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A snowplow prepares to dump snow into a truck near City Hall on Tuesday. The snow will be transported to the Iowa City Bus Barn near Highway 6, across from the Iowa City Municipal Airport. Local trucking companies are still hauling truckload after truckload of snow away from downtown after last week's storm.

Snow fun, snow business

An official says the UI could go over its \$120,000 snow-removal budget.

By **ALLIE JOHNSON**
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Fewer than 2 miles outside downtown Iowa City, a mountain of snow at least 10 feet tall and the length and width of a college classroom is forming. And growing by the hour. Every five minutes Tuesday morning, another full dump truck pulled up and added to the mound in a field outside Iowa City's "Bus Barn," 1200 Riverside Drive.

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Outside City Hall, five waited in line at 7 a.m. for workers on smaller tractors to fill them with more snow.

Nearly a week after a massive blizzard, trucking companies continue to haul truckload after truckload of snow away from downtown. And they still have a week to go. Jerry's Hauling, Leif McGowan Trucking, and Finnegan Trucking have been working to remove as much snow as possible from Iowa City streets. "We've got bulldozers down there pushing the pile higher and higher," said Leif

McGowan, the owner of Leif McGowan Trucking. He said the extremely cold temperatures are making things difficult. "It's getting interesting," McGowan said. "The longer it takes, the colder it is, piles like this get real hard, and it's hard on equipment and on the snowblowers." The companies use 10 trucks at a time, starting at

SEE SNOW, 6

Bracing for frosh surge

The College of Liberal Arts plans to hire around 35 new tenure-track faculty members next fall.

By **CAITLIN FRY**
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Officials plan to accommodate continually increasing enrollment at the University of Iowa, though they don't know yet how big next year's jump will be.

For starters, they intend to add 200 beds in the dorms and hire 35 new tenure-track faculty in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Roughly 16,800 potential students have sent applications this year, a 9.1 percent increase from the 15,400 applications received by February 2010.



Barron
admissions director

Applications will continue coming in until April, and officials will know expected enrollment numbers in May.

"Obviously, we are a place that is attractive to students," said UI Director of Admissions Michael Barron. "But how many we will ultimately offer admission to and who will enroll is uncertain."

The liberal-arts school plans to hire around 35 tenure-track faculty members to provide enough courses and seats in each class for students, said Helena Dettmer, the associate dean for undergraduate programs and curriculum. Officials said they don't yet know the cost of the additional faculty.

"The college is working on determining how many additional sections, classes, and labs we will need," Dettmer wrote in an e-mail.

In addition to academic accommodations, University Housing has been monitoring

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Barta discusses negative news

The athletics director said he's looking for 'closure' after the recent athlete hospitalizations.

By **ALISON SULLIVAN**
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The recent high-profile, negative attention directed at the University of Iowa football program has been difficult, especially in the era of social media and the Internet, Athletics Director Gary Barta said on Tuesday.

He addressed the Athletics Department's recent string of public incidents at the UI Faculty Senate meeting Tuesday, saying the national media and the public reacted too quickly

to the recent hospitalization of 13 football players. The instant negative publicity resulted from what he described as the media's mentality of getting information fast in the Internet era, even if "facts be damned."



Barta
athletics director

SEE SENATE, 6

Apartments Downtown lawsuit grows

Some former tenants have joined the pending class-action suit, sharing their sides of the story.

By **JOSH QUINNETT**
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An Iowa City attorney who filed a lawsuit against Apartments Downtown said he now has the ideal number of plaintiffs. Christopher Warnock and his client, Michael Conroy, filed the original petition on Dec. 22. They alleged the requirements listed in the Iowa City rental giant's lease violate numerous sections of Iowa Code.

Though Warnock said he only needs one representative plaintiff for the case to be certified as a class action, he's added five to the list and has received inquiries from nearly 50 others, who could be used

as backups if lawyers for the defendants eliminate any current petitioners.

One plaintiff, University of Iowa senior Molly Burke, said she decided to join the case when Apartments Downtown charged her \$350 after someone broke down her front door.

"I was like, 'What?'" said Burke, a former *Daily Iowan* reporter. "That doesn't really make sense. Why do I have to pay for the door?"

An employee at Apartments Downtown, who would not give her name because she was not authorized to comment on behalf of the company, compared Burke's incident to a situation in which a homeown-



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Iowa alum Dara Eifler sits in her apartment on Tuesday. Eifler is part of a class-action lawsuit against Apartments Downtown. She was sued by Apartments Downtown for back rent and damages and still received bills after the court ruled in her favor.

er's door was vandalized. In that situation, the employee said, the homeowner would be liable for the door.

"I was under the impression that Apartments Downtown was just another

bad landlord," Warnock said. "But after hearing the stories from these tenants, it's outrageous."

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Police probe fire story

One firefighter was injured and taken to UIHC following the Jan. 29 blaze.

By HAYLEY BRUCE
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Twenty minutes after residents reported a suspicious fire at an Iowa City apartment complex on Jan. 29, a woman who lived in the building told police she saw a stranger with her dog that she'd left in her apartment.

Police said the woman was walking one of her dogs at College Green Park on Jan. 29 when she saw an older male walking her other dog.

According to the Iowa City police daily activity log, she called police at 11:15 p.m. requesting that officers check on her boyfriend, who was supposed to be at her apartment watching the dog.

The woman reportedly got into an altercation with the man, who then pushed her, prompting her to grab the dogs and run to her apartment.

The unknown person appeared to be a transient, she told officers.

Iowa City police Detective D.J. Steva said the woman and her dogs lived at 421 S. Dodge St.

Apt. 1, where officials believe the fire began around 10:54 p.m.

Last week, officials released a sketch and description of a possible male witness who may have been near College Green Park or 421 S. Dodge St. the night of the incident between 10:30 and 11:25 p.m.

Steva said though he can not directly connect the transient who allegedly had the dog to the composite sketch of the "possible



Possible witness

Fire timeline

The investigation over the past week and a half:

- Jan. 29: Rescuers respond to a fire at 421 S. Dodge St.
- Feb. 3: Police release sketch of "possible witness"; building is turned over to owner
- Feb. 7: Police search for a person with a dog in relation to the fire
- Feb. 8: Investigators wait on lab results before determining a cause of the fire

Source: Police and fire officials

witness," he believes the two incidents are related and said they are being investigated together.

"We know that the dog was in the apartment at 421 S. Dodge before the fire was called in," Steva said. "Somebody, we don't know who yet, clearly had to take that dog out of the apartment before the fire."

Steva said officials are now looking for anyone who may have seen the dog removed from the building,

and several witnesses to the fire have come forward.

"We have a lot of information, and things are coming together, and hopefully, we'll have a resolution soon," Steva said.

All 12 residents of the building were displaced but uninjured.

Several residents and neighbors said the night of the incident that they had heard "loud bangs" moments before the building went up in flames, but officials won't confirm the cause until they receive lab results.

Iowa City Fire Battalion Chief Ken Brown said the fire remains "under investigation," and officials are working hard to bring it to an end.

Fire officials estimated \$120,000 in structural damage to the building and \$15,000 in content damage following the fire.

Iowa City Area CrimeStoppers has guaranteed a \$1,000 reward for the arrest of the person responsible for the crime.

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UISG to lobby lawmakers

UISG members were encouraged to make the trip to Des Moines during the meeting Tuesday.

By ALLIE WRIGHT
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University of Iowa Student Government officials hope a personal touch will make the difference — they plan to go to Des Moines on Thursday to meet with legislators about potential tuition hikes and cuts to higher education.

"We definitely have the potential to make a difference," said UISG President John Rigby, who is making his first lobbying trip of the year.

Student representatives discussed plans for the trip at their meeting Tuesday night.

Rigby said UISG members make frequent e-mail and face-to-face contact

with state and local legislators about higher-education appropriations. This week, members will ask legislators who are alumni of the state Board of Regents institutions to compare the proposed tuition increase with what they paid for college, Rigby said.

Four UISG members and one non-member are signed up to take the trip — one of several lobbying trips each year, said Lee Henely, the UISG government-relations liaison.

Henely said the group plans to lobby to legislators from both houses between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. before they split up for subcommittee meetings.

"We bring a little more personal story to it," Rigby said.

The group has a fairly constant presence at the Capitol, he said, adding he plans to talk to legislators about ensuring funding for



Rigby
UISG president

Legislative proposals

Budgetary proposals involving Iowa's public institutions:

- State appropriations: 6 percent reduction
- Maximum cap on tuition increase: 4 percent
- Regents request: \$19.1 million increase

Sources: Iowa's Legislative branch, state Board of Regents

higher education is appropriate.

During Tuesday's UISG Senate meeting, a seven-senator committee explained the General Education Budget for fiscal 2011 and acknowledged the importance of lobbying to state legislators.

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

"If your voices aren't heard, [legislators are] not

going to think the [...] cut is that important," said UISG Senator Nic Pottebaum as he encouraged other senators to make the trip this week. "Every time we go, that number can get smaller."

The only cost will be transportation to Des Moines, and that will be covered by money set aside for the government-relations committee in the UISG budget, Henely said.

Rigby said the magnitude of the difference to be made will depend on the frequency and level of dialogue between student-government members and state officials.

UISG officials aren't the only ones with plans to meet with state legislators about potential higher-education cuts. Today, Regent President David Miles and the presidents of the three state universities will meet with the education-appropriations subcommittee to discuss higher-education funding for the coming fiscal year.

METRO

Attempted-murder trial reset

A 6th District judge reset the trial date of an Iowa City man charged with attempted murder.

Raymond L. Spears, 52, was arrested on June 4, 2010, for allegedly stabbing another man in the back near downtown Iowa City.

Spears' trial has been reset for May 9, and a pretrial conference is scheduled for April 28.

— by Josh Quinnett

Murder trial rescheduled

A judge reset the trial for a 18-year-old charged with the murder of an Iowa City landlord.

Charles William Curtis Thompson was charged in the shooting death of John Versypt in October 2008. Versypt had come to Iowa City from his Cordova, Ill., home to check on one of the Broadway apartment complexes he owned. Thompson allegedly

shot him in a robbery gone bad, investigators contend.

Thompson's trial is now scheduled for Sept. 12, and the pretrial conference is set for Sept. 1.

— by Josh Quinnett

Cab driver's arraignment set

An Iowa City cab driver charged with assault with intent to commit sexual abuse is scheduled to be arraigned on March 3, according to court documents.

Jamal Younis, 36, allegedly sexually assaulted a woman in his cab on Jan. 24.

According to police reports, when Younis and the woman were alone in his car, he placed his hand on her knee and continued to rub her leg.

He reportedly told police he often flirts with his female passengers, but it is "nothing serious."

Officials said the incident could cost him his taxi license.

— by Josh Quinnett

More students to have West High option

Some students at Northwest Junior High will now have the option to transfer to West High School, Superintendent Steve Murley said.

At Tuesday evening's School Board meeting, he reported his progress in implementing the plan, which incorporates district considerations and grandfathering.

The school system currently allows "open transfer," meaning students may transfer to a school out of their district, but this system is limited by the number of open seats at any given school.

But seventh- and eighth-grade students at Northwest Junior High who live in the Hills or Lincoln Elementary districts will have the option to attend West High instead of City High, and Northwest Junior High students who have a sibling at West High will also have the option to attend. The school system will

not provide transportation for these students who choose the temporary open transfer to West High.

Murley said letters and applications were sent to families on Monday. The number of students choosing to take advantage of this option will become available once West High's registration process is complete.

— by Audrey Smith

Man guilty of sex abuse gets 10 years

An Iowa City man found guilty of third-degree sexual abuse was sentenced to 10 years and 30 days in prison.

According to police reports, Matthew Banker, 22, fondled a woman while she was sleeping. When she woke up and screamed, he fled, dropping his cell phone on the ground.

Officers said he admitted to fondling the victim and apologized repeatedly.

— by Regina Zilbermint

BLOTTER

Katherine Anderegg, 18, 273 Slater, was charged Sunday with PAULA.

Alexander Ashmore, 19, 331D Mayflower, was charged Feb. 4 with PAULA.

Alexis Clymer, 19, 337 Samoa Drive, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Alex Evans, 18, 1235 Burge, was charged Feb. 4 with PAULA.

Nicholas Fasel, 20, 728 E. College St., was charged Feb. 4 with PAULA.

Colleen Hogan, 19, 1229 Quadrangle, was charged Sunday with possession of a controlled substance.

Napolian Johnson, 18, 2104 Davis St. Apt. 8, was charged Monday with attempted burglary, public intoxication, and interference with official acts.

Andrew Miller, 22, 221 Iowa Ave. Apt. 1912, was charged Feb. 5 with public intoxication.

Nideen Mustafa, 18, 230C Mayflower, was charged Feb. 4 with PAULA.

Scott Pffiffer, 22, Champaign, Ill., was charged Feb. 5 with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance.

Daniel Phistry, 25, Coralville, was charged Monday with OWI.

Renugan Raidoo, 20, 601 Grandview Court, was charged Feb. 5 with public intoxication.

Jake Rebello, 19, La Grange, Ill., was charged Feb. 4 with PAULA.

Jennifer Robledo, 19, 327C Mayflower, was charged Feb. 4 with PAULA.

Matthew Rochetti, 19, 4336 Burge, was charged Feb. 5 with public intoxication and interfer-

ence with official acts.

Regan Sieperda, 18, 3508 Burge, was charged Feb. 4 with PAULA.

Marc Singer, 23, Champaign, Ill., was charged Feb. 5 with possession of a controlled substance, OWI and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Lom Tanchinh, 41, 3003 Russel Drive, was charged Monday with OWI.

Nicholas Vostal, 19, Barrington Ill., was charged Feb. 5 with falsifying driver's licenses and OWI.



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The Chief Diversity Office and the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity invite nominations for the Twelfth Annual Catalyst Awards

The Catalyst Awards are designed to honor those who, during the past year, have shown a University commitment to achieving excellence through diversity.

Nominations are invited within the following categories:

- a staff or faculty member
- a program or department
- a student or student organization.

Awards will be presented at the Catalyst Award Reception on **Wednesday, April 13, from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. in the 2nd Floor Ballroom, Iowa Memorial Union.**

Nomination forms may be obtained at:

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Spotlight Iowa City

From a big nose to a nose for news

Roy Justis came to the UI in 2006.

By ALLIE WRIGHT
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Roy Justis remembers the days when he wore a red nose and big shoes to work instead of a suit and tie.

In the 1960s, Justis — donning a bright blue suit with red hair jutting from each side of his head — entertained young children as Bozo the Clown in Waterloo.

Justis, now a University of Iowa adjunct journalism instructor, said he's used his clown experiences in the classroom and throughout his career as a reporter.

"It's the idea of making connections with your public in [the Bozo] role or making connections with the public in your role as a reporter," the 70-year-old said. "There's responsibility in each case, so don't forget what your job is."

He got his start in media as a rock and roll disc jockey at a Waterloo radio station in high school.

After graduating, he began entertaining live audiences of small children as the clown, interrupting his usually golden voice with a high-pitched, nasally Bozo impersonation.

The Baltimore native attended the University of Northern Iowa but never graduated.

"I got my degree in big nose and shoes," he said, holding up an old photo of himself, dressed in the character's signature attire.

Six days a week, he performed as Bozo in the afternoon and DJ'd at night. He also worked as a



RACHEL JESSEN/THE DAILY IOWAN

UI adjunct journalism instructor Roy Justis shows off a photo of himself dressed as Bozo the Clown in the rotunda of the Adler Journalism Building on Feb. 5.

Roy Justis

- **Age:** 70
- **Hometown:** Baltimore
- **Family:** Wife Rita, four children, and seven grandchildren, with one on the way
- **Favorite foods:** Pizza and fried chicken
- **Hobby:** Ballroom dancing

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Check out a photo slide show of Roy Justis.



the clown shoes when he was offered two other jobs in journalism.

First, he received a call from Walter Cronkite's producer, asking if he was interested in a job at WTOP, a radio station in Washington, D.C.

But he turned down life in Washington for Iowa City, a place he said he considers more suitable for raising a family. He took a radio reporting job at the local KXIC.

"Every day was different," Justis said. "Every day was, 'Gee, what can I find out today I didn't know?'"

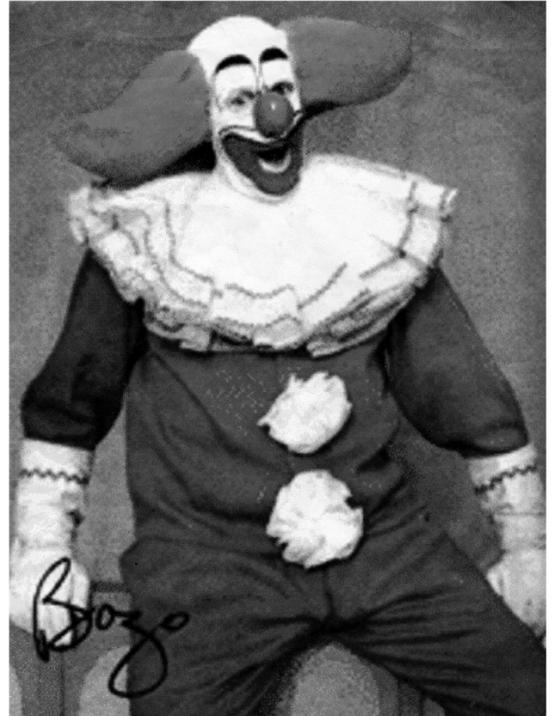
Then, after Justis quit his job at the station, the UI called and offered him the adjunct position.

He spent his first four years teaching Reporting and Writing but now focuses on sports journalism.

Justis said he tries to emphasize the importance of writing skills, networking, and relationships with sources. He said he tries to equip students with tools for finding a job after college.

"Bylines are great, you know, but you can't spend them at Hy-Vee," Justis said.

Rita Justis said her husband still closely monitors the news. Community members still "think of him as a responsible source for their information."



CONTRIBUTOR PHOTO

Six days a week, Roy Justis — now an adjunct journalism instructor at the UI — performed as Bozo in the afternoons before DJing at night.

Richard Johns, the former executive director of the UI Quill and Scroll program, called Justis "a dedicated, enthusiastic person."

"I'm glad that Roy is having the opportunity to be involved and teach the course he's teaching," Johns said. "I know he's got a lot to offer."

And Justis connects that knowledge with his days as a clown.

"How do you take the clown makeup and put on the role of the clown and remember what your job was?" Justis said. "You hide behind this. You can sometimes hide behind your role as a reporter. It's your job."

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Rob won Best News Photo for his shot of a snowball fight on the Pentacrest last winter.

Christy placed second in the same category for her photo entitled "Casualties of the drinking culture".

Congratulations to both Rob and Christy

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Editorial

Taking grievances to court benefits students

One of the largest property-management companies in Iowa City is under legal attack.

You may know it as Apartments Downtown Iowa City or its separate management office, Apartments Near Campus. In past years it has been Associated University Realty Inc., AUR Downtown Apartments, DTA Iowa City Inc., and, most recently, Apartments Downtown Inc. as of September 2003.

Whichever name you prefer, it has produced a lot of angry tenants.

One such tenant, Michael Conroy, filed a lawsuit against the company on Dec. 22, 2010. Conroy claims Apartments Downtown knowingly takes advantages of students who are unaware of their rights and the hidden agreements in their contracts. (One *DI* Editorial Board member is part of the lawsuit and did not participate in the discussion or writing of this editorial.)

"Basically, it's a big bully," Conroy's attorney, Christopher Warnock, told the Editorial Board.

It is important for students who feel victimized by the company to follow in Conroy's footsteps and join the burgeoning class-action lawsuit, regardless of how tough the battle may appear. Students are frequently discouraged from pursuing legal action because of unfamiliarity with the system, but taking disputes to the courts empowers citizens to defend their property and rights.

Warnock and fellow attorney Christine Boyer have been working on Conroy's case, petitioning to make it a class-action lawsuit, something Warnock strongly recommends when many people are affected by the same thing.

In this case, Apartments Downtown has allegedly violated several sections of the Iowa Code by creating leases that abrogate tenants' rights. The company allegedly withholds tenants' security deposits, holds them responsible for damages regardless of cause, and charges hidden cleaning fees, among other complaints.

"People are just getting ripped off blatantly," Warnock said. "The more we investigate, the worse stuff I find out."

Regardless of the veracity of the lawsuit, petitioning for the class-action case gives students a chance to real-

ly make a change — even if, as Warnock says, class-action lawsuits are uncommon in Johnson County.

While it may be an unusual way to go in landlord/tenant situations, housing lawsuits are by no means rare. Greg Bal, the supervising attorney at University of Iowa Student Legal Services, said he has seen 268 students from July through September of this past year. Ninety-two of those cases involved landlord/tenant issues.

"This problem has been recognized for a long time," he said.

Furthermore, Bal thinks the class action lawsuit is the right way to go, because he believes it will make it cheaper for the students in the long run. He said that a lot of students think there is nothing they can do in situations such as these and stresses that Student Legal Services is there to assist students in finding their legal sea legs.

"We can help them learn about their rights," Bal told the Editorial Board.

Warnock couldn't agree more. He believes that such lawsuits haven't come about sooner because students believe that there is nothing they can do.

"When it comes down to it, they feel like they're alone," Warnock said. "We don't want to put [landlords] out of business, but we want them to follow the law. That's it."

While he is unsure how long this case could take, he believes he has a good case legally. Apartments Downtown has never been challenged on such a broad scale, he said.

The plaintiffs' claims have yet to be legally corroborated, and the fate of the case is amorphous, but students who participate in a lawsuit against a perceived abusive entity gain far more than a legitimate channel to air their grievances: They get experience with the legal system, which, like it or not, is how American business is held accountable. This case is a commendable instance of students using legal services to defend themselves against alleged injustice, and it should serve as an inspiration for others struggling with exploitation.

Your turn. Does the Apartments Downtown lawsuit signal good things for the future of student legal action? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

Conspiratorial dialogue

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How do we know 9/11 wasn't an inside job?

Richard Falk is a long-time professor with degrees from the University of Pennsylvania, Yale, and Harvard. By the typical standards of our society, he should be respected, and he has researched the events of 9/11 more than almost anyone. So why should we dismiss his views offhand?

We should not. As controversial as his views are, he should be allowed to speak at Iowa, and people who want to entertain a rational discussion of their beliefs should listen. Falk is an accomplished academic who will present his views logically and support them with evidence. Members of the community can listen and decide for themselves if what he says is true.

If you have already researched the event and come to the conclusion that the theories are complete bunk, there is no reason to attend Falk's lecture. But his ideas should not be dismissed merely because friends or government officials have told us they should be.

The stereotypical conspiracy theorist is a sanctimonious megalomaniac like Gen. Ripper from *Dr. Strangelove*, or simply paranoid and mentally unstable, like Jared Loughner. Anytime a public figure denounces the theory, the activist easily pronounces that the official is part of the conspiracy. The net of the supposed cover-up is spread so wide that, at some point, the only evidence that can be cited by the would-be saviors of the brainwashed populace is the absence of evidence. Using conspiracies as a sort of deus ex machina to explain everything we do not understand is harmful, but denying the sanity of every individual who questions the official account of an event is harmful as well.

The majority of conspiracy theories have little to no conclusive proof. Evidence shows that some people are predisposed to believe in conspiracies and that conspiracy theorists are often attempting to rationalize irrational fears and beliefs without critically examining their own views.

A 1994 psychological study found that belief in

conspiracies is strongly correlated with insecurity and a lack of interpersonal trust. Believing that one is privy to an exclusive truth can reinforce self-image.

Because of the prevalence of the aforementioned type of theorist, a measured position on the subject should be welcomed. Falk has said in the past that he does not entirely endorse the opinions of so-called "9/11 Truthers," but he thinks there were flaws in the official investigation and a lack of transparency on the part of the U.S. government. If Falk's speech makes his listeners question their beliefs and try to find the truth, then the lecture will have had a positive effect.

I remember the first time I saw the documentary *Loose Change* in high school. I was so shaken by the arguments it presented that I had to find out the truth for myself, so I spent five hours on my home computer surfing the Internet, trying to find evidence for or against the assertions made by the movie. I found that the eyewitness claims of a missile hitting the Pentagon were unreliable and saw wreckage from an aircraft, including landing gear, recovered from the debris. I found that while jet fuel does not burn hot enough to melt steel, it does burn hot enough to compromise the structural integrity of steel girders, which can then buckle. I decided that the conspiracy argument was false, and I had the evidence to support that conclusion.

Until reading this information, however, I had simply assumed the official account was accurate. Maybe Falk's lecture will aid members of the community in forming actual foundations for their own opinions. The University of Iowa community should give him a chance to express his views and decide for ourselves what really happened.

It is foolish to harbor such an exaggerated distrust of institutions as to believe in a vastly complicated conspiracy theory instead of a logical explanation with a few holes. If we strive for a truly transparent and accountable democracy, however, we should never accept the official account unquestionably. ■

Letter

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Student altruism represented in Dance Marathon

Hope was alive and well last weekend. It even was on the move, thanks to some amazing University of Iowa students. They helped ensure that this year's Dance Marathon raised a record-setting \$1,220,146 pledged for pediatric-oncology and bone-marrow-transplant patients and their families at the UI Children's Hospital.

What's even more incredible is that it was UI students who originally helped set this "Big

Event" in motion 17 years ago, in conjunction with the Children's Miracle Network.

Thanks to their big idea — and some extremely dedicated Iowa students who've followed in their footsteps — our university has been able to provide vital emotional and financial support to children with cancer and their families for almost two decades. In fact, Dance Marathon has raised \$9,839,313 since its inception in 1994.

These impressive numbers are certainly something worth celebrating. Congratulations to

this year's Dance Marathon dancers and leadership team.

These students represent just a sampling of the selfless volunteers on campus. Whether dancing for kids with cancer, building Habitat houses, or providing health services for people in underdeveloped nations, UI students are proving that a passion for philanthropy still moves our newest generation of leaders. We at the UI Foundation invite students and others interested in the power of service to become friends with "Phil," — short for "Phil Anthropy" — on Facebook to

receive daily postings about how philanthropy can transform our campus and community.

Through Dance Marathon and other campus fundraising and volunteer service initiatives, UI students experience the joys of giving back and paying forward. They'll carry those life lessons with them beyond graduation and into the lives and successful careers they'll create. This is the hope we all need for a brighter future, and it comes from our remarkable UI community.

Lynette L. Marshall
president and CEO
University of Iowa Foundation

Guest opinion

The importance of college radio

My first tape was *CrazySexyCool* by TLC. My first CD was Weird Al's *Running with Scissors*. I still have them somewhere in the old room at my parents' house. Unfortunately, with the rise of MP3s and iPods, they're only good for what they represent, not for playing music (no matter how good "Waterfalls" and "Polka Party" are).

Our cassettes are six feet under, our CDs are on life support. Modern technology has given us our own soundtrack to our lives. We play the songs we want to play when we want to hear them. So in an age where we play our own music on our iPods and computers, why the hell would we

want to listen to radio? And if, for some reason, we're forced into an automobile without MP3 or CD capabilities, why would we dial down the frequency to a college radio station?

Here's why: College radio focuses on art, not dollar signs. We don't have to worry about satisfying advertisers or playing music that's going to attract the masses. DJs play the music they want people to hear. Sure, that might mean a song or two that really freaks you out early in the morning, but that's the beauty of art: It invokes emotion.

In college radio, the art is all that matters. We don't play Top 40 music because there's already enough

Katy Perry in the world. There are thousands of artists who deserve just as much airtime as chart-topping Bruno Mars or Ke\$ha, but because they don't bring in the dollar signs, they don't get played.

Because of the non-Top 40 format, there's a stigma that college radio relishes in obscurity. That everyone who works there thinks it's cool not to be cool. In some instances, that's true. We all love the bands we discover, and when they hit it big, they seem like they sold out, like they aren't ours anymore. That's the same for all genres and all formats. But more than anything, college radio is the launching pad for artists breaking into the

mainstream. It's a place for discovery.

Remember "Paper Planes," by M.I.A.? That was a massive college radio hit before it hit the mainstream. The same with R.E.M., Lupe Fiasco, Modest Mouse, and Arcade Fire; the college format gives you a glimpse into the future of music.

While all college DJs would love to have a dedicated fan base who listens each week, it doesn't really matter. It doesn't matter because when it comes down to it, the people who work in college radio don't do it for other people, they do it because it's something they are passionate about.

There are so many

opportunities at a college radio station. It blows my mind when people, especially music lovers, aren't interested in working in campus radio. We get more than 200 CDs to review a week. We get to listen to new releases weeks in advance. We bring almost every band, speaker, or major public figure who comes to town into the station for in-studios. Our students have interviewed the guys from *Beerfest*, Frank Warren from *PostSecret*, Warren Haynes of the Allman Brothers, Max Weinberg, Girl Talk, Valerie Plame, and countless others. The university funds us to go to New York for the CMJ Music and Film Festi-

val and Austin, Texas, for South by Southwest. How is this something you wouldn't want to do?

Most importantly, though, it's about the people you meet. I've met my roommate, and several of my best friends, through college radio. Some have graduated and, because of their experience, gone onto things like interning at ESPN, doing play-by-play in California, and consulting for major music venues. No matter who we become or where we are, we all know where we got our start.

College radio deserves your support.

Patrick Quinn is the marketing director at KRUI.

Party tickets shoot up

The number of disorderly house citations written in Iowa City exceeded the number in Ames last year.

By HAYLEY BRUCE
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Disorderly house citations have spiked following increased enforcement by Iowa City police, records show.

According to police statistics, the number of citations written has tripled from 90 in 2007 to 273 in 2010.

Officials said the increase was largely the result of the party patrol, established in the wake of the 21-ordinance, along with a new University of Iowa police downtown shift that allows Iowa City officers to spend more time in the neighborhoods.

"There was community concern that the parties were going to be out of hand because of the [21-ordinance]," said Iowa City police Sgt. Denise Brotherton. "And because downtown was slower at the time, we could turn around and have the party patrols out of downtown and out in the neighborhoods."

Implemented by the Iowa City police last fall, the "Party Patrol" is active Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights, focusing primarily on parties in residential neighborhoods. Teams of two to four officers are paid overtime on the patrol.

Brotherton also said the

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UI police Power Shift — which sends two to three UI officers downtown between 5 p.m. and 3 a.m. — has helped city police focus on the neighborhoods. The shift was added in June 2010.

"We had to have so many officers downtown that the parties would sit and hold for hours, and by the time we got to them, they'd be quieted down or broken up," Brotherton said. "So the officer didn't need to write a citation or knock on the door."

But now, city police have been able to designate the manpower necessary to deal with rowdy parties.

"A lot of it is just officer presence," Brotherton said. "Just having that uniform prevents a lot of those problems from happening, regardless of the age of people."

And while some students said they've noticed more officers in their neighborhoods, several said they weren't surprised by the number of tickets.

"At my friend's house ... up on Gilbert, they've had parties busted probably four or five times," said UI senior Nick Hallman. "If you get all the people away

from the bars, they're bound to go somewhere else."

But increased citations do not necessarily indicate amplified partying, said Bob Saltz, who helped conduct a study on police patrolling on college campuses in 2009 with the Pacific Institute for Research and Education.

"There's kind of no predicting, if you held a high level of enforcement, when you would start to see a reduction in the number of citations written," he said.

Saltz's research found that after a given amount of time, students will self-police.

"All you need to really do is to raise in people's minds the probability that they might get cited. That's really the goal," Saltz said. "And that's part of a package of other things [Iowa City is] doing as well."

Iowa City City Councilor Connie Champion said the City Council discussed neighborhood police enforcement prior to the 21-ordinance, with concerned residents in mind. The councilors are satisfied with officers' actions.

"I think kids are still going to party, we all did it," Champion said. "And it's not the most horrible thing that it happens. I think the problem gets to be when it's too loud.

METRO

Sex-abuse, harassment trial reset

The trial for a North Liberty man charged with assault with intent to commit sexual abuse and first-degree harassment has been reset, according to court documents.

Sammy Scott Hanna, 39, allegedly attempted to assault a woman he'd reportedly been harassing.

Hanna was reportedly in a relationship with a woman, then began harassing her and her family via phone and computer.

In Nov. 2009, the woman visited Hanna while wearing a concealed listening device. Police, who were listening in on the conversation, pushed their way into the residence when Hanna allegedly began to sexually assault the woman, police said.

Hanna's trial is scheduled for April 11, and the pretrial conference is scheduled for March 31.

— by Josh Quinnett

Administration announces rail plan

Vice President Joe Biden announced Tuesday a six-year, \$53 billion plan by President Obama to build a high-speed rail system across the United States, according to a White House press release.

The release said the six-year plan represents the beginning stage of Obama's 25-year goal to have 80 percent of the U.S. connected via railway.

Obama plans to commit \$8 billion in funding in fiscal 2012 to

the railway, according to the release, adding to the \$10.5 billion already granted to the project by the administration.

The railway is part of Obama's goal to rebuild U.S. economic opportunity, jobs, and competitiveness, according to the release.

— by Ariana Witt

Medal of Honor winner won't re-up

Army Sgt. Salvatore "Sal" Giunta will not re-enlist in the military, opting to move to Colorado and continue his education, according to the Associated Press.

Giunta, who is from Hiawatha, Iowa, near Cedar Rapids, is the first living American to receive the Medal of Honor for serving in Iraq or Afghanistan.

In September 2010, Giunta was one of two Iowans who received the Medal of Honor from President Obama, after fighting off Taliban fighters in a 2007 attack.

According to the AP, Col. Greg Hapgood, a spokesman for the Iowa National Guard called Giunta's pending departure a huge loss to the military.

— by Ariana Witt

UI passes \$1 billion

The University of Iowa's endowment have surpassed the \$1 billion mark for the first time in the university's history.

"We are delighted to have surpassed that mark," said Lynette Marshall, the head of the UI Foundation at the Faculty Senate meeting Tuesday. Marshall received the informa-

tion 10 days ago in the December investment report.

Of the 865 universities that recorded endowments as of June 30, more than 60 had exceeded the \$1 billion mark, she said.

The university was close to reaching \$1 billion three years ago, Marshall said, but the recession prevented that.

— by Alison Sullivan

House votes 0% growth for education

The Iowa House voted 60-37 to approve a 0 percent "allowable growth" for the state's public schools budgets for next two budget years.

Rep. Greg Forristall, R-Macedonia, who proposed the bill, said Iowa schools will receive \$216 million, which includes \$156 million the Legislature promised the schools last year, and will allocate an additional \$47 million from property taxes over the next two years.

Forristall said the proposal does not mean the school districts get more money, but funds "promised to the school systems by previous Legislatures."

The school growth budget includes the teacher-salary supplement, professional-development supplement, and the early intervention supplement, according to the file.

"There may be a few districts with a slight decrease in money, but in the end this is the largest commitment to K-12 ever made," Forristall said.

— by Ariana Witt



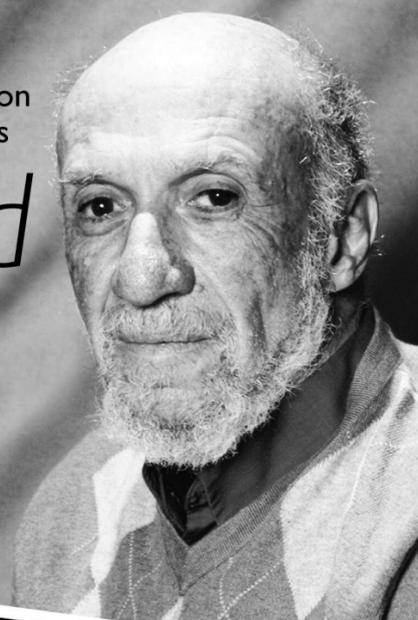
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SENATE

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"I feel we're a society of immediate reaction," Barta said.

This year, the university has been in the national spotlight for several incidents, including athletes being arrested on drug charges, the sexual-abuse trial of former Hawkeye football player Cedric Everson, and most recently, the hospitalizations of 13 football players following a strenuous workout on Jan. 24. The players suffered from rhabdomyolysis, which can cause kidney damage.

"That was a difficult period to go through," Barta said.

In December, wide receiver Derrell Johnson-Koulianos was arrested for seven drug-related counts (most charges were dropped); he received deferred judgment on marijuana possession, and sophomore running back Adam Robinson was arrested for possession of marijuana just three weeks later.

Johnson-Koulianos was dismissed from the team and Robinson suspended, but Barta said those difficult decisions were the right ones.

"Both of those young men, [we're] obviously disappointed in their decision-making," he said.

The intense publicity over both incidents presented the Athletics Department with a new challenge, he said.

"We really find the social network is becoming an interesting phenomenon, and we're trying to deal with that," he said. "I don't

Presidential Committee on Athletics

Committee makeup:

- Faculty: 11
- Students: 2
- Staff: 2
- Alumni: 2

Source: UI Office of the President

think it's going to go away."

The state Board of Regents launched a 90-day investigation into the hospitalization of the 13 players on Jan. 28.

Barta said on Tuesday he's waiting to learn more about how the unique incident happened, so officials will "never have it happen again."

"Ultimately, we'll find out what happened so we can put the incident to closure," he said.

In addition to Barta's comments, UI President Sally Mason appointed two new faculty athletics representatives at the Faculty Senate meeting.

Mason selected Ellen Herman, a clinical professor in the College of Education, and Gene Parkin, a professor in the College of Engineering, to replace former representative of 10 years Elizabeth Altmaier, a professor in the College of Education. Parkin and Herman will begin in their new positions July 1.

"I look forward to learning about [the position]," Herman said. "What we are doing well and what we need to change."

The faculty members monitor compliance with NCAA regulations. They'll also oversee Hawkeye student-athletes to verify their academic eligibility,

advise the president, and speak on behalf of the university, according to a university press release.

Nationally, the number of faculty positions and the role they play in a university varies depending upon the division and institution, said Ralph Bertrand, the president of the Faculty Athletics Representative Association.

"They need to ensure that students [athletes] are making progress to a certain degree and enrolling in the appropriate classes," he said.

Barta has suggested numerous improvements to the Presidential Committee on Athletics, another advisory committee for the president, including reviewing the committee more often.

"I think we can do a better job than what we're doing," he said.

SNOW

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11 p.m. and ending in the morning every day to pile and break up the snow, McGowan said.

"The parking lots are getting it right now, and we just got the Burlington Street bridge cleared out this morning," he said on Tuesday.

John Sobaski, assistant superintendent for the Iowa City Street Division, said he didn't have an exact dollar amount, but removal of snow has been costly.

"It's always an expense," he said. "There's overtime, use of equipment, and the use of trucks alone cost about \$60 an hour."

Sobaski said they will continue the process Tues-

day night by removing snow from metered parking downtown.

"We are catching up," he said. "We are removing snow from the ramps and cross walks and making them reasonable for pedestrians."

Though the companies have been working nightly to rid the area of snow, there's a lot more work to do.

"Requests continue to come in for cars and additional plowing," Sobaski said. "There are calls about not being able to access mail and delivery ... just ongoing problems and concerns."

The University of Iowa has also worked to remove snow in "high-priority" areas.

Bob Brooks, associate director of building and landscape services for Facilities Management,

said workers have been removing snow since Feb. 3, and they will most likely work another week to haul the large piles.

Brooks said the university dumps all the snow at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Center near Melrose Avenue and Mormon Trek Boulevard.

The normal budget for snow removal is approximately \$120,000 a year, and while Brooks said the department has not yet gone over budget, the massive volume of snow might push it a little over this year.

"It depends on how the rest of the winter goes, if we get heavy snow or normal snow," Brooks said. "I think we are pretty much on track, but it's hard to say this early."

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APARTMENTS

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A February 2009 newsletter from the Greater Iowa City Apartment Association referred to Apartments Downtown as "the juggernaut of rental housing in Johnson County." The owners, the Clark family, manage "hundreds of rental units in more than 100 buildings and properties throughout the downtown and campus area," according to the newsletter.

And in a statement released Feb. 1, G. Joseph Clark, the business manager, said he didn't believe the lawsuit should be certified as a class action.

"We do our best to provide good, quality housing at a fair price," Clark wrote. "We are proud of our business and do believe we treat our tenants fairly."

But Dara Eifler, a recent UI graduate and former tenant, had a different story.

For Eifler, 22, the trouble with Apartments Downtown began in the summer of 2009, when the landlord sued her for \$898 after her sublessees quit paying rent.

Eifler said after a judge dismissed the case and said Apartments Downtown couldn't file another suit, she received another bill for the same amount.

She called the landlord to complain.

"They told me the lawsuit was just a formality, and they'd either sue me again or send the debt to collections," Eifler said.

Eifler said the company continued to pursue her through a collections agency until September 2010, when she hired a lawyer to confront the firm.

"I want to do whatever I can to get them to stop doing this to people," Eifler said. "Most of their tenants are young students — they don't read the lease, and they aren't aware of their rights."

An expert said even if tenants sign the lease, the plaintiffs could still have a solid case if that lease contradicts state law.

"The question here is whether or not, under Iowa statutes or Iowa case law, there are rules that would have prohibited that kind of situation," said University of Iowa law Professor Sheldon Kurtz.



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City High arts to expand

The arts program expansion project is set to be finished by the start of the 2013-14 school year.

By **AUDREY SMITH**
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Teachers and officials said City High's arts program needs room to grow.

And an extensive \$6.2 million proposal approved at Tuesday's Iowa City School Board meeting will help the department do just that.

"City High has an outstanding performing-arts program — a rich tradition," City High Principal John Bacon said.

Though the high school has produced a variety of performances, he said, the performing-arts departments have had to overcome a number of obstacles related to the school's existing facility.



Bacon
principal

"It's very, very old — it's the original," said Candace Wiebener, the City High orchestra director.

In addition to City High, she said, performing-arts groups from around nine other schools use the high school's space.

Tuesday's proposal included a substantial increase in the facility's size — including 18,500 square feet in building additions and 10,200 square feet in remodeling — creating what Bacon and performing arts staff said is much-needed space for storage, instruction, and rehearsal.

The existing facility provides little to no storage for items such as costumes and music files, he said, as well as larger pieces such as sets and risers. Many of these items are stored under the stage or in the school's cafeteria.

City High's music department will gain eight more practice rooms and what Bacon calls "significantly larger rehearsal spaces" for vocal music, orchestra, and band. This will also include a music-theory classroom, complete with keyboards and technology.

The plan has been an ongoing process. The board originally budgeted \$4.5 million for the project, and when Bacon requested more money at a September 2010 meeting, School Board officials expressed displeasure with the higher amount. But on Tuesday, officials approved the proposal unanimously.

The proposal, presented by Shive-Hattery architect Tandi Dausener, will also eliminate the department's portable classrooms and renovate rooms for the visual arts and students with special needs.

Dausener said the project is set to break ground in the spring of 2012 and conclude in the summer of 2013 in time for the 2013-14 school year.

Yet community members at the meeting expressed concern over the implications of the project, especially in relation to career-education programs. Under the proposed plan, several of the career-development programs, including the school's auto-maintenance class, would be removed from their current locations in order to make room for the arts facilities.

Community member Steve Miller said the architects should consider building on the west side of the facility instead of the north, leaving career education facilities undisturbed.

"Career-education students deserve that consideration," Miller said.

But Dausener said that

would require additional money and square footage.

Before voting in favor of the project, Vice President Mike Cooper congratulated board members on their decision.

"I think we're making a significant statement as a board and as a community that we're investing in fine arts," he said. "And we should all be really, really proud of that."

ENROLLMENT

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the number of applications coming in and is prepared to provide 200 extra beds next year in addition to other housing-expansion plans. The beds would be integrated into existing housing. Von Stange, the director of Housing and Dining, said officials could also offer a section of the upper-classmen dorm, Parklawn, to freshman.

Stange's department had to search for accommodations outside the traditional dorms last year after a record incoming class.

Application numbers

First-year undergraduate applications the UI:

- 2011: 16,800*
- 2010: 17,220
- 2009: 15,060
- 2008: 15,582
- 2007: 14,678
- 2006: 14,350

*Rough number as of Tuesday
Source: UI Office of the Registrar

The Lodge, located nearly 2 miles from campus, housed roughly 160 incoming students this year, and the recently leased Centerstone will hold 114 Honors students next fall.

The UI will also contin-

ue its lease with the Lodge and may use other buildings if necessary, he said.

Under the 2010-2016 Strategic Plan, officials set a goal of increasing undergraduate enrollment by 100 students each year over a five-year period. The class of 2014 brought in 500 more students.

The record-breaking class forced university officials to accommodate class sizes, testing facilities, and deal with crowded cafeterias.

This problem-solving serves as preparation for next year, UI spokesman Tom Moore said.

"Leadership has recognized the issues and has had experience dealing

with them from this past incoming freshman class," he said. "We already have many blueprints in place to counter these issues."

The UI isn't the only Big Ten school seeing increases in first-year undergraduate applications.

The Office of Admissions at the University of Illinois reported an increase in first-year undergraduate student applications as well. It received 27,000 last year, as opposed to the 31,000 so far this year.

"Students are attracted to Big Ten schools because they are research universities with strong undergraduate curricula," Barron said.



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Lesser Known February Holidays:

- **Elmo's Birthday (Feb. 3):** All he really wants is to stop being tickled.
- **Thank a Mailman Day (Feb. 4):** While you're at it, also thank Outlook Express for allowing you to receive all that spam intended for impotent businessmen.
- **Charles Dickens Day (Feb. 7):** On this day, everybody is required to dress like Cockney orphans, raise their expectations, and perform magic tricks. (You know, maybe I should celebrate by finally actually reading my copy of *David Copperfield*... Nah.)
- **Kite Flying Day (Feb. 8):** What better time to fly a kite than in the middle of a blizzard?
- **Don't Cry Over Spilt Milk Day (Feb. 11):** Finally! The day where I can dump milk on people's heads without consequence is almost here!
- **Get a Different Name Day (Feb. 13):** I'm thinking Reginald P. Awesomeson III; Dr. Studly Meatpile, Esq.; or Harrison Ford.
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- 9:10 *Montana Ranching: Raising Family and Beef*, a film by UI alumna Lauren Chase (2010)
- 9:30 Daily Iowan Television News
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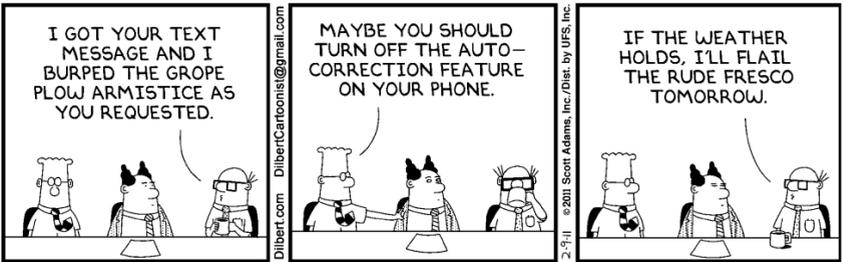
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- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 You don't have to bend to what others want, especially if they are asking too much of you or from you. Determine what it is that will make you feel satisfied or happy about your life, lifestyle, and future goals. Make your choices count.
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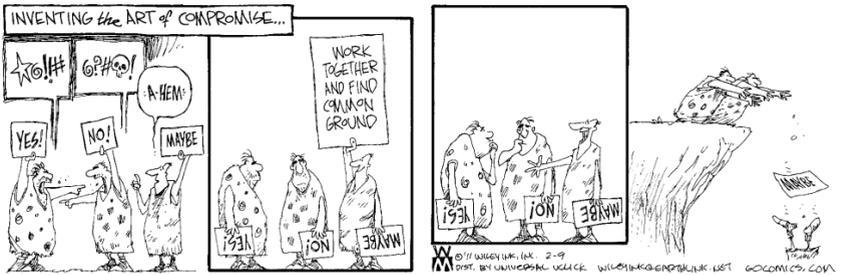
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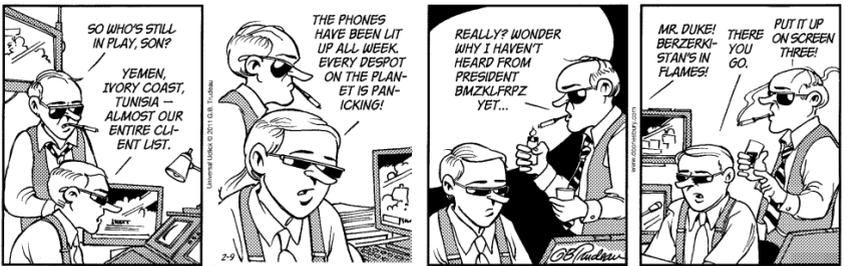
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- **Preschool Story Time**, 10 a.m., North Liberty Community Library, 520 W. Cherry, North Liberty
- **Computer Help Session**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 Linn
- **Preschool Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Community and Behavioral Health Faculty Candidate Seminar**, 11:30 a.m., W256 UIHC General Hospital
- **Arts, Communication, & Media Fair**, noon, C310 Pomerantz Center
- **Iowa City Music Study: Timothy Stalter**, "A Joyful Company of Voices," 1 p.m., Parkview Church, 15 Foster
- **Open Studio with Mary Wall**, 1:30 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
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- **Bingo**, 6:30 p.m., Eagle's Club, 225 Highway 1W.
- **Gray Knights Chess Club**, 6:30 p.m., Senior Center
- **Enter the Void**, 6:45 p.m., Bijou
- **PJ Story Time**, 7 p.m., North Liberty Community Library, 520 W. Cherry
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- **"Troubled Waters: A Mississippi River Story,"** 7 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **"Live From Prairie Lights,"** Meghan Daum, nonfiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Trainer Talk, "Making Fitness Achievable,"** 7 p.m., Campus Recreation & Wellness Center
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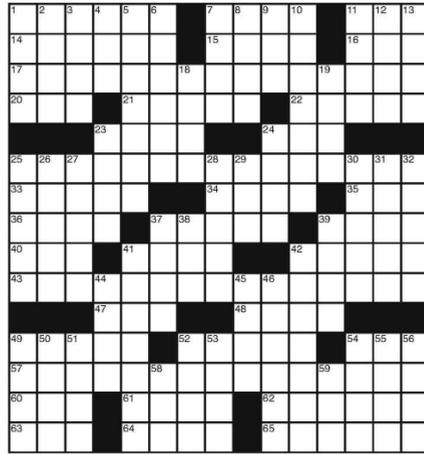
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 - Thom ___ shoes
 - ___-a-Mania, candy collectors' convention since 1991
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 - Opening line from a TV show that debuted on 1/5/61
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 - Canine complaints
 - ___-a-brac
 - ___ Kosh B'Gosh
 - Phileas ___, fictional circumnavigator
 - Part of a "Macbeth" trio
 - See 25-Across
 - It was "lost" in 1981's top-grossing movie
 - "The Lord of the Rings" tree creatures
 - Wing it
 - Of the lower small intestine
 - "Fee, fi, fo, ___"
 - Familiar title for the star of the show
 - "Rama ___ Ding Dong" (1961 hit)
 - Hit the jackpot
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 - Former space shuttle commander Collins
 - Pained cries
 - Pilots' announcements, for short
 - Pilots
- Down**
- When repeated, a food fish
 - Summers in la cité
 - Definitely no genius
 - Indisposed
 - Suitable sites for suits
 - Really digs
 - Office reminder
 - "Good" rate
 - Sit-up muscles
 - "Rocky and Bullwinkle" villainess
 - Skin
 - Big cheese
 - Jazz duo in London?
 - pit (rock concert area)
 - Ultimate word in an ultimatum
 - Neighbors of 9-Down
 - Bill dispensers
 - Like cannibalism, e.g.
 - "Wouldn't that be nice"
 - Chuck Yeager's breakthrough
 - "Send me"
 - Dance like the Hines Brothers
 - Poker Flat creator Bret
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 - Luxury craft
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 - Prohibited
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 - Holden Caulfield, for one
 - Since way back when
 - "A one and ___"
 - 50 Indian Ocean vessel
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 - Chain founded in Sweden
 - Logo image for "The Rocky Horror Picture Show"
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MARION

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habits. Social life. I don't go out nearly as much as I used to. And to be honest with you, that wasn't the problem to begin with. I've never been a big partier, but my record and things that have shown up in the paper would speak otherwise just from my violations. The fact is that I don't go out that much, but I've made bad decisions when I have gone out.

I think my social life has changed. Realizing that the people I'm around [are] going to have a huge influence on the decisions I

make. So instead of going downtown, maybe I just go have dinner at my coach's house.

DI: The fans gave you a standing ovation before your first match. What does that mean to you?

Marion: To be honest, I didn't even notice, because I was focused in. But I heard about it, and it means a lot because they're welcoming me back, they're giving me another chance.

And a lot of people think that my past accomplishments are the only reasons they wanted me back. Like "Iowa's not No. 1 anymore, so they need Montell Marion back to add some fuel to the fire." But that's not the case. We got these young

guys; they don't need me.

The reason that I'm back here is because I made some changes in my life to get people back on my side. And I didn't do it the easy way. The easy way would've been to go to some other school. I had to enroll in classes without a guarantee, a lot of stuff that was hard. The fact that they gave me a standing ovation lets me know that I made the right decision and that people see it and appreciate it.

DI: You were here last year on a team stacked with seniors and experience, and you come back this year to a team of new faces and freshmen. How do the two groups compare?

Marion: The fact that

we're contesting for that No. 1 position shows the kind of firepower we have in this group of guys. It lets you know there was no drop-off from last year to this year.

These new faces in this room, they got a lot of character and they got a lot to prove. That's one thing that hasn't changed. We're going after the No. 1 spot, we're not settling for less. That hasn't changed.

DI: Can you look back at your suspension now as a blessing in disguise?

Marion: That's one definite way to look at it, because the things you go through make you who you are.

I wish I had made better decisions. But the fact is that I was able to bounce back from all the adversity I've gone through. So it is a blessing that I'm still here, because the alternative? I don't want to think about it.

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senior captain Katie Keim, "freshmen are no longer called freshmen anymore."

With a team of only 16 players, the Hawkeyes need to make every player count, which means the freshmen have to step up.

"Freshmen tend to play nervous and scared," first-year pitcher Kayla Massey said. "So they tell us that we're not freshmen anymore. We need to think for ourselves and be like everybody else."

The team's camaraderie is strong this year, Watkins said. The reinstated focus on the fundamentals has made even the veterans work harder and improve more. By emphasizing the small aspects of softball and making an effort to improve every day, the Hawkeyes are coming together.

"Whether it's the pitching, whether it's offense, defense, whether it's me yelling behind the plate, Chelsea tagging someone out," Watkins said. "... Everybody feeds off each other, and that's what a team is."

BASKETBALL

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Hawkeye senior center Jarryd Cole, who will be tasked with guarding one of the two, said their list of abilities is endless.

"They can both step out, shoot the 3-pointer, they can drive to the paint, they have decent ball-handling skills, they can shoot mid-range jumpers," he said.

The other Hawkeye who will spend much of his time defensively against the versatile towers is freshman Melsahn Basabe.

But the first-year player is more concerned about maintaining his offensive production in tonight's game.

Coming off of a 20-point, 13-rebound performance, Basabe's only real sign of being a freshman is his typical inability to put together back-to-back commanding performances.

While he says that achieving that rests on him, he also refused to say it was any team's defense that can slow



RYAN MILLER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa forward Jarryd Cole reaches for a dunk during a Big Ten Conference matchup against Michigan State in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Wednesday. Cole posted 13 points in the game.

him down. He pointed to arguably his best game yet against now-No. 1 Ohio State on Jan. 4. Basabe tallied 22 points and 13 rebounds in Iowa's near-upset.

"I plan on [tonight] being the first time I've had back-to-back big-time games," Basabe said. "I've done it against the No. 1 team in the nation, so I should be able to do it against Wisconsin."

Plainly put, this could be another "best win" for the Iowa program — if all the roles are played to perfection.

First it was Michigan State at home, and then a tough road win at Indiana.

Now, it could be a home victory against a highly ranked squad.

"So that is the great thing about this [conference] is there's always a great opportunity for everybody to make a move," McCaffery said. "And we are making a move."

SOFTBALL MEDIA DAY

New coach stresses grit

New head coach Marla Looper brings pitching expertise and a successful background to Iowa softball.

By **SAM LOUWAGIE**
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When Chelsea Lyon found out who the new Iowa softball head coach was, a name immediately popped into her head.

But it wasn't Marla Looper, the name of her new coach.

"When my dad told me she was coming, I was so excited," Lyon said. "Because she's worked with Cat Osterman."

Osterman, a legendary softball pitcher, rose to stardom at the University of Texas and won the USA National Player of the Year Award in 2003, 2005, and 2006. Her pitching coach was Looper, who will replace retired Hawkeye coach Gayle Blevins this season.

Looper helped coach the Longhorns to three appearances in the College World Series and nine NCAA Tournament berths in her 11 seasons at Texas. She brings that experience and knowledge of how to achieve success to Iowa City.

"I think the biggest thing is work ethic, and grit, and getting after it," Looper said. "We definitely had a lot of talent, and recruiting well will be a goal here, but it starts with work ethic."

Looper spent a majority of her time at Texas coaching the pitchers, but in

2006, she switched to defense — a move she said gave her fresh energy. But Looper's area of expertise, she said, remains pitching. She was a star pitcher at Florida State, posting the fifth-best career earned-run average in school history.

That expertise will come in handy as she mentors a young Iowa pitching staff, featuring only Lyon, a sophomore, and freshman Kayla Massey.

Lyon has already learned from her new coach, adding a new pitch to her arsenal. Last season, Lyon said she only threw a curve ball and rise ball. But after Looper watched her pitch for a few days, she helped her develop a drop, a pitch that Lyon said "falls off the table" just as it reaches the plate.

In order to teach her young pitcher, Looper demonstrated how to throw the pitch herself.

"I didn't really have that [drop pitch] last season," Lyon said. "I had a low fastball I could throw for a strike. But now it has the spin on it, and I can get it to move. It's amazing. I'm really excited about it."

Senior captain Chelsea Carmody said Looper's work with pitchers seems to be paying off.

"She's definitely been good with our young pitching staff," Carmody, an infielder, said. "I definitely have seen improvements with Chelsea [Lyon]."

As a top assistant at a highly successful program, Looper said, she has

had head-coach offers before. But the chance for some continuity was important to her, and she saw that at Iowa, where Blevins coached for 23 seasons.

"I'm not one to bounce around to steppingstone locations," Looper said. "I had some offers, but I wasn't ready, and it wasn't the right fit. It needed to be something I was ready to sink my teeth into and really stick around and establish something."

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Freebies don't come easy

The Iowa men's basketball team's free-throw shooting has been poor this season, but signs point to improvement.

By **SETH ROBERTS**
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Sinking a free throw seems simple.

Bounce the ball a few times. Line up an unimpeded 14-foot shot. Let the ball fly, watch it slip through the net, and repeat if needed.

As easy as it sounds, though, free-throw shooting has been the bane of the Iowa men's basketball team for much of the year. The Hawkeyes have made just 67 percent of their freebies this season, the No. 224 mark in the country. Of the nine players with at least 20 attempts this year, six shoot worse than 70 percent.

Even worse, Iowa can look back on several close losses where a few made free throws could have changed the outcome. The Black and Gold missed half a dozen free throws (12-for-18) in a 6-point loss to Long Beach State on Nov. 22. The Hawks whiffed on 11 (12-for-23) when they lost to Iowa State by 3 points on Dec. 10.

That loss was especially heartbreaking because Iowa, down by 5 with 17 seconds left, had the opportunity to get within a basket when freshman Roy Devyn Marble (51.1 percent) was sent to the charity stripe to shoot three freebies. He missed the first two, and the team appeared mentally defeated.

"The ironic thing is, they make them in practice," head coach Fran McCaffery said after the Iowa State game. "We chart every free throw from the opening day of practice. We shoot a ton. We focus, and we concentrate."

A few difficult months later, all that work appears to be paying dividends. Iowa is shooting 70.5 percent in conference play, and the team has shot at least 80 percent in two-straight games. That streak, while short, includes the antithesis of the Iowa State game: The Hawkeyes shot 80 percent (20-for-25) from the stripe in their 64-63 win over Indiana on Feb. 5.

Individual performances are improving too. Forward Melsahn Basabe has been a completely different shooter in Big Ten play, nailing 82.3 percent of his free throws after connecting on slightly half his shots in his first 12 games.

Not everyone has improved as Basabe has — junior forward Andrew Brommer has revamped many aspects of his game over the past year, but his free-throw shooting remains erratic. Brommer, a career 45.3 percent shooter from the line, has shot just 11-of-29 this season (37.9 percent).

Perhaps the brawny forward should take lessons from Matt Gatens. The jun-

ior shooting guard is threatening his own school record for free-throw percentage in a season (90.4 percent in 2008-09), and he has a good chance of supplanting Luke Recker for the highest career percentage (87.3 percent).

The Iowa City native said the most important aspects of his success have been practice and making the first shot.

"You see the first one going in, and you feel better," he said after his milestone. "[Then] you just go back to shooting in the gym by yourself — shoot those free throws in the same routine and knock them down."

It isn't realistic to think practice is going to turn Brommer or Devon Archie (30 percent) into the automatic shooter Gatens is, of course. Still, Basabe said he's not worried about the team's percentage. The freshman said shooting slumps tend to sort themselves out over the course of a long season.

"A lot of times, it's not your form but it's fatigue and it's conditioning," Basabe said. "Early in the year, you're not in mid-season shape yet, and that can affect how you shoot free throws. I feel myself, when we got to conference play, I kind of had my wind with me better than I did so I've been able to knock them down."

Men in gray aid Hawkeyes

The Gray Shirt squad has helped Lisa Bluder throughout her tenure as Iowa's head coach.

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Henry Hartman once said that "success always comes when preparation meets opportunity."

The Iowa women's basketball team (17-7, 5-6) has had some success this season, and preparation has certainly been a key.

The practice squad — male players known as the Gray Shirts — prepares the Hawkeyes for games and dedicates nearly as much time in practice as the players themselves.

At any given session, members of the scout team work alongside Iowa players, running shooting drills, game situations, and defensive sets.

Ranging in height, skill, and experience, the practice squad plays a key role in preparing the Hawkeyes for upcoming competition. They run offensive and defensive sets that opposing coaches regularly implement.

"Because I'm one of the taller ones, I work on post moves and things that the post can do to help them when they get the ball on the block," said the 6-3 Christopher Rickert, a

sophomore marketing and economics major.

The 19-year-old joined this season after responding to an e-mail he received after playing in UI intramurals.

The Sioux City native has played basketball for most of his life and attends the women's practices two to four times a week.

"A lot of it has become word of mouth," said coach Lisa Bluder, who has used the Gray Squad throughout her 11-year tenure. "We have been known to go over to the Field House and try to find people over there. But a lot of it is now the current Gray Squad members will kind of give us ideas on who would be good ones for us to approach. And some of them just come to us."

Bluder said the current scout-team members are the most dedicated and talented she has worked with.

"They bring their attention, and they really care," she said. "They want us to win games, and they take pride in preparing us to win."

The Gray Shirts — who have to go through physicals and become certified

collegiate athletes to practice with the Hawkeyes — work with the team's coaches to learn defensive and offensive sets.

"It makes me feel like I'm part of the team," Rickert said. "The coaches really do a good job of bringing us together and making us feel like we're part of the team. We get to go in their huddles and break with them."

A selfless attitude is a prerequisite for members of the Gray Squad.

"Coaches are just really appreciative that we take time out of our day to go help them just for the betterment of the team," said freshman Blake Schneden, who has played basketball since he was 7.

For their efforts on the court, the Gray Shirts are awarded with clothing and basketball apparel. Members of the squad recently got pairs of the new LeBron James shoes and Nike dry-fit tops.

"It just kind of gives you a sense of satisfaction," Schneden, 19, said. "What you're doing is really helping the team. If I weren't doing this, I would probably still be playing basketball."

Hawk Young learns how to lead

Senior Jessica Young is comfortable with her leadership role on the Iowa women's tennis team.

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Jessica Young has been through a lot.

The senior women's tennis player endured a coaching change last season and a season-ending injury three years ago. Her experiences have helped her learn to become a leader.

After being a two-time All-American in high school at Seaholm in Bloomfield Hills, Mich., Young has started for the Hawkeyes since she was a freshman. The previous coach left in October of Young's junior year, forcing her into a leadership role earlier than expected.

However, her relationship with current head coach Katie Dougherty has helped her learn what it means to be a leader.

"[Leadership] takes confidence; it takes a lot of discipline," Young said. "You want to react a certain way, which may be negative, but you realize others are looking up to you, and they may think they can get away with that. You have to bring yourself

back, calm down, and make sure you are in control of your reactions."

Young is Iowa's No. 2 singles player and is one of three seniors on a squad of only eight players. She called herself a naturally outgoing person — one who tries to make people feel as if they can come to her for anything.

On top of being a vocal leader, leading by example is the other key for Young.

"She helps people out if they need something, and she is good at getting people going on the right track," assistant coach Jesse Medvene-Collins said. "She comes in, works hard, and fights every day, which is a great example, and I think that rubs off on everyone. I think the girls look to her for energy during a match."

Becoming a leader did not come easily for Young; it has been a process. The team's leaders are expected to act a certain way, and sometimes it's difficult to block out emotions.

"I get stressed out easily," Young said. "Sometimes

I get wrapped up in my emotions, and on the court, I get caught up in the moment. I've been working on staying positive throughout the whole match while staying level-headed."

Young talked about the difficult transition to college and how important it was getting the freshmen involved early. Freshman Jessica Cohen was unique in the fact that she made her transition this past month to college from Paris, but she said Young and the other seniors made her transition easier.

Young said she feels that every woman on the team is somewhat of a leader. Despite the freshmen's lack of experience, she said each woman gives the Hawkeyes "a special quality."

But she welcomes a bigger leadership role, one her coaches feel she is well-equipped for. "She knows the program," Medvene-Collins said. "She knows what it's like to be a Division-I athlete, she knows the pressures — the good and the bad."

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TENNIS

Jessica Young has seen a lot since becoming a Hawkeye, but she's a better leader for it. **10**



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Iowa forward Eric May blocks Michigan State guard Keith Appling midway through the second half of Iowa's matchup against the Spartans in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Feb. 2. The Hawkeyes won, 72-52, in their first victory against Michigan State since January 2008.

Badgers loaded with threats

Versatile Wisconsin boasts plenty of weapons to take on the Hawkeye mens basketball team tonight.

By IAN MARTIN
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Iowa is in the midst of its first Big Ten winning streak since 2007. Now, No. 13 Wisconsin comes to Carver-Hawkeye Arena after the Hawkeyes have played arguably their best two games of the season.

They'll likely need a new "best game" to defeat the

Badgers (17-5, 7-3).

The Hawkeyes (10-13, 3-8) will have to stop a varied offense from the conference's third-place team, featuring an All-Big Ten point guard in junior Jordan Taylor and two athletic big men in seniors Jon Leuer and Keaton Nankivil.

Taylor is known nationally not only for his Kid 'n'

Iowa (10-13, 3-8) vs. No. 13 Wisconsin (17-5, 7-3)

When: 7:36 P.M. TODAY

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Play-esque haircut but also for his quickness and time-

FREE-THROW WOES

Iowa is 224th nationally in free-throw percentage, but there are signs of improvement on **10**.

ly shooting. Taylor is also just days removed from the best game of his career. The Bloomington, Minn., native scored 30 points in Wisconsin's 82-56 thrashing of Michigan State on Sunday.

Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery has taken note of all that Taylor could do to slice through the Hawkeye defense.

"He is really kind of an amazing player when you watch him," McCaffery said. "He's so strong, and he has an uncanny ability to make shots late in the clock."

Leuer and Nankivil especially can key a Wisconsin

victory because of their ability to shoot the 3.

That might surprise some, given that they are 6-10 and 6-8, respectively.

Both stars are shooting better than 44 percent from the distance, and both average at least four and a half rebounds a game.

SEE BASKETBALL, 9

SOFTBALL MEDIA DAY

Softball seeks rebound

Under a new coach, the Iowa softball team is taking a new approach to training that they hope will take them to the top of the Big Ten.

By MOLLY IRENE OLMSTEAD
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Iowa softball is focusing on fundamentals and team unity this season.

Head coach Marla Looper is in her first season with Iowa, and she hasn't wasted any time in building the program. The Hawkeyes want to preserve their reputation of strong pitching and effective defense, but Looper hopes to boost offense and increase strength and conditioning in practice.

"We really are trying to become a very disciplined team with a lot of integrity and a lot of loyalty to our program," senior captain



MATT LA LUZ/THE DAILY IOWAN

Women's softball players Katie Koeger, Nikki Gentile, and Jordan Goschie speak with friends during the softball "Meet The Hawks" day in the Kinnick Stadium Press box on Tuesday. The players are preparing for their 2011 season opener at the Red Showcase in Athens, Ga.

MASTER OF HER TRADE

First-year coach Marla Looper brings pitching expertise to the Hawkeyes on **9**.

Chelsey Carmody said.

Focusing on the fundamentals is the first step for the Hawkeyes to reach their goal for the season: the Big Ten championship. Last year, Iowa finished fifth in the conference, but this season, the team is looking for a renewed focus on the basics to bring them a breakout year.

"The game is about taking care of what we can take care of," Looper said. "If our pitching can keep

the ball in the park, our defense fields those balls, and our offense scores those runs — it seems pretty simple — but if we can do that, our chances for the Big Ten are strong."

The Hawkeyes will begin their season on Friday at the Black and Red Showcase in Athens, Ga. Junior catcher Liz Watkins believes that the team's unity shows the Hawkeyes are ready for the success to start.

After graduating five seniors in 2010, five rookies have come in. But, said

SEE SOFTBALL, 9

BOXING

Klinefelter '95-97 percent'

Iowa City boxer Emily Klinefelter is expected to make a full recovery after suffering a burst blood vessel in her brain Feb. 5.

The 26-year-old was taken by ambulance to the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics after being knocked unconscious during a fight against Christina Ruiz. The fight ended in the third round after Klinefelter fell for a third time and did not respond to the referee's 10 count.

The UI alumna underwent surgery that night to release pressure in her brain. Although she has not been released from the hospital, she has shown signs of coherence and is "95-97 percent," said her mother, Cynthia Parsons.

"Emily is doing wonderfully well and is continuing to improve each day," Parsons wrote in an e-mail. "The doctors' prognosis for a full recovery remains in effect." Parsons said that Klinefelter still has some swelling and spends the majority of her time asleep.

As of now, visitors are restricted to family members, but well-wishers are encouraged to message the fighter through e-mail at www.healthcare.uiowa.edu.

"Thank God we were in Iowa City," Parsons said. "She has heard from so many people. She has lots of support out there."



Klinefelter boxer

— by Jon Frank

Q & A with Marion

Marion talks about being back

The Daily Iowan speaks with recently reinstated wrestler Montell Marion about his changed lifestyle, young teammates, and more.

By SAM LOUWAGIE
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DI: After two matches back, how are you feeling out on the mat?

Marion: I feel that I definitely got some improvement to do, because even though the Penn State match was a win, I didn't like the way the match went, given that I was thrown on my back in the first period ... You don't want to put yourself in a position where you've got to come back.

DI: Being away for a while, was it hard staying in wrestling shape?

Marion: Above anything, your mental state is hard to keep in place. When I'm not knowing where I'm going to be at, whether or not I'm going to get a chance to wrestle

for Iowa again, sometimes it's hard to stay focused on your goals, to get the motivation to actually wake up in the morning and go get a lift in, or go to practice wondering if it's all going to mean anything.

But if you give me a three-week time frame, I can get in shape. That can always come. What sets you apart from people in the country is your mindset.

DI: What changes have you made to your lifestyle since the suspension?

Marion: One thing that's changed is just



Marion wrestler

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