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Iowa lost both times it faced Nebraska in the regular season, and they'll play again in the Big Ten Tournament today. **SPORTS 10**



**REDEMPTION SONG**  
Hawkeye wrestlers are underdogs for the first time in a long time. **SPORTS 10**

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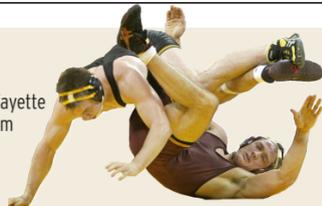
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Big Ten women's basketball tournament from Indianapolis  
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**Corrections**

In a March 1 article titled "LA Guitar Quartet performs in Coralville," the *DI* incorrectly reported the LA Guitar Orchestra will perform on March 3. The date of the show is March 6. The *DI* regrets the error.

The Feb. 29 article "Drake rolls over men's tennis" incorrectly quoted Iowa men's tennis coach Steve Houghton as saying, "Some of the guys aren't trying. They're not into it." Houghton actually said, "It's not like the guys aren't trying or aren't into it." The *DI* regrets the error.

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## Confab: Politics needs women



A panel discussion on state of women in the Iowa Legislature and judiciary was held on Thursday. The panel, made up of four women judges in Iowa, was part of the Women in Iowa Law & Politics event hosted at the Boyd Law Building. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

Only 13 states in the country have elected women to the current Senate.

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University of Iowa College of Law officials and students advocate an end to Iowa's dearth of women in state and federal politics.

Judges, professors, students,

**Women Governors**  
Current states with women governors:

- Arizona, Jan Brewer
- North Carolina, Beverly Perdue
- New Mexico, Susana Martinez
- Oklahoma, Mary Fallin
- South Carolina, Nikki Haley
- Washington, Christine Gregoire

Source: Center for American Women and Politics

and political officials gathered Thursday at the Women in Iowa Law & Politics Convention, host-

ed at the UI law school by *The Journal of Gender, Race & Justice*.

Many noted that Iowa has never elected a woman to Congress or the governorship.

"We think of ourselves as a progressive state, but we are not progressive in that regard at all," said Iowa lawyer Roxanne Conlin, who ran for the U.S. Senate in 2010 and ran for Iowa governor in 1982, both unsuccessfully. "Lots of things changed in the period of 28 years [between campaigns], but one thing that has not changed is that we have no women."

According to the Center for American Women and Politics, as of 2012, women hold 90 of the 535 seats in the 112th U.S. Congress.

Having more women in Congress would add a much-needed diversity of voices and opinions, several attendees said at Thursday's event.

"Women are good at politics — they know how to organize and bring people together," said former Sen. Maggie Tinsman, R-Bettendorf, who now runs a consulting firm. "We need women who

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## Easing ethnic gaps

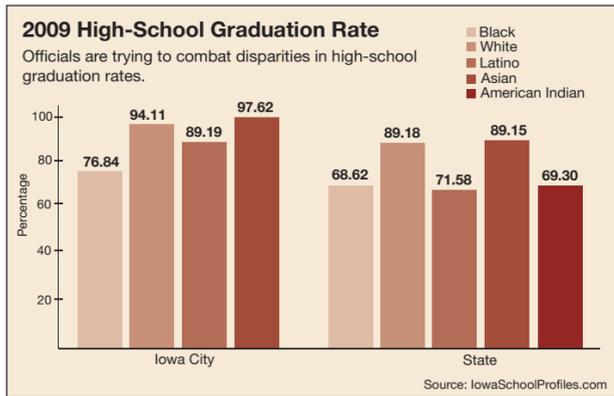
Iowa City high schools have a smaller disparity between Latino and white graduation rates when compared with the entire state.

By **MARISSA MEHALEK**  
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Iowa City School District officials are hoping a series of after-school programs will combat local high-school graduation-rate gaps.

Pam Ehly, Iowa City School District director of instruction, said district officials have been concerned about the ethnic disparity among achievement rates in local schools.

"[Though] the gender graduation rates between Iowa City high schools are even, the ethnic achievement gap is larger," she said.



An Iowa School Profiles study supports Ehly's concerns. Graduation rates for local African-American high-school students in 2009 were around 77 percent, or 17 percentage points lower than white high-school students. The study pointed to a similar disparity nationwide, with African American high-schoolers trailing their white peers by almost 20 percentage points.

Though local Latino high-school students were only 5 points less compared with white students, the same groups saw an 18 percentage point disparity statewide.

The district's Diversity Focus group developed the LENS Student Leadership Series this academic year to combat graduation disparities by educating

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## Tutoring with a twist

The Tutor Universe founders place third in a national business-plan competition.

By **CHASTITY DILLARD**  
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Thomas Hornbeck and Hung Tran saw an imbalance in the University of Iowa's tutoring world.

"We've both been tutors," Hornbeck said. "There is a huge and invisible market. These students can't find the tutors. The ones who hold the knowledge are all busy."

In April 2011, the two computer-science Ph.D. students began working on a solution — Tutor Universe.

The new business is a combination

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# Dorm food bugs some

The photo didn't receive much attention until someone shared it on Facebook, Carr said.

By **JORDYN REILAND**

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Residence-hall food is catching heat after a photo of what appears to be a bug in a Burge Marketplace dish gained attention on Facebook this week.

Dining officials said they responded to the issue and removed the item from the menu when they heard about the incident in November 2011. But some students say they are still concerned about the quality and safety of the residence-hall food.

UI freshman Lauren Carr said she was eating at Burge in November and found something that resembled a maggot in her Korean pork. Carr said that after she found it, she went to the Burge office to report it.

Carr posted the picture on the Internet, but it didn't stir much interest until this week, when it was reposted on the UI Facebook page, garnering feedback from dozens.

Burge Marketplace manager Anne Harkins said she was aware of the situation and responded to it appropriately.

"I spoke to the customer in person when it occurred months ago," she wrote in

an email. "We took [the] item off the line immediately and notified the distributor."

Harkins also said that after the incident, she stopped purchasing the Korean pork product.

UI officials could not say how many similar complaints they've received. Leaders in the Housing and Dining Department said that after they receive a comment or suggestion, they respond to it; the complaint is not kept for record.

"We don't keep it after that," Harkins wrote in an email. "There are a few customer suggestions and our responses on our housing/dining website."

The dining hall website has an online comment section in which students and guests can convey suggestions or concerns about the food or dining experience.

Some residence-hall residents said the photo has turned them off to dining-hall food.

"After that maggot picture went viral, I have begun to feel cheated out of my \$8.50 every time I go there to eat ... I hate everything about Burge food otherwise," UI freshman Katie Gerlach said.



Burge Marketplace dish came with a little extra protein in UI freshman Lauren Carr's Korean pork. What appeared to be a bug was discovered in November 2011. (The Daily Iowan/Contributed Photo)

UI freshman Alex Cohee also panned Burge food after seeing the photo.

"The overall quality of Burge food is not bad," Cohee said. "The maggot did change my opinion on the food safety and quality of the food, however."

After the problem, Carr said, she did not get sick, but she said she no longer eats at Burge.

"I definitely don't eat there unless I have to," she said. "I think I have been there once."

Still, UI freshman Natalie Roytman, a friend of Carr, said Burge handled the situation well and hopes officials will continue to look closely at the food.

"I'm glad Burge took it off the menu, but in the future, they should inspect all food and meat for the health of the students," Roytman said.

DI reporter Elise Dilger contributed to the reporting of this story.

## METRO

### City wants higher rental-permit fees

Rental homeowners may soon hand over more money for permit fees.

The Iowa City Housing Inspection Division has recommended increasing the rental permit fee by roughly 5 percent for single-family homes and duplexes and 6 percent for multifamily units as part of the fiscal 2013 budget.

The Iowa City city councilors want the rental housing division to fund 100 percent of its budget through permit fees; the new fee schedule would go into effect June 1.

Multifamily buildings would see a 11-cent-per-month increase, and typical three-bedroom units would see a 42-cent-per-month increase.

The Iowa City Code states that rental units must be inspected every two years, and rental permits' duration are for two years.

The councilors will vote on a resolution at their next meeting, March 6.

— by Kristen East

### Council to vote on bus fares

Iowa City-area residents could soon pay more for local transportation.

The Iowa City City Council will vote on the first consideration of an ordinance increasing transit fares at its next meeting, March 6.

The proposed transit fee rate increase would help fund the gap created by transit operations moving from government activity to a business activity.

City officials wrote they would like to see user fees cover 30 to

35 percent of actual transit operation costs.

The last transit fee increase was in 1996.

— by Kristen East

### Council to discuss Highway 6/Sycamore plans

The Iowa City City Council will discuss the final plans for and cost of the construction on the U.S. Highway 6 and Sycamore Street intersection improvement project at its next meeting, March 6.

The project — which has an estimated construction cost of \$1.8 million — includes pavement widening, median reconstruction, asphalt overlay, 8-foot-wide sidewalk intersection, and installation of a new traffic-signal system.

The project will be funded with a \$200,000 USTEP Grant, Iowa Department of Transportation funds, water revenue, and general obligation bond proceeds.

City councilors will hold a public hearing on March 6 and vote on the final plans.

— by Kristen East

### Ordinance would unlink exposure, public urination

Approval of a new city ordinance would create two separate offenses for indecent exposure and public urination and defecation.

Currently, City Code lists indecent exposure and public urination under the same section, and the section is cited whether someone is charged for either offense.

With approval of an ordinance amending City Code 8-5-6, those charged with public urination would not be considered sexual offenders.

Cody Graham — the University of Iowa Student Government liaison to the Iowa City City Council — submitted the proposal.

City councilors will vote on the first consideration of the ordinance at their meeting on March 6.

— by Kristen East

### Council to hold water-main hearing

The Iowa City City Council will hold a public hearing during its meeting March 6 to approve plans for the Iowa River water main crossings project.

If plans are approved, the city will proceed with installing two new water mains under the Iowa River.

The new water mains would replace those that were exposed and damaged during the 2008 flood.

City officials estimate the construction cost will be roughly \$290,000. The project will be funded with FEMA reimbursements and water-revenue funds.

— by Kristen East

### City wants to raise storm-water fees

The approval of a new city ordinance could mean increased fees for Iowa City residents.

The Iowa City City Council will likely set a public hearing for an ordinance increasing storm-water fees as proposed in the fiscal 2013 budget. The increase would be the second since the Public Works Department established the fee in June 2004.

**Omaira Abdalla**, 40, Coralville, was charged Thursday with fifth-degree theft.

**Douglas Bishop**, 44, North Liberty, was charged Tuesday with violating a no-contact, domestic-abuse protection order.

**Edwin Cifuentes-Moncayo**, 27, 14 Metric Road, was charged Wednesday with driving while license suspended/canceled.

**Cody Foust**, 20, 319 S. Lucas St., was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

**Timothy Hildreth Jr.**, 26, address unknown, was charged Wednesday with third-degree criminal mischief.

**August MacFarland**, 20, 944 E. Davenport St., was charged Wednesday with driving while

license suspended/canceled. **Michael Holt Jr.**, 21, address unknown, was charged Thursday with public intoxication and assault.

**Michael Humble**, 19, Wellman, Iowa, was charged Wednesday with public intoxication and fifth-degree theft.

**Willie Morris Jr.**, 42, Cedar

Rapids, was charged Feb. 13 with second-degree robbery.

**John Rankins**, 18, 2430 Muscatine Ave. No. 29, was charged Wednesday with fourth-degree criminal mischief.

**Amanda Williams**, 19, 2426 Nevada Ave., was charged Thursday with public intoxication.

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# Wanted: secure Courthouse



A new window separates visitors and workers at the County Attorney's Office at the Johnson County Courthouse on Thursday. The \$13,000 glass was installed for security reasons, environmental factors, and to minimize noise. (The Daily Iowan/Asmaa Elkeurti)

By BETH BRATSOS  
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Johnson County officials have added approximately \$13,000 in new security glass at the Courthouse, but many Courthouse workers want additional security measures.

County Attorney Janet Lyness said the glass, installed around two weeks ago, was built to help with noise distractions on the first floor, create a barrier between employees and patrons, and make the physical environment more comfortable. An increasing number of Courthouse cases alongside a new courtroom on the first floor led to more people waiting in the lobby for hearings and using the break room, she said.

"The big thing I noticed immediately was the noise," she said. "The number of interruptions we have just from yelling and talking — it travels through the office. Having the office be quieter is a very nice change."

The glass also helped resolve an unpleasant breeze in the office from people entering the Courthouse through the back door, she said.

Assistant County Attorney Michael Brennan said he believes the main benefits of the glass are environmental.

"The entire ground floor and especially the lobby

## Courthouse security

County courthouses have difference security systems:

- Johnson County
  - Security glass on first-floor lobby
  - Two deputies at the Courthouse at all times
- Linn County
  - Walk-through scanner at front entrance
  - X-ray machine checks purses, brief cases, pockets, packages
- Washington County
  - Security window

Source: County officials

area can get quite cold in winter," he said in an email. "It was not at all unusual to see our receptionists wearing scarves and coats at their workstations on cold winter days."

Although the security glass has many benefits, Lyness said, it does not alleviate the need for increased security throughout the Courthouse. Offices on the north side of the first floor are behind the glass, but other offices are still unprotected.

"[We've had] very big concerns of who's coming in with weapons. There are a lot of volatile situations going on [and] usually a lot of angry people here," she said. "The whole security for the Courthouse needs to be updated, because there

is no good way to currently screen people coming in with weapons."

However, she said, it is structurally impossible to set up a permanent metal detector in the existing Courthouse. Though she supported a new Justice Center with screening for Courthouse users, more court space and jail beds, the Johnson County Board of Supervisors delayed that project Wednesday.

"Currently, because of congestion of the Courthouse, it is difficult to separate parties," she said. "Having security also involves having physical space where you can separate people."

Supervisor Terrence Neuzil said the supervisors are still in the process of figuring out how much to bond for the Justice Center, which would be built near to the Courthouse.

"We have a situation where a Courthouse is out of space," he said "We continue to try to piecemeal to do what we have to do until we ultimately build a new Justice Center."

Neuzil said he hopes the bond referendum issue will make it to November's ballots, and, if approved by voters, to begin the two-year construction shortly thereafter. The estimated cost of the center is currently in the \$48 million range, he said.

# UI alum to become House parliamentarian

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A University of Iowa graduate will soon be U.S. House of Representatives' parliamentarian.

House Speaker John Boehner announced Tuesday that Tom Wickham — who graduated from the UI in 1990 and from the UI College of Law in 1994 — will assume the position of parliamentarian for the House at the end of the month.

Wickham will succeed John Sullivan, the parliamentarian of almost eight years, who will retire at age 60.



Tom Wickham parliamentarian

Wickham has served as deputy parliamentarian since 2005. Before that, he was an assistant parliamentarian for 10 years.

"Tom Wickham, in addition to being a master of the House's rules and tradi-

tions, has the sound judgment and steady temperament required to serve as parliamentarian," Boehner said in a press release. "Tom has earned the respect of lawmakers and staff on both sides of the aisle, and I have every confidence in him."

Wickham declined to comment on his new appointment to *The Daily Iowan*.

The House parliamentarian advises representatives on proper meeting procedures during House meetings, working for both Democrats and Republicans.

"The parliamentarian is someone who understands the rules for a particular body," said Tim Hagle, a UI associate professor of political science. "They let them know when things can be voted on or when a motion may take place."

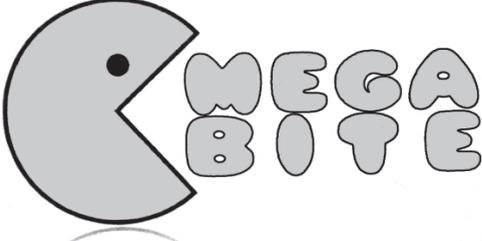
Hagle said it's not uncommon for UI grads to get jobs in Washington, D.C.

"Because of Iowa being the first in the nation's caucuses, a lot of our students get involved in politics later on," he said.

Hagle said UI students have gone on to become members of the House staff and have worked on political campaigns.

Frederick Boehmke, a UI political-science associate professor, said Wickham gave a lecture for faculty and graduate students last year on the UI campus.

Wickham was born in Dubuque in 1968 and raised in nearby Epworth by parents Thomas Wickham and Brenda Sagers. He graduated from Western Dubuque High School in 1987 and went on to earn a B.A. as a political-science major and Spanish minor from the UI. During law school, he was managing editor for the *Iowa Law Review* from 1993-94. He is also a member of the Iowa State Bar Association.



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## Column

## Gasp — a week without Facebook and texting improved my life



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the “7 New Stories” generated since my last Facebook visit. The article probably took me double the time because of the constant distraction of the web.

And so, I had decided, in fear of being a hypocrite, to leave the cyber world behind for a week. If I was going to talk the talk, I damn well better be able to walk the walk — or at least try. After seven days with no web-based communication, here I am.

I logged onto Facebook at 12:37 this morning. For a moment, I actually thought I deserved a pat on the back. I had arrived at the end of my social networking-free week almost by surprise, having nearly forgotten that I'd taken up the — albeit measly — challenge in the first place.

Strangely, I didn't miss it a bit. And to be honest, I shouldn't have. After day one, I had forgotten about online communication. So, one might say I was a lousy guinea pig. Maybe this whole thing was like Lance Armstrong making a New Year's resolution to get into shape. But it was an empowering feeling, knowing that I wasn't as attached as I thought I was, knowing that I wasn't completely “lost.”

However, the sole concern wasn't necessarily the question of whether, in retrospect, I missed being “live” online, but more importantly, why what I did mattered. Sure, I didn't exactly take up the gauntlet — this was no marathon, but I learned a few things about myself.

The biggest advantage of the one-week experiment was also the most obvious one: time. For the first day, not instinctually typing in “facebook” upon flipping open my computer was a challenge. But quickly, I caught on, and with my avoidance of email and social networking, I discovered a subsequent, almost immediate, decrease in overall computer use.

I realized that about two-thirds of the time I considered opening my laptop, I actually had no real reason to. As an English major, all of my classes revolve around reading — that is, physical books. With no real motivation for logging onto my Mac, it became a temporary relic on a dusty countertop. Over the course of the week, I maybe opened my laptop five times.

With all this free time, I found myself spending an increased amount of time reading, conversing, and staying active. With my computer out of the question, day-to-day life became a much simpler game. Eat, exercise, learn, converse, sleep. It soon became apparent that Facebook hadn't been keeping me in the loop; it had been throwing me out of it. Routine was no longer spiced and fragmented by status updates or inbox surveillance. My days were fluid — uninterrupted by the insignificant ramblings of old dorm-mates, the complaints of long-lost friends, or the vibrations of bass-heavy mashups.

The weirdest part of my week? I started calling people again. It's almost as if I had forgotten that I didn't have to type words to friends and family. I actually had the option to hear their voices.

I was jumbling a column together moments before deadline a bit over a week ago. As I rambled on about the evils of social networking, cracked-out on coffee and running on an empty stomach, I stopped periodically to refresh my email, check my phone, and read

As I began to use my phone more frequently for calling than texting, I started to realize how bad we all seem to be at talking to each other in person. Muffled grunts in the gym somehow translate to, “No, I'm not using that bench, go ahead and grab it, good sir.” Head nods say, “Hey, pal, good to see you.”

As I stopped reading and typing words, I began to see that they weren't a huge part of my life. As humans seemingly dependent on technological means of communication, it seems that we truly have forgotten the value of speech.

The only downside of this week was also the most disturbing indicator of a real problem. I didn't feel like a part of the world. At least, not the one in which I currently reside. I saw my friends, I chatted, I went to class, I discussed. But it constantly seemed as if the world knew something I did not, as if some thing was brooding behind the surface level of every interaction.

Did everyone else know something I didn't? Was I out there, pants down and drooling in some drunken photo, tagged two hours ago by Every Giddy Girl With a Cannon Powershot? Is that kid talking smack on my wall again? Did Ochocinco get a new Lambo?

The very thought that I felt subtly alienated was an unsettling notion. As a physical being, I was whole and completely human. Yet, somehow, I seemed alone, cut away from the world. I guess the only question for me was, do I really care? To be honest, that's a tough one.

I thought I did care. At least, I was telling myself to care. But when I stepped back, I realized that the rationale for wasting my energy worrying about what I was missing in some false, fabricated world was just as bad as being a part of it. Cutting myself off physically wasn't necessarily a success until I had also detached myself emotionally. And that was the hard part. No matter how easy it was for me to abstain from logging on, perhaps it was my very consciousness of the endeavor's temporary nature that permitted me to accomplish the task without difficulty.

So my mission now becomes the eradication of impermanence. Starting now, I'm going to take a day off from social networking every week for a month, and I would encourage others to do the same. Twitter, Facebook, email — these things obviously aren't going anywhere. These modalities of communication are becoming increasingly (and sadly) necessary to function and flourish in both the professional and personal worlds.

But, at the very least, it is our responsibility as intelligent beings to be conscious of the systems that can own us. We need to create time in which we can function without the restraints of these communicative systems which seem to devour so much of our precious time. The result, undoubtedly, will be clarity and purpose.

Think of it as a vacation, an evening in a primitive mountain cabin, away from the humdrum babble of everyday life. Reflect, revel, and rejoice in being loosed upon the world, if only for a moment, free from wireless imprisonment.

Being aware that we are controlled might be the closest to liberation that we'll ever get. We are pawns in a sick game, or so I feel, but let us play willingly. ■

Your turn. How long can you last without Facebook? Weigh in at [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

## Gun down the new bill



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The new gun bill passed in the Iowa House has little potential to do good and great potential to do harm. It's a bill that is unnecessary for Iowans' safety that is written by insurance companies, and it will lead to accidental deaths.

The cheers of Iowans who see House File 2215 as a huge victory for personal freedom will be music to the ears of this bill's true beneficiaries: corporations. The bill will lead to lower liability-costs for insurance companies because of the loosened regulations in civil actions relating to use of deadly force. That's why these corporations participated in writing the bill with the other members of the American Legislative Exchange Council. HF 2215 is based directly off of one of the group's “model bills.”

Gun control is an issue often ruled more by emotion than by logic. Pro-regulation advocates often use bombastic rhetoric about turning peaceful streets into violent free-for-alls and disputes in mall parking lots into shootouts at OK Corrals. Their stereotypical idea of a gun owner is a hotheaded dolt who thinks he's Wild Bill Hickock.

The pro-gun camp sometimes responds with the sentiment that the only thing keeping criminals at bay are America's registered gun owners, stalwart citizens who protect us all. In recent years, much of the misinformation about concealed-carry laws deterring crime has come from the study “More Guns, Less Crime,” by John Lott, which has been largely disproven by the academic world.

Then, of course, there's the issue of the first line of the Second Amendment, which mentions the necessity of a well-regulated militia. This line has about as many interpretations and rationalizations made of it as there are of the Bible or the movie *Inception*.

The NRA decided to avoid the controversy on the front page of its website, leaving the first line out entirely. This seems odd. If we had an amendment that said, “The ability to outrun tornadoes being paramount to a sound democracy, the right of citizens to exceed 100 mph in their vehicles shall not be infringed,” would a National Speeders Association PAC spring up, chop off everything before the comma, and protest loudly whenever a driver got a speeding ticket?

Even if anti-gun crusaders think America should be gun-free like many European countries, the position firearms occupy in our culture means they are here to stay. The citizen has a right to keep and bear arms.

Still, the Constitution does not say that citizens have a right to shoot someone because they feel scared. It does not say that citizens have a right to protect their egos from the wound of backing away from a criminal instead of shooting him or her.

There are two especially worrisome provisions in the bill: One is the section redefining the appropriate times to use deadly force. It reads: “A person may be wrong in estimation of the danger or the force necessary to repel the danger as long as there is a reasonable basis for the belief of that person and the person acts reasonably in response to the belief.”

When added to the next section, the potential consequences of this law become clear: “4. A person who is not engaged in any illegal activity has no duty to retreat before using force as specified in this chapter ...”

Iowans are already not legally obligated to back away from an aggressor in their home or place of business. But this bill means that, in a public place, instead of trying to find an alternative to using force that could kill someone, Iowans can open fire if they believe they are in danger regardless of whether using deadly force is necessary.

The problem this law is intended to address, that of the multitude of law-abiding gun owners who refrain from pulling the trigger because they are afraid of prosecution and subsequently lose their lives, doesn't exist. Humans don't need a government to tell us when to defend ourselves. Our internal “fight-or-flight” response is more inalienable than anything written in the Constitution. What's much more likely is that citizens may now be less careful with their use of deadly force.

The law as it is now may lead to the accidental prosecution of some citizens who lawfully used deadly force to protect themselves (though the number of times this has happened since Iowa's bill passed in 1971 is closer to zero than to several), but this new bill creates a gray area that has the potential for dire consequences.

Let's make sure insurance companies don't make casualties of Iowan citizens and never allow this bill to become law. ■

## Column

## Wanting opportunities for higher education isn't snobbish



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President Obama deserves as much criticism as the country can dole out as an elected official in a republic. He's been called a socialist, a czar, and the latest from Rick Santorum: a snob.

Sometimes the claims hold water — but wanting everyone to have the opportunity to go to college? Don't be stupid.

Obama wanting all Americans to go to college, however idealized, and providing viable options to encourage them to do so, is not snobbish.

Last weekend, Santorum described Obama as just that.

“Not all folks are gifted in the same way,” Santorum said. “... President Obama once said he wants everybody in America to go to college. What a snob.”

I suppose Santorum's nugget was trying to capture the same sentiment

as Albert Einstein's “Everybody is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid.”

But it more or less missed the mark.

“To some critics,” the *Washington Post's* Sandhya Somashekhar and David Nakamura wrote, “this latest attack goes beyond his typical anti-elite rhetoric and flies in the face of what has long been drilled into American families: that a college education is the most certain path to a brighter future for students as well as the country.”

David Axelrod, Obama's political adviser, further characterized Santorum's playground name-calling as “extreme” this week.

“You see a race to the right, a race to pander to the most extreme and strident voices on the Republican side, and you've seen it in a series of debates recently over some social issues,” Axelrod said.

At an event on Monday, Obama further clarified his position on the American opportunity of higher education.

“I have to make a point

here. When I speak about higher education, we're not just talking about a four-year degree,” the president said. “We're talking about somebody going to a community college and getting trained for that manufacturing job.”

And Obama is right.

To call someone a snob because he believes all Americans, further all people, should be provided the opportunity to better themselves academically can be nothing but pandering. Furthermore, higher education can be the silver bullet to the plagues of society: crime, poverty, unemployment, drugs, hatred. Education, especially higher education, provides an experience for young adults to gain their footing in society and allows them to explore what they truly want to do and be.

What I can't stand are politicians, columnists, people in general who try to persuade others that the educated “elitists” believe they are better than everyone else. I can't stand people who set out to make vital members of society, the 1 percent, the

blue-collar workers, believe they are less than the guy who got two degrees in college.

And it's not Obama who is doing that — it's people like Santorum.

If a man is a good person, if he works hard at his job, if he mows his lawn, if every once in a while he smiles, or laughs, and if every once in a while he thinks about somebody else, then I don't care if he failed coloring in kindergarten. If he has compassion and tolerance, believes in the Constitution, then he is a fellow American, and I will fight for his opportunity to receive as much education as he wants.

The more education people get, be it a craft or postgraduate degrees, the better chance they have of getting jobs. And if people with only high-school diplomas don't need more education, that's great — but people should be provided the choice.

And if that means I have to pay a little more taxes, then by all means tax me to death. But don't take the easy way out and assume I'm a snob. ■

## GAPS

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local high-school students on community-leadership issues. The initiative allows students easier access to academic and community groups by partnering Diversity Focus with organizations such as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., FasTrac, and the NAACP.

FasTrac Director Henri Harper said program directors are trying to take a more holistic approach to getting students involved in the community.

"This program brings

more attention to students' goals of becoming more involved in the community and therefore changing the perception of others," he said. "The struggle has been difficult for them, because some people refuse to change from dictating them instead of listening to them."

FasTrac, which began in Iowa City in 2007, offers academic support for local high-school students and education on civil-rights issues.

Education officials agreed students at risk of achievement disparities often need such guidance outside their homes.

"This is an important

issue because it does not just target one specific group," said Chad Simmons, the executive director of Diversity Focus. "Some students do not have the resources at home, and these programs help execute success for the future through early intervention."

Some University of Iowa officials agreed.

"Not every student has the role models at home," UI Admissions Office Director Emil Rinderspacher said. "Early intervention through these programs help execute these students' success for the future."

## TUTOR UNIVERSE

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of a Facebook-like platform and online auctioning sites such as eBay. The goal, they said, is giving students and tutors a place to find their perfect match online — potentially allowing students to reach out globally.

The service — set to launch later this month — will be available only to UI students and prospective tutors from the university, though Hornbeck and Tran have plans to expand it to other schools eventually.

"Finding the right tutor really affects the students' performance," Hornbeck said. "A lot of times, they aren't getting everything they need from these classes, and they need the extra help."

Tutor Universe's business plan won third place in the University of Cincinnati Spirit of Enterprise Graduate Business Plan Competition — one of the most competitive in the nation — last weekend. This was the first UI team to enter the competition.

UI students have access to many tutoring services on campus — both free services and private ones

### Tutors

The UI offers a series of tutoring services covering most academic programs.

- History Writing Center
- Engineering Tutorial Service
- The SWAT Team
- Astronomy and Physics

Source: Campus Information Center

— ranging from writing centers to math and science tutorial labs. Overall, the UI offers 10 different services covering different areas of study.

Tutor Universe is not affiliated with the UI. But Penny Kaelber, the coordinator for the UI's Campus Information Center and Tutor Referral Service, said Tutor Universe's lack of tutor-training requirements may impede students who use it for university classes.

"One of the priorities that we have with [the official UI tutor] service is making absolutely sure that all of the tutors that are with us have a B or above in all the classes they want to tutor in," she said.

UI student tutors must also have at least 56 hours of college credit, she said.

Michelle Nakauae, assistant director for the UI Rhetoric Writing Center, said she's fine with stu-

dents looking for tutoring from non-university sources.

"I think there is a lot of demand and the demand is much greater than what any service on campus can provide," she said, noting the center must occasionally turn students away. "I think that anyone who wants feedback on their writing should be able to get it, and if there is a service that someone is offering, I personally don't have a problem."

The Rhetoric Writing Center assisted more than 2,000 students last semester with programs including face-to-face tutoring, online tutoring, and the Writing Fellows Program — a curriculum-based peer tutoring program.

But Tran and Hornbeck said they don't envision their plans taking away any of the UI's or local area's tutoring business.

"[But] we are trying to do a real thing," Tran said. "The story is very simple. We are Ph.D. students and wanted to start a business. We are working hard to help a lot of people, not just in the U.S., but people around the world."

## MAY ALL YOUR DREAMS BE AVOCADO



An unknown person or persons voiced displeasure with the demolition of the Red Avocado, which had been located on East Washington Street. The demolition of the building took place in January. (The Daily Iowan/Jessica Payne)

## WOMEN

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are leaders already in their communities, we need them in the Iowa Legislature, and in Congress, and in the Governor's Office as well."

Jacqueline Langland, an editor at *The Journal*

of *Gender, Race & Justice*, agreed.

"[*The Journal*] would like the people of Iowa to be well-represented," she said. "When you have a lack of diversity in state politics, it means certain voices do not have a voice. By increasing diversity, we would hope that more voices are heard in our state government."

The lack of Iowa women in politics boils down to issues of equality, Tinsman said.

"Women are leaders who share power and they strive for cooperation over competition; we need more [women] to run," she said. "I'm not anti-man at all — I just want to be at the table with them."

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### Instructions ... Bah, I Say, Bah

- Prompted over the phone: “Enter your code, followed by the pound or hash sign.” But which one is better, the pound or the hash sign?
  - Automatic Caution Doors don’t work; they never give me any warning at all.
  - At checkout lanes, when paying by debit card, the readout asks if “this amount is OK?” This is negotiable now?
  - If I follow the directions on my medication and take “X” amount every “Y” hours, then I will eventually exceed the recommended maximum dosage for a 24-hour period. Hmph, who wants to live forever, anyway?
  - Why are “slower traffic, use right lane” signs on the right side of the interstate?
  - “Let stand one minute in microwave.” It’s just sitting there — how do I get it to stand?
  - My stove has a “stop time” button. But either it’s broken, or I have high quantum expectations.
  - Yes, I have stopped at a stop sign and waited for the light to change. What of it?
  - You should be able to text people via their license plates. When someone is driving distractedly, I want to be able to send a strongly worded text.
- Brian Tanner is dry-clean only.

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### DILBERT

by Scott Adams

WE'RE GOING TO START FRACKING UNDER OUR BIGGEST COMPETITOR'S HEADQUARTERS.

MY PLAN IS TO POLLUTE THEIR WATER AND GENERATE EARTHQUAKES TO DESTROY THEIR CAMPUS.

THE PROTECT CODE NAME IS "FRACKING AWESOME."

CATCHY

### NON SEQUITUR

BY VIEV

HEY, DON'T BLAME ME! YOU'RE THE ONE WHO WANTED TO RUN THE GOVERNMENT LIKE A BUSINESS

### Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

SO WHAT DO YOU DO, MR. REDFERN? YOU A RAP, PERFORMER OR AN ATHLETE?

NO, I'M A FOLK HERO -- THE RED RAPPER CAL OF AFGHANISTAN.

BUT I'M ONLY IN AFGHANISTAN DURING THE FIGHTING SEASON. I NEED A PLACE TO CHILL WHEN I'M STATESIDE.

OH.

DO THE TERRORISTS EVER FOLLOW YOU HOME?

SOMETIMES, BUT THEY'RE EASY TO SHAKE.

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- **Open House for Prospective Graduate Students**, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Chemistry Building
- **Iowa City Foreign Relations Council Luncheon**, “The Artists and the Haitian Art Relief Fund,” Edouard Duval Carrié, noon, Congregational United Church of Christ, 30 N. Clinton
- **Chess Club**, 1 p.m., Uptown Bill’s, 730 S. Dubuque
- **“I wish this was included in Professional Seminar: Or things I wish I knew before I started my engineering job,”** panel of recent graduates, 3:30 p.m., 3321 Seamans Center
- **Friday Night Jazz**, 5 p.m., Uptown Bill’s, 730 S. Dubuque
- **Matthew Bollinger**, 5 p.m., 112 Art Building West
- **WorldCanvass**, “Japan,” Joan Kjaer and International Programs, 5 p.m., Old Capitol Senate Chamber
- **“Live from Prairie Lights,”** Eleanor Henderson, fiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights
- **Special Film**, *Capone’s Whiskey: Story of Templeton Rye*, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **USA Ballroom Dance**, 7:30 p.m., Old Brick, 26 E. Market
- **Gigi**, Iowa City Community Theatre, 7:30 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington
- **Walking the Wire: This Will Never Work**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert
- **Tower of Power**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Casino & Golf Resort, 3184 Highway 22, Riverside
- **Sidewinders**, Gallery Series, 8 p.m., Theatre Building Theatre B
- **Dancers in Company**, 8 p.m., North Hall Space/Place
- **Sean Boarini**, 8:30 p.m., Gilbert Street Piano Lounge, 347 S. Gilbert
- **Zeta June**, with Satchel Grande, 9 p.m., Yacht Club
- **Origin of Animal**, Daylight Savings Account, 9 p.m., Blue Moose, 211 Iowa
- **A Dangerous Method**, 9 p.m., Bijou
- **Karaoke**, 10 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **White Mystery**, Liberty Leg, Skye Carrasco, Caterwaulla, 10 p.m., Gabe’s
- **Campus Activities Board Movie**, *New Year’s Eve*, 10 p.m. 348 IMU
- **Campus Activities Board Friday Comedy**, Finesse Mitchell, 10 p.m., IMU Main Lounge
- **Ladies’ Night**, 10 p.m., L&J Kitchen BBQ House, 320 E. Burlington
- **Late Night Movie**, *Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas*, 11:15 p.m., Bijou

## UITV schedule

Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

- 12:30 p.m.** Iowa Brass Quintet Concert, Nov. 9, 2011
- 1:30** Maia Quartet Final Concert, featuring guest artists pianist Assaff Weisman and violinist Robin Sharp, Nov. 10, 2011
- 3** Dance Highlights from the Dance Department
- 3:30** Maia Quartet Final Concert, featuring guest artists pianist Assaff Weisman and violinist Robin Sharp, Nov. 10, 2011
- 5** University of Iowa Choir and Orchestra, Timothy Stalter director, J.S. Bach’s *Christmas Oratorio*, Dec. 1, 2010
- 7** WorldCanvass, “Sustainability,” Joan Kjaer and International Programs, February 2012
- 9** Dance Marathon 2012, a replay of the last two hours of the 2012 Dance Marathon, Feb. 4
- 11** Afro-Cuban Dance Performance, Dance Department, Nov. 13, 2011
- 11:45** Dance Department Highlights

## horoscopes

Friday, March 2, 2012  
- by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 You’ll be quick to judge and be judged. Take your time, and consider all sides of a situation before you do something you will regret. Focus on commitment, setting new goals, and being positive, especially when dealing with relationships.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Talk openly about your feelings and what you would like to see happen. Once you explain your intentions and plans, you will get the support you need. An unusual connection to someone with the type of expertise required will develop.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Confusion is present. Dig deep to get to the bottom of a situation that has left you feeling uncertain about your future. Find out where you stand so you can make adjustments. Stay ahead by being informed.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 Do something unusual to take your mind off your troubles. Avoid anyone who is unpredictable or trying to cause a commotion. Don’t take on responsibilities that don’t belong to you or that have the potential to cause unwanted stress.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Socializing and looking for adventure should be your goal. Short trips, spending time with others, or learning something new will contribute to your enjoyment and lead to an encounter with someone you want to get to know better or do business with.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Tie up loose ends, and enjoy a little downtime with the people you love most. Good fortune is in the stars. Address legal or health issues head-on, and do your best to apply any financial changes that will improve your assets.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Think before you say something that won’t go over well with your associates. Keeping your peers happy will be a chore, but it will pay off with the help and support you receive in return. Domestic changes will be beneficial.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Plan your actions strategically, and you will get everything you desire. The connection you enjoy with someone will lead to a better understanding of what you want and what you can expect in the future. Good fortune is within reach.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 You will face opposition if you aren’t precise. Don’t leave anything to the imagination if you don’t want to end up defending your position. A personal change will not turn out as planned. Take care of your needs first.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Stick to what you know and do best. Use your imagination, and you will come up with something unique and innovative. Focus on home, family, and building a better life. Your financial input will help your personal investments grow.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Use charm to get your way. You can stabilize your life and your future by making a commitment that will enable you to improve your skills and knowledge. A chance to raise your income is apparent. Love is highlighted.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 Don’t let an emotional matter in your personal life stand in your way or lower your productivity. Concentrate on what counts and what will get you ahead. Don’t miss out because someone is putting unreasonable demands on you.

# m.c. ginsberg

OBJECTS OF ART



## The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0127

- Across**
- Actress Stone and others
  - “Just playin’ with ya”
  - Base characters?
  - Meccan, e.g.
  - Ones sitting on pads
  - Cut off one’s ears?
  - One asking questions he already knows the answers to
  - Cousin of contra-
  - Highness
  - “Figures I’d have this problem!”
  - French expert in body language?
  - Draw back
  - Education dissemination locations
  - Solidifying agents
  - Vase lookalikes
  - Bouncing off the walls
  - Enclosure ... and an alphabetical listing of letters not appearing elsewhere in this puzzle’s answer
  - Sylvester’s “Rocky” co-star
  - A Ford
  - “\_\_\_ Girl” (“Bells Are Ringing” tune)
  - One swimming with flippers
  - Logical ending
  - Accessible for shooting
  - Like pool racks
  - Host of PBS’s “Scientific American Frontiers”
  - Baseball All-Star Kinsler and others
- Down**
- A.B.A. members’ titles
  - Wailuku’s county
  - California’s \_\_\_ Woods
  - Wood shop shaper
  - “Scrooge” star, 1951
  - “Likely story”
  - Lawn flamingos and such
  - Pop alternative
  - With 12-Down, lidocaine delivery option
  - Risk board territory
  - Stack at IHOP, say
  - See 9-Down
  - Like some punk hairstyles
  - Cracked open
  - Stocking-up time?
  - Lay claim forcibly
  - Weak
  - Quaint euphemism
  - Film holders
  - “1984” shelfmate
  - Ordeal for jrs.
  - Part of some pools
  - Rose partially
  - Clinic shipments
  - Henry James biographer
  - Least desirable parts

Puzzle by Joe Krozel

- True companion?
- Pundit
- Highness: Abbr.
- Mass action
- Mosel tributary
- Begin a conversation with
- Cut back
- Contact liquid
- Nail topper
- Home to a much-visited tomb
- Sweep the board?
- Mosul money
- The Charleses’ pet
- Not close
- Like fashionable partygoers?
- It may knock you out
- Concert pieces
- 54-Down for a trip

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## ON THE STREET

### How many midterms do you have next week?



‘One.’ Elizabeth Heasley UI freshman



‘Three.’ Justin John UI freshman



‘Two.’ Sanjana Ramesh UI freshman



‘Two.’ Neil Patel UI junior



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210 N. Linn St., Iowa City



# GATENS

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Meanwhile, Northwestern needs a win to help ensure an invitation to the Big Dance. ESPN.com bracketologist Joe Lunardi listed the Wildcats as the last team in the field of 68 after their 75-73 loss to No. 10 Ohio State on Wednesday.

Northwestern boasts its own storied senior trying to will his team into the NCAA's. John Shurna, the school's all-time leading scorer, is averaging 22.7 points over his last six games.

The 6-9 forward will try to spoil Gatens' Senior Day festivities, which promise to be emotional.

"[Hawkeye fans] recognize the contributions by one of the great Hawkeys of all time, and that's Matt

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Gatens," McCaffery said. "They've watched him lead this team, [which is] a young group. They've watched him put us on his back for three or four games in a row. I think

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they'll show up in full force, and that's what we're going to need."

# WOMEN'S HOOPS

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on an eight-game winning streak to end the regular season and clinch the No. 3 seed in the tournament.

Nebraska started 6-2 in conference, but is 4-4 since — including a triple-overtime victory against Purdue on Feb. 2 and a win over Ohio State in its regular-season finale.

"We're all hungry to play Nebraska," Iowa center Morgan Johnson said on Tuesday. "They've gotten us twice, so it would be nice to get them."

The Hawkeyes got their wish.

Nebraska set a Big Ten Tournament record when it scored 54 first-half points against Northwestern on Thursday.

The 54 points were more than Huskers managed in an entire game the last time they played Northwestern; they lost to the Wildcats, 63-51, on Feb. 16.

Nebraska started the game on an offensive tear and reached its 54-25 half-time lead with the help of a 24-0 run early in the half.

Husker forward Jordan Hooper presents a matchup problem for the Hawkeyes. The sophomore is listed at 6-2 and is able to make shots on the perimeter, while her size allows her to be effective in the post. She scored 17 points against Iowa on Jan. 8 and 22 on

Jan. 26.

A major key to the game will be how fresh Hooper and the rest of Nebraska's players are. Because of the lopsided score in the Northwestern game, Huskers head coach Connie Yori was able to rest her starters most of the second half in preparation for their matchup with the Hawkeyes.

"It's huge," Yori said about the rest. "When Katie Simon, who has barely played for us, plays more minutes than Jordan Hooper [19 to Hooper's 16], that's a good thing."

The Huskers will need to be as fresh as possible to beat the Hawkeyes for the third time in a row, Yori said.

"[Both games against

## No. 3 Iowa (19-10) vs. No. 6 Nebraska (22-7)

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Iowa] came down to the wire, and we were fortunate to win two games," she said. "Iowa's a really good team and playing its best basketball right now ... We'll have our hands full tomorrow."

# To beam or not to beam

By ALEX FRENCH  
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The Iowa women's gymnastics team will head to Denton, Texas, this weekend to compete in a meet against BYU, Texas Woman's University, and Southeast Missouri State.

The meet, which is set to take place at 7 p.m. Saturday, is Iowa's second non-dual meet of the season. Iowa hosted a co-ed meet against Illinois on Jan. 21 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

The meet will not follow traditional Olympic style because of the three other teams competing. This means Iowa's rotation will be slightly askew; the team will begin on the uneven bars and then follow normal rotation — balance beam and floor exercise will lead into the vault, which is normally the first event.

Head coach Larissa

Libby said she prefers approaching meets this way.

"You get the two harder events out of the way first," she said. "[On bars and beam], you need to be more grounded; on floor and vault you go more off of adrenaline."

Iowa ranks in the top five of its region in all four events, and on a national scale, it ranks 13th in the uneven bars. The Hawkeyes rank fifth in the region in the balance beam but are 36th in the nation on the event.

The top 36 teams at the end of the regular season qualify for regionals and a shot at an NCAA championship.

Iowa is ranked No. 29 nationally as a team, and the Hawkeyes said they recognize where they need to improve; the GymHawks placed extra emphasis on

the balance beam this week.

"We're figuring out our problems and attacking them head-on," Sydney Hoerr said. "We're taking [beam] one skill at a time, breaking it down, and trying to stay up."

Libby and the beam lineup moved their equipment into the Northeast gymnasium of the Field House on Tuesday in an attempt to change the atmosphere. The eighth-year head coach told her gymnasts each would stay there until everybody hit a clean routine. The Hawkeyes were there for well over two hours.

Iowa employed a similar tactic on Thursday by moving the beam to the main atrium of the Field House.

This time around, the team stopped beam practice after 75 minutes.

"We improved a lot from

Tuesday," freshman Emma Willis said. "It's time to figure out what's going on in our heads, and [moving the beam] helped that out."

Changing the scenery eventually got Libby the results she wanted out of her team, the head coach said.

"They know we're doing everything we can to put a beam team [together]," Libby said. "We did everything we could do up to this point."

She said she was also pleased with the team's performance in practice, and she believes the improved results can translate into the competition this weekend.

"They need to learn to get out of their comfort zone, attack the event, and approach it with a winning attitude," she said. "If they do that, they'll be successful."

## HAWKEYE SPORTS

### Soccer hires new aide

The Iowa soccer team announced on Thursday it has hired former Kansas goalkeeper Julie Hanley as its new assistant coach.

Hanley will replace Jaimel Johnson, who spent two seasons in Iowa City before leaving for Texas in January.

"[Hanley] brings a high level of energy and fantastic enthusiasm to our program," head coach Ron Rainey said in a release. "Her playing background in the Big 12 is tremendous, and she'll be a solid mentor to our goalkeepers — along with the rest of the team."

The Indiana native was most recently as a graduate assistant at Illinois State, where she was part of the 2011 Missouri Valley Coaching Staff of the Year. She spent two years tutoring the Redbirds' goalies and defenders, helping the team make the NCAA Tournament in 2011. Illinois State went 22-13-2 during her tenure.

She interned at Kansas following a four-year playing career in which she became the second-leading Jayhawk goalkeeper in career wins, shutouts, and goals-against average.

"I'm excited and honored to join the University of Iowa

women's soccer coaching staff," Hanley said in the release. "Being a native of Indiana, I have great admiration for the Big Ten, so I'm thrilled to be offered this opportunity."

Hanley will work with a young corps of Hawkeye goalkeepers next season; Iowa lost its goalie with the most wins, Emily Moran, to graduation following a 2011 campaign in which the team finished a program-best 13-4-3 (5-4-2 Big Ten). The Black and Gold will have four goalies on the roster: Caitlin Schnorbach and Kiley Beck will be sophomores, and incoming freshmen Hannah Clark and Meg Goodson will join the team in August.

— by Seth Roberts

### Hawk men to play in Cancún Challenge

The Iowa men's basketball team will be one of eight squads in November's Cancún Challenge in Mexico, according to a release.

The tournament will consist of two four-team divisions and will begin in the United States on Nov. 15 and 17. Each team in the Riviera Division — which includes Iowa — will host two games against schools in the Mayan Division.

The teams will then travel to Cancún to play a pair of games at

the Moon Palace Resort on Nov. 20-21. The hotel's ballroom will serve as the arena, giving fans an "up-close perspective of their team," the release said. Each division will have its own champion.

The Riviera Division has Iowa, DePaul, Western Kentucky, and Wichita State. The Mayan Division features Howard, Austin Peay State, Western Carolina, and Gardner-Webb.

"It's a group of teams that have a good core of young talent and excellent recruiting classes coming into the programs," tournament Director Brent Amick said in the release.

An Iowa Cancún Challenge title would mark the second-straight year in which the tournament champion came from the Big Ten; Illinois beat Southern Illinois-Edwardsville, Lipscomb, Richmond, and Illinois State to win the tournament in November 2011.

More information can be found at [cancunchallenge.net](http://cancunchallenge.net).

— by Seth Roberts

### Baseball tries to get back on track

The Iowa baseball team will try to overcome a rough start to the 2012 season when it plays in the Austin Peay/Riverview Inn Classic this weekend in Clarksville, Tenn.

Iowa (1-5) is slated for first pitch at 11 a.m. today against Akron (0-6). The Hawkeyes will also play Austin Peay (4-3) on Saturday at 2:30 p.m. and Youngstown State (0-7) at 11 a.m. March 4.

Head coach Jack Dahm's club has lost five-consecutive games after winning the season-opener against Pittsburgh on Feb. 17. Iowa is averaging 2.2 runs per game during the five-game losing streak; the Hawkeyes scored 7 runs in their lone victory.

Dahm will send three left-handed starters to the mound this weekend, led by ace Jarred Hippen. The senior pitched well in his last start on Feb. 24, throwing 7 1/3 innings while allowing only 1 run. The single tally proved costly, though, as Coastal Carolina beat Iowa 1-0.

Matt Dermody and Sasha Kuebel are also expected to toe the rubber this weekend. Dermody is listed as the probable starter against Austin Peay on Saturday, and Kuebel the probable starter against Youngstown State.

Kuebel earned co-Big Ten Freshman of the Week honors on Monday for his performance against Virginia Tech on Feb. 26. The St. Louis native got a no-decision against the Hokies after pitching 7 1/3 innings and allowing 1 run.

Iowa eventually lost, 4-3.

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# Hawks face tough foes

Head coach Katie Dougherty said Iowa's ranked opponents face more pressure to win this weekend than the Hawkeyes.

By **PATRICK MASON**  
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The Iowa women's tennis team will face its toughest challenge of the season when it squares off against two ranked teams this weekend.

The Hawkeyes will travel to South Bend, Ind., to face No. 17 Notre Dame tonight before returning home to host No. 38 DePaul on March 4.

Iowa (4-2) head coach Katie Dougherty said the team worked hard in practice on manufacturing scoring opportunities, and she said she repeatedly reminded her players that they belong on the court with some of the best the country has to offer.

"It's nothing we haven't seen before," Dougherty said. "We need to get these teams on their heels right away, make them feel the pressure as soon as we can, and see if we can't get their backs against a wall. And when we do, we're [going] to play the big points."

She said she wants her players to start fast and be aggressive, and that starts with doubles — but the Black and Gold are still feeling out that part of the game. Dougherty said the Hawkeyes will most likely

have three brand-new doubles teams to "shake it up." The goal, she said, is to find two or three combinations that consistently work well.

While Iowa is still toying with its doubles, Notre Dame (8-3) appears to have figured everything out. The team's doubles pairing of seniors Kristy Frilling and Shannon Mathews was ranked No. 2 in the nation by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association; the duo is 7-3 on the season, and the three losses came against other nationally ranked teams.

Notre Dame is also a force in singles play — its top three slots are filled by ranked players. Mathews and Frilling are No. 52 and No. 73, respectively, and Britney Sanders rounds out the top group at No. 102.

The Hawkeyes will return from South Bend to face DePaul at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex, where Iowa senior Sonja Molnar says Iowa enjoys a slight advantage. "It's always more comfortable playing matches at home, at our facility and with our fans," said the No. 110-ranked singles player in the country.

Freshman Shelby Talcott

said the team is "really fired up" about the opportunity to give its supporters a show against the country's No. 38 squad.

While DePaul will pose a challenge for the young Hawkeyes, Dougherty said, her players can take comfort in knowing they faced the Blue Demons in the fall; both teams participated in the Wildcat Invitational in early October. Iowa was 2-0 against DePaul in singles, but dropped the only doubles match between the schools.

DePaul's makeup is also similar to that of the Hawkeyes, Dougherty said.

"They have four freshmen in their lineup, up high like we do," she said. "They're a really well-coached team, smart and athletic — but we know what to expect."

Dougherty said the Hawkeyes may also have some intangibles on their side.

"We're ready to go out there and compete with a little bit less to lose than they have, being ranked that high," she said. "We all have something to lose because we go into every match expecting to win, but we know the pressure is a little bit more on them."

## SPORTS

### Softball to face ranked teams

The Iowa softball team will face two ranked opponents this weekend in the Hall of Fame Tournament in Oklahoma City.

The Hawkeyes will first compete in two games against No. 23 Oklahoma State at 6 p.m. on Friday and 1:30 p.m. on Saturday. Iowa will play No. 9 Oklahoma at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m. on March 4.

The Hawkeyes are 8-6 after playing in three pre-conference tournaments, but they have lost to both ranked opponents they've challenged thus far. Iowa was on the wrong side of a

4-0 shutout against No. 7 Baylor and fell to No. 5 Arizona State, 5-2.

Hawkeye pitching could give the team the upper hand against Oklahoma State. Iowa hurlers Chelsea Lyon and Kayla Massey have 2.90 and 0.99 ERAs, respectively. Cowgirl pitchers have a combined 3.25 ERA.

The Oklahoma games will probably be pitching duels, though. The Sooners' Keilani Ricketts carries a 1.56 ERA, and Michelle Gascoigne boasts a 0.57 ERA and 39 strikeouts.

— by Molly Irene Olmstead

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# Hawks prep for last chance

The Iowa men will continue their indoor season, and the women will look ahead to the outdoor campaign.

By **CODY GOODWIN**

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The Iowa tracksters have one last chance to meet the requirements for the NCAA indoor meet.

The final opportunity to qualify for the national meet in Boise, Idaho, will be split into two last-chance meets this weekend. Thirteen members of the men's track team will compete in Ames on Saturday at the Iowa State Qualifier. Competition will begin at 10 a.m. at the Lied Recreation-Athletics Facility.

Three more members of the men's squad — Nick Holmes, Kevin Lewis, and Jeff Thode — are already in South Bend, Ind., for the Alex Wilson Indoor Track and Field Invitational. The trio will run at the Loftus Sports Center on Notre Dame's campus this afternoon to try to secure an automatic qualifying bid for next weekend's meet in Boise.

Head coach Larry Wiczorek said he's optimistic his athletes will take advantage of the weekend, even though they may not make up as talented a group as last year's Hawkeyes.

"We're not the same team this year; we're a little further out than we

were," he said. "[But] I still think we're good enough that it's possible [to qualify for nationals]."

The last-chance meets are also prime opportunities for athletes who have been injured. The 4x400 relay team of Erik Sowinski, Patrick Richards, Kaleb Van Cleave, and Keaton Rickles will feature one such athlete when it takes the track in Ames.

Richards will run the lead leg of the relay after struggling with injuries for majority of the season. He said he's ready to run — and run fast.

"I just need to get us the lead," he said. "I've been having a rough year. I had a hamstring issue and wasn't running too well, but I'm back, and I'm ready."

While the men run, jump, and throw this weekend, women's head coach Layne Anderson — whose team finished 10th at the indoor conference meet — said his athletes will take the time to recover and recuperate from the indoor season. The women's squad won't send athletes to either of the last-chance meets.

"We've opted not to pursue any last-chance opportunities," he said. "We feel like, for us, it's important to get people healthy, to get

back to some good training, and for us to gain some physical, mental, and emotional confidence in ourselves."

Anderson said the time off will be good for his team as it begins training for the outdoor season. The team's potential, he said, is as high as it has ever been; this weekend will be the first step toward fulfilling that potential.

"This will be a good time to start training to become the team we envisioned we could be," he said. "The great news is that we have a significant amount of time to build momentum and produce some positive energy."

The Hawkeye women aren't the only ones that are done for the year. Justin Austin, a returning All-American in the 200 meters, has been dealing with a nagging hip-flexor injury that ended his indoor season.

"We're just going to hold him out and get him healthy and focused for outdoors," assistant coach Joey Woody said. "We need to focus on getting him healthier so he doesn't break down at big meets outdoors, like the Big Ten meet or nationals."

DI reporter Eldon Giannakourous contributed to this article.

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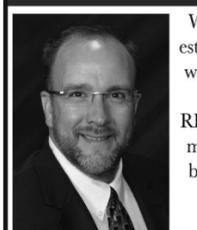
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## Swan song nears for Iowa City's own Gatens



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Iowa senior Matt Gatens has started 67 career games in Carver-Hawkeye Arena; tonight could be his last. From left: Gatens drives for a lay-up against Iowa State as a freshman, dribbles down court in Iowa's season-opener against Texas-San Antonio as a sophomore, gets fouled in a 20-point win over Michigan State as a junior, and scores in a 105-64 win over Central Arkansas as a senior.

Saturday's game could be Matt Gatens' last in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, pending Iowa's birth in a postseason tournament

By JORDAN GARRETSON

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Matt Gatens has started 67 games at Carver-Hawkeye Arena as a member of the Iowa basketball team. Saturday's contest against Northwestern will be No. 68 and possibly his last.

The senior guard is playing the best basketball of his career entering the Hawkeyes' regular-season finale. He is averaging 15.7 points per game this season, bolstered by a 22.8 average over his last six games — a stretch in which he's 30-of-46 on 3-pointers. His 24 trifectas from Feb. 16 to Feb. 26 are the most in a four-game span by any Big Ten player

since the 1996-97 season.

In a radio interview on Wednesday, coach Fran McCaffery said Gatens' entire game is peaking — not just his shooting.

"He's driving the ball better," McCaffery said. "He's getting fouled. He's not turning the ball over. And he's guarding the other team's best perimeter player, and he never comes out of the game. That's pretty impressive right now."

The co-Big Ten Player of the Week honor awarded to Gatens on Monday was the first of his career.

"He is the epitome of character and class, not only in terms of what he's done on the floor but

how he carries himself," McCaffery said. "I hope this is just the beginning of what will become a number of different accolades for him."

Besides continuous praise and admiration from his coach and teammates, Gatens' accomplishment-laden career largely speaks for itself. The three-time co-captain's 1,574 points trail Adam Haluska by 4 for seventh among Iowa's all-time leading scorers. He ranks second in school history with 231 3-pointers.

The Iowa City native — who orally committed to the Hawkeyes in ninth grade — has sat only two games in his career because of injury.

Iowa will miss him. Big Ten coaches won't miss preparing for him.

"He's not only one of the better shooters and guards in this league — he's one of the better ones in the country," Indiana head coach Tom Crean said after Gatens scored 30 points in Iowa's 78-66 win over the Hoosiers on Feb. 19. "That's a four-year guy that has been doing it at a high level."

But Gatens would likely trade any statistic, milestone, or honor in order to achieve one thing: postseason play. None of the 22-year-old's 123 career games have come beyond the Big Ten Tournament.

Gatens realizes his career is drifting into its twilight, and he appears to have elevated his play accordingly to accomplish his goal.

"It's coming to an end. It's sad," he said following the Indiana game. "I want to keep playing. I want to make the postseason."

Iowa's already small chance for an NCAA Tournament at-large bid likely evaporated with Sunday's 65-54 loss at Illinois. The Hawkeyes still have a shot at either the National Invitational Tournament or the College Basketball Invitational.

SEE GATENS, 7

BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

## Not feeling seedy

The Hawkeye wrestlers are seeded low, but they're ready to redeem themselves at the Big Ten championships.

By MOLLY IRENE OLMSTEAD

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The Iowa wrestling team is rarely — if ever — considered an underdog.

The 2008 team that ended the regular season with an 8-0 Big Ten record and a No. 1 seed for the conference tournament wasn't. Neither were the teams that accomplished the same feat in 2009, 2010, and 2011.

But Iowa finished third in the Big Ten this year, and it enters the tournament with a 6-2 conference record. Iowa, the wrestling program with 34 Big Ten titles in 53 years, is the underdog in the Big Ten championships this weekend.



Brands  
head coach

Penn State (13-1, 7-1 Big Ten) and Minnesota (14-3, 7-1) are tied for first in the conference standings. Iowa lost a 22-12 dual against the Nittany Lions. And despite beating the Gophers 19-17 in a league dual meet, Iowa lost to Minnesota, too, 16-15 at the National Duals.

Tony Ramos, the nation's third-ranked 133-pounder, said Iowa has a lot to prove because everyone is counting the Hawkeyes out.

Iowa's 125-pound frontman Matt McDonough is seeded first in his class;

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Ramos and 165-pound Mike Evans are seeded second in theirs.

But Derek St. John, a returning All-American who finished fourth in the nation at 157 pounds last year, is seeded sixth. So is heavyweight Bobby Telford. Mike Kelly is 10th at 149 pounds.

"We're going to have to wrestle our tails off to win the tournament, based on the seeds," head coach Tom Brands said. "We're going to have to go above and beyond those seeds, and we're going to have to be solid and smart to do that."

The wrestlers said they know what each has to do. Ethen Lofthouse said he'll try to score early and often this weekend. Kelly said he'll focus as hard as he can for all seven minutes of his match. Ramos said he's determined to prove everyone — the opponents, spectators, and critics — wrong.

"I like proving people wrong, the team likes proving people wrong, so that's what we're going to go out and do," he said. "I think we're real dangerous. They had St. John as a sixth seed? He's not a

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sixth-seed wrestler ... He's going to go out there, and it wouldn't surprise me if he wins the whole thing."

Iowa began the season ranked No. 1 nationally but dropped to No. 2 after it fell to Oklahoma State in early January. Then, the Hawkeyes lost to Ohio State and Penn State and fell to No. 5 in the nation.

Iowa has worked its way back up to third since then — Penn State is first and Minnesota is second — but the Hawkeyes don't seem concerned with the rankings or bothered by the seeds.

"I don't know if to the fans, it feels like we're an underdog or not," Brands said. "I know what they expect. And I know what we expect."

Iowa expects to win. Lofthouse didn't have much to say about being an underdog. He said the Big Ten might not be taking Iowa as seriously as they have in the past — but those teams are still scared, so Iowa is still a target.

"Everyone is still out to get us," he said. "They know what we're capable of."

BIG TEN WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

## One more shot at Huskers



Iowa guard Sam Logic drives against Nebraska guard Brandi Jeffery in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Jan. 8. Logic and the Hawkeyes will face the Cornhuskers for the third time this season today in the Big Ten Tournament. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley)

Iowa will face Nebraska for the third time this season.

By BEN WOLFSON

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INDIANAPOLIS — Lisa Bluder and Company got the matchup they wanted as they enjoyed their first-round bye in the Big Ten Tournament.

Sixth-seeded Nebraska thrashed 11-seed Northwestern, 88-56, in the first round on Thursday, ensuring the Huskers and

Hawkeyes will meet for the third time this year.

Iowa lost both matchups in the regular season; the Hawkeyes fell, 77-72, on Jan. 8 and 60-53 on Jan. 26.

Bluder seemed unfazed by the 0-2 record against the Big Ten's newest member when she spoke to the media before the tournament on Tuesday.

"The Nebraska game is interesting to me because

they swept us," Bluder said. "As a competitor, you'd love to have the opportunity to go against them again."

A lot has changed since the teams last met in the part of the season Bluder referred to as Iowa's "low point."

Iowa was 3-5 in conference play after its second loss to Nebraska, but the Hawkeyes have since gone

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