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Obama fundraisers get connections

Nearly 200 of President Obama's top fundraisers have won political appointments to government posts, obtained federal contracts for their business interests, or been invited to exclusive White House events, an independent watchdog group said Wednesday.

The Center for Public Integrity reported that Obama supporters who raised \$50,000 or more for his 2008 presidential campaign have been tapped for ambassadorships, government jobs, or unpaid advisory positions. The report also said that at least 19 fundraisers are connected to businesses that could benefit from government spending programs.

The practice of rewarding campaign contributors is hardly unusual. Political appointments typically go to supporters of a president because they are chosen to help him further his agenda. Obama, however, ran a campaign that promised to keep special interests out of his administration.

— Associated Press

Summit to focus on debt

Strong America Now plans to bring together legislators, experts, and presidential candidates on Saturday in a summit focused on reducing America's debt.

Rep. Tom Latham, R-Iowa, will join five other presenters in Des Moines to discuss the importance of eliminating America's debt in the next three years, the Strong America Now website said.

GOP presidential-nomination candidates Tim Pawlenty, Gary Johnson, Newt Gingrich, and Herman Cain are expected to be in attendance.

Panelists will also discuss how to balance the budget by 2017 without adding new taxes, the site said.

The event will be held in the Polk County Convention Complex, 501 Grand Ave., from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

— by Hayley Bruce

Corrections

Columnist Matt Heinze incorrectly listed Mike Pence as a representative from Idaho in his June 16 column. Pence is a representative from Indiana.

In the June 16 article "IC gets new patch of news," by Zachary Pound, *The Daily Iowan* incorrectly reported Patch.org is in 22 states; Patch.org is in 20 states. The *DI* regrets the errors.

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Jackie Wiczorek sits with Twinkle on Thursday at the Iowa City Animal Care and Adoption Center. Wiczorek has volunteered at the center for four years.

ANTHONY BAUER/THE DAILY IOWAN

FEMA funds animal center

The center's new permanent location is projected to be Napoleon Lane in Iowa City.

By **ARIANA WITT**
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Twinkle roamed the floor of the Iowa City Animal Care and Adoption Center Thursday. He poked his wet nose and lengthy whiskers into the cage of fellow felines before settling in the lap of Jackie Wiczorek, a veteran volunteer for the center.

"He's always been my favorite," she said. The pudgy white and brown tabby has only lived at the shelter's location, 4852 Sand Road S.E., for two months, but he may not live there much longer.

On Monday, the Federal Emergency Management Agency proposed funding \$960,000 for the construction of a new center — the previous Kirkwood Ave facility was destroyed in during the flood in June 2008. But even coupled with \$107,000 from the state, officials said the funding won't reach the new shelter's estimated pricetag of more than \$2.5 million.

"It's a beginning," said Misha Goodman, the director of the animal center. "We need a lot more funding to actually complete the size building that we need."

Goodman said the center would still require an estimated \$2.5 million to build adequate facilities for the 130 cats, dogs, and rabbits the facility cares for daily. She believes the price is reasonable given the services the center provides the animals.

"The previous building that we were in was overcrowded, so we need a building that's about two and a half times that size," Goodman said. "We'll have to raise additional funding besides what FEMA has provided."

Bob Josephson, an external-affairs officer for FEMA Region VII, said the allocated money is part of FEMA's efforts to transition out of Iowa following the flood, reimbursing the businesses that met the organization's requirements for

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PROVOST SEARCH

Provost search cheap

Travel costs for the 2011 provost search were 86 percent lower than the 2008 search.

By **LUKE VOELZ**
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The University of Iowa spent almost \$13,000 on a search that would lead to the permanent appointment of the interim provost, according to documents released Thursday. However, Provost P. Barry Butler's selection was less taxing on the UI's wallet compared to past provost searches.

Records obtained by *The Daily Iowan* show expenses for the 2011 provost search cost just under \$13,000 — \$40,000 less than the 2008 search that led to Provost Wallace Loh's appointment.

UI spokesman Tom Moore said the university reduced costs by conducting the first round of interviews via video conference, costing \$2,029.

Later rounds of interviews, conducted on-campus, cost approximately twice as much.

"I think the search committee did a fantastic job both of identifying strong candidates and doing it in a very cost-efficient manner," Moore said.

Regent Robert Downer said UI officials' choice not to use a search firm also reduced spending.

"I do think [the \$13,000 cost] is reasonable when you're talking about this being a relatively low percentage of salary," he said, noting that the organizations can

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Upward Bound bounds into future

Thomann was named the program's new director in October 2010.

By **CHASTITY DILLARD**
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For her first summer as University of Iowa's Upward Bound director, Dana Thomann has her plate full of plans for a better future.

The program, which is part of the UI Center for Diversity and Enrichment, prepares students of low-income or first-generation status for college with ACT preparation, cultural activities, and other events.

"I was a low-income/first-generation student myself," she said. "I want to help students understand that it is not something to be embarrassed about. It's something to be proud of."

The program runs on \$500,000 a year and brings in Iowa high-school students from Columbus Junction, Davenport, Mus-

Upward Bound

Director Dana Thomann said she hopes to bring stability to the program by writing three grants. The program:

- 76 percent of Upward Bound students receive B.A.s
- 6 percent of low-income students will earn B.A.s by age 24
- Receives \$500,000 a year.
- Serves high schools in Columbus Junction, Davenport, Muscatine, and West Liberty

catine, and West Liberty. The students meet weekly during the school year, leading up to its summer program.

This summer, Thomann plans to tackle writing three grants, a big task compared with the lone grant usually filed each year.

"I want to be able to serve more students," she said.

For her, more stability in staff and a bigger presence in the community is very important as well.

Available grant money only provides for 99 students, but this year, the program was able to find



JESSA HANSEN/DAILY IOWAN

Students participate in the Upward Bound summer program in Stanley on Wednesday. Upward Bound representatives held a mentor group meeting in which students discussed hobbies and creative activities they may want to pursue.

additional money through the Center for Diversity and Enrichment to provide for 112 students.

Other campus organizations are showing support, as well.

This year, Upward Bound was written into two grants — Leadership Education in Neurodevel-

opmental and Related Disabilities and Iowa Geological Survey.

Nevertheless, the past year was a bit shaky for the new director.

"I feel like I haven't become the director yet, because I am trying to fill in the gaps," Thomann said. "We've been under-

staffed for a year now."

With her previous position still open and a loss of a full-time counseling coordinator, pressure is high.

Still, the office pushes forward with the help of temporary staff.

And for Thomann, the

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Spotlight Iowa City

Setbacks only sharpen her drive



ZHONGZHU GUO/THE DAILY IOWAN

Jennifer Xie stands behind the counter in Bai Jia Asian Food Market in Coralville on Thursday. Xie owns several area businesses.

Xie said her restaurant's success comes from her homemade sauce and the lack of MSG in her recipes.

By **BRITTANY TREVICK**
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Jennifer Xie adjusted her velvet shawl over a sheer polka-dotted shirt as she poured milky-tan bubble tea.

Standing behind the wood bar of her Iowa City restaurant six months in the making, Xie's come a long way from the girl who initially refused to be fingerprinted for her green card many years ago.

Then, in 1987, fresh off the plane from Quangzhou, China, and no knowledge of English, the now 47-year-old had just inherited property in the United States and was unsure of what to expect.

"The first day was scary," she said.

But that fear subsided while her stubbornness and determination to succeed persisted. Now, Xie owns two restaurants and a market in the Iowa City area, but it took quite some time for her to get there.

The day she arrived in the United States was one to remember for Xie. In need of a green card, her fingerprints had to be taken. But in China, that

only happens to criminals. So Xie placed her hands behind her back, refusing to move them for over an hour.

"I'm not going to jail," she said she was thinking.

Eventually, she settled in Champaign, Ill. But after four years running her great-grandmother's business, the city made plans to expand the highway where the market was located. She needed to leave.

That's when she found an advertisement for an Asian market for sale in Coralville. Jumping at the chance, Xie moved her family to Iowa, bringing her husband — whom she met in Champaign — and daughter along. She eventually expanded to include a Chinese book shop, restaurant, media store, and gift shop. However, her struggle wasn't over.

Two months after all the remodeling was completed, the market burned down because of old wiring.

"It was a terrible story," she said about the incident. But that didn't stop Xie.

In February 2000, she opened Szechwan Village and owned it for five years.

But in 2005, Xie said, her landlord wanted to almost double her rent.

"I felt like that was the end for me," she said.

In 2006 she bought out the building for Jade Sisters and moved in there. Three years later, the space next door opened up — that became Bai Jia Asian Market.

Her entrepreneurship continued, and Xie opened Jade Sisters, 906 Second St., with her sister Mindy. Just six months ago, she opened Chili Yummy, 100 S. Linn St., in Iowa City.

Sitting in a booth at her newest establishment, Xie said she feels inspiration, and a certain degree of responsibility, for taking care of the Chinese student population that attends the UI.

"In the beginning, I'm thinking for Chinese students," she said, moving her hands in a circular motion.

But Xie's maternal tendencies extend beyond UI's student population.

"She takes care of me," Mindy Xie said, noting that her older sister is tough on the employees, but she cares about them, too.

Eri Luethje, who works

Jennifer Xie

- **Age:** 47
- **Hometown:** Quangzhou, China
- **Favorite book:** *Wonder Lady*
- **Favorite meal to cook:** Vegetable soup
- **Favorite vacation:** Bahamas cruise
- **Favorite pastime:** Surfing the Internet

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at Jade Sisters, said he definitely feels included.

"She treats me like a family member," he said.

Xie said she has had customers for as long as 20 years and that they are about half Chinese and half American.

Now settled in Iowa City, Xie said she has no intentions of leaving the place in which she's experienced so much success.

"I want to stay there," she said. "I love it."

Supervisors shoot down helipad

Supervisors agreed that a helipad on Melrose is unreasonable and unnecessary.

By **LINDSAY DOUGLAS**
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Requests to build a helipad near Melrose Avenue didn't take off at Thursday morning's Johnson County Board of Supervisors meeting.

The denial came after Ned Fry, a facilities engineer for the Iowa National Guard, asked the supervisors for approval to build a helipad on county land across the road from the National Guard Armory Readiness Center.

"I think that area is a completely inappropriate place for a helipad," Supervisor Janelle Rettig said. "If there's an emergency, you're going to put a big red 'X' in the middle of a corn-

field and land there; it's been done before."

Fry said the helicopter landing pad would be located near Melrose Avenue and used only for emergency situations and perhaps VIP purposes a few times a year.

The concrete surface would be 150-by-150 feet, surrounded by a 30- to 40-foot green zone, funded by the state and federal government, Fry said.

But the supervisors agreed there are better places that a helipad could be built, and, ultimately advised National Guard representatives to consider using the helipad at the Iowa City Airport.

"[Melrose Avenue] is

basically all residential," Supervisor Sally Stutsman said. "The people who chose to live there never dreamt a Chinook would land in their backyards."

Airport operations specialist Mike Tharp agreed.

"[The airport is] the most beneficial place to have it," he said.

Stutsman said construction of a helipad on Melrose could also be concerning to people who live in the area, adding infrequent landings could catch people off guard.

National Guard officials said the helipad could be used for occasions when very important people visit the area.

But Rettig refuted that, saying important people

the mother he would come back for the child later.

According to reports, the woman asked Seals to take the child, refusing to give him his keys until he agreed. Seals then allegedly entered the house, pushed the woman down, put her neck between his legs, and squeezed.

have come through Iowa City in the past and they didn't use a helipad to land them safely and secretively. "We have a perfectly good airport, and I wish you would use it," she said.

Supervisor Rod Sullivan said the proposed place for the helipad could cause unnecessary disturbances to a nearby mental-health center.

Dave Umland, an engineer for the National Guard, reiterated the need for the helipad in emergencies.

Umland said they would probably look further into building the helipad on the National Guard property, they just wanted to explore all of their options first.

"You never know unless you ask," Fry said.

Police said Seals then allegedly took his keys and struck her in the face with his elbow.

Domestic-abuse assault without intent causing injury is a serious misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in jail and a maximum fine of \$1,875.

— by Brian Albert

METRO

Man charged with domestic-abuse assault

Iowa City police arrested a man after he allegedly squeezed the neck of the mother of his child.

Cortez Andrew Seals, 22, address unknown, was charged

March 10 with domestic-abuse assault without intent causing injury.

Police reports said Seals initially went to the home of the mother of his child to take their 2-year-old son while she went to school.

When a friend of Seals stopped by, reports said he allegedly told

Iowa, was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.

Calvin Porterfield, 23, 2425 Bartelt Road Apt. 2B, was charged Wednesday with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Caleb Schmidt, 23, 13 N. Dodge St. Apt. 2, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

Lawrence Steele, 57, 332 Ellis Apt. 32, was charged Wednesday with simple assault.

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Mark Baez, 29, 181 S. Scott Blvd., was charged Thursday with second-offense OWI.

Parrish Bennett, 23, address unknown, was charged Wednesday with criminal trespass.

Bridget Brogan, 20, Hiawatha, Iowa, was charged Thursday with assault causing injury.

Antwan Johnson, 26, Coralville, was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.

Dorrell Lyle, 32, Washington,

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charge one-third or greater of the new employee's salary. "To have a search for a position of that importance in terms of success of the university and being able to represent the academic side of the institution — that's quite modest," Downer said. Advertising was the most expensive factor to the search at slightly more than \$5,600.

Rep. Jeff Kaufmann, R-Wilton, said he was satisfied with the expenses, given the normal cost of searching.

Provost-search costs

The UI spend \$12,968.18 spent on the University of Iowa's 2011 provost search.

Breakdown:

- Advertising: \$5,658
- Search committee Meetings: \$1,148
- Video conferencing interviews: \$2,029.65
- Travel for on-campus interviews: \$1,796.10
- On-campus interview services: \$2,336.43

Source: The University of Iowa

"It is not at all unusual to have searches draw somewhere in the vicinity of a third of the compensation

of the individual involved," Kaufmann said. "And this rate [of \$13,000] would be 3 or 4 percent. I think this is a very reasonable cost."

Documents show the provost search committee strongly favored Butler during the election process.

"I can't think of anyone better suited to this position or more committed to the University of Iowa than Barry Butler," UI President Sally Mason said in a May 17 press-release following the announcement. The state Board of Regents voted unanimously to approved Butler's appointment on June 8.

Records released this week also showed UI faculty and administrators seemed to favor Butler

overwhelmingly.

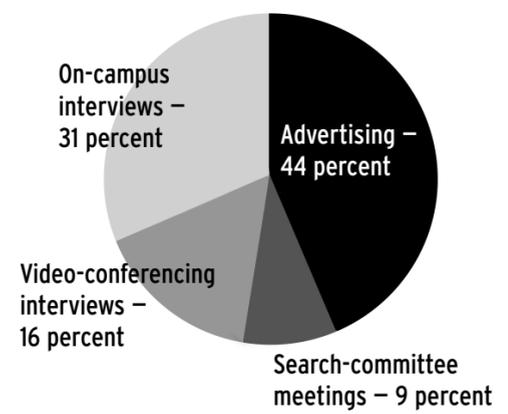
Surveys distributed to the committee listed whether provost candidates Butler, Yash Gupta, and Uday Sukhatme demonstrated the ability to serve as a leader, an understanding of the university's mission and support of interdisciplinary studies.

Butler received "yes" responses of 85 percent or greater in all categories, though Sukhatme ranked close behind at around 75 percent overall. Gupta's positive responses averaged 45 percent.

However, Moore said, he didn't believe the UI strongly favored any candidate during the search process, because the search was an equal-opportunity procedure open to all candidates.

PROVOST SEARCH COST

UI officials itemized the cost of this year's provost search into four categories:



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federal funding.

"We've of course been looking at the projects and reconciling the costs," he said. "I think certainly when an area is affected by a disaster, recovery is never easy, but I think things are going well between FEMA and the state."

Previously, FEMA denied approval of two studies the city submitted, which concerned land near the proposed location on Napoleon Lane.

But following the latest study, the funding was allotted.

"It's fantastic news that many have been waiting on for some time now," said Kumi Morris, the architectural services coordinator for the

Iowa City Animal Care and Adoption Center

The Federal Emergency Management Agency proposed funding \$960,000 for the construction of a new center.

- Former location: 111 Kirkwood Ave
- Current location: 4852 Sand Road
- Proposed location: Napoleon Lane
- State funds: \$107,000
- FEMA funds: \$960,000

Source: Kumi Morris, Iowa City architectural services coordinator

city. "It gets us out of limbo."

But there are still some budgetary questions remaining for the new center.

Though animal-center workers have started donation jug filled with loose

change and a few dollar bills at the center's temporary location, there are plans to formally begin a campaign to raise the millions officials say they need.

The effort is slated to begin in the next few months, Goodman said, following a 30-day public-comment session on the proposed building.

"In a capital campaign, what you want to do is make sure you're educating the public on why the kind of building you want to build needs to be different from the facilities you've had before," said Kym Leyden, the executive director of Friends of the Animal Center Foundation.

Leyden said a financial feasibility study will tell animal center officials if members of the Iowa City



ANTHONY BAUER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Money sits at the bottom of a jug at the Iowa City Animal Care and Adoption Center on Thursday. The funds collected here will go towards building a new facility.

community can provide them with the funding still needed.

"If it finds them not feasible, we would come back and look at the structure of

our plan and determine where we can get additional funds," Leyden said.

UPWARD

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UI Upward Bound program is in "a spot where there is a lot of possibility."

"Everything is really, really thriving" she said. "Students just want to stay in the program."

Thomann said retention rates have greatly improved, with students staying in the program and a "mile-long waiting list."

UI sophomore Catherine Martinez, 19, was a part of

the program for four years before attending the university. This summer, she is back with a new role in the program.

"I really grew a passion for the program," said Martinez, who supervises the students in the residence halls this summer.

Michael Torres is in his fourth and last year in the program.

"I love how people from different communities intermingle," Torres said.

The 18-year-old is now in the bridge program, an eight-week program in which incoming college

freshmen have the opportunity to take a college class before starting school.

The Iowa State University freshman, who will major in mechanical engineering, did most of his college planning throughout the Upward Bound pro-

gram. With a new class bound for fall, the program hopes to build its image in the future.

"I want to be really organized and professional and not seen as the last-minute group," Thomann said.

New 'Jelly' aids idea 'sandwich'



ANTHONY BAUER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Mark Nolte, the business-development director for the Iowa City Area Development Group, works in *The Daily Iowan* newsroom on Thursday. Nolte has been the director for five years.

An Iowa City group organizes local Jellies and promotes them on social networks.

By BRIAN ALBERT

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On a normal day, Howard Butler sits behind the desk of his home office and develops software for his job, without any human interaction.

But one Thursday a month, he has the opportunity to sweeten his work life with a bit of Jelly.

However, this isn't the kind you put on a sandwich.

Organized by the Iowa City Area Development Group, "Jellies," or cowork sessions, can best be described as free events that bring together individuals who typically work from home. The goal, officials say, is to facilitate an organic work environment in which ideas are shaped, shared, and expanded upon.

"It's very isolating to sit at home and work, so this

Cowork events

Thursday, approximately 17 people gathered in the Adler Journalism Building to work alongside others. Previous Eastern Iowa Jelly Locations:

- Iowa City Public Library
- Coralville Public Library
- Capanna Coffee, North Liberty
- Kirkwood Center, Cedar Rapids

Source: Iowa City Area Development

knocks that off a little bit," Butler said, taking a break from his work at a Jelly in the *Daily Iowan* newsroom on Thursday. "You can choose to aggressively not work with people, or you can lay back and meet people, figure out what's going on, and paint faces to names."

And while the development group currently hosts monthly Jellies at various

locations in Iowa City, Coralville, and North Liberty, these Jellies may have their own home as early as August.

"Our planned meeting center is unique," said Joe Raso, the group's president. "We're going to have our development group physically nested in the event space. It should really help us facilitate things and get to know people on both a professional and personal level."

Officials said the official meeting center will give those who work from home a place to work alongside others on a daily basis, providing free wireless Internet, coffee, and tables.

Butler, who has attended every Jelly thus far, said he's on board with the idea and hopes the place will become a convenient second office — one more suitable for both pleasure and business.

"There are good places to eat downtown, and my wife works there," he said. "Also, I'd like to see these meetings become more regular. You might meet people and briefly see what they do, but when you only meet once a month, you don't get to collaborate often."

The Iowa City Area Development Group has hosted eight local Jellies — one each month since November 2010 — and plans to continue providing the resource in the near future. Officials said they most commonly attract software programmers, web designers, entrepreneurs, and freelancers, though other professionals are welcomed.

"These events are a major step in the next stages of economic development," said Eric Hanson, the communications director for the group. "People who attend often have ideas with the potential to grow. They sometimes just need to speak with marketers or web designers to get things rolling."

And while some Jelly-

goers might feel intimidated, Yong-Ming Zheng, the operations manager at ASAP Technology Works, said his first experience was a rewarding one.

"You don't normally get to go up to someone and say, 'Hey, I want to sit next to you and work together,'" Zheng said. "I've only been here an hour, and I've already met a programmer

who's proficient in Python."

Hanson said this natural collaboration is what will push these businesses forward.

"Traditional development isn't going to work forever," Hanson said. "People need to interact and create a culture of innovation. That's what Jellies are all about."

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Editorial

On Pride weekend, remember how far we've yet to go

Iowa City may be the third gayest city in America, but that doesn't mean the struggle for gay rights and acceptance is over.

This weekend, Iowa City will celebrate Pride 2011, joining cities across the country in commemorating the presidentially proclaimed Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month. Unfortunately, recent events, combined with a hostile political culture, serve to underscore the continued necessity of Pride festivities.

Last week, an openly gay man reported an attack by a stranger who called him a "fucking faggot" while walking down Clinton Street. Iowa City seems like an unlikely place for anti-gay violence; a city and campus with a large gay community, in a state that recently legalized gay marriage, shouldn't brook intolerance. Sadly, the acceptance and tolerance of gay people in society is still far behind what it should be even in the most tolerant places in America.

Progress has certainly been made. In 2003, the U.S. Supreme Court struck down sodomy laws in the landmark *Lawrence v. Texas*. The *Varnum v. Brien* decision in the Iowa Supreme Court last year was a great leap forward for equality, although the subsequently successful campaign to oust three of the judges was a small step back. Vermont and New Hampshire followed Iowa in allowing same-sex couples to marry, and a legalization bill recently passed in the New York General Assembly. President Obama issued an executive order repealing the U.S. military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy. With regard to government treatment, being gay in America is a better experience now than it was a decade ago.

There's still a long way to go, of course; same-sex marriage is only legal in a handful of states, and there's no federal-level employment nondiscrimination legislation. Same-sex partners are explicitly banned from adopting children in four states.

But treatment under the law is not the only — or most significant — hurdle to same-sex equality in America. More concerning is the acceptance of the gay population in society. Treatment by their fellow citi-

zens is harder to change and often more harmful to individuals. A recent Gallup Poll found that 64 percent of Americans felt that gay or lesbian relations should be legal. This number is an improvement over attitudes at the turn of the millennium but still far too low. A court decision or a bill passed in a legislature does not necessarily change the way gay people are treated by their peers.

Attitudes that promulgate intolerance can lead to more violent incidents like the one in Iowa City last week. "It becomes a twisted form of recreation," said Karla Miller, the executive director of the Rape Victim Advocacy Program. "The vernacular is, 'Hey let's go beat up some queers.'"

More than simply encouraging tolerance in communities, we should work to change perceptions of different genders and sexual orientations. "Challenging heteronormativity (the idea that heterosexuality is superior to all other sexual orientations) would go a long way," said Alankaar Sharma, a visiting instructor in the UI School of Social Work who specializes in gender-based violence, diversity, and social justice.

Sharma said the goal should be to create a community that celebrates diversity and acceptance of different gender identities and sexual orientations. This issue is far more difficult than passing laws giving citizens equal treatment from the government. Thinking your gay neighbor deserves to get married isn't the same as seeing her or him as an equal.

Events such as the alleged attack last week remind the community that the struggle for equality is fought in the hearts and minds of citizens as well as the courtroom and the state Capitol. Pride Week is an excellent time for Iowa City residents to reflect on the status of tolerance and attitudes in their own communities.

Hopefully, the current trend in societal attitudes will continue, making acts of violence motivated by bigotry a distant memory. While that goal is achievable, it won't happen without our help.

Your turn. Do you think Pride is important? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

Being fat Batman



CHRIS STEINKE
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After the NBA Finals — featuring arguably the greatest group of villains in U.S. sports history — fetched the highest ratings in more than a decade, the virtues of a powerful, polarizing antagonist became as evident to me as ever.

Now, I'm afraid that these metaphors may only connect logically in the comfy confines of my own mind and am sure that they will offend a considerable percentage of my readership, but here goes.

Let's say that Batman resides and fights crimes in Iowa City. (Batman is the United States of America; Iowa City is the entire world.) The highlights of his crime-fighting career are liquidating The Joker (The British Empire), gunning down The Penguin (The Third Reich), and, er, icing Mr. Freeze (Soviet Russia).

Each of these enemies were threatening, cunning, and powerful. Every corner of his body and mind opposed them, and, more often than not, he was over-matched. In order for him to succeed in conquering each adversary, he had to operate at his absolute best — and often needed a little luck on top of that.

Over the span of these accomplishments, Batman established himself as a, if not the, premier power of Iowa City (though not without resentment from a handful of residents). But in the years following his feud with Mr. Freeze, poor Batman got bored. He grew complacent and fat, reasoning to himself that he can let himself go a bit, because after all, he is the friggin' Batman.

One night, as fat Batman waddled about the outskirts of Iowa City, he was ambushed by a band of lowly drunkards. Of course, they were no match for Batman, even in his portly state, but they did manage to break his hand.

(Aside: Yes, a broken hand may be considered an offensive metaphor for the 9/11 attacks by some, but at least it's close. My reasoning is that an injury like that hurts incredibly and does not permanently heal. A severed arm would be analogous to a nuclear bomb dropping on New England, and an earthquake causing New Jersey to break off into the ocean would parallel a surgical removal of an inflamed appendix. (Anyway.)

Batman was fuming; he hadn't been injured to this degree since his bout with The Penguin. After a hasty interrogation period, he concluded that the lead drunkard responsible (let's call him "Ed") for the order leading to his injury was hiding somewhere in the Slater dormitory.

For years, Batman wreaked havoc throughout the West Campus in attempt to avenge his broken hand and capture Ed. Morgan Freeman (the taxpayers) kept him armed throughout — willingly at first, hesitantly as Batman's goals became unclear, against his will once he realized Batman had missed his mark and then out of necessity when the damage Batman had created was beyond repair.

Once Batman, responding to a report of marijuana use in the dorms, finally apprehended Ed (who was high and masturbating in a Reinow dorm room), the expense of his actions over the years leading to revenge were even more detrimental than the inciting injury.

Now, Batman is sick, he is depressed, he is injured, and he is poor. On top of all this, he must turn around and try his best to address the mess he has created throughout the West Campus, a feat that may occupy his foreseeable future.

Now what is Batman to do? How can he return to form as the undisputed power of Iowa City?

One might say he needs another enemy of the same magnitude as The Joker or The Penguin. A part of him wants to infiltrate the seedier parts of town, where he may find a handful of dangerous, evil people (Kim Jong Il, Muammar Qaddafi), but, at this point in his well-being, is it really in his best interest to invest the time, effort, and resources to address these ultimately minor criminals?

Or should he take the time to right his recent wrongs, get his finances in order, and nurse himself back to health so he is in a position to protect his city from ultimately profound and currently unforeseen dangers?

Until the aforementioned villains can seriously threaten the city, that Batman should worry about his own problems before addressing someone else's.

You know, in the extraordinarily unlikely case that Catwoman (China/LeBron James), Scarecrow (the radical Islamists/Dwayne Wade), and Poison Ivy (North Korea/Chris Bosh), unite to make a legitimate international threat. ■

Letters

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Objectivism, Christianity incompatible

Atlas Shrugged author Ayn Rand's selfish, individualistic philosophy and the teachings of Jesus are totally incompatible. A person cannot possibly be a disciple of Rand's and at the same time be a follower of Jesus.

Jesus called people to follow him but never coerced them to follow. Even today, all of us have the freedom to choose whom we will serve, God or money. Jesus was and continues to be the fulfillment of God's transforming love. It is love of God, self and neighbors that provides

power to change people's hearts and minds. Feeding a hungry world becomes possible when changed hearts and minds are intent on turning weapons of war into farming implements.

We must be wary of politicians who claim to be people of faith at the same time they are promoting the selfish, ungodly Randian economic philosophy. As a nation, America will be judged by how well we individually, collectively, and lovingly meet the needs of the least of our brothers and sisters — the poor.

Does our trust in God really affect our economics? Should it?

Paul L. Whiteley Sr.
Louisville, Ky.

Best wishes for Hubbard

I sincerely wish Anthony Hubbard great success with the Hawkeye basketball team. He appears to be a talented, earnest young man, committed to making positive contributions to his team, his family, and, hopefully, many others. Learning from one's mistakes is a sign of maturity.

Coach Fran McCaffery (aided by wife Margaret's apple cobbler) also made gains in the court of public opinion by his straightforward responses to concerns about Hubbard.

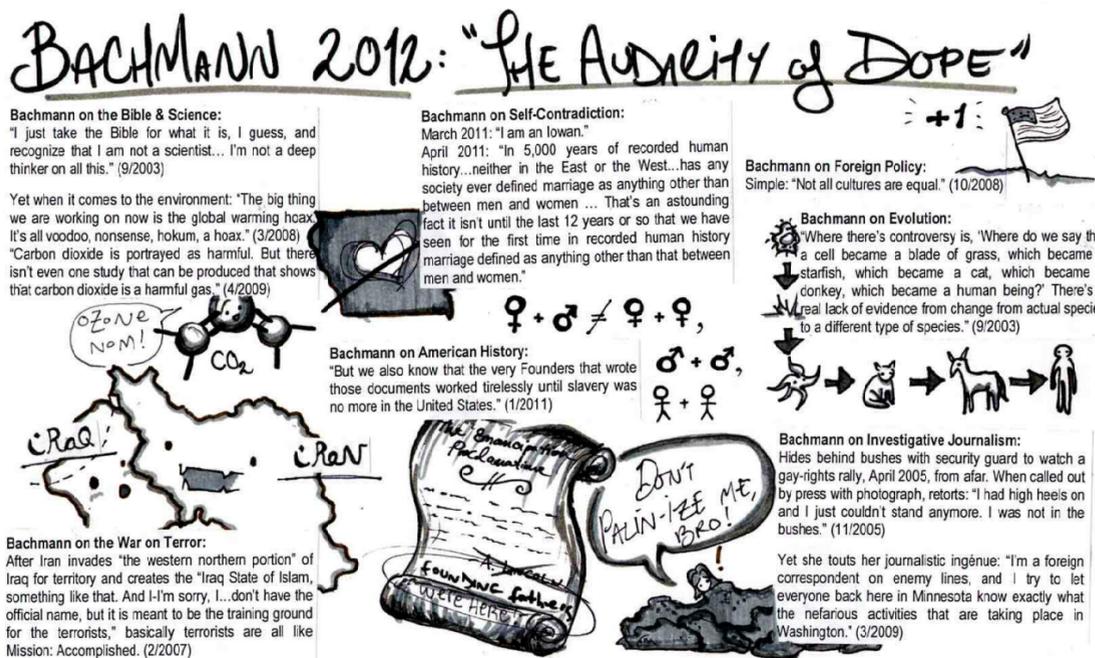
Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for Athletics

Director Gary Barta. Maybe it's part of his job to deflect any potential criticism, but once again on Wednesday, he appeared and sounded so very defensive that he distracted from the positive image they were all working so hard to create.

Barta's public persona may work on the fundraising side of the business and in negotiating television contacts and game schedules, but inspiring trust is just not part of his skill set. President Sally Mason, or yes, Margaret McCaffery herself would have been a better third party in this particular introduction.

Jack L. Mithelman
Des Moines

Editorial Cartoon



CARTOON BY KIRSTEN JACOBSEN

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Carvings
Rugs & Blankets
Moccasins
Leather
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Pipes
Beaded Clothing - All Types

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All Kinds, All Time Periods, All Types
We will pay up to the following for rare or collectible jewelry:

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| Silver Jewelry\$500 | Victorian.....\$10,000 | Rings\$15,000 |
| Brooches\$15,000 | Art Deco.....\$12,500 | Art Nouveau\$12,500 |
| Pendants\$7,500 | Enamelled.....\$2,500 | Crossover Rings\$10,000 |
| Necklaces\$25,000 | Cuff Links\$750 | Lavallieres\$7,500 |
| Cocktail Rings\$15,000 | Pins\$5,000 | Garnets Jewelry\$500 |
| Charm Bracelets\$5,000 | Gold Filled Jewelry (1920 & Older)\$200 | Bakelite Items.....\$300 |
| Earrings\$10,000 | Pearl Items\$5,000 | Filigree Rings\$15,000 |
| Bracelets\$12,500 | Geometric Design\$7,500 | Floral Design\$10,000 |
| Cameos\$500 | | |

"I need your jewelry items." —Dave Andrews*

Specialist in precious stones and antique jewelry. We just don't have room to list everything.

Bring what you have in for a FREE EVALUATION and a cash offer. GEMOLOGIST ON PREMISES.

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COSTUME JEWELRY



1960 & older

(Buying only finer quality items)

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| Compacts | Glass Beaded Purses | Glass Bead Necklaces |
| Mosaics Items | Purses (all kinds) (Pre-1950) | Mesh Purses |
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| | Crystals Items | Garnets Jewelry |
| | Tortoise Shell Items | Watches |
| | | Gold Items |
| | | Plastic Box Type Purses |

"I need to buy your jewelry for my retail store."

M. Durst* — Costume Jewelry Specialist

GOLD



ALL FORMS NEEDED

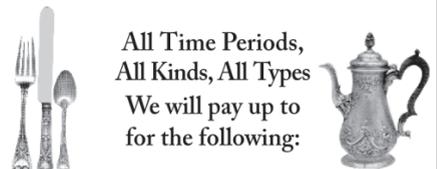
Instant Cash For:
Pay Up To for the following:

- Class Rings\$110
- Chains & Necklaces \$5,000
- Charm Bracelets\$4,000
- Wedding Bands\$100
- Mountings.....\$500
- Antique Items\$5,000
- Dental Gold Items\$200
- Coins & BullionBring for Quote
- Scrap Gold & PlatinumBring for Quote

Myron Kerr* - Gold Specialist

We Buy anything made of Gold or Platinum, Even Broken or Damaged!!

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All Time Periods, All Kinds, All Types
We will pay up to for the following:

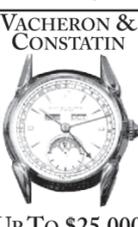
- Full Flatware Set\$8,000
- Single Flatware Items\$500
- Punch Bowls & Sets\$5,000
- Water Pitchers\$5,000
- Centerpieces\$3,000
- Tea Sets\$10,000
- Trays\$3,000
- Candelabra\$2,500
- Epergne\$7,500
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Up To \$70,000



Up To \$25,000



Up To \$50,000

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All kinds, all time periods, all types
Rare Watches Worth a Fortune in Cash!!

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| Regular Watches\$10,000 | A. Lange\$25,000 | Hamilton\$200 |
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| Repeating Watches\$60,000 | Ball\$3,500 | International\$1,200 |
| Musical Watches\$35,000 | Breitling\$1,500 | Jules Jurgenson\$15,000 |
| Chiming Watches\$100,000 | Cartier\$50,000 | LeCourtire\$5,000 |
| Moon Phase Watches\$60,000 | Columbus\$1,200 | Longtine\$12,000 |
| Stop Watches\$10,000 | Corum\$3,000 | Movado\$2,000 |
| Unusual Function.....\$35,000 | Ditshiem\$14,000 | Omega.....\$2,000 |
| Unusual Dial.....\$7,000 | Dudley\$11,000 | Patek Philippe\$70,000 |
| Unusual Shape.....\$10,000 | E. Howard & Co.\$11,500 | Rolex\$20,000 |
| World Time Watches\$35,000 | Elgin\$600 | Seth Thomas.....\$1,200 |
| Jump Hour Watches\$2,000 | Frodsham.....\$12,000 | Tiffany & Co.\$70,000 |
| Doctor's Watches.....\$1,500 | Gallet\$1,000 | Ulysse Nardin\$10,000 |
| Pocketwatches.....\$50,000 | Gruen\$1,000 | Vacheron & Constantin.....\$25,000 |
| Ladies Watches\$10,000 | Gubelin.....\$40,000 | All Others\$25,000 |

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3 LOCATIONS!!



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✓ Take a few moments to check off the items you may have that our buyers need . . . ✓

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- Silver Dollars (Pre-1935)
- Silver Coins (Pre-1964)
- Silver Bars
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- Foreign Gold Coins
- Gold Bullion Coins
- Proof Sets
- Mint Sets
- Paper Money (1860-1957)
- Coin Collections small or large
- Carson City Silver Dollars
- Indianhead Pennies
- Investment Coins from the 70's & 80's

- Silver & Gold Coins (all kinds)
- Wheat Pennies
- Buffalo Nickels
- All Older Coins (all kinds)
- Confederate Paper Money
- Certified Coins (see ad)
- Casino Chips (From Nevada) (1970's & older) Paying face value or more on chips \$25 & under. Also interested in \$50's and \$100 chips

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✓ JEWELRY:

- (All Time Periods)
- Wristwatches (see ad)
- Pocketwatches
- Silver Jewelry
- Antique Jewelry
- Investment Diamonds from the 70's & 80's
- Cameos (all kinds)

- Gold & Platinum (see ad)
- Diamonds
- Art Deco Jewelry
- Art Nouveau Items
- Charm Bracelets (silver & gold)
- Tiffany & Cartier Items
- Costume Jewelry (Pre-1960) (Buying only finer quality items)
- Beaded Necklaces Crystal & Glass (Pre-1960)
- Victorian Jewelry
- Class Rings (Gold)
- Gold Rings (all kinds)
- Rolex & Patek Philippe Watches
- Jewelry Boxes from Jewelry Stores
- Vintage Gold-filled Jewelry
- Garnet Jewelry
- Enamel Items on Gold & Silver
- Purses (Pre-1940) Beaded & Mesh, Plastic Box
- Dental Gold

- Bakelite Items
- Paintings on Porcelain
- Old Rosaries
- Music Boxes (pre-1940)
- Music Boxes Singing Birds (pre-1940)

✓ MISC:

- Plantation Workers Documentation & Memorabilia (Pre-1870)
- Toys & Banks (Metal) (Pre-1950)
- Cast Iron Banks & Toys
- Civil War Items
- Dolls (Pre-1930's)
- Historical Documents
- Famous Autographs (Pre-1960)
- Fountain Pens (1940 & older)
- Indian Rugs-Pottery-Beadwork-Leather Items (Pre-1940)
- Lamps - signed (Tiffany-Handel-Pairpoint)

- Stocks & Bonds (Pre-1940)
- Casino Chips (From Nevada)(1970's & older) Paying face value or more on chips \$25 & under. Also interested in \$50's and \$100 chips

✓ STERLING & SILVER:

- (All Kinds & Time Periods)
- Silver Jewelry
- Flatware Sets
- Single Flatware Items
- Tea Sets
- Antique Items (all kinds)



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WE ARE CONFIDENT OUR BUYERS WILL BEAT MOST LEGITIMATE OFFERS!

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Take your valuable items to other dealers before bringing them to us. Have them give you legitimate written offers. Then bring your items and your written offers to us. No one can guarantee to pay the highest prices all the time. But we believe the buyers we have chosen will beat most legitimate written offers.

Why Are We Telling You To Get Prices From Others?

Our buyers find it much easier to buy items of value from their customers after they have had previous offers. So it is in our own self interest to have you get written offers before coming to us. We also find that our customers are happier because they have the peace of mind of knowing they received a fair price.

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Our group of buyers will be here for only a few days. But in those few days, some of our buyers will buy more than many dealers buy in a year. Because of the volume of merchandise they handle, some of our buyers have developed world-wide markets and clients to liquidate their purchases at the best prices, which is one of the keys to why they can pay more than other dealers.

What Makes Us Different?

Most dealers who buy and sell items of value specialize in only a few areas. As a result, they are likely to make low offers for items in markets they are not familiar with.

For example, almost all jewelers specialize in new items. They do not often deal with old or used watches, which means they are unfamiliar with the true markets for such items. So if you have a used watch to sell, chances are a jeweler will make an offer on the low side because he does not want to make a mistake and pay too much.

The same thing applies to almost all items of value, such as lady items, art, jewelry, etc., that you bring to normal dealers.

Carter, Prescott, Tira & Assoc. and Estate Buyer by MJD is different. Our volume buying has allowed us to bring together a large group of knowledgeable buyers who are comfortable paying prices we believe beat legitimate written offers from other dealers.

"UP TO" PRICES

IMPORTANT: All prices are based on rarity & condition. If an item is in poor condition, its value will be low. If an item is very rare, and in superb condition, it might be worth more than the "up to" prices listed. For example, a 1919 10c could be worth \$1,400 in very high-quality condition or less than \$1 in poor condition. In most cases, the "up to" prices listed in this advertisement are for items of exceptional rarity and quality. Chances are, you will not have those items. But we are willing to take the time to look at your items, just in case free of charge and give you our opinion.

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\$1 Silver Certificates (pre-1957).....	Up To	\$3
\$2 Bills (1976) in Brand New Condition	Up To	\$2.50
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\$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, & \$100 Bills (pre-1966) in Brand New Condition	Up To	\$300
\$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, & \$100 (pre-1966) in Brand New Original Packs (100 Notes per pack)	Up To	\$30,000
Confederate	Up To	\$500
Foreign	Up To	\$500
U.S. Paper Money Small Size Bills	Up To	\$500
U.S. Large Size Bills.....	Up To	\$2,500
Obsolete Paper Money and Stocks & Bonds	Up To	\$250
Fractional Currency	Up To	\$100
Currency with Bank Names	Up To	\$500
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\$5,000 and \$10,000 Bills	Up To	\$20,000



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Pay up to for the following rare coins:

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U.S. Nickels 1938 and Older.....	Up To	\$500
U.S. Three Cent Pieces 1889 and Older	Up To	\$500
U.S. Two Cent 1873 and Older.....	Up To	\$500
U.S. Indianhead 1c 1909 and Older	Up To	\$500
U.S. Large Cent 1857 and Older	Up To	\$1,000
U.S. Half Cent 1857 and Older	Up To	\$1,000
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Lincoln Cents	Up To	\$5,000	Walking Liberty 50c	Up To	\$12,500
Buffalo Nickels	Up To	\$12,500	Morgan Dollars.....	Up To	\$50,000
Barber Dimes	Up To	\$10,000	Peace Dollars.....	Up To	\$10,000
Mercury Dimes	Up To	\$10,000	50 pc. Commemorative Silver	Up To	\$25,000

We also purchase partial sets.

HOW DOES IT WORK WHEN YOU COME IN?

When you come in to the hotel lobby, one of our receptionists will help you check in and ask you what kind of items you brought for our buyers to evaluate. If you need assistance bringing in items from your car, our receptionist will then call a staff member to help you. After you have checked in, one of our staff ushers will show you to a private, secure viewing room where one or more of our expert buyers will sit down with you to quickly and properly evaluate your valuables and give you a CASH OFFER. Of course, you are NOT obligated to sell. We are here to help you, not pressure you. We are professionals who want to buy your valuables. But we also want to create relationships with new, valued customers.

WHAT OUR CUSTOMERS SAY

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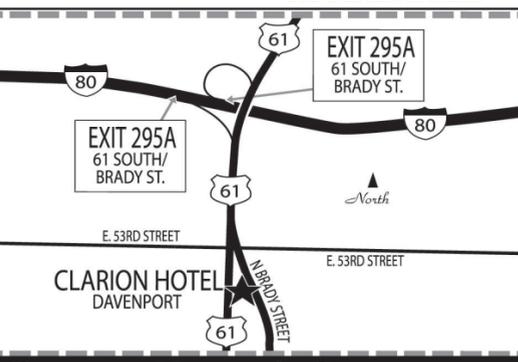
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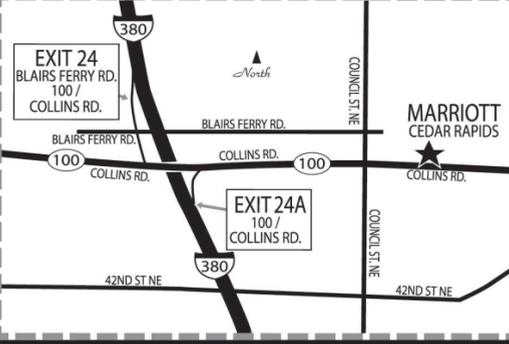
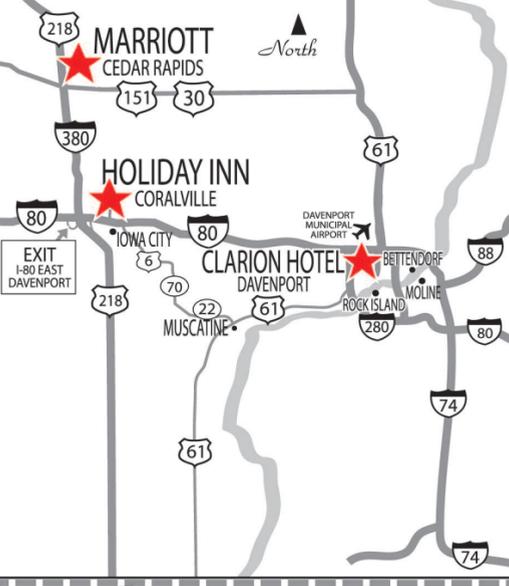
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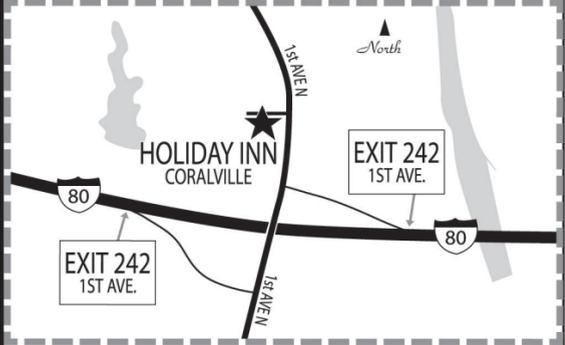


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Ethanol bill passes, draws Iowa ire

On Thursday, Iowa's Republican and Democratic lawmakers found a common enemy — the Coburn-Feinstein amendment. The amendment, although rejected by the Senate just two days previously, passed on a 73-23 vote. If enacted, the amendment will eliminate the 45-cent-per-gallon subsidy for blending ethanol with gasoline and the 54-cent-per-gallon tariff on imported ethanol.



Rep. Bruce Braley
D-Iowa

'I'm very disappointed that the Senate took this action today. Thousands of good-paying Iowa jobs depend on ethanol, and this industry is crucial to our state's economy.'



Rep. Dave Loebsack
D-Iowa

'Today's Senate vote was nothing but a victory for those who want higher gas prices, greater dependence on foreign oil, and further job loss in an already struggling economy. I oppose the Senate's action for exactly those reasons.'



Sen. Tom Harkin
D-Iowa

'This assault on America's ethanol industry is both misguided and undeserved. ... [H]ere we are debating amendments that clearly tell the industry, 'You aren't important, you don't matter, you don't have America's support.'



Sen. Charles Grassley
R-Iowa

'These amendments won't lower the price of gasoline at the pump. These amendments won't lessen our dependence on foreign oil. They won't create a single job. They'll do exactly the opposite.'



Tom Vilsack
Agriculture Secretary

'We need reforms and a smarter biofuels program, but simply cutting off support for the industry isn't the right approach.'



Sen. Tom Coburn
R-Okla.

'This amendment saves taxpayers \$3 billion. In light of today's lopsided vote, I urge my colleagues in the House to eliminate this wasteful earmark and tariff at their earliest opportunity.'



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'Ethanol is the only industry I know of that receives a triple crown of government support: Its use is mandated by law, it enjoys protective tariffs, and oil companies receive federal subsidies to use it.'

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Most levees hold on Missouri River

By GRANT SCHULTE AND JOSH FUNK
Associated Press

HAMBURG, Iowa — The surge of water released from dams holding back the rain-swollen upper Missouri River reached deeper into Nebraska and Iowa on Thursday, headed swiftly toward Missouri and a soggy summer.

Almost all the levees along the way have held. There have been no significant injuries or deaths. Now comes the weeks of fretting and worry over whether levees in several states will continue to hold until the river starts to drop sometime this fall.

"The ongoing threat will be to the levees, which were designed to hold back water for a short period of time," said Derek Hill, the administrator of Iowa's Homeland Security agency. "We don't know how they will perform if the water level remains high for several months."

Water from one levee breach, five miles south of the small town of Hamburg, Iowa, reached the partially evacuated community late Wednesday. There were no immediate problems with Hamburg's new 8-foot-tall backup levee, which officials

scrambled to build during the past two weeks and where a large amount of water is expected to collect by today.

Upriver in South Sioux City, Neb., officials scrambled earlier this month to build a 7,000-foot-long levee to protect the city's Northwest Side. City Administrator Lance Hedquist said that levee is holding, and the floodwater hasn't even reached it yet in some places.

"Everything looks very good," Hedquist said. "Both levees are strong, healthy. I think our community is safe and well protected."

Approximately six miles away, in Dakota Dunes, S.D., a levee partially collapsed Thursday. The damaged section of the south levee was repaired and steps are being taken to prevent further erosion. But Gov. Dennis Daugaard said the partial collapse shows the potential for levee failure is a real danger.

Flooding along the Missouri River has already caused significant damage in Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota over the past month, but no significant injuries or deaths.

The river has been rising for weeks as the Army Corps of Engineers releases

increasing amounts of water from its upstream dams to make room in reservoirs for heavy spring rain and late snowmelt. Releases at Gavins Point Dam in South Dakota hit the maximum planned amount of 150,000 cubic feet of water per second Tuesday, and the Corps doesn't plan to reduce the amount it's releasing from its dams until August at the earliest.

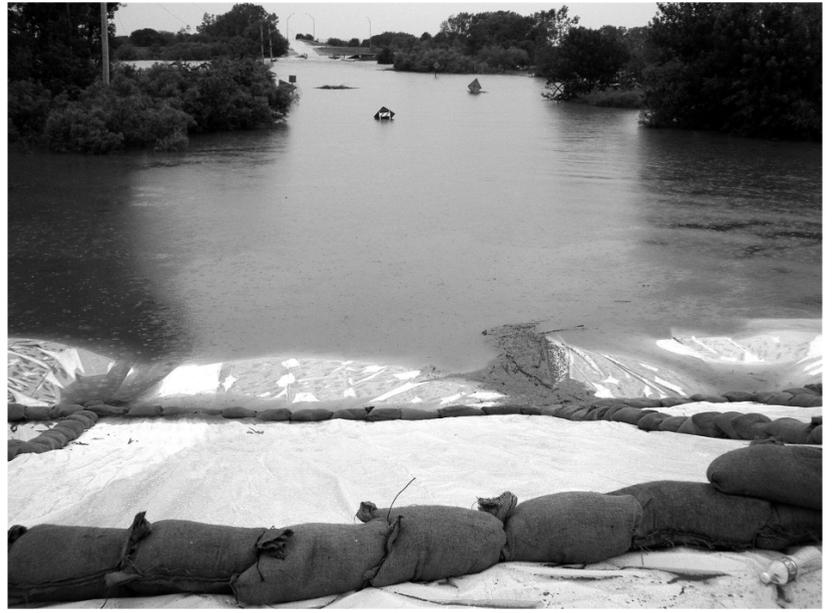
National Weather Service hydrologist Dave Pearson said the river levels are expected to remain high, and any significant rainfall could push the river higher.

"Any rain we get below Gavins Point is unregulated and flows right into the river," Pearson said.

That's why officials still predict the river downstream of the six dams could still swell to levels 5 to 7 feet above flood stage at most places in Nebraska and Iowa and rise as much as 10 feet above flood stage at some places in Missouri.

In Nebraska and Iowa, the river remained about 1 foot below those levels on Thursday.

Col. Bob Ruch, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers district commander in Omaha, said there are no plans to deliberately breach a levee along the



ROBERT RAY/ASSOCIATED PRESS

Missouri River floodwaters on Thursday finally reach a man-made second levee protecting the small town of Hamburg, Iowa. The river has been rising for weeks as the Army Corps of Engineers releases increasing amounts of water from its upstream dams to clear out heavy spring rain and snowmelt.

Missouri as the Corps did during flooding earlier this year along the Mississippi River.

Among the reasons, he said, is there is no place behind Missouri River levees for the water to go.

"Omaha and Council Bluffs, you can literally see water from bluff to bluff,"

Ruch said. "The space is just not available, and there is no plan to do so."

In Omaha, officials announced Thursday an evacuation plan for the unlikely possibility of widespread flooding in Nebraska's biggest city. Officials said roughly 2,700 Omaha residents would have to

evacuate in that worse-case scenario.

Assistant Omaha Fire Chief Dan Stolinski said such an evacuation order would only be issued in the event of massive levee breach.

Associated Press writers Timberly Ross, Dirk Lammers, and Chet Brokaw contributed to this report.

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Some of the best Iowa tweets from this week:

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 Iowa City city manager wants to change the assistant city manager position to "assistant to the city manager." Can I do a Dwight Schrute joke?

Corey Thompson
Underemployed meteorologist
 The baroclinicity between these two neighboring bank clocks is huge: 89 vs. 84. Surprised massive storms aren't forming in the 400-ft. distance

Seth Roberts
Daily Iowan sports editor
 Dear Vancouver: It's hockey. No one cares.

Brendan Stiles
Editor at HawkeyeDrive.com
 That's a pretty favorable Big Ten schedule for Iowa next season, IMHO.

Janelle Rettig
Johnson County supervisor
 National Guard wants its own helipad in city limits 5 minutes from IC Airport for VIPs to use 6 times a year What a waste of taxpayers \$.

Revival
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U.S. Sen. Charles Grassley
R-Iowa
 I will b soon speaking on Senate floor abt waste and fraud in the Dept of Defense.

Sean Thompson
PR coordinator at UI College of Medicine
 I can't wait to get home and get out of these pants ... don't get excited, they just don't fit well!

Shay O'Reilly
Daily Iowan Opinions editor
 Weiner resigned; the press can now pat themselves on the back over how "adversarial" they are & go back to licking Obama's expensive shoes.

Emily Schettler
Journalist at the Press-Citizen
 Watching #DeathlyHallows Part I ... I know how it ends, but it is still totally stressing me out!

Tyler Keeling
Future UI dropout
 I got my first Daily Iowan in the mail. Startin' to feel like a Hawkeye. #IC #hawkeyes

Dr. Daily
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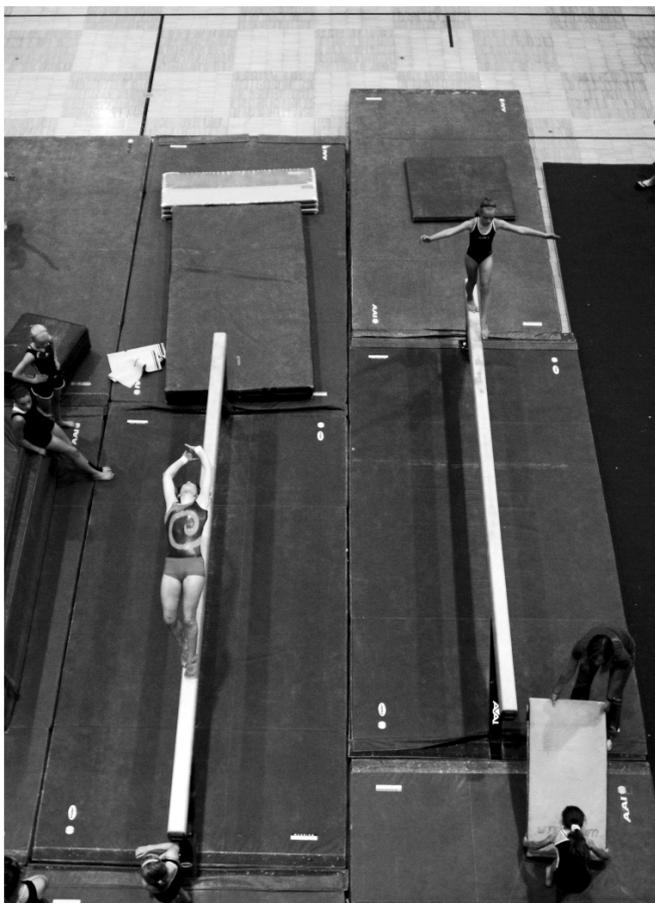
Bryan Bulaga
NFL football player
 Work out, then ring ceremony later. Sounds like a good day to me.

Iowa assistant track coach Joey Woody leads training at the Iowa Track and Field Summer Camp at the Cretzmeyer Track on Wednesday.



BEN WEST/THE DAILY IOWAN

Craig and Kyle Harris enjoy their lunch at Wetherby Park on Monday. The summer lunch program provides kids with nutritious meals.



RICKY BAHNER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Young gymnasts practice on balance beams during the Iowa Gymnastics Camp on Thursday in the Field House. Approximately 78 young gymnasts participated in the camp.



ANTHONY BAUER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Windows on the outside of the new Plaza on Fifth development in Coralville reflect the sky on Wednesday.



ANTHONY BAUER/THE DAILY IOWAN

Fish swim in a tank at Coralville Bay on Thursday.



Latvia on his mind

Melsahn Basabe will begin his quest for a spot on Team USA today in Colorado

By **SETH ROBERTS**
seth-roberts@uiowa.edu

Melsahn Basabe's plane ride from Iowa to Colorado this morning will take about an hour and a half.



Melsahn Basabe

If all goes well, he could be taking a 10-hour flight next week.

Basabe's tryout for the USA Basketball U19 World Championship team begins today in Colorado Springs, Colo. If the Iowa forward makes the final roster on June 24, he'll represent the country at the 2011 FIBA U19 World Championship in Latvia from June 30 through July 10.

"I'm pretty excited," Basabe said. "I've been working hard — training, drills, weights, getting up early. I've been putting all this time in, so now we'll see if it pays off."

Basabe and 20 other young players from around the country will attend the tryout, held at the U.S. Olympic Training Center. The group will compete for 12 spots on head coach Paul Hewitt's roster, and the Hawkeye said just being invited to the training camp is an honor.

"Just a year ago, I wasn't ranked [and] I wasn't even the most sought-after person on my high-school team," the sophomore-to-be said. "Over the course of one year, [I think] I've proven myself. Of course, my job's not done — but to get the respect and people giving me credit really means something to me."

Roster finalists will be

announced on June 19, and a final cut will be made just before the team flies to Europe. A release from USA Basketball didn't specify how many of the original 21 players will make it past the first cut.

The FIBA World Championship is structured as a pool-play tournament, and Team USA will play fellow Group D nations Egypt, Serbia, and China in the first round. The top-three teams in each group will be sorted into two more pools with six members each and will play the three new countries. The top-four teams from each second-round group will advance to the quarterfinals.

The tournament finals will be held on July 10.

As daunting as the entire process may sound, though, Iowa point guard Bryce Cartwright said Basabe has appeared to be unfazed.

"He hasn't seemed nervous at all," Cartwright said. "He's a pretty confident dude, and with reason — he's been putting the work in. We usually work out around the same time, [and] it seems like he's taking it to heart."

Cartwright also said he thinks the young forward, who averaged 11 points and a team-best 6.8 rebounds per game for the Hawkeyes last year, has a "high chance" of making the final roster.

Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery agreed, particularly because of the amount of training Basabe has done during the off-season.

"He's focused and [has been] really working diligently," he said. "He's in phenomenal shape. He has really worked on his overall

SEE BASKETBALL 2B

Big Ten, CBS renew basketball agreement

The Big Ten has agreed to a multiyear agreement with CBS Sports that will extend the network's broadcast rights to the league's basketball games through the 2016-17 season, according to a release.

The agreement begins with the 2011-12 season, when the network will broadcast at least 24 games featuring Big Ten men's teams. CBS will still air the Big Ten Men's Basketball Tournament semifinals and championship.

League Commissioner Jim Delany said he is looking forward to continuing the conference's relationship with CBS, which also covers the Big East, Pac-10, and SEC.

"The Big Ten conference is happy to announce an extension to our CBS Sports agreement," Delany said in the release. "CBS has been a great partner and has provided outstanding exposure to the Big Ten since 1991, giving our coaches and student-athletes opportunities to compete on a national stage."

The sentiment was echoed by Mike Aresco, CBS Sports' executive vice president of programming.

"We are delighted to extend our Big Ten basketball agreement, which has been a cornerstone of our regular-season NCAA basketball coverage," he said. "We have an outstanding and long-standing relationship with the Big Ten and Commissioner Jim Delany and look forward to many more seasons of broadcasting the rivalries, pageantry, and high-quality competition of the Big Ten."

Financial terms of the agreement were not announced.
— by Seth Roberts

Praska shines

Recently graduated Hawkeye Bethany Praska broke the Iowa record in the women's outdoor 800-meter run on Wednesday, according to a release.

Praska, who held the official Iowa record of 2:05.46, ran the two-lap race in 2:03.78 at a meet in Indianapolis.

The Longmont, Colo., native was an outdoor Big Ten champion in two events in 2011. She won gold in the 800 meters and as the opening leg of the 4x1,600-meter relay team that advanced to the NCAA championships. The 22-year-old earned an honorable mention All-American nod after the meet.

Wednesday's result gives Praska an automatic spot in the USA Track and Field Championships in Eugene, Ore., next week. The meet will be held from June 23-26, and three days will be televised.

ESPN2 will broadcast from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. CDT June 24. The broadcast events on June 25 and June 26 will be split into two segments: Universal will air the meet from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., and NBC will broadcast from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

— by Seth Roberts



Bethany Praska



UI junior Joe Zebrowski and father Ray Zebrowski run on the Cretzmeyer Track on Thursday in preparation for a triathlon on Saturday. The triathlon is a 5K run, a 3K bike, and a 600-yard swim.

A father and son from Iowa City will compete in the Quad Cities Triathlon Saturday.

By **KYLE HUGHES**
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Swimming 600 yards, biking 15 miles, and then running more than three miles isn't what most fathers do to spend time with their sons.

But for Ray Zebrowski and son Joe Zebrowski, it has become a favorite activity.

On Saturday, the two will compete in their fourth triathlon together when they race in the 12th-annual Quad Cities Triathlon.

Ray and Joe Zebrowski, who will be a junior at Iowa this fall, have always used sports

and fitness as a way to spend time together. The elder Zebrowski said that after he first competed in a triathlon four years ago, he knew it was something he wanted to get his son into.

"My brother-in-law mentioned that he had done a triathlon, and for some reason, that just stuck with me," he said. "I did one by myself, and then I persuaded Joe to give it a try with me."

The younger Zebrowski said he was excited about accepting the challenge and happy to have a training partner in his father.

"It makes it a lot easier when you have somebody else doing it with you," the 20-year-old said. "Sometimes, if I don't feel like working out, but he's pushing me to do it, I'll be able to get my workout done."

Ray Zebrowski says his son's training has paid off.

"[Joe is] way faster than me," he said. "I think I might have been a little faster than him for the first one, but after that, no. He's better in the swim, the run, and the bike."

Joe Zebrowski has improved in each race, lowering his time

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Gymnastics camp combines work, fun

Aspiring gymnasts come to the University of Iowa to learn from college coaches and develop their skills.

By **CONRAD SWANSON**
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Parents watched and waited patiently as their daughters worked in the gymnastics room of the Field House on Thursday morning, the final day of Iowa's women's gymnastics camp.

The room resonated with sound as girls landed on mats with dull thuds, trampoline springs creaked, coaches shouted directions, and high-speed fans blasted to keep the room cool. Wires ran from the floor to the uneven and parallel bars to keep them stable during exercises and protruded into the walking area.

Seventy-eight girls attended the camp, coming from a variety of places, although Iowa women's gymnastics head coach Larissa Libby said many are local. Those without residences in town stayed in Hillcrest.

Many parents said they originally heard about the camp through word of mouth or the Internet, and many are returning campers from past sessions. The campers ranged in age from 9 to incoming college freshmen, which meant there were many different levels of ability.

"You don't have to be an Olympian," Libby said. "This [camp] is great for determination and disci-



A young gymnast practices her technique on the uneven parallel bars on Thursday in the Field House.

RICKY BAHNER/THE DAILY IOWAN

'You don't have to be an Olympian. This [camp] is great ... for everyone.'

-Larissa Libby, Iowa women's gymnastics coach

pline. There's something for everyone."

Jerry Emmert came to the Field House to watch his 12-year-old granddaughter, Emily, in action. Emily went to the camp last year and stayed with her grandparents in Iowa City.

Emmert said having his granddaughter stay with them instead of in the dormitory was a good way to keep costs down,

and it allowed them to recap each night when she came back from the gym. Emmert said he believes that overall, the camp is a good experience.

"We came down both years, and the camp seems well-organized," he said.

Emily's mother was a gymnast in high school, and Emmert said he thinks his daughter may have continued her gymnastics career if a camp such as Iowa's had been available years ago.

Libby, who has been the head of the camp for around 11 years, said it provides a different experience from coaching at

the college level.

"It's nice to remind yourself of your grass-roots," she said. "It's a good reminder of skills you were taught."

The camp isn't all serious competition. Libby noted that the girls played games of dodge ball and romped on a slip-and-slide to keep things interesting.

Linas Gaveika, an Iowa assistant coach, also plays a large part in the camp. A former Iowa gymnast himself, Gaveika said developing the campers' abilities as gymnasts is an important way to keep girls involved

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skill set. He was a rebounder, shot-blocker, and low-post scorer last year, but he has been working on his perimeter game and putting it on the floor a little bit more.

"He's really looking good in those areas."

Basabe will have to continue to play well to stand out from the rest of the group, which includes several Big Ten players and six individuals with prior Team USA experience. The Glen Cove, N.Y., native said he's confident he's going to be on the flight to Latvia on June 24, though.

"I'm going into it saying I'm going to make the team," he said. "I played in a top conference, [and] I played against some of the people who are trying out for the team — I've seen them play, and I'm familiar with their games. It's a select group, but I'm going in there with the attitude that I can compete with anybody and I should make this team."



FILE PHOTO/THE DAILY IOWAN
Iowa freshman Melsahn Basabe shoots a free throw during the Hawkeyes' exhibition game against Illinois-Springfield on Nov. 7, 2010. Basabe will try out for Team USA, beginning today in Colorado.



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Camp coach Amy Blackburn (right) instructs a camper on the balance beam on Thursday in the Field House. Blackburn was a staff member of the camp from Illinois.

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in the sport, but agreed a healthy mix of work and play is essential to keep them interested.

"A good combination of

gymnastics and fun is important," he said.

Libby said she has both immediate and long-term goals in mind for the cultivation of the young gymnasts' abilities and how she runs her camp.

"First and foremost, it's got to be fun," she said.

"We do educate as well. We want them to learn about the culture of their sport ... We want it to be a great experience. We want them to come back into Iowa gymnastics and to be a part of the community."

Hot BoSox tip Rays

By FRED GOODALL
Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — The Boston Red Sox concluded their most successful road trip in 34 years with another win.

Adrian Gonzalez homered, and David Ortiz, Darnell McDonald, and Dustin Pedroia drove in runs to back right-hander Clay Buchholz and lead the AL East leaders to a 4-2 victory over the Tampa Bay Rays on Thursday night.

The win was the 11th in 12 games for a team that left home in second place on June 6 and returns Friday with a 1 1/2-game lead over New York in the division.

"I don't get caught up in that. It just doesn't make sense. But it was a good road trip," manager Terry Francona said after going 8-1 — Boston's best mark on a trip of at least nine games since 1977.

In addition to maintaining their edge over the Yankees, the Red Sox dropped the third-place Rays 5 1/2 off the pace by rebounding from losing the opener of the three-game series to win the final two.

"We feel like we are playing better baseball," Francona said. "I think that's really what we need to stay focused on."

The Red Sox outscored opponents 90-42 on the trip. They also got some quality pitching performances, including the first one-hitter of Josh Beckett's career against Tampa Bay on Wednesday.

Buchholz (6-3) allowed one run and two hits in five innings, limiting the Rays to Sam Fuld's second-inning RBI double and B.J. Upton's fourth-inning single before leaving the game because of lower-back tightness.

Tampa Bay trimmed a 3-1 deficit to one run on Casey Kotchman's solo homer off Alfredo Aceves in the sixth, but Gonzalez's solo shot off Kyle Farnsworth restored a two-run lead in the ninth.

Boston reliever Daniel Bard retired all four batters he faced, and closer Jonathan Papelbon worked through a ninth-inning jam to earn his 13th save in 14 opportunities.

Buchholz said his injury got progressively worse after the second inning.

"It's a nagging back that's been the same since last year," the right-hander said. "I feel like I was in a better position tonight to come out a little early and not put any more stress on my body

than I had to. The way we're playing right now, nobody wants to go on the [disabled list]. That was my first thought, I've got to get through five innings."

Ortiz drew a bases-loaded walk in the first after Ray starter David Price (7-6) drew a warning from home-plate umpire Gary Darling for hitting Kevin Youkilis with a pitch in the left arm to fill the bases. Both benches were warned, and Price settled down to strike out Jed Lowrie and get Carl Crawford to ground out.

McDonald singled and Pedroia doubled to drive in runs to make it 3-0 in the second. Ortiz drew a two-out walk to load the bases against Price again, but Boston missed out on an opportunity to do more damage when Marco Scutaro popped out to end the inning.

Price walked a season-high five while allowing three runs and five hits in five innings. The 25-year-old left-hander struck out five.

"He's not going to be perfect every time out there. ... He didn't have his best stuff, but he gave us a chance," Ray manager Joe Maddon said. "We've just got to score more runs."



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UI junior Joe Zebrowski and father Ray Zebrowski train on bicycles on Thursday for a triathlon on Saturday.

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to a personal-best of 1:35 in his last triathlon. He said he hopes the trend will continue on Saturday.

"I don't base how I'm doing off how other people do [in the race]," he said. "I just try to push myself. It's pretty rewarding when you get to the end and get a personal record or best time."

Being able to complete a triathlon is no easy task. The Zebrowskis started training for Saturday's race this winter by swimming and running indoors while they waited for the snow to melt and the temperature to rise. Around six weeks ago, they started doing what they called

"bricks" — training sessions that combine either a swim and a bike ride with a run so they are prepared for the transitions in the race.

"In the winter, we're thinking about what's going to happen in the summer, but once that last six weeks comes down, it's very real," Ray Zebrowski said. "It's coming, and we've got to be ready for it — or else."

Many people would be proud to complete a triathlon, but being able to compete in the races together has made the accomplishment even more rewarding for the Zebrowskis.

"I think it's awesome," said Joe's mother, Tricia Zebrowski, a UI professor of communication sciences and disorders.

"They have this great relationship and spend a lot of time together. They talk about [the triathlon], and they motivate each other."

Competing in triathlons has been very special to the father and son, who say the part they enjoy most isn't crossing the finish line. It's the time they spend together during the months of vigorous training.

"The race is only like an hour and a half," Joe Zebrowski said. "But we put in several hundred hours of training together."

Big Ten releases hoops matchups

The Big Ten announced its conference matchups for both the men's and women's 2011-12 basketball seasons on Thursday.

The Iowa men will play an 18-game conference schedule and face Ohio State, Michigan, Illinois, and Michigan State once each during the season. The Hawkeyes will host the Buckeyes and Wolverines and travel to play the Illini and Spartans.

The Black and Gold will face the other seven league teams twice, both at home and on the road, and will play 13 nonconference games for a 31-game regular season.

Iowa's women will play 16 conference games, with five two-game series and six single games. Bluder's Bunch will host Illinois, Michigan State, and Minnesota and will travel to Indiana, Ohio State, and Penn State. The other five league opponents will both host Iowa and visit Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Game dates, times, and broadcast information will be announced at a later date, according to a release.

— by Seth Roberts

Balk lets Braves win

ATLANTA — Braves' manager Fredi Gonzalez didn't see the balk that gave Atlanta its latest extra-innings win.

Everyone else did.

With a runner on third and two outs in the 10th inning, Met reliever D.J. Carrasco stopped and then restarted his motion with Jason Heyward at the plate, bringing home the winning run to give the Atlanta Braves a 9-8 win Thursday night.

"The next thing I know, Heyward's hands are in the air without a bat," Gonzalez said. "I said, 'What's going on?'"

Heyward said he recognized the balk immediately.

"[Carrasco] went to set, and then he tried to go back and get another sign ... without stepping off," Heyward said.

Even Carrasco couldn't argue the call by plate umpire James Hoye, which scored Diory Hernandez from third.

"Yeah, as soon as he said it, it made sense," Carrasco said. "It's kind of like surreal."

Hernandez doubled with two outs in the 10th and took third after first baseman Lucas Duda mishandled Jordan Schafer's grounder. Hernandez scored the winning run on the balk as Gonzalez watched from the dugout.

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Overheard at Iowa:

- Guy 1: "I've never read the Bible."
- Guy 2: "Just a spoiler: Jesus dies, and he's the son of God."
- Guy 1: "I know; I saw the movie."
- Wait, when did they make a novelization out of that? (Overheard by Trisha Spence)
- "I don't care how Facebook official our open relationship is, I am NOT buying you ice cream."
- You gotta draw the line somewhere. (Overheard by Anonymous)

- Guy: "I read *GQ* on a regular basis."
- Girl: "Really? How often?"
- Guy: "..."
- Girl: "...?"
- Guy: "Quarterly."
- Those quarterlies will nickel-and-dime you. (Overheard by Andrew R. Juhl)

- "So it was a conflict between me being a person who doesn't bite people and me being a man of my word. So I bit you."
- When honor is concerned, sometimes you just have bite someone. (Overheard by Andrew R. Juhl)

- Girlfriend: "I want a baby."
- Boyfriend: "So take one. Manifest Destiny [...] It's the American way."
- The Founding Fathers, was there anything they couldn't — or didn't — do? (Overheard by Andrew R. Juhl)

- "I totally blacked out. I remember [going to the bathroom] and was like, 'Whoa ... I ate Pancho's last night!'" [pause] Oh, and guess what? I got the RA job."
- In all fairness, to be a good RA, you need to have experience. (Overheard by Nora Heaton)

— Andrew R. Juhl thanks the above contributors who originally posted on the "Overheard at Iowa" Facebook group.

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CELEBRATING RESTAURANTS



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A group eats lunch downtown on Thursday in Saloon's outdoor seating section during Iowa City's first Restaurant Week. The Restaurant Week goes from Monday to Saturday. Several local restaurants offered specials for the celebration.



horoscopes Friday, June 17, 2011

— by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 You'll have plenty of good ideas that will attract attention and assistance. Your success will be dependent on not allowing personal or emotional issues to cloud your vision or distract you from finishing what you start.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Letting others know where you stand and what you are trying to achieve will allow you greater freedom to move ahead. You can add to your resources and the number of people upon whom you can rely to get ahead.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Choose the best people with whom to surround yourself in order to reach your goals. Love is in the stars, but not everyone who interests you will have honorable intentions. A money-making deal may need a little strong arming to get what you want.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 Don't let someone's negative response or actions get you down. Look on the bright side of any situation you face. Be open to suggestions, and recognize what you are capable of doing on your own.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Participating in a cause you believe in will lead to all sorts of romantic possibilities if you are single. If you are involved with someone, invite her or him along, and it will enhance your relationship. You'll be enticed by an offer.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Don't worry too much about what everyone around you is doing. Organization and preparation will help you get started and will enable you to finish whatever you pursue on time and with distinction.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Take time out for something that will boost your confidence. Do your research, and make sure that you pick the best products, procedures, or courses to suit your needs. Visiting a friend, lover, or relative will renew your respect and admiration for one another.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Home-improvement projects will pay off. Do as much work as possible yourself. A partnership will be reinforced if you help one another achieve the lifestyle you both want. Sharing and caring will be in your best interest.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Focus more on partnerships. Making changes to your environment by setting up an area at home that is conducive to handling a hobby or enterprise will lead to profits. Don't let anyone pressure you into any decisions.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Take a walk down memory lane. It's time to pick up where you left off with someone who has enriched your life. Make home improvements that not only will add to your comfort but will ease your stress as well.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Pay more attention to your looks, your home, and your friendships. Surround yourself with people and things that make you feel comfortable. Sharing your ideas with people who can offer suggestions and support will encourage you to get started.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 Participating in events that will bring you in touch with people you have worked with or been friends with in the past will help you get back on track. An incident with someone who has made you question her or his motives should be readdressed.

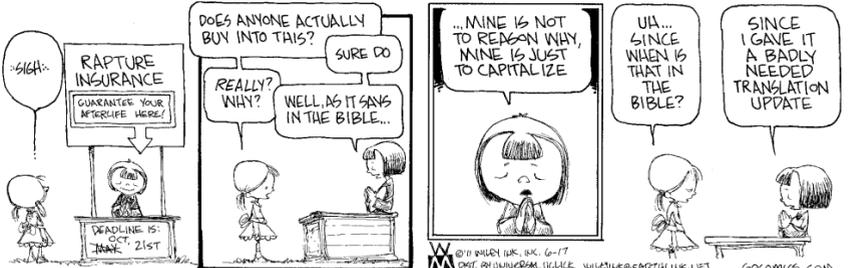
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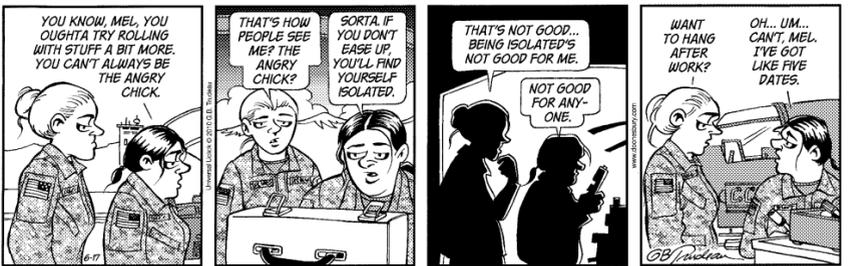
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today's events

- **59th-annual Iowa Summer Music Camp**, 8 a.m., UI School of Music
- **Biochemistry Special Seminar**, "Protein Kinase D1: A New Player in Plasticity," Eva Ladow, 9 a.m., 2117 Medical Education & Research Facility
- **Tot Time**, 9 a.m., Scanlon Gymnasium, 2701 Bradford
- **Summer Playgrounds**, 9:30 a.m., Creekside Park
- **Summer Playgrounds**, 9:30 a.m., Fairmeadows Park
- **Summer Playground**, 9:30 a.m., Willow Creek Park
- **English Conversation Group**, 10 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Iowa City Glass**, 10 a.m., Johnson County Historical Society, 860 Quarry Road, Coralville
- **Kids Knitting Fridays**, 10 a.m., Home Ec Workshop, 207 N. Linn
- **Book Babies**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Stories in the Park**, 10:30 a.m., Mercer Park, 2701 Bradford Drive
- **Iowa Summer Writing Festival Eleventh Hour**, Faculty Reading, 11 a.m., 101 Biology Building East
- **Riverside Theatre Shakespeare Festival**, *Ah, Wilderness!* Green Show Preview, 12:10 p.m., Pedestrian Mall
- **Summer Playgrounds**, 1

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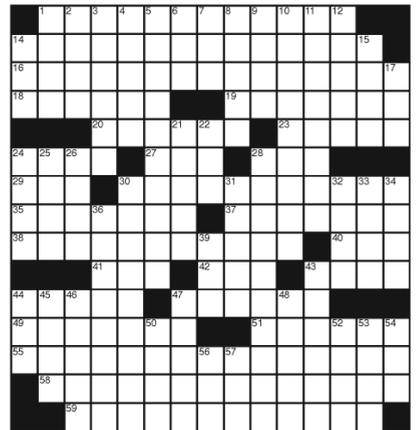
- p.m., Wetherby Park
- **Teen Tech Zone**, 1 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **Hello Ramona**, with Final Alibi, 2:30 p.m., Gabe's, 330 E. Washington
- **Jazz After Five**, 5 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Friday Night Concert Series**, **FUNKMASTER** ft. Katharine Ruestow and Big Funk Guarantee, 6:30 p.m., Pedestrian Mall fountain
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Christine Sneed, fiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Iowa Summer Music Camp Concert**, 7 p.m., IMU Main Ballroom
- **West Side Story**, City Circle Acting Company, 7:30 p.m., Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington
- **Riverside Theatre Shakespeare Festival**, *Ah, Wilderness!*, 8 p.m., Riverside Festival Stage, Lower City Park
- **Orgasm Inc.**, 8 p.m., Bijou
- **Joe Jack Talcum (Dead Milkmen)**, with the Basturd, Coolzey, and Samuel Locke-Ward, 8 p.m., Blue Moose, 211 Iowa
- **Amanda Miller & the Super Secrets**, with Ben Soltau and Funkma\$ter, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- **David Zollo & the Body Electric**, 9 p.m., Mill
- **Ronnie Nyles**, 10 p.m., Piano Lounge, 347 S. Gilbert

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Note: Every length of answer from 3 to 15 letters — except one — appears in this puzzle. Some people might have a 1-Across about that.

- Across**
- [See blurb]
 - Deal-making occasion, maybe
 - Betty Crocker or Hungry Jack product
 - Mechanically
 - "Impossible"
 - Cancel
 - Bean, for one
 - Ruhr rodent
 - Like Bruckner's Symphony No. 7
 - Day associated with an unlucky number: Abbr.
 - Certain ring-bearer: Abbr.
 - Hard to nail down
 - Takes the bite out of?
 - Germany vis-à-vis France, e.g.
 - Open formally
 - End of many a fuel source name
 - Compose
 - Mortar carrier
 - Poker
 - "Are you calling me...?"
 - Island whose name means, literally, "main land"
 - Flatten
 - Overtones
 - Reading devices
 - Bridge workers, perhaps
 - Wasn't quite as great as before
 - Sch. syst. with a campus in Buffalo
 - BOAC destination, in song
 - Climbers' gear
 - Related on the mother's side
 - Backing out of
 - Boomer that retired in the early '00s?
 - It's more than a pinch: Abbr.
 - "What on earth have...?"
 - One of the Jacksons
 - Trapped
 - Mike Myers or Dan Aykroyd, once
 - Bygone Dodges
 - Lobster catcher?
 - Mulligan, say
 - Prince, e.g.
 - "Hence..."
 - Basketball timeout sign
 - End of the 26th century
 - Staging
 - Defunct sports org. with the Denver Gold and Chicago Blitz
 - Apparently stationary light sources, to astronomers
 - Plays with others, for instance
 - Had for a meal
 - Certain Wall Street type



Puzzle by Joe Kroll

- Alphabet run
 - Saw
 - "Author! Author!" star, 1982
 - A fraternity chapter
 - Made Bernie burn?
 - Base letters
 - Grp. in "Die Hard"
 - Pentium source
 - "What do we have here?!"
 - Connector with a pivotal role
 - Pitcher Jim who was a 16-time Gold Glove winner
 - Popular Sporelle subj.
 - Sea cliff dweller
 - Draft org.
 - Passport application datum: Abbr.
 - Pool need
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