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Faculty awards aid UI



UI printmaking Professor Anita Jung spends Monday afternoon working on revival printmaking in the Studio Art Building. Jung just returned from a career-development trip to in India. (The Daily Iowan/Megan Sanchez)

Officials and professors are pleased with the number of faculty-development assignments.

By MEGAN SANCHEZ
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When 300 people made their way through the University of Iowa Museum of Art and admired the artwork that took Anita Jung years to complete, she said, she could see all her hard work pay off. But before she could get there, she had to apply for a Career Development Award — more than once.

The UI professor in printmaking used her Career Development Award, formerly known as a sabbatical, to travel to India as well as to work on the Symposium of the Midwest Matrix.

The time away from classes is granted to various professors to allow them time to work on research or scholarly projects without the time commitment of teaching.

Last week at the state Board of Regents meeting, the regents approved 68 UI faculty members for Career Development Assignments for fiscal 2015.

Jung's symposium was a project involving collaboration between the UI Museum of Art and the UI School of Art and Art History. Jung said she applied for an assignment once before but did not get it.

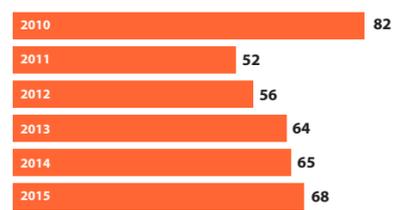
"You invest a lot of time, and you don't know if you're going to be able to follow through with [the project] or not, so that's hard," she said. "You apply for [the award], and you don't even know if you are going to get it."

In order to apply for the paid time away, professors need to have taught

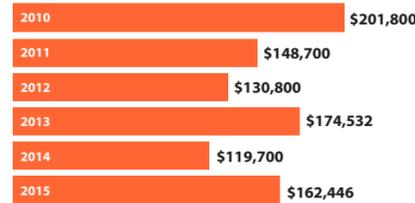
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Professional-Development Assignments

Professional-development assignments provide eligible faculty members the opportunity to pursue research opportunities outside the classroom.



Budgeted Replacement Costs



SOURCE: BOARD OF REGENTS REPORT

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Dorm program praised

A semester after Living-Learning Communities for dorm residents was required by the UI, officials hope for positive results.

By LILY ABROMEIT
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In an effort to support students living in dorms, the University of Iowa implemented a required Living-Learning Community program last year, something officials said will, hopefully, provide insight into on-campus life.

"With one semester under our belt, we are starting to figure out what does and doesn't work for our student staff and also for our professional staff," said Brooke Bernard, a UI assistant director of residence education.



Rocklin
UI vice president

Although the numbers have not yet been calculated, Bernard said she believed earlier survey responses would provide some insight.

According to a survey administered at the beginning of the year during move-in, 78 percent of students said they planned to be an active participant of their Living-Learning Community, 91 percent hoped to meet people with similar interests, and 88 percent expected their involvement in Living-Learning Communities to improve their "overall satisfaction" at the UI.

These numbers reflect what UI Vice President for Student Life Tom Rocklin said he had hoped would be the result of the program.

SEE COMMUNITY, 7

Experts dig in to how kids learn

University of Iowa psychology professors strive to make an impact on the classroom.

By GRETA MEYLE
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In an effort to improve education in elementary schools, officials discussed ways to better facilitate student learning, stressing variability as a teaching measure to help a multitude of students.

University of Iowa psychology professors and local School District members met at the Iowa City Public Library on Monday night to exchange ideas with community members on student learning strategies.

UI Associate Professor of psychol-

SEE LEARNING, 7



Bob McMurray talks about research done with different teaching styles on Monday at the Iowa City Public Library. McMurray discussed the differences in a random and a block teaching style. (The Daily Iowan/ Joshua Housing)

Grant to aid water project

Iowa City officials will move forward on demolishing the North Wastewater Treatment Facility after receiving a state grant.

By REBECCA MORIN
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Development in Iowa City's Riverfront Crossings District may soon pick up pace after the city received a state grant.

"The grant will be used for the demolition of the old plant and cover some initial site work, which consists of a very sizable wetland," said Rick Fosse, the director of the city's Public Works. "Fortunately, the demolition was something that could be delayed because we left it as an independent

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BAROQUE ILLUSION



UI senior Minjie Liu sets up her undergraduate B.F.A show in Art Building West on Monday. Liu's show, *Baroque Illusion*, will be up in the third-floor atrium from Monday through Dec. 16. (The Daily Iowan/Haley Nelson)

Alum scales political ladder

University of Iowa graduate promoted to be Gov. Terry Branstad's communication director.

By DANIEL SEIDL
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Former University of Iowa student Jimmy Centers has risen through the ranks of Iowa politics through a combination of passion and education.

Jimmy Centers, 26, was appointed Dec. 6 to the position of director of communications for Gov. Terry Branstad. Centers will replace the old director, Tim Albrecht, who has said he will take an opportunity in the private sector.



Centers director of communications

Centers said he is honored to have the position; he will start on Friday.

"I have been extremely fortunate," he said. "It's just really humbling and an honor."

Centers graduated from the UI with a degree in political science in 2009. He said his experience and education while in school was crucial for his new position.

"I had a wonderful experience at the University of Iowa," he said. "I really caught the political bug."

As a student, Centers said, he had gained valuable

experience in the political arena. In addition to being involved in the Hawkeye Poll, Centers took his experience beyond the UI; in 2008, he worked on Rudy Giuliani's presidential campaign. The experience was important for him, he said, because he learned how to apply his education directly.

A UI professor who was influential for him was political-science Associate Professor Timothy Hagle. Centers said that though he didn't take any classes from Hagle, they worked with each other while Centers was working on campaigns. Hagle said this experience helped Centers adapt his learning into a job.

"Having had some of that background in coursework helps you understand [politics] at the fundamental [level]," Hagle said.

After graduating, Centers began working as the northeast Iowa field director for Branstad's 2010 campaign. Centers said the governor's ideals drew him to the campaign.

"It pained me to see where Iowa was headed under the ... previous administration," he said. "Gov. Branstad's vision ... really appealed to me."

After the 2010 campaign, Centers was hired

as the deputy communications director for Branstad.

While some students choose not to go into the political field, Hagle said, Centers' rise to an influential position at a relatively young age wasn't entirely unexpected. Political-science education can give students a valuable opportunity, he said.

"When anybody's starting out ... you're never sure where it's going to lead," he said. "There are usually some students who find they really enjoy that political environment. In the case of Centers, it looks like he ... stayed on."

Albrecht said he is confident in Centers' ability to perform the job, and he is sure he will make a good fit.

"Jimmy Centers is a talented professional, and he is going to excel in this new position," Albrecht said a statement. "We will ensure that a smooth transition takes place."

Though Centers' age could make some look at him differently, it can also give the new communications director a valuable understanding of the younger constituents, Hagle said.

"The county organizations will look on the younger folks...with a bit of skepticism," Hagle said. "Having

UI Graduate becomes Communications Director

Jimmy Centers, a University of Iowa graduate, has been appointed as the new communications director for Gov. Terry Branstad's office.

- Worked on New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani's presidential campaign in 2008
- Was northeastern Iowa field director for Branstad's 2010 campaign
- Appointed as deputy director of communications after the 2010 campaign

Source: Branstad Communication Director
James Centers

someone who's younger, who's more familiar with the ins and outs of Twitter [and] Facebook [can help] reach out to those younger voters."

Centers feels he will be able to make good change in the state with his position.

"I just feel privileged and look forward to the challenge," he said. "I hope to continue to the best of my abilities spreading [Branstad's] message ... and really restoring Iowa's leadership in education."

METRO

Man faces drug charges

An Iowa City man has been accused of possessing one pound of marijuana in his home.

Aaron Mechtensimer, 31, was charged Nov. 15 with controlled-substance violation and failure to affix a tax stamp.

According to an Iowa City police complaint, officers executed a search warrant at his residence and found approximately one pound of marijuana, packaging material, a digital scale, bong, pipes, grinders, and several thousand dollars in cash.

A codefendant reportedly admitted she and Mechtensimer sell marijuana out of the home.

Controlled-substance violation and

failure to affix a tax stamp are Class-D felonies.

— by Megan Sanchez

Nite Ride to extend hours again for finals week

The University of Iowa police will again extend Nite Ride hours during finals week.

NiteRide originally extended hours last year to help students who study later at night.

The service's extended hours will go into effect starting Dec. 15 and ending Dec. 20.

Nite Ride will resume its normal hours — 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. — Dec. 20. Nite Ride, operated by full-time

UI security officers, provides safe transportation for women.

— by Lauren Coffey

UI math professor honored

University of Iowa mathematics Professor Philip Kutzko will receive the 2014 American Mathematical Society Award for Distinguished Public Service.

The award is presented every two years for a research mathematician who has "made a distinguished contribution to the mathematics profession during the five years before the award," according to a university press release.

Kutzko was selected for his efforts to increase the number of students from underrepresented groups who earn doctoral degrees in mathematical sciences.

Three of Kutzko's research advisees received their doctorates under his direction in 2012, all of whom are from minority backgrounds. The year also marked a record-high seven minority doctoral candidates who earned doctoral degrees in the department.

Kutzko and other faculty efforts have resulted in more than 25 U.S. citizens of minority backgrounds earning doctorates in mathematics at the UI since 2001.

The department was previously honored in 2005 when it received one of 14 2004 Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring, which were presented at the White House.

Kutzko will receive the distinguished public service award on Jan. 16, 2014 at the Joint Mathematics Meetings in Baltimore.

— by Brent Griffiths

BLOTTER

Nelson Andino-Flores, 58, 216 Blackfoot Trail, was charged on Oct. 2 and Nov. 26 with third-degree harassment.

Michael Beard, 62, 1307 Rochester Ave., was charged Sunday with OWI.

Andrew Becker, 20, 720 E. Market St. Apt. 3, was charged Nov. 5 with permitting gatherings to use controlled substances and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Aaron Cain, 24, 218 E. Davenport St. Apt. 5, was charged

Dec. 6 with disorderly conduct.

Daniel Crouch, 27, 217 Westminster St., was charged Dec. 6 with disorderly conduct.

DeJanee Dumas, 19, 1514 Dover St., was charged Dec. 7 with driving while license under suspension/canceled.

Rodney Ipaye, 26, Chicago, was charged Sunday with possession of a controlled substance, obstruction of an officer, and interference with official acts.

Hugh Lewis, 66, 906 Harlocke

St. Apt. 4, was charged Dec. 6 with public intoxication and interference with official acts.

Justin Krogman, 35, 927 Aspen Court, was charged Dec. 6 with disorderly conduct.

Jacob McLees, 21, Hiawatha, Iowa, was charged Dec. 7 with assault on a peace officer, interference with official acts, and public intoxication.

Katelyn Moran, 18, 726D Mayflower, was charged Monday with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Brendan O'Donnell, 21, 21 N.

Dodge St. Apt. 5, was charged Dec. 6 with public intoxication.

Tamra Paterson, 26, 5 Oakpark Court, was charged Dec. 6 with driving while license under suspension/canceled.

Anna Schmidt, 18, 726C Mayflower, was charged Monday with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Dominique Steward, 21, address unknown, was charged Dec. 7 with driving while license under suspension/canceled.

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Union aids Toys for Tots



Jason Clasen, Reathel Jeune, and Amber Moats talk behind \$1,700 worth of toys for the Toys for Tots at the Iowa Medical & Classification Center on Nov. 26, 2012. AFSCME Local 2985 donated the toys to Toys for Tots. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

AFSCME Local 2985 donated \$4,500 to Toys for Tots.

By JAKE MCCULLEY
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Hundreds of children in Johnson County who otherwise might not get anything on Christmas will wake up on Christmas morning with presents to unwrap, thanks again to a gift from a local union.

2013 is the third year the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Local 2985 has donated to Toys for Tots. In the past, the union has shopped for toys and kept them in storage until a representative of the charity could pick them up. This year, that wasn't an option.

"They had too much money to go shopping themselves," said Larisha Richardson, an employee of the Salvation Army, who was in charge of purchasing toys with the donated money. "There wasn't space for them to store all the toys they would have bought."

This year, AFSCME Local 2985 donated \$4,500 to Toys for Tots. In 2011, when the giving began, it donated \$1,500. In 2012, it increased to \$1,700.

The "generous" size of the donation is due to the availability of extra funds at the end of the year as well as increased union membership, said Amber

Moats, executive board member of Local 2985.

"We thought, 'We can do more than we have before,' so we did," she said. "We've met a lot of locals who are very generous around Christmas time. We wanted to be that generous."

The donation is far and away the largest Toys for Tots has received in Johnson County, Richardson said.

"I was just blown away," she said. "This will put smiles on a lot of kids' faces."

The \$4,500 gift will provide Christmas presents for between 225 and 300 children, from newborns to teenagers, in Johnson and Washington Counties. Each child will receive two larger gifts based on their age and gender, a teddy bear, and an assortment of stocking stuffers.

The tradition of donating to Toys for Tots was started to honor members of the union who returned from overseas deployment in the armed forces in 2011.

"They wrote us a blank check," Moats said. "We wanted to do something in return. We asked them what we should do, and one of them suggested giving to Toys for Tots."

AFSCME Iowa Council 61 represents 40,000

Local union donates to Toys for Tots

AFSCME Local 2985 donated \$4,500 to Toys for Tots:

- Donation was more than 2.5 times what it gave last year
- Largest single donation to Toys for Tots in Johnson County
- Donated in honor of veterans in the union

Source: Marty Hathaway, president of AFSCME Local 2985

public employees, including law-enforcement and correctional officers, firefighters, mental-health workers, professional school staff, and emergency workers.

Toys for Tots in Johnson County is being conducted by the Salvation Army this year, as the former director of Toys for Tots left Johnson County in 2012. The Salvation Army will accept toy donations through Dec. 18, when the toys will be distributed.

AFSCME Local 2985 will continue to donate to Toys for Tots in the future, Moats said.

"I don't see why we wouldn't," she said. "It honors our veterans and the whole community benefits. Hopefully, it will be an even bigger check next year."



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Cats on Mars



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Hello, NSA, I'm not talking about you again. For one thing, you remember everything I say.

I mean, in a normal relationship, you wouldn't remember half the things I say. (And that's probably all to the good, given the things I utter in moments of delirium or absentmindedness or caffeine-induced Dali-mania.)

Hmm. Maybe that figure is one-third.

In any case, that's how human relationships work — we forget half the things the other person says. It could be that's why human relationships work.

And anyway, NSA, this isn't about you. It's about me. (How many times have you heard that before? I mean, you hear everything, right? You probably hear everything twice. What a boring life.)

So let's call the whole thing off. You probably say to-mah-to, anyway.

("Call" would be a load of word, wouldn't it.)

Besides, there's this whole Jacoby Ellsburry thing to wrap my head around, so I don't really have time for you anymore. Ells, as we Red Sox fans affectionately called him (until now), has gone to the Dark Side.

Meaning he has joined the Evil Empire, known to normal people as the New York Yankees. Of course, the Yankees haven't seemed so Evil lately. And as far as being an Empire, well, the Yankees rather resemble the Roman Empire circa 376-400 CE.

Ells in pinstripes? Arrgh. I'd rather see my ex-girlfriend with my best friend. (Maybe that's my best fiend. That's kind of the way human relationships work, also.)

So, NSA, as you can see, I'm kind of busy. I

have a lot on my plate, as we humans like to say (but you know that). On my plate, I have some kind of soy something-or-other (I'm hoping it's not the other) and mashed potatoes. You probably say po-tah-toes. Are mashed potatoes anything like your mashed metadata?

Besides, it turns out that local and state law-enforcement agencies all over the country are doing the whole metadata dance, too. At least according to the *Boston Globe*. (Yes, I've been talking to the *Boston Globe*. But we're just friends.)

I keep talking to you as if you're a person. You are a person, right? I mean, if the Supreme Court has ruled, more or less, that corporations are people, why not super-secret snoopers?

I keep seeing Ells in pinstripes in my dreams. Is that Freudian or something? Maybe Jungian? Maybe I'm Jung at heart.

And then there's that whole Curiosity thing. You know (of course you know), the Mars rover or whatever it is, roaming around Mars and finding — maybe, possibly, could be — remains of a freshwater lake. Billions of years old, but a lake. Curious, huh?

Do you listen to Mars, too? (Silly, freshman-like question. Of course you listen to Mars. Thor, god of war.)

I'm just curious about the rover and the lake. It's not like a long-term relationship (there's that word again) or anything. I mean, who wouldn't be curious about Curiosity?

Is there anything you don't know? I thought not. That's why this relationship has to end — it's impossible to live with a know-it-all.

I used to believe there is no God, but now I realize there is a God. It's called, by mere humans such as me, NSA. All knowing, all powerful. Fits.

And I finally realized why there are no cats on Mars.

Curiosity killed the cat.

EDITORIAL

Police must open up on data collection in Iowa

Thought you only had to worry about the growing American surveillance state from the likes of the National Security Agency? Think again.

The *Des Moines Register* reported on Sunday that there are signs that over the past two years, Iowa law-enforcement agencies have been collecting data via "tower dumps."

Tower dumps involve police departments requesting all records on call, text, and data sent through local cell towers over a given period of time, usually about when a certain crime occurred. Whenever a mobile phone user is checking her or his email, using social media, or communicating with another person, that device is sending and receiving signals to and from the nearest cell tower.

Although the state of Iowa's official policy requires obtaining a warrant before requesting troves of data through tower dumps, that doesn't mean local police departments have to. According to an article in the *University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law*, these tower dumps reveal an enormous amount of information and can simply be obtained through a subpoena.

"Subscriber or customer information also available based on a law-enforcement request may include the person's name; address; telephone call records, including times and durations; lengths and types of services; subscriber number or identity; means and source of payment, including bank-account number or credit-card number; date of birth; Social Security number; and driver's license number."

As if that isn't bad enough, there seems to be absolutely no transparency in the entire espionage operation against Iowans.

The *Register* reported that Iowa Department of Public Safety refused to say which police departments it assisted in analyzing cell data and how many tower dumps have occurred. The Department of Administrative Services also (as of Sunday) refused an open-records request for documents with information on payments that the Iowa Department of Public

Safety made to a company that produces cell-tower simulators, devices that can intercept signals sent between mobile phones and towers.

Iowa's law-enforcement officials seem to want the public to simply trust them. And that would be lovely if they all had hearts of gold, but there are too many instances in which the police have abused their power for us to reasonably trust that Iowa's law-enforcement officials will always do the right thing when handling sensitive personal information.

After all, it was the law-enforcement community that brought the United States such scandals as the Counter Intelligence Program (better known as COINTELPRO), in which the FBI infiltrated and sabotaged political organizations during the 1970s. More recently, law-enforcement agencies have employed agents to infiltrate mosques and spy on the Occupy Movement. There have been numerous complaints of border agents using excessive force near the U.S.-Mexico border, including detention for no apparent reason along with illegally searching and confiscating private property.

Not surprisingly, the National Security Agency has also been involved in some shifty activities. An internal audit of the agency detailed 2,776 instances in which the NSA violated court orders for surveillance that occurred from April 2011 to March 2012.

We don't think every single person or even most individuals in the law-enforcement community are "bad people." However, the historical record, both looking well into the past through today, shows that when entrusting a small group of people with substantial power, some will abuse their authority. That is why transparency is non-negotiable, especially when dealing with something as precious as civil liberties.

YOUR TURN

Do you think local police should be more transparent about data collection?
Weigh in at dailyiowan.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Re: Iowa City community members participate in a nationwide one-day strike

These jobs are not and have never been intended to be career positions. You enter the workforce, learn to work, and move on in these jobs. Look at all of the youth and young adults who have started in fast food and have moved on. Increase to \$15, and you will see far more restaurants automating to the point that they will have half the workers they currently have. Simply because some people lack the skills

or fortitude to seek better and do better for themselves is not justification for increasing the minimum wage to \$15/hour. If you don't like what you are doing, go someplace else, do something different, or do something to improve your opportunity. A majority of these "career" folks have been required to go to work in order to receive federal and state benefits, and are simply looking for another form of handout.

In addition, unions are losing membership and need to expand their influence in order to keep any relevance and to keep the dues rolling in for their political agendas. With skilled labor jobs fleeing to the business friendly South, unions need to find more workers

and organize more unions in other industries.

Dave Thoensen

child labor, safety and benefits for employees.

Kenneth Moore

Re: Mandela

I will never understand President Mandela's silence on human rights violations in Cuba. It is true that the Castro regime, in various ways, provided support to end apartheid. Perhaps this "debt" prevented Mandela from publicly condemning what he surely knew was and is wrong in that imprisoned island. Mandela was inspired by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, a document stepped on by the Cuban government.

Online user Osvaldo Francisco Díaz-Duque

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COLUMN

Feeding our egos (and the trolls)



Adam Gromotka
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Activism today has taken a back seat to taking a seat.

With the exception of the unorganized mess we called the Occupy Movement, it appears that the days of collecting a group of people to take a stand, fill space, and change society — a widely successful protest tactic employed a half-century ago — have been replaced with counterproductive ranting and bickering on the Internet. Rather than operating as a tool for communication to better promote social progress, the web has become a breeding ground for egotistical maniacs — me included — to flex an angry verbal muscle at other egotistical maniacs with differing opinions.

The difference between Internet "activ-

ism" and actual activism lies in that, after an offensive article has been reposted and a snarky comment made, arguing on the Internet doesn't really change anything. I only recently took notice of the issue; my Facebook feed has been flooded by feminists — whose hearts are definitely in the right place — sharing offensively misogynistic and bigoted articles about "Why You Should Date a Girl with an Eating Disorder" and "23 Trends Guys Hate." Another trend — one that peaked during the 2012 election and still makes its presence known from time to time — has been for users to digress into political "debate" in the comment section below a post about Obamacare or gun laws.

Here's the paradox of Internet "activism": an angry Facebooker protesting the existence of negative content by sharing and providing input is actually perpetuating the existence of such trolly content.

Playing right into this

paradox, I clicked on one of those misogynistic articles to see what the fuss was about. A list (naturally — the Internet loves the ease of making lists) hosted on a page formatted in the default, drab blog style. Lower down on the page is a section for ranty comments, and even lower sits a banner powered by Google AdSense.

It was at this point that I realized it was a trap. If I share this post, it'll cause more people to see it, share it with their friends, and generate money for something that looks to have taken 15 minutes to create.

Internet outrage does more than inflate the egos and wallets of trolls, however. It also gives uppity individuals the illusion that they've made a difference. If I like the Facebook page of a political group I disagree with to write negative comments on its wall, I've infiltrated the enemy stronghold. I brought the fight to them. I can rest easy

knowing I've done my part in the fight against evil ... or at least it *feels* that way. I haven't really **done** anything. I'm an anonymous voice that carries very little persuasive weight, and I've given others reason to visit my opponent's domain.

This isn't all to discredit the Internet's ability to stimulate social change. Writing an angry comment can at least get someone thinking about an issue. But true change comes when someone decides to do something. Students in Washington, D.C., protested against violence in Syria, proving that real activism can still exist in our cushy First World.

Even if you don't want to hold a sign, you can actually create good with the Internet. Start your own blog and create positive content. Organize a rally or get a petition going. Thanks to the widespread use of the web, the opportunities to actually do something are more limitless than ever.

Congress renews ban on undetectable guns

By ALAN FRAM
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Narrowly beating a midnight deadline, Congress voted Monday to renew an expiring ban on plastic firearms that can evade airport detection machines. But Republicans blocked an effort to toughen the restrictions — the latest defeat for gun-control forces in the year since the grade-school massacre in Newtown, Conn.

By voice vote, the Senate gave final congressional approval to a 10-year extension of the prohibition against guns that can slip past metal detectors and X-ray machines. The House voted last week for an identical decade-long renewal of the ban, and the measure now goes to President Obama for his signature.

Obama, traveling to Africa for ceremonies honoring the late South African President Nelson Mandela, was expected to sign the bill before midnight using an auto pen, a White House official said. The device has been used for the signatures of traveling presidents since the administration of president George W. Bush.

GOP senators rejected an

effort by Sen. Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., to strengthen the ban by requiring that such weapons contain undetachable metal parts. Some plastic guns meet the letter of the current law with a metal piece that can be removed, making them a threat to be slipped past security screeners at schools, airports, and elsewhere.

Sen. Charles Grassley of Iowa, top Republican on the Senate Judiciary Committee, said Congress should extend the ban for a decade and study Schumer's more restrictive plan to make sure it doesn't interfere with technologies used by legitimate gun manufacturers.

He said the bill's recent introduction suggests that "the real objectives were things other than just getting an extension."

At a news conference later, Schumer said he had "no ulterior motive" in proposing to strengthen the ban and said he hoped to find compromise with Grassley in coming weeks.

"The bottom line is technology advances, and it does good things and it does bad things," he said.

Underscoring the issue's political sensitivity, both of Monday's votes were on unanimous consent re-

quests. That meant any single senator could scuttle the proposals by objecting.

It also meant the votes were by voice and that no individual senators' votes were recorded. For a handful of Democratic senators seeking re-election next year in GOP-leaning states, the day's votes could have been difficult.

The National Rifle Association, which has been instrumental in blocking gun restrictions, expressed no opposition to renewing the law. But the gun lobby said it would fight any expanded requirements, including Schumer's, "that would infringe on our Second Amendment rights" to bear arms.

The rejection of stricter curbs highlighted the repeated setbacks for gun-control advocates in Congress since Dec. 14, 2012. On that day, a gunman fatally shot 20 first-graders and six staff members at Sandy Hook Elementary School before killing himself.

Despite that — and other recent mass shootings, including at the Washington Navy Yard just blocks from the Capitol — supporters of expanded gun control are nearing the end of a year in which they have been un-

able to push any new fire-arms restrictions through Congress.

"We're several decades behind the NRA," said Sen. Chris Murphy, D-Conn. "This is a long game, and it's going to take us some time to build up the resources necessary to compete."

Congressional Republicans have resisted tightening the restrictions against undetectable guns, but those lawmakers — as well as the NRA — have not opposed renewing the current prohibition. The House approved a 10-year extension last week.

Plastic guns were in their infancy when President Ronald Reagan and Congress first enacted the ban against undetectable firearms, and when it was renewed in 1998 and 2003. But such weapons have become a growing threat and can now be produced by 3-D printers, which are becoming better and more affordable.

Supporters of tightening the rules say the 10-year renewal helps the gun lobby because it reduces Democrats' ability to revisit the issue.

The Sandy Hook killings prompted Obama and Democrats to make gun control

a top domestic priority this year — but to no avail in Congress.

Their most stinging loss occurred in April, when the Senate turned aside an effort to expand federal background checks for would-be gun purchasers, an effort to prevent criminals and mentally ill people from getting weapons. That measure would have required the checks for all sales at gun shows and online — expanding a system that is currently required only for sales through licensed firearms dealers.

Also defeated were proposed bans on assault weapons and large-capacity ammunition magazines.

In a measure of GOP opposition and NRA clout, those proposals never even came to votes in the Republican-majority House.

But with Saturday's Newtown anniversary approaching, Rep. Tim Murphy, R-Pa., a psychologist, plans to announce legislation Thursday aimed at boosting federal mental health programs, including treatment, research and training for workers who respond to emergencies.

The lack of movement in the Democratic-led Senate has left gun-control groups

divided about their 2014 goals.

Some are willing to set aside, for now, the push for expanded background checks and settle for more modest changes. These could include strengthening mental health programs and having states provide more records to the federal background check system.

Backing this approach are some Newtown families and the group Americans for Responsible Solutions, formed by former Rep. Gabrielle Giffords, D-Ariz., seriously wounded by a shooter, and her husband, former astronaut Mark Kelly.

Others want to continue raising pressure on lawmakers to back strong background check requirements, and they oppose aiming for less.

These groups include Mayors Against Illegal Guns, led by outgoing New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, an organization that has been spending money against gun-rights congressional candidates and lawmakers. These groups are concerned that Republicans would use votes for weaker efforts to cast themselves as having championed major steps against guns.

NATION

Winter storm blasts U.S.

MINNEAPOLIS — Snow and bitter cold snarled traffic and prompted another 1,650 U.S. flight cancellations on Monday, and tens of thousands of people were still without power after January-like weather barged in a month early.

The storm covered parts of North Texas in ice over the weekend and then moved East. Below-zero temperatures crowned the top of the U.S. from Idaho to Minnesota,

where many roads still had an inch-thick plate of ice, polished smooth by traffic and impervious to ice-melting chemicals, making intersections an adventure.

Many travelers wished they were home, and people in homes without power wished they were somewhere else.

Some of the most difficult conditions were in North Texas. More than 22,000 Dallas-area homes and businesses were still without power on Monday, according to electric utility Oncor. That was down from 270,000 on Dec. 6. Dallas students got a

snow day.

More than half of the nation's flight cancellations on Monday were at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, dominated by American Airlines. About 650 travelers were stranded there Sunday night.

Nationally, there have been more than 6,100 flight cancellations since Dec. 7, according to FlightStats.com, including more than 2,800 by American or its American Eagle regional airline. American emerged from bankruptcy protection and merged

with US Airways on Monday.

A flight cancellation meant that Fred and Brenda Mull of Oklahoma City spent Sunday night in a Dallas hotel instead of Cabo San Lucas in Mexico. American canceled their Monday morning flight, too, and they weren't happy as they sat in the international lobby. They'd spent three hours on hold with American, which told them not to go to the airport or search for a new reservation — advice they ignored.

"Am I supposed to sit at the hotel and wait for them to call? And pay for the

hotel?" Brenda Mull said. "They wouldn't have gone through bankruptcy if they ran it like a business." The couple was scheduled on another flight Monday night.

Half of the high school band from Norman, Okla. landed at Dallas-Fort Worth on Monday after playing in a Pearl Harbor Day parade in Hawaii. But the flight for the other half of the band was canceled because of the ice, leaving them stranded for an extra day in Hawaii.

"Tough break for them, huh?" joked parent chaperone Tami Meyer.

The storm dumped snow through the Mid-Atlantic region. Freezing rain prompted the federal government to allow workers to arrive up to two hours later than normal Monday or take unscheduled leave.

In Washington, cab driver Mahdi Abdi said he had been driving since around midnight and the main roads were clear. But side streets were a different story.

"The small streets, a lot of them are icy," said Abdi, 52. "I don't even go in."

— Associated Press

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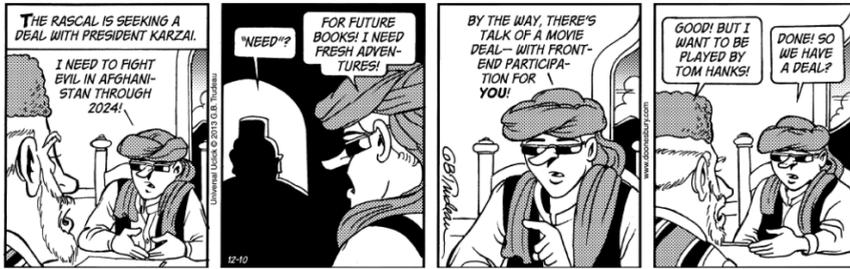
General and unsolicited advice:

- If you're thinking about adopting a puppy, consider having a baby first. If the child grows up to be a douche bag, then you'll know you can't handle the pressure of a puppy.
- If you're a dude, don't wear a tank-top to a casual dining restaurant unless you're also comfortable working out in jeans and button-down at the gym. And if you are, don't be.
- People. Seriously. Vaccinate your children. Regardless of what anti-vaccination activists would have you believe, it is next to impossible to ensure your children have a healthy selling price unless they've had all their shots.
- If Facebook tells you it's a friend's birthday, and you're not familiar enough with that person to post "Happy Birthday" on their wall, then that's how you know you should probably unfriend them.
- Never use whiskey to cope with hardships. Use whiskey to celebrate; use WINE to cope.
- Every time you get an offer to save money by switching your car insurance to a new company, take it. I'm currently paying \$1.25/year for full coverage.

Andrew R. Juhl advises you not to take any of his advice.

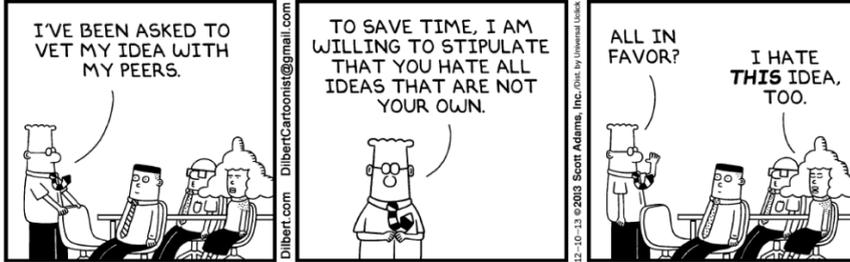
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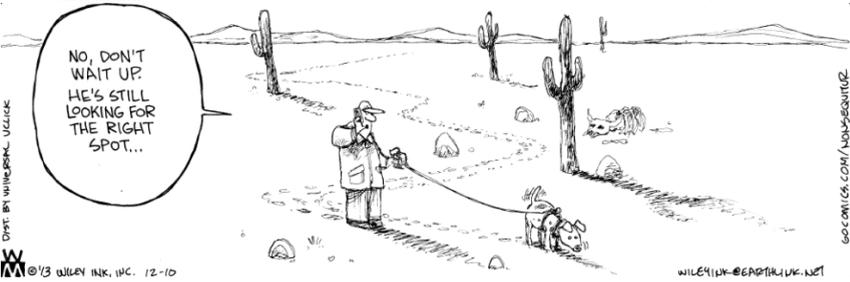
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- **Work by Christiana Byrne, M.F.A. student in Jewelry & Metal Arts**, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Art Building West Levitt Gallery
- **Work by Gonzalo Gomez, M.A. student in Printmaking**, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Studio Arts Building Porch Gallery
- **Work by Honors Students**, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Studio Arts Building Ark Gallery
- **Work by Minjie Liu, B.F.A. student in Graphic Design**, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Art Building West Third-Floor Atrium
- **Work by Students in Advanced Painting class**, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Calvin Checkered Space 2
- **Pharmacology Postdoctoral Workshop**, "Role of Endoplasmic Reticulum Stress in the SFO in Fluid Balance and Metabolic Effects of Brain Renin-Angiotensin System Activation," Fusakazu Jo, 10:30 a.m., 1117 Medical Education & Research Facility
- **College of Nursing Research Forum**, 11 a.m., 133 Nursing Building
- **Math Physics Seminar**, "Reflection Positivity and One-Body Problems," Wayne Polyzou, Physics/Astronomy, 2:30 p.m., 309 Van Allen
- **New Horizons Band Ensemble Concert**, 2:30 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- **Faculty Senate Meeting**, 3:30 p.m., Old Capitol Senate Chamber
- **Slices, Performance and Pie**, 6 p.m., Uptown Bill's, 730 S. Dubuque
- **UI School of Music Presents: Series on Arts and Rights Concert**, 7:30 p.m., Riverside Recital Hall
- **Lower Deck Dance Party**, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn

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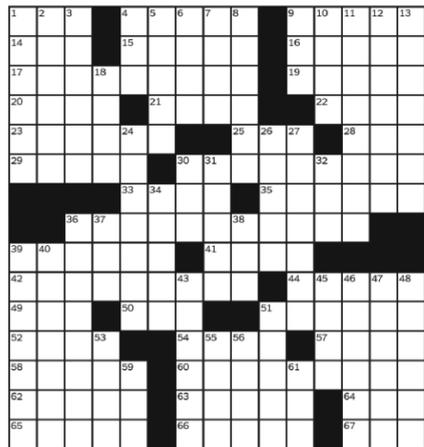
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- TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Romance is highlighted. With a little thought, you can coax someone special to take part in a special event. A trip or gathering will be enlightening. The ideas you develop will help you plan for a brighter future.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Help others, and you will be repaid. Don't lend or borrow; ease stress by clearing up debts or collecting what you are owed. Someone's uncertainty may leave you feeling unsettled. Be creative, and you'll come up with an alternative plan.
- CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Work-related problems are likely to get to you. Don't take criticism too personally. Listen and reflect. Do whatever helps boost your confidence. Focus on love. A romantic connection will give you something positive to think about.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Listen carefully, and make sure you understand the risks involved before you decide to participate. Protect your assets and your future; joint ventures are not likely to turn out well. Knowledge will be the key to your success. Network, but don't negotiate.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Problems providing what someone you love wants should be handled with care. Opt for something that can help pave the way to reaching a set goal. Romance will make up for any misunderstanding or lack of attention that has occurred.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't fold under pressure. Look for a solution to a problem. Complete unfinished projects before you move on to more enjoyable activities. Keep your anger in check if someone tries your patience. An old friend or lover may cause problems.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Make travel plans, or check out educational pursuits. Increasing your skills or finding a way to market your talents will benefit you in the future. A positive change will take place if you are prepared.
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SABBATICAL

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at the UI for 10-consecutive semesters as well as have a legitimate project proposal.

UI Professor of mechanical and industrial engineering Christoph Becker-

mann said that while the five-page proposal only took him one day to write, it took him longer to plan his project on a developing area of engineering called Integrated Computational Materials Engineering.

"[The application] took me, maybe a day, but I thought about it for a long

time, before I started writing," he said.

All the regent universities are allowed to send 3 percent of their eligible faculty per year on leave. In the past three years, Iowa State University has come much closer to the 3 percent cap than the UI.

Rob Schweers, Iowa

State director of communications in the Provost's Office, said that although ISU has gotten closer to reaching the cap in past years, he thinks the importance of Career Development Awards does not come from how many professors are leaving but the quality of the work they

bring back and produce.

UI Associate Provost for Faculty Tom Rice said he agrees, because the UI chooses to accept only the best proposals, those that have the most promise for improvement of the professor and the university.

"[The awards] are valuable because they allow

faculty to focus 100 percent of their work time on important projects of a semester," he wrote in an email. "This concentrated effort pays big dividends. Important advances in research and teaching happen much faster when faculty can focus all of their efforts on their projects."

COMMUNITY

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"I hope to see a good level of engagement on the parts of members in [the communities] and a greater sense of belonging to the university," he said.

Bernard said these initial numbers reflect what she hopes to see in future survey responses, because for the most part, the program has accomplished most of the targeted goals, which include involvement, engagement, and

connections made through the communities.

"It's hard when you start a large-scale program to know how things will evolve, but the students have really [adapted]," she said.

Rocklin, although he has not reviewed any solid numbers, said he believed the program will inevitably be a success.

"We have every reason, based on research, for Living-Learning Communities to increase success, including retention from the first to the second year and graduation," Rocklin said.

UI senior Elizabeth Davis, a resident assistant for the Iowa Writers Living-Learning Community, said she has noticed increased involvement by the students in her hall.

"It definitely encouraged them to get involved in the writing community," she said. "They get to know a lot of other people ... which is obviously important in a writing community."

UI freshman Jackie Wedell, who is in the Explore. Dream. Discover. Experience. Living-Learning Community, said it has not provided as many opportunities as she had expected. It was helpful at the beginning of the year, she said, but now she sees it as merely a good idea and not so much of a helpful tool.

"It seems like a good

idea, [and] at least it seems like it has good intentions," she said.

UI sophomore Dominick Williams, a member of Community 234, said he is not very involved in his community, but he thinks students can take advantage of the program to achieve better results.

"Take it seriously, utilize it, [and] it's there if you need it," he said.

Bernard said the dia-

logue between the university and incoming students has broadened as families become more informed about the program and process.

However, as of now, Bernard said no immediate changes are planned.

"If we add [anything] ... it will be for 2015, and I think we'll probably be entering those discussions this spring," she said.

WATER

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project until we found a source for it."

Iowa City received an \$8.5 million flood-mitigation state grant to demolish the North Wastewater Treatment Facility, 1000 S. Clinton St. The plant was damaged in the 2008 flood.

The South Wastewater Plant, 4366 Napoleon St. S.E., will become the main plant through an expansion project to centralize operations at that site.

With the completion of the south plant's expansion project in April 2014, Davidson said the city will start demolition to the north plant in fall 2014 and will also clean 2 feet below the land's surface to help create the wetland.

"It enables us to do is get serious about the regional

park," said Jeff Davidson, the director of the city's Planning and Community Development. "Nobody's going to want to live in a viewing of wastewater."

Iowa City has nine flood-mitigation projects, which totals to roughly \$162.3 million. The city couldn't have completed the projects without grants state and federal grants, Fosse said.

"That's more to afford than we can locally," Fosse said. "We put together several state and national grants, and this is one of the last pieces."

Davidson said without extra funding, city officials would have had to go before the Iowa City City Council to vote on the project.

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LEARNING

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ogy Bob McMurray said the goal of the discussion was to encourage participants to think of learning differently.

"Our goals are to introduce them to a couple of principles of learning," he said. "The small principle is that we want teachers to get some principles of learning that they can take back to their classrooms. The bigger picture is to get people to think a little bit differently ... Everybody's talking about how to change education, and mostly what they're talking about is how to change what we teach, and they're not really thinking about how kids learn."

McMurray collaborated with UI Associate Professor of psychology Eliot Hazeltine and two of the founders of the Foundations in Learning, Jerry Zimmermann and Carolyn Brown, to discover how individuals learn, and discovered how students learn is very counterintuitive.

Hazeltine expanded upon the difference that "implicit" and "explicit" learning have upon obtaining a knowledge and skill. He described explicit learning as a concept that can be explained to someone out loud while implicit learning is something an individual gains through association and cannot explain.

McMurray expanded upon this concept, noting that in their research they found that children learn best through variability because it cancels out the outside factors adults may not even think about.

"The principle is targeted variability — its not just 'vary everything,'" McMurray said. "Some people say, 'Oh, we should just vary more things,' but that is going to kill kids — you can't do that. It's how you vary the irrelevant things, or

the things that you think kids are paying attention to but shouldn't be. So you have to kind of get inside their heads to figure that out."

Pam Ehly, the Iowa City School District director of curriculum, agreed with McMurray's research principles.

"Unless you provide them an opportunity to discriminate with what the variability does, you don't get the full package," Ehly said in the discussion. "Often times, I think in education, teachers are so organized and systematic that they get overgeneralized, and so the discriminant gets left out, and so kids never really get the other part of it."

Coralville resident Suzanne Sinift attended the discussion to gain a broader insight on child learning because one of her children has a 4-year-old child experiencing learning challenges.

"I think the idea of targeted variation was excellent," the 67-year-old said. "Just giving more variety so the learner can make the recognition themselves is my best take away."

Officials hope to generate future discussion and in time, integrate these strategies into the school district.

Zimmermann said he thinks by bringing the science of learning and the science of teaching together in the community, student learning will be better facilitated in the future.

"We have the science of learning in a powerful way here, and so we want to see if the science behind learning can benefit the classroom," Zimmermann said. "If we can continue the dialogue and they see the application, then I think we can start testing some of these ideas with real teachers in real schools. Our goal is to take the resources of the university to the community."

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points and 10 rebounds in 19 minutes of play, while Uthoff quietly turned in another smooth, effective performance, finishing with 10 points (4-of-5 field goals) and 10 boards.

From the opposing locker room, Iowa received heavy praise from Fairleigh head Herenda. On Nov. 18, Herenda's Knights lost to the Associated Press' newly crowned No. 1 team in the country, Arizona.

Herenda's experience coaching against both Arizona and Iowa give him the credibility necessary to compare the two teams. And for Iowa fans hoping this year's squad can eventually compete with the nation's best in the NCAA

Tournament, Herenda's words should serve as strong assurance.

"We played Arizona. Iowa is probably in that class," Herenda said. "They're a very good basketball team. They are so deep, and they're very long. Iowa is so well-coached. Preparing for them, we could not find a weakness. Then tonight, we couldn't find a weakness."

For Iowa, the game against the Knights was challenging in a unique way. The opponent obviously didn't cause many issues for the Hawkeyes. But after playing on Saturday night, the Hawkeyes had just a day to prepare for Monday's tilt.

Seeing the Black and Gold perform well under the circumstances, McCaffery's confidence in his team grew — as it has been since the season tipped off.

It's a near impossibility to quantify the value a game like Monday gives to Iowa, but with a showdown against ranked in-state opponent Iowa State scheduled for Friday night, McCaffery believes every opportunity the Hawkeyes have can be worth something.

"I think every game helps you," he said. "For us, getting back late after the Drake game and having to lock in yesterday, it's kind of been that way all year for us. Short preps, stay focused. I think the approach has been very mature."

"I'm OK either way. You don't like short preps when you don't think your team can handle short preps. But these guys can. They've been through it, they're smart, they're experienced. And they're able to process the information quickly if they have to."

FEATURE

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Basabe is showing he should keep his starting spot, rebounding and scoring in a way reminiscent of his freshman year. He ended last night's game with a double-double consisting of 12 points and 11 rebounds. He netted 15 points and 8 rebounds against Drake on Dec. 7.

Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said that he wants Basabe to succeed too, noting that the team plays better when the recruit he brought over from his previous coaching job at Siena is on his A-game.

"He's obviously capable when he's playing with energy like that," McCaffery said. "It makes a big difference for our team."

Basabe wasn't the only one who reaped double-double status. Gabe Oleseni and Uthoff each recorded a double-double against an incredibly over-matched Fairleigh-Dickinson squad Monday night in a 92-59 win. Oleseni led the team with 14 rebounds and another 10 points, and Uthoff went 10-10 with rebounds and points. The last time Iowa had three players record a double-double in points and rebounds in the same game was on Dec. 29, 1993, when Jess Settles, Jim Bartels, and Russ Millard went off against Cal-Irvine.

Iowa had the game won early on despite losing the tip. With five minutes left in the game, the Hawkeyes cleared the bench, and every healthy Iowa player saw game action against the Knights.

Perhaps the most interesting part of the contest was that it featured the first minutes this season in which both Oleseni and starting center Adam Woodbury were on the floor at the same time. It was only for a few minutes in the second half, but with all the lineup combinations McCaffery has put out this year, it's a one-two punch that features both of Iowa's big men that's worth looking at as the season draws on.

McCaffery said he put the two out there at the same time simply to get Woodbury more minutes in the game, but Oleseni said they practice having both centers on the floor often, and he likes playing with another player above 6-10 at the same time.

"Earlier in the year and still sometimes now, we



Iowa center Gabriel Oleseni shoots in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Monday. Oleseni finished with 10 points and 14 rebounds. (The Daily Iowan/Alyssa Hitchcock)

always try me and Woody together against a couple of the guys. Normally we go zone, so when [McCaffery] looked to me and

I was still in I was kind of surprised. It's always good having another big strong defender out there. I feel like every day in

practice we work on our high-low action. I'm just excited to play with him; hopefully we can do that again sometime."

BOX SCORE

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This statistic may be the most surprising of the early season statistics.

Iowa's tallest player is center Bethany Doolittle, who stands 6-4. The next tallest Hawkeye who receives significant playing time is Kali Peschel, who is 6-1.

Iowa is likely to be smaller than most teams that it plays this season, yet it is among the elite teams in grabbing offen-

sive rebounds. As much as one hates to refer to the term of "wanting it more," it's hard to find another explanation for this statistic and it will be interesting to see how this aspect of the game plays out as the season goes on.

Bethany Doolittle field-goal percentage — 60.9, 3rd in the Big Ten

The Hawkeyes shoot a lot of 3 pointers — 24 per game. Whenever a team launches so many 3s per game, one must

be aware that some games, the shots aren't going to fall.

This is where Doolittle will play a key role. The junior center has been the most consistent of the Hawkeye players on the offensive end of the floor, and this is largely because of her efficiency on that end.

As the Hawkeyes near conference play, one can bet that a few games will come down to Doolittle getting high-percentage shots around the basket and converting them.

Melissa Dixon's free-throw percentage — 91.7, 4th in the Big Ten

So far, Dixon's season from behind the arc has been a tale of two parts. The first part of the young season saw a struggling Dixon, while recently, she has been unconscious.

One aspect of Dixon's game that has remained constant is her ability to convert free throws. Interestingly, Dixon shot 71

percent last season at the charity stripe, which makes her percentage this season a pleasant surprise for Iowa head coach Lisa Bluder.

The Hawkeyes have played five games decided by 10 or fewer points. These games can often come down to free-throw shooting late in games. One can bet Dixon will get the ball in these situations.



Iowa guard Claire Till goes in for a lay-up in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Dec. 7. The Hawkeyes beat Idaho State, 95-47. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)



Iowa's Kali Peschel shoots a lay-up in Carver-Hawkeye on Dec. 5. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

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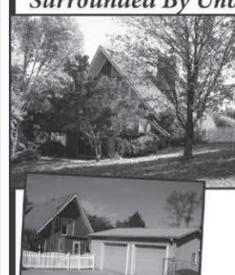
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SCHERFF TO STAY ONE MORE YEAR

Junior offensive tackle Brandon Scherff has decided to forgo the NFL draft and return to play football for Iowa during the 2014 season, according to a release from the football team.



Scherff
offensive tackle

The Denison, Iowa, native started all 12 games for Iowa this year, and was an All-Big Ten first-team selection by the coaches.

"I am excited to say that I will be staying at the University of Iowa for my senior season in 2014," Scherff said in a release. "I am looking forward to the 2014 Outback Bowl and playing an outstanding opponent in LSU, and then working as hard as possible with my teammates to prepare for my senior year as a Hawkeye."

Many had Scherff pegged as first-round pick in the upcoming draft, netting him mega bucks to play on Sundays. NFL draft writer for Rotoworld and NBC Sports, Josh Norris, had Scherff pegged at 19th overall in his latest projections.

Norris said he was surprised to hear Scherff will stay for one more year of college, but he noted Scherff may not necessarily be entirely ready to play at the next level, either.

"I love Scherff's aggression, run-blocking ability, and bullying style in space," Norris told *The Daily Iowan*. "However, he lunged too often in pass protection and needs to play with a more balanced base in the same scenario."

— by Ben Ross

BEARS ROUT COWBOYS

CHICAGO — Neither the brutal cold nor one of the league's worst defenses could stop Josh McCown and the Chicago Bears.

McCown threw for a career-high 4 touchdowns, and the Bears scored on their first eight possessions to grab a share of the NFC North lead with a 45-28 victory over the Dallas Cowboys on a frigid Monday night. The Bears (7-6) retired Hall of Famer Mike Ditka's number at halftime and pulled even with Detroit in the division race on a night when the wind-chill factor was below zero. Dallas (7-6) fell a game behind Philadelphia in the NFC East.

The conditions didn't stop McCown from throwing for 348 yards or keep the Bears from running away with a lopsided victory after consecutive losses.

— Associated Press

UPCOMING HAWK SCHEDULE

Thursday
Women's basketball at Iowa State, Ames, 7 p.m.
Wrestling vs. Buffalo, Carver, 7 p.m.
Friday
Men's basketball at Iowa State, Ames, 8:30 p.m.
Women's swimming at Iowa State, Ames, 6 p.m.
Saturday
Women's basketball vs. Drake, Carver, 4 p.m.

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Maryland 105, Siena 49

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Vancouver 2, Carolina 0
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Pittsburgh 2, Columbus 1

WHAT TO WATCH

NCAAM: Kansas vs. Florida, ESPN, 6 p.m.
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IOWA 92, FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON 59

Good night, Knights



Iowa forward Melsahn Basabe dunks the ball in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Monday. Iowa beat Fairleigh Dickinson, 92-59. (The Daily Iowan/Alyssa Hitchcock)

RECAP

The Iowa men's basketball team improved to 10-1 on the season with a 92-59 win over Fairleigh Dickinson.

By **RYAN PROBASCO**
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After allowing Fairleigh Dickinson to open the game with 6-straight points, Iowa regained enough composure to go on a 19-0 run, quickly demolishing any chance of an upset in Carver-Hawkeye Arena Monday night.

With the win, the Black and Gold moved to 10-1 this season. Depth was once again a huge advantage for Iowa — five Hawkeyes scored in double figures. The Hawkeye bench finished the day outscoring Fairleigh Dickinson's reserves by a margin of 51-28.

"The bench has been great," Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said. "We got the break going, we threw it ahead. We really attacked their three-quarter court pressure with great success. And a lot of the game, Greg [Heren-

da] played a smaller lineup, so we dominated the glass."

Senior forward Melsahn Basabe put together another nice performance after scoring 15 points to go along with his 8 rebounds against Drake on Dec. 7. On Monday, Basabe finished with 12 points and 11 rebounds, which gave the Glen Cove, N.Y. native his 13th career double-double.

"My coaches are really confident in me, everybody has confidence in me," Basabe said. "Games like this, I don't consider it a special performance. I just consider it me doing what I'm supposed to be doing."

Basabe wasn't the only Iowa player to accomplish a double-double Monday. Junior center Gabriel Olaseni and transfer Jarrod Uthoff notched their own as well.

Olaseni finished with 14

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FEATURE

Basabe ended the night with a double-double consisting of 12 points and 11 rebounds.

By **BEN ROSS**
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The sky seemed to be the limit for Melsahn Basabe following his first year as a division-I basketball player for Iowa. The now-senior forward was named to the All-Big Ten Freshman Team after starting all 31 games for the Hawkeyes in 2010-11.

But Basabe started to struggle after his frosh campaign. The Glen Cove, N.Y., native gained some weight and lost a step. He started 21 games as a sophomore and just 18 last year. He hasn't been able to touch the 7 rebounds and 11 points he averaged as a freshman. His role on the team could have easily diminished this year as other capable forwards such as Zach McCabe and Jarrod Uthoff battled for playing time.

Basabe said he's been made very aware of the regression

he's made in the stat book since his first year at Iowa. But he thinks he can still get better.

"My game has always been there; I just think it's the consistency factor," Basabe said after the game. "I've been pretty productive even though a lot of people get on me about my career. I've been competing with the best players since Day One. I'm not thinking about my freshman year, because I want to be better than my freshman year. I'm older. I should be better than I was as a freshman."

After a lackluster beginning of the season, it looked as though a decreased role for Basabe would be the case, too. McCabe and Uthoff see comparable minutes and often post better stats than Basabe despite his starting every game.

But after two solid contests,

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THE BOX SCORE

Hawkeyes shining offensively

By **JACOB SHEYKO**
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The Iowa women's basketball squad is in the midst of its second winning streak of four or more games this season. With a 10-1 record, two wins against ranked teams — Dayton and Syracuse, and a top-25 ranking, the Hawkeyes appear to be headed to another NCAA Tournament appearance — it would be their seventh straight.

But another look at the early statistics of this squad and one can see that not only could this team contend, it is among the elite teams in the Big Ten.

Team points per game — 84.1, 1st in the Big Ten

Iowa's up-and-down pace has paid off so far this season. The Hawkeyes are not only first in this category, but the next team behind them in the Big Ten — Indiana — is 5.1 points per game behind, clearly establishing Iowa as an elite scoring team.

Another key to their scoring average being so high is the outburst of the last three games. In contests against North Carolina-Wilmington, Syracuse, and Idaho State, Iowa has posted scoring totals of 102, 97, and 95.

Much of this inflated statistic also has to do with Iowa's increased pace — more



Iowa center Bethany Doolittle shoots a quick jumper in Carver-Hawkeye on Dec. 5. The Hawks defeated Syracuse, 97-91. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

possessions will likely lead to more points, but it doesn't make what the Hawkeyes are doing on the offensive end of the floor any less impressive.

Team offensive rebounds per game — 12.6, 3rd in the Big Ten

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