SCOPE to bring Avett Brothers to IMU

The Avett Brothers are set to perform at the IMU Main Lounge March 7 as part of “The Evening with the Avett Brothers” at 7 p.m.

“SCOPE announced the concert today, touting the band as “an exciting blend of folk rock” made up of brothers Scott and Seth Avett. The Avett Brothers also appeared at the 2009 Grammy Awards this year marked the tenth anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001. More than 6,200 Americans have died in the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq in the 10 years since the attacks.

Charles Thompson and attorney Tyler Johnston talk after the defense’s motion for mistrial was made on Sept. 27 in the Drake.

Ringing out fall 2011...

The anticipation of moving back into Art Building West has been building since Nov. 11 for Lynne Lawring. That was when Lanning, an undergraduate advisor at the University of Iowa School of Art and Art History, got her first glimpse of the renovated building during an open house.

“I think when people were able to stand in the building and see how beautiful it is, people were really excited to move back in,” she said “the people from the Art History Department were very excited to see the space again.”

Art Building West is slated to open for classes next month, and UI officials said they expect the move to run smoothly.

“They have been moving along very nicely,” said Erin

But Dean said the move-in schedule is a bit more gradual. “The building is actually not complete yet,” he said “the contractor has been working at a rate and overly critical of Iowans. On

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Professor’s Bloom post sparks reaction

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Art West nearly set

Officials said they aren’t concerned about moving into the new building on-time.

By MATT STARKS

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A bearable lights

By SANCTIONED GENTLY

When Dannell Grothus is not setting a lighting design for a theater production, she can usually find her in the paint shop at the University of Iowa. Creating scenic works of art is one of her passions — she enjoys the challenge of making props to be her backdrop, as well as the wholeness of her true passion love.

After attending Viterbo University, an Iowan, for a year, Grothus decided to transfer to a bigger school with a graduate program in her best interest.

They originally transferred to the UI with no-....

This Iowa City woman was charged Wednesday with...
Measures of help

Iowa City musicians will hold a concert to benefit the Johnson County Crisis Center Food Bank.

By JORDAN MONTGOMERY

The Johnson County Crisis Center helps approximately 4,500 people a month, and the number is growing. This weekend, Iowa City band Eufórquestra will hold a concert to benefit the Crisis Center. In October, the center received a $15,000 donation from the Crater Center. "These people are our neighbors," Ritter Ruback said. 

"I'm really lucky to have benefitted like this," she said. "It's great to see all the support." She also echoed the importance of food banks in the community. "At a time when most families are getting together to celebrate a wonderful holiday season, there are families who are struggling to put food on the table. It affects us all in some way or another."
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UI may adopt mental-health plan

The Mental Health Center hopes to implement Mental Health First Aid at the UI by the next academic year.

BY EMILY BUSSE

Most college students would know how to react if a roommate falls down the stairs or choked in the dining hall. But what if a roommate is excessively anxious, a friend stops eating, or a neighbor sleeping all day?

This could be the early signs of a mental illness, and local mental-health professionals want to make sure more people know how to react when it matters most.

Stephen Trefz, the executive director of the Community Mental Health Center for Mideastern Iowa, and a team of staff members are working to implement Mental Health First Aid at the University of Iowa residence halls by the next academic year.

“We could just provide them with another tool,” Trefz said. “Not to be mental-health professionals, but to be psychiutrists, and to be able to intervene when it matters most.

The Mental Health First Aid curriculum aims to teach people to recognize early signs of mental illness. It originated in Australia several years ago and has since spread to 14 countries, including the United States.

The 13-hour instruction course is implemented in workshops, community centers, and schools. Within the next decade, the program’s website states, the Mental Health First Aid curriculum will become as common as CPR and First Aid training.

With the help of a federally funded mental-health block grant, the University of Iowa Mental Health First Aid training last spring and trained two more employees over the summer.

The staff then chose residence halls as a potential candidate for the training. Trefz spoke with John Cochran, the director of University Counseling Services, about those months to get another opinion. Cochran said the initiatives come at a good time.

“Any kind of training that’s going to help students be better able to keep up with the students who live in the halls,” he said.

In the last decade, he said, there has been an increase in the number of students who enter the university with a diagnosed mental illness. He attributes the increase to several factors. One, he said, is that high-school students are gaining better treatments before coming to college, allowing them to make the transition despite mental illness.

Two, he said, parents and students are more knowledgeable about mental illness and willing to move to a college campus. Two mental illness.

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Potential residne-hall staff would be just getting started in the door, doing the training. Trefz said with the training, they would have to look for signs related to mental illness and refer students to campus resources.

“If it’s going to cost a lot of money, that’s going to be passed onto students and we’re going to have to weigh how effective we are and be even more aware of how much more effective would this curriculum make us,” she said.

Trefz said it’s up to the residence halls to quantify improvement. For him, it’s all about getting it started.

“If we’re successful, (res-idence halls) would be just getting started in the door, doing the training. Trefz said, but we’re creating safety nets for them.”

Trefz said their next step is to contact the UI residence-hall staff over winter break to see if they’re interested in the training.

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County eyes generators

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Sara Selmack, a grant specialist for the county, presented the supervisors with a proposal to purchase the generators during their informal meeting.

The four generators will cost more than $600,000, and if the supervisors grant the request, approval will be needed from the Iowa Department of Homeland Security. The cost will come from the county’s budget.

The county’s only generator, which sits in the Johnson County Government Building, was purchased four years ago.

A generator serves as an emergency power source for the building’s heating, ventilating and air conditioning system.

“Selmack said the generator will automatically shut down, and the buildings will lose power.”

The Iowa Department of Public Health plans to continue to offer the flu vaccine this year.

The Board of Supervisors voted to offer the flu vaccine to county employees at the January meeting.

“In the next few years, we’ll jump into the health care system and look at the choices people make,” said Supervisor JoAnne Berg.
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Gatens faces tough defense

By MATT COZZI

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Ryan Koepke

The Daily Iowan

Gatens returns

Deyvon Marble may be shifted out of Iowa's starting lineup with Bryce Cartwright close to 100 percent again.

By JORDAN GARRETSON

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Iowa wrestlers face challenge

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By SAM LOWNAGE

Iowa entered the Midlands tournament in December 2010 ranked fifth in the nation, with wrestler's seeded in the tournament's top 10 in nine weight classes. The Hawkeyes had enjoyed a promising start to the season, and a fourth-straight Midlands championship seemed within their grasp.

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Head coach Layne Anderson is confident his team will start quickly after the winter break.

**The Daily Iowan’s last day of publication for the fall semester is December 16.**

**With the winter break underway, many of the Hawkeye wrestlers have not faced a ranked wrestler yet.**

"Iowa freshman Kate Drumgoole competes in the 200 meters during the Hawkeye's intrакampus meet on December 1 at the Recreation Building. The Daily Iowan/Katheryn Earhart"
Falcons handle Jags easily at home, 41-14

By PAUL NEWBERRY

Associated Press

Reynolds, the team’s third-highest moment to a husky injury just last week. The Falcons, who have had their share of struggles this season, but the players have to feel a little more confident knowing two of McNeill and Company find the exploitation they’ve displayed just last week. Can McNeill get on track after the worst outing of the year against Nebraska?

Probably. Iowa No. 7 won’t be a corner anywhere near the caliber of the Cornhuskers’ Alfonso Dennard, the 395-pounder’s defense is just 83rd in the nation. Running back Alphonso Coaker should find Oklahoma’s 40th-ranked rush defense agreeable, too.

The Black and Gold shouldn’t have a problem turning over their problems with the Jaguars offense in the country, averaging 34.6 points a game this year and it did against some of the best teams in the country. But even if I didn’t, I can’t help but bet on a 16-point underdog.

By Terry Jones favorite targets won’t be on the field, the role of shutting down the last man standing, Kenny Stills, will fall to Al Big Ten cornerback Shawn Petran. The only question mark for the Jaguars will be the offense. Can Marvin

If I had said at the beginning of the season that laws would play Arkansas in the Cotton Bowl, I wouldn’t have a lot more excited than you are right now. That because the Sooners were ranked No. 1 in the AP’s preseason poll, not on the other hand, have been clobbered all season long.

But whether it’s the BCS championship game or the Insight Bowl, Hawkeyes fans everywhere must face the cold, hard truth: Iowa is stringing of three-straight bowl losses to end this year.

The Black and Gold haven’t faced an offense like the Sooners’ Quarterback Landry Jones leads Iowa on offense that put up 40 points a game this year and it did against some of the best teams in the country.

Feature returned them.No. 11 Texas, 55-17. They put up 36 points against Big Skye’s Kansas State.

FILE — A photograph of Boomer Sooner, the Oklahoma Sooners logo, is displayed in a window at the stadium, Wednesday, Nov. 28, 2012, in Norman, Okla. The Insight Bowl probably won’t be the bowl game Oklahoma wanted to go to, but that won’t stop it from lighting up the scoreboard against an inferior opponent. But hopefully, you’re still excited about another Iowa bowl game. This bowl season will be unlike one we’ve seen in a while from the Hawkeyes. — by Cody Goodwin

December Class of 2012 Graduates

KATIE KORTH

We are a proud of you! Love, Mom and Dad

Jonathan

Have a little fun and you will succeed! Love, Mom and Dad

Sam Shraberg Congratulations to Our Golden Girl Wow, you did it! We are all so PROUD OF YOU! Love, Mom and Dad

Stephanie Ditmer Congratulations! We are all so proud of you! Love, Mom, Dad, Marcur & Shelly

Trisha Stortz Congratulations... Love, Dad, Mom and Family

Victoria Rose Mueller With every life you touch you make a difference. You are going to be a wonderful teacher! Congratulations on your graduation! We are all so proud of you! Mess, Daddy Wynne and Blak

Matthew Walter We are so proud of you! Love, Mom, Dad

Danielle, Congratulations! You’re more pride of you! (See HUDDLES!) WE LOVE YOU! Love, Mom and Dad, Bob and Family

Luke — Look at you... We are so proud! Love, Mom, Dad, Emily, John and Jack

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