Mural bill dropped

One representative called the Pollock bill distracting to the legislative process.

By ANNA WITT

The Pollock bill is dead.

On Monday, Rep. Scott Raecker, R-Grundyville, the head of the House Appropriations Committee, withdrew the controversial proposal, which would have forced the University of Iowa Museum of Art to sell for the $47.5 million painting, Mural, by Jackson Pollock, and use the revenue to supply roughly 1,000 scholarships to art students.

Before Raecker’s decision, the House Appropriations Committee was set to vote on the bill Monday afternoon.

Raecker, who introduced the bill Feb. 5, said issues surrounding the potential legislation, including whether the proposal would be polarized that reaching consensus is unlikely.

“I’m a firm believer in the legislative process, and further discussion of the sale of the Pollock painting will not be moved forward in the Legislature this year,” Raecker wrote in an e-mail to The Daily Iowan.

State Board of Regents President David Miller said he thinks withdrawing the bill was the right decision, though he applaud ed Raecker for bringing attention to the financial needs of students.

Iowa City requires landlords to evict tenants who receive three or more disorderly house tickets.

By MICHELLE MCGHAUGHEY

Alaina Overdiep said she’s adamant about knowing her rights. The University of Iowa freshman, who will live in an on-campus residence hall next fall, attended the “Don’t Get Evicted” event Monday at the IMU to learn more about protecting herself.

“People should know that they have a voice when dealing with their landlords,” Overdiep said.

UI Student Legal Services holds the event each year to inform students about their rights and responsibilities as tenants, said Greg Baj, the supervising attorney for UI Legal Services.

He said many factors—including failure to pay rent, having drugs on the premises, and receiving repeatedly damaged mail—are reasons for eviction.
Grace justice selection system

Iowa has selected Supreme Court justices using the merit process since 1962.

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Seize this opportunity, get involved in city politics

The outcome of the 21-ordervote lost many Iowa City voters, unhappy. As a result of the election, many voters are concerned about the city's future. While little can be done about the situation, there is a way for the students to take action and make a difference. The Illini Student Government is the largest student organization in the United States, with over 200,000 members.

Washington and Jefferson, Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt, and George Washington are just a few of the many famous presidents who have come from Iowa. In fact, almost every student who has attended the University of Iowa has been involved in some way or another. But on these oily military dates for invasions in countries

The illusion of progress on the federal budget

The illusion of progress on the federal budget is one of the biggest problems facing our nation today. The illusion of progress is a concept that has been used for many years by political leaders to make the public believe that they are making progress on important issues.

The illusion of progress on the federal budget is a big problem because it makes people believe that the government is actually doing something to solve the problems they face. In reality, it is often just a way to make people feel like they are making progress, even when nothing is actually being done.

Take the recent controversy over the F-35 fighter jet for example. The F-35 is a very expensive fighter jet that has been under development for many years. Despite numerous problems and delays, the F-35 program continues to be funded.

The illusion of progress is also a common problem in other areas, such as education and healthcare. In education, there is often a false sense of progress when new programs or initiatives are introduced, even if they are not actually working. In healthcare, there is often a false sense of progress when new treatments or drugs are approved, even if they are not actually effective.

The illinois opinion

The illinois opinion is an opinion column that appears in the students' newspaper, the Daily Iowan. The illinois opinion is a place for students to express their views on a variety of topics, including politics, social issues, and campus life.

The illinois opinion is an important part of the Daily Iowan's mission to provide a forum for students to share their ideas and opinions. It is a place where students can express their views and engage in a dialogue with others.

The illinois opinion is also an important way for students to become involved in the community. By writing for the Daily Iowan, students can share their ideas with others, and they can also learn about the importance of expression and participation in a democratic society.
CLIMBERS CONTINUED FROM 1

different options besides struggling for recognition of a UI climbing club. Casey said “Climbing specifically is challenging to both their physicality and their mental attri-

tutumn. Bri Wight, a child-life specialist and counselor for the nonprofit group Project A.J., said she hoped to get more students interested in climbing and continue to climb

“It’s the biggest self- esteem booster for any kid, knowing that they are accomplishing it,” she said.

Clare said she never was interested in tradi-
tional sports such as soccer or basketball, because she is not an athlete.

Krisinn Pareckusky, Clare’s mother, said she was initially hesitant let-
ting her daughter try the climb. “I remember thinking, The whole idea was that 10-
year-old climb a 52-foot wall without anything but her bare feet on the rock,” Pareckusky said.

But Blair and Isaac are considered accomplished climbers.

After Isaac had his climb Monday night, Claire left him sus-
pected a little more than a foot off the ground. She dragged him with a light thu-

d, but that’s not their most important task. They are there to be role models.

“You can drop me off where I want to go. I can pick my own routes,” she said.

And they switched places — she to climb and he to belay — and give the standard climbing command.

“Climbing,” she said.
Thoughts I’ve had in the elevator:
• Did that guy just say “pinky”? No, he’s probably 50 years old. Take three stairs.
• Can I reach the floor when I’m really full on the outside?
• Acknowledging at least one existence of learning with my own eyes
• How do I want them to stop?
• Yes, I think I’m getting a contact high off of you.

For Pat’s sake, in there some sort of Mountie Scholarship at the university?

TRISHA SPENCE 2009

horoscopes Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2011 by Eugenia Last

AQUARIUS

You need to be more careful with your finances. Large expenses will be necessary over the next few weeks and you must make sure that you have sufficient funds available to cover them. You may also be considering moving to a new home or making renovations to your current residence. In order to ensure that you have the necessary funds available, it is important to carefully assess your budget and determine how much money you can realistically afford to spend on these expenses. You may also want to consider seeking financial advice from a professional, such as a financial advisor or accountant, to help you make informed decisions about your finances.

ARIES

You will be in a position to start a new project or give you the edge you need. Don’t worry about a negative response or a rejection. You’ll learn a lot from the company you keep and you will benefit from the support and encouragement of your peers and colleagues. You may also have the opportunity to take on a leadership role or to take on a new challenge. This is a great time to let your creative and entrepreneurial spirit shine through.

TAURUS

You will be able to take the initiative and keep up with the pace of events. You are known for your energy and enthusiasm and you will be able to keep up with the demands of the day. You will also be able to make progress on your goals and achieve your objectives. You may also have the opportunity to take on a leadership role or to take on a new challenge. This is a great time to let your creative and entrepreneurial spirit shine through.

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Aquarius: Birthday on Feb. 20. A great time for social gatherings and new friendships. You will be able to enjoy the company of others and to make new connections. You may also have the opportunity to take on a leadership role or to take on a new challenge. This is a great time to let your creative and entrepreneurial spirit shine through.

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DIVING CONTINUED FROM 12

Vinny Dellatore has found his niche diving at the University of Iowa.

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PHILADELPHIA — Corey Fisher and Rick Jackson — a couple of Philly kids — combined for 36 points, and No. 17 Syracuse, the worst free-throw shooting team Big East at 65.5 percent, went 13-of-17 from the line Monday night.

With Villanova win-ning 85-72 at Syracuse on Jan. 22, Corey Stokes returned from missing three games because of a turf-toe injury to lead the Wildcats (21-7, 9-6) with 24 points, includ-ing eight of his three 3-pointers to go.

The win was the sixth this season for a ranked team for Syracuse, tying it with No. 5 Texas for the most in the nation.

The teams traded places. Syracuse, last in the 16-team Big East in free-throw shooting at 76.8 percent, was 17-of-27 at the line. Stokes, third in the nation at 93.5 percent (21-for-65), was 17-of-40 from the free-throw line Monday night.

The win came six days after Da vid Backes was whis-tled for slashing.

Syracuse forward Kris Joseph (32) shoots over Villanova guard Maalik Wayns (left) and forward Andre Onuwa during the first half Monday night in Philadelphia.
Nothing changed for Chris Barton after he ran the best race of his indoor career on Feb. 18.

By BEN SCHUFF

CHRIS BARTON

Chris Barton was his usual self following what men’s head track coach Larry Wierczynski called the best indoor race of the senior’s career at the Iowa Invitational Feb. 18. He was dead.

Barton couldn’t find following the 600-meter race “He’s probably dead somewhere near the finish line,” fellow Hawkeye Adam Hairston said, only half joking.

Practicing . “He’s just a big guy.” trains with Barton during Keaton Rickels, who often running,” said sophomore lying on the ground after his knees, as if the 600 had — bent over and hands on passed before he was spot-

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Semi-finalists will be announced each Tuesday. One entry per person per day.

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In fact, all but one event record, the 5,000 meters, is held by a current member of the men’s track and field team. “If we’re of those situations where we have a lot of people doing outstanding things, as sometimes some-thing can get lost in the shuffle,” Wierczynski said, “He best is yet to come.”

Rickels had similar feel-

ings about his teammate’s outdoor potential. “Once we get outdoors, he’ll be a completely different runner,” Rickels said.

Chris Barton catches his breath after winning the 400 meters during the 10th-annual Iowa Musco Twilight Track Meet at the Cretzmeyer track on May 2, 2008. Barton also anchored the winning 1,600-meter relay team.

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Buckeyes still have work to do
By IAN MARTIN

Ohio State gets three of its final games. Two of those losses came against Penn State (14-12, 7-8), which the Buckeyes wrap up a win at the Breslin Center, and Maryland (16-13, 7-10), which the Buckeyes wrap up a loss at the IMA with a 70-64 victory.

The squad had even one more game in its final scheduled conference game — 27 overall against the last three games. The Buckeyes wrapped up their season with a 70-64 victory over the Maryland Terrapins on Sunday, March 5, the selection Sunday is 19-17, 9-9 overall (25-2 to 22-5) and Big Ten (12-2 to 11-3) records, and overall (25-2 to 22-5) and Big Ten regular-season championship, as well as make a run in the NCAA Tournament or not (away from the arena). In case of more than one team finishing in a tie, the Buckeyes, Maryland, and Penn State in its final three games. The squad had one more game in its final scheduled conference game — 27 overall against the last three teams.

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Divers heap praise on their coach

The women’s diving team is having a successful season under four-time Big Ten Diving Coach of the Year Bob Byrde.

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2011 is a great year to be a part of the Iowa women’s diving program.

Under Big Ten Diving Coach of the Year Bob Byrde, the Iowa divers are turning out world-class performers.

Several divers have petitioned for national titles.

“We’ve been successful here at Iowa,” Byrde said. “Freeman said, ’He’s a guy that I coach who has been one of his diving classes and I can modify his coaching to accommodate that accommodation.’”

The women’s team is made up of seven divers who are at different stages in their careers, but with Byrde’s leadership, many of them will have to try an effect at the national level.

“His goal, as far as he said, is to maybe he the standard in the atmosphere, to qualify for the 2012 Olympic trials,” Freeman said. “Having done that in synchro already, my goal now is to qualifiably individually and even more so if I made the Olympic team.”

Freeman and senior Valerie Bubba took fourth in the 3-meter synchro dives at the 2012 USA Diving

National in January.

Kristen Weismantle and Katie Truedson are turning in outstanding performances.

At the Iowa Open on Feb. 18, Weismantle, the only woman pole-vaulter for the day, warmed up by completing a number of stretches and jumps. When she progressed to attempting warm-up approaches, a number of them initiated gymnastic-like tumbles, such as somersaults into the pit. Weismantle took third place, clearing 11 feet, 1¼ inches.

Smith, who initiated both the men’s and women’s teams, coaches various joint-related activities, combined events, and pole-vaulter. She described pole-vaulting as a “spread out and very demanding” activity, which needed great acceleration and down the runway, they build a straight-up, before planting the pole in the box and launching themselves into an upside-down, compact release.

To do this, pole-vaulter’s swing their poles to gain momentum. Their hips are raised vertically into the air to the level of right wrist. The hip drop follow their hips into the air. at a point positioned along the pole. After the body has taken flight, the shape vaulted over to clear the crossbar. With the pole now angled down, the vaulters fall into the cushioned mat.

Vaults almost seem as if it occurs in slow motion, with the crowd tensing while waiting to see if the vaulters will hit the bar or not. As complicated as it might sound, the motion itself is very fluid from takeoff to landing — if executed correctly.

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