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WHERE IS HOME?

By **LU SHEN** | lu-shen@uiowa.edu

I like going to New York City, because I don't feel like a foreigner there; I think I'm no different from anybody hurrying by me on the street. When the subway arrives on a station, passengers take their phones out of their pockets, and you can hear "Hello" in seven languages. However, the feeling of being a foreigner floods back when I return to Iowa City. I'm not saying I am excluded or alienated by natives; I'm just different. I think I don't really mind being a foreigner, or an outsider — though it certainly contributes to an often overwhelming sense of loneliness, even when I'm surrounded by people.



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In the meanwhile, however, I have also felt much less connected to home and to my country since I journeyed to the United States two years ago. So I began wondering if my predecessors who are now U.S. citizens feel at home in this country, or if they have ever felt alienated from their home country. I want to know if being ethnically Chinese while holding American passports means that they have to compromise or to struggle with their national identity.

The people I spoke with while pursuing this project all told me that they are world citizens, that after years of obtaining U.S. citizenship, they have taken their national identity less seriously, because only in this way can they survive without any inner conflicts and struggles.



Before I had a chance to talk with Professor Wenfang Tang, the University of Iowa Stanley Hua Hsia professor of political science and international studies, I learned a lot about him from

Hualing Nieh Engle, the cofounder of the International Writing Program. She likes telling me that Tang only had \$50 with him the first time he came to the United States in 1982, when studying abroad was barely on anybody's radar in China.

"It was actually \$40," Tang corrected and laughed.

Tang, then 26, took the life-changing step in a gray Dacron Mao suit, leaving the just opened-up poor China for its exact polar opposite — the United States — to pursue a master's degree in political science at the University of Kansas.

"I wanted to go back home every day while I was working [at my first job]," Tang said, now 57, who has lived in the States for 31 years. "When I got my first paycheck, I thought, 'Now, I [have] money to buy a plane ticket. I'm going back to Beijing tomorrow.'"

Of course, he did not do that. He took the risk

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WORLD CITIZEN

A three-part series exploring what it is to be an international student at the University of Iowa.

TODAY:

The identity crisis international students face in the U.S.

COMING WEDNESDAY:

The difference in job prospects.

COMING THURSDAY:

International students face different freedoms and restrictions in the U.S. and in China.

District seeks enrollment data

Because of the Iowa City School District's rapidly increasing enrollment numbers, an update to enrollment projections will be addressed at tonight's board meeting.

By **GABRIELLA DUNN**
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The ongoing growth in the Iowa City School District has raised a new concern — an update to enrollment projections — to be addressed by School Board members during this evening's meeting.

The update has been recommended by the district's administration; it would cost \$5,250 in physical plant and equipment levy funding if the board approves the expenditure.

"If we're making decisions on data that need to be updated, then we're not making the most accurate decisions," said recently elected School Board member Brian Kirschling. "You can only predict so well, and then you have to re-evaluate."

In recent years, many schools have been added as well as renovated, including Borlaug, Garner, and Horn Elementary Schools.

At present, there are 25 schools in

SEE **SCHOOL BOARD**, 3

Week focuses on local mental health

According to the National Institute of Mental Health, 26.2 percent of American adults suffer from diagnosable mental disorders each year.

By **MEGAN SANCHEZ**
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While it's been almost 20 years since her most recent psychiatric hospitalization, today, the collection of 18 different keys — more specifically what they symbolize — has helped Margalea Warner deal with three decades of schizophrenia.

What once stood for former apartment and psychiatric hospital keys now represent the main motivators in her recovery — hugs, church, and community.

Community awareness and support is what the longtime University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics secretary said has helped her recovery.

Stories similar to Warner's, local advocates say, shine a light on the importance of Mental Illness Awareness Week throughout the Iowa City area.

This week, local organizations will put on events in hopes to encourage those suffering to seek help — which, Warner said, they often avoid.

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SWEATER SEASON



A Nori's employee arranges dresses in the store on Monday. Nori's second floor will be open for a sale with the onset of sweater season. (The Daily Iowan/Wanyi Tao)

Officials hear input on center



Rendering

By DANIEL SEIDL
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While proposing to build a new Johnson County Jail and Courthouse is highly controversial in the area, county officials are once again moving forward after two recent initiatives failed to garner voter support.

At the last public-input hearing Monday evening, the Johnson County Board of Supervisors closed a series that began in August.

Designed for members of the public to address their concerns about special needs in the proposed facilities, the meetings were developed to find out what they want to see come out of the supervisors' next proposal.

The first of two recent proposals that failed to garner the necessary 60 percent supermajority to fund the new facility would have cost \$46.8 million and would have housed a new 243-bed jail and six courtrooms.

In a November 2012

referendum, it received 56 percent of the vote.

A second proposal, priced at \$43.5 million, was a scaled-back version that would have included 195 beds and four courtrooms. It received 54 percent of the vote in May.

Overwhelmingly, the most common piece of feedback brought up Monday night was that the proposal for a new courthouse and jail be split in two.

In addition to the supervisors, Johnson County prosecutor Janet Lyness, Johnson County Sheriff Lonny Pulkrabek, and University of Iowa Assistant Vice President for the UI police Chuck Green were present at the meeting.

Joe Johnston, who has been a lawyer in Johnson County for more than 45 years, said the need for a new courthouse is clear.

"I think I have spent more time in this courthouse more than any living human being," he said. "I would like to see the courthouse improve."

Johnston said that if the two buildings were proposed separately, it would move the courthouse forward more quickly.

"The linking of the two is what is causing it to be defeated," he said. "They were voting against the jail, not the courthouse."

One local advocate for equality had quite a different perspective.

Charlie Eastham, a member of the Coalition for Racial Justice called upon the jail's current ethnic makeup as a concern.

"It seems to me that just thinking about the capacity for the jail, one major consideration should be if the number of people in the jail is inflated due to local police officers," he said, adding that he would like to see further supervisor action come about.

While African-Americans make up around 5 percent of the county population, they made up 42 percent of the jail's average daily population in 2010, the *DI* previously reported. Supervisor Chairwoman

Janelle Rettig said while the possibility of separating the proposals has been considered, it hasn't been considered to this extent.

"We've never tried voting alone on the courthouse, and I think that's worthy of consideration," she said.

However, there are also some possible downfalls of separating the proposals, said Supervisor Rod Sullivan.

"The downside to that is that both are needs," he said. "If you do one or the other first, then obviously that means that whichever one is left out waits even longer."

With the series now at a close, the supervisors will make their decision on a new proposal in the next week, Rettig said. On Oct. 14 the board will meet with the county attorney and the county sheriff to complete the plan.

"We've received a lot of input, and there are a variety of ideas out there," Rettig said. "We don't know exactly where we're headed next."

METRO

Man charged with assault

A Chicago man has been accused of assaulting a female.

Lemont Baker II, 29, was charged Monday with assault causing bodily injury.

According to an Iowa City police complaint, officers responded to reports of an in-progress fight.

When officials arrived, numerous subjects were trying to

reach Baker, who was in a cab. The subjects told officials Baker had punched a woman.

The woman said Baker had grabbed her by the neck and punched her, which knocked her to the ground. She said this happened while she was trying to break up a fight between Baker and another subject.

Witnesses confirmed this. The woman had red marks on her neck and complained of pain.

Baker admitted to fighting and

punching a male but did not admit to punching a female.

Assault causing bodily injury is a serious misdemeanor.

— by Megan Sanchez

Special vote to be held for Sorenson's seat

Following the resignation of former Sen. Kent Sorenson, R-Milo,

Gov. Terry Branstad has announced the date of a special election to fill the vacant seat.

Sorenson resigned on Oct. 2 after a report was released with accusations he received money from the campaign of former GOP presidential-nomination candidate Michele Bachmann.

The special election will be held Nov. 19. The 13th District includes Madison and Warren Counties.

— by Cassidy Riley

BLOTTER

Austin Bickelhaupt, 21, Story City, Iowa, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Nolan Gillespie, 19, Council Bluffs, was charged Oct. 5 with PAULA.

Michael Jacks, 21, Knoxville, Iowa, was charged Oct. 5 with public intoxication.

Patrick Koutnik, 20, Chicago, was charged Oct. 5 with possession of fictitious license,

pedestrian duties, and public intoxication.

Hunter Livingston, 21, Cedar Rapids, was charged Oct. 5 with public intoxication.

Ellen Miller, 26, 910 Dodge St., was charged Monday with criminal trespassing.

Nicholas Mirr, 19, 830 E. Bloomington St., was charged Oct. 27 with possession of a controlled substance and

possession of drug paraphernalia.

Gilberto Padilla Jr., 23, Lake in the Hills, Ill., was charged Sunday with OWI.

Joseph Perot, 19, 3509 Shamrock Place, was charged Sept. 13 with accessory after the fact.

Harrison Proffitt, 21, Hutchinson, Kan., was charged Oct. 5 with public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Curtis Stacey, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged Oct. 5 with PAULA.

Charles Terry III, 37, Coralville, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Brad Wilbanks, 31, Iuka, Miss., was charged Monday with public intoxication.

Austin Winchell, 19, Cherokee, Iowa, was charged Oct. 4 with PAULA.

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SCHOOL BOARD

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the 12,774-student district.

With rising enrollment, updated projection numbers are important for planning.

As the fifth-largest school district in the state, growing pains have just begun, and projected enrollment numbers have played a large role in the new \$250 million Facilities Master Plan that has been highly contested over the past seven months.

While enrollment projections are typically updated yearly, the Facilities

Master Plan has made long-range estimations more pertinent.

"We used to do five years, but in terms of planning projection, that's a pretty short time frame," said Chris Lynch, another recently elected School Board member. "Last year was the first time we did a 10-year projection ... This will be the first time we do a two-year-in-a-row-10-year projection."

Under the plan, three new elementary schools, one new high school, and numerous renovations

and additions to existing schools will take place.

In contrast, the Cedar Rapids School District has experienced faltering enrollment in past years. According to the district's 2010-11 Enrollment Report, enrollment decreased by 0.8 percent in three years leading up to the 2009-10 school year.

In the 2001-02 school year, the district enrollment was 17,216 students. By the 2010-11 school year, there was more than a 700-student decrease.

Iowa City School Board members said up-to-date information will be important for forecasting growth.

"The superintendent is going to make recommendations for the timeline of

the Facilities Master Plan coming up in November," Kirschling said. "Anytime you're making a decision, you have to make sure you have accurate data."

School District chief operating officer David Dude wrote in an email that at the administrative level, the projections are used for nearly everything, and with the increasing enrollment in the district, they are becoming even more important.

"Due to the rapid change in our district, we update these projections each year," he wrote. "We base our projections on certified enrollment, so we won't know for certain what our growth looks like this year until that process is complete — later this month."

School Board President Sally Hoelscher also said the projections are not used on a day-to-day basis but rather for planning, specifically financial planning.

"The staffing decisions are made when the time comes and kids are in the seats," she said. "When we know what the projected enrollment is, that helps us make sure we can pay for it."

Lynch said another topic he looks forward to discussing at tonight's meeting is an upcoming team-building day.

"I'm looking forward to the board retreat and getting clear on the agenda," he said. "To do some team building and how we're going to move forward as a board team."

Iowa City School Board Meeting

Because of the Iowa City School District's rapidly increasing enrollment numbers, an update to enrollment projections will be addressed at tonight's board meeting.

At tonight's meeting:

Where: 142A Educational Services Center, 1725 N. Dodge St.

When: 6 p.m. today

Some issues to be discussed:

Enrollment projection updates, open enrollment, anti-bullying programming, and the Kennedy Center Program "Any Given Child"

Source: School District agenda

MENTAL HEALTH

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"People generally don't get insight that they have a medically treatable illness," she said. "Medicine itself is not enough. Supportive peers, family, community, and coworkers [are needed for recovery.]"

Historically, the Johnson County Board of Supervisors has been a top funder for mental-health services in the state.

"Unfortunately, I don't think it's something folks pay much attention to until it directly affects them," said Supervisor Rod Sullivan. "We have a tendency as a society to sort of move on to our own things. That means folks who have

these needs don't get them addressed the way they should."

As a former social worker, he said, he dealt with individuals who suffered from mental illness.

"I was able to see firsthand the impact on families and others in the community," Sullivan said. "I have a pretty good idea of just exactly how devastating this can be for folks."

The main concern, he said, is Iowa's lack of mental-health resources, including a lack of statewide hospital beds for mental-health patients and a shortage of psychiatric nurses and psychiatrists.

A Monday night candlelight vigil was held in front of the Sheraton Hotel, 210 S. Dubuque St.

At the event, sponsored by the National Alliance for Mental Illness of Johnson

County, individuals, including Warner, spoke about their road to recovery.

Iowa City resident and keynote speaker Haley Lynch, who has battled severe depression, lost her fiancé to the illness through suicide in 2011.

She said she was left her with only their son and a feeling of loneliness.

"I want you to know that you are not alone," she said during her speech. "I want you to see that I have made it, and I am standing up here to show you that you can make it, too."

Mental illness is an issue in the community and also on the UI campus. UI zDirector of University Counseling Service Sam Cochran said he agrees that not enough people seek the help they need, and many students are

nervous to do so.

He said he hopes this week will make students realize getting support is OK.

"Awareness of resources, these conditions, how to get help, and where to get help hopefully [will] bring more students to our door," he said.

Additional events taking place this week include a discussion panel with the PTA of Lemme Elementary, 3100 E. Washington St., for parents of children with mental illness and an "Interfaith Gathering of Prayer and Sharing" at the Agudas Achim Congregation, 401 Oakdale Blvd., Coralville.

On Wednesday from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m., Short's Burgers East Side, 521 Westbury Drive, will donate 15 percent of its prof-

Mental Health

In light of Mental Illness Awareness Week, Iowa City area organizations are reaching out to support the cause.

Today, 6:30 p.m.

Lemme Elementary library
3100 E. Washington
National Alliance on Mental Illness of Johnson County and Lemme PTA will hold a panel discussion for parents of children with mental illness and behavioral disorders.

Wednesday, 5-10 p.m.

Short's Burgers East Side
521 Westbury Drive

Short's will donate 15 percent of its profits to the Johnson County Community Mental Health Center.

Thursday, 7 p.m.

Agudas Achim Congregation
401 E. Oakdale Blvd., Coralville
National Alliance on Mental Illness of Johnson County and the Consultation of Religious Communities of Johnson County will sponsor a gathering of prayer and sharing.

Sources: Roc Kemmerer, manager of Short's Burgers East Side

Mary Issah, director of operations at National Alliance on Mental Illness of Johnson County

its to the Johnson County Community Mental Health Center.

Attendants at the event Monday night stressed the need for people to not be afraid of the issue but to address it.

"I hope that they'll just

take away a sense that there's not shame to having a mental illness," said Coralville resident Patte Henderson. "The stigma that our society has put out on mental illness for so long — it's not necessary."

U.S. stalemate worries world

By DAVID ESPO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A possible national default loomed closer on Monday as the partial government shutdown lingered, rattling markets in the U.S. and overseas. A gridlocked Congress betrayed little or no urgency toward resolving either of the threats.

Stocks got a case of the jitters on Wall Street, and halfway around the world, China stressed the importance for the international economy of raising the U.S. debt limit.

"Safeguarding the debt is of vital importance to the economy of the U.S. and the world," Vice

Finance Minister Zhu Guangyao said, according to the official Xinhua News Agency. China holds \$1.277 trillion in U.S. Treasury bonds, second only to Japan.

At home, the political rhetoric was unchanged — and generally unpromising — while a new poll suggested Republicans are paying a heavier price than Democrats for the deadlock.

President Obama said the House should vote immediately on ending the partial closure of the federal establishment. He accused House Speaker John Boehner of refusing to permit the necessary legislation to come to the floor because he "doesn't

apparently want to see the ... shutdown end at the moment, unless he's able to extract concessions that don't have anything to do with the budget."

Boehner, in rebuttal, called on Obama to agree to negotiations on changes in the nation's health-care overhaul and steps to curb deficits, the principal GOP demands for ending the shutdown and eliminating the threat of default.

"Really, Mr. President. It's time to have that conversation before our economy is put further at risk," the Ohio Republican said in remarks on the House floor.

Obama said he would

talk with the Republicans on those topics or virtually any others. But the White House has said repeatedly the president will not negotiate until the government is fully reopened and the debt limit has been raised to stave off the nation's first-ever default.

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COLUMN

Shuttered a window



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Some meandering thoughts as we meander through a federal government shutdown (although, with 400,000 civilian workers called back to work in the Defense Department, that's half the federal workers who were furloughed, so it's merely kind of a shutdown).

Speaking of meandering, creative gerrymandering is apparently the only creative thing Republicans can do. That's how they hung onto control of the House, and that control brings us to where we are today. (You have to remember, yes, in the last election, the GOP maintained its majority in the House, but Democratic candidates polled 1 million more votes nationwide than did Republican candidates. Yes, Virginia, I know; we don't representatives nationwide, we elect them district by district. Which brings us back to creative gerrymandering.)

So now, we have approximately 30 hard-liner tea-partyites running the House GOP, as BBC Radio and others have reported — not Speaker John Boehner, who is scared to death of losing his job, according to many observers — and those 30 have around 70 allies. Another 170 GOP representatives are scared to death of the hard-liners because of potential primary opponents from the wacko wing. Thus, you have a government shutdown engineered by those who would be the engineers of human souls — the House GOP.

(Note: "The Engineers of human souls" is the title of a famous novel by Czech writer Josef Skvorecky. He attributed the phrase to Joseph Stalin. Take from that what you will.)

An interesting note about the GOP and Boehner in particular. There are probably enough Republican votes in the House to pass the so-called "clean"

funding bill, which would not have shut down the government. But Boehner never held a vote on it. That's how scared he is of his party's hard-liners.

That clean bill, by the way, contained most of the spending cuts the Republicans had demanded.

What's curious about Boehner is that in March, he said the Republicans shouldn't try to attach killing Obamacare to the spending bill: "I believe that trying to put 'Obamacare' on this vehicle risks shutting down the government. That's not what our goal is." Really? Then why are we here?

Right after the 2012 election, Boehner said, "It's pretty clear that the president was re-elected. Obamacare is the law of the land."

Once again, really?

And you were thinking of buying a used government from this guy?

The bogyman in the cupcake shop for Republicans is Obamacare, because the hard-liners believe the act is the freeway to socialism. I'm a veteran of national health care (in Germany); Obamacare is nothing like that.

And the freeway to socialism? Back in the day — say, in the '60s — Medicare was controversial among conservative Republicans. Republican St. Ronald Reagan, in the mid-60s, long before he ran for president, warned against the then-upcoming Medicare legislation by railing that it meant the United States was starting down the freeway to socialism.

Odd, because, Reagan lived in Southern California at the time (as did I, as a kid), and without freeways, Southern California could not travel.

Yet even more odd, years later, when Reagan was president, he expanded Medicare. Yep, there's your freeway to socialism.

Oh, well. One of these days, there will be a Republican president again, assuming the Latinos and Latinas either stay away from the voting booths (or aren't allowed in) and the African Americans the same.

And he or she will probably expand Obamacare.

Nice shutdown, huh?

EDITORIAL

Economic fears still rising

The economic recovery has been long and slow for most people. Official unemployment numbers are slowly inching their way down, though partly because some are giving up on trying to find work. A huge fraction of the economic gains made since the recession ended has also gone to the highest earners. Across the country, it seems pretty clear that Americans are disenchanted with the American economy.

Given national attitudes and circumstances, it's perhaps little surprise that the results of the *Des Moines Register's* Iowa Poll found that nine in 10 Iowans think the U.S. financial system is at risk of falling into another economic crisis. Note that this poll was taken before the federal-government shutdown.

Iowans, Americans, really everyone, are right to be concerned with the U.S. economy's stability. The factors that contributed to the last recession have not been fully mitigated, and new threats have emerged since.

Although the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (more commonly known as Dodd-Frank) created the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and established other regulatory measures in an effort to prevent future financial crises, the act is riddled with problems.

Michael Simkovic, an associate professor at the Seton Hall Law School, wrote a paper that contended even with Dodd-Frank enacted, banks can still give out high-risk loans, shareholders and bank employees still benefit from giving out risky mortgages, and regulators remain particularly underfunded.

"The effectiveness of the [Consumer Financial Protection Bureau] will also likely be hampered by continued efforts to defund it and reduce its ability to operate independent of politics," Simkovic wrote. "Given the political influence of the financial-services industry, it seems unlikely that the [bureau] could effectively regulate underwriting if it were subject to annual appropriations by Congress."

Perhaps equally stunning as the poor response to patch up the problems that caused the Great Recession was the lackluster legal response to the

financiers who were largely responsible for driving the national economy into the ground.

A few minor members of the banking community were arrested and convicted for wrongdoing, but none of the top executives on Wall Street have been legally penalized for their irresponsible and destructive actions so far.

Adding to a lackluster governmental reaction to the economic disaster from 2007 to 2009 is the lopsided economic recovery.

The *Register's* Iowa Poll also found that about three-fourths of Iowans say they haven't fully recovered from the recession. Twenty-eight percent of all respondents said it still feels like a recession and that they're "still hurting."

Part of why the recovery is so widely seen as anemic is because the top income earners have captured virtually all of the gains. In September, we drew attention to a paper by an economist at the University of California-Berkeley showing that 95 percent of all income gains from 2009 through 2012 went to the top 1 percent of the income distribution.

Again, the Iowa Poll was conducted before the government shutdown, which began Oct. 1, and that highlights the biggest problem of all: Americans are losing faith in their government.

A recent CBS poll shows that since 2010, a rapidly growing percentage of Americans are "angry" with their government. In December 2012, 21 percent of responders put themselves this classification; as of Oct. 3, 43 percent felt this way.

Gallup notes that the percentage of Americans naming the government as a top problem hasn't been this high since the 1970s.

Public opinion has looked increasingly unfavorable toward the federal government in recent years, and that loss of confidence in the state and economy threaten to act as a self-fulfilling prophecy, weakening the economy out of fear that the economy will weaken.

YOUR TURN

Are you optimistic about the country's economic outlook? Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR/ ONLINE

Removing the 21-ordinance sends a mixed message

A common argument against the Iowa City 21-ordinance is that it forces underage students to go to house parties rather than the bars if they want to go out. I respectfully disagree based on the simple fact that it's a choice to go to house parties, a choice that the city does not officially endorse with a law granting access.

Should the ordinance be repealed, it symbolizes an open invitation for students under the age of 21 to enter establishments whose primary revenue source is the sale of alcohol. Why would we want to recreate an environment that endorses underage access to bars?

Jonathan Sexton

Since the ordinance went into effect, the downtown area is safer, more vibrant, and becoming increasingly diverse in terms of the businesses available to consumers.

Removing the 21-ordinance would be a step in the wrong direction for the Iowa City community. With your vote of "No" on Nov. 5, you recognize that it would be irresponsible for the city to send mixed messages to students under the age of 21 by granting them access to drinking establishments.

Protect the 21-ordinance

We have lived in this great city for 34 years. We have watched as the city

and the university struggled to address the problem of underage drinking. Contrary to the dire warnings of its opponents, the 21-ordinance has markedly reduced the negative effects of underage drinking and improved the vibrancy of downtown Iowa City. The statistics are striking: Substantially fewer students engage in high-risk drinking — both in the downtown and surrounding neighborhoods. The number of alternative venues for non-drinking young adults has also increased. There is no good reason to go backwards. Therefore, we support the 21-ordinance and the positive effect it has had on our city. Vote "No" on Nov. 5 to protect the 21-ordinance.

Dave & Sherry Lohman

Republican dislikes

The House Republicans who have shut down the government of the United States of America were among those who tried to do in Obama's presidency by branding the Affordable Care Act as "Obamacare"; in the official poll that counts, the American people voted for Mr. Obamacare himself.

If a shutdown were to work for this most fanatical dirty-30 subset of Republicans in the House who do not like and will not accept the will of we the people, what next will they get rid of they do not like? Social Security, Medicare, married gay people, and anyone or anything else they just don't like?

Sam Osborne

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GUEST COLUMN

Outlook bleak for most students

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As we have progressed as humans, the world has evolved around us, and the ways in which we measure our successes have grown and changed with the times. Though we no longer measure success by which man was able to kill the largest buffalo or which woman successfully harvested the most vegetables for her clan, the basis of success is still grounded in these ideals. Graduating from college, marrying that special someone, producing 2.5 healthy children, culminating with a comfortable retirement in Sun City or the Villages. All of this then hinges on a very simple concept: to provide for one's family, which can only be accomplished by possessing one thing — gainful employment.

Though asking an 18-year-old to declare a major and simultaneously choose a field they will proceed to work and study in for nearly the rest of their lives can seem slightly unreasonable, this is how the

world of higher education functions. Students declare a field of study, they take various classes within that field over the next four years, and then they graduate. However, now is the difficult part — finding a job.

While national unemployment within the United States has settled around 7.3 percent as of August 2013, nearly 53 percent of recent college graduates are either unemployed or underemployed. The areas of elementary education (5 percent), engineering (7 percent), law and public policy (9.2 percent), the arts (9.8 percent), architecture (12.8 percent), video, film, and photography (11.4 percent), commercial art and graphic design (10.5 percent), agriculture and natural resources (6.1 percent), journalism (7 percent), business (7.5 percent), computer science (8.7 percent), history (9.5 percent), advertising and public relations (7.3 percent), and psychology (9.2 percent), are witnessing the highest unemployment rates to date. There is a correlation between

popular majors among college students and high unemployment rates in those particular majors. In other words, there are more students studying these subjects than there are jobs in these areas.

Unemployment among recent college graduates leads to an unfortunate domino effect. Graduates will most often expect steady jobs with a benefits package and decent salaries. They may be planning a wedding or expecting to start saving for a house. Without gainful employment, the chances of these dreams becoming a reality continue to drop. However, the lack of gainful unemployment does lead to a heavier dependence on one's parents. There is a greater need to be on your parent's insurance, which could be why there is an unheard number of recent college graduates who support Obamacare.

The lack of employment in the United States, especially among recent college graduates, creates an element of control for the federal government. The longer the government fails to

stimulate the economy means the longer businesses lack the incentive to hire more employees, therefore the longer the government stays in control. If people do not have jobs, they likely do not have health insurance, hence more support for Obamacare. Without jobs, people depend on government handouts such as food stamps and welfare. They look to government for freebies. They look to them to fulfill the empty promises made on the campaign trail. They look to it to come through for its citizens, and when it doesn't, when it fails to allow their citizens the opportunity to be self-sufficient, it's time for someone to question its motives.

College students, college graduates included, were sold a bill of goods. They were encouraged to pursue higher education with the promise of good jobs and even brighter futures, but in the end, along with their \$160,000 pieces of paper, all they will end up with are massive student loans and no way to pay them back.

Health-plan rollout suffers more glitches

By RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The glitch-ridden rollout of President Barack Obama's health-care law has opponents crowing "Told you so" and insisting it should be paused, if not scrapped.

But others, including insurance companies, say there's still enough time to fix the online enrollment system before uninsured Americans start getting coverage on Jan. 1.

After emergency repairs over the weekend, consumers in different parts of the country Monday continued to report delays on healthcare.gov, as well as problems setting up security questions for their accounts. The administration says the site's crowded electronic "waiting room" is thinning out. Still, officials announced it will be down again for a few hours starting at 1 a.m. today for more upgrades and fixes.

Despite the confusion, the insurance industry has held off public criticism. Alarmed that only a trickle of customers got through initially, insurers now say enrollments are starting to come in, and they expect things to improve.

The last major federal health care launch — the Medicare prescription program in 2006 — also had big startup problems. Government leaders who oversaw it say things could look very different in a couple of months for Obama's law if the administration manages to get a grip on the situation.

"There wasn't enough time for testing, so the dress rehearsal became opening night," said Michael Leavitt, who as President George W. Bush's top health official was responsible for the Medicare drug-plan debut.

"The moment of truth is going to come in the middle of November, when people want to see the real deal," said Leavitt, who currently heads a consulting firm that advises states on the health overhaul. "If they don't have this running smoothly by then, it's going to be a bigger problem than we're seeing today."

The insurance industry is calling for patience. "This is a marathon and not a sprint," Karen Ignagni, the head of the trade group America's Health Insurance Plans, said in a statement. "We anticipate enrollments

will continue to increase in the days and weeks ahead."

Obama's law — also known as the Affordable Care Act — was designed to provide insurance for people who don't have access to coverage on the job. Middle-class uninsured people can buy a government-subsidized private plan, while the poor and near-poor will be steered to Medicaid in states that agree to expand the safety-net program. The online insurance markets were envisioned as the 21st-century portal to an overhauled system.

But when the health-care markets went live last week, millions of curious Americans overwhelmed federal and state insurance websites. The level of interest could be read as a good sign, because polls just prior to the launch found most uninsured people unaware it was coming. Yet for many, the consumer experience was like a Saturday morning spent twiddling thumbs at the local motor vehicle department.

Some prospective customers got a screen that told them to wait — and nothing happened, for hours. Others started to sign up and got trapped by a recurring glitch when they tried to set up security questions to protect their personal accounts. Some who got through all the way to the end found their sessions had timed out, and they had to start over.

The federal website that serves 36 states wasn't the only problem; several states also had a rough launch. As Republicans opposed to "Obamacare" showed they were willing to shut

down the government in an effort to stop it, the administration seemed to be its own worst enemy.

Technology experts say the problems are probably due to a combination of factors: unexpectedly high demand, as well as possible software flaws and shortcomings in design. Sometimes a high volume of users can expose software problems that went undetected in testing, they said.

The administration has mainly blamed high volume. The Health and Human Services department says it is adding servers —workhorse computer equipment — to the system to handle the volume of user requests.

Official media releases have hinted at software and system design problems, without providing detail. For example, one referred to procuring "dedicated hardware" for an unnamed "specific component of the system that became overstressed."

Problems caused by website overload should ease as more equipment is added. Software and design flaws are trickier to fix, meaning more overnight repairs.

Monday, White House spokesman Jay Carney said officials would not release enrollment data on an "hourly or daily or weekly basis," although outside experts say the administration is certain to have those numbers. Officials regularly report the number of unique visitors to healthcare.gov — they just don't say how many get to the end of the application. Those numbers will be released at "regular monthly intervals," Carney said.

Local officials eye affordable housing

By REBECCA MORIN
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With the debate of implementing affordable housing within one of Iowa's most expensive counties to call home, local residents and officials are trying to create new ways to address the issue.

"Affordable housing is the No. 1 problem in Johnson County today, so it's a really big deal, and sometimes a hard issue..." said Johnson County Supervisor Rod Sullivan, adding that the issue should not be tackled on a countywide scale.

"It makes more sense for the solution to be located in the cities," he said.

The Housing Trust Fund of Johnson County is offering a special round of \$275,000 in funding for projects pursuing low-income housing tax credits.

With about 80 units of publically assistant housing and approximately 1,250 housing vouchers, there still is a need for an additional 2,700 rental units in the area.

"We just don't have enough affordable units, and a lot of people who work full time simply cannot afford rent," Sullivan said. "People come here for more job opportunities than in rural counties, and a high percentage of their income goes toward rent."

In honor of the U.N. Habitat Day, the Iowa Valley of Habitat for Humanity held a forum Monday evening aimed at addressing the need in the county.

In addressing a small gathering, one local consultant looked to the idea of offering incentives to private developers as a way of solving the affordable housing situation.

"One [incentive] would allow a unit size reduction, so if it's zoned a certain way you can build

houses a little smaller and more densely located," said Sally Scott, an Iowa City community development consultant. "Fee waivers or fee reductions may also be an option."

As of August, the average price for a home in Iowa City was \$221,256, said Steve Long, the Iowa City community-development coordinator.

In Iowa's second-largest city, the Cedar Rapids average housing price was \$182,149 in August 2013, according to the Cedar Rapids Area Association of Realtors.

While this need persists, it has not gone completely ignored. Among other programs for help with housing costs in the area, University City Neighborhood Partnership purchases homes in select areas around the University of Iowa campus and downtown using low-interest loans provided by several local lenders. The housing-stabilization and neighborhood-rehabilitation program was launched in March 2010.

"What it does is it provides another housing option that didn't exist for a lot of people wanting to live closer to the downtown area," said Steve Long, the Iowa City community-development coordinator. "There are not a lot of options and prices an owner can get to rent the houses."

Affordable Housing

Efforts across Johnson County, such as an affordable-housing forum hosted by the Iowa Valley Habitat for Humanity and Housing Trust Fund of Johnson County, are trying to bring visibility to the affordable-housing issue in the city.

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- The average price of a home in Cedar Rapids was \$182,149 in August.

Source: Steve Long, Iowa City community-development coordinator, Cedar Rapids Area Association of Realtors

With six out of every 1,000 housing units empty, there are several solutions that local officials hope to address in the upcoming area city council elections.

"Who's elected makes one hell of a lot difference, and so my plea to you all is I'm glad you're interested in the housing unit and help make others concerned about it and go to the cabinet forum and go and raise this issue," said Bob Welsh, a local community member at the forum Monday night. "There will be other elections coming up, but who we elect makes one heck of a difference."

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- I've always been lucky to have strong male role models in my life. For instance, when I was 12, my father quit his job to spend more time with his second family.
- The last item on my Amazon Wish List is "The Amazon Genie Shall Be Free."
- In 2008, I took Second in the Canadian Memorization Games. I can't remember who beat me.
- In 2008, I also finished Third in the Finnish Palindrome Writing Championships. In this championship, a fiendish Finnish horror deigned "Plit Limi" was ninth. (I would have won the whole thing, but I kept confusing palindromes with anagrams.)
- I could not be talked out of the above two jokes by people smarter than me.
- My father's sister isn't Jewish, but she really likes Jewish people. She's my Auntie anti-antisemite.
- I graduated magna cum laude from the School of Hard Knocks. I almost graduated summa cum laude, but a visiting professor gave me B-plus in Street Cred, which WAS TOTALLY UNFAIR OF HER.
- People think I'm chubby, but it's really just baby weight. I'm 8 pounds, 3,552 ounces. (99th percentile)
- I can do 20 unassisted pull-ups. I did seven in my teens and another eight in my early 20s, so that only leaves five more.

Andrew R. Juhl suspects you know none of this is true, except for this, or maybe not?

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today's events

- **Piano Lessons with Joe Page**, 8 a.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **Get Organized Workshop**, 10 a.m., Hardin Library East Information Commons
- **Pharmacology Seminar**, "Adipocytes and Aldosterone — A New Paradigm in Cardiovascular Biology," Rhian M. Touyz, University of Glasgow, 10:30 a.m., 1289 Carver Biomedical Research Building
- **College of Nursing Research Forum**, 11 a.m., 133 Nursing Building
- **Biomedical Lunch and Learn**, 11:30 a.m., 3124 Seamans Center
- **Farmers' Market**, 3 p.m., Mercer Park
- **Microbiology Seminar**, "Innate immunity against HIV-1," Felipe Diaz-Griffero, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, 3 p.m., Bowen Watzke Auditorium
- **Colloquium**, "Information manipulation with quantum mechanics: real technology or mirage?," Michael Flatté, Physics/Astronomy, 3:30 p.m., 104 Iowa Advanced Technology Labs
- **Faculty Council Meeting**, 3:30 p.m., 2520D University Capitol Center
- **Expressive Arts Group**, 4 p.m., Uptown Bill's, 730 S. Dubuque
- **IWP Reading**, Jeongrye Choi (South Korea), 4 p.m., Shambstaugh House
- **Six Week Start-up**, 6 p.m., BioVentures Center, UI Research Park
- **Menopause the Musical**, 7 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington
- **School of Music Presents Guest Lecturer Jesse Cook**, "Studying Music Performance Anxiety," 7:30 p.m., University Capitol Center Recital Hall
- **Seamus Heaney Memorial Reading**, Writers' Workshop and IWP, 8 p.m., Phillips Hall
- **Flight School**, 9 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
- **Lower Deck Dance Party**, 10 p.m., Yacht Club

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10 p.m.-Midnight Local Tunes

horoscopes

Tuesday, October 8, 2013 by Eugenia Last

- ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Control personal spending. Cut your overhead wherever possible. Focus on the changes you can make that will boost your income. A romantic relationship may be tempting, but don't get involved in a secret affair. Personal changes will lift your spirits.
- TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Take one step at a time. Don't let anyone rush you into a decision, especially if it has to do with medical or financial issues. Expand your interests at home by acquiring something that you can add to your entertainment.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Confusion because of unexpected changes at home or with a relationship will leave you feeling uncertain. Ask questions, and get to the bottom of what has transpired so that you can move forward with confidence. Take care of your health and well-being.
- CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Explore new avenues, offer ideas, and see if you receive any interest from potential collaborators. You'll learn a lot from the discussions you have with someone from a different background. Don't feel the need to make a snap decision.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Expect to face opposition or demanding individuals. Protect your home, family, and finances from anyone trying to persuade you to do something extravagant. A misunderstanding or perceived meddling will cause upset. Find out the truth before taking action.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take a leadership position if you feel strongly about a concern that has arisen in your community. Protect your physical and emotional wellness by taking precautions when it comes to situations that might lead to injury or illness.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You have more professional choices than you realize. Stretch your talents and attributes, and you will find ways to utilize your skills masterfully. Take the initiative to broaden your knowledge and to step into a situation that has a learning curve.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Talk through any personal matters that have been bothering you. Deception or holding back will lead to a situation that worsens with time. Don't jeopardize your chance to reach a deadline or complete an important contract or position.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Difficulties with institutions or agencies will arise due to misinformation. The changes you initiate at home will end up being beneficial. Travel and physical challenges may pose a problem. Love is highlighted.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Show your ambition, and take over if it will help you get ahead. Offer an innovative idea that will encourage a partnership. Refrain from making an impulsive purchase or donation based solely on what someone else tells you.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Do your best, try your hardest, and follow your heart. Don't let negativity take over or stand between you and your chances for success. Positive change begins with taking meaningful action. Be where the action is.
- PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't keep secrets or hide information from someone you do business with or to whom you are connected emotionally. Someone from your past will be able to offer you something that had been missing. Honesty will determine your destiny.

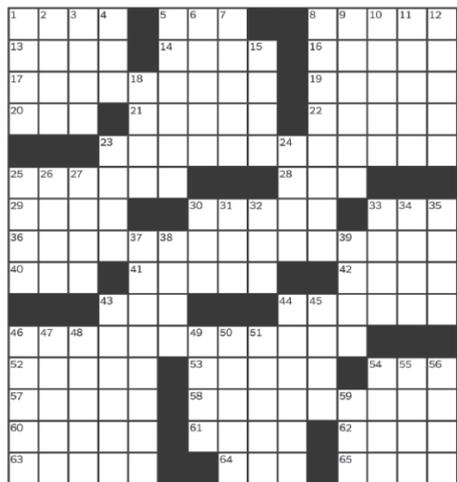
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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0903

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 - Top of the line
 - Use a surgical beam on
 - Be of use to
 - Wii
 - Money makers
 - Farther away, quaintly
 - One-celled organism
 - Birdie beater
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 - Chevy S.U.V.'s
 - All's partner
 - Very eager to see something
 - Send in
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 - Rep.'s counterpart
- DOWN**
- Onionlike vegetables
 - No. 2
 - Start of a musical scale
 - Portfolio contents
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 - Téa of "Jurassic Park III"
 - Actress Zellweger
 - Abbr. after a series of equations, maybe
 - Commonplace
 - Wee
 - Weird
 - They aren't returned
 - Impudent
 - Suffix with road and hip
 - Works in a gallery
 - Selects, with "for"



- PUZZLE BY DAN SCHOENHOLZ
- Scholarship criterion
 - Former home of the Mets
 - Funny Bombeck
 - Thomas with a sharp pen
 - Detectives' helpers
 - Classic German camera maker
 - 1997 Nicolas Cage thriller
 - Put back to the beginning
 - Bon mot
 - Like the philosophy "Out with the old, in with the new"?
 - "___ the One That I Want" (song from "Grease")
 - While preceder
 - Barely passing grades
 - Team size in beach volleyball

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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of losing everything in Beijing to study in America. It would have been seen as a failure if he had gone back home with nothing to bring back with him.

"I didn't have the option to fail," said Tang, who says he studied "crazy hard" in the '80s. "So I couldn't look back; I had to force myself to move forward."

Tang encountered problems that many study-abroad students confront.

"In the first three years, I had no idea what my professors were talking about in class," Tang said. "I suddenly came to understand their conversations one day, and I was like, 'Is that what they've been bullshitting? I can do that, too.' After that, nothing could hold me back anymore."

For solving what he calls his "social problems," his trick was to date American women.

"Don't tell my wife," he said, joking, referring to American-born wife Lisa Weaver, who teaches in the UI School of Journalism and Mass Communications.

After finishing a master's degree, Tang thought about pursuing a Ph.D. at the University of Chicago. Yet his loyalty to Kansas made him hesitant.

"My professor told me, 'There is no such thing as institutional loyalty in America,'" Tang said. "I remember his words still today. It was my first step in Americanization."

Given that he has lived in the United States for more than 30 years, I asked him whether he had been completely Americanized.

"Not entirely," he said. "Professionally and academically speaking, yes, I have been Americanized, because academically, I grew up here."

Tang said that it took him 11 years to get used to the American way of life. Only when you can be an individual in the diverse society can you be one of them, he noted.

"It occurred to me all of a sudden that if you want to get involved in the American society, you got to be yourself," Tang said. It was 1993. "I started realizing that I [have] to hold my own ground instead of solely seeking Americanization. I have something commendable and likable to offer; why do I have to learn everything in an American way?"

Today, Tang still has nostalgia for the bustling life in China. He cited the closeness of people in China and their relationships in comparison with those in the United States.

He was doing a research project in Singapore this past summer, and he felt delighted to get together with his coworkers every day, talking and laughing at lunchtime.

"This is rare back in the States," Tang said. "You [have] to set up a time two weeks before the lunch and mark the time on your calendar. It's OK — I'm used to that while I'm there, but whenever I go back to China or Singapore, I would think, 'Isn't this great?'"

While he misses the Chinese

lifestyle, three decades of living away from his family alienated Tang from them in Beijing.

"I failed every time I tried to share my happiness and bitterness with them," he sighed. "They are not able to emotionally relate to my experiences here at all, and they don't care, either."

"My connections now with my dad, sister and brother seem to be really superficial and abstract. In their eyes, I'm too Americanized."

Tang thought about moving back to Beijing around 2000, when he was greatly inspired by flourishing China. But more recently, he has believed that he would trouble with readjusting to the life there, and the instability in China has worried him, too.

Having been an American citizen for two decades, he said, he had not realized how much he appreciates the country where he has lived most of his life until he was thousands miles away from it.

"When I was in the U.S., I felt like I was the only person who's qualified to criticize my home country, China, and at the same time, I also liked criticizing America," said the political-science professor, who noted that he has roots in both countries. "But here I am in Singapore; I'm not happy with anyone's criticism of America."

Having experienced both Chinese and American cultures, he pointed out that national identity has often a narrow vision, which people such as him better not take too seriously. Otherwise, conflicted feelings will easily flare.

"I've felt more and more strongly about one thing — national identity is actually not that important to everybody," he said. "We're all world citizens."

I was surprised when I first spoke with Ramon and Victoria Lim — they speak Mandarin with a distinctive Southern China accent, a native dialect of Fujian Province, China.

"Fujian dialect is our first language, Mandarin is the second, and English places in third," said the Lims, the Philippine-grown couple who had not been back to their ancestral home of Fujian until they were in their 40s — and decades after moving to the States.

UI neurology Professor Emeritus Ramon Lim, who is 80 years old, was born in the Philippines. UI internal-medicine Professor Emerita Victoria Lim, is the same age. She moved to the

Philippines with her family from Fujian at the age of 3. Growing up in Chinatown in the Philippines, they both went to Chinese schools, where they received traditional Chinese educations.

They moved to the United States in 1959 and 1961, respectively, after receiving M.D.s in the Philippines. For more than 10 years, there was no country for them to go back to.

Although the Lims were legally Chinese, in the days of martial law — 1949 to 1987 — they were not allowed to enter Taiwan without a special permit. But they could not go back to the Philippines, either; their re-entry permits to that country had expired three years after they left the country.

It was not until in the 1970s, when they became U.S. citizens, that the couple were able to travel outside American borders.

They sit in their home close to downtown Iowa City, talking matter-of-factly about their past — a tough time they went through that was hard for me to imagine. Being unequally treated, working long hours, financially struggling, these days, they shrug off the hardships off, laughing when mentioning them.

I had tons of questions for them, but I was mostly curious about their identity after hearing their history of being "homeless."

"Am I Chinese? Of course I am — my roots are in China," said Victoria Lim, proud of her Chinese heritage. "But at the same time, I'm a U.S. citizen. I've been Americanized, and I feel like I belong to this country."

She said she likes Chinese first lady Peng Liyuan.

"I don't know how Xi Jinping is doing, but I'm really glad that we finally got a first lady who is presentable and elegant," she said. "Her predecessors were not good."

She is also passionate about presidential elections in the United States. The Obama supporter said she was "torn between Hillary Rodham Clinton and Barack Obama" in 2008, and she always feels guilty for not voting for Rodham Clinton.

Since 1983, the two have taken their three children and six grandchildren to China four times so they could discover their roots. They have traveled to more places in China than I have been.

But did they feel like they were strangers when going to Fujian?

"No," Ramon Lim said, who was not born in his parent's hometown. "We were there shortly, plus, we speak the same language as my folks do. So I don't think there was a gap between us."

Ramon and Victoria Lim see themselves as world citizens. They said that their ethnic and national identities never conflict.

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Although he was born in and she was raised in the Philippines, the Lims were not citizens there, because their parents were Chinese nationals. But at that time, the United States did not maintain diplomatic relations with the People's Republic of China, so the passports they held to enter the United States had been issued in Taiwan.

"There was a time when we were like people who had no nationality," Ramon Lim said.

"We were Chinese, but we hadn't set our foot in mainland China," Victoria Lim said. "We had not been to Taiwan, but we got our passports issued there."

Zhang Lv reluctantly left home for Iowa City in the spring of 1992, graduating from high school in his home city Qingdao, China.

"I felt really lost after getting my F-1 visa approved," said Lv, a computer science graduate of the UI who is now working at General Dynamics Information Technology in Coralville. "I was upset as I realized what was waiting for me in America was a rough time."

Unlike most of his predecessors, Lv arrived in the United States with less financial and mental stress. Unlike his descendants, either, he did not have as much exposure to the world at the age of 21.

He said he was lucky enough to have a smooth adaptive phase during his initial years in Iowa City. One of the few Chinese undergraduates, he quickly became friends with international students from Malaysia, Singapore, Japan, Hong Kong, and Indonesia.

"We liked gathering together," he said, recalling his eventful college life. "It was just there weren't many Chinese undergraduates as there are now."

But he had not thought that he would settle down here, seeing off groups of fellow Chinese undergraduate students every four years. To Lv, it was logical to obtain the U.S. citizenship after he got a job offer in America, because it was unpopular to be a Haigui — an overseas returnee — in the 1990s.

"Now I consider Iowa City home, although emotionally I have a deeper connection to Qingdao," said Lv, who said he goes back to China almost every year. "Qingdao is where my memories are. However, it's not the city that I was familiar with anymore. It's been changed too much, just like any other places in China."

The big Hawkeye fan said he has never painstakingly tried getting involved in the American culture, and he has not felt like an outsider, either; his embracing nature allows him to feel comfortable with wherever he has been. However, his America-born Chinese friends' bitter experiences with identity recognition and their painful feeling of being excluded made him think of his own children.

"I guess my children might also be confronted with those issues as they grow up," said the 42-year-old, now raising a first-generation of Chinese Americans in his family in Iowa City. "So I take every opportunity to take them to travel around, wishing they will be open-minded and embrace differences as often as they can."

After 20 years of living abroad, Lv said, he has blurred the national boundaries. As he likes to tell his two boys, wherever they go and whatever they do in the future, they are world citizens.

Editor's note: All interviews for this project were conducted in Chinese by DI reporter Lu Shen and translated into English.

Swim team gets ready for competition

The Iowa men's swimming team will try to make a splash in the Big Ten this year.

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The Iowa men's swimming team is feeling optimistic about the upcoming season, thanks to deep freshman and sophomore classes as well as strong senior leadership.

The Hawkeyes have faced No. 3 Michigan and were defeated, 182-110, and while the Wolverines were tough competition, the Hawk schedule doesn't get any easier from here on out. The Big Ten features six top-25 teams, including Minnesota and Ohio State, which Iowa will face in the next two weeks.

"We scheduled probably our toughest dual meets in a long time this season," head coach Marc Long said. "It should be a really great test for our guys to get them ready for the end of the year."

The Hawkeyes are ranked No. 20 in the country with an overall record of 7-3.

Leading the team in their final seasons wearing the Black and Gold are seniors Andrew Marciniak, Dustin Rhoads, and Gianni Sesto. Marciniak was an honorable mention All-American selection in the 200 and 400-meter relay last season, and Sesto was awarded the same honor in three events. Rhoads holds the second-fastest time in the 100 back and the third-fastest time in the 200 back in Iowa school history.

Rhoads and Marciniak were also part of the 200 short-course individual medley team that set a world record two weeks ago at Michigan.

"I think we've had a great kickoff to our season so far," Marciniak said. "I think it really lit a fire under the rest of the team to really knock the walls down for the rest of the season."

Marciniak, one of the biggest believers in the Hawkeyes this season, thinks they are a complete team from top to bottom.

"I can't really think of anything we need to improve on off the top of my head," he said. "I'd say we're a very strong team altogether. I'd just say that we need to keep each other motivated all season long."

While Marciniak, Rhoads, and Sesto will provide valuable leadership as upperclassmen, the Hawks will also lean heavily on a strong group of underclassmen to help propel them to victory.

Sophomore Roman Trussov was an NCAA qualifier last year, and he started off the new season on the right foot, with a strong showing against Michigan two weeks ago in the season-opener, while freshman Nick Zito was recently named Big Ten freshman of the week. Zito was the first Hawkeye to take home the honor since Trussov won it in November 2012.

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three plays or fewer. It's no secret offensive coordinator Greg Davis has to make some serious adjustments moving forward.

Rushing Defense — 88.5 yards per game (8th in NCAA, 3rd in Big Ten)

The ability to stop the run was one of the few facets of Iowa's game that saw some degree of

success against the Spartans. If Mike Sadler's 25-yard run on the fake punt is removed from the equation, Michigan State was just a tick above 3 yards per carry — a number defensive coordinator Phil Parker will surely accept.

The Iowa rush defense will be stopping one of the nation's most talented ball carriers — Ohio State tailback Carlos Hyde. The native of Naples, Fla., ran for 168 yards and three scores against Northwestern this past weekend.

Passing Offense — 7.1 yards per attempt (T-66th in NCAA, 9th in Big Ten)

This number isn't pretty to begin with, but if you dive deeper, it looks even worse. Averaging 7.1 yards per passing attempt means quarterback Jake Rudock has been throwing a lot of short to intermediate length passes.

Those passes should be completed at a fairly high percentage. The problem however, is they're not. This has something to do with ...

Completion Percentage — 59.9 percent (70th in NCAA, 9th in Big Ten)

To improve those numbers, Rudock will have to be more accurate with mid-range throws or be more reliant on his ability to escape the pocket and make plays himself.

Keivonte Martin-Manley's absence in the second half and the no-show from the Iowa running game certainly didn't help Rudock's cause, but the first-year starter will have to embrace adversity in stride if he's to lead his squad back into the postseason.

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sion of the ball for the vast majority of the first half, Iowa finally broke through for its third goal thanks to Aubrey Coleman. The senior rushed down the middle of the field and put a shot straight past the Bears goalkeeper.

"We shared the ball so much more than we have the last two games and really worked together," midfielder Dani Hemeon said.

Missouri State managed to get on the board before the break, getting a goal from Holly Scherer on a penalty corner. The sophomore dribbled around a Hawkeye defender and put the ball past Pecora's short side to cut the lead

to 2 goals heading into halftime.

After the break, Griesbaum's squad came out with a flurry of goals, scoring 3 in the first seven and a half minutes of the period. The first came after an aggressive rush from Natalie Cafone, who dished the ball off to Coleman, and she put it home to open the second half's scoring.

In the ensuing moments, Hemeon made a strong defensive play just at the top of the Iowa circle, and drew a penalty for a penalty corner. Schultheis passed the ball in, and after a scramble in front of the net, the ball rolled directly to the net's right side, and Schultheis was there to slam it home.

The Hawkeye's final 2 goals both came from Hemeon, the first assisted by Cafone, and the second



Iowa back Karli Johansen shoots against Missouri State at Grant Field on Monday. The Hawkeyes' defeated the Bears, 7-1. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Housing)

was a laser beam from the top of the circle that deflected up high for the seventh Hawkeye goal.

Griesbaum was pleased with her team's performance after the match, saying the win should build confidence heading into the remaining schedule.

"To get points on the board is always confidence building for athletes, I think," the 14-year head coach said. "We had people joining really well; we shared the ball and made things look a little bit easier than what we've been doing lately."

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play as many minutes as needed," Brown said. "Just all of us being on the same plane from a fitness standpoint."

Of course, Brown's position also helps her stay in the game longer than usual. Brown plays central defender. Rarely coming into the attacking half of the field — as shown by her shot to-

tal — she mostly stays back as the last line of defense other than the goalkeeper, whereas a midfielder or forward will roam around the entire field.

"As defenders, you don't sub in as much as you might sub midfielders or attackers because you want that continuity," Iowa head coach Ron Rainey said. "And we've been in some closer games this year so that has allowed our defenders to log a ton of minutes."

Brown was also named a team captain along with Alex Melin at the start of the season. While the position hasn't changed anything about her game per se, it has changed her mentality.

"For me I'd say it changed communication off the field more so," Brown said. "Just connecting with all of my teammates and having a relationship where conversation is always open."

But most insist that Brown has always been a

leader for the team.

"She's always been a thoughtful person on the field and encouraging on the field," Rainey said. "I think she's taken that to another level of communicating and letting people know when their doing things well and when they need to do things better."

"But she does it in way that I think her teammates really respect her because they see all the work she puts in day in and day out."

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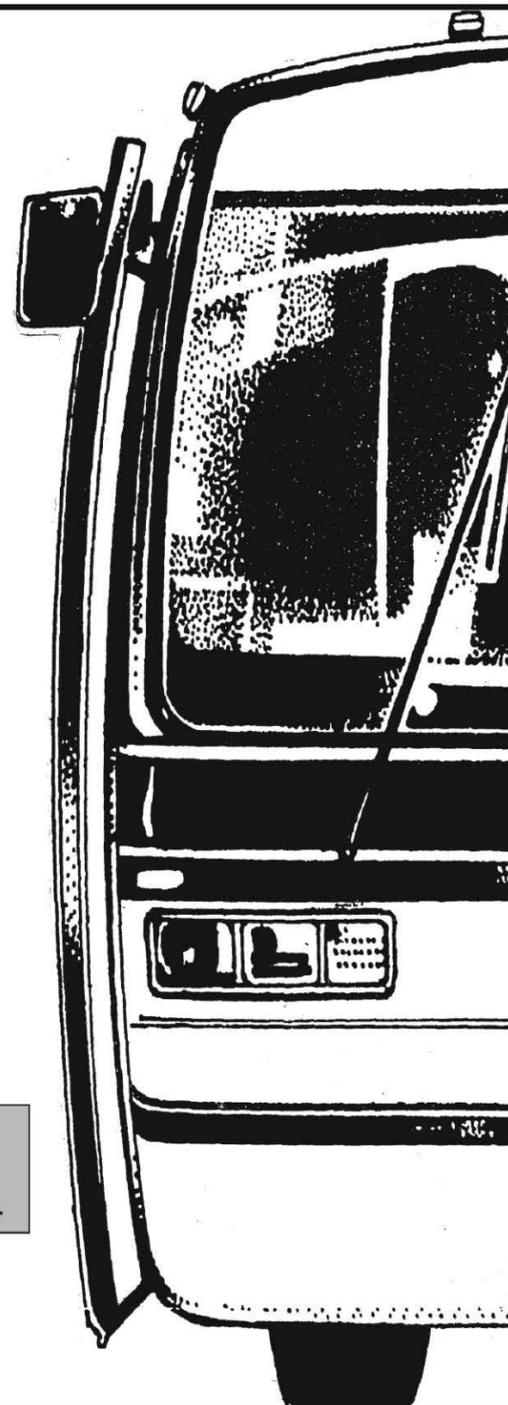
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CARDS BOUNCE BACK, FORCE GAME 5

Michael Wacha heard the chants. Then again, when 40,000 people clad in black scream your name relentlessly for the better part of three hours, it's kind of hard to miss.

The goal was to rattle the St. Louis rookie, remind him that 22-year-old pitchers aren't built to withstand the pressure of an elimination game.

One problem. Wacha doesn't really "do" rattled. He doesn't do pressure, either. The louder PNC Park grew, the more unhittable Wacha became.

"I kind of like it," Wacha said. "It kind of gives me adrenaline. I kind of use it in my favor."

And the Pittsburgh Pirates — not to mention anyone else he might face in the postseason — "kind of" need to get used to it.

Wacha took a no-hit bid into the eighth inning, and the Cardinals showed off their October poise, edging the Pirates, 2-1, Monday to force a winner-take-all Game 5 in the NL Division Series. St. Louis is 7-1 over the last three years with its season on the line.

"I think you take high talent and high character people that are motivated and support each other, and they don't give up," Cardinal manager Mike Matheny said. "That's a tough combination."

One the Pirates are still trying to master. Pedro Alvarez hit his third home run of the series, connecting with one out in the eighth for Pittsburgh's only hit in Game 4. It wasn't enough for the Pirates to advance to the NL Championship Series for the first time in 21 years.

Game 5 will be Wednesday, with ace Adam Wainwright starting for the NL Central champion Cardinals and rookie Gerrit Cole going for the wild-card Pirates. Both pitchers won last week in the NLDS.

— Associated Press

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LA Dodgers 4, Atlanta 3
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NFL
NY Jets 30, Atlanta 28

NHL
Edmonton 5, New Jersey 4
NY Rangers 3, Los Angeles 1

WNBA
Minnesota 84, Atlanta 59

WHAT TO WATCH

WNBA: Atlanta vs. Minnesota, ESPN2, 7 p.m.

MLB: Oakland, Detroit, TBS, 4:07 p.m.

UPCOMING HAWKEYE SCHEDULE

Friday
Field Hockey vs. Indiana, 3 p.m., Iowa City
Rowing vs. Scrimmage vs. Indiana, 5:10 p.m., Iowa City
Volleyball at Michigan State, 6 p.m., East Lansing, Mich.
Men's Swimming Intrasquad Meet, 7 p.m., Iowa City
Women's Swimming Intrasquad Meet, 7 p.m., Iowa City
Men's Tennis at Wake Forest Invitational, TBA, Winston-Salem, N.C.

Saturday
Softball vs. Kansas, 1 p.m., Iowa City
Softball vs. Kirkwood CC, 3:30 p.m., Iowa City
Soccer at Indiana, 5 p.m., Bloomington, Ind.
Rowing vs. Scrimmage vs. Indiana, 8 a.m., Iowa City
Volleyball at Michigan, 6 p.m., Ann Arbor, Mich.
Women's Golf at Diane Thomason Invitational, TBA, Iowa City
Men's Golf at Rod Myers Invitational, TBA, Durham, N.C.
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BOX SCORE

Losing that football rush



This week's Box Score focuses on yards per passing attempt, rushing defense, offensive three-and-outs, and rushing yards. (The Daily Iowan/Alyssa Hitchcock & Tessa Hursh)

The Box Score: Inside Hawkeye Football Statistics

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

The chances of Iowa (4-2) returning to postseason play took a hit Saturday when the team fell to Michigan State, 26-14. After the bye week, the Hawkeyes will visit No. 4 Ohio State on Oct. 19. The Hawkeyes' six remaining opponents have a combined record of 23-8, a daunting number especially when Purdue's 1-4 mark is taken into account.

Rushing Offense — 23 yards against Michigan State

The Hawkeyes weren't able to establish

any bit of success on the ground against the nation's top-ranked rush defense. If only the running backs' numbers were counted in this statistic, the final line for Iowa would have been 13 yards on 12 carries.

This number has a lot to do with the Hawkeyes, trailing for much of the second half and needing to pass the ball more. But it's also particularly alarming that the Black and Gold ran for only 23 yards, given how much the offense relied on the run in the first half of the season.

Iowa is unlikely to see a tougher rushing defense the rest of the way, but it's clear Mark Weisman needs to be healthy if the team is to be effective on the ground.

Three-And-Outs — 9 against Michigan State

This number signals a big issue, but it

isn't too hard to figure out why it occurred. Iowa is known as a "run first" team. So when it has essentially zero success running the ball on first down, the offense is forced into much more difficult second- and third-down situations.

Michigan State's defense started the game by forcing five straight three-and-outs. And 11 of Iowa's 15 drives lasted

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Iowa's Rushing Offense in 2013 vs. Michigan State

Rushing Yards per Game
2013: 244.4
Against Michigan State: 23
Yards per Carry
2013: 4.6
Against Michigan State: 1.4

Field hockey slams Missouri State

Five Hawkeyes scored as Iowa picked up its sixth win of the year over Missouri State.

By **DANNY PAYNE**
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At Grant Field on Monday afternoon, a marketing representative from the Iowa Athletics Department threw out pink T-shirts to fans in the stands for every Hawkeye penalty corner and goal to raise awareness about breast cancer. At halftime, the marketing representative had to find more shirts to throw to the crowd.

As indicated by the Athletics Department's busy afternoon, the Hawkeye offense dominated the afternoon. However, the suffocating Iowa defense held Missouri State to only three shots.

Goalkeeper Alexandra Pecora got her first start of the year for Iowa (6-5, 0-2) because of a hamstring injury to starter Kelsey Boyce. Head coach Tracey Griesbaum said the injury is not serious.

The freshman didn't have to do much in her first win of the season, a 7-1 thrashing of Missouri State (2-9), thanks to her defense.

"I think the defense played really well; we did a really good job transferring out, especially transferring to offense," the Marlton, N.J., resident said. "[The defense] came up big for me."

Offensively, the Hawkeyes wasted no time getting on the board in the match, getting an early goal from senior Marike Stribos just 71

seconds into the game. Niki Schultheis inserted the ball on the team's first penalty corner, and Stribos chipped it in after the initial shot bounced off the Missouri State goalkeeper.

A few moments later, Kelsey Mitchell put in another rebound to give her team a quick 2-0 lead over the Bears. After keeping posses-

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(15) Iowa 7, Missouri State 1, Shots:

• Iowa 25, Missouri State 3
Penalty Corners
• Iowa 13, Missouri State 5

Brown chalks up the soccer minutes

Junior Caitlin Brown has played every minute for the Hawks this season.

By **JACOB SHEYKO**
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Caitlin Brown's stat sheet is mostly filled with zeros.

She's shot once in her entire career at Iowa. And the only other category that's filled is minutes played.

Brown has been on the field for every minute this season. Only she and junior Emily Scott have done so, and despite the zeros on her stat sheet, she's one of the most integral aspects of Iowa's early success this season.

"She's a great vocal leader. She's always steps up and wins those 50/50 balls that are coming in," teammate Anne Marie Thomas

said. "She pretty much controls the field."

Playing a lot of minutes isn't new for Brown. In her freshman season, she saw the field for 1,756 minutes en route to winning the team's newcomer award and earning Big Ten All-Freshman honors.

In her sophomore season, Brown led the team in minutes played, with 1,845 minutes in 21 games. She played every minute of Big Ten play and anchored a defense that ranked third in goals against average — 0.87 per game — and goals allowed with just 19 over the course of the season.

This season is much more of the same. The Hawkeyes have garnered double digits in the win column with six games remaining. Their

record is currently 10-3-0, and much of that is credited to the Hawkeyes defense.

The Hawks are fresh off their seventh shutout of the season and are a threat to break their school record of 10 shutouts in a season set by last season's squad.

They are ranked third in goals allowed among Big Ten teams with 10 all season, fourth in goals against average, and first in shutouts.

Several factors have led to Brown's ability to play the number of minutes she does.

"I think the goal of all of us coming in extremely fit, so that any of us are able to

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