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Candidates address tuition



Candidates Nic Pottebaum of the I Party and Sunny Kothari of the # (Hashtag) Party talk about their platforms at the UISG presidential debate in the Chemistry Building on Thursday. The # (Hashtag) Party wore pink shirts, and the I Party supporters wore orange. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh)

The University of Iowa Student Government vice-presidential debate will be held on April 2.

By ANNA THEODOSIS
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Tuition hikes and improving student experiences formed the keystones of a University of Iowa Student Government presidential-candidate debate Thursday evening.

I Party candidate Nic Pottebaum and # (Hashtag) Party candidate Sunny Kothari focused on their platforms while answering questions pertaining to their plans and the UI community as a whole.

When considering proposed tuition and funding proposals — after the House proposed to make a \$31 million cut to regent universities, and the Senate proposed a \$34 million increase in appropriations — Potte-

baum said students need to be realistic in their requests.

"I think what needs to be understood is what sounds good and what reality is," he said. "We've recognized that you can't just go to the Capitol and yell for more money. Obviously, every tuition hike should be taken with great concern, but you need to make sure you look at the facts to ensure that every student has the opportunity to get a quality education. I'm willing to make the tough decisions."

Kothari was more critical of the Legislature.

"The state has been cutting our budget," he said. "We need to go to the Capitol and tell them to stop. We need to target the issue

at hand, we need to stand up and say, 'Hey, this can't work.' I don't think it's right to keep raising tuition."

Kothari also stressed student safety, proposing a reintroduced East Side Cambus route.

"We did some research and dug around," he said. "There's a vast majority of campus that lives on the East Side. Why shouldn't we cater to them? We don't want people walking home 10 blocks at night; we shouldn't let that happen."

Installing lights past downtown could also deter crime, he said.

Pottebaum spoke of the developing Safe

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Should the tuition freeze be put into effect?

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Officials stress positives in deans' transitions

By ASMAA ELKEURTI
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University of Iowa President Sally Mason said the university's role as a gateway to future leadership positions could reflect positively on the school given the number of administrative openings on campus.

The UI has lost four deans recently — though a new dean for the Tippie College of Business has been chosen and searches for deans at the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Carver College of Medicine, and the College of Engineering are either underway or coming to a close.

Mason told *The Daily Iowan* on Thursday that departures based on career advancement can speak well of the university as a "training ground."

"If it ends up their last career move [to stay at the UI], so be it," she said.

As new individuals fill the



University of Iowa President Sally Mason speaks at a press conference following a bus tour during the state Board of Regents' visit on March 21. The tour included information on current and future plans for restorations and new construction on campus. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

open dean spots at the UI, officials said, the transition does not affect workflow in the school or department.

David Johnsen, the dean of the College of Dentistry and

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Mason on tuition freeze

The Daily Iowan: What are your thoughts on the tuition freeze?

President Sally Mason: Let me say a couple things about tuition, and let me start with tuition generally. The Board of Regents sets tuition. Obviously, we do that on an annual basis, and obviously, we look at a lot of different factors before we come to any conclusions about what tuition should be for the following years.

I would tell you that over the last three years, during the worst of the budget crisis and the flood, I think we've done a pretty darn good job of keeping tuition increases low especially in the face of massive declines in state appropriations. We lost \$65 million in less than two years in state appropriations. We did not try to make up that amount of money by tuition

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Hopeful lauds liberal arts

Chaden Djalali is the current chair of the department of Physics and Astronomy at the University of South Carolina.

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The first finalist for dean of the University of Iowa College of Liberal Arts and Sciences voiced support for faculty benefits and the importance of promoting a liberal-arts education to the outside world at an open forum Thursday.

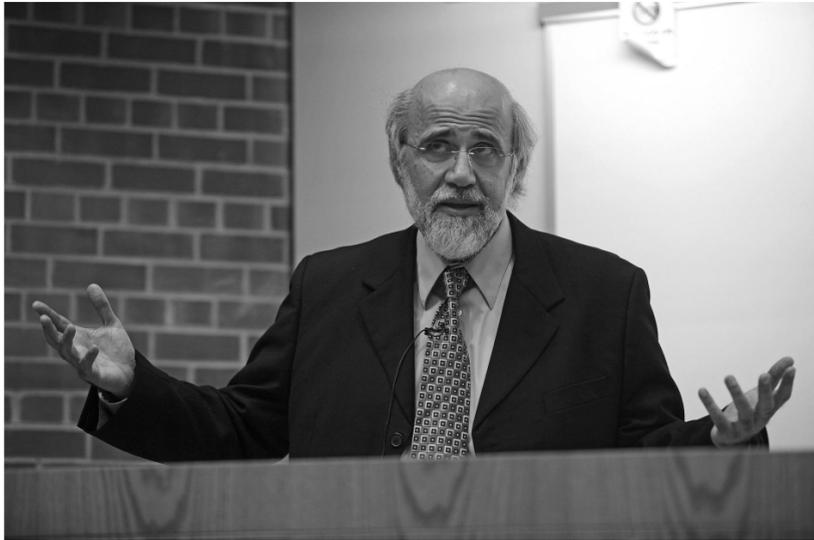
Speaking in the Chemistry Building, Chaden Djalali, the head of the Department of Physics and Astronomy at the University of South Carolina, spoke of his university's success in ensuring tenure and sabbaticals.

"Protecting tenure is very critical, and we have to stand for it," Djalali said. "I'm coming from a university that went through the same thing."

He also said universities need a teaching environment that relies more on experienced, accredited Ph.D.s than teaching assistants.

"I would like the students to not be taught by teaching assistants," Djalali said. "I fully understand why parents are complaining about that. We should not do that."

Djalali continued by comparing the UI's current financial issues — facing both a \$20 million state appropriations decrease by the House and a proposed



Chaden Djalali, a finalist in the search for the next dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, answers questions in the Chemistry Building on Tuesday about his plans for the school. Djalali is the head of the Physics and Astronomy Departments at the University of South Carolina. (The Daily Iowan/Jessica Payne)

Dean Search

Upcoming forums for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences dean finalists, all from 4-5 p.m.:

- April 9, 240 Art Building West
- April 12, W290 Chemistry Building
- April 18, 240 Art Building West

Source: University of Iowa Office of the Provost

tuition freeze in a House committee — with South Carolina's, where state appropriations make up about 9 percent of the school's budget. Tuition increases, he said, are sometimes necessary to maintain a university's quality.

"Compared to us, you have reasonable tuition," he said. "In-state tuition at the University of South Carolina is about \$3,000 higher than it is here."

But tuition hikes must have some limits, he said, or the university will exclude too many talented students.

David Johnsen, the head of the UI's dean-search committee, said he was impressed with Djalali's remarks about the nationwide problem of university funding challenges.

"Every state university in the country is facing these problems," said Johnsen, the dean of the College of Dentistry. "And I thought he gave very thoughtful responses to the questions."

Loyce Arthur, an associate professor of theater and a search-committee member, said the committee focused on finding a candidate who could work multilaterally in solving problems, financial or otherwise.

"It was important that the person wants to work with everyone in the col-

lege — faculty, staff, and students — to find a solution," she said.

Djalali emphasized this approach in his remarks, and he said he hopes to promote interplay among math, science and the humanities in the university's liberal-arts program.

"We don't want to create what C.P. Snow called 'the two cultures,'" Djalali said. "That can be very, very destructive."

The liberal-arts school should pursue a better method of self-promotion and fundraising in light of recent criticisms of a liberal education, he said.

"It is a well-rounded education that helps us find meaning in our lives, and we do that by finding our strengths," Djalali said. "In our society that is driven by technology and science, I think that we have gone too far in focusing entirely on efficiency."

METRO/WORLD

Man faces drug charges

A local man was charged with a controlled-substance violation, possession of a controlled substance to keep or permit use in a structure or vehicle, and unlawful possession of prescription drugs.

According to an Iowa City police complaint, Colin Groeneveld, 23, 522 E. Burlington St. No. 7, was charged Wednesday.

Police officials conducted a search warrant Wednesday at Groeneveld's residence and reportedly located three-quarters of an ounce of marijuana in his room, as well as packaging equipment and a scale. According to the complaint, officials also found text messages on Groeneveld's cell phone about dealing marijuana, a small amount of cash, and six grams of marijuana under his mattress.

Police also allegedly located several prescription pill bottles with the labels removed, containing 21 Adderall pills, 16.5 amphetamine pills and dextroamphetamine, as well as numerous other prescription pills.

Unlawful possession of prescription drugs is considered a serious misdemeanor. A controlled-substance violation is considered a Class-D felony. Possession of a controlled substance with intention to keep or permit use in structure or vehicle is considered an aggravated misdemeanor.

— by Jordyn Reiland

Man charged in cemetery incident

A local man, Areli River, 34, 1440 Prairie Du Chien Road, was

charged Wednesday with second-degree criminal mischief.

On March 28, River was allegedly found in the Oakland Cemetery, 1000 Brown St. River allegedly wrote on the cemetery fences, garage doors, and other areas with black magic marker, according to the report.

River was leaving the cemetery when he was confronted by the cemetery supervisor, and admitted to defacing the property for the last few days, according to the report. The estimated cost to restore the property is \$1,200.

Second-degree criminal mischief is considered a Class-D felony and is punishable of up to five years in jail and a maximum fine of \$7,500.

— by Jordyn Reiland

Man charged with domestic-abuse assault

A Chicago man, Tyrone Davis, 31, was charged Thursday with domestic-abuse assault third or subsequent offense.

Davis and the victim were reportedly in a verbal argument that lasted several hours when police officials were called to the scene.

According to the report, the victim said Davis grabbed her around the throat and choked her, causing her to be unable to breathe as she struggled to get free.

The victim reportedly had a small scratch on the left side of her neck, according to the report. Prior domestic convictions against Davis occurred on Oct. 27, 2008 and Sept. 28, 2009.

Domestic-abuse assault —

third or subsequent offense is considered a Class-D felony punishable of up to five years in jail and a maximum fine of \$7,500.

— by Jordyn Reiland

Administration tightens research review

The Obama administration is ordering a government-wide review of scientific research that could raise biosecurity concerns in the wake of fierce controversy over some man-made strains of deadly bird flu.

The policy released Thursday tightens oversight of high-stakes research involving dangerous germs, work that could bring a big payoff but which also could cause harm if the research ever is misused.

The new U.S. policy doesn't mean there's anything wrong with doing this kind of research, including recent experiments in Wisconsin and the Netherlands that created easier-to-spread versions of the bird flu.

"These were important experiments to perform," stressed Dr. Anthony Fauci of the National Institutes of Health, which is posting the new policy Thursday on its biosecurity website.

The policy lays out steps to help scientists and government agencies determine which projects raise particular concerns about biosecurity and how to ensure that risks from the research are carefully managed from the start.

The policy comes as biosecurity advisers to the government began a two-day meeting Thursday to reconsider whether the public ever should hear the

full details of those bird-flu experiments.

— Associated Press

Photo shows N. Korean rocket-launch preparations

New satellite imagery appears to show preparations beginning for a long-range rocket launch in North Korea despite international objections.

The image from a privately operated satellite was taken Wednesday at the Tongchang-ri site, where North Korea says it plans to launch the rocket between April 12 and 16.

An analysis conducted for the U.S.-Korea Institute at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies says the image shows trucks and fuel tanks outside two large buildings that would be used to store propellant for the rocket. It also shows work under way at a gantry tower next to a mobile launch pad, with a crane being used to load equipment. The rocket itself is not yet visible.

"The image shows not only that the launch is going ahead but the preparations seem to be on schedule for the planned launch dates," said Joel Wit, visiting fellow at the institute and editor of its website on North Korea, 38 North.

North Korea says the launch is to fire an observation satellite into orbit and mark the centennial of the birth of the nation's founder, Kim il Sung. The U.S. says it is a cover to test long-range missile technology and violates U.N. Security Council resolutions.

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BLOTTER

Brian Bullington, 18, N267 Hillcrest, was charged Wednesday with presence in a bar after hours.
Mayra Chavez, 21, 1150 Briar Drive, was charged Thursday with OWI.
Ryan Clark, 21, 315 S. Gilbert Apt. 2122, was charged Wednesday with public intoxication.
Brian Davis, 21, 522 E. Burlington St. No. 7, was charged Wednesday

with possession of marijuana.
Jane Edwards, 57, West Branch, was charged Wednesday with fifth-degree theft.
Kathleen Ennis, 20, 522 N. Clinton St., was charged Wednesday with presence in a bar after hours.
Kathy Haddad, 20, 522 N. Clinton St., was charged Wednesday with presence in a bar

after hours.
Ryan Henry, 37, 2012 Western Road, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.
Angela Jones, 18, 2267 Quad, was charged Tuesday with presence in a bar after hours.
Jordon Mortensen, 18, 2260 Quad, was charged Tuesday with presence in a bar after hours.
Alyssa Tisonick, 20, 815 E.

Washington St., was charged Wednesday with presence in a bar after hours.
Max Villatoro, 23, 3 Metric Road, was charged Thursday with public intoxication.
Abby Zimmerman, 19, S309 Hillcrest, was charged Tuesday with public intoxication, unlawful use of a driver's license, and interference with official acts.

Veterans' group to hold challenge

University of Iowa Veterans Association officials estimate the group has around 500 participating students on campus.

By **LOGAN EDWARDS**
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Veterans returning from service face challenges adapting to everyday life — and a unique set of difficulties, University of Iowa student veteran advocates said, if they're coming back to a large university.

Officials from the UI Veterans Association will host the inaugural Warrior Challenge and 5K Run/Walk on Saturday with plans to donate all proceeds to the national Wounded Warrior Project, which aims to ease veterans' transition back to life at home.

Connie Chapman, a combat stress recovery manager with the Wounded Warrior Project, said a veteran entering into a university atmosphere may experience an increase in psychological distress, anxiety, and new pressures.

"[It's difficult] adjusting to a new environment that might be completely and utterly foreign to you," she said.

Some returning military personnel may also face mobility issues because of injuries or feel hypervigilant, she said.

UI Veterans Association

President Amanda Irish described her own hardships after starting her studies at the UI in 2006 following a four-year tour as a nuclear, biological, chemical defense specialist. The 28-year-old said she initially experienced Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and only looked into the Veterans Association three years after her enrollment.

"[The association] was created to be a support system and to make sure [veterans] know who they can go to if it they have a need," she said. "This feels like home; this feels like the military. The people I know, they get it. That's why it's so important that we get the word out about what we do."

The race — in which participants will compete in military-style endurance training events such as Tire Flip and Stone Carry — marks the first time the Veterans Association has donated to the Wounded Warrior Project. The association decided to be a third-party sponsor for the Wounded Warriors Project when the members began planning for the challenge in August.

UI Warrior Challenge

Challenges at Saturday's event include:

- Tire flip relay
- Cinder block relay
- Weighted 5K
- 5K run/walk

Source: UI Veteran's Association

Michael Considine, a Veterans Association member and race director, said he plans to host another Warrior Challenge at the same time next year. And, he said, the group would possibly expand the competition to a nationwide event.

"Something that sets this race apart is the military challenges of the race," he said. "This is something that hasn't been attempted here or nationally yet."

UI freshman Considine joined the Veterans Association last fall after training in the Iowa Air National Guard from 2010-2011.

"I hope to increase [the group's] campus presence, both for the community and for student veterans to know we are a home base for them," Irish said. "Our goals are retention and graduations, and the students who are out there need to know we are here."

METRO

Council mulls animal-shelter plans

The Iowa City City Council will consider a resolution April 3 to approve the most recent plans for the Iowa City Animal Care and Adoption Center.

The center was significantly damaged by the 2008 flood.

Federal Emergency Management Agency funds for the center total \$1.4 million and, city officials say, most of those funds will be used for construction costs. The estimated cost for construction of the facility is \$3 million.

Recently, Coralville, University Heights, and the University of Iowa have agreed to help fund the proposed facility.

The councilors will vote on the resolution at their next meeting, April 3.

— by Kristen East

Council to hold hearing on railroad project

The Iowa City City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday regarding the approval of the Iowa City Industrial Campus Railroad Siding and Spur Improvements Project.

According to the proposal, the project will include the construction of a railroad infrastructure for the Iowa City Industrial Campus along 420th Street.

The project has an estimated cost of \$1.7 million, and it will be funded with a State Railroad Grant and general obligation bonds.

The councilors will vote on a resolution after holding the public hearing at their next meeting, April 3.

— by Kristen East

Council to decide on Moen project downtown

The Iowa City City Council will consider a resolution Tuesday approving an agreement between the city and Central Park LLC.

City developer Marc Moen formed Central Park, and the resolution would approve his redevelopment of 114 S. Dubuque St.

Moen requested \$2.5 million in tax-incentive financing for the construction of a 14-story commercial and residential building. The estimated project construction cost is roughly \$10.8 million.

According to city officials, the proposed redevelopment project meets the city's economic-development process and policies.

Councilors will vote on the resolution during their next meeting, April 3.

— by Kristen East

Council to hold final vote on bus fares

City bus fares will rise if the Iowa City City Council approves the measure on April 3.

The increase was proposed as part of the fiscal 2013 budget. The standard fare would increase from 75 cents to \$1.

According to the proposal, the fee increase will move toward city officials' goal of having user fees cover 30 to 35 percent of operation costs.

The last fee increase was in 1996.

Councilors will vote on the third consideration of the ordinance at their next meeting, April 3.

— by Kristen East

Council to set hearings on residence limit

The Iowa City City Council will likely set two public hearings on Tuesday for two proposed zoning amendments.

These amendments include limiting the number of bedrooms in a multifamily dwelling unit in multifamily zones to a maximum of three and providing at least one parking space for each bedroom for multifamily dwelling units in the University Impact Area.

The city councilors will vote to set the public hearings at their next meeting, April 3.

— by Kristen East

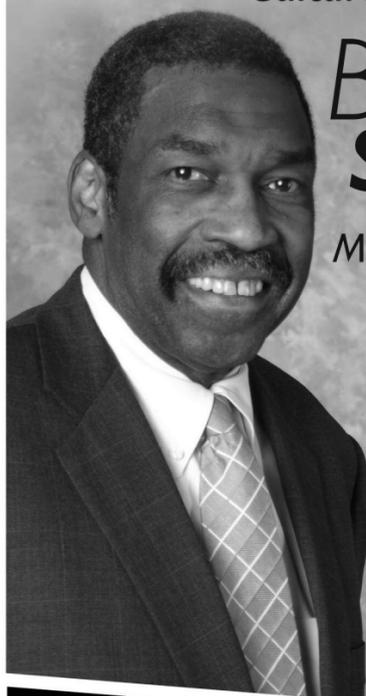


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Column

Vigilante justice

The outcome of the Trayvon Martin case will be a significant marker in U.S. history — one that may initiate a dangerous, and possibly necessary, cascade of events.

It is time for the public to discuss what steps should be taken if the government fails to step in and prosecute George Zimmerman.

What's done is done, and now it's our turn to discuss what needs to be changed and what action needs to be taken to begin to recover from this atrocity.

The overwhelming reaction the public has had to this slaying cannot be attributed to the inherent bigoted motives behind the crime or even that it was a hate crime — it is the public's disgust with Zimmerman's false sense of authority and the nonchalant tolerance the state of Florida and Seminole County governments possess.

The government's general tolerance and even encouragement of feelings of entitlement are revealed through its support of arbitrary neighborhood-watch programs that require no training for participants. It was a neighborhood-watch program of which Zimmerman declared himself the captain that was the cause of his false sense of entitlement to authoritative power.

The public should entertain the idea of taking a Malcolm X style approach to the situation, and we may witness vigilantes taking the law into their own hands — after all, isn't that what the law encouraged Zimmerman and other neighborhood-watch members to do?

Not only did the government create this attitude, it clearly condoned it. If the government condemned Zimmerman's actions and believed his sense of authority was unjust, it would have stepped in or spoken out in a significant way.

Change.com, the website used for the petition to



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prosecute Zimmerman, Martin's alleged killer, has predicted that the public will demonstrate extreme anger if Zimmerman is not prosecuted.

It is up to the public to decide if this would be the appropriate response.

The New Black Panther Party (not affiliated with the Black Panther Party) has taken steps to ensure that Zimmerman is punished regardless of the outcome of a trial. Taking on the role the police should have, the New Black Panther Party offered a \$10,000 reward to anyone who would capture Zimmerman.

"An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth," Mikhail Muhammad, the southern regional director of the New Black Panther Party, said.

Esther Whitehead, former Orange-Osceola County prosecutor, holds a different opinion.

"I can't see how anyone can go out and take action as a private citizen without some government action like the issuance of a warrant," she said regarding the statement released by the New Black Panthers. "It doesn't make sense. It doesn't sound reasonable."

But isn't this exactly what Zimmerman did when he shot Martin? Why do members of the government so quickly condemn the actions of the New Black Panthers when government officials have yet to publicly condemn the killing?

Although the New Black Panthers and Neighborhood Watch are different in many aspects, they both operate under the same value of vigilantism. The government should realize that to stay consistent with its actions regarding the Martin shooting, it needs to either condemn or support vigilantism equally and apply it to all groups and organizations.

Ultimately, if the public feels that the government has failed to do its job of prosecuting a criminal, our unavoidable rage will need to be channeled in a way that we deem appropriate, which may mean strong acts of civil disobedience.

Your turn. Should members of the public take things into their own hands?
Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

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Instead of staying at home sniping cyber-Arabs, your little Billy will experience the awe-inspiring beauty of Iowa's stunning natural landscape around the Reservoir, built in 1958.

There your child will be free to frolic in the dark, auburn waters fed by the Iowa River, the nation's third-most endangered waterway, pronounced dead in 2009. There will be water-skiing available, or if your child prefers, tubing, which reduces his chance of infection by roughly 78 percent as long as he or she never touches the water.

Once in the water, your child will learn about all kinds of pollutants that make Iowa's waterways unique. Did you know that along the Iowa River there are more than 100 communities with no sewage treatment facilities whatsoever? That's right. It drains right into the river. That smelly waste will be running right through little Billy's toes, almost 1,000 gallons a day.

For this reason, Camp Coralville Lake is the best summer camp to develop antibodies against E. coli. In the Iowa River, E. coli concentrations are quadruple that of the Environmental Protection Agency's recommended recreational standards, which, our experts say, were made to cater to sissies.

Sissies need not apply to Camp Coralville Lake.

What's even more outstanding than 1,000 daily gallons of raw human sewage? The amount of pig poo running through the same waters. Camp Coralville Lake is the most authentic farm-water experience your child can enjoy.

Don't listen to those posers in North Carolina, who boast having only 10 million hogs — which, according to Professor Mark Sobsey of the University of North Carolina, can produce more waste than the citizens of New York, North Carolina, California, Pennsylvania, Texas, New Hampshire, and

North Dakota combined.

Ten million hogs? Whatever. Iowa is home to 25 million. In a given year, the pigs living along the Iowa River basin alone will produce more fecal matter than the entire state of California. Gee whiz, right?

At Camp Coralville Lake, your child will learn everything there is to know about the great state of Iowa. Sure, everybody knows about Iowa's pig, corn, and cow production — but did you know that Iowa is also a trailblazer in the field of polluting the Gulf of Mexico?

All that farm-runoff runs right into the mighty Mississippi. Once there, those pollutants travel south until they hit the Gulf of Mexico, expanding the legendary Dead Zone, in which no fish are able to survive. The great Iowa River contributes to the largely lifeless Dead Zone perhaps more than any other river feeding into the Mississippi, and your child will bathe in its glory.

And as the sun sets on the reflection-less, chocolate-colored lake, campers and camp councilors will discuss ways to preserve the community toilet that is the Iowa River.

Luckily, because of constant budget cuts, the EPA has been staying out of Iowa's business. It has left it up to us to take care of our waterways, and we did. For example, in 2009 the Iowa Legislature passed Senate File 432, which makes it easier to spread manure on frozen land, thus slipping right into Iowa's waterways. This is but another example of Iowa's rich history of prioritizing Big Agriculture over the environment, and it's up to future generations to continue that trend.

Camp Coralville Lake is dedicated to educating your child about the many benefits of unregulated agriculture. We will also make them exercise by making your kid swim in watered-down pig s**t.

While other camps claim to have the more "natural" experience, Camp Coralville Lake prepares your child for the future state of the world's water supply. People will continue to need to eat at the lowest initial cost possible, and agricultural waterways are always first-up on the chopping block.

Make your child spend the summer at Camp Coralville Lake, where people, water, and farming exist in harmony. ■

Letter

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Rental complaints

I agree whole-heartedly with the words of Mark Borer from Batavia, Ill. (*DI*, March 28, "Don't be a victim of your landlord"). Apartments Downtown has long taken advantage of students who don't fully understand housing situations. Some charges, such as the \$10 per nail hole and \$70-plus materials for repainting, are arbitrarily decided and are often charged to lessee as Apartments Downtown sees fit. It's unfortunate that Apartments Downtown takes advantage of students who are leasing housing for the first time. Students don't often know that they're getting a bad deal until it's too late.

I feel, with the exception of newly built apartment complexes, many of the developments and houses are unsatisfactory for living requirements.

By all accounts, my current house — owned by Apartments Downtown — probably needs to be demolished. It has a large indentation in the kitchen floor, bad enough that a ball can be set down the hall and on its own will find its way to the center of the kitchen.

Investigating what was supporting the house, I found only a few wooden beams standing upright on cement platforms in the basement. The indentation has been reported numerous times since last October, but not once has anything been done about it.

Costs determined by Apartments Downtown, for the service and urgency given in return, are far overpriced. Did you know it cost \$125 per person to sign a sublease agreement? I inquired why this was and was met with "it's a filing

and registration charge." Without exaggeration, I saw them "file and register" the signed agreement right into a stack of papers denoted for our house. It cost \$125 for them to put a paper into a folder.

In addition to these and the ridiculous charges mentioned by Borer, Apartments Downtown freely saps the deposit posted by students. Last year's leasers of my house filed to have a few things fixed or replaced before the end of their contract, and it wasn't until my roommates were fully moved in that the repairs actually took place. Can't wait to see that paid off by our deposit. Another "clause" by Apartments Downtown is the fact that our attic does not count as part of our leased house, and as shoddy as it cur-

rently is, any further damage — by us or not — will be charged to our deposit.

Apartments Downtown is monopolizing on the supply and demand of near-campus housing, and the victims of this are student safety and the leaser's bank account. It's tough to file a class-action lawsuit with students rearranging every year, and even more so because the majority of students wronged have already graduated and moved on.

That is why it is imperative that as many students as possible voice complaints about Apartments Downtown now. Only then can proper attention, however legal it may have to be, be brought to the travesty of contracts set up by Apartments Downtown.

Sean Staudt
UI student

Guest opinion

Defending John D (not that he needs it)

If there is one thing we should take from the John D'Agata bashing based on his new book, *The Lifespan of a Fact*, it's that the essay, as an art form, should not be thought of as some journalistic thing handcuffed to a dry repetition of events witnessed. The essay is not inherently concerned with the facts of daily life, or a cross-cultural, statistical truth found concretely in a mess of bureaucratic paperwork, but rather the exploration of an idea. It can certainly attempt those things, but like any other

form of art, there is no rule book. Totally cliché, I know.

For those of you reading and thinking, "S**t, everyone gets that" — well, apparently not everyone gets that. Last week's *Daily Iowan* hosted an attack on John D'Agata and the (I guess ...) chaotic abyss *The Lifespan of a Fact* is tearing into the universe.

Despite the fact that the journalism, history, and English departments are separate entities, the author thought it made sense to apply the same artistic standard to all of

them. And on top of that (this being rumor, not vetted fact), I hear D'Agata's book might be what all this 2012 hysteria is really about — not a misreading of the Mayan calendar, meaning if enough people crack open the cover, gravity might reverse, the color blue may cease to exist, and dogs could start to f**k cats in that little alley next to Which Wich.

An essay in the simplest terms is an attempt at something, in writing, in video, in audio, in whatever medium, etymologically

coming from the verb "assay," or "to attempt." There is no freshman induction into essay writing that requires authors to raise their hands and pledge to write the truth and only the truth. As you can see with this debate, there isn't even an accepted definition of truth which to pledge.

Fictional essays, fabrications that take the form and method of the essay, exist. Donald Barthelme's "On Angels" is one I can think of immediately. George Orwell — a guy completely concerned with

truth, meaning, and language — blended images of working-class people to create a more symbolically accurate image of Britain in *The Road to Wigan Pier*, letting one focused image stand for the oppression of the entire working class. Even the least-experimental essayists mediate their thoughts through a constructed group of symbols removed from the truth of physical reality, a messy thing called language.

So unless you're expecting an essay to be written in the same style as an

instruction manual for assembling a deck chair, you'll never get the "truth" in an essay. John D'Agata's book is not some new wave of factless anarchy masquerading as journalism coming to consume and destroy the world; it's an art form that isn't limited to the nervousness of reactionary minds. If Ms. Arvidson and Company had read the book before criticizing it, perhaps they would have come to that realization.

Alex Fritz
UI senior

Nonfiction Creative Writing Program

WORKING IMPROV



Associate Professor of dance Jennifer Kayle walks around the room during the Improvisation 1 class in Halsey Hall on Thursday. Improvised dance studies help dancers loosen up and focus on movement quality rather than the more technically strict ballet or modern technique class. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)



Marissa Shadler kisses boyfriend Cory Dutkiewicz goodbye as he prepares to deploy on the USS New York, an amphibious transport dock ship, in Norfolk, Va. on Tuesday. This is the first deployment of the ship, parts of which were built with steel from the World Trade Center. The New York is part of the Iwo Jima Amphibious Ready Group and will operate in the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf. (Associated Press/Virginian-Pilot, Steve Earley)

Justices to meet today

By MARK SHERMAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — While the rest of us have to wait until June, the justices of the Supreme Court will know the likely outcome of the historic health-care case by the time they go home this weekend.

After months of anticipation, thousands of pages of briefs, and more than six hours of arguments, the justices will vote on the fate of President Obama's health-care overhaul in under an hour this morning. They will meet in a wood-paneled conference room on the court's main floor. No one else will be present.

In the weeks after this meeting, individual votes can change. Even who wins can change, as the justices read each other's draft opinions and dissents.

But today's vote, which each justice probably will record and many will keep for posterity, will be followed soon after by the assignment of a single justice to write a majority opinion, or in a case this complex, perhaps two or more justices to tackle different issues. That's where

the hard work begins, with the clock ticking toward the end of the court's work in early summer.

The late William Rehnquist, who was chief justice for nearly 19 years, has written that the court's conference "is not a bull session in which off-the-cuff reactions are traded." Instead, he said, votes are cast, one by one in order of seniority.

The conference also is not a debate, says Brian Fitzpatrick, a Vanderbilt University law professor who worked for Justice Antonin Scalia 10 years ago. There will be plenty of time for the back-and-forth in dueling opinions that could follow.

"There's not a whole lot of give and take at the conference," Fitzpatrick said. "They say, 'This is how I'm going to vote' and give a few sentences."

It will be the first time the justices gather as a group to discuss the case. Even they do not always know in advance what the others are thinking when they enter the conference room adjacent to Chief Justice John Roberts' office.

By custom, they shake hands. Then Roberts will take his seat at the head of

a rectangular table. Scalia, the longest serving among them, will be at the other end. The other seven justices also sit according to seniority, the four most junior on one side across from the other three.

"They generally find out how the votes line up at the conference," said Orin Kerr, a George Washington University law professor who worked for Justice Anthony Kennedy nine years ago.

The uncertainty may be especially pronounced in this case, where the views of Roberts and Kennedy are likely to decide the outcome, Kerr said in an interview Thursday. "I don't think anyone knows. I'm not sure Justice Kennedy knows."

No one's vote counts more than the others', but because they speak in order of seniority, it will become clear fairly quickly what will become of the health-care overhaul.

That's because Roberts speaks first, followed by Scalia, then Kennedy. If the three men hold a common view, the Obama health-care overhaul probably is history. If they don't, it probably survives.



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 - **Love:** When "like" just doesn't say enough.
 - **Enough Already:** For those posts you've seen time and time again, such as political messages, game updates, and workout routines.
 - **Slap:** When you get poked by someone you'd rather not be poked by.
 - **Giggle:** When you're poked by someone you do want to be poked by.
 - **Fist Bump:** When you totally agree with that post, bro.
 - **Witless:** When you can't think of a witty comeback and want to use any number of preprogrammed responses such as "I know, right?" or "You go, girl!"
 - **First:** When you just want to claim your superior dominance by being the first to comment on a post. Also referred to as the "jerk identifier."
 - **Simpatico:** When you just want to express your solidarity for someone going through a rough time or having a bad day. ("I'm here for you.")
 - **Snooze:** When you really shouldn't still be reading Facebook posts but just aren't ready to get up yet.
 - **Ol' Man:** When the originator of the post wants to boot off people having an unrelated conversation ("Get off my lawn.")
- Brian Tanner wants you to like the fact that he liked your comment about liking the original post about Facebook post comments and likes.

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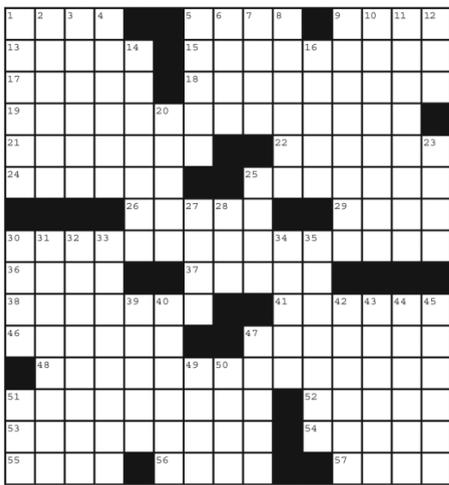


The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0224

- Across**
- Cuisine featuring nam prik
 - Identifies
 - Counterpart
 - Mezzo-soprano Marilyn
 - 1968 Best Actor nominee for "The Fixer"
 - A blimp may hover over one
 - Induce squirming in, perhaps
 - Coat that's easy to take off
 - French loanword that literally means "rung on a ladder"
 - Colors
 - Perfect
 - It was MSNBC's highest-rated program when canceled in 2003
 - Antique shop purchase
 - Wizard's garment
 - Paper assets
 - Device with a hard disk
 - It has a denomination of \$1,000
 - Homeric character who commits matricide
 - Weapons used to finish off the Greek army at Thermopylae
 - What a robot might resemble
 - To the left
 - Psychedelic 1968 song featuring a lengthy drum solo
 - What a whatnot has
 - Like molasses
 - Danger for a climber
 - President's daughter on "The West Wing"
 - Alternative to "your"

- Down**
- Showed a bit more friendliness
 - Poet who gave us "carpe diem"
 - Singer at Barack's inauguration
 - Poor
 - Hymn sung to Apollo
 - Trees in Gray's country churchyard
 - Kaplan who co-hosted six seasons of "High Stakes Poker"
 - Acknowledge a commander's entrance, maybe
 - Pizza sauce
 - Not going with the flow?
 - Round-bottomed container
 - Letter on Kaeli's costume
 - One hanging at a temple
 - It's all in your head
 - Christmas green?
 - Gets the gist
 - Dimwit
 - "I hate it when that happens!"
 - Business often located near an interstate
 - Company whose Nasdaq symbol is the company's name
 - Keep alive, as a fire



Puzzle by Patrick Berry

- Obstruct
- Trunk item
- Too
- accommodating for one's own good
- Once-autonomous people of southern Russia
- Sober
- Nonwoody plant parts
- Senate sheets
- Make possible
- Disobey the rule?
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- Begin with enthusiasm
- Got a lot of laughs out of
- 1980s Tyne Daly role
- Small quantity
- Surrealism forerunner
- Buddy

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- **Scientists and Artists ask: "What Does It Mean To Be Human?"** all-day event, 10 Macbride
- **The Humanities and Technology Camp**, all-day "unconference," Main Library
- **M.S. Final Thesis Defense**, "Magnetic Effects on Hydride Storage in Palladium," Jessica Jewett Reed, Chemistry, 2 p.m., C10 Pomerant Center
- **Stir-Fry Project**, 2 p.m., Senior Center Assembly Room, 26 S. Linn
- **"The Basic Science of Technology-Supported Obesity Treatment,"** Bonnie Spring, Northwestern University, 3:30 p.m., C107 Pappajohn Business Building
- **Chemistry Colloquium**, "The Development and Use of Diagnostic Instruments for Assessing Students' Chemistry Knowledge and Understanding," David Treagust, Curtin University, Perth, Australia, 3:30 p.m., W128 Chemistry Building
- **Civil & Environmental Engineering Grad Seminar**, "Predicting Chemical Partitioning & Toxicity Using Molecular Interaction Models: the End of the Age of Octanol," Dominic Di Toro, University of Delaware, 3:30 p.m., 3505 Seamans Center
- **Biology Seminar**, "Sensory Regeneration in the Avian Inner Ear: Insights from Genomic Studies," Mark Warchol, Washington University, 4 p.m., 101 Biology Building East
- **"Diaspora, Philanthropy, & Social Development in India,"** Rajesh Tandon, 4 p.m., 1117 University Capitol Centre
- **The Zine Dream and the Riot Grrrl Scene**, 4 p.m., Main Library third floor
- **Chico & Rita**, 6:30 p.m., Bijou
- **Free viewing of The Hammer and Raffle Drawing, American Sign Language Club**, 7 p.m., 100 Phillips Hall
- **Mission Creek**, an evening of comedy with David Cross, 7 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington
- **Camerata**, Timothy Stalter, director, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Recital Hall
- **House of Wonders**, 7:30 p.m., Iowa City Community Theater, 4265 Oak Crest Hill Road S.E.
- **Our Town**, City Circle, 7:30 p.m., Coralville Center for Performing Arts, 1301 Fifth, Coralville
- **A Steady Rain**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Theater, 213 N. Gilbert
- **Big Love**, Mainstage Series, 8 p.m., Theater Building Thayer Theater
- **Sharon Van Etten**, 8 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- **Dance Thesis Concert**, 8 p.m., North Hall Space/Place
- **A Separation**, 8:45 p.m., Bijou
- **William Elliott Whitmore**, 9 p.m., Blue Moose, 211 Iowa
- **Campus Activities Board Movie**, *Sherlock Holmes 2*, 10 p.m., 348 IMU
- **Campus Activities Board NightHawks**, Halfway to Halloween, IMU 10 p.m., Main Lounge
- **Ladies' Night**, 10 p.m., L&J Kitchen BBQ House, 320 E. Burlington
- **The War on Drugs**, 10 p.m., Gabe's, 330 E. Washington
- **Late Night Film**, *The Exorcist*, 11:15 p.m., Bijou

UITV schedule

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- Noon** UI Chamber Orchestra Concert, Mozart, Debussy, Stravinsky, Copeland, March 4
- 1:30 p.m.** UI Symphony Orchestra, works by David Gompper, Johannes Brahms, Joseph Haydn, Ludwig van Beethoven, Feb. 29
- 2:45** Java Blend Encore, music videos from the Java House
- 3** Marvin Bell Set to Music Concert, music by David Gompper, Feb. 19
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- 8** WorldCanvass, music and conversation on Japan, Joan Kjaer and International Programs, March 2012
- 10** Dancers in Company New, choreographers Alejandro Cerrudo, Clebio Oliveria, Alan Sener, Armando Duarte, Deanna Carter, and Eloy Barragan, March 3

horoscopes Friday, March 30, 2012

- by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 Unexpected, time-consuming responsibilities will have to be dealt with quickly if you don't want to fall behind. Take on what you feel compelled to handle on your own, and delegate the rest to someone you trust to get the job done.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Mix business with pleasure, and you will enhance your reputation and find ways to please everyone. Networking will pay off if you share your creative ideas with someone who may be interested in helping you out. A short trip will be successful.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Rely on your experience and knowledge to help you figure out what will work best for you at home and at work. Don't make a move without weighing the pros and cons. Ulterior motives will cause confusion and poor choices.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 Do whatever it takes to tie up loose ends. You'll be criticized if you are inefficient or you don't take responsibility when asked. Love is highlighted, and celebrating should be planned, but not before your work is complete.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Don't get down. If someone is complaining or not treating you properly, take note and move on. A change of pace, lifestyle, or surroundings will brighten your day and bring you in contact with people who will appreciate what you have to offer.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Offer suggestions and help along the way, and you will get the same in return. Sharing plans for the future will help you lock in exactly what you need to do and when in order to reach your goals. Love is highlighted.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Look for a simple solution. Avoid anyone who uses force or who tends to be unpredictable. You need to keep things moving peacefully and at a steady pace if you want to get things done. Address pressing money matters.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Communication, travel, and learning through experience and challenges are highlighted. Love is on the rise, and expanding your interests with someone you enjoy being with will lead to a richer life and relationship. Use your imagination.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Don't worry about what everyone around you is doing. Focus on how you can make your home life better. Avoid trouble by sticking to the rules and regulations, especially if you must travel or deal with unfamiliar people.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Expect to deal with emotional issues. Don't put up with unpredictable behavior or unrealistic plans. Make decisions based on what is best for you, and don't look back. You can make financial gains if you take action.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Don't let sentiment get in your way. You have to make changes that will help you move in a positive and progressive direction. Don't let an unwise friendship mislead you. Make demands if it will help you avoid a setback.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 Make creative changes at home, and you will feel less stressed and better equipped to deal with the other uncertainties in your life. Let experience guide you in the right direction. Love is in the stars.

MAN ON THE STREET

Would you still favor a tuition freeze if doing so put the UI at risk to be underfunded in certain programs?



'I feel like there are other ways to fund those programs.'

Ashley Frasher
UI junior



'I would not want that to happen. But it depends on if it will have negative effects on my education.'

Jienian Zhang
UI sophomore



'No, I wouldn't. Tuition is pretty reasonable right now. It shouldn't be lowered at the cost of cutting programs that are important to people.'

Gibson Berglund
UI senior



'No, organizations are what make the university worthwhile.'

Abigail Beadle
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the head of the search committee for the new liberal-arts dean, said the number of open positions this year is above average.

"I don't think this has been alarming. It's hap-

pened this year for different reasons," Johnsen said. "The fact that we have this number of searches is unusual, but I think it's largely coincidental."

UI spokesman Tom Moore said a typical dean remains in that position for seven to eight years before moving on to another role in or outside the university.

"And for every case where there is a turnover, there's a lot of longevity, too," he said.

Johnsen said the university's structure prevents challenges as deans settle into new positions.

"I think at this university things are fairly decentralized. Colleges and departments have a lot of autonomy," he said. "The culture here is such that there is an awful lot of continuity."

Mason said new deans only face transition troubles if problems had existed previously in the college.

"[There are negative effects] only if there were problems to begin with — only if there were issues," Mason said.

The president said she foresees no adjustment difficulties for Sarah Gardial, the new dean of the business school, given the strength of her administrative and academic experience.

"The big questions for her are going to be, we've got a strategic plan in

place, do we want to tweak it?" Mason said. "What are the kinds of things — once she's here for a while and she learns what the possibilities are — that she wants to do to leave her own mark on the college?"

Though Johnson said there may be differences in the roles individual deans undertake, he said constant communication at the UI allows the entire network of officials to stay knowledgeable about any

adjustments.

"We're all adapting to change all the time. I think the deans meet often together, so we're always well aware of what deans are doing and thinking," he said. "We have a good sense of where the administration is going. I think this is such a huge place that overall, people have to and tend to communicate pretty well."

UISG DEBATE

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Ride program — underway since last fall — for student safety.

"This taxi program will

be rolled out the first day of fall semester," he said. "The Safe Ride program will allow students to get out of an environment that they don't feel safe in, and UISG will be serving its students."

Both parties also spoke about the 21-ordinance, though they differed in their parties' response to

year-and-a-half-old law.

"In the reality of things, it cannot be reversed at least within the next two to three years," Pottebaum said. "We need to ensure that the environment for students downtown at night is safe. We'll go through other avenues to make sure [it] is."

Pottebaum said he is not

opposed to seeing it eventually reversed, though Kothari advocated students pursue a more immediate response.

"The 21-ordinance has passed," Kothari said. "We need to revisit it; if students want it to be repealed, we need to do something about that. I think the bigger issue at

hand is why the students want it to be repealed."

The debate came several hours after some current UI Student Government representatives returned from advocating for university funding at the annual Regents United Day in Des Moines. President Elliot Higgins spoke with legislators and Regent Greta

Johnson about the university's importance on a statewide level.

"Sometimes, there's the perception that the universities are really only beneficial to the immediate surrounding communities," Higgins said. "But the reality of the situation is that the universities provide great value to the state as a whole."

MASON Q & A

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increases. Instead, what we did was we designed a strategic plan that was very specifically focused on student success, and we said, OK, we will create efficiencies saving millions and millions of dollars on the administrative side, on the sustainability side.

We've been sharing these with legislators. We created efficiencies so we could deal with the budget cuts and we said any new money we get — whether it's through a tuition increase or whether now, since we've asked for state appropriations — would go directly to support student success initiatives. We don't want students coming away from the University of Iowa feeling that they somehow — because of the budget cuts — are getting short-changed — because you're paying more than the state is for your education — and we want you to realize what a great value you're getting for the money you're paying.

Our tuition is low by any measure. If you look at other Big Ten schools, if you look at other schools like us, you're going to see that we'll always be at the bottom of the pile in in-state tuition. That's intentional, and I know the Board of Regents and I just want to keep it low.

That's our goal: To keep that tuition low so that it's affordable so that Iowa kids in particular aren't going to feel like they can't come to the University of Iowa because they can't afford it. It's unfortunate that, in general, the public and, certainly legislators, feel like higher education is

less of a public good and more of a private good. In other words, students pay more for it because legislators have walked away from the responsibility of funding it. The arguments that we're inefficient or that we're not spending the money, while they may have been valid at one point in time, I don't think that's true anymore. I do not believe that we are spending the dollars poorly. I think we're investing them well because we're investing them primarily in what our students need the most.

DI: If the tuition freeze does pass into law, is the UI going to have to re-evaluate the programs it feels are most important for students?

Mason: Oh, absolutely. We do that on a regular basis, too. We try new programs all the time. Some of them work, some of them don't work; we'll jettison those after a short period of time because we don't have the kinds of resources to spend to see how long it's going to take to make this work. Not every program that we try for students is highly successful. I think that's the way we're making our investments now, and that's the way we'll make our investments in the future. If it doesn't work, we're not going to spend years and years trying to make it work. We're going to move on.

DI: What are the ways you evaluate whether programs like that work?

Mason: You ask the students. What did you like about this? It's going to take a couple before we know whether On Iowa has the effect on retention that we think it will. That's another tool that we put in

place to continue to improve our freshman-sophomore retention, and those numbers have been going up, and that's where we continue to make investments because we're getting positive reinforcement there. The more we do in that area like this, the more students we're keeping and that's the goal. How do we know?

DI: What are your thoughts on having the first female dean for the Tippie School of Business?

Mason: I'm thrilled that we found a highly, highly accomplished and qualified candidate who happens to be a woman to lead the Tippie College of Business. Delighted. I had the privilege of interviewing all of the candidates for that position, and I felt we had a very strong pool of candidates. I was delighted when the search committee and the provost and the faculty felt that Sarah was their candidate, and I was even more thrilled when the provost told me she accepted our offer.

It's a good feeling when you go through a national search process, and you all come away feeling like you got the exact person that you wanted for the job. She came, and she impressed everyone; she certainly impressed me. I think she's going to do an outstanding job for the Tippie College of Business. I'm excited about it. She's got the right kind of academic experience, she's got the right kind of administrative experience, so everything's lined up for good things in the future. It's exciting to be the first woman doing something.

DI: Do you feel like the University of Iowa is a career destination and a goal, or a stepping-stone to something big-

ger?

Mason: It's both, and it should be both. It should be a destination, and in some cases the dean's position is a culmination of a career for lots of people, and business deans, and oftentimes that dean's position is the culmination. Oftentimes, they may go on to do something else in the business world or they may go on to lead a university because of the experience they've had both as a business dean and obviously academic experience too.

There's all kinds of possibilities there. You never know what's going to happen. When you have a highly ranked college like the Tippie college is, it's a destination. People look at it and say that for me would be a wonderful career move. If it ends up being their last career move, so be it. If it ends up being an

opportunity to look at other opportunities down the road that may be even better, then that's a great thing, too, because it speaks well of Iowa as that training ground.

DI: Are there any negative effects on the workflow in a school when one dean moves and another comes in?

Mason: Only if there were problems to begin with. Only if there were issues. The great thing about the transition we're making here is Curt Hunter did an absolutely marvelous job. In fact, he gave a presentation this morning that summarized where the college is. The rankings are strong, the student numbers have doubled in his six years here. All kinds of good things have happened. They've grown their international programs, everything is in

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great shape, and now he's ready to transition that to the next dean. Sarah's coming in. Given the strength of her administrative and academic experience, we shouldn't skip a beat.

The big questions for her are going to be, we've got a strategic plan in place, do we want to tweak it? What are the kinds of things — once she's here for a while and she learns what the possibilities are — that she wants to do to leave her own mark on the college? In that sense, this was a wonderful time for a transition, and I think she's stepping into a very fine situation. Of course, I felt that way when I came to the university of Iowa, and then we had a flood.

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AUSTIN

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they don't owe you anything," he said. "They don't owe me; they won't let me cheat if I step on the line. It's tough [to have success] when you have that mindset that they owe you when they really don't."

Wieczorek said the indoor season provided Austin a chance to push through adversity that could pay dividends this season, but he stressed that the junior shouldn't worry about the big picture at this point.

"When somebody's struggling mentally, I tell him to go back to kindergarten," Wieczorek said. "Break it down to its simplest form and just focus on the basics — maybe don't try to hit a

home run, just try to hit the ball. Just put your best self on the field and don't try to do too much."

Woody agreed.

"We just have to keep focusing on the day-to-day things and not get too far ahead of ourselves thinking too far down the road," he said. "That might have been part of the problem during indoor, thinking about the national meet in January instead of focusing on the task at hand — which is going to set us up to run well later."

Austin will try to put his best self on the track, and he'll do it by taking on new challenges. Woody said he wants the Milwaukee native to increase his workload this spring.

"We're advancing him so he can run more 400s and 4x400 [relays] for us," he said. "I think those are events he can excel in down the road. He's just got to

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keep wrapping his mind around being a really good 400-meter runner, which is ultimately going to help him in the 200."

Austin said running 400s will improve his stamina and respiratory strength.

"Running the 400 will make any runner better in the 200 and the 100," he said.

Austin's season begins today in Fayetteville, Ark. He said the disappointment from the indoor season helped him find the chip he had on his shoulder when he first arrived in Iowa City — and he's ready to show it.

"Just watch out for me — that's all I'm going to say," he said.

BASEBALL

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The Hawkeyes have lost eight of their previous nine meetings with Indiana, and the last time Iowa won a series was in 2008 by taking three of four in Bloomington, Ind.

While the Hoosiers no longer have the services of slugger Alex Dickerson — he was drafted by the Pittsburgh Pirates in last June's Major League Baseball draft and won the Big Ten's triple crown in 2010 — Indiana's offense still boasts some of the conference's better bats.

First baseman Sam Travis owns one of the top batting averages in the Big Ten at .385, and he is second in the league with 10 doubles. Catcher and out-

fielder Kyle Schwarber is tied for Big Ten lead with four triples.

Considering how much Iowa's offense struggled on Wednesday, though, the Hawkeyes' greatest problem may be facing them from the mound.

Joey DeNato dominated Iowa last season, throwing eight shutout innings while tying a school record for strikeouts in a Big Ten game with 11.

This season, the Hoosier left-hander has accumulated a 4-1 record while holding opponents to a paltry .210 batting average. His 1.62 ERA is third-best in the conference.

"Our bullpen has been stretched a little bit ... [DeNato] gives us a chance to rest our bullpen," Indiana head coach Tracy Smith said in an interview with collegebaseballdaily.com after his ace threw a

Iowa (9-12, 2-1) at Indiana (10-15, 2-1)

When: 2 p.m. today, noon Saturday & April 1
Where: Sembower Field, Bloomington, Ind.

3-hit complete game on March 16. "He always gives us a chance to win."

Dahm will counter with a left-handed ace of his own in Jarred Hippen (2-2, 3.02 ERA). The senior threw a complete game in his last start, March 23 against Northwestern.

Iowa southpaw Matt Dermody (0-3, 5.40) will face freshman lefty Kyle Hart (1-1, 3.19) on Saturday; Indiana hasn't announced who will face Hawkeye freshman Sasha Kuebel (2-0, 2.15) in the third game of the series on April 1.

Iowa (6-8, 0-3) vs. No. 46 Penn State (10-4, 2-1)

When: 5 p.m. today
Where: Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex

recruited from Scotland by Dougherty and Iowa assistant Jesse Medvene-Collins, said she knew of the Big Ten as a top conference and wanted to play with and against skilled athletes.

"My friend told me about the school and the conference, so that got me interested," the freshman said. "And since I didn't have time to visit, Jesse came to me, and he was really nice and told me about all of the opportunities I'd have."

Iowa (11-17, 1-2) vs. Illinois (16-11, 2-1)

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in lineups aren't a bad thing.

"The times when we've gotten those big hits [are] when they've gotten themselves deep in the count by fouling pitches off," she said. "That's how we got those opportunities, because we got deeper in the count and worked the count ... We have to be the aggressor; our challenge is to get up early, score runs often, and then shut the door."

TENNIS

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But the Big Ten has found recent success in recruiting strong athletes with a little help from an unlikely source.

"Big Ten schools have some brand recognition because of football and basketball," Dougherty said. "They constantly recruit from different parts of the country, and it's a big reason athletes know what Iowa is now."

"A lot of good players come from a lot of different regions; where players were being recruited to California, Atlanta, and Texas, they are now coming

up north to our schools."

The Iowa squad has a diverse roster with athletes coming from Guatemala, Scotland, Canada, and various locations throughout the country.

Molnar — an Ontario, Canada, native — said her decision to play tennis at Iowa was an easy one to make.

"There were a lot of factors," said Molnar, who will receive a business degree from the Tippie College of Business in May. "The main thing is the great balance between athletics and academics. Tippie is great, and there are also a lot of high-quality players and teams in the Big Ten, which made the decision pretty easy."

Freshman Morven McCulloch, who was

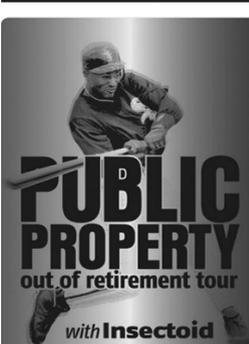
pitcher Pepper Gay; the junior has posted an 11-4 record and an 1.53 ERA.

One thing Iowa has been doing well at the plate is working the pitch count. Sloppy Iowa strikeouts were rare in the contests against Wisconsin, as Darrah was forced to spend a little over four pitches per Hawkeye plate appearance and only sat down 10 Hawkeyes on strikes.

Iowa head coach Marla Looper said she has stressed the importance of hitting in practices and discussed how pitch selection results in big hits for her squad. She said very little strategy actually goes into her preparation for games and that frequent changes

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SOFTBALL

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together," the Oklahoma native said. "We'll hit like we're capable of sooner or later. We need to get hits early to help our pitching and need to get hits at the end to top it all off."

Iowa struggled to turn bases into runs against Wisconsin; Darrah started and finished all three games, going 21 innings and tossing 319 pitches. Iowa couldn't figure Darrah out the entire weekend, and it will have another tough time against Illini

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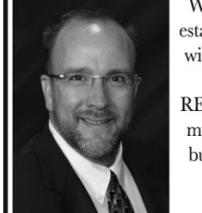
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Austin gets his 'chip' back



Iowa junior sprinter Justin Austin bursts out of the blocks during practice on Monday in the Recreation Building. The All-American struggled during the indoor season, but he said he has improved his mental toughness and attitude for the spring campaign. (The Daily Iowan/Chastity Dillard)

Justin Austin lost his edge during indoor season. Now he has it back.

By **TORK MASON**
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Justin Austin didn't have the sort of indoor season many expected from the All-American sprinter. He battled minor injuries and was disqualified twice.

The former transfer from Kentucky said he lost his edge.

"I wasn't as [mentally] tough as I was last year," he said. "I came out here as a

transfer and had so much to prove, and then the next year it's hard to get it going again."

It took the junior several tries before he posted an official time in the 200-meter dash during the indoor season. He made two trips to Arkansas because the fast track would have theoretically benefited his time, but was disqualified on both occasions for running on the lane lines.

Assistant coach Joey Woody

said Austin was also trying to refine his technique during the year to prepare for the outdoor season, which may have held him back at times indoors.

"We were working on some technical things on his 60-[meter dash], and sometimes you have to take one step back in order to take two steps forward," he said.

Head coach Larry Wiczorek said Austin pushed

through some minor injuries throughout the season that kept him from reaching his full potential. Austin also suffered an injury during the Big Ten championships.

But Austin kept the blame for his performance on himself and said he took things for granted.

"It was just that mindset that [people] owe you, and

SEE AUSTIN, 8

Baseball seeks passion

The Hawkeyes will face one of the Big Ten's best pitchers today, and they will have to overcome their on-field issues.

By **BEN SCHUFF**
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The Iowa baseball team will need more than runs, pitching, and defense to be successful this weekend, when the Hawkeyes will travel to Indiana.

Manager Jack Dahm spent nearly 10 minutes huddled in right field with his team following Wednesday's 3-1 loss to Nebraska-Omaha. The ninth-year coach could be heard from near the end of the bleachers on the first-base side of Banks Field shouting at his players about several things, including a lack of "passion."

Freshman outfielder Ryan Rumpf said Dahm's message was to "Do a better job — at everything. We just have to do a better job of executing."

Dahm spoke after the game how frustrating the team's lack of consistency has been this season. Iowa has yet to win more than two games in a row.

"Some guys need to step up their game, and do it consistently. We're seeing it in spurts from guys — we need to put it all together," Dahm said. "I told our guys I don't even know what the heck kind of lineup we can put out there right now, because we see good effort [and] good approach one day, and then we don't see it for three or four days."

The consistency needs to meld with increased passion on the field, he said.

"It's almost like something good happens, and then we get back on our heels instead of just continuing to plow forward," Dahm said. "To me, that's a passion for being a championship-type team ... In the game of baseball, you're not going to get it done every time, but it's the approach you need to have, the mentality you need to have."



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SEE BASEBALL, 8

Women's tennis strong this year

Four of Iowa's Big Ten foes are ranked in the ITA top 25.

By **PATRICK MASON**
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The Big Ten had six teams — counting Nebraska — ranked by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association at this point last season, and only two of those were ranked in the top 25.

But the conference has seen an explosion of talent and strong play this season. Eight teams are now nationally ranked, and four are in the top 25. Every Big Ten team except Michigan State has been ranked at one point during the season.

Iowa women's tennis head coach Katie

Dougherty, who has seen her team as high as No. 58 this season, said last season's relative down year in terms of rankings can be explained by injuries suffered by key players in the league.

The strong play from Big Ten teams this season has placed the conference as the third-strongest in the country. The SEC and ACC are the only conferences with more ranked teams; they have 10 apiece.

"It's great for our conference," Dougherty said. "Last year, we were in a position where we got to



Dougherty
head coach

the Big Ten season and couldn't really help each other get into the [NCAA] Tournament because no one was ranked high enough. But that's not the case this year, which is a great thing."

Hawkeye senior Sonja Molnar has never advanced to the NCAA Tournament in singles, but she said she feels she has a chance this year because of the high level of talent in the conference. No. 115 Molnar is 2-3 so far against ranked opponents this season.

"It's a really good opportunity," she said. "Typically you would only face around two or three ranked athletes in the Big Ten, but with the addition of more ranked teams comes more ranked singles and doubles players. That gives us more opportunities to face and beat that high-quality player, which we all came here to do."

Tennis is usually associated with outdoor play; when the weather becomes nice, people play tennis. So when teams can attract players because of pleasant year-round weather, it becomes harder for the Midwestern schools to recruit top athletes. Eight of the top 10-ranked teams represent schools located in Florida, Georgia, or California.

SEE TENNIS, 8

Softball works on scoring



Johnnie Dowling swings against Wisconsin at Pearl Field on Sunday. The Hawkeyes slapped 20 hits in the three-game series against the Badgers but still dropped two of the three contests. (The Daily Iowan/Melissa Wilson)

Iowa hopes to improve its Big Ten record this weekend when Illinois comes to town.

By **BEN ROSS**

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The Iowa softball team (11-17, 1-2 Big Ten) will have to clean up its hitting this weekend if it hopes to have a chance when Illinois (16-11, 2-1) comes to town.

The Hawkeyes dropped two of three to Wisconsin last weekend despite scattering 20 hits over the course of three games on March 24 and Sunday. Iowa was shut out in the first game and scored 4 runs in a each contest of a two-game split.

Iowa freshman Tor Hawley pinch hit with two on to record a 2-run triple, her first hit of her Hawkeye career, in the second game of a double-header on Sunday.

"I think we're reaching for more consistent hitting throughout the game," Hawley said. "You can definitely practice [clutch hitting], but it's more mental than anything."

Hawley's slap tied the score at 3 before Liz Watkins was hit by a pitch to push the winning run across the plate.

Sunday's game featured some power hitting from the Hawkeye bats, but that doesn't always yield scoring. Senior Katie Keim bombed a 3-run homer to cut into the Badgers' lead, but Wisconsin continued to build on its scoring while the Iowa offense sputtered.

Freshman Melanie Gladden launched a triple in the middle of the second inning, but she was left stranded as Wisconsin pitcher Cassandra Darrah retired the rest of the Hawkeye lineup. Both

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triples last weekend came off the bats of freshmen.

Gladden is confident that the team's hitting will become a strength, but she said the big swings need to be converted into more runs.

"I think it will come all

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