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Iowa sees fewer tornadoes

Iowa may break the record for lowest number of tornadoes this year.

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Iowa is on track to record the lowest number of tornadoes since 1963, though experts maintain that the situation is quite variable.

Harry Hillaker, the state climatologist for Iowa, said 16 tornadoes have been recorded thus far, and conditions that caused the lack of tornadoes were hard to pin down.

"The drought affected tornado conditions here, because severe thunderstorms create opportunities for tornadoes," he said. "But there is a certain amount of chance involved."

However, Hillaker said, some years, such as 1988, had similar drought conditions and yet had more tornadoes. There were 49 recorded tornadoes in Iowa in 1988, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

While Hillaker said most tornadoes occur during spring and early summer, when the contrast in temperatures across the region create ideal conditions for tornadoes, there is a possibility — however remote — of more happening this year.

Iowa is certainly familiar with these late season tornadoes. On Nov. 12, 2005, eight tornadoes touched down in central Iowa and cut across the state, causing significant damage and resulting in one fatality. This event was an anomaly, though. Only 22 November tornadoes have occurred since 1980.

On April 13, 2006, an F2 tornado ripped through Iowa City, destroying many buildings and causing at least \$10 million in damages.

As for the effect of these tornadoes, Hillaker said that most don't impact the state a great deal.

"When you think of Iowa, most of it is rural farmland," he said. "Though tornadoes, even weak ones, can cause total devastation across small areas, if the area they hit is just crops, the overall impact is pretty small."

William Gallus, a professor in the de-

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There have been **16**
TORNADOES in Iowa
 this year;
 the *lowest* on
 record since 1963.



Debris and wreckage created by a tornado the evening before lie strewn about on the 900 block of Iowa Avenue on the morning of April 14, 2006. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

Differing views in county race

Candidates for the Johnson County Board of Supervisors presented conflicting opinions on key issues during a public forum.

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Oppositional ideas define political elections, and the campaign for the Johnson County Board of Supervisors proves to be no exception.

Four of five candidates vying for three spots on the board met Monday in a forum hosted by the League of Women Voters and the Iowa City Chamber of Commerce to discuss various issues and their stances before the upcoming election. Property taxes and the proposed justice center received the most discussion amongst the candidates.

Current supervisors running for reelection to one of the three available spots include Rod Sullivan, Terrence Neuzil, and Pat Harney. David Fesler and John Ethridge, petition-nominated candidates, are also running. Those elected will join Supervisors Janelle Rettig and Sally Stutsman, who is running for a seat in the Iowa House.

Fesler, an Iowa City native, expressed his concerns about property taxes on several occasions during the forum.

"I believe when citizens have alternative candidates to vote for, it fosters better cooperation and communication and results in more efficient government," he said. "This leads to more stable property tax without diminishing human

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Parties push early voting at UI



Actor Justin Long speaks with Obama campaign volunteers on the Pentacrest on. Long visited campus to promote early voting and the Obama-Biden ticket. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

Celebrity Justin Long promoted early voting on campus Monday.

By **BRIANNA JETT**
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Iowa was the first state this year to begin early voting and, so far, a greater number of Democrats have voted.

Beginning on Sept. 27, Iowa began a 40-day early voting period. Fifty-three satellite locations opened — a record number of which are on college campuses. Although both the Romney campaign and the Obama campaign encourage early voting, the Democrats have reached out to voters through celebrity appearances and are currently leading

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GREs creep into M.B.A.s

Students applying to the UI M.B.A. program with GRE scores are accepted on a case-by-case basis.

By **NATHANIEL OTJEN**
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Prospective graduate students around the world are beginning to complete part of the application process for graduate school — taking standardized tests. And while University of Iowa students may take the revised GRE

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partment of geological and atmospheric sciences at Iowa State University, agreed.

"The paths of tornadoes are narrow and not very long," he said. "If you imagine looking at a map, a tornado's path is like

drawing a line with a pencil. The area they affect is small."

Gallus also thinks the economic impact of tornadoes even on more populated areas can be a wash.

"The jury's still out [on the economic impact]," he said. "Initially there are losses, but those can be recuperated by the rebuilding of areas

damaged by tornadoes."

Several tornadoes made headlines this year, such as the April 14 tornado that hit Creston, Iowa. That tornado caused significant damage to several buildings in the city and flipped cars on the roads. And that one was only rated F2 on the Fujita scale, which runs from F0-F5 in

intensity. Iowa has seen only 1 F5 tornado since 1980, on May 25, 2008.

Tornado numbers across the nation seem to be slightly below average, though an official count has not yet been made. One state that was particularly hit hard by tornadoes earlier in the year was Oklahoma, which had

52 confirmed tornadoes in the month of April alone.

Mesonet, a University of Oklahoma climate research group, seeks to track these tornadoes.

One Mesonet employee said the numbers this year so far have been average overall, and that the damage is minimized because he said Oklahoma is suc-

cessful in informing the public about tornado safety.

He also cautioned against trivializing the impact of tornadoes.

"There's a parable about a store window breaking," he said. "Though it stimulates the economy to rebuild the glass, the store owner could have spent that money elsewhere."

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the polls.

"If you're getting your base to request those ballots, it probably means you have more votes in the bank," said University of Iowa political-science Associate Professor Tim Hagle.

According to the Office of the Iowa Secretary of State, 115,280 Democrats had voted, compared with 62,152 Republicans, as of Oct. 12. These votes were either absentee votes or votes made at a satellite location.

"The Democrats have long had a much better early voting program than the Republicans," Hagle said.

In fact, Elizabeth Purchia, the press secretary for Obama's Iowa campaign, said early voting is a key strategy in the Obama campaign.

"The early voting provides better opportunities for people," Hagle said. "The demographics that usually support Democrats might need a little more time or might need a little nudge to get out and vote."

Officials say this is especially applicable to college students.

"The Romney campaign is encouraging early voting,"

said Quentin Marquez, the vice chairman of the University of Iowa College Republicans. "We are all busy as college students — it makes it very convenient."

Hagle said that when young people are busy, they tend not to prioritize voting.

"For students, sometimes if you wait until Election Day, it might not be quite as important even as it is for older voters who are more engaged," he said.

On Monday, the Obama campaign brought actor Justin Long to campus in order to encourage early voting.

Long spoke to a crowd of students and Obama vol-

unteers on the Pentacrest, encouraging all students to be informed and vote. Iowa is the seventh state he has visited.

"The one message that I've been getting out, along with my fellow actors, is that it is just incredibly important to vote," Long said in his address.

Obama volunteer and UI student Oliver Hidalgo-Wohlleben also stressed the importance of voting.

"I think it is really important that we take advantage of our chance to exercise our democratic right, especially when it is so much easier to do it in a two week time-frame," Hidalgo-Wohlleben said. "We are really lucky in Iowa to

have a chance to vote early."

In an interview with *The Daily Iowan*, Long explained the importance of early voting lies in convenience.

"If you can't show up on Election Day, it ensures that your voice is heard," he said.

Long stressed that even though he has only recently become politically aware, he can still connect with students.

"I identify with any sort of student loan issue and paying for tuition. These were things that I struggled with," Long said, who had to leave college partway through because it became unaffordable.

Early Voting

Since Iowa began early voting on Sept. 27, a greater number of Democrats have cast their ballots.

- Republican votes received: 62,152
- Democrats: 115,280
- No party: 41,702
- Other: 163
- Total: 219,297

Source: Iowa Secretary of State's Office, as of Oct. 12

At the end of the day, he hopes students will vote, respecting both sides of the race.

"This is the easiest state to vote in," he said. "There's no reason anybody shouldn't vote."

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for admittance to M.B.A. programs, UI business officials say they prefer the GMAT.

The UI M.B.A. program is now accepting students on a case-by-case basis who have taken the revised GRE.

Even though the revised GRE isn't a regular part of the application to the UI M.B.A. program, it is becoming a part of admissions at the university, joining others around the world in its implementation.

The UI joins Duke University and the University of Wisconsin-Madison among more than 1,000 institutions around the world to accept students into their M.B.A. programs who have taken the revised GRE.

"[The GRE] gives business schools the opportunity to have access to a pool that's more diverse," said Christine Betaneli, manager of external communications at the Educational Testing Service, which administers the GRE.

The revised GRE features a new preview/review function, quantitative reasoning section onscreen calculator, and the new ScoreSelect option, implemented in July.

The preview/review feature allows test takers within a section to skip certain questions, mark them and return to them at a later point and the

GRE

UI full-time M.B.A. program acceptance from last year:

- 245 total applications
- Admitted 103 students
- 56 students enrolled

Source: Jodi Schafer, director of M.B.A. admissions and financial aid at the Tippie School of Management

onscreen calculator allows test takers to make basic calculations on the quantitative reasoning section.

"It allows test takers to have the option paper-based tests allow," Betaneli said.

The new ScoreSelect option enables test takers to

decide which GRE scores to send to schools.

The test taker can choose not to send results from the test center and they can use ScoreSelect to choose which scores they want to send to the institutions they are applying to.

"It's helping the test taker to make the decision that allows them to show their personal best to the institution," Betaneli said.

The cost to send additional scores after taking the test is \$25 per institution. There are fee reduction certificates for students to help cut down on the cost of sending GRE

scores.

The UI accepts most students into its M.B.A. program based on scores from the Graduate Management Admission Test, which focuses more on the analytical and verbal skills of an individual; however, the standard GRE exam does contribute to the pool of admitted students.

"It's definitely a much smaller percentage than those with the GMAT. It's much less accepted," Jodi Schafer, director of M.B.A. admissions and financial aid at the Tippie School of Management.

Last year, the UI's full-time M.B.A. program had

245 applications and admitted 103 students, with 56 enrolling. Schafer said the program may have accepted three or four students in the past year who applied with only scores from the GRE.

"[The GRE] does measure some of the same things we look for," Schafer said.

Schafer said both the GMAT and the GRE could be used to assess an applicant's potential for UI M.B.A. program.

"The GMAT or the GRE tells us whether or not the person is able to handle the rigor of the coursework," Schafer said.

According to mba.com, the cost to take the GMAT is roughly \$250, and according to Betaneli, the cost to take the GRE is \$175 globally.

Three times the number of test takers took the GRE compared with the GMAT last year, Betaneli said.

Russ Mills, an M.B.A. student enrolled at the UI, said the traditional GMAT tested more analytically.

"It was adapting to more quantitative thinking in some ways and then more application once you know the information and how to apply it to different scenarios," he said, referring to the GMAT.

Lauren

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Letters to the Editor

Jail subtraction of urban fabric

It's hard to make a jail pretty, and there is certainly no real effort to do this with the proposed Johnson County justice center. This \$46.8 million jail will be a subtraction of the urban fabric of Iowa City. The city wants to direct future downtown development in this general area, but a big new 240-bed jail should not ever be considered a community-development asset unless you want to include the opening of bail-bond offices as community assets.

I've read that one county supervisor argues for this jail as some kind of sprawl fighter; in fact, this jail, if built, will thwart community-development efforts in this part of Iowa City as planned for what is now being billed as the "Riverfront Crossings District." If the bond referendum is passed and this jail is built, redeveloping the area around it will become a more difficult sell for planners and developers.

The county has given us dogs of buildings before and likely will again with this project. The new county office building is a nondescript structure that does nothing to encourage positive development and has no street

presence. I hate sprawl, too, but if Johnson County can only give us public architecture that discourages urbanism, perhaps the future projects are done best outside the corporate limits of Iowa City.

Vote no on the \$46.8 million justice-center bond.

Donald Baxter

Voting with optimism

This year, I'm voting with optimism for my progress as we continue to move forward.

As a senior at the University of Iowa, my top two concerns are jobs and student debt. And no one has worked harder to increase college access and preserve the American Dream than President Obama.

As president, Obama passed the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 which doubled funding for Pell Grants, kept student-loan interest rates low, and gave tax breaks to middle class families with children in college.

His critics like to forget that when he took office, we were losing 750,000 jobs a month. Obama saved our economy from near

collapse, reined in Wall Street corruption, and put us on a sustainable path. Unemployment rates are the lowest they've been since the president took office — 7.8 percent unemployment rate in September 2012, and we've created 5.2 million jobs in the last 31 months. It is quite simple — with Obama, we can continue moving forward and with Romney, we are in danger of regressing as a nation.

Unlike Romney, Obama has championed a mathematically sound budget that will stimulate growth and boost innovation without penalizing the middle class. Romney, on the other hand, advocates for a budget he can't afford unless he increases middle-class taxes or makes significant cuts to the very things that help our economy grow, like education.

It doesn't matter how many times Romney claims his tax plan won't hurt the middle class; the numbers don't lie, and they don't add up. Sorry, Romney, but not all of us can afford to borrow money from our parents to pay for college. Unlike Romney, Obama realizes that our future goes as the middle class does.

Obama has been steadfast in

his efforts to preserve the American Dream and make college a reality for all Americans who work hard. Under his administration, my future looks brighter.

Samuel Odeyemi
UI student

More than two candidates

I am so very pleased to see *The Daily Iowan* point out that there are other presidential candidates besides the Big Two, both of whom are indebted to the corporatocracy.

Though I find President Obama and his entire family so likeable I could happily hug them all, I am personally voting for Jill Stein of the Green Party. My basic reason is that I am a progressive looking for a party, and I do not believe we will get more viable parties until we begin to vote our convictions rather than our fears.

If Romney should win, and I hope he doesn't, I will console myself with the story of the two Frenchmen, one of whom hands a coin to a beggar on the street. His companion responds by saying, "Don't delay the revolution."

Jo Conroy
Coralville resident

Nude radio



By BEAU ELLIOT
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Yes, it's a fun day in this part of the world, listening to radio engineers moving into Duchamp and post-Duchamp radio art. Nude radio descending a stare-case at its best.

(Yes, I know — it's spelled "staircase." Bare with me.)

And I know there's more to life than nudes, though listening to some guys, you wouldn't necessarily know that. And of course, there's more to life than radio, even when it's ESPN radio. (And you thought I only listened to public radio. Silly you.)

But if you want a taste of surrealism in your life (and who doesn't want that?), you have to tune in now and again to the local ESPN radio station.

I say local, but the station is actually located in Cedar Rapids, which is, of course, a suburb of Iowa City. (It's where the clever Iowa City officials stuck the airport, more or less.)

The station is KGYM (which you want to say very carefully), and it provides lots of wonderful programming, especially if you want to get away from the Good Ship Mitt and all that entails for the future of this country. Sometimes, you just want to indulge in the narcotic that is American sports and let the future be the future. Which doesn't exist just yet. (The future tense doesn't exist anymore for American speakers, which is kind of disappointing. Of course, when you try to talk to Americans about the future tense, they give you a very puzzled look, because they think you're talking about the future tents.)

The GYM, as the radio guys like to say, also serves up good doses of surrealism, especially late nights on the weekends. And the engineers (OK, I'm assuming they're engineers) do this with a lot of imag-

ination. They should be congratulated.

They do this by, oh, say, in the late third quarter of a Celtics game last winter, with the score tight and the Celts making a run, cutting into the action with a Cedar Rapids auto dealer's commercial. This is not to quibble about Cedar Rapids auto dealers, who are important to the future of this country, but when you're on the edge of your seat, shouting, C'mon Rondo, C'mon Rondo, and worried about the future of the Celtics, you don't exactly want to be in the midst of an auto commercial.

The GYM engineers also frequently run two different programs at the same time, giving the listener a wonderful experience of total cacophony. You have to admit, you rarely get a chance at total cacophony in this life. (Well, unless you actually listen to presidential debates.)

So here's to the KGYM engineers for giving us a shot of Duchamp radio. Lord knows we need a break from, oh, say, politics.

Which brings us to the Mitt.

Could the Good Ship Mitt lie any more?

I thought so, too.

Maybe it's because Mitt Romney has run so far away, so fast (you'd think that he had once been an Olympic-class sprinter from the way he can run) from his own health-care plan in Massachusetts. You would have thought that Ted Kennedy had created that health-care plan.

I think Ted Kennedy's much better health-care plan drowned years earlier in the Washington, D.C., Tidal Basin with Wilbur Mills and a "dancer," but I might be wrong about that. It might have been Wilbur Mills and Colonel Mustard in the library.

Oh, well. Things could be worse, I suppose. We could actually be concerned about future tents.

Me, I'm going to go listen to some more Duchamp radio. ■

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Editorial

Consider the Eurozone in the campaign

When it comes to foreign policy this presidential election, every continent seems to be important, except the debt crisis in Europe. As that crisis looms in Europe, however, the continent cannot continue to be ignored either by the candidates or the U.S. electorate.

The Middle East, the Persian Gulf, and South-Central Asia dominate the campaign trail. President Obama cites his administration's success in pulling troops out of Iraq, implementing a plan to withdraw troops from Afghanistan, attacking Qaeda terrorist camps, and, most notably, killing Osama bin Laden.

The Romney campaign's foreign-policy plan lacks emphasis on the Eurozone, and Obama's platform mentions Europe only to cite his commitment to "addressing global challenges" with our allies there.

Moreover, an "unraveling of the commitment to the Eurozone would have serious repercussions in the U.S.," according to the Council on Foreign Affairs. The cost of borrowing would go up, stock prices would fall, and U.S. exports would suffer. If Europe dips into another major recession, as a study released by the International Monetary Fund shows, the United States would follow, regardless of the Federal Reserve's response.

Wise policy measures are imperative, therefore, and Obama and Romney's positions on the Eurozone must be rescued from their relative obscurity and evaluated as a result.

As a conservative, Romney believes in the need to cut federal spending and shrink the federal deficit. Citing the \$3.5 trillion the federal government spent in 2010, Romney emphasizes the need to curb Washington's "out-

of-control" spending habits before they spiral any further.

Romney has drawn a hard-line parallel with this anti-spending policy in America on European debt as well.

"Europe is able to take care of its own problems," said the candidate during a Republican debate last fall. "We don't want to step in and try to bail out their banks and bail out their governments. They have the capacity to deal with that themselves."

In line with his domestic policy, Obama calls for less austerity and more action by the governments in the Eurozone. Calling on European governments to promote job creation, stabilize the financial system, and develop a "deeper collaboration" on budgeting, Obama said in June, "The decisions required are tough, but Europe has the capacity to make them. And they have America's support."

The global economy is extremely fragile, even though certain improvements have been made, according to the April edition of the World Economic Outlook. The study linked the U.S. improvement with both domestic policies and policies in the euro area. These improvements can easily be toppled, and policymakers must work together in order to prevent a near future downfall of the global market economy.

Considering the interconnectedness of the global economy, neither candidate should ignore the looming crisis in Europe when on the campaign trail.

Your Turn.

Should the Eurozone be a priority in the presidential campaign? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

Guest Column: UISG

Get informed about voting

We are 21 days away from Election Day, Nov. 6. For many students, this will be the first time they are eligible to vote in a presidential election. However, many of us still do not know for whom we will vote, whether we are eligible to vote, or where our polling places will be.

We are fortunate to live in a state that has made voting increasingly accessible. As a student at the University of Iowa, you are eligible to vote in Iowa City or Coralville. You can register to vote at a satellite voting location before Oct. 27 or after Oct. 27 on Election Day at your precinct.

Before you do vote, you should become informed. One of the main goals of the UISG get-out-the-vote effort is to provide a non-biased platform to inform you about the candidates and how you can vote.

If you would like to become more informed about the presidential candidates or discuss your views of the candidates, come to the UISG Debate Watch at 7:30 p.m. today in the Bijou. If you attend, you will even get a free "Voting is Sexy" shirt.

Once you are registered to vote and are informed, voting is easy. Iowa offers the opportunity to vote

early, and many students have taken advantage of this. For those who have not, there is still time; there are many satellite voting places on or near campus over the next two weeks. Satellite voting will be held at the Old Capitol Town Center on Wednesday, IMU on Thursday, and Burge on Friday. The full details can be found at uisg.uiowa.edu/gotv. I believe that early voting is a convenient way to increase turnout among younger voters.

This election will come down to a few states, including Iowa. Our votes are critical in deciding who will win the presiden-

cy in November. In two out of the last three presidential elections in Iowa, the margin of difference between the two candidates was 10,000 votes or fewer. With 21,000 undergraduates on campus, our generation's vote can determine the outcome.

Issues that matter to us deserve our vote. Register to vote. Come to the debate watch. And vote. Seize this opportunity to engage in democratic dialogue with fellow students who will help shape Iowa either red or blue this fall.

Nicholas Pottebaum
UISG President

Online Comments

RE: "Widen scope of affirmative action"

Affirmative action discriminates against a group of whites who are riding the line of making admission to a college. The very smart, rich, or athletic individuals can get in easily enough. Take a near the bottom end of average student with a near the bottom end of average type of SAT scores who falls in the gray area of acceptance who is white and pit him against somebody of a "protected class" whose score is somewhat lower, and you have reverse discrimination.

You can claim all you want that the white guy has privilege that the minority doesn't, but do you really think the whites affected by reverse discrimination are from the privileged class?

Kent Siems

Too often the better qualified don't get the education/job because of their "ethnicity." I'm talking whites here. Equality is a given; it's the action taken by

government to "level the playing field" that's suspect.

Fred Nason

RE: "Kuntz: Let Johnson in"

People who are educated know their own power and don't surrender it to the lesser of two evils.

A declaration is an affirmation. Independence means self-government. They could have called the Declaration of Independence, the affirmation of self-government. Aha! The Founders were libertarian.

True patriots believe in the American Dream: self-government, freedom from big-government tyranny, and oppression.

Republ-ocrats deserve the bird because they have deserted the American Dream.

Gary Johnson and Judge Jim Gray are the only choice to Save the American Dream: and to restore justice, the guardian of liberty. The people believe in self-government and self-medication.

Colleen McCool

EXAMINING LATINO CULTURE



Grammy award-winning Chicana singer/songwriter Lila Downs performs at the Englert Theater on Oct. 13. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

According to the U.S. 2010 Census, 16 percent of the U.S. population identify themselves as Latinos, constituting "the biggest minority" in the United States. Which means that presidential political candidates from both parties will have to take into account the numerous points of view among this diverse population.

But, what does that all mean for this geographical place that we call the Midwest? How does the interaction between the part of the American culture with claims to the language of Shakespeare and the part of American culture with claims to la lengua de Cervantes in the Literary City of Iowa City look like?

This past weekend, Iowa City welcomed two artists - author Junot Díaz and singer Lila Downs - who represent not only what it means at a national and international level to have a higher presence of Latinos in the American demographic landscape but also what their contribution means for the cultural landscape of the United States.



Dominican-American author Junot Díaz relaxes backstage before his reading at the Englert Theater on Oct. 12. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

Professors from the most prestigious academic programs dedicated to Hispanic/Latino culture in the nation gathered for the Latino Midwest Symposium, a three-day academic event in Iowa City from Oct. 11-13. The symposium examined the history, education, literature, art, and politics of Latinos in the Midwest, particularly Iowa.

- by Juan Carlos Herrera

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service." According to Fesler, Johnson County needs stable property taxes because the county has the second-highest property taxes in Iowa.

Yet Sullivan, a two-term supervisor running for another four-year stint, clarified Fesler's property-tax information.

The property-tax ranking Fesler spoke to accounts for the taxes by the county and also includes the taxing by the school districts, cities and all the other taxing entities, and divides by the total property taxes paid and county incomes, Sullivan said.

This distorts the meaning of the ranking, because of the higher property values in Johnson County and the low incomes by the mass of students located in the county.

"It's an interesting statistic but not really relevant," Sullivan said.

According to the Iowa State Association of Counties, on a general basic property rate, Johnson County ranks No. 36 of the 99 counties in Iowa. The county ranks No. 69 on a rural basic property tax rate, putting the county overall at the No. 44 highest tax rate in the state.

"I just want to make sure people understand where we really rank, which is pretty much in the middle of Iowa's counties," he said. "Frankly I'm not a person who is afraid of taxes. I think taxes are a good thing - they buy us the government we want, need, and deserve."

But this issue wasn't the only clashing viewpoint of the evening.



Candidates for the Johnson County Board of Supervisors take questions at the Iowa City Public Library on Monday. The event was organized by the League of Women voters of Johnson County. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

The proposed justice center, an issue that will appear on the ballot in November, also prompted differing opinions from the candidates.

Harney said he thinks the Board of Supervisors has prepared for the project and supported the justice center.

"I think we've studied the system as long as we can," he said. "We just get to the point where we really need a justice center."

While Fesler doesn't necessarily take a solid stance on the proposed justice center, he said the county should consider waiting on this investment.

"All I'm saying is that with the economy the way it is, maybe we ought to stop and table it and take a look at it and go with some reasonable answer for other funding for the \$46.8 million," he said.

This particular issue concerned Dwight Jensen, an Iowa City resident who attended the public forum.

"I'm interested in the justice center because the need for it is more than a new jail, which is what gets the most discussion," he said.

While issue importance

Supervisors' forum

Four candidates running for three spots on the Johnson County Board of Supervisors met in a forum to discuss issues key to Johnson County voters.

- Terrence Neuzil, Pat Harney, and Rod Sullivan currently serve on the board.
- David Fesler is also competing in the race, along with John Ethridge, who did not attend the forum.
- The Johnson County justice center and property-tax rates were among contested issues at the forum.
- Two supervisors - Janelle Rettig and Sally Stutsman - are the two members not up for re-election this year.

Source: Johnson County Board of Supervisors Forum

and stances varied across the room, Rebecca Neades of the Iowa City Chamber of Commerce said the presidential election will benefit the supervisors' election.

"You're going to have a higher turnout," she said. "That means more people will be going to the ballot and having a voice in their local elected government."

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 - Share and share alike. WAIT, WHAT?
 - The grass is always greener on the other side. (But not in Nevada.)
 - I think, therefore I'm out of the party.
 - Blood is thicker than water, but money is even thicker than blood.
 - You can take the boy out of the country club, but you can't take the country club out of the boy.
 - If you can't beat 'em, stymie 'em.
 - You can lead a horse to water, but you can't make it medal in the Olympics.
 - The best things in life are very expensive.
 - If the shoe fits, buy the company.
 - When life gives you lemons, discard them immediately. Hire a guy to make mint juleps for you.
 - All for one. (Me, preferably.)
 - Politics does not make any kind of bedfellows. That would be gay.
 - Time is money. Actually, now that you mention it, just about everything is money.
 - A penny saved sounds like something a poor person would say.
 - Fortune favors the fortunate.
- Will Hartman invites the other side of the aisle to respond.

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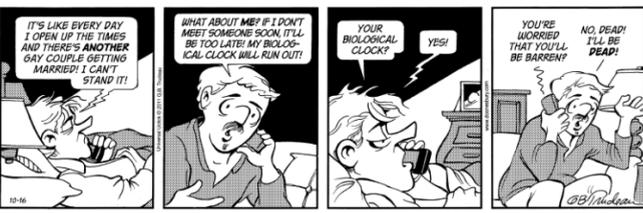
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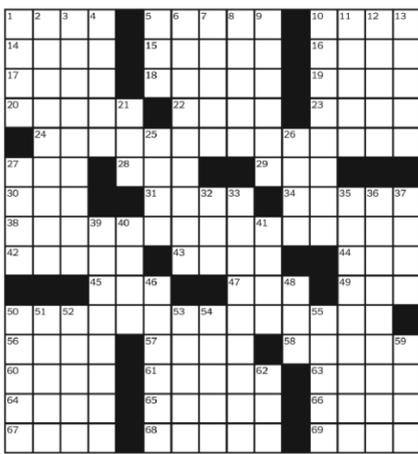
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 - 18 Island dances
 - 19 Reference
 - 20 Articles in Dracula's wardrobe
 - 22 Actress Hayworth
 - 23 Raise, as young
 - 24 Lebanese water passage?
 - 27 Veer back in the other direction
 - 28 Start of a long-distance call
 - 29 Nord's opposite
 - 30 Ike's command in W.W. II
 - 31 Fawning females
 - 34 Book after Daniel
 - 38 Sudanese junkyard?
 - 42 Perfume compound
 - 43 Officer on the bridge with Spock and Uhura
 - 44 Penpoint
 - 45 Family member, informally
 - 47 Magazine staff, for short
 - 49 Mississippi-to-Michigan dir.
 - 50 Big shoe specification in Libya?
 - 56 U2 frontman
 - 57 Buck tail?
 - 58 Alternative to Travelers
 - 60 Kitchen fixture
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 - 2 Soothing soaks
 - 3 One getting the blame
 - 4 "My Cousin Vinny" co-star
 - 5 Where to study chem. or hist.
 - 6 Mannerly
 - 7 Extemporize
 - 8 Rope, for Ricardo
 - 9 Op-ed pieces
 - 10 Pinhead-size spy photo
 - 11 Word on taking one's leave
 - 12 Imply
 - 13 Val d'___ (Alpine skiing destination)
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 - 26 European coal center
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- **Pharmacology and the Women's Reproductive Health Research Career Development Center Seminar**, "Biological Functionality of Different Estrogen Receptor Activities," Kenneth Korach, NIH, 10:30 a.m., 1117 Medical Education & Research Facility
- **Preschool Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Coralville Public Library, 1401 Fifth St.
- **Toddler Story Time**, 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn
- **English Conversation Group**, 12:30 p.m., UIHC Pomerantz Family Pavilion Melrose Conference Room 6
- **Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program**, 1 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **Line Dance Lessons**, 1 p.m., Senior Center
- **Operator Theory Seminar**, "Corner Algebras," Robert Pluta, Mathematics, 1:30 p.m., 358 Van Allen
- **Math Physics Seminar**, "Reflection positivity and Cook's condition in Euclidean relativistic quantum mechanics," Wayne Polyzou, Physics/Astronomy, 2:30 p.m., 301 Van Allen
- **Farmers' Market**, 3 p.m., Sycamore Mall
- **Microbiology Seminar**, "Staphylococcus aureus bi-component toxins: pore-forming toxins involved in the disarmament of the host, Victor Torres, New York University, 3 p.m., Bowen Auditorium 3
- **Faculty Council Meeting**, 3:30 p.m., 283 Eckstein Medical Research Building
- **From Taking Notes to Taking Action: Tips for Effective Advocacy Training**, 4 p.m.,

- Iowa City Public Library
- **Library-Community Writing Center**, 4 p.m., Iowa City Public Library
- **"Images of Rule in the Age of Revolution: Napoleon Bonaparte and Antonio Canova,"** Christopher Johns, Vanderbilt, 5:30 p.m., Art Building West
- **Six-Week Startup**, 6 p.m., Bio-Venture Center, 2500 Crosspark Road, Coralville
- **Tango Club Practica**, 7 p.m., Senior Center
- **UISG Presents: The Presidential Debates**, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **Using Social Media In Your Job Search**, 7 p.m., Pomerantz Center
- **I-Envision Entrepreneurship Meeting**, John's Grocery, Doug Alberhasky, 7:30 p.m., Bedell Entrepreneurship Learning Laboratory
- **Iowa Brass Collective**, featuring Brian Umlah, trumpet, Steve Wheeler, trumpet, James Naigus, horn, Jonathan Allen, trombone, Blaine Cunningham, tuba, 7:30 p.m., University Capitol Center Recital Hall
- **IWP Cinémathèque, Rodrigo Garcia Lopes (Brazil) and Milagros Socorro (Venezuela) will present Satori Uso (2007, Brazil, Rodrigo Grotta, 17 minutes) and Hermano (2010, Venezuela, Marcel Rasquin, 97 minutes), E105 Adler**
- **Samuel L. Becker Lecture in Communication Studies**, "Changing Feelings for Governance and Globalization," Celeste Condit, University of Georgia, 7:30 p.m., 101 Becker
- **Movie Screening and Discussion, Mean Girls**, 8 p.m., Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Resource Center

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- 7 p.m. Iowa Magazine No. 6: Excellence, stories on education, research, and service at the UI
- 7:30 Kid Captains, UI Children's Hospital profiles
- 8:15 Orchestra Invitational Gala Concert, Bach Cello Suite, Stravinsky, Copland, Mozart, Feb. 17
- 9 Kirk Ferentz News Conference, presented unedited by UITV and

- Hawkeye Video
- 9:30 Daily Iowan TV News
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- 10 Kirk Ferentz News Conference, presented unedited by UITV and Hawkeye Video
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- 10:45 John Cage Centennial, Center for New Music Celebration of John Cage, Feb. 12

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Tuesday, October 16, 2012
— by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** March 21-April 19 Take any partnership agreement you have seriously. The more you put into the connections you have, the better you will do emotionally and financially. Your intuition will lead you in the right direction. Take charge, and move forward.
- TAURUS** April 20-May 20 Share your intentions as well as what you want to see happen. A relationship with someone you love will be enhanced if you make plans together. Show greater interest in what others want, and you will please everyone with your choices.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Original ideas will be preferable when dealing with work-related matters. Work closely with people you find cooperative and hardworking. Much can be accomplished if you let everyone around you put her or his own expertise to work for you.
- CANCER** June 21-July 22 Relax, have some fun, and enjoy friends, family, or meeting new people. Join in festivities that allow you to experience different cultures and traditions. A short trip will open your eyes to new ways of doing things and plans for the future.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 You'll be prone to making mistakes. Ask questions, and find out what's expected of you before agreeing to a change. Plan to get away and participate in something that helps you clear your mind so you can re-evaluate your personal situation.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Information will be key when trying to get things done. Discuss your plans, and listen to opinions. Getting together with friends, colleagues, or relatives will promote healthier relationships. A sudden financial change will alter your future.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Your past will play a role in what happens next. Let your intuition guide you. Remain calm even if scrutinized by someone showing jealous tendencies. Make a move to reach your goals, not the plans someone else chooses for you.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Don't take a back seat waiting for others to lead the way. Show initiative; take control of whatever situation you face, especially where partnerships are concerned. Your original way of seeing and doing things will help give you the edge you need.
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- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Concentrate on what's really important to you, and walk away from ongoing badgering or negativity. Pick and choose what you need in your life to feel complete. A change in the way you pursue higher status or a better position will pay off.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-March 20 Put greater effort into investments, health, and pending problems. Offer a service that uses your skills and brings in cash. Look for love if you are single, or make a long-term commitment to your current partner to improve your future.

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- Noon-1 p.m., Cheap Seats
- 1-2 p.m., Full-Court Press
- 2-3 p.m., Kelly DePalma
- 3-5 p.m., Dirty D in the PM

- 5-7 p.m., Devious Dance
- 7-8 p.m., Purveyors of Sound
- 8-9 p.m., The Real Freshman Orientation
- 9-10 p.m., Thematic
- 10 p.m.-Midnight, Local Tunes
- Midnight-2 a.m., Steven Conlow

SPIKED



UI junior Mark Hollander plays Spikeball with a few friends on the Pentacrest on Monday. Spikeball is played in two teams of two players, with rules similar to volleyball. (The Daily Iowan/Nicholas Fanelli)

News

TROWER

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some of the players behind the scenes, including his idol Hewitt and the current top Australian player Bernard Tomic.

Trower joined the Iowa team in January 2011 af-

ter finishing high school in December 2010. He said American universities offer scholarships, unlike Australian universities, which attracted him to the States.

"I got an email from a coach recommending a few guys to check into," Houghton said. "We checked on Rob, and the connection was made at that point."

Trower had offers from a variety of schools including Illinois and North Carolina but chose to come to the UI.

"We're in a big conference, and the standard of tennis is really good here," Trower said.

Because of his late arrival in the middle of the 2010-11 season, Trower redshirted last spring. He

said his redshirt during the Big Ten season was beneficial because he was able to observe the teams that he will be competing against this season.

This fall he's getting his first competition, and Trower has picked up both a singles and doubles win this season. His doubles partner, Alejandro Rios, says he's adapted well to

college tennis.

"In practice, he'll get more emotional, but during a tournament he's more collected and focused," said Rios. "It helps you stay focused without having to deal with your partner being out of the match."

While the UI is Trower's plan for now, he does have aspirations beyond

college tennis. Having played some of the world's top-200 players, the Australian believes he can eventually play professionally.

"My goal has always been to be a pro. As soon as I'm finished here, I'm going to try to travel around and see how far I can get," Trower said.

HARRIERS

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At first, he tried soccer, baseball, and a little bit of tennis. After discovering he was really bad at all of those sports, he shifted his focus to cross-country.

"I thought to myself, 'Hey, I should try running,' and I did," he said. "I've been in love with it ever since."

Ferree can't explain why exactly that he loves to run. He just does.

"It's just one of those things you love doing, it's part of what you do," he said. "You make a choice, and you love it, and I love it."

Growing up with parents of running backgrounds, it was only natural that Nathan Ferree picked up the sport, Thomas Ferree said.

"You tend to migrate to what you are successful at and to what you enjoy," he said.

It was never a question whether Nathan would go to Iowa. Both Thomas and Carol Ferree continued to be avid Hawkeye fans after college, and they brought both Nathan and his sister, Sarah, to almost every home football game.

"We had them learning the 'Iowa Fight Song' before they got out of their crib," Thomas Ferree said.

However, the parents made it clear to their children that they could go to any school they wanted. For Sarah Ferree, the medical school attracted her to Iowa City. For Nathan, it was that head cross-country coach Larry Wiczorek was willing to take a chance.

Out of high school, it's not set in stone what kind of athlete someone is going to be, Wiczorek said. Instead, he likes to see athletes who don't have the top credentials improve to the Big Ten level.

"I have seen many athletes develop; it's a hard level to be a Big Ten ath-



Nate Ferree (right) runs during practice on Oct. 2. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

'I think with Nate Ferree, the jury is still out with what he can do. But he has impressed his teammates with his guts.'

- head cross-country coach Larry Wiczorek

lete," Wiczorek said. "But do you have a minimal talent, do you have a burning desire to succeed, does Nate Ferree have that ability?"

Wiczorek said that a developmental athlete, such as Nathan, is the type the Hawkeyes see good things in, although the development may take time.

Thomas and Carol Ferree are excited about the opportunity that Wiczorek gave their son. The father also noted that it is a great opportunity for Nathan Ferree to see what he can do.

"From my perspective, it's one of those opportunities in life to see what you

can do," he said. "To see can you compete, get good grades, be a good teammate, and add value to the university."

So far, Nathan Ferree has performed beyond the expectations of not only the head coach but his teammates as well.

"I was honestly a little worried how was I going to talk to his parents if he can't handle this," Wiczorek said.

Senior Nick Holmes made a point of telling Wiczorek how impressed he was with Nate's performances during practices. He simply pours his heart into it, the 26-year head coach said.

"I think with Nate Ferree, the jury is still out with what he can do," Wiczorek said. "But he has impressed his teammates with his guts."

Even redshirts are expected to contribute in some way to the cross-country team, whether it's by being a good student and having a great work ethic and a great attitude.

"Find a way to be an asset, not a liability," Wiczorek said. "He has shown to be an asset already."

With having the experience being a student-athlete, Thomas Ferree said the best thing he can share with his son is advice and comfort.

"The support we can give him is, 'Hey, we've been there, we know what it takes,'" he said. "We can provide advice and counsel along the way. It's not easy, [and] I think every athlete will tell you it's not easy."

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HAWKEYE SPORTS

Meyer, Hitchens honored

Placekicker Mike Meyer and linebacker Anthony Hitchens both earned recognition after Iowa's 19-16 victory over Michigan State in double-overtime on Oct. 13.

Meyer, a junior from Dubuque, made all four of his field-goal attempts in the win, including two during overtime, to win special-team Player of the Week in the Big Ten for the second time this season and third time in his career. His first recognition this season came after Iowa's 18-17 Week 1 win over Northern Illinois, and his first-ever accolade came after a four-field goal performance in Iowa's 2010 victory over Indiana, 18-13.

The conference award wasn't the only for Meyer - who also extended his school record consecutive extra points streak to 68 on his only attempt this past weekend. The former Wahlert High standout earned national Placekicker of the Week by the College Football Performance Awards and was part of the "Stars of the Week" trio recognized by the Lou Groza National Collegiate Place Kicker Award.

College Sports Madness, also known as collegesportsmadness.com, named Hitchens the Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week. The Lorain, Ohio, native had 6 solo tackles and 9 assists, along with a tackle for loss, against the Spartans. The game was another

good performance during a solid season for Hitchens, who leads the NCAA in tackles per game (13.0).

- by Ian Martin

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Who should get the Heisman?

Quarterback Geno Smith, West Virginia

Geno Smith reminds me a lot of Robert Griffin III.

They both have superior playmaking abilities, and they instantly raise the caliber of any team they're on, just because they're running the offense.

But if you look closer, West Virginia's quarterback is even more similar to last year's Heisman Trophy winner than people might think.

By the numbers, they're almost identical. Smith has guided the Mountaineers to a 5-1 (2-1 Big 12) record so far this season. He's also tossed 25 touchdowns on 2,271 passing yards with no interceptions.

In comparison, Griffin had Baylor at 4-2 (1-2) through six games. He had 22 passing touchdowns, two interceptions, and a bit under 2,000 passing yards.

Griffin takes the edge in rushing. At the midpoint last year, he had nearly 300 yards on the ground with 2 touchdowns. Smith has just 71 with one score. They both completed nearly the same percentage of passes, too. Smith is at 76.37-percent, while Griffin gets the nod at 78.95-percent.

We all know how Griffin's year ended: A 9-3 record, a highlight reel's worth of offensive plays in an Alamo Bowl victory over Washington, and being crowned the best player in college football.

Smith is well on his way to replicating and maybe even topping Griffin's historic season. Forget that he lost to Texas Tech this past weekend — Griffin had three losses and won the Heisman.

The road isn't getting any easier for Smith to claim his rightful

spot in the Heisman fraternity. He still has to face plenty of ranked conference foes in No. 4 Kansas State, No. 9 Oklahoma, and No. 23 TCU.

But at this point in the college football season, the trophy is Smith's to lose.

— by Cody Goodwin

Linebacker Manti Te'o, Notre Dame

The Heisman Trophy is supposed to be awarded to the player who is deemed the most outstanding player in college football, according to the Heisman Trust's mission statement. Manti Te'o, the best player on the nation's second-best scoring defense, has unquestionably fit that definition.

The Heisman has been awarded to

76 players since its creation in 1935. Only one of those players, Charles Woodson, who won in 1997, has primarily played on the defensive side of the ball, though. According to the voting panel, the nation's most outstanding player has been a defensive player just one time in 77 years.

It's time for the panel to eliminate its discrimination toward defensive players.

Te'o, Notre Dame's star linebacker, doesn't possess the sexy offensive numbers that the country is used to seeing in its Heisman recipient. What Te'o does have is 59 tackles, two of them for loss, 2 fumble recoveries, and 3 interceptions through just six games. What Te'o has also done is play a pivotal

role in the Fighting Irish's first 6-0 start since Tyrone Willingham's inaugural season as head coach.

On Sept. 15, Te'o arguably turned in the best individual performance of the season thus

far. Just days after the passing of his grandmother and girlfriend, the senior from Hawaii garnered 12 tackles, 1 for loss, and broke up 2 passes in a road win against then-No. 10 Michigan State.

The favorite to win the award, Geno Smith, is putting together the typical Heisman season. Just the thought of lining up against West Virginia's potent aerial attack can elicit feelings of despair for opposing defenses. But until Smith and the Mountaineers can prove they can do more than beat up on lower-tier defenses, their true value will remain unknown.

West Virginia has wins against the 124th and 97th ranked scoring defenses (Marshall and Texas), the 119th ranked pass defense (Baylor), and an Football Championship Division team (James Madison). In fact, when Smith actually did line up against Texas Tech's respectable defense this past weekend, his team was held to 14 points.

Geno Smith is having a very good season. But Manti Te'o has been the nation's most outstanding player.

— by Ryan Probasco



HAWKEYE SPORTS

Hawk golfers in top 25

Iowa men's golf had three players in the top 25 after the first round of play in the Earl Vesting-smeyer Invitational hosted by Ball State at the Delaware Country Club in Muncie, Ind., on Monday.

Freshmen Landon Kowalski, Voramate Aussarassakorn, and Nate Yankovich put up solid rounds despite winds and debris that caused the start of the tournament to be delayed more than two hours.

"There was some wind that left a lot of leaves on the green and the rest of the course that they had to clean up," assistant coach Dan Holterhaus said. "But our guys did a nice job adjusting. We did a pretty good job mentally preparing."

Yankovich sits in a tie for seventh place after shooting a 1-over 71. He is only 4 strokes behind tournament leader Nick Huggins of Northern Illinois. Holterhaus said he was impressed with Yankovich's performance in his first round of Division-I play.

"Nate had a good game plan coming in," he said. "He had a good practice round and executed well when play started."

Kowalski didn't finish the first round far behind his teammate. The Buffalo Grove, Ill., native shot a 3 over and is tied for 14th place.

Aussarassakorn shot an identical 38s on the front and back nine to finish the day at 6 over. The Thailand-born golfer was in 25th place when the second round started.

"Voramate shot a solid round," Holterhaus said. "He struggled a

little bit with the putter but still had a good round overall."

The golfers got in 14 holes of the second round before nightfall, but stroke totals and standings won't be updated until completion of the second and third rounds today.

"I'd like to see our guys continue to be patient," Holterhaus said. "If we take it one shot at a time and focus only on what we can control, we'll have a good finish to the tournament."

— by Tommy Reinking

WNBA star fights for gay marriage

By JON KRAWCZYNSKI
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Seimone Augustus has always preferred to stay out of the public eye even as her basketball career has taken her to the heights of an Olympic gold medal and a WNBA championship.

With her adopted home state of Minnesota considering a Constitutional amendment that would ban gay marriage, the Lynx star is now becoming a vocal proponent of equal rights for gays.

After all, she has her own wedding coming up, to longtime girlfriend LaTaya Varner.

"I felt like it was the perfect time for me, being on a platform where I can make a change with my voice and my situation," Augustus told the Associated Press.

"Maybe inspire someone else to come out and be comfortable with themselves. Or maybe someone else's parents will see my parents saying that it's OK to be with your child and love your child unconditionally regardless of your sexual preference."

Augustus came out to



Minnesota Lynx WNBA basketball star and Olympic gold medalist Seimone Augustus (right) looks at the engagement ring she gave LaTaya Varner during an interview with the Associated Press in Minneapolis on Oct. 12. With a wedding scheduled for May and a crucial vote in November that threatens to make gay marriage in Minnesota unconstitutional, the intensely private Augustus is speaking out. (Associated Press/Jim Mone)

supportive parents when she was still in high school, and she has never hidden the fact that she's a lesbian. But it wasn't until she proposed to Varner on Miami Beach that she started feeling comfortable with the idea of taking things public.

"I told her it's a very huge step," Varner said. "Not everybody can do it. ... It's a major move when anybody can take those next steps."

Down 1-0 to Indiana in the best-of-five WNBA Finals, the Lynx are looking to become the league's first repeat champions in 10 years. Augustus also is fresh off a gold medal at the London Olympics, so she's hoping to take advantage of her increased national profile to help influence the vote.

Augustus and Varner plan to be married in May, and they have dreamed of

a celebration at the Walker Art Center in Minneapolis. Varner is doing most of the planning, aside from the dessert on the menu and the shoes on Augustus' feet.

"That's the only thing I want," Augustus said. "Red velvet cake and Chuck Taylors."

Regardless of what happens with the November vote, an official marriage in Minnesota almost certainly won't happen. State law already makes gay marriage illegal, and the couple has discussed traveling a few hours south to Iowa for the official exchanging of vows.

But a Constitutional ban on gay marriage would signal to them that the dream of marriage equality in Varner's home state is nowhere near as close to a reality as they hoped.

"I just never understood why someone else's love life and whom they love and whom they choose to be with affects so many other people's lives," Augustus said. "Is it a scare of 'Gay people are going to be running around and everyone's going to turn gay?'"

"I never understood the whole point of opposing or hating someone else's happiness."

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THE BOX SCORE: WEEK 8

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Iowa linebacker Anthony Hitchens makes a tackle during the game against Michigan State at Spartan Stadium in East Lansing on Oct. 13. Iowa won in overtime, 19-16. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

The defense is carrying the brunt of the load for the Hawkeyes.

By **TORK MASON**
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The Box Score is a weekly segment in which a Daily Iowan football reporter uses statistics to contextualize Iowa football's performance over the course of the season.

Six games into the 2012 season, Iowa's passing game still hasn't emerged the way many thought it would. Mark Weisman has provided offensive stability, but the defense has been driving the Hawkeyes' 4-2 record and race to the top of the Legends Division standings.

Here are a few stats that highlight the defense's success thus far:

First downs allowed in road/neutral site games: 13 per game

"Bend but don't break" was the mantra under former defensive coordinator Norm Parker. But under first-year coordinator Phil Parker, that school of thought has taken a back seat on road trips.

The Hawkeyes have allowed the second-fewest first

downs per game on the road of any team in the nation this year. Forcing three-and-outs consistently has kept the score low; opponents have averaged just 16.5 points per game against Iowa away from Kinnick Stadium. That's been vital for an Iowa offense that has struggled all season.

Iowa's stinginess was never more evident than in East Lansing, Mich., on Oct. 13. The Hawkeyes forced five three-and-outs in 13 Spartan possessions, plus a four-play drive that netted Michigan State minus 5 yards.

Opposing quarterback's pass efficiency on third down and 7-9 yards to go: 10.92

Opposing offenses have found it difficult on third and long against the Hawkeye defense. Forced to throw, quarterbacks have put up a measly 10.92 pass efficiency rating. That mark is best in the nation by a wide margin.

The second-best rating is 26.05, held by Western Kentucky. Iowa's effort against the pass has been a key com-

ponent in allowing just 4 first downs on third downs with 7-9 yards to go.

Senior cornerback Micah Hyde has played a big role, breaking up 6 passes on the year. The linebackers have also been able to lock down opposing receivers and have broken up 4 passes and picked off two more.

Opponent's red-zone touchdown rate: 38.1 percent

But all of the above isn't to say that Phil Parker doesn't subscribe to some of his predecessor's philosophies.

The Hawkeyes have allowed 18 scores on 21 trips to the red zone, which ranks them near the bottom of Division-I teams. But only eight trips have resulted in touchdowns. The 38.1 percent touchdown rate is 10th-best in the country.

This past weekend was no different. The defense forced field goals in the red zone on four different possessions against Michigan State, including two in overtime on the way to a 19-16 victory.

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3. Oregon
4. Kansas State
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Injured Weisman not on depth chart

Mark Weisman's game-tying touchdown in the final minute against Michigan State may have come at a steep cost.

The sophomore running back injured his ankle on the play and is not listed on the weekly depth chart released by the Hawkeyes on Monday afternoon. Weisman was tackled into the end zone and limped off the field. He received treatment on the sidelines but did not return to action in overtime.

Weisman has carried the ball 100 times this season for 631 yards and 8 touchdowns this season — almost all of that coming in the last four games, when the Air Force transfer took over as Iowa's top running back.

Greg Garmon is listed as the starter in place of Weisman. The true freshman carried the ball four times for 6 yards against the Spartans, and he has 14 carries for just 35 yards this season.

Sophomore Jordan Canzeri is listed as the No. 2 back, making his first appearance on the team's depth chart this year. Canzeri tore his ACL in spring practice in April and has been practicing since August. He is apparently ready to play now if needed.

Weisman's absence on the two-deeps, however, doesn't guarantee he won't play. He appeared for postgame interviews after Iowa's win over the Spartans in a protective boot but said he would "definitely" be ready to play against Penn State on Saturday.



Weisman

— by Sam Louwagie

Living up to his nickname

Australia native Rob Trower loves tennis so much, his teammates gave him a fitting nickname.

By **KEVIN GLUECK**
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Most athletes are very knowledgeable about their sport. But none may be more of a nut for the sport they play than Iowa men's tennis redshirt freshman Rob Trower.

"There's probably nobody I know on the team who's more into tennis itself," said head coach Steve Houghton. "He's a walking encyclopedia of tennis knowledge. If he had his preference, he would play tennis five or six hours a day."

Trower's obsession with tennis has earned him the nickname "ATP" on the team, a reference to the Association of Tennis Players — the name of the top-tier professional tennis tour.

"The reason I watch is that I

love certain ... players," Trower, a native of Australia, said. "I love to copy some of the things they do."

Trower says that his biggest influence is fellow-Aussie Lleyton Hewitt, who at 20 was the youngest male ever to be ranked No. 1 in the world. Trower also enjoys watching Roger Federer.

"I get ideas, like the way that they structure points," he said. "I love watching them. They're very controlled in their mental game."

The native of Melbourne took advantage of his hometown surroundings. Melbourne is the host of the Australian Open, one of the four Grand Slams. But Trower isn't just a patron of the Open, he's actually involved behind the scenes of the tournament.

"I actually was a hitting partner for some of the women," Trower said. "I got to go every year."

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Rob Trower practices tennis at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on Oct. 2. (The Daily Iowan/Sumei Chen)



Truly running in the family

Cross-country runner Nathan Ferree follows in his parent's footsteps as an Iowa runner.

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Cross-country runner and freshman Nathan Ferree grew up loving his parents' alma mater, the University of Iowa. Thomas and Carol Ferree both ran track and cross-country for Iowa in the late-1970s.

Ultimately, the younger Ferree's Hawkeye spirit, along with his desire to challenge himself as a Division-I athlete, led him to the UI.

Nathan Ferree, who is redshirting this year, said running wasn't always the focus for him.

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