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Grant promotes 'Healthy Kids'



Jimin Jung serves the ball during a tennis camp at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on June 5. On Tuesday, MidwestOne Bank awarded a \$50,000 grant to the Healthy Kids Initiative, which, in part, is meant to encourage local children to exercise and play outdoors. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

By **JOE HITCHON**
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Local officials are applauding a new local grant awarded to the Healthy Kids Initiative that aims to establish health care for area children and encourage healthy eating, healthy lifestyles, and good hygiene.

"All of these efforts are directed at improving the health and wellness of our kids by making sure they have the healthiest options available to them," said Christine Scheetz, the president and CEO of United Way of Johnson County.

MidWestOne Bank announced Tuesday at its headquarters in downtown Iowa City that it will provide a grant of \$50,000 to the United Way of Johnson County's Healthy Kids Initiative.

The grant was the result of an internal application process at MidWestOne to determine which community market to direct its effort toward and which cause to support. Following a committee review, the panel chose Johnson County's Healthy Kids Initiative as the winning project.

2011 was a record earning year for MidWest-

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Grants could get vets jobs

The money will mean the Iowa City Police Department and Johnson County Sheriff's Office can hire recent veterans.

By **NICHOLAS MILLER**
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Certain qualified veterans could soon be offered a job in local law enforcement after the U.S. Department of Justice awarded a grant to two local law-enforcement agencies.

The Iowa City police and the Johnson County Sheriff's Office will be given a \$375,000 grant after several attempts to obtain it.

This is the first time the Sheriff's Office or the Police Department will receive money from the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services Hiring Program, county Sheriff Lonny Pulkrabek said.

This is also the first year the program — which could provide funds to hire or rehire law-enforcement officers — has included a stipulation that the new hirings must be recent veterans who have served at least 180 days since Sept. 11, 2001.

The Police Department will receive a \$250,000 grant to hire two new officers, and the Johnson County Sheriff's Office will receive a \$125,000 grant to hire one new deputy. Both grants will pay for the salary and benefits of the three new officers for three years, according to a release issued by Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa.

However, the new positions most likely will not benefit members of the University of Iowa Veterans Association.

"I would be surprised if any of our students were to be hired," said John Mikelson, the UI Veterans Center coor-

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Christine Scheetz, the president and CEO of United Way of Johnson County, talks with MidWestOne Bank employees on Tuesday. The Emerging Philanthropists Society of United Way of Johnson County began the Healthy Kids Initiative to give area children better access to health care and promote healthy lifestyles. (The Daily Iowan/Chastity Dillard)

Some see more immigrant laws

The U.S. Supreme Court's ruling on Arizona's immigration law will reach across state borders — including Iowa.

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Local and state officials maintain illegal-immigration laws can be adjusted at the state level following the U.S. Supreme Court's decision Monday allowing Arizona to enforce its "show me your papers" provision of its controversial law.

Immigration is a hot-button issue in Iowa City as well with two groups — the Human Rights Commission and the recently formed ad hoc diversity committee — drawing attention to difficulties faced by the local Latino population.

"One of the big challenges that Latino residents experience is whether they are an unauthorized resident, or related to or friends with an unauthorized resident, they are pretty fearful about speaking about routine difficulties in town," City Councilor Jim Throgmorton said.

The Supreme Court supported Senate Bill 1070's most hotly debated provision requiring state and local police to verify the immigration status of people they stop, but the court

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Hopeful stresses private sector

Debra Schwinn is the head of the University of Washington anesthesiology and pain medicine.

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The final dean candidate for the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine used examples from private business as well as her own past experience to express her vision for the future of the academic medical center.

Debra Schwinn's presentation focused on industry-driven advancements and how to work with the changing medical community.

"Health care is going to be more commodity-driven," she said.



Carver College of Medicine dean candidate Debra Schwinn gives a presentation on her vision of the future of academic medical centers on Tuesday. Schwinn is the fourth and final dean candidate to speak at the public forum on campus. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

Schwinn is a professor of and the head of the University of Washington anesthesiology and pain medicine as well as an adjunct professor of pharmacology and genome sciences.

Schwinn was asked to answer the question, "What is Your

Vision for the Future of Academic Medical Center." Each of the four candidates answered the question as well as questions from the audience after their presentations.

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Still going, 40 years later

Four of O'Brien's five siblings have worked at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics.

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Nancy O'Brien still remembers the old gothic towers at the entrance of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics more than 40 years ago.

"It's weird to think that was the entrance when I started," she said.

O'Brien — who started working when she was 16 years old at the front information desk in the UIHC — was the recipient of a Longevity Award from the UI Staff Council earlier this year for 40 years of continuous service at the hospital working in health-information management.

According to a UI press release, the Longevity Award is the Staff Council's service recognition program acknowledging all professional, scientific, and merit staff who have reached 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, and 50 years of continuous service. The award winners receive a certificate and letter of appreciation from the Office of the President.

O'Brien, 58, was the only recipient of the Longevity Awards this year to have worked more than 40 years.

"I feel that I picked the right field to be in," she said. "And I love what I do, and I can still say that 40 years after."

At 16 years old, O'Brien knew she wanted to work in the hospital but did not feel cut out to be a doctor or a nurse. She knew at a young age that she was more interested in behind-the-scenes work.

Although she does not have as much patient interaction as a medical profes-



Nancy O'Brien has been awarded the 40-year longevity award for continuous service. O'Brien works in health-information management at the UIHC. (The Daily Iowan/Sumei Chen)

sional, O'Brien's job is still challenging in that she must make sure the hospital is operating efficiently.

"I look forward to the challenge every day," she said. "Because whatever it is, we have to be knowledgeable, and the job that I do is take every diagnosis and procedure when [patients] are admitted until they're discharged."

Michelle McGillin, one of O'Brien's siblings, said she knows firsthand how hard her sister works. All but one of O'Brien's five siblings have worked at some point in the hospital.

"And the sixth one's wife is a nurse there," McGillin said. "It really is a family affair."

The oldest sister, Patty McGillin, managed the mailroom for more than 40 years and is now retired.

Patty McGillin said O'Brien's office was on the second floor directly above hers for the last 25 years she worked at the hospital.

"We would be in the same place at the same time for eight hours a day doing our own thing, and we wouldn't even see each other," she said. "All those years we could have used

the tin can and string to communicate."

Michelle McGillin said she would occasionally see her siblings in the hallways, but they mostly see each other at home because she and their sister Barb live next door to O'Brien.

She said O'Brien is not only a great neighbor to her sisters but to anyone she comes in contact with. Many of their neighbors have been hospitalized in the past, and Michelle McGillin said O'Brien always made an effort to take a break from work to go to their room and visit them.

"She makes such an effort to go check on them," she said. "She really is the nicest person you would ever want to meet."

O'Brien is not only well respected by her family and neighbors, her staff members enjoy her as well.

McGillin said staff members respect O'Brien because she is calm at work even with the stress of learning an entirely new program and then teaching it to the staff.

"Her employees respect her," she said. "She must keep it inside her when she

Nancy O'Brien

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- Works in health-information management at UIHC
- Four of O'Brien's five siblings have worked at UIHC
- 58 years old

Source: Nancy O'Brien, health-information management at UIHC

gets stressed out at work. If anyone deserves any award, it's her. She deserves the best sister, best mom, best neighbor award as well."

After raising her two sons alone for most of their lives and working at UIHC for 40 years, O'Brien said she is not ready to leave her position just yet — she loves it too much to retire.

However, her sister believes otherwise.

"We think she should retire because she works too hard. She puts her heart and soul into it," Michelle McGillin said. "I really think it's time for her to kick back and relax a little bit."

METRO

Drug office announces grants

The Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy announced \$3.3 million in federal grants for 31 statewide drug prevention, treatment, and enforcement initiatives Tuesday.

According to a release, the grants come from the federal Byrne Justice Assistance Grant and the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment program.

"The goal of these programs is to create safer communities, and these grants are making a difference," Steve Lukan, Office of Drug Control Policy director, said in the release. "In addition to supporting frontline work to protect Iowans from drug-related crimes, these grants also foster coordination among agencies and leverage other resources to further bolster community efforts to reduce drug abuse."

The Johnson County Multi-Agency Drug Task Force will

receive \$96,762 from the grant.

The Office of Drug Control Policy has seized 1.4 tons of illegal drugs, confiscated 745 firearms, and dismantled 145 drug trafficking organizations in 2011 with the grant.

— by Jordyn Reiland

Inmate dies at UIHC

Rick Nebinger, an inmate assigned to the Iowa State Penitentiary, died at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics on Tuesday.

According to a release from the Iowa Department of Corrections, Nebinger died of stomach cancer. Nebinger was 51 years old and in the middle of serving a life sentence for first-degree murder in Scott County.

Nebinger's sentence began on June 25, 1985, the complaint said.

— by Jordyn Reiland

Body discovered after house fire

Law-enforcement officials, along with the Jefferson/Monroe Fire Department, responded to a report of a house fire in which a man's body was found at 1663 Falcon Ave. N.W. in Swisher on Monday. A witness who went to the residence to check on the house reportedly found a deceased individual, later identified as 71-year-old Daryl Dosch, according to a release from the Sheriff's Office.

The exact time of the fire was unknown, but Dosch was last seen at 6 p.m. Sunday; he was found at 11 a.m. Monday, the release said. The state fire marshal told the Johnson County Sheriff's Office the couch reportedly caught on fire, but the fire extinguished itself.

According to the release, the cause of death has not been determined; an autopsy will be performed by the Iowa Medical

Examiner's Office. The fire and death are not considered suspicious, the release said.

— by Jordyn Reiland

Man faces drug charges

An Iowa City man has been accused of possession of drugs while in a park.

Ronald Sories, 56, 1804 Gleason Ave., was charged Tuesday with two counts of possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to a Johnson County law-enforcement complaint, Sories was in a vehicle in a park after hours when officers put him under arrest. Officers allegedly found a bag containing a leafy substance, a syringe, rolling papers, and a bag containing a powdery substance.

Possession of a controlled substance is a Class-D felony, and possession of drug paraphernalia is a serious misdemeanor.

— by Amy Skarnulis

BLOTTER

Lonnee Burkholder, 54, 917 Scott Park Drive, was charged June 19 with domestic assault.

Jacob Butler, 20, 1824 E. College St., was charged June 22 with public intoxication.

Katelyn Carroll, 18, North Liberty, was charged Sunday with presence in bar after hours.

Gregory Cizio, 22, Cedar Rapids, was charged June 23 with OWI.

Racheal Clark, 20, 950 E. Jefferson St., was charged June 23 with presence in bar after hours.

Dylan Curnyn, 19, 2401 Highway 6 E. No. 1813, was charged Sunday with presence in bar after hours.

Eric Echnernacht, 20, 630 N. Dubuque St., was charged

June 23 with providing false identification information and public intoxication.

Michael Feeney, 41, Coralville, was charged June 23 with public intoxication.

Ryan Hall, 27, 2254 Riverside Drive, was charged Monday with attempted burglary.

Barry Hamilton, 20, 812 Benton Drive, No. 24, was charged Sunday with presence in bar after hours.

Emily Judd, 19, 225 S. Gilbert No. 2711, was charged Sunday with presence in bar after hours.

Erica Kite, 20, 612 George St., was charged Sunday with presence in bar after hours.

Grant Lindburg, 20, 527 N. Linn

St., was charged June 23 with PAULA.

Kurt Mathes, 35, address unknown, was charged May 23 with simple assault and disorderly conduct.

Kenneth McAlister, 40, Cedar Rapids, was charged June 22 with possession of cocaine.

Christopher Menadue, 22, Cascade, Iowa, was charged Sunday with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Denise Miller, 34, Lone Tree, was charged June 22 with domestic assault with injury.

Rishabh Nath, 20, 321 N. Linn St., was charged June 23 with PAULA.

Bryan Perrott, 27, 150 Hawkeye

Court, was charged June 23 with public intoxication.

Sarah Rhoads, 20, 216 E. Market St. No. 5, was charged June 23 with presence in bar after hours.

Samantha Sammet, 19, 634 S. Johnson St. No. 1, was charged Sunday with presence in bar after hours.

Cody Stiller, 19, Des Moines, was charged Sunday with presence in bar after hours.

David Thompson, 30, Coralville, was charged Sunday with driving while license was revoked.

Frank Webb, 60, address unknown, was charged June 22 with public urination.

Michael Whitney, 43, 1121 S. Gilbert St., was charged June 23 with criminal trespass.

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HEALTH GRANT

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One, now the fourth-largest bank in the state of Iowa; for President and CEO Charlie Funk, it was an opportunity to share that success.

"We decided that the more we earn, the more we will give back to the community," he said. "We give money to a lot of organizations, but after our record

year in 2011, we wanted to do something meaningful that would have the largest impact on the community."

So the first MidWestOne Community Impact Grant was born.

The Healthy Kids Initiative was launched in 2007 in partnership with the United Way of Johnson County, the Johnson County Obesity Task Force, and the Healthy Kids Community Care school-based health clinics.

The grant will also support United Way's 2020

Vision goals for the Common Good program, which seeks to increase by one-third the number of children in the community who are healthy and avoid risky behavior.

The project envisions building gardens at schools, funding three farmer-produce fairs each year, and providing three fresh-fruit deliveries per year to local schools to educate students about nutrition.

Funk says MidWestOne also has the goal to have 100 percent of its employ-

ees involved in the community effort on a volunteer basis.

"We cannot prosper unless our community prospers, so this is our small way of giving back to a community that has given so much to us," he said.

One aspect of the grant will improve access to dental care for young people — local school officials say this is often an overlooked issue that can affect children's performance in class.

Stephen Murley, the

superintendent of the Iowa City School District, said that while dental care may not seem very glamorous to fund, it's a very important aspect of the grant and for the segment of the population who do not have access to dental care.

"From the standpoint of teaching and learning, inadequate access to dental care is a significant obstacle for a child to overcome, and it will certainly interfere with his ability to learn in the classroom," he said.

Susie Poulton, the director of health services for the School District, said the Healthy Kids Initiative has benefited 1,200 children who did not have access to dental care elsewhere.

"Access to dental care for young people is a huge concern for families in our community, and this money will address that problem with screenings and dental care for those most in need," she said.

POLICE GRANT

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dinator. "Because we don't teach criminology or law enforcement."

The program awards

more than \$111 million to more than 220 cities and counties nationwide that were selected based on financial need, local crime rates, and a pledge to hire military veterans, according to the release.

The Sheriff's Office will continue to follow its regu-

lar hiring practices when filling its new position.

"We have a civil-service list we have to choose from when hiring," Pulkrabek said. "We can only choose from the top 10, and we have 25 people on the list."

The civil-service list,

which has not been updated in more than a year, will be reviewed to make sure the qualified candidates who are available for hiring are veterans.

"You can't just hire any vet," Pulkrabek said.

Loeb sack said the grant

will provide funds to an important entity of the state.

"Our local law-enforcement officers play a vital role in keeping out communities safe," he said in the release. "The men and

women on these police forces are hard-working, dedicated professionals who serve to improve our communities and help make Johnson County a great place to live and raise a family."

IMMIGRATION

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denied three other provisions disputed by the federal government.

The three provisions that were shot down banned illegal immigrants from soliciting work in public places, authorized police to arrest an individual when the officer has probable cause to believe the individual has committed a deportable offense, and required immigrants to

carry registration papers at all times.

"We would like similar laws in Iowa," said Robert Ussery, state director of the Iowa Minuteman. "We are disappointed the Supreme Court struck down three portions of it, but we are glad that the heart of the bill is still alive."

While several key components were challenged by the court, Ussery said, the decision is a victory for state's rights.

"States should have the right to protect themselves," he said. "The federal government only exists

by the consent of the states."

Steven Camarota, the director of research at the Center for Immigration Studies, said the decision will open the door for other states to pass similar laws.

"What it will probably mean is other states will be encouraged," he said. "What's likely to happen is there will be some other states will want to parallel things in Arizona or similar things now that the decision has been made."

Camarota said he thinks enforcing immigration laws have been a challenge in

Washington, and he sees the court's decision as giving states more responsibility.

"It seems like this is a compromise solution by letting the states do more," he said. "The Supreme Court basically said with this decision that the states can do more."

The court allowed the state to maintain Section 2(b), which requires police to check the immigration status of anyone detained and suspected of being an unauthorized immigrant. The court allowed for eth-

nic-profiling cases stemming from this law to proceed, and Camarota said states will need to work hard against discrimination.

Ben Stone, the executive director of the Americans Civil Liberties Union of Iowa, said the provision is impossible to uphold without discriminating against Latino individuals.

Stone cites the Iowa Legislature's recent rejection of two bills targeting immigrants, HF 2340 and HF 2429, as a sign of our lawmakers' wisdom. The

ACLU and its allies will fight against the provision in court, he said.

"The failure of the court to recognize the draconian nature of the show-me-your-papers provision reveals that the court remains out of touch, not realizing how such law-enforcement tactics always lead to ethnic profiling and unfair detention of citizens and immigrants alike," he said in a statement. "It is quite frankly impossible to enforce laws like Section 2(b) without using race, color, or ethnicity."

CANDIDATE

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Sue Curry, the dean of the College of Public Health, said she was excited Schwinn had shown a desire to apply for the position.

"Suffice it to say, we are delighted by her interest in this position," she said.

Schwinn placed great emphasis on her experiences at the University of Washington, pointing out her supervision at five different hospitals.

"Washington is the only medical school for [the] five [neighboring] states," Schwinn said.

She spent most of her presentation citing her experience with rebuilding Washington's interdisciplinary pain-medication program.

"Pain medicine is broken in this country," she said, explaining how this experience was a prime example of how important interdisciplinary medicine is going into the future of academic medical centers.

Schwinn described her leadership style as one that is more hands-off unless her involvement becomes necessary.

"My leadership style is to hire great people and to let them do their thing and support them," she said.

UI spokesman Tom

Moore said now that Schwinn has given her presentation, all that is left for the search committee to decide on a candidate.

"Clearly, the pool of candidates was very strong," Moore said.

Schwinn also spoke about the importance of

interdisciplinary medicine and the need to get doctors out of their respective departments and working together.

"I don't think you're married to the research in your department," she said.

She said she would work around barriers to reward teaching faculty and make

sure that they are able to reap the benefits of their hard work.

"It's very hard to reward our educators, so what we do [is] very creative," she said.

The problems faced when dealing with reward-

ing educators, she said, was a lack of funding and a paradigm that didn't properly value their services.

"Very few areas of medicine are education-rewarded, and yet most of our faculty are here because of our students," Schwinn said.

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Editorial

Cinema a step in right direction

For the University of Iowa students who prefer drinking as their No. 1 activity, downtown Iowa City offers more than enough places to fulfill that desire. From Summit to Sports Column to Airliner to Union, there is an overdose of bars.

However, the community doesn't have as many evening entertainment options that aren't focused on beer and liquor. UI and Iowa City officials have been seeking to change that by adding more alternative options.

Sure, there are bands and poetry readings, but downtown, it's sometimes difficult to find anything to do but drink.

That is why the city's decision to give FilmScene's Cinema the go-ahead was the right one. The theater will add another culture-filled alternative to Iowa City's nightlife.

Last week, the City Council approved nonprofit FilmScene's proposal to locate at 118 E. College St. temporarily for its screening of independent and alternative films.

"It [the cinema] will be a first-run cinema showing primarily independent, foreign, and documentary films, as well as a variety of special programs and events," said Andy Brodie, a cofounder of FilmScene.

With Union and Brothers towering over the other businesses in the west strip of the Pedestrian Mall, this area is perfect to introduce FilmScene's new theater.

"It's a great location in the heart of Iowa City, with terrific retail neighbors such as the Soap Opera, Revival, and Raygun," Brodie said. "Downtown also offers a variety of dining options within easy walking distance — FilmScene will be a vibrant addition to downtown's existing arts and cultural landscape."

Downtown clearly has enough late-night entertainment for the "partying crowd," leaving hardly enough structures to house entertainment that appeals to people who aren't happy with doing nothing but binge drinking on weekend nights. The cinema will bring a place for night entertainment that's both art-oriented and appealing to those looking for more sober fun.

Iowa City is an extremely art-friendly community; the town offers its residents numerous opportunities to experience art in various forms, such as music, visual art, and readings. Opponents may see the new

cinema as a poacher on local venues such as the Englert, the Sycamore Cinema, and the Bijou.

But just as downtown bars know, the hunting ground is filled with young prey just waiting to try something new and different.

While the new cinema won't take much business from either the Englert or the Sycamore 12, the theater that may be affected is the Bijou, which shows independent, foreign, and classic cinema.

With the UI remaining one of the top-10 party schools in the nation, a little more culture — in any form — can't be bad.

UI student Nolan Quint supports having something more to do than drink downtown.

"I'm excited about the new theater, and I've talked to a lot of people who are excited, too," he said.

The city's decision on the new cinema gave people exactly what they said wanted.

In a recent downtown market assessment — conducted by Divaris Real Estate Inc., on behalf of the city and the UI — a movie theater was the top choice by respondents when asked what they desired downtown.

The new cinema will feature mostly independent films, as well as foreign films and documentaries — films that haven't been easily accessible here recently.

OK, so an independent film house won't exactly give you Abraham Lincoln jumping around trains slinging a steel-tipped ax (awesome), or the legend of Thor teaming up with Iron Man to stave off an alien invasion (even better) — but the theater is a different option.

It's an option other than drinking that, quite frankly, Iowa City doesn't have right now. We mean, sure, there's the odd game of Risk on second-floor Daum, but for some students, there are only a couple of choices: the ever-terrible Smirnoff or the even-worse Hawkeye.

This cinema shows at least a small change in the culture of downtown.

Your turn. Do you think the new cinema is good for the downtown culture? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

Too big to be real



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On June 20, the greatest nation in the world successfully launched an Atlas 5 rocket to shuttle a spy satellite into space — which is totally awesome. More awesome yet was that the launch marked the 50th successful "Evolved Expandable Launch Vehicle" mission.

Admit it, the fantastically awesome military is eclipsed only by its immensity, which is astounding.

In fact, 4.8 percent of U.S. GDP was spent on the military. That is \$700,163,343,040.27 annually, according to World Bank 2010 reports. We spend more than the next 15 top spending countries combined. The United States accounts for 41 percent of all military spending in the world, and that is over the top.

It's a lot of money — and when we compare those amounts with the current budget deficit, the numbers become down right alarming. So every day, we hear politicians proclaiming their want to lessen the deficit, while our military is insurmountable.

Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, noted that there is no armed force in the world "that is remotely capable of overcoming our overwhelming force." "To put it bluntly, the United States can still maintain its security, defend our vital interests, and field the finest military in the world while spending a lot less money," said Harkin, a Vietnam War veteran.

Americans want to cut the deficit, but the methodology tends to incite debate. In the end, public education often sees cuts.

In Iowa, the average teacher salary ranks 38th, and starting salary ranks 42nd among the states. Students all know about tuition increases, loan-rate increases, and they understand budget cuts. We bear the brunt of education cuts, and the military grows ever larger.

The rationale for our outrageous spending is that immense military prowess puts us in a place where we are able to keep the peace. When the United States gets involved, conflicts are resolved

and missions accomplished.

Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, "is concerned America would pay an even heavier price and put future generations at even greater risk if the United States would surrender to freedom-hating terrorists, insurgents, and Islamic extremists who want to wipe America and Western civilization off the face of the Earth," according to his website. When asked, Grassley declined to explain further.

Unfortunately, the arguments lack merit when evaluated based on current facts. Take for example, the wars with Iraq and Afghanistan. Despite the immense might of our military, it is arguable whether any of the countries involved are better off today than they were 10 years ago. We have lost the lives of good people, and sure, Iraq doesn't have any weapons of mass destruction, but then again, it never did.

Pouring government dollars down the military drain has done very little to boost our struggling economy, in part because we have even been purchasing weaponry from China — and China's been sending us counterfeits.

No joke. The Senate Armed Services Committee last year launched an investigation into counterfeit parts. Chairman Carl Levin, D-Mich., released a statement in May announcing that "counterfeit electronic parts from China ... intended for Special Operations helicopters (include) 1,800 cases of bogus parts."

The yearlong investigation "found a total number of suspect counterfeit parts involved in those 1,800 cases exceeding 1 million."

It is decidedly not awesome that the largest military force doesn't build its own weapons or Special Operations helicopters.

Imagine our nation's potential if instead of purchasing counterfeit parts from China, or launching 31 Atlas 5 spy rockets, we put that money back into our schools — even if only so that we train our own engineers to manufacture weaponry rather than counterfeiters in China.

Education yields peace, weapons mean war. Right now, the military is taking too much of our resources from other important priorities. ■

Cartoon



FUN STUFF
by BEN MACKEY

Due to the success of the Farmer's Market, Iowa City decides to launch a Farmer Market.

Letters

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Need TIF Iowa City petitioners

City Council designated \$2.5 million in tax increment financing for Marc Moen's proposed 14-story building at 114 S. Dubuque, the Wells Fargo building. TIF funding is for blighted areas, not for the top 1 percent upscale offices, football condos, and penthouses.

We request that the issuing general obligation bonds by Iowa City for tax increment financing for this project be submitted to Iowa City voters at a special election. We need 700 Iowa City voters to sign by July 2.

Those who signed the early petition on Moen's TIF "revenue bonds," please sign the correctly phrased June 15 "general obligation bonds" petition at the three convenient locations: Fired Up, 520 E. Washington St., Defunct Book Shop, Sycamore Mall, Tuesday to Saturdays noon-6, and

downtown Farmers' Market Wednesday 5-6 p.m. and Saturday 7:30 a.m.-noon.

Lenora Peters
Iowa City resident

Schools in Iowa have high standards

I read a letter to the editor in *USA Today* recently in which the writer said he had never seen such claptrap as had been written in a previous *USA Today* editorial. Unfortunately, the same description applies to your incredibly inaccurate and badly written editorial "F+ for Iowa's Education System" (*DI*, June 18). Let's just try a few.

F+ is not passing, and students do not pass if they consistently only get 12.75 percent of questions correct.

Students are not taught that teachers are sub-par if they do not accept late work; students are not only taught that they should hand assignments in on time but also that it is better to do assignments late than not do them at all. There are lots of examples in the world of work where occasional (even frequent) lateness does not get you fired (think doctors and airline flights).

With regard to your unfair criticism of the Council Bluffs School District — it is far better that students can submit a missed assignment than to say, "Take a zero. Now, you don't have to do it." It is absurd to suggest that students would be able to put off a presentation to the next year.

You are correct that deadlines are important, but in the world of work, there is everything from absolute deadlines to almost complete flexibility, and students need to learn the differences and react accordingly. There are also many examples

in which retakes are available (think driver's licenses, both the written and driving test).

You suggest that to maintain a C average at the University of Iowa, you must get "70 percent of classwork completed." I am fairly sure this is an incorrect statement, as grades should be about achievement demonstrated on assessments, not just completing classwork.

I agree that students are not defined by numbers and letters and that it is important to work hard. This is why many school districts now report student learning skills/behavior separate from achievement so that the necessary behaviors are highlighted and grades are accurate measures of achievement.

I have worked with teachers and schools in 45 states, and I am confident that schools in Iowa have high standards and are not giving students an easy way out.

Ken O'Connor
grading and reporting consultant
Scarborough, Ontario, Canada

VOLLEYBALL

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leyball player Spenser Clark said the attitude toward men's volleyball — and even women's volley-

ball — in Iowa surprised him. He grew up in Illinois, where his middle-school volleyball team was highly competitive and popular with his peers.

"People always had an appreciation for the game of men's volleyball where I

was from — they liked coming to the boy's games more than the girl's because they saw a lot more hitting and blocking," Clark said. "It wasn't until I attended Iowa that I found out what the attitude toward the sport is in that state."

He said he never experienced any teasing when he was growing up as a volleyball player, but he suspects that young boys in Iowa might have a harder time fitting in to the athlete world.

"It might be a little

tougher for them to get taken seriously, especially in Iowa, where wrestling and football are the main sports," Clark said. "It's hard to get a boys' volleyball program started when those sports are being really stressed at the same young

age. I'm happy, though, that there's starting to be a little more introduction to women's and men's volleyball for little kids in Iowa."

DI Sports Editor Molly Irene Olmstead contributed to the reporting of this story.

SWIMMING

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team, both Gordon and Huff competed in the 2008 Olympic trials: Huff took 46th in the men's 100-meter freestyle as the youngest competitor in the event, and Gordon took 79th in the men's 200-

meter individual medley. "Compared to the 19-year-old me that was at the trials before, I have a whole new world of experience with college swimming," Gordon said on June 21. "A lot of guys on our team have the experience of elite swimming, but this is just one more thing to add on to it. We've traveled to nationals, we had Big Ten championships,

and we scored a lot of points for our team against big opponents. To qualify for this meet and train for it, it's just something else to add on."

Three current Hawkeyes raced in the men's 100-meter backstroke: Grant Betulius took 41st (56.69), Byron Butler took 69th (57.42), and Dustin Rhodes took 109th (58.37).

Daniela Cubelic, who

graduated from Iowa in this spring, was the only female to compete from the Hawkeyes on Tuesday. She finished 156th in the 100-meter backstroke with a time of 1:06.02.

Even though no Hawkeyes qualified for semifinals or later heats, Long said, the experience of the meet — arguably the fastest meet in the world — is an invaluable experi-

ence for his swimmers. "This is just a great meet," he said. "It's such a big thing for our Iowa swimmers to be here."

Only one Hawkeye swimmer will compete in the trials today: junior-to-be Emily Hovren will race in the 200-meter individual medley.

"It'll be a definite confidence booster to race in Omaha," Hovren said on

June 21 before leaving for the meet. "Just knowing that I'm able to be the 0.5 percent of American swimmers to make the [time] cut for this meet, to make it to this elite of a meet is amazing. Having this experience behind me, being at a meet and racing against Olympians... it'll be an eye-opener for me. I can't wait."

FOOTBALL

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new cautious attitude is needed and good, but I'm afraid that more extreme and more restrictive over-parenting might now be waiting in the future.

American football — and I emphasize "American" — is meant to be physical. It's a full-contact sport in which at least one person gets tackled every five seconds,

and there are opportunities for numerous players to get hurt on each play. The toughness it takes to survive in the sport, as well as the inherent violence that comes with it, is exactly what attracts more than 70,000 people to Kinnick Stadium on Saturdays every fall.

The Big Ten and the Ivy League employ some of the smartest people on the planet, and everyone knows that the doctors involved will do very good work and probably discover new risks that lead to head injuries in

sports. So when that time comes and new information is passed along to the higher-ups running the sport, I beg of them not to get overly cautious.

I fully support the new research and attention going into head injuries, but at the same time, I don't want to see running backs speeding down the field covered in bubble wrap in a few years.

But it might be too late.

The NFL changed the kickoff rule before last season that pushed kickoffs up

to the 35-yard line from their previous spot at the 30, and the numbers don't lie. A total of 1,374 kickoffs (5.4 per game) were returned in 2011, significantly fewer than 2,033 (7.9 per game) in 2010. Also, kickoffs were returned a measly 53.4 percent of the time last season, compared with 80.1 percent the year before. They call it the most exciting play in football, but I'm scared that it's going to disappear.

The "No Fun League" also made a concerted effort last

year to begin protecting its quarterbacks, making it impossible for any defensive player to breathe on them without inducing a penalty.

Don't ruin the sport. Please.

The NCAA got in on the destruction of fun in February when it not only instituted the 35-yard kickoff, it also introduced another rule that prohibits players from leaping over others to block a punt in fear that someone will land awkwardly and be injured.

People need to realize

that injuries are a part of football — it's the reason I don't play and most of the population doesn't, either. We don't want to get hurt. The physical nature is what makes the sport so great, so please don't take that away from us completely.

Current Chicago Bear wide receiver Devin Hester said it best when the NFL instituted its kickoff rule.

"What's next?" he said.

I guess what I am really trying to say is, don't turn football into soccer. That's not good for anyone.

Will Gatens get picked in draft?

YES

Matt Gatens played out his senior season in an Iowa uniform, and the Iowa City native is ready for the next level: the NBA.

Gatens left the Hawkeyes ranked sixth on the all-time leading scorer's list, took his team to its first wins in the Big Ten Tournament and NIT since 2006, and became the second player (behind Hawkeye legend Roy Marble) to accumulate 1,600 points, 450 rebounds, 250 assists, and 125 steals.

He has also had the Black and Gold in his blood since childhood — his father played basketball at Iowa and his mother was a cheerleader. This showed especially when Gatens decided to stick with the program despite the team's losing ways under Todd Lickliter.

What NBA team wouldn't want a player like this?

His decision to hire B.J. Armstrong (who also is Derrick Rose's manager) to represent him was an excellent choice; who better to teach Iowa's go-to guy beyond the arc about the NBA game than the king of 3-pointers from the '90s?

Gatens played basketball like a man possessed toward the end of the regular season, posting 30 and 33 points against top-20 opponents Indiana and Wisconsin and scoring double-digits for the rest of the regular season and Big Ten Tournament. His numbers dropped significantly in the NIT, but his defensive presence against Dayton played a large part in the victory.

That Gatens has worked out

for six NBA teams, including the Chicago Bulls, really encourages me about his chances of getting drafted. I haven't seen the once Mr. Basketball play since the Hawkeyes' loss against Oregon, but I can only guess that he's improved since then.

What Gatens may lack in terms of skills, he makes up for in character — which the other potential draftees might not have. This is a guy who is extremely loyal (he did decide to be a Hawk in ninth grade, after all), hard working, and constantly improving.

Gatens seems like the kind of person who wouldn't care if he's drafted as the 60th overall pick, sent straight to the D-League, doesn't play a single minute, or gets picked up in free agency. He'll do what he can for the team — that much he's proven for the Hawkeyes for the last four years.

Draft him, pick him up as a free agent — do whatever. Whichever team chooses Matt Gatens Thursday night (or after)

will make a smart choice, bringing a hard-working, strong character player into the NBA.

Where he belongs.

— by Matt Cabel

NO

Many analysts have dubbed this year's NBA draft as the deepest field in years. That doesn't bode well for former Hawkeye star Matt Gatens.

Gatens hired former Hawkeye B.J. Armstrong to represent him in preparation for the draft. Gatens also had a couple of workouts with NBA teams in the past few weeks. Those things will only help, but how much is hard to tell.

Many Hawkeye fans will remember the hard work he put in as a staple in one of the toughest stretches in Iowa basketball history. The team built by former head coach Todd Lickliter didn't compete in the postseason during Gatens' tenure, which will undoubtedly hurt his stock.

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This past year, however, things began to turn around. The Hawkeyes flirted with the Big Dance, but came up short and competed in the NIT.

Gatens had his best year as a senior. He earned second team All-Big Ten honors. He averaged 15.7 points a game and shot 41 percent from long range.

But the NBA desires more.

NBA drafts are famous fixated on potential, and this year's crop is crowded with guards. There are numerous guys ahead of him on the draft board. Florida guard Bradley Beal is considered to be the best 2-guard in the draft, followed by a combination of UConn's Jeremy Lamb, Duke's Austin Rivers, Syracuse's Dion Waiters, Washington's Terrence Ross, and fast-rising Will Barton of Memphis.

All these players benefited

from being in the spotlight. Lamb was a part of a NCAA championship team, and the others played at schools that advanced to the national tournament.

Gatens didn't have that opportunity. And even though he played inspiring basketball at the end of the 2011-12 season, his chances of getting drafted are

weak. Shooting is his strong suit, but with shooters such as Beal, Barton, Rivers, Doron Lamb of Kentucky, and Vanderbilt sleeper John Jenkins ahead of him, it'll be hard to see him drafted until the latter part of the second round. His route to the NBA might have to come another way.

— by Carlos Sosa

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July 28	THE GOONIES , Rated PG; 114 minutes; 1985 Pre-movie performance by Area Cheerleaders and Iowa Cheerleaders
August 4	SCOTT PILGRIM VS. THE WORLD , Rated PG-13; 113 minutes; 2010
August 11	THE LION KING , Rated G; 90 minutes; 1994 Pre-movie activities at the Museum of Natural History

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Why I Don't Jog Shirtless:

- I burn very easily, and everyone knows manflesh should be enjoyed rare.
 - I already have a daily shirtless chess match.
 - I only just got everyone to stop calling me "Weird Sweaty Half-Naked Running Guy," and I'm not going back to those awful days.
 - It's like a politer, calmer, less-drunk version of streaking. For me, it's gotta be all or nothing.
 - I can't just flaunt the dignified majesty of my belly button around town without any fanfare. There has to be an unveiling ceremony or something.
 - I don't have any important tattoos I wish to share with the general public.
 - Contrary to commonly held belief, I do not enjoy making children cry.
 - Shirtless jogging is an activity available pretty much exclusively to males, and I refuse to implicitly support sexism.
 - I have a little window in my torso, and apparently some people find it "off-putting."
 - I can't afford any shirtless time — I'm in the midst of a record-breaking navel lint collection attempt.
 - I have a disconcerting chest hair pattern. (By "pattern," I really mean "surplus.")
 - Any fool can run around topless; memo me when bottomless jogging catches on.
 - I'm lazy.
- Will Hartman thinks this whole fitness craze is gonna blow over.

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- **Prairie Tour**, 10:30 a.m., Weeber Pavilion, 4892 Kansas Ave. S.W.
- **Preschool Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Stories in the Park**, 10:30 a.m., Willow Creek Park
- **Iowa Summer Writing Festival Eleventh Hour**, "Giving a Good Reading and Why it Matters," Elizabeth Robinson, 11 a.m., 101 Biology Building East
- **Blank Park Zoo**, 1 p.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth St.
- **Kids Sewing**, Sketchbook Bag, 1-4 p.m., Home Ec Workshop, 207 N. Linn
- **Wii Gaming**, 2-4 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **East Side Hy-Vee Walking Club**, 4 p.m., Hy-Vee, 812 S. First Ave.
- **Backyard Abundance Educational Sessions**, 5-7 p.m., Chauncey Swan Park
- **Farmers' Market**, 5-7 p.m., Chauncey Swan parking ramp
- **Two-at-a-Time Cast on for Circular Knitting**, 6 p.m., Home Ec Workshop
- **Gray Knights Chess Club**, 6:30 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Steven Torriano Berry, fiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Spoken Word**, 7 p.m., Uptown Bill's, 730 S. Dubuque
- **The Olympics**, 7 p.m., Blue Moose, 211 Iowa
- **As You Like It**, Riverside Shakespeare Festival, 8 p.m., Festival Stage, Lower City Park
- **Jiro Dreams of Sushi**, 8 p.m., Bijou
- **What the Butler Saw**, Iowa Summer Rep, 8 p.m., Theater Building Thayer Theater
- **Jam Session**, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

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- Campus channel 4, cable channel 17
- 1 p.m.** Feeding the World and Feeding the Community Lecture Series, "Climate change, biofuels, & hunger," Jerry Schnoor, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Jan. 22
 - 2** Feeding the World and Feeding the Community series, "Hidden Hunger in Iowa," Jordan Vernoy, state director of the Iowa Food Bank, Jan. 29
 - 3** "Torture in the 21st Century United Nations," Manfred Nowak, human-rights expert guest lecture, March 4, 2010
 - 4:30** University Lecture Committee, "The Next Economy and America's Future," Robert Reich, former secretary of Labor, Sept. 7, 2011
 - 6** University Lecture Committee, Paul Farmer, worldwide leader in global-health and social-justice issues, Aug. 24, 2011

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- 9:30** Joao Vale de Almeida Lecture, UI College of Law, March 28
- 10** Daily Iowan TV News
- 10:05** Ueye, Student Information Lifestyle and campus activities 0:25
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- 10:35** University Lecture Committee, "The Next Economy and America's Future," Robert Reich, former secretary of Labor, Sept. 7, 2011

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- Wednesday, June 27 - by Eugenia Last
- ARIES** March 21-April 19 Put more time and effort into your home, money, and relationships. You will be able to tie up loose ends by keeping your options open and relying on experience. Revisit hobbies, friends, or places you used to frequent. Romance is in the stars.
 - TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Lean on a trusted person who has the same end goal as you. Don't let added pressure get you down when creativity can bring a workable solution. Don't misinterpret someone's interest in you; ulterior motives are present.
 - GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Don't get agitated when keeping busy is all that's required to accomplish your goals. Losing time over a senseless disagreement isn't worth your time and energy. Success is your ticket to a better place. Focus on enhancing your love life.
 - CANCER** June 21-July 22 Size up your situation? you will be able to find a suitable resolution. Emotional problems may restrict you if you aren't prepared to find alternative means of taking care of responsibilities that crop up. Listen, observe, and avoid opposition.
 - LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 You've got what it takes to persuade others to back your ideas. Be responsible, and you will enhance your reputation and position yourself for advancement. You don't have to buy your way into anything. Use your charisma, not your cash.
 - VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Do whatever it takes to get your way, but don't upset someone who can influence your future. Know whom to bend to and whom to put in place. Don't follow the crowd regarding an unsafe venture. Tactfully decline; do your own thing.
 - LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Love, life, and fitting in will be what counts. Offer your original ideas, and compliment those who have something to contribute in return. Think big, and opportunities will develop with someone whose company you enjoy. A lifestyle change will bring good results.
 - SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Don't take anything or anyone for granted. Keep life simple, and keep your overhead small. Stick to the rules, and focus on budgeting and saving for something special. Deal with competition graciously. Positive action and travel will help you excel.
 - SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Rethink your plans before you share them with someone in a high position. Be realistic; don't take on too much. Falling short of your expectations will make others question your ability. Focus on reputation, status, and love.
 - CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Concentrate on making financial gains. Don't take on responsibilities that will not bring you the returns you need to get ahead. Impulsive decisions or moves must be avoided. Find out where you stand regarding friends, relatives, and partners.
 - AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Fortuitous offerings will come from an unexpected source. Contracts, settlements, promises, and relationships will turn in your favor. Changes at home will result in greater stability. Love and self-improvement should be arranged.
 - PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 Stay on top of every situation you face. Opposition and underhandedness will develop if you let your guard down. Dishonesty from you or someone else will turn a small problem into a big fiasco. Focus on home, family, and helping others.

BENCHMARKS



Artist Carlos Maldonado paints a bench near the Iowa City Public Library on Tuesday. Maldonado will finish his work by Friday. This is part of the project Seasons of the Bench, also known as BenchMarks, started by the Iowa City Downtown District. (The Daily Iowan/Sumei Chen)

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 - 10 Vow words
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 - 14 To the back
 - 16 Cook like the Colonel
 - 17 John who's now a Sir
 - 18 "The Fast and the Furious" co-star
 - 20 Player of 36-/39-Across
 - 22 Global conquest board game
 - 23 Keanu Reeves's character in "The Matrix"
 - 24 Fix, as a drive
 - 28 So far
 - 29 Place for a revolving ball, maybe
 - 31 See 45-Across
 - 32 Sitter's charge
 - 33 Paddle
 - 35 Grandma, affectionately
 - 36 & 39 Jedi master first seen on 5/25/77
 - 41 Tough guy
 - 42 Scatter, as seed
 - 44 Currency board abbr.
 - 45 With 31-Across, favored weapon of 36-/39-Across
 - 47 Father-and-son Hollywood duo
 - 49 "Rock Center" network
 - 52 Figured the price of
 - 54 MGM roarer
 - 55 Zhivago's love
 - 56 Player of 36-/39-Across
 - 59 Temporary transport from a garage
 - 62 Pessimist's plaint
 - 63 Not to mention
 - 64 Gawd
 - 65 Vice President John Garner's middle name
- Down**
- 1 Children's writer Beverly
 - 2 Relief pitcher
 - 3 Swear
 - 4 Cattle, e.g.
 - 5 Pend
 - 6 Combatants at Trafalgar
 - 7 River past Ciudad Bolivar
 - 8 Home state of Andrew Johnson: Abbr.
 - 9 See 53-Down
 - 10 Hypothetical cases
 - 11 Rap's Dr. ___
 - 12 Castor ___ of the comics
 - 15 Reacts to leaven
 - 19 Univision interviews are conducted in it
 - 21 The Colts retired his #19
 - 25 Simple rhyme scheme
 - 26 Caesar's "I came"
 - 27 The "E" in B.C.E.
 - 29 Styrofoam maker
 - 30 Barrel material
 - 32 Constrict
 - 34 Blitz, in football
 - 36 Answer to the old riddle "What's round on the sides and high in the middle?"
 - 37 Perturbs
 - 38 ___ pros. (court record abbr.)
 - 40 Figs.
 - 41 Mom's "healing touch"
 - 43 World's largest retailer
 - 46 Lauren of "The Love Boat"
 - 48 Issuance of Pontius Pilate, e.g.
 - 49 1998 Winter Olympics site
 - 50 Mile High player
 - 51 OPEC, e.g.
 - 53 With 9-Down, villain faced by 36-/39-Across
 - 55 Renault model of the 1970s-'80s
 - 57 Final Four org.
 - 58 Watermelon hull
 - 59 So-called "Gateway to the Pacific Rim," informally
 - 60 Undivided
 - 61 Put on

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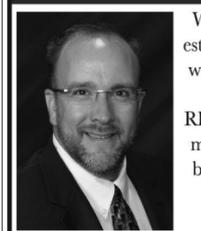
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Spiking interest in V-ball



Jennifer Dooper leads a drill during a youth volleyball camp at the Scanlon Gym on Tuesday. The camp, run by the city's Parks and Recreation Department, teaches children the fundamentals of the sport while trying to keep them entertained and engaged. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

A meager turnout of volleyball students at the Recreation Department's sports camp doesn't dampen the young athletes' eager spirits.

By **TOM GOLDHAMMER**
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Iowa isn't a "volleyball state." Especially when compared to the strength of the wrestling and football programs in the state.

But the city's Parks and Recreation Department is trying to change that. Dani Meirick and Jennifer Dooper are leading a volleyball day camp for children ages 6 through 12.

And the camp is open to both girls and boys.

Twelve-year-old Deklin Clayton is the only boy currently enrolled in the program. He loves volleyball.

Deklin had previously only played volleyball at school in gym classes, but he said he plans on sticking with the sport no matter if it's available at his future school or not.

The counselors keep in mind that this

may be the only chance that some of these kids of both sexes get to be exposed to volleyball.

"Getting kids involved at a young age is important," Meirick said. "There is a lot of club volleyball out there, but there is a distinct lack of recreational opportunities."

Meirick and Dooper work to raise awareness about volleyball by building the fundamentals from scratch, while keeping the kids entertained. Each step that they take ensures that the proper technique and form are used for each of the volleyball hits being introduced to the youngsters.

There is no Monday Night Volleyball or College Volleyball Game Day. In order for the sport to continue to field the best talent, it is essential that the young athletes, male and female, continue to pursue camps such as Meirick and Dooper's.

Dooper, a newcomer to Iowa from Kentucky, noted how different the perspective on the sport is in the two states.

"Based on what I've seen so far, there are a lot more sports that are a lot more popular in Iowa," she said. "If more camps like this were offered at an early age, I'm sure there would be more interest by the time they reach high school. The way they have it set up now, by the time they're that [age], another sport already has their primary attention."

Volleyball reigns supreme as the most popular of the sports for girls in Dooper's home state. The difference in volleyball culture is as stark as the contrast between the University of Kentucky and University of Iowa volleyball programs — Kentucky finished this past season 28-6; Iowa ended its 2011 campaign at 11-22.

Former UI student and men's club vol-

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COMMENTARY

Football, not soccer

The recent Big Ten/Ivy League agreement, though a good thing, could negatively affect football and how it's played in the future.



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The Big Ten and Ivy League's recent agreement to begin a collaborative effort to study head injuries is a great thing for sports and athletes in general. The number of deaths that could potentially be prevented because of a research program such as this is worth the time and effort of such a collaboration.

The suicides of former professional football players Dave Duerson, Terry Long, Andre Waters, and — most notably and recently — Junior Sea, were all tied in one way or another to long-term effects of brain injuries sustained during football. Their brain injuries to back to as early as college. Or before.

If an organization similar to this had been formed years ago, maybe these men would still be with us.

So naturally, when I heard the news that this group was formed, I, like the rest of the nation, stood up and applauded.

Unlike most, however, I was clapping with nine fingers instead of 10.

You see, that 10th finger was the football fan inside of me, and he is a little worried about how a major effort like this may affect the most popular sport in the nation. This

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Kicker Meyer on watch list

Iowa football player Mike Meyer was named to the College Football Performance Awards special team's watch list for the 2012 placekicker and specialist trophies.

This is Meyer's second-consecutive season to appear on the watch list.

Meyer handled all field goals, extra-point attempts, and kick-offs during the 2011 season. He is 28-of-37 overall in field goals, including a personal-best 50-yard shot made against Iowa

State in 2011. The junior-to-be has scored 159 points in his first two seasons on the field.

Meyer, a 6-2 Dubuque native, made 70 percent of his field-goal attempts last season, 14-of-20.

He was named the national Placekicker of the Week by the College Football Performance Awards following his 50-yard bomb against the Cyclones. The kicker was also a semifinal candidate for the 2011 Lou Groza Award for placekickers.

Next season's Groza Award winner will be announced in early January 2013.

— by Molly Irene Olmstead

20 years later, coach gets 2nd title

OMAHA — Arizona coach Andy Lopez celebrated the 20th anniversary of his first national championship by winning his second.

In 1992, Lopez brought unheralded Pepperdine to the College World Series and beat Cal State-Fullerton in the championship game.

Arizona's sweep of South Carolina in the series finals — completed with Monday night's 4-1 victory — was not nearly as stunning as what Pepperdine accomplished two decades ago.

The Wildcats (48-17) were the hottest thing going in college baseball the last six weeks.

But believe Lopez when he says he's soaked up the journey to this title more than he did in winning the first one. The two decades between titles showed him how elusive championships can be.

"When I was 38 years old,

and I showed up in Omaha, and we won the national championship, I had no clue," he said. "I was a young guy, my kids were all little guys, and I was trying to see if I could figure out if I could survive in this profession. More than ever I do have an appreciation."

The Wildcats ended South Carolina's two-year run of dominance at the College World Series and rewarded Lopez for persevering through the hard times that came with rebuilding the downtrodden program he took over 11 years ago.

Lopez thought he had a title-caliber team in 2008, but the Wildcats lost a crushing three-game super regional at Miami that he laments to this day.

He was devastated again in 2009, when his team failed to make the national tournament.

A strong recruiting class two years ago formed the core of the team that won Arizona's first national championship since 1986, fourth overall.

— Associated Press

Ex-Hawk Dwyer makes Olympics

Current and former Iowa swimmers represented the Black and Gold at the U.S. Olympic trials in Omaha on Tuesday, with one ex-Hawkeye making the potential Olympic squad.

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The 13 swimmers who competed for Iowa during the 2011-12 season weren't the only Hawkeye representatives at the U.S. Olympic trials on Monday night. Former Black and Gold swimmer Conor Dwyer, who swam for Iowa from 2007-09, placed second in the men's 400-meter freestyle and secured a spot as an alternate on the Olympic team.

Dwyer, who finished with a time of 3:47.83, lost to three-time Olympic medalist Peter Vanderkaay (3:47.67).

Iowa head coach Marc Long praised Dwyer, even though the ex-Hawkeye



Iowa's Conor Dwyer practices in the Field House pool in 2008. Dwyer swam for the Hawkeyes from 2007-2009 and qualified for the 2012 Olympic squad in the 400-meter freestyle on Monday. Dwyer will also race for a team spot in the 200-meter freestyle today. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

transferred to Florida following his sophomore year in Iowa City.

"It's great to see him earn this," Long said. "It's definitely improved since his years at Iowa, and we're happy to see him continue on in his career. He's not done yet, either — I think he has even more ahead of him."

Long said he'd rather see all his affiliates "in a Hawkeye cap," but Dwyer's Olympic accomplishment still helps boost Iowa's swimming program in the public eye.

"We keep stepping in the right direction," Long said.

"We want to continue to increase our presence at this meet. We want to get athletes to believe that, not only can they qualify for this meet, but they can also compete well at it and achieve even more."

Dwyer also competed in the 200-meter freestyle on Tuesday, this time beating Vanderkaay in the preliminaries. Dwyer took fifth to qualify for the semifinal (1:48.42), and Vanderkaay finished right behind him to take sixth in the first round (1:48.47).

Dwyer beat Vanderkaay again in the semifinal, finishing third with a time of

1:47.38. He fell to six-time medal winner Ryan Lochte (1:46.25) and 16-time medalist Michael Phelps (1:46.27). The final for the event will take place this evening.

Hawkeye senior-to-be Jordan Huff also competed in the preliminaries of the men's 200-meter freestyle, finishing 40th with a time of 1:51.12. Teammate Paul Gordon finished behind him, taking 71st in the preliminaries with a time of 1:52.24.

The only returning athletes from the Hawkeye

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