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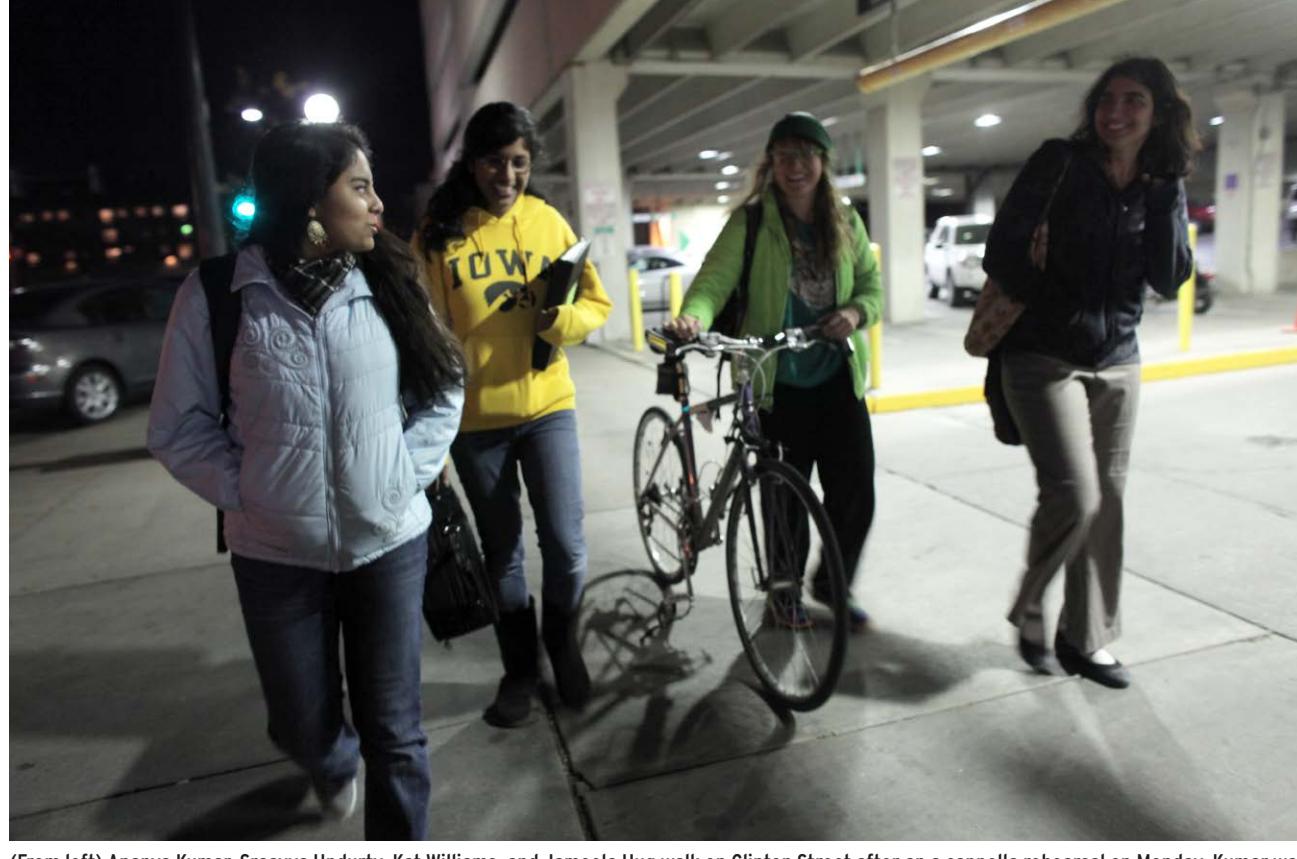
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VOTE 2012: DEMOGRAPHICS

Asian Americans eye policies



(From left) Ananya Kumar, Sraavya Undury, Kat Williams, and Jameela Huq walk on Clinton Street after an a cappella rehearsal on Monday. Kumar was born in India and moved to the United States with her parents at age 6. Undury was born in India and moved to the US at age 1. Huq was born here.

By ALISON SULLIVAN

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It's a cool autumn evening, and Roger Pei sits slumped on a couch at the University of Iowa's Asian Pacific American Cultural Center.

"The next president will have a big effect on what my job will be," the pre-medical major said, fully aware of the impact of the coming Election Day.

The sophomore said he and his parents — who came from Shanghai to America — are concerned about the economy.

Like many Americans, Asian Americans are concerned about economic issues, jobs, and education. But while the government and the media tend to focus on Latinos when immigration issues arise, the reality is that immigration issues are equally important among Asian-American voters.

The Asian-American population has taken the lead in the fastest-growing ethnic group in the United States, according to a 2012 report from the Pew Research Center. In 2010, 36 percent of immigrants arriving in this country were Asian; 31 percent were Latino.

Despite this growth, Asian Americans still only make up roughly 6 percent of the population, 2 percent in Iowa.

But Melany Dela Cruz, the director of the University of California-Los Angeles Asian Pacific American

Asians

Population numbers:

- United States: 17.3 million
- Iowa: 64,512
- Johnson County: 8,031

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Election Demographics

Third in a five-part series: Follow along as *The Daily Iowan* looks in-depth at five different voter demographics and the issues important to them in this election.

- Monday: African Americans
- Tuesday: Latinos
- Wednesday: Asians
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- Friday: LGBT

Community Development Data Center, said as more Asians settle in the United States, more will become engaged in politics.

"Because we're very much foreign-born, it's going to take

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VOTE 2012: CAMPAIGNS

Candidates hobnob at 'Burg' Inn

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John Archer grasped his glass of root beer and took a sip while gazing at the portrait of Ronald Reagan. The photo adorns the booth in which the former president sat during a visit to the Hamburg Inn No. 2. Archer's eyes then moved to the signed picture of his opponent, Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa, that hangs slightly to the left of Reagan's, and reality set in: The election is just one week away.

"Johnson County is critically important, and we're receiving great support especially from residents, and younger students ..." Archer told *The Daily Iowan*. "It's always nice to come home, and this not the last stop in Johnson County before the election."

Archer's and Iowa House candidate Steve Sherman's visit to the local diner, 214 N. Linn St., comes in an area that on paper is not statistically favorable to Republicans. According to the Johnson County Auditor's Office, 39,827 voters in the county are registered Democrats, and 18,732 are registered Republicans, as of Oct. 26.

Hamburg owner David Panther stressed how he makes sure appearances are fair to all candidates regardless of their party a tradition, which dates back to Reagan's visit in 1992.

"We want to have a venue that's friendly to all candidates



Republican candidate for the 2nd Congressional District John Archer meets with supporters at the Hamburg Inn on Tuesday. Candidates are making their final push for votes before the election on Nov. 6. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh)

and gives them the opportunity to meet voters," he said.

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UI changes housing process

By NATHANIEL OTJEN

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All incoming University of Iowa freshmen next year will be required to sign up for living-learning communities — a specific community in residence halls — and UI officials said they're looking forward to the changes.

"We are looking at residence halls as another means of helping students succeed," said Andrew Beckett, an assistant dean of the University College at the University of Iowa. "Students in learning communities have a better chance of building relationships together."

Students registering for on-campus housing next fall have to choose their top five communities from around 30 different available options. In the spring of 2013, students will choose a room in one of their chosen communities from a residence-hall floor plan.

This concept is new to the UI. Up to now, the UI has students choose a neighborhood on either the East or the West Side of the river, and then officials work to assign students to certain residence halls.

"Historically, students have been able to pick dorms at the University of Iowa," said Beth Ingram, associate provost for undergraduate education. "Some are more popular than others."

With this change, students can now focus on specific attributes of where they want to live, Ingram said.

The UI's \$53 million West Campus Residence Hall — slated for completion in 2015 — focuses specifically on living-learning communities with pods of rooms clustered near study, tutoring, and communal space.

Ingram said some of the living-learning communities will be basic — possibly housing several different majors.

"Some of the communities are pretty

SEE COMMUNITIES, 4

Funding cuts hurt victim programs

By LAUREN COFFEY

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With recent cuts to the state's Victim of Crime Act funding, there is not much the directors can do to change the amount of funds.

That is where they say the community can step in to help.

"It's definitely up to the community," said Laurie Schipper, the executive director of the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence. "Ask for more money. The programs are increasingly flexible and nimble."

The Coralville Public Library overflowed with community members Tuesday evening as the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Assault held an informational meeting about the new plan to deal with funding losses and field questions from community members.

After a 10 percent cut in state funding last year, the Iowa Attorney General's Office received a 14 percent cut from the Victims of Crime Act funding stream, *The Daily Iowan* has previously reported.

SEE SERVICES, 4



UI improving its frosh retention



New freshmen dance with the Dance Marathon Morale Squad at the President's Block Party on Aug. 19. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

The university aims to retain first-year students via implementation of mandatory surveys.

By ERIC CLARK

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Members of the University of Iowa's 2011-2012 first-year class returned for their second year this fall at a rate of 86 percent.

Now, UI officials have placed credit for the high percentage on programs like the Office of Retention and OnIowa.

In fall 2011, the retention rate was 85.6 percent.

This spring, the Retention Office implemented a mandatory survey for freshmen using a program called MAP-Works. The survey, taken in between the students' third and fifth week of classes, asked them questions regarding their academic activities and their living arrangements, among other topics.

Michelle Cohenour, the director of the Retention Office, said the survey cost the UI approximately \$60,000.

"We got around 6,600 responses, and we went through and worked on every one individually," she said. "From our end, it's been valuable to hear the students' voices. We're making sure they aren't falling on deaf ears."

Results of the survey were issued to the UI as individualized reports and helped officials identify students who were at risk to leave the university, as well as students who may require personal help adjusting to college life.

Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education Beth Ingram said students often leave campus for reasons that are fixable, such as owing small amounts of money and lack of a connection to the campus and its resources.

"We knew based on research that some students felt disconnected from campus in their first semester,"

she said. "As a first-year student, you don't always know what you want."

Ingram said the UI started efforts to increase first-year student retention three years ago by meeting with faculty and students, discussing ways to better connect to first-year students, as well as starting initiatives. While the UI has only used the survey once, planning dates back to those initial meetings.

"The biggest reason for implementing the survey was to help the students," she said. Ingram said the state Board of Regents previously set a future goal for freshmen to return to the UI for a second year at a rate of around 88 percent.

The UI has seen an increase in the retention rate, as the five-year rate, which was calculated in 2011, was 84.2 percent, approximately 2 points lower

than this year's.

UI freshman Sam Saliu said he knows about a few students who plan on transferring, but he isn't one of them.

"I don't have any reasons not to," he said. "I've just gotten used [to the campus]."

Saliu said the UI has succeeded in making him feel comfortable away from home.

While the survey seems to have succeeded in helping officials connect with first-year students, officials have yet to determine whether the survey will be used again next year.

Cohenour said the UI is still in the process of making that decision by gathering feedback from students and faculty.

"In terms of retaining students, I think we're making good strides," she said. "We should have a formal decision by the spring of next year."

NEWS

Bruegger's construction to begin

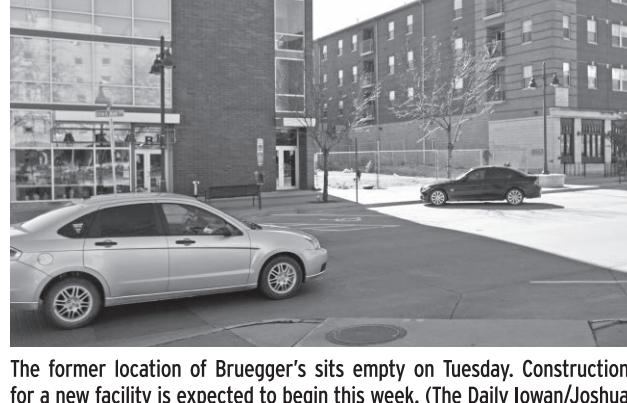
Construction is expected to begin this week on the downtown Iowa City Bruegger's Bagels location.

Officials told *The Daily Iowan* in August that a new building will be built at the store's former location, 225 Iowa Ave.; it is slated to open in early January 2013.

"We're planning to open Jan. 9," Mario Arguelles, a manager at the 715 S. Riverside Drive Bruegger's location and former general manager at the Iowa Avenue location, previously told the *DI*. "But that's still tentative, based on how quickly they get things built."

The previous facility was destroyed by a fire on the morning of Sept. 24, 2011. Smoke and water from the fire and fire suppression efforts damaged neighboring Takanami, Yacht Club, Studio 13, and AKAR Design.

— by Kristen East



The former location of Bruegger's sits empty on Tuesday. Construction for a new facility is expected to begin this week. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

According to the police complaint, Lalla took a portable breath test after the alleged incident, which resulted in a 0.093 blood-alcohol level, above the legal limit of 0.08.

Lalla previously requested a change of venue and attorney, according to a letter obtained by *The Daily Iowan*. On Oct. 9, her request for a new lawyer was granted, and a public defender from Linn County was appointed.

The trial is rescheduled for 9 a.m. Feb. 12, 2013, with a pretrial conference set for 11 a.m. Feb. 1.

— by Brent Griffiths

Court Apt. 320, was charged Oct. 19 with third-degree theft from Target, 1441 Coral Ridge Ave.

According to a Coralville police complaint, police officers arrived at the store around 11:25 a.m. and met with Target staff who confirmed Tomas was a store cashier.

According to police, Tomas admitted taking approximately \$570 from a store cash register between Sept. 17 and Oct. 18.

Third-degree theft is an aggravated misdemeanor, punishable by up to two years in prison and a maximum fine of \$6,250.

— by Quentin Misiag

Honors Program to change

Beginning in the 2013-14 academic year, the University of Iowa's Honors Program will enact

sweeping changes in its student requirements.

The UI Faculty Senate heard a presentation on the matter during its meeting Tuesday; the Provost's Office approved the changes Sept. 6.

The current requirements only ask students to maintain a 3.33 GPA. Next year, though, students will need to fulfill three new requirements. These stipulations apply to all students in the program, regardless of when they entered the program.

Students entering the Honors Program must accept a formal invitation into the program and attend an orientation. The director of the Honors Program, Art Spisak, believes this will cut the numbers of Honors students in half. Currently, there are approximately 6,500 students in the program.

The second change requires students to take a minimum of 12 semester hours of Honors courses, and they must be completed within four semesters of first registration as an Honors student.

The third change allows for more flexibility, emphasizing an idea of "learning by doing." Students can take a combination Honors coursework and experiential learning work or fulfill the requirement through just experiential learning. For example, students can combine internship work with further Honors coursework or study abroad for two semesters. They can also earn honors in their major.

— by Brianna Jett

Vehicular-homicide trial reset

The trial for a woman accused of vehicular homicide and operating a vehicle while intoxicated has been reset for next year, according to online court documents.

Miranda Lalla is accused of a Class-B felony and an aggravated misdemeanor.

BLOTTER

Kristian Alvarez, 20, Dubuque, was charged Sunday with interference with official acts and presence in a bar after hours.

Mackenzie Borders, 18, 419A Mayflower, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Tyler Fossey, 18, Northlake, Ill., was charged Oct. 27 with possession of a controlled substance.

Colin Freese, 18, 768 Rienow, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Garret Goebel, 30, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Jori Jacobsen, 18, 727D Mayflower, was charged Oct. 26 with public intoxication.

Allyson Kenney, 24, Machesney Park, Ill., was charged Oct. 25 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Mathew Knipp, 20, Altoona, Iowa, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Jill McConnell, 25, 1915 Taylor Drive, was charged Monday with assault.

Seth Molloy, 18, 806B Mayflower, was charged Oct. 27 with possession of a controlled substance.

Taccara Moore, 29, 859 Longfellow Court, was charged Aug. 23 with driving with a revoked license and, 1946 Broadway Apt. G, was charged Monday with driving with a suspended or canceled license.

Rebecca Morin, 18, 943 Slater, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Nayan Patel, 18, 1110 Rienow, was charged Oct. 27 with public intoxication.

Jennifer Portillo, 20, Franklin Park, Ill., was charged Oct. 27 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Nicholas Wedo, 19, 2204 Quadrangle, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

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In the Oct. 29 story "Latinos may swing Iowa vote," *The Daily Iowan* incorrectly reported the population increase of Latinos in Iowa. The overall Iowa population increased 4.1 percent from the previous census, but the Latino population increased 83.7 percent. The *DI* regrets the error.

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Bald-eagle time comes to town

There are an estimated 3,000 bald eagles in Iowa.

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As the last leaves begin to drop off the trees and the weather begins to turn colder, bald eagles can be seen along the banks of the Iowa River as the great birds begin their annual migratory pattern south.

In recent years, the eagles have made a comeback from coming close to being eradicated by the pesticide DDT in the 1970s, and their numbers are constantly on the rise in Iowa, much to the excitement of the state's bird enthusiasts.

"We have a lot more nesting bald eagles in the state than we ever expected," said Tim Thompson, a wildlife biologist at the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

There are an estimated 3,000 eagles in Iowa over the winter with 350 nesting pairs in the state, and seven known bald eagle nesting sites in Johnson County.

The eagles stop in Iowa City along their migratory routes, trying to avoid the harsh winter farther north, and they are now beginning to be spotted.

"They're starting to come down from Minnesota and Canada," said Karen Disbrow, the president of the Iowa City Bird Club.

There are many different places to spot the eagles along the Iowa River with the river beginning to freeze from between Dec. 10 and Dec. 20 and higher concentrations of eagles being seen in early January.

"Right in Iowa City, there are a lot of good locations," Thompson said.

The Iowa River Power Company, the Village Inn, the University of Iowa Power Plant near the intersection of Burlington Street and Riverside Drive, City Park, and also the water-treatment plant near the Butler Bridge are suggested viewing areas to see the raptors.

"They move up and down the river as it freezes and thaws," Disbrow said.

The eagles stop to feed along the Iowa River as the cold sets in, grabbing fish from the water with their large yellow talons and eating them along the shore. Sometimes weather patterns can make the birds stay for a few days until the good weather resumes and allows for further migration south.

"The rivers are important to them because fish is their prey item," said Jennifer Zieser, the project assistant at the Macbride Raptor Project.



A bald eagle sits atop a tree in the City Park in 2010. Iowa's bald-eagle population has seen consistent growth, and there are an estimated 350 nesting pairs in the state. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

The bald eagle was chosen to represent the United States because of its long life and great strength.

"They are protected birds — they are a national symbol," Zieser said.

The raptors were declared an endangered species in 1967; in June 2007, the bird was taken off the endangered-species list. Just three years ago in October, the bald eagle was removed from the threatened species list in the state of Iowa.

"With the protections we have afforded them, they have been much more successful," Zieser said. "They are a piece of national history."

The bald eagle is still being watched and monitored regularly, however, said Daryl Howell, who oversees the threatened and endangered species at Iowa Natural Resources.

"It's now under special concern — we now watch it," he said.

The birds are still being closely observed in part because current concerns about bald eagles are centered on hunters using lead

Bald Eagles

Bald eagles can be seen all around the state with an estimated:

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- 350 nesting pairs in the state
- 7 known nesting sites in Johnson County

Source: Macbride Raptor Project and Tim Thompson of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources

shot and leaving carcasses with lead shot in them in the open for the eagles to feed upon. The lead is damaging to the birds' health, and this is especially a large concern during the fall hunting season.

"You think of eagles as being fish eaters — but they aren't above eating carrion," Thompson said.

However, scavenging such as that makes them a valuable asset.

They are immensely, immensely important to our environment," Disbrow said. "They are a fantastic bird to look at."



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Superstorm bashes eastern U.S. states

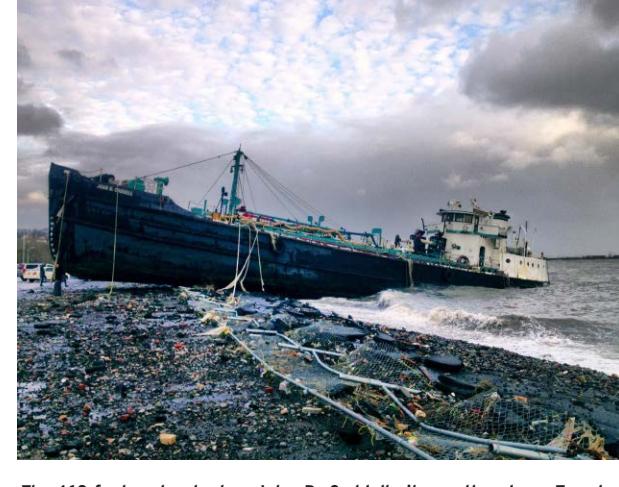
By TED ANTHONY
Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — The most devastating storm in decades to hit the country's most densely populated region upended humans and nature as it rolled back the clock on 21st-century lives, cutting off modern communication and leaving millions without power Tuesday. Thousands who fled their water-menaced homes wondered when — or if — life would return to normal.

A weakening Sandy, the hurricane turned fearsome superstorm, killed at least 50 people, many hit by falling trees, and it still wasn't finished. It inched inland across Pennsylvania, ready to bank toward western New York to dump more of its water and likely cause more havoc Tuesday night. Behind it: a dazed, inundated New York City, a water-logged Atlantic Coast, and a moonscape of disarray and debris — from unmoored shore-town boardwalks to submerged mass-transit systems to delicate presidential politics.

"Nature," said New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, assessing the damage to his city, "is an awful lot more powerful than we are."

More than 8.2 million households were without power in 17 states as far west as Michigan. Nearly 2 million of those were in New York, where large swaths of lower Manhattan lost electricity and entire streets ended up underwater — as did seven subway tunnels



The 168-foot water tanker John B. Caddell sits on the shore Tuesday morning, where it ran aground on Front Street in the Stapleton neighborhood of New York's Staten Island during Superstorm Sandy. (Associated Press/Sean Sweeney)

between Manhattan and Brooklyn at one point, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority said.

The New York Stock Exchange was closed for a second day from weather, the first time that has happened since a blizzard in 1888. The shutdown of mass transit crippled a city where more than 8.3 million bus, subway, and local rail trips are taken each day, and 800,000 vehicles cross bridges run by the transit agency.

Consolidated Edison said electricity in and around New York could take a week to restore.

"Everybody knew it was coming. Unfortunately, it was everything they said it was," said Sal Novello, a construction executive who rode out the storm with his wife, Lori, in the Long Island town of Lindenhurst and ended up with 7 feet of water in the basement.

The scope of the storm's

damage wasn't known yet. Though early predictions of river flooding in Sandy's inland path were petering out, colder temperatures made snow the main product of Sandy's slow march from the sea. Parts of the West Virginia mountains were blanketed with 2 feet of snow by Tuesday afternoon, and drifts 4 feet deep were reported at Great Smoky Mountains National Park on the Tennessee-North Carolina border.

With Election Day a week away, the storm also threatened to affect the presidential campaign. Federal disaster response, always a dicey political issue, has become even thornier since government mismanagement of Hurricane Katrina in 2005. And poll access and voter turnout, both of which hinge upon how people are affected by the storm, could help shift the outcome in an extremely close race.

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Sherman said the appearance was a "quintessential stop" and that Iowa City's as well as Johnson County's political diversity is something that "makes the town great."

"It's great experience for the Statehouse level, because essentially it's your friends and neighbors who elect you," he said. "My family has Democrats in it, so

Thanksgiving was pretty raucous. That's the way it used to be; you used to be able to go to a restaurant like this, sit down, and talk about your differences."

While the GOP candidates didn't formally address customers in the diner, Archer continued to tout his business experience as an example of how he would reach across the aisle to Democrats and stressed his belief that Loebssack has failed to effectively represent Iowa.

"[Congressman Loebssack's] voice has fallen on deaf ears specifically in failing on something as critically important as the farm bill and the wind-energy tax credit," Archer said. "He talks about the dysfunction in Congress, but he's been in Washington for the past six years."

Loebssack's campaign responded by pointing to the congressman's work with 37 other colleagues to push Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, and Speaker John

Boehner as a part of his work on the farm bill and blamed Republicans for the failure. His campaign further characterized Archer's statements as inaccurate.

"Unfortunately, the same Washington Republicans that have sought to buy this election for Mr. Archer to the tune of \$800,000 have bottled up any progress on passing a farm bill," Loebssack campaign spokesman Joe Hand wrote in an email.

Sherman is running for the newly created District

77 for the Iowa House against current Johnson County Supervisor Sally Stutsman. Sherman said he would consider any of the current economic issues if he is elected but is especially concerned about human trafficking.

"I want to send the message this is not the state to be trafficking in," he said.

Stutsman was unable to be reached for comment Tuesday evening but, according to her website, she will work to manage the state's

budgets and create partnerships to effectively carry out state government work.

Archer and Sherman spoke with individual customers during their appearance at the restaurant packed with a visibly large Republican turnout.

"This the most critical election in my lifetime," said Dale Petersen, an Iowa City resident who attended the event. "I'm concerned about my children's and grandchildren's future if we don't cut the deficit."

ASIAN

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time for some of the Asian immigrant populations to form a community, to organize themselves," said Dela Cruz, who is of Filipino descent.

A large percentage of Asian Americans, 74 percent, are foreign born, the Pew research concludes.

Charles Stewart III, a professor of political science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology who studies elections, said making a more international

appeal could be beneficial for the candidates.

"It seems to me the appeal candidates can make to bring in Asian Americans, more broadly, is to be internationalist and being more welcoming of immigrants in general," he said.

GOP presidential nominee Mitt Romney's immigration policies call for better alignment with the U.S.'s current economy. His policies also call for tighter security to hinder illegal immigration.

Stewart says some view Romney's approach as harsh on immigration.

"The thing that strikes me when talking to 20 years of Asian-American students is [the impression] that the Republican Party seems to be hostile to immigrants," Stewart said.

"Even people who you'd expect to be Republican are gravitating toward Democratic candidates; they feel like Democratic candidates or policymakers won't hassle them the way Republicans will."

But Iowa GOP Chairman A.J. Spiker said he doesn't see it as harsh; he thinks it's a firm belief that immigrants should come to

America legally.

"We want people to come here," he said. "It keeps America fresh and new, when you're adding new culture and people to our country."

In 2008, President Obama promised to establish immigration legislation, which didn't come to full fruition. However, his efforts with the Developmental, Relief, and Education for all Alien Minors Act (or DREAM Act) has received some praise. The act grants immunity for illegal immigrants who came to America at the age of

15 or younger to obtain an education in the United States.

"The DREAM act applies to everyone; that's not just specific to any demographic," said Elizabeth Purchia, Iowa press secretary for Obama for America.

In a demographic where roughly half hold at least a bachelor's degree, education and the economy are also important issues for Asian Americans.

Still, Asian-American voters haven't seen the candidates spend much time focusing on their vote in comparison with other

demographics, though both campaigns have groups established.

But Dela Cruz said she thinks that will change as more Asian Americans live a successful life in the United States and seek higher positions and political office.

"I think it's more important at the local level right now," she said about the Asian-American vote. "As you start to see more [Asian-American] higher officials get elected, you'll start to see the influence change. Asian Americans will have more of a voice."

SERVICES

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The Domestic Violence Intervention Program and the Rape Victim Advocacy Program decided to re-evaluate their current funding plan in June. After testing 10 different plans with the information they had, the two programs decided to adapt the Strategic Funding and Services Plan.

The plan will split the state into six regions and divide 60 percent of the funding to give a base amount to each shelter and the remaining 40 percent of the funds based on population of the service area. Currently, the programs receive \$8.5 million to split up among 28 service areas.

"No matter where you live, you have services," said Donna Phillips, the Victim Service Support Program

administrator. "We believe it's the fairest distribution of funds."

Although officials are upset by the lack of funding, they believe with the right amount of money the plan has the ability to help.

"The plan needs a lot more money," Schipper said. "I believe with more money the plan could work. It has great merit. If we had twice as many advocates [which are a result of funding],

we would be doing an adequate job. With three times as many, we would be doing a good job."

Many community members originally were hostile toward the plan for a variety of reasons, with one of the main issues being that the plan will not prevent future closings of service areas for domestic assault and domestic abuse victims.

Local politicians were also at the meeting. "It's

about resource priorities in the case of the state," said Sen. Joe Bolko, D-Iowa City. "The last two years, the program has had \$2.8 million, a year before it was 3.4. At the federal level, there is a big decision on Tuesday, and you guys are trying to rearrange the deck chairs."

Other community members focused less on legislators and more on victims being affected by the fund-

ing cuts.

Officials urged the community to talk to local officials.

"We're doing the best we can," said Janelle Melohn, the director of the Crime Victim Assistance Division. "We need more money. The important thing [the community] can do is talk to the people who control the purse strings and help them understand the need for victim services."

COMMUNITIES

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generic and just look like dorm floors," she said.

Beckett, an expert in living-learning communities, believes they will help incoming students excel.

"We're trying to create a community that will affirm positive values and personal interests," he said.

UI sophomore Aaron Haubrich said he thought the new housing changes will be good for incoming students, but he was also hesitant about whether they are the best choice.

"I don't know if they're the type of thing each freshman should do," he said.

Haubrich believed that living-learning communities should be especially available to students who

Living-Learning Communities

Registering students for on-campus housing this fall:

- Will choose their top five communities from approximately 30 options
- In the spring of 2013, students will choose a room in one of their selected communities from a residence-hall floor plan

Source: UI Housing and Dining

because students only live around people in their major or interest. Beckett agreed this is a problem but said the gains in joining a living-learning community outweigh any potential negatives.

Another potential downside is the loss of students choosing their residence halls.

Beckett said students always want to live in a certain hall but believes that's not as important as those who surround a person.

"Whom you live with is probably more important than where you live," he said.

At Iowa State University 70 percent of the incoming freshman class volunteers to live in a learning community.

Iowa State has 80 learning communities with 20 of them having a residen-

tial component. The other 60 are strictly academic.

"The learning communities really lets them connect to the university and make friends," said Doug Gruenewald, co-director of learning communities

at Iowa State.

He said signing up for learning communities have never been a requirement for students.

Gruenewald supports the UI's decision to make enrolling in such a com-

munity necessary for all incoming students applying for on-campus housing.

"I think it's great that they're trying to do more with living-learning communities," he said.

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Rep. Dave Loebsack, D-Iowa, greets audience members as he arrives for a 2nd Congressional District debate at the Coralville Public Library on Oct. 8. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley)

ENDORSEMENT: CONGRESSIONAL RACE

Vote for Loebsack for Congress

With Congressional approval ratings supremely low, it is tempting to vote against any incumbent candidate to replace old members of Congress with fresh faces and ideas.

But in terms of Iowa's 2nd District, we resist such feelings. We endorse Democratic incumbent Dave Loebsack for a fourth term in the House of Representatives.

In a time of hyper-partisanship in Congress, Loebsack has been a champion of the 2nd District's values, and he has shown an admirable capacity for compromise.

Loebsack is a supporter of the Affordable Care Act and has voted against its repeal twice in the House. He is an advocate for a balanced-budget amendment but supports a sensible plan to cut the deficit that includes increasing government revenue, cutting defense spending, and making government programs such as Medicare more efficient.

As a member of the Armed Services Committee, Loebsack has worked to support veterans and has called for the end of the war in Afghanistan.

On the economy, Loebsack has shown a willingness to work with House Republicans. He was one of only 18 Democrats to support a tax cut on small businesses put forward by Republican Majority Leader Eric Cantor.

Currently, Loebsack is working on a legislative compromise on the future of the Bush tax cuts that would allow the cuts to expire for individuals making more than \$250,000 per year — as the Democrats have proposed — but create an exemption for all small-business owners in order to allay a key Republican concern about the potential effect of higher taxes on the economy.

This is not to say that Loebsack's tenure in Washington has been overwhelmingly productive or that we support his views on every issue. He has faced repeated attacks following a May story in the *Des Moines Register* that named him the least effective member of Iowa's Congressional delegation. Loebsack's rank was largely determined by perceptions of his national recognition and his insular focus on Iowa's 2nd District.

Aside from his ardent championing of small businesses and wind energy, Loebsack's plan to create jobs also leaves something to be desired. Too often, he drifts toward protectionism in his opposition to free-trade agreements and his antagonism toward China, a trading partner of vital importance.

We believe that the current House leadership must change and compromise must be fostered, but Republican challenger John Archer has offered no compelling reason — glittering campaign rhetoric aside — to believe that he is the person to do that job. We cannot, in good faith, add another party-line Republican to a caucus that has committed itself so strongly to obstructionism and contrarianism at the expense of the American people for the past two years.

Loebsack is this race's true ideological moderate with a track record of bipartisanship in service of the 2nd District. He has proven himself to be a thoughtful, well-informed member of Congress. We support sending Loebsack back to Washington and holding him to a higher standard of action in the House.

Go online and make your voice heard in the coming week's endorsements. Weigh in on several issues at dailyiowan.com.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Yes to the justice center

I think by now I'd be hard pressed to find someone who hasn't heard arguments for and against Johnson County's proposed justice center.

We're all aware of the age of the Courthouse and problems that represents. If not, I'll remind you — lack of accessibility for disabled persons, lack of courtrooms, lack of attorney/client meeting rooms, lack of office space for the county attorney, and serious safety concerns for the public ... the list is endless.

We're also aware of critical space concerns in our outdated jail. Everything in Johnson County has grown, except the jail capacity. And the problems because of that keep growing.

As a result, Johnson County taxpayers spend more than \$1 million annually to house inmates in other counties. I wonder why we wouldn't want to keep that money here to make our own improvements and pay our own employees, who spend their money here.

I was hired as a deputy sheriff in Johnson County in 1993 and worked in the jail for more than 10 years. I'd rather pay a small amount more myself and keep our millions of tax dollars here. To offset my share of the cost, I'll skip a couple trips to the pizza shop each year.

I have nothing else to gain if the justice center passes, because I will have long since retired before it is built. I support the justice center and hope other Johnson County voters will also choose to have their tax dollars spent in Johnson County.

Doug Gwinne

Iowa City

I have followed discussions about the proposed justice center, and my concern is why so many people are focused on problems they imagine about the project. There are many important considerations and services a justice-center concept would offer, and those are being sidetracked in the process. Safety of the workers and anyone else entering our Courthouse or jail is of huge importance. But that seems not to matter for many citizens.

I formerly worked for the city of Atlanta as the director of Human Services before and during the 1996 Olympics. We also had decisions to make about a new jail and were concerned about the very real threat of terrorism. Thus, we built a jail larger than our population at the time indicated was necessary.

However, that enabled us to provide services to a population of our city that this nation has ignored, and in fact, has left to suffer on the streets in great peril. I refer to people with mental-health problems, who are arrested and jailed due to behavior caused by lack of housing and access to medications they desperately need.

Even though Iowa City doesn't have the extent of problems we faced in Atlanta, I believe any space in a new justice center that could be set aside, even on a temporary basis, to serve people with those needs would be justice for them. We could provide them with appropriate care and the ability to live their lives safely after time under supervision in our jail.

Sue Ellen Crosslea
Iowa City

As a 24-year veteran sergeant of the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, I offer unique perspectives on the current proposal to build a new justice center, including a new jail.

My first 11 years were spent as night-shift deputy in an already overcrowded jail. During that time, the jail was double-bunked to house 92 inmates, who were transported to and from an unsecured Courthouse. Approximately 7,000 to 8,000 inmates a year were processed in a space not even twice the size of an average home bathroom. They still are today.

The majority of my next 10 years were spent on the night-patrol division. In addition to protecting the community and arresting violent criminal offenders, I witnessed an ever-growing demographic change in Johnson County. Our rural communities expanded. North Liberty doubled in population; going from having no police force to having a full-time department of more than 20 officers. Police numbers in Iowa City and Coralville have also grown with the respective communities.

I have since returned to nights in the jail as a sergeant and to finish a master's degree in education. The jail population has increased to the point of county tax dollars paying other facilities to regularly house 80 to 100 of our inmates. That's also a safety issue.

Though I'm pursuing a second career, I have always personally tried to leave the Johnson County community better and safer than when I was hired. The community now can do the same by voting yes for the justice center.

Sgt. Phil Schintler
Kalona

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Sports

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Hawkeye soccer faces class of the league

The Iowa soccer team faces one of the top teams in the nation, No. 4 Penn State, in the quarterfinals of the Big Ten Tournament today.

By TOM CLOS

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The Iowa soccer team rebounded just in time to save its season on Oct. 27.

The Hawkeyes held off Wisconsin, 2-1, to clinch a spot in the 2012 Big Ten Tournament on the final day of the regular season.

This weekend, they are three victories away from claiming the Hawkeyes' first-ever league title.

But to be the best come Nov. 4, the Hawkeyes have to beat the best today.

Iowa will attempt to pull off one of the biggest upsets in recent history as No. 4 Penn State awaits in the quarterfinals of the Big Ten Tournament at Armstrong Stadium in Bloomington, Ind., today.

The Nittany Lions (16-2-1, 10-1-0 Big Ten) arrive in Indiana as the top seed in the conference bracket and winners of 15 consecutive Big Ten regular-season titles. They are riding a 12-match unbeaten streak, which includes a 2-1 victory in Iowa City on Oct. 14.

That day, the Hawkeyes (12-5-3, 3-5-3) outworked Penn State to a 23-15 advantage in shots as well as an 8-4 edge in corner kicks. The teams played to a 1-1 tie through the first half, though, and the Black and Gold couldn't capitalize on numerous chances in the second half.

Penn State eventually did and escaped with a win.

"We have to realize that we earned Penn State's respect from the last time we played them," Iowa head coach Ron Rainey said. "So we're going to have to play that much better than we

did to compete with them on Wednesday."

Senior midfielder Dana Dalrymple was proud of the way her group fared against the Nittany Lions the first time around. She noted the fortitude the Black and Gold gained from the 1-goal defeat.

"We're feeling pretty confident because we played so well against them the last time," she said. "We're definitely capable of doing well and beating them."

Rainey said that even though his team played what he referred to as its best game of the year against Penn State, they did catch the Nittany Lions at a fortunate time that afternoon.

"We can take away that there are some good reps of us on film from that game," he said. "But we realize that was the back end of a road trip for them, and they are the best in the conference."

Something Penn State didn't see that day was a fully healthy Cloe Lacasse.

The sophomore forward was suffering from an ankle injury at the time, but she rebounded to score Iowa's lone goal of that match as part of a team-leading 7-shot performance in only 69 minutes of action.

The Hawkeyes' leading-scorer, who is healthy this time around, said her squad is prepared for another crack at the conference's top program.

"We're ready to take on any team," she said. "Whether it be Penn State, Ohio State or anyone, we're going to do the best we can."

Iowa snapped a seven-game winless streak with its victory over the Badgers last weekend,



Iowa players celebrate after a goal at the Iowa Soccer Complex on Oct. 27. Iowa defeated Wisconsin, 2-1, and will compete in the Big Ten Tournament starting today. (The Daily Iowan/Tessa Hursh)

breathing life back into what looked like a punchless team.

"Our team believes that we can compete against the teams in this conference," Rainey said. "And if you look at all of the teams in

the tournament, any of the eight can win it."

Still, to emerge from Indiana with a championship in tow, the Hawkeyes will have to pull off a magical three-day run through one of the toughest conferences

in America.

And it'll have to start with conquering one of the toughest teams in the country.

"Penn State is the class of the league," Rainey said. "We'll have to play our best game by far to be competitive."

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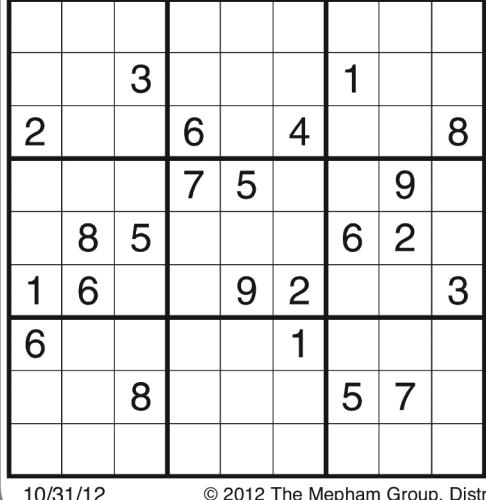
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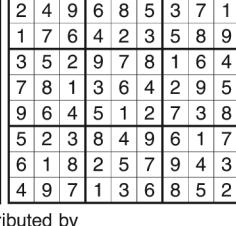
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Sports

FERENTZ

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"We'll look forward to that day, and then we'll think about it then."

Meanwhile, Bullock said he is working to copy some of Weisman's moves.

"A couple times, I've tried to pick people up with one arm and throw them like he does," he said. "But it doesn't work sometimes."

Hawkeyes dealing with criticism

Fans booed the Hawkeyes after the first half of the team's 38-14 loss to Penn State. And

'The world is not ending [when we lose], and it's not the creation of a new civilization when we win.'

— head coach Kirk Ferentz

fans were chippy in the coach's weekly call-in show last week, one suggesting he should return to Cleveland, where he was once an NFL assistant. Iowa has been routed two weeks in a row, and criticism is mounting.

The Hawkeyes are trying to tune out the outside noise.

"I have always understood that people will react very positively — probably too positively — when we do well, and when we lose, it's the opposite," Ferentz said. "The world is not end-

ing [when we lose], and it's not the creation of a new civilization when we win."

Quarterback James Vandenberg said the team needed to focus on its own play.

"They have a right to be upset," he said about the fans. "When you don't score points, you're not going to get many fans. It comes down to the players executing. We feel that burden, and we're doing our best every week in practice, just looking for that opportunity to go prove it on the field."



Iowa running back Mark Weisman rushes against Northwestern at Ryan Field in Evanston on Oct. 27. Weisman rushed for 21 yards and 9 carries. (The Daily Iowan/Nicholas Fanelli)

BIG TEN

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cerned: If you have cause for concern with anybody that is touching your football program, well then, you've got problems," the seventh-year head coach said. "We don't hire guys who aren't character people in our program; that's all I can speak for. If it's a young man who's a recruiting assistant or an assistant strength coach

or an assistant athletics trainer, all those people work for the football program ... At the end of the day, the buck stops with the head coach. It's our job to make sure everyone is on the same page."

Indiana's home-field advantage grows

Hoosier head coach Kevin Wilson said his team has noticed a difference at Memorial Stadium on game days.

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The 52,929-capacity stadium has held as little as 35,242 Hoosier fans in the past five years. But the stands have averaged 46,231 through four home games this season.

"We still need to get some bodies in the stands, though," Wilson said. "Our crowd can always continue to be more vibrant, have more energy, and help us create a real home-field advantage ...

I'd love to have one this week with Iowa."

The Hoosiers suffered through a 1-11 season last year, but they have already won three games this year. Four of their losses have been by 4 points or fewer.

Wilson said Hoosier fans are starting to recognize the program's improvement.

"Our attendance this year has been really good," the head coach said. "I think our fans have had some excitement that they think we're building a better product."

FIELD HOCKEY

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this weekend, but if the number of fans increases from one year to the next, that's all the head coach wants.

"I know the fans whom I've talked to throughout

the years who come for the first time, they come back," Griesbaum said. "You might not see a reward, in fan base, in Friday's game, but you might see it next year, and keep

building it. There are not too many who check it out and never come back again."

"... We just have to get them through the door that first time."

GOLF

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score of 6 over, and sophomore Brian Bullington tied for 59th with an 8 over. Junior Ryan Marks carded a 12 over and tied for 74th place.

"We actually played pretty well," Ihm said. "We struggled at some points, and the scores showed that, but we definitely played better than our last

tournament."

Iowa has seen a tide of ups and downs this season. The squad opened its campaign with a 10th-place finish in the Golden Gopher Invitational. The team found its groove in the next two tournaments, placing fourth in the Golfweek Conference Challenge and fifth in the Rod Myers Invitational.

The Black and Gold had a major hiccup in the U.S. Collegiate Championship, though — last among 15 teams.

"Overall, we had a good

finish to the season," Hankins said. "We got better every tournament, and we beat a lot of good teams. We need to expect for more as a team because that is what's going to give us more."

Ihm, Vandersee, Marks, and Bullington played in every tournament of the fall season. Ihm was the most consistent Iowa swinger with four top-30 finishes. The Peosta, Iowa, native recorded a 10th-place finish at the Rod Myers Invitational and a runner-up finish at the Golfweek Conference

Challenge.

The Hawkeyes now have a four-month break to prepare for the spring season. The team will begin play in Bradenton, Fla., in the Big Ten Match Play Championships on Feb. 8-9. Hankins said the team will practice outside as long as the players can and will also begin conditioning five days a week.

"We've still got guys figuring it out," he said. "We definitely got better as the season went on. We just need to manage our expectations and find individual consistency."

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CAVALIERS 94, WIZARDS 84

Cavs open NBA season with win

BY TOM WITHERS

Associated Press



has been impressed with Washington Wizards' Bradley Beal (right) loses control of the ball under pressure from the Cleveland Cavaliers in the first quarter on Tuesday in Cleveland. (Associated Press/Mark Duncan)

his progress and wanted to pair his two young guards from the outset.

They played well in spurts but made enough mistakes to keep Scott from giving them too much freedom.

The Cavs seemed to be on their way to a relatively routine win, but in a league where players are fond of saying "every team makes a run," the Wizards made theirs.

Irving, the NBA's reigning rookie of the year, began his second season with a strong performance alongside Waiters, a surprising No. 4 overall pick. Waiters didn't start a game at Syracuse, but Cavs coach Byron Scott

Washington opened the fourth with its 14-0 spurt, taking a 76-74 lead when Jannero Pargo drained a 3-pointer from the corner. The Wizards rallied while Irving was getting some rest, and it wasn't long before Scott sent his young star back in to help restore order.

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Bullock/Weisman still a theory for Hawkeyes



Iowa running back Damon Bullock avoids a tackle by Northwestern's Jared Carpenter during a game at Ryan Field in Evanston on Oct. 27. (The Daily Iowan/Nicholas Fanelli)

Damon Bullock and Mark Weisman have both run well this year. But injuries have prevented Iowa from seeing what the two would look like in a backfield together.

By SAM LOUWAGIE

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Theoretically, they would be perfect complements.

One is a powerful, straight-line runner who bruises his way through defenses. The other is shifty, instinctive, and runs away from defenders. Together, they could provide Iowa with a multidimensional running attack.

But eight weeks into the season, a Mark Weisman-Damon Bullock backfield is still just hypothetical. And after head coach Kirk Ferentz said Weisman would not play on Nov. 3 against Indiana, it could stay that way for a while.

"Everybody always talks about it. If both of us were healthy, it'd be really good for this offense," Bullock said. "Right now, we're just trying to get there. I'm healthy now, and I'm just waiting on Mark. Hopefully, he'll be all right."

Weisman suffered what appeared to be a leg injury against Northwestern and left the game in the first half.

He had been limited the week before with an ankle injury.

Bullock replaced him against the Wildcats and rushed for 107 yards.

Weisman emerged when Bullock went down with a concussion on Sept. 15 after he had started the season strong. Weisman put up four straight 100-plus-yard rushing efforts, becoming one of the best stories in college football.

Now, Bullock is back after a five-week recovery, and he doesn't appear to have lost the quickness and field vision that helped him gain 150 yards in the team's season-opener.

A backfield tandem would present exciting options, Ferentz said. Bullock and Weisman have combined for 1,048 rushing yards this season. But for now, Iowa will have to continue its frustrating game of musical running backs.

"There are some options, but the first trick is to get them both on the field healthy together," Ferentz said.

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BIG TEN NOTEBOOK

BIG

Coaches back new rules

Big Ten football coaches are more than eager to support new NCAA rules that state a head coach can be punished for any violations made by a member of the football program.

By MOLLY IRENE OLMLSTEAD

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The NCAA ruled on Tuesday that coaches could face suspensions of up to one year for violations committed by assistant coaches on their staffs.

A number of violations and scandals have rocked the Big Ten in recent years, but the conference coaches jumped to defend the new NCAA sanctions during the Big Ten teleconference on Tuesday.

The NCAA also specified that programs can suffer long postseason bans and fines up to seven figures for infractions, which will now be classified using a four-tier system, ranking from "severe breach of conduct" to "incidental issues."

The new rules put the head coaches in an even greater position of responsibility for everyone involved in their programs.

And that's the way the coaches want it.

Urban Meyer, who took over as Ohio State's head coach after Jim Tressel left amid NCAA violations, said he was in full support of the new enforcement structure.

"I appreciate the NCAA revisiting the discipline structure and the penalty structure, because it was antiquated, and it was time to make a change," he said. "Throughout history, the only way to keep civilization is to have very strong rules and enforce them. There's no other way — very clear rules with firm and swift punishment."

Meyer said he believes the new rules can "keep or even restore the integrity of college football."

The new rules have been critiqued since they were announced on Tuesday because head coaches could potentially be punished for the actions of program staff members who never report directly to the head coach.

Northwestern head coach Pat Fitzgerald said it shouldn't be an issue, however.

"I would say this to any head coach who is con-

SEE BIG TEN, 10

Field-hockey tourney heads to IC

Iowa field hockey prepares to host the Big Ten Tournament, despite the sport's lack of popularity in the state.

By CODY GOODWIN

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The signs have been there all season long. Banners have hung out by Grant Field. University marketing students have given away tickets to the event at each home game.

The players themselves have talked about the Big Ten field-hockey tournament since they received the schedule last year. The opportunity to host such a big event is an honor, yes, but it's the level of awareness for the sport they hope will rise with this weekend's events coming to Iowa City.

"It's exciting," sophomore mid-fielder Dani Hemeon said. "All of these people who live in Iowa are hearing about the Big Ten field-hockey Tournament in the newspaper and on the radio, among other things."

The lack of prep field-hockey programs in the state leaves the team as the Hawkeye State's lone example of the sport. This alone naturally casts the field-hockey athletes off to the side in terms of gaining attention in Iowa City.

But this weekend, the role will switch; Grant Field will play host to, arguably, the toughest field-hockey tournament outside of the NCAA event.

"When people ask what sport I play, they respond, 'field what?'" junior Niki Schultheis said. "They



Fans watch the action during Iowa's game against Michigan at Grant Field on Oct. 26. Iowa City will host the Big Ten field-hockey tourney starting Thursday. (The Daily Iowan/Adam Wesley)

don't actually know. But now that six more teams are coming out, hopefully, they can bring a huge audience with them, so that a lot of people will be there to watch."

Big Ten teams naturally travel well in many sports. Iowa field-hockey fans in particular do a good job traveling — a lot of them have to journey to the Midwest just to see a home game.

The only possible issue facing Grant Field would be the number of miles some teams would have to travel in order to attend the Big Ten Tournament — the Nittany Lions must travel around 800 miles to Grant Field. But history shows that attendance will increase because of the big event.

Penn State hosted the Big Ten tourney in 2011. The average attendance for field-hockey games in University Park, Pa., was around 373 fans per contest in the regular season. But University Park host-

ed more than 420 fans per contest for each round of the league tournament.

"Our staff and everybody in the Athletics Department is doing what they can [to help raise awareness of the tournament]," head coach Tracey Griesbaum said. "Our job is too be good ambassadors for the Athletics Department and to put our best product out on the field."

Raising awareness of a sport in a state that knows next to nothing about it can be difficult sometimes. Not one athlete on Griesbaum's current roster is from Iowa, making it even more difficult to gather more fans.

But the effect will hopefully show itself over the next few years. There may not be an immediate effect from the tournament

Life in the up-and-down lane

The Iowa men's golf team was inconsistent throughout the 2012 fall campaign.

By TOMMY REINKING

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Like the ups and downs on the fairways of some golf courses, the fall season of the Iowa men's golf team was filled with highs and lows.

The autumn culminated with a fifth-place finish among 14 teams in the Royal Oaks Intercollegiate, hosted by Baylor and SMU, at Royal Oaks Country Club in Dallas on Tuesday.

Sophomore Ian Vandersee tied for first place in the 80-man field to record his first Division-I victory. Despite the top-five finish for the team, the Hawks dropped from third place to fifth on the final day. The story of the tournament was indicative of the team's whole season: inconsistency.

"We're not really happy with our last day," head coach Mark Hankins said. "We didn't put up good numbers today. Anytime you go backwards on the last day, it's not a good feeling."

The Black and Gold ended the first round 5 over, tied for third. The squad dropped five strokes in round two to card an even-par round and remain in a tie for third. Iowa couldn't maintain the momentum in the final day, however — the team shot 13 over, tied for the worst score of the day, and dropped to fifth.

Vandersee nailed a birdie putt on the final hole of the tournament to tie for first with Oklahoma State's Ian Davis. The Hawkeye golfer shot a first round 6 under, second round 1 under, and an even par third round.

"I didn't anticipate a win at all," Vandersee said. "I felt on the inside it was only a matter of time before I won one, but it's still a surprise. It feels great."

Joseph Winslow was another Iowa golfer to finish under par for the tournament. The sophomore shot even par, a 3 under, and a 2 over in his three rounds to tie for 16th.

Junior Steven Ihm finished tied for 51st with a

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