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## Farmers band together



FarmHack cohosts Kristen Loria (left) and Grant Schultz stand by a new garden opened near North Hall during an outdoor lunch on Thursday. This is the first FarmHack event in the Midwest; it included lectures and discussions in the IMU. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

### FarmHack met in Iowa this Thursday to discuss new farming innovation.

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If a problem arises in a farmer's greenhouse, a new innovation means they're only a text message away from solving it.

Ben Shute helped design the tool that can monitor greenhouses and text-message farmers as an alert.

The idea for such an invention, he said came as a result of a FarmHack meeting in New Hampshire.

"We came up with a model for a tool that a farmer could build with off-the-shelf tools for 130 bucks," said Shute, a

cofounder of FarmHack.

Shute, who is a full-time vegetable farmer, said the tool could potentially save farmers thousands of dollars, and it is very close to becoming a working prototype.

FarmHack has expanded from being a blog for farmers to share ideas into meetings for farmers nationwide.

"The goal of the FarmHack project is to help farmers in general get together and generate new ideas," Shute said. "The idea first and foremost is to get farmers together."

FarmHack is an entirely volunteer-driven project made up of farmers from all around the nation. The project started as an online blog with the purpose of helping farmers generate new ideas as well as to try to tap into networks of non-farmers who want to help develop new techniques and farming practices.

Roughly 30 local farmers gathered in the IMU to generate inventive farming solutions for everyday use in the first-ever Iowa FarmHack on Wednesday and Thursday.

"I would say we had a raging success for the first-ever Iowa FarmHack event," said Grant Schultz, a local farmer and cohost of the Iowa City FarmHack.

Liz Christiansen, the director of the UI Office of Sustainability, said FarmHack also functions as a way to improve sustainability.

"We look at ways to improve the sustainability of farming through advancement in engineering," she said. "I think farmers are interested in those kinds of opportunities."

Kristen Loria, a cohost of the Iowa City FarmHack, said the project is primarily group-driven.

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## iPad use jumps on UI campus

The UI does not provide all administrators with Apple iPads.

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Though the University of Iowa does not have an allocated budget for providing Apple iPads to faculty and staff, many UI officials have been making the transition in recent years with or without the university's help.

"As technology evolves, so does the university," UI spokesman Tom Moore said, referring to the increase in the number of iPads on campus. "Fifteen to 20 years ago, nobody on campus had a computer — now, everyone does."

With the increase in the number of iPads, it would seem that there was an initiative for faculty members to go paperless, but Moore says this is not the case.

Some university officials have purchased the devices with their own money, with the option of using it for work, while others have had theirs provided by the university.

Tysen Kendig, the UI's vice president for Strategic Communication, was provided an iPad by the school.

"It essentially has allowed me to go paperless in my daily campus business, and keeps me connected in a more functional way during off-hours when I don't have access to a computer terminal," he wrote in an email.

While WiFi access on the iPad is free on campus, Kendig said, he is responsible for a \$15 monthly data plan so he can use the iPad off campus.

Iowa City city councilors approved a resolution in April to adopt a new policy of viewing their weekly council packets via iPads. The city reimbursed councilors for roughly \$600 worth of purchasing expenses, *The Daily Iowan* has previously reported.

Moore said the decision for certain faculty members to be provided an iPad is decided on a case-by-case basis. There

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### Busch contract will bring in \$43K in its first year

University of Iowa officials have signed a four-year marketing contract with Anheuser-Busch.

Under the agreement, Anheuser-Busch officials will provide \$43,000 for the UI's alcohol-harm-reduction plan in its first year, UI spokesman Tom Moore told *The Daily Iowan* Thursday. This number will increase to \$50,000 in the fourth year of the contract.

Moore said both parties have the option to renew the agreement after the four-year period.

UI officials renewed the contract between Anheuser-Busch and Learfield Communications Inc. — the sports-marketing company hired to represent the Hawkeye Athletics Department — through 2026 as part of a larger deal.

This is a separate contract from the four-year agreement with Anheuser-Busch, Moore said.

The contract between Anheuser-Busch and Learfield allows the Tigerhawk logo to share space on products with Anheuser-Busch logos, alongside the phrase "Responsibility Matters".

Learfield will pay the Athletics Department \$114 million through 2026, an official with Hawkeye Sports properties said.

UI officials maintain the contract's requirements are consistent with the university's alcohol-harm-reduction initiative.

"The requirement that the possible use of the Tigerhawk logo be accompanied by the phrase 'Responsibility Matters' is consistent with our alcohol-harm-reduction initiative," UI President Sally Mason said in a statement. "The university will continue to emphasize that students and fans should consume alcohol only in a legal, safe, and responsible manner."

— by Kristen East

## UI happy with TILE classes

UI officials and faculty said TILE classrooms have their disadvantages, but they are beneficial to student engagement and learning.

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University of Iowa faculty and students find Transform, Interact, Learn, Engage (TILE) classrooms beneficial to teaching and learning — and they're asking for more.

Sam Van Horne, an assessment coordinator for Information Technology Services, presented findings from the TILE Assessment Project studying teaching and learning in technology-infused classrooms at the UI College of Pharmacy Thursday.

The UI implemented its first TILE classroom in the fall of 2010, a "technology-infused classroom that is designed to support instructional strategies that are grounded in active learning," Van Horne said.

Four more TILE classrooms have been built, and more than 60 faculty members have undergone specific training for the classrooms, he said.

The UI plans to innovate the design used at such institutions as the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and North Carolina State University. While the lay-



UI students work on a project for their Multimedia Politics course in a TILE classroom at the Main Library in 2010. The UI has five TILE classrooms across campus and more than 60 faculty members trained in their use. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

out is used primarily in the sciences at other schools, the UI is integrating it into the humanities with success.

The UI also requires faculty training before an instructor can teach in a TILE classroom, whereas other institutions often do not.

"Here, training is provided to help faculty members design instruction and curriculum to suit the environment," he said.

Van Horne's team in the two-semester

assessment found that TILE classrooms are beneficial to faculty because they allow for projects instructors were unable to offer previously and offer more resources at students' fingertips.

Students taking the same course in a TILE classroom as a normal one fared better in their final grades.

Students given the same grade point

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# IMU welcomes Hub

Officials hope to have the streamlined office completely up and running for the fall semester.

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When seeking information in the IMU, University of Iowa students now have only one stop to make, thanks to the creation of the Hub.

The University Box Office and the Campus Information Center have merged into one streamlined office called the Hub. UI officials say combining the two operations will save money as well as make information services more convenient for students and visitors.

Cindy Thrapp, the manager of the University Box Office, said that when the information center was closed, the box office was open, so it was always the backup for information. "So [we said], let's just make it a one-stop shop," she said.

Bill Nelson, the director for the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership, said the merger made more sense in both a human-resource and financial aspect. Despite minor costs, he said, IMU officials expect to save money.

"We're going to have initial start-up costs [with new signage and a new computer-database system]," he said. "But there was really no significant cost at all."

Penny Kaelber, the coordinator of campus information, said the costs of the



The UI Box Office and the Campus Information Center merged recently to become the Hub. The new office provides sources for campus information, event tickets, and housing listings. (The Daily Iowan/Sumei Chen)

merger were minimal. "We did a little modification about the window and the sign so everyone knows about the new operation," she said. "It didn't really cost anything at all."

More information and features will be added now that the two spaces have merged. According to the website, students can purchase SCOPE concert tickets as well as Bijou and athletics tickets at the Hub. It will also offer off-campus housing services and tutor-referral services.

"We just want to make it as convenient for people as possible," Thrapp said.

Nelson said now that both operations are integrated into one, it will be able to offer expanded services such as student organizations' financial deposits.

"Student organizations will be able to do their transactions [virtually anytime because of the new hours]," he said.

Nelson said the University Box Office had longer

hours than the Campus Information Center, so students could come later in the evening and became accustomed to going to the box office for information.

"Now, the Hub is going to be open virtually 24-7," he said. "When the building is open, the Hub is open."

Thrapp said the merger was as simple as switching the Internet and phone to one office.

She said the Hub is ready to go, but officials are still working out some logistics and will be completely ready by the start of the fall semester.

"As much as possible, we wanted to be ready by the first session of freshman Orientation," she said.

Thrapp said merging the two offices was just as convenient for the employees as it was for the students who use their services.

"Now that everything is on the Internet, the information that is asked now is about building information," she said. "We have

## The Hub

The University Box Office and Campus Information Center merged and now have extended services

- Purchase SCOPE concert tickets
- Purchase Bijou tickets
- Purchase athletic tickets
- Off-campus housing services
- Student organizations finance deposits

Source: IMU officials and the IMU website

campus information, [but everyone gets that online]."

Kaelber said the Hub is much more convenient than having two separate desks to get information from, and the university saves money by combining the staff.

"We were worried about some confusion [from people looking to get information]," she said. "But we have a pretty good marketing and design staff, which makes it pretty easy to find it."

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## CLARIFICATION

In the June 21 article "Gateway to Technology course a new approach to junior-high STEM classes" the *DI* was not specific in describing the Gateway to Technology curriculum. It is part of a larger curriculum involving several classes. Also, the *DI* referred to Jennifer Cahill as the director of communications at Iowa Project Lead the Way. She is the director of communications for all of Project Lead the Way.

## THE LOCAL BUZZ



Hair stylist Heidi McKinley shaves Julia Alsop's hair in Buzz on Thursday. McKinley, who has worked as stylist for six years, enjoys meeting and talking to customers during their visits. (The Daily Iowan/Ya-Chen Chen)

## METRO

### Area man killed in Tiffin crash

Iowa State Patrol responded to reports of a crash at Highway 6 and Main Street in Tiffin Wednesday night.

Ryan Johnson, 20, of Tiffin was pronounced dead after being transported to the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, according to an Iowa Department of Public Safety report.

According to the report, a 2005 Honda SUV was westbound on Highway 6, and Johnson's 2007 Suzuki motorcycle was eastbound. The SUV turned to go south on Main Street, and it turned into the path of the motorcycle. The accident is still under investigation.

Motorcycle passenger Hannah Tedell, 21, of Dixon, Iowa, was taken to the UI Hospitals and Clinics with undisclosed injuries.

— by Jordyn Reiland

### Biden to visit eastern Iowa

Vice President Joe Biden will make stops in several eastern

Iowa cities next week, according to Obama for America Iowa press release.

No specific details have been released, but Biden's two-day Strengthening the Middle Class tour will include stops June 26-27 in Waterloo, Dubuque, and Clinton, the release said.

Biden is expected to discuss manufacturing jobs in Iowa and President Obama's economic policies.

— by Kristen East

### Woman charged with theft, forgery

An Iowa City woman has been accused of stealing money from a mentally and physically ill victim.

Cynthia Garrido, 54, 412 N. Clinton St. No. 2, was charged in November 2011 with second-degree theft and forgery.

According to an Iowa City police complaint, the victim was seriously ill and in no physical or mental condition to make any financial decisions or write checks. Several of the victim's checks were made payable to Garrido while he was incapacitated.

The checks totaled \$2,700, and Garrido allegedly used the money to pay her court fines and cable bill. Two of the checks were made payable to codefendants, the complaint said.

The complaint said a caretaker of the victim witnessed Garrido removing the checks from the checkbook without prior approval. None of the checks reportedly had the victim's actual signature or handwriting.

Second-degree theft and forgery are both Class-D felonies.

— by Amy Skarnulis

### Supervisors eye Medicaid rates

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors discussed establishing service agreements and Medicaid rates for 13 local providers Thursday and decided to continue the discussion at next week's formal meeting.

Supervisor Janelle Rettig voiced concerns about increasing rates for some providers without providing explanations.

"I'm just saying that ... Goodwill Industries [of the Heartland] is getting a 3.6 percent increase in its [supported-community living rates]; why does it get a 3.6 percent increase and Chatham Oaks is getting no increase ... to me, it's just not fair," she said.

Rettig suggested using cost reports to make the rates more fair and questioned why the rates for Chatham Oaks had not increased from \$57 when the nonprofit has a cost report of more than \$71.

"I don't like the inconsistencies; it makes me feel like some institutions are being favored," she said.

Kris Artley, the Johnson County Mental Health and Disability Services director, said she is open to establishing a uniform, across-the-board rate for all providers.

The supervisors agreed to continue discussing a flat rate at their June 28 meeting.

— by Anna Egeland

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"It's really up to the participants whether it's a success or not," she said. Loria said there were three new ideas to come out of the event. A "Quadracycle" for berry-picking that allows the operators to lie down on the device and pick berries without having to bend over, an Aquaculture system for salmon growth, and an automated chicken-coop system for opening and

shutting the coop that would be solar-powered. The Quadracycle, which was designed by two local farmers at the FarmHack event, is based on larger industrial models used for the same purpose. In spite of the environmentally friendly ideas, Loria was quick to point out that FarmHack is primarily a farming initiative. "There is emphasis on sustainable farming, but they are farmers," she said. Schultz said the UI was an ideal place to host the event. "Iowa State is kind of the peak of agricultural stuff, but it kind of shirks small

farmers," he said. Christiansen said the small-farm community near Iowa City makes the UI campus a good meeting place for FarmHack. "In Johnson County, we have a lot of organic producers and small producers," she said. Over all, the participants thought it was a success, and they hope to take home some of the techniques they learned and apply them to their own projects. "I thought the event was amazing," said Ilsa DeWald, a copresident of the UI Gardeners. "I hope to use the focused energy

**FarmHack**  
Local farmers met in Iowa City to develop new farming tools and improve their sustainability.

- FarmHack is a project of National Young Farmers' Coalition
- First FarmHack event in Iowa
- Seventh FarmHack event held since its creation

Source: Ben Shute, cofounder of FarmHack

event model to help with our garden problem solving."

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**IPADS**

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is no hierarchy or single determining factor in the decision, he said. The process varies from person to person, he noted. Some faculty might be given an iPad, while others might make the purchase on their own and later be reimbursed. UI President Sally Mason paid for her own iPad, and she has not been reimbursed by the university, Moore said. Tom Rocklin, the UI vice president for Student Services, said he paid for his own iPad and finds it useful for taking notes and information retrieval at work.

Michael Barron, the director of UI Admissions, did not consider how it would benefit his work day before he purchased his. "It was a personal purchase, although I do use it for work from time to time," he said. The use of iPads on campus also varies from department to department. The UI College of Pharmacy has purchased a set of 40 to be used for certain classes. "We are currently exploring a checkout option, allowing students to check out [iPads] for their work," said Greg Schwartz, IT director for pharmacy school.

**TILE**

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average, ACT composite score, and instructor in a TILE classroom received final grades that were, on average, .25 points higher than their counterparts. Craig Just, an assistant professor of civil and environmental engineering, co-taught Introduction to Sustainability with adjunct lecturer Bob Crocco last fall. Just said the biggest advantage for him in the classroom is using the round tables for discussion. "The TILE classroom also makes it difficult to do a traditional lecture, which isn't my best teaching style anyway," he wrote in an email. "I have to teach in a more distributed model when using the TILE classroom that emphasizes the importance for the students to take charge of their own learning without as much spoon-feeding by the course instructor." But classrooms that rely completely on computers have their disadvantages. "Many people simply cannot learn at the depth needed when only offered a computer screen or iPad as a learning tool," Just said. TILE classrooms are composed of round tables with three laptops each. Flat-screen monitors line the walls, and switches and wires connect them all together. The rooms may consume more energy than traditional classrooms, but

Crocco said it is worth it for the wealth of knowledge students can access at any given time. Even with the larger footprint, he said, the benefits the classroom offers are greater. "The issue to me is that you need to constantly evaluate that whatever carbon footprint you put out there is in some way benefiting, and in this case a deeper and richer and more meaningful education experience that lasts longer," he said. Ashley Wiand, a UI student who had a class in a TILE classroom last spring, said she enjoyed working in the environment. "I like the TILE classrooms a lot," she said. "It made it easier to talk with other students because everyone is sitting at a round table, as opposed to the big lecture halls, where people sit two seats away." The TILE Assessment Project will continue to monitor the nature of teaching and learning in TILE classrooms. "Universities need to be innovative in teaching, and the TILE rooms are one way to be innovative," Just said. "So, I'm a fan of the TILE program, but like any program, it must prove successful over time as supported by real data."

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## Editorial

## Sen. Grassley — get on the DREAM wagon

On June 15, President Obama used his executive privilege to unilaterally alter the immigration policy. His opponents were furious. They argue that this president has too much power and is therefore bad — but that still doesn't change the fact that the man has good policies.

The deferred action proposed by the president applies to immigrants who meet specific criteria. They must have entered the United States under the age of 16, lived here for at least five years, be current students or have high-school diplomas, be active in the military or a veteran, be under 30 years old, and have no criminal record.

This is a problem for many people. Amnesty opponents such as our own Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, sent a letter to the president rebuking him for giving work permits to people who aren't American citizens. Grassley argues that if you want to be an American, you need to speak English and pay taxes. He says he doesn't want to hand out U.S. rights to just anyone who enters the country, and this kind of underhanded, backdoor amnesty proposed by the president just won't do.

The Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act allows people meeting all of those criteria to receive a deferred action of deportation. It allows them to legally be hired in the U.S., apply for federal student loans so they might attend college, and allows them to get driver's licenses. The deferred action expires after two years and would then need to be renewed.

According to the Pew Research Center, as many as 11 million people living in America are not authorized to be here. Of those 11 million, Pew estimates that nearly 80 percent are Latino. The center also estimates that this executive order could affect as many as 1.4 million young immigrants.

There are many who agree with Grassley, including all who back the Federation for American Immigration Reform. Leaders of the group say that all illegal immigrants do is bring their poverty, crime, and drugs into America to weaken our economy.

Leaders at the Federation for American Immigration Reform and Grassley propose that rather than allowing young people to live, work, drive, and go to school, we should increase the amount of

security and keep right on kicking them out of the country.

These Republicans are now advocating for increased government spending so that we can close our borders and keep Americans safe. At this point, one might ask — safe from whom? The Obama administration has deported more illegal immigrants than any administration since the 1950s, and more than 90 percent of those deported under this administration have identified as Latino — but still we have drugs, crime, unemployment, and immense debt.

We must stop blaming problems on immigrants who came to this nation to better themselves — not to destroy us. The people given an opportunity under the DREAM Act are kids who have never committed a crime, are trying to get an education, and help make America a better place.

Problems such as drug trafficking over the Mexican border do require more security and specialization. However, the United States also does a lot of other legitimate trade with Mexico and should check that we are continuing to have strong, positive relationships with our international neighbors. Stop wasting valuable Homeland Security resources trying to remove students and their families. People looking for an education or a job are not bad people, and shouldn't be removed.

It is a wildly pompous ideology to believe yourself entitled to things that others are not only because your mother happened to give birth to you in an American hospital and you grew up speaking English. None of us choose our birthplace, our skin color, or our accents, but who cares 'cause we were born in the States and English is not our second language.

The only people who really choose to be American are those who continually fight for the right. Almost all of us in Iowa get to be an American by birth, but immigrants want it so badly they are willing to live a life of trials and secrecy just so they can escape some persecution and give their children a chance for a better future. We cannot think of anything more American than that.

Your turn. Do you think Obama's executive order is good? Weigh in at [dailyiowan.com](http://dailyiowan.com).

## Audit the Federal Reserve



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Whether it's deserving or not, the president tends to take the majority of the heat for the nation's poor economy. Many Americans think that the president's policies have a greater effect on our economy than they actually do, whether the president is George W. Bush or Barack Obama.

However, there's a government institution that hides behind the curtains, leaving its existence — let alone inner workings — to be fairly unknown to the average American. It has a huge effect on the well-being of our society, because it handles so many of America's economic matters. That institution is the Federal Reserve.

The Fed, as it's known, should be further audited so Congress can affirm that the institution is making the appropriate monetary policies, ensuring that the money Iowans work so hard to make isn't taken or devalued.

The Federal Reserve conducts the nation's monetary policy, supervises and regulates the banking institutions, maintains the stability of the financial system, and provides financial services to depository institutions, according to the Fed's website.

Basically, the Fed is the central bank for the United States.

Because the Fed has in its hands arguably more power to determine the value of the U.S. dollar than does any other government institution or department, it needs more oversight. That there is so much information regarding the Federal Reserve kept behind closed doors raises obvious concern of whether the American dollar will increase or decrease in value.

Dustin German, a UI student who actively supported Ron Paul's policies toward the Federal Reserve, is also in favor of auditing the Fed. "It needs to be subjected to the same treatment just as any other federal institution is," he said.

In regard to the Federal Reserve's effect on Iowa, he said, "Anything at the national or federal level is going to affect all 50 states."

Matt Hawes, the vice president for the

Campaign for Liberty, an organization determined to bring more oversight to the Fed, said since its 1913 creation, the Fed has never been held accountable to the American people's representatives in Congress.

"During that time, we've seen an extreme decline in the value of our dollar and watched as the Fed committed taxpayers to one bailout and special deal after another, yet the Government Accountability Office is prohibited by law from fully auditing the Fed's monetary policy actions," he said.

The lack of a thorough audit of the Federal Reserve is "simply ridiculous," he contended.

The Fed has continued to pump more money into our economy even with \$15 trillion in debt hanging over our heads.

Economists can argue whether this is good or bad, but there are without doubt potential dangers that pumping more money into our economy can cause. We must better audit the Federal Reserve to make sure the institution isn't just pulling money out of thin air, because that will lead to greater inflation — damaging our economy in the long run.

Ben Bernanke, the chairman of the Federal Reserve, has had the support of both former President George W. Bush as well as President Obama. People outside the Oval Office have both praised and criticized Bernanke.

No matter what your opinion on Bernanke may be, the American people have the right to know what's happening within the Fed. Plus, if Bernanke is making the appropriate decisions, the chairman could use some good publicity to quiet his critics.

"During the [recent financial] crisis, Chairman Bernanke was able to say no to Congress when asked to provide information on who received \$2 trillion in taxpayer-backed loans," Hawes said.

With the great impact that the Federal Reserve has on our economy, there needs to be more transparency with this very powerful institution. The American people have the right to know the inner workings of the Fed, because the institution's decisions affect the value of the money that Americans work so hard to obtain. ■

## Letter

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## Let's not be too gullible

The *DI*'s June 19 edition headlines Mitt Romney insinuating that President Obama has a dark, secret plan to "Europe-ify" America. Shades of horror. Let's not be too gullible here. A month ago, TV news analyst Rachel Maddow, after contrasting several Romney statements with the actual truth, publicly declared Romney to be a "serial liar."

It looks like he's still out there twisting reality. First, he

condemns "big government," glossing over the fact that the entire recession was caused by big corporate America. In 2008, our problem was weak government, not big government. Now, he's trying to hang Europe's euro crisis around Obama's neck, even though Obama's policy to stimulate the economy was the exact opposite of European austerity measures of slashing government programs and jobs. Now, their austerity plan has back-

fired, and every country in Europe is now in deep recession as a result.

What's really scary is that we might actually elect a serial liar to the presidency. If Romney is elected, contrary to his claims, he will "Europe-ify" America because the Republican/Tea Party plan is a radical austerity program, even though it has been a disaster in Europe.

The result has been a nightmare. Only one country,

Germany, is prospering.

Ironically, Germany has huge government programs, and — Oh my God — it also has big labor unions who work with the private sector for the good of the country. So, "Europe-ification" is scary, indeed, but not for the reason Romney would have us believe.

Is distorting the truth the same as lying? You decide.

James Conger  
Iowa City resident

## Guest Column

## Will Supreme Court's ignorance torpedo freedom?

Americans have never had reliable protection against the ignorance of the Supreme Court. During the past 80 years, Supreme Court justices have routinely rubber-stamped government policies that they grossly failed to understand. Black-robed economic illiteracy is perhaps the Obama administration's best hope in the court's pending decision on the constitutionality of Obamacare.

At the oral arguments in late March, neither the justices nor the attorneys arguing the case seemed to understand the 1942 precedent case that provides the linchpin for Obamacare's individual mandate. In

*Wickard v. Filburn*, the Supreme Court decreed that "it is hardly lack of due process for the government to regulate that which it subsidizes." But the Roosevelt-era court completely failed to recognize how the feds had ravaged a market before they forcibly seized control over all producers.

At the time of the 1942 ruling, the Department of Agriculture dictated how many acres each of the nation's 1.5 million wheat farmers could grow. Roscoe Filburn, an Indiana farmer who slightly exceeded his quota, claimed that the government had no right to prohibit him from growing wheat on his own land to feed to his livestock.

The court unanimously concluded that the government was justified even in restricting "the amount of wheat ... to which one may forestall resort to the market by producing for his own needs."

The Roosevelt administration scorned exports, preferring to restrict domestic production in order to inflate U.S. prices. Nobel-laureate economist Theodore W. Schultz denounced New Deal farm programs for "putting a 'Chinese Wall' around our export farmers."

Unfortunately, at least some of today's Supreme Court members are as clueless as the 1942 panel that swallowed the govern-

ment's self-serving claims. Justice Stephen Breyer asked one of the lawyers arguing about *Wickard's* relevance to Obamacare, "Didn't they make that man growing his own wheat go into the market and buy other wheat for his — for his cows?" Similarly, Justice Ruth Ginsburg declared that "*Wickard* was you must buy; we are not going to let you use the home-grown wheat. You have got to go out in the market and buy that wheat that you don't want."

If Supreme Court justices have zero understanding of the most important precedent for Obamacare, it is unlikely that they will recognize the danger of

sanctifying politicians' vast arbitrary power over health care.

There are stark parallels between the growing federal takeover of medical care and the 1930s takeover of agriculture. In the same way that high price supports spurred farmers to boost wheat production, government subsidies have driven up the demand for health-care services. The feds helped set off a health-care price explosion — and then invoked rising costs to justify seizing far more power over doctors, hospitals, insurance companies, and private citizens.

When Obama bewails the number of Americans without health insurance,

he forgets to mention that legislative and bureaucratic mandates have made health insurance far more expensive than it would otherwise be. The market for medical services has been ravaged almost as badly as U.S. farm markets in the New Deal era.

The mere fact that government throws money at an activity does not entitle Uncle Sam to dictate endless terms to both producers and consumers. Neither Congress nor the Supreme Court has any right to control what they do not understand. "Good intentions" cannot absolve perpetual economic mangling.

James Bovard  
Future of Freedom Foundations

## BASKETBALL

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Every day there is a Tip of the Day. Assistant coaches Sherman Dillard and Kirk Speraw made appearances to help the campers learn how to become better shooters and how to make certain offensive plays as a team.

"The key thing to learn at this age is to play together. A lot of guys this young feel like it's necessary to be a one-on-one type player," former Hawk-

eye Jarryd Cole said. "In the NBA, they only know individual players. [The campers] want to model their game after them. At this young age, that's not a good thing to do because it develops bad habits. I try to teach them as best I can to play together, pass the ball, and move without the ball."

Current Iowa players were able to help with the camp. Many of the players came between their classes and workouts to interact with the kids.

"I always try to come during my free time. I referee, do the clocks, and talk to the kids. They all

have questions," Devyn Marble said. "Can you please dunk?" I get it every day. They watch our games, and really look up to us, and someday hope they can play at the same level."

Most of the campers are avid Hawkeye basketball fans and are well informed about the program.

"The kids recognize me and always ask me different things," Cole said. "Why don't you play for the Hawkeyes anymore?" "When is Melsahn Basabe coming?" "Can I meet Matt Gatens?" They ask me to dunk about 100 times a day, but I'll only do it once."

The campers chant "DUNK" at every possible moment when a Hawkeye basketball player is in the vicinity. The campers are relentless, and the players eventually do give in. The dunks receive as much cheering and applause as they would during a normal game.

"The key thing with our camp is the kids get to know the Iowa players as people. Our players are just kids at heart," said Jerry Strom, the director of Iowa basketball operations. "The Iowa players are really good with kids. The kids



Grant Halverson shoots free throws as Connor Simpson asks former Hawkeye Jarryd Cole for tips at the Hawkeye basketball day camp at the Field House on Wednesday. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

go crazy when they walk in. They're young adults, but when you put them

around 10-year-olds, they become a 10-year-old themselves."

## TRIALS

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But that leaves 11 Hawkeyes who will have swam in the biggest American swimming meet, perhaps the most

competitive meet in the world. Just the experience of being there will boost the Hawkeyes come next college season.

"The look on their faces when they get this cut is amazing, because this meet means so much," Long said. "There's nothing

else like this in U.S., not even internationally. It's like an NBA game for every race. It's crazy how big it's been every year,

and this year a ton of Iowa athletes get to go ... It will all carry over into our next college season — it's going to help our program."

## BASEBALL

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While the parents are a big part of making sure games and practices happen, they are there for ultimately one reason: the kids.

"It's [the camp] for the kids to have fun," Riley said.

"It's summertime, and it's not meant to be serious competition. We try to teach them the fundamentals of baseball."

Keeping kids focused in practice can be tough. Having up to 10 5- and 6-year-old kids running around takes a lot of work. Eventually, however, the kids find the time in practice to not play with the dirt under-

neath the bench and to learn the basics of baseball.

"We try to help them improve their fundamentals by giving them examples," Red Sox coach Joerge Baock said. "In practice, we work on ground balls, how to field them, and how to throw properly. Also, we basically teach them how to hit."

Practice is focused on learning the basics, skills

that are difficult for kids still developing motor control and coordination. Some kids may never play baseball again, others will keep the skills they learned at camp for the rest of their lives, and some will continue working on becoming a baseball player in the future.

When asked if he wanted

to continue playing baseball, 6-year-old Edward Kenyon replied, "YES."

The parents work on teaching and the kids work on learning the game, but there is more to participating in the league. The kids are able to learn valuable lessons that they'll be able to use at school, at home, or

on future teams they're apart of.

"They're here to learn to play T-ball, but it's so much more than that," Meirick said. "They're making friendships along the way. They're learning how to play as a team. It's a fun way to get out their energy and for the parents to come out, too."

## RECRUITS

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sprint especially, and David has the speed we are looking for," Long said. "We expect him to come in and be an immediate contributor."

Trussov is a breaststroke specialist who posted personal best times of 24.28 seconds in the 50 and 1:01.81 in the 100. Long said the Kazakh athlete has proven that he has the ability to succeed at the college level.

"Roman is going to the Olympics to represent his country," Long said. "He certainly has the times to compete in the Big Ten."

Graduated Iowa swimmer Paul Gordon, who has witnessed Ernstsson's talents firsthand, said the incoming freshman is an ideal recruit for the Hawkeyes.

"I competed against him in Swedish nationals last summer, and he's a very competitive guy," Gordon said. "[Ernstsson] is really raw and has a lot of improving to do, but that's exactly what Iowa looks for, so he's going to be a great fit here."

Gordon also said the American style of racing has the potential to cause

some issues for international swimmers, regardless of how talented they are.

"Swimming is more of an individual sport rather than a team sport overseas," Gordon said. "It's a complete change for [foreigners] when the team is suddenly reliant upon them."

Departing senior Byron Butler has no doubt whether the incoming talent will help the program reach new heights. He said that his class started the

job, and now the next class has to finish it.

"The new guys will absolutely keep this program rolling," Butler said. "The groundwork has been laid for the winning to continue, and there's no reason they won't be able to succeed."

The program has not yet fully recovered from the destruction six years ago, but Long said that incoming squads such as this will make sure the past mistakes stay where they belong.

"We just got our money back from the scandal about a year and a half ago," Long said. "We've stopped talking about it, because we don't want any excuses."

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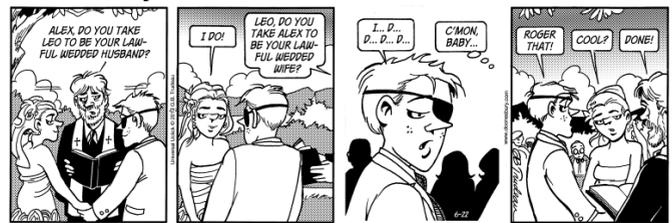
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- **Iowa Summer Writing Festival Eleventh Hour**, Faculty Readings, 11 a.m., 101 Biology Building East
- **Stories in the Park**, 10:30 a.m., Mercer Park
- **The Merchant of Venice Green Show**, Riverside Shakespeare Festival, 12:10 p.m., Pedestrian Mall
- **Chess Group**, 1-4 p.m., Uptown Bill's, 730 S. Dubuque
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- **Transcendental Meditation Introductory Presentation**, 1:30 p.m., Iowa City TM Center, 1136 Foster
- **Knitting Nurse**, 2 p.m., Home Ec Workshop
- **East Side Farmers' Market**, 4-7 p.m., Olde Towne Village, 610 East-bury

- **The Origins of the Russian Guitar**, 6 p.m., St. Raphael Orthodox Chapel, 722 E. College
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Dawn McGuire, poetry, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Music Camp Percussion Concert/Demonstration**, 7 p.m., 150 Music West Interim Building
- **Guys and Dolls**, City Circle, 7:30 p.m., Coralville Center for the Performing Arts, 1301 Fifth St.
- **Jiro Dreams of Sushi**, 8 p.m., Bijou
- **The Merchant of Venice Riverside Shakespeare Festival**, 8 p.m., Festival Stage, Lower City Park
- **What the Butler Saw**, Iowa Summer Rep, 8 p.m., Theater Building Thayer Theater
- **Englert Speakeasy: An Evening of Whiskey Tasting**, 9-11 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington
- **Redgrave**, 10 p.m., Gabe's, 330 E. Washington
- **Henhouse Prowlers**, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

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- 12:30 p.m. Dance Gala 2011**, Dance Department, Nov. 4, 2011
- 2:30 Undergraduate Dance Concert**, Dance Department, May 7, 2011
- 3:30 Bart/Genta/Maris M.F.A. Thesis Dance**, Dance Department, March 31, 2010
- 5:15 Youth Ballet Concert**, Dance Department, Dec. 19, 2010
- 6 Youth Ballet Concert**, Dance Department, Dec. 18, 2011
- 7 "Women, Hysteria, and Medi-**

- cine,"** WorldCavass, Joan Kjaer and UI International Programs, January
- 9 Undergraduate Dance Concert**, 14 dances at Space/Place, Dance Department, May 3 and 5
- 10:30 2011 Homecoming Parade Replay**, UITV and Daily Iowan TV present the 99th-Annual Parade, Oct. 21, 2011
- 11:45 Dance Highlights**, Dance Department

## horoscopes

Friday, June 22  
- by Eugenia Last

**ARIES** March 21-April 19 Experience will pay off now. Job opportunities and updates to your résumé will lead to professional satisfaction. Make time to do something unusual with someone whose company you enjoy. A change is overdue, but it mustn't be forced.

**TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Information that troubles you emotionally must not be allowed to push you in a direction that will cause impulsive and irreversible actions. Think about the pros and cons and the long-term effects to find a solution that favors you.

**GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Discuss your ideas with someone who has something to contribute. Look for obscure ways to use your skills. A trip will help you see your situation and plans from a different perspective. Romance is likely, but it may be superficial.

**CANCER** June 21-July 22 Don't shy away from doing things differently. Using your imagination to come up with a unique approach to whatever you are doing will bring you positive recognition. Someone you think you know will withhold personal information.

**LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Your way of doing things may be different, but once you get moving, onlookers will want to participate in your plans. Travel to destinations that will feed your imagination and inspire you to follow your own path. Be a leader, not a follower.

**VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 A financial or professional decision may be forced on you. Consider what it will take to maintain balance and keep your current position secure. A change at home may not be welcome, but it can help resolve pending problems. Do your own fact-finding.

**LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 An adventure, trip, or conversation will benefit you. Your creative intuition can lead you to a better position. Love and romance are in the stars, but you may have to make the first move. A change in a partnership will be liberating.

**SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Complaining won't lead to gains; you must control your situation to win. Sharing your creative ideas and plans will persuade others to support your efforts. A change at home will heighten your imagination. Budget wisely.

**SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Taking risks is right up your alley. Real estate, home improvement, or making changes to your current living arrangement will benefit you financially. A partnership will open a window of opportunity personally or professionally.

**CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Listen to what others have to say, and take in all of the information you can without revealing too much about your own plans. Contributions made by others will lead to your own future prosperity if you act on what you discover.

**AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Deciphering what others are telling you will lead to a better understanding of who you are and what you want. Love and romance, along with a home life more conducive to your needs and welfare, are within reach if your motivations are honorable.

**PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 Take a step back, and observe what everyone else is doing. You will discover a way to use your creativity and skills to get ahead. Don't make a decision that will force you to commit to anything or anyone.

## The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0518

- ACROSS**
- Ones pressed for cash, briefly
  - 1997 #1 hit with a nonsense title
  - Many a bugger
  - See 63-Across
  - Code that's dangerous to break
  - Hermano de la madre
  - \_\_\_ en scène
  - More like a gymnast's body
  - Cartoon character who cries "You eediot!"
  - It may be acknowledged with a slap
  - Bad stroke
  - Back, in a way
  - Having the lead?
  - Real go-getter
  - Baker's dozen, maybe
  - Reading letters from the end?
  - TV's "hipster doofus"
  - Big name in footwear
  - Wish
  - Ticker with cachet
  - Watch it
  - Temporary
  - "9 to 5" director Higgins
  - Bad tool for a toddler to find
  - N.L. West team, on scoreboards
  - One seen in a shower
  - Ramirez of "Grey's Anatomy"
  - It's often illegal to hang one
  - Cry for more
  - 2006-08 heavyweight champion Maskaev

### DOWN

- Tops
- Wee bit
- Fish out of water
- Word chanted at a celebratory party
- Routs, with "down"
- When the Salt Lake City Olympics took place
- Longtime first name in TV talk
- Court paper showing one team's points
- Comical Cheri
- Adidas vis-à-vis Reebok
- Alien
- Like some navels
- Jon Voight's New York birthplace
- Air and water, e.g.
- Yellow shade
- Runaway
- Organic compound
- Scrappers put them up
- Sprung thing
- Response facilitator: Abbr.
- What water lacks
- Article in the Louvre?
- High
- With 14-Across, cruise bonus

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Puzzle by Allan E. Parrish

- When to get back to work, perhaps
  - Snowboarders compete in them
  - Some Rodin pieces
  - Lye, for one
  - Like many grandstands
  - Tee off
  - Circle
  - 48 Apropos of
  - Retail giant with the mascots Red Ruff and Blue Mews
  - Extra-bright
  - Bolted
  - He talked only to Wilbur
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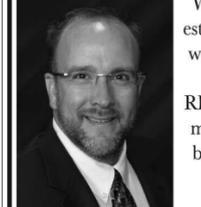
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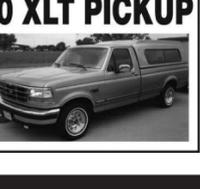
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## Hawk swimmers set for trials



Paul Gordon celebrates the Hawkeye 200-freestyle relay team's first-place finish during the Big Ten championships in the Campus Recreation & Wellness Center on Feb. 24. Gordon is one of 13 Iowa swimmers heading to the Olympic trials beginning on June 25 in Omaha. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

Iowa is sending a horde of athletes to the U.S. Olympic swimming trials next week, which will help the program thrive in the fall.

By **MOLLY IRENE OLMSTEAD**  
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Paul Gordon has done it all before, but this time he's not alone.

Gordon qualified for the 2012 U.S. Olympic swimming trials, along with 12 of his Iowa teammates. The graduated Hawkeye also made it to the meet in 2008, but he went as an individual swimmer. Gordon was the only current Iowa swimmer there that year.

But 13 Hawkeye swimmers will travel to Omaha next week to compete in the trials. It's the first year that Iowa has traveled to the event as a team under current head coach, Marc Long.

"I remember seeing other Big Ten teams that had a lot more swimmers, and I remember thinking, 'I hope in 2012 that I'll have a team to go with,'" Gordon said. "Well, look at this. I got my wish."

Only two female athletes qualified compared with 11 males — 13

including Manuel Belzer and Duncan Partridge, who will compete in trials for the German and Canadian teams, respectively.

But Emily Hovren and Daniela Cubelic are content to be the only women making the trip, for now.

"I think our men's team is in a little different spot than our women's team right now," Cubelic said. "But the fact that we have two girls going shows that we're on the right track ... In the next four years, it won't even be a comparison to what we have now."

Hovren and Cubelic have been training partners all season, so going to Omaha as a pair means even more to them. Cubelic earned her qualifying cut last summer, then pushed Hovren in practice to get hers this year, too.

"Every day she was next to me and pushed me," Hovren said. "She helped me a lot with my backstroke in the [individual medley], which definitely helped me

make the cut. It's something really special that we're doing this together, that all the pushing each other is paying off."

The satisfaction of making it to the meet might have to be enough for some of the Hawkeyes. The Olympic committee only takes the top two finishers from the trials to London, and the Iowa swimmers will have to race competitors as fast as Michael Phelps and Peter Vanderkaay.

"As a coach, you always want to say, 'Go for it,' and we do say that, we train for it. But in the U.S., we've got to beat some people who are pretty big names just to be able to go because they only take two," Long said. "We just train to do your absolute best and peak at the right time. No matter what happens, the carryover is going to help us going into next season."

A talented senior class — including four of the Olympic hopefuls — will leave the program.

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## Men's swimming hauls in top recruits

Several talented seniors graduating from Iowa swimming, but the Hawkeyes brought in an impressive recruiting class less than a decade after a scandal shook the program.

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The Iowa men's swimming team has come a long way over the past few years.

The Hawkeyes reeled in one of the nation's top recruiting classes, a little more than half a decade after the program nearly crumbled because of major violations. Iowa was placed on two years' probation and had one scholarship removed for each of the following three seasons after the NCAA reported that three ineligible student-athletes competed for the Black and Gold from 2002-04.

Iowa head coach Marc Long, who took over the program in wake of the incident, said that the rebuilding effort he assumed eight seasons ago is far from complete.

"The program was basically a corpse," he said. "To even have the season we had last year is amazing because we're not where we want to be, but this is an angle in the right direction."

The incoming class is spearheaded by a couple of top-ranked international swimmers, David Ernstsson of Sweden and Roman Trussov of Kazakhstan. Both are ranked among the top 35 swimming recruits — 25 and 35 respectively — according to collegeswimming.com.

Long, a former Hawkeye swimmer himself, is aware of the high expectations the 2012 rookies bring, but he said you have to see the results in the water before deeming it a success.

"We were able to get in a very talented and developing class," Long said. "We filled some big holes, but like any recruiting class, we have to wait and see what they do when they get here."

Ernstsson's personal best times of 20.30 seconds in the 50 freestyle and 48.91 seconds in the 100 freestyle convinced the Iowa alum that he had found his man. Long said the new European protégé will fill a big hole that was left by the graduating class.

"We're losing a lot of freestylers, in the

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## Hoops camp more than seeing dunks

Iowa basketball campers are eager to watch Hawkeyes dunk in the Field House.

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Walking into the Field House on a day of the Hawkeye Basketball Camp is overwhelming. More than 185 boys between the ages of 8 and 12 run up and down the basketball courts, each one bouncing a basketball.

The noise is deafening, but over it all, "Space Jam" by the Quad City DJs is played through numerous speakers.

An average day for a camper started out with 45 minutes of fundamentals led by Iowa men's head coach Fran McCaffery. Station work was next. The campers were run through drills to expand their understanding of the game from passing to shooting to defense.

"Even though they're really small and can't get the ball very far, just to learn the good fundamentals of shooting is really important," Garrett Rasmussen, a volunteer training to be an Iowa basketball manager said. "It's really cool that the kids get to mess around with the players and meet the Iowa coaches."

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## Youth will be served — baseball

Iowa City Recreation Division's youth league handles young kids' energy.

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The major-league game pits the Red Sox versus the Tigers. The venue, however, is not iconic Fenway Park or even Comerica Park. It's Court Hill Park in Iowa City.

Court Hill is one field on which the Iowa City Recreation Division youth baseball program competes. They are no dugouts. No bleachers. No concession stands.

But there's dirt, and grass, sometimes a tee, and soft rubber-cored baseballs, and that's enough.

Numerous parents and children show up to see the kids play. The two teams from the major league division went head-to-head on Thursday.

There's no Jim Leyland or Bobby Valentine — the par-



Red Sox coach Joerge Baock throws a pitch to a Tiger hitter in a three-inning youth baseball game in Court Hill Park on Thursday. Batters get three swings at pitches; if they don't make contact, they are allowed to hit off a tee. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

ents are the coaches.

"We have parents who are coaches and parents that volunteer at practice," said Danielle Meirick, the city coordinator for the program. "It's really hard when you have 10 kids and only a couple people to get them together."

The parents in the league embody the parents of

everyday athletes.

"Our role is to be here and keep them organized," Tiger coach Wayne Riley said. "We help field balls and grab helmets. We're here to do the dirty work, basically."

On one hand, the parents are coaches, but they also have other responsibilities: driving their kids to and from practice, cheering

them on, and bringing them treats to stay active. They do more for their players than Leyland or Valentine — the pro managers don't tie shoes, open juice boxes, or wipe noses.

"They're a huge part of making this possible," Meirick said.

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