

FEBRUARY MADNESS



The Co-Rec basketball teams Super Star Engineers and Omegacron face off in the Field House on Monday. Intramural sports are in full swing as basketball starts this spring semester. (The Daily Iowan/Margaret Kispert)

Filipinos stress diversity



UI Filipino American Student Association cofounders Sam Cosner, Erin Bovid, and Erica Wilson stand in the Asian Pacific American Cultural Center on Monday. The association's goal is to promote and preserve Filipino culture at the university. (The Daily Iowan/Tyler Finchum)

By GRETA MEYLE
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The aroma of beef, vegetables, and banana sauce encompassed the Asian Pacific American Cultural Center on Monday night and brought with it three University of Iowa students with a vision for a new student organization on campus.

"There was no kind of [Filipino] group of influence like this in this center before today," said center manager Moo Kyong Jeon. "I think it's a good sign — it's a chance for them to think about their identity, and it's nice for the UI community to learn about their culture."

Erica Wilson, a co-president of the Filipino American Student Association, said the group hopes to involve more culturally diverse students and raise more awareness of Filipino culture. The association held its first meeting on Monday night. Originally brainstormed in November by Co-President Erin Bovid for a business class, the group has growing expectations for the future.

"We want to bring more of a multicultural community to Iowa," Bovid said. "But for us, specifically us as an organization, like I said we want to spread culture so as far as events we want to do different ... food workshops [and] traditional dance workshops."

While this is the first UI organization of this cultural identity, Iowa State University has had a similar organization since 1990. ISU Professor if Spanish Eugenio Matibag, the president of the organization, said he was excited to hear that the UI was beginning an organization with similar goals.

"Sometimes these student organizations give the members a way to keep connected with the culture of their ancestral homeland and keep it alive with the languages and the food; it's really comforting to us to be able to [connect with those roots]," Matibag said. "I'm glad to hear that students at the UI are putting together their association, and I wish them well."

The first meeting was preliminary — consisting of introductions by the three executive members in attendance, icebreakers among the eight other members in attendance, and open-floor conversations about desired programming for the year.

So far, the organization has planned to continue to make foods such as Pancit and Lumpia for meetings, host workshops for Filipino dance styles such as Tinikling, a dance using bamboo sticks, as well as raising money for the Typhoon Haiyan survivors. Ultimately, the group wants to enrich the cultural experience of the members.

Not all of the members are Filipino by heritage. Bovid, who is Hawaiian, and Wilson, who is half-Filipino, are both part of the club.

The club will meet every Monday night from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Asian Pacific American Cultural Center.

Club Secretary and UI senior Sam Cosner said she is excited about the club's potential and stressed the importance of cultural diversity in the university community.

"I feel like it's important to have cultural diversity," Cosner said. "[I'm excited] to get people to learn about Filipino culture, because it's awesome."

Filipino American Student Association

A new Filipino club hopes to involve more culturally diverse students and to increase connections among Pacific Island and Asian students.

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- While the association is new, Iowa State University's Filipino Association has been active since 1990.

- The club will meet every Monday from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at the Asian Pacific American Cultural Center.

- The organization's goals are to help students learn about Filipino culture through dance and food workshops.

- Eleven people attended the first meeting.

Source: Erica Wilson and Erin Bovid, co-presidents

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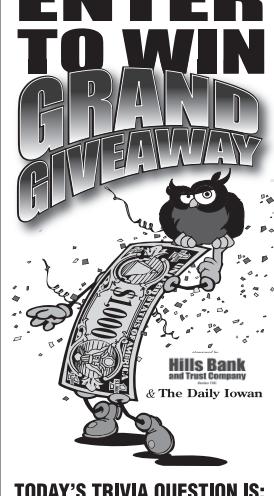
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Grassley meets with local Chamber of Commerce

Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, met with representatives from the Iowa City Area Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C., as the members discussed their legislative goals.



Grassley
Senator

Grassley told *The Daily Iowan* one of the main items addressed during the meeting were updates on local flood-mitigation projects after the 2008 flood.

According to the University of Iowa's flood-recovery status, which will be presented at this week's state Board of Regents meeting in Cedar Falls, the UI has received roughly \$128 million from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Currently, a number of major flood-recovery projects are underway — including replacements for the Voxman Music Building,

Art Building, and Hancher Auditorium.

Local officials also spoke to the six-term senator about funds for the Interstate 80 and 380 interchange along with other transportation projects.

Grassley said the move away from earmark funding has changed how members of Congress secure support for projects and noted that any possible funds will come from a future transportation bill. The bill is expected sometime before Sept. 30, when current funding expires.

— by Brent Griffiths

Public Policy Center receives grants

The University of Iowa Public Policy Center received three grants totaling more than \$17 million to fund automotive safety research.

The funding will also help development and implementation of a national education campaign, which will help drivers understand the safety systems in their vehicles.

The funds for the grants are part of the Safety Research and Education Program established by the recent Toyota Economic Loss class-action settlement in California.

— by Rebecca Morin

UI keeps sights on sustainability



(The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

The University of Iowa is continuing steps to reach its 2020 sustainability goals.

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The University of Iowa is approaching its 2020 sustainability goals, one acre at a time.

The UI Sustainability Office is moving forward to have 40 percent of what the UI burns be renewable energy.

The university planted 16 acres of miscanthus, a plant used for fuel, in 2013 and plans to grow an additional 13 acres this year. In 2015 the university is planning to increase the area to 2,500 acres.

The UI Power Plant burns both coal and mixtures of grass, oat hulls, and woodchips to create energy. Officials said the next step for the university is to plant more crops that would be burned by the Power Plant so the UI can determine the best source of renewable energy.

"If successful, a sustainable biomass fuel can help us reach our 2020 target of 40 percent sustainable energy," said Liz Christiansen, the director of the UI Sustainability Office.

Ferman Milster, the principal engineer for renewables in the Sustain-

ability Office, said the goal will be achievable through co-firing biomass with coal, blending them together to burn as fuel.

"It's important primarily because of sustainability," he said. "Economically, socially, and environmentally, and you have to balance all three of those."

Milster said that because the fuel greatly benefits the university, officials are dedicated to contributing to the project, including the collection of trees to create woodchips and planting plots of land to grow necessary crops.

Ben Anderson, the Power Plant maintenance and engineering manager, said the plant researched a number of possible fuels, narrowing the list to oat hulls, woodchips, and grasses. However, he said, having a variety available is important to success.

"Fuel flexibility is important because there are different things that could happen to crops," he said. "It's important to spread out and have fuels available for numerous products."

Anderson said he often receives many questions about the best crop to use in terms of sustainability

efforts, and although the answer is not simple, he thinks the university is using the best fuels available.

Milster said dead, dying, and diseased conifer trees being removed in order to restore prairie, will also be used.

"A lot will be chopped down [and] we want to be able to use it for energy rather than just chipping it and burning it," he said.

Milster said a current cost is not available for the project, as officials are still in the learning process as far as understanding blending and firing techniques.

"There's a huge learning curve," he said. "We know we'll be able to drive down costs as we [learn] ... but it's too preliminary to put a cost on it."

Milster said the development will keep funds in the state, something he said he views as a benefit.

"We might pay a little more for it [but it] keeps money in the local area," he said, noting that Iowa has no coal mines or natural-gas wells. "Thus, it provides an opportunity to buy our fuels locally ... so well keep that money in Iowa."

Former 2nd lady Joan Mondale dies at age 83

By BRIAN BAKST
Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Joan Mondale, who burnished a reputation as "Joan of Art" for her passionate advocacy for the arts while her husband was vice president and a U.S. ambassador, died Monday. She was 83.

Walter Mondale, sons Ted and William, and other family members were by her side when she died, the family said in a statement released by their church. The family had announced Sunday that she had gone into hospice care, but declined to discuss her illness.

"Joan was greatly loved by many. We will miss her dearly," the former vice president said in a written statement.

An arts lover and an avid potter, Joan Mondale was given a grand platform to promote the arts when Walter, then a Democratic senator, was elected Jimmy Carter's vice president in 1976.

Carter named her honorary chairwoman of the Federal Council on the Arts and Humanities, and in that role she frequently traveled to museums, theaters and artist studios on the administration's behalf. She lobbied Congress and states to boost public

arts programs and funding.

She also showcased the work of prominent artists in the vice-presidential residence, including photographer Ansel Adams, sculptor David Smith, and painter Georgia O'Keeffe.

"She was exemplary in using the opportunities public service provided to advance the arts and other issues important to her and many Americans," Carter and wife Rosalynn said in a written statement.

Her enthusiasm for the cause earned widespread praise in the arts community, including from Jim Melchert, director of the visual arts program for the National Endowment for the Arts during Carter's administration.

"Your rare fire has brightened many a day for more people than you may imagine," Melchert wrote to her after the 1980 Carter-Mondale re-election defeat. "What you've done with style and seeming ease will continue illuminating our world for a long time to come."

President Obama and first lady Michelle Obama also praised those contributions Monday.

"Through her contributions to the Federal Council on the Arts and

Humanities and the Kennedy Center, she passionately advocated for the role of art in the life of our nation and the promotion of understanding worldwide," the Obamas said in a statement.

As Carter's No. 2, Walter Mondale was seen as a trusted adviser and credited with making the office of the vice president more relevant. It was natural that his wife would do the same for her role. Vice-presidential aide Al Eisele once said of his boss: "It was important to him that Joan not just be the vice president's wife but his partner."

Joan Mondale later took her cultural zeal overseas when her husband was named U.S. ambassador to Japan during President Bill Clinton's administration.

Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar first met Joan Mondale while working as an intern for the vice president in 1980. Klobuchar still has two coffee mugs on her kitchen table that were made by Joan.

"She was always down to earth," Klobuchar said Monday. "She was just as happy going out to rural farms in Elmore [Minn.] as she was mixing it up at fancy receptions at the ambassador's residence in Japan."

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COLUMN

The bridge to Wonderland



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You probably, given that you're an intelligent, highly perceptive person who probably even flosses, have noticed that the Canadian tundra has moved in and plans to stay until May or so. (According to the Urban Dwellers' Almanac.)

Kind of like that hippie who moved onto the couch during the George H.W. Bush administration and stayed through the time Karl Rove and Dick Cheney ran the country. (I'm pleading not guilty.)

And you've probably noticed that the federal government is running out of money (How can the U.S. government run out of money? you ask. What about all that gold in Fort Knox?) and the Obama administration and Congress will engage in their all-too-familiar tussle about raising the debt limit. Yes, that again. We can hardly wait. (Wake me up when the tundra returns home.)

Luckily, we have Chris Christie to kick around.

You know, the New Jersey Republican governor whose aides closed some highway lanes to the George Washington Bridge for several days for a "traffic study" and created the biggest traffic jam since Moses, et al., waited for the Red Sea to part. (Maybe it was waiting for the Red Sox to part. History gets confusing.)

I'm no expert in traffic or traffic studies, but I know what happens if you close some lanes on a busy highway, not to mention a busy highway connected to the busiest bridge in the world: You get snarled-up traffic.

Who'd a thunk?

Not to mention snarled-up drivers. And snarled-up passengers. You probably even get snarled-up squirrels in the area, although I suspect no one bothers to poll said squirrels. (Nobody ever polls the squirrels these days. You ever notice?

They only outnumber us by 10,000 to 1, or something, according to a demographic nonstudy I conducted. It was a dark energy sort of thing. Don't try it at home.)

So anyway, Christie fired one of his top aides, his top appointment to the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey, David Wildstein, resigned, and Christie took the I-know-nothing defense. Kind of like Richard Nixon and the "third-rate burglary" that turned out to be Watergate.

Then, on Jan. 31, Wildstein through his lawyer said Christie knew before he said he knew about the traffic gambit. In true dark-energy fashion, Christie responded by bringing up Wildstein's high-school days (no, really; those high-school days have to be more than 20 years ago, so, you know, that's relevant) as proof Wildstein wasn't trustworthy.

Confused yet?

As Amy Davidson of *The New Yorker* has pointed out, the governor's statement contended that the Wildstein's lawyer's email, which asserted that the governor knew what was going on in the blocked-off lanes, backed up the governor's statement that he didn't know what was going on.

Confused yet?

It's as if someone is living in a Lewis Carroll universe, but we can't figure out if it's us or them. And you thought there were no parallel universes. (Actually, you're not alone; most experimental physicists are skeptical — to use the polite word — about the existence of parallel universes. Ask one sometime; but be prepared to set aside an hour for the answer.)

So what's going to happen? you ask. Besides forever winter. Well, Christie has lost something around 20 percentage points in the polls. So much for bringing up high-school days.

But I'm an optimist. I like to think that the icicle is half-full.

By the way, the Urban Dwellers' Almanac is an urban myth. But then, so much is these days. Take dark energy.

Please.

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EDITORIAL

End voting law crackdown

It goes without saying that one of the cornerstones of a functioning, modern, liberal democracy is universal suffrage. However, it appears that headlines across the state of Iowa are ringing with actions committed by state officials, which undermine that noble principle.

This past week, a Republican official in Cerro Gordo County reported that mistakes made by state election officials led to three voters being barred from voting because they were incorrectly labeled as disenfranchised felons (two of the voters were felons who had had their voting rights restored, while the third was not a felon).

This incident is just an anecdote amid Republican Secretary of State Matt Schultz's overzealous crackdown on the nonexistent threat of voter fraud, a crusade we have often criticized on this page.

Firstly, it's important to note that it is fundamentally immoral to deny anyone the right to vote, even if a citizen committed some sort of criminal offense. Free societies don't strip their citizens of basic democratic freedoms. Authoritarian regimes do that.

However, now that Schultz's attack on voting rights has actually led to the documented disenfranchisement of Iowa voters — the claim so often derided as crying wolf by opponents of voter-ID laws — we believe that the time has come to describe this crusade for what it actually is: a poorly disguised attempt to make political hay without a serious regard for the health of Iowa elections and an attempt to limit the voting power of many traditionally Democratic voting blocs.

Prior to the 2012 presidential election, the Pennsylvania state House Republican leader stated, in public, that voter-ID laws would put a Republican in the White House. That strict voter-ID laws disproportionately affect people who don't have ready

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access to usual forms of voter IDs, the poor, young people, and minorities — in other words, the engine that drives the Democratic Party.

It should be no surprise then that red states, or in the case of Iowa, states whose Legislatures are dominated by the Republican Party, have been the most gung ho about pursuing draconian voter-ID laws.

Proponents of voter-ID laws consistently disguise their attempts at chipping away at Democratic power with the specter of "voter fraud." But, as a comprehensive study by News21, a journalism initiative based at Arizona State University, has noted, voter fraud is an infinitesimal phenomenon, rarely occurring and in no way justifying the heavy-handed response by Schultz and other officials across the nation.

Furthermore, Schultz has announced that he will run for the seat in Iowa's 3rd Congressional District left vacant by retiring Republican Rep. Tom Latham. That Schultz has been very public in his assault on voting rights suggests that he is attempting to make his political bones by pandering to conservative voters convinced of the reality of voter fraud, a problem that is less of a threat to Iowa's elections than Schultz's own zealous enforcement.

The charade and parlor games around voter fraud and voter ID by Schultz have gone on far too long and must be put to a stop. We believe that the time has come for the secretary of State and the state Legislature to end their pursuit of more rigorous voter-ID laws in order to protect the suffrage rights of every Iowan.

YOUR TURN

Do you think Iowa should have a voter-ID law? Weigh in at [dailyiowan.com](#).

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR/ ONLINE COMMENTS

Hatch wrong on college plan

Jack Hatch must be aiming his proposals [to reduce college costs] at the most poorly informed people on the planet.

Obviously, if a student can handle taking more credit hours each semester, he or she will graduate more quickly at lower cost. Also, if some courses are taken at lower-cost community colleges, the cost of an education will be reduced.

Of course, if a student takes courses away from the University of Iowa, he or she isn't getting a full UI education.

This is a plan?

The proposal to have the state operate a fund for college loans is

ridiculous. All lending institutions have the staffs and systems to originate and service loans. Having the state set up a parallel organization, and staff it on a permanent basis, is going to save money?

It's sad that a person planning to run for the state's highest office thinks he can pass off such obvious and wasteful ideas as new proposals. Either he's unaware of the foolishness of his proposals, or he's not giving voters much credit for even basic arithmetic skills.

It's further disappointing that proposing ridiculous magical proposals is passed off as serious political discussion.

Here's one of life's economic realities: The good stuff costs more. Always. Pay less and get less. If one

doesn't, or can't, pay what it costs to attend the university, even with financial aid (as I had, thank God and the university), the solution is to go someplace cheaper — not hope that smoke and mirrors will solve financial problems.

Mike Norton

UI alum

Re: Unionizing college football

Seems you and your *DI* fellows should do the same. How are you being compensated for your work? Perhaps you should simply attend your journalism classes, foregoing your *DI* exposure. Advantage you have over athletes is you may blog

and be compensated by Google. Why do you slave away for the *DI*?

Want to see a money grab? Join a union. Want to see the end of high exposure, highly talented freshman and sophomore athletes? Join a union. Seniority has its benefits. I believe most student-athletes compete for the love of their sport, not because they believe there will be financial windfall. I believe most student-athletes truly see the scholarship as tremendous reward for their efforts, as do student non-athletes, on scholarship. The financial windfall the UI recognizes from football helps fund other projects, such as the UIHC. Some student-athletes, such as Jake Ruddock, will reap the spoils of their labor.

Ross Kenneth Rayner

GUEST COLUMN

The minimum-wage paradox

There is a series of erroneous assumptions that form the minimum-wage argument, many of which President Obama cited in his State of the Union address in which he called for an increase to \$10.10. Raising the minimum wage, it's argued, will make families more mobile and equal in the economy, driving growth as a result.

The president believes it's an elementary equation with a simple answer: Just pay them more, and everything will be fixed.

On the contrary, the economics of a minimum-wage increase demonstrate that its effectiveness in stimulating mobility is scant, if not harmful to low-wage employment altogether.

Take, for example, a study conducted by the Pew Research Center that set out to determine the demographics of minimum-wage workers. They found through a Bureau of Labor Statistics data analysis that 50.6 percent are ages 16 to 24, 78 percent are white, and 64 percent are part-time workers.

Only 3 percent of workers (around 3.2 million people) earn minimum wage or less. The retail, leisure, and hospitality industries account for 67 percent of minimum-wage jobs — the types of jobs not meant to be lifelong careers.

Already, this does not paint a picture of a struggling family with numerous jobs trying to live the American Dream. It's us: students working part-time jobs to support our educations and ourselves.

Economists Joseph Sabia of San Diego State University and Richard Burkhauser of Cornell University go deeper. Their study published in the *Southern Economic Journal* shows that a minimum-wage increase only benefits 11.3 percent of workers in households defined as poor. They also determined that 63.2 percent of workers who would benefit are part of households with incomes at least twice the poverty level; two-thirds of them earn incomes three times the poverty level.

Additional research

shows that a minimum-wage increase reduces hiring levels for not just low-wage jobs but all jobs.

Economists at Texas A&M found that a 10 percent increase in the minimum wage would result in a 1.36 percent reduction in gross hiring. In an economy where the number of workers in the labor force is at its lowest levels in 35 years, increasing labor costs by 40 percent is not an answer to our problems.

Consequently, the concept of income inequality and immobility in America is not one with merit. A 23-year longitudinal study from the Employment Policies Institute indicates that two-thirds of employees earning minimum wage earn a raise within a year.

Data from the Census Bureau show that the middle class is certainly shrinking, but they're getting richer, not poorer. By the time you turn sixty years old, there's a 76.8 percent chance that you've once earned an income of \$100,000, and a 20.6 percent chance that you've once earned an

income of \$250,000.

If this doesn't represent economic mobility in America, then nothing does.

What's different about the Republican approach is the desire to use real solutions to fix our problems, not perpetuate the problems to secure a permanent voting class. Marriage is one of the strongest combatants to poverty. Proper education and retraining for a 21st-century workforce will get many back to work. Lowering taxes and eliminating burdensome regulation produces hiring opportunities for businesses and encourages wealth creation.

The ineffectiveness of the minimum wage as an economic equalizer is a well-documented phenomenon that demands more from our leaders, not the trite reshuffling of failed promises. Rather than demonize the GOP and refuse to work with Congress, the president should afford the Republicans the opportunity to break the gridlock and get America back to work.

Joe Schueler
University of Iowa College Republicans

Ambulance service needs more room

Insufficient ambulance facilities will cause issues if they are not rectified, officials say.

By DANIEL SEIDL

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Johnson County's current facilities for housing ambulances will soon become insufficient if not addressed in the near future.

"New ambulances being purchased do not fit in our existing building," said Johnson County Supervisor Terrence Neuzil. "What we've been doing is that we have [two additional] locations for ambulances."

Though these additional facilities — located at the county secondary-roads building and at the Coralville Fire Department — help with the problem, they are by no means a permanent solution. As the county has to replace more ambulances with the newer model, it will run out of space, said Johnson County Ambulance Service Director Steve Spenler.

"Currently, it's not causing any issues," he said. "[But] as time goes on and we continue to replace ambulances, [we will run out of space.]"

Some other Iowa county officials aren't facing the same problem because they were prepared for the newer models.

"Years ago, we had a

private ambulance provider in the city, and it had some issues," Muscatine County Assistant Fire Chief Mike Hartman said. "We haven't had any problems in 15 years."

The ambulance-storage facilities in Muscatine County are shared with the Fire Department, he said, so space has not been an issue.

Johnson County has only one of the newer ambulances in its fleet, but it will expand this number by one each year. By fiscal 2017, there will be no space to hold the new vehicles. County officials are upgrading the ambulances because Ford stopped manufacturing the model with the diesel engine that is used by the county. The new model, a Ford F-450, costs roughly \$175,000 per unit.

Neuzil said though the ambulance-storage problem is important, the county has been focusing on even more pressing issues in past years, such as the renovation/replacement of the Johnson County Jail and Courthouse — proposals that have failed to pass twice in recent years. This has caused the county to consider scaling back improve-

ments for the ambulance facilities.

"We've been planning for several years for a new ambulance building," Neuzil said. "Given the light of where we are with the courthouse and jail issue, we are rethinking our strategy and looking at more of a renovation. We don't have as many resources available."

The supervisors discussed a potential new ambulance facility in November 2012, though they agreed the courthouse and jail were more important. Instead, they are now considering a simpler renovation to the existing facility.

The renovation would add an additional garage to the ambulance storage building, which would accommodate further growth in the future.

The issue of growth is another one that necessitates the expansion, Spenler said. When the current facilities were built, the Ambulance Service was much smaller, and the space is becoming very crowded, he said.

"When we built this facility, we had two ambulances and 20 staff," he said. "We're going to have seven ambulances and 50 staff."

IC braces for retiree surge

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They boomed into the workforce, and now they're boomer into retirement.

Baby boomers retiring from the public sector in the next five to 10 years will leave thousands of jobs nationwide that few people are qualified to fill, said Brad Hanson, the city manager of Onawa, a town of roughly 3,000 in western Iowa.

Iowa City will not be immune to the retirement surge.

Iowa City personnel administrator Karen Jennings said many city employees could retire in coming years.

"More than half of our employees will be within retirement age in the next five years," she said.

The city cannot promote from within right away, either, Jennings said.

Labor-union rules do not allow for someone to be immediately promoted to a position.

However, ranking offices such as the Police and Fire Departments promote based on rank, Jennings said. When ranking officials retire, the people below them will be promoted.

Groups such as the International City/County Management Association are beginning programs to recruit young people to fill the anticipated open positions.

Rob Carty, the director of career services and next generations initiatives for the association, said it uses graduate students to introduce younger students to

public administration.

The student chapters of the group attempt to get undergraduates interested in public administration, he said.

The shortage will extend most to the local level, especially city managers, deputy managers, and department heads. Carty said many recent public-administration graduates migrate to the federal government or nonprofits.

"People can find a niche very easily," Carty said.

The retirement tidal wave, identified by the management association in 2003, was predicted to occur over the following decade.

However, the financial recession delayed retirement for many boomers, Carty said.

Many boomers delayed their retirement for pension reasons resulting from the recession. Others put off their retirements in order to avoid a change in leadership during the recession, Carty said.

One method to find successors, Onawa's Hanson said, is succession planning, which involves identifying and training qualified young adults for the positions opening up through programs tailored and modified specifically to the community.

Hanson said part of the reason there will be a shortage is a lack of awareness of public-administration jobs.

"I go to career days in high schools and career days in college and get the same response," Hanson said. "I did not know there was a career in public man-

agement."

Internships used to provide graduates opportunities in the field; however, they are less common now.

"A lot of local administrators started their careers as interns, but not a lot of them fund internships," Carty said.

A lack of funding also limits the ability to promote from within.

Rather than laying people off, many local governments cut out professional development opportunities such as trips to conferences, Carty said.

One way the management association fights this, he said, is through Management Talent Exchange Programs.

The program, according to the association website, involves trading "high potential" employees among departments, counties, or cities to allow them to learn another area of public administration.

In 2005, while serving on the City Council of Federal Heights, Colo., Hanson had the opportunity to hire a city manager.

Federal Heights, a Denver suburb with 11,000 people, would have paid the city manager more than \$100,000.

"Thirty years ago," Hanson said, "we would have had 40 applicants, narrowed them down to 10 to 15, invited eight in for an interview, and have seven show up."

The council only received 20 applicants in 2005, of which three were invited to interview, and only two showed up, Hanson said.

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Hypothermia and being blackout drunk: Winter in Iowa City

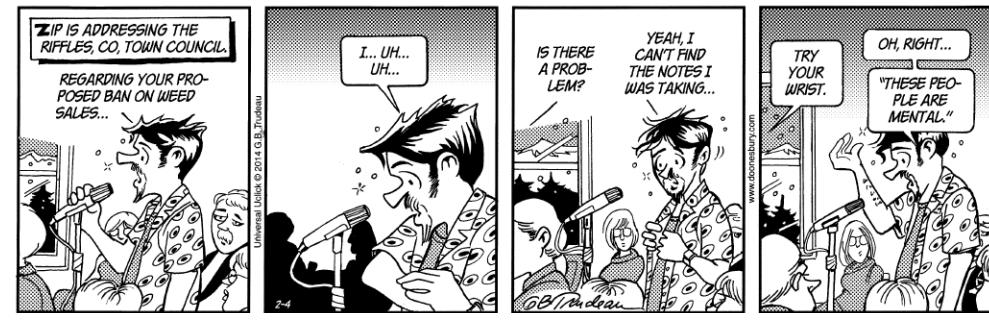
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 - Confusion, poor logical reasoning
 - Exhaustion
 - Making poor choices, such as removing your warm clothing
 - Poor coordination
 - Bright red skin

If you see someone displaying these symptoms, here are some appropriate actions to take after calling 911:

- Test their mental capacity by asking a series of logic questions (i.e., who is the president, what have you consumed today, where are your pants?)
- Ask them gently to sit down to conserve energy; they are probably exhausted from their struggle in the tundra and/or the bathroom at Brothers.
- When possible, bring them indoors, remove wet clothing, cover in warm blankets to prevent them from further harm, and wait for the ambulance.

Mollie Cook thanks the Mayo Clinic for a helpful diagnostic this week.

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today's events

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- Spanish for Employees in the Medical Field, Human Resources/Staff Language and Culture Services, noon, 3189 Med Labs
- Obermann lunchtime discussion, Alan Bewell with work in progress "Romantic Mobility," 12:30 p.m., Obermann Center for Advanced Studies
- Microbiology Seminar, "CRISPR/Cas-mediated endogenous gene regulation is required for bacterial innate immune evasion," David Weiss, Emory University, 3 p.m., Bowen Watzke Auditorium
- Obermann/English Department Lecture, "Natures in Translation: Romanticism and Colonial Natural History," Alan Translation: Romanticism and Colonial Natural History," Alan

- Bewell, University of Toronto, 3:30 p.m., 304 EPB
- Greater China Business Association Huhot Lunar New Year Fundraiser, 5-8 p.m., Huhot Mongolian Grill, 917 25th Ave., Coralville; car pools leaving IMU south entrance 5-5:15 p.m.
- Vino Van Gogh, 6 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- Josh Ritter, 8 p.m., Englert, 221 E. Washington
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Tuesday, February 4, 2014
by Eugenia Last

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You'll be on edge because of the changes going on around you. Take care of business so you can control whatever situation unfolds. Don't allow a controversial topic to suck you in. Avoid any sort of debate. Physical activity will alleviate stress.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Get active. Take part in community events. Share your ideas, and offer suggestions. Take time to help a friend, relative, or neighbor. Don't let personal criticism cause you to make unnecessary changes. Avoid unpredictable situations. Love and romance are highlighted.

GEMINI (May 21-June 22): Being talkative is fine, as long as you stick to the truth. Don't mislead someone who is counting on you at work or at home. Getting involved with someone from work or in a situation that is detrimental to your job must be avoided.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't worry too much about what others do or say. Follow your heart and your intuition when it comes to conversations and making plans. An unexpected change must not upset you. Look for the positive in every situation, and you will be on your way.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Visiting unfamiliar places or making new acquaintances will initiate an important decision regarding the direction you want to take. A contract will add to your security and make you feel more at ease. Get what you want in writing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Keep your emotions and aggression tucked away in a safe place. The less said, the easier it will be to manipulate a situation to fit your needs. Listen carefully, and make strategic plans that are sure to lead to greater opportunities.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Disappointment will result if you can't make up your mind and miss something interesting. A social or work-related event will lead to an interesting encounter with someone who may be able to motivate you to make a move.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Line up prospects, and push for what you want and you will make headway. Sharing your ideas and concerns with someone special will help you put your plans in perspective. A closer bond will develop with someone who can contribute to your success.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The alterations you make at home and to your lifestyle will take you back in time. Someone from your past will spark your imagination and help you revisit old goals. A change will mark the beginning of a new way to move forward.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Experience will help you make better choices now. Don't let emotional issues alter your course of action. Pick and choose whom you want to be around. Protect against takers and users. Don't get angry; get moving.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Important relationships should be nurtured. Getting along with others will allow you to accomplish more than you thought possible. Reach out to someone with knowledge about financial, health, or legal matters, and you will make better choices.

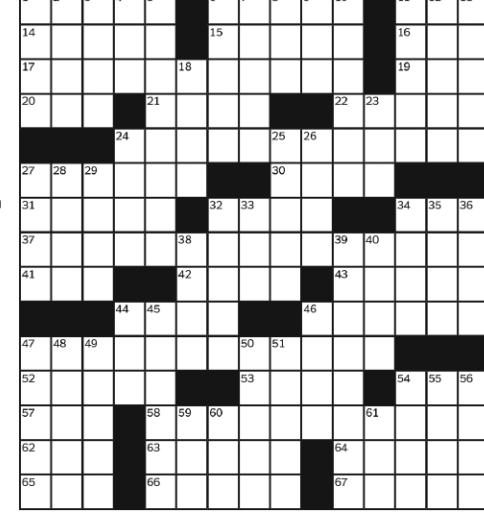
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Look for more and better ways to use your skills and attributes. Putting together a plan can lead to good fortune if you do so with secrecy. The element of surprise, coupled with a splashy presentation, will show you know what you are doing.

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In the first place, God made idiots. That was for practice. Then he made school boards.

—Mark Twain

DANCE MARATHON

CONTINUED FROM FRONT

On June 12, 2013, Jackie and her family took a trip to Iowa City. They were scheduled for an evaluation at the University of Iowa Children's Hospital. Jackie's mother, Vicki Kluesner, didn't think too much of it — they planned to shop once they were finished.

But something went awry. They met with UI neurosurgery Professor Arnold Menezes. After a time, Menezes asked that both Jackie and her older brother, Luke, to leave the room. He needed to speak with Kluesner and husband Scott Kluesner.

Vicki Kluesner remembers nearly everything about that day. She remembers what everybody was wearing. She remembers the chilly temperature in the room. She remembers how Menezes was very prompt and direct — Scott Kluesner related the moment to someone ripping off a

Band-Aid. Jackie had cancer.

"He said, 'You have 20 minutes to pull yourself together,'" Vicki Kluesner recalled.

Jackie's official diagnosis was spinal cord astrocytoma and oligodendrogloma, a rare form of cancer that normally occurs in people near the ages of 50 and 60. Menezes recommended surgery immediately. He also advised not telling Jackie, or Luke, about what was wrong.

"They had said that if she didn't get the surgery in two to three weeks, there was a very real possibility she could be paralyzed from the waist down," Vicki Kluesner said, noting Menezes had a sense of urgency about him.

Eight days later, Jackie and her family returned to Iowa City for surgery. Menezes led a team that operated for more than 10 hours to remove as much of the tumor as possible — which had spread across 10 vertebrae in Jackie's spine.

What followed was 28 weeks of radiation and continuous rehab, the lat-

ter of which involved trips to Cedar Rapids. Jackie had to regain control of her body below the waist, which included relearning to stand and walk — something she can do very well today.

Her first goal, though, which she still chuckles at, was to just learn to go to the restroom on her own again. But even then, the first step isn't always the hardest.

When asked what the toughest part of the process was, Jackie thought for a moment, and then said, "Not being at home."

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One night in September, Vicki Kluesner snuck into Jackie's room while she was sleeping. Jackie had lost a few teeth, so Kluesner was playing the role of tooth fairy.

As she slid a few dollars under Jackie's pillow, she found a note to go along with the teeth. Vicki read the note and began to tear up.

The note read: "Dear Tooth Fairy, the money you give me will go to Iowa City for children fighting cancer. So can I please

get a little more?" Jackie signed it at the bottom.

"The 'tooth fairy' came back into the bedroom and told me, 'You have to read this,'" Scott Kluesner said. "And then [she] asked me to pull out my wallet."

This was the beginning of "Jackie's Cause" through the Iowa Foundation, a fundraiser that sends every last penny to the UI Holden Comprehensive Cancer Center to help find a cure for both astrocytoma and oligodendrogloma.

"I'm like, I'm going to get three bucks from the tooth fairy," Jackie said. "What am I supposed to do with three bucks?"

Jackie initially handed the money — which totaled \$86 after her birthday a short time later — directly to Menezes, whose eyes became watery. He accepted it, saying, Scott Kluesner related, that her \$86 will mean more to him than any other donation he's ever received.

Dr. Menezes said, "She's got more work to do," Scott said. "She still has great things to do."

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When Jackie was in the pediatric intensive care unit, one of the nurses reminded the Kluesner family to come to the front desk every day to get two tokens to the vending machine. They were courtesy of Dance Marathon.

Later on, when Jackie was going through radiation, one of the workers who assisted Jackie asked Vicki Kluesner if she ever thought about sharing Jackie's story with Dance Marathon.

A couple of phone calls and emails were traded and the process began to pick up steam. The Kluesners started to learn more about it and were enthralled by the idea. They jumped on board.

All of these college kids are taking a break from their partying for a weekend and doing this Dance Marathon, and that's really neat," Vicki Kluesner said. "And if you can set an example to your own kids about these kids doing something to give back, then maybe we should be a part of it."

Leading up to the Big Event, Jackie continues to rehab. She visits Iowa

City for evaluations on a regular basis. Her cancer hasn't gone into remission, and that's a little unsettling for her mother and father.

Still, they've had more than enough help through this entire process — a lot of which has come from Jackie. She oozes confidence, and that amazes her parents, even though they refer to her future as "The Big Question Mark."

That doesn't stop Jackie. She said after the surgery, she didn't feel like the cancer was in her back anymore, and because she couldn't feel it, it was no longer there in her mind.

"It's not in the room," Jackie said of the cancer. Back on the couch, she turned and stared right at her father. "It's gone."

Scott smiled. "And that's the attitude we're going to have."

If you'd like to donate to Jackie's Cause, gifts should be directed to the UI Foundation, P.O. Box 4550, Iowa City, IA, 52244, or made online at <http://www.uifoundation.org/jackiescause> to support the Directed Cancer Gift Fund.

DANCE PREP

has been a host to Dance Marathon — a group of students raising money to support children with cancer. The adrenaline-racing, fist-pumping Big Event is a well-known story. However, there is a lot of work that goes into Dance Marathon that isn't as recognizable.

"It's a lot of meetings, lots of planning, lots of emails back and forth," McKee said.

For an event to go off without a hitch, someone has to organize the logistics. This year, that man is Dakota Thomas. As the executive operations director, he oversees the pickups, drop-offs, and assembly of everything that goes into the Big Event. This includes everything from the Pancho's burritos to the front stage.

It's no easy task.

"The hardest part is probably meeting deadlines," he said.

However, Thomas has some help.

There is a committee of 34 people dedicated to helping organize the event. On top of that, there are nearly 400 volunteers to do the heavy lifting.

For Thomas, the week leading up to the Big Event is nearly as busy as the main event itself. Monday is check-in day. Beginning Wednesday night, the leadership of Dance Marathon floods into the IMU and begins setting up. By Friday, all the lights, the sound systems, and the stage will be complete and ready to welcome the dancers.

But the opening ceremony doesn't mean the job is done.

Behind the scenes, Dance Marathon workers are also working to bring the dancing into the liv-

ing rooms of those still at home.

"We will be running our social media the entire 24 hours," Drake Wilbur, the public relations and marketing director for Dance Marathon, said.

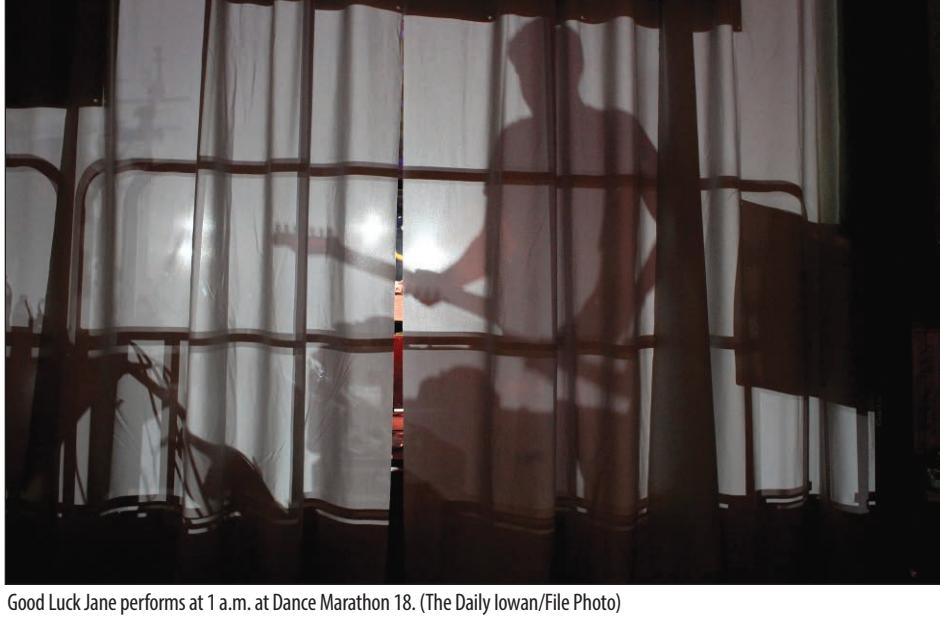
A committee of 19 students will spend the Big Event pushing photography, video, and stories onto their social-media sites.

"The Big Event is more than just the Main Lounge," Thomas said.

Those running the Big Event are also running a medley of side-rooms. The most popular is the Best-Buy room, which houses such video-games systems as PlayStation and Xbox.

"It's really impressive," Thomas said. "When you're just sitting in the IMU, you never see how big it is."

A year of planning means everything serves a purpose. All the extra rooms are used to give students a break — while still



Good Luck Jane performs at 1 a.m. at Dance Marathon 18. (The Daily Iowan/File Photo)

keeping them in sight.

"It's a really easy way for us to monitor if people are trying to sit down or sneak off," McKee said. "It gives them another outlet."

Dance Marathon also provides the families with

a place out of the spotlight. Above the Main Lounge are rooms set aside for the families of the children.

"We like to give our families space to come and go and participate as much or as little as they want,"

McKee said.

But even though a lot of time and energy is given to pulling off the Big Event, Thomas said it's worth it.

"I want them to really see how happy I am when I do it," he said.

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Christie cooperates with bridge subpoena

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TRENTON, N.J. — Gov. Chris Christie on Monday said his office is cooperating with a subpoena from federal authorities investigating whether any laws were broken when lanes near a New Jersey/New York bridge were apparently closed for political retribution.

The Republican governor also said in a radio interview as he took questions for the first time in more than three weeks that he may have heard about the traffic tie-ups in Fort Lee when they were going on last September, but that it didn't register with him as a major issue if he did.

He said that a news report several days after the lanes were reopened got his attention and that he asked staffers to look into it. The report indicated that the head of the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey did not authorize the closings.

"Nobody has said I knew about this before it happened, and I think that's the most important question," Christie said in the appearance on his "Ask the Governor" radio show on Townsquare Media Monday night.

It was the first time Christie took questions since a nearly two-hour news conference Jan. 9, the day after emails were made public showing that at least one of his top aides had a role in a traffic-blocking scheme near the George Washington Bridge. Since then, he has made public



New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie speaks during a ceremony to pass official hosting duties of next year's Super Bowl to representatives from Arizona on Feb. 1 in New York. Fellow Republicans are assessing the damage of new allegations that Christie knew about a traffic-blocking operation orchestrated by top aides. (Associated Press/Bebeto Matthews)

appearances but not opened himself to questions, except to schoolchildren in Camden.

Meanwhile Monday, Christie's campaign sought to exceed New Jersey's election spending cap to pay for lawyers dealing with subpoenas stemming from a political payback scandal.

A special legislative investigative committee said Monday it had begun receiving documents it re-

quested in response to 20 subpoenas it issued last month. It's trying to unravel how high up Christie's chain of command a lane-closing order went in September and whether the operation was meant to punish a Democratic adversary.

In a request to the state Election Law Enforcement Commission, Christie's campaign organization asked for permission to raise more

money and to spend it on lawyers handling subpoenas issued by both legislative investigators and the U.S. Attorney's Office.

The campaign has already spent all but \$13,000 of the more than the \$12.2 million limit for Christie's re-election. Without more money, the campaign said it would not be able to answer the subpoenas.

Neither subpoena suggests the campaign "has en-

gaged in wrongdoing," the campaign's lawyers said in their request.

A hearing before the election commission was set for Feb. 11.

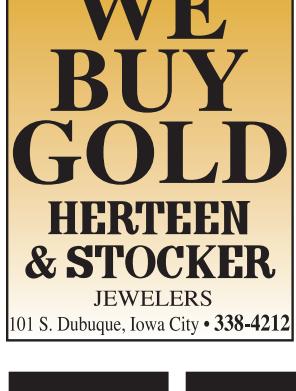
Subpoenaed information was due to lawmakers Monday and federal prosecutors on Wednesday, but the campaign said it has requested extensions.

Assemblyman John Wisniewski, the co-chairman of the joint legislative

panel leading the investigation, told the Associated Press that some deadline extensions were granted.

The requests of others who were asked to produce documents on a rolling basis were also being considered.

He and the other leader of the inquiry, state Sen. Loretta Weinberg, both Democrats, said that none of the responsive documents would be made public Monday.



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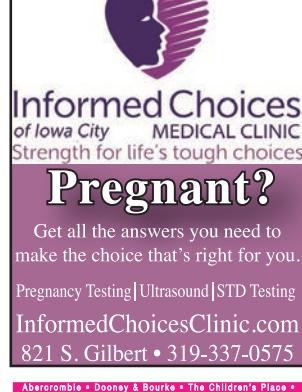
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SIGNING DAY

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junior-college transfer reeled in 12 catches for 291 yards and 2 scores, but he didn't see the field as much as we would have liked.

Powell is likely the fastest player on this team, and Iowa is going to have to find a way to get the ball in his hands so he can create some relevance next year.

Reggie Spearman got limited playing time in 2013, but we saw some really good things from the defensive end/linebacker hybrid who will likely start at a linebacker next year. He mostly

saw playing time on the defensive line in Iowa's "prowler" package for passing situations, but he still recorded 10 tackles in 10 games. Remember this name for next year.

The Bad

Matt VandeBerg saw a decent amount of playing time at wide receiver as a true freshman, appearing in 11 games and pulling down 8 passes for 59 yards. Still, it makes little sense to burn a red-shirt on a guy who more or less played the exact same role as Jordan Cotton or Don Shumpert. There are five other receivers older than VandeBerg who didn't see

the kind of playing time he did. I'm not sure if that says more about VandeBerg or them, but either way, Kevonte Martin-Manley, Jacob Hillyer, Tevaun Smith, and Powell all return next year, and we know what all those guys are capable of. I don't see VandeBerg improving too much from 2013-14.

The Unknown

It's a little unfair, albeit difficult, to pick out warts in the performances of first-year players, but that's what we do. Even though LeShun Daniels showed he can run with a full head of steam and block

for quarterback Jake Rudock, his 3.9 yards/carry average is a little underwhelming when you're running behind an offensive line such as Iowa's. He's going to have to figure out his fumbling problem, too.

Daniels did show a sense of capability at running back, but his sample size was too small (36 carries, 142 yards, 2 fumbles) to make any educated type of assessment of his play.

Iowa doesn't graduate any running backs from last season, so he'll likely stay low on the totem pole behind Mark Weisman, Jordan Canzeri, and Damon Bullock.

Coaches always talk

about the unsung heroes in practice who never see the field. While that could just be their blowing smoke a lot of the time, there are a few guys from last year's recruiting class that people should be excited to see.

Jon Wisnieski was Iowa's lone four-star recruit last year, and he was redshirted because Iowa had a whole saucer full of capable tight ends. Even though C.J. Fiedorowicz graduates, Wisnieski still likely has Ray Hamilton, Henry Krieger-Coble, and Jake Duzey in front of him. We may have to wait another year to see what the West Des Moines native can do.

After Wisnieski, few

names come to mind. I'm sure some of the offensive linemen will do just fine, as is always the case with Iowa, but Iowa has a somewhat complete roster going into next year. Two guys who Iowa coaches always seem to jump at the chance to talk about are Solomon Warfield at defensive back and running back Akrum Wadley.

Wadley will likely have to wait his turn the same way Daniels will, but Iowa always has room for defensive backs to play around with. Tanner Miller and B.J. Lowery leave the defensive secondary for graduation, so maybe Warfield could fill one of the holes.

THE GOOD**THE BAD****THE UNKNOWN**

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Desmond King/Cornerback

King more or less stole the starting cornerback position from Jordan Lomax on Day One and exceeded all expectations there. He won numerous Big Ten Freshman of the Week awards last year, and the sky seems to be the limit for the young prowler in the defensive secondary.

Matt VandeBerg/Wide Receiver

At 6-1, Vandeberg doesn't even really have the size some may rather see at wide receiver. There were at least five other players who have already redshirted that could have played over VandeBerg in 2013, but he still got the call last year. Only time will tell if burning VandeBerg's redshirt last year will pay off.

LeShun Daniels/Running Back

Running back isn't a position that needs urgent attention for Iowa, which is good, because that gives Daniels time to figure out how to stop fumbling. He was decent for a true freshman who got 36 carries last year, and his production should only go up in 2014. That's when we'll know if Daniels is the running back of Iowa's future.

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Doubles change unpopular with some



Iowa tennis players Ruth Seaborne and Morven McCulloch face Drake's Jordan Eggleston and Klavdija Rebol in a doubles match at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex on Feb. 16. A change in the doubles rules has raised some eyebrows. (The Daily Iowan/Juan Carlos Herrera)

Format changes influence matches in women's tennis.

By ALEC CLASEN
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The Intercollegiate Tennis Association is in the middle of an experiment.

Two weeks ago, the Iowa women's tennis tandem of Annette Dohanics and Ellen Silver became part of that experiment in their first home dual meet of the season against Northern Iowa.

After Iowa teams clinched their first two double matches, and with Dohanics and Silver leading 4-3 in the third and final doubles match, their match was abandoned.

The points that Silver and Dohanics scored no longer carried any significance.

The experimental format changes state that in doubles, if one team has already clinched two of the three matches, the third can be simply abandoned if both coaches deem it unnecessary.

"The set of doubles is really short, so it

takes away a lot of our time," Dohanics said. "Plus dropping that match once the doubles point has been decided definitely takes away opportunities to beat ranked teams."

Dohanics was adamant in her disapproval of the format changes. The distaste of having her opportunity to compete taken from her was apparent.

Silver was less upset about the abandonment of their match, understanding that the rule changes will take time to get used to.

"We are all getting used to it; doubles goes by super fast," Silver said. "Obviously, we are a team, and if we've already won the doubles point, it's a doubles point."

The game of tennis is a complex, unique sport in that player's individual accomplishments don't necessarily reflect or benefit the team as a whole.

If the doubles point has been clinched, the remain-

ing doubles team still has the opportunity to improve its record and possibly upset a better team.

That win could increase that double team's stock in the rankings. Although this didn't necessarily apply to the Dohanics and Silvers match, if they had been facing a ranked opponent, abandoning the match would have been foolish.

Iowa women's tennis coach Katie Dougherty is on the fence about the rule changes.

"I'm kind of undecided," she said. "There's a lot more of an element on luck, a little bit less on conditioning."

"But it's exciting, it's quicker ... it definitely favors the underdog," Dougherty conceded. "It changes our sport a little bit."

The format changes are an attempt to speed up college tennis matches to make them more interesting.

A letter from Collegiate Tennis Director Virgil Christian had some key objectives to

help improve the game. Increasing the number of fans while increasing national and media coverage were high atop the list.

The changes that affect the women's team are purely experimental, at matches both coaches have the option whether or not to fully abide by the changes and can choose to play the third doubles match.

There is evidence that the change is working, however — even in Iowa City.

Iowa's first two home matches against Nebraska-Omaha and Northern Iowa were both under three hours, showing the effectiveness of the format changes.

It's important to note that this format will not be in place when Iowa begins its Big Ten schedule in mid-March.

"It only lasts for another two and a half, three weeks," Dougherty said. "It's not going to be the format we play our Big Ten schedule in."

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Shymansky guided his squad to its first ever NCAA berth and victory in program history in 2011, before leading the team back to the tournament in consecutive seasons in 2012 and 2013.

Before that, Shymansky spent seven seasons as the head coach of Georgia Tech, guiding the Yellow Jackets to three tournament berths, including finish-

es in the Elite Eight and Sweet Sixteen, earning ACC Conference and Regional Coach of the Year honors in 2004.

"Going into next season, I'm just expecting kind of a fresh start," junior Alessandra Dietz said. "As well as a lot of good things in preseason and in the Big Ten for Iowa."

Shymansky will try his best to install a winning attitude and culture at Iowa, a program that traditionally has never had one.

Though the Hawkeyes went just 2-18 in the Big

Ten this past season, a number of returning Iowa players have raised expectations for next season.

"Our expectations are obviously to improve our win-loss record," junior Alessandra Dietz said. "That's the basis. We'd love to make the NCAA Tournament as well, but I guess we'll just have to see how that goes from our preseason to our

nonconference and just build from there."

Luckily for them, Shymansky has all the confidence in the world that this team is capable of success.

"Everything is here that we need to succeed. It's here," Shymansky said. "It's the people, it's the staff, it's the conference, it's the facilities — it's all here."

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stretch.

But the Buckeyes are coming off a road win over Wisconsin. And there's no doubt they'll give Iowa everything they have, knowing the Hawkeyes have a chance to complete the regular-season sweep this evening.

"You have to come out with even more intensity and better focus," senior guard Devyn Marble said about playing an opponent the second time. "They're going to want to get that win back. They lost on their home court; I know that left a sour taste in their mouth."

"They're definitely going to come in here with the motivation and hunger to beat us on our home court ... They're just as hungry as we are to get a win."

Marble lit up the score sheet in Iowa's win over Ohio State in January. The Southland, Mich., native scored 22 points to go along with 4 rebounds, 3 assists, 3 steals, and 2 blocks.

Ohio State's LaQuinton Ross gave Iowa trouble when the two squads last met, scoring 22 points and grabbed 7 rebounds. And Ross has scored in double figures in 12 of his last 13 games.

"He's a terrific jump shooter; he's got a versatile game," Iowa head coach Fran McCaffery said. "He's got enough size to post up. He's got a little in-between game, the shot-fake driving, you know, he's able to shoot the ball at crunch time. He makes his free throws. He gets to the free-throw line."

"He's just one of the many guys in our league that is really talented offensively, and you've got

to pay attention to him."

Both teams are coming off road victories. And today's game is crucial in terms of seeding for the Big Ten Tournament. Even though the Buckeyes have struggled in conference (4-5), a win against Iowa would pull them within just one game of the Hawkeyes.

With Michigan scheduled to visit Carver on Saturday, the importance of today's game is magnified even more. But McCaffery wants players to view this week's games through the same lens that they would for any other set of games.

"No different than any other game on our schedule," McCaffery said. "Obviously, we have tremendous respect for Thad Matta and Ohio State. Saturday is Saturday, we play here, and that's a whole other topic. But it wouldn't matter if we were playing Ohio State

or any other team in this league. The evidence is there to look at it."

Having a business-like attitude towards Iowa's next two opponents is something McCaffery would obviously want from his players. And the fourth-year head coach cited the array of upsets and road victories in the Big Ten as reason for that.

But players recognize the importance of Iowa's next two games. And if Iowa hopes to secure a top 4 seed and a first round bye in the daunting Big Ten Tournament, they ought to.

"Every game's important, but if you look at who's behind us and who's in front of us, these are the tough games coming up," Iowa center Gabrial Olaseni said. "We have a week off after Saturday, so we definitely have to really focus on these next two and try to get two Ws."

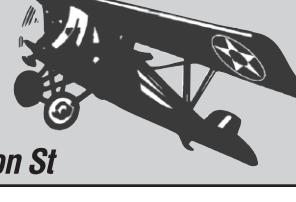
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MEN'S HOOPS DROPS TWO SPOTS

The Iowa men's basketball team fell further down the rankings in the latest AP Top 25 poll after another midweek loss to a Big Ten rival.

Despite a bounce-back 81-74 victory over Illinois this past weekend, Iowa's 71-69 overtime loss to then No. 7 Michigan State on Jan. 28 dropped the Hawks to 1-5 against the AP Top 25 and 6-3 in the Big Ten.

Fran McCaffery's squad will have more opportunities to bolster its résumé in the coming week, with both Ohio State and Michigan making trips to Iowa City.

In addition to Iowa, two Big Ten schools appear in this week's rankings: Michigan State (9) and Michigan (10).

— by Joshua Bolander

NO. 1 SYRACUSE BEATS NOTRE DAME

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Trevor Cooney has his shooting touch back — just in the nick of time for top-ranked Syracuse.

Cooney scored a career-high 33 points, matching a school record with nine 3-pointers, and the Orange beat Notre Dame, 61-55, on Monday night in another matchup of former Big East foes.

After struggling to a woeful 25.4 percent (14-of-55) from behind the arc in his first seven Atlantic Coast Conference games, Cooney has hit 11-of-13 in the past two games and was the difference against the Irish as the Orange's frontline faltered.

"It feels good," Cooney said. "I kind of got going, and guys just found me in good spots."

Syracuse (22-0, 9-0 Atlantic Coast Conference), which moved to No. 1 this week after its scintillating 91-89 overtime victory over Duke on Feb. 1 and Arizona's loss to California, extended its school record for most consecutive wins to start a season. Notre Dame (12-11, 3-7) has lost seven of nine.

— Associated Press

AP TOP 25

1. Syracuse
 2. Arizona
 3. Florida
 4. Wichita State
 5. San Diego State
 6. Villanova
 7. Cincinnati
 8. Kansas
 9. Michigan State *
 10. Michigan *
 11. Duke
 12. Creighton
 13. St. Louis
 14. Louisville
 15. Texas
 16. Iowa State
 17. Iowa *
 18. Kentucky
 19. Oklahoma State
 20. Virginia
 21. Oklahoma
 22. Connecticut
 23. Gonzaga
 24. Memphis
 25. Pittsburgh
- * Denotes Big Ten school

SCOREBOARD

NCAAM

Iowa State 98, Oklahoma State 97 (F/3OT)
Villanova 81, Xavier 58
Syracuse 61, Notre Dame 55

NCAAW

Baylor 81, Oklahoma 67

NBA

Indiana 98, Orlando 79
Sacramento 99, Chicago 70
Indiana 98, Orlando 79
Washington 100, Portland 90
Brooklyn 108, Philadelphia 102
Miami 102, Detroit 96
Milwaukee 101, New York 98
San Antonio 102, New Orleans 95
Oklahoma City 86, Memphis 77
Dallas 124, Cleveland 107
Denver 116, LA Clipper 115
Toronto 94, Utah 79

NHL

Columbus 4, Anaheim 2
Chicago 5, Los Angeles 3
Philadelphia 5, San Jose 2
Edmonton 3, Buffalo 2
Pittsburgh 2, Ottawa 1 (F/OT)
Detroit 2, Vancouver 0
Colorado 2, New Jersey 1 (F/OT)

WHAT TO WATCH

NCAAM

Kansas vs. Baylor, 6 p.m., ESPN2

Missouri vs. Florida, 8 p.m. ESPN

Shymansky confident



New Iowa volleyball head coach Bond Shymansky speaks at his first press conference on Monday in Carver-Hawkeye. Shymansky spoke about finding talented players in Iowa. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Hisinger)

For Bond Shymansky, coaching the Hawks has been a dream.

By RYAN RODRIGUEZ

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After more than 12 years, Bond Shymansky is finally coming home.

Well over a decade into coaching various women's volleyball programs all over the country, the Iowa City native and University of Iowa graduate has returned to his hometown to take his dream job: head coach of the Iowa volleyball team.

For Shymansky, it has been a long time coming and a job that has attracted him since the beginning of his coaching career.

"Yes, it just has [been on my mind]," he said. "There's something, and I tweeted the other night, 'always have been, always will be a Hawkeye.' That's just the way it is.

You know, you grow up here, and it just becomes a part of whom you are. It's part of your fabric."

Since graduating from the UI in 1995, Shymansky's career has taken him from high-school gymnasiums to the heart of ACC country and now the Big Ten, the most competitive volleyball conference in America.

"It's really been a great journey for me," Shymansky said. "I started as a ninth-grade B team coach at West High ... I don't think my paycheck ever even covered my food and gas expense, but that's not why I was doing it."



Barta
athletics director

"I did it because I loved the game, and I loved coaching and teaching."

Shymansky brings more than hometown experience and a positive attitude. In his 12 years of coaching at the college level, he has developed a winning pedigree and attitude — a key reason Athletics Director Gary Barta hired him.

"Looking for somebody who shared our values: Win, graduate and do it right, and that was an important piece of the puzzle," Barta said. "I certainly knew what he had accomplished at Georgia Tech. I watched as he did that again and repeated that success at Marquette."

While at the helm of the Golden Eagles,

SEE VOLLEYBALL, 10

Grading 1st-year Hawks



Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz stands outside tunnel with team before the game against Northern Illinois in Kinnick Stadium on Aug. 31, 2013. (The Daily Iowan/Joshua Hisinger)

By BEN ROSS

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Kirk Ferentz and the Iowa football team will sign around 20 new players on Wednesday as part of national signing day for college football, and while *The Daily Iowan* will provide full coverage of those fresh faces, let's take a look at Iowa's 2013 recruiting class — who contributed, who was a bust, and who is poised to break out down the stretch of his Hawkeye career.

The 2013 class featured 21 players, five of whom saw extensive (to a degree)

playing time. Of those five, only two really caught the attention of coaches enough to see the field on a consistent basis. Those two, cornerback Desmond King and receiver Damond Powell, have bright futures in Black and Gold. For the rest, their futures are still to be determined.

The Good

King is obviously the name that jumps out at people. The true freshman filled in for an injured Jordan Lomax almost immediately in the first game of the season and never

looked back. King started the rest of the games at corner in 2013, recording 69 tackles, 8 pass break-ups, and 2 fumble recoveries. What is perhaps most promising about King is that he played the best game of the season against LSU, where he faced a group of receivers that will likely get drafted in the NFL. All-conference is not out of the question for King's bright future.

After King, there's Powell, whose play was explosive but also incredibly underwhelming. The

SEE SIGNING DAY, 9

Buckeyes seek revenge

The No. 17 Iowa men's basketball team will square off against Ohio State in Carver-Hawkeye this evening. Iowa defeated Ohio State in Columbus on Jan. 12.

By RYAN PROBASCO

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The Hawkeyes' Jan. 12 win on the road against Ohio State served as a marker, a statement that the hype surrounding Iowa basketball was deserved. The Buckeyes were the No. 3 team in the country at the time, and the game opened nonbelievers' eyes to the potential of this team.

Ohio State has struggled since, though, losing three of five games while averaging just 61.2 points per game during that

SEE MEN, 10

Marble
guard

SEE MEN, 10

No. 17 Iowa vs. Ohio State

Where: Carver-Hawkeye

When: 6:02 p.m. CST

Where to watch: ESPN (WATCHESPN)