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Witnessing a tragedy



Medical workers aid injured people near the finish line of the Boston Marathon following an explosion in Boston on Monday. (Associated Press/Charles Krupa)

Individuals in Boston with ties to the UI and Iowa City community share experiences and reactions to the Boston Marathon bombing Monday.

By **DAILY IOWAN STAFF**
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Justin Hattan

Justin Hattan stood a few hundred yards from the finish line surrounded by family members as he watched his father complete his first Boston Marathon.

Right when it seemed his dad was poised to cross the finish line, they heard the deafening blast.

He said the scene was immediately chaotic. Those around him thought it was some sort of riot.

"We saw people scrambling out of the area and police exiting people out of the area," said Hattan, a 35-year-old 2003 graduate of the University of Iowa College of Law. "My dad was almost at the finish line, so he was right there when it happened."

The runners were diverted from the finish line, so Hattan said he and his family spent a "chaotic" and "nerve-racking" two hours walking around the city trying to gather information and locate his father.

They made it to an area where a large group of family members were sitting together and waiting for the runners return.

Finally, the runners started to trickle in — his father was with them.

Cold and sore, Hattan's father told them he had been right at the finish line for the first explosion and had witnessed some of the aftermath.

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'We still don't know who did this or why. Make no mistake: We will get to the bottom of this.'
 — President Obama

JIMMY GOLEN
 By Associated Press

BOSTON — Two bombs exploded in the crowded streets near the finish line of the Boston Marathon on Monday, killing at least three people and injuring more than 140 in a bloody scene of shattered glass and severed limbs that raised alarms that terrorists might have struck again in the U.S.

A White House official speaking on the condition of anonymity because the investigation was still unfolding said the attack was being treated as an act of terrorism.

President Obama vowed that those

responsible will "feel the full weight of justice."

As many as two unexploded bombs were also found near the end of the 26.2-mile course as part of what appeared to be a well-coordinated attack, but they were safely disarmed, according to a senior U.S. intelligence official, who also spoke on the condition of anonymity because of the continuing investigation.

The fiery twin blasts took place about 10 seconds and about 100 yards apart, knocking spectators and at least one runner off their feet, shattering windows and sending dense plumes of smoke rising over the street

and through the fluttering national flags lining the route. Blood stained the pavement, and huge shards were missing from window panes as high as three stories.

As the FBI took charge of the investigation, authorities shed no light on a motive or who may have carried out the bombings, and police said they had no suspects in custody. Officials in Washington said there was no immediate claim of responsibility.

Police said three people were killed. An 8-year-old boy was among the dead, according to a person who talked to a friend of the family and spoke on the condition of anonymity.

Neil deGrasse Tyson packs the IMU

The astrophysicist visited campus Monday and spoke about space exploration, among other topics.

By **CASSIDY RILEY**
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Neil deGrasse Tyson, an astrophysicist who has made media appearances ranging from "The Colbert Report" to PBS, spoke to a packed crowd Monday night at the IMU.

People from all over the state waited in a line that stretched from the IMU past the Iowa Advanced Technology Labs along the river to see Tyson's lecture.

Tyson studied physics at Harvard and received a Ph.D. in astrophysics from Columbia in 1991. He has written numerous books on astronomy

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Astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson speaks during the 2012-2013 Distinguished Lecture in the IMU Main Lounge on Monday. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

County to vote on SEATS \$\$

The Johnson County supervisors will vote on a proposed \$200,000 contribution to the SEATS service.

By **NICK HASSETT**
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With the funding sources for the countywide para-transit service SEATS still unclear, officials said tight budgets might force cuts to some aspects of the program.

SEE SEATS, 5

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Market St. T. Spoons to close

One of two downtown Iowa City T. Spoons locations will close this Friday.

Jenn Lilly, a T. Spoons employee, confirmed that the establishment's 301 E. Market St. location will close at the end of its lease this month.

Jammie Goedken, the general manager of the two locations, said she could not predict how busy she will get this week.

The T.Spoons establishment in the Old Capitol Town Center will maintain its regular business hours.

— by Michelle Kim

Trial reset in Scheels case

The trial of a local man accused of driving into the Coralville Scheels and attempting to rob the store has been reset.

According to an Iowa City police press release, prior to the break-in at Scheel's, Joseph Moreno had allegedly discharged a handgun in his apartment several times. Moreno's roommates were found unharmed.

On Dec. 29, 2012, Moreno was taken into police custody. He was charged with first-degree burglary, reckless use of a firearm with property damage, carrying weapons, OWI, and first-degree criminal mischief.

Moreno pleaded not guilty to all charges on Feb. 6.

Moreno's trial was originally set for May 21. On Monday he filed for an order of continuance that was not resisted by the state, according to an online court document.

— by Cassidy Riley

Man faces many charges

A local man was accused of pushing his wife to the ground while she was holding their two-year-old son.

David Noriega, 29, was charged Sunday with child endangerment, domestic-abuse assault, interference with official acts, consumption/intoxication, prohibited acts of holding prescription drugs, and domestic assault impeding air/



UI junior Rebecca Crouse helps a customer while Thea Pettitt makes a drink at T-Spoons on Sunday. The T-Spoons on East Market Street is set to close on Friday. (The Daily Iowan/Chris Willauer)

blood causing a bodily injury.

Iowa City police officials responded to a call of a physical confrontation between Noriega and the female. According to the police complaint, witnesses told police officials they saw Noriega strike a female and then push her to the ground while she was holding their 2-year-old son.

The female told police officials that during the altercation Noriega placed his hands around her throat and applied pressure, which caused scratches and bruises around her neck, the police complaint said.

According to the police complaint, officials said Noriega smelled strongly of alcohol, slurred his speech, and refused to follow simple directions. Noriega resisted handcuffing and had to be taken to the ground, the complaint said.

During a search, police officials located an unlabeled container on Noriega containing a pill.

Child endangerment is an aggravated misdemeanor, domestic-abuse assault is an aggravated misdemeanor, interference with official acts is a serious misdemeanor, consumption/intoxication is a serious misdemeanor, prohibited act of holding prescription drugs is a serious misdemeanor, and domestic assault impeding air/blood causing a bodily injury is a Class-D felony.

— by Rebecca Morin

Executive Council to choose new leader

The Executive Council of Graduate and Professional

Students will hold an election tonight at its meeting to establish next year's leadership.

The Executive Council represents graduate and professional students at the University of Iowa in the same way the UI Student Government represents undergraduates.

Ben Gillig, the council's budget director, is the only candidate for president. He was the only student nominated by the Graduate Student Senate.

Gillig said the presidency switches between a graduate student and a professional student each year. This year's president, Michael Appel, is a law student.

The election will be held at the council's meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room in the University Capitol Center.

— by Kristen East

Man charged with disorderly conduct

A local man has accused of yelling obscenities and exposing himself to children in a playground.

Russell Weston, 53, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct and alcohol violation/habitual offender.

Iowa City police officials responded to the 100 block of South Dubuque Street to a report that Weston was yelling obscenities at passers by, as well as exposing himself to children in a nearby playground.

According to the complaint, when Weston was asked to leave, he lunged at them and directed more abusive language to the people passing by.

Police officials located Weston allegedly stumbling

around the area with his pants zipper undone and his "privates visible."

Disorderly conduct is a serious misdemeanor.

Alcohol violation/habitual offender is an aggravated misdemeanor.

— by Rebecca Morin

City invalidates signatures on camera petition

After a local group submitted a petition proposing a restriction on red-light cameras in Iowa City, the city determined many of the signatures were invalid.

The petition contained 3,322 signatures, but City Clerk Marian Karr confirmed only 2,106 to be valid. The petition, from the group Stop Big Brother, requires 2,500 signatures to petition the City Council to ban the cameras at stoplights in Iowa City.

"It's disappointing but also encouraging," said Martha Hampel, a cofounder of the group. "[394 required signatures] is not as bad as we thought it would be based on previous referendums. It could've been worse."

Karr said the city validated signatures by comparing the names and addresses of registered voters with the names on the petition. If the information didn't match, or if the signature was illegible, the signature was invalidated.

The group now has 15 days to collect the rest of the required signatures, which Hampel says puts the deadline on April 30.

"We're going to work harder and more diligently," she said. "We have to be positive they are registered at the address they wrote on the petition."

However, Hampel said she didn't understand the requirement that petition signers be registered voters rather than simply eligible.

"I'm kind of upset the city requires people to be registered, especially in a state with same-day registration," she said.

Karr said the city charter established the requirement with a specific goal in mind.

"The intent was for registered voters to have the ability [to sign petitions], but not those who do not vote," she said.

— by Nick Hassett

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2. Powwow celebrates 20 years in Iowa City
3. Editorial: Second Amendment week welcomed but not ideas
4. Iowa City cohousing group will soon own land
5. Changes coming for downtown Iowa City parking

The UI Staff Council is seeking nominations for the following staff awards:

- Board of Regents Staff Excellence Award
- UI Outstanding Staff Award
- David J. Skorton Award for Staff Excellence in Public Service

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BLOTTER

Martin Alvarez, 24, 42 Westside Drive, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Jeron Ashford, 20, 2208 H St., was charged April 13 with possession of marijuana.

Justine Baldwin, 18, 213 Slater, was charged April 12 with PAULA and public intoxication.

Nolan Berens, 20, Crete, Ill., was charged April 12 with public intoxication.

Amy Blackburn, 21, 417 S. Gilbert St. Apt. No. 2333, was charged April 12 with fifth-degree theft.

Amanda Bornstein, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged April 12 with presence in a bar after hours.

Thomas Brekke, 19, 818 E. Market St., was charged Monday with keeping a disorderly house.

Michael Bronson, 21, 313 S. Gilbert St. No. 2036, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Maggie Bunce, 20, 406 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 934, was charged April 13 with presence in a bar after hours.

Eric Burns, 20, Council Bluffs, was charged Sunday with public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

John Chaponniere, 63, address unknown, was charged Sunday with fifth-degree theft.

Jesus Cruz Jr., 20, Aurora, Ill., was charged April 12 with presence in a bar after hours.

Garret Curry, 19, 313 S. Gilbert No. 2022, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Enrique De La Vega, 20, 429 E. Burlington St. No. 461, was charged April 12 with public intoxication.

Andrew Denavich, 45, Burlington, Iowa, was charged April 11 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Ryan Fortcamp, 21, 313 S. Gilbert No. 2038, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Johnny Goethals, 20, 818 E. Market St., was charged Monday with keeping a disorderly house.

Monica Guzman, 28, Washington, Iowa, was charged Sunday with possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, and interference with official acts.

Marc Haley, 36, 2216 Pleanview Drive, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Jordan Harris, 23, Cedar Rapids, was charged Jan. 14 with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana.

Ashley Harris-Johnson, 24, 232 Elizabeth St., was charged April 13 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Zachary Hinton, 19, 818 E. Market St., was charged Monday with keeping a disorderly house.

Colleen Hogan, 21, Lake Forest, Ill., was charged April 13 with public intoxication.

Brandon Holmes, 19, 812A Mayflower, was charged April 13 with presence in a bar after hours.

Ronnieasha James, 24, 2604 Bartlett Road No. 2D, was charged April 10 with driving with a revoked license.

Alajuwon Johnson, 29, Coralville, was charged April 13 with driving a suspended/canceled license.

Shelby Karr, 20, 1 Arbor Circle, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Coady Kloos, 24, Coralville, was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct.

Maxamilian Kozak, 19, 509 S. Lucas St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Gordon Lasley Jr., 24, Tama, Iowa, was charged April 12 with assault causing injury and public intoxication.

John Long, 28, 2404 Bartlett Road Apt. 1D, was charged April 3 with possession of marijuana with the intent to deliver.

Christopher McInnis, 21, 729 N. Dubuque St., was charged April 12 with public intoxication.

Ronald McNabb, 65, 2730 Wayne Ave. No. 4, was charged April 13 with fifth-degree theft.

Kyle Mock, 21, Bettendorf, was charged Jan. 21 with public in-

toxication and interference with official acts.

Saromo Mugisha, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged Sunday with possession of marijuana, possession of prescription drugs, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Leila Mustafa, 20, 427 S. Johnson St. No. 4, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Paul Nash, 19, 818 E. Market St., was charged Monday with keeping a disorderly house.

Travis Norton, 22, 328 E. Washington Apt. 32942, was charged April 13 with possession of an open container of alcohol in public and public intoxication.

Gus Ollinger, 42, 316 Mosswood Lane, was charged April 12 with OWI.

Thomas Paintin, 33, Oxford, Iowa, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Dehoneyshe Perry, 37, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. No. 480, was charged April 12 with driving with a suspended/canceled license.

Joshua Pringle, 34, Ankeny, Iowa, was charged April 12 with possession of marijuana.

Michael Redlinger Jr., 19, Solon, was charged April 13 with possession of marijuana and OWI.

Linsie Refshauge, 30, Waterloo, was charged April 12 with public intoxication.

Andrew Reicks, 25, 461 Highway 1 W. Apt. No. 30, was charged April 11 with fifth-degree theft.

Bionca Rogers, 20, 904 Benton Drive Apt. No. 12, was charged April 13 with interference with official acts causing/intending injury, keeping a disorderly house, and interference with official acts.

Zachary Schmidt, 19, 818 E. Market St., was charged Monday with keeping a disorderly house.

John Sevier, 21, 2214 Hickory Court, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Dylan Siegel, 21, 313 S. Gilbert No. 2036, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Mistina Snow, 41, 62 Erobi Lane,

was charged April 13 with OWI.

Kristina Sosa, 28, North Liberty, was charged April 13 with OWI and interference with official acts.

Raymond Stalman, 20, 633 S. Dodge St. No. 6, was charged April 13 with sale of an alcoholic beverage to a minor.

Martin Stewart, 31, North Hollywood, Calif., was charged April 13 with possession of controlled substance and possession of prescription drugs.

Andrew Straight, 19, 510 Ronald St., was charged April 12 with keeping a disorderly house.

Kyle Sullivan, 19, 503 N. Van Buren St., was charged April 12 with public intoxication.

Brook Tewabe, 21, 16 Remote St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly conduct.

Scott Vogel, 40, Manlius, N.Y., was charged April 12 with possession of controlled substance.

Vincent Vogelsang, 50, address unknown, was charged Monday with criminal trespass and possession of an open container of alcohol in public.

Emily Walter, 21, 625 Bowery St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Ty'Londus Watkins, 18, Cedar Rapids, was charged April 13 with possession of marijuana.

Cordaro Williams, 26, Coralville, was charged April 12 with fifth-degree theft and fraudulent criminal acts.

Shawn Winder, 29, Walcott, Iowa, was charged March 16 with third-degree harassment.

Julia Wood, 19, 608 E. Davenport St., was charged April 13 with presence in a bar after hours.

Allen Woods Jr., 54, 1121 Gilbert Court, was charged Monday with criminal trespass.

Connor Woods, 19, Ely, Iowa, was charged April 13 with possession of marijuana.

Ernie Zaleckas, 21, 313 S. Gilbert No. 2036, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

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LOCAL ACCOUNTS

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"[We were] happy and relieved to find him," Hattan said. "There were high-fives all around."

Katie Monson & Kyle Siefers

The 2013 Boston Marathon was far from a typical race for UI graduate student Kyle Siefers.

The 24-year-old Iowa City native continually trains for endurance events, and he spent around 2½ months preparing for Monday's test.

But Siefers said he felt sick as the Marathon approached and received medical attention for approximately 20 minutes after he crossed the finish line. When he finally began to recover, Siefers started toward the spot where he was supposed to meet his friend and fellow Iowa City native Katie Monson.

"I was waiting there, on a street corner, when the first explosion went off," Siefers said. "It was silent for 10 seconds ... there was no immediate response in the area."

Twenty seconds later, the second explosion rattled the streets.

"People started getting freaked out, but nothing was visible from my location," Siefers said. "You could feel the streets rumble. It was like a small earthquake."

Monson — who studies international security at Tufts University in Boston — became worried after she knew Siefers crossed the finish line but couldn't see him. She walked to the medical tent, where she stood a block from the first explosion.

"There were debris in the air — smoke, dust, and dirt," said Monson, 22. "When that happened, a lot of people who weren't familiar with the Marathon thought it was a traditional cannon."

When the second bomb went off, Monson said, she knew it was an attack. Based on experience as an intern for the Pentagon, Monson was afraid the bomb took place in the subway. She texted her mother and tried to calm those around her.

Monson finally reunited with Siefers and the pair immediately left the city, fearful of another attack. The drive back to Monson's house usually lasts 10 minutes, she said. On Monday, the journey took three hours.

"Everyone, all of the volunteers, Bostonians love the Marathon," Monson said. "The people I saw were extremely professional. No one could have seen this coming. None of them were trained for this."

"Iowans pride themselves on being friendly and helpful. I was proud of my adopted city of Boston for adopting that today."

Danielle Berndt

Twenty minutes after Danielle Berndt crossed the finish line of her first Boston Marathon, she heard the booming explosion.

"Everybody stopped and got quiet for a second. 'Whoa. What was that?'" said Berndt, a 2012 UI graduate. "We thought it was an explosion, but then we thought maybe some construction equipment had fallen. We didn't want to think that it was [an explosion.]"

Berndt was walking toward the subway at that point with her friend who had ran with her, her boyfriend, and her friend's husband.

The 22-year-old Minnesota native and former Iowa track runner said they were unsure about what the noise was until they

saw a Boston police officer get a call on his radio, pause, then sprint back toward the finish line.

"We knew it was something bad," she said.

At their hotel, watching news footage, the group realized that Berndt's boyfriend and her friend's husband had been watching them run from the area of the first explosion only 20 minutes before it detonated.

Berndt said that realization made her "feel lucky we weren't affected."

"Right when it happened ... the first thought on my mind is terrorism, but I didn't want to go there. And then, 'Well, what else could it be?'" she said.

Mark Hanson

Mark Hanson finished the Boston Marathon Monday afternoon roughly 40 minutes before he heard the first blast.

"As I was exiting [after getting through the crowd], I heard this blast and a couple of us runners looked at each other," he said. "We thought it must be a blast from a construction site."

Hanson attended the University of Iowa and received a doctorate from the Illinois College of Optometry in 1979. He is one of the founding partners of Eye Care of Iowa.

After arriving at his hotel, he noticed his phone had more than 60 text messages plus missed calls and emails; however, he said, he didn't think much of it.

"Then my son called me

up and said, 'Are you OK, Dad,' and I said, 'Why is everyone asking me?'" he said. "I had no idea [what had happened] but there were tons of sirens going off and helicopters going off overhead ... even right now."

Melanie Holman

Iowa City native Melanie Holman was back in her hotel room when she heard what she thought was a dump truck making noise outside.

The 20-year-old Iowa State University junior finished the Boston Marathon around 30 minutes beforehand, and a friend came upstairs to tell her that what they had heard was an explosion.

Holman said the hotel was only a mile from the finish line, so they could see police and rescue workers blocking off the roads.

"I am scared that there could be other bombs throughout the city," she said in an email. "It definitely affects my outlook on terrorist attacks, because it can happen near anyone."

Evelyn Lau

On her day off from working as web editor for *The Boston Herald*, 2010 UI graduate Evelyn Lau said she was toying with the idea of watching the Boston Marathon. At the last minute, she decided not to. It wasn't long before she heard the "shocking news."

"It just felt really surreal something like this could happen to Boston,"

the former *Daily Iowan* staffer said in a Facebook message. "Not to say that Boston is an invincible place, but Marathon Monday is such a huge deal around here."

She brought her younger sister to a pizza place around 5 p.m. Lau said the restaurant was filled with people, barely talking, eyes glued to the TV sets, blaring the news on high volume.

"I was afraid, to be honest," the 25-year-old said. "There was a lot of news floating around on social media and the idea that someone could have planted more bombs around the city was a frightening thought. But I do know Boston is a tough city and will bounce back from this."

Lau said she passed by a bookstore in Brookline just outside Boston. A sign outside on the sidewalk read in big green letters: "Boston, we love you. Stay strong, stay safe."



A sign of encouragement stands outside the bookstore Brookline Booksmith just outside Boston on Monday. UI alumna Evelyn Lau, who works in Boston, took the photo following the fatal Boston Marathon bombing. (Contributed photo)

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EDITORIAL

Taxes are ugly but need raising



The State Capitol is seen on April 2. (The Daily Iowan/Sarah Sebetka)

Monday was arguably the least-anticipated day of the year: tax day. It's understandable. Few particularly enjoy seeing their hard-earned money being siphoned off into the deep, dark abyss of the governmental bureaucracy, but it's an absolute necessity. From the police to infrastructure to food stamps to public schools and so much more, taxes generally serve as the government's primary revenue stream.

However, the collection of taxes is poorly enforced. And simply put, they're too low. But that's not what most Americans would tell you.

A Gallup Poll released Monday found around 50 percent of all Americans believe their taxes are too high, approximately 45 percent believe taxes are about right, and a strikingly tiny 2 percent think their taxes are too low.

While the top federal income-tax bracket is 39.6 percent, the average middle-income family of four paid a mere 5.3 percent, according to an analysis by the Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center.

Considering what turns out to be extremely weak tax revenue, is it any surprise that the IRS estimated that the tax gap for 2006 was \$450 billion? Worse yet, this agency is poorly equipped to even carry out the enforcement and collection of taxes.

A report by the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration said, "Overall, budget cuts left the IRS with 5,000 fewer employees for the 2012 filing season compared with the previous filing season, even as the number of tax returns it processed continued to rise and the number of identity-theft fraud cases the IRS worked soared."

These anemic revenues aren't going without consequence. They're hitting everyone from government agencies to public-university students to the IRS itself.

According to a policy brief from the Iowa Fiscal Partnership, inflation-adjusted appropriations to Iowa's three state universities have fallen by 40 percent between fiscal 2000 and

2011. Over this same period, data from the University of Iowa Registrar's Office, when adjusted for inflation, show that in-state and out-of-state tuition for students enrolled as undergraduates in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Carver College of Medicine rose by around 70 percent. Most alarmingly, for in-state students in the College of Nursing and College of Law, tuition has grown by 128 and 155 percent, respectively.

The government can't receive all the blame for ballooning tuition, but the large role it plays in funding state universities is undeniable. Not only is a lack of funding hurting university students, it's also impairing the Iowa Department of Transportation's ability to maintain roads and bridges.

"Flat revenue streams compounded by growing construction costs have reduced our buying power," Stuart Anderson, director of the planning, programs, and modal division at the Iowa DOT, has previously told *The Daily Iowan*.

The Governor's Transportation 2020 Citizen Advisory Commission Report and Recommendations reported that the Iowa DOT faces an annual shortfall of \$1.6 billion for taking care of Iowa's road system. The most concrete, substantial recommendations all include increasing fees or taxes in one form or another.

We do not endorse raising taxes to blindly throw money at government initiatives, but we do feel that debt-reduction strategies that rely solely on cutting funds to essential services such as public universities, improving roads, and especially imposing budget cuts on an already struggling IRS are not only short-sighted but unequivocally idiotic.

We, like most Americans don't like paying taxes, but we recognize that these are absolutely necessary to a functioning government and are something we cannot go without.

Your turn.

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Borderlines



By **BEAU ELLIOT**
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There's this obnoxious radio ad (yeah, I know — only one?) on commercial radio featuring an obnoxious (not to use that word again or anything, but some days you discover you're overdrawn at the word bank) woman with an extraordinary condescending voice who says something along the lines of, "Did you know children born in the winter are more talented at music?" And the other two in the commercial agree — "Oh, yeah, I knew that." It's an Ad Council commercial.

Except that it's false. The winter thing, I mean.

I looked it up. (Yeah, I know, that's what you're supposed to do when your mind says, "Wait minute — really?") That's what you're supposed to do — look it up — but so few do these days. See the whole "Obamaphone" malarkey.)

OK, musicians born in winter — Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Mendelssohn, Max Roach, Tony Williams, Bob Marley, and Philip Glass were born in the winter, which, I admit, is a pretty good start for winter. Winter gets the early innings here.

But Brahms, Vivaldi, Debussy, Ravel, Robert Johnson, Eric Satie, George Gershwin, Tchaikovsky, Art Tatum, Buddy Bolden (the inventor of jazz), Louis Armstrong, King Sunny Adé, John Cage, John Coltrane, Charlie Parker, Thelonious Monk, Miles Davis, Bill Evans, Keith Jarrett, Mississippi John Hurt, Sonny Rollins, and Bob Dylan were all born in the spring, summer, or early fall. (Two of the best musicians I happen to know — Greg Brown and David Moore — are both born in July.)

I didn't include Joni Mitchell, who, at Nov. 7, is kind of on the borderline, depending on where you live. Last I heard, she lived outside of Malibu, Calif., but she comes from Saskatchewan. ("Sweet Bird" is one of her best songs, by the way. "Out on some borderline / Some mark of in between / I lay down golden in time / And woke up vanishing.")

Meanwhile, speaking of false things, back at

Obamaphone (not that we were there or anything) — everything Republicans say about it is wrong. It's a return to the whole birth-certificate thing, about which Republicans knew nothing, but that didn't prevent them from discussing it, and its supposed falsity, for years and years. Ignorance is bliss, the Republicans have adopted as a mantra.

The so-called Obamaphone is a 28-year-old federal program (it started under President Reagan) that gives low-income people discounts on phone service. Under President George W. Bush, the program was expanded to include cell-phone service. So for Republicans to contend that the program is somehow a creation of Obama is about as true as claiming kids born in the winter are more adept at music.

Then there's former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who passed away recently. Not to speak ill of the dead. But.

As Jon Anderson of *The New Yorker* (April 10) points out: "In a tribute Monday, President Obama said Margaret Thatcher had been 'one of the great champions of freedom and liberty.'"

Here's what I remember about the "Iron Lady" — praising the neo-fascist dictator Augusto Pinochet for "returning democracy" to Chile, when, in reality, it was 180 degrees the opposite: He had overthrown (with the help of the CIA and ITT) a democratically elected Salvador Allende and instituted a dictatorship that rounded up, killed, or imprisoned so many of the people who his security forces suspected — suspected — of being leftists or opposition members.

If that's "returning democracy," I can fly to the Moon by flapping my elbows. (Which would save NASA a lot of moolah but probably leave me needing Tommy John surgery.)

(I wrote this on April 12. Monday afternoon, news of the tragedy at the finish line of the

Boston Marathon came in, and in the face of that, everything I wrote seems ridiculous, even if true. President Obama is right; on a day such as this, there are no Democrats or Republicans. My heart, and my hopes, go out to the victims and the families of the victims. Often, events demonstrate to one how miniscule one's concerns are.) ■

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Can't happen here?

The notion that the Rutgers basketball abuse scandal can't happen here is misguided, at best. Or maybe I'm missing something in the way that Fran McCaffery screams at his players during games. The Athletics Department has even promoted this rage-based behavior on the backs of city buses with a "Get Mad with Fran" marketing campaign.

With Rutgers' unfortunate experience in mind, we are clearly sending more than one message to the greater Hawkeye community. More to the point, if I screamed at my students in class like that, it wouldn't matter which tournament

I got them into.

Ironically, the *DI*'s story reporting the administration's denial that this problem could happen here at Iowa ("No 'Rutgers' at Iowa," *DI*, April 12) ran above Steve Alford's apology for ignoring an extreme version of the same problem a few years ago.

So, with all due respect to the UI Presidential Committee on Athletics, I disagree that "what happened at Rutgers wouldn't happen here." We should know better.

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Artwork benched

Last September, I had the honor to give something beautiful to Iowa City. I turned a dirty wooden bench into a piece of art. I spent days sketching and re-sketching ideas, trying to find the perfect image, looking for something that I knew the downtown needed. I decided on a time machine, because who doesn't need one? I spent three days painstakingly sanding, priming, tracing, painting, repainting, and filling in the details because I wanted it to be perfect.

Not even eight months

later, my time machine has been destroyed, a gash ripped across the clock face and paint chips scattering the sidewalk.

I understand that revitalization is necessary. I have seen the benches that haven't weathered well. But many of them, like mine, were still as good as new. Is this really a wise way to spend \$10,000 each year? Wouldn't it be more logical to redo the benches that need a face-lift, paint the unpainted benches, and let the gifts from Iowa City's artists stand as long as the paint lasts?

Sarah Marie Kosch
Iowa City resident

DI as a glass cathedral

I got a chuckle out of reading Ben Evans' screed against this year's UISG parties ("Sticky Situation," *DI*, April 11). Student government is an important thing, Evans says, but these TOGA and HOUSE kids are all about pranks and bar crawls, not about doing a good job of representation and governing. Boo on them.

I don't necessarily disagree with this assessment of the parties and their antics, but for the *DI* to proclaim it from a high horse is hilarious. Guess what other important student institution is poorly run by stu-

dents around here? The campus newspaper.

Until the *DI* learns not to invent paraphrases and put quote marks around them, until it understands the difference between "breach" and "breech," until it stops obsessively manufacturing alcohol-related stories and putting them on the front page, and stops introducing middle-school-level orthographical and punctuation errors by "editing for clarity," it ought to point this particular finger at itself first. People in glass houses shouldn't throw stones — and the *DI* is a regular Crystal Cathedral.

Kyle Oskvig
UI senior

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TYSON
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and space exploration. "I'm going to share with you what the world looks like through the lens of an astrophysicist," Tyson said in an interview prior to the lecture. "And it looks very different." The event focused on a range of things from an asteroid headed toward Earth to other countries putting scientists on their currency. "I found it most interesting that he's very charismatic and he's very funny and just fun to listen too," UI junior David Koser said. Some students were disappointed that the focus was so broad and the asteroid was one of the few things related to astronomy he talked about. "I think that was the only part where he talked

about his work," UI student Nathen Bibler said. UI senior Lauren Mancuso said she found the part of the lecture on the asteroid headed for Earth to be the most interesting. "We think we live here, and we think we're invincible, but we're not," she said. "We think our only issues are interpersonal, but there are other issues we lose track of unless we have someone like him talk about them." Tyson said he considers space exploration and scientific literacy to be important because such topics encourage wonder and imagination. "Many people who think of science literacy, they make of a list of things they think you should know," he said. "I have a different philosophy toward science literacy. What I try to teach people ... is really to embrace curiosity."

Tyson said what makes scientists scientists isn't that they know a list of scientific facts, but rather that when they hear an asteroid is headed for Earth, they want to figure out how to deflect it, not run from it. "[Curiosity is] beaten out of us by the time we get out of middle school. I try to reignite some sense of wonder," he said. "If you're not wondering you're not fully embracing all that it is to be alive. Because humans wonder." A huge part of education is learning how to think and solve problems, Tyson said. That way, regardless of a student's future career, they can handle whatever job is made available to them. "If you go to school only to get a job — given that the job landscape shifts every three to five years — I think you are delusional," he said.

John Dockery-Jackson, a science teacher at Muscatine High School, brought the school's science club to hear Tyson speak Monday night. "His reasons [for promoting space exploration] are pretty compelling," he said. "If we know what's happening out there, we can better understand what's happening here." UI student Gabriel Jardim said he was excited to see what Tyson had to say about space and space exploration but that he doesn't think it should be the United States' top priority. "I think it's important to look at the humanities on Earth first," he said. "But once we're better as a species, it would be interesting to grow out and go to other planets." Tyson said he hears a lot of people say that problems on the ground should be addressed be-



Astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson signs a book following the 2012-2013 Distinguished Lecture in the IMU Main Lounge on Monday. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

fore space exploration is considered. "We're a free, pluralistic country," he said. "I will never tell you who to vote for or what to think, [but I am] someone who will reveal to you the consequences of not going into space and once I share that with you it's your decision." Tyson said solutions for some earthly problems might be in the cosmos. "The universe has unlimited sources of energy," he said. "Yet, we are fighting each other to gain access to the energy buried in the sands. Space is a kind of frontier where we know there are solutions that already exist and solutions yet undreamed of."

SEATS
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The Johnson County Task Force on Aging hosted a public forum and panel session on Monday at the Coralville Public Library, with representatives from parties involved in SEATS at the panel. Bob Welsh, the head of the Johnson County Task Force on Aging, said the service would remain, but the budget for the service may affect how it operates. "SEATS is here to stay," he said. "The concern has been finances and whether those will dictate the levels of service." Welsh said that existing services currently exceed

the requirements set forth by the Americans with Disabilities Act, which requires public-transit systems that provide a fixed-route bus and rail service also provide a para-transit service for those with disabilities. Johnson County Supervisor Janelle Rettig said the Board of Supervisors will vote today on a proposed \$200,000 contribution to the SEATS program. "The budget has gotten a little out of balance in what the county paid," she said. "We can live with [a \$200,000 contribution]." In fiscal 2012, Johnson County provided \$257,657 in funding from the general levy for para-transit services. SEATS provides door-

to-door rides to individuals with disabilities, senior citizens, and other people in need of assistance accessing medical clinics, grocery stores, and other destinations. Iowa City Mayor Matt Hayek said some cuts might be necessary for SEATS. "We understand where we are, and we've made it clear that certain cuts likely have to occur for the program to remain solvent," he said. "The most obvious ones are [eliminating] the half-fare and Sunday service." The standard cost for a one-way ride is \$2 for any rural, Iowa City, or University Heights one-way trips and \$1.50 for Coralville and North Liberty trips.

Approximately 90 percent of SEATS riders meet the income qualifications for half fares, which cost \$1 for a one-way ride. City staff previously estimated eliminating the half-fare would lower operational costs by \$120,000, while eliminating the 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday service would save \$68,000. Welsh provided a budget projection for the program, including the amounts from approved city and county budgets as well as projections of savings. Welsh estimates an additional \$41,606 in funds will still be required for the service to continue functioning as it does currently. And while Welsh be-

lieves the cities would be able to come up with that amount without cutting SEATS services, he hopes they take more than just finances into account. "Personally, I hope the city and county decisions are made not just on fiscal matters but on quality-of-life issues," he said. It was a sentiment echoed by those in attendance at the forum, as many were SEATS riders themselves. Iowa City resident and SEATS rider Harry Olmstead said the half-fares were vital for low-income SEATS riders. "The half-fares are for people living at or below the poverty level," he said. "Making SEATS cost \$4 round trip [for the normal

fare] ... if it was your budget you'd understand it has quite an impact." Marybeth Gardam, a representative from the group Iowa Move To Amend, said Iowa gave too much to corporations instead of services for residents. "In the bigger picture, we're nickel and diming human services," she said. "We should put the money where real Iowans need it." Gardam hoped her message to the county and cities would be especially clear with the deadline for IRS tax filing looming. "This is tax day, we all pay taxes," she said. "And we expect ours to go to friends and neighbors we know need these services."

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Velvet Coat finds new digs

Another Iowa City business has expanded into a new downtown storefront.

The women's boutique Velvet Coat opened a new Pedestrian Mall location on Monday, 118 E. College St., in the Moen Group's Packing & Provision Co. Building. The store's store hours will remain the same.

Developer Marc Moen said the retailer's new space is about 25 percent larger than its former store, 105 E. College St.

"The reason for Velvet Coat's move was because it needed more space, and we were able to provide the square footage it needed in the renovated space," he said in an email. "It was a great way to keep it downtown. At the same time, it opened up the retail space it had



Clothing items hang on a rack in the new College Street location of the Velvet Coat on Monday. (The Daily Iowan/Callie Mitchell)

occupied, and another retailer has taken that space."

To date, Moen said,

well over \$1.5 million has been spent on renovations of the Packing & Provision Co. Build-

ing in addition to the acquisition costs of the building.

— by **Quentin Misiag**

Iowa City utilizes new app

The ICgovXpress smartphone app launched on Monday.

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With the help of the nearly \$5,000 city-sponsored smartphone app ICgovXpress that launched Monday, Iowa City officials hope the all-too-common after-party stress of cleaning up can be alleviated with instant communication between property owners and renters.

The broader goal, they say, is to improve upon neighborhood-stabilization efforts — a top priority under the current Iowa City Strategic Plan.

Stan Laverman, Iowa City senior housing inspector, said the purpose of having Government Outreach of Pleasanton, Calif., de-

velop the app was to provide a convenient way for residents to communicate with the city while looking for an easier way to track complaints.

"We don't have the staff to patrol neighborhoods for code violations like small nuisances," he said. "One of the things that happen is that people see something walking around, but they forget to report it. With this choice, you can do it 24/7; you don't have to go back to your house to make a call."

The free app, available for Android, iPhone, and iPad, coupled with a web-based version, allows residents to contact the city regarding nuisance control and general concerns such as yard debris, snow-covered sidewalks, uninhabited vehicles, over-occupancy of apartment buildings, and graffiti.

Laverman said ap-

proximately 2,000 complaints are made in Iowa City each year, 95 percent of which occur in the residential areas. The two most commonly reported grievances are overgrown grass and weeds and snow removal. Trash and debris follow as the third-largest concern.

"People who live in the neighborhood become our eyes and ears," said Doug Boothroy, the director of Iowa City Housing and Inspection Services. "As we move forward, we will fine-tune and make this more available and user friendly; it's about choice, convenience, simplicity."

Adam Bentley, administrative assistant in the City Manager's Office, starred in a promotional video for ICgovXpress as a dazed party-goer, who after a long, shenanigan-filled evening surrounded by copious amounts of red cups, a large refrigera-

tor, and trash cans randomly placed in trees, offers viewers insight into the benefits of the application.

Public Access TV channel 18 provided the in-house video production work for ICgovXpress at no extra charge.

As the application garners further popularity, Bentley said, he anticipates an overall economic development boon to the surrounding area.

"I think the downtown has a lot to benefit from this," he said. "Imagine our downtown Ped Mall, the cleanliness and safety of the area. A lot of the customers downtown are also students, and they're pretty apt to learning. It's just as much about economic development as it is about neighborhood stabilization."

Cursive going way of dodo

Local experts agree the use of cursive is declining, but it hangs on in Iowa City schools.

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Pencils and pens could eventually become obsolete in the face of newer technology.

Every year, less and less time is spent teaching children handwriting, especially cursive.

"It's emphasized a lot less today than it was in the past," said Renita Schmidt, a University of Iowa associate professor of teaching and learning. "Today, we have so many other devices. Some of those things are taking the place of writing."

Children in the Iowa City School District still learn cursive, but it's not a subject of focus.

"The amount of time spent in instruction is minimal compared with other curriculum taught, such as reading and mathematics," said Pam Ehly, the director of curriculum in the School District. "However, we do believe that being able to print and

write cursive are important skills."

Ehly said cursive has been taught in Iowa City schools for the more than 30 years she's been with the district.

Although Pam Ries, a clinical associate professor and elementary-education coordinator in the UI College of Education, agreed teachers spend less time on cursive, but does not think it will change very soon.

Eventually, though, she predicts a shift away from handwriting altogether.

"I would not be terribly surprised if cursive and even print went away," she said.

She noted the fate of shorthand — what once was taught in schools is no longer needed. She said cursive handwriting could follow the same path.

"I think it's becoming less important," Ries said. "Most people can type more quickly."

Schmidt, however, does not believe that cursive will ever truly leave.

"I don't think there is a chance it will die, because people won't let it die," she said. "I think beautiful handwriting is like art. And I think

that's why people feel sad about the decline of cursive."

Cursive is taught for its benefits, though, not its beauty.

"In general, the need is based in the fact that connecting the letters permits the writer to write more quickly," Ehly said. "There is a flow to the writing, rather than the independent letters when printing occurs."

Although cursive is touted as more efficient, many people still choose printing.

"Printing is easier," Schmidt said. "Printing is the first writing we do."

Ries insisted that cursive requires practice to become easy and efficient. And without that, many people turn towards printing.

"I don't think a lot of people have had enough practice," she said.

Schmidt agreed that a lot of handwriting is declining, but also said it is also changing every time someone picks up a pencil.

"Sort of what is happening is people are personalizing their handwriting," she said. "A lot of people when they sign their name are still using a unique form of cursive."

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UI establishes new bike-repair locations

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Local cyclists will no longer have to leave the University of Iowa campus or lug around several tools in order to repair their bicycles.

The UI Department of Parking and Transportation added two new bicycle-repair stations last month.

Each station cost approximately \$1,000. Both stations contain a variety of tools, including wrenches, screwdrivers, and tire pumps. UI Parking and Transportation officials tapped into their own funds to purchase the stations and decided to install them after the university received an honorable mention as a Bicycle Friendly University from the League of American Bicyclists.

Officials added the stations for a variety of reasons, said Michelle Ribble, the commuter-program manager for Parking and Transportation. They planned the development of the sta-

tions for about a year.

"About a year and half ago, the department had been contacted, and the campus started toying around with the idea," she said. "We went through campus planning and started weighing and evaluating the need for the stations."

The first station was installed on March 21 outside the Becker Communication Studies Building. The second station was installed around a week later, on March 29, in parking ramp 4 at the UI Hospitals and Clinics.

"We tried to get a station on each side of the East Side and the West Side of campus so people have an equal opportunity," Ribble said.

Cyclists expressed their gratitude for UI officials in providing them with a way to stay safe conveniently.

"It is really convenient and placed where a lot of people park their bikes," said Mark Pooley, the president of the Bicycle Advocacy Committee at the UI.

George McCrory, the communications specialist

in the UI Sustainability Office, said the repair stations fall in line with the university's support for encouraging alternative transportation.

"One of the things that we encourage in the 2020 goals is to reduce carbon impact of transportation," he said. "That is why we encourage bicycle activities and things that support riders."

Katherine Valde, the newly elected UI Student Government president who is developing a bike-check program, believes the repair stations support biking as a transportation option on campus.

"The bike-check program is new and in the early stages of development after the election, and so we plan to seek out natural partnerships in order to develop the program to be most useful for students," she said. "I think if these stations prove to be successful that it would be great to have more."

Parking and Transportation officials hope to add more stations in the

future.

"We just wanted to start with two stations to see if people use them and if it's what they need to fix their bike," Ribble said.

Pooley said cyclists are enthusiastic about the university's support, especially in light of the university's honorable mention as a Bicycle Friendly University from the League of American Bicyclists.

"I think the stations demonstrates a commitment from the university

to help different modes of transportation," he said. "The UI is receptive to the

different ideas and listens to what cyclists have to say."



A bicycle-repair station is shown here outside the Becker Communication Studies Building on Monday. The UI Department of Parking and Transportation installed two such stations last month. (The Daily Iowan/Rachel Jessen)

Bicycle-Repair Stations

Officials added two bicycle-repair stations on each side of campus. Each station contains a variety of tools. The tools include:

- Phillips screwdriver
- Allen wrench
- Tire levers
- Tire pump
- Bicycle stand

Source: Michelle Ribble, commuter program manager for Parking and Transportation

Officials shrug off enrollment dip

University of Iowa officials aren't concerned with a national report citing a decrease in Chinese graduate-student enrollment.

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Big Ten universities are seeing a decrease in Chinese enrollment in graduate school, but officials aren't concerned.

An annual report by the Council of Graduate Schools released April 8 said Chinese enrollment dropped 5 percent nationally, but University of Iowa officials and several other Big Ten officials don't plan to take action.

John Keller, the dean of the UI Graduate College, said he wasn't really worried about the slight short-term drop in enrollment.

"We tend to look at trends over a three-year period," he said.

The 5 percent drop was the first decrease after seven years of double-digit increases. Despite the decline in the number of Chinese applications, overall international student enrollment increased 1 percent.

While Chinese enrollment dipped, the report said applications grew by 20 percent from India, the second-largest source of international students.

Downing Thomas, the UI dean of International Programs, said these fluctuations happen.

"Enrollments have gone up and down over the years, with cyclical changes in the economy, international circumstances, and other factors," he said. "The UI continues to attract a strong group of international applicants."

While some schools can opt to increase recruitment, the UI doesn't have this option.

"The Graduate College is not involved in any specific effort to recruit international students," Keller said. "We simply don't have the resources to do so."

A few Big Ten schools are facing the same decline.

Michigan State University's international enrollment followed the trend, increasing 2 percent overall for international enrollment, but its Chinese enrollment fell 3 percent for the fall of 2013.

Karen Klomparens, the dean of Michigan State University's Graduate School, echoed the sentiments of UI officials, saying the slight decrease doesn't raise too much alarm.

"We still have a great number of Chinese applications, so a little bit of a decrease from year to year is OK," she said. "If it was double digits year to year, we'd be a little concerned."

Similarly, Wendy Crone,

the associate dean at the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Graduate School, said while it was a surprise, it could be a "correction." Recent years have brought a dramatic increase in Wisconsin's enrollment, and this subtle decrease could be a return to normal.

But the university won't act on this trend's reversal — at least not for now.

"Although this is a percentage decline, we're not expecting to take any action based on this one year of change in our enrollment from China," she said.

The drop could be due to increasing opportunities in China.

"China is building its own high-capacity graduate schools," Klomparens said. "Students applying to graduate programs are seeing many more opportunities at home as well as abroad."

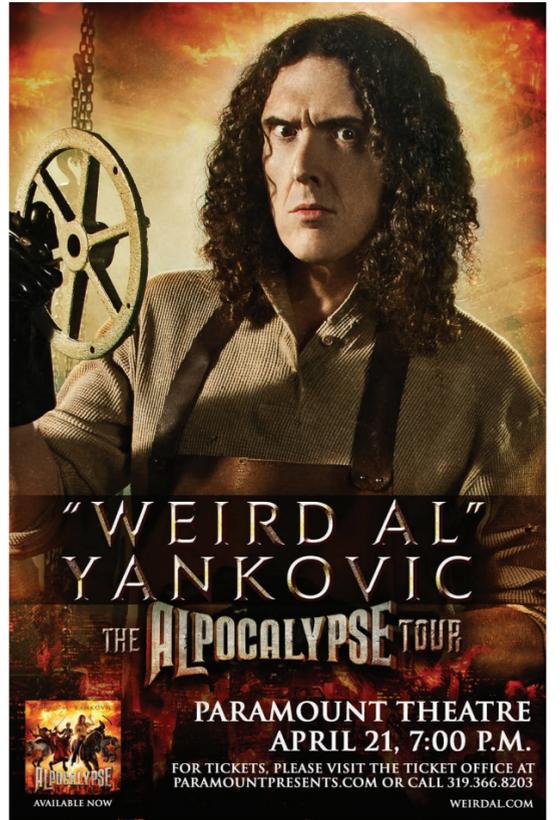
With increasing opportunities in China could mean problems for the United States.

"There are lots of countries investing in their graduate programs," Klomparens said. "That will be competition — especially in the U.S."

But even with some guessing, graduate-college officials will only sit back

and watch the numbers play out.

"The cause of this is really difficult to speculate about ... there are some data we'll look at and keep watching," Crone said.



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The Daily Iowan DAILY BREAK

“Never assume the obvious is true.”
- William Safire

the ledge

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Random thoughts:

- Bacardi, as an alcoholic beverage, benefits heavily from rhyming with “party,” rapper-name-dropping-wise.
- There exists a hypothesis in the scientific community that one of the reasons children today are bigger than they were 100 years ago is because they now eat beef containing human growth hormones. This hypothesis is, obviously, ridiculous; that same beef contains numerous bovine-specific growth hormones, but none of our children have turned into cows. Yet.
- I was called unprofessional today. Show’s what they know: I’m unprofessional every day.
- You think Nostradamus’s wife ever got tired of not getting a straight answer about when he’d be home for dinner?
- It’s always kind of annoying me that women have to swipe their ID card to gain entrance into the women’s locker room at most gyms, university or otherwise. I say turn that on its head: Require men to present a government-issued “Not Rapist” card to get into the gym.
- Whenever people say they’ve “reached a happy medium,” I always picture them talking on the phone with a jazzy Miss Cleo.
- I’ve always liked how the IRS addresses people as “taxpayer” in its mailing materials. Kind of like the way Robocop always calls people “citizen.” I guess the only real difference being that RoboCop had a shred of humanity and at least some measure of mercy.

Andrew R. Juhl thanks friends Brian Tanner and Jayne Sanderson for collaborating on today’s Ledge.

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DILBERT BY Scott Adams

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- **Health Science Research Week**, all day; check Research Week schedule online: www.medicine.uiowa.edu/research
- **Bicyclists of Iowa City**, Tuesday Bike Ride, 9 a.m., Lower City Park
- **Story Time with Judy Nyren**, 10 a.m., Sycamore Mall, 1660 Sycamore
- **Martin Luther King's Letter from Birmingham Jail 50th Anniversary Celebration**, participants around the world will read King's letter in commemoration, 11:30 am-1 p.m., Old Capitol Senate Chamber
- **English Conversation Classes**, 12:30 p.m., UIHC Pomerantz Family Pavilion Melrose Conference Center 6
- **Exploring Research Opportunities with Iowa Cooperative Extension**: An informal conversation with Nancy Frantz, Iowa State, 2 p.m., S162 College of Public Health Building
- **Safe Zone Training**, Phase 1, 2 p.m., 315 Phillips Hall
- **"Four 20th Century Political Upheavals: A Personal View,"** 3 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **Faculty Council Meeting**, 3:30 p.m., 25200 University Capitol Center
- **Honoring Your Wishes**, 6 p.m., Senior Center
- **"Out in the Workplace,"** 6 p.m., Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Resource Center
- **Wannapha Yannavut**, percussion, 6 p.m., 150 Music West Interim Building
- **Materials at Work Series**, "Stretchy Electronics That Dissolve in Your Body," John Rogers, University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign, 6:30 p.m., 104 Iowa Advanced Technology Labs
- **"Live at Prairie Lights,"** Caryl Pagel, poetry, and Madeline McDonnell, fiction, 7 p.m., Prairie Lights, 15 S. Dubuque
- **Slimbering Spring**: Improv, sketches, and song, 7 p.m., Uptown Bill's, 730 S. Dubuque
- **Vanishing Waves**, 7 p.m., Bijou
- **Iowa Brass Quintet**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Recital Hall
- **Rachel Leeper**, bassoon, 8 p.m., University Capitol Center Recital Hall
- **Pavilion**, 9:30 p.m., Bijou
- **Flight School**, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

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- 12:30 p.m. Johnson County Landmark Jazz Band at the Mill
- 2 Hancher Presents: Tomas Kubinek
- 3 Feeding the World and Feeding the Community Lecture Series
- 4:30 Johnson County Landmark Jazz Band at the Mill
- 6 The Ponseti Method (2008)
- 6:30 Iowa football press conference
- 7 UI Explorers Lecture, "Probing the High Energy Universe"
- 8 UI Explorers Lecture Series, "A Watershed Year: Flooding in Iowa"
- 9 Iowa football press conference
- 9:30 Daily Iowan TV News Update
- 10 Iowa football press conference
- 10:30 Daily Iowan TV News Update
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Tuesday, April 16, 2013 by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may feel like sharing your stories, adventures, and personal thoughts, but it will cause some emotional wear and tear if you do so with someone less discrete. Instead, make the changes that will help you reach your goal in secret.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Mingle with peers, friends, and family. Business developments will open up, leading you in a new direction. Learn all you can and hold people to the promises made. Delays while traveling or dealing with institutions or large corporations can be expected.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Share your ideas and solutions. Helping someone in need now will open up a chance to get something in return. Offer your time, not your cash. Take care of financial or medical issues without delay. An unusual opportunity is within reach.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Emotional distress due to unexpected changes can be expected. Focus on your creative endeavors and future plans; you may be able to alter the outcome in your favor.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Put all your effort into details, precision, and drumming up the support you need to move ahead. Travel, communication, and striking up deals with past colleagues, clients, and peers will pay off. Don't let your emotions stand in the way of your success.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Take care of emotional issues before they turn into a costly venture. Refuse to let anyone put pressure on you to invest or get involved financially in something that makes you feel uncomfortable. Love is highlighted.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Traveling, attending a conference, or getting together with people from your past will all contribute to your obtaining valuable information. Your ideas will captivate your audience and interest someone able to contribute to your plans.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Put greater emphasis on both personal and professional partnerships. Alter your residence or your workspace to better suit your current situation. Talks will lead to solutions, and travel will contribute to firsthand information. Love is in the stars.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Don't confront a situation if you cannot be perfectly honest. Changes you make to the way you live are encouraged; they will bring about a closer bond with someone you want to spend more time with. A physical challenge will be rejuvenating.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Fact-finding will help you avoid a dubious situation with a friend, neighbor, or relative. Arguments are likely to erupt if you try to make changes without proper documentation or permission. Stick close to home, and nurture important relationships.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Everything has a beginning and an end. Draw from the best from the past, and rework friendships, ideas, and goals to fit your current situation to help you set out on a journey that will turn out to be fortuitous.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Control issues are present. You have to give and take if you want to accomplish something worthwhile. Too much of anything will work against you and cause problems with the people you need in your life to succeed. Reunite with old friends and colleagues.

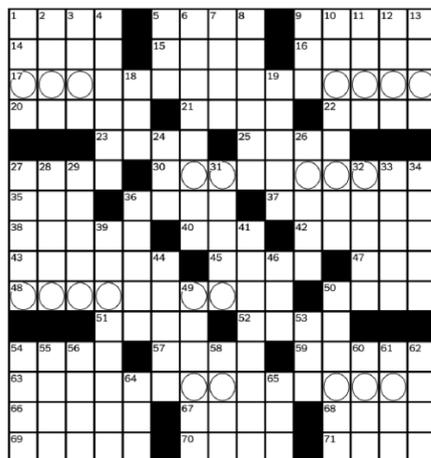
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- ACROSS**
- 1 "Dragnet" force, in brief
 - 5 Spirited steed
 - 9 Bid
 - 14 Calculus calculation
 - 15 City with Aces Ballpark
 - 16 Good news on Wall Street
 - 17 Finishing up
 - 20 ___ of time
 - 21 "Miami Vice" informant
 - 22 Baths
 - 23 Affirmatives
 - 25 Cleveland's lake
 - 27 "The way I see it," briefly
 - 30 Window-shopping locale
 - 35 Avril follower
 - 36 Go after
 - 37 Hidden shooter
 - 38 Shaw of the big band era
 - 40 VCR button
 - 42 President with a Nobel Prize
 - 43 Chessmen, e.g.
 - 45 What a vegan vetoes
 - 47 Be an agent for, in brief
 - 48 Great source of humor
 - 50 Some airport announcements, for short
 - 51 TV host Banks
 - 52 Set (down)
 - 54 Where the Storting sits
 - 57 Polo competitor
 - 59 "Little Miss Sunshine" vehicle
 - 63 Ponce de León's quest
 - 66 Spore spreaders
 - 67 Hawaiian bird
 - 68 TV's "Deal ___ Deal"
 - 69 Hiccup, e.g.
- DOWN**
- 1 Acts
 - 2 La Scala performance
 - 3 One of the 53-Downs
 - 4 Cool cat
 - 5 Prince Valiant's son
 - 6 Checkout sight
 - 7 DreamWorks's first animated film
 - 8 Sot
 - 9 Tolkien meanie
 - 10 Bone of the lower chest
 - 11 Big failure
 - 12 "Born Free" lioness
 - 13 Some whiskeys
 - 18 British suffix with formal
 - 19 Actor Lew
 - 24 Enzyme suffix
 - 26 Otherwise
 - 27 Apple ad line
 - 28 Lopez of "Extra"
 - 29 "___ where they ain't"
 - 31 Vermont ski resort
 - 32 Dazzling gallery display
 - 33 Home of the lion that Hercules slew
 - 34 Snares
 - 36 Disreputable
 - 39 Champagne bucket implement
 - 70 Elation
 - 71 Like Easter eggs



- PUZZLE BY BRUCE SUTPHIN AND NEVILLE FOGARTY
- 41 "Bravo!"
 - 44 Home of Damascus
 - 46 Oklahoma city
 - 49 Staring
 - 50 Director of "Bride of the Monster"
 - 53 Prestigious Eastern school, informally
 - 54 Does in
 - 55 Campbell's product
 - 56 ___ moth
 - 58 Like Nash's lama (not llama)
 - 60 Put six feet under
 - 61 ___ Reader
 - 62 Having protected feet
 - 64 Country singer McGraw
 - 65 A.T.M. imposition

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- 7-8 p.m., Purveyors of Sound
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- 9-10 p.m., Thematic
- 10 p.m.-midnight, Local Tunes
- Midnight-2 a.m., Steven Conlow

AWARENESS



UI junior Lauren Burchard places \$1 on a board on the Pentacrest on Monday. The demonstration, put on by the Intervarsity undergraduate chapter at the UI, aimed to promote April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and address human-trafficking the awareness and action. (The Daily Iowan/Callie Mitchell)

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BASEBALL

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stand. The squad's record now sits at 12-18. Iowa has only played six true away games, going 2-4 in those matches.

Toole said the Hawkeyes know what they need to do to execute in their first true road game in weeks, and the long ride will give them time to focus mentally, get loose, and be ready to play.

"I'd like to see us battle," he said. "We'll be ready to go, but we just have our mind set to what we want to do. We're coming in there to beat the other team."



Iowa's Jake Yacinich slides into home plate against Western Illinois on April 2. (The Daily Iowan/Tork Mason)



Iowa's Ethan Holmes hurdles at practice on Feb. 13 in the Recreation Building. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

HOLMES

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But Holmes serves as motivation for himself

and his teammates. He remains confident that this isn't the end of his career wearing the Black and Gold.

"I'm just trying to think about how I got over those

injuries in the past and how I got through it," Holmes said. "I'm just trying to stay positive. It's a little bit upsetting, but it's a minor bump in the road."



The Chicago Cubs work out at Wrigley Field on April 4, 2012. In an agreement announced Sunday, the historic ballpark will get a \$500 million face-lift, including its first electronic outfield video board, as part of a hard-fought agreement between the city of Chicago and the ball team. (Associated Press/Nam Y. Huh)

WRIGLEY

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year." Murphy said the rooftop owners were shut out of negotiations between the city and the team. She said she couldn't imagine how a 6,000-square-foot sign — slightly more than a tenth of an acre — could be installed without disrupting views from the rooftops.

Ricketts said the two sides have a ways to go, that the agreement must be approved by city planners and the City Council. But he said Mayor Rahm Emanuel and the alderman whose ward includes Wrigley Field, Tom Tunney, support the overall plan. The Mayor's Office has, in fact, agreed the

signs can be installed, but there has been no agreement on size or design.

Only Boston's Fenway Park is older than Wrigley Field among major-league parks. Baseball purists love its intimacy — the ivy-covered walls, the commitment to day games — but the team says it spends \$15 million a year just to keep up with basic repairs and desperately wants new revenue to pay for new amenities. A better showplace could perhaps help the Cubs snap a World Series championship drought that dates to 1908, six years before Wrigley was built.

Under the plan, the number of night games could be increased from 30 to 40, and construction would include a 175-room hotel, an office building

with retail space and health club, and 1,000 "remote" parking spots that would be free and come with shuttle service. Emanuel has hailed the "framework" agreement, noting that it includes no taxpayer funding.

If the deal wins approval from city officials, Ricketts said work could begin after this season ends and be completed over the next five years.

A final deal, when it comes, will end lengthy and sometimes contentious negotiations. The Ricketts family has been pushing for an overhaul of the aging ballpark and ways to bring in more money since buying the Cubs in 2009 for \$845 million. Ricketts said the goal was always to keep the Cubs at Wrigley, where he met his future wife.

SPORTS

Minnesota goes wild, beats Flames

CALGARY, Alberta — Jason Pominville scored twice to help the Minnesota Wild beat the Calgary Flames, 4-3, Monday night, snapping a three-game losing streak. Pominville has four goals in six games since being

acquired from Buffalo at the NHL trade deadline in a deal that sent two prospects and two draft picks to the Sabres.

Mikko Koivu and Pierre-Marc Bouchard also scored for Minnesota, which began a three-game road trip that continues tonight in Edmonton. The Wild moved past

St. Louis into sixth place in the Western Conference and 3 points behind Northwest Division-leading Vancouver.

Nicklas Backstrom had 20 steps to improve to 21-12-3. Jiri Hudler, Sven Baertschi, and Ben Hanowski — making his NHL debut — scored for Calgary.

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Sports

POINT/COUNTERPOINT

Will Kobe Bryant ever play basketball again?

NO

Contrary to what many optimists around the NBA are saying, the league has seen the last of Kobe Bryant.

Bryant sustained a season-ending ruptured Achilles injury April 12 while attempting to drive to the hoop against Golden State.

A few years go, many people, me included, would say that if anyone in the NBA could return from such a horrible injury, it would be Kobe.

However, this is not the same Kobe Bryant that came back from injury after injury to lead the Lakers to five NBA championships in 10 years. Bryant's body simply can't recover from sustaining injuries every few years.

Over the course of his career, he has injured just about every body part possible, including sprains, breaks, and tears to both ankles. While he has managed to return from every one triumphantly, many believe that this may finally prove to be the straw that broke the camel's back.

Bryant has several factors working against him.

The first should be pretty obvious: Bryant elected to have surgery to repair the Achilles, which could result in the Lakers' su-

perstar sidelined for up to nine months — that would put his point of return somewhere around January 2014, leaving him with only a little over half of a season to play, and that's if he returns on time. However, estimates on recovery time for injuries can often take much longer than expected. Just ask Derrick Rose.

Next season will also mark the end of Bryant's three-year, \$83 million contract extension. If he misses the entire 2013-14 season, finding a team to sign a 35-year-old shooting guard with a history of injuries to a multimillion-dollar contract may prove to be the biggest challenge he faces.

Which brings me to my final, and perhaps most important point: The man is 34 years old. While there are many who have played past this age, it is a proven fact that torn muscles take longer to heal the older you get, and the risk for further injury only increases with age.

Barring some superhuman recovery, it looks as if the NBA has seen the last of Kobe Bryant.

—Ryan Probasco

YES

There's no way in hell

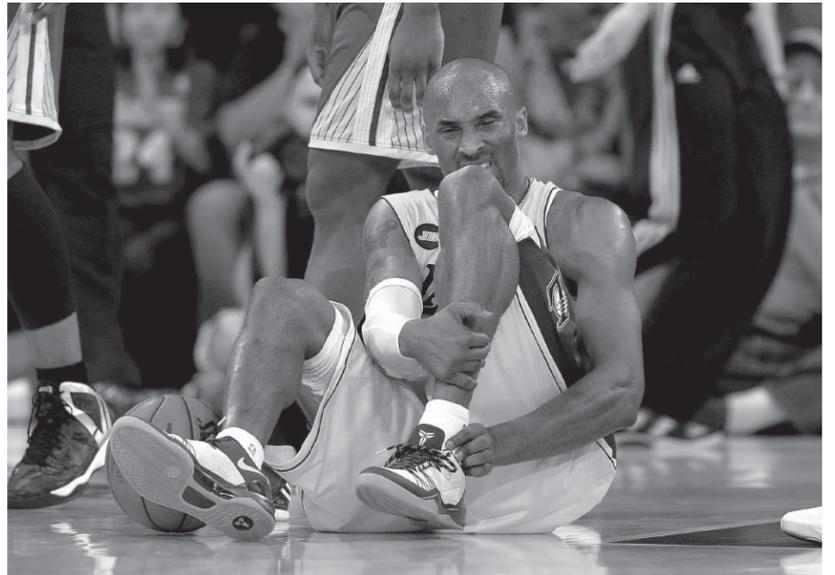
Kobe Bryant's career in the NBA, or with the Los Angeles Lakers, is finished after he underwent surgery for a torn Achilles tendon suffered on April 12.

Was there ever any doubt whether he would return? It's Kobe Bryant we're talking about here. Yes, he'll be out for six to nine months. Yes, he will be 35 years old next season. But anyone who's watched any Laker game, anyone who's heard Kobe speak or read a quote from him knows that's just not who he is.

Just look at his Facebook post from around 3:30 a.m. on April 13, hours after his injury:

"Now, I'm supposed to come back from this and be the same player Or better at 35?!" Part of Bryant's post said. "How in the world am I supposed to do that?? I have NO CLUE. Do I have the consistent will to overcome this thing? Maybe I should break out the rocking chair and reminisce on the career that was. Maybe this is how my book ends. Maybe Father Time has defeated me ... Then again maybe not!"

If there's anyone that can come back from a torn Achilles and be the same player he was before, it's Kobe. The man has scored 2,133 points this season, his most in the regular sea-



Los Angeles Laker guard Kobe Bryant grimaces after being injured during the second half against the Golden State on April 12 in Los Angeles. (Associated Press/Mark J. Terrill)

son since 2008-09.

Bryant was in the midst of a roller-coaster campaign after the Lakers acquired Dwight Howard and Steve Nash in the off-season. His injury is merely the latest story in a season filled with story line after story line. Combine this with his determination for his sixth championship, and everyone alive should know that

Kobe is going to play his final game in a Lakers jersey. He won't let his career end with a hobbled exit.

It just doesn't make sense that he wouldn't come back for one more season and attempt to earn the sixth title that he desires so much. Bryant started an Instagram account to show his "comeback journey" through photos.

Whether Bryant's comeback season will be a success is another story, although it wouldn't surprise me if he came back next season and led the Lakers to at least a deep playoff push. Because that's what Kobe does. That's who Kobe is.

They don't call him the Black Mamba for nothing.

—Matt Cabel

Twins clobber Angels



Minnesota Twin Aaron Hicks (right) celebrates with Brian Dozier after scoring on Pedro Florimon's 2-run double against Angel pitcher Mark Lowe during the eighth inning on Monday in Minneapolis. The Twins won, 8-2. (AP Photo/Genevieve Ross)

By DAVE CAMPBELL
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Joe Mauer had a home run among his 4 hits, and he drove in 3 runs for the Minnesota Twins in an 8-2 victory over the Los Angeles Angels on a cold, windy Monday night that helped send several fly balls to the deepest parts of Target Field.

Kevin Correia (1-1) earned his first American League win after finishing seven innings for the third time in as many starts with the Twins, getting two double-play grounders to help him limit the Angels to solo home runs by Peter Bourjos and former Twins utility infielder Brendan Harris.

Angel starter Joe Blanton (0-3) was battered again for 9 hits, 1 walk, and 4 runs in 4 innings. Mauer doubled and scored in the first and led off the fifth inning with a homer to left-center. Trevor Plouffe also went deep off Blanton, and Justin Morneau drove in a run with a double.

Mauer added RBI singles against relievers in the sixth and eighth, and Pedro Florimon hit a two-run double.

The Angels, with the sixth-highest payroll in the majors this season,

fell to 4-9.

Correia gave up 8 hits and a walk while striking out 5. When he signed a \$10 million, two-year contract last winter, it did little to excite Twins fans. But the 32-year-old has been by far their best starter so far with a 2.95 ERA.

Correia was supposed to pitch on Sunday, but a seemingly endless blend of snow, sleet, and rain prompted the Twins to postpone that game against the New York Mets until August. The forecast for this week isn't much friendlier for baseball, with the Wednesday night game in question due to possible rain.

The first-pitch temperature was 38 degrees, actually the third-warmest of six home games for the Twins in this frosty start to the season. The wind was gusting toward center field at 16 mph, and it showed.

Bourjos, the slap-hitting speedster in the leadoff spot for now, sent a drive into the left-center bullpen on Correia's fourth pitch. Harris, whose last major-league home run was for the Twins on April 8, 2010, against the Angels, hit one nearby to start the third inning.

As the 32-year-old Har-

ris approached his last leg around the diamond, he wound up and gave third base coach Dino Ebel an exaggerated hand slap on his way home. Harris spent the last two seasons with Triple-A teams for Baltimore and Colorado before joining the Angels this season and replacing the injured Erick Aybar at shortstop last week. Harris has 30 home runs in 1,603 major league at-bats.

Blanton bore the brunt of the breeze, but he's been throwing a bunch of hittable pitches all month. As one of three newcomers in the rotation with Tommy Hanson and Jason Vargas, Blanton has an 8.59 ERA over three starts. He has allowed 26 hits and six home runs in 14 2-3 innings.

Garrett Richards, on April 13, was the only Angel starter to pitch into the seventh inning in 13 games this year. Three-time All-Star Jered Weaver, the staff ace, is out for at least another three weeks because of a broken bone in his left (non-throwing) elbow.

Oswaldo Arcia singled in the second for the Twins in his first major league at-bat, but he also dropped a routine pop fly for a two-base error in the seventh inning.

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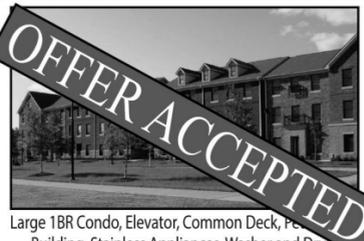
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Iowa on the road again



Kansas State's Ross Kivett is tagged out at second base at Banks Field on April 13. Kansas State won the three-game series, taking the final two games. The Hawkeyes won the series opener, 6-1, on April 12, but fell to Kansas State 11-4 on April 13 and 5-3 on Sunday. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

The Iowa baseball team heads back to the road after nearly three weeks of playing home games.

By **TOMMY REINKING**
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The last time Iowa played a game away from Banks Field was more than three weeks ago — March 23. Since then, Iowa has played 11 of 13 scheduled games at home, coming away with a 3-8 record.

Looking to put the less-than-stellar home stand behind them, the team is ready to hit the road again and turn things around.

“The big one is going to be [today],” head coach Jack Dahm said. “The biggest thing is being ready to play off the bus. We have to be mentally ready to go when we get off the bus.”

The Black and Gold will travel to Papillion, Neb., to take on Nebraska-Omaha today at Werner Park. The two teams met earlier in the season in a three-game series March 16-18 at Wichita, Kan., that saw the Mavericks take two out of three games.

While some may see the 257-mile bus ride from Iowa City to Papillion as

mentally draining, sophomore outfielder Eric Toole uses the time to prepare himself for the games ahead.

“You have to get there and get your mindset ready,” the Council Bluffs native said. “On the bus, you have time to think of what you’re going to do. Once you get on the field, your mind can already be set to what you need to do.”

The bus ride also gives players the opportunity to do other things that they might not have with the distractions of playing at home. Sophomore outfielder Kris Goodman says the bus rides give the players time to do homework or bond with each other.

“The travel’s not awesome,” Goodman said. “When you’re on a bus for a while, it’s not great, but I think it’s not too bad when you have a mindset of being ready to go and being with teammates.”

Dahm also pointed out that, from a coach’s perspective, it’s easier on road trips to monitor where players are and what they’re doing after the game. Players have curfews, and their where-

abouts are known to the coaches.

Dahm said being away from Iowa City allows the players to focus more on their games and what they need to do to win.

“Sometimes, there are fewer distractions,” the tenth-year coach said. “When you’re home, there are lots of distractions off the field, ranging from going out to eat or girlfriends to no curfew. When we’re on the road, we know exactly where they are, there’s a curfew, and we make sure that they eat properly.”

Along with the distractions that come from playing at home, the Hawkeyes went 3-8 in their three-week home

SEE **BASEBALL**, 9

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Big Ten honors Blank

The Big Ten named Iowa softball’s Megan Blank Player of the Week Monday. This is the second Player of the Week nod Blank has garnered this season, the first coming on March 4.

The honor came after Blank didn’t tally an out in 14 plate appearances this past weekend in a three-game road set against Northwestern.



Blank
sophomore

“That does not happen very often,” Iowa softball coach Marla Looper said in a release. “She is a vital part of our offense. Opponents are showing her a lot of respect. Her walks have increased drastically of late. Unfortunately for us, she is then unable to swing the bat.”

Blank went 4-for-4 when the Wildcats pitched to her, collecting a home run, two singles, and a triple. The Culver City, Calif., native also crossed the plate three times and knocked in 3 runs throughout the weekend.

Eight of the other 10 at-bats in which Blank reached base came in the form of walks. The remaining two hit the sophomore, allowing her a free pass to first. Blank has reached base in the last 26 games, including each of Iowa’s 12 conference outings.

Blank leads the team with a scorching .440 batting average. Should the season end today, that mark would be the best in school history, topping a .428 average set by Kim Davis in 1993.

— by **Cody Goodwin**

Wrigley plans stir backlash

By **DON BABWIN**
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CHICAGO — The Chicago Cubs have been fighting for years to get back to the World Series. They may have a fight on their hands to upgrade Wrigley Field, too.

The Cubs unveiled details Monday of their \$500 million plan to renovate the 99-year-old ballpark. It calls for more night games, a new hotel, a new clubhouse, extended beer sales, various upgrades for fans — and a massive electronic video screen that could spark a legal battle with rooftop owners who have a financial stake in being able to view the games from across the street.

The proposed 6,000-square-foot screen in left field is nearly three times as large as the venerable scoreboard currently atop the centerfield bleachers. Team Chairman Tom Ricketts said “significant” advertising-related revenue from the video screen and a 1,000-square-foot sign in right field would be pumped back into the team.

“If this plan is approved, we will win the World Series for our city,” Ricketts said. The Cubs have not won it all since 1908 and haven’t played in the series since 1945.

The Cubs say rooftop views would be “largely preserved” and that the sign and screen are “far less than our original desire for seven signs to help offset the cost of ballpark restoration.” Ricketts would not say what the team means when it says the signs would have “minimal impact” on the views from the rooftops. Nor would he discuss the likelihood of a lawsuit, saying only that “we will take that issue as it comes.”

The rub is that the rooftop owners have a contract with the Cubs in which they share revenue from the rooftop seats — an unusual arrangement, to be sure. The rooftop owners have 11 years remaining on the contract, and they showed no sign of endorsing the big new signs the Cubs want to put up.

“We have a contract with the Chicago Cubs, and we intend to see that it’s enforced,” said Beth Murphy, who owns rooftop bleachers and Murphy’s Bleachers, a popular tavern just beyond Wrigley’s centerfield wall. “We have fulfilled our end of the contract — we pay them 17 percent of our gross revenues every

Holmes working through an injury

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An injury has put Ethan Holmes’ senior season with the Iowa men’s track team on hold.

In the middle of the 200-meter dash at the Lee Calhoun Invitational on April 13, Holmes said he felt a “really sharp pain” in the lower calf muscle of his left leg with 20 meters remaining in the race. Holmes described the injury as an Achilles tendon, lower calf muscle strain.

“I’m not exactly sure how it happened,” he said. “I’m hoping to be back as soon as possible.”

The injury could not have come at a worse time for Holmes — the program will host its annual Musco Twilight meet on Saturday and will travel to Des Moines for the Drake Relays the weekend of April 26. Holmes said that this weekend’s meet is out of the question, and competing in the Drake Relays would be “extremely optimistic.”

While there is no current timetable for Holmes’ return, he’s doing all he can to ensure he’ll be back before the Big Ten meet, which will begin May 10. Holmes is doing rehabilitation workouts twice a day with strength and conditioning coach Landon Evans, including pool workouts and weight training, and he says he’s working to get back as fast as he can without los-



Iowa’s Ethan Holmes runs in the 110-meter hurdles at the NCAA track and field championships in Drake Stadium on June 7, 2012. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

ing any muscle or strength in his leg.

Jordan Mullen said everyone on the team, including himself, will need to step up in the wake of Holmes’ injury, particularly the hurdlers. Justin Austin said that sophomore Torrey Campbell will take Holmes’ place as the third leg of the 400-meter relay.

“You always have to plan for the worst, make future plans about Ethan not coming back,” senior Justin Austin said. “We need to figure out who’s going to step up, take it upon ourselves to

step up.”

Both Holmes and his teammates are eager for the Clinton, Iowa, native to return.

“They want me back just as much as I want to be back,” Holmes said. “They’re remaining positive, keeping in touch with me to figure out where I’m at in the process. The fact that we’re such a close group is good for the situation.”

Holmes has been encouraged by fellow senior hurdler Mullen, because both Holmes and Mullen have been through injuries throughout their careers.

Mullen has torn his hamstring and both quadriceps during his career at Iowa — neither have completed an entire season.

“I told him just to look at the positive out of everything,” Mullen said. “He’s a very strong kid, he’s going to get through it — he’s been there, he’s been through it. It’s not like it’s going to catch him off guard. Obviously you don’t plan for that to happen, but he’s been there, so you know he’s going to get back as fast as he can.”

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