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CORRECTION

On March 20, *The Daily Iowan* ran a front page story regarding meth-lab burn patient statistics at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. With the story, the *DI* published seven photographs. The combination of the photographs and the story may have given the impression that those seven people had been treated at the UIHC burn unit. The *DI*, in fact, had no information that those individuals had been patients at the UIHC. Hospital staff provided no photographs or patient information for the story. The photographs were obtained from the Johnson County Jail and were of individuals arrested for some methamphetamine charges in Johnson County in 2011. The *DI* regrets the errors.

SPORTS

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DAILYIOWAN.COM POLL:

Should Iowa adopt online schooling for K-12?

Yes - 63 percent

No - 37 percent

ON THE WEB TODAY:

VIDEO: Mild temperatures and low interest rates cause an uptick in real-estate sales this past winter.

VIDEO: Kirk Ferentz faced reporters Tuesday before the Hawkeye football team begins spring practice.

DOCUMENT: The Hawkeye football team also released its two-deeps and full roster on Tuesday.

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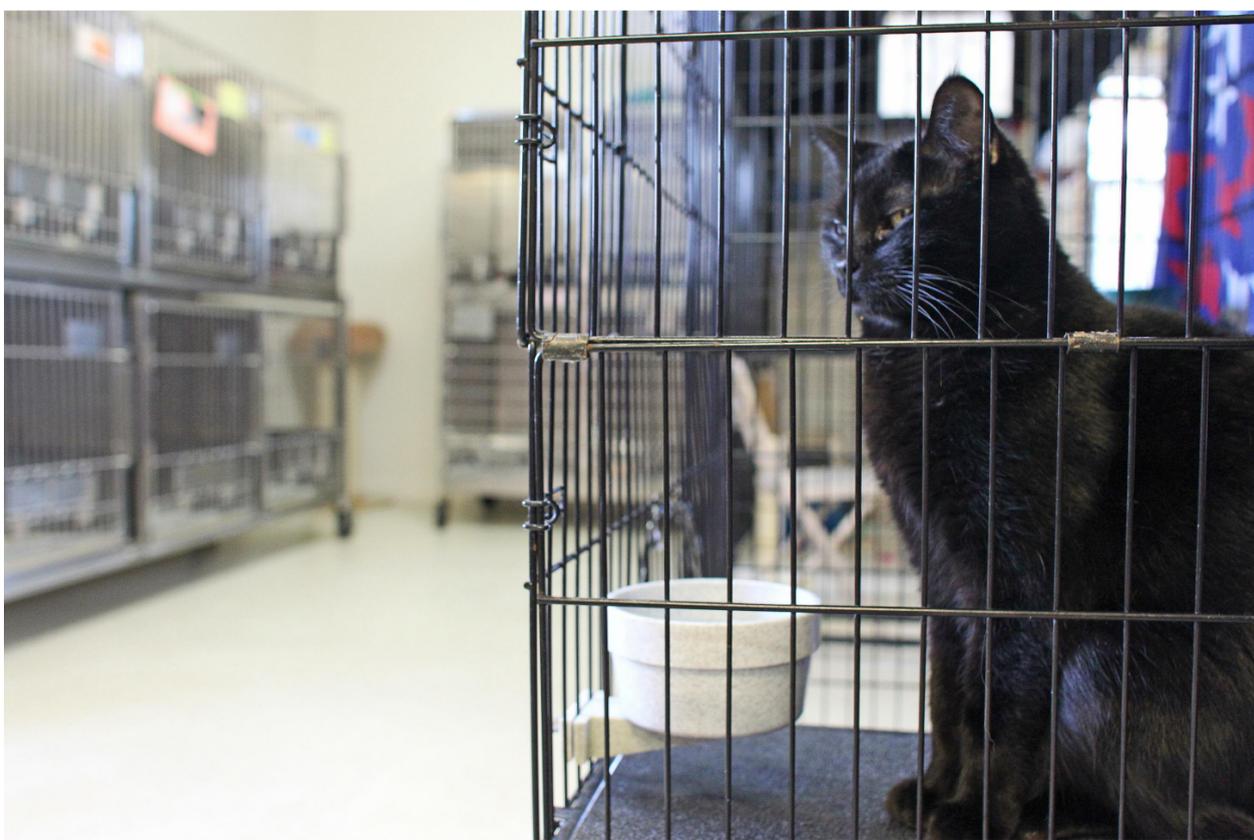
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UI to pitch in with shelter funding



A replacement for the temporary Iowa City Animal Shelter is projected to cost \$4 million. The center was forced to relocate following the flood of 2008. (The Daily Iowan/Jacklyn Couppee)

The shelter will also receive funding from the city of Coralville.

By **ELISE DILGER**
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University of Iowa officials have offered monetary support for a new Iowa City animal shelter, though the decision has prompted some confusion.

UI spokesman Tom Moore said the university made the decision after city officials said the UI would be required to pay additional fees for any stray animals the shelter found on the campus and brought into the facility. The UI will contribute \$7,216

toward the new facility. The building would replace the old shelter, which was damaged in the 2008 floods.

However, some are skeptical about the funding decision.

"The question is, what is it the University of Iowa should be spending its money on?" said Deborah Thornton, a research analyst for the Public Policy Institute. "It needs to be careful if it is using the tax and tuition money for this shelter."

Iowa City and shelter officials announced the estimated \$4 million cost would be

reduced to \$3 million at a City Council meeting on Tuesday. The cost will be split between \$1.6 million in FEMA funding and \$2.6 million from surrounding cities and entities.

Moore said the contribution is based on past costs for stray animals brought to the city's temporary animal shelter from university grounds between 2009 and 2011. He said the specific number of stray animals

SEE ANIMAL SHELTER, 5

Mild weather aids home sales

Iowa City saw 131 residential real-estate listings sold from Dec. 1, 2011, to March 14.

By **DORA GROTE**
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Mild temperatures and low interest rates spiked an increase in residential real-estate sales and listings in Iowa City this past winter, local real-estate agents say.

"We got a good start on the year because it was such a mild winter, and normally, we run into a deep freeze in December and January, and we didn't have that this year," said Mike Jensen of Lepic-Kroeger Realtors. "[The temperature] makes it different for obvious reasons. You don't want to move and go out and look at homes in that kind of weather."

Iowa City had 131 residential real-estate listings sold and roughly \$28 million in sales from December 2011 to March 14. There were 103 residential listings sold and approximately \$21 million in sales in the same time a year ago, said Kay Seery of the Iowa City Area Association of



A house on Walnut Street is listed on the market in Iowa City on Tuesday. Because of the warmer weather, local real-estate agents say, the number of houses sold has increased compared with last year. (The Daily Iowan/Melissa Wilson)

Realtors.

"I've been in real estate just over 28 years, and usually in cold weather months, there are not as many buyers out looking as there are in March through September," said Mark Kamps, the broker and owner of Coldwell Banker Real Estate Professionals. "I tell sellers and buyers as soon as the weather starts to warm up in February, people start looking."

Kamps said historic low interest rates have also affected sales.

Amy Henderson, the senior vice president for mortgage lend-

ing at the University of Iowa Community Credit Union, said the 30-year fixed rate is 4 percent, and it has been as low as 3.75 percent in the last month.

"What the government is trying to do is keep the rates at a low rate that will make homes more affordable," she said. "[The government] is trying to stimulate the economy and encourage home-buying, because that's going to help the economy."

Henderson said new home buyers and current homeowners

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Loan interest may jump

Subsidized Stafford Loan rates are set to rise from 3.4 percent to almost 7 percent unless Congress acts.

By **DEREK KELLISON**

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University of Iowa students will soon join other Big Ten schools in an effort to maintain interest rate levels for Subsidized Stafford Loans.

Currently, interest rates on the loans are set at 3.4 percent by the College Cost Reduction Act of 2007 and the Higher Education Act of 1965. These rates are set to expire this summer. In that case, rates would jump back to last year's rate — almost 7 percent.

Sara Harrington, an assistant director of UI Student Financial Aid, said the effect of the increased rates came from the unforeseen economic downturn.

"Before the rates were lowered in 2007, the economy was not as bad," she said. "No one expected the situation we have today."

If rates went back to nearly 7 percent, she said, students would pay

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'Household' vote deferred

The city has received more than 60 protest petitions.

By **KRISTEN EAST**
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Though city officials received a slew of petitions against a new apartment-zoning ordinance, few people showed up to defend those petitions at Tuesday's council meeting.

The Iowa City City Council on Tuesday night deferred the first consideration of a proposal targeting largely student housing near downtown Iowa City after city officials received a significant number of petitions.

The set of zoning amendments before the City Council calls for changing the definition of "household" as it now applies in the City Code. Approval of the zoning change would effectively reduce the number of unrelated persons living in one housing unit to a maximum of three in the University Impact Area

— a series of zones close to campus.

City officials said this could affect University of Iowa students, who typically occupy the four- and five-bedroom apartments near campus.

The city received more than 60 petitions against the proposal from local residents. However, there was little representation from opponents of the zoning changes at Tuesday's public hearing.

"It has occurred to me ... I don't see anyone here who wants to live in a four- or five-bedroom apartment," said Iowa City resident Sally Bower.

Councilor Connie Champion said the zoning ordinance is a "rare decision" and urged residents to come back for the next meeting.

"I'm not against profit; I'm not against student housing," she said. "I am about neighborhoods, and I think it's imperative that we provide housing, whether it's for students, families ... that we provide rental neighborhoods for all types."

Several members of the public acknowledged a lack of on-campus housing for UI students and contended that the university could do more to prevent high-density apartments downtown — such as additional student housing.

The UI built its last residence hall — Slater — in 1968. In September 2011, *The Daily Iowan* reported on plans for a new residence hall, which isn't expected to be built until the fall of 2014.

Casey Cook, the founder of the Iowa City-based Cook Appraisals LLC, said supporters of the zoning changes are wrongly basing their arguments on individual experiences with students.

"My concern is that this whole process, the zoning policy is going to be the result of anecdotal evidence because neighbors get students who weren't very well-behaved living next to them," he said. "What's actually an enforcement program, they think it's a zoning program."

Cook's firm conducted a recent study and found the

vacancy rate for apartments within a mile of the Pentacrest is at less than 2 percent.

The proposed zoning changes would ultimately drive students into older neighborhoods farther from downtown, Cook said, leading to a rise in rental rates for the college demographic.

Senior city planner Robert Miklo said there isn't a certain number of signatures that determines whether a supermajority vote — a vote in which at least six of the seven city councilors must vote in favor — is necessary.

A supermajority vote will be required if petition signatures represent at least 20 percent of the property within 200 feet of the zone change, Miklo said.

City officials stopped accepting petitions after Tuesday's public hearing, and they have begun compiling the petitions. They will then determine whether the supermajority vote is necessary.

Councilors deferred the first consideration of the zoning ordinance to their next meeting, April 3.



PLANK TOWN

First-year UI student Allison Leonard works on the plank in the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center on Tuesday. Carrie Van Orden, a personal trainer at the center, offers reformer and mat Pilates classes.

(The Daily Iowan/Asmaa Elkeurti)

METRO

Gazette's Muller heads to IowaWatch

Lyle Muller is set to become IowaWatch's new executive director.

Officials from IowaWatch announced Muller's appointment in a press release Tuesday. He is the current editor of the *Gazette* in Cedar Rapids.

The Iowa Center for Public Affairs Journalism—IowaWatch is an online publication led by Pulitzer Prize-winner Stephen Berry, an associate professor of journalism at the University of Iowa. Berry also cofounded the organization.

In the release, David Schwartz, the president of the Board of Directors, said Muller's background in investigative journalism and flexibility with changing technology make him a perfect fit for the position.

In the release, Muller said he is "extremely happy" to be appointed to the position. As executive director, he said, his first goal is to financially stabilize IowaWatch.

— by Anna Theodosis

Council approves TIF

The Iowa City City Council

passed an ordinance Tuesday night creating a tax increment financing district.

According to the proposal, the TIF ordinance will allow the city to put new taxes — derived from developed taxable property in the Urban Renewal Project Area — in a fund for loans, grants, and indebtedness, among other things.

The city councilors passed and adopted the ordinance on a 6-0 vote.

— by Kristen East

Raso to leave local development group

Joe Raso has resigned from his position as the president of the Iowa City Area Development Group.

According to a Tuesday press release, Raso is leaving the development group to become CEO of the Greater Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce and EDC.

Raso will continue his role as president until May 4, when his resignation becomes effective.

Iowa City Area Development officials are now putting together a plan for hiring Raso's replacement.

—By Kristen East

Washington couple sues over UIHC care

A Washington, Iowa, couple is suing the state of Iowa in a medical malpractice case involving the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics.

Jody Schmitz and Steven Schmitz, parents of 4-year-old Aidan Schmitz, claim the state is liable for the negligence of UIHC staff in the handling of the birth of son Aidan in February 2008.

About eight hours after Jody arrived at UIHC in labor, she was taken to the operating room for a C-section delivery, during which a 3-centimeter laceration to her bladder occurred, according to the lawsuit.

A urogynecologist was required to repair the injury, and Schmitz also developed infection, bowel obstruction, and wound separation from the C-section. Skull imaging on Aidan showed a skull fracture and "several areas of subdural hemorrhage," the lawsuit lays.

The Schmitzs said UIHC staff did not provide degree of skill, care, and learning as possessed by other doctors. They are seeking damages for Aidan's losses as

a result of the negligence and also for damages sustained by Jody and Steven Schmitz, the lawsuit says.

— by Beth Bratsos

Council OKs increase in storm-water fee

The Iowa City City Council approved the first consideration of an ordinance Tuesday night increasing storm-water utility fees.

The increases for single family and multifamily residences would be 50 cents and 25 cents per month, respectively. According to the proposal, nonresidential units would see a 50-cent increase for the base rate and a 25-cent increase on the multiplying equivalent residential unit rate per month.

This would only be the second storm-water utility fee increase since the Public Works Department established the fee in June 2004.

The city councilors approved the first consideration on a 6-0 vote.

— by Kristen East

BLOTTER

Ryan Albaugh, 33, 2204 Miami Drive, was charged Monday with public intoxication.

Andrew Becker, 18, 4604 Dryden Court, was charged Jan. 5 with fraudulent criminal acts, third-degree burglary, and fifth-degree theft.

Derek Brighton, 26, Cedar Falls, was charged Monday with public intoxication and public urination.

Thomas Carroll, 20, 308 S. Gilbert No. 1117, was charged March 17 with possessing/supplying alcohol under 21.

Justin Dassic, 27, 156 Westside Drive No. 8, was charged with public urination.

Adam Dye, 32, Marion, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Corey Farmer, 39, Wayland, was charged March 15 with simple assault and third-degree harassment.

Amanda Finucan, 20, 500 S. Gilbert St., was charged Monday with presence in a bar after hours.

Damien Gilchrist, 18, Coralville, was charged Monday with criminal trespassing.

Neal Hargis, 21, Eustis, Fla., was charged March 17 with OWI.

Christopher Hentze, 26, Coralville, was charged Tuesday with OWI.

Ivan Ivusic, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged March 17 with presence in a bar after hours.

Altan Jackson, 26, 1313 Marcy St., was charged March 16 with driving while license revoked.

Elyse Jarchow, 25, 808 Benton Drive No. 34, was charged Sunday with OWI and possession of an open container of alcohol in a vehicle.

Karletta Johnson, 28, North Liberty, was charged Sunday with

domestic-abuse assault.

Michael Labadessa, 19, 1235 Burge, was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance.

James Lamotta, 20, 17 S. Governor St., was charged March 17 with presence in a bar after hours.

John Lee, 31, Coralville, was charged Sunday with domestic assault with injury.

Megan McDonald, 20, Charleston, Ill., was charged March 17 with presence in a bar after hours.

Logan Meade, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged March 17 with presence in a bar after hours.

Eric Miller, 24, 2874 Triple Crown Lane No. 7, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Claire Peterson, 20, 500 S. Gilbert No. 7, was charged Monday with presence in a bar

after hours.

Tyler Phelan, 19, 1235 Burge, was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance.

William Powers, 49, North Liberty, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Laticia Robinson, 33, 2160 Davis St., was charged Sunday with interference with official acts and assault on police/fire/EMT personnel.

Molly Sauser, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged March 17 with presence in a bar after hours.

Taylor Schafbuch, 20, 923 E. College St. No. 9, was charged March 16 with presence in a bar after hours.

Matthew Stauffer, 32, West Liberty, was charged March 15 with OWI.

Michael Westen, 29, 265 Paddock Circle, was charged Monday with public intoxication.

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Sullivan resigns

Daily Iowan Editor-in-Chief Adam B Sullivan resigned Tuesday because of personnel issues.

Sullivan's position will be filled by Managing Editors Hayley Bruce and Sam Lane for the rest of the spring semester.

Emily Busse will take over the editorship in the summer as

scheduled.

Please direct any questions or concerns to Bruce, hayley-bruce@uiowa.edu, Lane, samuel-lane@uiowa.edu, or Publisher Bill Casey, william-casey@uiowa.edu.

"It's a very unfortunate situation," Casey said. "But I have full confidence that Hayley and Sam will continue *The Daily Iowan's* traditions."

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School projects OK'd

The district's annual physical plant revenue will cover maintenance plans.

By **ELDON GIANNAKOUROS**
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The Iowa City School District will have more than \$7 million in school-improvement expenses during the next school year.

The expenses were finalized as the Iowa City School Board approved the district's 2012-13 budget for the comprehensive facilities plan in a 5-1 vote on Tuesday.

The plan covers all infrastructure and maintenance projects the district will undertake during the school year. Notable projects included \$90,500 locker replacements at West High, a \$90,000 parking expansion at Longfellow Elementary, and \$195,000 for remodeling science rooms at Northwest Junior High.

Superintendent Stephen Murley said the board's authorization is only required for undertakings that are projected to cost more than \$50,000, all of which were voted on Tuesday night.

Board member Tuyet Dorau opposed approving the budget, saying the plan lacked information on individual expenses outside their cost and lacked a long-term focus.

"I think it would be a bad idea for us to approve this given that we want a more comprehensive document," Dorau said. "If we don't have a long-term idea of where we're going, we might be wasting time and money on projects that we don't need to take care of right now."

Dorau said earlier versions of the plan contained more information and some infrastructure projects that were absent from the latest version.

"There are several projects missing from this list that had been there before," she said. "Changes haven't been made to

Comprehensive Facility Plan

Totals for the school board's comprehensive facility plans include:

- Current year's total: Approximately \$11 million
- Three-year total: Approximately \$33 million
- Three-year total plus unscheduled money: Approximately \$93 million

Source: Iowa City School District

make it a long-term plan."

Murley said he proposed the district combine its massive infrastructure budget into the current, more manageable comprehensive plan when he joined the district as superintendent in 2010. He agreed the plan still needs more detail but said the board should flesh out these details in closed work sessions over the upcoming year.

"It does need more detail," Murley said. "But that is something that will come as the board works through a comprehensive plan."

Board member Sarah Swisher also supported the plan.

"It's not meant to be a plan; it's a work in progress," she said. "The district has needs; we need to start working on projects and we need money."

City High parent Phil Hemingway also voiced some concerns about the plan in its current form. Only authorizing projects \$50,000 or above, he said, limits the board's control over a wide range of district expenses.

"Fifty thousand dollars doesn't give them enough control," he said, "It ought to be \$20,000 or even \$10,000."

PROTEST



(Left to right) UI students Julia Ore, Erin Ogden, and Margaret Vohs protest outside Informed Choices Clinic on Tuesday. The women are part of the UI Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance, which contended Informed Choices doesn't truly give such options as abortion services. Rachel Owen, the executive director of the clinic, said the facility's goal is to give women an opportunity to make informed decisions. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

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Editorial

Iowa schools should teach acceptance, not tolerance

For decades, America's public schools have striven to serve as sanctuaries of tolerance — allowing students of all creeds, ethnicities, and religions to attend without much interference. However, what we need our public schools to be are forces for promoting acceptance — using information as both a shield and weapon to fend off the pernicious forms of hatred and prejudice that threaten our country's children intellectually and emotionally.

This past week in Dunkerton, Iowa, the seventh-through 12th-grade principal, Michael Cooper, resigned amid controversy. In a perfect example of hideous and deplorable prejudice, a performance by a Minneapolis-based Christian rap group — Junkyard Prophet — led to community uproar and the eventual resignation.

During an assembly, the band took the opportunity to inform the students of the “evils” of homosexuality, abortion, and sex while displaying pictures of aborted fetuses. The *Associated Press* reported one parent saying the group went so far as to inform the students that gay individuals were going to “die by the age of 42.”

According to Junkyard Prophet's website, it is “controversial, daring, fearless, and honest.” What its website does not clearly spell out however, is that the band is affiliated with You Can Run But You Cannot Hide International.

For those unfamiliar with that group, it is a self-described Christian ministry, but in reality, it is a group espousing hateful ideas through a number of outlets, including Junkyard Prophet. And though the band members might think of themselves as “fearless and honest,” the Southern Poverty Law Center points out that the band is an “anti-gay” hate group.

It is at this point that it becomes important not to allow this single event to distract from the broader issue at hand. Yes, this rap group is hateful. Yes, Cooper made a terrible mistake by allowing the group to perform uninterrupted at a school assembly with children as young as 12 in attendance. But Cooper has resigned. So we should all be able to say good riddance to a bad administrator and focus on the greater issue.

What this incident does is raise a rather interesting question: Should schools be sanctuaries of tolerance or

instruments for combating the hatred and disinformation disseminated by close-minded groups and communities?

To be sure, the First Amendment requires intolerance be protected in the public sphere. But K-12 schools are not the public sphere, and for far too long, people have contended that schools remain neutral to intolerance — so long as the competition between the two does not distract from day-to-day activity.

This approach is intellectually and morally apathetic. When mixed with the duty to teach young children, the idea that hateful and prejudicial opinions should be tolerated alongside messages of love and acceptance is despicable. Moreover, the idea that hateful and prejudicial opinions should be given consideration at all is dangerous.

Schools are temples of learning, and thoughts and expressions founded in fact and reason should be given prominence over biased ideas founded in fear and distorted morality. We should teach our children that ethnicity reflects nothing more than one's heritage, and that regardless of that, we are all equal human beings.

We should teach our children that being gay is no different from being heterosexual, and, by that measure, it reveals nothing more than to which gender a person finds herself or himself attracted. We should teach our children that women who have received the totally legal medical procedure of an abortion are not morally bankrupt, because no one, save for that woman, can understand in full the circumstances in which that procedure was sought. Perhaps most importantly, we should teach our children that hatred and prejudice have real, human costs and do real harm to both individuals and society as a whole.

If we as a state agree that communities should make an effort to quash hatred, then why would we not want our schools to reflect that communal sentiment and contribute in that effort together?

American schools are no place to give both hate and acceptance equal consideration. Under the First Amendment, good ideas and bad ideas might find equal protection, but hate deserves none.

Your turn. Do you think acceptance should be school policy? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

Regulations infringe rights

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Hoot Owl Hollow Campground in western Dubuque is quite the place. A few recreational vehicles stand in the wooded landscape along a serene, murky body of water. A swimming pool accompanies a small clubhouse with laundry and restroom facilities. A playground set gives the kids another thing to occupy their time during their weekend vacation. Can't you just smell the campfire burning and taste the burnt marshmallows?

Well, not anymore. Federal prosecutors charged the campground's owner Elaine Kelly with a felony violation of the U.S. Clean Water Act, to which she pleaded guilty on March 13. Though Kelly is now in the process of appealing her plea, if convicted, she will face eight to 14 months in prison. Kelly is 65 years old and has 13 grandchildren.

Keep that in mind for a few moments.

Now, imagine you live on a family farm. The sun is shining, and the air is crisp. You are doing some quick maintenance on your harvester before you head out to the field. Your younger brother is willing to help you, so you hand him a power drill to screw in fresh screws to replace stripped ones.

Well, he can't do that anymore. Regulations filed by the Labor and Transportation Departments severely limit what youths can do on a family farm. Power tools and machinery? Not without a commercial driver's license and a time log similar to a trucker's. Handling certain pesticides? Heavens, no. Branding cattle? No. You could burn your finger.

Seeing a pattern yet? Last summer during RAGBRAI in Coralville, 4-year-old Abigail Krutsinger decided to set up a lemonade stand to make big bucks and quench the bikers' thirst in the July heat. It was a shining example of capitalism: A lit-

tle girl made a product that people wanted and was rewarded monetarily for her efforts. America — land of the free, home of 25-cent lemonade on street corners. Right?

Well, her profits were cut a bit short. Police shut down Abigail's stand just 30 minutes after she set it up. The officers reportedly stated that she violated an ordinance that “vendors” along the bikers' route must have a permit to sell a food product.

Libertarian television personality John Stossel experimented with this strange law and his own lemonade stand in New York City. He found that he needed to jump through tight hoops and sift through piles of red tape in order to stay open. His requirements included registering as a sole proprietor with the County Clerk's Office, applying for an employer-identification number with the IRS, completing a 15-hour food-safety course, applying for a temporary food-service-establishment permit, and more. He estimated it would take 65 days to open his lemonade stand legally.

Let's answer a fundamental question: What am I? I would respond by saying, “I am a man.” How would you respond? Are you a mammal? A vessel? A thing? A bunch of cells arranged in the right way to generate life? Or are you a man?

Those other responses are how most of our leaders view us. To them, we can be manipulated into doing exactly what they would like us to do. Big Brother creeps like regulatory czar Cass Sunstein, wanting to “nudge” us into bidding their will in the tradition of Edward Bernays, Sigmund Freud, and Joseph Goebbels.

How much longer will this go on? I am fed up with these executive elites claiming that they know better than the people. We must declare that “I am a man.” We must declare that “I have certain inalienable rights that cannot be taken away.” We must declare “I will not comply to your manipulation and control of my choices.” ■

Letter

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Slow march off cliff

The most important question one has to ask today: Is our economy one big bubble?

First, step back and look at the economy, and ask what is driving the economy growth. This is very simple.

It is the Federal Reserve printing exorbitant amount of

currency. Personally, as a current account-trade deficit hawk, this is bad, bad news. The federal government has maxed out its credit card, and now, the Federal Reserve has the responsibility of both fiscal and monetary policy.

All that is backing the Federal Reserve is faith in the

federal government and our economy to uphold our financial obligations. The bad news about faith is only an emotion and not a tangible item to exchange. It all depends on the faith of individuals and countries to exchange the dollars.

But the Federal Reserve continues to print money to

drive the engine of our economy, and history has not been kind to countries that have printed excessive amounts of currency.

This is a slow march off a cliff.

Marvin Reese
Tulsa, Okla.

Guest opinion

Hire U.S. workers first, restore integrity of visa system

With spring just around the corner, many Iowans look forward to seasonal rites of passage this time of year. Farmers are itching to get in the fields. Home gardeners anticipate the first shoots of peas and lettuce. Spring cleaning tops the to-do list for many families. School students give thanks for spring break. And soon-to-be-college graduates have their sights set on landing a job.

It's no secret the Class of 2012 needs to break into a job market struggling to rebound from Wall Street's financial meltdown and the mortgage-industry mess.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports the unemployment rate is idling at 8.3 percent. This year's crop of graduates also will compete with more than 5 million jobless Americans who have looked for work for longer than six months.

Yet, the Obama administration has proposed federal rules to “attract and retain highly skilled immigrants” that arguably increase the competition for Americans who are looking for work.

Is this really the administration's idea of priming the employment pump?

In Iowa, civic and business leaders work together in their communities to grease the wheels for economic development. From Council Bluffs to Keokuk, local economic-development leaders search for ways to attract and keep businesses. They go to bat for their towns because they know their labor pool is ready and willing to work.

So flooding the employment market with foreign workers when high-skilled Americans are seeking jobs at unprecedented levels, just doesn't square with improving the home-team

advantage, let alone fostering a level playing field.

From my leadership position on the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, I have championed reforms to the nation's immigration and visa laws to better protect the pool of highly skilled, unemployed U.S. workers and graduates who struggle to find good-paying jobs here at home.

For example, the H1B visa program was created in 1990 as a temporary measure to help companies in America find high-technology workers — assuming specialized workers aren't available in the

United States to fill these jobs. After more than two decades on the books, the program needs better controls and stronger oversight that will prevent qualified American workers from being passed over for good-paying jobs.

That's why over the last several years I've introduced an H1B visa reform bill that would require a good faith recruitment of American workers by all companies seeking to bring in foreign workers, change the wage requirements to ensure that visa holders are not undercutting Amer-

ican workers, give more authority to the Department of Labor to investigate allegations of fraud, prohibit employers from advertising only to H1B visa holders, and increase penalties for those who violate the terms of the H1B visa program.

Out-of-work Americans and graduates of the Class of 2012 have enough hurdles to overcome. The nation's visa system should not undermine their chances of landing a good-paying job.

Sen. Chuck Grassley,
R-Iowa

ANIMAL SHELTER

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typically found on campus was not available.

"If we said 'no,' we would be responsible for those animals, which would cost

us a lot more," he wrote in an email. "There simply is no other alternative."

The decision to go ahead with the funding was made by officials in the UI Finance and Operations Department and the UI Public Safety Department.

The UI's shelter funding will likely come through the UI public-safety fund, which receives money from campus-wide sources such as residence halls, athletics, and health care, Moore

said.

"The precise source of the funding is not yet determined," he wrote in an email. "But the assessment is likely to be paid through funds allocated to UI public safety."

Thornton said she would be concerned if the UI took the funding from a source used to educate students.

"Use the money for which it is intended," she said. "This money is to be used to educate the stu-

dents enrolled at the University of Iowa. Yes, there are occasional animal issues in Iowa City. But are there enough on campus to have the UI use money to build this shelter?"

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors have also been asked to contribute to the shelter; the supervisors have not decided yet whether to offer funds. Supervisor Janelle Rettig took a more favorable view on the UI's

involvement.

"Although this is not a Johnson County animal shelter I still think it would be great for the university to help out with the funding of the shelter," Rettig said.

Moore also said the UI was trying to contribute to the community by participating in the funding.

"The university is doing its fair share to deal with the unrestrained animals," he said.

Animal Shelter

Details on the new animal shelter

- Will receive funding from Coralville
- Will receive \$1.6 million in FEMA funding and \$2.6 million from surrounding cities and governmental entities

Source: Daily Iowan archives

REAL ESTATE

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are taking advantage of the rates. Individuals are refinancing their mortgage with the new rates.

Kamps said this past winter was one of the most active winters he has seen since President Obama's homeowners' incentive, in which first-time home owners could claim credits worth \$8,000 or 10 percent of their home's value — whichever is less — on taxes.

"I would say it was one of

the busier [winters], busier than it's been the last few years," Kamps said. "In Obama's first or second year, when the government was offering a special buyer incentive, the market was busy, but the market dried up after the incentive ended."

Jensen said this winter's homebuyers have been a

mixture of married couples, single individuals, first-time home buyers, and current homeowners.

"I've seen a little bit of everything," Jensen said. "People moving in for job location, but no particular buyers and sellers."

Jensen said there are a lot of buying opportunities in the spring.

"There is a lot of good inventory on the housing market and more coming out all the time in the spring," he said. "Later in the year, inventory can get depleted — some people take their houses off the market in November and December because of holidays."

Real Estate

Iowa City residential real-estate sales increased from December 2011 to March 14.

- Listings: 131
- Dollar Volume: Roughly \$28 million
- Average Price: \$213,744
- Median Price: \$177,499

Source: Kay Seery, assistant association executive for the Iowa City Area Association of Realtors

LOANS

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nearly \$280 per month in interest instead of the \$137 per month they currently pay.

The increased rates would take effect on all loans taken out on or after July 1 — with six-month grace periods still in place after graduation.

In February, President Obama released plans to revamp federal student aid, which would cap the Stafford Loan interest rate at 3.4 percent for an additional year.

UI Graduate College Dean John Keller said the effect of the Obama administration's plans would be beneficial for undergraduate students.

"There's just such an emphasis on undergraduate education with the current administration," he said. "They're employing different methods to give options for undergraduate aid to make it as accessible and affordable as possible."

UI Student Government President Elliot Higgins said he and other UISG members will attend the Big Ten on the Hill conference in Washington, D.C., collaborating with other student governments to lobby policymakers in April. This will be the organization's second lobbying event.

"The conference is important in keeping legislators' attention on student issues," Higgins said.

One of the conference's goals, he said, is to address the Stafford Loan rate hikes by extending current loan rates. Harrington said prior to 2007, students faced changing rates, which have now been stabilized to

fixed rates. She said fixed rates are better for students, because they provide more predictability.

But letting the fixed rate jump back to a higher charge, UISG officials said, would have a costly effect on UI students.

Higgins said he thinks the rate hikes will unfairly affect low- and middle-income families.

"There's no question the rate hikes will have a negative effect," he said. "The Stafford Loan is given primarily to low- and middle-income families because it's a need-based loan, so the hikes will definitely be unfair."

However, the problem has a core issue that may be hard to solve even for lawmakers, Harrington said.

"Income is hard to predict, even five years ahead," she said. "Because of this, we can't tell ahead of time what STET rate changes in loans are going to have."

Despite this, Higgins said that lawmakers have to be pushed to extend the low rates because heightened rates would have frightening effects.

"Increasing the interest rate can have negative consequences," he said. "It may turn students away, and there's obviously going to be increased debt. We, as students, have to give positive reinforcement to encourage legislators to prevent this. We're trying to keep opportunities for student help open."

At a time with record borrowing rates, Harrington said, income has become a big factor in loan decisions for students.

"Students are borrowing more than ever," she said. "This is happening because rates are going, so payments are going up as well."

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Von Maur case continues



Eighteen local business owners have filed a lawsuit that alleges illegal dealings between the city of Coralville and contracting firm Oliver McMillan regarding the planned relocation of Von Maur from Sycamore Mall. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

By BETH BRATSOS
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A 6th District judge on Tuesday said she would issue a ruling in the Von Maur lawsuit on March 26.

Eighteen local business owners and other individuals filed a lawsuit March 1 requesting an injunction on the transfer, saying the city of Coralville set up unlawful transactions with independent contracting firm Oliver McMillan that would have "devastating effects" on local business interests.

These transactions include granting McMillan the exclusive right to develop the new property site for fees above \$3 million, a \$1.5 million grant allowing McMillan to purchase the Von Maur property and then sell it to Von Maur Inc. for \$10, and a \$9.4 million grant for Von Maur to construct a new department store, according to court documents.

Sixth District Judge Marsha Bergan said during a hearing Tuesday she would like the parties opposing and supporting the transfer to have more time to provide supporting evidence and additional witness testimony. She said depositions and other evidence must be submitted by Friday afternoon.

Robert Hatala, an attorney for the plaintiffs, said McMillan acted less as an independent contractor

and more as an agent for Coralville, doing for the city what the city could not legally do itself. He said the transactions, including the gifting of the Von Maur property to Von Maur, Inc., are illegal and outside the Coralville City Council's scope of power. The council has adopted resolutions and approved proposals regarding the property sale since 2010, he said.

"Using someone to do something that you can't do is not appropriate, and there is a citation [for that]..." Hatala said. "[We want] prevent Coralville from unlawfully conveying property to Oliver McMillan."

Additional testimony, he said, would provide expert opinions and evidence of potential harm the transfer will cause to Iowa City business owners and taxpayers.

David Tank, an attorney for Coralville, said he opposed delaying the transfer because Tuesday's hearing was originally set to either grant or deny the plaintiff's request for a temporary injunction. A motion to dismiss the case was also filed March 19, he said.

"This case is not as interesting or complicated as the plaintiff would like to make it sound," he said. "The city has broad authority to make decisions."

The lawsuit also claims much of the deal was constructed through undisclosed, private deals avoiding transparency and fair-

ness of competitive bidding. The request for other competitive proposals completely failed, Hatala said, giving McMillan an unfair advantage.

"The city was not out to seek competitive bids," Hatala said.

However, Tank said Coralville made an announcement in June 2010 stating McMillan had submitted a proposal for development that would be approved if no one proposed against it. No one showed up to a public hearing or submitted a proposal, he said.

Tank also argued the request for injunction was poorly timed.

"It will be irreparable if you stop this process in its tracks now," he said. "[To] come in and get an injunction on the brink of construction ... is simply wrong and not authorized by law."

However, Kevin O'Brien — who owns the McDonald's near Sycamore Mall and filed the lawsuit's affidavit — said the plaintiffs did not have enough information on the transfer until the press released it.

"We were shocked to find out what the details were," he said.

Parties are ordered to reconvene in the Johnson County Courthouse this week to continue discussion and additional witness testimony.

Romney sweeps Illinois primary

SCHAUMBURG, Ill. — Mitt Romney took a major stride toward the Republican presidential nomination Tuesday night, routing Rick Santorum in the Illinois primary for his third big-state win in a row and padding his already-formidable lead in the race for convention delegates.

"What a night," Romney exulted to cheering supporters in suburban Chicago. Looking beyond his GOP rivals, he said he had a simple message for President Obama, the man Republicans hope to defeat next fall: "Enough. We've had enough."

Returns from 75 percent of Illinois' precincts showed Romney gaining 47 percent of the vote compared with 35 percent for Santorum, 9 percent for Ron Paul, and 8 per-

cent for a fading Newt Gingrich.

That was a far more substantial showing for Romney than the grudging victories he eked out in the previous few weeks in Michigan and Ohio, primaries that did as much to raise questions about his ability to attract Republican support as to quell those questions.

Santorum, who hopes to rebound in Saturday's Louisiana primary, sounded like anything but a defeated contender as he spoke to supporters in Gettysburg, Pa. He said he had outpolled Romney in downstate Illinois and the areas "that conservatives and Republicans populate. We're very happy about that and we're happy about the dele-

gates we're going to get, too."

"Saddle up, like Reagan did in the cowboy movies," he urged his backers.

Romney triumphed in Illinois after benefiting from a crushing, 7-1 advantage in the television advertising wars, and as his chief rival struggled to overcome self-imposed political wounds in the marathon race to pick an opponent to Obama.

Most recently, Santorum backpedaled after saying on Monday that the economy wasn't the main issue of the campaign. "Occasionally, you say some things where you wish you had a do-over," he said later.

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Changes in the air for tracksters

By **CODY GOODWIN**
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The winds of change are sweeping through the Iowa women's track and field team.

Literally. The uncharacteristically pleasant March weather has the tracksters outside on the Cretzmeier Track in Coralville, where they're training and preparing for the upcoming outdoor track and field season. The weather brings slight breezes every now and then to cool the Hawkeyes as they sweat out another day's workout.

This makes head coach Layne Anderson excited — really excited.

"On paper, we certainly thought we were a better outdoor team than indoor team," he said.

"We're really focusing on what we weren't able to do in the indoor, and that's build some positive momentum."

The momentum should be easy to grasp for Anderson's team, especially with the help of a few changes that will occur as the athletes transition from the indoor to the outdoor season.

The changes aren't drastic, but they could be enough to help build the Hawkeyes' confidence. The addition of some new events will provide some of the aforementioned momentum; assistant coach Scott Cappos will lead four throwing events for the Hawkeyes, up from only two in the indoor season. The new events are the hammer throw and the discus.

Cappos spoke highly of each event in terms of potential points for the team. South African native Annemie Smith is well-experienced in the hammer throw — but her points won't come until later in the season, because the freshman is recovering from an appendectomy in



Anderson
head coach

Next Up: Arkansas Invitational

When: March 30-31
Where: Fayetteville, Ark.

the latter part of the indoor campaign.

Another athlete to watch is Iowa City native Majesty Tutson. The junior finished second in the conference last year in the discus, and Cappos said he believes she'll contribute even more this coming season.

"All of the events are very good for the Hawkeyes outdoors," Cappos said. "It's going to help our team significantly."

He said the athletes have been training for the outdoor season all year long. They performed specific training methods during the indoor season in order to help with the added events, he noted.

"Whether we train inside or outside, our main focus is the outdoor season," he said. "We train the discus a lot, we train the javelin a lot; we gear our training more toward the hammer throw than the weight throw, and we feel like it'll pay off come May."

His athletes agreed. Junior thrower Rachel Curry said all the throwers are excited about the outdoor season.

Curry, who is taking a redshirt this outdoor season, has spent the last few weeks helping her teammates. She said she's taking the spring off to even up her career path; she redshirted during her freshman indoor season, so taking this break gives her another two full years to represent the Hawkeyes as opposed to one and a half.

Curry said it's exciting to see the team back outside again and preparing for what she thinks will be a good season.

"I can tell that we're taking the next step to get out what we want from throwing," she said. "If we keep working hard, it'll show in May."

HAWKEYE SPORTS

Accident temporarily sidelines Thode

Iowa distance runner Jeff Thode suffered a moderate concussion on Sunday after he fell asleep behind the wheel of his vehicle and drove into a guardrail.

Thode told *The Daily Iowan* he was returning to Iowa City after spring break and fell asleep while driving around 10:20 p.m. Sunday.

Thode's concussion has since been downgraded to a mild form.

The Hawkeye said he doesn't think he'll miss any time during

the upcoming outdoor track season. The trainers have kept him out of practice over the last two days, and he expects to be back running at practice today.

Thode said that if he had it his way, he would have been out at practice on Tuesday.

"I've just been held from practice," he said. "I have to listen to the trainers. But I shouldn't miss any part of the season."

The Hawkeyes will kick off their season in Fayetteville, Ark., on March 30-31 in the Arkansas Invitational.

— by Cody Goodwin

Baseball tries to heal midweek woes

The Iowa baseball team will try to reverse last year's midweek troubles starting today, when it hosts Grand View.

By **BEN SCHUFF**
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Iowa manager Jack Dahm acknowledged on Tuesday his baseball team had "a lot" of questions entering the season.

Two of those questions will get their first answers today when the Hawkeyes (6-10) host the Grand View Vikings (10-16): How will Iowa fare at home and how will it fare in midweek games this season?

Dahm addressed both those issues at the team's media day on Feb. 9. Iowa struggled to a 20-32 record last year, including a 7-13 mark at home and a 2-6 record in midweek contests.

"Our biggest thing is, hopefully, in those midweek games after we get back from spring break, the depth of our pitching can be a big benefit if we stay healthy," Dahm said on media day.

The pitching staff has avoided injury through the first month. That was something it couldn't do last year, as current senior Nick Brown and then-seniors Zach Kenyon and Kevin Lee all missed time because of various ailments.



Former Hawkeye Kurt Lee runs to third in Iowa's 12-5 loss to Kansas at Banks Field on April 12, 2011. The loss to the Jayhawks was part of a 2-6 Iowa record in games played in the middle of the week. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

Iowa (6-10) vs. Grand View (10-16)

When: 4:05 p.m.
Where: Banks Field

pitching staff could help improve this year's Hawkeye team.

"It's something we've talked about as coaches. Last year, part of it was injuries on the pitching staff, so we weren't quite as good on the mound as maybe we thought we were going to be," the ninth-year Hawkeye manager said. "The bottom line is, we struggled at home last year."

Freshman Andrew Hedrick will lead the Hawkeyes on the mound in their effort to win the team's first midweek game of the year. The left-hander took a no-decision in his first college start, on March 13 against Bucknell; he allowed 3 runs in 4 innings of work while striking out 5 Bison batters.

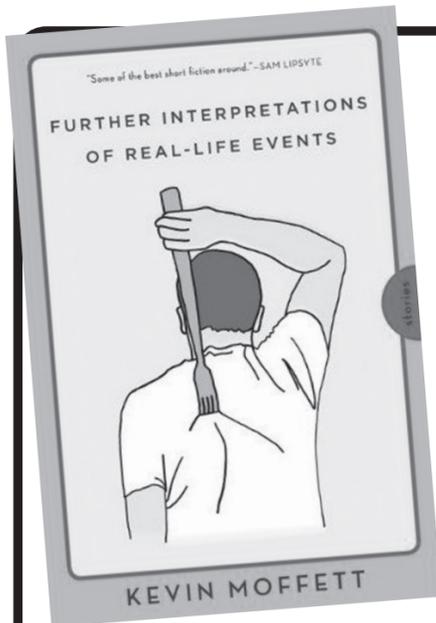
"It felt pretty good," Hedrick said. "I just have

to keep the ball down. I left the ball up a couple times [against Bucknell], and it got smashed."

Four Hawkeye relievers came in to pitch five innings after Hedrick left because of a high pitch count. Andrew Hanse, Patrick Lala, Taylor Kaufman, and Brown gave up a combined 3 runs to Bucknell, securing an 8-6 Iowa victory.

Iowa will need more of those combined pitching performances to win midweek games this season.

"This year, we just have such a good pitching staff and so many arms — [in] midweek games, we're going to have a guy out there that could easily throw on the weekends for us," Fangman said. "So from that perspective, I think it's going to be a lot different this year."



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How to Own an Evil Restaurant

- Hire very attractive, charming servers. Who are 17.
- Tell all your employees they are not performing to standard, omitting any specificity. Let them work for three months adhering to all guidelines, paranoid, and then fire all of them. This way all complaints can be settled with "Sorry, she's new."
- Promote safety and cleanliness first, until you realize just how many chicken breasts you dropped on the floor and how long it takes to cook frozen food.
- Keep a really old lady employed. If you ever feel like firing anyone, old people naturally keep tabs on all the reasons why younger people suck.
- Increase your soda sales by making the small cup start at 32 ounces and doubling each subsequent size.
- Keep the ranch exclusively by salads and continue to not treat ranch as a condiment that is delicious on everything.
- Post your business hours online for convenience.
- Post your daily system downtime on your front door for convenience.
- If an employee maliciously yells at The New Guy and another employee messes up The New Guy's schedule and yet another employee calls in sick when he's obviously just hungover — leaving the place short-staffed because The New Guy didn't even know he was supposed to be at work that day — then, by all means, fire The New Guy immediately to remind him that negative behavior will not be tolerated.

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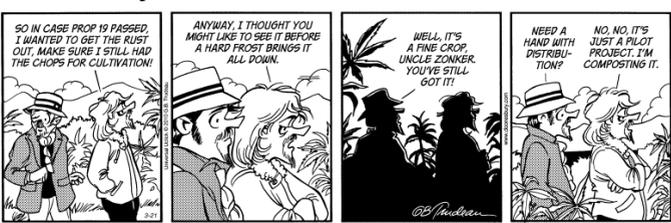
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- **Theater Honors Week**, 8 p.m., 172 Theatre Building
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- 6** "Writer as a Public Figure," Panel Discussion, Michael Cunningham, Jane Smiley, Ethan Canin, Abraham Verghese, June 11, 2011
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- 8** Walk It Out Multicultural Fashion Show, 15 organizations participate in a collaborative initiative, April 9, 2011
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- 9:45** Kirk Ferentz News Conference, Coach Ferentz meets with the media to update spring football, March 20
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horoscopes Wednesday, March 21, 2012

— by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 A little charm mixed with insight and unusual ideas will help you accomplish your goals. Picking up more skills or finding new ways to implement what you have to offer to a wider variety of people will pay off.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 You'll learn a lot by asking questions and showing interest in what others are doing. Networking will lead to new connections personally or professionally. Love is in the stars, and showing your emotions will add to your appeal.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Don't be afraid to share your ideas. You will be able to invest in something that will help you raise your earning potential if you set your budget and stick to it. A serious approach to an unusual service will be a learning experience.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 Sensitivity to what others say or do will leave you feeling vulnerable. Keep your guard up and your ideas to yourself until you are fully prepared. A trip to view or experience something you want to incorporate into your plans will be encouraging.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Not everyone will have your best interests at heart. Stick to your plan of attack, and you will come out on top. Keep a close eye on anyone trying to steal your thunder. You mustn't leave any room for error, or criticism will prevail.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Socialize, present what you have to offer, and look for compatible people to share your goals. Love is in the stars, and whether you are single or involved, spending quality time with someone special will lead to happiness.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 You'll have trouble making up your mind, especially when it comes to partnerships and what you will or will not do in order to get your way. Using force will not bring you the rewards you seek. Let things unfold naturally.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Make plans to network, or socialize with people who share your interests. Much can be accomplished personally if you are open with your feelings and intentions. A change of plans will work in your favor. Let passion be your guide.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Don't let anyone stand in your way or play emotional mind games with you. Bypass anyone attempting to control your life. Focus on home, family, and the improvements you can make to combat negativity. Do what's best for you.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Keep your thoughts and ideas to yourself. Don't let a last-minute change of plans ruin your day. Experience coupled with insight and dedication will help you take care of personal matters that will improve your life.
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- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 You'll be tuned in to what others want and expect. Your insight will allow you to make things happen and keep the momentum flowing. A partnership is in the stars, and reuniting with someone will lead to future benefits.

ON THE STREET

How much studying did you do over spring break?



"I didn't do any." **Cohen Schwartz** UI freshman



"Probably about four hours." **Cody Brown** UI junior



"Almost every day." **Madeline Fitzgerald** UI sophomore



"Two hours." **Gunnar Mills** UI sophomore

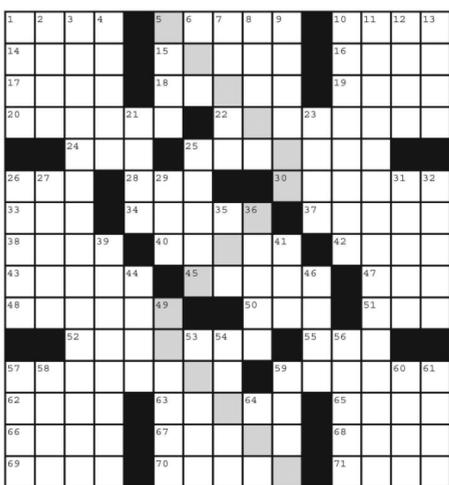
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OBJECTS OF ART

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0215

- Across**
- They may be kept on you
 - Massenet opera
 - Memo subject header
 - Stationery shade
 - "Care to?"
 - "Way cool!"
 - Capping
 - Herr Schindler with a list
 - Start of some carrier names
 - Manufacturers
 - Dangerous place
 - Tide competitor
 - "Apollo and Daphne" sculptor
 - Marino
 - Three-way joint
 - Research aids
 - Beehive State player
 - Was out
 - Choir accompaniment
 - fides (bad faith)
 - water
 - Mother of Apollo
 - Chariot race site
 - One of the Munsters
 - Gen
 - Study of government
 - New England's Cape
 - Poetic preposition
 - Place to see a flick?
 - Bruins legend
 - Kind of well
 - Mythological figure being kissed in a statue at the Louvre
 - Old geezer
 - Spark producer
 - Parliament
 - Suffix in many store names
 - Botanist's concern
 - Salinger title girl
 - Scottish Gaelic
 - Aligns, briefly
 - Gym count
- Down**
- U.S.A.
 - fool (be silly)
 - Possible reason for [see shaded letters]
 - Apartment 1A resident, perhaps
 - Infrequently seen bills
 - Suffers from
 - Place for an electronic tether
 - Where there are "bombs bursting," to an anthem singer
 - Polynesian wrap
 - All tangled up
 - Possible reason for [see shaded letters]
 - Like a blue lobster
 - School attended by King's Scholars
 - "Peanuts" expletive
 - Robert De
 - Geoffrey of fashion
 - "Poison" shrub
 - Producer of the 2600 game console
 - Musician/record producer Bobby
 - Essen expletives
 - Son of Seth
 - Leaves a 0% tip
 - Ninth-inning excitement, maybe
 - OH- or Cl-, chemically
 - Truck rental company
 - Climber's goal
 - Zoo sound
 - H.S. supporters
 - Rope material
 - Verb with "vous"
 - Reactor-overseeing org.



Puzzle by Peter A. Collins

- Stereotypical K.P. item
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BRANDS

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It seemed unlikely years ago, but Tom and Terry Brands make a successful team — a head coach and his top assistant. It's a professional harmony that didn't always seem possible. It may never have been, if Terry Brands hadn't ventured away from Iowa City a decade ago.

A sibling rivalry postponed

The brothers were Iowa assistant coaches for eight years following their illustrious Hawkeye wrestling careers, during which Tom Brands won three national titles and Terry Brands won two. They had spent most of their lives near each other, and almost all of that time was spent competing against each other.

Lifelong friend Shawn Still recalls introducing the twins to hunting as kids, expecting it to be a relaxing outlet for them. By the end of the first day, they were assigning point totals to the shooting of different animals and turning it into a battle of wills.

"They competed over everything," Still said. "It's what drove both of them."

David Ray, who wrestled for the Hawkeyes in the 1980s, was a graduate assistant when the two Brands competed for Iowa. He remembers the twins rarely being allowed to wrestle each other in practice — and often having to be separated when they did.

"You never knew if it was going to come to blows or not," Ray said. "They were getting after each other over a rock-paper-scissors tournament, and when I tried to step in and tell them it was no big deal,



Iowa wrestling associate head coach Terry Brands and head coach Tom Brands talk before practice in the Dan Gable Wrestling Complex in Carver-Hawkeye Arena in 2009. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

they wanted to fight me."

The two Brands became assistant coaches under Hawkeye legend Dan Gable. But Terry Brands left the Hawkeye coaching staff after the 2000 season. He revered Gable. He loved working for a coach who trusted him and let him work with athletes his own way. He says now that if Gable hadn't stopped coaching, he would still happily be his assistant. But Gable retired in 1997, and Terry Brands missed that trust and autonomy.

He dismissed it as the real reason he left, but that sibling competition again popped up to the surface.

"There's a hierarchy in assistant coaches sometimes," Terry Brands said. "It was natural for Tom to progress and to have a position that maybe had more of a voice. And if [Gable's replacement Jim] Zalesky had moved on, there wasn't going to be a chance of me getting that head job."

Growing as a coach

Terry Brands became an assistant coach at Nebraska the following year. He was experiencing a new college program and a new way of doing things for the first time. And for the first time in his life, he wasn't around his brother. It wasn't a difficult adjustment to

make, Terry Brands said.

"We were ready — or I was. I don't really care if he was," he said and smiled. "I was ready to leave."

He moved to Montana State-Northern to take another assistant-coach position after one season at Nebraska. Ray — the former Hawkeye graduate assistant who then was the head coach of the Lights — hired him.

Brands received a call from Tennessee-Chattanooga just a month into his time at Montana State-Northern. The Mocs wanted him to be their head coach. The interest was mutual, but he had to honor his commitment and finish the year in Montana.

He spent the season helping Ray coach, washing jerseys, opening concession stands, and performing other grunt work. He loved it.

Ray came away impressed with him as a coach. Ray knew his assistant was a "technique hound," but what impressed him was Brands' skill with athletes' psychological side. Ray often heard what was said in Brands' next-door office, and he liked what he heard.

"He met with the guys and just talked with them, trying to get the most out of them as a person," Ray

said. "Even in camps with kids he didn't know, there was a genuine concern for their learning."

While he watched Brands shine as a wrestling teacher, Ray noticed that other aspects of coaching — fundraising, paperwork, dealing with alumni — didn't inspire him.

"He didn't always want to spend time doing that stuff," Ray said. "He just wanted to train student-athletes. He still wanted to be a head coach — and needed to be. And he was a great head coach and would be anywhere."

"But that's not his dream job."

'With wrestling, I see things very clearly'

Brands talks glowingly about his three years at the head of Chattanooga's wrestling program. The Mocs improved from 6-17 in his first year to 14-10 with a conference championship in his third.

Tyson Thivierge, who wrestled at Montana State-Northern while Brands was an assistant there, made the move to Tennessee to coach under Brands after graduation. By then, Brands had realized the importance of freedom as a coach; he made sure to give that to his eager young assistant.

"I wrestled a different style from what he did, as more of a scrambler," Thivierge said. "And he wanted the guys to see that style, too, so sometimes, he would just turn practice over to me. I really respect him for that."

Brands was thrilled by being a head coach. The program, he said, "holds a piece of my heart."

"With wrestling, and not so much other things in my life, I see things very clearly immediately," he said. "And all those years, I had notes and notes of things I felt maybe needed to

change, but I didn't have the ability to implement that. As a head coach, it was very gratifying to see those things change and then play out the way I knew they would."

Family reunion

Still believes that the brothers missed each other during their years apart — although they don't admit it.

"I think so," Still said. "It wasn't like you could ever hang out with one and not the other ... I always knew they would end up coming back together."

They did.

Terry Brands spent three seasons at Chattanooga and another three as the resident freestyle coach for USA Wrestling.

Then, in 2008, he joined the coaching staff of the reigning national champion — the Hawkeye coaching staff headlined by the brother he used to want so badly to beat. After running his own program in Tennessee, how could that be enough?

The answer, Terry Brands said, is that he and Tom Brands have the same trust he experienced under Gable. Terry Brands has the freedom to challenge his brother and often does. The brothers have plenty of "fire," Terry Brands said. "And maybe even a little bit of antagonistic fire." But now the brothers can direct that fire toward a common goal. Terry Brands said he knew returning to Iowa and reuniting with his brother — no matter whose title said what — would allow him to do his best coaching.

"I would say this is where I'm the most misunderstood," he said. "I don't need to be the 'guy in charge.' The title stuff didn't matter to me, and it still doesn't matter to me. If I want to implement something with [Hawkeye sophomore] Derek St. John, can

I not because I'm an assistant? No. That's why I like it here."

He proved that in April 2009, when legendary Iowa State wrestler and coach Cael Sanderson left Ames for Penn State. Later that month, Terry Brands turned down a chance to become the head coach of the Cyclones. He said officials tried to sell him on the wrong things; they focused too much on beating Iowa and competing with Tom Brands and not enough on winning championships. Rather than make national headlines, he stayed put and had his title bumped from assistant coach to associate head coach.

"Let's say I went to another place someday," he said. "My excitement wouldn't be about the press conference of the hiring. The press conference would probably be boring to people. They'd go, 'We hired this guy?' They wouldn't understand until later that this guy is one day at a time, solve problems, and move forward."

The other side of town

Sports Illustrated published a feature on the Brands brothers in 1996.

"There's nobody in this world I love more than Tom ... but that doesn't mean I go to his house for tea and cookies," Terry Brands told the magazine, noting that they lived on opposite sides of Iowa City. "The truth is, we just don't get along."

This reporter reminded him of that line and asked him if it had changed.

Before he had a chance to come up with a neatly packaged answer, he grinned. And despite the maturation, the success, and the national titles, he couldn't help himself.

"Well," he said, "we still live on opposite sides of Iowa City."

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Bluder should hope the third time's the charm in 2012-13, and Iowa needs to post wins in those bigger games.

Most Valuable: Kamille Wahlin

Wahlin was hands-down

the Hawkeyes' most important player down the stretch.

She stepped up when it mattered most, most notably during Iowa's eight-game winning streak to close out the regular season. Wahlin paced the offense on nearly every possession and averaged 12.9 points in a team-high 34.5 minutes per game in her final year in the Black and Gold.

The 5-8 senior guard will surely be missed, but her

leadership and play on the hardwood set the tone for future players who will attempt to fill the role she's leaving.

Most Needed: Jaime Printy

Hey, remember her?

Printy went down with an ACL tear on Feb. 2 against Wisconsin, and the absence of her ability to generate offense at will was probably most evident in the postseason.

Printy led the team in scoring (16.9 points per game) and free-throw percentage (88.8 percent) before the injury, which forced the Marion native to miss the final eight games of the year. The senior-to-be sits in 10th place on Iowa's all-time scoring list and fourth in career 3-pointers made.

Iowa won six-straight games before losing two in a row to end the season without Printy. Just think about what could have been if she had been on the court.

FOOTBALL

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B.J. Lowery is listed as a first-team cornerback; he missed the first five games last year with an injury and finished with 11 tackles and 3 break-ups. Nico Law is slated as the strong safety after playing well on special teams as a true freshman in 2011.

The punting spot could be the most interesting position battle on the team. In one corner stands sophomore Jonny Mullings, who dropped jaws at Ottumwa High by blasting a ball 85 yards. In the other stands John Wienke, the former backup quarterback who

was most recently seen throwing an interception in garbage time of the Insight Bowl.

"That's one [position] we probably won't know until August, who's going to be our punter," Ferentz said. "Can't take that for granted."

Alvis, Davis likely to miss spring

The Hawkeyes are fairly healthy heading into spring practice, but the two injuries could have some fairly serious implications.

Defensive linemen Dominic Alvis and Carl Davis are expected to miss at least the majority of spring ball as they recover from knee surgeries. Alvis and Davis are two of a small handful of Hawkeye

D-linemen with game experience coming into the 2012 season.

Alvis was dependable in nine games last year, picking up 30 total tackles and 1.5 sacks before a torn ACL ended his season early. He had surgery in November.

Davis is also sidelined with an unspecified knee issue; Ferentz said the 6-5, 310-pounder from Detroit went under the knife in January. The sophomore-to-be played a little in 2011 but didn't record much in the way of statistics (6 appearances, 2 tackles).

"Both are recovering very well, and they'll be out on the field at times, [but] I think right now Dom will be out there more than Carl," Ferentz said. "Carl is probably a couple weeks

away from doing any significant work out there. They should both be ready in June."

Running back White gone for real

Jason White was just a redshirt junior when he walked at Senior Day in November 2011. It looked like the walk-on's tenure with the Hawkeyes was over.

But he appeared to be back as recently as Feb. 1, when Ferentz announced White had decided to return for his senior year as a scholarship player.

White isn't listed on the team's spring roster that was released on Tuesday, so it's safe to assume he won't be back after all.

Pitching to contact

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An out is an out to the Iowa softball team. A strikeout is the same as a ground ball, pop-up, foul ball, or pickoff; an out is an out.

Iowa (10-13) has tallied more errors than No. 10 Missouri (20-3) in the pre-conference season, but the Hawkeyes enter Wednesday's two-game series with two contact pitchers instead of strikeout hurlers. Iowa has committed 7 more errors than the Tigers but has put the ball in play a lot more.

Pitchers Kayla Massey and Chelsea Lyon rely on their team's defense to take care of balls put into play instead of straddling the risky line between strikeouts and walks.

"We're not strikeout pitchers, and that's not how we're going to attack every hitter," head coach Marla Looper said. "The worst-case scenario is we get a ground ball. I know the defense is going to play defense there."

Massey's team-leading 1.80 ERA includes only 49 strikeouts. Missouri's ace

Iowa (10-13) at No. 10 Missouri (20-3)

When: 3 & 5 p.m. today
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pitcher, Iowa native Chelsea Thomas, boasts a 0.59 ERA with 82 strikeouts in fewer innings.

But Iowa has tallied more putouts than the Tigers. The Hawkeyes' leading fielder, second baseman Katie Keim, has tallied 193 putouts. Missouri's team-leading Jenna Marston only has 122 to her name.

"It's exciting to have contact pitchers on our team," Keim said. "As an infielder, you always want the ball. We get as many grounders as we want."

Massey and Lyon agreed Iowa's contact-based pitching strategy takes away the pressure to shut every single batter down. Instead of taking the burden completely on their shoulders, Massey and Lyon have learned to trust that their fielders' gloves will find everything coming off an

opponent's bat.

"The pressure is completely off of the pitcher," Lyon said. "Obviously, there's still pressure as to where to put the pitches, but if you put the pitches where you want them to be, then they'll either be grounders or pop-ups. To know that my defense is back there and they have everything behind me is great."

Massey also dominated as a fielder from the circle last season. She was responsible — either by strikeout, caught infield flies, or plays to first — for 40 percent of the team's outs in a game on April 16. She led the team last year with a perfect fielding percentage, tallying an impressive 4 put-outs and 53 assists.

The sophomore still has her 1,000 fielding percentage this year, and she has racked up 4 put-outs and 26 assists in only 23 games.

Defensive coach Adriana Baggetta purposely hits hard line drives at Massey and Lyon in practice to improve the hurler's reflexes and fielding skills.

"We've worked really hard with Coach Baggetta

hitting rockets right back at the pitchers," catcher Liz Watkins said. "If a ball is hit right up the middle, I have complete confidence that somebody's going to get it. Even if the pitchers just tick it off their glove, the rest of infield has been all over the place. Stuff just isn't getting through the infield."

Despite being only 45 feet away from the plate, Massey said she's not intimidated by line drives that can come back at her in a fraction of a second. Instead, she's motivated to catch them or stop them with her body so she can throw to first.

An out is an out, she said.

"If I can help [the infield] as much as possible — if I can field all the little stuff the comes off my pitches — then they can move back a little bit and catch more line drives that are harder," she said. "If I can take care of the shorter stuff, it's a lot easier for the team ... As long as it doesn't come at my face, I will be more that willing to sacrifice a body part to get an out."

INTRAMURALS

Heat is on in intramural soccer

Heat used its experience and firepower to win a close match over PAle.

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It was fairly obvious which team had more experience between the Heat and PAle soccer teams.

Heat won 2-0 thanks to striking 31 shots to only 5 by PAle in the opening game of the intramural co-rec soccer season at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on Tuesday evening.

Despite the heavy firepower from Heat, it took until its 26th shot in the game with 11:51 left in the second half to get on the board.

"Our team started off a little slow," Heat player Christina Herrin said. "But eventually, we got really good teamwork and communication going, and we ended up scoring two goals. Our passing improved a lot."

Both Heat goals came from an unusual position: the starting goalie. At half-

time one of the teams striker's switched places with first-half goalie Adrian Sanchez. The switch ended up paying off — Sanchez dominated in the box for the two scores on 6 shots.

"He and I decided we're going to play goalie because no one else wanted to," the junior business marketing major said. "We play one half each, and both get a little running."

One of the struggles PAle had in getting scoring chances was conflicting positioning on the field. The team kept four players back on defense for most of the game and struggled to get the ball past the mid-field line.

Most members of PAle are physician's assistants, and the team's name is a combination of the abbreviation for physician's assistant and soccer great Pele. Half the PAle members were playing the sport for the first time. The highest

level of soccer for other half of the team was high school.

PAle wouldn't have made it far in its game without the work of veteran goalie Danilo Jahn. A brick wall all game long, he had 10 saves. The goalie also yelled out to the inexperienced players where they should be on the field and whom they should defend.

Team captain Dan Hammes said the team did a lot of things better than he expected, and he believes the squad will be able to contend down the road.

"We were just trying to get our bearings," he said. "Thankfully, we had a stud goalie, and next game we'll work on getting some more shots on goal. We'll work on our endurance and pass the ball a little more."

Heat kept up heavy pressure on offense the entire

game despite having only one substitute. Sanchez said that normally, the team has five substitutes, but several players skipped the game to study.

"It was tiring — really tiring at the end," he said. "That's what really got us. Normally, we have five more people, but they have to study. They think studying is more important than playing soccer."

Heat's players said they were pleased with their performance, and they believe they have a great foundation of players to build on. Even though they dominated both sides of the ball, they still see spots where they need to improve on they are going to make it to the postseason.

"Passing could have been more accurate," Herrin said. "We could have had more runs and through-balls, but as time goes on, I don't see how we can't get better."

HAWKEYE SPORTS

Men's golf loses in final match

The Iowa men's golf team fell to Liberty University on Tuesday, 3-0-2, in its fourth and final match of the Calloway Collegiate Match Play Championship in Bradenton, Fla. The defeat placed the Hawkeyes in 10th.

Three-match winning streaks for senior Chris Brant and sophomore Steven Ihm ended against the Flames, although Brant finished unbeaten in Bradenton. Ihm fell to Liberty's No. 2 golfer, Ian McConnell, 3 and 1, while Brant finished his run at the Concession Golf

Course with a draw against Flame sophomore Chase Marinell. The senior finished 3-0-1 for Iowa, after a 1-3 start in the Hawkeyes' first two events of the season.

Freshman Brian Bullington also played 18 holes square with his opponent, but losses by senior Barrett Kelpin and freshman Ian Vanderveer gave the consolation championship match to Liberty. Top-seeded Arkansas claimed the championship by defeating Duke.

The Hawkeyes' next competition will come March 31-April 1 at the LSU National Invitational in Baton Rouge, La.

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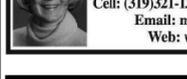
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Brands of brothers

The Brands brothers' successful partnership might not have occurred had Terry Brands not left Iowa City a decade ago and learned what he truly wanted as a coach.

By **SAM LOUWAGIE**
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An Iowa wrestler sits at his locker, almost ready to hit the showers after practice. Head coach Tom Brands walks over, sits down, and offers some advice — maybe he urges the wrestler to keep his head off the mat. The wrestler nods, and Brands leaves.

Assistant coach Terry Brands walks in moments later. He plops down next to the same wrestler and tells him exactly the same thing. It's a common scene in the Hawkeye locker room.

"And I mean 'verbatim,'" Terry Brands said. "It's funny because it happens a lot."

For almost four seasons now, the Brands brothers — identical twins distinguishable from Carver-Hawkeye Arena's press row only by the way they sit in their chairs — have coexisted on the Iowa coaching staff.

It presents a problem for people in the program who haven't spent enough time around them. Terry Brands says he's "almost sure" there are a number of freshmen on the Hawkeye roster who can't tell the twins apart. People scurrying the halls of the Dan Gable Wrestling Complex often address one coach thinking they are speaking to the other. Terry Brands quickly corrects the mistaken; Tom Brands lets them spend a whole conversation thinking he is his brother.

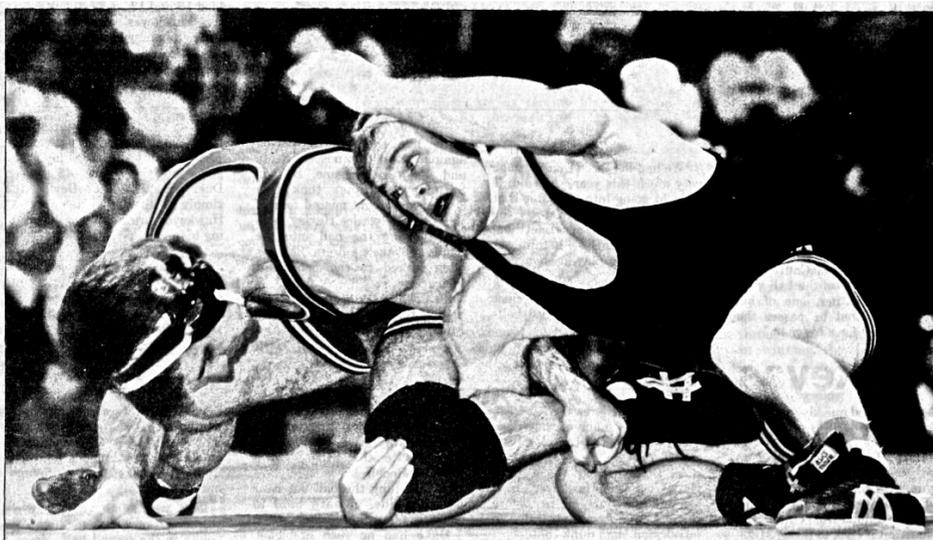
The partnership has also been a problem for Hawkeye opponents. It has led to two national titles and, most recently, a pair of third-place finishes during what were supposed to be rebuilding years.

"[Terry Brands] brings a lot of energy," Hawkeye sophomore Tony Ramos said. "You think Tom has a lot of energy? We have two of him."

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Iowa associate head coach Terry Brands reacts to a call during the match between Iowa's Tony Ramos and Navy's Aaron Kalil during the NCAA wrestling championships in St. Louis on March 15. (The Daily Iowan/Ricky Bahner)



Terry Brands (right) tangles with Nebraska's Jason Kelber in the 126-pound finals at the 1991 NCAA championships. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

COMMENTARY

Greener than St. Paddy's Day

Iowa's youth was the prevailing theme of Kirk Ferentz's spring press conference on Tuesday.



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The Iowa football team is young. Really young.

The youth — or simple inexperience — will be most apparent on the defensive line. Returning lettermen on the spring two-deep released Tuesday are tagged with stars next to their names; only one of the first eight players listed, Steve Bigach, carries a star. He's listed as a starting defensive tackle.

For now, the rest of the line will be filled by red-shirt freshmen-to-be Dean Tsopanides, Darian Cooper, and Riley McMinn. The backups, with the exception of senior-to-be tackle Joe Gaglione, are almost as young as the projected starters; Melvin Spears will be a redshirt freshman, and Louis Trinca-Pasat and Mike Hardy will be sophomores.

But head coach Kirk Fer-

entz said it won't be the end of the world for the Hawkeyes.

"I go back to 2008, when we were really trying to build something with a really young team," Ferentz said on Tuesday. "... At that time, [Ricky] Stanzi and [Pat] Angerer were second-team players all through spring, and then in September ended up emerging ... there are guys on our roster right now, I'm sure, who are capable of doing some things that we're not seeing yet."

That will need to happen at more positions than not, though.

The wide receivers have little experience behind Keenan Davis and Kevonte Martin-Manley; their respective backups on the two-deep, Don Shumpert and either Jacob Hillyer or Steven Staggs, have 5 career catches combined. All of them belong to Staggs.

Iowa's defensive backfield returns 2011 standouts Micah Hyde and Tanner Miller at cornerback and free safety, respectively.

SEE **FOOTBALL**, 10

COMMENTARY

Hoopsters get awards

The Iowa women's basketball team may just simply need to rely on a familiar face in order to advance further in the postseason next year.



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The Iowa women's basketball team advanced to the NCAA Tournament for the fifth-straight year, but it was one-and-done in both the Big Ten and NCAA tournaments for the second-straight season. *The Daily Iowan* looks at who helped the Hawkeyes most, who potentially held them back, and who Iowa can look forward to.

Freshman of the Year: Sam Logic

Iowa had perhaps its most heralded recruiting class in recent memory heading into this past season.

Logic was clearly the best of that group, and she got progressively better as the season went along. The 5-9 guard registered seven double-doubles, including a triple-double in a win over Michigan on Feb. 26. She was a unanimous selection for the All-Big Ten Freshman Team, finish-



Iowa guard Sam Logic looks for a pass against Wisconsin in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Jan. 19. Logic was a unanimous selection for the All-Big Ten Freshman team after averaging 9.4 points a game. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley)

ing with an average of 9.4 points, 7.1 rebounds, and 4.4 assists per game.

The Racine, Wis., native gave her squad a boost in the Hawkeyes' season-ending loss to California in the first round of NCAAs last weekend. Logic recorded 11 points and 11 assists — which tied the school record for assists in a tournament game — against the Golden Bears.

Logic will likely take over at point guard next year, a position at which she flourished at the prep level.

Most Disappointing: Lisa Bluder

Bluder is Iowa's second all-time winningest coach — trailing only the legendary C. Vivian Stringer — and she has led the Hawkeyes to 11 postseason tournaments, including the NCAA tournament each of the last five years.

Those are hefty accomplishments that only a handful of coaches in women's college basketball — a sport in which such powerhouses as Connecticut, Baylor, and Tennessee continually sit at atop of the polls — can say they've reached.

But Bluder has had very deep rosters the last two seasons — particularly this season, despite losing several players to an assortment of ailments. Iowa flopped in its only game at the Big Ten Tournament, a loss to Nebraska in which the Hawkeyes failed to make in-game adjustments. The same thing happened in the Big Dance as the Black and Gold fell to California in the first round.

Two-straight years, and two back-to-back early exits in the postseason.

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