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UI leads Iowa mammoth study



A team works inside an archeological dig near Oskaloosa, Iowa, on Sunday. The team of researchers, students, and volunteers is excavating the remnants of two mammoths. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

By **NATE OTJEN**
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Thousands of years ago, mammoths roamed across what is now Iowa, and the University of Iowa now has a unique opportunity to study two sets of fossils on which excavation has recently begun.

UI students and professors are beginning to study mammoth bones from a site near Oskaloosa, Iowa.

"It keeps getting better and better," said Sarah Horgen, the project leader for the dig and UI Museum of Natural History education coordinator.

The project is the first of its kind in terms of two full mammoths being excavated and studied by the university. The university is the lead research partner, with the UI Museum of Natural History serving as the project lead.

Landowners in Oskaloosa found the mammoth bones in 2010 while looking for berries.

The landowners took the bones to the UI, where they were studied and determined to be mammoth bones. More bones were discovered shortly after, and the landowners asked for assistance from UI officials in April to help excavate the bones. The landowner is retaining them, allowing the UI to excavate and study them.

"We have quite a large collection of mammoth bones at the university, and they are mostly teeth," said Tiffany Adrain, the collections manager at the UI Paleontology Repository. "But we have had nothing like this before. It's a fantastic

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UI student Kristin Tefft (left) and West High student Ryan Rozer extract a mammoth vertebrae at an archeological dig near Oskaloosa, Iowa, on Sunday. A team of researchers, students, and other volunteers is working on excavating the remnants of two mammoths. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

Mobile Clinic makes its mark

By **BRIANNA JETT**
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The University of Iowa Mobile Clinic — a mostly student-run program founded 10 years ago — celebrated its 10th anniversary Sept. 14, and while it has come a long way from 2002, officials said it has room for improvement.

"It was really awesome to see the changes over the last 10 years in terms of how many disciplines and the people that they have, as well as increasing the number of sites we've been able to get to," said Rita Bhatnagar, one of the founders. "It seems like it's been a more streamlined process and easier to get people recruited to be part of this process."

Penelope Rembolt, the administrative adviser for the clinic, said there were originally around 15 students, and today there are around 200 volunteers. Professional students from different medically based colleges come together to help diagnose and treat the un-insured and under-insured local populations.

"I think it's amazing in 10 years how much we have expanded, and it's really become an

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Volunteers work at the UI Mobile Clinic at the Shelter House. The program just celebrated its 10th anniversary. Professional students from different medically based colleges come together to help diagnose and treat the un-insured and under-insured local populations. (Contributed Photo/Alexander Hubbell)

UI adds final community college partner

By **STACEY MURRAY**
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Students from every community college in Iowa can now earn degrees from the University of Iowa without ever setting foot on the Pentacrest.

UI and Iowa Central Community College officials will sign an agreement today between the institutions allowing students at the community college to complete a four-year degree through online courses offered by the UI.

The signing will take place in the Iowa Central Community college board room, located in Fort Dodge.

In this agreement, the UI went through program-by-program and saw how the credits will transfer and where they apply, allowing students to complete degrees online while paying UI tuition for online classes.

"The University of Iowa's online programs are a great addition to Iowa Central's already extensive list of on-

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Man accused of attacking police officer to plead guilty

A former University of Iowa student accused of attempted murder is expected to plead guilty, although it is unknown to what charges, according to court documents.

Branden Plummer is accused of the Class-B felony and willfully causing bodily injury, a Class-D felony, in connection with an alleged assault of Iowa City police Sgt. Brian Krei.

On Nov. 18, 2011, police reports said Krei approached Plummer because he was allegedly disrupting traffic. Plummer allegedly started to strangle Krei and hit Krei's head against the sidewalk, causing him to lose consciousness.

Plummer was also granted a request to modify his bond on Sept. 14. His mother posted his bond, which was originally set at \$100,000 cash, on Dec. 27, 2011. Plummer's bond was reduced to \$50,000, and the remaining \$50,000 will be returned to his mother, Kerrie Murphy.

Plummer is scheduled to plead guilty at 9 a.m. Sept. 21. His trial is currently set for Sept. 24 at the Tama County Courthouse, but it is currently unclear as to where he would plead guilty.

— by Brent Griffiths

Man charged with bootlegging

A local man has been accused of stealing 51 bottles of Grey Goose vodka from Walmart over a period of time.

According to Iowa City police complaints, Mack Blumingburg, 20, was charged Sept. 13 with bootlegging and second-degree theft after Walmart personnel reportedly watched him steal several bottles of alcohol on five different occasions.

Blumingburg admitted to four of five recorded thefts, the complaint said. The value of the bottles equaled \$1,633.02, the complaint said. Blumingburg told police he was stealing the alcohol and selling it for \$20 a bottle. Some of the buyers, he said, were under the age of 21.

Second-degree theft is a Class-D felony, and bootlegging is a serious misdemeanor.

— by Kristen East



Branden Plummer is escorted into the Johnson County Courthouse on Dec. 5, 2011. Plummer is charged with attempted murder of an Iowa City police officer on Nov. 18. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley)

Man charged with burglary

A local man was charged after allegedly stealing a wallet from a bedroom at a house party.

According to an Iowa City police complaint, Nadjib Bourahla, 18, was charged Sept. 8 after a female reported to police that her wallet had been taken from a bedroom during a party the previous day. Party attendees reportedly witnessed Bourahla leaving one of the bedrooms, the complaint said. An officer located some of the wallet's contents on South Johnson Street.

Bourahla was charged with second-degree burglary, a Class-C felony.

Bourahla was previously charged Sept. 9 with second-degree burglary second-degree theft, a class-D felony, and possession of marijuana, a serious misdemeanor.

— by Kristen East

Teen killed in auto accident

A teen driver died after losing control on Highway 1 West early Sunday morning.

Iowa City police responded to a report of a single vehicle roll-over on the highway between Hawk Ridge and Sunset Streets, according to an Iowa City police press release. There were five people inside the vehicle when the driver lost control around

3:31 a.m. Sunday, the complaint said.

The driver — who suffered fatal injuries at the scene of the accident — was identified as Bharati Mashay Windmon. Windmon, 19, was an Iowa City resident.

Windmon is not listed as a student in the University of Iowa phonebook.

The other occupants of the car received minor injuries, the release said; the crash remains under investigation.

— by Kristen East

Man faces drug charge

A local man was charged after police allegedly found syringes and methamphetamine under the passenger seat of the driver's car.

According to a North Liberty police complaint, Paul Perrin was charged Sept. 14 with third-offense possession of a controlled substance after an officer issued a citation for registration violation.

The officer searched Perrin's vehicle and allegedly found a glasses case under the passenger seat containing a pop bottle cap, tourniquet, Q Tips, and syringes, the complaint said.

According to the complaint, Perrin said he used the syringes for diabetes. Crystals inside the bottle cap tested positively for methamphetamine after the

officer conducted a test. Perrin later admitted to being addicted to methamphetamine, the complaint said.

Perrin has two previous convictions for possession of methamphetamine.

Third-offense possession of a controlled substance is a class-D felony.

— by Kristen East

Man charged with controlled-substance violation

A local man faces a drug charge after allegedly being found with six individually wrapped packages of marijuana in his car.

According to a Coralville police complaint, Ricky Witt, 38, was charged Sept. 14 with a controlled-substance violation after an officer smelled a strong odor of marijuana on the defendant.

Witt got into his vehicle, and the officer could smell a strong odor of marijuana inside the car, the complaint said. Officers proceeded to search the vehicle and reportedly found six individually wrapped packages of marijuana. The defendant told the officers he planned on selling the marijuana because he was in need of some money, the complaint said.

A controlled-substance violation is a Class-D felony.

— by Kristen East

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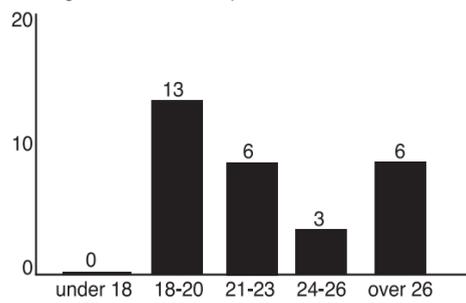
Busted

This weekend, before, during, and after the Iowa vs. UNI football game, University of Iowa Police issued more than 70 citations. Check the *DI* after every home game for a breakdown of "football-related" arrests.

'Football-related' arrests

PAULA	10
Possession of open container	33
Public Intoxication	27
Disorderly Conduct	1
Interference with official acts	1

Age breakdown of reported offenders*



*Numbers reported by UIPD

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BLOTTER

Johanna Allen, 21, 20 Arbor Hill Circle No. 43, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Cole Andersen, 20, Naperville, Ill., was charged Sept. 15 with public intoxication.

Kelly Anderson, 44, Urbandale, Iowa, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.
Bradley Bagus, 20, 430 N. Dubuque St., was charged Sept. 15 possession of a fictitious driver's license/ID and PAULA.

Ethan Bahl, 19, Dubuque, was charged Sept. 8 with possessing or supplying alcohol under 21.

Travis Ballstadt, 40, Ames, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

David Beaty III, 23, was charged Sunday with driving while barred.

Brian Bergquist, 26, North Liberty, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Chad Bethards, 39, North Liberty, was charged Sept. 15 with OWI.

Amanda Boyer, 37, Bettendorf, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Nicole Brooks, 23, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Adam Burger, 28, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sept. 12 with public intoxication.

Jenny Caffery, 36, Olin, Iowa, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Ryan Cameron, 21, Wilton, Iowa, was charged Sept. 15 with OWI.

Anna Carano, 22, Ames, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Jaimie Carney, 33, 2401 Highway 6 E. No. 3007, was charged Sunday with driving while license revoked.

charged Sept. 8 with public intoxication and interference with official acts.

Connor Carrara, 26, Davenport, was charged Sept. 8 with public intoxication and interference with official acts.

Karlee Carver, 24, Davenport, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Brayton Carlson, 18, Ely, Iowa, was charged Sept. 8 with public intoxication.

Mikhail Chabala, 19, Le Mars, Iowa, was charged Sept. 14 with unlawful use of a driver's license/ID of another, public intoxication, obstruction of an officer, possession of an open container of alcohol in public, and PAULA.

James Clayton, 25, 1100 Arther St. No. N1, was charged Sept. 15 with child endangerment and domestic-abuse assault.

Davon'te Coleman, 19, 3003 Lakeside Drive, was charged Sunday with interference with official acts.

Lisa Connell, 50, Solon, was charged Sept. 13 with OWI.

Evan Connolly, 20, Tinley Park, Ill., was charged Sept. 15 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public, PAULA, public intoxication, and possession of a fictitious driver's license/ID.

Spencer Coy, 23, West Des Moines, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

James Dean, 34 429 Southgate Ave., was charged Sept. 10 with fifth-degree theft.

Enrique De La Vega III, 20, 429 E. Burlington St. No. 461, was charged Sept. 14 with keeping a disorderly house, making alcohol available to minors, and PAULA.

Hasan Didovic, 18, Coralville, was charged Sept. 15 with PAULA.

Cindy Dreher, 52, 1925 Meadow

Ridge Lane, was charged Sept. 13 with violation of a no contact, domestic abuse protective order.

Edward Dunkel, 20, 512 S. Dubuque St. No. 12, was charged Sept. 15 with keeping a disorderly house.

Steven Easley, 28, 4925 Herbert Hoover Highway S.E., was charged Sept. 15 with public intoxication and possession of marijuana.

Jason Enlow, 25, Davenport, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Ryan Fedash, 19, 3231 Burge, was charged Sept. 15 with PAULA.

Kyle Feller, 20, Davenport, was charged Sept. 14 with PAULA.

Brady Fisher, 23, Vinton, Iowa, was charged Sept. 15 with public intoxication.

Angela Frohwein, 40, Clive, Iowa, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Clayton Gooch, 19, Colona, Ill., was charged Sept. 15 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Julius Griggs Jr., 37, 6 Amber Lane, was charged Sept. 11 with third-offense OWI.

Mitchell Gross, 36, Coralville, was charged Sept. 8 with possessing an open container of alcohol in public.

Benjamin Hanks, 34, Lisbon, Iowa, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Eugene Harris, 46, address unknown, was charged Sept. 13 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Emad Hasan, 40, 221 E. College St., was charged Sept. 15 with animal in plaza.

Spencer Harvieux, 18, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sept. 15 with disorderly conduct, public intoxication, and interference with official acts.

Andrew Hedrick, 19, 1500 Glendale Road, was charged Sept. 8 with possessing or supplying alcohol under 21.

Kevin Hernandez, 18, 1551 Dickenson Lane, was charged Sept. 15 with driving while license revoked and OWI.

Vincent Hewitt, 47, 201 Myrtle Ave., was charged Oct. 12, 2011, with second-degree theft and Nov. 5, 2011, with third-degree theft.

Weston Hinton, 18, Ely, Iowa, was charged Sept. 8 with public intoxication and unlawful use of a driver's license.

Daniel Hocken, 26, Urbandale, Iowa, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Lyle Hopkins, 27, 1705 Prairie Du Chien Road Lot 9, was charged Sept. 15 with fifth-degree theft.

Samuel Houge, 18, Urbandale, Iowa, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Michael Huntebrinker, 20, Chesterfield, Mo., was charged Sept. 8 with public intoxication.

Robert Hry, 54, Clive, Iowa, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Andrew Johnson, 20, 512 S. Dubuque St. No. 10, was charged Sept. 15 with keeping a disorderly house.

Stefanie Johnston, 33, Davenport, was charged Sept. 8 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Michael Jones, 19, Coralville, was charged Sept. 15 with PAULA.

Iowa Keller, 45, 9 Rowland Court, was charged Sept. 9 with obstruction of emergency communication and domestic assault with serious or aggravated injury.

Maxwell Kelly, 19, River Forest, Ill., was charged Sept. 15 with public intoxication.

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opportunity to actually be there at the site.”

The Museum of Natural History is heading the project with the Department of Geoscience, the College of Engineering, and the Department of Anthropology also being involved with the excavation efforts. The UI is also partnering with Iowa

State University, William Penn University, and the office of the State Archaeologist.

“The collaboration is impressive,” said Andrew Blodgett, a UI senior majoring in geology. “There are professors from three different universities donating their time with it.”

Blodgett has been to the site five different times and is working on measuring the bones to compare the lengths to mammoth bones in other states.

“There aren’t many sites with more than one mammoth,” he said. “The number of bones we are finding is quite irregular.”

Bones from two different mammoths have been discovered at the Oska-loosa site, and those involved in the excavation say there could possibly be more. Roughly 60 to 70 bones have been removed through the excavation. Current age estimates of the bones date the animals to be between 10,000

and 12,000 years old.

The mammoth uncovered is most likely a Columbian Mammoth — a species found as far north as Alaska and as far south as Central America. It was considered the biggest species and had the longest tusks of the mammoths.

“What’s really great is that the landowner is letting us do this,” Arthur Bettis, a UI geoscience professor, said. “It’s a great opportunity to work with lots of people who you

don’t usually get to work with.”

Blodgett said the site is small and can only hold about ten people maximum at a given time.

“It’s a wide area but it’s in a trench,” he said. “The bottom is flooded with water.”

This makes the excavation difficult for the volunteers.

Horgen leads groups of volunteers at the site who are primarily students and professors from uni-

versities across the state. Volunteers usually visit the site on weekends to excavate. Horgen currently has a waiting list of students and professors who want to help with the excavation.

University officials don’t have a set time frame for the completion of the project but say its educational aspect has unlimited potential.

“We don’t know how large the area is,” Horgen said. “... Only time will tell with that.”

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integral part of the Carver College of Medicine,” said Lindsey Knake, one of the board members for the clinic.

The clinic works under a yearly budget of roughly \$12,000, provided by grants, donations, and some financial support from the Carver College of Medicine for the faculty

medical director and staff member.

“There were a lot of good things going on with it, but I think there are also places where the organization can get stronger,” said Courtney Kerestes, one of the current board members. “I really wanted to work on improving how efficient the clinic is.”

The clinic continues to adapt not only in order to survive, but also mainly to help those in need. Currently there is an initiative to move completely to electronic records — aiming to put all of the patients’ re-

ords in one place to allow more efficient treatment over time.

“It will have all the patients from all the clinics in one cloud-based system, all Internet run,” said Alex Hubbell, a board member overseeing internal relations. “[There will be] no local servers, so it is very secure and very free. It will help with longitudinal tracking of patients coming back to us.”

Another big push is educating members of the public about their health and about the Mobile Clinic.

“We are really trying to push advertisement and just getting more awareness out there that there is a clinic that people can come to,” Knake said.

The Mobile Clinic started with four main sites, and volunteers currently visit five sites at least once a month, as well as a few extra during the summer. The original sites were Pheasant Ridge Neighborhood Center, Broadway Neighborhood Center, the Shelter House, and Columbus Junction.

And while they no longer visit the Broadway

Neighborhood Center or the Shelter House, they have added the Cedar Rapids Free Medical Clinic, Street Medicine at Wesley Center, and West Liberty. St. Patrick’s Church is in the works of becoming the newest addition.

“If we can bring the care to the places, it makes it easier for people to get the care they need,” Bhatnagar said.

The Mobile Clinic began under a \$30,000 grant from Pfizer, a national pharmaceutical company. Some of the money went into purchasing and up-

keep of a bus that was retrofitted to become a mobile clinic. It was used until a fire about four years ago rendered it too expensive to repair. Currently, clinic members borrow space at the five main sites bringing all of their own equipment.

“It must be meeting a need,” founder Dominic Cirillo said. “I would hope at this point in time that we wouldn’t have this need in the community, but I’m glad that [the Mobile Clinic] is there to help fill it.”

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line degree programs,” Dave Grosland, Iowa Central’s vice president of instruction, said in a press release.

Chet Rzonca, the UI dean of continuing education, said agreements with community colleges began in 1971 for those students who were unable to attend campus classes. In 2005, the state Board of Regents approved a Bachelor of Applied Studies online program, with Iowa Central providing 45 of the 525 statewide students in that program.

“Let’s say if someone has a family and they can’t afford to move to Iowa City, but they want a four-year degree ... the demand is there that they created

these opportunities for students,” said Lois Gray from University Communication and Marketing.

The UI will officially work with every community college in the state when the documents are signed but won’t travel beyond Iowa’s borders for agreements with other community colleges.

“It’s the university’s commitment to Iowa,” Rzonca said.

Rzonca said the UI won’t work with any more institutions, and he hopes to improve the working relationships that already exist with Iowa community colleges.

“There are a number of students that will benefit from any type of partner or articulation agreement we have with any four-year institution,” TJ Martin, the director of distance learning at Iowa Central, said.

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Editorial

In-state tuition freeze a necessary and achievable goal

On Sept. 12, the state Board of Regents encouraged the presidents of the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, and the University of Northern Iowa to freeze in-state tuition for the 2013-14 academic school year, as previously reported by *The Daily Iowan*.

This year, a tuition freeze wouldn't just be good for students, it's absolutely necessary — and it's doable through an increased role in making up the funding gap through the UI Foundation.

A tuition freeze has not occurred in at least 32 years, and the smallest increase in tuition since 1980 was by 3.2 percent in 2008. Since 2001, in-state tuition has risen from \$1,453 per semester to just over \$4,000 including fees.

The cost of attending the UI over the past 10 years has nearly tripled. The U.S. inflation rate since 2001 is 30.2 percent, which would suggest that in-state tuition should cost just under \$2,000 this year, but, of course, it is more than double that price.

The current state of the U.S. economy only makes matters worse. After graduation, students face an unemployment rate of 8.1 percent nationally, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and on average carry with them nearly \$25,000 in debt, as previously reported by the *DI*.

The UI generates revenue from more than just state appropriations and tuition and fees — it also has the UI Foundation. The Foundation is a semi-private entity, which accepts gifts and endowments on behalf of the university. Last year, the Foundation saw a 12 percent increase in money raised through fundraisers, bringing the total to a whopping \$213 million.

The Foundation uses this money for a variety of different programs, including student scholarships, research, and program funds.

Furthermore, some of the contributions are “restricted,” which means that the donors specified that their donations should be allocated for a specific purpose or program, but there were more than \$24 million of unrestricted funds last year.

Our tuition pays for great things. *The U.S. News & World Reports* ranked the University of Iowa as tied for 28th best public university in the country because “Iowa offers top-notch academic programming in more than 100 areas ... Students have more than 500 clubs and organizations from which to choose ... [and] Iowa City, a Midwestern metropolis that has been recognized among the nation's best for its scenery, greenery, and sustainable energy efforts.”

We have exceptional opportunities here, but student debt and unemployment rates makes education today cost more than just tuition and fees.

Foundation members, the regents, the Iowa Legislature, and university presidents must recognize that an education is an asset that should not drain the wealth of young people through tuition hikes but rather enable greater wealth in knowledge and abilities.

Education is an invaluable asset to the economy and overall welfare of the state. The UI has the funds available to maintain an excellence in academia at stabilized costs to students. Now our Foundation and regents need the encouragement to follow through.

Your turn. Should the University of Iowa freeze tuition?
Weigh in at dailyiowan.com

First-gen programs work

By Sri Ponnada

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Twenty-five percent of students on campus are the first in their families to go to college, according to a UI press release; 1,100 of this 25 percent are entering our campus for the first time this year.

However, according to the National Center for Education Statistics, after three years, first-generation students are less likely to remain enrolled in four-year institutions than their counterparts whose parents have bachelor's or advanced degrees.

Obviously, enrolling in a college and then leaving without a degree can have significant monetary, occupational, and other consequences for individuals.

Hence, it is important to provide this group of students with the support and guidance they need to stay motivated and finish their time at the university.

Luckily, we now have a fantastic new initiative targeting first-generation students headed by the Center for Diversity and Enrichment whose goal is “to bring to life the UI's commitment to create a diverse and welcoming climate with a critical mass of students, staff, and faculty from communities under-represented in higher

education,” as stated on the center's website.

Research and responses from first-generation faculty led to the creation of new events in order to increase interaction among first-generation students and other students and faculty and thus make them feel comfortable in the university setting.

The university also wishes to develop a student-mentoring program for first-generation students.

Although some members of this group may also be members of lower-income, under-represented ethnicity groups as well, it is critical to identify first-generation students as a unique group in order to address their needs.

In an interview with the *DI*, senior Bethliz Irizarry, the vice president of First-Generation Students Iowa, said she is excited about the initiative because there are many things she wishes she would have known when she was a freshman as a first-generation student.

Given the unique pressure first-generation students face, this shouldn't surprise us.

Instead, it should motivate us to play our part in welcoming these individuals to our community and making them feel at home. ■

Letters/Comments

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Voter fraud miniscule

In the 2008 presidential election, roughly 1.5 million Iowans showed up to vote. These “1,200 ineligible voters” would have accounted for approximately eight-ten thousandths of the total voter turnout in the state (less than one-tenth of one percent).

Even if all of these non-citizens voted for Obama (isn't that what you're afraid of?), he would have won Iowa with an extra five-hundredths of a percent. Could the election be this close? It's possible. In reality?

Probably not. It seems to me that, as you being a senator, there should be many other things on your plate that have a much higher priority than this issue. Such as, oh I don't know: creating jobs; making sure the debt ceiling isn't surpassed (again); and balancing the nation's budget. Just to name a few.

“Solving” the (extremely) miniscule amount of voter fraud: Common sense, or an intimidation tactic against the minority communities? You tell me, senator.

Brian Iwaniuk
Iowa City resident

Go deeper when reporting

Lemme get this straight. Steve Forbes told kids they're going to have to hustle (*DI*: Forbes sees good economy ahead, Sept. 13)? We're talking about Malcolm Forbes' kid, right? Malcolm Forbes, that Princeton boy who inherited a financial publishing outfit from his old man, and built it up into a minor publishing empire? And then handed the whole thing to his twerpy rich-kid son Steve, himself a Princeton alumni admit and Far Hills Country Day School boy? The same Far Hills that runs about \$30,000 for eighth grade these days?

That Steve Forbes told a roomful of broke state-college students that they're going to have to hustle?

What the hell does Steve Forbes know about hustling? Well, quite a bit, I guess, if a guy like that can get broke state-college students to stand up and cheer for him while he talks around a whole set of silverware, bringin' the news that times be hard and the whip be a-crackin'.

Unbelievable. Word to reporter: you need to go deeper than the press release when you're covering speakers.

Amy Charles

RE: 'Emergency-voting laws in Iowa should be cast aside'

Why do the radical extremist RINOs in Congress, GOP, RNC go out of their way to try and prevent their fellow citizens from voting. There is very little voter fraud in this country and most of the voter fraud is committed by the so-called Republicans.

They committed voter fraud in Ohio in 2004, and it is highly likely they did so in Florida in 2000. The traditional Republican party of Eisenhower, Rockefeller, Dirksen, Hatfield, Ford and some others no longer exists. Those that wear the Republican label now are totalitarian, corrupt, and incompetent. They are primarily responsible for the massive increase of the National Debt, especially under Bush/Cheney that increased the ND over 100 percent, twice that of all previous presidents combined.

They are also responsible for the “housing fraud bubble”, the bursting that created the almost financial market collapse that led to the Great Recession. The results —The loss of \$34,000,000,000,000 of America's wealth that took over 220 years to create and will take

decades to recover.

Rather than help President Obama and the Democrats fix a RINO created problem, they have embarked on a campaign of obstruction and sabotage of the economy so they can blame President Obama. Don't they realize they are shafting the American families? Do they care? Are they sadists that love to inflict pain?

ghotcommander

Do you understand these administrative rules will have no impact on the November general election? Don't you think that 1200 potentially illegal voters is sufficient evidence to investigate?

The notion that there is “no evidence of voter fraud in Iowa” is naive and ridiculous. If people are involved, there is always potential for illegal activity. Aren't you concerned that our elections could be tampered with by illegal voters? Why are voter rights more important than the integrity of elections? Both should be of equal importance and the Secretary of State and Attorney General have said but the press seems never to report it. What you are really saying is you don't trust the Secretary of State's office to do its job.

Brock Jones

Pick up a (real) book

By FRANCESCA BIANCHINI

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When you think of school, what's the first thing that comes to your mind? For some, it might be dreading the endless amount of homework. Others may cringe at the cost of their textbooks. Me? I think of ICON, e-books, and any other electronic device that you can imagine.

Check the course website for the syllabus. Read a chapter of your e-book for homework. Submit your essay into the online ICON drop box. This daily procedure has been imprinted in every student's brain since the first class at Iowa.

So what happens when technology fails? That situation occurred on Sept. 12, when students and staff were unable to log onto their ICON home pages, complete homework assignments, or take their online quizzes.

Students depend too much on technology to get them through their

school days.

In a study done by CourseSmart, the world's largest provider of eTextbooks and digital course materials, 73 percent of students surveyed contended that they would not be able to study without the use of technology. Call me old-fashioned, but I'd take a printed text over a digital screen any day.

Obviously, I'm not suggesting we revert to being cavemen and writing our essays on stone blocks with chisels and hammers. But maybe every once in a while, we should pick up a book to do our research and lay off of Wikipedia — because we know how credible that information can be.

And I'm not talking about the snazzy iPhone 5 or a new MacBook Pro. For starters, a course website that wasn't periodically broken would be nice. Or even a textbook that doesn't expire once the semester is over. It doesn't take a search engine to figure that out. ■

Guest Column

Shifting perceptions of candidates' competence

With unemployment still hovering above 8 percent, exploding national debt, and one of the nation's most polarizing presidents in office, it should be easy for the Republicans to win the White House in 2012. Poll numbers released following the Democratic and Republican National Conventions defy this intuitive logic, however, given that

President Obama's lead over Gov. Mitt Romney has increased by several points, narrowing the possibility of a Republican victory in November.

The combination of a weak candidate, a sloppy campaign, and a deafness to the political climate of the country has poised Romney to lose one of the most winnable elections of the last century.

Mitt Romney, for all of his business bona fides, is not a particularly strong political candidate: His campaign has appeared ad hoc and prone to gaffes, and the candidate has failed to formulate satisfactory policy positions on a range of topics.

More alarming for Romney is the latest *New York Times*/CBS poll, revealing a shift

in Obama's favor on which candidate will do a better job handling the economy: Although Obama's lead on the economy is within the margin of error, he has made a significant comeback in this area, given that polls as late as July favored Romney on economic issues by large margins.

In spite of vacillating public confidence in

Obama's competence, he has always maintained a distinct “likeability” advantage over Romney. Perhaps for the large segment of the American polity, which is too busy Keeping up with the Kardashians to pay attention to politics, it will be likeability, rather than policy positions, that will decide the 2012 race. For the remaining engaged undecided

voters, however, the positions staked out at the debate could tip the balance of the election, raising the stakes for Romney in particular. Without exceeding expectations at the debates, Romney will effectively ensure a second term for Obama.

Alexander Nourafshan
University of Iowa College of Law
student

Constitution Week kicks off in Iowa City

Today marks the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution. Local businesses are observing the anniversary.

By **BRENT GRIFFITHS**
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Exactly 225 years ago today, 55 men wrote a document on parchment to address the failures in their government. That very same document can now be flipped through on an iPad, summarized into 140 characters on Twitter, or shoved into a pocket squeezed between keys and a cell phone.

The U.S. Constitution may have been signed in Philadelphia, and currently housed in Washington, D.C., but its impact is constantly felt and debated, especially in an election year such as this one.

Separate from the election and the partisan fervor, the Iowa City and University of Iowa community will mark the anniversary with the yearly tradition of administering free pocket Constitutions, which will be available at T-Spoons, Capanna, and Java House, as well as the UI Main Library today through Friday as part of Constitution Week.

"It's great to have the opportunity for people to see some of our rights defined, and that they need to be protected," said Jammie Goedken, the owner of T-Spoons. "You hear about it in government class or in school, but for someone who is removed from that environment, it's nice to have a refresher."

Coffee drinkers at T-Spoons will also be able to add a patriotic flavor to their brew with the yearly addition of the Constitutional Latte, made of: white chocolate, raspberry, and blueberries, during the weeklong anniversary. Other events include a reading by ROTC students in the IMU. Additionally, the Iowa City City Council will pass a proclamation during Tuesday's meeting.

"All of our laws are based on the [Constitution], and people should try to attend the events," said City Councilor Connie Champion. "It's really important to see it work in the general public favor, especially with important Supreme Court decisions, and I believe it's a very valuable and well-thought-out tool."

UI professors and students alike weighed in on the relevance of the document in 2012.

UI political-science Associate Professor Tim Hagle said the Constitution reminds Americans of their unalienable rights.

"I don't think politicians understand what the Constitution is ..." he said. "The government is here to serve us, not vice versa."

UI senior Chris Piplani said the observance is important especially with the upcoming election in November.

"[The Constitution] is especially important during an election year, when it will be under a microscope," he said. "The Tea Party [members] like to say they follow it, but in my opinion, they don't."

"It's great that people in this country have a right to say something that not everyone will agree with," UI senior Jay Bell said. "I don't personally agree with the Westboro Baptist Church protesting soldiers' funerals, but I believe they have a right to say it."

Today, its meaning may concern videos on Youtube, spark debate on 24-hour news channels, or be referenced with hashtags or Facebook statuses, but one

fact remains: Even in the age of technology the power of a document written so long ago is still felt.

"It isn't as much an emphasis in celebrating the Constitution, but it's for those who didn't take a course in it or understand that's it supposed to be the foundation of government, not something everyone pays lip service to," Hagle said.

Constitution

Iowa City and the University of Iowa community mark the 225th anniversary of the Constitution. Copies of the Pocket Constitution will be available at the following locations:

- UI Main Library
- T-Spoons
- Capanna
- Java House (Washington Street)



The Bill of Rights is displayed on the coffee bar at the Java House on Monday, September 12, 2011. Some local businesses are offering free pocket-sized Constitutions in honor of Constitution Week. Other events include a reading by ROTC students in the IMU. Also, the Iowa City City Council will pass a proclamation during their meeting on Tuesday. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley)

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IOWA 27



NORTHERN IOWA 16



Iowa wide receiver Keenan Davis runs after a catch against UNI in Kinnick Stadium on Sept. 15. Davis had 5 catches in the Hawkeyes' 27-16 victory over the Panthers. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley)



Northern Iowa running back David Johnson rushes against Iowa in Kinnick Stadium on Sept. 15. Johnson had 16 carries for 77 yards, but the Hawkeyes defeated the Panthers, 27-16. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley)

Three years ago, the Hawkeyes led two field goals to a victory over Iowa. No miracle required on just a stout defense and a heavy dose of man. The full his way to 11 yards and 3 touchdowns and the defense second-half opponent year.

BREAKDOWN

	IOWA	UNI
FIRST DOWNS	25	16
RUSHING YARDS	201	94
PASSING YARDS	228	245
THIRD-DOWN CONVERSION PERCENTAGE	64% (9-14)	20% (2-10)
PENALTY YARDS	3-40	7-65
AVERAGE GAIN PER PLAY	6.0	5.9
TIME OF POSSESSION	25:01	34:59

BOX SCORE

IOWA 27, NORTHERN IOWA 16

IOWA	7	10	7	3	27
IOWA STATE	10	3	3	0	16

FIRST QUARTER
Northern Iowa - Johnson 1-yard run (Sievertsen Kick), 10:36
Iowa - Weisman 1-yard run (Meyer kick), 5:25
Northern Iowa - Sievertsen 49-yard field goal, 2:13

SECOND QUARTER
Iowa - Weisman 1-yard run (Meyer kick), 11:09
Northern Iowa - Sievertsen 22-yard field goal, 7:24
Iowa - Meyer 24-yard field goal, 2:46

THIRD QUARTER
Iowa - Weisman 2-yard run (Meyer kick), 13:10
Northern Iowa - Sievertsen 25-yard field goal, 2:47

FOURTH QUARTER
Iowa - Meyer 19-yard field goal, 12:22

INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING
Iowa: Weisman 24-113, Bullock 13-77, Garmon 3-13, Rogers 1-2.
Northern Iowa: Johnson 16-77, Anderson 5-13, Vereen 1-4, Kollmorgen, 2-0.

PASSING
Iowa: Vandenberg 18-28-228-0-0.
Northern Iowa: Kollmorgen 20-33-245-0-1.

RECEIVING
Iowa: Martin-Manley 5-101, Davis 5-54, Weisman 3-33, Fiedorowicz 3-27, Cotton 1-8, Bullock 1-5.
Northern Iowa: Johnson 6-77, Owens 5-51, Sinkfield 3-39, Anderson 3-29, LeMaster 2-46, Wright 1-3.

BY THE NUMBERS

51 Yards gained on a third-quarter pass from James Vandenberg to Kevonte Martin-Manley, the longest play of the season for Iowa.

6 The number of fourth-quarter points Iowa's defense has allowed this season.

50 Consecutive PATs made by kicker Mike Meyer, one away from Nate Kaeding's school record.

QUOTED

'Today, it really started with the running game. We were able to establish that, and it really opened things up. The ways defenses have to start adjusting to that makes it hard for them to guard everybody.'

- Wide receiver Keenan Davis on Iowa's offense

'We scored some touchdowns. That was really big because we have had a hard time getting the ball in the end zone. You think about the first three possessions; we come out with 17 points, we'll take that any time.'

- head coach Kirk Ferentz

Recap

IOWA 16



ON THE WEB

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'Weisman, man, that guy. He's a tank, that's what he is. We knew it was going to come in, we saw it. He had a great, great camp, and everybody knew that he was going to come in and produce, and he did today... He's going to do everything right.'

— Wide receiver Keenan Davis

(Top left) Iowa fullback Mark Weisman carries the ball against UNI in Kinnick Stadium on Sept. 15. Weisman scored 3 touchdowns in the Hawkeyes' 27-16 win over the Panthers. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley) (Middle left) Iowa running back Damon Bullock exits the field after suffering a head injury during the Hawkeyes' game against UNI in Kinnick Stadium on Sept. 15. (The Daily Iowan/Rachel Jessen) (Middle right) Iowa linebacker James Morris tackles UNI receiver Chad Owens in Kinnick Stadium on Sept. 15. Morris had 8 tackles in the Hawkeyes' 27-16 victory over the Panthers. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley) (Bottom) Iowa running back Damon Bullock flies past UNI players in Kinnick Stadium on Sept. 15. Bullock had 13 carries for 77 yards before he was injured in the second quarter during the Hawkeyes' 27-16 victory over the Panthers. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley)



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KEY PLAYS

- Early in the second quarter, Northern Iowa moved the ball all the way down to the Hawkeye 5-yard line. Iowa had a 14-10 lead but had struggled to stop the Panthers so far in the game. On third down and goal, UNI quarterback Sawyer Kollmorgen fired a pass into the end zone intended for receiver Chad Owens. But Hawkeye safety Tanner Miller broke the pass up, and Northern Iowa had to settle for a field goal.

- Just three plays into the second half, the Hawkeyes ripped off the kind of big play that they hadn't been able to make early this season. A play-action fake sucked in the Panther linebackers, and James Vandenberg hit Kevonte Martin-Manley up the middle for a 51-yard gain. On the next play, the Hawkeyes punched in a touchdown from the 2-yard line.

GAME BALLS

IOWA

Mark Weisman

Injuries to Damon Bullock and Greg Garmon left Iowa without a single healthy running back. So they turned to Weisman, a walk-on fullback, who responded with a monster effort. Weisman's 113 yards and 3 touchdowns put the Hawkeye offense back on track.

NORTHERN IOWA

David Johnson

The Panther running back had 154 yards from scrimmage - 77 in both the rushing and the passing games - and scored a touchdown. Hawkeye linebackers had an impossible time trying to contain Johnson's shiftiness and speed.

THUMBS UP

The running game. After two games of trying to move the ball through the air, Iowa got back to what has worked in the past: running the ball all the way down the field. That opened things up for the passing game as well, and Vandenberg and the receivers feasted on play-actions.

THUMBS DOWN

Early defense. The Hawkeye defense has been outstanding in the second half of all three games this season. But it has been oddly porous on game-opening drives. Iowa gave almost no resistance as the Panthers scored on an 8-play stroll down the field to start the game.

the ledge

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What I Want on My Tombstone:

- "She Died as She Lived: Pointlessly"
- "You're Next"
- "Avenge Me"
- "She Was an Effin' Classy Broad"
- "Unlike When She Faced the Firing Squad, She Will Be Missed"
- "Catch Ya On the Flip Side"
- "Watch That First Step: It's a Doozy"
- "The End ...?"
- "She is Definitely Really Dead and Not Living Incognito in the Bahamas"
- "You May Now Pry Whatever You Wish From Her Hands"
- "Beloved Daughter, Sister, and Parking-Ramp Attendant"
- "Hey, At Least She's Out of the House"
- "Site of Future Hauntings"
- "Don't Drink That Milk in the Fridge. It's Expired."
- "Oopsies"
- "She Hated Clichéd Sentiment; May She Rest in Peace"
- "Wish You Were Here"

Kit Bryant. Just in case the Mayans were right.

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3 4

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5	2	8	9	3	1	4	6	7
1	7	9	5	4	6	8	3	2
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today's events

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- **Toddler Story Time, 10:30 p.m.**, Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **Emancipation Event, 12:30 p.m.**, Bijou
- **Wii Bowling, 1:30 p.m.**, Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **Sit and Knit, 2 p.m.**, Senior Center
- **Breast Cancer Symposium Fall 2012**, "Basal cells and growth in the mammary gland," Lindsay Hinck, University of California-Santa Cruz, 4 p.m., 2117 Medical Education & Research Facility
- **Optimal Brain Health**
- throughout the Lifespan: How, Why, and Why Not?**, Mark Mattson, John Hopkins, 4 p.m., 101 Biology Building East
- **GLBT Movie Series, Let's Talk Inclusive, 6:30 p.m.**, Senior Center
- **"Live from Prairie Lights,"** Kevin Kopelson, memoir, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **James Miller**, trombone, 7:30 p.m., University Capitol Centre Recital Hall
- **One-Night Stand, 9 p.m.**, Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

UITV schedule

Campus channel 4, cable channel 17

- 1 p.m.** Celebration of Excellence & Achievement Among Women Annual Awards Ceremonies, recorded April 3
- 3** "Bodies of Knowledge: Women's Health History," Wendy Klein, University of Cincinnati, May 1
- 4** University Explorers Series, "Probing the High Energy Universe" Randall McEntaffer, April 19
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- 6** "Bodies of Knowledge: Women's Health History," Wendy Klein, University of Cincinnati, May 1
- 7** Probing the High Energy Universe - Explorers Lecture Randall McEntaffer lecture, 4/19/2012
- 8** College of Law College of Law presents Nicola Lacey, Oxford University, April 19
- 9** Iowa Football with Kirk Ferentz, Gary Dolphin and Ferentz review the previous and upcoming games, produced by Hawkeye Athletics
- 9:30** Daily Iowan TV News
- 9:45** Iowa Now, news and features from the UI
- 10** Iowa Football with Kirk Ferentz, Gary Dolphin and Ferentz review the previous and upcoming games, produced by Hawkeye Athletics
- 10:30** Daily Iowan TV News
- 10:45** John Cage Centennial, CMN Ensemble Concert, compositions from the 1930s to the 1970s, UI Center for New Music Celebration of John Cage, Feb. 12

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Monday, September 17, 2012
- by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 Don't let emotional confusion cause you to lose sight of your goals. Change is good, and implementing old with new will give you exactly what you need to accomplish your goals with a unique touch. An old lover or friend is likely to surface.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Consider your choices, and you will realize the best route to take personally and professionally. Diversify what you have to offer to suit the changing times, and you will excel. Don't get stuck in the past when it's the future that counts.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Focus on self-improvement, but don't go overboard. Cost-effective alterations will make you feel good and keep your stress level down. Deal with any uncertainty you have with a peer or your vocation. Love and romance are on the rise.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 Promises made to family members will be difficult to keep and lead to disappointment. Changes at home may not be your idea, but it is wise to accept the inevitable. What appears to be negative will turn out to be to your benefit.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Organize or attend a community event. The changes you make will be met with approval. Speak openly about your feelings and plans for the future. A new acquaintance will develop into a long-lasting friendship or partnership.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Moneymaking ventures will be profitable. Invest in your abilities, and you will succeed. Small business ventures will help make your money work for you. Keep your financial and personal situation a secret until you have reached your ideal goal.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Open-mindedness will help when faced with adversity. Seeing all sides of a situation will favor finding a solution that suits everyone. Don't make an abrupt change, but integrate the alterations that will benefit everyone.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Expect delays. Watch your step, and avoid mishaps. Ease into whatever you plan to do and avoid overspending. A problem with rules and regulations should be anticipated. Focus on taking care of your personal well-being.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Changing your work habits will bring good results. You can get far more accomplished if you are happy in your personal life. A moneymaking idea will pan out well for you. Romance is highlighted.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Take one step at a time. Listen and observe what others do. Do not let an emotional situation confuse you. Analyze what's going on, and estimate the best move possible. Make sure that ulterior motives aren't involved on your part or someone else's.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Put more time and effort into your surroundings. Redecorate, or make a residential move or alteration that better suits your current lifestyle, needs, or professional endeavors. Love is in the stars.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 A creative approach to the way you handle your finances or a partnership will help you get your way. Don't go overboard or embellish what it is you are trying to accomplish. Excess is the enemy; moderation is your friend.

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OBJECTS OF ART

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0813

- ACROSS**
- "Shoo, kitty!"
 - Minus item on a balance sheet
 - "Man, that was close!"
 - One's equal
 - Harden (to)
 - Jewish wedding dance
 - Et ___ (and others)
 - Luxury craft crossing the Atlantic, say
 - Hog's food
 - ___ sequitur
 - Give the most votes
 - Paris cabaret
 - Hog's home
 - Weapon for fencing
 - Shekel : Israel :: ___ : Mexico
 - Letter before iota
 - ___ Mustard (Clue character): Abbr.
 - Not naughty
 - Good grounding
 - Building block of molecules
 - Gibbon, for one
 - Heavy zoo critter
 - Lack of hardships
 - Employee's pay
 - Recipe amt.
 - Spooned-out Nestlé product
 - Many a South Seas island
 - By way of
 - Slangy greeting
 - What this crossword is, in a way?
 - "Step ___!" ("Hurry up!")
 - Having settled the score

- DOWN**
- Involuntary twitch
 - Instrument played with a bow
 - Vowel run
 - Rhythm for a minuet or waltz
 - "Walk On By" singer Warwick
 - "Again! Again!"
 - Good, in Granada
 - Levin or Gershwin
 - "Perfect" number
 - Punxsutawney ___ (annual spring forecaster)
 - Sharpens
 - Posture-perfect
 - Like a witch's nose
 - Cask dregs
 - Portable Apple device
 - "___ my honor!"
 - Desex, as a stallion
 - Considered from all sides
 - Org. conducting airport searches
 - On a streak
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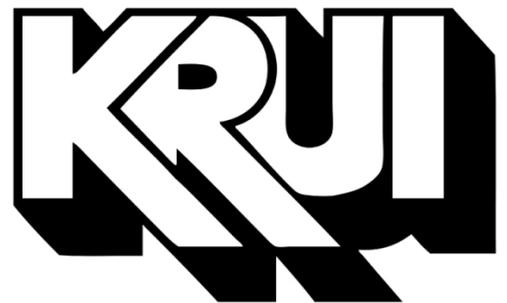
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FIRST ONE IN THE POOL



Elizabeth Jackson plays pool at Deadwood on Sept. 15. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

SPORTS

Soccer loses first match

The Iowa women's soccer team suffered its first loss of the season, falling, 2-1, to Illinois at the Illinois Soccer Stadium in Champaign, Ill., on Sunday.

Illini junior midfielder Vanessa DiBernardo and freshman forward Nicole Breece each had goals for the hosts, who snapped the Hawkeyes' nine-match winning streak in the Big Ten opener for both schools. DiBernardo and head coach Janet Rayfield made their first appearance for Illinois (4-3-1, 1-0-0 Big Ten) this season after spending the first half of the year with the USA U-20 squad.

Hawkeye junior forward Alex Melin notched the lone goal for Iowa (9-1-0, 0-1-0 Big Ten) in the 22nd minute in response to DiBernardo's tally, but Breece was able to put a ball past Iowa freshman goalkeeper Meg Goodson just six minutes later for the deciding score.

Sophomore Cloe Lacasse entered the contest leading the Hawkeyes in every offensive sta-

tistic, but the Illini defense shut down the star forward, keeping her under wraps and off the score sheet. The underclassman was unable to find the back of the net for the first time this season, and she was held without a shot.

The lack of offense beyond Lacasse had been a concern for the Black and Gold through nine games, and the consequences were on full display in Champaign.

The Iowa offense was able to muster only 13 shots, six on net. The Illini, however, overwhelmed their visitors with 28 shots, 10 on goal.

Goodson and fellow freshman goalkeeper Hannah Clark had allowed 3 goals through nine games, and once again, they split duties in front of the net.

This time, however, head coach Ron Rainey's goalie carousel fell off the tracks.

Goodson allowed 2 goals in the first 30 minutes of action, making

2 saves on 12 Illini shots during an eventful opening frame. Clark followed protocol by relieving her teammate at halftime and was better, making 6 saves on 16 Illinois shots.

Picking a definitive starting goalie had been a topic of discussion the past couple of weeks for Iowa, and Sunday may have provided the solution.

This is the second-consecutive season in which the Hawkeyes entered Big Ten play with a perfect record, only to have it ruined in the opener by the Illini. Last season, Iowa entered conference play with an 8-0-0 record and played Illinois to a 2-2 draw.

It remains to be seen what adjustments the Hawkeyes make between now and their match against Indiana on Friday, but Sunday's action left the team searching for answers they hadn't been posed with during nonconference play.

- by Tom Clos

Men's golf in 3rd after first round

The Iowa men's golf team sits in third place among 15 teams af-

ter a first round score of 4 over in the Golfweek Conference Challenge at Spirit Hollow Golf Course in Burlington.

The Hawkeyes trail Missouri (2 under) and Ball State (1 over) with two rounds remaining.

"We got off to a good start today. You could tell that we were more prepared [than last week]," head coach Mark Hankins said. "All five guys were engaged in the moment and played hard."

Junior Steven Ihm had an impressive first round score of 4 under, and he is tied for first place with Jace Long of Missouri. Ihm started his round with four-straight birdies and had only two bogeys or worse all day.

"Sixty-eight is a great round," Hankins said. "He only had one blip with a double bogey late, but he hung in there. He was patient and putted well."

Sophomores Ian Vandersee and Brian Bullington both shot 2 over. Bullington holed the only

eagle of the day for the Black and Gold.

Freshman Ryan Marks scored a 5 over opening round, and sophomore Joseph Winslow finished 4 over. Winslow is making his first appearance for the Hawkeyes in this tournament.

Iowa is in good shape after the first nine holes of the tournament. The team had 10 birdies compared with 8 bogeys but faltered slightly in the second half of the day. The squad could only muster 6 birdies while bogeying 10 holes to end the first round.

Hankins said keeping focus

throughout the day is something he wants to see in the next two rounds.

"We left a few shots out there," he said. "We need to do a better job finishing our round. The back 9 definitely played a little tougher, but we'll continue to learn and improve."

Iowa golfers will tee off between 10:40 a.m. and 11:20 a.m. today. Each golfer will be paired with an athlete from Missouri and Ball State, the two teams the Hawks trail in the tournament.

- by Tommy Reinking



Rainey Head Coach



Ihm junior

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More than mere Luck for Colts

By MICHAEL MAROT Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Andrew Luck did a pretty good impersonation of Peyton Manning on Sunday.

He threw a couple of touchdown passes and set up Adam Vinatieri for a game-winning, 52-yard field goal with 8 seconds left that gave the Indianapolis Colts a 23-20 win over the Minnesota Vikings.

Not even Manning was able to win in his Colts' home debut back in 1998.

The Colts (1-1) have now won three-straight home games dating to last season and improved to 10-0 in home games against the Vikings.

This one took more than Luck after Christian Ponder rallied the Vikings (1-1) for two touchdowns in the final 5½ minutes.

The Colts rookie finished 20-of-1 for 224 yards on a solid, not spectacular day. He was more impressive eluding pass rushers and throwing on the run than he was with his arm. Yet time after time, Luck escaped trouble, and he even rolled out of the pocket on the two completions that put Indianapolis in position for the winning kick.

He was helped by a defense that held Minnesota to two field goals in the first 54 minutes.



Indianapolis Colts' Cory Redding (90) gestures as he leaves the field after the Colts defeated the Minnesota Vikings 23-20 in an NFL football game in Indianapolis, Sunday, Sept. 16, 2012. (AP Photo/AJ Mast)

Minnesota finally tied the score on Kyle Rudolph's 6-yard touchdown catch with 31 seconds to go.

That proved to be too much time for Luck, who completed a 20-yard pass to Donnie Avery and called time-out. He completed a 20-yard pass to Reggie Wayne, then called another time-out. Then he got the Vikings to jump offside, putting the ball at the Vikings 35, and he spiked the ball.

New Colt coach Chuck Pagano quickly sent in Vinatieri, the best clutch kicker in league history, who

lived up to his nickname by knocking the 53-yarder through the uprights.

Indy didn't look anything like the team that got blown out by Chicago last week.

Instead, it started fast, took control just before halftime, and kept Minnesota at an arm's distance for most of the second half.

But Ponder got the Vikings in sync late.

Minnesota made it 20-13 on a bizarre fourth-down TD pass that was tipped twice before winding up in the hands of Stephen Burton with 5:07 to play.

The Vikings then forced a quick Indy punt, and Ponder again drove the Vikings down the field. This time, he found Rudolph for the tying score.

Luck answered by moving the Colts 45 yards in 23 seconds to set up the Vinatieri field goal.

Ponder was 27-of-5 for 245 yards with two TDs, but he was sacked four times. Adrian Peterson ran 16 times for 60 yards, and Percy Harvin caught 12 passes for 104 yards. Avery caught 9 passes for 111 yards.

Viciedo, Dunn lead White Sox past Twins

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MINNEAPOLIS — Jake Peavy baffled Minnesota again, Dayan Viciedo and Adam Dunn homered, and the Chicago White Sox beat the Twins 9-2 on Sunday.

The White Sox scored 6 runs in the sixth inning to support Peavy (11-11) and stay ahead of Detroit in the AL Central.

The Tigers lost to Cleveland on Sunday; they will travel to Chicago for a makeup game today. It will be the final time the two teams meet this season.

Joe Mauer homered in his return after missing five games with back spasms, but the Twins weren't able to avoid the sweep and lost to Chicago for the 13th time in 16 games.

After Alexi Casilla's double in the fifth made it 3-2, Dunn and Viciedo went deep off Scott Diamond (11-8) in the sixth to

squash the Twins' comeback attempt.

Dunn opened the inning with a towering solo shot that traveled 415 feet before finally falling into the first row of the upper deck in right field and bouncing back on the field.

Viciedo drove his 21st home run — and Chicago's 192nd as a team — into the upper deck in left after Alex Rios tripled.

Chicago batted around and added 3 more unearned runs in the sixth, capped by Dunn's RBI single.

Peavy allowed 2 runs and struck out 6 in six innings. The right-hander is 4-0 with a 1.73 ERA against the Twins since the All-Star break and 0-6 in eight starts against everyone else over that time.

After Mauer homered in the first, Peavy retired the next eight Twins hitters before Mauer doubled in the fourth.

Justin Morneau walked, but Peavy struck out Ryan

Doumit and Chris Parmelee to end the threat and keep Chicago in front.

Following today's makeup game, the White Sox will travel to Kansas City for a three-game series with the Royals. Chicago has won just 10 of its last 22 games against Detroit and Kansas City.

Diamond has just one win in his last seven starts after getting off to a hot start.

After allowing a career-worst 10 hits in his last outing, Diamond surrendered six runs on seven hits in 5.1 innings on Sunday.

Minnesota is done playing Chicago, but can still help its rival out down the stretch. Six of the Twins' final 15 games are against the Tigers.

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physical football in the Big Ten.”

Weisman, however, seemed more proud of the black eye he got during the game than the touchdowns he scored. He credited those to the offensive line's blocking.

“One [touchdown] was from fullback — they opened up a wide hole for me, and I just got in there. And the other two were from running back,” Weisman said. “One of them I didn't even get touched, the blocking there was unbelievable. You could have driven a truck through the hole there.”

But Weisman was physical, too. The Hawkeye nabbed a 21-yard pass from Vandenberg and flattened a defender as he pushed forward, ball under his arm, to the Northern Iowa 4-yard line. The “Juggernaut” made one of the biggest hits of the contest while he was carrying



Iowa fullback Mark Weisman is tackled by the UNI defense in Kinnick Stadium on Sept. 15. The Hawkeyes defeated the Panthers, 27-16. (The Daily Iowan/Rachel Jessen)

the ball.

The sophomore has eagerly awaited his chance to get in the game, to be the next man in. He's worked diligently in the weight room — competing daily with linebacker James Morris — and put in constant effort just to make sure he'd be prepared when his name finally got called.

“Coach always talks about the next man in, so he was the next man in and he did a tremendous job,” offensive lineman Austin Blythe said. “We did our job up front, but he just broke tackle after tack-

le ... He just puts his head down and runs the ball.”

Blythe said Weisman's performance against UNI was a testament to how hard the fullback works during the off season, off the field, and in practice. Weisman, even before receiving significant playing time, continually set an example for the rest of his teammates and set the bar for work ethic. “He's a young guy that we've had a lot of confidence in. You learn a lot from how you see guys go through their day-to-day work,” Vandenberg said.

who could do some damage,” Griesbaum said. “The thing about field hockey is that you know it's coming, but that doesn't mean it's easy to defend. We had to handle a lot of pressure.”

Iowa maintained the score and held off Albany's late attack. The leadership

of Geena Lesiak helped keep Iowa's backline calm.

“It's a lot of anticipation,” Lesiak said of the defensive strategy. “It's a lot of checking off your shoulder to see where your girl is but also trying to read the person with the ball ... That helps to anticipate the next move.”

AP Top 25 Rankings

(Last week's ranking)

- Alabama (1)
- LSU (3)
- Oregon (4)
- Florida State (5)
- Georgia (7)
- Oklahoma (5)
- South Carolina (8)
- West Virginia (9)
- Stanford (21)
- Clemson (11)
- Notre Dame (20)
- Texas (14)
- USC (2)
- Florida (18)
- Kansas State (15)
- Ohio State (12)
- TCU (16)
- Michigan (17)
- UCLA (22)
- Louisville (19)
- Michigan State (10)
- Arizona (24)
- Mississippi State (n/a)
- Boise State (n/a)
- Nebraska (n/a)

Bold denotes Big Ten

“He's one of those guys who puts his nose down every day and just grinds it out no matter what, running, conditioning, lifting. He's a great guy to be around and to work with.”

Lesiak said the defense's discipline and focus made the difference during the final moments, helping Iowa hold on for its fifth win of the season.

“We always talk about protecting Grant,” she said. “We just have to keep this momentum going.”

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“They are really aggressive and have good players

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dead last nationally. And they were preparing to face a feisty underdog that had taken Wisconsin, last season's Big Ten champion, to the wire in Week 1.

Iowa hadn't given its fans any reason to expect a comfortable win over UNI. National pundits from ESPN.com and CBS went on the record predicting a Hawkeye loss.

The team responded with a performance that made that all seem a little

silly.

The Hawkeyes proved their offensive line can still control a line of scrimmage — Vandenberg wasn't sacked once, and Iowa's runners had huge holes through which to plunge. They proved that once they establish a running game, they're plenty capable of striking through the air. Kevonte Martin-Manley and Keenan Davis broke free for deep catches once UNI had to adjust to Iowa's ground attack.

And the team continued to show its defense is better than anybody expected. Iowa has allowed just

10 points in the second halves of the first three games this year, zero in fourth quarters. Unheralded players continued to make big, timely plays. Senior defensive end Joe Gaglione recorded a fourth-quarter sack, senior safety Tom Donatell picked off a third-quarter pass, and junior linebacker Anthony Hitchens again led the team with 10 tackles.

None of this, of course, necessarily means that Iowa is good. The Hawkeyes lost to the only major-conference opponent they have faced so far, and they still have clear prob-

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SPORTS

Women's golf heads to coach's alma mater

After finishing fifth out of 13 teams at the Chip-N-Club Invitational this past week, the Iowa women's golf team will take aim at the Dick McGuire Invitational title starting today.

The tournament will take place in Albuquerque, N.M. The Championship Golf Course at the University of Mexico will host the 54-hole event.

In total, 17 teams will compete, including Iowa's Big Ten counterparts Indiana, Northwestern, and Ohio State. Iowa State and the host New Mexico Lobos are among the other squads in the event.

The Hawkeyes will stick with the same lineup that competed in Lincoln. It includes seniors Kristi Cardwell and Gigi DiGrazia, who will look to improve upon their shaky performances at the Chip-N-Club. Lauren English, a sophomore from Bloomington, Ill., posted the lowest total, 13 over (229), for the Hawkeyes in the team's first tournament. English will round out the lineup along with freshman Briana Midkiff and sophomore Shelby Phillips.

Second-year head coach Megan Menzel will return to her alma mater today; she was a two-time captain of the golf team during her time at the University of New Mexico from 1993-97. She was also the 1996-97 Bank of America Academic Athlete of the Year.

Golfers will play 36 holes today and finish the tournament with a round of 18 on Tuesday. A shotgun start is scheduled for 8 a.m. each day. Those who would like to follow the tournament as it happens can do so at Golfstat.com.

— by Ryan Probasco

V-ball goes 1-2 in Milwaukee

The Hawkeyes wrapped up their nonconference schedule at the Marquette Invitational with a 1-2 record on the weekend.

The event saw Iowa compete against two NCAA Tournament teams from last year in Marquette and Milwaukee. Iowa closed the tournament with a loss against the host team in three-straight sets (25-18, 25-14, 25-18).

Marquette showed its experience by out-hitting the Hawkeyes. Iowa started off well in the first set, hitting .303. But in the second set, the Hawkeyes managed a woeful .057 and couldn't rebound in the third set, in which they hit .175.

Junior Nikki Dailey led Iowa with her seventh-straight double-double (30 assists and 12 digs). Freshman Erin Radke had the most kills in the match with 12, and Bethany Yeager led the defense with 15 digs.

On Sept. 14, Iowa defeated Milwaukee in a five-set match (25-23, 25-21, 12-25, 17-25, 15-12).

“Milwaukee is a great team,” head coach Sharon Dingman said in a release. “They have been to the NCAA Tournament many times. That is a team that is going to win 28 to 30 matches almost every single year. That is a great win for our program.”

Yeager led the Hawkeyes with a team-high 21 digs. Setter Nikki Dailey (35 assists and 16 digs) and outside hitter Alex Lovell (21 kills and 14 digs) both recorded double-doubles in the win.

The Hawkeyes started off their weekend with a 3-1 (25-17-, 25-19, 24-26, 25-22) loss against the Pacific Tigers. In the two teams first-ever meeting, Iowa was un-

able to recover from a 2-0 set deficit. The Hawkeyes struggled to hit the ball with a subpar .145 hitting percentage. Pacific's Megan Birch paced her squad with match-high 20 kills. Lovell had 18 kills against the Tigers, while team captain Bethany Yeager registered a match-high 28 digs.

Yeager was the lone Hawkeye named to the all-tournament team. She finished the weekend with 64 digs; she now ranks seventh in Iowa history with 1,263.

— by Carlos Sosa

Hawk frosh Dohanics wins flight

Freshman tennis player Annette Dohanics won the Maroon Singles Flight championship at the Gopher Invitational on Sunday, defeating Air Force's Melissa Cecil (6-1, 6-1). Dohanics won four singles matches in three days to take one of three singles titles at the tournament. Eastern Michigan's Diana Davitaia won the top Gold Singles Flight while Wisconsin-Milwaukee's Dana Shannon won a three-set match to take the Gopher Singles Flight. Doubles pairings from Air Force and Minnesota took the two doubles flights.

Dohanics, a Pittsburgh native, also won a doubles match on Sunday, teaming up with sophomore Ellen Silver to defeat UW-Milwaukee's Kelly Fritz and Dana Shannon in a pro set 8-2.

Iowa players lost three other singles matches on Sunday, a sour note on an otherwise successful weekend. The toughest loss may have been Christina Harazin's — the junior fell in three sets (6-4, 4-6, 6-3) to Minnesota's Jessika Mozia. The Hawkeyes doubles pairing



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Hawkeyes pound their way to victory



Northern Iowa's defense tackles Iowa fullback Mark Weisman in Kinnick Stadium on Sept. 15. The Hawkeyes defeated the Panthers, 27-16, and Weisman rushed for 113 yards. (The Daily Iowan/Rachel Jessen)

Mark Weisman found himself carrying the Hawkeye offense on Sept. 15. The fullback proved up to the task.

By MOLLY IRENE OLMSTEAD

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James Vandenberg called him “a genetic freak.” Keenan Davis called him “a tank.” C.J. Fiedorowicz called him “a solid brick of muscle.” His teammates have called him the Juggernaut for a while. After Mark Weisman rushed for 113 yards and 3 touchdowns against Northern Iowa on Sept. 15, the rest of Hawkeye nation understands why.

The Iowa offense suffered two significant injuries against the Panthers when running backs Damon Bullcock and Greg Garmon both exited the game in the sec-

ond quarter. That left Iowa without any healthy tailbacks. But the Hawkeyes didn't panic.

They would have, Fiedorowicz said, but they knew Weisman was the next man in. The fullback seamlessly switched from blocker to featured runner.

“Weisman, man, that guy,” Davis said. “We knew it was going to come; we saw it. He had a great, great camp, and everybody knew that he was going to come in and produce, and he did today ... He's going to do everything right.”

Weisman pounded in all three of the Hawkeyes' touchdowns from 2 yards or less. The fullback-turned-running back racked up yards after contact, choosing to run

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through the Panther defense instead of around them.

“It's a fullback style, and I play fullback — I'm now a running back, but that's just my style right now,” Weisman said. “I like contact and I like playing football ...

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Field hockey holds on for win

The Hawkeye field-hockey team hung on in the final minutes on Sunday to stay undefeated on home turf.

By CODY GOODWIN

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The overhead passes weren't much of an issue for the 14th-ranked Hawkeyes.

Head coach Tracey Griesbaum planned for Albany's aerial advances all week at practice, emphasizing stingy, patient defense. It proved to be the difference in Iowa's 2-1 home victory over the No. 20 Great Danes on Sunday.

The win appeared to be in good hands for 67 minutes of the contest. Kelsey Mitchell opened the game with an early goal at the 3:26 mark. Corinne Allen took a pass to the south baseline before skipping it through the defense to a wide-open Mitchell, who proceeded to notch the score.

“We wanted to score early to take the wind out of their sails,” the junior said about her third goal of the season. “The plan was to score early and often. The ‘often’ didn't come as much as we wanted it to, but we accomplished the early part.”

Mitchell nearly duplicated the scenario in the second half. She received a pass from Marike Stribos, and made a clean turn before initiating a shifty comeback maneuver



Iowa field-hockey forward Corinne Allen takes aim against Albany at Grant Field on Sunday. The 14th-ranked Hawkeyes defeated Albany, 2-1, to remain undefeated at home. (The Daily Iowan/Nicholas Fanelli)

to score her second goal of the day.

She delivered Iowa's final goal at the 37-minute mark, pushing the lead to 2-0.

“It was important for us to get the goals early in the halves to give us a little bit of momentum,” Mitchell said.

The rest of the game — even between the goals — was an offensive struggle between the two ranked squads. Albany was able to penetrate the Iowa defense early on. The Great Danes found smaller holes in the midfield and snuck longer passes into the middle near Iowa's circle.

The back and forth caused both teams to grow weary and frustrated, leading to fouls and penalty corners. But none of those fazed Iowa senior goalkeeper Kathleen McGraw, who made 8 saves.

“We had to battle,” Griesbaum said. “I thought we got off to a good start, but as time went on, [Albany] really started pressing.”

The press became very apparent in the final three minutes of regulation. Albany was able to cut Iowa's lead in half on a penalty corner — the Great Danes garnered 11 penalty corners to Iowa's five.

The number of penalty corners made the goal seem almost inevitable. Albany's Daphne Voormolen lined up a clear strike after fellow Great Dane Laura Page caught the pass and set from Jessica Longstreth.

The goal sparked a bit of momentum in the visitors, both in the players and in the fans.

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COMMENTARY

That was a bit better

It was just a routine win over a small-conference opponent. But Iowa's performance against UNI eased fans' worst fears about the team.



By SAM LOUWAGIE

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You weren't sure the Hawkeyes had that kind of performance in them, were you?

After a dreary first two weeks, you doubted that the Iowa offense could score 27 points in a game this season or that James Vandenberg could complete a 50-yard pass.

It's easy, in retrospect, to claim Iowa's victory over Northern Iowa on Sept. 15 was a meaningless smack down of a Football Championship Subdivision opponent. And in most cases, it's misguided to get excited about easy victories against weaker non-conference teams.

But the Hawkeyes proved one significant thing this past weekend: Iowa fans' worst fears about this team were unfounded. It is not in a total free fall. It's not incapable of completing passes. It hasn't sunk to championship-subdivision depths.

These things weren't being taken for granted last week, when the Hawkeyes ranked near the bottom of the nation in several offensive statistics. They had scored just 12 points per game, seven spots away from

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