Jan. 20, the first team activity since the Insight Bowl in December. Players including freshman linebacker Jim Poggi — one of the players hospitalized — complained of tremendous soreness in their muscles over the last weekend, which players had off from workouts. Poggi experienced continued soreness following Monday's workout and produced brown urine, prompting Iowa trainers to refer him and others to UI Hospitals and Clinics.

Rhabdomyolysis is the release of muscle fiber contents into the bloodstream, and it can lead to kidney damage. Ellie Schlam of the National Kidney Foundation said rhabdomyolysis can occur with repeated muscle trauma or heavy exercise.

Dr. Jane Vernik of John H. Stroger Jr. Hospital of Cook County said the syndrome is a "fairly common mild condition," but not in athletes.

A 2004 report from Shin Kong Wu Ho-Su Memorial Hospital in Taipei, Taiwan, said the syndrome's most

common causes are drug-related. Such drugs include cocaine, methamphetamine, and heroin.

Vandervelde, who said he visited his former teammates in the hospital Thursday, acknowledged a report — originally from *Sporting News*' Dave Curtis — that the 13 players had underwent tests for illegal drug, which came back negative. Moore would not confirm if the drug tests occurred.

"That disturbed me more than anything," Vandervelde said. "Just knowing those guys, those are not the kind of guys who do that sort of thing. The fact that that was the first conclusion that anyone jumped to, I don't think it was fair to those guys to be quite honest with you."

"There's no reason for that; you can wait until they're out of the hospital."

The former left guard said Hawkeye head strength and conditioning coach Chris Doyle — who was hired to that position when head coach Kirk Ferentz took over in 1999 — is "very knowledgeable about how much the human body can handle." Vandervelde also emphasized that Iowa promotes an open flow of communication "in the weight room."

"Nobody wants to be that guy who goes and says he's hurt, but it's never discouraged," Vandervelde said. "I've seen numerous guys, myself included, who have a hurt shoulder or a hurt knee or something. You can go to Coach Doyle and say, 'Hey, this is really bothering me.' He will adjust your workout accordingly."

Vandervelde also echoed Hawkeye director of football operations Paul Federici's Wednesday comments, saying that as a player you "know what's coming when you get back, so you want to prepare yourself [for off-

season workouts.]"

"The focus of Iowa football has always been improvement," Vandervelde said. "They harp on it year round. Spring, summer, fall, winter, before games, after games, postseason, preseason. Everything is improvement-oriented."

Because of privacy laws, Doyle could not meet with the media on Wednesday, but a source close to the team said that he and other coaches have visited the 13 student-athletes at UIHC often since they were hospitalized. Ferentz was out of town recruiting when players were admitted Monday but returned Wednesday night. Moore said Ferentz has had frequent contact with all players and their parents, and Mason is out of town.

In a June 2010 interview with ESPN.com's Adam Rittenberg, Doyle said "strength coaches have more exposure to the players than anyone else on campus."

"We want them to have a comfort level on the way in, and then I tell them it's our job to make sure they're uncomfortable for the next five years, because if they're comfortable, they're not progressing at a fast-enough rate," he told Rittenberg.

Vandervelde acknowledged that communication was "certainly an issue" in the incident, but said he felt no one "needs to be slammed for" it.

"I'm looking at all the different sides of this, and I don't think you can directly blame anybody," he said. "You certainly can't blame the players — they prepare themselves the best they could for the workouts. I don't think you can blame the coaches for trying to make the players the best they can using a system that has produced results over the last 11, 12 years."

Daily Iowan reporter Allie Wright contributed to this article.

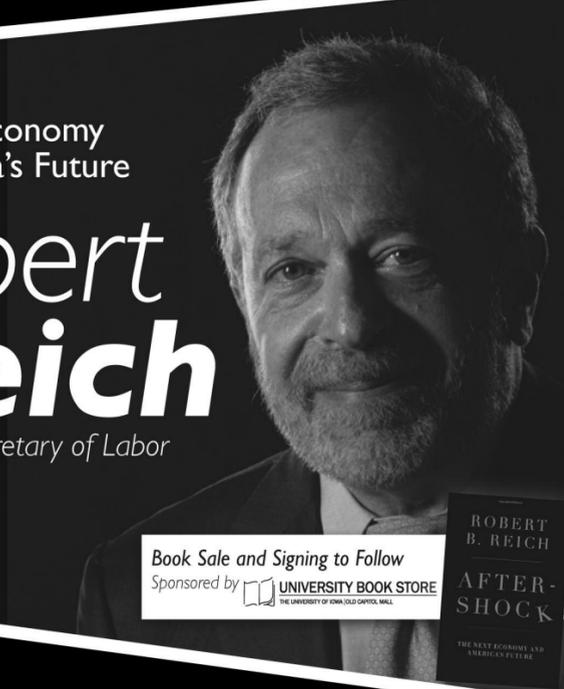


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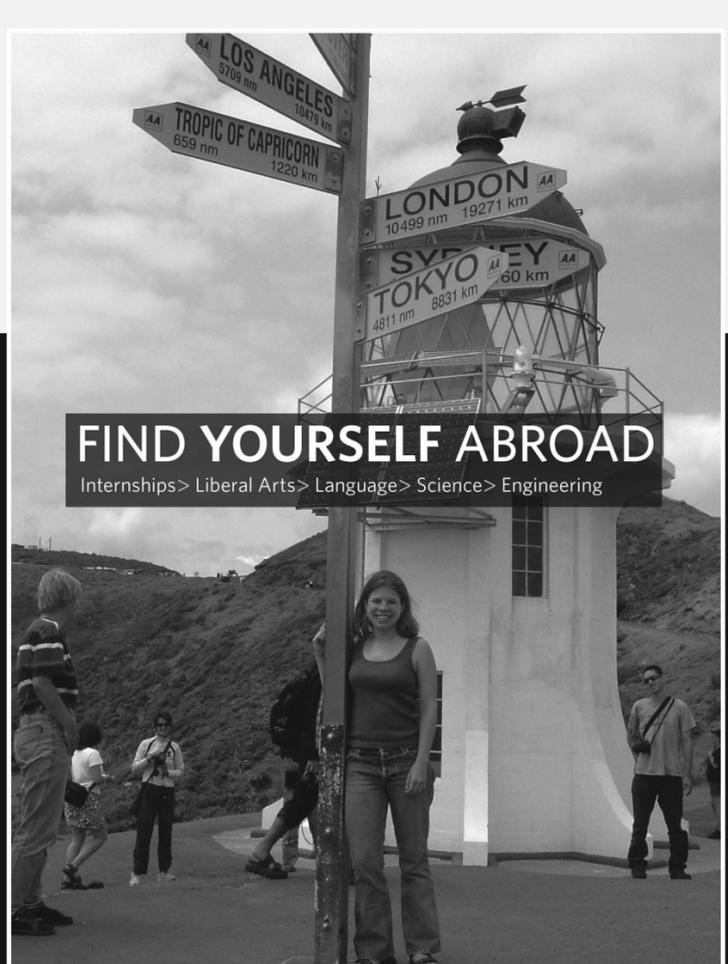
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### Every Class I Will Ever Take:

Receive the syllabus and devise secret nickname for professor. After three lectures, decide I know everything about the class, begin skipping lectures but continue going to discussions for the attendance points and to get in some serious Angry Birds time in the back row. At the first midterm, quickly realize that I actually know nothing about the class, get a C-, and vow to go to all lectures and office hours from that point forward. Attend the next two lectures, only realize that I am far too far behind to understand the material everyone else is now learning, then begin to skip lectures again in an attempt to catch up to the rest of the class. Go to office hours for the first time, casually inform professor of the nickname I gave him, and be banned from office hours indefinitely. At the second midterm, manage an A- because the TA doesn't see me copying answers from the people around me and realize that if I do well on the final, I can get a B- in the class. Instead of going to lectures, I go to Starbucks and read the analogous Wikipedia articles and watch YouTube videos of people getting hit in the crotch by various objects. Before final exam, cram for three-days straight on a diet consisting solely of 5-Hour Energy drinks, Wheat Thins, and Mike & Ikes. At final exam, fall asleep halfway through, but still wake up in time to finish with a C-. Prepare long speech to my parents about how I let them down, only find out that the class was graded on a steep curve, and my final grade is now a B. Celebrate my good grade by drinking all night and killing the brain cells containing all the valuable information I learned. Between semesters, brag to my friends about how I did nothing in the class and still came out with a B, but inwardly vow to never repeat this stressful, destructive cycle again.

Then I repeat the cycle the next semester.

— Daniel Frana apologizes to Professor Daniel Quinn for calling him "Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman." That was, perhaps, out of line.

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## horoscopes Friday, January 28, 2011

— by Eugenia Last

**ARIES** March 21-April 19 Take advantage of a moneymaking opportunity. Don't let past jobs or people you have worked with cause you to shy away from a similar deal. A partnership that was a problem in the past can now be used to your advantage.

**TAURUS** April 20-May 20 You'll feel like you are in a tug of war if you allow others to manipulate your territory. Stand strong, and defend your position and your assets. Do your homework before you volunteer time or money.

**GEMINI** May 21-June 20 You've got a lot going on, but by practicing efficiency, you can accomplish your goals and master a new set of skills. Love is apparent, and an emotional connection can be enhanced by an act of thoughtfulness.

**CANCER** June 21-July 22 Set your sights high, but don't go overboard. A change in your financial status due to a job interview, advancement, or coming into an unexpected gift or payoff of some sort is evident.

**LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 The more you interact with friends, peers, or people who share your interests, the more you will gain in knowledge and encouragement. There is plenty to look forward to, so plan your next trip or consider taking a course.

**VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 With a little push and help from your friends, you can accomplish anything you set out to do. Prepare to put in long hours and hard work, and the payoff will come your way. Don't let anyone who is not supportive stand in your way.

**LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Learn more about what your community offers and how you can be a part of it. The interaction you have today will give you ideas regarding a service you can offer. There is money to be made if you invest in your own ability and talent.

**SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Take a leap of faith. The idea is not bad, it's the way others have gone about doing it that has caused them to fail. You can learn and make minor adjustments, allowing you to be the one who finds success in a challenging field.

**SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Emotions will run high, and the chance of making a mistake is likely. Change is upon you, but to ensure that it is favorable, take each step carefully, and make sure you are getting exactly what you want. Love is in the stars.

**CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 You may be fooled by your own shortsightedness. Look beyond, ask questions, and find out the facts required to make the right choice. Taking on more than you can handle will lead to a struggle that will not end in your favor.

**AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Contracts, interviews, settlements, or investing in something you believe in will all pan out. Focus on love late in the day. Your original and trendy approach will attract people who can offer you equality and support.

**PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 You are positioned and poised for success. You can persuade others to have an interest in your ideas. Using your timing and expertise to the fullest will lead to your personal and professional happiness.

## DILBERT

by Scott Adams



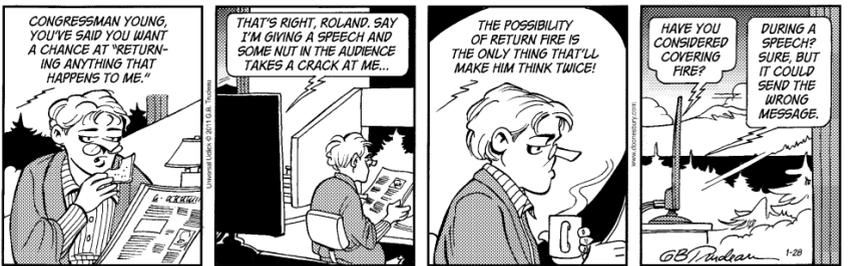
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## today's events

- **English Conversation Group**, 10 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Book Babies**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Research Symposium**, noon, 528 Lindquist Center
- **Discussions, Readings, and Maybe a Banjo**, 2 p.m., Iowa City/Johnson County Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **Knitting Nurse**, 3 p.m., Home Ec Workshop, 207 N. Linn
- **Kristoff Krane**, 5 p.m., Blue Moose Tap House, 211 Iowa Ave.
- **"WorldCanvas," with Joan Kjaer**, 5 p.m., Old Capitol Museum
- **Aaron Belz**, poetry, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Tamara Drewe**, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **New Play Festival Five auditions**, 7 p.m., Iowa Children's Museum, Coral Ridge Mall
- **Open Mike Night**, 7 p.m., Uptown Bill's, 730 S. Dubuque
- **Roller Skating**, 7 p.m., Wood Elementary, 1930 Lakeside Drive
- **Souper Bowl of Caring Fine Arts Benefit**, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 214 E. Jefferson
- **All My Sons**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert
- **Iowa City Pride, Music Showcase Fundraiser**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **La Traviata**, Martha-Ellen Tye Opera Theater, 8 p.m., Englert, 221 East Washington

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- **Tattoo Girl**, University Theatres Mainstage Production, 8 p.m., Theatre Building Thayer Theatre
- **Henhouse Prowlers**, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- **Strange Arrangement**, 9 p.m., Gabe's, 330 E. Washington
- **Marwencol**, 9:10 p.m., IMU, Bijou
- **Campus Activities Board Movie, The Social Network**, 10 p.m., 348 IMU
- **Campus Activities Board Comedian, Jennifer Coolidge**, 10 p.m., IMU Main Lounge
- **Dr. Z's Experiment**, 10 p.m., Blue Moose, 211 Iowa Ave.
- **Rushmore**, 11 p.m., Bijou
- **No Shame Theater**, 11 p.m., Theater Building

### ONGOING

- **The Photography of Todd Adamson**, Alberhasky Eye Clinic, 2346 Mormon Trek Blvd
- **Iowa City School District Artist Educators**, MidWestOne 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
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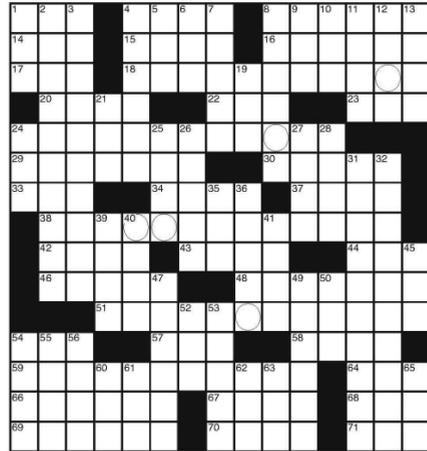
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Edited by Will Shortz No. 1224

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  - Something to unscrew on an auto
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  - Uncommon, in ancient Rome
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  - Nonverbal congratulations
  - Scrooge player of film
  - It has 3,750 "steps of penitence"
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## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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der led the way for the Hawkeyes. After asserting her presence from the onset of the game with three quick buckets — including a 3-pointer — she finished with 23 points, 10 rebounds, and three steals. Thursday's performance marked her 30th career double-double.

Statistics aside, the Minneapolis native's role in preventing a last-second Michigan State comeback may have been her biggest contribution.

Setting up from beyond the arc as she had done to steal a 63-60 victory Jan. 13 against Iowa on a last second buzzer beater 3, Spar-

tan forward Keane Kalisha was in position to play hero for her squad once again.

"We were supposed to switch all the screens, and I just didn't. I was like 'No,' I am not letting go of [Keane]," said Alexander, who played all 40 minutes in Thursday's win. "I went out, and I just put a hand up with everything. And I tipped it. And the rest is history."

The game was hotly contested from tip-off to expiration. Michigan State's early six-point in the first half quickly was erased, and a back and forth tug-of-war ensued.

The Hawkeyes headed to the locker room with a 35-32 halftime lead thanks to a 3-pointer by junior Kalli Hansen. The lead was both insecure and short-lived.

After racking up two fouls the first half and another

quick two early in the second half, sophomore center Morgan Johnson was forced to sit out. An asset to Iowa's rebounding game at 6-5, the Hawkeyes, already undersized, were forced to battle a bigger team, which leads the Big Ten with a plus-8.8 rebounding margin.

But thanks to a high shooting percentage and double-digit performances from sophomore Jaime Printy, junior Kelly Krei, and Alexander, the Hawkeyes made do with fewer scoring opportunities.

"This is a big win for us," Bluder said. "This was a hard-fought battle for both teams. And it's just like it was at their place: It was back and forth, and both teams I though played pretty well."

## WRESTLING

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Jan. 30, will bring an even bigger test when he meets fellow redshirt freshman David Taylor of Penn State, who is ranked third in the country. The two split a pair of matches at a freestyle tournament in April 2010, according to buckeyewrestling.com, but Taylor has outperformed St. John this season in posting a 25-0 record.

"Big weekend for [St. John]," Brands said. "Taylor's setting the world on

fire, that seems to be what everyone's talking about. Big challenge, and [St. John] has a chance to make a statement — and that's an understatement."

Both duals will likely feature several close matches, which makes Jan. 22's strong late-match performances against Ohio State important.

Senior Luke Lofthouse won despite giving up an early takedown. He said he knew he could have enough offense late in the match to make up the deficit.

"It's a long match," Lofthouse said. "I've got to be on my attacks earlier and more often. But with the

way I wrestle, the guy's going to get tired. I'm not concerned about giving up points, because I know I'm going to score points as well."

Brands said he didn't necessarily attribute the improved third periods to better conditioning, instead saying the Hawks simply "got ready to wrestle."

They'll need to get ready to wrestle again this weekend. Brands said he's confident they will.

"[Penn State] is the clear No. 1 now. They're blowing people out," he said. "Yeah, it fires you up. We're battlers. We have to be ready to go at that whistle."

## BIG WIN

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was buzzing throughout, and the fans certainly didn't leave disappointed.

Yes, the tables were turned on Thursday, a classic example of how anything can happen in women's college basketball — at any time.

Funny how the same can be said for the Big Ten standings this season, as the contenders remain jumbled at the halfway point.

Despite the Hawkeyes' average Big Ten record (4-4) through the first half of the conference season, there is something to be said about the win over the Spartans. Some would

even call it a statement game.

The Hawkeyes have already played the two behemoths of the conference — Ohio State and Michigan State — so Lisa Bluder's squad can only look up with eight league games remaining.

Iowa can still separate itself from other league foes, especially after Thursday's game. If the Hawkeyes keep playing as they did against Michigan State for the rest of the conference season and into the Big Ten Tournament — relying on their exceptional shooting ability and intensity — they will be a forced to be reckoned with.

They made it to the Big Ten championship game last year, and every scholarship player from that

roster is still wearing Black and Gold. And don't forget about Iowa's usually reliable bench. While the reserves aren't consistent scoring threats, they make up for it with defense.

There is no reason to think they can't make it just as far again, and if they make it deep into the Big Ten tournament, watch out.

This win — a swift answer after a 14-point loss to Ohio State — characterizes what the Hawkeyes are capable of. It was Iowa's turn to win the close bout with Michigan State this time around, and it was no secret after the game that the players were satisfied with the victory.

Revenge is sweet.

## SPORTS

### Men's track heads to Arkansas

The level of competition will continue to increase this weekend for the Iowa men's track and field team when it travels to Arkansas.

After seeing No. 16 Minnesota last weekend, the Hawkeyes will compete against some of the best track and field athletes in the country when the Razorback Invitational starts at 11 a.m. today. The meet will finish Saturday.

Of the 11 teams in Fayetteville this weekend, Iowa is one of only three unranked squads.

All eight ranked teams are in the top 20, including No. 1 LSU, No. 5 Oregon, No. 8 Stanford, and No. 9 Florida State.

In total, 21 athletes who rank in the top 10 nationally in their respective events will compete in the Razorback Invitational.

Iowa's top sprinter Justin Austin will see how he measures up to LSU's Horatio Williams, who has the fastest 60-meter time in the country at 6.61 seconds.

Austin's season-best time of 6.72 ranks 16th nationally. The Hawkeye junior has won the 60-meters at both meets in which he has competed this year.

The 4x400-meter relay will provide another test for the Hawkeyes. Iowa's relay team consisting of All-Americans Patrick Richards, Christ Barton, Erik Sowinski, and Steven Willey ranks fifth nationally with a banked-track time of 3:10.25. LSU's relay team holds a time of 3:10.10, good for fourth in the country.

— by Ben Schuff

### Women's track heads to two locations

The Iowa women's track and field team will split up this week-

end to compete at different locales, hoping to "take that next step" and continue the Hawkeyes' week-by-week improvement.

The top portion of the team will travel to Fayetteville, Ark., to compete in the Razorback Invitational, facing competition from such schools as Stanford, Texas Christian, Texas, Arizona, Oregon, Oklahoma State, and others.

"This week is far more competitive than last weekend," head coach Layne Anderson said. The team competed at the Jack Johnson Classic in Minneapolis last weekend. "We've got to be better to be more competitive."

Events in Fayetteville begin this morning and run through Saturday afternoon.

The second group will compete on Saturday a little closer to home, making the short trip to the Jack Jennett Invitational in Cedar Falls.

"Our goal is always to take the next step, look to improve upon the performances at Minnesota in all events," Anderson said.

— by Amy Tiffany

### Men's gymnastics faces tough Illini

One week after a convincing victory over No. 12 Illinois-Chicago, the ninth-ranked Iowa men's gymnastics team faces a much more experienced opponent in No. 3 Illinois on Saturday afternoon in Champaign. The meet is the home-opener for the Fighting Illini, who fell from the No. 1 rank they held a week ago.

The Hawkeyes saw Illinois at the Windy City Invitational, in which the Illini placed first and Iowa took fifth. Illinois' leader is senior Paul Ruggeri, who is ranked first in the nation in the horizontal

bar and fourth in the vault.

The vault, as well as the pommel horse, are events that Iowa head coach JD Reive would especially like to see improvements in against Illinois, the defending Big Ten champions.

Reive is confident his team can continue to get better.

"We had a 10-point jump from week one to week two, and I think we have the potential to go another five or six points up again," he said. "That's going to take a higher level of consistency than we've had."

— by Ryan Murphy

### GymHawks off to Illinois

The No. 15 Iowa women's gymnastics team will travel to Champaign, Ill., for its second Big Ten dual meet of the season on Saturday.

The GymHawks will take on the 19th-ranked Fighting Illini at noon in Huff Hall; the meet will be broadcast live on the Big Ten Network.

This conference meet will be "different," head coach Larissa Libby said. The GymHawks will alter their lineups to let several sore and injured athletes rest after coming off a big meet against Michigan last week.

Despite the abnormality, the GymHawks' goal remains the same: to increase the team score and hit all 24 routines.

"Our goal is to get better at the little things," Libby said. "The little things are what we're still making mistakes at. And in the end, those little things are what are going to be most important and key in making us successful."

— by Molly Irene Olmstead

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

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playing," the center said in a radio interview. "I don't want to put that on Coach McCaffery. He's done everything he can in his power — he and all the assistant coaches alike. We have to come together as a team and get this done."

Iowa has just 10 games

left on its schedule, and none of them are easy. Still, the Hawks will have had four days to prepare when they tip off against Michigan, and that's plenty of time to learn from the mistakes made against Penn State.

While time is running out on the season, Francis took to Twitter on Wednesday to say the team is focused on the big picture.

"Our journey continues," he Tweeted. "I fear failure, and that is a great motivator to succeed. On to the next one."

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Members of the men's tennis team gather around head coach Steve Houghton and Steve Nash in the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on Wednesday.

# Men's tennis opens at home

Steve Houghton has confidence in his players, both young and old.

By **BEN ROSS**  
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Jan. 30 marks the beginning of the Iowa men's tennis spring season against a team the Hawkeyes have had good luck against: Iowa is 2-0 all-time against Creighton.

Competition will begin at 1 p.m. in the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex.

Head coach Steve Houghton said he doesn't really have a strategy for the Hawkeyes, but he stressed his players' main priority should be taking care of each other. The 29-year coach would also like to remind his players of their capabilities. "Believe in your shots, and stay in your comfort zone," he said.

The veteran coach said the team needs to play what he called "high-percentage tennis," which he defined as the players knowing their own limits and being able to recognize when they are on offense and defense. Fans attending the match can expect to see a confident team, he said.

"We have prided ourselves on fighting to the end and playing to our advantages," he said.

No. 1 singles player Marc Bruche said the players are excited to get back on the court and show their improvement since the fall.

"I think we got stronger while other programs got weaker," the junior said. "We will try to surprise people by showing them improvement in our Big Ten record."

The Bluejays went 10-5 last season, 2-4 in conference play.

## Iowa vs. Creighton

**When:** 1 P.M. JAN. 30  
**Where:** HAWKEYE TENNIS & RECREATION COMPLEX

They will have a chance to warm up before Iowa; they will play their first match on Saturday against Western Illinois.

Last season, the Hawkeyes posted an overall record of 13-10, 4-6 in the always-competitive Big Ten. They will need to fare better than they did last year against ranked opponents, posting an abysmal 3-10 record in that category. The Hawkeyes have 10 ranked teams on their schedule, which includes the likes of Big Ten powerhouses Ohio State (No. 4) and Illinois (16).

The Hawks said they know they have their work cut out in such a tough conference.

"Every match will be a challenge," Bruche said.

Houghton sees his combination of young and old talent coming together this season, envisioning a lineup that includes two seniors, two juniors, one sophomore, and two or three freshmen. Houghton believes this is a team that is capable of being in the top five of the Big Ten, and the best way to climb that ladder would be with a win over Creighton.

He saw Creighton play in a tournament in the fall and was impressed with the Bluejays.

"They are a good, solid team; they looked good in the fall," he said. "This should be a good tennis match, a great way to start the season."

# Women's tennis hits tough stretch

By **NICK SZAFRANSKI**  
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The Iowa women's tennis team begins what could be a season-defining stretch of non-conference matches starting Saturday at No. 13 Georgia Tech. Competition is scheduled to begin at noon in Atlanta.

The Yellow Jackets have two top-70 doubles teams and one singles player in the top 40.

The 30th-ranked Hawkeyes will face five teams in their next nine matches that in the top 35 in the latest Intercollegiate Tennis Association rankings: Georgia Tech, DePaul, Nebraska, and either South Florida or Illinois. Their final ranked test will come against No. 68 LSU March 16.

"We are starting to play some really good tennis; the team is ready," head coach Katie Dougherty said.

This week, Iowa is coming off a 6-1 victory over Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.

Dougherty has tried different combinations of women at doubles for the first two matches and in practice to try to discover the right duos.

"Doubles teams usually take one or two switches to get right, but hopefully, we have the perfect combo now," senior Jessica Young said.

Putting the two best players at the top spot isn't a tactic

## No. 30 Iowa vs. No. 13 Georgia Tech

**When:** NOON SATURDAY  
**Where:** BILL MOORE TENNIS CENTER, ATLANTA

Dougherty usually goes for. She likes to spread the talent over each slot to have a better chance to win numerous matches.

"Pairing the freshman with an upperclassman is important in helping the freshman's transition into dual play," Young said.

In discussing the transition from facing Northern Iowa to facing the No. 13 team in the country, Young said the team has made an effort to stay focused during practice.

On Jan. 30, the Hawkeyes will remain in Atlanta, taking on either No. 28 South Florida or No. 25 Illinois. The Bulls will face the Fighting Illini on Saturday. The team that wins both its matches will be invited to play in the National Team Indoor Championship Feb. 18-21.

The Hawkeyes don't get much of a chance to rest before they come home to take on Miami (Ohio) on Feb. 4 and Kansas State on Feb. 6.

Dougherty iterated playing without distractions is crucial to the team's success. She looks for her squad's consistency to improve with more frequent competitions against better opponents.

"We've seen that level, and we are ready for it," she said.



**Dougherty**  
head coach

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## WOMEN'S TENNIS

The Hawkeyes begin a slate of nine matches that will include five ranked opponents. 10

## COMMENTARY

# No late dagger this time

Despite being 4-4 in Big Ten play, the Hawkeyes' win against the Spartans is a good sign.



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Déjà vu flashed through the fans' and players' minds on Thursday night.

Kalisha Keane was going to make another shot at the buzzer to lift Michigan State to victory over the Iowa women's basketball team. On Jan. 13, Keane's shot put a dagger in Hawkeye fans' hearts everywhere. The same situation looked to be inevitable — in Carver-Hawkeye Arena no less.

But it didn't. Kachine Alexander was able to get a hand on the ball and block it just enough — no — tip it — just enough. The 5-9 senior, guarding the 6-1 Keane, thanked her finger nails for that.

"That's why I got these," Alexander said as she flashed her nails before a laughing press room after the game.

Following the miss, the Spartans got the rebound and had another attempt to at least advance to an overtime period. The shot didn't fall though, and the Hawkeyes prevailed, 66-64.

For a game that just could not be predicted at any moment — there were seven lead changes and the score was tied nine times — the announced crowd of 4,550

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## IOWA 66, MICHIGAN STATE 64

# Iowa holds on to victory



Iowa senior guard Kachine Alexander drives into the paint around Klarissa Bell during the Hawks' game against No. 10 Michigan State in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Thursday. Alexander lead the team in scoring (23 points).  
RYAN MILLER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Kachine Alexander drops 23 points in Thursday's win over conference leader Michigan State.

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The 4,550 fans in attendance at Carver-Hawkeye Arena erupted, rising to their feet as Iowa (16-5, 4-4) pulled off its biggest upset of the season Thursday against No. 10 Michigan State (18-3, 6-2).

The 66-64 victory was rife with drama, down to the expiring ticks of the clock. After nine ties and seven lead changes, the No. 18 Hawkeyes failed to capitalize on a late possession, and the teams were only separated by two points.

With 5.9 seconds left to play, the Spartans called a full timeout with possession of the ball to assess the situation. Despite trading blows all night with its Big Ten counterpart, coach Suzy Merchant's squad still trailed by two.

Three shot attempts later, zero points.

"We just couldn't put it down," Merchant said. "It was pretty physical in there. You've got to score when you're 2 feet from the rim."

Michigan State dominated the Hawkeyes on the glass, recording 44 rebounds — 20 of which were offensive. But a meager 34 percent shooting percentage prevented the Spartans from sweeping Iowa in the season series.

"I can't believe, quite honestly, that we won this game shooting that poorly from the free-throw line (Iowa went 11-of-18 from the line) and giving up that many offensive boards," coach Lisa Bluder said. "They had 20 more shot attempts than we did. But we were very efficient with the ball when we had it."

Senior guard Kachine Alexander

SEE **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**, 9

# Wrestlers face 'Cats, Lions

The Iowa wrestling team faces a weekend full of huge tests — on both team and individual scales.

By **SAM LOUWAGIE**  
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Tom Brands insists every weekend of competition for his Hawkeye wrestling team is an important one.

But even Brands, the fifth-year Iowa head coach, acknowledged the special importance of the big tests — on both a team and individual level — that await Iowa this weekend.

"This is a big weekend," he said. "They're all big. But you don't always have an opportunity to wrestle the No. 1 team in a dual meet in their arena."

That opportunity will come on Jan. 30, when the No. 8 Hawkeyes travel to University Park, Pa. for a clash with top-ranked Penn State. Before that, though, comes a dual tonight at Northwestern, which Brands said the team is not overlooking.

The first big test of the weekend will come tonight for Matt McDonough, who

## Iowa at Northwestern

**When:** 7 P.M. TODAY

**Where:** EVANSTON, ILL.

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will have a chance to avenge his only loss of the season against Northwestern's top-ranked Brandon Precin. McDonough lost, 3-1, to Precin on Dec. 30 at the Midlands Championships, which knocked the Marion native from his position atop the rankings.

McDonough said he's been looking forward to this match since that last one.

"You've got to believe it," he said. "It never feels good to lose. It's a big deal, getting another chance at [Precin] before NCAAs. It's a chance to wrestle the best in the country."

Redshirt freshman Derek St. John also has a potentially season-defining weekend ahead of him. St. John, ranked 14th by InterMat, will face No. 7 Jason Welch tonight. On

SEE **WRESTLING**, 9

# On to Michigan for Hawks

Center Jarryd Cole says it's time for the basketball team to step up.

By **SETH ROBERTS**  
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After an ugly loss to Penn State on Wednesday, the Iowa men's basketball team is in desperate need of a confidence-booster.

It won't come easily this weekend, when the Hawkeyes (8-12, 1-7 Big Ten) travel to Ann Arbor to take on Michigan (12-9, 2-6 Big Ten) on Jan. 30.

On paper, the Wolverines don't seem as if they should trouble Iowa. Michigan is close to the cellar of the Big Ten, has won just one game since Jan. 2, and fields one of the youngest teams in the country. The Wolverine roster has no seniors and just one player older than 20.

There's more to this team than meets the eye, though.

As of Wednesday, Michigan has lost to ranked opponents four times by an average of 4.75 points. The Wolverines played then-No. 3 Kansas and then-No. 2 Ohio State in consecutive games, forcing the Jayhawks into overtime on Jan. 9 and hanging with the Buckeyes before falling, 68-64, on Jan. 12.

The Maize-and-Blue is more dangerous than it seems, and the struggling Hawkeyes need to play accordingly.

Luckily for the Iowa, the Penn State game provided a blueprint for what needs to be improved.

"We got a little impatient



Iowa forward Jarryd Cole reacts during the Iowa/Iowa State basketball game in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Dec. 10, 2010. The Hawkeyes lost, 75-72.  
CHRISTY AUMER/THE DAILY IOWAN

## Iowa (8-12, 1-7) at Michigan (12-9, 2-6)

**When:** 3:06 P.M. JAN. 30

**Where:** CRISLER ARENA, ANN ARBOR, MICH.

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— maybe too unselfish — on offense," assistant coach Andrew Francis said in a halftime radio interview Wednesday. "We stopped attacking [the Nittany Lions]. We have to get back to that."

The team wasn't able to rediscover its offensive fire against Penn State, a result

of both the stiff Nittany Lion zone defense and yet another long scoring drought for the Hawkeyes. The team suffered an eight-minute stretch in which it hit just two field goals while missing seven, which has been a recurring theme.

Head coach Fran McCaffery said the problem lies in his team's tendency to try to do too much during a dry spell.

"We're quick-shooting the ball on the road when the other team's on a run, and then we're forcing the issue," McCaffery said in a radio interview Wednesday.

"We continue to talk about the same things, and we continue to violate the same rules. It's very, very disappointing."

McCaffery's players are also feeling frustrated with the slide through Big Ten play, and senior cocaptain Jarryd Cole said the Hawkeyes have to shoulder most of the blame.

"The fellas need to step up and take the role, to be more aggressive and assertive and play more smart than we have been

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