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### Regent Lang axed as Farm Bureau head

Regent Craig Lang was ousted Thursday as the president of the Iowa Farm Bureau, the *Des Moines Register* has reported.

Lang, a Brooklyn dairy farmer, held his position as the president of the Bureau for a decade.

Craig Hill, a farmer near Milo, Iowa, in Warren County, replaced Lang, according to the *Register*.

Lang was voted president of the Board of Regents in July after Regent David Miles stepped down from the post at Gov. Terry Branstad's request.

Lang's popularity at the bureau may have started to slip in 2010, when Lang urged delegates of the Iowa Farm Bureau to vote in favor of ending direct payment subsidies to farmers, the *Register* reported.

— by Sam Lane

### Iran shows video of 'captured drone'

TEHRAN, Iran — Iranian state TV broadcast video Thursday of what it said was the high-tech U.S. drone that Tehran says its forces downed earlier this week, and it lodged a diplomatic complaint over the violation of its airspace.

The chief of the aerospace division of Iran's powerful Revolutionary Guards, Gen. Ami Ali Hajizadeh, claimed Iranian forces brought down the surveillance aircraft with an electronic ambush, causing minimum damage to the drone.

— Associated Press

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## A real Yule tree, from Iowa, tall-tree country



Brian Fuhrmeister cuts down a Christmas tree with his family as a part of their Christmas tradition, on Tuesday. (The Daily Iowan/Jacklyn Couppee)

There are 15,000 Christmas-tree growers nationwide, and around 100 of them are located in the state of Iowa.

By **CHASTITY DILLARD**

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Lying against the white, snowy earth, Brian Fuhrmeister joked with his 5-year-old son while preparing to chop down the family's ideal Christmas tree.

"All right, Lukas. I'm going to cut down the tree," the 37-year-old said with his family at Handley's Holiday Hillside Inc. "You carry."

Fuhrmeister and wife Lindsey Fuhrmeister have picked out real trees for Christmas since they were children, and they now pass the tradition to their children, Lukas and 6-month-old Luci.

The Fuhrmeisters are not the only Iowans supporting the tree farms this holiday season. Last month, Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Bill Northey encouraged all Iowans to choose fresh, locally grown holiday trees this year.

"As families begin the process of decorating their home for the Christmas season, I

encourage Iowans to consider choosing a tree grown right here in the state to make the centerpiece of their celebration," Northey said in a press release. "Selecting a fresh Christmas tree can be part of a great family tradition, and it is an opportunity to support the local economy."

National data show that U.S. consumers bought 27 million farm-grown trees in 2010 — compared with 8.2 million artificial trees.

"We know that younger adults buy trees at a much higher rate than other populations," said Rick Dungey, the public-relations manager for the National Christmas Tree Association. "It should become more and more households are going to buy a real tree."

As long as the tree is real, it doesn't matter where it comes from, he said.

"I think that more people want to have the tradition that they pick out a new tree each

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## Regents nudge tuition up

UI in-state undergraduate students will see a 3.75 percent tuition hike.

By **DORA GROTE**

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Increasing tuition and cutting back state appropriations may affect the presence of young people in Iowa's workforce.

That's according to Regent Robert Downer, speaking during the state Board of Regents meeting on Thursday.

Some regents expressed concern that continual tuition increases will negatively affect Iowa families.

"I hope there is a recognition on part of the Legislature that by reducing our appropriations request, it may be jeopardizing the presence of young people to assume positions of employment in the Iowa economy," Downer said.

The regents voted 7-1 to increase tuition at the three regent universities for the 2012-13 academic year on Thursday.

Downer said the amount of student debt may negatively affect students' desires to live and work in Iowa following graduation.

"Although the cost of living is generally

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## Sides go back and forth on debt

Founder of Strong America Now says waste reduction in federal departments would balance the budget.

By **RISHABH R. JAIN**

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About one out of every three dollars the federal government spends is borrowed.

That's troubling to the pack of Republican Iowa caucus contenders, but some scholars say the U.S. debt crisis isn't so urgent.

"In the short term, we shouldn't worry about the debt crisis at all. We have much bigger problems in the economy itself," said Robertson Williams, a senior fellow at the Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center. "In the future years, though, we have to move from a deficit situation to a surplus situation. If we stop adding to the debt, we will easily grow ourselves out of it."

Costas Meghir, an economics professor at Yale University, agreed with Williams.

"The problem seems to be more political than economic," Meghir said.

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SEE **CAUCUS**, 3A

## Va. Tech alert works

Virginia Tech officials sent out an alert Thursday fewer than 10 minutes after the initial report of a gunman.

By **ALISON SULLIVAN**

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Students and employees at Virginia Tech University knew about a gunman on campus just minutes after local law enforcement were called.

That's a sharp contrast to a similar system at the University of Iowa. Officials here released HawkAlert following



A police officer secures the scene where a gunman killed a police officer, then himself, on the Virginia Tech campus, in Blacksburg, Va. (Associated Press/Roanoke Times, Matt Gentry)

the 2007 shooting rampage at Virginia Tech. The UI has used the alert system at least three times — including once last

month — in which the notifications were delayed or inaccurate.

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DEEP STUDY



Melanie Baker and Ximmeng Wang read the Bible together at Yotopia Frozen Yogurt on Thursday. They both go to Christian and Chinese churches. (The Daily Iowan/Toan Nguyen)

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UI crime incidents down

UI crime statistics have decreased since last year, according to a report released at the state Board of Regents meeting Thursday.

In 2010, there were 2,109 offenses and incidents; that figure dropped to 2,084 in 2011. The UI also saw a drop from 1,475 to 1,375 for the total number of charges. The number of people arrested went from 1,198 to 1,150.

Though the UI has seen a decrease, the statistics are still significantly higher than Iowa State University and the University of Northern Iowa.

ISU had 1,660 offenses and incidents, and UNI had 328.

— by Dora Grote

3 to receive honorary degrees

The state Board of Regents unanimously approved a UI request to award an honorary Doctor of Science degree to Robert Osterhaus, honorary Doctor of Law degree to Robert Ray, and an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree to Stanley Redeker at the spring 2012 commencement.

Osterhaus has been a practicing pharmacist for more than 50 years and advocates the quality and value of pharmacy education in schools. His pharmacy is one of the most patient-centered in Iowa and focuses on involvement with the pharmacist. He served as a representative for Iowa's 34th House District from 1995 to 2004, and was the only practicing health-care professional in the Legislature.

Ray served as Iowa's governor from 1969 to 1983, during which he advanced human rights and founded the first Iowa Conference on the Status of Women. He helped resettle refugees in Iowa after the Vietnam War and was a strong advocate of sustainability. He aided in establishing Character Counts in schools and is considered a "citizen lawyer" by the UI.

Redeker was appointed to the Board of Regents in 1961 and again in 1967 by then-Gov. Harold Hughes and served as the regents' president from 1965 through the end of his second term, in 1973. During his time as a regent, he advocated academic values and the importance of universities. He unified the regents in a time when all regent universities were struggling with equal opportunities for women and equality for ethnic minorities, disabled persons, and different

sexual orientation, and Vietnam War protests.

— by Dora Grote

Regents OK UI projects

The state Board of Regents unanimously approved several UI capital-improvement business transactions at its telephonic meeting Thursday.

The UI will construct a new electrical duct bank for \$6.5 million — funded from the sale of utility system revenue bonds — in an East Campus electrical loop project.

The UI will continue efforts to replace the UI Hospitals and Clinic's ramp and the UIHC Labor and Delivery Suite Expansion project. The project would expand the suite on level six of the Pappajohn Pavilion by adding an operating room.

Slater Hall will see renovated restrooms and galvanized piping for approximately \$4.5 million, funded by the residence system improvement funds. The single large restrooms on floors 2 through 9 will be converted into six individual restrooms.

— by Dora Grote

City looks for 'Good Ideas'

Iowa City officials are now accepting and encouraging residents and business owners of Iowa City to submit ideas about growth and development of Iowa City over the next 10 to 20 years to aid in updating the city's comprehensive plan, according to a city press release.

The initiative is a part of the new "Good Ideas" campaign implemented by Iowa City's Planning Department as it begins an "Iowa City 2030" public planning process to update the comprehensive plan, which was adopted in 1997.

To submit ideas, Iowa City residents must go to the city's website to answer three questions regarding life in Iowa City and share an idea.

The process will include two public workshops in which residents and city staff will have planning discussions. They are slated for Feb. 1 and Feb. 9 from 7 to 9 p.m.

City planners hope to build on district efforts such as the UNESCO City of Literature designation and redevelopment of the Riverfront Crossings District, as well as new community topics such energy and resource consumption, flooding, and the economy.

— by Asmaa Elkeurti

UI student faces drug charges

A UI student faces drug-related charges after he allegedly threw a bag of marijuana and a pipe from his window early Thursday morning.

According to a complaint by UI police, Daniel Watson, 20, was charged after a security guard called police around 4 a.m. after detecting the odor of marijuana coming from his room, 4238 Burge.

When police arrived, Watson allegedly threw a bag of marijuana and a one-hitter pipe from his window. The complaint said a security guard on the ground floor observed the items being thrown.

When police made contact with Watson, he allegedly denied smoking marijuana. One of the other subjects in the room said the marijuana — as well as prescription Adderall pills that were present — belonged to Watson, according to the complaint.

Watson is charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of a prescription drug without a valid prescription.

— by Matt Starns

City accepting applications for block grants

Funding applications for low-income community-development projects are now being accepted, according to an Iowa City press release.

Applications are now available for \$1.2 million in aid for housing, jobs, and service needs for low-to-moderate-income Iowa City residents. The funds are supplied by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment partnerships programs.

Two informational workshops will be held at 3 p.m. Dec. 29 and 11 a.m. Jan. 9 in City Hall, 410 E. Washington St.

Applications must be submitted by Jan 20. The Housing and Community Development Commission and the Iowa City Council will review all applications and conduct a public allocation process to determine which projects will receive funding.

The funds will become available for use July 1, 2012.

— by Asmaa Elkeurti

U.S. senators push GAO on Missouri River flood

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — U.S. senators from seven Missouri River states have asked the federal Government Accountability Office to examine this summer's heavy flooding throughout the river basin.

The request came in a letter sent Wednesday by 13 senators, who are part of the recently created Missouri River Working Group. It asked the GAO to examine responses to the flooding by the Army Corps of Engineers and factors that affected the Corps' decisions. The federal lawmakers also requested any recommendations for improving flood control along the Missouri River.

Sen. Roy Blunt, R-Mo., said on Thursday the working group has kept up pressure over the management of the Missouri River, which flows from Montana southeast to its mouth at the Mississippi River just north of St. Louis.

"The letter is a strong statement by senators in the seven states along the river that we want the Corps' performance and plans to meet what the priorities are," Blunt said. "The No. 1 priority is supposed to be flood control. Let's see what the Corps plans to do to make that the No. 1 priority."

Senators requested that various issues be addressed, including whether the Army Corps fully adhered to its master manual for the river and whether the manual had hindered a timely response to the flooding. Lawmakers also asked the GAO to examine the timing of water releases from upstream reservoirs to determine if they contributed to the flooding.

In addition, the letter asked the GAO to review what role assessments of meteorological forecasts and snowpack played in the flooding and probe the role concerns about endangered species, environmental concerns, and flooding on the Mississippi River played in flood-control efforts on the Missouri River.

The Army Corps said this fall it was commissioning a study to review its management of the waterway. The Corps said its study would be conducted by a four-person review panel consisting of a hydrologist from the National Weather Service, the U.S. Geological Survey, and the National Resources Conservation Service, and a retired Colorado State University professor of civil engineering.

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Aaron Amos, 26, Tiffin, was charged Wednesday with OWI.  
Eric Asche, 24, 107 S. Lucas St., was charged Dec. 2 with public intoxication.  
Jessica Baxter, 20, 305 S. Summit St., was charged Dec. 2 with PAULA.  
David Benitez, 22, 906 Benton Drive Apt. 34, was charged Dec. 3 with OWI.  
Jared Bruening, 35, 1408 Phoenix Drive, was charged Dec. 4 with possession of an open alcohol container in a vehicle and OWI.  
Maggie Bunce, 19, 426 S. Johnson St. Apt. G, was charged Dec. 2 with PAULA.  
Katherine Cieski, 19, 603 S. Dubuque St. Apt. 4, was charged Dec. 2 with PAULA.

Nathan Collins, 24, 4866 E. Court St., was charged Nov. 28 with fifth-degree theft.  
Terie Emery, 42, Des Moines, was charged March 2 with fifth-degree theft.  
Tara Favia, 20, N205 Parklawn, was charged Dec. 3 with public intoxication.  
Cassidy Franklin, 20, 603 S. Dubuque St. Apt. 4, was charged Dec. 2 with PAULA.  
Brandi Hada, 19, 400 S. Dubuque St. Apt. 1414, was charged Dec. 2 with PAULA.  
Daniel Jahren, 21, Ames, was charged Dec. 4 with driving with a revoked license and third-degree theft.  
Brian Kearns, 26, 647 Emerald St. Apt. C6, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.  
Tara Madden, 20, 500 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 11, was charged Dec. 3

with presence in a bar after hours.  
Conner Marston, 18, 1240 Slater, was charged Wednesday with possession of a controlled substance.  
Michael Mason, 20, 529 E. College St., was charged Dec. 3 with presence in a bar after hours.  
Mandi Neuzil, 25, 1447 Aber Ave. Apt. 9, was charged Dec. 3 with OWI.  
Daniel Nooney, 18, 2309 Burge, was charged Monday with possession of drug paraphernalia.  
Scott Nowicke, 18, 141 Reinow, was charged Dec. 4 with public intoxication.  
Jeffrey Nylan, 28, Coralville, was charged Dec. 3 with public urination.  
Kelsey O'Connor, 20, 436 S. Van Buren St. Apt. V4, was charged

Dec. 2 with PAULA.  
Anthony Orlando, 18, 1306 Burge, was charged Dec. 2 with PAULA.  
Michael Pesavento, 18, 2322 Burge, was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.  
Ashleigh Peterson, 20, 603 S. Dubuque St., was charged Dec. 2 with PAULA.  
Stephanie Rohling, 21, 2615 Rushmore Drive, was charged Dec. 3 with public intoxication.  
Robert Weaver, 19, 541 Slater, was charged Tuesday with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.  
Matthew Wittman, 23, 1426 Rochester Ave., was charged Thursday with OWI.

## CAUCUS

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mittee failed to reach an agreement on spending cuts earlier this year, triggering \$1.2 trillion in automatic cuts in 2013 unless Congress acts before that time. In short, the committee failed because Democrats want to increase revenue by increasing taxes on the rich, while Republicans want to reduce spending on entitlement programs.

As a solution, some Iowa caucus candidates — including former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, former Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman, and former Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa. — are pushing for a balanced-budget amendment to the Constitution. Such a move would prohibit Congress from passing a deficit budget. Similar laws exist in Germany and Switzerland.

“I think such an amendment would be a mistake,” Meghir said, contending that a balanced-budget amendment would cripple infrastructure development.

Mike George, the founder of Strong America Now, an organization that hopes to balance the budget by reducing waste in the

federal government, said his group supports balancing the budget but policymakers should aim for surpluses instead of just balanced budgets.

“Merely balancing the budget is not enough,” he said. “The debt crisis is a here-and-now problem, and we have to realize that we need to aim to increase surplus. Our economic plan makes that happen by employing waste reduction.”

The U.S. Defense budget is another important thing on the agenda for the forthcoming elections; the government spends a huge amount of its revenue on national security. President Obama’s budget proposal would increase military spending, but the proposal also includes reforms that the administration says will cut \$78 billion from the budget by 2016.

Ruth Benn, coordinator at the National War Tax Resistance Coordinating Committee, said the United States ought to cut war spending altogether. Her group encourages people to keep their incomes low so they don’t have to contribute tax dollars to military spending.

“Human beings are smart enough to figure out how to solve problems without launching mis-

**This is the tenth in a 10-part series previewing the top issues of the 2012 caucus season, leading up to a special voter guide on Dec. 12.**

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- **Today: Federal debt**

siles,” she said.

Many GOP candidates want to cut other spending but preserve defense allocations. Candidates such as Romney and Texas Gov. Rick Perry, for example, aim to reduce overall government spending while maintaining the Defense budget. Rep. Ron Paul, R-Texas, is one of the only candidates calling for massive cuts in defense spending.

Williams said merely cutting spending will not create a surplus. He said tax cuts proposed by the GOP candidates will negate the effect of spending cuts.

“One of the problems is that we have lowered the taxes for the last 10 years,” he said. “Now, we need to increase the revenue, but we have one party saying

## Candidates’ stances on reducing national debt

### Mitt Romney

Romney wants to cut non-security discretionary spending by 5 percent along with reforming Medicaid and other entitlement programs. He wants to cap government spending at 20 percent of the nation’s GDP and pass a balanced-budget amendment to the Constitution.

### Rick Perry

Perry’s Cut, Balance, and Grow Plan seeks to reform Medicare and give employers the choice to opt out of Social Security. He wants to cap government spending at 18 percent of the country’s GDP. He said this would balance the budget by 2020.

### Jon Huntsman

Huntsman has been unclear about the specifications of his debt plan but firmly wants to repeal the recent health-care reforms and related taxes to reduce increased spending on health care. His proposals have concentrated more on decreasing regulatory reforms and says job

creation would improve the economy and balance the budget.

### Ron Paul

Paul says he will balance the budget by the third year of his presidency. Paul wants to eliminate such federal departments as Energy, Housing and Urban Development, Commerce, Interior, and Education and to stop all foreign aid and end America’s current foreign interventions. He says these reductions would cut more than \$1 trillion in government spending during the first year of his presidency.

### Rick Santorum

Santorum supports a balanced-budget amendment to the Constitution that would restrict government spending. He says while spending cuts help in the short-run, long-term fiscal security can only be achieved by passing the balanced-budget amendment.

### Michele Bachmann

Bachmann supports repealing health-care reform and would accept an increase in the debt ceiling only if extensive steps are taken to reduce spending. This she says, will add \$1 trillion to the budget. Bachmann said she wants to reduce the size of the government and enforce cuts on government spending.

### Gary Johnson

Johnson wants to eliminate excess spending, stop stimulus packages to the economy, and end farm subsidies. Johnson said he wants to stabilize Social Security and Medicare through reforms and eliminate the Federal Reserve’s control over monetary policy.

### Newt Gingrich

Gingrich opposed the formation of the Supercommittee and says cuts in government spending will spur economic growth and reduce the deficit. He believes job creation will help balance the budget.

we will never ever raise taxes. That is a problem.”

Republicans, though, hope their tax cuts will spur economic growth, in

turn spurring more federal revenue.

“Nothing would do more to balance the budget than to go back down to 4 per-

cent unemployment,” former House Speaker Newt Gingrich said at the Conservative Political Action Conference early this year.

## SHOOTING

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Law enforcement in Blacksburg, Va. say they received reports about an armed suspect opening fire on campus shortly before 12:30 p.m. local time Thursday. By 12:36, officials had sent out a VT Alert notifying the campus of the danger.

By the day’s end, officials reported two dead, including one police officer. Neither the officer nor the alleged gunman had been identified on Thursday night. Campus was on lockdown much of the day Thursday until officials lifted the alert around 4:30 p.m.

Virginia Tech officials developed VT Alert in 2007 after a gunman killed 32 people on campus before killing himself. The system hasn’t been completely flawless — it misreported the location of a robbery earlier this year, according to the *Collegiate Times* — but university officials say the system has worked well overall.

“The current system is very robust — it has many communication channels,” Larry Hincker, a university spokesman, told the *Collegiate Times* this week.

Officials at Everbridge, which developed the VT Alert system, said the system is accessible to administrators through computers or mobile devices. Administrators also have immediate access through a log-in process to collect responses and data from the alert.

“Users can access it at anytime,” said Annell Del Rio, an Everbridge representative. “It’s basically at their fingertips.”

In contrast to the relatively smooth operation of the Virginia Tech alert system, the UI’s HawkAlert has seen several kinks.

Last month, for instance, university officials issued an alert more than an hour after local law enforcement learned of a possibly armed suspect near campus. Shortly after the alert was issued, authorities located the man more than 30 miles away. No weapon was found on the man.

In December 2010, notice of an inmate who escaped from UI Hospitals and Clinics was delivered to stu-

dents 10 hours after the man escaped.

And in 2008, a HawkAlert about a possible gunman on campus was sent to students. In fact, local resident Steve Sueppel had killed his family and himself, didn’t have a gun, and wasn’t near campus.

UI officials have defended HawkAlert, but they said they’re going to make improvements.

“Getting a message out to more than 50,000 people in

a very short time is a challenge, and the HawkAlert system is still the best system we have found thus far,” UI President Sally Mason told *The Daily Iowan* last month. “But we’re always looking at — is there a better way to do this? Is there a system that is being designed or developed that could do a better job than the HawkAlert system can?”

*Daily Iowan* Editor Adam B Sullivan contributed to this report.

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## Editorial

## Which GOP candidate would you most want to same-sex marry?

## Rick Perry

I would same-sex marry Texas Gov. Rick Perry over any other GOP candidate for three reasons: He's handsome, he's rich, and um... I forgot the other reason. Oops! (Weren't expecting that joke, now, were you?)

But in all seriousness, Rick Perry won by process of elimination. Rep. Michele Bachmann is a lady, which violates the same-sex stipulation (plus I'm afraid she would stab me). I refuse to recognize former Sen. Rick Santorum as a candidate, so he's exempt. Newt Gingrich takes the sanctity of marriage about as seriously as I take Newt Gingrich. And if I were to marry Mitt Romney, I would be constantly looking over my shoulder to make sure he wasn't cheating with Exxon or Bain Capital.

On a related note, I would have no intention of staying faithful to any of these men. For this reason, Rep. Ron Paul, Gov. Gary Johnson, and Gov. John Huntsman are all eliminated from my love pool. They're all too sweet. I wouldn't be able to look in the mirror if I broke poor ol' Dr. Paul's heart. If he hated me as much as he hates FEMA and illegal immigrants, I wouldn't know what to do with myself.

This leaves Perry as my hypothetical same-sex spouse. Good thing he's a Christian. That means he's loving and understanding of all human beings. That means he believes everybody deserves a chance and only God can judge his fellow man.

Well, as long as his fellow man isn't one of them "gays," right, Rick? Rick's platform has recently been almost strictly anti-gay. Maybe he's trying to appeal to Iowa's delusional GOP base, or maybe he got sick of learning about issues way over his head (all of them) and is instead focusing solely on how much he hates gay people.

This week he took offense to President Obama's initiatives to protect foreign human-rights abuses against homosexuals. "Promoting special rights for gays in foreign countries is not in America's interests and not worth a dime of taxpayers' money," said Perry, who apparently thinks not being executed is a "special right" if that person's perceived to be gay.

In his most recent campaign ad, Perry says, "You don't need to be in a pew every Sunday to know that there's something wrong in this country when gays can serve openly in the military, but our kids can't openly celebrate Christmas or pray in school."

At first I wanted to same-sex marry Rick Perry because of his corporate-donation money, but now I just want him to stop spreading anti-Christian hate and ignorance.

Plus I want to cheat on him.

— Chris Steinke

## Newt Gingrich

Clearly, there's no better candidate for a same-sex life partner from the likes of a Republican front-runner than Newt Gingrich — or "Silver Fox," as I affectionately refer to him.

Sure, there are more attractive offerings from the GOP, such as dreamy, roughneck, cowboy-extraordinaire Rick Perry, but I'd rather have a man who knows how to multitask. In this regard, ol' Silver Fox would put poor Ricky to shame. (That's not to mention the fact that somewhere in my stomach I have this unsettling feeling Ricky would somehow forget what to say next if things got interesting after dark.) Newt has shown he can balance a cancer-stricken wife and an extramarital affair simultaneously with ease, all while maintaining a flip-flop record even Mitt Romney would envy.

But there are other reasons Ginky would be a suitable mate. Being an innate gold-digger, I'm immediately drawn to an older, rich guy like Newt because, come on, which other candidate would be easier to seduce? The guy's on his third marriage, which means he's either Washington's most successful swinger since Bill Clinton or that he regularly "hangs out" with Bachmann's husband somewhere in a D.C. Bath & Body Works, and only his exes and Michele know about it. Either way, I wouldn't mind it if he was my sugar daddy.

Then there's Silver Fox's sex appeal, which I can only describe as a JFK for the 21st century. Personally speaking, nothing's more appealing to me than a nuanced balance of pale-white skin and snow-white hair. Thankfully, Gingrich has all that and, from what I've been told, a massive "head." Although that seemingly leaves nothing to the imagination, a recent comparison by an Iowa pastor between Newt and Kim Kardashian has left me with more questions than answers. All I can say is Silver Fox better not disappoint me.

(He's a closeted proponent of "enhanced interrogation" techniques, so I'm sure he won't).

OK, so ol' Silver Fox may not be the most ideal same-sex partner in the world. But in a world without the sheer brawn of a candidate such as Reagan, Gingrich is a close second.

— Matt Heinze

Your turn. Which candidate would you most want to same-sex marry? Weigh in at [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

## Letters

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## Landlord should embrace sex-positive store

In a time of financial difficulties and unemployment, one person in Iowa City wants to stop two women from having a business downtown.

Toolbox, a "sex-positive" store, has opened in downtown and is receiving some resistance from its landlord. The landlord needs to look past what it sells, because it's not a big deal, anyway, and the establishment brings the landlord and other downtown businesses. The store owners have said that they will have a section that is for 18-year-olds and older, but that the rest of the store will be opened to all ages. How bad can it be if anyone can walk in?

The landlord should be glad he has found a business to rent his space and realize that the store brings in money for him and that it may bring in business for surrounding businesses downtown. So far it is only the landlord who has any opposition to the store. The other businesses and community has supported the store, so the landlord needs to realize it is a good thing. Any successful business at this time is good for him, the downtown, and the community.

Jordan Gerot  
UI student

## Bored? Don't Facebook, Stumble

For the majority of the semester, I've sat through lectures casually creeping on what or

who people were creeping on Facebook. Almost every student who had her or his laptop out was on some sort of social-networking site. In the last couple of weeks, I've been noticing a new trend.

No, it hasn't been Twitter or Google+ that I've been noticing occupying students' screens, but the website StumbleUpon. For those who don't know, StumbleUpon is a collaborative website that virtually filters your interests and gives you webpages that would be of interest to you. When people stumble, they create their own world in which they learn, see, or hear something new and interesting with the click of a button.

I've learned from StumbleUpon that I don't have anataidaphobia, the fear that, somewhere, a duck is watching me, and I have watched and taken note of 25 ways to tie a scarf.

So during the upcoming week of finals, when you want a break and want to engage your mind, go to StumbleUpon. I can promise you that you will be, more than once, staring in awe at your screen. Stop creeping on your friends' cousins' sisters' boyfriend, stop hash-tagging everything, and instead click "Stumble."

Courtney Callahan  
UI freshman

## HawkAlert needs to be more prompt

According to the University of Iowa, the HawkAlert System is supposed to notify the campus community of threats to physical

safety in emergency situations. HawkAlert has never failed to do this, but many think that the notifications are delayed.

There have been several incidents that prove this to be true. On Nov. 14 at 9:20 p.m., the Iowa City police were notified of a man who may have had a gun on him and was seen near campus. The HawkAlert was sent around 10:30 p.m., nearly an hour after the Iowa City police were notified about the incident. Another incident happened almost a year ago with a man who escaped from UI Hospitals and Clinics. The HawkAlert was sent 10 hours after the first incident, which was the man assaulting a UI student and stealing her car.

For the safety of our community, we need HawkAlert to send notifications quicker so people have more time to react. If the UI sent alerts sooner, then the students and faculty would have more trust in the university's ability to protect their safety and well-being.

Stephanie Sremac  
UI freshman

## Lower tuition, brighten our future

I believe that getting a degree in higher-education is not only necessary to lead to a satisfying job someday, it is also essential in helping students gain a broad range of knowledge and experience that will lead them through the rest of their lives. Unfortunately, rising tuition makes it more difficult to get through college. And with our struggling economy, there are

those who simply cannot afford an undergraduate education.

Rising college costs are a continuous concern for young people.

It seems to be a given that tuition will continue to rise. For those in the middle and lower classes, this is becoming more difficult to accept and deal with. While higher-income families are better able to afford quality education for their children, those at lower economic levels are left with fewer and fewer options for their children.

I realize that University of Iowa administrators and the state Board of Regents are struggling to keep our college costs at a minimum. It's the sign of our times.

UI Graduate College Dean John Keller said "that while UI and other schools try to maintain low tuition rates at all levels of education, the increase is more significant at the undergraduate level than the graduate level."

Who do the middle and lower classes turn to if they cannot even afford tuition at the undergraduate level?

University administrators, the regents, other educational leaders, and even our legislators need to find ways to give everyone and anyone of all economic levels a fair chance to get the best education as possible at the UI. Young people are the future of the world, so ensuring that they can get an affordable education is key to a bigger and brighter future for all people.

Danielle Healy  
UI student

## Liberal, caucus GOP



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It's a sad time to be a liberal.

The president who promised to unite and change the country in 2008 has shown the same corporatism and disdain for civil liberties as his predecessor. None of the current crop of Republican candidates seems to promise anything better. Liberals can't resign themselves to voting for the lesser of two evils and support President Obama even if their heart isn't in it.

The way to make sure Obama hears the message of dissatisfaction from his own party is to caucus Republican.

Elevating a Republican nominee who espouses issues that merit rigorous discussion will shape the direction of the presidential race and help determine the positions of the next president. Instead of rushing to your local Obama campaign office and getting "in" so that you can call local voters with the same old talking points, take action that will allow you to help dictate the direction of the presidential race, not just promulgate it.

It may be difficult for many in the People's Republic of Johnson County to overcome the sense of nausea that may come with imagining the "R" next to their name in voter-contact lists, but just remember that it's for the greater good. You will need to register as a Republican to vote, which can be done when you arrive at the polling place.

Then the question becomes for which Republican to caucus. Remember, you can still vote for Obama in the general election to avoid giving the Republicans in the House a friendly pen in the Oval Office. By that time, if this plan works, it will be a very different Obama we see on his second inauguration day. Once you're in the booth, there's no turning back. Vote for the Republican candidate that espouses issues you feel are important on which Obama has disappointed you.

If it came down to Romney or Obama, the difference in the campaign would be mostly

rhetorical. Sure, the two men would try to appeal to different bases, one playing to the right and the other playing to the left, but the chief executive produced by such a matchup would be more of the same. Romney's decisions as governor of Massachusetts differed little ideologically from Obama's decisions as president, and Obama has shown that his ties to corporate interests are just as strong as Romney's.

Rick Perry seems to be painting himself as the theocratic candidate, and the Palin-esque incompetence he has demonstrated for policy means defeating him would be far too easy for Obama.

That leaves Newt Gingrich, Gary Johnson, or Ron Paul.

Newt Gingrich would mostly talk about himself, but he may also be able to steer the race toward a discussion about immigration and entitlement spending. Gingrich's breadth of experience and understanding of policy issues would create a race full of substantive debate.

Liberals concerned about America's wars abroad or the state of civil liberties in the country could caucus for Gary Johnson or Ron Paul. Both candidates would turn the race into a discussion about war, civil liberties, and the size of the federal government.

If Obama ran against one of these three candidates, he would be forced to defend his bad positions and articulate his good ones. He would be forced to clearly explain his plan for the budget and why his approach is better than simply axing funding left and right. He would have to defend the need for a federal Department of Education and hopefully come up with plans to improve national education standards. He would be continuously challenged on his renewal of the Patriot Act, and he might even shift his position.

All meaningful change in electoral politics starts at the ballot box.

Instead of resignedly checking the president's name next November, liberals should take action now and force Obama to become the candidate we want him to be. ■

## TREES

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year and not this big piece of plastic," Dungey said.

More than 1,500 acres of land are devoted to Christmas-tree production in Iowa, resulting in an annual harvest of 39,500 trees. This contributes roughly \$1 million to Iowa's economy each year.

Margaret Handley, a co-owner of Handley's, said the Christmas tree-farm is

a rarity.

"There are probably fewer than 100 Christmas tree farms in Iowa," the 79-year-old said. "[For] many people, this is not their choice to go to the farm. We try to sell experience."

Experience includes picking out trees with family members and building fun memories, said Handley, whose tree farm — one of two in Johnson County — began selling trees in 1976.

Dustin Vande Hoef, the communications director at the Iowa Department of Agriculture, said buying

locally is a great way to develop healthy relationships.

"It helps spur relationships between Iowans and agriculture," he said, and making those connections is important for the state.

But for Lindsey Fuhrmeister, hunting for a Christmas tree is all about the memories with her family.

"I don't like the fake ones," she said. "It's part of the experience. Our house is all Griswold-like every year. It's what we do."

## TUITION

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lower [in Iowa], incomes are also lower, and debt repayment is a significant payment," Downer said.

UI in-state undergraduate students will see a 3.75 percent tuition increase — \$242, while out-of-state undergraduate students will see a 4.75 — percent increase — \$1,130.

The increases are lower than the 5 and 6 percent tuition increases for the 2011-2012 academic year and are the lowest hikes since fiscal 1997.

Downer said he hopes the state can work out a plan to alleviate student debt.

"I do hope that as a part of our legislative endeavors during the 2012 session, we collaborate with other agencies in the state with respect to what I perceive as student debt on Iowa's work force and young people remaining in the state of Iowa as a location in which to pursue their careers," he said.

Regent Ruth Harkin — who voted abstained on the tuition-increase vote —

### Tuition increase

UI students will see a tuition hike in the 2012-13 academic year.

- In-state undergraduate: 3.75 percent
- Out-of-state undergraduate: 4.75 percent
- In-state graduate: 3.8 percent
- Out-of-state graduate: 4.8 percent

source: Board of Regents

said Iowans' income has not kept up with the rate of inflation and now is not a time for Iowa families to incur more expenses.

The three regent universities have suffered a loss of \$144 million in state funding since 2009.

One local legislator said state allocations should do more for Iowa regent universities.

"The percentage of general operating funds have been made up by the increase in tuition, but the state general fund should pick them up," said Sen. Bob Dvorsky, D-Coralville.

Regent President Craig Lang approached Iowa lawmakers at a Dec. 5 budget meeting to emphasize the role universities play in the state.

"Our universities make

substantial investments in a broad range of new technologies and facilities to support leading-edge research and to prepare students for successful careers in a broad spectrum of fields," Lang said in a statement. "Sufficient support for all of these functions is critical to our universities' missions."

Lang said he hopes the state will fiscally support the regent universities.

Some legislators, however, believe the universities' administration should alleviate the burden of costs from students.

Rep. Jeremy Taylor, R-Sioux City, the vice chairman of the House Education Committee, said "it just doesn't make sense" for tuition to increase following the increased salary of university officials.

The regents approved a salary increase for all three regent university presidents at an August meeting. UI President Sally Mason received a 4 percent increase.

"The years that university presidents' salary are increased, there should be no way there is a tuition increase as well," Taylor said.

# A Dickens of a holiday

By CARLY HURWITZ

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On the stage at the Coralville Center for the Performing Arts during the month of December, audiences will see Scrooge rushing to find the true spirit of the holiday season.

"It's a well-done adaptation, and [Scrooge] is a really interesting character; it is a challenge to bring him to life," said Scott Strode, who plays Scrooge. "It is truly a family show; it is fast-paced with lots of carols and lots of people."

The adaptation of the classic novel *A Christmas Carol*, by Charles Dickens, is directed by Liz Tracy, and it will come to life this holiday season in a production by City Circle Acting Company.

Performances will run Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m., Friday through Dec. 18 at the Coralville Center for Performing Arts, 1301 Fifth St. Admission is \$22 for the general public, \$17 for seniors and students and \$12 for children 10 and under. Premium seating is available for \$27.

Stage manager and Iowa City native Lena Short said the show runs without an intermission to be a faster-paced, dialogue-heavy per-

### A Christmas Carol

**When:** 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 2 p.m. Sundays, beginning Friday and running through Dec. 18

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formance. While the narration is important, the main goal of the play is to not so much tell the story but to show it.

There are several different stage adaptations of the timeless story, and this version is one that was also produced at the Seattle Children's Theater, the Guthrie Theater in Minneapolis, and the Children's Theatre Company of Minneapolis.

"This show relies a lot on the light cues and sound effects to tie in with what the actors are saying," Short said. "[These effects] give a realistic touch and bring the timeline into perspective for the audience."

Set in Victorian London, the actors all use British accents to bring an authentic sound to the production along with rich, profession-

al costumes.

Dialect coach Brett Myers, a UI graduate student in speech pathology with a background in acting and coaching speech, has instructed the cast members.

"We are trying to sound like people from London, so I work with all of the actors to put on these accents," he said. "I learned how to take any accent and teach it to actors; it plays in with my speech-pathology training."

Myers was amazed that the kids in the production had such a quick response to learning the British accents and were able to pick it up the fastest.

"It's unbelievable, really — as soon as we started using the accents, the kids just ran with it," he said. "Everyone is doing a great job; it feels as if you really are watching British actors, and that was our goal."

The accents that the cast must master as well as rich costumes that fits the play's era are important aspects that will make the performance a realistic portrayal of the story in its original time period of the mid-1800s.

"[This play] is a commentary on Dickens's day and the life of the times," Strode said.

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# Legal office seeks help

By KRISTEN EAST  
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The University of Iowa spends less on providing legal advice to students than any school in the Big Ten.

Greg Bal, supervising attorney for UI Student Legal Services, said he doesn't think adding a part-time attorney is too much to ask, given that his office sees around 1,200 students per year, which equates to the highest client-per-attorney ratio.

Bal said UI officials hope to hire a part-time attorney to assist him by January, before the spring semester begins.

"It'd be nice to have somebody in place by next semester when it's our busiest time," he said.

The part-time attorney would be responsible for providing legal services to UI students, supervising law students in their clinical work, and promoting the office's services, Bal said.

The UI Student Government allocates \$154,000 for Student Legal Services. Adding one part-time attorney would tack \$20,000 onto that budget.

With a projected \$174,000 budget for 1.5 attorneys, Bal said, the UI would still have the lowest budget among similar offices across the Big Ten.

"It can definitely fit in the budget," he said. "It isn't an extravagant request."

Not only is UI Student Legal Services seeing more students this year, he said, the number of students who use the office for representation is also on the rise.

An increase in students seeking legal counsel is also a trend among other Big Ten universities.

Officials from other



A UI student consults with supervising attorney Greg Bal in the Student Legal Services office on Thursday. The majority of legal cases Bal works with students involve alcohol violations, possession of marijuana, and landlord issues. (The Daily Iowan/Ya-Chen Chen)

schools said their offices are equipped with an adequate number of attorneys.

Mary Ann Midden, one of three staff attorneys at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign office, said "a number of factors" influence how many attorneys are employed at the school.

For the 2010-11 school year, 1,797 students received in-office services at the school.

"It's based on the amount of work that goes on in the office and how many students come in," Midden said.

Randall Frykberg, the director of Student Legal Services at Indiana University, said the number of students seeking legal services has almost doubled in recent years.

"The number of attorneys most certainly has to do with the size of the student body," he said. "It's always going to be a reflection of the commitment that the university has to providing legal services for students."

Frykberg said students seek legal counsel because seeing a human being for

help in certain situations is essential.

"In a legal sense, someone has to hear the weird proclivities of a student's case," he said. "There's value in having someone there with you, someone to tell you it's OK."

The University of Michigan employs five full-time attorneys to aid the some 2,000 students who seek legal advice annually.

But officials at Michigan said a greater number of attorneys isn't merely used to aid a larger student population.

The Student Legal Services director at Michigan, Douglas Lewis, said that each attorney at the university focuses on a specific aspect of law.

"Staff size is not based on the client population, necessarily," he said. "It has to do with the needs of that population, and how many cases an attorney can handle at a given time."

Bal said the UI has not advertised the position yet but hopes to do so as soon as the job position and budget is approved by UISG and other UI officials.

# Percussive holiday pops

Iowa Percussion and the PanAmerican Steel Band will hold a winter-theme holiday show at the Englert Theatre tonight.

By JORDAN MONTGOMERY  
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After an intense November concert series, Iowa Percussion will welcome the holidays with a percussion pops performance featuring songs of the season.

Iowa Percussion and the PanAmerican Steel Band will perform a free show at 7:30 p.m. today in the Englert Theatre, 221 E. Washington St.

"The Englert is a great venue for us," said Sue Orhon, marketing manager of the University of Iowa Division of Performing Arts. "Post-flood, we don't have any performance spaces of our own, so we work with the University and Iowa City community to find spaces that accommodate our ensemble and that are easily accessible to the students and community."

The bands will play for audiences of all ages. They will perform seasonal favorites old and new.

"We will play things such as the 'Little West African Drummer Boy,' which features a world beat twist on the 'Little Drummer Boy,'" said

music Professor Daniel Moore. "[And] a rocking version of 'Carol of the Bells' and a calypso version of the Grinch song."

Moore, who has taught percussion at the UI since 1996, will conduct the ensembles.

"Nothing creates a festive mood better than percussion instruments," he said. "We use steel drums, marimbas, bells, xylophones, drums, steel pans [from the Caribbean] and all sorts of percussion instruments to create a range of interesting musical styles."

The concert will have more than 30 performers, with both graduate and undergraduate students.

One of the musicians who will perform is Dubuque native Christine Augspurger, an undergraduate percussionist in her fifth year at the university.

She said there are three different ensembles playing in the performance. Aside from the PanAmerican band, Steel Band II and Steel Band III will perform as well.

The latter two are com-

posed of musicians who are non-majors.

Augspurger focuses on keyboard-style percussion instruments; her favorite is the marimba.

"Most of the groups playing are all steel bands," she said. "Steel drums from the Caribbean, think 'Under the Sea,' the song from *The Little Mermaid*."

Augspurger is excited about the opportunity to play the holiday tunes with a Caribbean twist.

"I really like Christmas music, so it's been fun to have the opportunity to play," she said. "We just came off of a really intense concert series in November, so this is a really good opportunity to chill out and have some fun. Playing in the steel band is what we all like to do."

Admission to the show is free, but in the spirit of the season, Moore said, they are asking for donations of canned goods to benefit the Johnson County Crisis Center.

The concert will provide some fun holiday music and offer a little help to others, he said.



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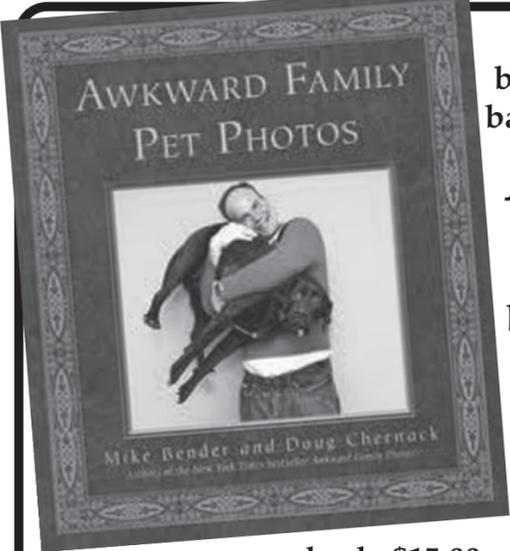


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# County eyes wind



The Cedar Ridge Winery & Distillery, located between Iowa City and Cedar Rapids, uses a wind turbine, as seen on Thursday. (The Daily Iowan/Jacklyn Couppee)

## Johnson County houses fewer than 10 private wind turbines.

By **AUDREY ROEN**

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Johnson County supervisors said they believe county residents would seize an opportunity to invest in private wind turbines if obtaining them was made easier.

Officials said the technology is capable of producing 27 percent of an average-sized house's energy.

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors began discussing a potential ordinance allowing county residents to erect small wind turbines and create a more energy-efficient county at a Thursday meeting.

"We want to start looking not only at the large wind turbines but now also for individual families," said Supervisor Sally Stutsman, "Everybody is thinking pretty positive."

Josh Busard, an assistant planner in the Johnson County Planning and Zoning Department, said the changes would make obtaining a private wind turbine easier by labeling it an accessory to the property owner.

Busard hopes homeowners will respond to the ordinance's time- and money-saving appeal.

"I think as people invest in renewable energy, as the field grows and the energy prices continue to move upward, I think the private kind [wind turbine] will only increase," he said. "We want to encourage the renewable energy."

The county has previously discussed wind-energy projects, and the supervisors approved an ordinance in September regarding the construction of a commercial wind-energy facility on county land.

If the changes are passed, homeowners interested in private wind turbines could bypass Johnson County Board of Adjustment or pay the \$260 application fee.

The homeowner would only apply for a building permit, a cost that varies depending on the size of the property and the turbine. The change will also speed up approval time to one to two weeks, as opposed to the current one to two months.

Iowa ranks second in the United States in wind energy production, has more than 2,500 turbines, and is capable of producing roughly 3,675 megawatts of power, said Bob Brenne- man, the president of Iowa Turbines LLC, in Des Moines.

Brenne- man said because of available space and varying wind conditions, turbine ordinances vary across the state.

He said the changes in the ordinances reflect a trend among Iowans who wish to invest in smaller private turbines.

The average cost of a private wind turbine is roughly \$50,000, he said.

"For the people who are on the fence about purchas-

ing a turbine, this is a reduction in barriers to the adoption and expansion of small wind turbines," Brenne- man said.

The supervisors discussed the space and size regulations of the turbines and requested turbine measurements be modified by the Planning and Zoning Department.

The supervisors look forward future discussions.

"Wind turbines are great; it's all a matter of getting all the details in," said Supervisor Janelle Rettig. "If people want to put up a turbine to save some energy, I'm all for it."

### Private Wind Generators

**Benefits of 80- to 100-foot turbines officials stress in proposed ordinance:**

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Source: Johnson County Planning and Zoning Department

### Blagojevich to appeal

CHICAGO — Rod Blagojevich has one last hope to reduce his harsh 14-year sentence: an appeal.

But lawyers for the disgraced former Illinois governor face long odds in chipping away at the time he must serve for attempting to auction off an appointment to President Obama's old Senate seat and other crimes, legal experts said Thursday.

Attorneys will have the daunt-

ing task of demonstrating that the respected, 25-year veteran Judge James Zagel who oversaw Blagojevich's two trials made major errors at trial and in calculating a sentence for the 18 convictions, said Lance Northcutt, an adjunct professor at Chicago's John Marshall Law School.

"Zagel is careful to rule in a way to avoid having his decisions overturned, and his reasoning for this sentence on Wednesday was detailed," he said. "A higher court is loath to second-guess the trial

court — and it rarely does."

Blagojevich's attorney, Sheldon Sorosky, told the Associated Press on Thursday that the defense would ask for the convictions to be overturned and for the sentence to be reduced.

Potential issues on appeal, he said, included whether Zagel placed so much emphasis on sending a message to other would-be political schemers that he unduly inflated the sentence of the twice-elected Democrat.

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## 'Pa. Slick' sparks wrestlers



Iowa redshirt freshman Josh Dziewa takes a shot on Northern Iowa's Clay Welter during a 149-pound match in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Thursday. Dziewa won the match, 14-6. (The Daily Iowan/Ricky Bahner)

Iowa's 38-4 win over Northern Iowa was good — but not good enough, Tom Brands said.

By **SAM LOUWAGIE**  
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Josh Dziewa's teammates call it a "Jonesy." In his hometown of Yardley, Pa., it's called a "Shin Whizzer."

Whatever the move is called, Dziewa launched it perfectly less than a minute into his match against Northern Iowa's Clay Welter on Thursday.

Welter took an early shot and grabbed one of Dziewa's legs. Dziewa cranked his hip to loosen his opponent's hold, then grabbed his own shin and put his other leg over Welter's back. Then he began a dizzying series of twists and tumbles that somehow ended up with Welter lying flat on his back, and Dziewa with a headlock.

"It's Pennsylvania stuff, kind of slick," Dziewa said. "I've known it since eighth grade, and I had a feeling [Welter] had no idea what it was."

The move resulted in a takedown and 3-point near fall for the redshirt freshman, who went on to win a 14-6 major decision in the first dual-meet appearance of his

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Hawkeye career: Iowa beat the Panthers, 38-4.

Iowa coach Tom Brands said Dziewa provided "a little spark" at 149, a weight class

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## Gambrall battles back

Grant Gambrall is now 2-0 lifetime at 197 pounds, but says he still has work to do to become elite.

By **MOLLY IRENE OLMSTEAD**  
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Grant Gambrall walked onto Carver-Hawkeye Arena's mat for the second time this season, a couple pounds heavier than normal.

Gambrall entered the match with only a 1-0 lifetime record at 197 pounds, but he defeated Northern Iowa's Taylor Kettman, 7-3.

The returning All-American and third-place NCAA finisher last year at 184 pounds moved up a weight class and is projected to stay there this season.

Gambrall weighed more than 200 pounds for the first time in his life as he battled an injury in the off-season that kept him out of workouts. Because the Hawkeyes are still looking for their ideal lineup and have some shakiness at the 197 spot, Gambrall slid comfortably into place at the heavier class.

"I'm not sure that we have seen our best lineup," head coach Tom Brands said. "You can puzzle-piece in there what we've seen this year, and I still don't know ... But I think we're getting closer."

Gambrall said he hasn't quite claimed the title as the Hawkeyes' 197-pound man, though.

"I don't know if I've filled the hole yet," he said. "The expectation is to go out and dominate and put points on the board. Winning by 4 isn't the expectation."

The junior said he still isn't satisfied with his fitness, and he has more work to do in terms of conditioning.

Gambrall struggled in the beginning of his match against Kettman, scoring only one takedown in the first period and adding nothing to it in the second. He allowed Kettman to rack up an escape in both the first and second and entered the third period tied, 2-2.

But despite looking sluggish at first, the Iowa City native managed an escape and two takedowns in the final two minutes to claim the 7-3 decision.

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## CY-HAWK SERIES

## Another tough test on the road

The Hawkeyes will try to contain one of the Big 12's best players, Royce White, when they play at Iowa State tonight.

By **JORDAN GARRETSON**  
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The last time the Iowa men's basketball team matched up against an elite inside-outside player, things didn't go well.

Creighton's Doug McDermott ripped the Hawkeyes for 25 points and 9 rebounds on Nov. 20.

Royce White is capable of inflicting similar damage.

Iowa (5-4) will have to slow down the sophomore forward when it plays Iowa State (6-3) at Hilton Coliseum in Ames at 7:05 p.m. today.

White — a 6-8, 270-pounder in his first year of action with the Cyclones after transferring from Minnesota — leads Iowa State and ranks among the Big 12's top 10 in points (14.8 per game), rebounds (9.9), and assists (4.2).

"He's really a unique player," Iowa coach Fran McCaffery said. "Very few guys his size can handle the ball like he can. He's smart enough to know that he can bring it down and make plays off the dribble and get to the rim. But he also goes inside. And he goes offensive rebounds. And he posts ..."

"I don't know that I can remember too many guys

that big and strong who have that sort of complete skills," he said.

Conventional wisdom suggests the Hawkeyes simply double-team White. But Iowa State's

outside shooting renders that difficult. The Cyclones' 9.3 treys per game rank 10th in the country.

Three players have hit 19 or more 3s this season — Chris Babb (27), Chris Allen (20), and Tyrus McGee (19).

The 3-point barrage is particularly concerning after Iowa allowed Northern Iowa to tie a season-high with 11 3-pointers in an 80-60 Panther win on Tuesday.

"We have to adjust to what lineup is on the floor," McCaffery said. "And try to do a better job of guarding the 3 and try to contain a guy [White] who's really talented."

Tuesday's loss was the Hawkeyes' first true road game. Iowa jumped to a 10-0 lead, but a late 21-2 Panther run proved too much. The Hawkeyes



**McCaffery**  
head coach

SEE MEN'S B-BALL, 2B

## Hawks need offense

Iowa's shooting struggles this season can't be overlooked, and the starting five will need to step up beginning today.

By **MATT COZZI**  
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A typical staple of the Iowa women's basketball team appears to have regressed this season.

The starting lineup.

Kamille Wahlin has struggled. Kelly Krei has gotten off to a slow start. Samantha Logic is averaging about 4 turnovers a game. Even Jaime Printy and Morgan Johnson have had rough patches that usually involve foul trouble.

The trend continued on Wednesday night, when Iowa's starters were unable to give the team the spark it sought in the Hawkeyes' 62-54 loss to Iowa State.

Heading into the game against Western Illinois at 7 p.m. today in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, head coach Lisa Bluder's squad will need to receive a major boost from the starting five.

Aside from Johnson — who scored 16 points — the starters combined to shoot 23 percent on 6-of-26 shooting and had 15 turnovers.

"We're just not shooting



Iowa's Kelly Krei shoots during the Hawkeyes' game against Indiana in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Jan. 16. Krei and the rest of the Hawkeyes have been struggling shooting the basketball this season; opponents have taken 50 more shots than the Black and Gold through nine games. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

the ball well, shooting under 30 percent from the field," Bluder said, noting Iowa had 10 fewer shots than Iowa State. "It's hard to win games if you don't shoot the ball well and you don't have as many opportunities to shoot it."

"That obviously makes a big difference."

Opponents have shot the ball 50 more times than Iowa has during the first nine games this season.

The 3-pointer, which the Hawkeyes utilized heavily by during the 2010-11 season, is still in the repertoire — but the Black and Gold are only hitting 32.6 percent of them.

Iowa's inability to convert consistently from

inside the arc may be having an effect on other facets of the offense.

"We're living and dying by the 3-point shot right now," assistant coach Shannon Gage said in a radio interview on Wednesday. "When we get those easy 2-point shots, we have to be able to put those down."

Iowa has also had a knack of yielding some sizable point runs in its first slate of games so far, and it can't afford to do so tonight against Western Illinois (3-5).

The Hawkeyes gave up a few big runs in the second half against Iowa State that put the game out of reach. The Cyclones also took a 6-0 run into halftime

### Iowa (5-4) vs. Western Illinois (3-5)

When: 7 p.m. today

Where: Carver-Hawkeye Arena

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after being down, 27-20, less than a minute before the break.

"It was really the last 30 seconds they went on a huge run," Printy said. "We were up 7, and then of all a sudden, we were up 1. We can't let runs like that happen."

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CY-HAWK SERIES

# Swimmers head to Ames

The Iowa women want to bring the same energy they had at the Hawkeye Invitational.

By **TORK MASON**  
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The Iowa women's swimming and diving team will hit the road tonight to travel to Ames for a showdown with Iowa State.

The Hawkeyes are coming off of a third-place finish at the Hawkeye Invitational on Dec. 2-4, an event in which several personal-best times were posted and school records were broken. Iowa State's last competition was in the Northwestern Invitational in Evanston, Ill., on Nov. 18-20; the Cyclones finished third, behind Northwestern and Illinois.



**Cubelic**  
senior captain

The Hawkeyes had what they called "great" energy in their last meet, and they said they'll need to carry that energy over to tonight's meet.

"We want to bring our energy there," senior captain Daniela Cubelic said. "I know we're not going to have more fans than [Iowa State] — we just have to keep our cool, focus on our races, and just bring the focus and energy we had at the Hawkeye Invitational."

Head coach Marc Long said he feels good about his team's energy level and the team is at a crossroads in its season.

"There's no doubt it's tough to come off an invitational and go right in — just a few days later — to a big rivalry meet," the eighth-year head coach said. "That'll be a challenge for us, but [the team] seems to be in good position right now."

Long said the team is entering its winter training program, which involves more long-distance workouts, and he noted that the stresses of finals week can wear on athletes.

But Danielle Carty said the Hawkeyes are prepared for that.

"Ever since I was a freshman, we always talk about [finals week] like a month before the invitational," the Caledonia, Canada, native said. "I was always told by the seniors: 'Make sure you're ahead on school and you're keeping up with everything,' because it does hit you all at once. So we've been preparing the girls in advance so they know what to expect this week."

Cubelic said the team is right where it needs to be in terms of its development for the Big Ten and NCAA championships in the spring. But while she admitted she's excited about those meets, the Black and Gold won't overlook Iowa State.

"We're doing really well; we've had some great training, both this week and last week — really the whole season," she said. "We're racing so much faster than we did last year at this point. It's really exciting heading into championship season, but we're taking this meet very seriously."

## Iowa (2-2, 2-2 Big Ten) at Iowa State (3-1, 0-0 Big 12)

**When:** 6 p.m. today  
**Where:** Beyer Hall Pool, Ames

Carty said she expects the Cyclones to be ready to defend their home pool tonight, which is something the home team has done frequently in the series.

"Iowa hasn't won in Ames in quite a few years, and Iowa State hasn't won in our pool," she said. "We definitely want to break that record, and we definitely want to swim fast [tonight] because we're expecting them to do well."

She said the Hawkeyes feel extra motivation against an in-state rival.

"We're not just swimming for ourselves," she said. "We're swimming for the alumni and for the university."



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## WRESTLING

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in which the coach has said the wrestlers have shown too much "hesitancy" this season. Dziewa said he was determined to avoid that same criticism, so he came out and immediately went to one of the most aggressive moves he knows.

"I've been waiting for this opportunity for a long time," he said. "I've wanted to be a Hawkeye since seventh grade. So I knew I wasn't going to come out here and stall and be passive."

Dziewa was one of six Hawkeyes to earn bonus points on Thursday. Iowa won eight of nine matches on the night — Northern Iowa forfeited at 174. But Brands said the team has to stop opponents from finding ways to slow Iowa's attacks down.

On Dec. 2, Illinois wrestlers often dove in and grabbed a Hawkeye leg, preventing Iowa from attacking. Thursday, the Panthers repeatedly grabbed Iowa wrestlers' wrists and wouldn't let go.

"We're going to get slowed down," Brands said. "We're going to get a guy that's hanging on our wrists, like tonight. I'm fine with that. What I'm not fine with is that we let it happen to us. As a competitor, there has to be so much awareness. I'm just not going to let that happen to me as a wrestler. And if it does happen, make adjustments."

Brands spoke specifically about Matt McDonough's match. McDonough won a 10-1 major decision. But the coach and wrestler both said McDonough could have wrestled more aggressively.

"A lot of guys were grabbing wrists and trying to slow us down," McDonough said. "You have to recognize it and stop it right away. The biggest thing is not letting our opponents slow us down. Me included."

Northern Iowa's efforts to control Iowa's wrists and pace often couldn't last for a full seven-minute match, though.

Bobby Telford earned three takedowns and a nearfall in a 12-0 victory at heavyweight. Tony Ramos, despite already having secured a major decision, continued to let his opponent up before taking him down again late into a 15-5 victory. Montell Marion recorded three third-period takedowns in an 18-8 major decision.

The two Hawkeyes that won their matches but failed to achieve bonus points had good reasons.

Grant Gambrall made his return to the mat at 197 pounds after missing significant training time and gutted out a 7-3 victory. And Derek St. John appeared to badly injure his knee in the second period of his 157-pound match. St. John clutched the knee as trainers tried to move it and failed in multiple attempts to put weight on it.

He finished the match anyway, earning praise from Brands with a 3-1 win.

Despite the dominant performance, Brands said the team still hasn't found its best lineup. McDonough eagerly looked forward to finding it.

"There's still a lot to be done," he said. "It's scary what the potential is if we wrestle our very best."



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## GAMBRALL

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Gambrall said the work he's been doing in practice has added to his mental toughness.

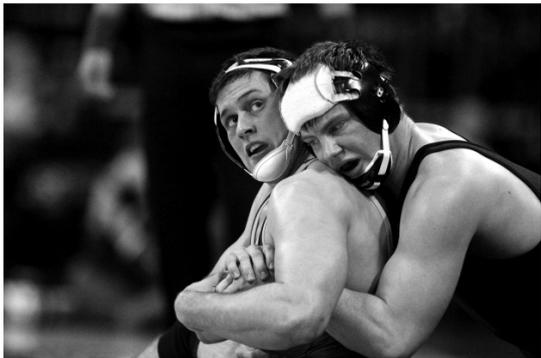
"Even when maybe you haven't been working out as hard as you'd like to [or] for as long as you'd like to, you still get that mental aspect when you're wrestling for the Hawks," he said. "You're wrestling and battling in that room every day, and being able to push through things when it's not feeling the best.

feel, it's about taking care of business."

Brands said he defends Gambrall's fitness level at the moment because his wrestler has been out of the practice room for "a long, long time," and because the junior now wholeheartedly embraces training.

Gambrall's teammate and classmate Matt McDonough also said he doesn't worry about the new 197-pounder's prospects about getting back into shape.

"He's doing everything he can; he's got coaches helping him, and he's also self-driven," McDonough said. "There's always more to give, and I think he



**Iowa junior Grant Gambrall rides Northern Iowa's Tolor Kettman during a 197-pound match in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Thursday. Gambrall won the match, 7-3, after spending last year at 184. (The Daily Iowan/ Ricky Bahner)**

knows that ... That's the key every day — you know you can do more, and each

and every day, you're building to get to that next level."

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can't afford to fade late again if they plan on capturing their first regular-season win in Hilton Coliseum in more than 10 years (Dec. 8, 2001).

"It's a great preparation. It's going to be similar," senior guard Matt Gatens said after Tuesday's defeat at the McLeod Center in Cedar Falls. "It's great to have something like this going in to Friday. Of course, we would rather have won ... We didn't sustain their [Northern Iowa's] runs as well as we wanted to. I think it's a learning

experience.

"We'll go get them [Iowa State] on Friday."

### Marble likely to start again

Senior point guard Bryce Cartwright is still nursing a sore hamstring, McCaffery said on Thursday. Devyn Marble will likely start in his place for the second-straight game.

Cartwright suffered the injury against Brown on Dec. 3 and did not play against Tuesday. McCaffery said he didn't practice Wednesday and likely wouldn't Thursday.

Fortunately for the Hawkeyes, Marble has been one of the team's best

players lately. The sophomore is averaging 11.2 points, 3.0 assists, 2.8 rebounds, and 1.6 steals over his last five games.

"He's just getting better and better," McCaffery said. "... He was a catalyst at both ends of the floor for our team [against Northern Iowa]. He's just maturing right before your eyes."

Marble recorded a team-high 14 points and four assists while playing a career-best 37 minutes Tuesday. He suffered a concussion more than a month ago, causing him to sit out some early November practices, but he cites the injury as a helpful learning experience.

## Iowa (5-4) at Iowa State (6-3)

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**Where:** Hilton Coliseum, Ames  
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"I think it helped me more than it hurt me," Marble said. "I was able to see the mistakes that guys were making. It really helped me when I came back to understand what I need to do."

## WOMEN'S B-BALL

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The Hawkeyes will ultimately need to improve

offensively and take care of the ball in order to make a turnaround — and, more importantly, be prepared for Big Ten play.

That improvement has to begin today against the Leathernecks.

"We just have to move on and get ready for the Big Ten," Bluder said. "... I hope some people come out and help us out [at Carver]. We could really use a boost."

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  - Decided I could use my Brownie Girl Scout vest as a bra now.
  - Wore my Brownie Girl Scout vest around campus.
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  - Made more brownies and tried to sell them to my professors in my Brownie Girl Scout vest. They were special. Sold quite a few. Got some numbers.
  - Gave a mouse a brownie. He asked for some beer. (Wow, these were some good brownies.)
  - Found some brownies. (Brownies are way cooler than elves.) Made those brownies make more brownies.
  - Wrote a letter to Santa to tell him to replace his elves with brownies. And asked where the flip my Barbie Dream House is.
  - Contacted Van Morrison via dream and asked him if I was the inspiration for that song, even though I wasn't alive in 1967. He confirmed that, yes, indeed I was. Then he asked for a brownie. (Seriously, these were some very special brownies.)
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### DILBERT

by Scott Adams

I WOKE UP ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE BED THIS MORNING.

WERE YOU HANGING FROM THE BOTTOM WITH YOUR WINGS WRAPPED AROUND YOUR BODY?

THAT WAS FUNNIER INSIDE MY HEAD.

### NON SEQUITUR

BY VIEV

I'VE GOT AN IDEA ON HOW TO KICK-START MASSIVE SUPPORT FOR YOUR ANTI-HOMENORCK AND BRUSSELS SPROUTS CAMPAIGN...

COOL...HOW?

STEP ONE, GET A CAMERA SET TO RECORD A VIDEO TO UPLOAD AND GO VIRAL. DONE. NOW, STEP TWO...

WELL...?

EVER NOTICE HOW THERE'S NEVER A COP WITH PEPPER SPRAY AROUND WHEN YOU REALLY WANT ONE?

OK...QUITTEW TIME

### Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

WOW...LOOK AT HOW EMPTY THIS PLACE IS!

YEAH, THEY'RE DRAWING DOWN QUICKLY NOW.

HOW LONG WILL WE BE HERE?

AS LONG AS IT TAKES TO GET ALL THE HELIOS CLEANED AND LOADED UP.

I HATE SEEING THOSE AWESOME BIRDS TRAPPED IN SHRINKWRAP! IT MAKES ME FEEL LIKE...LIKE...LIKE...

LIKE WHAT?

LIKE SNEAKING ON THE FLATBERRIES AND SETTING THEM FREE!

FLY, LITTLE FLY AWAY!

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## today's events

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- **High School Latin Jazz Festival**, 9 a.m., Trinity Episcopal Church, 320 E. College
- **European Studies Group Fall 2011 Lecture Series**, noon, 1124 University Capitol Centre
- **NextGen Sequencing in the Clinic: Early Experiences**, Future Directions, noon, 1520, UIHC Collo-ton Pavilion
- **Family Medicine Noon Conference**, 12:15 p.m., 01125 UIHC Pomerantz Family Pavilion
- **Holiday Tubas**, Collegium Tubum, 12:30 p.m., Pentacrest
- **Civil & Environmental Engineering Graduate Seminar**, 3:30 p.m., 4030 Seamans Center
- **Jazz After Five**, Eric Thompson and the Talented Tenth, 5 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Tango Workshops with Somer Surgit**, 7 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **Saxophone Studio Recital**, 7 p.m., Riverside Recital Hall
- **Holiday Ballroom Dance**, 7:30 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **Hancher presents the American Beauty Project**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Casino & Golf Resort, 3184 Highway 22, Riverside
- **Holiday Percussion Pops**, Iowa Percussion Student Ensemble, Dan Moore, director, 7:30 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington
- **Interpretation of Non-German Art Song**, 7:30 p.m., University Capitol Centre Recital Hall
- **White Christmas**, 7:30 p.m., Iowa City Community Theatre, 4261 Oak Crest Hill
- **Christmas Carol**, City Circle, 7:30 p.m., Coralville Center for the Performing Arts, 1301 Fifth St.
- **A Hamlet**, Mainstage Series, 8 p.m., Theatre Building Thayer Theatre
- **Vaudeville Dreams**, Theater Workshop Series, 8 p.m., Theatre Building Theatre B
- **Cello Studio Recital**, 8 p.m., 172 Music West Interim Building
- **Graduate/Undergraduate Dance Concert**, 8 p.m., North Hall Space/Place
- **Sean Boarini**, 8:30 p.m., Gilbert Street Piano Lounge, 347 S. Gilbert
- **Mike Dillon's Go-Go Jungle**, 5 in a Hand, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- **Heatbox**, Roster McCabe, Chasing Shade, 9 p.m., Gabe's, 330 E. Washington
- **Velero Moxie Attic Party**, 9 p.m., Blue Moose, 211 Iowa
- **Campus Activities Board**, Massage Chairs, 9 p.m., IMU Hubbard Commons
- **Campus Activities Board Movie**, *30 Minutes or Less*, 10 p.m., 348 IMU Building
- **Animation and Interaction Late Night Game Jam**, 10 p.m., Blank Honors Center Commons Room
- **Night Hawks Ultimate Laser Tag**, 10 p.m., IMU Main Lounge

## UITV schedule

Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

**12:30 p.m.** Iowa Brass Quintet Concert, Nov. 9

**1:30** Maia Quartet Final Concert, featuring guest artists pianist Assaff Weisman and violinist Robin Sharp, Nov. 10

**3** Dance Highlights, Dance Department

**3:30** Iowa Brass Quintet Concert, Nov. 9

**4:30** Maia Quartet Final Concert, featuring guest artists pianist Assaff Weisman and violinist Robin Sharp, Nov. 10

**6** University of Iowa Choir and Orchestra, Timothy Stalter directs the J.S. Bach's *Christmas Oratorio*, Dec. 1, 2010

**8** WorldCanvass, Being the Other and 2001 International Impact Award, Joan Kjaer and UI International Programs, November

**10** *Dance Gala 2011*, Oct. 29 performance, Dance Department

## horoscopes

Friday, Dec. 9, 2011  
 — by Eugenia Last

**ARIES** March 21-April 19 Tinker around with your personal papers, and you will find a way to lower your liabilities and secure your assets. An unusual choice will draw greater interest to what you are doing. Don't let your self-doubt hold you back.

**TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Don't let overindulgence lead to an emotional quarrel. Work on self-improvement or learning something that will help you grow spiritually. A new look at the way you present who you are and what you do should be considered.

**GEMINI** May 21-June 20 A change you're considering will be easier than you think. Don't second-guess what you can or should do. Look at your situation, and make whatever reforms work best. Don't be afraid to show a little emotion. It will help you get your way.

**CANCER** June 21-July 22 There will be much you don't see. Before you make your voice heard by complaining or criticizing, look for the obvious and the obscure reasoning behind what others do. Patience and understanding will help you reach common ground.

**LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Enjoy a fundraiser, a company party, or a night out with peers or friends for some festive cheer. Picking up a little something for someone you love will prove to be the best surprise ever. Don't let someone from your past ruin your day.

**VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 You won't know which way is up with regard to emotional issues. Expect to meet with adversity at home and where work is concerned. Concentrate on learning and doing what brings the best results. Forget what isn't working for you.

**LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Communication will help you get a better idea of how friends, relatives, and neighbors feel about issues of concern. Use creativity to come up with helpful suggestions, and you will change the way you are viewed by others.

**SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Money matters must be tended to quickly. Overspending on someone or something will lead to financial stress. Bidding on a contract or job that requires your skill set will favor what you have to offer. Love is highlighted.

**SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Start the ball rolling. Make changes that will make you happy. You have to sort out your personal life and partnerships before we head into the new year. Do what works for you, not what works for everyone around you.

**CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Spend more time fixing up your place. A move or having more people over to share your home will result in a closer relationship or enhanced reputation. Money matters can improve with a couple of minor alterations.

**AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 You've got what it takes to swing the verdict. You will find a compelling and persuasive way of handling situations and affecting the outcome. Don't stop until you have accomplished your goals. Your tenacity will lead to victory.

**PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 Emotions will be difficult to control. Personal problems can be expected. Don't let someone from your past confuse you with promises that may not materialize. Consider what you have and what you want before you make a move.

## ON THE STREET

### What do you think of mopeds no longer being allowed at bike racks?

**Christian Nzombo** UI junior  
 "It is going to be a big inconvenience for me after this winter. I usually ride my moped to class."

**Aubrey Christensen** UI freshman  
 "I think it's kind of silly, because mopeds will be taking up parking spots, and there will be less space to park cars. We already have a big parking problem."

**Hunter Gillum** UI freshman  
 "It is just going to make everything more difficult. It will be almost next to impossible finding parking spots."

**Viktor Crnkovic** UI senior  
 "I can see the logic behind it, because a lot of students ride bicycles. I do think if they are going to do this, they need to allocate some other space specifically for mopeds."

## m.c. ginsberg

OBJECTS OF ART

## The New York Times Crossword

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**Across**

- Leave the pad, say
- Rustle up some food
- \_\_\_\_ Brewster, beleaguered nephew in "Arsenic and Old Lace"
- Grammy-winning 1996 Beck album
- How some legal conversations are held
- Newly christen
- Touch up
- African migrants
- "The Amazing Race" network
- Born earlier
- Neeson of "Taken"
- Decision
- Some distillery products
- Lunchtime queuing spot
- 28 Metaphorical crowd
- 29 Dodges, as an obligation
- 32 Gets bent out of shape
- 35 Shirt or skirt
- 36 R&B "drinking song" covered by Ray Charles
- 38 Shoots in the foot, say
- 39 Yarn unit
- 40 Buddyroo
- 44 "You've got a deal!"
- 45 OS X runners
- 46 What a cookie cutter cuts
- 47 Large amount
- 48 What stars might indicate
- 49 Foul ball's landing spot, often
- 50 The DC-10 was one
- 52 While
- 54 "Gone With the Wind" actor Howard
- 55 1994 sci-fi film about an alien artifact
- 56 Controversial one-act play by Mamet
- 57 Visited a vacation house, maybe

**Down**

- Bach's "Mass in B"
- Unfrequented
- Establishment with children's quarters?
- Leading ladies?
- Proctor's need
- Sign
- "-de-Lance" (debut of Nero Wolfe)
- Warning on a box
- Discussion venue
- High-flown tributes
- 1990s cartoon dog
- Without sides, you might say
- Take the risk of
- Marching order
- Shooters on the boards?
- Symbol above the comma on a keyboard
- Amount scarcely worth arguing over
- Confounded
- Ruptured
- Ninth-largest body known to orbit the sun
- 31 La Jolla's \_\_\_\_ Institute for Biological Studies
- 32 Doctor in Hugh Lofting tales
- 33 Lovestruck
- 34 Doctrine associated with Betty Friedan
- 37 Contemptible fool
- 41 Craft store?
- 42 Bit of new info
- 43 Blundered, with "up"
- 45 Out of the game, in chess
- 46 One tracked by radar
- 48 Curb
- 49 Close with a bang
- 51 2001 album featuring "Love Don't Cost a Thing"
- 53 \_\_\_\_ Redman, hero of Stephen King's "The Stand"

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

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