Criterium wheels into town

Cyclists race down Iowa Avenue in the Masters 40-49 race at the 35th Annual Old Capitol Criterium in downtown Iowa City on Sunday. The event included races on a 1-kilometer loop around the Pentacrest for all ages from junior events to a 60-plus race. The criterium was part of a weekend of cycling events with a total of $10,000 available in prize money. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley)

Rally condemns size bias

Around 30 people participated in Friday’s rally.

By LUKE VIOLZ

University of Iowa students have begun questioning the underlying social standards behind UI junior Jordan Ramos’ advocacy and rally against size discrimination.

The rally, held May 4 under the shadow of the Plaza Towers on the Pedestrian Mall, marked two months since Ramos was allegedly denied access to a dance platform at the Union Bar, 121 E. College St., for looking “pregnant” and “not pretty enough,” while thinner women were still allowed on. Ramos and her peers plan to protest the bar turned into a rally against size discrimination after Union owner George Wittgraf offered an apology.

However, some rally-watchers suggested the issues at hand were not size discrimination but a cultural objectification of women.

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Class uses Potter as window to learning

“We don’t seem surprising to me that those letting people on that platform objectify themselves that would foster sentiments against obese persons — if we’re going to address anything, it’s the voluntary objectification of women,” said UI graduate student Maria Doetsman.

Doetsman said she was happy to see the rallies stand up for issues they believed in and encouraged them to continue looking at the root causes of preju-

dice against women.

Ramos — who said she never used the platform before the alleged incident — agreed the installation allowed women to be objec-
tified, they had to be “screened” to use it.

...They did that to each of my friends who made it up on the platform, as basically they were treating women like pieces of meat who had to be hot enough to

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In the May 4 story “Branstad talks taxes,” the Daily Iowan inaccurately attributed the quotes and information of John Selow, a UI economics associate professor, to Mark Nolte, the Iowa City Area Development Group interim director and business development director. The DI regrets the error.

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Iowa legislators said the outreach program needs $25,000 to keep focus on early literacy issues.


"I think it's particularly important because the quality of our children's lives is so dependent on the early years," Quirmbach said.

Rezabek said the early years need more opportunities to teach children literacy skills.

"If you wait until the second grade, when you learn that a child is still behind, it's too much," Rezabek said.

The bill was approved by the House Education Committee and is now headed for the Senate for further debate.

"I hope we can get this through this week," Rezabek said.

The middle-class tax cut plan, sponsored by Sen. Don Young, R-23, Amana, and Rep. Mary Mascher, D-29, Coralville, said a proposed education conference committee would consider smaller possible reforms.

"Our problem isn't that we disagree on making every child ready for school," Dvorsky said legislators. "It's unlikely the specifics on what's included in the final bill, Dvorsky said legislators will continue to examine the details with the help of a conference committee.

Quirmbach said the bill will lay the framework for education reform in upcoming sessions. It will be included in the bill will be determined by the discussion among the other members of the committee.
WASHINGTON — Vice President Joe Biden said his remarks about homosexual couples should be considered as an endorsement of same-sex marriage.

But the White House and President Barack Obama’s re-election campaign, eager to avoid a debate on a hot-button social issue in an election year, distanced itself Monday from Biden, who does not endorse same-sex marriage.

“We do not support same-sex marriage, nor do we think he does,” said press secretary Jay Carney, who added that Biden’s comments did not reflect the White House’s views on the matter.

Biden, the Democratic president’s top advisor, is known for his openness toward gay rights issues. He has said he is “absolutely comfortable” with gay marriage and has publicly supported gay marriage.

“I’m grateful that the vice president said what he did,” said Chad Griffin, president of the Human Rights Campaign, which has called for the federal government to extend marriage rights and benefits to same-sex couples.

Biden made the remarks on NBC’s “Meet the Press” on Sunday morning.

“I think it’s great that the vice president said what he did,” said Chad Griffin, president of the Human Rights Campaign, which has called for the federal government to extend marriage rights and benefits to same-sex couples.

Biden said that marriage is “a matter of justice, equality, and dignity for all people, regardless of their sexual orientation.”

He noted that the White House and Obama have made clear that they support same-sex couples, even if they do not support same-sex marriage.

“But it is the vice president’s decision on this issue,” Carney said.

Biden’s comments were not the first time he has expressed support for gay rights issues.

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Washington — A tentative deal to allow a Chinese university student to study in the United States has been announced, but a deal that could allow another Chinese student to study in the United States may not be as far off. The deal announced last week by the University of Iowa and the Chinese government includes provisions that would allow the Chinese student to stay in the United States for up to two years.

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The University of Iowa police have used Facebook since February 2010.  
By JOYCE KIELAND  

Law-enforcement officials have learned, as well, they are starting to catch on to social media and its benefits in catching criminals.

The University of Iowa police uploaded six surveillance photos last week on their Facebook page of two males stealing a bike earlier this month near Art Building West. UI police have not fought the two thieves yet but said social media has proven to be useful in other instances. ‘‘We’re trying to solve crimes, and we’re hoping to get the info out of all of those people, and this is just one way,’’ said Dave Visin, an associate director of the department.

UI police started using Facebook in September 2010 for a primarily informational purpose. Yet after a Sept. 18, 2011, alleged burglary of a home where a police officer, officers found social media could be used to evaluate it using Jacobs’ guidelines.

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Cory Bonnett likes to attend his daughters’ softball games in his spare time.

By KRISTEN EAST
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Cory Bonnett loves being behind the wheel. That passion ultimately led Bonnett to his position as a field supervisor for the Johnson County Ambulance Service.

Bonnett, 43, a North Liberty resident, said becoming a paramedic was the logical career path after competing as a teenager in stock-car and dirt-track racing with his friend and having an interest in medicine.

“He needed help with the car, so I just started helping out,” he said. “Once in a while, I get to race. I was a big driver, but that never panned out.”

Though he occasionally raced, Bonnett said his father, who drag-raced in Bonnett’s hometown of Eddyville, Iowa, gave him a passion for working on cars when he was younger.

“I was around it quite a bit,” he said. “Messing with cars was always a hobby of mine.”

Bonnett said he didn’t race or work on cars as much in order to study when he started college. He attended Ellsworth Community College in Iowa Falls for a year, then transferred to the University of Iowa in 1988 to study nuclear medicine.

Bonnett’s uncle, the fire chief of Eddyville for roughly 50 years, also inspired Bonnett’s interest in emergency services.

“I was interested in EMS after seeing how do what do he did,” he said. “I saw a few car accidents and I just piqued my interest.”

One of Bonnett’s college advisors suggested he become a paramedic because of his interest in helping people in medical emergencies.

“My advisor asked me what I wanted to do with my life and I told him I really wanted to race, but I really liked medicine,” he said. “He suggested I become a paramedic because I could [do both] and drive at the same time.”

Bonnett started working at the Johnson County Ambulance Service in 1991 as a staff paramedic responding to emergency calls. He became a field supervisor in March 1997.

Steve Spenler, the director of the service, said Bonnett is well-respected by his coworkers.

“Cory is clearly dedicated to Johnson County Ambulance Service and works to make the service the best it can be. He takes pride in delivering quality patient care, and over the course of 21 years, he has made a positive difference in many lives,” Spenler said.

Responding to emergency calls and checking equipment during 16- or 24-hour shifts are part of his routine, but Bonnett said he enjoys taking care of geriatric patients the most.

“Elderly patients are really interesting to talk to and they appreciate that you’re there to help them,” he said. “They’re the ones that really need the help the most.”

Becky Loyd, also a field supervisor at the ambulance service, said she is particularly impressed with Bonnett’s genuine concern for patients.

“He lives the life,” she said. “He’s a very nice person, and we enjoy working with him. He’s [also] very dedicated to the employees.”

After working as a paramedic in Johnson County for more than 20 years, Bonnett said, he is thankful to have the opportunity to incorporate both his passions into one career.

“I never thought you could make a living doing [both],” he said. “But obviously I have.”

Fueled by driving and medicine

Cory Bonnett
A field supervisor for the Johnson County Ambulance Service, helps wash an ambulance on May 3 with one of its newest team members, Andy Roeder. Bonnett has worked for the service since 1991. (The Daily Iowan/Jessica Payne)

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• Favorite spot in Iowa City: Regina softball field
• Hobby: Fishing, woodworking

Know someone we should shine a light on? E-mail us at: di-spotlight@uiowa.edu. Catch up with others from our series at dailyiowan.com/spotlight. Conrad Schnink (left) helps wash an ambulance on May 3 with one of its newest team members, Andy Roeder. Bonnett has worked for the service since 1991. (The Daily Iowan/Jessica Payne)
UIHC tries new breast-cancer treatment

By DORA GROTE
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Beverly Mueller received daily conventional radiation therapy for six weeks in 1995, following her breast-cancer lumpectomy. She had a second surgery in April, when suspicious cells reappeared in her mammogram — and a new form of radiation therapy ensured she hasn’t returned to the hospital since.

Intraoperative radiation therapy — which targets only the surgical cavity — allows breast-cancer patients to receive radiation treatment immediate- ly after surgery instead of over several weeks.

“We want to be pretty careful about whom we’re treating and make sure it matches the patient populations studied in the trial so we don’t find out later that it’s not quite as effective for the others,” Sugg said.

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PAINTING A CAUSE

UI students throw balloons filled with paint at one another at Hubbard Park on May 5. The Associated Iowa Honors Students held a “Paint War” to raise money for the Children’s Interstitial Lung Disease Foundation. Students bought shirts for $5 and were given balloons to throw at one another in a designated battleground. (The Daily Iowan/Melissa Wilson)

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- Hand & Foot Card Group. 1 p.m., Senior Center, 228 S. Linn.
- Wii Bowling. 3:30 p.m., Senior Center.
- 2012 El Kabir Shriners Circus, 4:30 p.m., Johnson County Fairgrounds, 42450 Oak Crest Hill Blvd S.E.
- Music Monday. 5 p.m., West Movies, 1223 Fifth St., Coralville.
- City River Toastmasters. 5:30 p.m., Bennington, 1451 Coral Ridge Ave, Coralville.

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Sterling Lou Perry: A few minutes ago, I was so engrossed with the whole Machine That Can Mix Any Drink Beginning with the letter Z that I may not have noticed your ideas about the side effects of alcohol upon driving. I realize that all of these familiar names you've provided are designed specifically for the upstairs ope for drink-

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The Hawkeyes have won six of their last seven conference games and have a chance to secure a NCAA tournament bid with one more conference win.

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White slam-dunks top-frosh award

By SETH ROBERTS

Aaron White didn’t look like he had been ready to shoot when he tossed up an off-balance hook shot in the second half of Iowa’s first-round NIT game against Dayton on March 13.

It didn’t matter. The ball kissed off the glass and through the hole in one motion.

Four points.

The freshman from Ohio State scored the ball behind the 3-point line on the Hawkeyes’ next trip and saw Dayton’s Luke Fabrizius fly out at him with his arms raised.

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Two points.

Matt Gatens drove through the lane on Iowa’s next possession and there a lay-up attempt at the rim. But Gatens put too much on the shot and it caromed off the bucket.

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Seven points — in just a hair over one minute.

“He’s really special,” head coach Fran McCaffery said following the team’s 84-75 win. “We know we had something in Aaron White when we signed him — very few freshmen at this level accomplish what he has accomplished. You just don’t consistently put up those kinds of numbers.”

White finished the game with 23 points and 11 boards. He scored 22 with 8 of them coming off the glass.

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Is horse racing a sport? Are you serious?

By TORK MASON

I come across a thread on a message board on the afternoon of May 5, following the 138th running of the Kentucky Derby — one that questioned why horse racing is considered a sport.

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Not horsing around

Iowa forward Aaron White leads a fast break during the Hawkeyes’ 84-75 victory over Dayton in the first round of the NIT in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on March 13. White scored a career-high 25 points in Iowa’s win. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley)

Hawk tracksters shine in tune-up

By TORK MASON

CEDAR FALLS — The Iowa track and field team sent a handful of athletes to the Messersmith Invitational at Northern Iowa on May 4, although it was a much smaller handful than originally expected.

The Hawkeyes were originally scheduled to send 13 athletes to Cedar Falls, but only six ultimately made the trip. Head coach Layne Anderson said there were a couple of reasons for the scratches and noted that the team is prepared for this weekend.

“Tired. We felt like we could get some good things done right here with workouts and performance trials,” he said. “We also had a few who couldn’t miss any more classes.”

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