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UI freshman Tessa Albright talks about her reaction to the nuclear crisis in Japan in Burge on Monday. Albright has family and friends who live in Japan.

City not game on lifting ban

The city's ban on awarding alcoholic prizes from electronic gaming devices differs from state law.

By **EMILY HOERNER**
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Iowa City city councilors have nixed a move that would have allowed bar patrons to receive such tangible prizes as alcoholic beverages from electronic gaming devices.

During Monday night's work session, the city councilors decided against lifting a ban on alcoholic beverage prizes from electronic gaming devices.

City Attorney Eleanor Dilkes said Iowa City's ban doesn't contradict the state law.

"The city has the authority to be more restrictive, and that's what it's doing in this case," she said.

Approximately seven years ago, the City Council banned gaming devices that allowed winners to receive prizes, including alcoholic beverages.

The 21-ordinance also specifically prohibits the allowance of gaming devices that offer alcohol as a prize in addition to banning two-for-one drinks and alcoholic awards for costume-contest winners.

The issue was brought to the city's attention in January by Steve Bergerud of Regal Amusements, a company that sells these types of games.

Leah Cohen, the owner of Bo-James, 118 E. Washington St., said the games did very well when they were still legal in Iowa City.

"If it's allowed by state law, it should be allowed by Iowa City," Cohen said.

She said she thinks the original reason was to keep alcohol out of reach for people who weren't 21, but now that Iowa City nightlife has an older crowd, the law seems unnecessary.

She said she thinks gaming devices never caused any problems with excessive drinking, and customers would often use their tickets for food instead of alcohol.

City Councilor Regenia Bailey said she supports the ban and isn't sure what the motivating factor is for lifting it.

"My concern is that using alcohol drinks as a prize in a game is encouraging irresponsible drinking," she said.

She said she doesn't see why the situation would be any different before or after the 21-ordinance, because she doesn't think irresponsible drinking is confined to those under the legal age.

Councilor Connie Champion said the city had previously made the restrictions on prizes to address serious problems downtown, but now, many of those issues have improved.



Cohen
Bo-James owner

UI students remain in Japan

Eight UI students are studying in Japan, and two more are set to travel there in mid-April.

By **MICHELLE MCCONNAUGHEY**
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In the Japanese school where James O'Hollearn works, students are now served milk and bread for lunch every day. Power outages across the region don't allow other food to be refrigerated.

O'Hollearn graduated from the University of Iowa in 2008, and he is staying in Yamanashi. Though he's 250 kilometers away from the damaged nuclear plants and the other devastation of the tsunami, he's still feeling the effects.

"I brought candies to work yesterday, and they disappeared faster than ever," he wrote in an e-mail. "We are a bunch of nervous eaters."

Japan is still recovering from the 9.0 magnitude earthquake and ensuing tsunami that struck the northern part of the country March 11, killing an estimated 10,000 people.

Toko Igarashi, a professor at Joetsu University of Education in central Japan who visited the UI Monday, said her colleagues are still fearful about their children.

Igarashi, who was in Japan when the earthquake struck, said there is no food or milk, and there aren't any diapers. She also said people are scared of chil-



Family members watch Japan Ground Self Defense Force personnel search for remains of a fellow family member in their home in Natori, Miyagi Prefecture, Japan, on Monday, following the March 11 earthquake and tsunami that devastated the northeast coast of Japan.

dren being more vulnerable to radiation. And medicine shortages have also made it difficult to take care of everyone in need.

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Q&A with Mason

Mason discusses tuition, alcohol, funding

The Daily Iowan sat down with University of Iowa President Sally Mason on Monday to discuss tuition, graduate programs, and the Alcohol Harm Reduction Plan.

DI: Do you fear students will stop coming to the UI if tuition continues to rise?

Mason: No, not really. And here's a couple of reasons why I would say not really. I don't say that lightly, because we do think about that. We have worked hard to keep our tuition increases relatively modest. Believe me, no college president wants to sit and tell students we're going to have to raise tuition, whether it's 1 percent, or 2 percent, or 5 percent, or 22 percent. That's not something that we enjoy. It's a reality. Our costs are going to go up much more than 5 percent next year. And the budget costs, of course, on top of that are going to make it more challenging for us.

I can say with some confidence, I'm not concerned at this point that we'll lose student numbers. And certainly, it didn't hap-

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pen this year. The numbers that we're seeing for next year are strong. I think partially because we are a very, very affordable and high-quality option for many people both in Iowa and outside of Iowa.

DI: Are the rising enrollment numbers going to present any more challenges to the university?

Mason: At some point, we're probably going to have to put the brakes on admissions. We will always accept all qualified Iowa students who apply.

But we have always had the capacity to admit more than just the Iowa students, too. And you've seen the numbers of out-of-state students and international students grow over the years.

That growth can only continue so far. We're going to run out of space. We're going to run out of places where they can live,

we're going to run out of places where we can teach them. We're going to run out of laboratory space, you name it.

Reporters are always asking me, "How big can the University of Iowa get?" And that's not an easy question to answer. I don't have a good answer for that at this moment in time because at this point, at least, we're still working hard to accommodate the highly qualified applicants that we're getting and not having to refuse them admission.

We can be very, very selective when it comes to nonresident students. We are selective on the Iowa front only in so far as if you meet our basic requirements, we're going to admit you. Then it's up to you to decide if you want to come or not.

But we don't want Iowa students to ever feel like they are going to be deprived of the opportunity to come to the University of Iowa.

DI: Are increasing endowments and decreasing state appropriations steps

towards privatizing the university?

Mason: I am a total product of public education. Starting in kindergarten and right up until today. I don't know anything other than public education.

So for me, the thought of privatization, and I know there's been a lot of talk like that, we are always going to be the University of Iowa. We're located here, the state has provided the resources for the vast majority of the buildings

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Some protest air strikes

One student said he fears losing more Americans to war.

By SARAH BULMER
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University of Iowa freshman Joey Gallagher sat in the spring rain Monday, protesting U.S. involvement in the conflict in Libya.

"Obama No 'Change' From Bush," Gallagher's sign read.

Students held a rally at the intersection of Iowa Avenue and Clinton Street to raise awareness of issues abroad on campus, said Dustin Krutsinger, the organizer of the protest.

"If anyone has disagreements with wars in general, this is a trigger point," the 28-year-old graduate student said. "We're against the cruelty of wars."

UI students gathered to voice their opinions after learning about the event on Facebook.

"Unless we can create awareness about ... U.S. foreign policy ... the problem will persist through this generation of future policy movers and shakers," UI junior Daniel Olinghouse, a political science major, wrote in an e-mail.

U.S. Military Involvement in Libya

In the past 30 years:

- 1981: Two Libyan jets shot down by U.S. naval jets
- 1986: Naval forces implement air strikes and bombings on Libya
- 1989: Two more Libyan jets shot down by naval jets
- 2011: U.S. air strikes and missile attacks to back rebellion against Qaddafi government

Source: A Century of U.S. Military Interventions, by Dr. Zoltan Grossman

Krutsinger invited approximately 172 people to the Facebook event, but a half-hour into the event, only four had shown up.

Protesters sat on the railings in front of the Old Capitol, the ink of their signs running in the rain. Several passersby stopped to chat with the ralliers.

"I'd rather have the disadvantages of too much liberty than the disadvantages of too little," Gallagher said.

The U.S. and its allies carried out a series of air strikes and missile strikes on Libya starting March 19. With the military action, officials have attempted to impose a



BRENNAN NORMAN/THE DAILY IOWAN

UI freshman Joey Gallagher, junior Dan Olinghouse, and alumnus Chris Reardon hold signs in protests in front of the Pentacrest on Monday. The protesters gathered to voice their opposition to U.S. involvement in Libya.

"no-fly zone" to stop attacks on rebels from Muammar el-Qaddafi's forces, according to the Associated Press.

"Anytime the government gets involved in anything as costly as launching missiles, or contributing forces and humanitarian aid, it affects people all over the United States," Olinghouse said.

Gallagher said he is concerned for fellow UI students who might have to go abroad and fight for the U.S.

"People from Iowa City might go over there," he said. "I don't want to lose any more people."

Protesters at the rally, as

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well as those who wrote on the wall of the event's Facebook page, agreed that while U.S. involvement in Libyan affairs may be crucial, the extent of U.S. efforts has gone too far.

"Being brutally crushed for decades upon decades for speaking up for your rights as not only a human being but as a citizen of your nation is not what most would consider 'free,'" Olinghouse said.

Council wants more time on cameras

Two councilors don't see safety as an issue in Iowa City.

By EMILY HOERNER
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The Iowa City city councilors gave the go-ahead for further discussion regarding red-light cameras in the city during Monday night's special work session.

A majority of councilors said they wanted more information on the cameras before they moved forward. As part of that information, councilors said, they want data on the top-20 busiest intersections in Iowa City in addition to the 10 that have been presented.

But some councilors are still relatively uninterested in the discussion.

"I'm willing to get more information, but I'm absolutely lukewarm [on the issue]," Councilor Regina Bailey said during the meeting.

Councilor Connie Champion said she's also skeptical. "I don't like the fact that the ticket is given to the car," she said. "That bothers me."

The discussion was originally introduced in February by City Manager Tom Markus, who sent councilors an article about the benefits of red-light cameras.

Councilor Mike Wright said now is as good a time as any to discuss the issue.

"Safety — it's entirely a safety issue," he said.

Wright said the cameras are a good idea because Iowa City police aren't able to catch red-light runners at every single intersection every time a driver runs a light.

Cedar Rapids Police Chief Greg Graham, who spoke at the work session, defended the success of his city's red-light cameras.

Graham said Cedar Rapids gave drivers a month of warnings before issuing citations with the speeding and red-light cameras installed there.

Councilors noted they were looking at red-light cameras specifically, not speeding cameras.

Graham said Cedar

Camera's Due Process

The process for red-light and speeding cameras in Cedar Rapids:

- A camera catches an infraction
- A police officer personally approves each violation
- Ticket is mailed
- Violator has the option to either pay or appeal
- Violator can appeal to the officer who issued the infraction

Source: Cedar Rapids Police Chief Greg Graham

Rapids chose to install cameras that were capable of issuing tickets for red-light violations as well as speeding violations. In addition, the cameras have the ability to catch Amber Alert vehicles if necessary, he said.

Councilor Susan Mims said she was willing to look into the idea further.

"I think we should look at both speeding and red-light cameras," she said.

Iowa City police Chief Sam Hargadine spoke in support of the possibility of red-light cameras. He said there was a need for the technology because he's witnessed people running red lights daily in Iowa City.

"We've got a lot of pedestrians, we've got a lot of bicyclists in this community," he said. "No matter what we do, we're always accused with not doing enough."

Hargadine said the red-light cameras would free up time for officers to perform other duties in Iowa City.

Graham said because of the cameras in Cedar Rapids, the police have saved more than 300 hours of manpower in only one year.

The city has received substantial revenue from the cameras, he said, but the money is only a byproduct.

"Crashes are down; injuries are down," he said. "As far as I'm concerned, that's what is important."

METRO

Ex-UI President Rawlings to head president's group

Former University of Iowa President Hunter Rawlings was named President of the Association of American Universities Monday, according to a press release.

Rawlings served as the UI president from 1988 to 1995, and he has also served as the president of Cornell University.

The association is made up of 61 public and private research universities around the United States, plus two in Canada.

Rawlings will begin his five-year term on June 1.

— by Allie Wright

2 students charged with assault

Two University of Iowa students were arrested after allegedly punching each other in Slater Hall.

Anthony August Ruelli, 19, 420A Mayflower, and Jacob Squillaci, 19, 304 Slater Hall, were charged March 10 with assault causing bodily injury.

According to a UI police complaint, Ruelli allegedly entered

the Squillaci's dorm room on the third floor of Slater Feb. 27 and began verbally abusing Squillaci and others in the room.

Squillaci and witnesses told police Ruelli then allegedly punched Squillaci in the face, ripped off his boxers, and grabbed his testicles.

Squillaci was charged with assault after allegedly going to the lobby of Slater to confront Ruelli after the initial incident, according to police reports.

The complaint said Squillaci told Ruelli he had two seconds to leave the residence hall, and when he refused to leave, Squillaci punched him in the face.

Police said Squillaci received a black eye as a result of the initial alleged incident and Ruelli sustained orbital fractures.

Assault causing bodily injury is a serious misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in jail.

— by Hayley Bruce

Pawlenty forms exploratory committee

Former Minnesota Gov. Tim

Pawlenty on Monday announced the formation of an exploratory committee to run for the GOP presidential nomination via a YouTube video.

Pawlenty visited Iowa City last month as part of the Family Leader's Presidential Lecture Series and discussed such issues as higher education and the importance of family in society.

He said he is seeking significant higher-education reform when he spoke in the IMU in February.

In the video, Pawlenty said the country needs to limit government spending, grow jobs, and encourage small-business owners in their ventures.

— by Allie Wright

City introduces 'dual stream' recycling

The city of Iowa City will implement a new "dual stream" recycling system on April 4, according to a press release.

The new system will require residents to sort their recycling into two parts: fiber and paper and plastics and cans.

Residents will also be allowed to place the recycled materials directly into recycling bins.

The new initiative will help

increase the number of recycled items each year, said Jennifer Jordan, the city's recycling coordinator, in the press release.

Jordan said the time needed for bagging recycling will be reduced because of the new system.

— by Allie Wright

Verizon's 4G wireless coming to Iowa City

Verizon will expand its high-speed wireless 4G network to more than 100 more markets, including Iowa City, by the end of 2011.

Officials from the company will make a public announcement today at the Cellular Telephone Industry Association Trade Show.

Karen Smith, the public-relations manager for Verizon Wireless, said they company began announcing additional 4G markets in 2010. Smith said the 4G networks are 10 times faster than the 3G networks.

Included in the list are 60 airports and 38 cities around the United States, including Chicago and St. Louis.

— by Allie Wright

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2 charged after fight

Iowa City police arrested two men Sunday after reports of a large fight involving gunshots, knives, and sticks.

Jaice Vernon Lindsey, 26, address unknown, was charged Sunday with public intoxication, obstruction, disorderly conduct, and providing false identification information. Davon'te Coleman, 18, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 3003, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.

According to police reports, officers were dispatched to the 2500 block of Bartelt Road after receiving a report of the fight.

After arriving on the scene, police located Lindsey, who was reportedly extremely loud with red, bloodshot, watery eyes, slurred speech, and a strong smell of alcohol. The police report said officers told him to go inside.

After further investigation, police determined Lindsey was fighting with Coleman over marijuana when several other people got involved.

Lindsey originally identified himself as Jason Perry, but officers later determined his real name and determined he has warrants out for his arrest in Cook County, Ill.

— by Hayley Bruce

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Jennifer Barrientos, 22, 2001 Keokuk St. Apt. 3, was charged Sunday with fifth-degree theft.

Jaren Brooks, 22, 402 Kimball Road, was charged Monday with interference with official acts and public intoxication.

Aaron Chez-Shaw, 20, 505 E. Burlington St. Apt. 1B, was

charged Feb. 9 with permitting gatherings to use controlled substances and drug tax-stamp violation.

Matthew Furnish, 33, 118 E. Washington St. Apt. 1, was charged Sunday with domestic assault.

Benjamin Hayes, 25, 521 S. Johnson St. Apt. 11, was charged

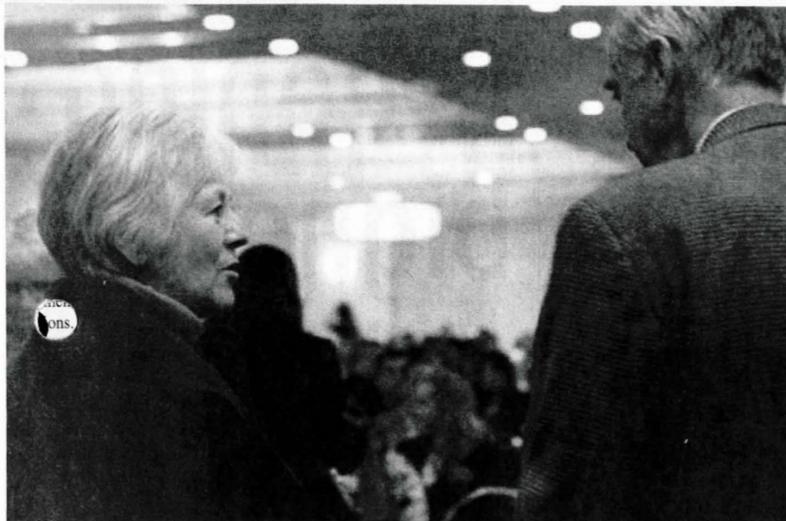
Monday with OWI.

Manuel Polanco-Dias, 34, 2018 Waterfront Drive Apt. 37, was charged Monday with domestic assault.

Andres Santiago-Sanchez, 31, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 1214, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Rachelle Schmidt, 26, 720 N. Dubuque St. Apt. 10, was charged Monday with disorderly conduct, public intoxication, and interference with official acts.

Simon Willard, 30, 1620 Crosby Lane, was charged Monday with possession of prescription drugs and OWI.



UI President Sally Mason meets with guests at the Sheraton Hotel on Wednesday.

MASON

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and structures on this campus, and the properties, and so forth and so on. While we tend to be moving more and more toward students paying more and the state paying less, there's still a substantial investment here by the state of Iowa. So we're always going to be Iowa's public university. Or at least one of Iowa's public universities.

DI: At a recent Staff Council meeting, a presentation indicated that there has been "soft" evidence that the Alcohol Harm Reduction Plan has made progress. But how much of that evidence could be attributed to other factors, such as the 21-ordinance?

Mason: I think they're all together. What you're seeing is convergence of a lot of different things

'I think, if you give this a little time in a year or two, these numbers [alcohol citations] will probably come back down. You won't see people being arrested for being in the bars underage, you won't see that many people being arrested for having fake driver's licenses.'

— Sally Mason, UI president

now that are coming together in interesting ways. It's still a work in progress for me, for most of us at the university.

In trying to reduce dangerous behaviors, I think the crime statistics that are in the regents' report this time around got people's attention. And there's a relationship there too with a change in the law to 21-only, plus our efforts to make tailgating a safer environment this past fall. And the fact that our police now police downtown together

er with the Iowa City police means there's been a lot more activity on that side of the operation, and that's reflected in these higher [arrest] numbers.

I think, if you give this a little time in a year or two, these numbers will probably come back down. You won't see people being arrested for being in the bars underage, you won't see that many people being arrested for having fake driver's licenses.

We're going to have to give it time.

GAMING

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She also said she wondered whether this type of restriction should really be up to the City Council.

"I don't think that because someone gets a free drink at the Moose Lodge, that's going to turn them into drunks," Champion said. "I think we're

being too moralistic."

Bailey said if the council decided to lift the ban, it would be inconsistent with its goal of curbing all excessive drinking, not just for people under the legal age.

Councilor Susan Mims said she was fine with keeping the ban in place.

"There [are] other ways of coming up with prizes people want," she said.

Regulations

Current regulations in Iowa City prohibit:

- Using tickets to pay for alcoholic beverages
 - Tickets can't be worth more than \$5
- Regulations allow:
- Using tickets to purchase food, T-shirts, and other items

Source: City Attorney Eleanor Dilkes

JAPAN

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Igarashi said she feels frustrated with how slowly the Japanese media responded.

"For the first three days after the disaster, there was no information given to us," Igarashi said. "I actually watched CNN to figure out what was going on."

And even more than week later and 8,000 miles away, she still spoke haltingly, looking away as she described that day.

"I was rolling," she said. "I felt seasick, my body was roaring."

UI students with family in Japan are also worried.

UI freshman Tessa Albright was born in Japan on an American Army base, and she has moved back and forth between the United States and Japan. She moved to the United States for the last time when she was 14 years old.

She has stayed in close contact with relatives and friends who still live there through e-mail, Skype, and blogs, but blackouts have made it difficult.

"When I first found out what happened, all I could say was that I hoped it wouldn't be as bad as the earthquake that hit Japan in the past," Albright said. "But once I realized there was a tsunami, too, I knew the damage would be a lot worse."

Albright said her aunt and uncle, who live in Tokyo, have sent their



A man searches for a family member in the ruins of a tsunami-hit area in Onagawa, Miyagi Prefecture, Japan, on Sunday.

Outreach to Japan

The University of Iowa Japanese Student and Scholar Club, Japanese Cultural Association, and the Japanese community in Iowa City efforts:

- Taking donations Thursday on the Ped Mall from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.
- Setting up a booth at the Cultural Diversity Fair
- Having a bake sale to sell food, origami, and homemade jewelry to raise funds
- All donations go to the Japanese Red Cross

Source: Mayumi Fukuda, member of the Japanese Student and Scholar Club

three young children to live in southern Japan with their grandmother, where they will be safer from radiation.

Eight UI students are studying in Japan at present.

Janis Perkins, the head of the UI Office of Study Abroad, said they are safe and are studying in locations that are at least 100 kilometers away from

ON DAILY IOWAN TV

Watch a Daily Iowan TV feature about UI students affected by the earthquake and tsunami in Japan.

the danger zones. The schools they are at have remained unharmed, and UI officials haven't made any decisions yet to suspend the programs in Japan.

Perkins said two more UI students were supposed to travel to Japan to begin their study-abroad program April 1, but due to the devastation, they will now travel in the middle of April.

"We've very carefully evaluated the risks and safety of our students, and despite the situation where they're studying, we don't think they are in a great deal of risk," she said.

Though the area students are staying in is safe now, O'Hollearn said, he has heard of several foreigners going home.

"The big fear is that if we wait until we know we need to get out, it will be

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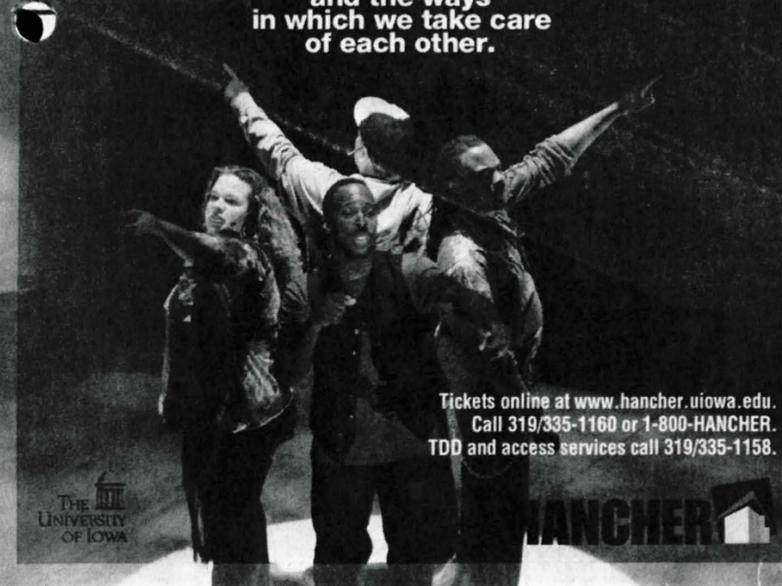
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Editorial

UIHC must take workplace surveillance seriously

Those concerned about privacy invasions shouldn't forget the workplace.

The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics said in a March 17 statement that two employees were facing disciplinary action for privacy violation. AFSCME Local 12 President John Stellmach filed a formal complaint earlier last week on behalf of several Urology Department employees who alleged that their supervisor had been using a baby monitor to listen to their conversations. The incident remains under investigation by the UI police.

Any case of illegitimate workplace surveillance underlines the importance of taking employees' privacy violations seriously. While it's too early to judge the motivations of the people involved, the case is a vital reminder that certain forms of surveillance are downright illegal — and we mustn't give employers a free pass, regardless of the relevance to their business.

Under Iowa law, auditory surveillance and recording are only legal if the monitored party gives consent (in a conversation, only one party must acquiesce). "It's a criminal issue," Stellmach told the *DI* Editorial Board on Monday. "We may have a grievance depending on how the investigation is conducted, but right now, it seems that public-safety officials are doing their due diligence." Although he is pleased with the actions taken so far, he believes that the administration did not deal appropriately with the event when it occurred.

The treatment of this incident as a serious matter is warranted. While the monitor was not believed to have picked up conversations before being discontinued, its use is still disturbing. A baby monitor is hardly a sophisticated surveillance system, but it differs from more expensive setups by degree, not necessarily by ethical standing. While it is inappropriate to speculate about the motives behind the alleged spying — and it could be a complicated misunderstanding — employers need to ensure that their employees understand the boundaries of appropriate supervising.

According to a 1992 study by researchers from Texas, Arkansas, and Georgia, protection of privacy was not seen as the norm in many workplaces until late in the 20th cen-

tury, when employees began to question traditional practices of overwhelming supervision. Invasions of privacy, according to the same study, often prove counterproductive: subordinates rebel or avoid the kind of dialogue that fosters a healthy workplace.

Employers' interest in controlling their workplace must always be mediated with a strong support of individual liberties and employee privacy, even when their surveillance methods are legal. Illegal surveillance to hear employee chitchat, the ostensible rationale for the use of a baby monitor at the UIHC, is simply inappropriate; upper-level UIHC administrators are right in taking firm disciplinary action.

Workers cannot work in an environment in which they are concerned they may be recorded without their consent. With their knowledge and consent is, of course, another matter: Employers are free to have a policy of surveillance that falls within legal limits. But workers must be able to protest or avoid the invasion of their privacy. (Of course, in a tense economy with high unemployment and low union membership, the latter can be difficult to negotiate.)

It can also be difficult to find out when violations are occurring, because employees fear reprisal from their superiors if they report them. Stellmach said AFSCME will closely watch to ensure that the employees who came forward about the issue are not punished. This is, of course, partly what unions (even the currently vilified public-sector ones) exist to accomplish: not just raises in wages or increased benefits but protections of workers' rights and negotiations about workplace standards.

The swift action by UIHC administrators is a good sign; incidents of employers invading employee privacy should be taken as seriously as invasions of privacy by unrelated parties. If a workplace insists on monitoring its workers, the workers have a right to know that this type of supervision is occurring before it begins — and to offer or deny consent.

Hopefully, this case will encourage supervisors to act appropriately in the future.

Your turn. Was the UIHC right to act decisively on alleged privacy violations? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

Creeping bigness



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"There is only one thing as big as the universe: the human brain," a neuroscientist says on NPR, quoting Isaac Asimov.

True. They're both full of dark energy and dark matter.

Speaking of which, as Peter Sagal of public radio's "Wait, Wait, Don't Tell Me" has pointed out, at a time in which a rather impressive, if not outright stunning, natural disaster wracked Japan (earthquake followed by tsunami followed by nuclear-power-plant meltdown, or something approaching that, in case you were distracted by the silliness called spring break) and the Libyan forces of Col. Muammar el-Qaddafi were bearing down on the rebel city of Benghazi, the U.S. House Republicans stood up and got counted.

Bully for them, as a famous Republican former president used to say. (Well, according to hearsay.)

In standing up for what's right, the GOP House members voted to deny federal funding for National Public Radio.

Take that, Qaddafi. Take that, radiation.

You got to hand it to Republicans. They really know how to put up a fight against ... well ... something evil.

It must be something big, and it must be something evil, and it must be something ... governmental.

Ergo, NPR. Evil liberalism incarnate.

Never mind that, as we liberals can remember, during the run up to and the invasion of Iraq, NPR seemed so pro-invasion and so pro then-President George W. Bush that we said NPR stood for National Pentagon Radio.

But no. NPR is evil liberalism, or perhaps even evil creeping socialism. It's almost as evil as President Obama's health-care reform, which would reduce America's health care to the level of Canada's or Germany's.

(Of course, America's health-care system would first have to rise to the level of Canada's or Germany's before it could be reduced to that level, but never mind that, too.)

There's an interesting thing about Obama's plan: According to a recent Kaiser poll, 42 percent of Americans favor the health bill passed a year ago, 46 percent oppose it. Most of the opposition is about the individual mandate that will require everyone to get health insurance when it kicks in 2014.

However, when it's explained to opponents that no one will be mandated to drop the insurance they have and move to some sort of government plan, that if they like their insurance, they may keep it, opposition to the individual mandate and the health bill drops to 35 percent.

Meanwhile, speaking of health, Americans on the West Coast have, according to reports, bought up almost all the potassium iodine pills available because of fears of radiation poisoning from the nuclear-plant problems in Japan. Any radioactive plume, of course, is nowhere near the West Coast. The Boston Celtics are much nearer to crushing their health than any Japanese radiation.

Too bad that the West Coasters are not more worried about what Japanese products are truly poisoning them every day: Toyotas, Hondas, Subarus, etc. These, it should go without saying, go hand-in-hand (on the steering wheels) with the poisoning that GM, Ford, and Chrysler vehicles produce. Somehow, the state's smoking ban didn't affect that. A California smiling ban would have had about as much effect.

Oh, and that oily sheen recently discovered in the Gulf of Mexico that many thought came from oil from the BP spill?

Turns out it comes from Mississippi River "sludge," officials say.

In other words, Mississippi River pollution. Hello, Iowa.

"There is only one thing as big as the universe: the human brain."

Is that too big to fail? ■

Letters

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GymHawks should be celebrated

I didn't want to make another phone call to HawkTalkDaily to inquire why the University of Iowa's women's gymnastics team has gotten very little press this season, so I thought if the people read about it in *The Daily Iowan*, maybe they'd take notice.

The team is ranked 14th in the nation. Rebecca Simbhudas is ranked 11th, and Jessa Hansen is ranked 23rd. Two weeks ago, they won an away meet at Southern Utah University with a season high score of 196.45. Maya Wickus, a

sophomore, earned a 9.925 on vault, the Hawkeyes placed first on all four events, and Simbhudas won her ninth all-around — still no press. The team even beat Michigan earlier in the season.

Does it take putting on football or wrestling uniforms to get noticed? Coach Larissa Libby, her staff, and team have worked hard to attain their level of achievement with little recognition. I want the Hawkeye Nation to know that the GymHawks are representing them well.

Here's some food for thought: Can you imagine where the team would be if they had

that new facility they were promised years ago?

Kathy Suchik
UI parent

Nuclear power not the way to go

Develop solar and wind power, battery systems for storing power for use during times with no wind or sunlight, and better insulation and fuel-efficient engines — but do not build any more nuclear-power plants.

Surely we are intelligent enough to develop energy sources that do not poison us. With better construction designs, we can lessen our demand for heating and cooling.

With better transportation systems and better engines, we can lessen our demand for energy.

Scientists are discovering that they can use termites to produce ethanol from wood chips and bark and waste wood pieces, and scientists are using algae to produce all kinds of energy sources. Develop those things. Even install small, home-sized wind and solar-power systems and labor-intensive work. Employ people. (That's a novel idea.)

We should rely on observation, imagination, invention, development. No more nuclear poison, please.

Elsie Vega
Iowa City resident

Guest opinion

Meet your hardworking Iowa meat producers

I am a native Iowan and a University of Iowa student. I love being a part of this state and this school. Unfortunately, my pride was wounded by the March 7 column "Big pork's pandering." The article left me wondering what people really think about our great state and the hardworking people that keep it moving.

Agriculture is an integral part of Iowa's economy, producing more than 27 percent of the state's economic proceeds. What is to be gained by degrading one of the state's greatest industries?

I take great pride in my family being pork producers and providing a high-quality product for consumers. My father was president of the Iowa Pork

Producers Association in 2008, and he has been an active member for the last 18 years. He works from sunup to sundown to care for each and every animal on the farm. He is committed to producing safe, wholesome pork in a socially responsible way. No one cares more than he does about providing high-quality products, taking care of his animals and natural resources, and contributing to his community.

Whether farms are growing in size or remaining the same, pork producers are working hard to ensure all of their animals are raised in the appropriate manner. Growing hog farms, like the one I grew up on, have practices in place to assure the animals are safe and comfortable in the build-

ings. As pork producers, we provide individual care to each of our animals and work with veterinarians to ensure our animals are safe and treated in a humane manner.

The column also stated "the rampant overuse of antibiotics on swine farms has actually led to a greater presence of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* bacteria among workers and animals than at farms where no antibiotics were used." MRSA can be found on hog farms, but it actually originated in nursing homes and hospitals — and can be found on domestic animals such as dogs, cats, and horses. According to health-care workers in the Netherlands, who are on the forefront of MRSA research in

farm animals, people who come into contact with pigs that have been treated with antibiotics show no statistical difference in health when compared with people who have had no contact with pigs treated with antibiotics. To boldly state the overuse of antibiotics on pigs is responsible for a greater presence of MRSA in the human population is simply absurd.

As the daughter of a pork producer, the pork producers I have met use antibiotics responsibly. The answer to concerns about overmedicated hogs is simple: quality pork. My dad only treats his pigs when they need treatment, and follows a protocol. All antibiotics used have been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration

and are administered, when necessary, to the animal after consultation with a veterinarian. My dad is not giving his pigs antibiotics in order to promote "unnatural growth" but rather, to treat his animals when they become sick, just like humans who take antibiotics when they are ill.

To ensure the pork on your plate is of the highest quality possible, my dad follows a withdrawal time-period protocol for each specific antibiotic. Once the withdrawal period is up, the medication is completely out of the pig's system. Animals with medication still in their systems are not sent to market; it is against the law.

My dad and his fellow pork producers take great

pride in caring for their animals. It doesn't matter if they house their animals in stalls or pens or barns or outside; ultimately, it comes down to the individual care given to each pig. Some pigs are individually housed so pork producers can provide the appropriate care for them, whether they need more feed or a break from the bullying nature of other pigs.

I am proud to be a pork producer's daughter. I know that my dad is committed to producing safe, wholesome pork in a socially responsible and ethical manner. I encourage you to learn more on the Internet or by visiting a farm for yourself.

Crystal Moody is a UI graduate student in secondary science education.

Spotlight Iowa City

Seeing the environment as art

Iowa junior Erica Tuke brings street-art culture to local high-school students.

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UI junior Erica Tuke comes from Evanston, Ill., where she often traveled through Chicago on the El, staring at the graffiti on the buildings, seeing crouched people in hoodies and dark clothes with cans of spray paint.

When she was a senior in high school, her parents bought her a membership pass to the Art Institute in Chicago, and she roamed the modern and contemporary wings frequently. But her greatest influence came from looking at the graffiti on buildings and from her peers in high-school art classes who practiced scribbling tags in their sketchbooks.

Now, Tuke is a graffiti artist who uses wheat paste — a mixture of sugar, flour, and water — to adhere large photographs to abandoned and “off the beaten path” buildings of Iowa City. In an effort to inspire other artists, she’s teaching younger kids from Iowa City the art of graffiti as well.

“I think for an artist, it’s really important to look beyond the canvas,” Tuke said. “Looking at the whole world around you ... it’s amazing. You have absolutely everything to work with.”

A mockup of one of her wheat pastes was propped against a support pillar in the basement of North Hall. A group of high-



(From left to right) City High freshman Elizabeth Torres, UI junior Erica Tuke, and City High freshman Yulisa Torres mold clay on March 10 in North Hall. Tuke is teaching students how to create an initial design for a future street-art installation.

school students sat around a table in front of the graffiti March 10, smashing globs of clay against the table. The gray lumps in their hands will be transformed into street-art pieces to be displayed around Iowa City.

Tuke is enrolled in the methods of secondary art-education class taught by UI art-education Associate Professor Rachel Williams. In an after-school program, Tuke and

a group of other art-education majors teach high-school students from the Iowa City area about street art.

“Erica is one of the best students I’ve had,” Williams said. “She teaches them to appreciate that art really is here, that they’re surrounded by art. As high-school students, kids might not see that because it’s so ubiquitous, but Erica can show them that art is everywhere and anybody

can create it.”

As the students passed around volumes of photographs of graffiti art, Tuke helped them go “beyond the books.” Instead of keeping their art on the paper, they have the opportunity to put it out in the world.

“In public school, they stick to the basics like how to draw a straight line,” Tipton High freshman Alivia Winters said. “But here, we get to do a lot more. We get to learn about what different kinds of art

there are and that it’s more than just what we think of as normal.”

Tuke has wheat-pasted a photo of the body of an obese old man, wearing polka dot boxers, a saggy tank top, and knee socks, topped with the head of Michelangelo’s David.

“In the art program, I’ve definitely learned a lot more about appreciating and understanding art as more than a painting or a sculpture, or even

Erica Tuke

- Age: 20
- Hometown: Evanston, Ill.
- Favorite graffiti artist: Swoon
- Favorite movie: *The Big Lebowski*
- Favorite food: “I put hot sauce on everything.”
- Dream vacation: Skiing in Val d’Isère, France

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Check out more photos of the graffiti artist in an online slide show.

as just as visual form,” she said. “I understand now that it expands to music, performance, writing. Everything around you is art.”

This aspect of keeping an open mind is one of the most important messages she wants to tell her students, Tuke said. Learning to continually accept new forms of art played into her decision to be an art education major instead of strictly being an artist.

“Being a teacher, you can always be in the contemporary and always, no matter what, keep learning,” she said. “That’s what’s going to advance your students, when you yourself keep learning from the world and never stop. I’ve learned to never put my blinders on.”

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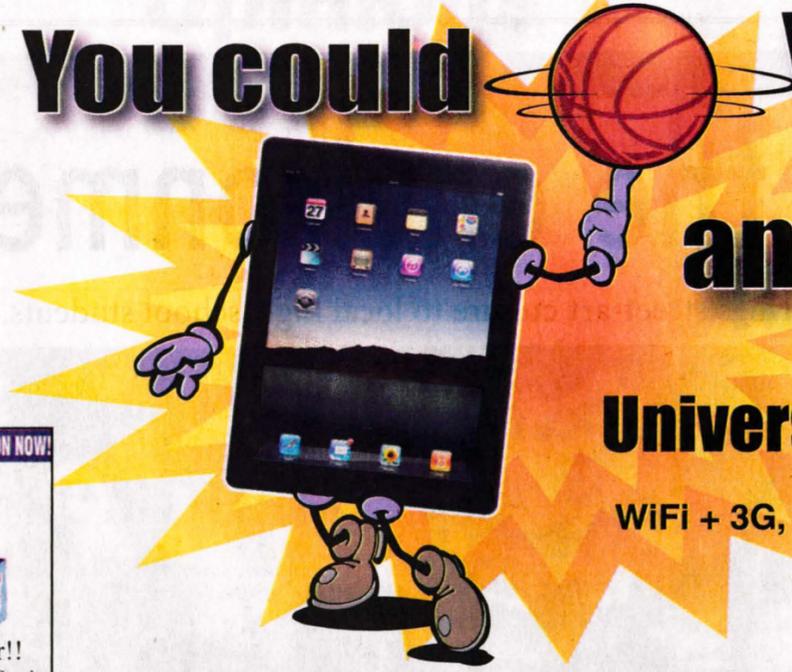
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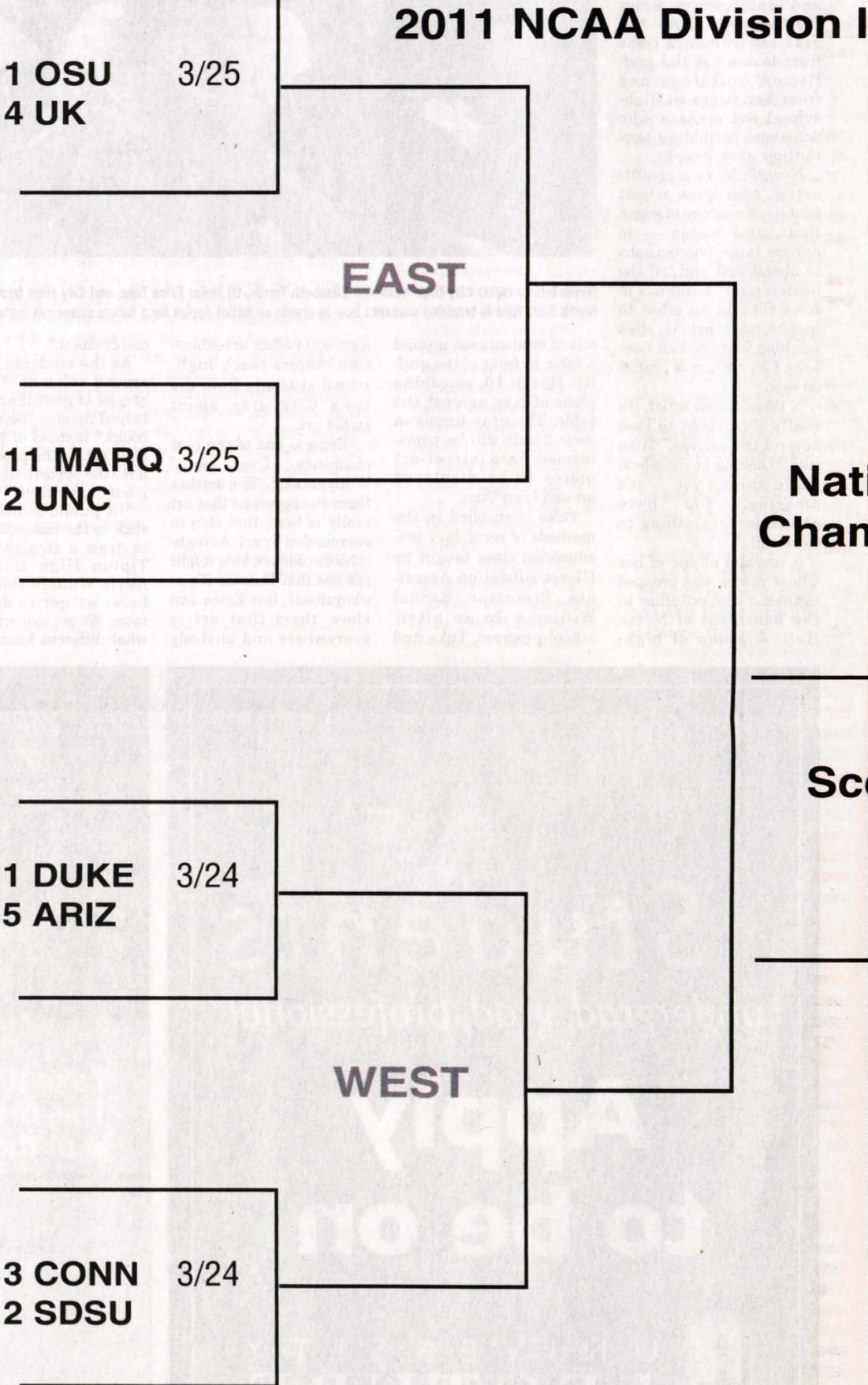
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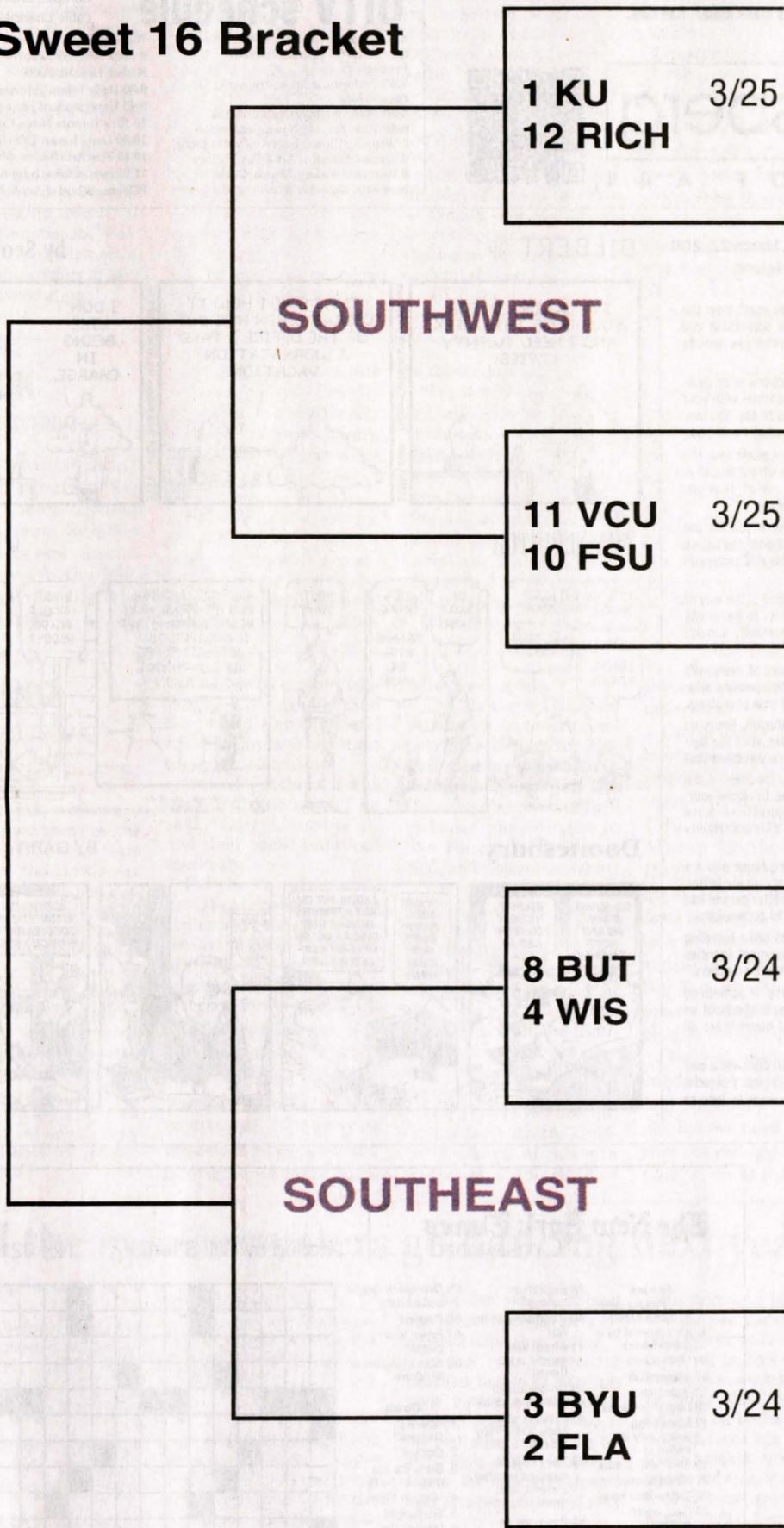
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Overheard at the Chicago Comic-Con and Entertainment Expo (C2E2):

- "I thought C2E2 was a droid."
- "Does this T-shirt make me look like a nerd or a geek?" "Are you asking me to choose?"
- Asked at a Marvel comics panel: "In UncannyX-Men No. 136, when Colossus lifted up that tree to hit Dark Phoenix with it, and she turned it into solid gold and pinned him with it, whatever happened to the tree? Is it still in New York?"
- To scantily clad woman in a white teddy: Nice costume; are you dressed up as Emma Frost, the White Queen?" Reply: "Who's Emma Frost?"
- "Man, [fill in the blank with any male super-hero] has really let himself go."
- "There's no way in X-Men Origins: Wolverine that Cyclops' eye blast should be melting things, they're concussive blasts of energy! Concussive!"
- "I might have to move. My parent's basement has been leaking."
- "When I die, just lay me on some cardboard and slip me into a plastic sleeve. I might be valuable some day."
- "I just bumped into Elisha Dusku. I'm never washing this elbow again."
- "There are more people dressed as Imperial Storm Troopers here than there were on the Death Star."
- "These shirts are in S, M, L, XL, and Comic Book Guy."

— Brian Tanner went dressed as Leia in the golden bikini. Hey, when you got it, flaunt it.

today's events

- **Pharmacology Faculty Recruitment Seminar**, "The Molecular and Cellular Basis of Itch Sensation," Qin Liu, John Hopkins, 9 a.m., 2189 Medical Education & Research Facility
- **Iowa City Cowork/Jelly**, 10 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **"Diversity Lurks Where You Least Expect It,"** Marlene Booth, 11:45 a.m., Boyd Law Building Levitt Auditorium
- **Bob Bream Lecture**, noon, State Historical Society, 402 Iowa
- **Master's of Public Health Professional Development Seminar**, noon, B111 Med Labs
- **Technological Entrepreneurship Certificate Advising**, noon, 3123A Seamans Center
- **Biochemistry Workshop**, "Role of syntaxin 6 in trafficking of angiogenic receptors and angiogenesis," Amit Choudhury, 12:30 p.m., 283 Eckstein Medical Research Building
- **Special Seminar**, "Profiling Protein Kinase Activities using Fluorescent Chemosensors," Cliff Stains, MIT, 12:30 p.m., C131 Pomerantz Center
- **Joint Astrophysics/Spare Physics Seminar**, "VERITAS on V407 Cygni," Kazuma Tsurasaki, Physics/Astronomy, 1:30 p.m., 309 Van Allen
- **Operator Theory Seminar**, "Frames and Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Spaces," Ben Marsh, Mathematics, 1:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen
- **Microbiology Seminar**, 3 p.m., Bowen Science Building Aud. 3
- **Final Thesis Defense**, "Synthesis and Application of Nanocrystalline and Mesoporous Zeolites," Anton Petushkov, 3:30 p.m., W323 Chemistry Building
- **"Strategies to Enhance Memory" Workshop**, 4 p.m., C230 Pomerantz Center
- **Conversations and Controversies Book Discussion**, 4 p.m., 15 S. Dubuque
- **"Tell Me a Story: Making and Learning from Documentary Film,"** Marlene Booth, 4 p.m., Iowa Women's

WATERCOLOR MUSIC



KATHLEEN WILLEM/THE DAILY IOWAN

Junior Yilin Sun paints a watercolor of the Pentacrest on Monday. Sun, a finance major, was painting for her Elements of Arts class. "I came out here because the weather is nice, and I had to get my homework for my arts class done," she said.

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- Campus channel 4, cable channel 17
- 4 p.m. Inside the Image, Mauricio Lasansky, UI Center of Media Production
- 4:45 Performing Iowa, Preparing for Dance Gala
- 5:30 Piano Sundays, concert TBA
- 6:30 Kirk Ferentz News Conference
- 7 Women at Iowa, Interview with Rachel Williams, School of Art & Art History
- 8 Women's History Month, Guest lecture with Deborah Whaley at the Iowa Women's Archive, March 2
- 9 Iowa Women's Archive Honors Linda Kerber, Dec. 10, 2009
- 9:30 Daily Iowan Television News
- 9:45 Uey, student life and activities
- 10 Kirk Ferentz News Conference
- 10:30 Daily Iowan Television News
- 10:45 Fine Arts Shorts, Music and Dance
- 11 Women at Iowa, Interview with Rachel Williams, School of Art & Art History

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Tuesday, March 22, 2011 — by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 Strength and courage will set you apart from the competition. Collaborating with someone who has something you need will put you in a different category from everyone you need to deal with professionally, personally, and financially.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 You'll be pulled in different directions when dealing with business and personal partners. Don't be too free with your opinions until you have heard what everyone else has to say. You may change your mind once you have had time to digest what's going on.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Rely on the connections you have made over the years to help you get what you want now. Don't be afraid to call in favors or to spend time and money in order to get ahead. How you display what you have to offer will make the difference.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 Ulterior motives will be present. If you are too trusting, you are likely to be disappointed. Ask questions, and refuse to commit to any agreement until all the details are clear. Change can be good, but it has to be right for you.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 You cannot let emotional matters stand in the way of your success. Focus on what you need to know in order to get ahead and the changes you must make to stand out. Opportunity knocks; you must jump in with both feet.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Make a conscious effort to take care of everyone's concerns, including your own. Being aggressive regarding a personal relationship will show your devotion. Arrange a trip that will ease your stress.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Personal matters will cause confusion. Focus on your career or money matters and how you can make your life better. Turn your back on anyone trying to sway you in a direction that doesn't suit you.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Take action. Now is a good time to throw yourself behind your dreams, hopes, and wishes and to aggressively move forward with your creative plans for the future. Don't let uncertainty stand in the way.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Don't get talked into helping those who are lazy when you should be doing more to help make your own life better. Focus on home and family and what will make you a better person and your surroundings more conducive to what you want to accomplish.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Stick close to home. Problems while traveling or dealing with authority figures, institutions, or government agencies will lead to setbacks. Now is not the time to put pressure on others.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Don't let love be your demise. If something isn't working, do something about it. There is nothing that cannot be fixed if you approach it the right way. Fairness and honesty are all that's required.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 Dig out old contracts, and you will discover a way to improve your position through negotiation. There is plenty of room for advancement. It never hurts to ask for what you want as long as you are willing to give back and compromise.

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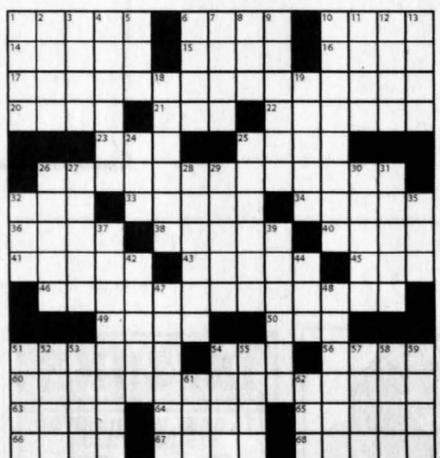
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- Archives, Main Library third floor
- **Library-Community Writing Center**, 4 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
 - **175:180 Occupational & Environmental Health Tuesday Seminar**, "2011 Industrial Hygiene Family Feud," 4 p.m., 123/125 Institute for Rural and Environmental Health
 - **Ida Beam Distinguished Visiting Professor Lecture**, "The Morals of Mixing: Cassettes, Home Taping, and the Emergence of the Intellectual Property Defense Industry," Adrian Johns, University of Chicago, 4 p.m., 101 Becker Communication Studies Building
 - **Organic Seminar**, "Total Synthesis of Strychnine," Veronica Wills, Chemistry, 4:30 p.m., W268 Chemistry Building
 - **Crochet II: Joining Granny Squares**, 6 p.m., Home Ec Workshop, 207 N. Linn
 - **Fitted Crib or Toddler Bed Sheet**, 6 p.m., Home Ec Workshop, 207 N. Linn
 - **NuVal Information Series**, 6 p.m., Hy-Vee, 812 First Ave.
 - **"Celebrating Muhammad, Remembering God: Sutism in Egypt,"** Valerie Hoffman, 6 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
 - **Learn Argentine Tango**, 6:30 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
 - **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Danny Khalastchi and Zach Savich, poetry, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
 - **Israeli Film Series, James' Journey to Jerusalem**, 7 p.m., Hillel, 122 E. Market
 - **Line Dance**, 7:15 p.m., Robert A. Lee Recreation Center, 220 S. Gilbert
 - **Lecture by Adrian Herman, visiting artist in printmaking**, 7:30 p.m., 101 Biology Building East
 - **Karaoke**, 8 p.m., Wildwood, 4919B Walleye S.E.
 - **Iowa Friends of Old-Time Music Jam Session**, 8:30 p.m., Hilltop, 1100 N. Dodge
 - **Dance Party**, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0215

- Across**
- Picchu (site of Incan ruins)
 - It's returned by a ticket-laker
 - "Arrivederci"
 - Standoffish
 - Topnotch
 - Designer Cassini
 - Something everybody is aware of
 - Stick with a stick
 - Nincompoop
 - Trojan War hero
 - Gun, as an engine
 - Gait faster than a walk
 - It's not very short and not very tall
 - 401, in old Rome
 - "There's ___ in My Bucket" (children's song)
 - Changes course suddenly
 - Plan that changes courses
 - Expiration notices?
 - It can scratch an itch
 - Attach with needle and thread
 - Do-it-yourself relocation rental
 - Orbison who sang "Oh, Pretty Woman"
 - They may be rounded up after a crime, with "the"
 - Exam for an aspiring J.D.
 - Prefix with sphere
 - Buckeye
 - Gool up
 - Mutual fund charge
 - Cheapest choice at the pump
 - Freud's libido
 - Letter-shaped beam
 - Orange or grape soda brand
 - Peeved
 - Fries, to a burger
 - Alan or Adam of filmdom



Puzzle by Paula Gamache

- Down**
- Non-P.C. choices?
 - Oodles
 - State it's not good to be in
 - Man, in Havana
 - Sci-fi sight
 - Noted Fifth Avenue emporium
 - Oodles
 - Número ___
 - "Watch out now"
 - Winner of the first Nobel Prize in Physics, 1901
 - Shopper description
 - Huge: Prefix
 - Matures
 - Like the land that includes Monument Valley
 - Sainted nineteenth-century pope
 - Elizabethan ___
 - Sorority members such as Ann-Margret and Laura Bush
 - "Farewell!"
 - Pros and cons
 - Lose one's shirt, in business
 - Yale of Yale University
 - What the Tin Woodman sought from the Wizard of Oz
 - The Ghostbusters and the Police
 - D.J.'s collection
 - Cunning
 - Artist Henri de ___-Laurenc
 - Apartment building overseers, informally
 - Twangy-sounding
 - Comics villain
 - Luthor
 - Hawaiian verandas
 - Arrest
 - Lucky strikes?
 - Subway fare?
 - Composer Stravinsky
 - Oath of old
 - Burger order specification
 - Piggy plaint
 - Dead set against
 - Watergate figure John
 - Cleanup hitter's stat
 - "Anatomy ___ Murder"

BASKETBALL

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And then there's the heartbreaker against the Bulldogs.

The selection committee gave the Hawkeyes a No. 6 seed, their highest berth in years. But misfortune struck when they faced a Gonzaga squad that had averaged 86 points per

game and had only lost four games all year.

The biggest question going into next year, without a doubt, is replacing senior Kachine Alexander. The All-Big Ten guard brought an unmatched swagger and defensive prowess. Known as the vocal leader of her squad, the Minneapolis native led the team in rebounds with her uncanny ability to out-work opponents for boards, despite her small

frame — she is generously listed at 5-9.

"It's an honor to be coached by the coaches we have and to wear the Iowa uniform and be proud," she said before her last game at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, which was on Feb. 24 against Illinois.

But Bluder recruited a talented roster of freshmen to step in. Led by the highly touted guard Samantha Logic, who is the No. 10 ranked prospect of the 2011 class by ESPN

HoopGurlz, the incoming class features three guards, a forward, and a center.

The future is uncertain. Bluder's incoming class has yet to show whether it will be a bust or a blessing. In the off-season, the 2010-11 finale won't soon be forgotten.

"We established a tradition," Bluder said. "We're finishing in the top of the Big Ten every year. I just feel like our program has arrived, and it's where you want to be."

SPRINTERS

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can balance the relay so that we can run a really strong 4x1 and still have guys compete in other events."

Narrowing down which four will run the relay in each event might not be easy for Woody, but it's a problem head coach Larry Wiecezorek is glad he will have.

"I think Coach Woody's expectation is that we're going to win that Big Ten championship and we're going to the nationals," Wiecezorek said. "With this group, they have the ability to have the high expectations."

With the depth — and quality of depth — Iowa has, winning at a high level may be more realistic than the past few years. Last year's 4x1 Big Ten champion, Wisconsin, fielded two seniors who have since graduated, potentially leaving the door open for a new champion this year.

Securing 10 points at this year's Big Tens wouldn't be the first time a Black and Gold 4x1 relay took home a first-place finish at a major meet. At the 2009 Drake Relays, Richardson, Sayon, Richards, and Chaney combined to cross the finish line in a first-place 40.71 seconds.

After two consecutive third-place conference finishes in his first two years

at Iowa, Richardson believes this year will be the next step for the 4x1 relay.

"I feel like both years we had a really good shot at winning Big Tens, but things just happened that prevented us from doing that," he said. "We brought back all the people we had on those two relays, and with Tevin and Justin, it's just going to make our 4x1 better."

Richardson said one of those "things" that held the relay back last year was handoffs.

And on Monday — the first day of outdoor practice — Woody had the group practicing exchanges with the baton for a significant amount of time.

"With the 4x1, the challenge is not only do you

This is the first in a four-part series on four outdoor-only events the Iowa men's track and field team hopes will strengthen its chances of a outdoor Big Ten championship.

Today: 4x100 meter relay
Wednesday: 400-meter hurdles
Thursday: Hammer/Discus
Friday: Javelin

have fast guys, but do you develop a team cohesiveness?" Wiecezorek said. "Do you develop that ability to get the stick around and pass the baton? It's not just flat-out sprinting — there is some real teamwork and chemistry to it."

TRACK

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Roberts said Praska's training program has always been geared toward running the 800 in the NCAAs and also set her up to win the 600-meter at the Big Ten championships.

"In training, in the 800 ... I just think overall, she's kind of gotten really tough to the point where there's nothing she feels can get in her way," Roberts said.

But Roberts' coaching philosophy creates a system that says Praska's accomplishments are now in the past, and the 800 and 4-by-4-relay are now her focus

for the outdoor season.

"I'm almost never satisfied, and some would look at that as a fault, some would look at that as a positive," Roberts said. "And I've put that spirit on [Praska] on a daily basis in practice to where she's not satisfied, either. She's always looking to see how far she can push her body."

While her focus is on the

upcoming season, her accomplishments in the indoor season are still a big step for the women's track and field program and for Praska.

"To get into that meet, to run a personal record in the preliminary, to get to the finals," head coach Layne Anderson said. "I think that says all that needs to be said."

ROWING

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the Wildcats, who were swept in four races by the Hawkeyes. The only team that swept the Hawkeyes, who are currently just outside the national top 20 poll, was host and No. 20 Texas, which went 19-2 at the event.

Head coach Mandi Kowal, in her 17th year as Hawkeye head rowing coach, said she saw a lot of room for improvement in Austin.

"We've got a lot of work to do, but we are getting closer to where we need to be," she said.

The novice 8 team captured victories over San Diego and Kansas State, which impressed assistant coach Scott Ramsey.

"For a lot of them, it was their first time racing," he said. "They learned a lot, and their speed improved markedly."

For the varsity teams, assistant coach Carrie Callen said the quick succession of races in Austin allowed for on-the-fly adjustments and was a good first meet for the season.

"That regatta gives us a lot of experience," Callen said. "We race so many times, we are able to apply adjustments right away as opposed to waiting for the next week, and that helps

us in the long run."

The Hawkeyes will participate in four more competitions before the Big Ten Championships in Indianapolis May 14. The Hawkeye schedule includes competitions in San Diego, Calif., Ithaca, N.Y., and Columbus, Ohio.

The only home competition for Iowa will come on Saturday when it faces Minnesota on Lake Macbride. The event is the only head-to-head meet of the season for the Hawkeyes, with one triangular contest and two larger, multi-team events making up the schedule.

The Hawkeyes are not unfamiliar with the Golden Gophers; Minnesota competed at the Head of

the Iowa meet during the fall season.

One of Iowa's top rowers is senior Jessica Novack, who was named a second-team All-American in 2010. Along with captains Allison Lofthouse and Haylie Miller, and the other 10 seniors on the Iowa roster, the Hawkeyes look to improve on 2010's sixth-place finish in the Big Ten. For the spring season, Kowal has a simple goal for her squad.

"We just need to figure out how to go fast," she said. "It sounds really simple, but we need to make sure we put together the right teams to do that."

Will the men hoopsters go dancing next year?

Yes

Call me a homer, but while the NCAA Tournament is underway, I can't help but think to myself that despite being a long shot, the Hawkeyes could make it next year.

Under first-year coach Fran McCaffery, Iowa went 11-20, including just four wins in Big Ten play.

However, when I watched, I saw a young team that has the right pieces in place to make a serious run next year at the top half of the conference and get into the tournament — just as Penn State did this year.

Iowa hoops fans had a much greater presence this year in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, and they are excited by the potential they see in this young, fast-break team.

Iowa has two key pieces in place in junior point guard Bryce Cartwright, who led the Big Ten in assists and really established himself as a crunch-time player throughout the season.

The other piece is "curiously spicy," as announcer Gus Johnson referred to the one and only freshman Melsahn Basabe.

The 6-7 Glen Cove, N.Y., native emerged as Iowa's best player this year and showed fans what they were capable of on Jan. 4 against Ohio State. He became the first Big Ten player in more than 15 years to tally at least 20 points and 10 boards and record five blocks in a game.

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He did this against fellow freshman phenom Jared Sullinger, who is the best player on the No. 1 team in the nation.

Realize he was doing this on raw talent and hustle plays, while toward the end of the year we saw him become more confident and develop his jump shot.

Imagine what he will become after an off-season in which he can hit the weights and work on his all-around game.

Iowa is only losing senior Jarryd Cole while adding talented

wing

player Josh Oglesby and big man Aaron White to the roster.

The Hawkeyes showed in year one under McCaffery they could compete in

the Big Ten with a 20-point blowout over Michigan State and a 2-point victory over Purdue.

In year two, I expect the Hawkeyes to take a similar leap while Basabe and Cartwright establish themselves as two of the best players in the Big Ten and "White Magic" McCaffery steers the Hawkeyes toward their first tournament bid since 2006.

— by Ben Wolfson

No

The NCAA Tournament is looming in the Iowa basketball team's near future — but the Hawkeyes won't go dancing in 2012.

Iowa showed flashes of brilliance this season (see: the 20-point win over Michigan State and the 2-point

better next year. The Hawkeyes only lose one starter to graduation, injured point guard Cully Payne will be back to shoulder some minutes and help keep Bryce Cartwright fresh, and Melsahn Basabe is like cheese — he'll only get better with age. Throw in a couple promising recruits in Josh Oglesby and Aaron White, and a 15-to-20 win season and top-half conference finish is a very real possibility.

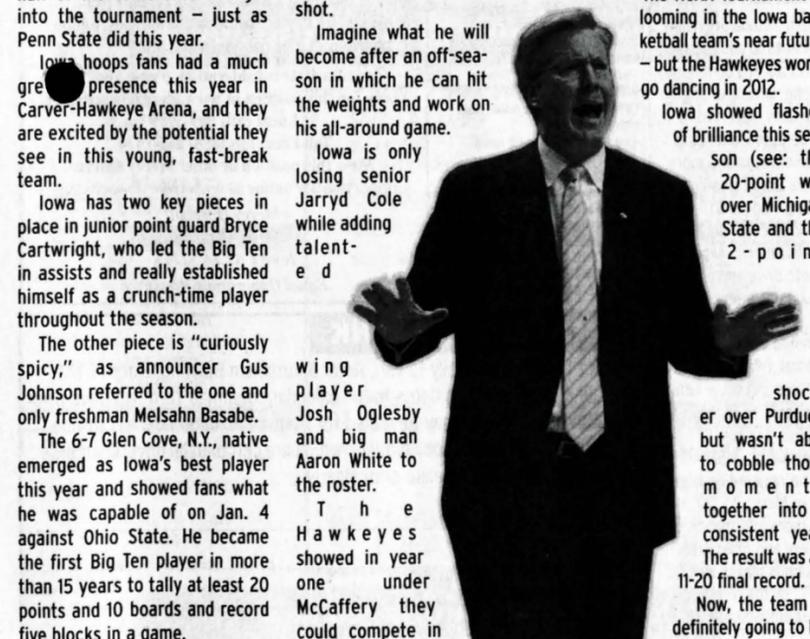
But that won't be enough for the Black and Gold to sneak into the NCAA tourney.

No matter how much the field expands, the standard required to go dancing is extremely high. Look at the teams that barely made it in at all this year: Princeton, for example, won 25 games but needed a last-millisecond shot to punch its ticket. The Tigers proceeded to lose to fourth-seed Kentucky by a single basket, showing that even squads that squeak into the field must be able to hang with the big boys.

Iowa simply isn't at that level yet, and it will take more than a single off-season to reach the necessary plateau. The Hawkeyes could see some postseason action next year, probably in the NIT, but the Big Dance is still a ways away.

Then again, given the state of my brackets, I'm clearly not qualified to pass judgment on college basketball teams. Anything is possible.

— by Seth Roberts



GYMNASTICS

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tics like I know how to do."

Iowa has been selected as one of the 36 teams to compete in the regional meet. The GymHawks will compete in the Corvallis Regional at Oregon State on April 2.

The Hawkeyes will compete for the first time this season against Oregon State and San Jose State; they have previously faced Nebraska, Southern Utah, and Michigan State.

Despite their disappointment with their conference performance, the GymHawks aren't looking at regionals as a chance to redeem themselves but instead, just another meet in which they need to compete well to advance to nationals.

"Last year, we went into regionals [ranked] 30th," sophomore Emma Steven-

son said. "This year we divided that in half. That's a lot. I think we definitely made a name for ourselves this year. If you look at the difference between this year and last, it's amazing."

After several impressive victories this season — including one over reigning Big Ten champ Michigan — the GymHawks have made a name for themselves in the gymnastics community as a team that needs to be feared.

"Our record shows that we're more likely to perform well than perform poorly," Libby said. "Based on this great season we've had, it's obvious that we have a better chance of being consistent than having another off day. Regionals won't be a place to redeem ourselves but instead just another meet to compete at."

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POINT/COUNTERPOINT

Will the Iowa men's basketball team be among the 68 teams in next year's NCAA Tournament? 9

All-American Praska looks ahead

Iowa's Bethany Praska placed seventh in the 800-meter final at NAAs, but her focus is on the outdoor season.

By AMY TIFFANY
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Iowa senior Bethany Praska is a first-team All-American in the 800 meters. In the 800-meter preliminary race at the NCAA indoor women's track and field championships on March 11, she ran a personal best of 2:05.01, taking third place in the event. Entering the preliminary,

Praska wasn't even ranked in the top eight.

She took seventh place in the final on March 12 with a time of 2:07.24.

The top eight finishers, including Praska, earned first-team All-



Praska senior

American status.

Though she said the final race result wasn't quite what she expected or wanted it to be, she said it was a "learning experience."

"I'm really, really happy and blessed to have made it to finals," she said. "But ... it's a really physical race; I got caught up in the other girls running."

She said the track in College Station, Texas, is 200

meters, which is a typical track for the indoor season. But most track and field athletes prefer outdoor tracks, which are 400 meters around. With a larger track, there are fewer curves, and athletes have more room to stretch their legs. Competition isn't as packed to the inside lane, and they have more room and time to pass other competitors.

Her main coach, assistant coach Clive Roberts, said Praska has not run many 800s in her college career, and the physicality of the 800-meter final was something she had rarely seen. Praska, who, Roberts said, is used to leading races, was thrown off a bit in the final when that wasn't the case.

"It's already a tight track; if you're going to make a

move, you have to do it quickly," Praska said. "Finals were with other extremely talented and competitive 800 runners; everyone tries to make that move for a great finish."

Praska said that with the caliber of the athletes competing in the NAAs, everyone was fighting for good running position.

SEE TRACK, 9



BRENNA NORMAN/THE DAILY IOWAN

Iowa's Jaime Printy shoots during the Hawkeyes' opening-round tournament game against Gonzaga in the McCarthy Athletics Center in Spokane, Wash., on March 19. Iowa lost, 92-86.

GymHawks shrug off Big Tens

After a sixth-place finish at the Big Ten championships, team looks forward to regionals.

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The Iowa women's gymnastics team competed at the Big Ten championships on March 19 in Minneapolis and placed sixth. The Hawkeyes had expected to finish first.

But the disappointment that came with the conference meet doesn't mean the GymHawks have fallen. They just had "a bad day," head coach Larissa Libby said.

The 15th-ranked Hawkeyes posted a team score of 194.85, their lowest since their meet against North Carolina on Feb. 6.

"It's not what we had hoped for, and there's not consolation for us. We went there to win, and we didn't," Libby said. "It wasn't that we weren't prepared, or we didn't have a good enough team, or that other teams were out of our reach — we just had an off day as a team."

The GymHawks watched two of their all-arounders — Simbhudas and Hansen — fall, and many others also made small mistakes that added up.

"It's disappointing, but we earned that [sixth] spot because we did mess up," senior Houry Gebeshian said. "We didn't focus on the things we were supposed to focus on. I think that's exactly where we should have ended up that day. We could have been No. 1, but we weren't, so now it's time to move on."

Gebeshian performed well, however; she placed fifth in the all-around with a score of 39.225, her third-highest of the season. She earned first-team All-Big-Ten honors.

"All season, I was kind of stressing myself out a lot about being the best and contributing to the team and being perfect," she said. "That wasn't working for me, because I don't do so well under pressure, so I just relaxed. It felt great to finally be able to do my gymnastics."



Libby head coach

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Bluder's Bunch looks back, ahead

A season of ups and downs ended with a first-round NCAA Tournament loss.

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The Iowa women's basketball team's 92-86 loss to Gonzaga in the first round of the NCAA Tournament raises several questions about the season that was and what's to come.

Was the season a success? Coach Lisa Bluder thinks so. "I'm really proud of my players," she said in a press conference after the March 19 loss in Spokane, Wash. "We had a good season, a very good season."

For the fourth time in as

many years, Bluder's Bunch put up 20-plus victories. The Hawkeyes went 10-6 in a competitive Big Ten. They beat three top-25 teams. And, perhaps most impressively, they posted their best record (22-9) since former head coach Angie Lee led the Hawkeyes to a 27-4 record in the 1995-96 season.

But then there's the downside. After closing the 2009-10 regular season with an 11-2 stretch and ending the season with an appearance in the second-round of the NCAA Tournament, many had big expectations for the

Hawkeyes going into the 2010-11 season. They returned the majority of the roster and were projected to finish second in the Big Ten by the league's media.

In that regard, they fell short. Iowa suffered some tough setbacks, most notably a 60-53 loss to Michigan at home. The Hawkeyes were struggling at that point in the season.

"We've been kind of down on our field-goal percentage throughout the season," senior Kachine Alexander said after the Jan. 2 loss. "Maybe when we're getting in the gym, we're not going game speed."

Nonetheless, Bluder's Bunch rallied and finished conference play with five consecutive wins but lost to Ohio State in the quarterfinals of the Big Ten Tournament after receiving a No. 4 seed. The loss wasn't dire, however. The team had already all but locked up a spot in the NCAA Tournament.

"Close games are always fun," sophomore guard Jaime Printy said after the loss to Ohio State. "They went on runs, and we went on runs, and, I mean, we just came out a little short."

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Hawk rowing back in action

The Iowa rowing team returned to action at the Longhorn Invitational, and the Hawks look ahead to rowing's regular season.

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Nearly five months after the Head of the Iowa competition closed the fall season on Halloween, the Iowa rowing team is back in competition.

After competing in three events in September and October, the Hawkeye rowing team began the regular season on March 18 with

the Longhorn Invitational in Austin, Texas.

In the three-day event, which also included defending Big Ten champion No. 10 Wisconsin, Iowa claimed varsity 8 — an eight-person boat — victories against Kansas State, Oklahoma, and San Diego, as well as a win in the varsity 4 against

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Hawks chock-full of sprinters

The 4x100 meters will showcase a deep group of Iowa sprinters.

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Entering the outdoor season, one of the deepest areas for the Iowa men's track and field team will be a group that spends the least amount of time on the track: the sprinters.

The group returns all four members — D'Juan Richardson, Zeke Sayon, Patrick Richards, and Stephen Bee — of a 4x100 meter team that finished third at last year's outdoor Big Ten meet. Sayon also finished second in the 100-meter dash at the

2010 outdoor Big Tens.

Add in first-year Hawkeye Justin Austin, who holds the indoor school record in the 60 and 200, a young but talented freshman Tevin-Lee Mincy, and Paul Chaney Jr., who missed all of last year after tearing his ACL during the 2009 football season, and it becomes clear why the group is excited about the upcoming season.

"We've never had this strong of a sprint group since I've been here, and probably ever," said sprints



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Iowa senior Zeke Sayon runs ahead of freshman Tevin-Lee Mincy before receiving the baton at practice on Monday at the Cretzmeyer Track. The teammates worked on a drill to keep pace with one another and time the handoff correctly.

coach Joey Woody, who is in his fifth year as a Hawkeye coach. "We have a lot of choices, a lot of options,

which is exciting for our program, and it shows we

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